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Project 2

# Introduction

The report will outline and delve in the implementation of three different map structures to process and analyze data from NHL stats. Our goal here is to determine who makes the most plays from the 2012-2013 season to the 2017 to 2018 season.

# Implementation

ArrayList

1. The worst case growth rate of the ArrayList function is observed whenever there are n unique players in HockeyData provided in the Excel spreadsheet. Therefore the *isThere* method (see the code snippet below) that checks whether the player is unique or not will have to iterate through the entire PlayCount ArrayList as it grows larger each time a new unique player is added.

**public** **static** **int** isThere (String data, ArrayList <PlayCount> playCount) {

**for** (**int** i = 0; i<playCount.size(); i++) {

**if** (data.equals(playCount.get(i).name)) {

**return** i;

}

}

**return** -1;

}

To be more specific, the worst case growth would be , which is . I have conducted a test to make sure that the run time is rough n square. As you can see in the chart below, when the input n double, the run time quadruple. It is evident that the growth rate is . Note that the *MAX\_ENTRIES* for the test is 100000 and 200000 respectively.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **n = 100000** |  | **n = 200000** |  |
| 0.123991863 | 0.12347257 | 0.417968061 | 0.424121176 |

1. For the empirical time to count for this map given the original data size, I have utilize the StopWatch class and its methods to time the time taken to finish the count for each map (see below for the methods that I implemented)

Stopwatch arraylistTime = **new** Stopwatch(); //reset and create a new timer

arraylistTime.reset();

arraylistTime.start();

arraylistTime.stop();

For accuracy and validity, I ran the test five times and put the times down in the table below. Note that the *MAX\_ENTRIES* for the test is 4000000.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Trial** | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
|  | 12.806490291 | 13.5321052 | 11.2179504 | 12.8305076 | 12.9410026 | **Average**: 12.6656 |

1. The outputs (the number of unique player as well as the top 20 players) for all three are consistent. The output below is the with the *MAX\_ENTRIES* of 4000000. Please see below for the output of all three map structures.

Found 1750 unique players.

The 20 players with the most frequent plays and their counts are:

1. Sidney Crosby 17294

2. Patrice Bergeron 15761

3. Jonathan Toews 15111

4. Anze Kopitar 14671

5. Claude Giroux 14296

6. Mikko Koivu 13537

7. Derek Stepan 13391

8. Nicklas Backstrom 13386

9. John Tavares 13316

10. Ryan Kesler 13108

11. Tomas Plekanec 13066

12. Ryan Getzlaf 12781

13. Ryan Johansen 12366

14. Henrik Lundqvist 12366

15. Joe Pavelski 12064

16. Braden Holtby 11950

17. Derick Brassard 11915

18. Kyle Turris 11816

19. Nazem Kadri 11541

20. Tuukka Rask 11430

*TreeMap*

1. The worst case growth rate of the TreeMap structure would be , since structure of the TreeMap is of a binary search tree. Insertion of a binary search tree would require runtime and this has be to performed for every HockeyData’s input ). This can be seen below:

**for** (HockeyData data : plays) {

**if**(treeMap.containsKey(data.get(0))) {

treeMap.put(data.get(0), treeMap.get(data.get(0))+1);//get the player's count by searching for its key

}

**else** {

treeMap.put(data.get(0),1); //create a new key value pair if the player is unique, count will be 1

}

As you can see in the chart below, when the input n double, the run time double. It is evident that the growth rate is . Note that the *MAX\_ENTRIES* for the test is 100000 and 200000 respectively.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **n = 100000** |  | **n = 200000** |  |
| 0.038189577 | 0.038189577 | 0.06650492300000001 | 0.06715549700000001 |

1. For the empirical time to count for this map given the original data size, I have utilize the StopWatch class and its methods to time the time taken to finish the count for each map (see below for the methods that I implemented). For accuracy and validity, I ran the test five times and put the times down in the table below. Note that the *MAX\_ENTRIES* for the test is 4000000.

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Trial** | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
|  | 6.521433979 | 6.810737460 | 7.140342 | 6.627596284 | 6.814529001 | **Average**: 6.7829277448 |

1. Please see above at the ArrayList section

*HashMap*

1. For HashMap, the worst-case growth rate is simply owing to the constant complexity when searching in hash map. This operation will be performed for each unique player in HockeyData (every player is unique in the worst case scenario). Thus, the run time for HashMap would be . See below for the *for loop* that iterate through the map:

**for** (HockeyData data: plays) {

**if**(hashMap.containsKey(data.get(0))) {

hashMap.put(data.get(0), hashMap.get(data.get(0))+1);

}

**else** {

hashMap.put(data.get(0),1);

}

}

As you can see in the chart below, when the input n double, the run time double. It is evident that the growth rate is . Note that the *MAX\_ENTRIES* for the test is 100000 and 200000 respectively.

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **n = 100000** |  | **n = 200000** |  |
| 0.029229943 | 0.026589351 | 0.05011509 | 0.047445325 |

1. For the empirical time to count for this map given the original data size, I have utilize the StopWatch class and its methods to time the time taken to finish the count for each map (see below for the methods that I implemented). For accuracy and validity, I ran the test five times and put the times down in the table below. Note that the *MAX\_ENTRIES* for the test is 4000000.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| **Trial** | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |  |
|  | 5.601837657 | 3.67800676 | 5.630306529 | 4.931293100 | 5.6952473720 | **Average**: 5.1073382836 |

1. Please see above at the ArrayList section

# Discussion

*Performance*

1. The performance of the unsorted ArrayList is very poor as we can see from it’s steep growth rate as well as average run-time, which is 12.6656. This run time is the slowest out of the three designs. The disadvantage of having a n square design really shows when the size of the input data increases.
2. The performance of the TreeMap has the second best run time out of the three owing to it’s growth rate, averaging 6.7829277448.
3. The performance of the HashMap is the best out of all three designs, averaging 5.1073382836. Given its constant run time for insertion and search, it does have an edge on TreeMap which uses binary search. The large input does not drastically increase the run time like it does to ArrayList. In short, due to the above-mentioned analysis on the growth rate and run time of all three designs, HashMap seems like the correct choice in this case.

*Best Design Choice*

1. After reading the manual, I was left with choosing between two methods to find the top 20 players. My first instinct is to sort the entire list by Count value in the PlayCount object and thus I can pick the largest 20. I implemented a compareTo method in the PlayCount class and used Collection.sort first to sort the entire list and then a for loop to get the last 20 elements. Using the Collection class to sort the entire list will usually grant a stable run time of where merge sort and quick sort are common sorting algorithm implemented by compiler to sort comparable class objects. Please see below for the implementation of Collection.sort:

**public** **static** **void** SortByCollection (ArrayList<PlayCount> playCount) {

System.***out***.println("Found " + playCount.size() + " unique players.");

System.***out***.println("The 20 players with the most frequent plays and their counts are: ");

Collections.*sort*(playCount);

**for**(**int** i = playCount.size()-1; i>playCount.size()-21; i--) {

System.***out***.println(playCount.get(i).name + " " + playCount.get(i).count );

}

}

1. However, there appears to be a even more efficient to get the top 20, which is priority queue. The insertion cost of the priority queue is . When objects are added/constructor into the priority, they will automatically be arranged in their natural order. A new compare method was added. It is in fact more efficient than the previous sorting method since it performs fewer comparisons (very likely that it will do fewer than 20 comparisons for each pair). Please see below for the implementation of the priority queue:

**public** **static** **void** SortByPriorityQueue (ArrayList <PlayCount>PlayCount) {

System.***out***.println("Found " + PlayCount.size() + " unique players.");

System.***out***.println("The 20 players with the most frequent plays and their counts are: ");

PriorityQueue<PlayCount> priorityQueue = **new** PriorityQueue<PlayCount>(20, **new** Comparator<PlayCount>() {

**public** **int** compare(PlayCount player1, PlayCount player2) {

**if**(player1.count > player2.count) {

**return** -1;

}

**else** **if**(player1.count < player2.count) {

**return** 1;

}

**return** 0;

}

});

**for**(PlayCount player : PlayCount) {

priorityQueue.add(player);

}

**for**(**int** j=0; j<20; j++) {

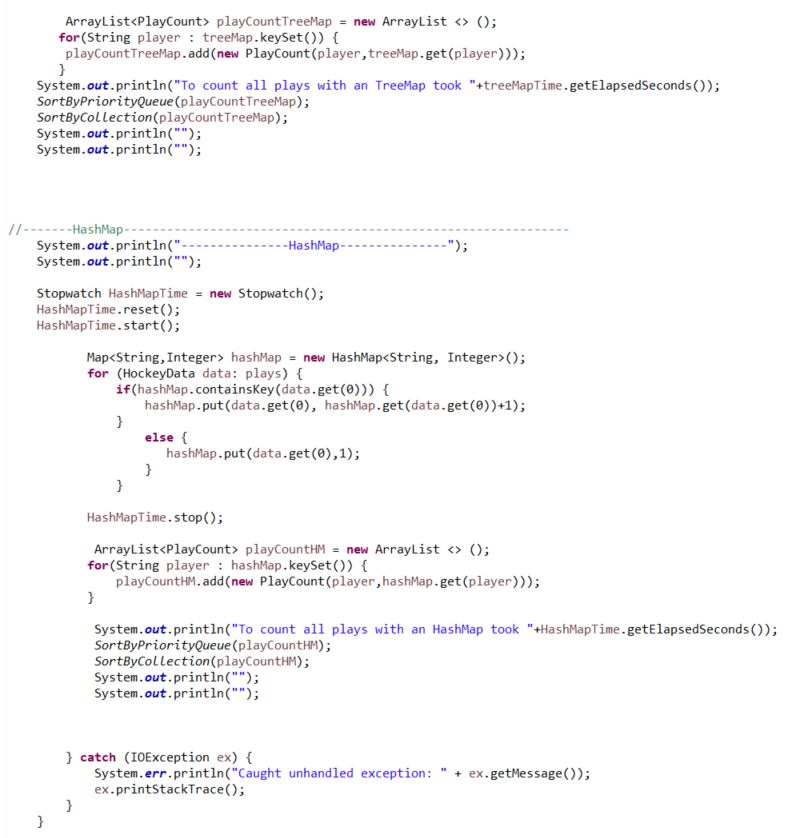
System.***out***.format("%d. %s %d %n", j 1 ,priorityQueue.peek().name, priorityQueue.remove().count);

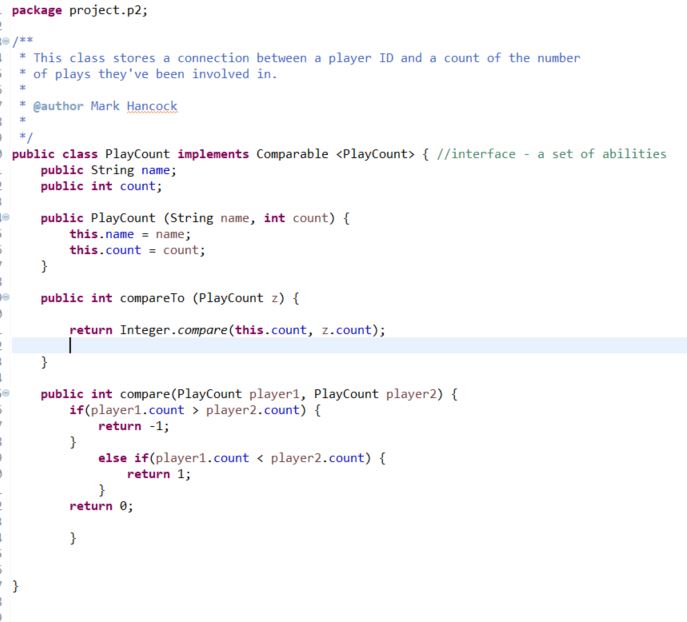
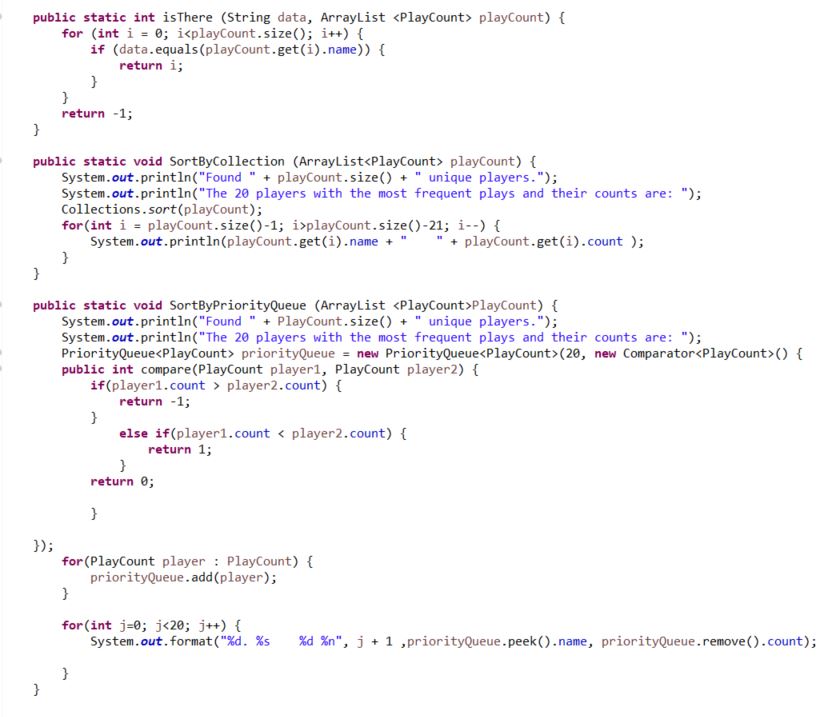
}

}

1. No issues were encountered in completing this assignment.







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The instruction manual written by Dr. Mark Hancock as well as the documentation links below:

1. <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/ArrayList.html>
2. <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/TreeMap.html>
3. <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/java/util/HashMap.html>
4. <https://docs.oracle.com/javase/7/docs/api/java/util/PriorityQueue.html>

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