403: Algorithms and Data Structures

Heaps

Fall 2016

UAlbany

Computer Science

Some slides borrowed by **David Luebke**

Birdseye view plan

- For the next several lectures we will be looking at sorting and related problems
- Assume:
 - Input is a sequence of n numbers
 - Note: practical cases of other data than numbers can also be handled

Sorting Revisited

- So far we've talked about two algorithms to sort an array of numbers
 - What is the advantage of merge sort?
 - What is the advantage of insertion sort?
- Next on the agenda: *Heapsort*
 - Combines advantages of both previous algorithms
 - In-place
 - O(n logn)
 - Uses a new data structure: Binary Heap

 A (binary) *heap* can be seen as a complete binary tree:



- What makes a binary tree complete?
- *Is the example above complete?*

• A *heap* can be seen as a complete binary tree:

- The book calls them "nearly complete" binary trees; can think of unfilled slots as null pointers

• The lowest level is filled left to right



In practice, heaps are usually implemented as arrays:



- To represent a complete binary tree as an array:
 - The root node is A[1]
 - Node *i* is A[*i*]
 - The parent of node *i* is $A[\lfloor i/2 \rfloor]$
 - The left child of node *i* is A[2*i*]

- The right child of node *i* is A[2*i* + 1]

16

10

9

3

14

2

Referencing Heap Elements

• So...

parent(i) { return [i/2]; }
left(i) { return 2*i; }
right(i) { return 2*i + 1; }

 We will also assume we have a function heap_size(A) that returns the size of the heap
 parent(3)? -> \begin{bmatrix} 3/2 \begin{bmatrix}{l = 1}{loop} 10 \end{bmatrix}

3

A =
$$16$$
 14 10 8 7 9 3 2 4 1 =
left(3)? -> 3*2 = 6

The Heap Property

- Heaps also satisfy the *heap property*:
 - $A[Parent(i)] \ge A[i]$ for all nodes i > 1
 - In other words, the value of a node is at most the value of its parent
 - Where is the largest element in a heap stored?
- [Refresh] of tree Definitions:
 - The *height* of a node in the tree = the number of edges on the longest downward path to a leaf
 - The height of a tree = the height of its root

Heap Height

- What is the height of an n-element heap? Why?
- Basic heap operations take at most time proportional to the height of the heap
- THIS IS NICE!



Heap Operations: Heapify()

- **Heapify()**: maintain the heap property
 - Given: a node *i* in the heap with children *l* and *r*
 - Given: two subtrees rooted at I and r, assumed to be heaps
 - Problem: The subtree rooted at *i* may violate the heap property (*How*?)
 - Action: let the value of the parent node "float down" so subtree at *i* satisfies the heap property

4

7

10

3

9

What do you suppose will be the basic operation between
 i, I, and r?

Heap Operations: Heapify()



Heapify() Example A =

Heapify() Example

Heapify() Example

















Analyzing Heapify(): Informal

 Aside from the recursive call, what is the running time of Heapify()?

- Spends O(1) time at any node i. Why?

• How many times can **Heapify()** recursively call itself?

- Height = $O(\log n)$

 What is the worst-case running time of Heapify() on a heap of size n?
 – O(log n)

Analyzing Heapify(): Formal

- Recursive algorithm -> need to derive the recurrence
- Easy part: Fixing up relationships between *i*, *l*, and *r* takes O(1) time
- If the heap at i has n elements, how many elements can the subtrees at I or r have?

... but before this

• What is this a recipe for?

— O(# Emmy awards) = O(# Major dead characters)



Bound the largest of two subtrees in terms of total nodes n

- T_L and T_R are "full" in all levels except for last
- Last level left to right
- Largest possible fraction of nodes T_L?
 - All lowest level in T_L
- $|T_L| = 2^{h-1} 1 + 2^{h-1} = 2^h 1$
- $|T_R| = 2^{h-1} 1$
- So n = $|T_L| + |T_R| + 1 =$ = 3*2^{h-1}-1
 - $2/3 n = 2^{h} 1$ as big as T_L can get



Analyzing Heapify(): Formal

- Recursive algorithm -> need to derive the recurrence
- Easy part: Fixing up relationships between *i*, *l*, and *r* takes O(1) time
- If the heap at i has n elements, how many elements can the subtrees at I or r have?
- 2n/3 (worst case: bottom row 1/2 full)
- So time taken by **Heapify()** is given by the *recurrence:*

 $T(n) \leq T(2n/3) + O(1)$

Analyzing Heapify(): Formal

• So we have

...

 $T(n) \le T((2/3)*n) + O(1)$ $\le T((2/3)*(2/3)*n) + O(1) + O(1)$ $= T((2/3)^2n) + 2O(1)$

 $\leq T((2/3)^{r}n) + rO(1)$

• The recursion ends when $(2/3)^r n = 1$

- Or r = $\log_{2/3} 1/n = \log_{3/2} n = \log_2(3/2) \log_2 n$.

 Side note: base of log does not matter for growth rate as long as it is O(1)

• Thus, **Heapify()** takes logarithmic time: $- T(n) \le T(1) + c_1 \log_2(3/2) \log_2 n = c_2 + c_1' \log_2 n = O(\log n)$

Announcements



- Read through Chapter 6

 Next class: Build heap, Heap Sort, Priority Queues
- HW2 available on BB after class