

CSE 250

Data Structures

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Sequences, Arrays, and Array Buffers

Textbook Ch. 6.4

Announcements

- PA1 due Sunday @ 11:59PM

Recap

- **ADT:** Abstract Data Type, defines what a particular data structure can be used without specifying how it is implemented
 - ie: `Seq`, `mutable.Seq`
- **Array:** A type of sequence with a fixed element size and fixed number of elements, allocated as a contiguous block of memory
 - Immutable
 - Constant time random access ($\text{base} + \text{index} * \text{element size}$)
- **ArrayBuffer:** The mutable form of an array, allows insert and remove

Abstract Data Type vs Data Structure

ADT

The interface to a data structure

*Defines **what** the data structure
can do*

*Many data structures can
implement the same ADT*

Data Structure

*The implementation of one (or
more) ADTs*

*Defines **how** the different tasks
are carried out*

*Different data structures will excel
at different tasks*

Types of Collections in Scala

Iterable - Any collection of items

Seq - A collection of items in a specific order

IndexedSeq - A Seq where there is guaranteed $O(1)$ access to items

Set - A collection of unique items

Map - A collection of items identified by a key (associative collection)

Types of Sequences in Scala

mutable.Seq - Like Seq.....but mutable

mutable.Buffer - Like mutable.Seq, but "efficient" appends.

Queue - Like mutable.Seq but "efficient" append and remove first.

Think like a queue of people

Stack - Like mutable.Seq but "efficient" prepend and remove first.

Think like a stack of papers

The mutable.Seq ADT

`apply(idx: Int): [A]`

Get the element (of type **A**) at position `idx`

`iterator: Iterator[A]`

Get access to view all elements in the sequence, in order, once

`length: Int`

Count the number of elements in the seq

`insert(idx: Int, elem: A): Unit`

Insert an element at position `idx` with value `elem`

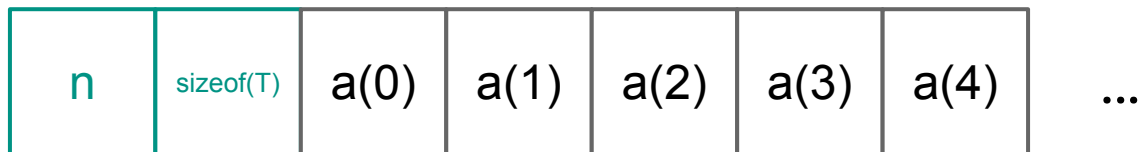
`remove(idx: Int): A`

Remove the element at position `idx`, and return the removed value

Array [T] : Seq [T]

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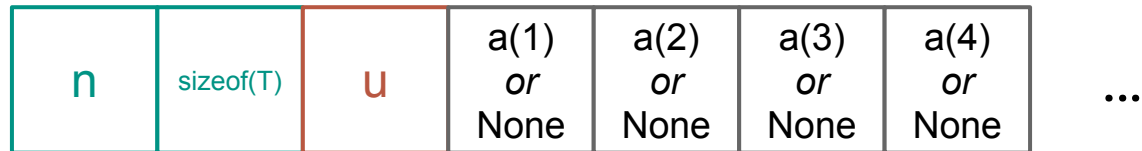
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Solution: Reserve extra space!

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`java.lang.NullPointerException` (runtime error)

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val x = functionThatCanReturnNull()
if(x == null) { /* do something special */ }
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It's very easy in practice to miss doing this test!

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Now it's a compile time error...Easier to catch

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- But what is an Option (in Scala)?

Some (x)

Subclass of `Option[T]`

`value.isDefined == true`

A valid value exists and we can access it with `value.get`

None

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`value.isEmpty == true`

Analogous to `null`. No value.

Now back to `ArrayBuffers`...

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$\Theta(\text{used} - \text{target})$

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*But, sometimes the extra context can be relevant...
how can we include this in our analysis?*

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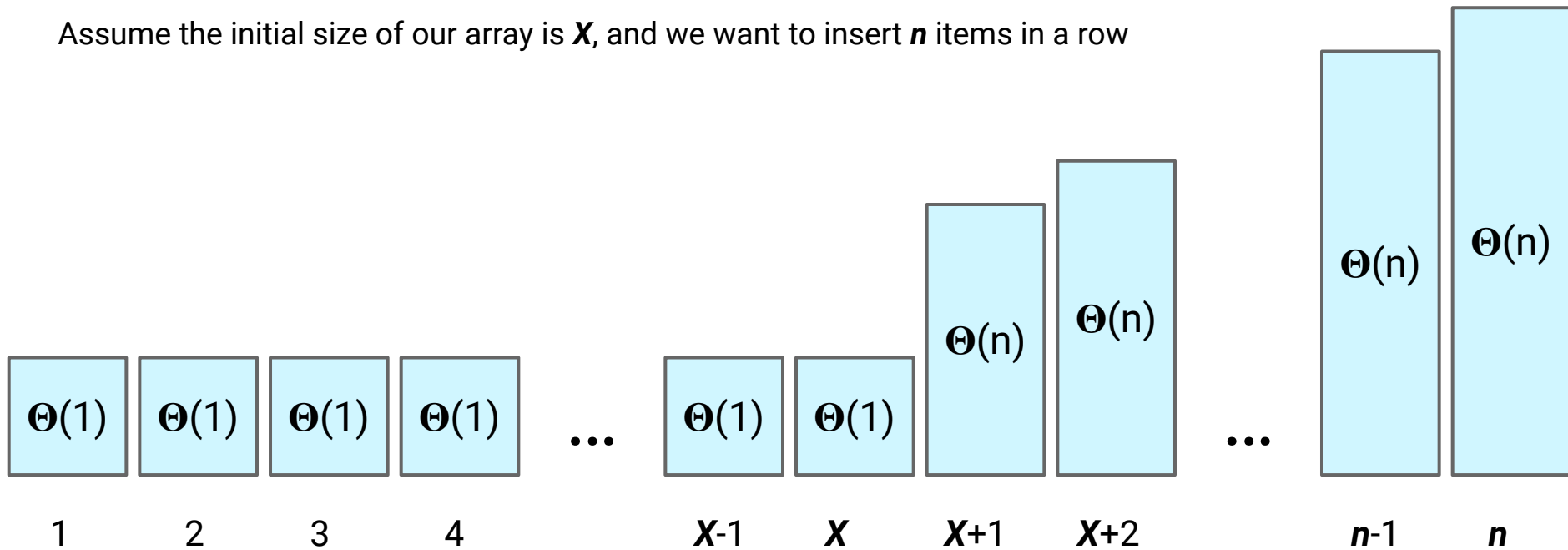
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Depends on newLength...how should we calculate newLength?

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Assume the initial size of our array is X , and we want to insert n items in a row



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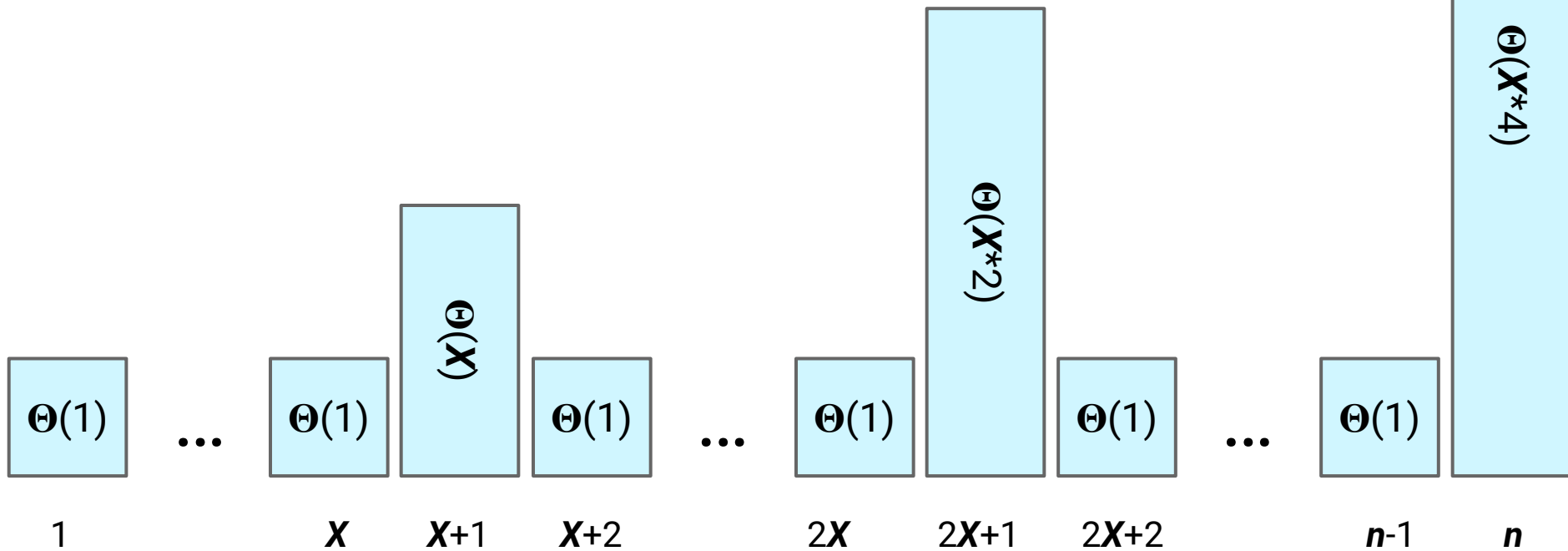
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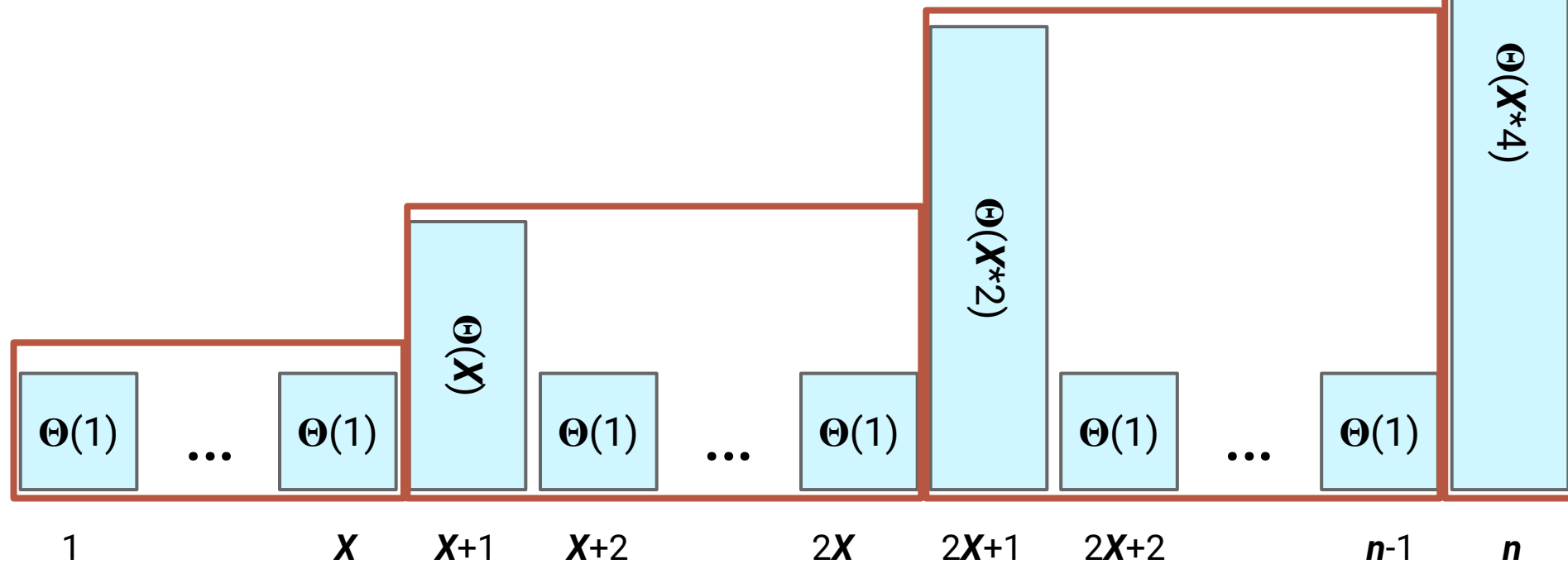
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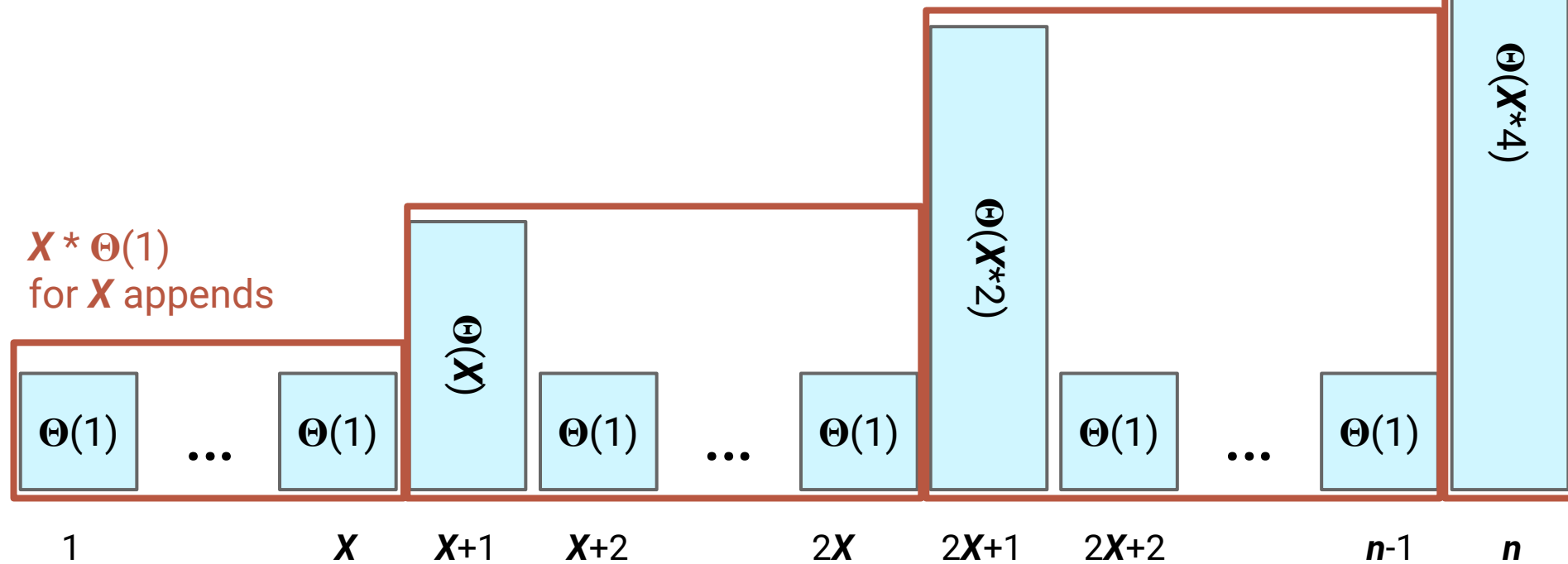
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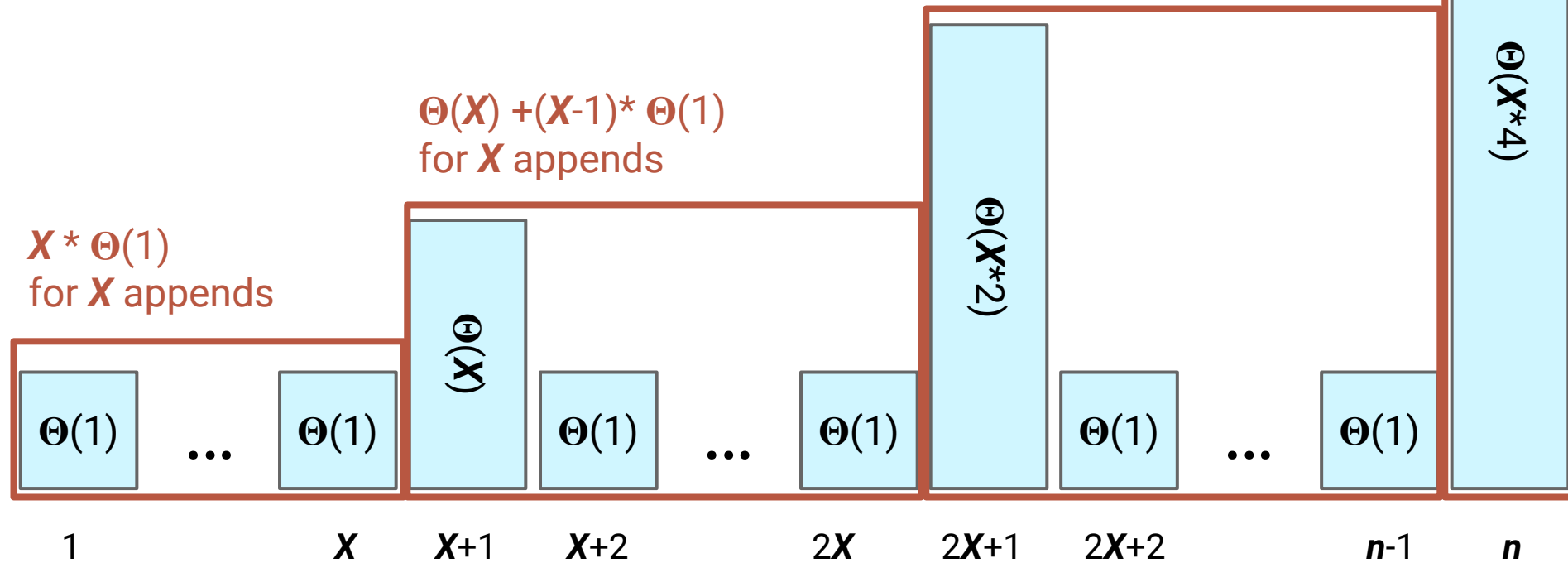
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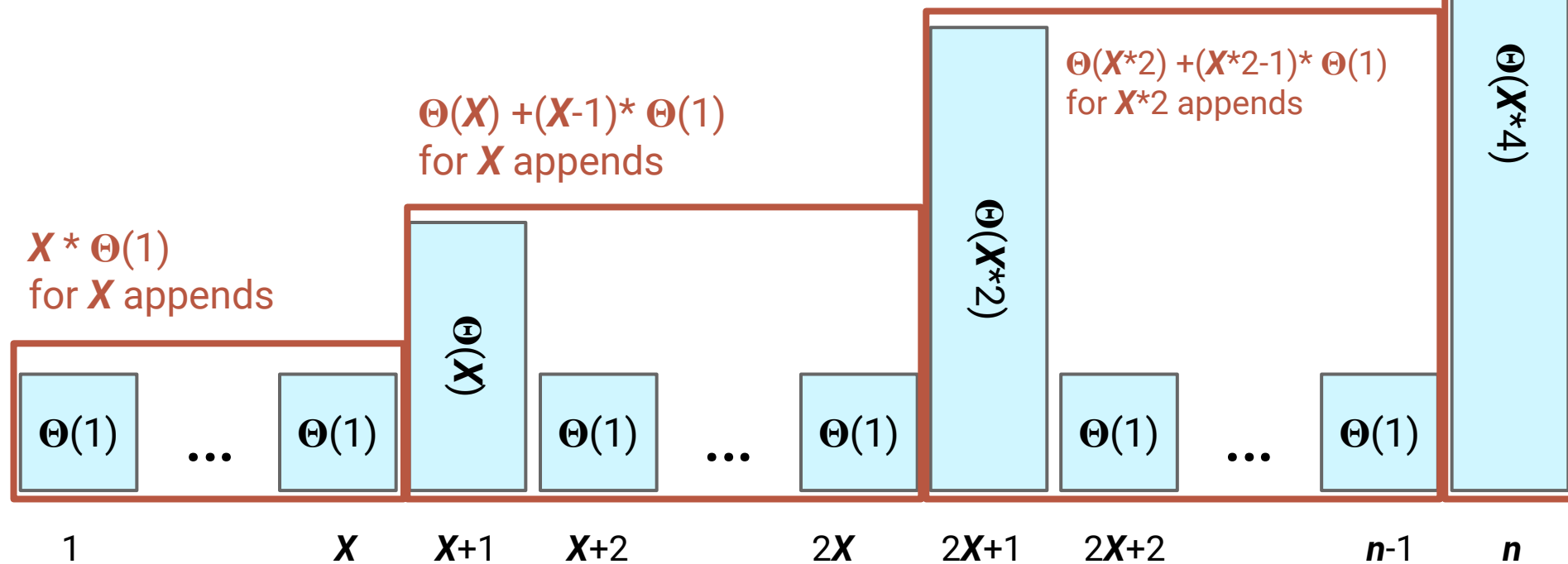
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Total for n insertions: $\Theta(n)$

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The cost of n calls is guaranteed to be $O(n)$.

Amortized Runtime

If n calls to a function take $O(T(n))$...

We say the **Amortized Runtime** is $O(T(n) / n)$

The **amortized runtime** of `append` on an `ArrayBuffer` is: $O(n/n) = O(1)$

The **unqualified runtime** of `append` on an `ArrayBuffer` is: $O(n)$