

# CS 522: Data Structures and Algorithms II

## Homework 1

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1. **Solution:** If both INCREMENT and DECREMENT operations were included in the  $k$ -bit counter, an amortized analysis of the cost of  $n$  operations would cost as much as  $\Theta(nk)$  time because we would no longer be able to consider each operation as a consecutive INCREMENT, but rather as any combination of INCREMENTS and DECREMENTS. Thus, in a worse-case scenario, it would be possible to alternate  $n$  times between two operations which cost  $O(k)$  each, resulting in a total cost of  $\Theta(nk)$ .
2. **Solution:** To show that the amortized cost of TABLE-DELETE under this strategy is bounded above by a constant, we will consider two cases. We will use the potential function:

$$\Phi(T) = |2 \cdot T.num - T.size|$$

The first case is the one in which the table does not contract, and thus  $num_i = num_{i-1} - 1$ ,  $size_i = size_{i-1}$ , and  $c_i = 1$ :

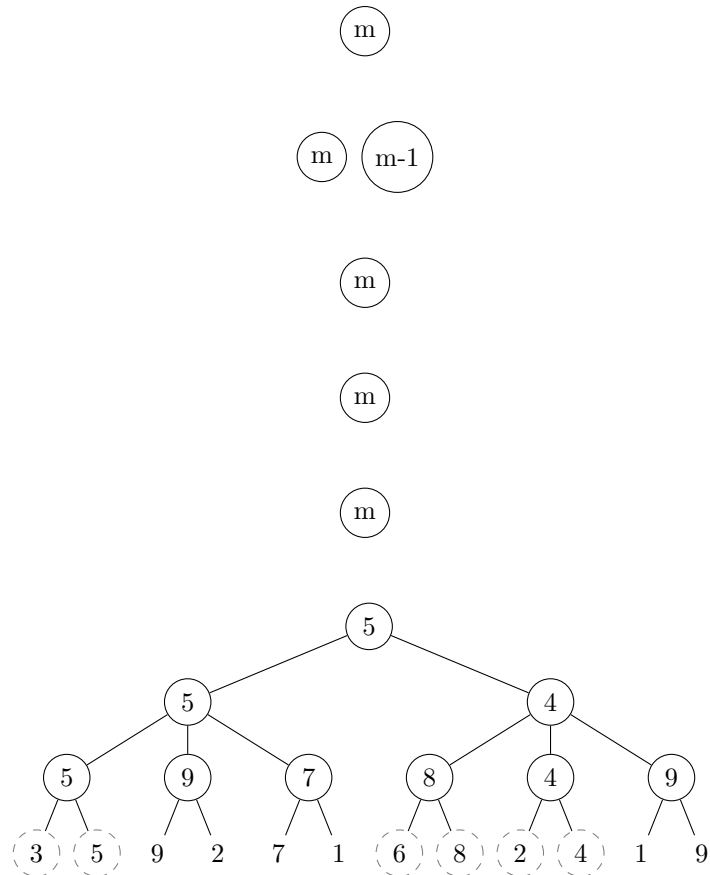
$$\begin{aligned}\hat{c}_i &= c_i + \Phi_i - \Phi_{i-1} \\ \hat{c}_i &= 1 + |2 \cdot num_i - size_i| - |2 \cdot num_{i-1} - size_{i-1}| \\ \hat{c}_i &= 1 + |2 \cdot (num_{i-1} - 1) - size_{i-1}| - |2 \cdot num_{i-1} - size_{i-1}| \\ \hat{c}_i &= 1 + |-2| \\ \hat{c}_i &= 3\end{aligned}$$

The second case is the one in which the table does contract, and thus  $size_i = \frac{2}{3}size_{i-1}$ ,  $num_{i-1} = \frac{1}{3}size_{i-1}$ , and  $c_i = num_i + 1$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{c}_i &= c_i + \Phi_i - \Phi_{i-1} \\
\hat{c}_i &= (num_i + 1) + |2 \cdot num_i - size_i| - |2 \cdot num_{i-1} - size_{i-1}| \\
\hat{c}_i &= ((num_{i-1} - 1) + 1) + |2 \cdot (num_{i-1} - 1) - \frac{2}{3}size_{i-1}| - |2 \cdot num_{i-1} - size_{i-1}| \\
\hat{c}_i &= (num_{i-1}) + |-2 + \frac{1}{3}size_{i-1}| \\
\hat{c}_i &= 2
\end{aligned}$$

Thus we see that the amortized cost of TABLE-DELETE is at most 3 and is thus bounded.

3. **Solution:** As follows:



4. **Solution:**

5. **Solution:**

6. **Solution:**

7. **Solution:**

8. **Solution:**