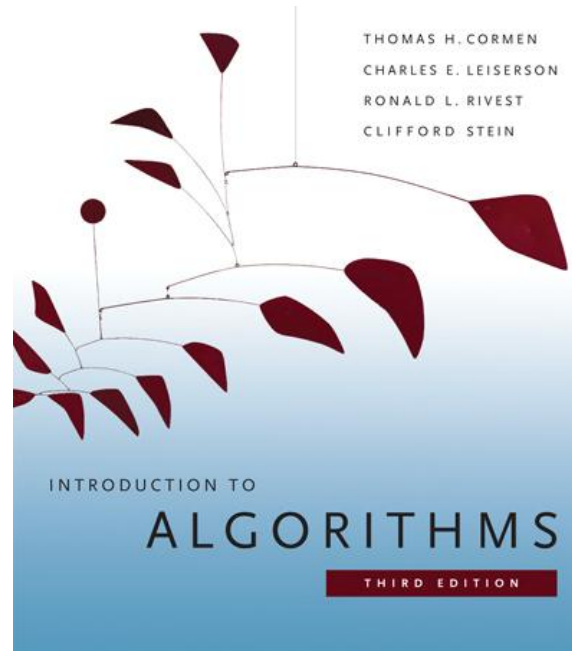# 6.006- *Introduction to Algorithms*

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Lecture 4

Menu

- Priority Queues

- Heaps

- Heapsort

Priority Queue

A data structure implementing a set S of elements, each associated with a key, supporting the following operations:

insert(S, x) : insert element x into set S

max(S) : return element of S with largest key

extract_max(S) : return element of S with largest key and remove it from S

increase_key(S, x, k) : increase the value of element x's key to new value k
(assumed to be as large as current value)

Heap

- Implementation of a priority queue
- An array, visualized as a nearly complete binary tree
- Max Heap Property: The key of a node is $\geq$ than the keys of its children

  (Min Heap defined analogously)
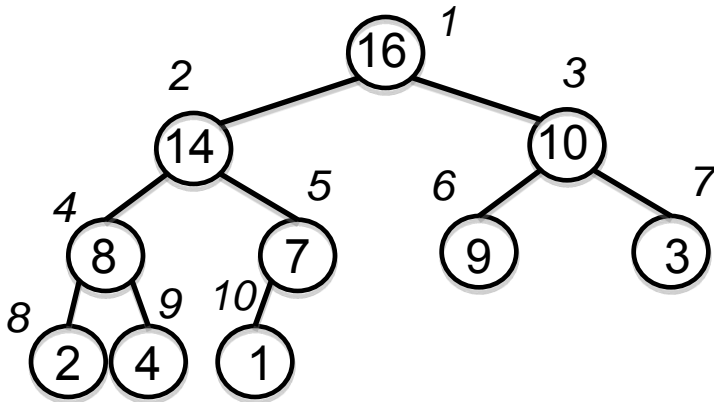
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16	14	10	8	7	9	3	2	4	1

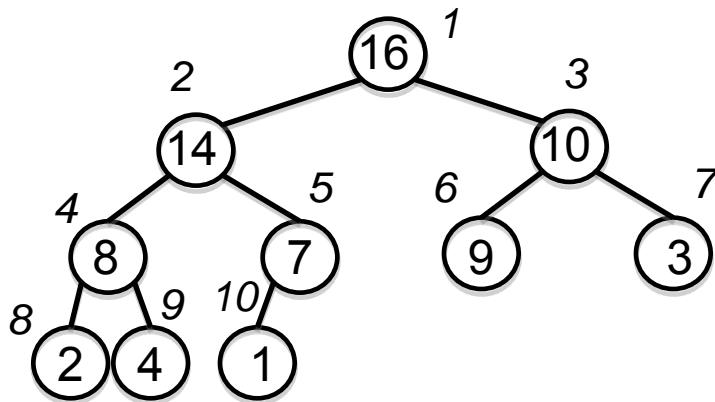# Heap as a Tree

root of tree: first element in the array, corresponding to $i = 1$

parent(i) =i/2: returns index of node's parent

left(i)=2i: returns index of node's left child

right(i)=2i+1: returns index of node's right child

No pointers required! Height of a binary heap is O(lg n)

Heap Operations

build_max_heap :   produce a max-heap from an unordered array

max_heapify :   correct a single violation of the heap property in a subtree at its root

insert, extract_max, heapsort

Max_heapify

- **Assume that the trees rooted at left(i) and right(i) are max-heaps**

- If element A[i] violates the max-heap property, correct violation by "trickling" element A[i] down the tree, making the subtree rooted at index i a max-heap
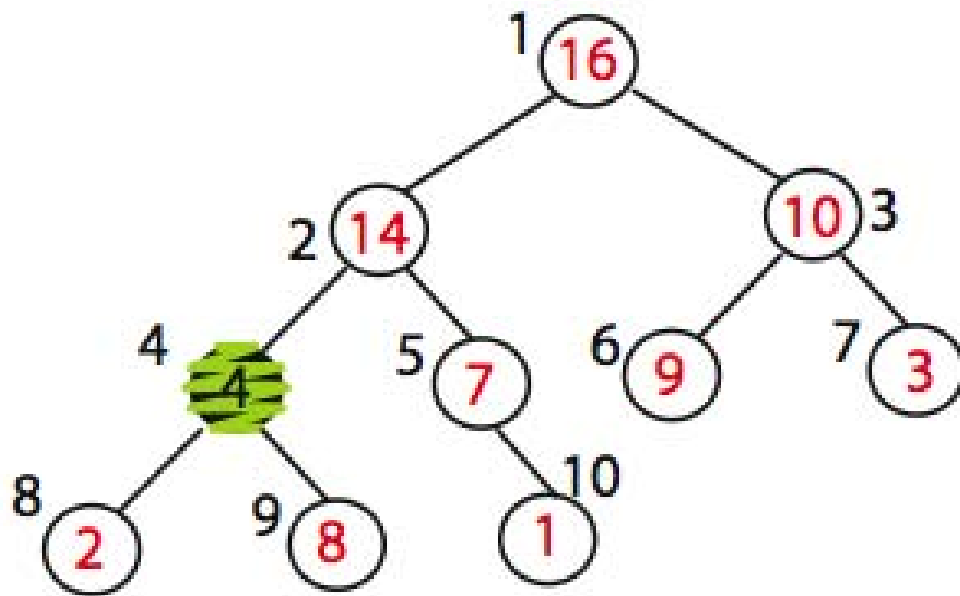
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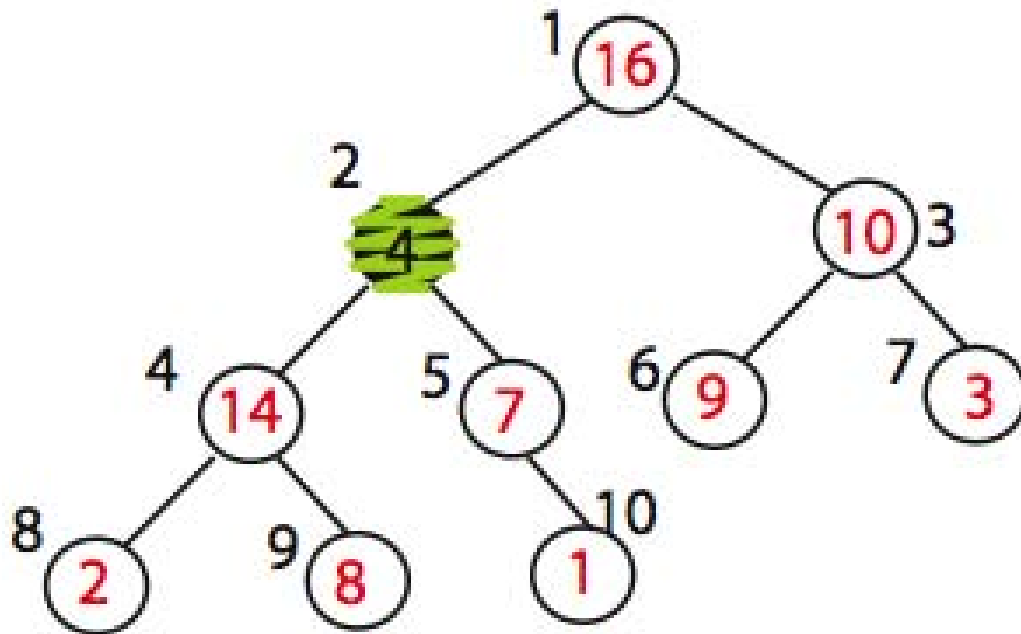
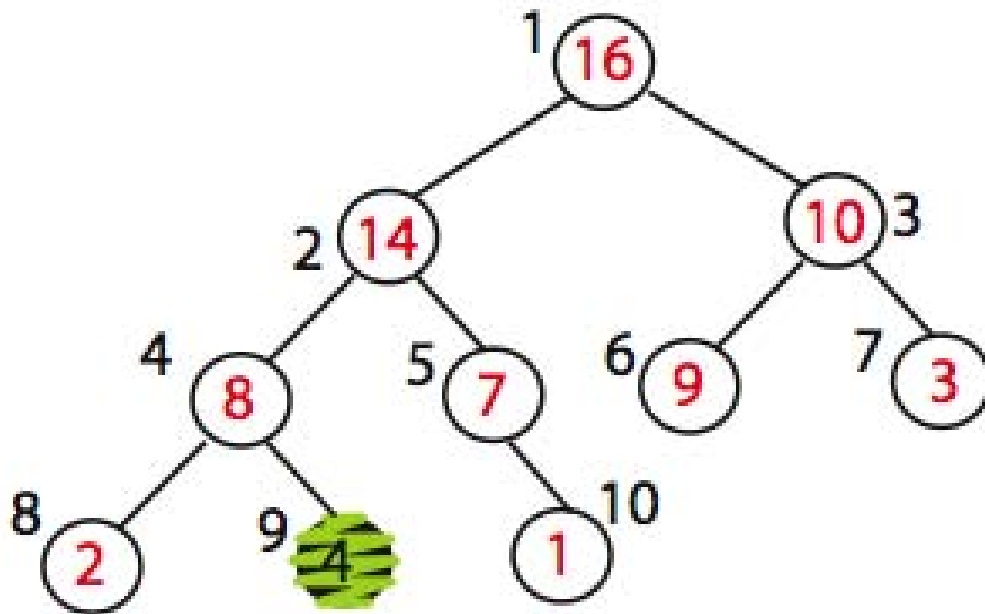MAX_HEAPIFY (A,2)
heap_size[A] = 10

Node 10 is the left child of node 5 but is drawn to the right for convenience

Max_heapify (Example)

Exchange A[2] with A[4]
Call MAX_HEAPIFY(A,4)
because max_heap property
is violated

Max_heapify (Example)

Exchange A[4] with A[9]
No more calls

Time=? O(log n)

Max_Heapify Pseudocode

l = left(i)

r = right(i)

if (l <= heap-size(A) and A[l] > A[i])

   then largest = l else largest = i

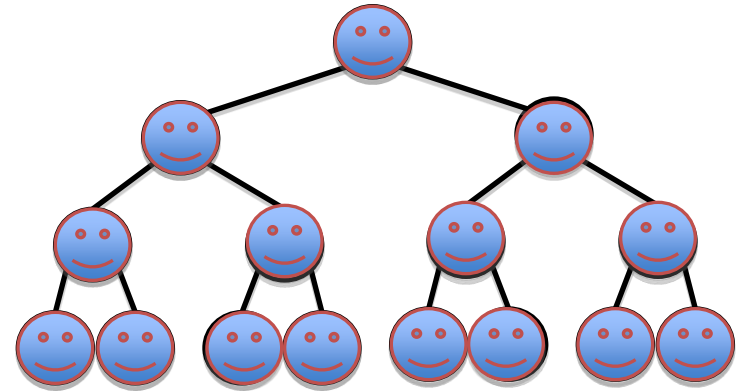if (r <= heap-size(A) and A[r] > A[largest])

   then largest = r

if largest $\neq i$

   then exchange A[i] and A[largest]

      Max_Heapify(A, largest)

Build_Max_Heap(A)

Converts A[1…*n*] to a max heap

Build_Max_Heap(A):
   for i=n/2 downto 1
      do Max_Heapify(A, i)

Why start at n/2?

Because elements A[n/2 + 1 … n] are all leaves of the tree
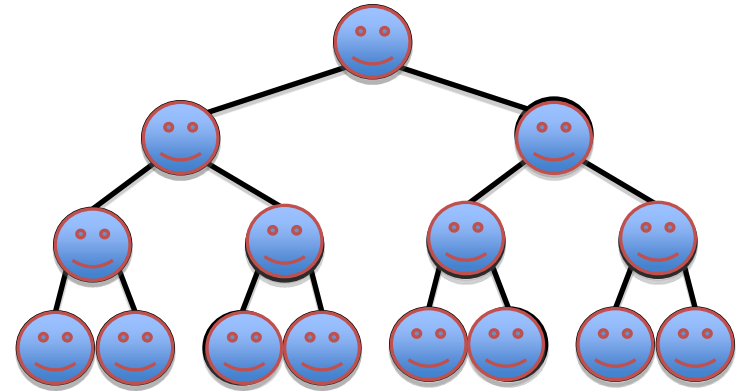2i > n, for i > n/2 + 1

Time=?   O(n log n) via simple analysis

Build_Max_Heap(A) Analysis

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Observe however that Max_Heapify takes O(1) for time for nodes that are one level above the leaves, and in general, O(l) for the nodes that are l levels above the leaves. We have n/4 nodes with level 1, n/8 with level 2, and so on till we have one root node that is lg n levels above the leaves.

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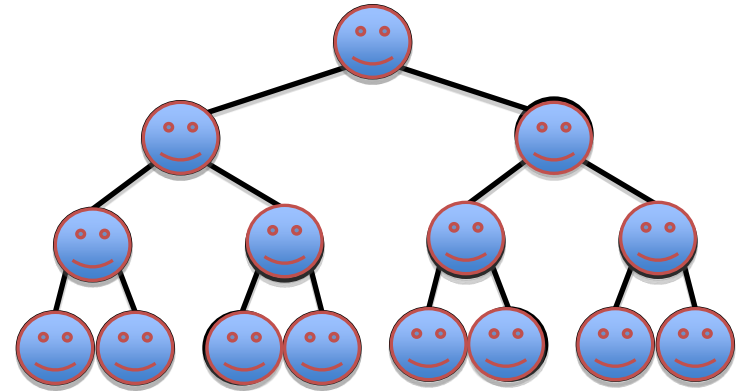
Total amount of work in the for loop can be summed as:

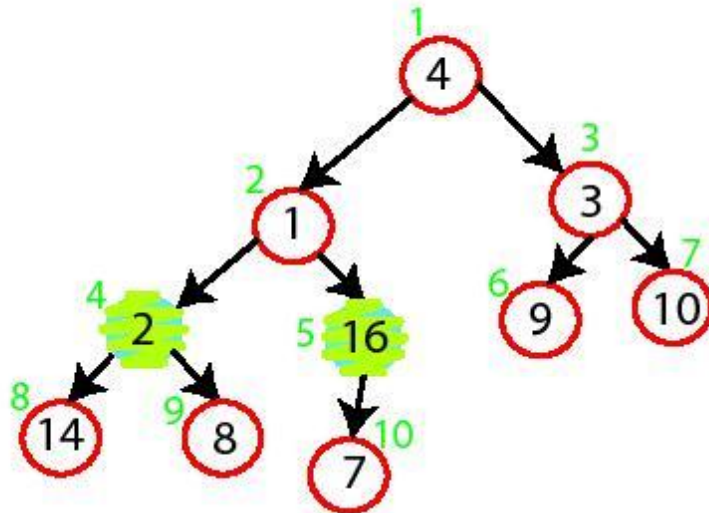$$n/4 \ (1 \ c) + n/8 \ (2 \ c) + n/16 \ (3 \ c) + \ldots + 1 \ (\lg n \ c)$$

Setting n/4 = 2^k and simplifying we get:

$$c \ 2^k(\ 1/2^0 + 2/2^1 + 3/2^2 + \ldots (k+1)/2^k \ )$$

The term is brackets is bounded by a constant!

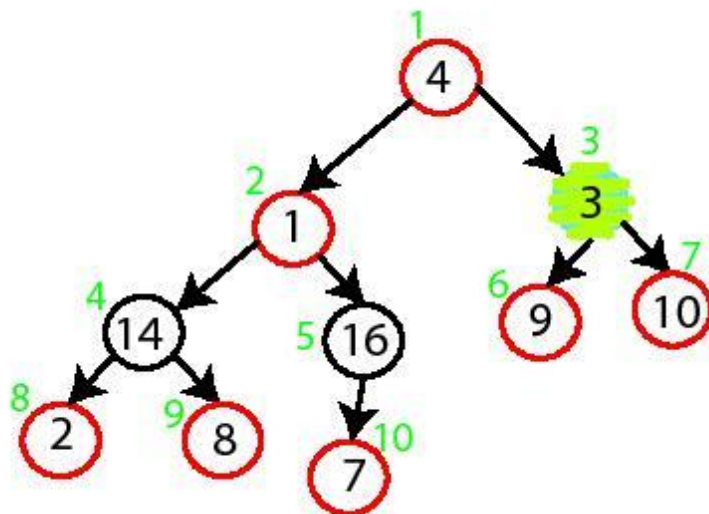This means that Build_Max_Heap is O(n)

Build-Max-Heap Demo

A | 4 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 16 | 9 | 10 | 14 | 8 | 7 |

MAX-HEAPIFY (A,5)
no change
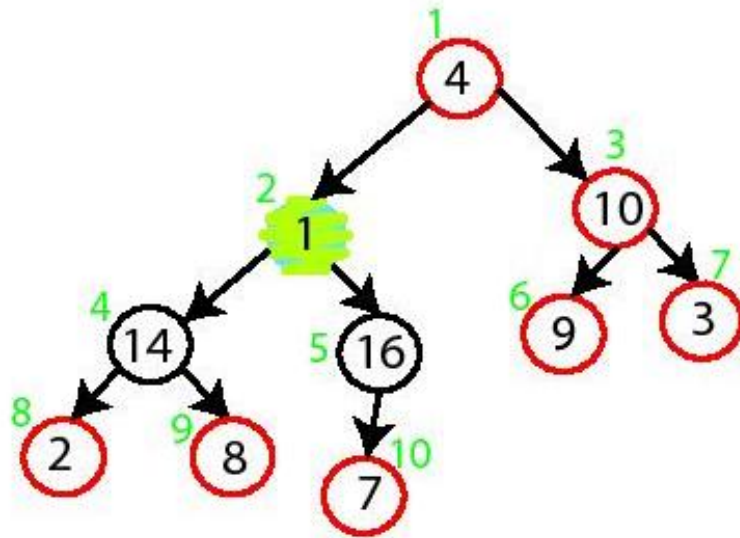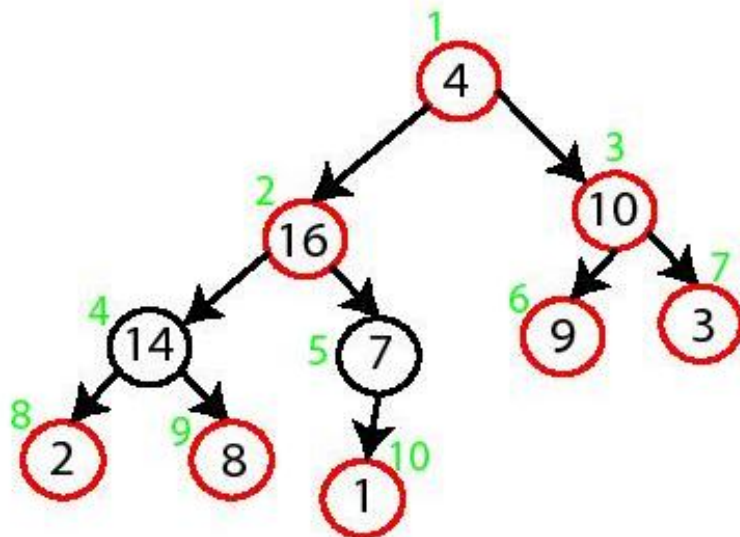MAX-HEAPIFY (A,4)
Swap A[4] and A[8]

MAX-HEAPIFY (A,3)
Swap A[3] and A[7]
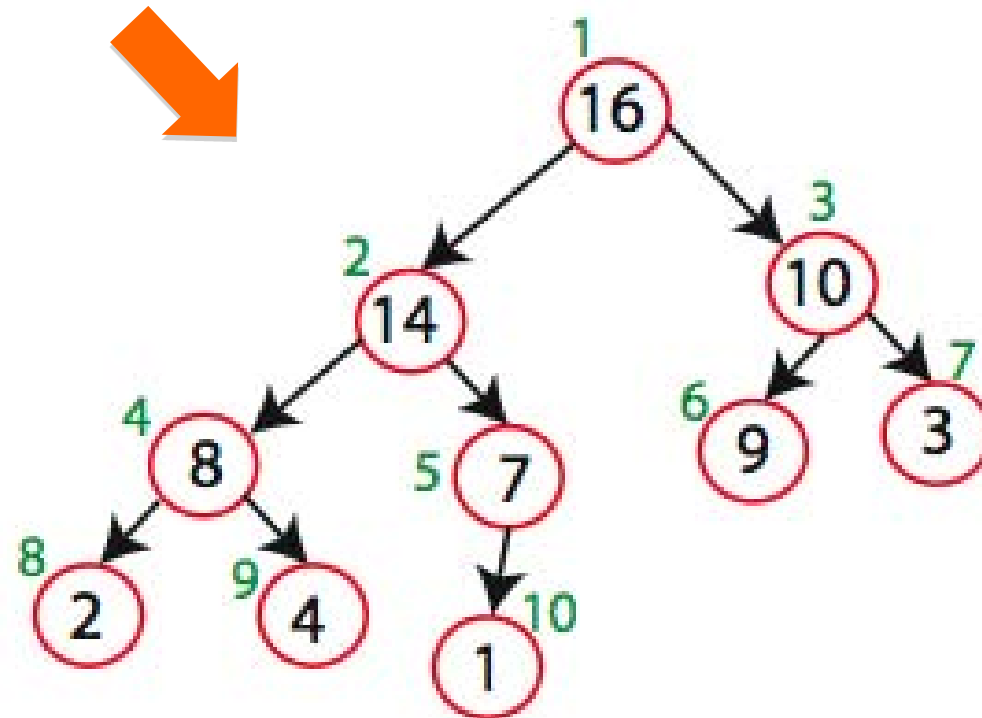
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Build-Max-Heap Demo

MAX-HEAPIFY (A,2)
Swap A[2] and A[5]
Swap A[5] and A[10]

MAX-HEAPIFY (A,1)
Swap A[1] with A[2]
Swap A[2] with A[4]
Swap A[4] with A[9]

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Build-Max-Heap

Heap-Sort

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      1. Build Max Heap from unordered array;

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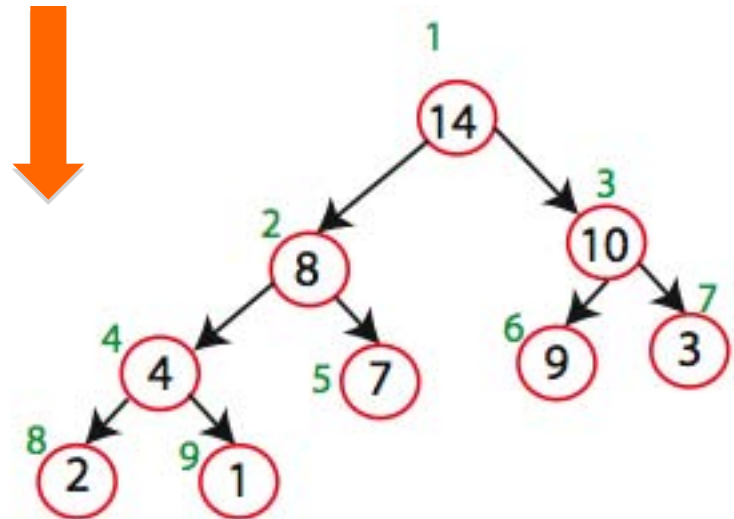
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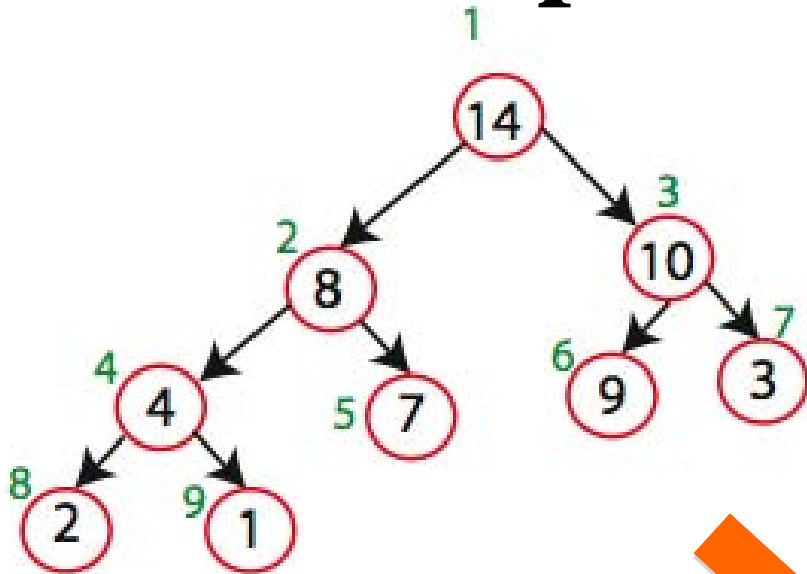
6. Go to Step 2 unless heap is empty.
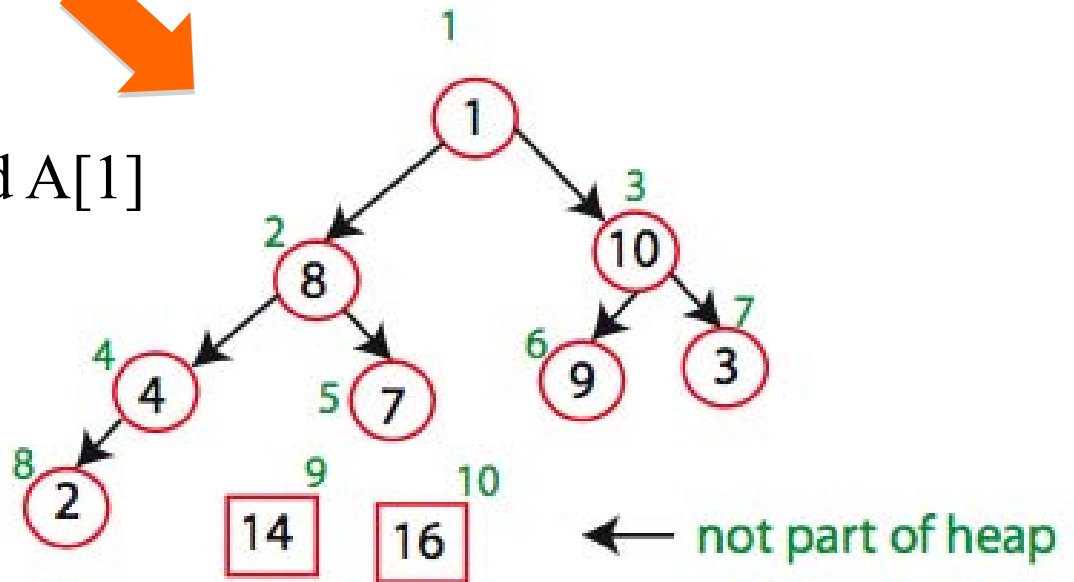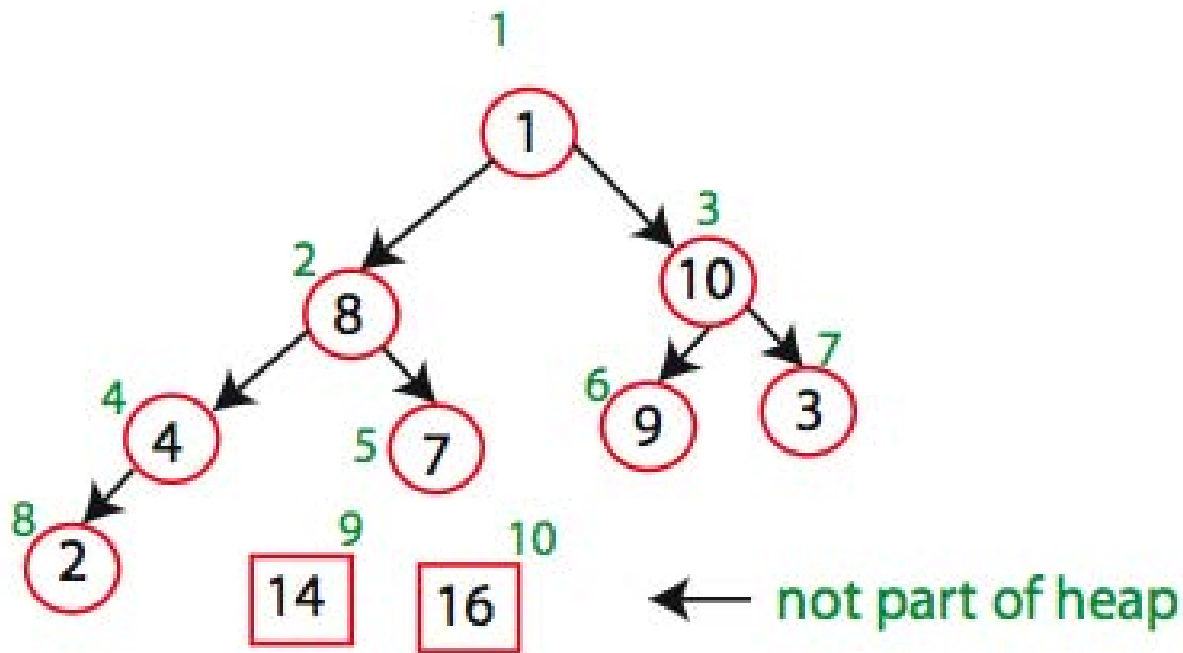
Heap-Sort Demo

Swap A[10] and A[1]

heap_size = 9

← not part of heap

Max_heapify(A,1)

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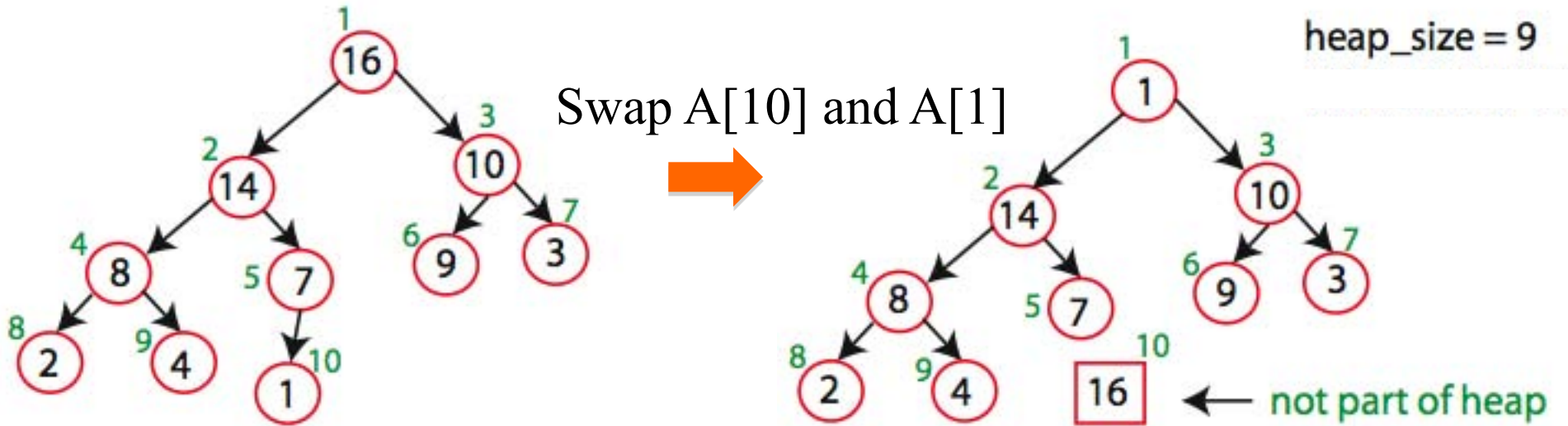
Heap-Sort Demo

Swap A[9] and A[1]

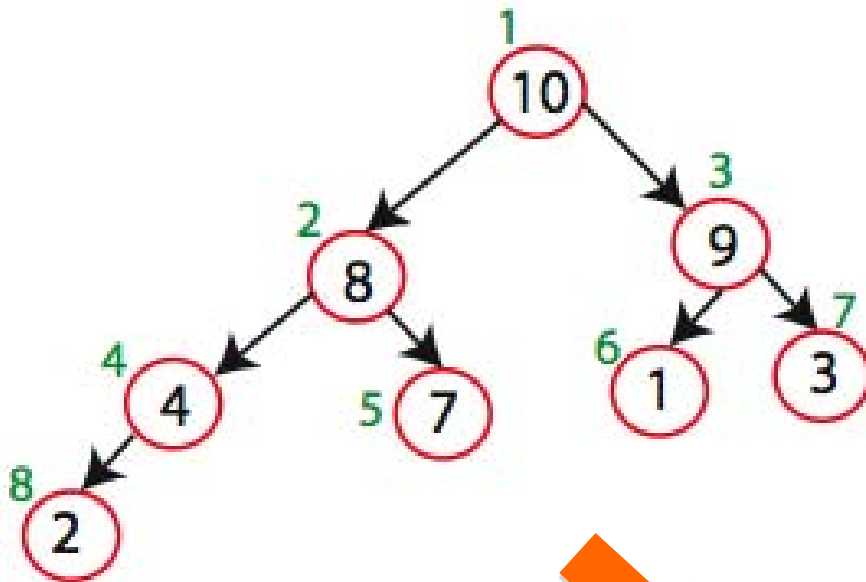MAX_HEAPIFY (A,1)

← not part of heap

Heap-Sort Demo

MAX_HEAPIFY (A,1)

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Heap-Sort Demo

Swap A[8] and A[1]

Heap-Sort

Running time:

after n iterations the Heap is empty

every iteration involves a swap and a max_heapify operation; hence it takes O(log n) time

Overall O(n log n)

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