

# Amortized Analysis

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- **Aggregate analysis**
- **Accounting method**
- **Potential method**
- **Dynamic Table**

- Aggregate analysis
  - A sequence of  $n$  operations takes *worst-case* time  $T(n)$  in total.
  - Average cost per operation is  $T(n)/n$  in the worst case  
= amortized cost
  - Amortized cost is the same to each operation
    - Even when there are several types of operations in the sequence

- Example of stack operation
  - Stack operations
    - $\text{PUSH}(S, x)$
    - $\text{POP}(S)$
    - $\text{MULTIPOP}(S, k)$
  - PUSH and POP run in  $O(1)$  time.
    - Thus the cost of each is 1.
  - Actual running time for  $n$  operations is  $\Theta(n)$ .
    - Total cost of a sequence of these  $n$  operations is  $n$

- Example of stack operation
  - $\text{MULTIPOP}(S, k)$ 
    - Actual running time is linear in the number of POP operations actually executed.

**MULTIPOP( $S, k$ )**

1 while not STACK-EMPTY( $S$ ) and  $k > 0$

2 POP( $S$ )

3  $k = k - 1$

←  $T(1) * k$

- So, cost of  $\text{MULTIPOP}(S, k)$  is  $O(k)$ .

# Aggregate analysis

- Example of stack operation
  - $\text{MULTIPOP}(S, k)$ 
    - Remove the  $k$  top objects of stack
  - If objects of stack are less than  $k$ , it removes the objects in the stack.
    - So, stack is empty

index	1	2	3	4	5	6
S						

$\text{MULTIPOP}(S, 2)$  ↓

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**top**

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$\text{MULTIPOP}(S, 6)$  ↓

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- Example of stack operation
    - Analysis of a sequence of  $n$  PUSH, POP and MULTIPOP operations
      - on an initially empty stack
    - Intuitive analysis of time complexity (wrong way)
      - The worst-case cost of one MULTIPOP:  $O(n)$
      - Stack size: at most  $n$
- ➔ Total cost :  $O(n^2)$
- This cost isn't tight

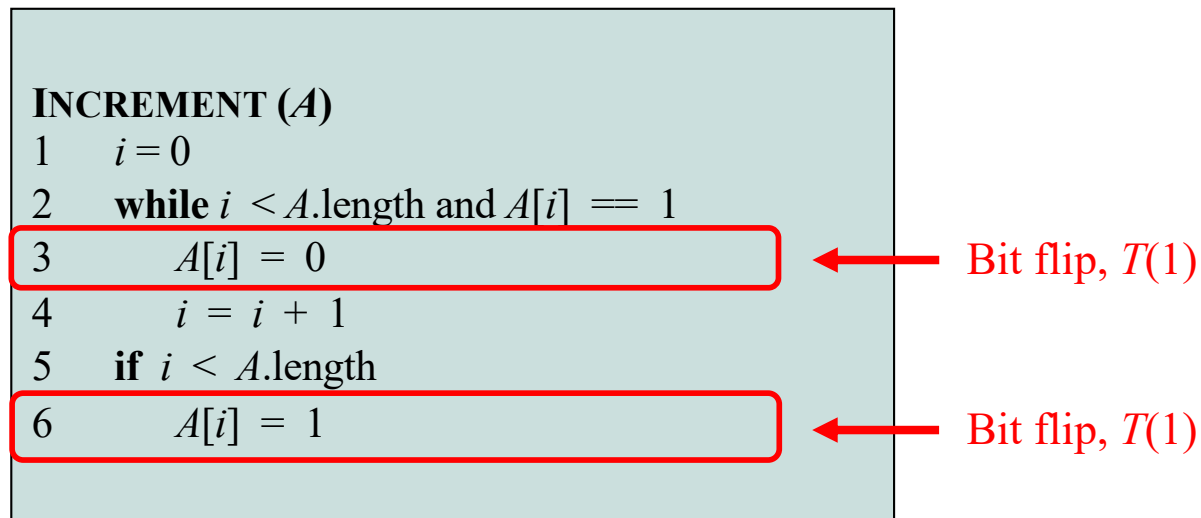
- Example of stack operation
  - Using Aggregate analysis
    - Can obtain a better upper bound the entire sequence of  $n$  operations
  - Any sequence of  $n$  PUSH, POP and MULTIPOP operations
    - on an initially empty stack
    - [Push, push, pop, push, push, push, multipop(2), ...]  
= [Push, push, pop, push, push, push, {pop, pop}, ...]  
$$n \geq \#(\text{push}) \geq \#(\text{pop})$$
$$2n \geq \#(\text{push}) + \#(\text{pop})$$
- ➔ Total cost :  $O(n)$ 
  - Amortized cost is  $O(n) / n = O(1)$



- Example of incrementing binary counter
  - Consider the problem of implementing a  $k$ -bit binary counter that counts upward from 0
    - Use an array  $A[0..k-1]$  of bits

$A[k-1]$	...	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$
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4	0	0	1	0	0	3	7

- Example of incrementing binary counter
  - A single execution of INCREMENT takes time  $\Theta(k)$  in the worst case
    - In which array  $A$  contains all 1s.

$A[k-1]$	...	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$	cost
1	...	1	1	1	-
0	...	0	0	0	$k$

- Thus, a sequence of  $n$  INCREMENT operations on an initially zero counter takes time  $O(nk)$  in the worst case.

- Example of incrementing binary counter
  - Aggregate Analysis
    - can tighten our analysis to yield a worst-case cost of  $O(n)$  for a sequence of  $n$  INCREMENT operations by observing that not all bits flip each time INCREMENT is called



- Example of incrementing binary counter
  - Compute bit flip of Array  $A$ 
    - Time of flip of  $A[0]$  :  $n$
    - Time of flip of  $A[1]$  :
    - Time of flip of  $A[2]$  :
  - The total number of flip in the sequence
    - $\sum_{i=0}^{k-1} \lfloor n/2^i \rfloor < \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} n/2^i = 2n$   
→ Total cost  $O(n)$
  - Amortized cost =  $O(n)/n = O(1)$

	$A[3]$	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$
1	0	0	0	1
2	0	0	1	0
3	0	0	1	1
4	0	1	0	0
5	0	1	0	1
6	0	1	1	0
7	0	1	1	1
8	1	0	0	0
	↑ $n/8$	↑ $n/4$	↑ $n/2$	↑ $n$

- Running time
  - $O(n)$  time in total
- Amortized cost
  - $O(n) / n = O(1)$

- *Aggregate analysis*
- **Accounting method**
- **Potential method**
- **Dynamic Table**

- Accounting method
  - assign differing charges to different operations, with some operations charged more or less than they actually cost
  - Amortized cost  
The amount of charged operation
  - Credit
    - assign the difference to specific objects in the data structure  
can help pay for later operations whose amortized cost is less than their actual cost

- Accounting method
  - We want to show that in the worst case the average cost per operation is small by analyzing with amortized costs,
    - $c_i$  : actual cost of the  $i$ th operation
    - $\hat{c}_i$  : amortized cost of the  $i$ th operation
    - $\sum_{i=0}^n \hat{c}_i \geq \sum_{i=0}^n c_i$  for all sequences of  $n$  operations
  - The total credit stored in the data structure is the difference between the total amortized cost and the total actual cost
    - $\sum_{i=0}^n \hat{c}_i - \sum_{i=0}^n c_i$

- Example of stack operation
  - The actual costs of the operations
    - PUSH 1
    - POP 1
    - MULTIPOP  $\min(k,s)$
  - The amortized costs of the operations
    - PUSH 2
    - POP 0
    - MULTIPOP 0

- Example of stack operation

index	1	2	3	4
$S$				

<b>cost</b>				
$S$	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>credit</b>				

- Example of stack operation
  - PUSH

index	1	2	3	4
$S$				

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top

cost	1			
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$S$	1	2	3	4
credit	1			

- PUSH : actual cost 1 + prepaid credit 1
- Amortized cost : actual cost + credit = 2



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credit	1	1	1	

- PUSH : actual cost 1 + prepaid credit 1
- Amortized cost : actual cost + credit = 2

- Example of stack operation

- POP

index	1	2	3	4
$S$				

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cost	1	1	1	
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$S$	1	2	3	4
credit	1	1	0	

- POP and MULTIPOP : pay credit 1
    - Amortized cost : actual cost - credit = 0

- Example of stack operation
  - PUSH

index	1	2	3	4
$S$				

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top

cost	1	1	1	1
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$S$	1	2	3	4
credit	1	1	1	

- PUSH : actual cost 1 + prepaid of credit 1
- Amortized cost : actual cost + credit = 2

- Example of stack operation
  - POP and MULTIPOP must execute after PUSH operation
    - Charging the PUSH operation a little bit more (= credit)  
So, credit pay actual cost of POP and MULTIPOP operation
  - The amount of credit is always nonnegative
    - Because the stack always has nonnegative objects.
    - Thus, the total amortized cost is an upper bound on the total actual cost
  - Total amortized cost :  $O(n)$
  - Total actual cost :  $O(n)$

- Example of incrementing binary counter
  - The actual costs
    - Bit set (  $0 \rightarrow 1$  ) : 1
    - Bit reset (  $1 \rightarrow 0$  ) : 1
  - The amortized costs
    - Bit set : 2
    - Bit reset : 0

- Example of incrementing binary counter

$A[3]$	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$
0	0	0	1

cost	1				
$A$	$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$
credit	1				

- Example of incrementing binary counter

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0	0	0	1
			0

cost	1				
$A$	$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$
credit					



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$A$	$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$
credit		1			

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credit	1	1			

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			0

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credit		1			

- Example of incrementing binary counter

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0	0	1	0
0	0	1	1
		0	0

cost	1	1	1		
$A$	$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$
credit					

- Example of incrementing binary counter

$A[3]$	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	0	1	1
	1	0	0

cost	1	1	1	1	
$A$	$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$
credit			1		

- Example of incrementing binary counter

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0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	0	1	1
0	1	0	0
0	1	0	1

cost	1	1	1	1	1
$A$	$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$
credit	1		1		

- Example of incrementing binary counter
  - Bit reset must execute after each bit set
    - Charging the bit set in credit  
So, credit pay for actual cost of reset operation
  - The amount of credit is always nonnegative
    - Because the number of 1s in the counter never becomes negative
    - Thus, the total amortized cost is an upper bound on the total actual cost
  - Total amortized cost :  $O(n)$
  - Total actual cost :  $O(n)$

- Amortized cost
  - $O(n)$  time in total
- Running time
  - $O(n)$  time in total



- *Aggregate analysis*
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- Potential method
  - Similar accounting method  
Credit → “potential energy” or just “potential”
  - The potential with the data structure as a whole rather than with specific objects within the data structure.

# Potential method

$A[3]$	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$
0	0	0	1

Credit

Potential

cost	1				
$A$	$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$
credit	1				

1	1
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cost

Potential

# Potential method

$A[3]$	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$
0	0	0	1
			0

Credit

Potential

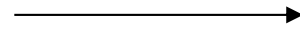
cost	1				
$A$	$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$
credit					

1
cost      Potential

# Potential method

$A[3]$	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0

Credit



cost	1	1			
$A$	$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$
credit		1			

Potential



	1
1	1
cost	Potential

# Potential method

$A[3]$	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$
0	0	0	1
0	0	1	0
0	0	1	1

Credit

cost	1	1	1		
$A$	$A[0]$	$A[1]$	$A[2]$	$A[3]$	$A[4]$
credit	1	1			

Potential

1	
1	1
1	1

cost

Potential

- Potential method
  - will perform  $n$  operations,  
 $D_0$  : an initial data structure  
 $D_i$  : the data structure that results after applying the  $i$ th operation to data structure  $D_{i-1}$   
 $\Phi(D_i)$  : the potential associated with data structure  $D_i$
  - Potential difference (  $\Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})$  )
    - positive  
The potential of the data structure increases
    - negative  
The decrease in the potential pays for the actual cost of the operation

- Potential method
  - Amortized cost
    - $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})$
  - The total amortized cost of the  $n$  operations
    - $$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n (c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n c_i + \Phi(D_n) - \Phi(D_0)\end{aligned}$$
  - We require  $\Phi(D_i) \geq \Phi(D_0)$  for all  $i$ 
    - So that  $\sum_{i=1}^k \hat{c}_i \geq \sum_{i=1}^k c_i$  for all  $1 \leq k \leq n$



- Example of stack operation
  - Potential function  $\Phi$ 
    - the number of objects in the stack
    - $\Phi(D_0) = 0$
  - The stack  $D_i$  that results after the  $i$ th operation has nonnegative potential
    - $\Phi(D_i) \geq 0$   
 $= \Phi(D_0)$

- Example of stack operation
  - Amortized cost analysis of each operation
    - PUSH operation
      - If the  $i$ th operation on a stack containing  $s$  objects is a PUSH operation,
        - »  $\Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) = (s + 1) - s = 1$
        - » So, the amortized cost is  $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})$ 
$$= 1 + (s + 1) - s$$
$$= 2$$
    - POP operation
      - If the  $i$ th operation on a stack containing  $s$  objects is a POP operation,
        - »  $\Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) = (s - 1) - s = -1$
        - » So, the amortized cost is  $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})$ 
$$= 1 + (s - 1) - s$$
$$= 0$$

- Example of stack operation
  - Amortized cost analysis of each operation
    - MULTIPOP( $S, k$ ) operation
      - If the  $i$ th operation on a stack containing  $s$  objects is a MULTIPOP operation,
      - $k' = \min(k, s)$  : The number of objects to be popped off the stack
        - »  $\Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) = -\min(k, s) = -k'$

The amortized cost is  $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})$

$$= k' - k'$$
$$= 0$$

- Example of stack operation
  - Amortized cost :  $O(1)$
  - Total amortized cost :  $O(n)$
  - Total actual cost :  $O(n)$

- Example of incrementing binary counter
  - Potential function  $\Phi$ 
    - The number of 1s in the array
    - $b_i$ : The number of 1s in the counter after the  $i$ th INCREMENT operation
    - $t_i$ : The number of bits reset in the  $i$ th INCREMENT operation
  - Actual cost of the  $i$ th operation
    - $c_i \leq t_i + 1$ 
      - since in addition to resetting  $t_i$  bits, it sets at most one bit to 1

**INCREMENT ( $A$ )**

```
1   $i = 0$ 
2  while  $i < A.length$  and  $A[i] == 1$ 
3       $A[i] = 0$ 
4       $i = i + 1$ 
5  if  $i < A.length$ 
6       $A[i] = 1$ 
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- Example of incrementing binary counter

- Case of  $b_i = 0$

- the  $i$ th operation resets all  $k$  bits
    - $b_{i-1} = t_i = k$

Ex) 1111  $\rightarrow$  0000

Counter value	$A[k]$	...	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$	$b_i$
$i-1$	1	...	1	1	1	$k$
$i$	0	...	0	0	0	0

- Case of  $b_i > 0$

- $b_i = b_{i-1} - t_i + 1$

Ex) 0111  $\rightarrow$  1000

Counter value	$A[k]$	...	$A[2]$	$A[1]$	$A[0]$	$b_i$
$i-1$	0	...	1	1	1	$k-1$
$i$	1	...	0	0	0	1

- In either case

- $b_i \leq b_{i-1} - t_i + 1$

- Example of incrementing binary counter
  - Potential difference
    - $\Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1}) = b_i - b_{i-1}$ 
$$\leq (b_{i-1} - t_i + 1) - b_{i-1}$$
$$= 1 - t_i$$
  - Amortized cost
    - $\hat{c}_i = c_i + \Phi(D_i) - \Phi(D_{i-1})$ 
$$\leq (t_i + 1) + (1 - t_i) = 2$$
$$\rightarrow O(1)$$

- Example of incrementing binary counter
  - If the counter starts at zero,  $\Phi(D_0) = 0$  and since  $\Phi(D_i) \geq 0$  for all  $i$ 
    - The total amortized cost of a sequence of  $n$  INCREMENT operations is an upper bound on the total actual cost
    - The worst-case cost of  $n$  INCREMENT operations is  $O(n)$



- Example of incrementing binary counter
  - If does not start at zero
    - $0 \leq b_0, b_n \leq k$  ( $k$  : the number of bits in the counter)
    - $\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i + \Phi(D_n) - \Phi(D_0)$ 
      - $\sum_{i=1}^n c_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{c}_i - \Phi(D_n) + \Phi(D_0)$  ( $\hat{c}_i \leq 2$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n$ )
        - $\leq \sum_{i=1}^n 2 - b_n + b_0$  ( $\Phi(D_n) = b_n, \Phi(D_0) = b_0$ )
        - $= 2n - b_n + b_0$
    - The total actual cost is  $O(n)$  (as long as  $k = O(n)$ , since  $b_0, b_n \leq k$ )

- *Aggregate analysis*
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- **Dynamic Table**

- Table allocation problem
- We do not always know in advance how many objects some applications will store in a table
  - insertion
    - So allocate space for a table and reallocate the table when new item is added.
  - deletion
    - Similarly, if many objects have been deleted from the table, it may be worthwhile to reallocate the table with a smaller size
  - Using amortized analysis, we shall show that the amortized cost of insertion and deletion is only  $O(1)$

- INSERT
  - When inserting an item into a full table, we can expand the table by allocating a new table with more slots than the old table had.
  - A common heuristic allocates a new table with **twice** as many slots as the old one.

- INSERT
  - *T.table* : a pointer to the block of storage representing the table.
  - *T.num* : the number of items in the table
  - *T.size* : the total number of slots in the table.

# Aggregate analysis

TABLE-INSERT( $T, x$ )

1      **if**  $T.size == 0$

2              allocate  $T.table$  with 1 slot

3               $T.size = 1$

4      **if**  $T.num == T.size$

5              allocate *new-table* with  $2 * T.size$  slots

6              insert all items in  $T.table$  into *new-table*

7              free  $T.table$

8               $T.table = new-table$

9               $T.size = 2 * T.size$

10      insert  $x$  into  $T.table$

11       $T.num = T.num + 1$

elementary insertion

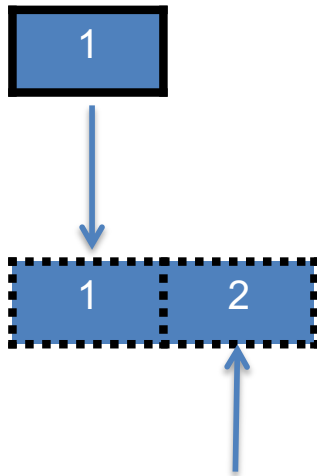
expansion

- Let us analyze a sequence of  $n$  TABLE-INSERT operations on an initially empty table.
  - If the current table has room for the new item, then cost  $c_i = 1$ .
  - If the current table is full, an expansion occurs, then  $c_i = i$ .
    - 1 for insert new item,  $i - 1$  for move for extend

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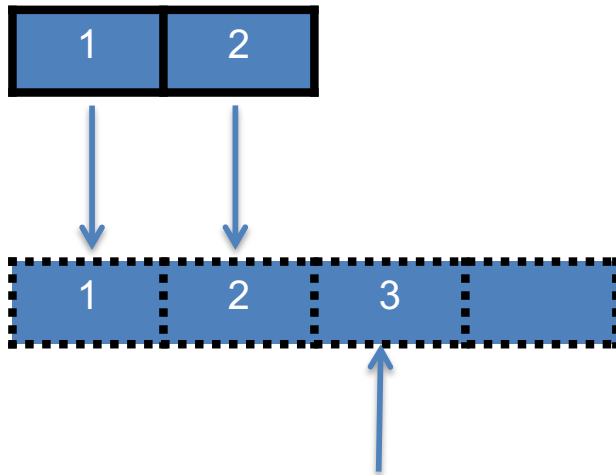
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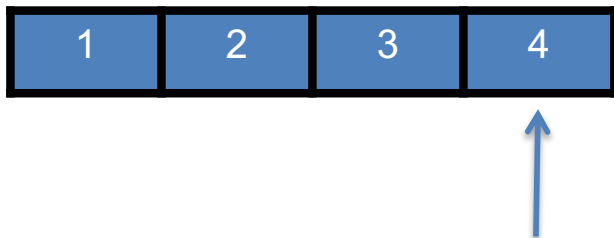
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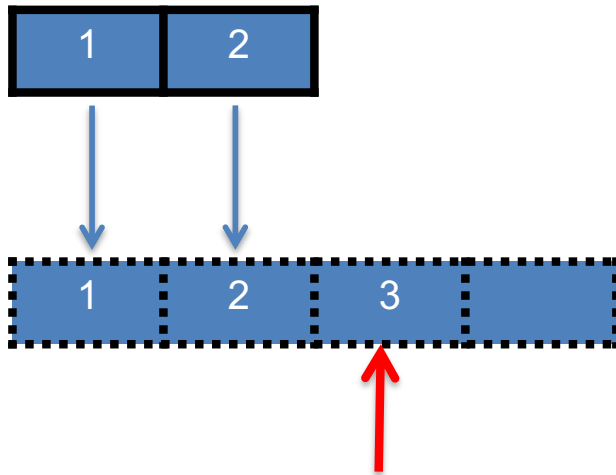
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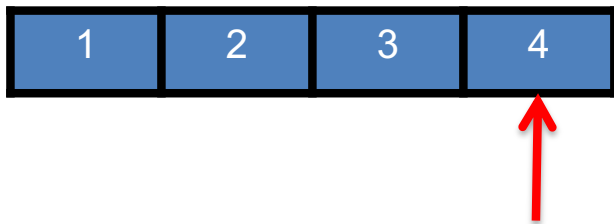
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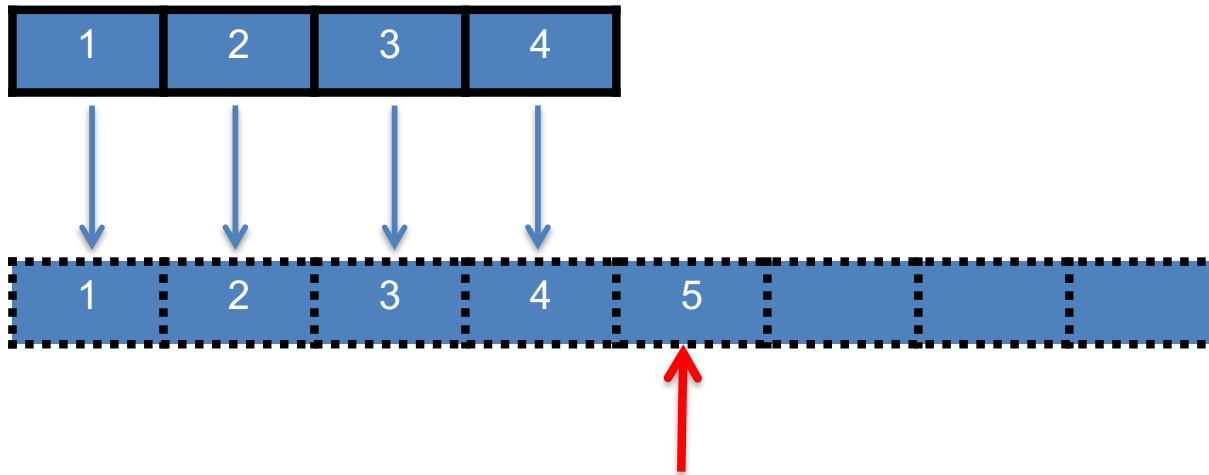
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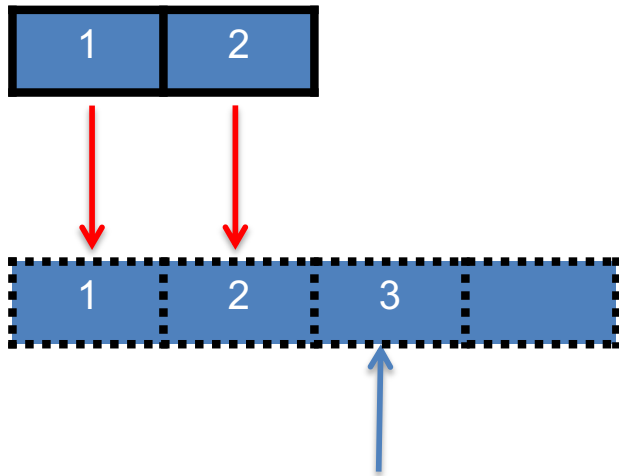
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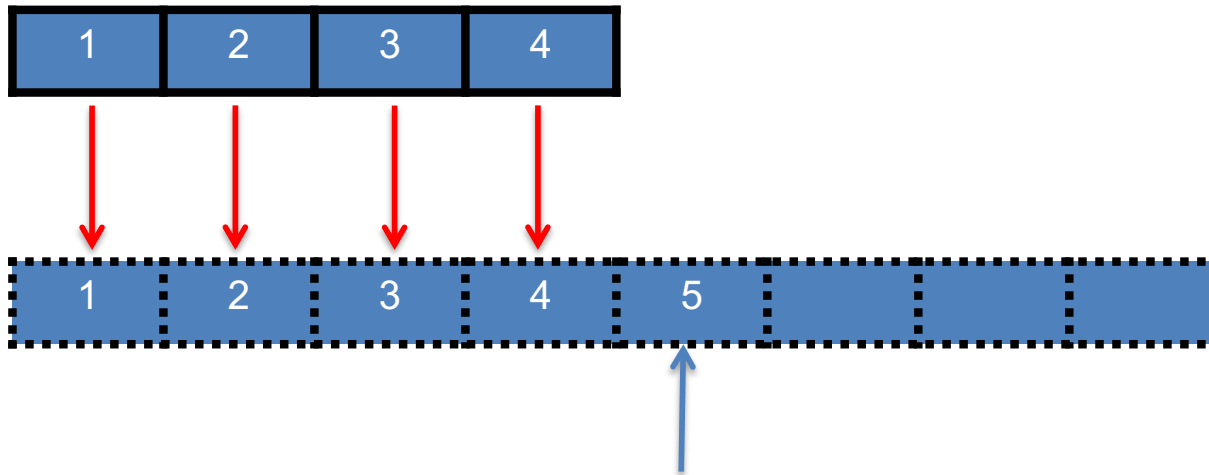


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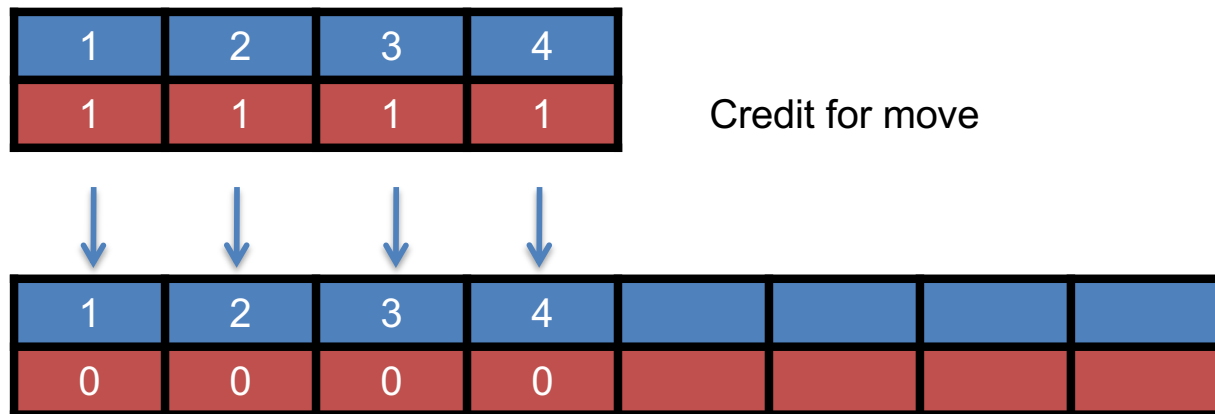
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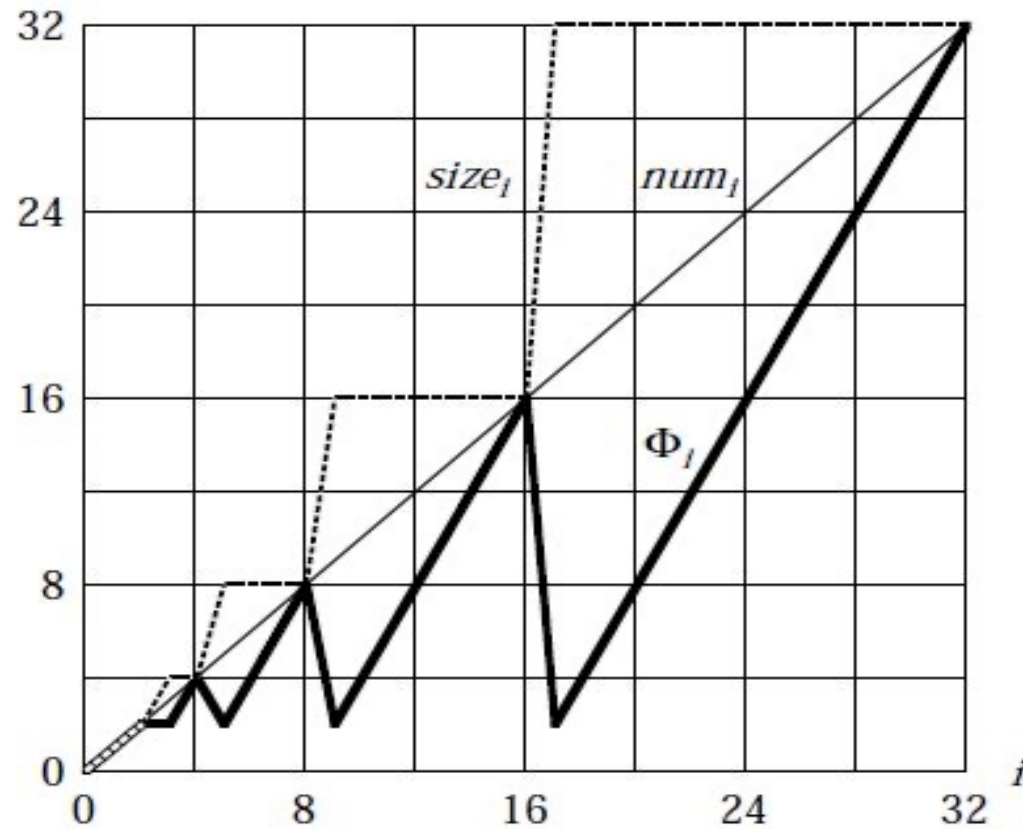
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    - 0 immediately after an expansion
    - table size by the time the table is full



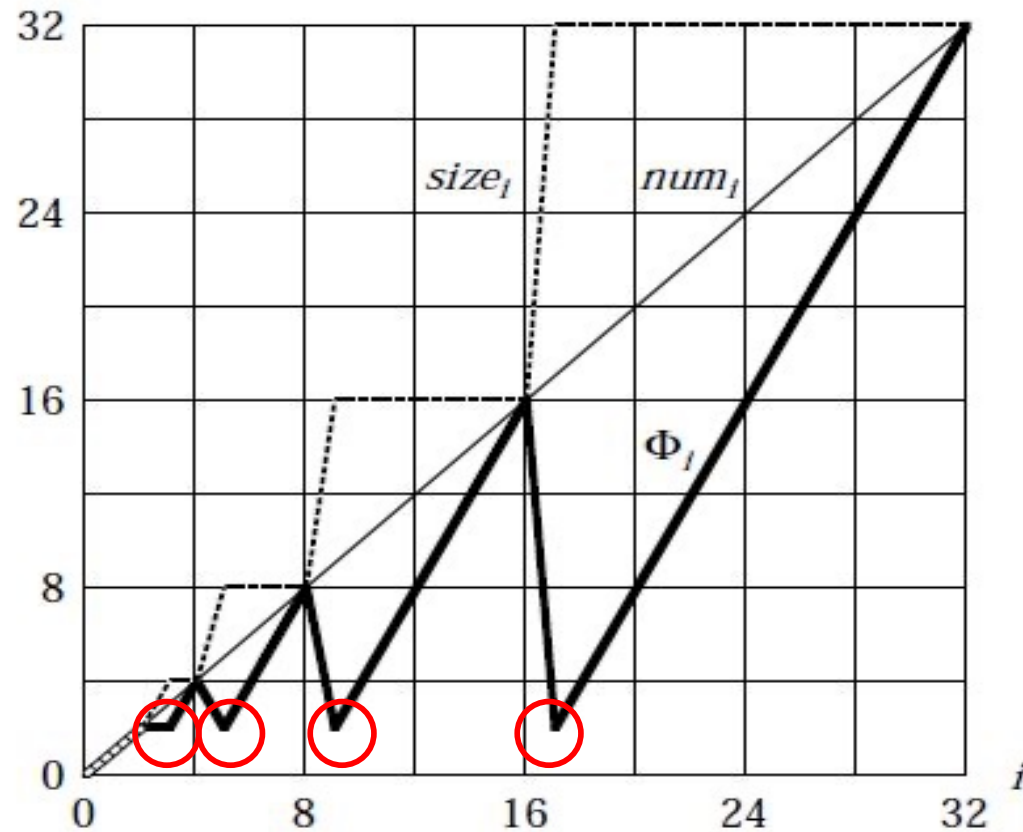
- $\Phi(T) = 2 * T.num - T.size$  (17.5)
- Immediately before an expansion, we have  $T.num = T.size$  and thus  $\Phi(T) = T.num$
- $\Phi(T)$  is always nonnegative
  - The initial value of the potential is 0
  - and since the table is always at least half full,  $T.num \geq T.size/2$

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- Initially, we have  $num_0 = 0$ ,  $size_0 = 0$ , and  $\Phi_0 = 0$ .

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$$size_i = 2 * (num_i - 1)$$

Thus, the amortized cost of the operation is

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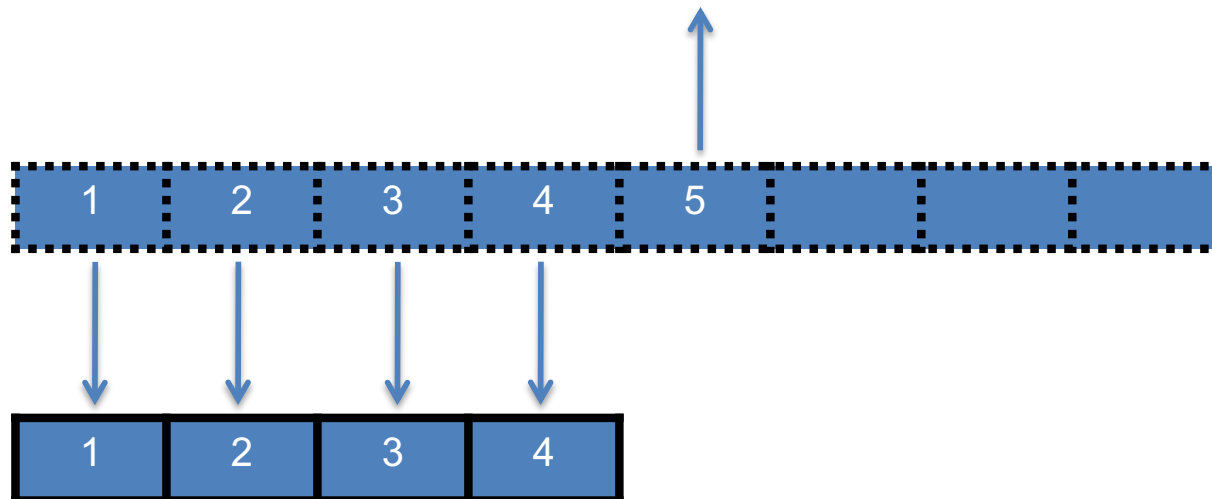
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$$= num_i + 2 - (num_i - 1)$$

$$= 3$$

# Table expansion and contraction

- TABLE-DELETE operation.
  - Table contraction is analogous to table expansion:
    - when the number of items in the table drops too low, we allocate a new, smaller table and then copy the items from the old table into the new one.



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    - the load factor of the dynamic table is bounded below by a positive constant
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## TABLE-DELETE( $T, x$ )

```
1      if  $T.size == 0$ 
2          break
3      if  $T.num == T.size / 2$ 
4          allocate new-table with  $T.size / 2$  slots
5          insert all items in  $T.table$  into new-table
6          free  $T.table$ 
7           $T.table = new-table$ 
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- Table expansion and contraction
  - double the table size upon inserting an item into a full table
  - halve the size when deleting an item would cause the table to become less than half full
  - This strategy would guarantee that the load factor of the table never drops below  $1/2$ , but have a **problem**

- Table expansion and contraction
  - We perform  $n$  operations on a table  $T$ , where  $n$  is an exact power of 2.
  - The first  $n/2$  operations are insertions,
    - cost a total of  $\Theta(n)$ .
  - At the end of this sequence of insertions,  $T.num = T.size = n/2$ .
  - For the second  $n/2$  operations, we perform the following sequence:
    - insert, delete, delete, insert, insert, delete, delete, insert, insert, . . . .

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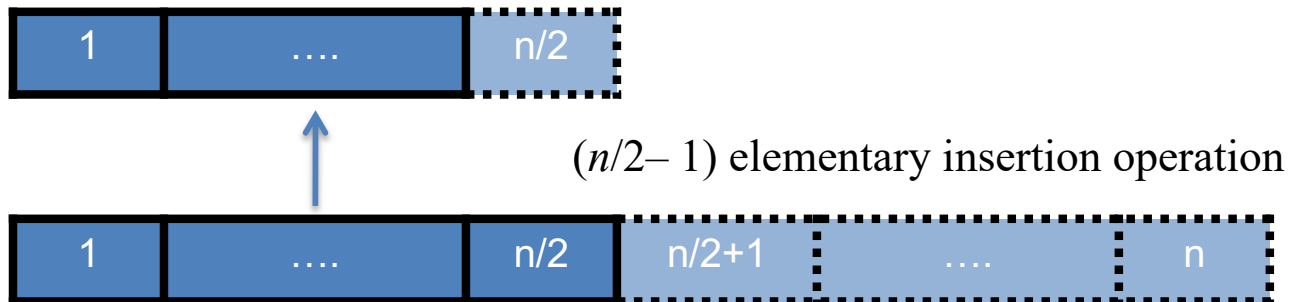


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- Table expansion and contraction
  - The cost of each expansion and contraction is  $\Theta(n)$ , and there are  $\Theta(n)$  of them.
    - After  $n/2$ -th operation, cost of each 2 operation is  $n/2$
  - Thus, the total cost of the  $n$  operations is  $\Theta(n^2)$ , making the amortized cost of an operation  $\Theta(n)$ .

- Improve upon this strategy
  - Specifically, we continue to double the table size upon inserting an item into a full table,
  - but we halve the table size when deleting an item causes the table to become less than  $1/4$  full, rather than  $1/2$  full as before.
  - The load factor of the table is therefore bounded below by the constant  $1/4$ .

- potential method to analyze the cost of a sequence of  $n$  TABLE-INSERT and TABLE-DELETE operations
  - Let us denote the load factor of a nonempty table  $T$  by  $\alpha(T) = T.num / T.size$
  - Since for an empty table,  $T.num = T.size = 0$  and  $\alpha(T) = 1$
  - We shall use as our potential function

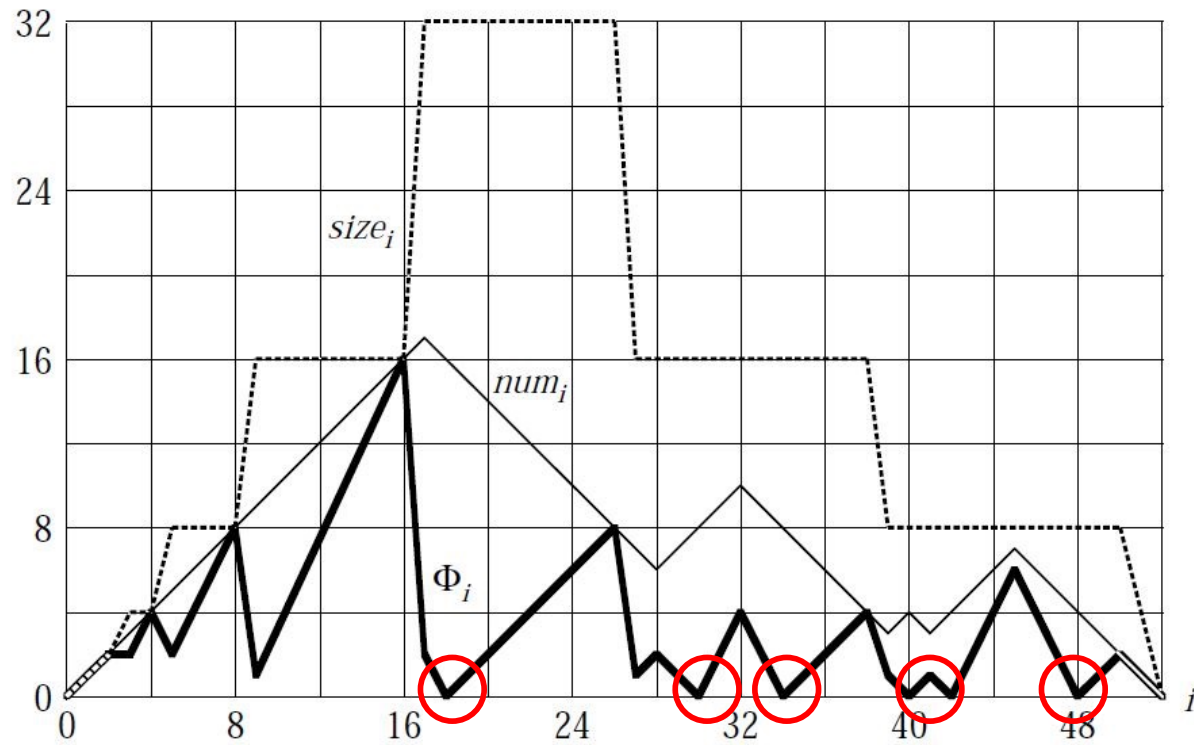
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- When  $\alpha(T) = 1/4$ , and if  $i$ th operation is deletion
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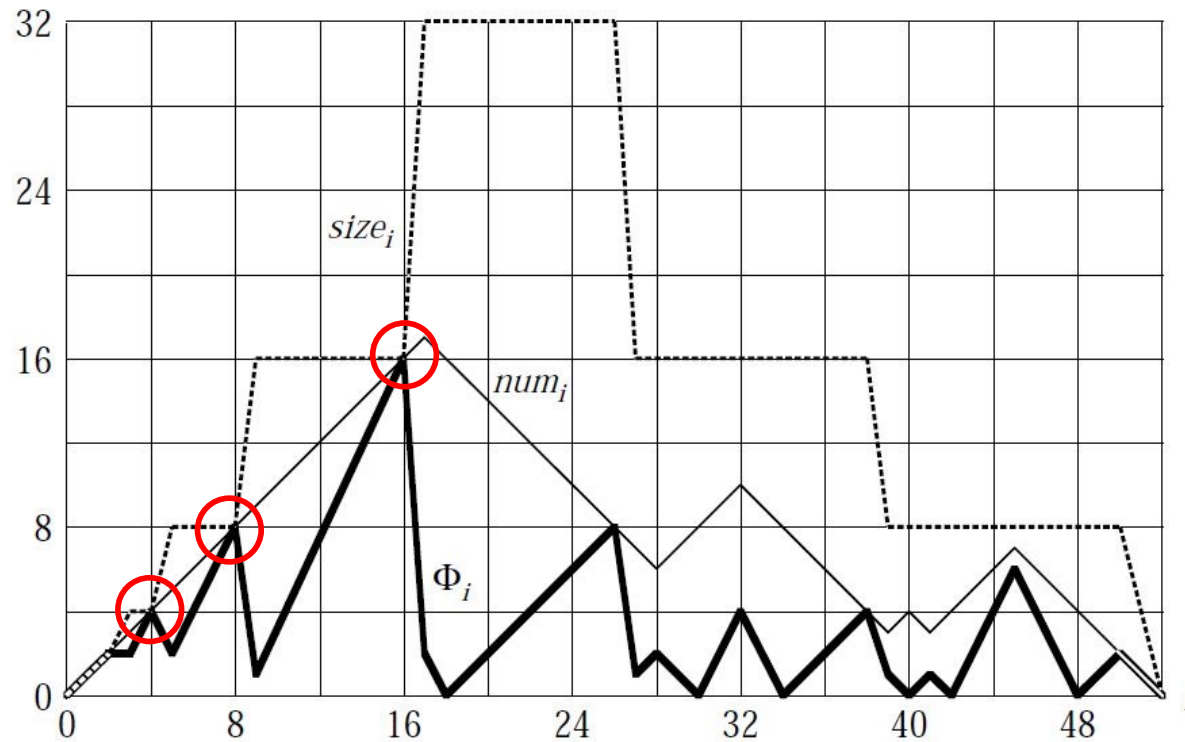
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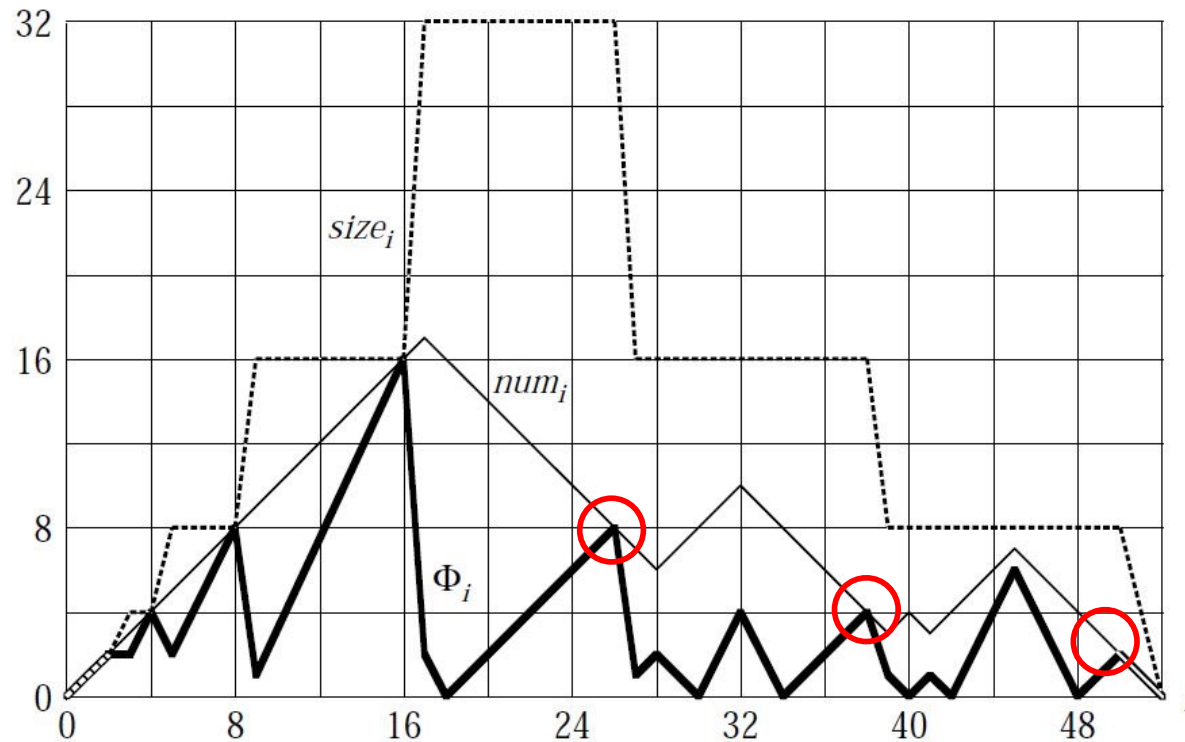


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- TABLE-INSERT and TABLE-DELETE
  - $c_i$  : the actual cost of the  $i$ th operation
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  - $num_i$  : the number of items  
stored in the table after the  $i$ th operation
  - $size_i$  : the total size of the table after the  $i$ th operation
  - $\alpha_i$  : the load factor of the table after the  $i$ th operation
  - $\Phi_i$  : the potential after the  $i$ th operation
  - Initially,  $num_0 = 0$ ,  $size_0 = 0$ ,  $\alpha_0 = 1$ , and  $\Phi_0 = 0$

- TABLE-INSERT
  - The analysis is identical to that for table expansion in Section 17.4.1 if  $\alpha_{i-1} \geq 1/2$ .
    - Whether the table expands or not, the amortized cost of the operation is at most 3

- TABLE-INSERT

- If  $\alpha_{i-1} < 1/2$ , table cannot expand.

- Then  $size_i = size_{i-1}$

- $num_{i-1} = num_i - 1$

- Then the amortized cost of the  $i$ th operation is

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- TABLE-INSERT
  - If  $\alpha_{i-1} < 1/2$  but  $\alpha_i \geq 1/2$ , then
    - $\Phi_{i-1} = T.size/2 - T.num$
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- Thus, the amortized cost of a TABLE-INSERT operation is at most 3.

- TABLE-DELETE

- $num_i = num_{i-1} - 1$

- If  $\alpha_{i-1} < 1/2$

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- 2. operation does trigger a contraction



- TABLE-DELETE

- If  $\alpha_{i-1} < 1/2$

- 1. Operation does not cause the table to contract

- Then  $size_i = size_{i-1}$

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

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- actual cost of the operation is  $c_i = num_i + 1$

- $size_i / 2 = size_{i-1} / 4 = num_{i-1} = num_i + 1$

- the amortized cost of the operation is

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

- TABLE-DELETE
  - If  $\alpha_{i-1} \geq 1/2$ 
    - Its amortize cost is constant.
    - If  $\alpha_i < 1/2$ , operation doesn't trigger contraction.

- In summary, since the amortized cost of each operation is bounded above by a constant, the actual time for any sequence of  $n$  operations on a dynamic table is  $O(n)$ .