



DATA STRUCTURES AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Implementation of Priority Queue using
min heap/max heap

Shylaja S S & Kusuma K V

Department of Computer Science
& Engineering

DATA STRUCTURES AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Implementation of Priority Queue using min heap/max heap

Shylaja S S

Department of Computer Science & Engineering

DATA STRUCTURES AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Ascending and Descending Heap



- Ascending Heap: Root will have the lowest element. Each node's data is greater than or equal to its parent's data. It is also called min heap.
- Descending Heap: Root will have the highest element. Each node's data is lesser than or equal to its parent's data. It is also called max heap.



- Priority Queue is a Data Structure in which intrinsic ordering of the elements does determine the results of its basic operations
- Ascending Priority Queue: is a collection of items into which items can be inserted arbitrarily and from which only the smallest item can be removed
- Descending Priority Queue: is a collection of items into which items can be inserted arbitrarily and from which only the largest item can be removed

Consider the properties of a heap

- The entry with largest key is on the top(Descending heap) and can be removed immediately. But $O(\log n)$ time is required to readjust the heap with remaining keys
- If another entry need to be done, it requires $O(\log n)$
- Therefore, heap is advantageous to implement a Priority Queue

DATA STRUCTURES AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Priority Queue using Heap: Implementation



- `dpq`: Array that implements descending heap of size k (position from 0 to $k-1$)
- `pqinsert(dpq,k,elt)`: insert element into the heap `dpq` of size k . Size increases to $k+1$
- This insertion is done using siftup operation

DATA STRUCTURES AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Priority Queue using Heap: Implementation



Algorithm for siftup

```
c = k;  
p = (c-1)/2;  
while(c>0 && dpq[p]<elt) {  
    dpq[c]=dpq[p];  
    c=p;  
    p=(c-1)/2;  
}  
dpq[c]=elt;
```

DATA STRUCTURES AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Priority Queue using Heap: Implementation



```
pqmaxdelete(dpq,k) //for a descending heap of size k
```

```
p = dpq[0];
```

```
adjustheap(0,k-1)
```

```
return p;
```


DATA STRUCTURES AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Priority Queue using Heap: Implementation



Algorithm largechild(p,m)

$c = 2 * p + 1;$

if($c + 1 \leq m$ && $x[c] < x[c + 1]$)

$c = c + 1;$

if($c > m$)

return -1;

else

return (c);

DATA STRUCTURES AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Priority Queue using Heap: Implementation



Algorithm `adjustheap(root,k)` *//recursive*

```
p = root;
c = largechild(p,k-1);
if(c >= 0 && dpq[k] < dpq[c]){
    dpq[p] = dpq[c];
    adjustheap(c,k);
}
else
    dpq[p] = dpq[k];
```

DATA STRUCTURES AND ITS APPLICATIONS

Priority Queue using Heap: Implementation



Iterative version

```
p = root;
kvalue = dpq[k];
c = largechild(p,k-1);
while(c >= 0 && kvalue < dpq[c]){
    dpq[p] = dpq[c];
    p = c;
    c = largechild(p,k-1);
}
dpq[p] = kvalue;
```

1. Which data structure is most commonly used to implement a priority queue?

- A) Stack
- B) Queue
- C) Heap
- D) Linked List

1. Which data structure is most commonly used to implement a priority queue?

A) Stack

B) Queue

C) Heap

D) Linked List

2. In a priority queue implemented using a max-heap, which element has the highest priority?

- A) The leftmost leaf
- B) The root
- C) The rightmost leaf
- D) Any internal node

2. In a priority queue implemented using a max-heap, which element has the highest priority?

- A) The leftmost leaf
- B) The root**
- C) The rightmost leaf
- D) Any internal node

3. Which operation is NOT supported directly by a heap-based priority queue?

- A) Insert an element
- B) Extract maximum (or minimum)
- C) Decrease key value
- D) Search for an arbitrary element in immediate lookup

3. Which operation is NOT supported directly by a heap-based priority queue?

- A) Insert an element
- B) Extract maximum (or minimum)
- C) Decrease key value
- D) Search for an arbitrary element in immediate lookup**

4. In a min-priority queue implemented using a min-heap, the element with the smallest key is found at:

- A) Any leaf node
- B) Root node
- C) Last node of the heap
- D) Middle node

4. In a min-priority queue implemented using a min-heap, the element with the smallest key is found at:

- A) Any leaf node
- B) Root node**
- C) Last node of the heap
- D) Middle node

5. The typical application of a priority queue implemented by heap is:

- A) Breadth First Search
- B) Depth First Search
- C) Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm
- D) Binary Search

5. The typical application of a priority queue implemented by heap is:

- A) Breadth First Search
- B) Depth First Search
- C) Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm**
- D) Binary Search



THANK YOU

Shylaja S S

Department of Computer Science
& Engineering

shylaja.sharath@pes.edu