

# Unit #2: Priority Queues

## CPSC 221: Algorithms and Data Structures

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# Unit Outline

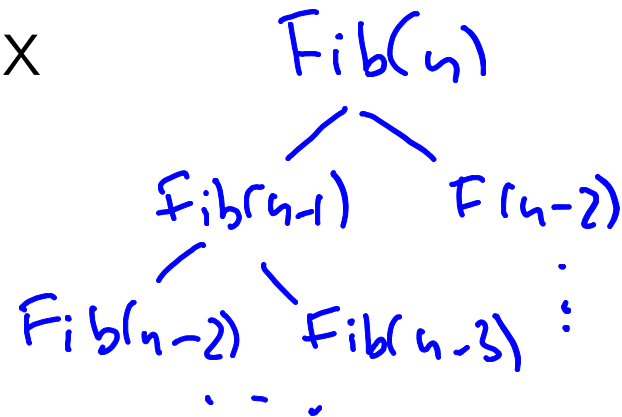
- ▶ Rooted Trees, Briefly
- ▶ Priority Queue ADT
- ▶ Heaps
  - ▶ Implementing Priority Queue ADT
  - ▶ Focus on Create: Heapify
  - ▶ Brief introduction to  $d$ -Heaps

# Learning Goals

- ▶ Provide examples of appropriate applications for priority queues and heaps
- ▶ Manipulate data in heaps
- ▶ Describe and apply the Heapify algorithm, and analyze its complexity

# Rooted Trees

- ▶ Family Trees
- ▶ Organization Charts
- ▶ Classification trees (a.k.a. keys)
  - ▶ What kind of flower is this?
  - ▶ Is this mushroom poisonous?
- ▶ File directory structure
  - ▶ folders, subfolders in Windows
  - ▶ directories, subdirectories in UNIX
- ▶ Non-recursive call graphs



# Tree Terminology

nodes = vertices  $\rightarrow$   
edges = branches = arcs

root:  $A$

leaf:  $D, E, F, I, J, \dots, N$

child: of  $B$ :  $D, E, F$

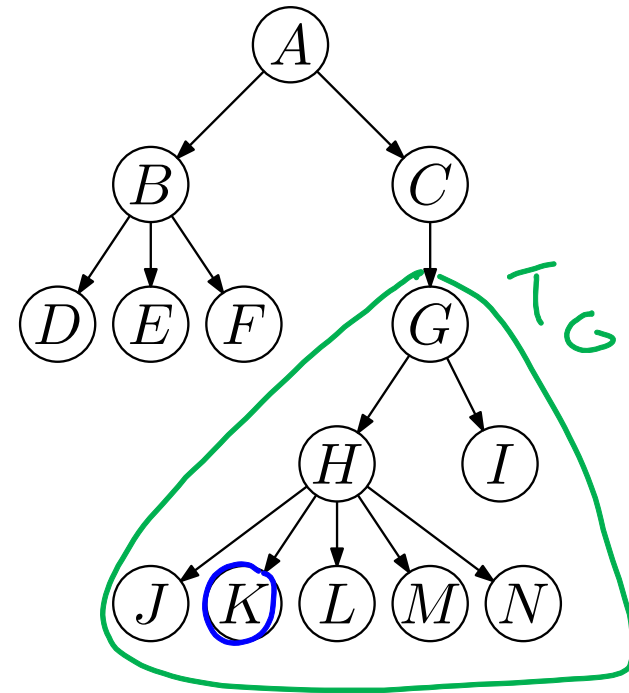
parent: of  $E$ :  $B$

sibling: of  $D$ :  $E, F$

ancestor: of  $K$ :  $A, C, G, H$   
(proper)

descendent: of  $G$ :  $H, I, J, \dots, N$

subtree:  $T_G$   
of  $G$ :



# Tree Terminology Reference

root: the single node with no parent

leaf: a node with no children

child: a node pointed to by me

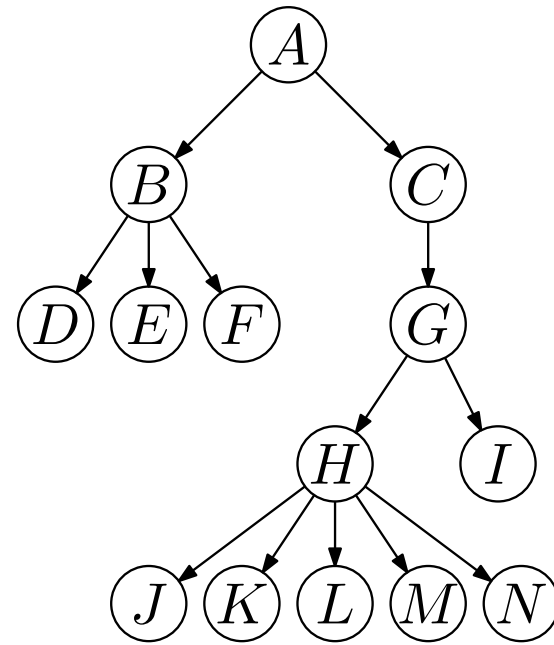
parent: the node that points to me

sibling: another child of my parent

ancestor: my parent or my parent's ancestor

descendent: my child or my child's descendent

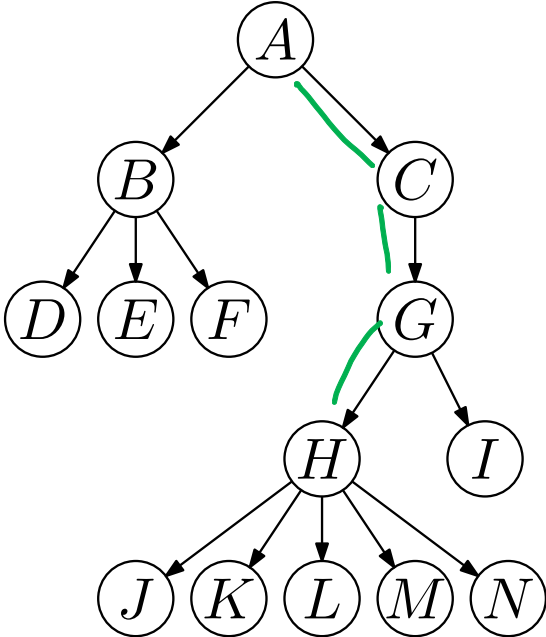
subtree: a node and its descendents



# More Tree Terminology

depth: Number of edges on path from root to node

depth of *H*? 3

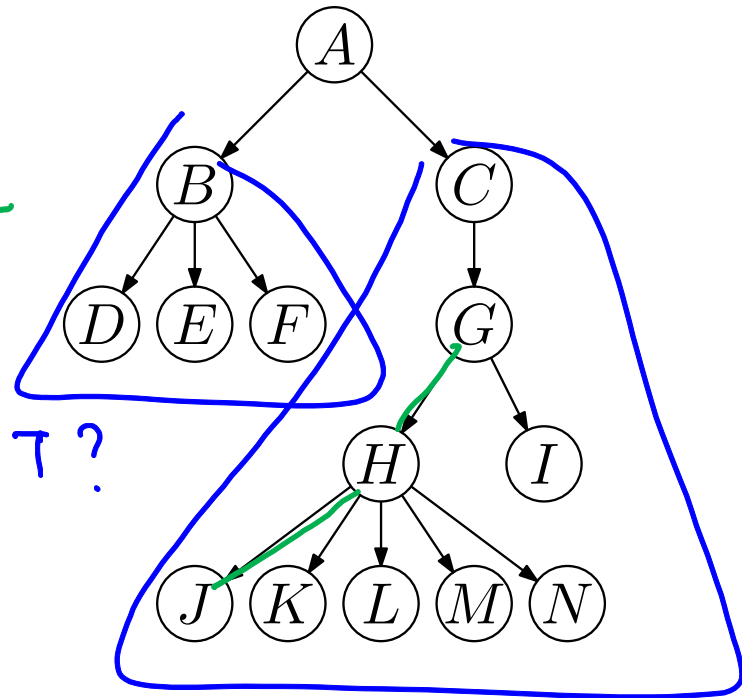


# More Tree Terminology

height: Number of edges on longest path from node to descendent or, for whole tree, from root to leaf

height of tree? = height of the root  
= 4

height of G? 2



Q. How to calculate height of the T?

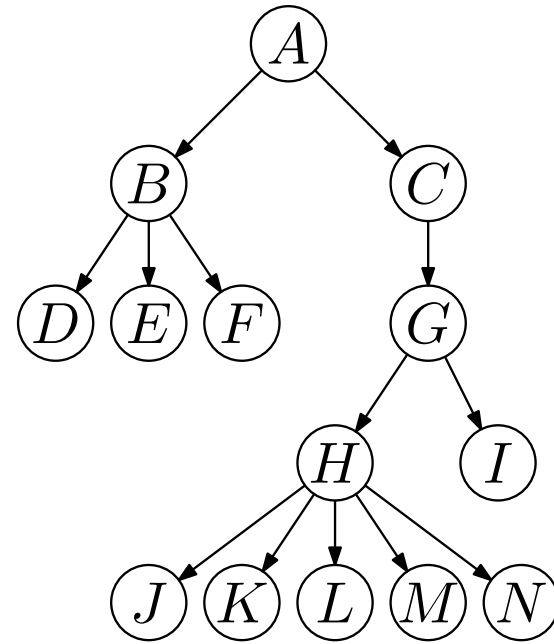
A. 
$$\text{height}(T_r) = \begin{cases} 1 + \max_{\text{child } c \text{ of } r} \text{height}(T_c) & \text{otherwise} \\ 0 & \text{if } |T_r| = 1 \end{cases}$$



# More Tree Terminology

(downward) degree: Number of children of a node

degree of  $B$ ? 3



# One More Tree Terminology Slide

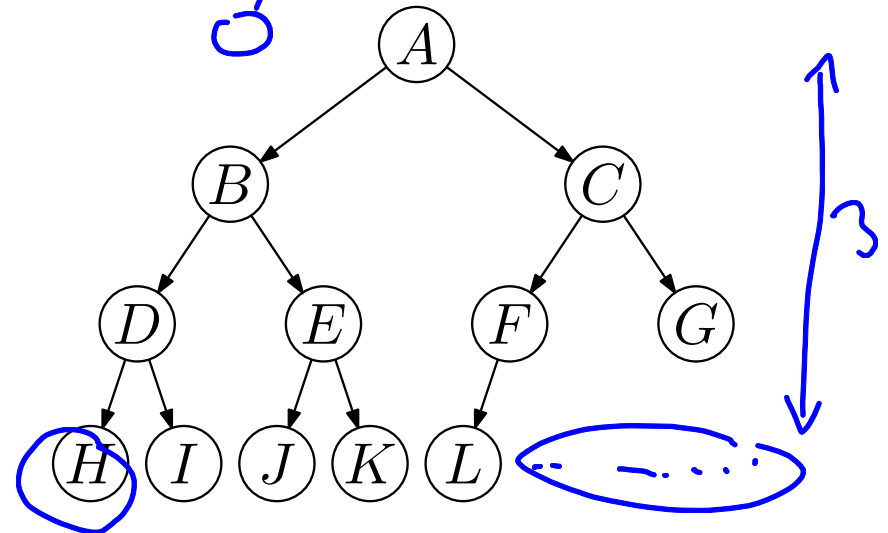
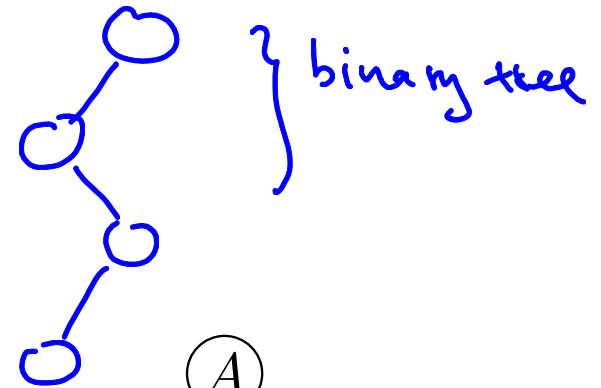
children ordered: left & right

**binary:** each node has degree at most 2

**d-ary:** degree at most  $d$

Q How many nodes in a binary tree of height  $h$ ?

$$h+1 \leq n \leq 2^{h+1} - 1$$



**complete:** as many nodes as possible for its height (each row filled in)

**nearly complete:** each row except the last one is filled in, all nodes in the last row are as far left as possible

Q. What is the height of a nearly complete tree with  $n$  nodes?

$$2^h \leq n \leq 2^{h+1} - 1$$



$$h \leq \log_2 n < h+1$$

$A: h = \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$  ← integer part

# Longest Path

Find the longest *undirected* path in a tree

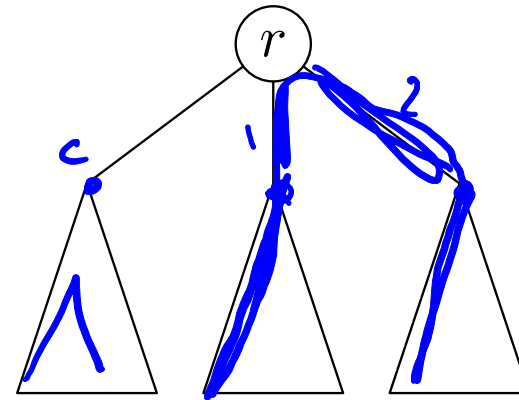
longest path (r) {

max {

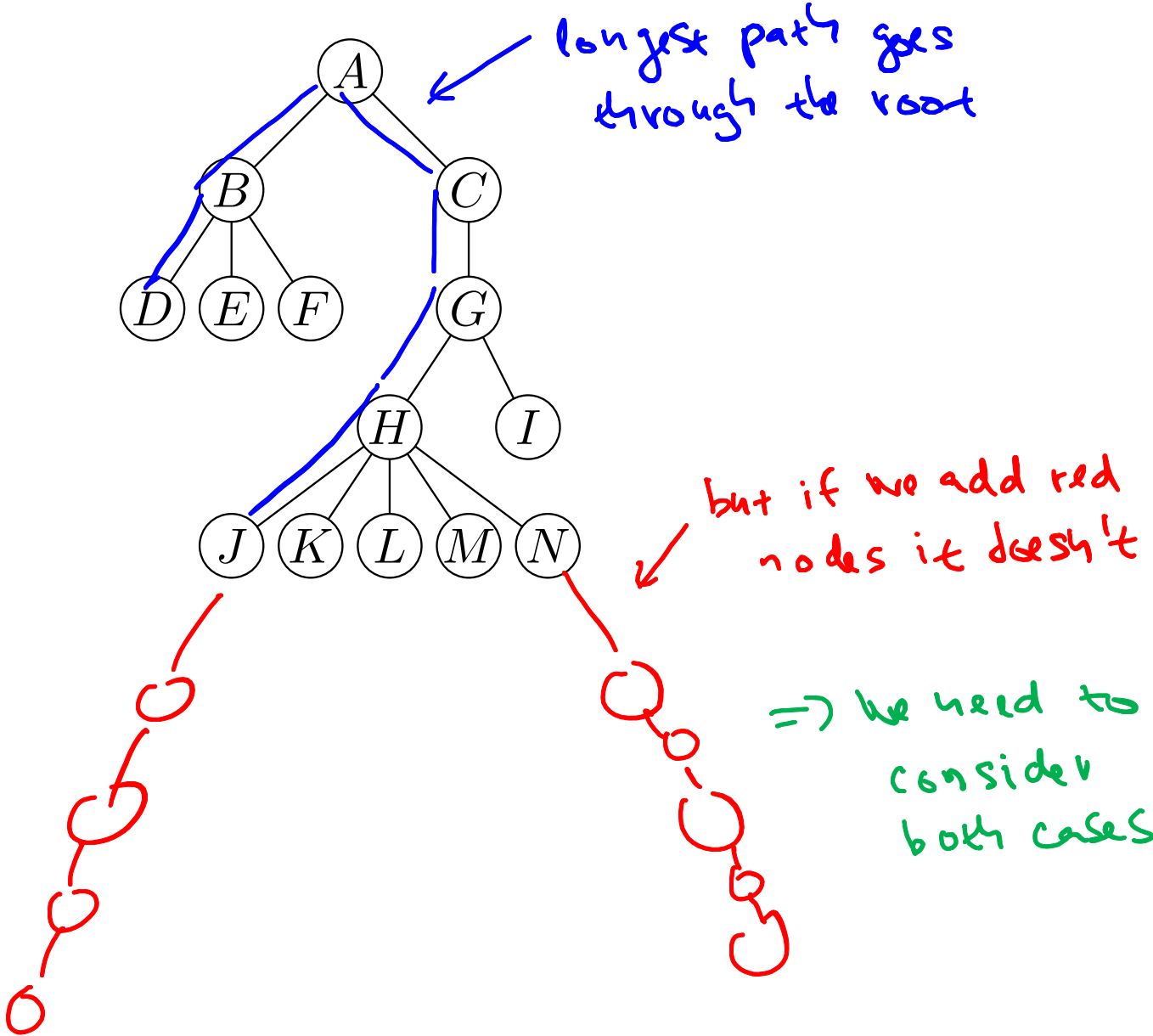
- $\max_{c \text{ child of } r} \text{longest path}(c)$
- $\max_{c \neq d \text{ children of } r} \text{height}(c) + \text{height}(d) + 2$

0 if r has no children

see the example  
on the next slide  
first



# Longest Path Example



# Back to Queues

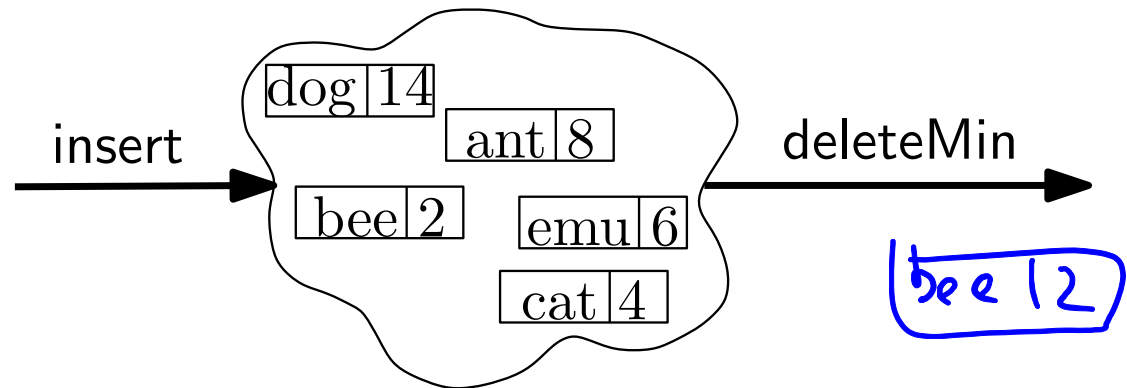
- ▶ Applications
  - ▶ ordering CPU jobs
  - ▶ simulating events
  - ▶ picking the next search site
- ▶ But we don't want FIFO ...
  - ▶ *short* jobs should go first
  - ▶ *earliest* (simulated time) events should go first
  - ▶ *most promising* sites should be searched first

priority associated with objects

# Priority Queue ADT

- ▶ Priority Queue operations

- ▶ create
- ▶ destroy
- ▶ insert
- ▶ **deleteMin**
- ▶ is\_empty



- ▶ Priority Queue property: For two elements in the queue,  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $x$  has a lower priority value than  $y$ ,  $x$  will be deleted before  $y$ .

# Applications of the Priority Q

- ▶ Hold jobs for a printer in order of length
- ▶ Store packets on network routers in order of urgency
- ▶ Simulate events
- ▶ Select symbols for compression
- ▶ Sort numbers
- ▶ Anything *greedy*: an algorithm that makes the “locally best choice” at each step

# Priority Q Data Structures

- ▶ Unsorted list

- ▶ insert time:  $\Theta(1)$
- ▶ deleteMin time:  $\Theta(n)$

- ▶ Sorted list

- ▶ insert time:

- ▶ deleteMin time:

$\Theta(n)$

$\Theta(1)$

array:  $\Theta(\log n)$  +  $\Theta(n)$   
linked list:  $\Theta(n)$  +  $\Theta(1)$

find position  
insert at position



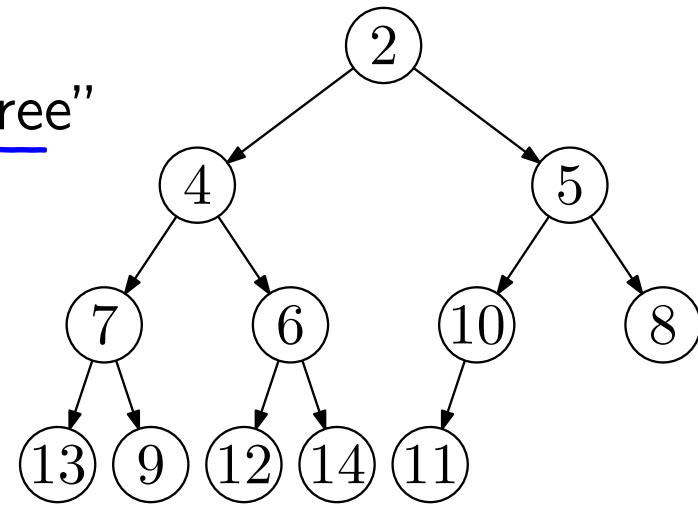
# Binary Heap Priority Q Data Structure

Heap-order property: parent's key  $\leq$  children's keys.

- ▶ minimum is always at the top

Structure property: "nearly complete tree"

- ▶ depth is always  $O(\log n)$
- ▶ next open location always known



```
struct Node {  
    int data;  
    Node * left;  
    Node * right;  
    Node * parent;  
};
```

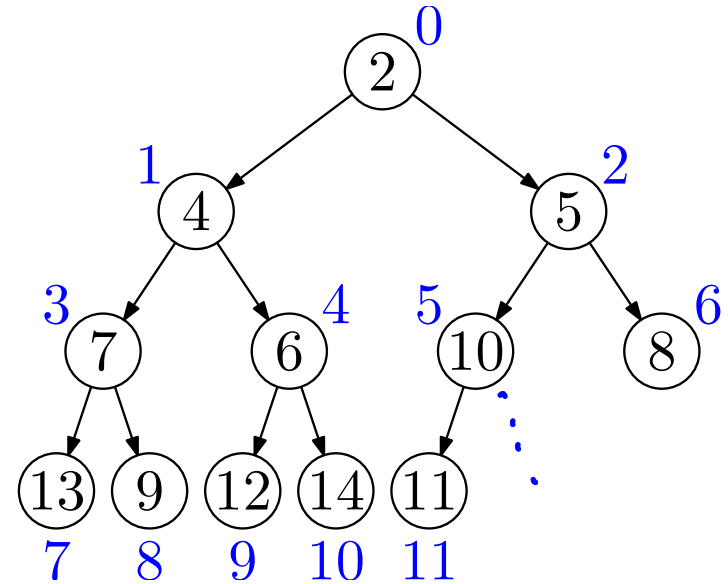
**WARNING:** This has NO SIMILARITY to the “heap” you hear about when people say “things you create with new go on the heap”.

# Nifty Storage Trick (use array instead)

size = 4

Navigation using indices:

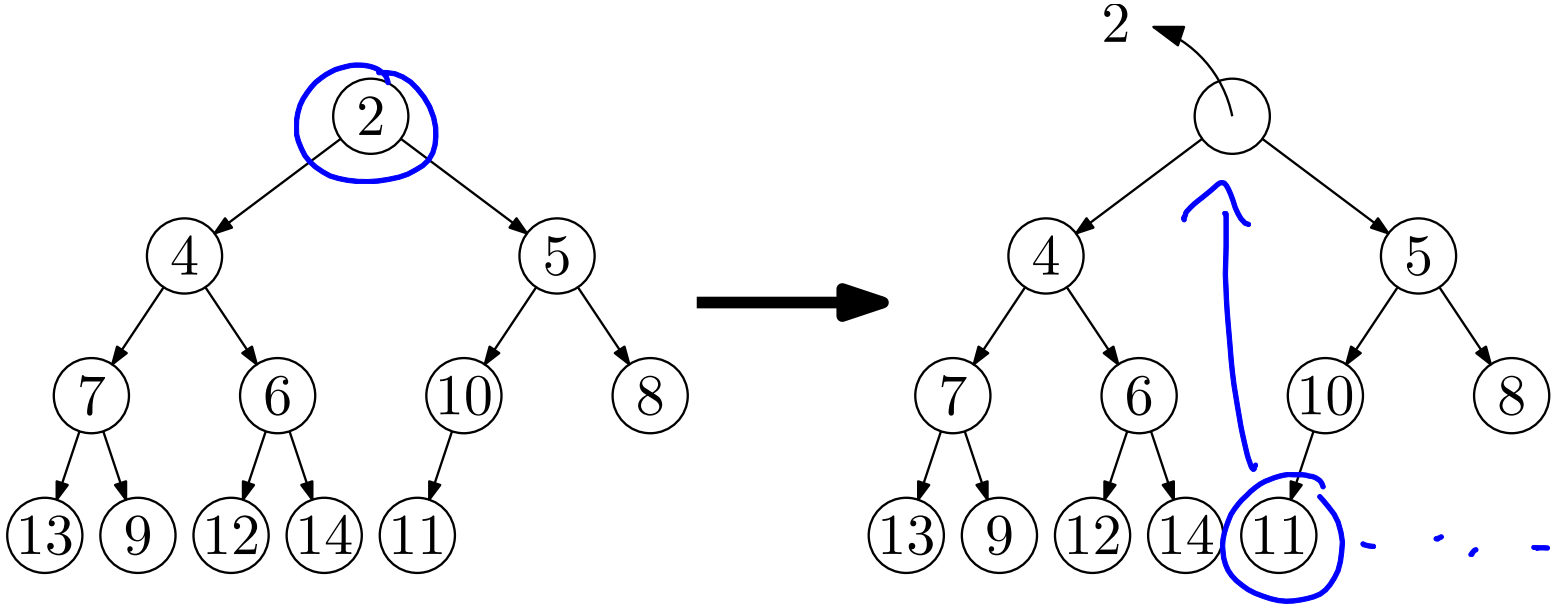
- ▶ left\_child( $i$ ) =  $2 \times i + 1$
- ▶ right\_child( $i$ ) =  $2 \times i + 2$
- ▶ parent( $i$ ) =  $\lfloor \frac{i-1}{2} \rfloor = \lceil \frac{i}{2} \rceil - 1$
- ▶ root = 0
- ▶ next free position =  $h$



0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
2	4	5	7	6	10	8	13	9	12	14	11	

*(Note: Blue marks are present below the array: a slash under index 4, and equals signs under indices 9, 10, and 11.)*

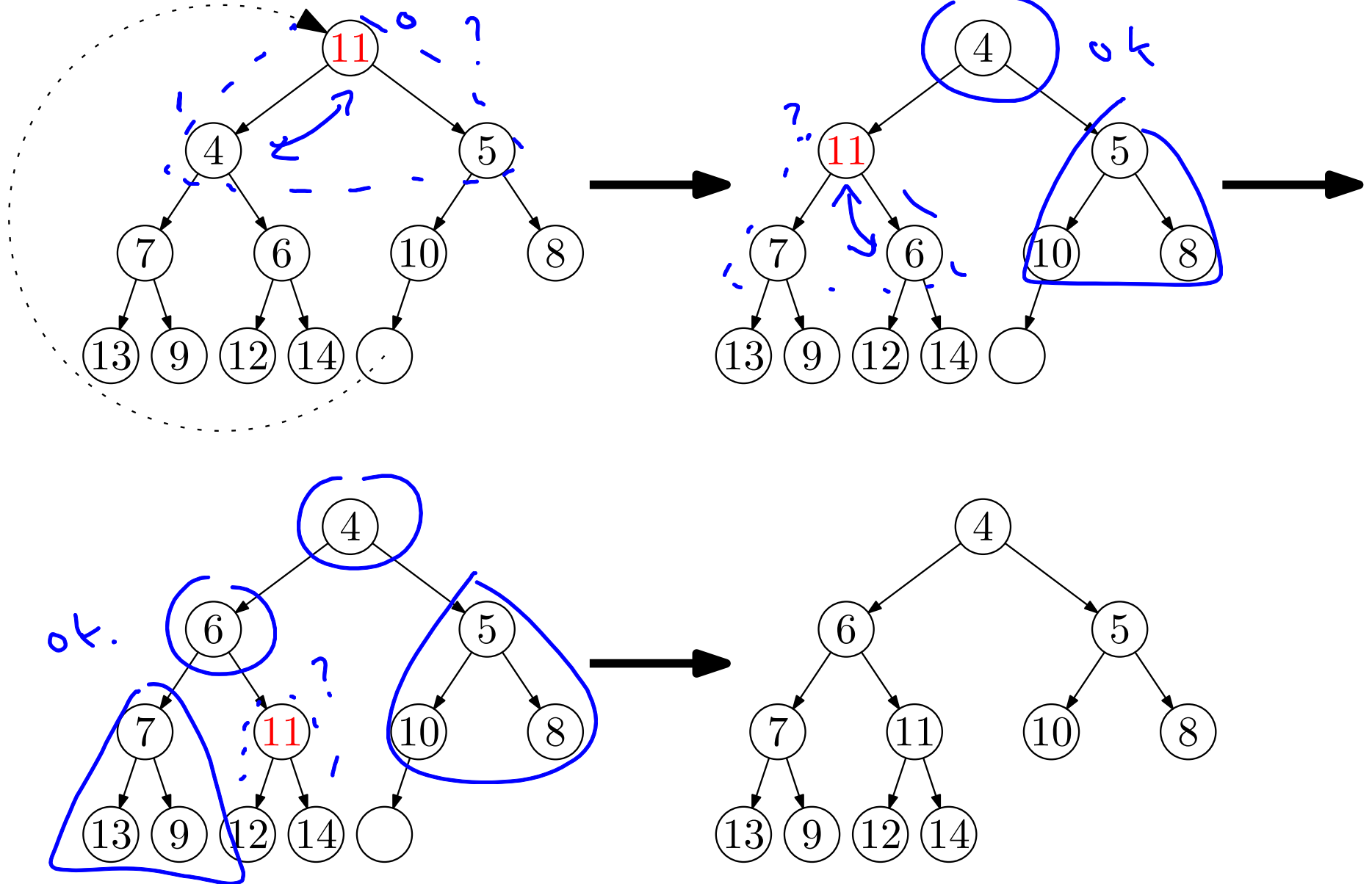
# DeleteMin



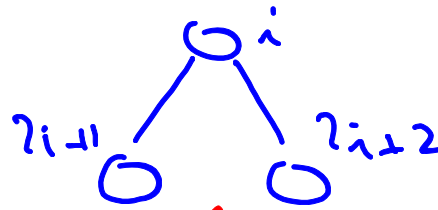
Invariants violated! No longer “nearly complete”

# Swap (Heapify) Down

Move last element to root then swap it down to its proper position.



# DeleteMin Code



```

int deleteMin() {
    assert(!isEmpty());
    int returnVal = Heap[0];
    Heap[0] = Heap[n-1];
    n--;
    swapDown(0);
    return returnVal;
}
  
```

```

void swapDown(int i) {
    int s = i;
    int left = i * 2 + 1;
    int right = left + 1;
    if( left < n &&
        Heap[left] < Heap[s] )
        s = left;
    if( right < n &&
        Heap[right] < Heap[s] )
        s = right;
    if( s != i ) {
        int tmp = Heap[i];
        Heap[i] = Heap[s];
        Heap[s] = tmp;
        swapDown(s);
    }
}
  
```

1 step

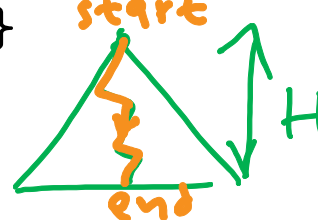
Worst-case  
Runtime:

s will be  
hold index of  
the smallest key  
of these

false  
at a leaf

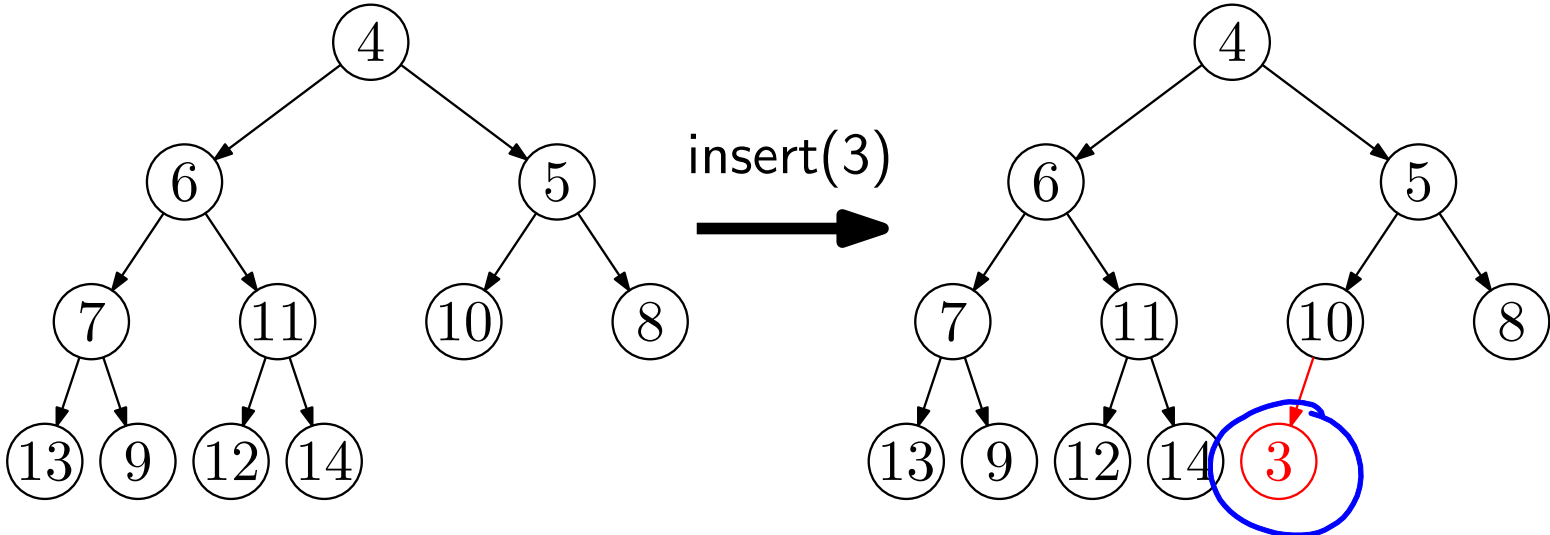
$\Theta(H) = \Theta(\log n)$   
↑  
height

general time:  
 $O(\log n)$



$s > 2 * i$   
doubling  
until n

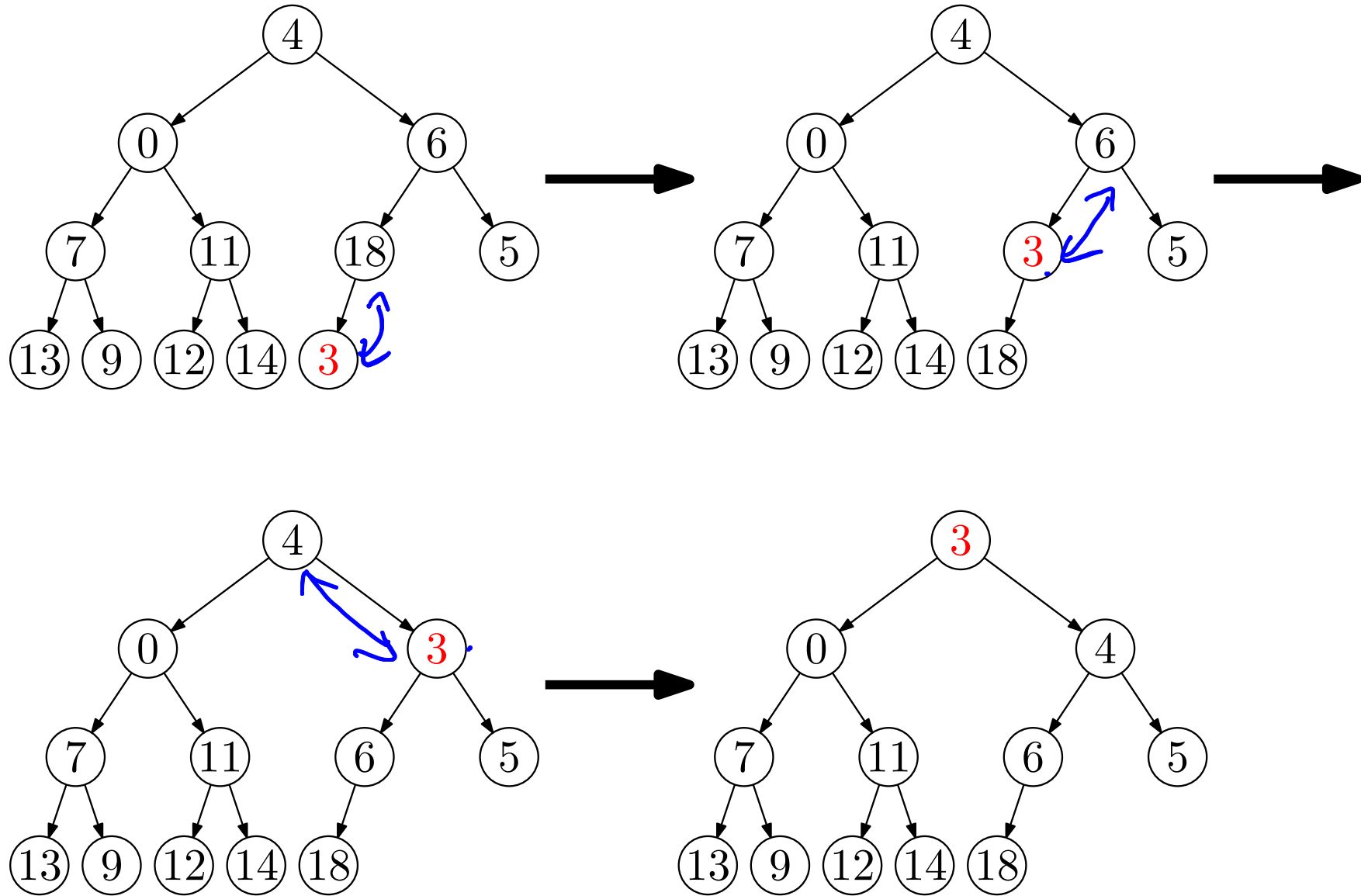
# Insert



Invariant violated! Child has smaller key than parent.

# Swap (Heapify) Up

Put new element last then swap it up to its proper position.



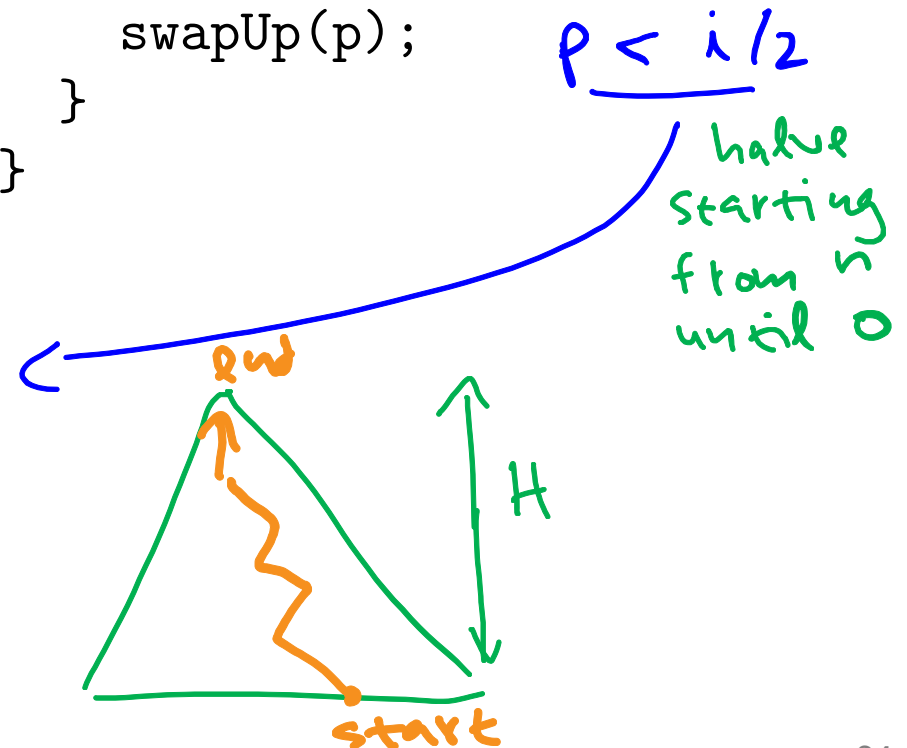
# Insert Code

```
void insert(int x) {  
    assert(!isFull());  
    Heap[n] = x;  
    n++;  
    swapUp(n-1);  
}
```

Runtime:

$$\Theta(H) = \Theta(\log n)$$

```
void swapUp(int i) {  
    if( i == 0 ) return;  
    int p = (i - 1)/2;  
    if( Heap[i] < Heap[p] ) {  
        int tmp = Heap[i];  
        Heap[i] = Heap[p];  
        Heap[p] = tmp;  
        swapUp(p);  
    }  
}
```

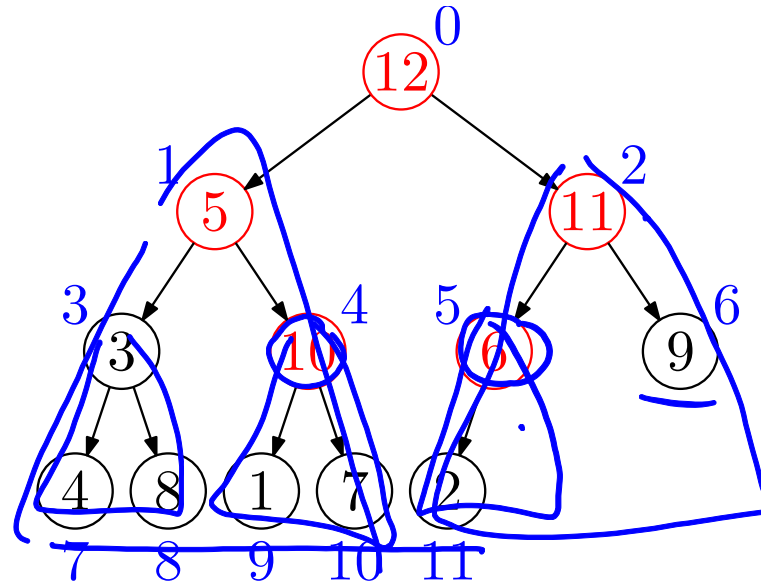




# Heapify: Create a Heap from a non-Heap Array

1. Start with the input array.

12	5	11	3	10	6	9	4	8	1	7	2
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Invariant violated!

$\frac{n}{2}$  times  
 $\times O(\log n)$

2. Fix the heap-order property bottom up. Use swapDown.

```
for(  $i = n/2 - 1$ ;  $i \geq 0$ ;  $i--$  ) swapDown(i);
```

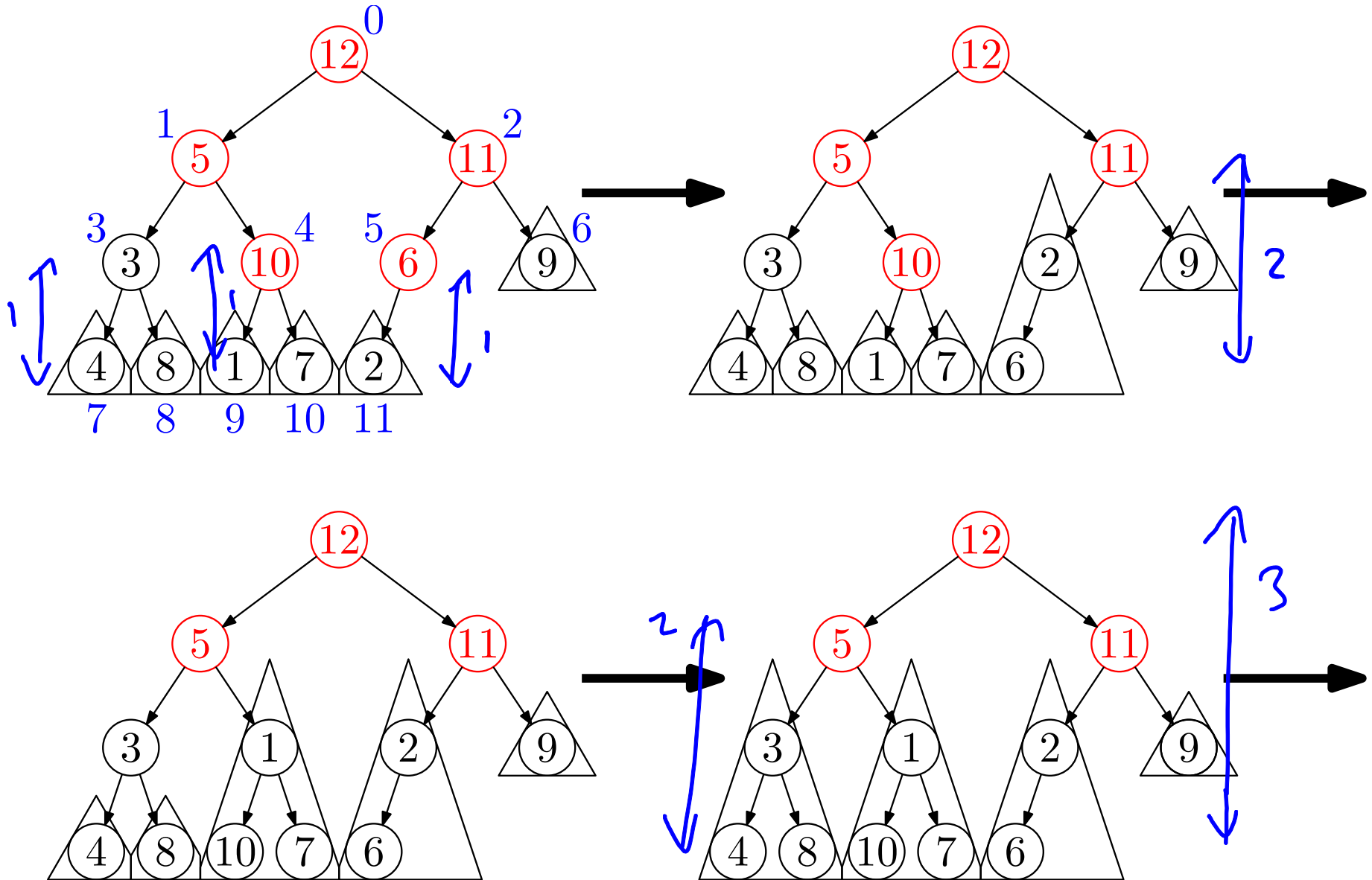
$\uparrow$   
Floyd

$\uparrow$   
parent of last element

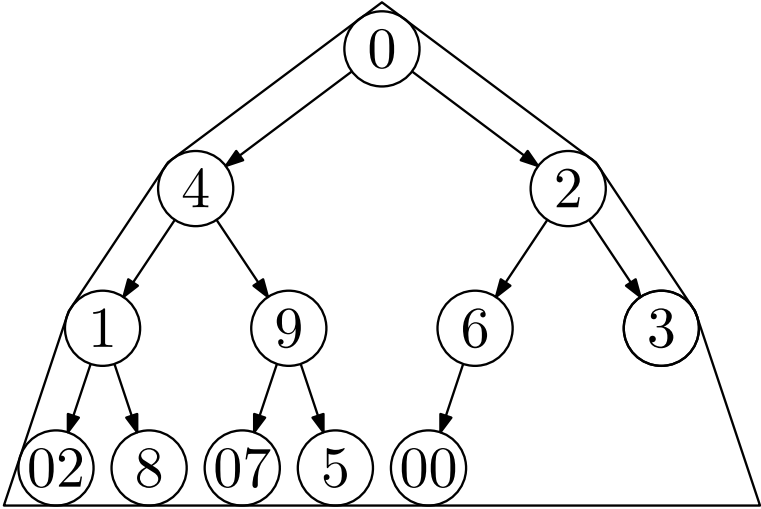
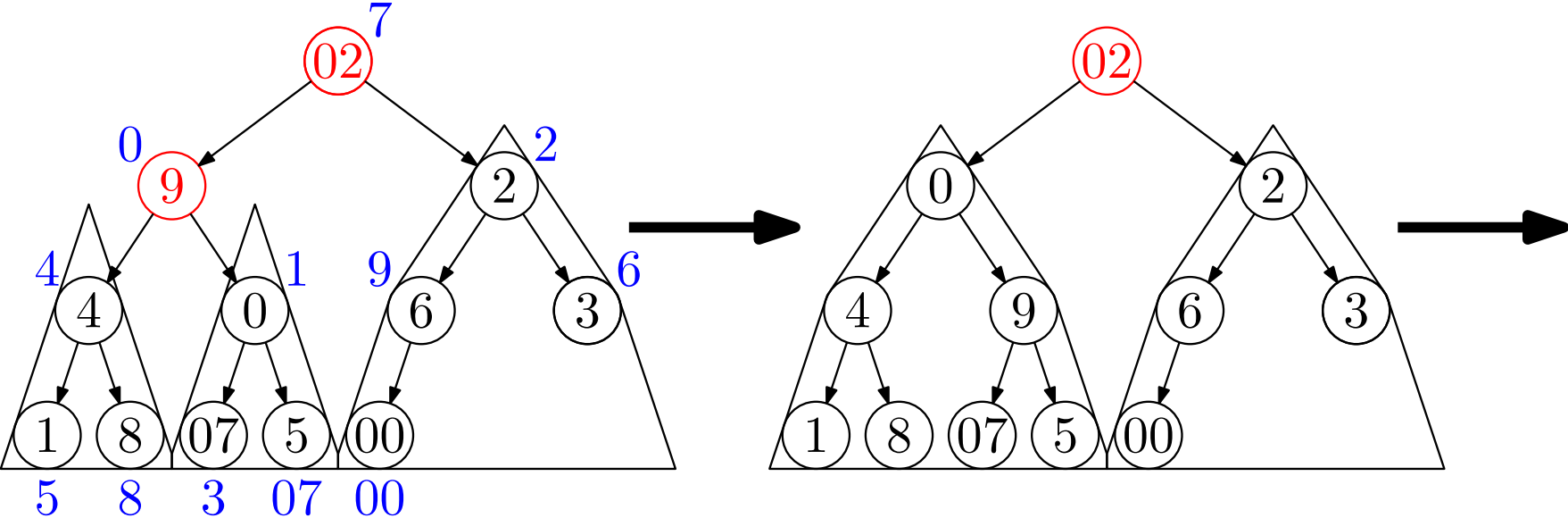
$O(n \log n)$   
 $\uparrow$   
upper bound  
on time

# Heapify Example...

△ .. subtree is already a heap

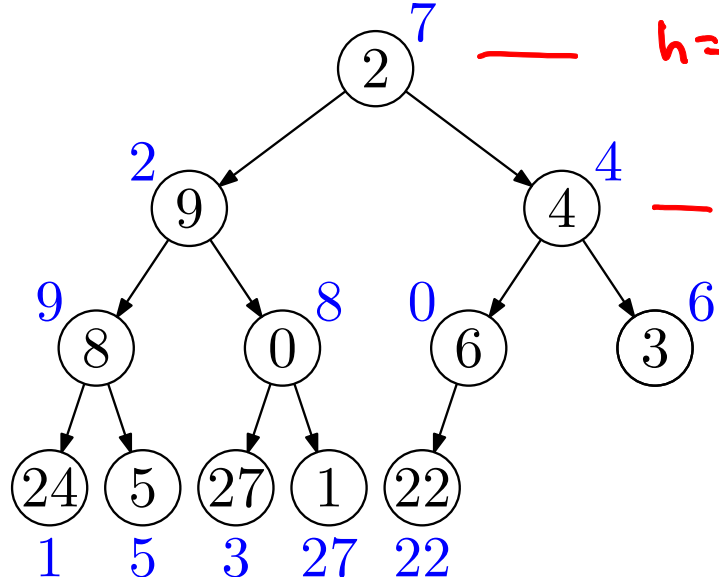


# Heapify Example



# Heapify Runtime

swapDown on a heap of height  $h$  takes at most  $h$  steps.



$h = H$   
 $h = H - 1$   
 $h = H - 2$   
 $\vdots$

Let  $H$  be the height of the heap.

swapDown is called	once	on heap of height	$H$
	$\leq 2$ times	on heap of height	$H - 1$
	$\leq 4$ times	on heap of height	$H - 2$
	$\leq 2^{H-h}$ times	...	$h$
	$\leq 2^{H-1}$ times	on heap of height	1

# of times swapDown is executed on node with height  $h$

better upper bound on time

$$\text{Total \# steps} \leq \sum_{h=1}^H h 2^{H-h} = 2^H \sum_{h=1}^H h/2^h \leq 2^{H+1} = O(n)$$

runtime of swapDown

$< 2$

$$\sum_{h=1}^H h/2^h < \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{4} + \frac{3}{8} + \frac{4}{16} + \dots}_S$$

$$2S = 1 + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{4}{8} + \dots$$

$$- S = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{4} + \frac{3}{8} + \dots$$

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$$S = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots$$

$$= 2$$



# Thinking about Binary Heaps

## Observations

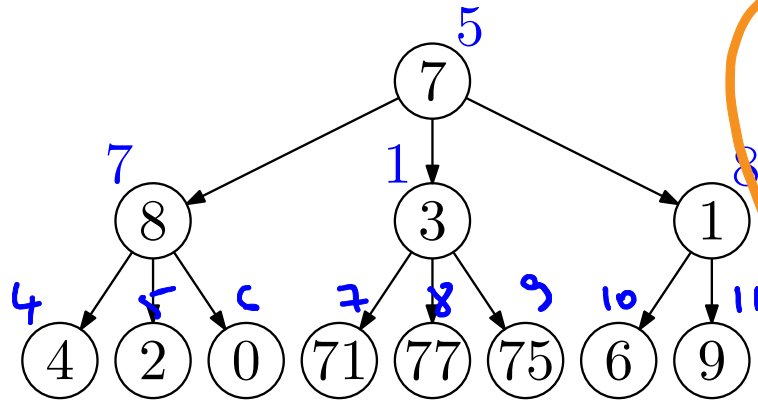
- ▶ finding a child/parent index is a multiply/divide by two
- ▶ deleteMin and insert access far-apart array locations
- ▶ deleteMin accesses all children of visited nodes
- ▶ insert accesses only parent of visited nodes
- ▶ insert is at least as common as deleteMin

## Realities

- ▶ division and multiplication by powers of two are fast
- ▶ far-apart array accesses ruin cache performance
- ▶ with huge data sets, disk I/O dominates

# Solution: $d$ -Heaps

Nearly complete  $d$ -ary trees (representable by array) with Heap-order property.



7	8	3	1	4	2	0	71	77	75	6	9
5	7	1	8	4	0	6	3	2	9	75	77

assume that

$d = 2^a$  for some  $a$   
 swap-down, -up:

$$\# \text{steps} = \log_d n$$

$$= \log_{2^a} n$$

$$= \frac{\log_2 n}{\log_2 2^a} = \frac{\log_2 n}{a}$$

" $a$ " times less steps

(Remark:  
 $a = \lg d$ )

$\approx \lg(d)$  times less pages  
 need to be fetched  
 from memory

time per step

$$H = \log_d(n)$$

time for swap-down:

$$\Theta(d \cdot \log_d n)$$

swap-up:  $\Theta(\log_d n)$

Good choices for  $d$ :

- ▶ fit one set of children on a memory page/disk block
- ▶ fit one set of children in a cache line
- ▶ optimize performance based on ratio of inserts/deleteMins
- ▶ make  $d$  a power of two for efficiency

but runtime goes up  $\approx d$  times



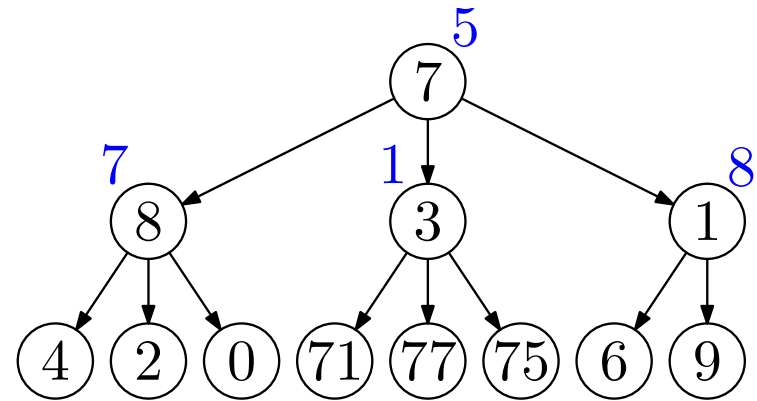
# $d$ -Heap Navigation

▶  $j$ th-child( $i$ ) =  $d * i + j$

▶ parent( $i$ ) =  $\lfloor \frac{i-1}{d} \rfloor$

▶ root = 0

▶ next free position = 5



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5	7	1	8	4	0	6	3	2	9	75	77