

COP-3530 Data Structures

Programming Assignment 4: Heaps

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This assignment has two parts: 1) implementing a binary heap 2) and comparing the efficiency of the implemented heap class with the standard `java.util.PriorityQueue` in a given scenario when merging 25 sorted lists.

1 Constructing Binary Heap

In this section, you need to first implement a class `MyBinaryHeap` based on Chapter 8 of the textbook. Your class should be able to store a heap of elements with keys of **type long integers**. Also, the heap should be stored in the form of **a linear array** (either an array or an `ArrayList`) inside the class. Your class should have two key methods: **insert and deleteMin**. As mentioned during our Zoom class, insertion of a key to the heap can be done by simply adding an element to the end of array and then applying a percolate-up operation. Also, `deleteMin` requires you to:

- swap the first and last elements of the array;
- shorten the array by removing the last element;
- and finally apply a percolate-down operation.

2 Efficiency Analysis of the Implemented `MyBinaryHeap`

In this part, you need to write a program that compares the efficiency of `MyBinaryHeap` implemented in part 1 with the standard `java.util.PriorityQueue`. To do so, you need to find and compare the running times of the following program for both data structures:

Test Scenario: Merging the 25 Rows of `in.csv` File into One Sorted List

Program below merges 25 sorted lists into one sorted list in an efficient way using heap data structure. The 25 sorted lists are given in a table with 25 rows given by “`in.csv`” file available on Canvas.

1. `long startTime = System.nanoTime();`
2. `long totalTime = 0;`
3. Create a new Scanner (`new File("... local address ... \\" + "in.csv")`) (in.csv is available on Canvas).
4. For $i = 1, 2, \dots, 25$,
 - (a) Create an array and call it a_i .
 - (b) Read the i^{th} row and split it into long integers (use a scanner with comma delimiter). Store all the long integers into a_i .
5. `startTime = System.nanoTime();`
6. build a heap/priorityQueue of size 25 with the first elements of the 25 arrays.
7. For $i = 1$ to $250,000 - 25$
 - (a) extract the element (x) stored in the heap/priorityQueue with minimum key value.
 - (b) add x to an ArrayList which will eventually store the sorted list of all elements.
 - (c) insert the next element of the array from which x is taken from to the heap/priorityQueue.
8. `totalTime += (System.nanoTime() - startTime);`
9. `System.out.println(n + ", " + totalTime);`

3 Submissions

You need to submit a *.zip* file compressing the following folder:

- all the Java source file(s).
- A readme.txt file containing the program output and short paragraph comparing the efficiency of binary heap and priority Queue.