

# Heaps-PriorityQueues

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## 1 Priority Queues and Heap

- <https://opensa-server.cs.vt.edu/ODSA/Books/CS3/html/Heaps.html>

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### 1.2 Priority Queues

- in real-life and in computing applications, we may have to choose the next “most important” from a collection of people, tasks, or objects
  - doctors in a hospital emergency room often choose to see next “most critical” patient
  - operating systems picks programs (jobs) with the highest priority
- when collection of objects is organized by importance or priority, we call this a **priority queue**
  - normal queue is not efficient as it takes  $\Theta(n)$  time to search for the next highest priority element

### 1.3 Priority Queue Applications

- can be applied to solving graph problems such as single-source shortest paths (SSSP) and minimal-cost spanning tree (MST)

### 1.4 Representing Priority Queue

- how should we effectively represent priority queue?
- a list whether sorted or not, will require  $\Theta(n)$  time for either insertion or removal
- BST would require  $\Theta(n \log n)$  time in the average case; however BST can become unbalanced leading to bad performance  $O(n^2)$
- Heap data structure is an efficient way!

### 1.5 Heap

- **heap** data structure is used to represent priority queues
- heap is also the name for a memory segment (**free store**)

- two properties:
  1. it is a complete binary tree
    - heaps are nearly always implemented using the array representation
  2. the values stored in a heap data structure are partially ordered
    - there's a relationship between the value stored at any node and the values of its children
    - no relationship between the siblings (unlike BST)
- two types of heap:
  1. max heap
    - every node stores a value that is **greater** than or equal to the value of either of its children
    - by its definition, root stores the maximum of all values in the tree
  2. min heap
    - every node stores a value that is **less** than or equal to that of its children
    - by its definition, root stores the minimum of all values in the tree
- Heapsort uses max heap
- Replacement Selection algorithm used for external sorting uses min heap

## 1.6 Building Heap

- Two ways:
  1. push heap one element at a time
  2. make heap from given list of elements

## 1.7 Push Heap

- similar to: [https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/push\\_heap](https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/push_heap)
- useful when all elements are not available at once
- algorithm steps:
  1. first copy the data,  $V$  at the last index
    - move  $V$  to the right place by comparing to its parent's value
      1. if the value of  $V$  is less than or equal to the value of its parent, it is in the correct position
      - \* if the value of  $V$  is greater than that of its parent, the two elements swap positions
      - \* repeat 2 until  $V$  reaches its correct position
- visualize heap push/insert: <https://opensa-server.cs.vt.edu/ODSA/Books/CS3/html/Heaps.html>
- running time complexity:
  - since the height of a complete binary tree with  $n$  nodes is  $(\log n)$ , each call to push takes  $O(\log n)$  time in the worst case, (move from the bottom to the top)
  - so, takes  $O(n \log n)$  time in the worst case

### 1.7.1 push heap operation

- let's say we have values from 1..7 we want to push to a max heap one element at a time.
- final heap looks like this:
- Heap in above figure is built by pushing one element at a time with a total of (11 swaps):
  - (2, 1), (3, 2), (4, 1), (4, 2), (4, 3), (5, 3), (5, 4), (6, 2), (6, 5), (7, 5), (7, 6)
- visualize it here pushing one element at a time: <https://visualgo.net/en/heap>

## 1.8 Make Heap

- similar to: [https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/make\\_heap](https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/make_heap)
- useful when all  $n$  values are available at the beginning of the building process
- make heap is faster than push heap one element at a time

### 1.8.1 make heap operation

- let's say we have values 1..7 already stored in some sequence data structure like vector as shown in the following figure:
- start pushing down from 2nd last level and up
- with the total of 4 swaps (3, 7), (2, 5), (1, 7), (1, 6)
  - the final max heap looks like the following:
- visualize make heap operation: <https://opensa-server.cs.vt.edu/ODSA/Books/CS3/html/Heaps.html#building-a-heap>

### 1.8.2 algorithm steps (based on induction/recursion)

1. suppose that left and right subtrees of the root are already heaps, and  $R$  is the name of the element at the root
2. two possibilities:
  1.  $R$  has value greater than or equal to both children (done!)
  2.  $R$  has a value less than one or both of its children
    - “**push down**”  $R$  until it's greater than its children, or is a leaf node
    - keep exchanging  $R$  with the child that has greater value resulting heap

### 1.8.3 Running time complexity

- make heap takes  $O(n)$  in the worst case better than  $O(n \log n)$  (building heap one element at a time)
- Compared to BST:
  - better than  $O(n^2)$  worst-case and  $O(n \log n)$  average-case time required to build BST

## 1.9 Pop Heap

- remove and return the maximum value from the max heap
- similar to: [https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/pop\\_heap](https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/pop_heap)
- algorithm steps:
  1. swap the first and the last positions
  2. decrement the heap size by one
  3. since it's no longer a max heap, push the top element down as appropriate
  4. return the max element
- visualize it here: Removing from the heap section- <https://opensa-server.cs.vt.edu/ODSA/Books/CS3/html/Heaps.html>
- because the heap is  $\log n$  levels deep, the cost of deleting the maximum element is  $\Theta(\log n)$  in the average and worst cases

## 1.10 Max Heap Implementation

- implemented using array-based complete binary tree

- <https://opensa-server.cs.vt.edu/ODSA/Books/CS3/html/Heaps.html>

```
[1]: #include <iostream>
#include <string>
#include <vector>
#include <cassert>
#include <sstream>
#include <algorithm>

using namespace std;
```

```
[2]: // Max-heap ADT
// Max Priority-Queue
template<class T>
class MaxHeap {
private:
    vector<T> heap;
    size_t max_size;
    size_t size;

    //return true if given pos is a leaf position, false otherwise
    bool isLeaf(size_t pos) {
        return (pos >= size/2 && (pos < size));
    }

    // return leftChild's index given a parent's index
    int leftChild(size_t parentIndex) {
        if (parentIndex >= size/2) return -1;
        return 2*parentIndex + 1;
    }

    // return rightChild's index given a parent's index
    int rightChild(size_t parentIndex) {
        if (parentIndex >= (size-1)/2) return -1;
        return 2*parentIndex + 2;
    }

    // return parent's index given child's index
    int parent(size_t childIndex) {
        if (childIndex <= 0) return -1;
        return (childIndex-1)/2;
    }

    // heapify contents of heap
    // https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/make_heap
    void makeHeap() {
        // start pushing down from 2nd last level and up
    }
};
```

```

        for(int i=size/2 - 1; i>=0; i--) pushDown(i);
    }

    // push the element down to its correct place
    void pushDown(size_t pos) {
        if ((pos < 0) || (pos >= size)) return; //illegal position
        // push down until the pos is a leaf or heap is built
        while(!isLeaf(pos)) {
            // find the index of the larger of the two children
            int j = leftChild(pos); // let's say left child is greater
            // check if the right sibling is greater than left
            // first check if j+1 doesn't go outof bounds or right child
            ↪exists
            if ((j < (size-1)) && (heap[j] < heap[j+1]))
                ++j; // j+1 is index of child with greater value
            // if value at pos is larger than its larger of the two
            ↪children; its a heap
            if (heap[pos] >= heap[j]) return;
            swap(heap[pos], heap[j]); //
            pos = j; //move down to new pos
        }
    }

public:
    MaxHeap(size_t max_size, vector<T> items) {
        this->max_size = max_size;
        this->heap.resize(max_size);
        this->size = items.size();
        heap = items;
        makeHeap();
    }

    //return the current size of the heap
    size_t heapSize() const { return this->size; }

    bool isEmpty() const { return this->size == 0; }

    bool isFull() const { return this->size == this->max_size; }

    // insert a value into heap
    // https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/push_heap
    // insert value at the end and shift up to its correct location
    void push(const T &value) {
        if (isFull()) { // Heap is full...
            return;
        }
        int curr = size++; // use size as current index and increment it
    }

```

```

        heap[curr] = value; // start at the end
        // now shift up until curr's parent's key > curr's key
        while ((curr > 0) && (heap[parent(curr)] < heap[curr])) {
            swap(heap[parent(curr)], heap[curr]);
            curr = parent(curr);
        }
    }

    // remove and return the max value from the heap
    // https://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/algorithm/pop_heap
    T pop() {
        assert(size > 0); // can't pop from empty heap
        swap(heap[0], heap[--size]); // swap maximum with last value
        if (size != 0) // not on last element
            pushDown(0); // put new heap root val in correct place
        return heap[size];
    }
};

```

```

[3]: // Test Max-heap
    // see building the heap visualization in the above open-dsa link
    vector<int> nums = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7};

```

```

[4]: // make heap from nums vector
    MaxHeap<int> heap(100, nums);

```

```

[5]: cout << "heap size = " << heap.heapSize() << endl;
    // pop max element
    cout << "max value = " << heap.pop() << endl;

```

```

heap size = 7
max value = 7

```

```

[6]: // push an element
    heap.push(8);
    cout << "heap size = " << heap.heapSize() << endl;

```

```

heap size = 7

```

```

[7]: cout << "max value = " << heap.pop() << endl;

```

```

max value = 8

```

```

[8]: while (!heap.isEmpty()) {
    cout << heap.pop() << endl;
}

```

5  
4  
3  
2  
1

```
[9]: cout << "heap size = " << heap.heapSize() << endl;
```

heap size = 0

### 1.10.1 Storing jobs in PriorityQueue

```
[10]: class Job {
    public:
        int ID;
        int priority;
        string name;
        bool operator>=(const Job& other) {
            return this->priority >= other.priority;
        }

        bool operator<(const Job& other) {
            return this->priority < other.priority;
        }

        void print() {
            cout << "ID: " << this->ID << " Priority: " << this->priority << "
            ↪Name: " << this->name << endl;
        }
};
```

```
[11]: vector<Job> jobs = {{1, 10, "Print"}, {3, 30, "Write"}, {2, 20, "Read"}};
```

```
[12]: MaxHeap<Job> jobsQueue(50, jobs);
```

```
[13]: cout << "heap size = " << jobsQueue.heapSize() << endl;
```

heap size = 3

```
[14]: Job j;
```

```
[15]: j = jobsQueue.pop();
      j.print();
```

ID: 3 Priority: 30 Name: Write

```
[16]: jobsQueue.push({5, 100, "Connect"});
```

```
[17]: cout << "queue size = " << jobsQueue.heapSize() << endl;
      j = jobsQueue.pop();
      cout << "highest priority job = ";
      j.print();
```

```
queue size = 3
highest priority job = ID: 5 Priority: 100 Name: Connect
```

## 1.11 Using MaxHeap as MinHeap

- reverse the ordering of cost/weight value that determines priority
- OR
  - -negate the values of cost/weight that determine priority

```
[18]: // Reverse the ordering of values to create Min Priority Queue/Min Heap
class Task {
public:
    int ID;
    int cost; // priority set based on cost; lower the cost; higher the
    ↪ priority!
    bool operator>=(const Task& other) {
        return this->cost <= other.cost;
    }

    bool operator<(const Task& other) {
        return this->cost > other.cost;
    }

    void print() {
        cout << "ID: " << this->ID << " cost: " << this->cost << endl;
    }
};
```

```
[19]: vector<Task> tasks = {{10, 200}, {1, 10}, {5, 50}};
```

```
[20]: MaxHeap<Task> minPq(50, tasks);
```

```
[21]: // process all the tasks based on cost; with smaller cost first
while (!minPq.isEmpty()) {
    Task t = minPq.pop();
    t.print();
}
```

```
ID: 1 cost: 10
ID: 5 cost: 50
ID: 10 cost: 200
```



```
[22]: // MinHeap: negate the values of weights/costs
// use the same values as we used in the first example above;
vector<int> nums1 = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7};
```

```
[27]: // negate each value
for_each(nums1.begin(), nums1.end(), [](int &n){ n *= -1; });
```

```
[28]: for (auto &n: nums1) { cout << n << " "; }
```

-1 -2 -3 -4 -5 -6 -7

```
[29]: // build min-heap
MaxHeap<int> minPqInts(10, nums1);
```

```
[31]: // process heap/MinPQ one element at a time
while(!minPqInts.isEmpty()) {
    cout << minPqInts.pop() << endl;
}
```

-1  
-2  
-3  
-4  
-5  
-6  
-7

## 1.12 Kahoot.it

- <https://play.kahoot.it/v2/lobby?quizId=a1f75bcb-ccfa-4d8a-b777-bcd71f7de2fc>

## 1.13 Exercises

1. Consider a node  $R$  of a complete binary tree whose value is stored in position  $i$  of an array representation for the tree. If  $R$  has a parent, where will the parent's position be in the array?
  1.  $2 * i + 1$
  2.  $i + 1$ 
    - $\left\lfloor \frac{i-1}{2} \right\rfloor$
    - $2 * i + 2$
- Which of these is true statement about the worst-case time for operations on heaps?
  1. Neither insertion nor removal are better than linear
    - Insertion is better than linear, but removal is not
    - Removal is better than linear, but insertion is not
    - Both insertion and removal are better than linear
- In a max-heap containing  $n$  elements, what is the position of the element with the max value?
  1.  $n + 1$ 
    - 0
    - Possibly in any leaf nodes

- $2 * n + 1$
  - $n$
  - $n - 1$
  - $2 * n + 2$
- In a max-heap containing  $n$  elements, what is the position of the element with the least/min value?
  - 1.  $n + 1$
  - 0
  - Possibly in any leaf node
  - $2 * n + 1$
  - $n$
  - $n - 1$
  - $2 * n + 2$
- In a min-heap containing  $n$  elements, what is the position of the element with the least/min value?
  - 1.  $n + 1$
  - 0
  - Possibly in any leaf node
  - $2 * n + 1$
  - $n$
  - $n - 1$
  - $2 * n + 2$
- In a min-heap containing  $n$  elements, what is the position of the element with the max value?
  - 1.  $n + 1$
  - 0
  - Possibly in any leaf node
  - $2 * n + 1$
  - $n$
  - $n - 1$
  - $2 * n + 2$

[ ]: