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Priority Queue

A priority queue is a data structure capable of maintaining maximum/minimum values at front of the queue, which may have other names in other programming languages (C++ `std::priority_queue` / Rust `BinaryHeap`). The priority queue here is implemented as a pairing heap and has excellent performance.

Usage

Create

You can use `new()` or `of()` to create a priority queue.

```
1
2  test {
3      let queue1 : @priority_queue T[Int] = @priority_queue new()
4      let queue2 = @priority_queue of([1, 2, 3])
5      @json inspect(queue1, content=[])
6      @json inspect(queue2, content=[3, 2, 1])
7  }
```

Note, however, that the default priority queue created is greater-first; if you need to create a less-first queue, you can write a struct belongs to `Compare trait` to implement it.

Length

You can use `length()` to get the number of elements in the current priority queue.

```
1
2  test {
3      let pq = @priority_queue of([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
4      assert_eq(pq.length(), 5)
5  }
```

Similarly, you can use the `is_empty` to determine whether the priority queue is empty.

```
1
2  test {
3      let pq : @priority_queue T[Int] = @priority_queue new()
4      assert_eq(pq.is_empty(), true)
5  }
```

Peek

You can use `peek()` to look at the head element of a queue, which must be either the maximum or minimum value of an element in the queue, depending on the nature of the specification. The return value of `peek()` is an `Option`, which means that the result will be `None` when the queue is empty.

```

1
2  test {
3      let pq = @priority_queue of([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
4      assert_eq(pq peek(), Some(5))
5  }

```

Push

You can use `push()` to add elements to the priority queue.

```

1
2  test {
3      let pq : @priority_queue T[Int] = @priority_queue new()
4      pq push(1)
5      pq push(2)
6      assert_eq(pq peek(), Some(2))
7  }

```

Pop

You can use `pop()` to pop the element at the front of the priority queue, respectively, and like `Peek`, its return values are `Option`, loaded with the value of the element being popped.

```

1
2  test {
3      let pq = @priority_queue of([5, 4, 3, 2, 1])
4      assert_eq(pq pop(), Some(5))
5  }

```

```

1
2  test {
3      let pq = @priority_queue of([5, 4, 3, 2, 1])
4      assert_eq(pq length(), 5)
5  }

```

Clear

You can use `clear` to clear a priority queue.

```

1
2  test {
3      let pq = @priority_queue of([1, 2, 3, 4, 5])
4      pq clear()
5      assert_eq(pq is_empty(), true)
6  }

```

Copy and Transfer

You can copy a priority queue using the `copy` method.

```
1
2  test {
3    let pq = @priority_queue of([1, 2, 3])
4    let _pq2 = pq copy()
5
6  }
```