

# Priority Queue - Interface I

- The domain of the ADT Priority Queue:  
 $\mathcal{PQ} = \{pq \mid pq \text{ is a priority queue with elements } (e, p), e \in TElem, p \in TPriority\}$
- The interface of the ADT Priority Queue contains the following operations:

# Priority Queue - Interface II

- **init** ( $pq, R$ )
  - **descr:** creates a new empty priority queue
  - **pre:**  $R$  is a relation over the priorities,  
 $R : \mathcal{TPriority} \times \mathcal{TPriority}$
  - **post:**  $pq \in \mathcal{PQ}$ ,  $pq$  is an empty priority queue

# Priority Queue - Interface III

- **destroy**(pq)
  - **descr:** destroys a priority queue
  - **pre:**  $pq \in \mathcal{PQ}$
  - **post:**  $pq$  was destroyed

# Priority Queue - Interface IV

- **push**(pq, e, p)
  - **descr:** pushes (adds) a new element to the priority queue
  - **pre:**  $pq \in \mathcal{PQ}, e \in TElem, p \in TPriority$
  - **post:**  $pq' \in \mathcal{PQ}, pq' = pq \oplus (e, p)$

# Priority Queue - Interface V

- **pop** ( $pq$ )
  - **descr:** pops (removes) from the priority queue the element with the highest priority. It returns both the element and its priority
  - **pre:**  $pq \in \mathcal{PQ}$ ,  $pq$  is not empty
  - **post:**  $pop \leftarrow (e, p)$ ,  $e \in TElem$ ,  $p \in TPriority$ ,  $e$  is the element with the highest priority from  $pq$ ,  $p$  is its priority.  
 $pq' \in \mathcal{PQ}$ ,  $pq' = pq \ominus (e, p)$
  - **throws:** an exception if the priority queue is empty.

# Priority Queue - Interface VI

- **top** ( $pq$ )
  - **descr:** returns from the priority queue the element with the highest priority and its priority. It does not modify the priority queue.
  - **pre:**  $pq \in \mathcal{PQ}$ ,  $pq$  is not empty
  - **post:**  $top \leftarrow (e, p)$ ,  $e \in TElem$ ,  $p \in TPriority$ ,  $e$  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:**  $pq \in \mathcal{PQ}$
- **Post:**

$$isEmpty \leftarrow \begin{cases} \text{true, if } pq \text{ has no elements} \\ \text{false, otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Priority Queue - Interface VIII

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