Heaps and Heapsort

Definition A heap is a binary tree with keys at its nodes (one key per node) such that:

- It is essentially complete, i.e., all its levels are full except possibly the last level, where only some rightmost keys may be missing
- The key at each node is $\geq$ keys at its children
**Illustration of the heap’s definition**

![Heap Diagrams]

- A heap
- Not a heap
- Not a heap

Note: Heap’s elements are ordered top down (along any path down from its root), but they are not ordered left to right.

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**Some Important Properties of a Heap**

- Given $n$, there exists a unique binary tree with $n$ nodes that is essentially complete, with $h = \lceil \log_2 n \rceil$

- The root contains the largest key

- The subtree rooted at any node of a heap is also a heap

- A heap can be represented as an array
Heap’s Array Representation

Store heap’s elements in an array (whose elements indexed, for convenience, 1 to n) in top-down left-to-right order

Example:

- Left child of node \( j \) is at \( 2j \)
- Right child of node \( j \) is at \( 2j + 1 \)
- Parent of node \( j \) is at \( \lfloor j/2 \rfloor \)
- Parental nodes are represented in the first \( \lfloor n/2 \rfloor \) locations

Heap Construction (bottom-up)

Step 0: Initialize the structure with keys in the order given

Step 1: Starting with the last (rightmost) parental node, fix the heap rooted at it, if it doesn’t satisfy the heap condition: keep exchanging it with its largest child until the heap condition holds

Step 2: Repeat Step 1 for the preceding parental node
Example of Heap Construction

Construct a heap for the list 2, 9, 7, 6, 5, 8

Pseudopodia of bottom-up heap construction

Algorithm HeapBottomUp(H[1..n])
//Constructs a heap from the elements of a given array
//by the bottom-up algorithm
//Input: An array H[1..n] of orderable items
//Output: A heap H[1..n]
for i ← ⌈n/2⌉ downto 1 do
  k ← i; v ← H[k]
  heap ← false
  while not heap and 2 * k ≤ n do
    j ← 2 * k
    if j < n //there are two children
      if H[j] < H[j + 1] j ← j + 1
      if v ≥ H[j]
        heap ← true
      else H[k] ← H[j]; k ← j
    H[k] ← v
Heapsort

Stage 1: Construct a heap for a given list of \( n \) keys

Stage 2: Repeat operation of root removal \( n-1 \) times:

- Exchange keys in the root and in the last (rightmost) leaf
- Decrease heap size by 1
- If necessary, swap new root with larger child until the heap condition holds

Example of Sorting by Heapsort

Sort the list 2, 9, 7, 6, 5, 8 by heapsort

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<th>Stage 2 (root/max removal)</th>
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Analysis of Heapsort

Stage 1: Build heap for a given list of $n$ keys
worst-case
\[ C(n) = \sum_{i=0}^{h-1} 2(h-i) \cdot 2^i = 2 \left( n - \log_2(n + 1) \right) \in \Theta(n) \]
# nodes at level $i$

Stage 2: Repeat operation of root removal $n-1$ times (fix heap)
worst-case
\[ C(n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 2 \log_2 i \in \Theta(n \log n) \]
Both worst-case and average-case efficiency: $\Theta(n \log n)$
In-place: yes

Priority Queue

A priority queue is the ADT of a set of elements with numerical priorities with the following operations:
- find element with highest priority
- delete element with highest priority
- insert element with assigned priority (see below)

- Heap is a very efficient way for implementing priority queues
- Two ways to handle priority queue in which highest priority = smallest number
Insertion of a New Element into a Heap

- Insert the new element at last position in heap.
- Compare it with its parent and, if it violates heap condition, exchange them.
- Continue comparing the new element with nodes up the tree until the heap condition is satisfied.

Example: Insert key 10

![Diagram of heap insertion](image)

Efficiency: $O(\log n)$

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Other Important Notes on Heaps

- Min Heap
  - The key at each node is $\leq$ keys at its children.

- Heap is useful for obtaining the $m$ smallest or largest from $n$ items when $m$ is much smaller than $n$
  - E.g., building MSTs
    - we only need $|V| - 1$ edges, but $|E|$ could be an big as $|V| (|V| - 1) / 2$
  - What is the efficiency?
Priority Queue and Java

- java.util.PriorityQueue

- Not supported before Java 1.5

- Insertion: offer()

- Deletion: poll()

- Sample code next page

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 */ The program is modified from the source stated above. */

import java.util.Comparator;
import java.util.PriorityQueue;

public class PriorityQueueTester {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // Fill up with data, in an odd order
        PriorityQueue<Integer> pq =
            new PriorityQueue<Integer>(20,
                                        new Comparator<Integer>() {
                                            // Fill up with data, in an odd order
                                            for (int i=0; i<20; i++) {
                                                pq.offer(20-i*2);
                                            }

                                            // Print out and check ordering
                                            for (int i=0; i<20; i++) {
                                                System.out.println(pq.poll());
                                            }
                                        });
    }
}