

#### **Priority Queues**



- Min priority queue.
- Max priority queue.

## Min Priority Queue

- Collection of elements.
- Each element has a priority or key.
- Supports following operations:
  - empty
  - size
  - insert an element into the priority queue (push)
  - get element with min priority (top)
  - remove element with min priority (pop)

# Max Priority Queue

- Collection of elements.
- Each element has a priority or key.
- Supports following operations:
  - empty
  - size
  - insert an element into the priority queue (push)
  - get element with max priority (top)
  - remove element with max priority (pop)

**Complexity Of Operations** 

Use a heap or a leftist tree (both are defined later).

empty, size, and top  $\Rightarrow O(1)$  time

insert (push) and remove (pop) => O(log n)
time where n is the size of the priority
queue

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# Applications

Sorting

- use element key as priority
- insert elements to be sorted into a priority queue
- remove/pop elements in priority order
  - if a min priority queue is used, elements are extracted in ascending order of priority (or key)
  - if a max priority queue is used, elements are extracted in descending order of priority (or key)

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# Sorting Example

Sort five elements whose keys are 6, 8, 2, 4, 1 using a max priority queue.

- Insert the five elements into a max priority queue.
- Do five remove max operations placing removed elements into the sorted array from right to left.

#### After Inserting Into Max Priority Queue



#### After First Remove Max Operation





# **Complexity Of Sorting**

#### Sort n elements.

- n insert operations => O(n log n) time.
- n remove max operations => O(n log n) time.
- total time is O(n log n).
- compare with O(n<sup>2</sup>) for insertion sort of Lecture 1.

# Min Tree Definition

Each tree node has a value.

Value in any node is the minimum value in the subtree for which that node is the root.Equivalently, no descendent has a smaller value.

### Min Tree Example



Root has minimum element.

## Max Tree Example



Root has maximum element.

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# Min Heap Definition

- complete binary tree
- min tree

Min Heap With 9 Nodes



Complete binary tree with 9 nodes.

#### Min Heap With 9 Nodes

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Complete binary tree with 9 nodes that is also a min tree.

#### Max Heap With 9 Nodes



Complete binary tree with 9 nodes that is also a max tree.

# Heap Height

Since a heap is a complete binary tree, the height of an n node heap is  $\log_2(n+1)$ .

A Heap Is Efficiently Represented As An Array



# Moving Up And Down A Heap

Inserting An Element Into A Max Heap



Complete binary tree with 10 nodes.







Max element is in the root.







## In Class Exercise

• Remove the max element 9 from the heap illustrated in last slide.

### Initializing A Max Heap



Start at rightmost array position that has a child. Index is n/2.

#### Initializing A Max Heap



Move to next lower array position.

## Initializing A Max Heap









Homework Implement a Program that Initialize a Max Heap

- Node 1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5 \cdot 6 \cdot 7 stored in array
- tip: using recursion

