# Implementing Abstractions Part Two 

Previously, on CS106B...

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What is the big-O cost of a push? What is the big-O cost of $n$ pushes?

Take thirty seconds to think this over. Look over the runtime plot and the code for the push operation.

Formulate a hypothesis, but don't post it into chat just yet.

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Now, post your hypothesis in chat.
Not sure? Just answer with question marks.

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## Every push beyond the first few requires moving all $n$ elements from the old array to the new array. <br> Cost of a single push: $\mathbf{O ( n )}$.

4 Items
Moved

5 Items Moved

6 Items
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## Every push beyond the first few requires moving all $n$ elements from the old array to the new array. <br> Cost of doing $n$ pushes: $4+5+6+\ldots+n=\mathbf{O}\left(\boldsymbol{n}^{2}\right)$.

Question: How do we speed this up?

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## Now, only half the pushes we do will require moving everything to a new array.



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If we make the new array too big, we're might not make use of all the new space.

What's a good compromise?


Idea: Make the new array twice as big as the old one.

This gives us a lot of free space, and we never use more than twice the space we need.

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What is the big-O cost of a push? What is the big-O cost of $n$ pushes?

Now, post your best guess in chat.
Not sure? Just respond with "??".


## How do we analyze this?




## Increase array size by multiplying bytwo.



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## Average cost of a push: O(1).

 Total cost of doing $n$ pushes: $\mathbf{O ( n )}$.
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## Amortized Analysis

- The analysis we have just done is called an amortized analysis.
- We reason about the total work done by allowing ourselves to backcharge work to previous operations, then look at the "average" amount of work done per operation.
- In an amortized sense, our implementation of the stack is extremely fast!
- This is one of the most common approaches to implementing Stack (and Vector, for that matter).


## Summary for Today

- We can make our stack grow by creating new arrays any time we run out of space.
- Growing that array by one extra slot or two extra slots uses little memory, but makes pushes expensive (average cost $O(n)$ ).
- Doubling the size of the array when we run out of space uses more memory, but makes pushes cheap (amortized cost $O(1)$ ).
- In practice, it's worth paying this slight space cost for a marked improvement in runtime.


## Your Action Items

- Start Assignment 6.
- Slow and steady progress is the name of the game here.
- Ask for help if you need it! That's what we're here for.
- Review your midterm feedback.
- Regrade requests are due on Monday, so make sure you've read over the graders' comments by then.


## Next Time

- Hash Functions
- A magical and wonderful gift from the world of mathematics.
- Hash Tables
- How do we implement Map and Set?

