# Priority Queue

An Introduction

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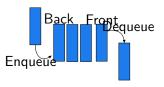
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### What is a Queue?

A queue is an example of a linear data structure, or more abstractly a sequential collection. Queues provide services in computer science, transport, and operations research where various entities such as data, objects, persons, or events are stored and held to be processed later.



## What is a Priority Queue?

A priority queue is an abstract data type which is like a regular queue or stack data structure, but where additionally each element has a "priority" associated with it. In a priority queue, an element with high priority is served before an element with low priority.

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#### Simulation

A Binary (Max) Heap is a complete binary tree that maintains the Max Heap property. Binary Heap is one possible data structure to model an efficient Priority Queue (PQ) Abstract Data Type (ADT). In a PQ, each element has a "priority" and an element with higher priority is served before an element with lower priority (ties are broken with standard First-In First-Out (FIFO) rule as with normal Queue). Try clicking ExtractMax() for a sample animation on extracting the max value of random Binary Heap above. To focus the discussion scope, we design this visualization to show a Binary Max Heap that contains distinct integers only.

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## Implementations of Priority Queue

- Fibonacci Heap
- Binary Heap

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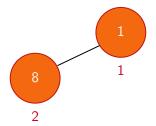
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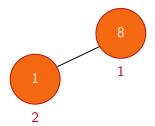
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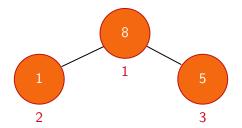
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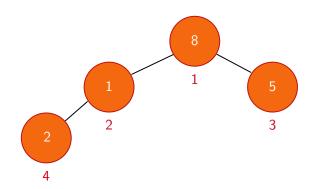
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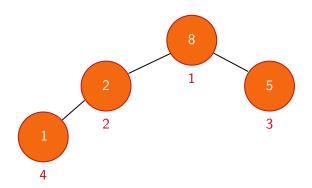


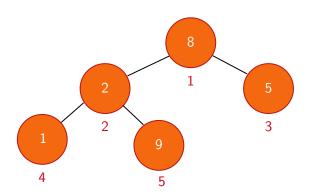


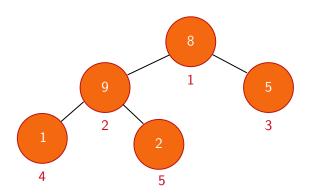


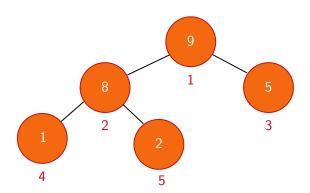


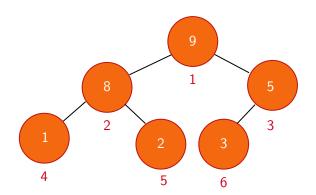




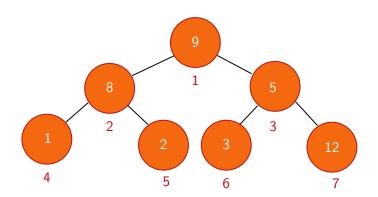


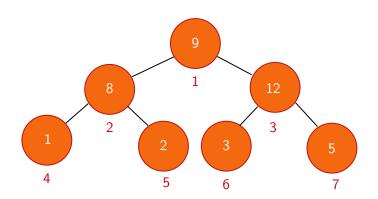


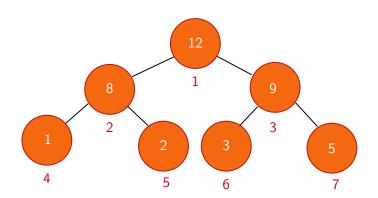




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