

Laboratory Assignment 11

Objectives

- Work with objects

Activities

1. Extend the bank account example in the slides with the following upgrade and new methods:

- `withdraw` – modify this method so a negative balance is shown instead of a printed message.
- `accrue` – add 1 year of simple interest to the balance. At first assume an interest rate of 1 %
- `setrate` – change the interest rate to the given argument.

You may start with the following code which is copied from the lecture slides:

```
(define (new-account initial-balance)
  (let ((balance initial-balance))
    (define (deposit f)
      (begin
        (set! balance
              (+ balance f))
        balance))
    (define (withdraw f)
      (if (> f balance)
          "Insufficient funds"
          (begin
            (set! balance
                  (- balance f))
            balance)))
    (define (bal-inq) balance)
    (lambda (method)
      (cond ((eq? method 'deposit) deposit)
            ((eq? method 'withdraw) withdraw)
            ((eq? method 'balance-inquire) bal-inq)))))
```

2. Create two bank account objects and demonstrate that the balance and rate can be set and modified independently.
3. For this question, we will use the heap-supporting functions as seen in the lecture slides as building blocks for this assignment to build a new heap implementation, i.e., using objects. Specifically, we will create a *priority queue* object. A priority queue is a modified queue, such that when one requests the next element off the front of the queue, the highest-priority element is retrieved first.

The objective is to construct a priority queue object which:

1. maintains the priority queue as a heap,
2. uses a generic (first order) order relation,
3. exposes methods `empty?`, `insert`, `extract-min`, and `size`.

Thus, the object constructor for the priority queue should take one argument (the order relation), and return a dispatcher yielding 4 methods.

Hint: Of course it is possible to implement `size` by actually traversing the heap every time it is called, but you can do something smarter by maintaining a private variable `q-size`, which is destructively updated every time something is inserted or extracted from the heap.