

Project 6 - MultiSet Design

Data Structure and Algorithm

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Abstract

1 Introduction

Based on what I understand from description of project 6, I had two options: an RPG game or a tower defense game. An RPG game is about a hero's journey, while Tower Defense is about strategic defense. I decided to go with the "Tower Defense" game. I like this kind of game more. This design will propose a class named "DefenseTower", a multiset data structure for core logic of Tower Defense game system. The player will manage defense strategies and structures to stop the incoming enemies. As mentioned in the project pdf, multiset (DefenseTower) will support multiple instances of same item e.g. a player likes to have 5 cannons and 2 towers to attack. As mentioned in Table 1, the comparison between Hash Table and AVL Tree bring me to the decision of choosing Hash Table (HashMap)(jstring, unsigned int).

Comparison Criteria	Hash Table	AVL Tree
Search Time Complexity	O(1)	O(log n)
Insertion Time Complexity	O(1)	O(log n)
Deletion Time Complexity	O(1)	O(log n)
Memory Overhead	High	Low
Range Searches	Requires special implementation	Efficient
Re-balancing	Not necessary	Required
Recursion	Not Inherently RS	RS
Implementation	Mostly relies on Libraries	Easily Customizable
Suitability for Small Data Sets	Less suitable due to memory overhead	More suitable

Table 1: Comparison of HahsTable vs AVL-Tree[Gee]

Hash Table for game design is perfect because it will check the inventory (game loop Figure 1) thousands of times in a simple game. A Hash Table is the only structure fast enough to do this instantly ($O(1)$) so the game doesn't lag/stutter.

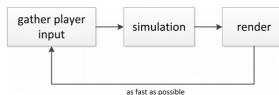


Figure 1: Simple game loop[VCF16]



Figure 2: This frog was uploaded via the file-tree menu.

Item	Quantity
Widgets	42
Gadgets	13

Table 2: An example table.

1.1 Design Philosophy

2 Some examples to get started

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. . . or bullet points . . .

- Like this,
- and like this.

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$$S_n = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i^n X_i$$

denote their mean. Then as n approaches infinity, the random variables $\sqrt{n}(S_n - \mu)$ converge in distribution to a normal $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$.

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