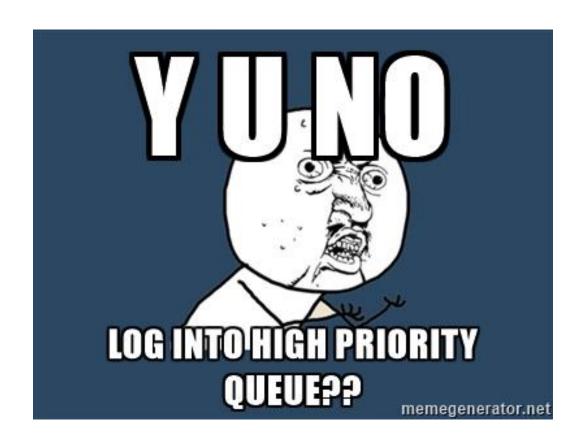
Lecture #15

- Priority Queues
 - Heaps
- HeapSort



Priority Queue Why should you care?

Priority Queues are used to prioritize different types of data for processing based on their importance.



They're used in:

Call answering centers
Turn-by-turn navigation software
Operating Systems (thread mgmt.)
Network packet routing

So pay attention!

A priority queue is a special type of queue that allows us to keep a prioritized list of items.

In a priority queue, each item you insert into the queue has a "priority rating" indicating how important it is.

Any time you dequeue an item from a priority queue, it always dequeues the item with the highest priority (instead of just the first item inserted).

Example: If I have a queue of patients in the emergency room, I don't just take the next patient in line, I take the one who has the most severe injuries.



A Priority Queue supports three operations:

- · Insert a new item into the queue
- · Get the value of the highest priority item
- · Remove the highest priority item from the queue

When you define a Priority Queue, you must specify how to determine the priority of each item in the queue.

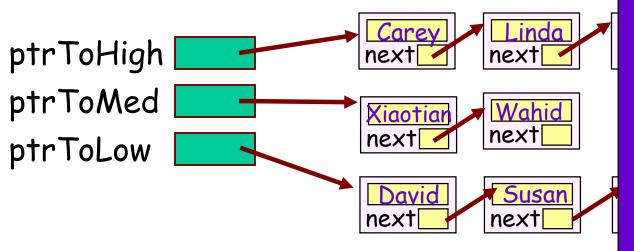
Priority = amount of blood lost + number of cuts

You must then design your PQ data structure/algorithms so you can efficiently retrieve the highest-priority item.

Question: What data structures can we use to implement a priority queue? Hmmm...

Let's make it easier... What if we have just a limited set of priorities, e.g.: high, medium low?

Hint: Think of an airport ticket line with first, business and coach (cattle) class..____



Right - we can use n linked lists, one for each priority level.

To obtain the highestpriority item, always take the first item from the highest priority, non-empty list.

Question: Ok, but what data structure should we use if we have a huge number of priorities? Hmmm!

The HEAP data structure is one of the most efficient ones we can use to implement a Priority Queue.



The heap data structure uses a special type of binary tree to hold its data.

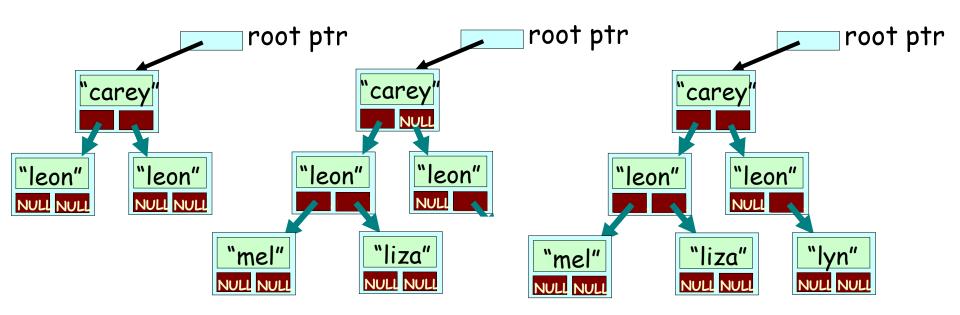
As we'll see, while a heap does use a binary tree to store its data, a heap is NOT a binary search tree.

All Heaps Use a "Complete" Binary Tree

A complete binary tree is one in which:

- The top N-1 levels of the tree are completely filled with nodes
- All nodes on the bottom-most level must be as far left as possible (with no empty slots between nodes!)

Is it complete?



Heaps... of...

A heap is a special type of complete binary tree (it's not a binary search tree).

There are two types of heaps, minheaps and maxheaps:

Maxheap:

- 1. Quickly insert a new item into the heap
- 2. Quickly retrieve the largest item from the heap

Minheap:

- 1. Quickly insert a new item into the heap
- 2. Quickly retrieve the smallest item from the heap

The Maxheap

A maxheap is a binary tree which follows these rules:

- 1. The value contained by a node is ALWAYS GREATER THAN OR EQUAL TO the values of the node's children.
- 2. The tree is a COMPLETE binary tree.

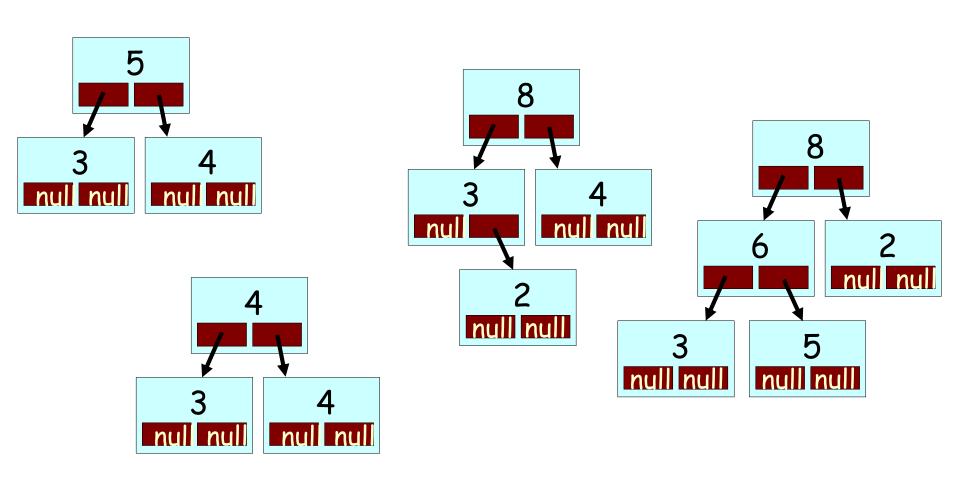
Question: What are the rules for a minheap?

Complete Binary Tree:

Every level except the deepest level must contain as many nodes as possible, and the at the deepest level, all nodes are as far left as possible.

The Maxheap

Which of the following are valid maxheaps?



- 1. The value contained by a node is ALWAYS >= the values of the node's children.
- 2. The tree is a COMPLETE binary tree.

The Maxheap

One thing you'll notice about a maxheap is...

that, by definition, the biggest (highest priority) item

is always at the root (top) of the tree!

This means its easy to always find the biggest (highest priority) item in just a single step!

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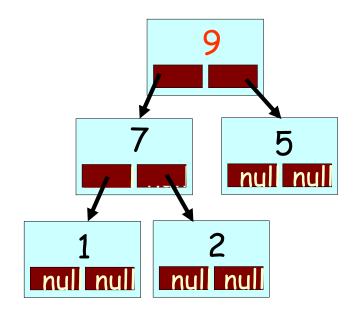
Operations on a Maxheap

Allright, now let's see how to extract an item from a heap and to add a new item to a heap!



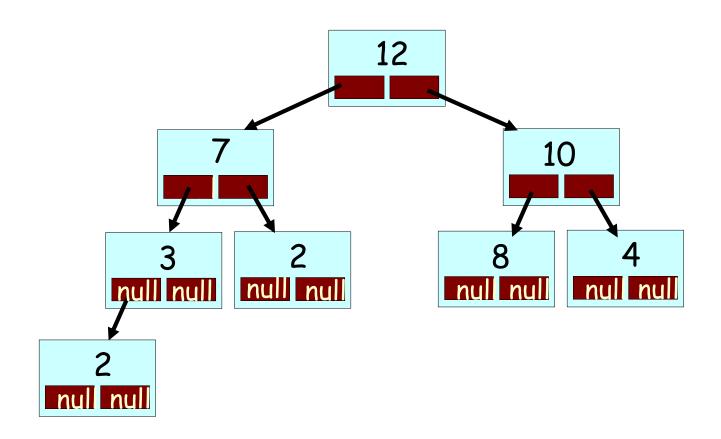
Extracting the Biggest Item

- 1. If the tree is empty, return error.
- 2. Otherwise, the top item in the tree is the biggest value. Remember it for later.
- 3. If the heap has only one node, then delete it and return the saved value.
- 4. Copy the value from the right-most node in the bottom-most row to the root node.
- 5. Delete the right-most node in the bottom-most row.
- Repeatedly swap the just-moved value with the larger of its two children until the value is greater than or equal to both of its children. ("sifting DOWN")
- 7. Return the saved value to the user.



When we're done, the largest value is on the top again, and the heap is consistent.

Extraction Challenge!

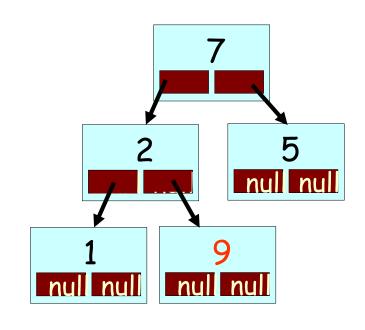


Show the resulting heap after extracting the largest item!

Adding a Node to a Maxheap

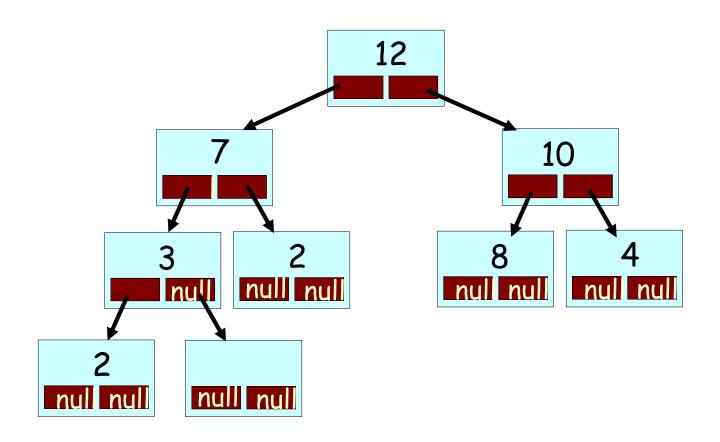
(Let's see how to add a value of 9)

- 1. If the tree is empty, create a new root node & return.
- 2. Otherwise, insert the new node in the bottom-most, left-most position of the tree (so it's still a complete tree).
- 3. Compare the new value with its parent's value.
- 4. If the new value is greater than its parent's value, then swap them.
- 5. Repeat steps 3-4 until the new value rises to its proper place.



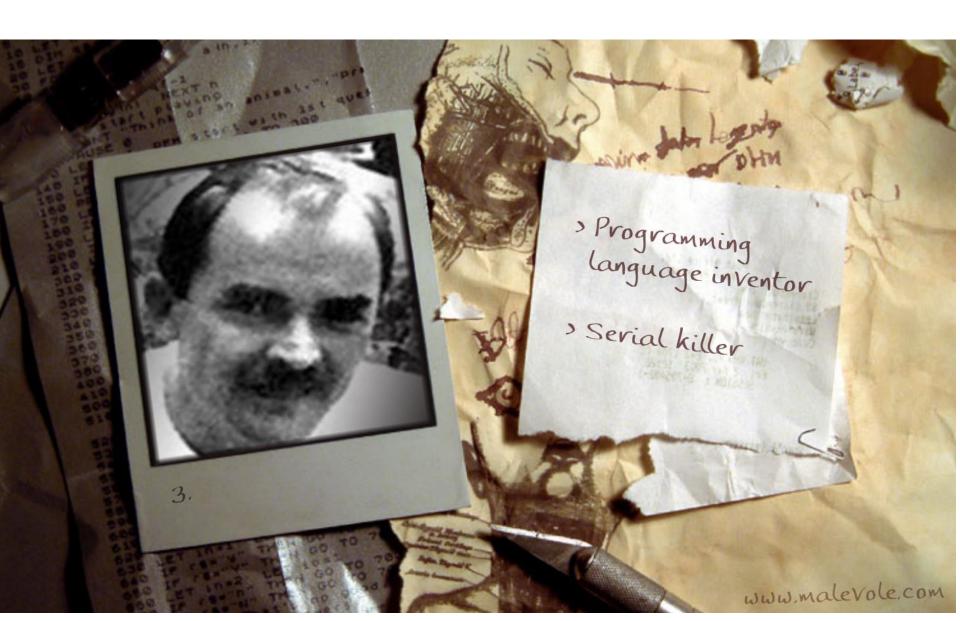
This process is called "reheapification."

Insertion Challenge!



Show the resulting heap after inserting a value of 9!

And now, time for your favorite game!!!!



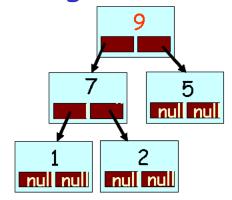
Question:

What data structure can we use to implement a heap?

How about a classical binary tree node with links?

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struct node
{
  int value;
  node *left, *right;
};
```

Hmmm... But this has some challenges. What are they?

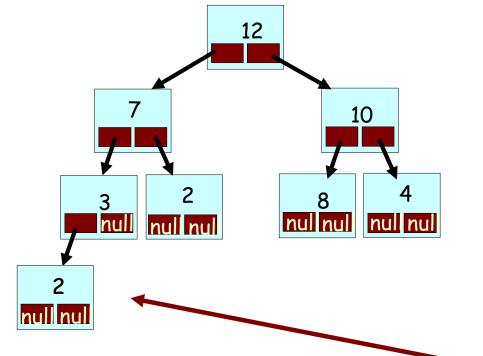


- It's not easy to locate the bottom-most, right-most node during extraction.
- 2. It's not easy to locate the bottom-most, left-most open spot to insert a new node during insertion!
- 3. It's not easy to locate a node's parent to do reheapification swaps.

Perhaps there's some better data structure we could use...

Hmmmm. What about an array?

Well, we know that each level of our tree has 2x the number of nodes of the previous level*.

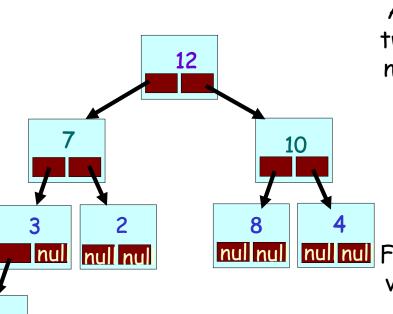


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int heap[1000];



Let's see, we can put our root node value in heap[0]

And we can put the next two nodes' values into the next two available slots...

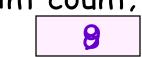
And then the next four values in the next four slots...

Finally, let's use a simple int variable to track how many items are in our heap!

So the array to the right now logically represents the tree on the left! And if we use the array, there's no need to use a node-based tree!

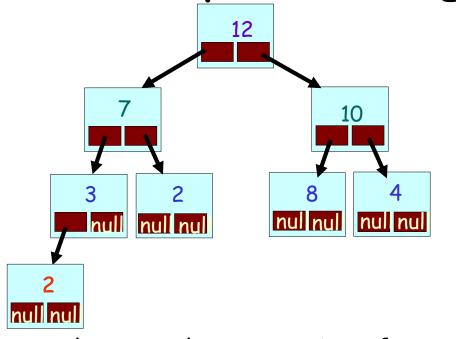
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2	10
3	3
4	3 2 8
5 6	8
6	4
7	2
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int heap[1000];





So what are the properties of our array-based tree?

- We can always find the root value in heap[0]
- 2. We can always find bottom-most, right-most node in heap[count-1]
- 3. We can always find the bottom-most, left-most empty spot (to add a new value) in heap[count]
- 4. We can add or remove a node by simply setting heap[count] = value; and/or updating our count!

int count;

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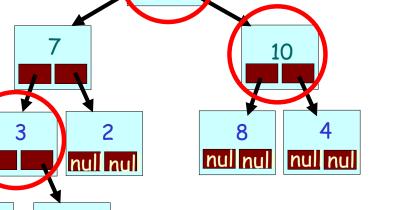
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Ok, in our array, how do we locate the left and right children of a node?

Let's consider some examples:

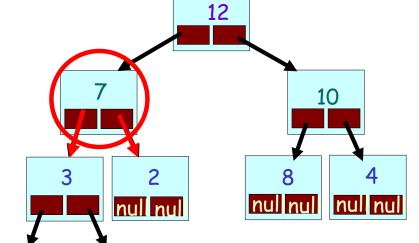
Parent Slot#	Left Child Slot#	Right Child Slot#
0	1	2
2	5	6
3	7	8

Challenge: Come up with a formula to locate a node's children

Hint: It's of the form

leftChild(parent) = 2 * parent + 1 :3
rightChild(parent) = 2 * parent + 2 :





int heap[1000];

Let's see, does our formula work?

Consider this node, which is in slot #1 of our array?

$$leftChild(1) = 2 * 1 + 1 = slot 3$$

rightChild(1) =
$$2 * 1 + 2 = slot 4$$

Our formula appears to work!

Hint: It's of the form

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1	7	
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	10	•
3	3	4
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5	8	
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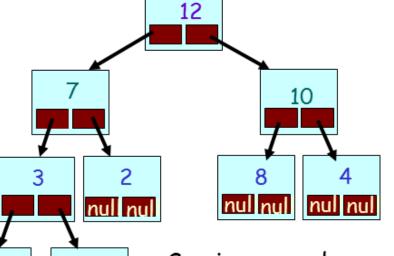
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And, due to a property of C++ integer division...

this formula works equally well for both left and right children!



So given a node, we can find its two children pretty easily. Cool!

Question: So now how do we find the slot of the parent of some node in our

Answer: Use simple algebra!

child-1 = parent



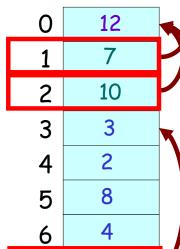
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Implementing A Heap

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Ok, let's verify that it works...

The parent of slot #1 is... (1-1)/2 = 0The parent of slot #2 is... (2-1)/2 = 0The parent of slot #7 is... (7-1)/2 = 3

Cool stool! So now we know how to locate the children of a 13 node, find the parent of a node, and add and remove nodes! ...

Heap in an Array Summary

So, now we know how to store a heap in an array!

Here's a recap of what we just learned:

- 1. The root of the heap goes in array[0]
- 2. If the data for a node appears in array[i], its children, if they exist, are in these locations:

Left child: array[2i+1]
Right child: array[2i+2]

3. If the data for a non-root node is in array[i], then its parent is always at array[(i-1)/2] (Use integer division)

A Heap Helper Class

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  HeapHelper()
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  int ParentLoc(int i)
                         { return((i-1)/2); }
                         { cout << a[i]; }
  int PrintVal(int i)
  void AddNode(int v)
                         { a[num] = v; ++num;}
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 int a[MAX_ITEMS];
                              a[0]
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 int num;
                                [1]
                                       42
                                [2]
                                       -7
                         5
                 num
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                                [3]
                                      999
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Locate (and delete) the bottom-most, rightmost node in the tree...

Add a new node in the bottom-most, leftmost empty position in the tree...

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Extracting from a Maxheap The Array Version!

- 1. If the count == 0 (it's an empty tree), return error.
- 2. Otherwise, heap[0] holds the biggest value. Remember it for later.
- 3. If the count == 1 (that was the only node) then set count=0 and return the saved value.
- Copy the value from the right-most, bottom-most node to the root node: heap[0] = heap[count-1]
- 5. Delete the right-most node in the bottom-most row: count = count 1
- 6. Repeatedly swap the just-moved value with the larger of its two children: Starting with i=0, compare and swap: heap[i] with heap[2*i+1] and heap[2*i+2]
- 7. Return the saved value to the user.

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int count;

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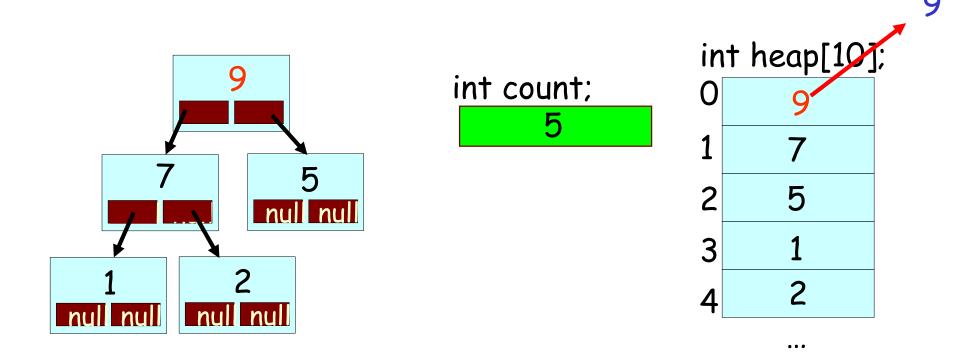
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Ok, so now let's see how to extract the biggest item from an array-based max-heap!

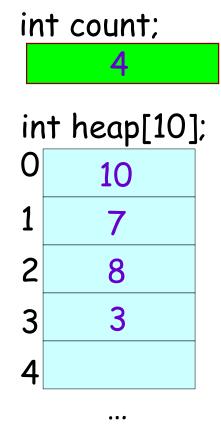


Adding a Node to a Maxheap The Array Version int con

1. Insert a new node in the bottommost, left-most open slot:

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heap[count] = value
count = count + 1;
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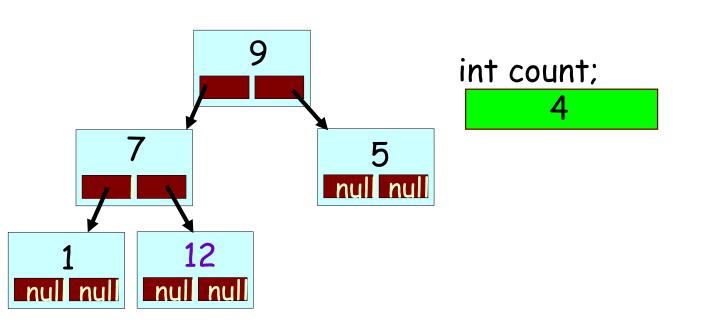
- 2. Compare the new value heap[i] with its parent's value: heap[(i-1)/2]
- 3. If the new value is greater than its parent's value, then swap them.
- 4. Repeat steps 2-3 until the new value rises to its proper place or we reach the top of the array.



Heap Insertion Challenge

Now let's work through the insertion of a value into our array-based heap.

Let's add 12 to our heap.



in	it heap[10]
0	9
1	7
2	5
3	1
4	12

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Class Challenge

Show a maxheap and its array after inserting each of the following numbers:

1, 6, 4, 5, 0, 8, 3, 12

- 1. The root of the binary tree goes in array[0]
- 2. If a node appears in array[i], its children are in these locations:

Left child: array[2i+1]
Right child: array[2i+2]

 If the data for a non-root node is in array[i], then its parent is always at array[(i-1)/2] (Use integer division)

Class Challenge #2

Now show the maxheap and its array after removing the biggest 2 numbers:

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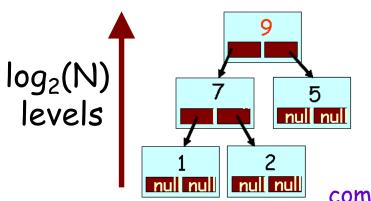
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3. If the data for a non-root node is in array[i], then its parent is always at array[(i-1)/2] (Use integer division)

Complexity of the Heap

Question: What is the big-oh cost of inserting a new

item into a heap?



Every time we insert a new item, we need to keep comparing it with its parent until it reaches the right spot...

Since our tree is a COMPLETE binary tree, if it has N entries, it's guaranteed to be exactly $log_2(N)$ levels deep.

So in the worst case, we'll have to do $log_2(N)$ comparisons and swaps of our new value. (This is true whether or not our heap is stored in an array!)

Question: What is the big-oh cost of extracting the maximum/minimum item from a heap?

Just as with heap insertion, when we extract a value we need to bubble an item from the root down the tree.

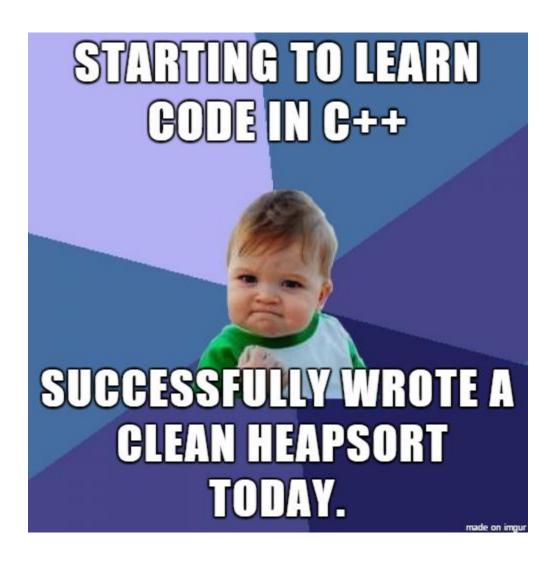
Since the maximum number of levels in our tree is $log_2(N)$, the worst case that this requires $log_2(N)$ swaps.

So inserting and extracting from a heap is $O(\log_2(n))$

Alright, one last time today...



Heapsort



Heapsort Why should you care?

Errr... Ok, maybe you shouldn't. Heapsort isn't the most popular algorithm.



But it'll probably be on your exam, and I'll feel hurt if you don't listen.

So pay attention!

The Heapsort

Question:

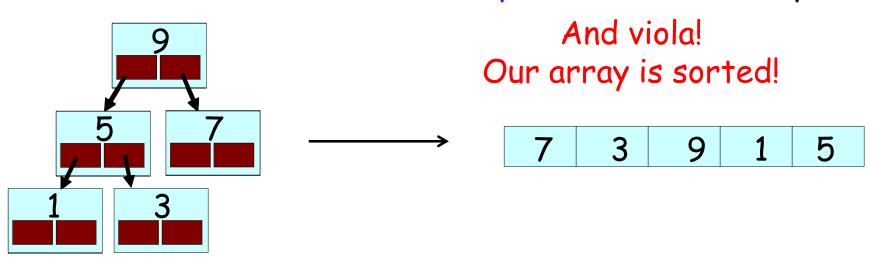
How can we use a heap to sort a bunch of items?

Answer:

Here's a "naïve" way to do it...

Given an array of N numbers that we want to sort:

- 1. Insert all N numbers into a new maxheap
- 2. While there are numbers left in the heap:
 - A. Remove the biggest value from the heap
 - B. Place it in the last open slot of the array



The Naïve Heapsort

Question:

What's the complexity of our simple version of heapsort?

Hints:

What is the cost of inserting an item into a maxheap? What is the cost of extracting an item from a maxheap? How many items must be inserted and then extracted?

Insertions: N items * $log_2(N)$ steps per item $\rightarrow N log_2(N)$ steps

Extractions: N items * $log_2(N)$ steps per item $\rightarrow N log_2(N)$ steps

That comes to $2 * N \log_2(N)$ total steps, or $O(N \log_2(N))$.

Not bad! But in fact there's an even faster way to use a heap to sort an array... Let's see it!

The Efficient Heapsort

In our naïve algorithm, we took every item from the array and inserted it into a separate, brand-new maxheap.

So first we built a separate maxheap from scratch, copying every one of our items over!

And then we had to remove each one from our new heap and stick them back into our original array. So SLOW!

Question:

Could we have avoided creating a whole new maxheap and moving our numbers back and forth?

Answer:

Yes! That's the way the "official" Heapsort works! Let's see!

The Efficient (Official) Heapsort

Let's update our original inefficient algorithm to turn it into the efficient (official) version.

Given an array of N numbers that we want to sort:

- 1. Convert our input array into a maxheap
- 2. While there are numbers left in the heap:
 - A. Remove the biggest value from the heap
 - B. Place it in the last open slot of the array

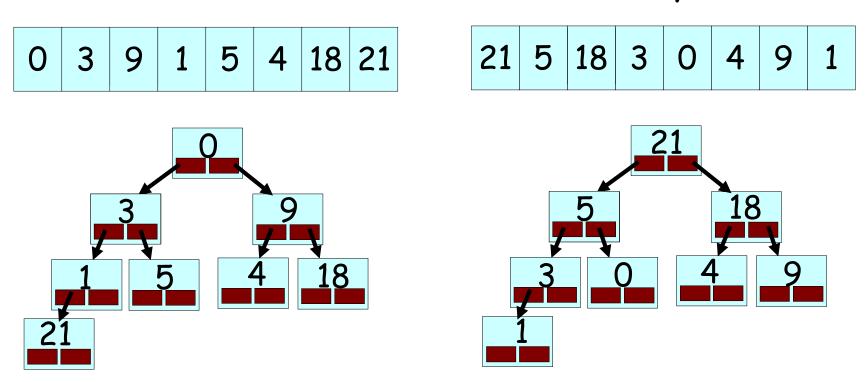
Wow! It's that simple? Yup!

We're just going to just shuffle the values around in our input array so they become a maxheap.

Then we'll use that maxheap as if it were a separate array like before. Only now everything's in just one array.

Step #1:

Convert your randomly-arranged input array into a maxheap by cleverly shuffling around the values in the array.



Let's learn the algorithm to perform this shuffling.

⁴⁷Step #1: Convert Your Input Array into a MaxHeap

Let's start by visualizing our array as a tree.

By last node, we mean the bottom-most, rightmost node in the tree. This corresponds to the last element in the array.

curNode

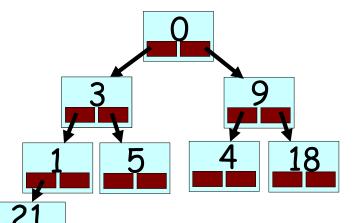
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for (curNode = lastNode thru rootNode):

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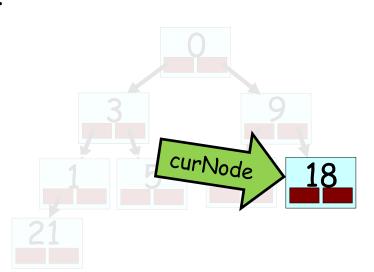
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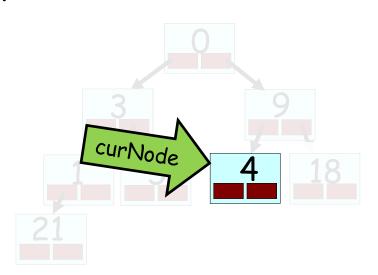
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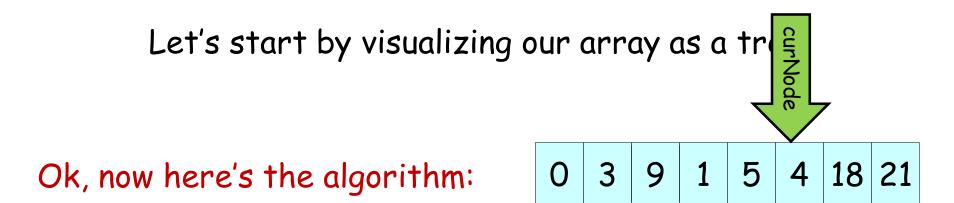
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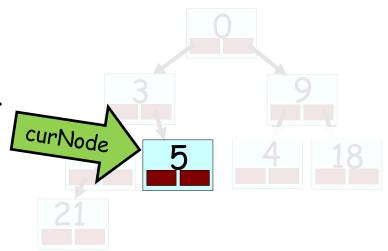




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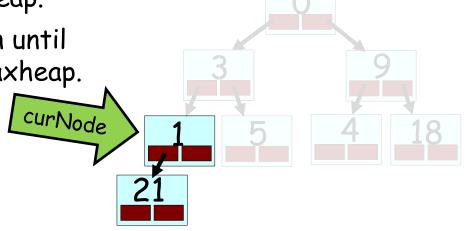
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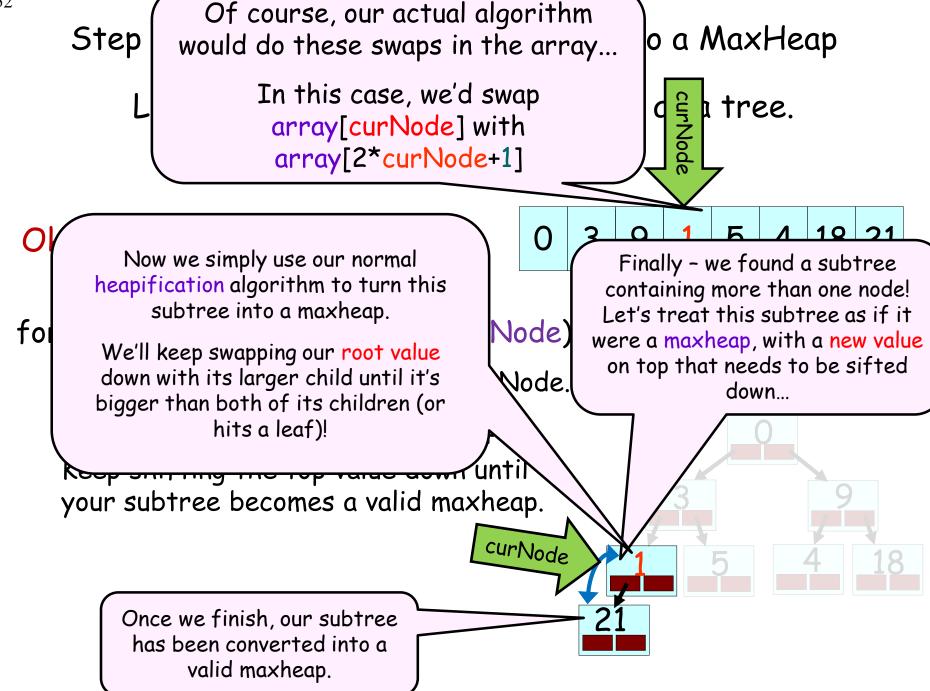
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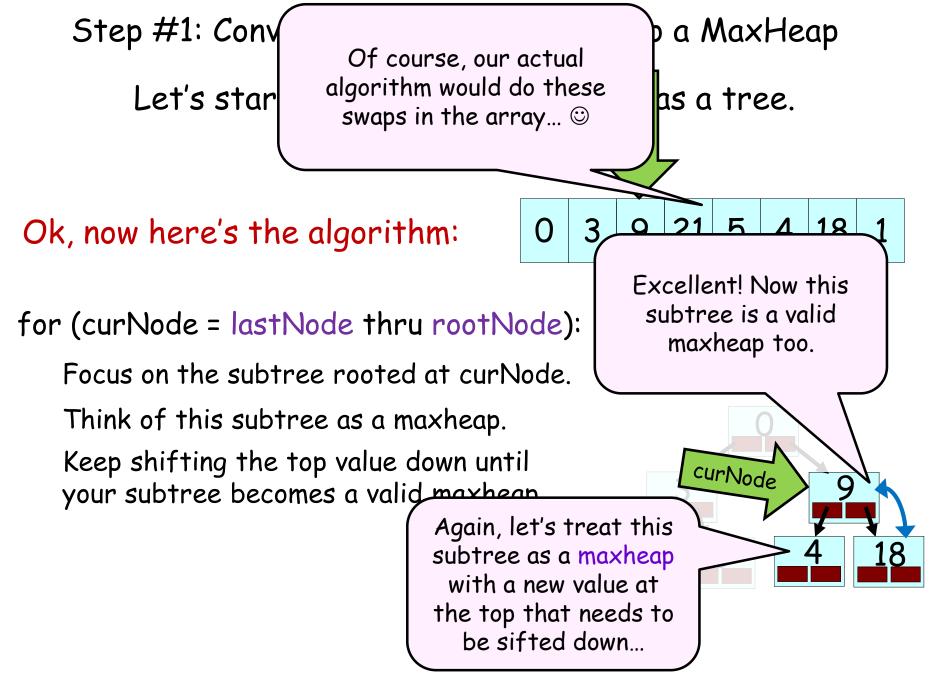
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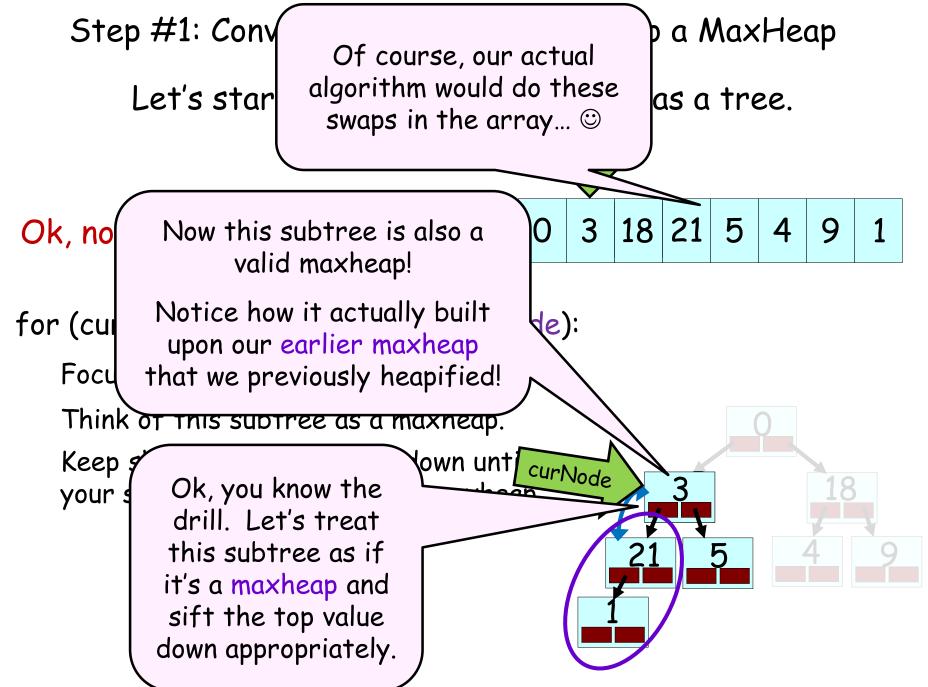
Focus on the subtree rooted at curNode.

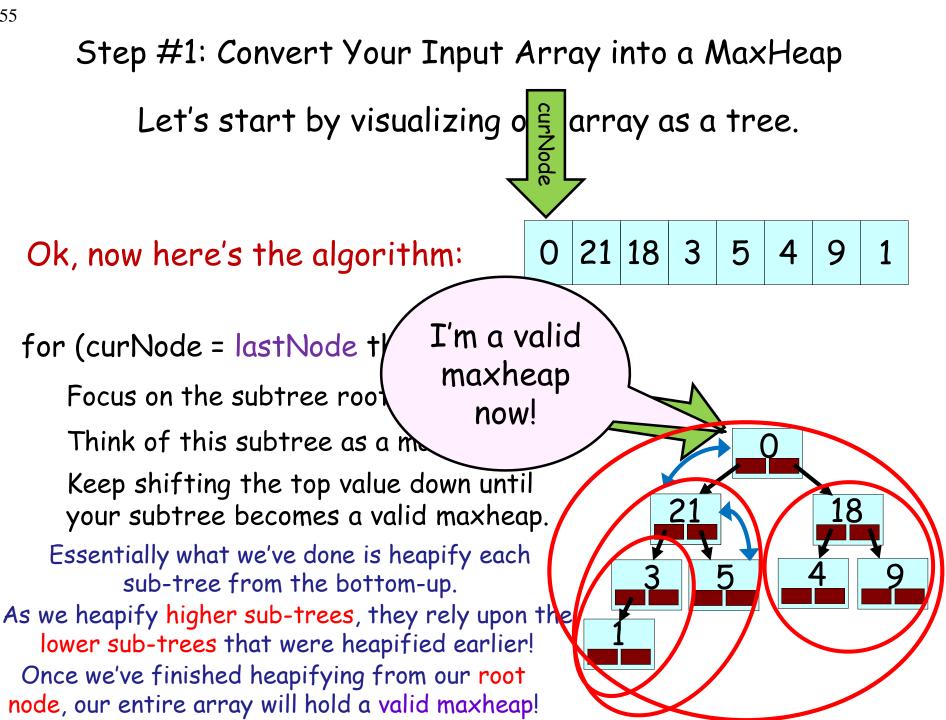
Think of this subtree as a maxheap.











Step #1: Convert Your Input Array into a MaxHeap

There's one more thing to consider!

If you noticed, we wasted a bunch of time looking at single-node sub-trees.

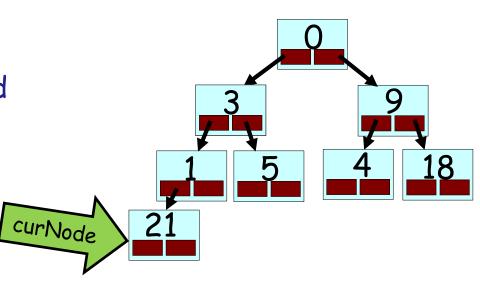
0 3 9 1 5 4 18 21

curNode

But we only had to reheapify once we reached a sub-tree with at least two nodes.

Wouldn't it be great if we could jump straight to this node to save time?

We can - here's how!



startNode = N/2 - 1

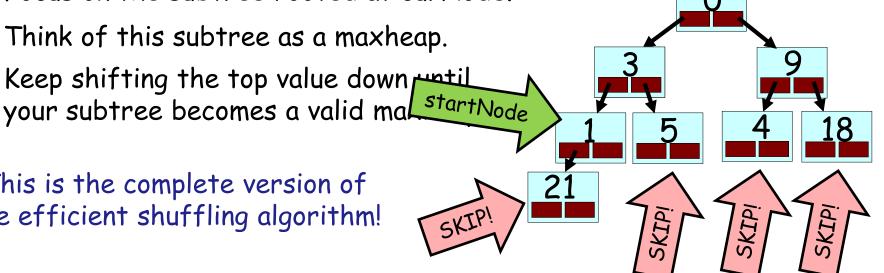
for (curNode = startNode thru rootNode):

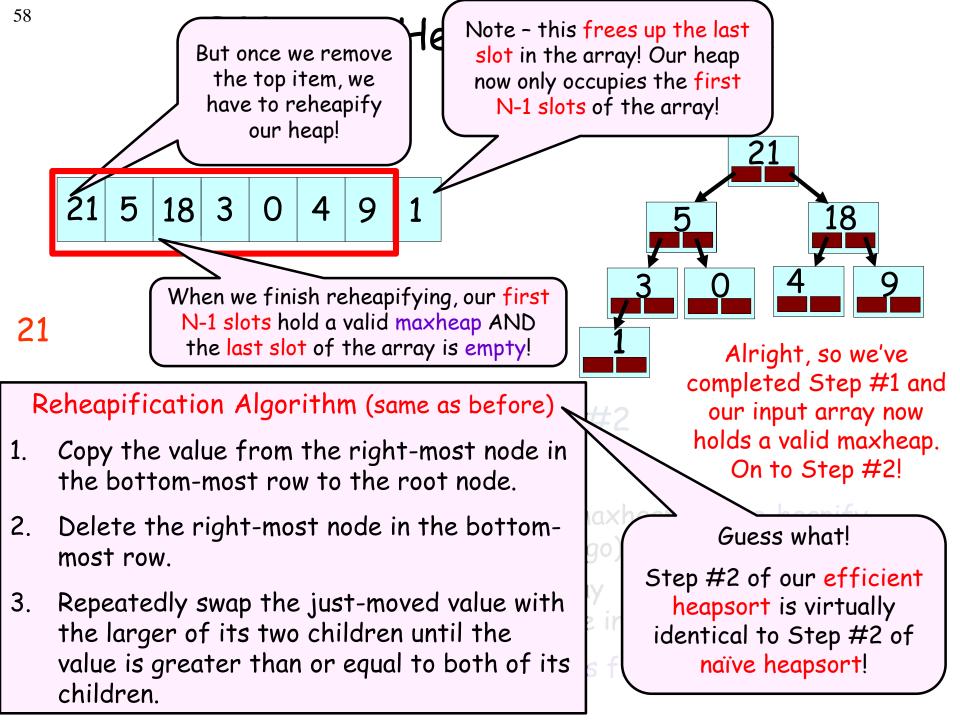
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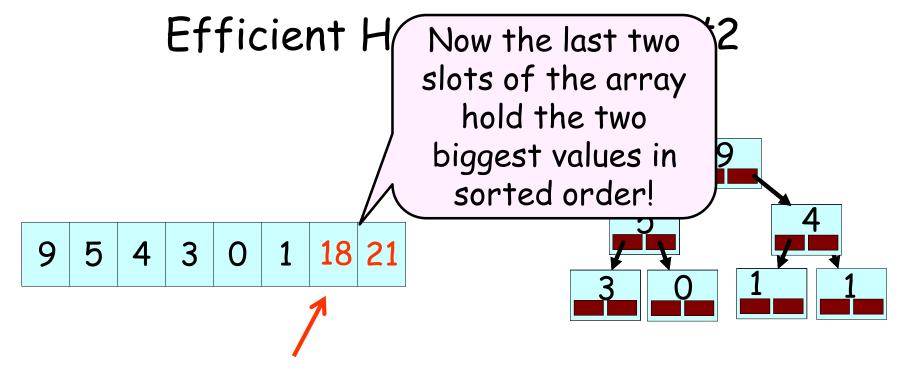
Think of this subtree as a maxheap.

Keep shifting the top value down

This is the complete version of the efficient shuffling algorithm!





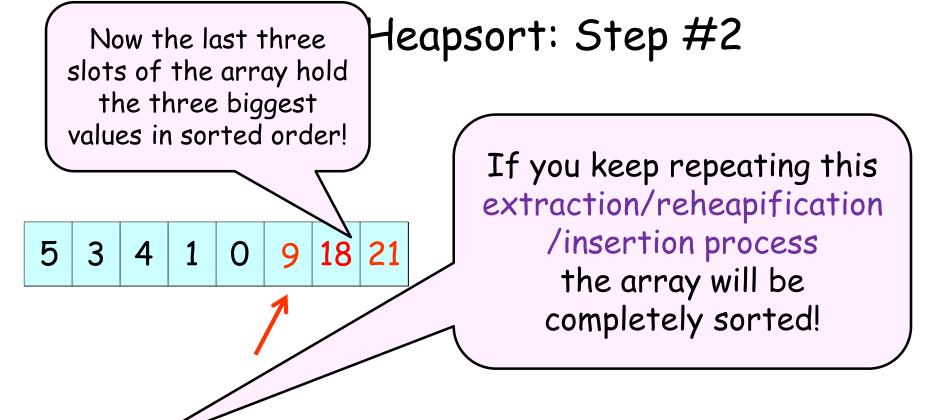


While there are numbers left in the heap:

1. Extract the biggest value from the maxheap and re-heapify (just as we learned about 20 slides ago)

This frees up the second-to-last slot in the array (since the heap now has 1 fewer value in it)

3. Now put the extracted value into this freed-up slot of the array.



While there are numbers left in the heap:

- 1. Extract the biggest value from the maxheap and re-heapify (just as we learned about 20 slides ago)

 This frees up the third-to-last slot in the array (since the heap now has 1 fewer value in it)
- 3. Now put the extracted value into this freed-up slot of the array.

Big-O of Heapsort!

If you think it should be O(N log2N), I did too. © Come to office hours for an explanation.

Step #1:

First we take our N-item array (shown here as a tree) and convert it into a maxheap.

We do this from the bottom up by converting successively larger subtrees into maxheaps until the entire tree has been converted.

Step #2:

Then we repeatedly extract the jth largest item from the maxheap and place that item back into the array, j slots from the end.

Step #1 has a Big-O of O(N).

In other words, we can convert a random array into a maxheap in just O(N) steps!



Step #2 has a Big-O of O(N log₂N).

Why? Each time we remove an item from the maxheap, it takes log_2N steps. We perform this extraction operation N times to sort the entire array.



Therefore, Heapsort is $O(N + N \log_2 N)$, which as you know, is just $O(N \log_2 N)$.

HeapSort Challenge

Challenge: Show how to do an in-place heap-sort with the following array of numbers.

Step 1: Show the array after each non-leaf is "sifted down" in the array until a valid heap is formed.

Step 2: Show the array after the first 3 items have been removed from the heap and inserted at the end of the array.

(Remember: Sift from j=N/2-1 down-to j=0)

Challenges

Question: Consider a tri-nary tree, where each node has three children, represented by an array. Given a node i, where can you find its 3 children in the array? Where can you find its parent?

Question: You need to do a fast table search and you also need to print out records in alphabetical order. Which table ADT will you use?

Question: What is the big-oh of traversing a binary search tree?