JAVA PRIORITY QUEUE

## SUMMARY OF CLASSES (PRIORITY QUEUE RELATED)

- PriorityQueue<E> - arraybased heap implementation of minimum priority queue
- Comparator<E> - can be useful for defining your own comparison between objects
- Others outside the scope of this course
- To find how to use them, go to the Java API!



## EXAMPLE OF USING PRIORITYQUEUE<E>

1. Scanner $s$ = new Scanner(new File("numbers.txt"));
2. PriorityQueue<Integer> numbers = new PriorityQueue<>();
3. while(s.hasNextInt())
4. numbers.add(s.nextInt());
5...el sewhere...
5. int sum $=0$;
6. while(!numbers.isEmpty())
7. sum += numbers.poll(); //poll is removeMin()

## DEFINING A COMPARATOR

- First method - No new class and simply override Object. compareTo (Object o) in any class
- Second - separate comparator class that implements Comparator<E> interface
- Must define compare ( $\mathbf{E}$ ○1, $\mathbf{E}$ ○2) and equals(Object o)
- Here equals is a comparison to another comparator


## PROBLEM

- Event driven simulation - you want to estimate the profit for a coffee shop. There is an input file online stating the number of seats in the shop, the price per cup of coffee, and arrive events with a given time (integer) and number of partisans (integer) (1 pair per line)
- Use a priority queue of events, ordered by time to see how much profit the store will earn over this period. Rules:
- Arrive event - If a group enters and there are not enough seats they will leave. If they stay, an order event will be created at the current time $+1+$ a random number below 4
- Order events - Every partisan of the group will buy 1 or 2 cups of coffee. Each orderEvent will also spawn a leaveEvent at the currentTime + $1+$ a random number below 10 .
- Leave event - When a group leaves, their chairs are opened up to another group
- Create an object oriented solution to this problem with your team. PLAN-IMPLEMENT-TEST!

