

C++ Data Structures

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Binary Search Tree

A binary search tree is a binary tree data structure that supports searching, insertion and removal of elements, by using the following rules:

1. The left subtree of a node contains only nodes with keys less than or equal to the node's key.
2. The right subtree of a node contains only nodes with keys greater than the node's key.
3. The left and right subtree each must also be a binary search tree.

Trigger

bst | binsearchtree

Classes

The snippet creates BSTAbstract, BST classes and Node structure.

- BSTAbstract class template gets T type as a template parameter and Comp as “is T a less than T b” comparison function
- BST class is a wrapper for BSTAbstract with Comp defined as `[] (T a, T b) { return a < b; }`

Methods

Initialization

The tree accepts a comparison function `cmp(T a, T b)` when created. It works like a standard less comparator.

Default comparator:

```
1 bool cmp(T a, T b) { return a < b; }
```

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The comparator determines the ordering of elements and where new nodes are inserted.

void insert(T val)

Inserts a new value into the binary search tree. The function recursively descends left or right according to the comparison rule and places the new value at the correct leaf position.

T* search(T val)

Looks for the given value in the tree.

Returns:

- Pointer to the stored value if found
- `nullptr` if the value is not present

bool remove(T val)

Removes a value from the tree.

Returns:

- `true` if the value was found and deleted
- `false` if the tree does not contain the value

void print()

Prints the BST in a rotated tree-like format:

```
1      8
2     7
3     6
4 5
```

```
5      4
6    3
7    2
```

Right subtree is displayed above the root, left subtree below it.

Example

```
1  BST<int> tree;
2
3  tree.insert(5);
4  tree.insert(3);
5  tree.insert(7);
6
7  int* p1 = tree.search(3); // Found
8  int* p2 = tree.search(10); // nullptr
9
10 tree.remove(3);
11
12 tree.print();
```

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AVL Tree

This is the same data structure as binary search tree, but with additional balancing and 4 types of rotations to keep the tree balanced (every operation has $O(\log n)$ complexity in worst case).

Supports the same methods as binary search tree, but also supports autobalancing by rotations and counting heights of subtrees.

Trigger

avltree | avl

Classes

The snippet creates AVLAbstract and AVL classes, with the same logic as for binary search tree.

- AVLAbstract class template with type parameter T and comparison function Comp
- AVL class wrapper with default comparator

Methods

All methods from Binary Search Tree are supported with the same interface. Additionally, the tree automatically maintains balance through rotations after insertions and deletions.

Example

```
1  AVLTree<int> tree;
2
3  tree.insert(1);
4  tree.insert(2);
5  tree.insert(3);
6
7  int* p1 = tree.search(3); // Found
8  int* p2 = tree.search(4); // nullptr
9
10 tree.remove(2);
11 tree.print();
```

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Heap

A binary heap is a complete binary tree data structure that satisfies the heap property. It is implemented using an array representation where for any node at index i :

- Left child is at index $2i + 1$
- Right child is at index $2i + 2$
- Parent is at index $\frac{i-1}{2}$

The heap supports efficient insertion and removal of the root element (min or max depending on comparator).

Trigger

heap | minheap | maxheap

Classes

The snippet creates Heap class template and predefined type aliases.

- Heap class template gets T type and Comp as comparison function template parameters
- Type aliases MinHeap and MaxHeap are wrappers for Heap with predefined comparators

Predefined comparators:

```
1 template <typename T> bool minCompare(const T &a, const T &b) { return a < b; }
2 template <typename T> bool maxCompare(const T &a, const T &b) { return a > b; }
```

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Type aliases:

```
1 template <typename T = int> using MinHeap = Heap<T, minCompare<T>>;
2 template <typename T = int> using MaxHeap = Heap<T, maxCompare<T>>;
```

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Methods

Initialization

The heap accepts a comparison function `Comp(const T& a, const T& b)` as a template parameter.

- MinHeap maintains smallest element at root
- MaxHeap maintains largest element at root

void insert(T val)

Inserts a new value into the heap. The element is added at the end of the array and then sifted up to maintain the heap property.

T popRoot()

Removes and returns the root element (minimum for MinHeap, maximum for MaxHeap). The last element replaces the root, then sifts down to restore the heap property.

Throws:

- `std::out_of_range` if heap is empty

T peek() const

Returns the root element without removing it.

Throws:

- `std::out_of_range` if heap is empty

bool empty() const

Checks if the heap is empty.

Returns:

- true if heap contains no elements
- false otherwise

int size() const

Returns the number of elements in the heap.

void clear()

Removes all elements from the heap.

void print() const

Prints the heap in a rotated tree-like format:

```
1      4
2    7
3      6
4 9
5      4
6    5
7      2
```

Right subtree is displayed above the node, left subtree below it.

Example

```
1  MinHeap<int> minHeap;
2  minHeap.insert(5);
3  minHeap.insert(3);
4  minHeap.insert(7);
5
6  int min = minHeap.peek(); // 3
7  int removed = minHeap.popRoot(); // 3
8
9  MaxHeap<int> maxHeap;
10 maxHeap.insert(5);
11 maxHeap.insert(3);
12 maxHeap.insert(7);
13
14 int max = maxHeap.popRoot(); // 7
15
16 minHeap.print();
```

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Stack

Abstract data structure based on LIFO (Last In First Out) principle. Supports push and pop operations. In our case stack is implemented using linked list.

Trigger

stack | stk

Classes

One class Stack template gets T type as a template parameter. Uses Node structure to store elements.

Methods

void push(T val)

Pushes a new value to the top of the stack.

T pop()

Removes the top element from the stack and returns it.

bool isEmpty()

Returns true if the stack is empty, false otherwise.

int size()

Returns the number of elements in the stack.

void print()

Prints the stack in a reversed order:

```
1 Stack (size=3): 5 22 3
```

Example

```
1 Stack<char> stack;
2
3 stack.push('a');
4 stack.push('c');
5 stack.push('b');
6
7 std::cout << stack.pop() << "\n"; // b
8 std::cout << stack.pop() << "\n"; // c
9
10 stack.isEmpty(); // false
11 stack.size(); // 1
12
13 stack.print();
```

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Queue

Abstract data structure based on FIFO (First In First Out) principle. Supports enqueue and dequeue operations. In our case queue is implemented using linked list with head and tail pointers for efficient insertion and removal.

Trigger

queue | que

Classes

One class Queue template gets T type as a template parameter. Uses Node structure for linked list implementation.

Methods

void enqueue(T data)

Adds a new element to the back of the queue.

T dequeue()

Removes and returns the front element from the queue.

Throws:

- `std::out_of_range` if queue is empty

bool isEmpty()

Returns true if the queue is empty, false otherwise.

int getSize()

Returns the number of elements in the queue.

void print()

Prints the queue from front to back:

```
1 Queue (size=3): 1 2 3
```

Example

```
1 Queue<int> q;  
2  
3 q.enqueue(1);  
4 q.enqueue(2);  
5 q.enqueue(3);  
6  
7 std::cout << q.dequeue() << "\n"; // 1  
8 std::cout << q.dequeue() << "\n"; // 2  
9  
10 q.isEmpty(); // false  
11 q.getSize(); // 1  
12  
13 q.print();
```

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Deque

Abstract data structure that allows insertion and removal from both ends. Deque (double-ended queue) supports push and pop operations at both the front and back. In our case deque is implemented using doubly-linked list with head and tail pointers.

Trigger

deque | dq

Classes

One class Queue template gets T type as a template parameter. Uses Node structure with prev and next pointers for doubly-linked list implementation.

Methods

void pushBack(T data)

Adds a new element to the back of the deque.

void pushForward(T data)

Adds a new element to the front of the deque.

T popBack()

Removes and returns the element from the back of the deque.

Throws:

- `std::runtime_error` if deque is empty

T popForward()

Removes and returns the element from the front of the deque.

Throws:

- `std::runtime_error` if deque is empty

void print()

Prints the deque from front to back:

```
1 Deque (size=3): 1 2 3
```

Example

```
1 Queue<int> dq;
2
3 dq.pushBack(2);
4 dq.pushForward(1);
5 dq.pushBack(3);
6
7 std::cout << dq.popForward() << "\n"; // 1
8 std::cout << dq.popBack() << "\n";    // 3
9
10 dq.print(); // Deque (size=1): 2
```

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