

# CSCI 241

Lecture 15: Priority Queues **Heaps** 

There will be<br>Socrative today!

# Announcements

- Quiz today: the usual
- A2 is due Monday night

# Goals

- Understand the purpose and interface of the Priority Queue ADT.
- Know the definition and properties of a heap.
- Know how heaps are stored in practice.
- Know how to perform (on paper) and implement (in code) add, peek, and poll.

### **Collection Interface**



# Abstract Data Types

- **interface** List defines an "abstract data type"
- It has public methods: add, get, remove, ...
- Various classes **implement** List:



### **Collection Interface**



Our next two topics (and the subject of A3):

- **Priority Queues**
- Hashing, HashSets, **HashMaps**

# Priority Queues



# Queue vs Priority Queue





add (enqueue): inserts an item into the queue

remove (dequeue): removes the first item to be inserted (FIFO)

add (enqueue): inserts an item into the queue

remove (poll): remove the **highest-priority** item from the queue



- Computer Graphics: mesh simplification
- Graph algorithms: shortest paths, spanning trees
- Statistics: maintain largest M values in a sequence
- Graphics and simulation: "next time of contact" for colliding bodies
- Al Path Planning: A\* search (e.g., Map directions)
- Operating systems: load balancing, interrupt handling
- Discrete optimization: bin packing, scheduling

# Priority Queues

Like a Queue, but:

- Each item in the queue has an associated **priority** which is some type that implements **Comparable**
- **remove()** returns item with the "highest priority"
	- or, the element with the "**smallest**" associated priority value
	- Ties are broken arbitrarily

interface PriorityQueue<E> { boolean **add**(E e); // insert e E **peek**(); // return min element E **poll**(); // remove/return min element void **clear**(); boolean **contains**(E e); boolean **remove**(E e); int **size**(); Iterator<E> **iterator**(); }

### Priority Queue: LinkedList implementation

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#### **Exercise: fill in all the runtimes.**

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# Question to ponder:

What would be the runtime of add, peek, and poll if you implement a Priority Queue using a BST?

What about an AVL tree?

### Priority Queue: heap implementation

- A heap is a **concrete** data structure that can be used to **implement** a Priority Queue
- Better runtime complexity than either list implementation:
	- **peek()** is  $O(1)$
	- **poll()** is  $O(log n)$
	- **add()** is  $O(log n)$



• Not to be confused with *heap memory*, where the Java virtual machine allocates space for objects – different usage of the word heap.

### A heap is a special binary tree with two additional properties.

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# Heap operations

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- While e is in the wrong place (it is less than its parent)
	- move e towards the right place (swap with parent)

The heap invariant is maintained!



# Runtime?

If **k** is less than **h**, the height of the tree, how many nodes are at depth **k**?

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- B.  $2^k$
- $C. 2^{k-1}$
- D.  $2^k 1$

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### So... runtime?

O (Swaps). runtime of swap  $O(h)$   $O(1)$  $O(h)$  $h$  is  $ollog n)$  $add(e)$ ,  $O(\log n)!$ 

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- Maximum number of swaps is O(log n)

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# Implementing Heaps

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public class Heap<E> { private E[] heap; private int size;





# Heap it real, part 2.

#### Here's a heap, stored in an array: [1 5 7 6 7 10]

Write the array after execution of **add(4)**.

Assume the array is large enough to store the additional element.

> A. [1 5 7 6 7 10 4] B. [1 4 5 6 7 10 7] C. [1 5 4 6 7 10 7]  $145676710$