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1) Task

Task 21 - ADT Priority Queue - implementation on a binary search tree

2) ADT Specification

$PQ = \{pq \mid pq \text{ is a priority queue with elements } (e, p); e \in TElem; p \in TPriority\}$

TElem \rightarrow the general element of the container

The interface of the TElem contains the following operations:

- *Assignment* ($e_1 \leftarrow e_2$)
 - **Pre:** $e_1, e_2 \in TElem$
 - **Post:** $e_1 = e_2$
- *Equality test* ($e_1 = e_2$)
 - **Pre:** $e_1, e_2 \in TElem$
 - **Post:** $equal = \begin{cases} \text{True, if } e_1 = e_2 \\ \text{False, otherwise} \end{cases}$

Note: Priority queues cannot be iterated, so they don't have an iterator operation!

3) ADT Interface

- *init* (pq,R)
 - **Description:** creates a new empty priority queue
 - **Pre:** R is a relation over the priorities,
R: TPriority X TPriority
 - **Post:** pq \in PQ, pq is an empty priority queue
 - **Throws:** -
- *destroy* (pq)
 - **Description:** destroys a priority queue
 - **Pre:** pq \in PQ
 - **Post:** pq was destroyed
 - **Throws:** -

- **push** (pq,e,p)
 - **Description:** pushes (adds) a new element to the priority queue
 - **Pre:** $pq \in PQ$, $e \in TElem$, $p \in TPriority$
 - **Post:** $pq' \in PQ$, $pq' = pq \oplus (e,p)$
 - **Throws:** -

- **pop** (pq,e,p)
 - **Description:** pops (removes) from the priority queue the element with the highest priority. It returns both the element and its priority.
 - **Pre:** $pq \in PQ$
 - **Post:** $e \in TElem$, $p \in TPriority$, e is the element with the highest priority from pq , p is its priority
 $pq' \in PQ$, $pq' = pq \oplus (e,p)$
 - **Throws:** an exception if the priority queue is empty

- **top** (pq,e,p)
 - **Description:** returns from the priority queue the element with the highest priority and its priority. It does not modify the priority queue.
 - **Pre:** $pq \in PQ$
 - **Post:** $e \in TElem$, $p \in TPriority$, e is the element with the highest priority from pq , p is its priority
 - **Throws:** an exception if the priority queue is empty

- **isEmpty** (pq)
 - **Description:** checks if the priority queue is empty (it has no elements)
 - **Pre:** $pq \in PQ$
 - **Post:** $isEmpty \leftarrow \begin{cases} true, & \text{if } pq \text{ has no elements} \\ false, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
 - **Throws:** -

- **isFull** (pq)
 - **Description:** checks if the priority queue is full
 - **Pre:** $pq \in PQ$
 - **Post:** $isFull \leftarrow \begin{cases} true, & \text{if } pq \text{ is full} \\ false, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
 - **Throws:** -

4)ADT Representation – binary search tree

TNode

info: *TElement*

left: \uparrow *TNode*

right: \uparrow *TNode*

TElement

p: *int* // every TElement has a priority level

info: *string*

r: *rel {R: TPriority X TPriority}* // I have overridden the < operator

PQBST

root: \uparrow *TNode*

m: *int* // The given size of the container

5)Pseudocode implementation

Subalgorithm init(pq) **is:**

```
@allocate root of type Node
pq.root = NIL;
pq.s = 0;
```

end-subalgorithm

Complexity: $\Theta(1)$

Subalgorithm destroy(pq) **is:**

 @recursively deallocate left, right nodes and lastly the root, while we
 check if they're NIL or not

end-subalgorithm

Complexity: $O(n)$

Subalgorithm push(pq,e,p) **is:** //wrapper method

if pq.root = NIL **then**
 @allocate newNode of type Node
 pq.root \leftarrow newNode(e);
 else
 push(e,root);
 end-if

end-subalgorithm

Complexity: $O(n)$

Subalgorithm push(pq,e,node) **is:** //private method

if e.info < [node.info].info **then**
 if node.left = NIL **then**
 @allocate newNode of type Node
 node.left \leftarrow newNode(e);
 else
 push(e,node.left);
 end-if
 else
 if node.right = NIL **then**
 @allocate newNode of type Node
 Node.right \leftarrow newNode(e);
 else
 push(e,node.right);
 end-if
 end-if

end-subalgorithm

Complexity: $O(n)$

```
Function pop(pq,e,p) is:    //wrapper method

    elem : TElement;
    if pq.root = NIL then
        @throw exception
    else
        if [pq.root].right = NIL then
            elem ← [pq.root].info;
            if [pq.root].left = NIL then
                @deallocate pq.root
                root ← NIL;
            else
                @allocate temp of type Node
                temp ← pq.root;
                pq.root ← [pq.root].left;
                @deallocate temp
            end-if
        else
            elem ← pop([pq.root].right, pq.root);
        end-if
    end-if
    pop ← elem;

end-function
```

Complexity: $O(n)$

```
Function pop(node, parent) is:    //private method

    elem : TElement;
    if node.right != NIL then
        elem ← pop(node.right, node);
    else
        elem ← node.info;
        if node.left = NIL then
            parent.right ← NIL;
        else
            parent.right ← node.left;
        end-if
        @deallocate node;
    end-if
    pop ← elem;

end-function
```

Complexity: $O(n)$

Function top(pq,e,p) **is:**

```
    if pq.root = NIL then  
        @throw exception  
    else  
        @allocate currentNode of type Node  
        currentNode ← pq.root;  
        while currentNode.right != NIL execute  
            currentNode ← currentNode.right;  
        end-while  
        top ← currentNode.info;  
    end-if
```

end-function

Complexity: $O(n)$

Function isEmpty(pq) **is:**

```
    isEmpty ← pq.root = NIL;
```

end-function

Complexity: $\theta(1)$

Function isFull(pq) **is:**

```
    isFull ← false;
```

end-function

Complexity: $\theta(1)$

6)Tests for the container

```
PQBST pqbst{}; //we're checking the init method
assert((pqbst.isEmpty() == true)); //we're checking the isEmpty method
Human h(2, "Mois Brigitte");
Human h2(3, "Michael Jackson");
Human h3(0, "Mois Kiwi");
Human h4(1, "Muresan Ioana");
Human h5(4, "Elena Ceausescu");
pqbst.push(h); //we're checking the push method
pqbst.push(h2);
assert((pqbst.top() == h2)); //we're checking the top method
assert((pqbst.pop() == h2)); //we're checking the pop method
PQBST pqbst2(NULL, 5);
pqbst.setM(3); //we're checking the setM method
pqbst.push(h3);
assert((pqbst2.isEmpty() == true)); //double-check
assert((pqbst.pop() == h)); //in the following lines I'll be checking all the sub-
                             branches of the pop method (the right son having a
                             left son and so on)

assert((pqbst.pop() == h3));
pqbst.push(h);
pqbst.push(h5);
pqbst.push(h2);
pqbst.push(h4);
pqbst.push(h3);
assert((pqbst.pop() == h5));
assert((pqbst.pop() == h2));
assert((pqbst.pop() == h));
assert((pqbst.pop() == h4));
assert((pqbst.pop() == h3));
pqbst.push(h);
pqbst.push(h2);
pqbst.push(h5);
pqbst.push(h4);
pqbst.push(h3);
assert((pqbst.pop() == h5));
assert((pqbst.pop() == h2));
assert((pqbst.pop() == h));
assert((pqbst.pop() == h4));
assert((pqbst.pop() == h3));
pqbst.push(h5); //we're not leaving the queue empty so that the destroy function
                  can be asserted automatically
```

7) Operations complexity

`init(pq) -> $\theta(1)$`
`destroy(pq) -> $\theta(n)$`
`push(pq,e,p) -> $\theta(n)$`
`pop(pq,e,p) -> $\theta(n)$`
`top(pq,e,p) -> $\theta(n)$`
`isEmpty(pq) -> $\theta(1)$`
`isFull(pq) -> $\theta(1)$`

I will make the computations for the complexity of the function `push(pq,e,p)`.

Best case: $\theta(1)$ - when the tree is empty

Worst case: $\theta(n)$ - when we have to traverse all the nodes

Average case: $T(n) = (n-1) + \frac{2}{n}(T(0)+T(1)+\dots+T(n-1))$
 $T(n)/n \in \theta(\log n)$

8) Problem statement - Rescuing the human race based on status

An extraterrestrial species has attacked planet Earth and it is about to be destroyed. Unfortunately, only m humans can embark on the rescue spaceship, based on their priority levels, as follows:

Politicians – priority level 4

Scientists – priority level 3

Doctors – priority level 2

Priests – priority level 1

Commoners – priority level 0

Simulate the process of rescuing the human race by adding a human to the spaceship, removing a human from the spaceship and displaying all the humans that have been saved.

9) Problem explanation

My assigned ADT, the priority queue is suitable for solving the chosen problem because each human has a priority level and they can only embark the spaceship if they have the highest priority level.

In other words, we start with an empty priority queue (an empty spaceship) and first we “push” the politicians, then the scientists, then the doctors, then the priests and then the commoners, while we check not to have a full spaceship.

10) Problem solution

Algorithm rescueHumanRace() **is:**

```
createPQWithHumans(pq);  
@read m  
displayRescuedHumans(pq,m);
```

end-algorithm

Complexity: $\Theta(1)$

Subalgorithm createPQWithHumans(pq) **is:**

```
@read n;  
init(pq,">=");  
for 1  $\leftarrow$  1,n execute  
    @read human and priority  
    push(pq, human, priority);  
end-for
```

end-subalgorithm

Complexity: $O(n^2)$

Subalgorithm displayRescuedHumans(pq,m) **is:**

```
While m>0 and  $\neg$  isEmpty(pq) execute
    pop(pq, human, priority);
    @print human and priority
    m  $\leftarrow$  m-1;
end-while
destroy(pq);
```

end-subalgorithm

Complexity: $O(n*m)$

11) Solution complexity

```
rescueHumanRace() ->  $O(n^2)$ 
createPQWithHumans(pq) ->  $O(n^2)$ 
displayRescuedHumans(pq,m) ->  $O(n*m)$ 
```