Priority Queues II CSE 373 Data Structures & Algorithms Ruth Anderson

Today's Outline

- Announcements
 - Homework #3 due Wed, Feb 8th, 11pm.
- Today's Topics:
 - Priority Queues
 - Binary Min Heap buildheap
 - D-Heaps

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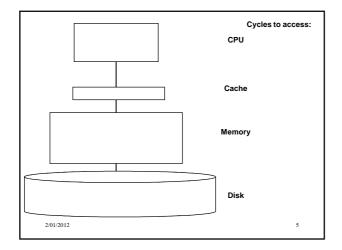
Facts about Binary Min Heaps

Observations:

- finding a child/parent index is a multiply/divide by two
- operations jump widely through the heap
- each percolate step looks at only two new nodes
- inserts are at least as common as deleteMins

Realities:

- division/multiplication by powers of two are equally fast
- looking at only two new pieces of data: bad for cache!
- with huge data sets, disk accesses dominate



A Solution: d-Heaps • Each node has d children • Still representable by array • Good choices for d: - (choose a power of two for efficiency) - fit one set of children in a cache line - fit one set of children on a memory page/disk block

Operations on d-Heap

• Insert : runtime =

Depth of tree decreases: O(log_d n) worst

• deleteMin: runtime =

percolateDown requires d comparisons to find min child, O(d log_d n), worst

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