## Unit #2: Priority Queues

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# **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

#### Unit Outline

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

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#### **Rooted 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

root:

leaf:

child:

parent:

sibling:

ancestor:

descendent:

subtree:

# 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

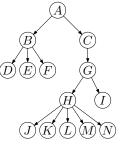
subtree: a node and its descendents

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# More Tree Terminology

depth: Number of edges on path from root to node

depth of H?



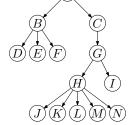
# More Tree Terminology

height: Number of edges on longest path from node to descendent

or, for whole tree, from root to leaf

height of tree?

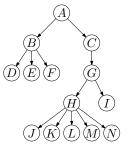
height of *G*?



# More Tree Terminology

(downward) degree: Number of children of a node

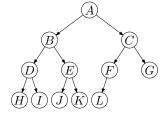
degree of B?



# One More Tree Terminology Slide

binary: each node has degree at most 2

d-ary: degree at most d



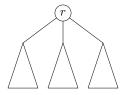
complete: as many nodes as possible for its height (each row filled in)

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

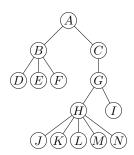
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# Longest Path

Find the longest undirected path in a tree



# Longest Path Example

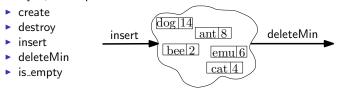


#### Back to Queues

- 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 Queue ADT

▶ Priority Queue operations



▶ 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*.

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# 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:
  - deleteMin time:
- Sorted list
  - ▶ insert time:
  - deleteMin time:

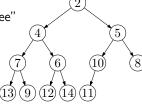
# Binary Heap Priority Q Data Structure

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

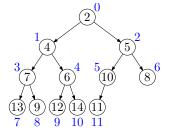


WARNING: This has NO SIMILARITY to the "heap" you hear about when people say "things you create with new go on the heap".

## Nifty Storage Trick

Navigation using indices:

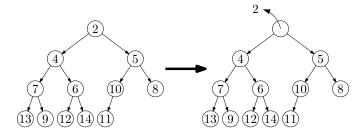
- ▶ left\_child(i) =
- ▶ right\_child(i) =
- ightharpoonup parent(i) =
- ► root =
- ▶ next free position =



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

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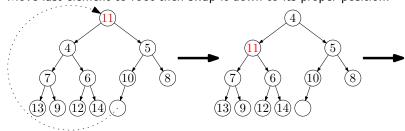
### DeleteMin

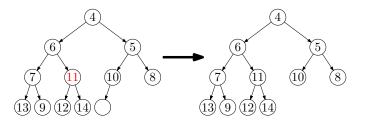


Invariants violated! No longer "nearly complete"

# Swap (Heapify) Down

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

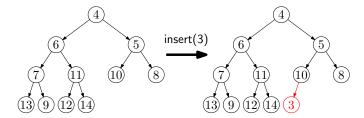




#### DeleteMin Code

```
void swapDown(int i) {
int deleteMin() {
 assert(!isEmpty());
                                    int s = i;
 int returnVal = Heap[0];
                                    int left = i * 2 + 1;
 Heap[0] = Heap[n-1];
                                    int right = left + 1;
                                    if( left < n &&
  n--;
                                        Heap[left] < Heap[s] )</pre>
 swapDown(0);
 return returnVal;
                                      s = left;
                                    if( right < n &&
                                        Heap[right] < Heap[s] )</pre>
Runtime:
                                      s = right;
                                    if( s != i ) {
                                      int tmp = Heap[i];
                                      Heap[i] = Heap[s];
                                      Heap[s] = tmp;
                                      swapDown(s);
                                    }
```

#### Insert

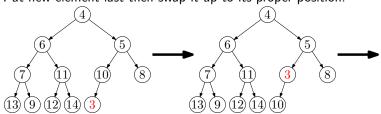


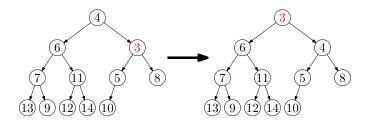
Invariant violated! Child has smaller key than parent.

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# Swap (Heapify) Up

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





## Insert Code

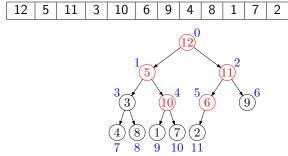
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```
void insert(int x) {
    assert(!isFull());
    Heap[n] = x;
    int p = (i - 1)/2;
    if( Heap[i] < Heap[p] ) {
        swapUp(n-1);
    }
    Heap[p] = tmp;
        swapUp(p);
    }
    Runtime:</pre>
```

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

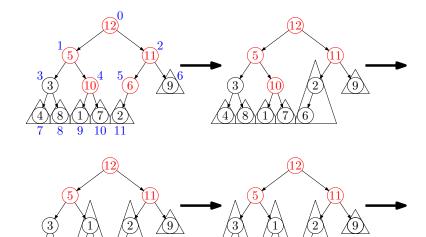
1. Start with the input array.



Invariant violated!

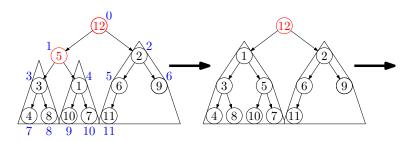
2. Fix the heap-order property bottom up. Use swapDown.

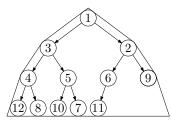
### Heapify Example...



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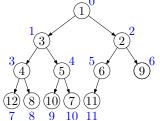
### Heapify Example





# Heapify Runtime

swapDown on a heap of height h takes at most \_\_\_\_steps.

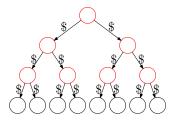


Let H be the height of the heap.

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  $\vdots$   $\leq 2^{H-1}$  times on heap of height 1

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

#### Heapify Runtime: Charging Scheme



Possible violations. How much time to fix them? Place a dollar on each edge of the heap. One dollar pays for one step of swapDown. By induction, we can show that when swapDown is called on a node v, both children of v have a path (the rightmost path) to a leaf that is uncharged. The edges on the left child's rightmost path plus the edge to the left child pay for the steps of swapDown at v. The edges on the right child's rightmost path plus the edge to the right child form the uncharged path available to the parent of v.

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

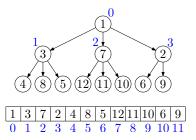
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- division and multiplication by powers of two are fast
- ▶ far-apart array accesses ruin cache performance
- ▶ with huge data sets, disk I/O dominates

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## Solution: *d*-Heaps

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

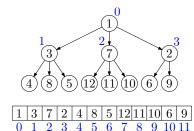


#### Good choices for *d*:

- ▶ 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

# d-Heap Navigation

- jth-child(i) =
- ightharpoonup parent(i) =
- ► root =
- ▶ next free position =



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