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PS2 Debrief (1)

- Basically, we assume that the "unknown data structure" is a stack, a queue, and a priority_queue, then keep simulating the insertion to and the removal from that "unknown data structure" until proven false for a certain type of data structure, a.k.a. "<u>innocent until</u> <u>proven guilty</u>"
- Stack only for A

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- Stack and Queue for B
- Stack, Queue, and Priority Queue for C
 - Just whack with <stack>, <queue>, <priority_queue>, easy PS2

PS2 Debrief (2)

- For Subtask D, you are asked to implement own DS :O
 - You can literally follow D03 example about Stack for this part
 - Then extend InsertAfterTail to deal with the Queue part...
- But but... we know that there won't be more than 100 000 items in that unknown data structure
- So we do NOT have to force our self to use Linked List solution to implement a Stack or a Queue
 - We can use array/vector (of size 100 000) with Insertion/Removal at the back to emulate a Stack
 - We can use array/vector (of size 100 000) with two pointers front and back to emulate a Queue (we will not cause index out of bound :0)
 - We do NOT even need to deal with circular array for queue :0
 - For PQ... see <u>BinaryHeapDemo</u>

PS3 Status (as of today)

Name	A	В	С	D (ignored)
?	AC	AC	AC	Ignored
?	AC	AC		
?	AC			
The rest of you				
~8 more days to complete PS3				

Hacking Solution for PS3 Subtask I

UpdateDilation() and GiveBirth() can make things difficult

- But in Subtask I, $1 \le n \le 15$
- You can just use an array of size 15 and keep re-sorting the positions
 of up to 15 women for every ArriveAtHospital(), UpdateDilation(),
 and GiveBirth() operations that can change the ordering
- This way, if done correctly, can give you "free" 1 point
- This is not a "proper PQ" solution though and only uses sorting knowledge that we have learned in the first half of CS2040C :O...
- But this is a solution that you should write if you have nothing else for the harder subtasks, e.g. during individual tests... 😕
 - At least non zero

Easiest Solution for PS3 Subtask II

It is a classic PQ example! Read the wording carefully!

Easiest solution: Just use C++ STL priority_queue!

- Implement a "woman object"
 - Important note: Real life woman is NOT an object!
 - PS: Some senior students name this variable to "mommy" $\overline{{f \odot}}$
- Or, we can just use pair or tuple from earlier
 - pair<int, int> woman, first field is dilation, second field is arrival index
 - We can negate the second field :0
- DONE, ArriveAtHospital==push, GiveBirth==pop, Query==top

PS: Other solutions exist, like the one in Tut07 later!

Why PS3 Subtask III is Harder?

Why it is not easy for C++ priority_queue to handle UpdateDilation() operation efficiently, i.e. faster than O(n)?

- This requires ability to modify a key inside the Priority Queue (likely Binary Heap) where this key can be <u>anywhere in the Binary</u> <u>Heap</u> (not necessarily in the root - the easiest place)
- This operation is sometimes called as **heapUpdateKey(i, v)**
- To do this efficiently, we need something that is hidden in VisuAlgo

Note, the **GiveBirth()** operation is also more complex now

 It may involve deletion of a key that is not necessarily the current maximum of the Binary Heap :0

heapUpdateKey(i, v)

To update the value of a key i to a new value v (where i is not necessarily the root---index 1), we need:

 A way to fix (Max) Heap property as changing the previous value to a new value v may cause violation of (Max) Heap property

Hint: Anything to consider?

2. A way to quickly identify this index **i**

Hint: Something that you learn yesterday? (Thu of Week 07), see next slide

C++ STL unordered_map SHORT demo

unordered_set is similar

- constructor
- insert, operator [], find, count
- range-based for loop to access the keys (in unordered fashion)
- erase
- empty, size
- http://en.cppreference.com/w/cpp/container/unordered_map

GiveBirth(i)

To delete key i (where i is not necessarily the root---index 1), we just need:

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heapUpdateKey(i, INF) // i will be at the root now ExtractMax() // then \fbox
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Of course you still need a fast way to map a woman name to her index **i** quickly, the same thing that we discussed earlier

PS: Other ways exists

PS3...

All the best in clearing PS3, if you have not done so

- Subtask IV requires you to avoid using STL :O...
 - AC-ing it shows Steven that you really understand Binary Heap and Hash Table concepts (or some other concept :0)...
 - 0 point, totally optional this time

Remember: If you keep delaying your first attempt

for PS3, you may run out of time even though you have ~8 days working time for PS3

VisuAlgo Training Mode

PS3 is clearly about Binary Heap + Hash Table (or?)

Make sure that you understand the explanation in: https://visualgo.net/en/heap?slide=1 (until the last slide)

You can use VisuAlgo Online Quiz training mode to check your basic understanding about Binary Heap on "infinite" number of random questions: <u>https://visualgo.net/training?diff=Hard&n=5&tl=5&module=heap</u> (direct URL problematic now, will debug later; just use main page)

Mock PE 1

Solve https://open.kattis.com/problems/cd

Before this Lab session runs out (xx.45)!!

Start from this template code (share your repl link) that already have

Gradual hints will be added in few minutes interval