CSE 373

Priority queue implementation using a heap read: Weiss Ch. 6

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Priority Queue ADT

- priority queue: A collection of ordered elements that provides fast access to the minimum (or maximum) element.
 - add adds in order
 - peek returns minimum or "highest priority" value
 - remove removes/returns minimum value
 - isEmpty, clear, size, iterator
 O(1)



Heaps

- **heap**: A *complete* binary tree with *vertical* ordering.
 - complete tree: Every level is full except possibly the lowest level, which must be filled from left to right
 - (i.e., a node may not have any children until all possible siblings exist)



The add operation

- When an element is added to a heap, it should be initially placed as the *rightmost leaf* (to maintain the completeness property).
 - But the heap ordering property becomes broken!



"Bubbling up" a node

- **bubble up**: To restore heap ordering, the newly added element is shifted ("bubbled") up the tree until it reaches its proper place.
 - Weiss: "percolate up" by swapping with its parent
 - How many bubble-ups are necessary, at most?



Bubble-up add exercise

- Draw the tree state of a min-heap after adding these elements:
 - 6, 50, 11, 25, 42, 20, 104, 76, 19, 55, 88, 2



The peek operation

- A peek on a min-heap is trivial to perform.
 - because of heap properties, minimum element is always the root
 - O(1) runtime
- Peek on a max-heap would be O(1) as well (return max, not min)



The remove operation

- When an element is removed from a heap, what should we do?
 - The root is the node to remove. How do we alter the tree?
 - queue.remove();



The remove operation

- When the root is removed from a heap, it should be initially replaced by the *rightmost leaf* (to maintain completeness).
 - But the heap ordering property becomes broken!



"Bubbling down" a node

- **bubble down**: To restore heap ordering, the new improper root is shifted ("bubbled") down the tree until it reaches its proper place.
 - Weiss: "percolate down" by swapping with its <u>smaller</u> child (why?)
 - How many bubble-down are necessary, at most?



Bubble-down exercise

- Suppose we have the min-heap shown below.
- Show the state of the heap tree after remove has been called 3 times, and which elements are returned by the removal.



Array heap implementation

- Though a heap is conceptually a binary tree, since it is a *complete* tree, when implementing it we actually can "cheat" and just *use an array*!
 - index of root = 1 (leave 0 empty to simplify the math)

0

- for any node n at index i :
 - index of *n*.left = 2*i*
 - index of n.right = 2i + 1
 - parent index of *n*?
- This array representation is elegant and efficient (O(1)) for common tree operations.



Implementing HeapPQ

• Let's implement an int priority queue using a min-heap array.

```
public class HeapIntPriorityQueue
        implements IntPriorityQueue {
    private int[] elements;
    private int size;
    // constructs a new empty priority queue
    public HeapIntPriorityQueue() {
        elements = new int[10];
        size = 0;
```

Helper methods

• Since we will treat the array as a complete tree/heap, and walk up/down between parents/children, these methods are helpful:

```
// helpers for navigating indexes up/down the tree
private int parent(int index) { return index/2; }
private int leftChild(int index) { return index*2; }
private int rightChild(int index) { return index*2 + 1; }
private boolean hasParent(int index) { return index > 1; }
private boolean hasLeftChild(int index) {
    return leftChild(index) <= size;</pre>
private boolean hasRightChild(int index) {
    return rightChild(index) <= size;</pre>
private void swap(int[] a, int index1, int index2) {
    int temp = a[index1];
    a[index1] = a[index2];
    a[index2] = temp;
```



Implementing add

```
// Adds the given value to this priority queue in order.
public void add(int value) {
    elements[size + 1] = value; // add as rightmost leaf
    // "bubble up" as necessary to fix ordering
    int index = size + 1;
    boolean found = false;
    while (!found && hasParent(index)) {
        int parent = parent(index);
        if (elements[index] < elements[parent]) {
            swap(elements, index, parent(index));
            index = parent(index);
        } else {
            found = true; // found proper location; stop
    size++;
```

Resizing a heap

- What if our array heap runs out of space?
 - We must enlarge it.
 - When enlarging hash sets, we needed to carefully rehash the data.
 - What must we do here?
 - (We can simply copy the data into a larger array.)



Modified add code

Implementing peek

• Let's write code to retrieve the minimum element in the heap:

```
public int peek() {
}
                                   10
                                           80
                           15
                                       85
                                              99
                    40
                                20
                                  (60)
                             65
                50
                       700
```

Implementing peek

```
// Returns the minimum element in this priority queue.
// precondition: queue is not empty
public int peek() {
    return elements[1];
}
```

Implementing remove

• Let's write code to remove the minimum element in the heap:



Implementing remove

```
public int remove() { // precondition: queue is not empty
   elements[1] = elements[size];
   size--;
   int index = 1; // "bubble down" to fix ordering
   boolean found = false;
   while (!found && hasLeftChild(index)) {
       int left = leftChild(index);
       int right = rightChild(index);
       int child = left;
       if (hasRightChild(index) &&
              elements[right] < elements[left]) {</pre>
           child = right;
       if (elements[index] > elements[child]) {
           swap(elements, index, child);
           index = child;
       } else {
           found = true; // found proper location; stop
   return result;
```