# Lecture 8 Heaps, Priority Queues, and Heapsort



EECS 281: Data Structures & Algorithms

#### Tree Terminology

Root: The "topmost" node in the tree

Parent: Immediate predecessor of a node

Child: Node where current node is parent

Ancestor: Parent of a parent (closer to root)

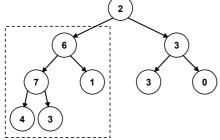
**Descendent:** Child of a child (further from root)

Internal Node: A node with children Leaf Node: A node without children

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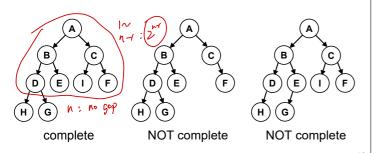
#### Trees are Recursive Structures

Any subtree is just as much a "tree" as the original!



## Complete (Binary) Trees

**Binary Tree:** every node has 2 or fewer children **Complete Binary Tree:** every level, except possibly the last, is completely filled, and all nodes are as far left as possible



#### **Trees**

A **graph** consists of **nodes** (sometimes called vertices) connected together by **edges**.

Each node can contain some data.

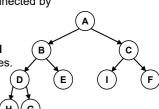
#### A tree is:

- (1) a connected graph (nodes + edges) w/o cycles.
- (2) a graph where any 2 nodes are connected by a unique shortest path.

(the two definitions are equivalent)

In a directed tree, we can identify **child** and **parent** relationships between nodes.

In a **binary tree**, a node has at most two children.



#### Data Representation: Nodes and Pointers

- 1 template <class Item>
  2 struct Node { // binary tree node
  3 Node \*left; // pointer to left child
  4 Node \*right; // pointer to right child
  5 Item item; // data or KEY
  6 }; // Node{}
  - A node contains some information, and points to its left child node and right child node
    - Can also include a pointer for parent node
  - Can include pointers to 3 children, or a vector of pointers
- Efficient for moving down a tree from parent to child

#### **Tree Properties**

#### Height:

```
height(empty) = 0
height(node) = max(height(left_child), height(right_child)) + 1
```

#### Size:

```
size(empty) = 0
size(node) = size(left_child) + size(right_child) + 1
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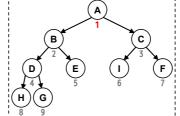
#### Depth:

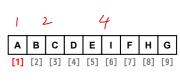
```
depth(empty) = 0
depth(node) = depth(parent) + 1
```

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#### Data Representation: Complete Binary Trees

- A complete binary tree can be stored efficiently in a growable array (i.e. vector) by indexing nodes according to level-ordering.
  - The completeness ensures no gaps in the array.
  - We index starting at 1 because it makes some math work out better...
  - To gracefully achieve 1-based indexing with a 0-indexed vector, you can just add a dummy element at position 0 and ignore it.

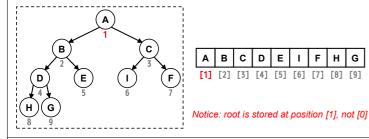




Notice: root is stored at position [1], not [0]

#### Inductive Learning: Parent/Child Math

- Given the index of a node in the tree, find formulas for:
  - 1. The index of its parent
  - 2. The index of its left child
  - 3. The index of its right child
  - 4. Whether that index represents a leaf node?

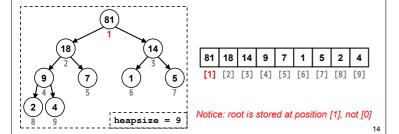


#### Heaps

A heap has two crucial properties (representation invariants):

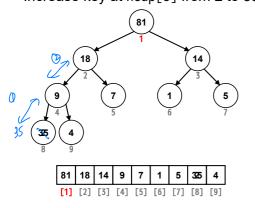
- Completeness
- 2. Heap-ordering

We'll leverage these two properties to create an efficient priority queue and an efficient sorting algorithm using a heap!



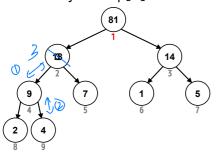
#### **Example: An Increasing Priority**

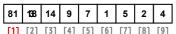
Increase key at heap[8] from 2 to 35



### Example: A Decreasing Priority

Reduce key at heap[2] from 18 to 3

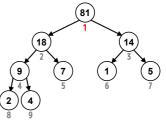




#### Heap-Ordered Trees, Heaps

**Definition:** A tree is (max heap-ordered) if each node's priority is not greater than the priority of the node's parent

**Definition:** A heap is a set of nodes with keys arranged in a complete heap-ordered tree, represented as an array **Property**: No node in a heap has a key larger than the root's key



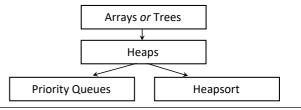
### Heaps - Executive Summary

Loose definition: data structure that gives easy access to the most extreme element, e.g., maximum or minimum

"Max Heap": heap with largest element being the "most extreme"

"Min Heap": heap with smallest element being the "most extreme"

Heaps use complete (binary) trees\* as the underlying structure, but are often implemented using arrays \*Do not confuse with binary SEARCH trees



### Breaking and Fixing a Heap

What if the priority of an item in the heap is increased? → need to bottom-up fix: fixUp()

```
void fixUp(Item heap[], int k) {
    while (k > 1 \&\& heap[k / 2] < heap[k]) {
       swap(heap[k], heap[k / 2]);
      k /= 2; // move up to parent
                                          Note: root is
                                          well-known
    } // while
                                          (position 1)
6 } // fixUp()
```

- 1) Pass index *k* of array element with increased priority
- 2) Swap the node's key with the parent's key until:
  - a. the node has no parent (it is the root), or
  - b. the node's parent has a higher (or equal) priority key

## Breaking and Fixing a Heap

What if priority of item in heap is decreased? → need to top-down fix: fixDown()

```
void fixDown(Item heap[], int heapsize, int k) {
  while (2 * k <= heapsize) {</pre>
    int j = 2 * k; // start with left child
    if (j < heapsize \&\& heap[j] < heap[j + 1]) ++j;
    if (heap[k] >= heap[j]) break; // heap restored
    swap(heap[k], heap[j]);
    k = j; // move down
  } // while
} // fixDown()
```

- 1) Pass index *k* of array element with decreased priority
- 2) Exchange the key in the given node with the highest priority key among the node's children, moving down until:
  - a. the node has no children (leaf node), or
  - b. the node has no children with a higher key

#### Priority Queue (PQ)

Definition: a priority queue is a data structure that supports three basic operations:

**Insertion** of a new item push()

Inspection of the highest priority item top()

**Removal** of the item with the highest priority pop()

PQ essential for upcoming algorithms, e.g., shortest-path, Dijkstra's algorithm

PQ useful for past and current (this lecture) algorithms, e.g., heapsort, sorting in reverse order

Priority queues are often implemented using heaps because insertion/removal operations have the same time complexity

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#### PQ - Insertion

Insertion operation must maintain heap invariants,

- "most extreme element must be root"

```
void push(Item newItem) {
 heap[++heapsize] = newItem;
  fixUp(heap, heapsize);
} // push()
```

- 1) Insert newItem into bottom of tree/heap, i.e., last
- 2) newItem "bubbles up" tree swapping with parent while parent's key is less (use greater for min-heap)

PQ - Deletion

**Deletion** operation can only remove root and must maintain heap invariants

- "most extreme element must be root"

void pop() { heap[1] = heap[heapsize--]; fixDown(heap, heapsize, 1);

- 1) Remove root element results in disjoint heap
- 2) Move the last element into the root position
- 3) New root "sinks" down the tree swapping with highest priority child whose key is greater (less for min-heap)

#### PQ - Summary

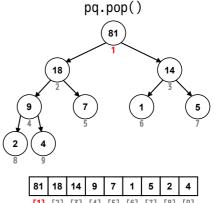
- Priority queue is an ADT
  - Supports insertion, inspection of top item, and removal
- Unordered array PQ
  - O(1) insertion of an item
  - O(n) inspection of top item >
  - O(n) removal of top item, or O(1) rex
- Sorted array PQ
  - O(n) insertion of an item (bvt)
  - O(1) inspection of top item
  - O(1) removal of top item
- plant a tree today

- Heap
  - Efficient O(log n) insertion of an item using fixUp()
  - O(1) inspection of top item
  - Efficient O(log n) removal of top item using fixDown()
  - Must maintain heap property

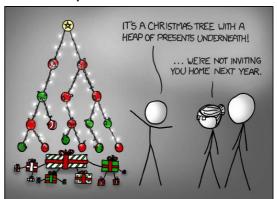
#### PQ - Insertion

pq.push(100) 81 18 14 9

#### PQ - Deletion



#### http://xkcd.com/835/



"Not only is that terrible in general, but you just KNOW Billy's going to open the root present first, and then everyone will have to wait while the heap is rebuilt."

Building a Heap: **Heapify** 

- You could start with an empty vector, and add elements one at a time, keeping the heap property valid after each push()
  - Insert *n* elements, **O(log n)** for each push() produces **O**(*n* log *n*) time
  - Requires an extra vector, or O(n) extra memory
- Sort in reverse order: *O*(*n* log *n*); *O*(1) memory
- Instead, modify the given array: proceed from bottom to top *or* top to bottom, using fixDown() or fixUp()
  - 4 possibilities; two work and two don't
  - Those that work have different complexities

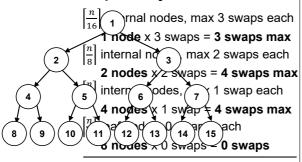
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#### Building a Heap: Heapify

- Possibilities which require no extra array or vector
- Proceed bottom to top, doing repeated fixDown()
  - This is what std::make\_heap() does from STL
- Proceed bottom to top, doing repeated fixUp()
  - Produces invalid heap
  - Try [5, 3, 6, 1, 2, 4, 7]
- Proceed top to bottom, doing repeated fixDown()
  - Produces invalid heap
  - Try [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7]
- Proceed top to bottom, doing repeated fixUp()
   O(n log n)
  - Works but same complexity as a full sort

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# Bottom-Up fixDown() Complexity

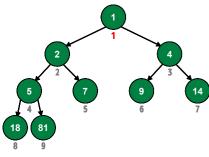


15 total nodes ⇒ 11 swaps max

O(n)

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#### Sorting With a Heap



- 9) Swap: 7 ↔ 1
- 10) Fix-down [1]···[4]
- 11) Swap: 18 ↔ 2
- 12) Fix-down [1]···[3]
- 13) Swap: 14 ↔ 5
- 14) Fix-down [1]...[2]

1 2 4 5 7 9 14 18 81

[1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]

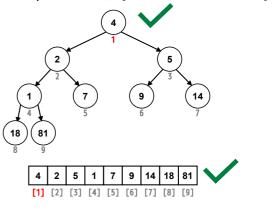
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#### **Heapsort Summary**

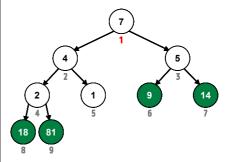
- Take the given n elements, convert into a heap
  - Bottom-up fixDown(), heapify takes O(n) time
- Remove elements one at a time, filling original array from back to front
  - Swap element at top of heap with last unsorted: O(1)
  - fixDown() to bottom: each takes O(log n) time, n of them
- Total runtime: O(n log n)
- Total memory: O(1) or "in place"

#### **Heapify Exercise**

Use bottom-up fixDown(): [4, 2, 5, 1, 7, 9, 14, 18, 81]



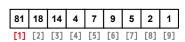
#### Sorting With a Heap



- 1) Swap: 81 ↔ 1
- 2) Fix-down [1]···[8]
- 3) Swap: 18 ↔ 2
- 4) Fix-down [1]···[7]
- 5) Swap: 14 ↔ 5
- 6) Fix-down [1]...[6]
- 7) Swap: 9 ↔ 2
- 8) Fix-down [1]···[5]



Heapsort



*Intuition*: repeatedly **relocate** the highest-priority element from PQ to the back

Easily implemented as an array; entire sort done in place

```
void heapsort(Item heap[], int n) {
heapify(heap, n);
for (int i = n; i >= 2; --i) {
    swap(heap[i], heap[1]);
    fixDown(heap, i - 1, 1);
} // heapsort()

// heapsort()
```

Part 1: Transform unsorted array into heap (*heapify*) Part 2: Remove the highest priority item from heap, add it to sorted sequence, and fix the heap, repeat...

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