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# CSC3100 Data Structures

## Lecture 17: Heap

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# Outline

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- ▶ Heap
  - Motivation
  - Priority queue
  - Binary heap
- ▶ Insert & delete & build
- ▶ HeapSort



# Motivation

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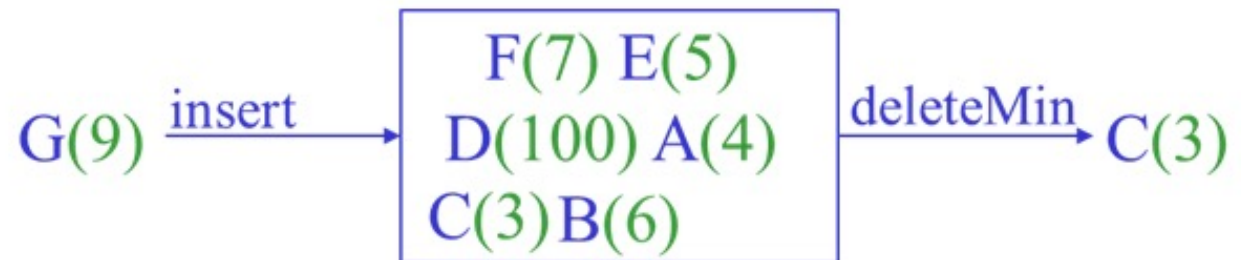
- ▶ Have you ever been jammed by a huge job while you are waiting for just one-page printout ?
  - This is a typical situation for a first-in first-out (FIFO) queue
- ▶ Other applications
  - Scheduling CPU jobs
  - Emergency room admission processing
- ▶ Practical requirements
  - Short jobs may go first
  - Most urgent cases should go first
  - Task with highest priority/lowest priority should go first



# Priority queue ADT

## ► Priority queue operations

- insert
- deleteMin
- create
- isEmpty
- ...



## ► 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  $y$



# Simple implementations

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- ▶ Multiple possibilities for the implementation
  - Singly linked list (**Suggestion 1**)
    - **Insert** at the front in  $O(1)$
    - **Delete** minimum in  $O(N)$
  - Sorted array (**Suggestion 2**)
    - **Insert** in  $O(N)$
    - **Delete** minimum in  $O(N)$
  - Binary heap (**Suggestion 3**)
    - **Insert** in  $O(\log N)$
    - **Delete** minimum in  $O(\log N)$
    - Two properties: **structure property** & **heap order property**



# Binary heap

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## ▶ (A) Structure property

- A heap is a complete binary tree
  - A binary tree that is completely filled, except at the bottom level, which is filled from left to right
- A complete binary tree of height  $h$  has between  $2^h$  and  $2^{h+1} - 1$  nodes
- The height of a complete binary tree =  $\lfloor \log N \rfloor$ 
  - round down, e.g.,  $\lfloor 2.7 \rfloor = 2$

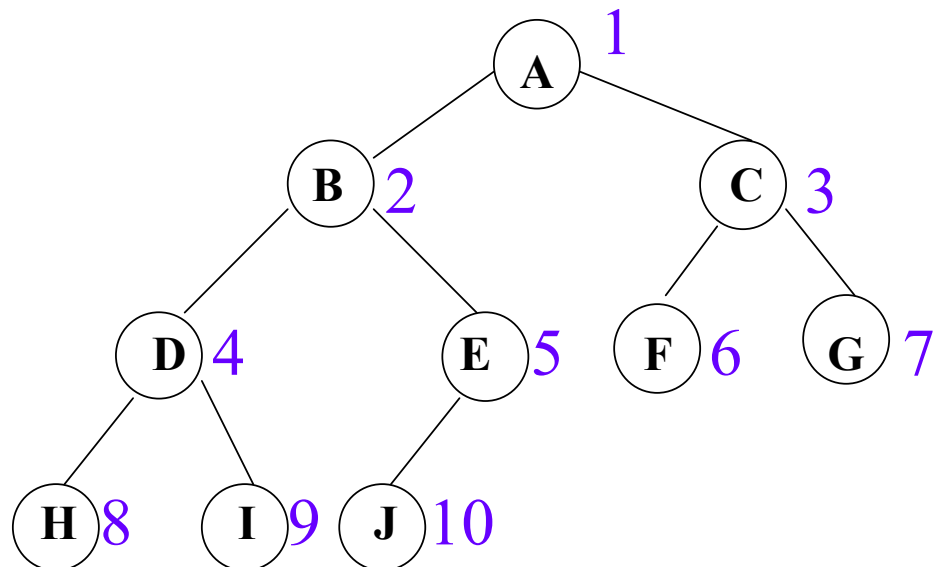


# Binary heap: example

A complete binary tree can be represented in an array

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J					
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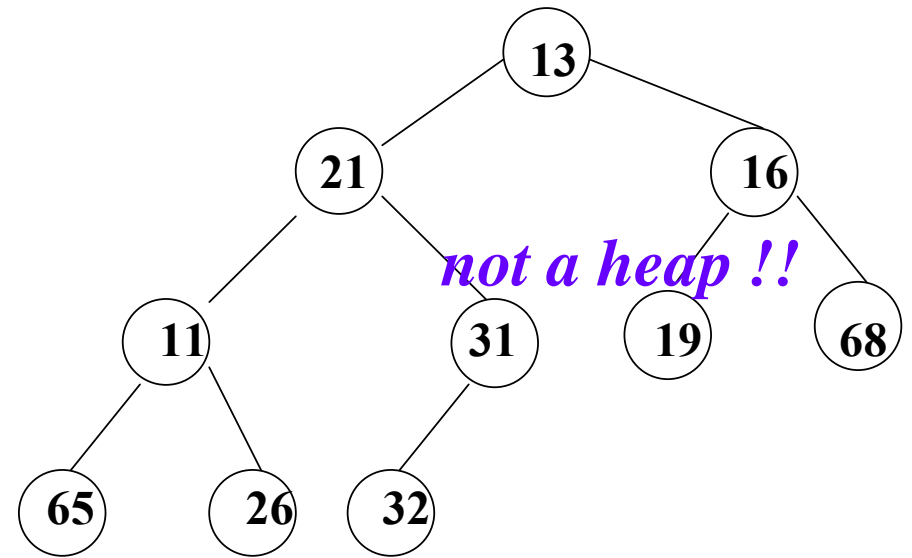
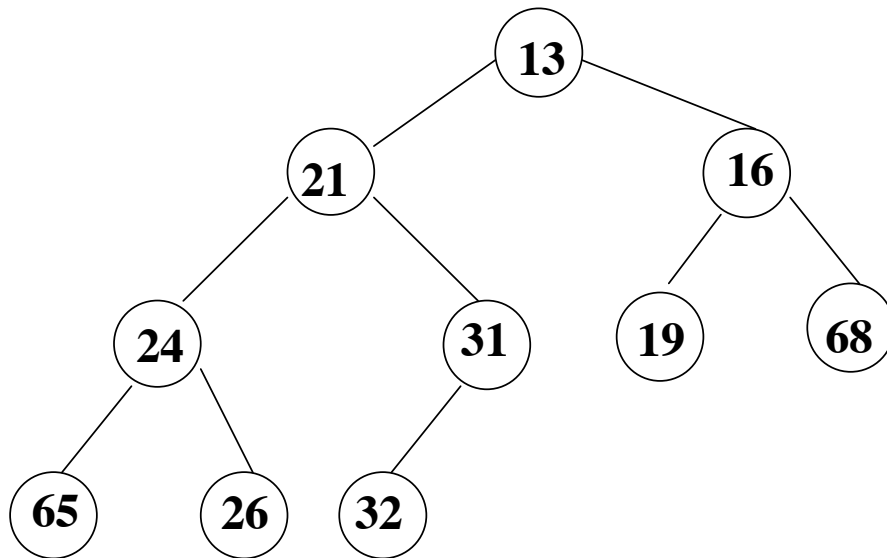


- ▶ The root is at position 1 (reserve position 0 for the implementation purpose)
- ▶ For an element at position  $i$ ,
  - its left child is at position  $2i$
  - its right child at  $2i+1$ ; its parent is at floor  $\lfloor i/2 \rfloor$



# Binary heap

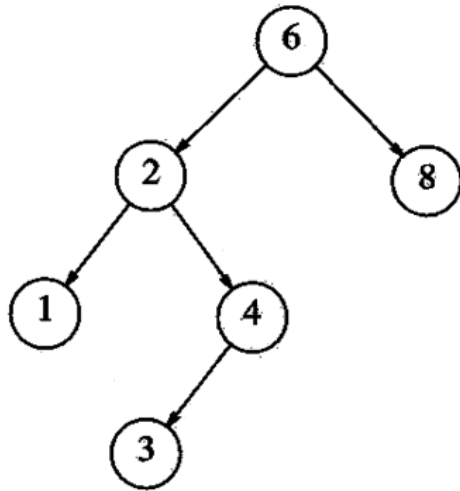
- ▶ (B) Heap order property
  - The value at any node should be smaller than (or equal to) all of its descendants (guarantee that the node with the minimum value is at the root)



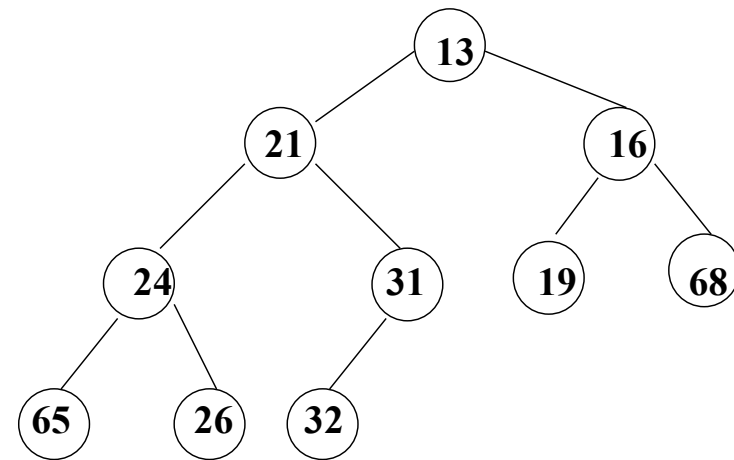




# BST vs heap



A binary search tree



A binary heap

Notice the difference in node ordering!!



# Binary heap

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## ► Class skeleton for Elements

```
class ElementType {  
    int priority;  
    String data;  
  
    public ElementType(int priority, String data) {  
        this.priority = priority;  
        this.data = data;  
    }  
  
    public boolean isHigherPriorityThan(ElementType e) {  
        return priority < e.priority;  
    }  
}
```



# Binary heap

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- Definition and constructor of priority queue

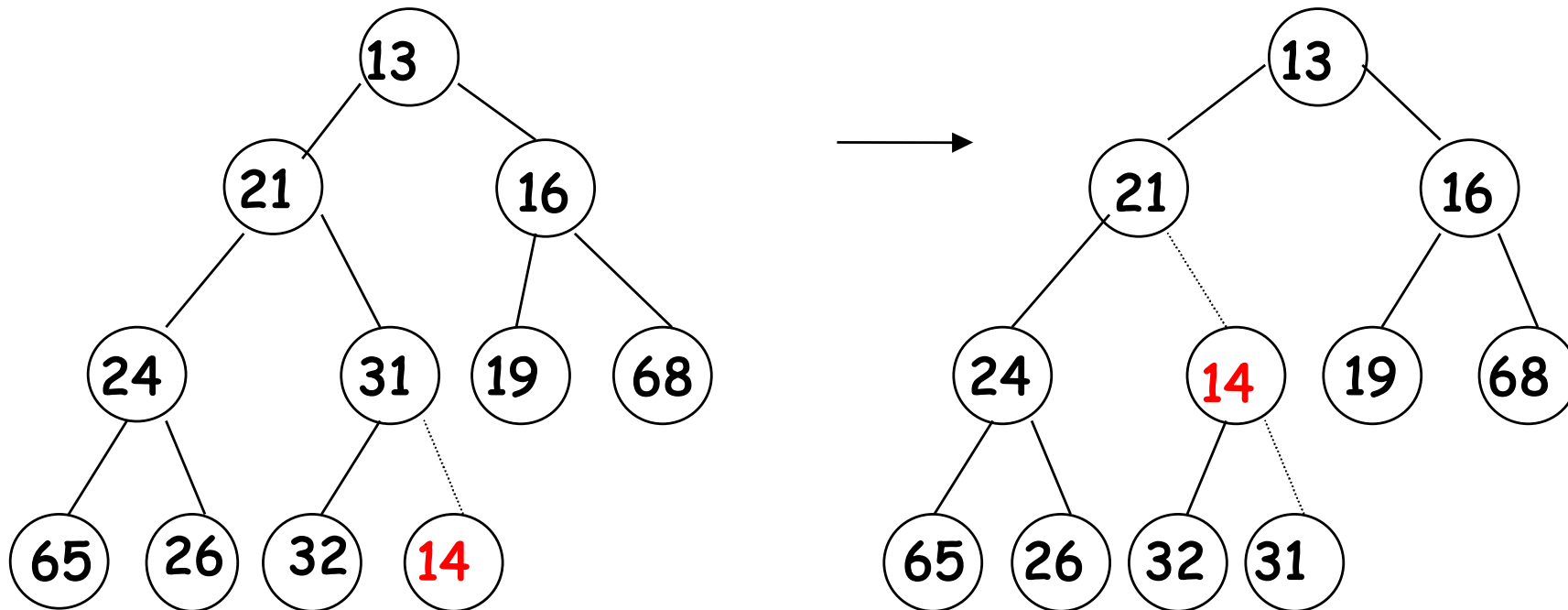
```
public class BinaryHeap {  
    private int currentSize;    // Number of elements in heap  
    private ElementType arr[ ]; // The heap array  
  
    public BinaryHeap (int capacity) {  
        currentSize = 0;  
        arr = new ElementType[capacity + 1];  
    }  
}
```



# Binary heap: insert

Attempt to insert 14:

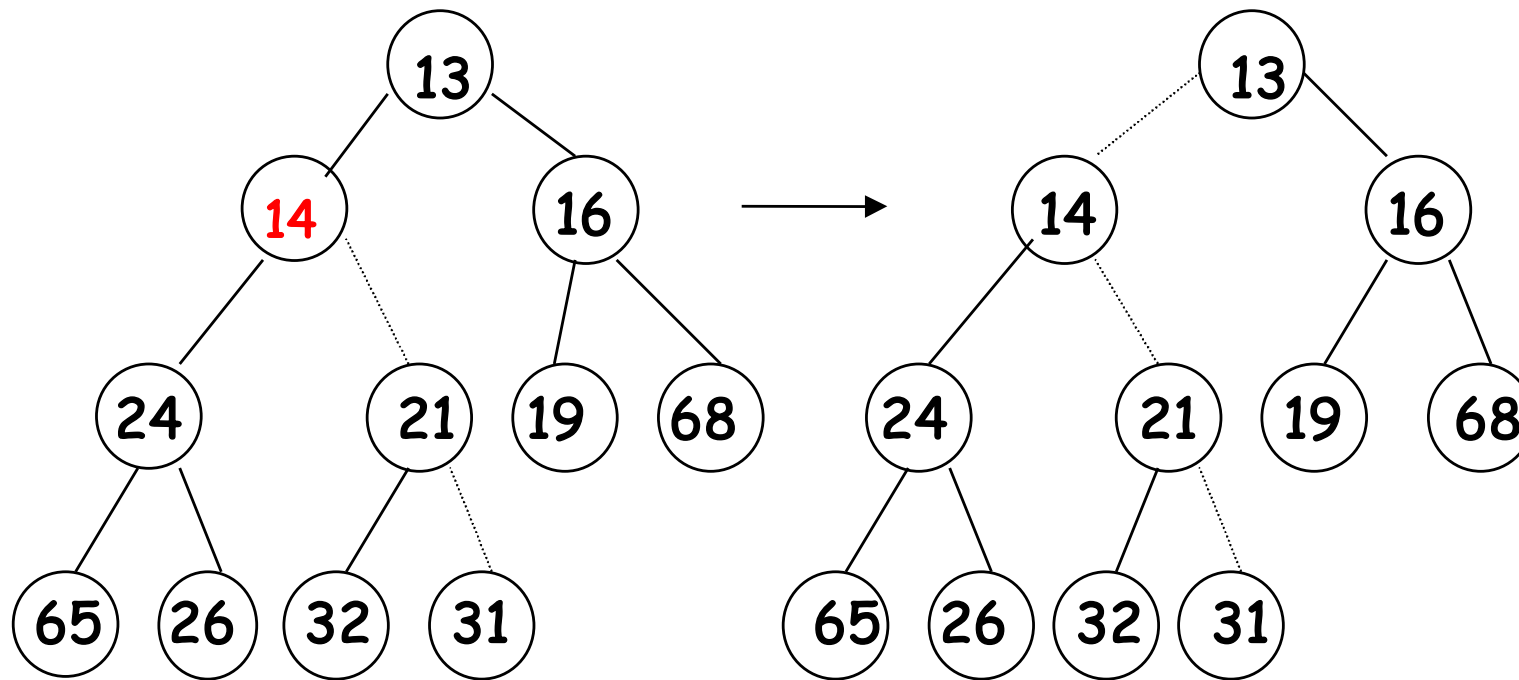
(1) creating the hole, and (2) bubbling the hole up





# Binary heap: insert

The remaining two steps to insert 14 in previous heap





# Binary heap: insert

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- ▶ To insert an element  $X$ ,
  - Create a hole in the next available location
  - If  $X$  can be placed in the hole without violating heap order, insertion is complete
  - Otherwise slide the element that is in the hole's parent node into the hole, i.e., bubbling the hole up towards the root
  - Continue this process until  $X$  can be placed in the hole (a *percolating up* process)

**Attention!**

Worst case running time is  $O(\log N)$  - the new element is percolating up all the way to the root



# Binary heap: insert

```
public void insert(ElementType x) throws Exception {  
    if (isFull())  
        throw new Exception("Overflow");
```

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    // Percolate up
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    int hole = ++currentSize;
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    while(hole > 1 && x.isHigherPriorityThan(arr[hole/2])) {
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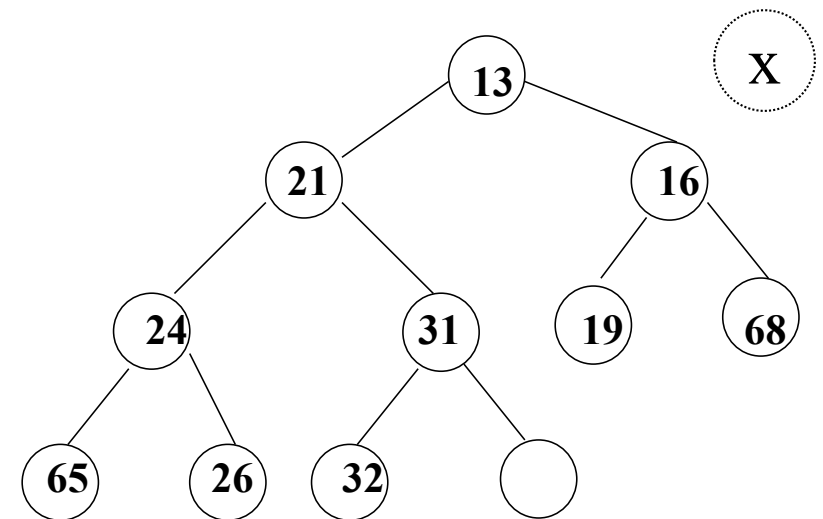
```
        arr[hole] = arr[hole / 2];
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        hole /= 2;
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    }
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```
    arr[hole] = x;
```

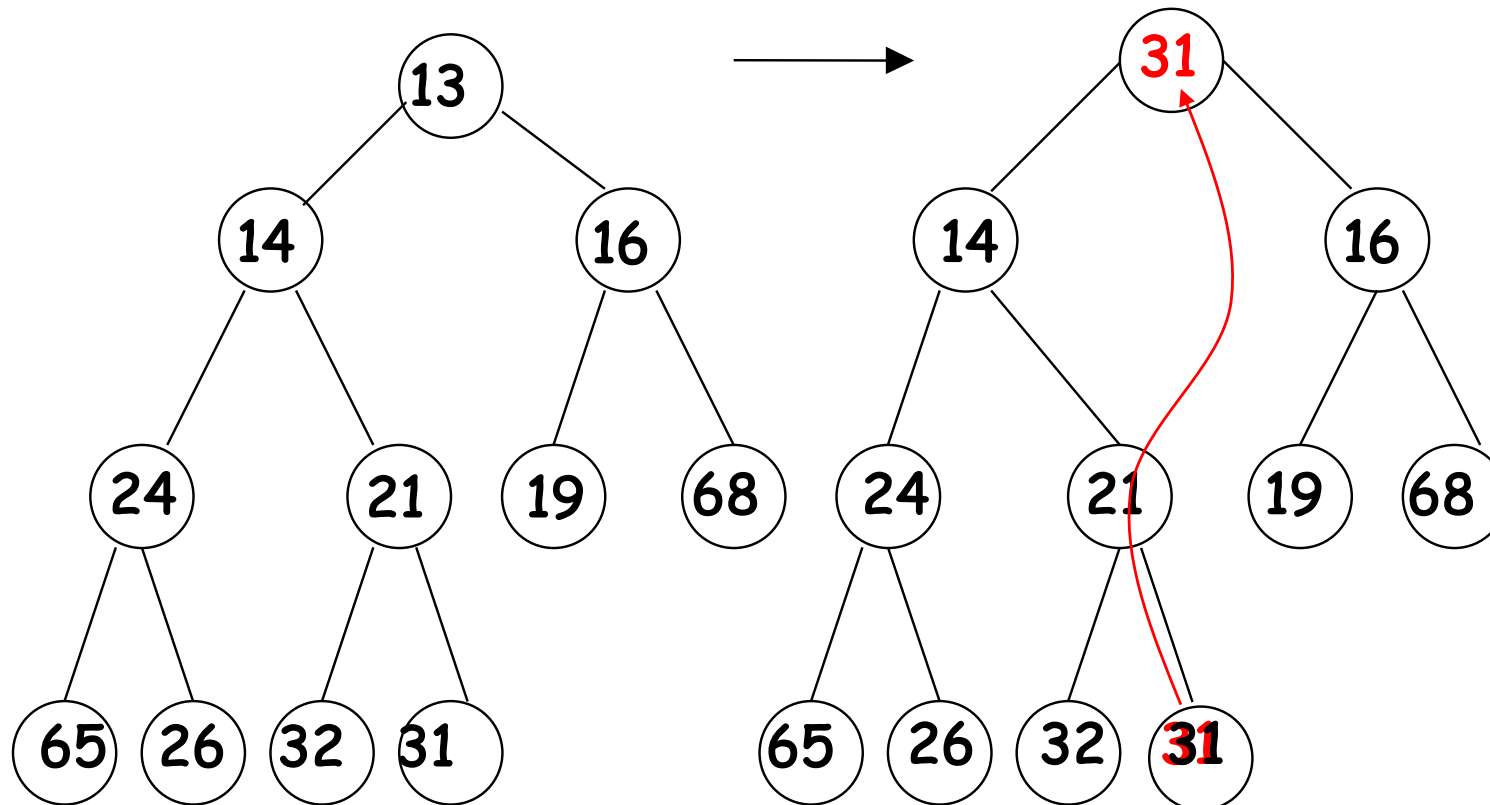
```
}
```





# Binary heap: deleteMin

Creation of the hole at the root

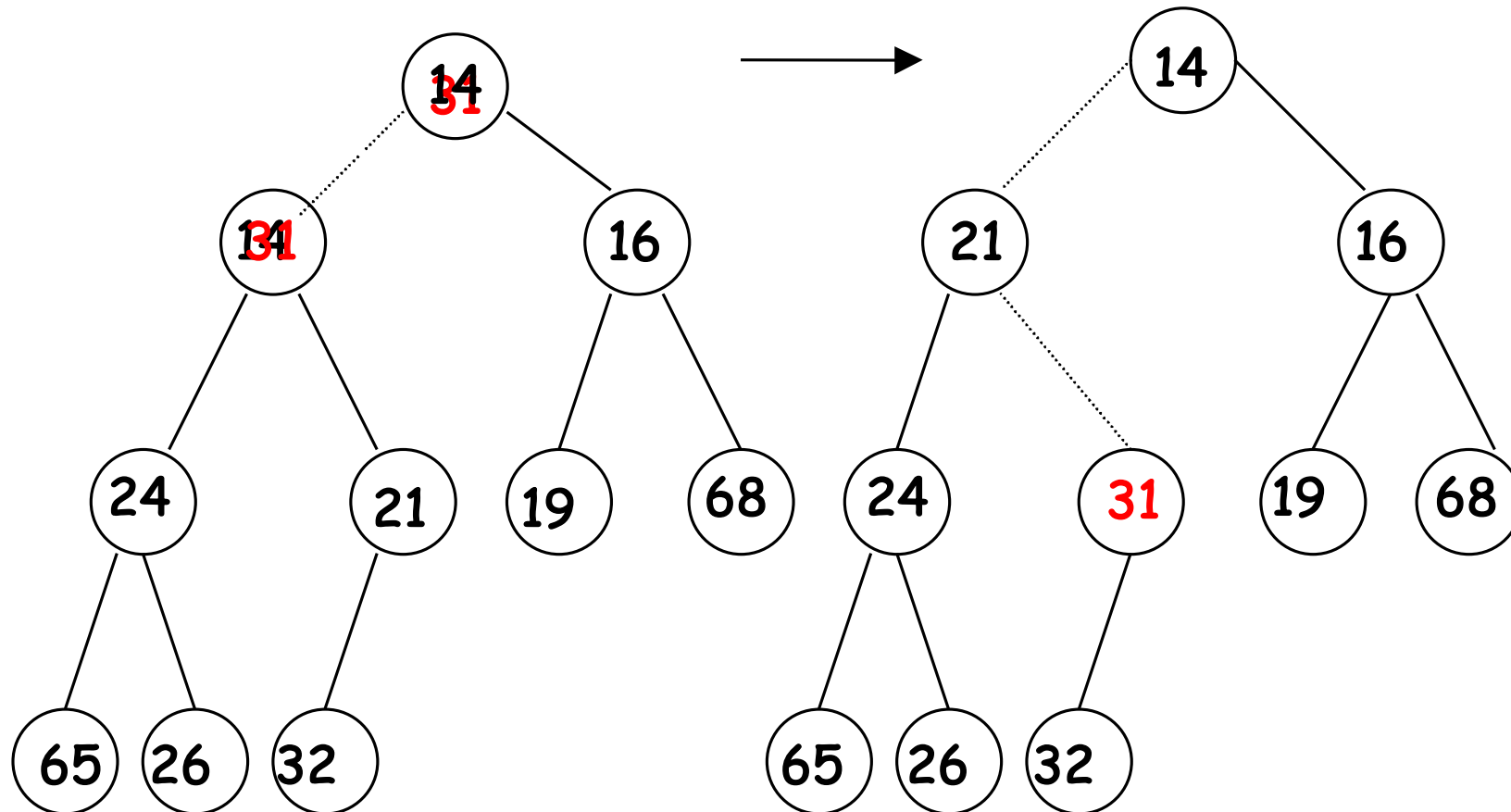






# Binary heap: deleteMin

Next two steps in DeleteMin





# Binary heap: deleteMin

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- ▶ The element at the root (position 1) is to be removed, and a hole is created
- ▶ Fill the root with the last node  $X$
- ▶ Percolate  $X$  down (switch  $X$  with the smaller child) until the heap order property is satisfied
- ▶ Note that
  - Some node may have only one child (**be careful when coding!**)
  - Worst case running time is  $O(\log N)$



# Binary heap: deleteMin

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```
public String deleteMin() {  
    if (isEmpty())  
        return null;  
  
    String data = arr[1].data;  
    arr[1] = arr[currentSize--];  
  
    percolateDown(1);  
    return data;  
}
```



# Binary heap: percolateDown

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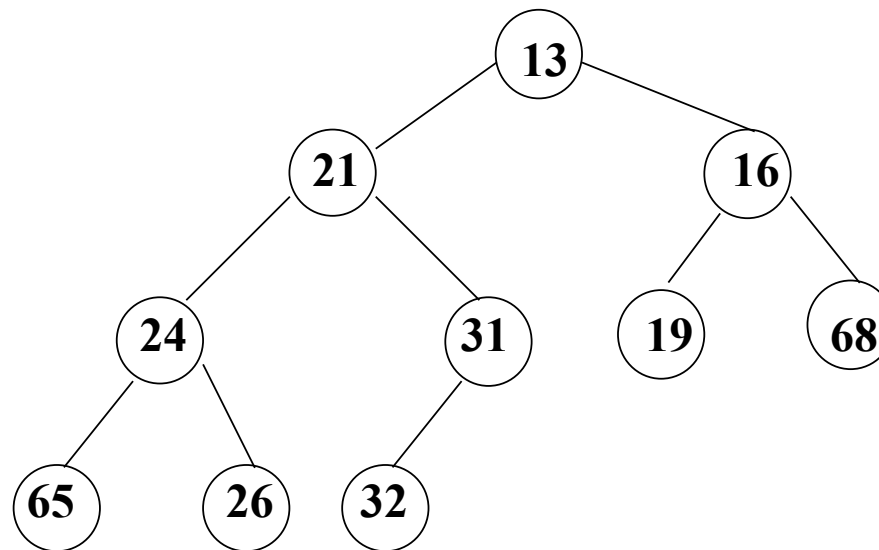
```
private void percolateDown(int hole) {  
    int child;  
    ElementType tmp = arr[hole];  
    while (hole * 2 <= currentSize) {  
        child = hole * 2;  
        if (child != currentSize &&  
            arr[child + 1].isHigherPriorityThan(arr[child]))  
            child++;  
        if (arr[child].isHigherPriorityThan(tmp))  
            arr[hole] = arr[child];  
        else  
            break;  
        hole = child;  
    }  
    arr[hole] = tmp;  
}
```



# Practice

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- ▶ Given a binary heap as shown below, show the procedure of deletion on the heap step by step





# Complexity analysis

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- ▶ Given a heap with  $n$  elements
  - The height/depth of the heap is  $O(\log n)$ 
    - Why?
  - During insertion/deletion, the worst-case time complexity depends linearly to the height/depth of the heap
- ▶ Heap insertion
  - $O(\log n)$
- ▶ Heap deletion
  - $O(\log n)$

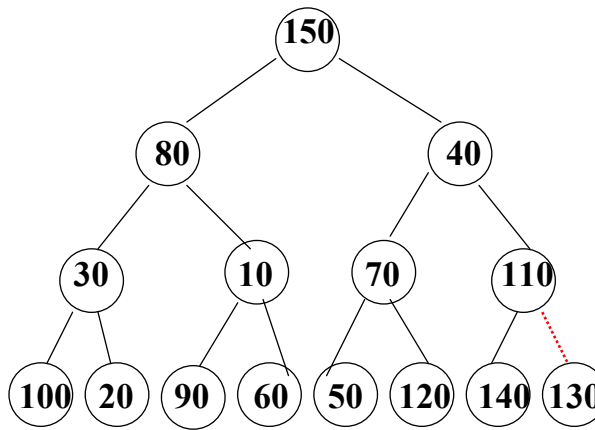
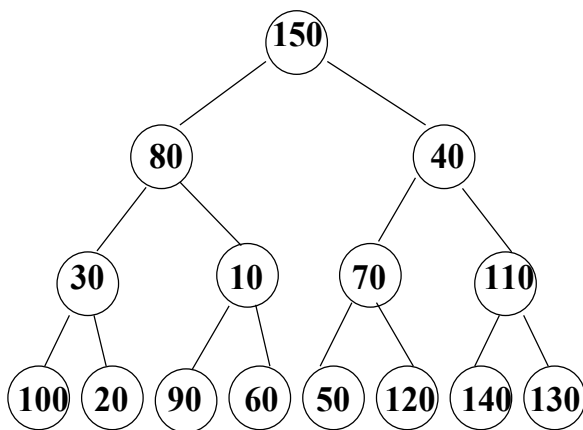


# Binary heap construction

A naïve algorithm to build the binary heap is to repeatedly insert nodes one by one, which completes in  $O(n \log n)$  time

A faster algorithm to build the binary heap:

- $N$  successive appends at the end of the array, each taking  $O(1)$ , so the tree is unordered
- for ( $i = N/2$ ;  $i > 0$ ;  $i--$ )  
    `percolateDown (i);`

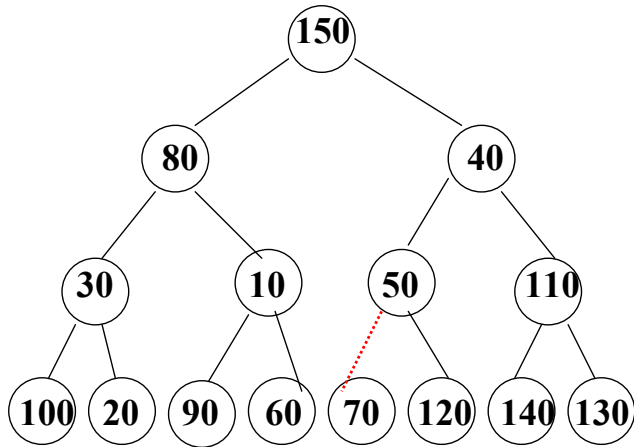


*After percolateDown (7)*

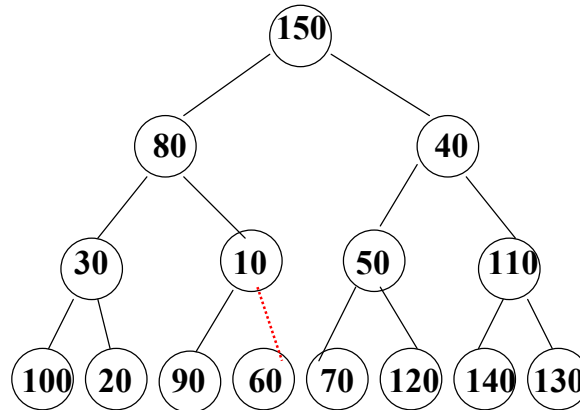
**Note:** Each dashed line corresponds to two comparisons: one to find the smaller child, and one to compare the smaller child with the node.



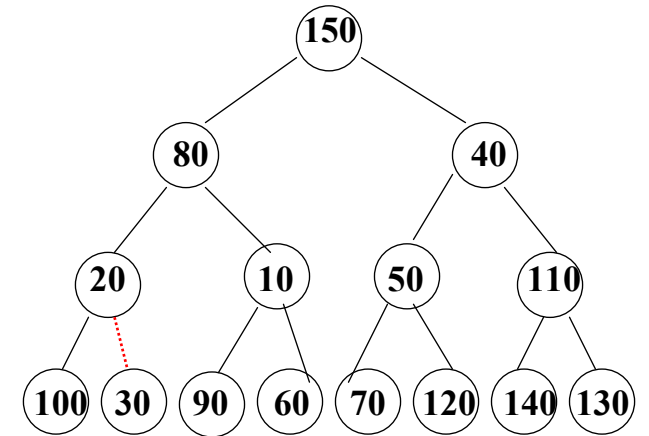
# Binary heap construction



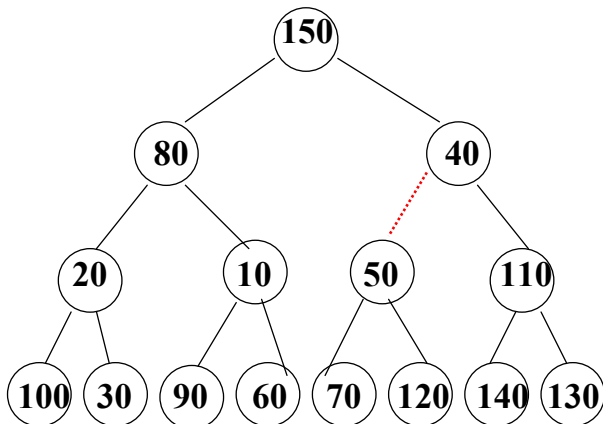
*After percolateDown(6)*



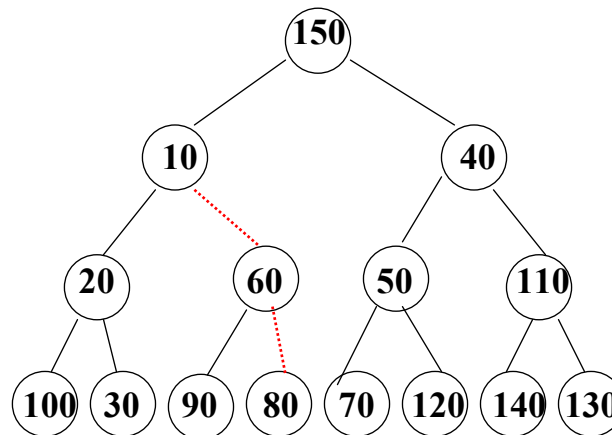
*After percolateDown(5)*



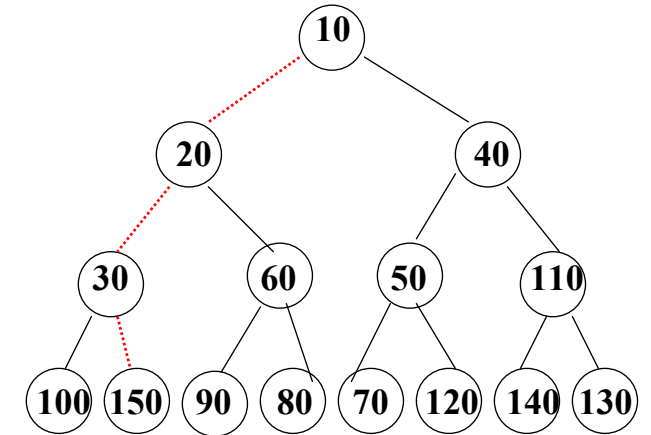
*After percolateDown(4)*



*After percolateDown(3)*



*After percolateDown(2)*



*After percolateDown(1)*





# Complexity of buildHeap?

## ► Analysis

- percolateDown for  $n/2$  keys
- Each key takes up to  $O(\log n)$  cost
- Thus, the total cost of BuildHeap is  $O(n \log n)$

Is this upper bound tight?

## ► Notice

- At most  $n/4$  percolate down 1 level  
at most  $n/8$  percolate down 2 levels  
at most  $n/16$  percolate down 3 levels

...

$$1 \frac{n}{4} + 2 \frac{n}{8} + 3 \frac{n}{16} + \dots = \sum_{i=1}^{\log n} i \frac{n}{2^{i+1}} =$$

$$\frac{n}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{\log n} \frac{i}{2^i} \approx \frac{n}{2} (2) = n$$

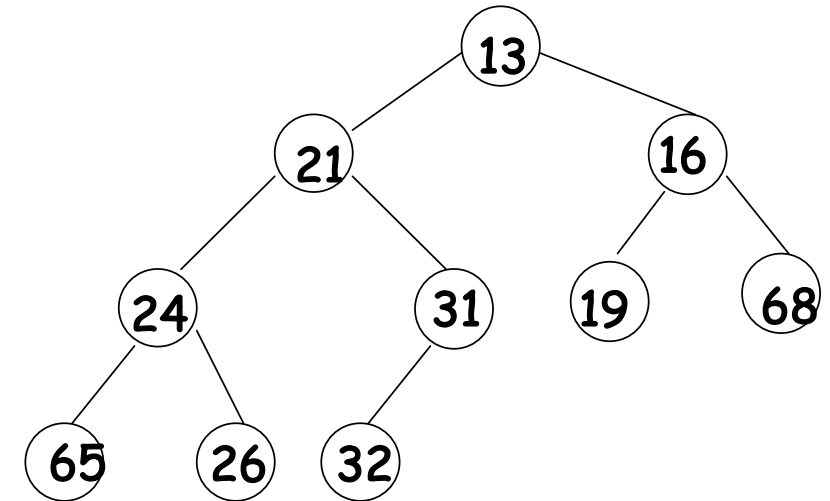
Conclusion:  $O(n)$



# Variants of heap

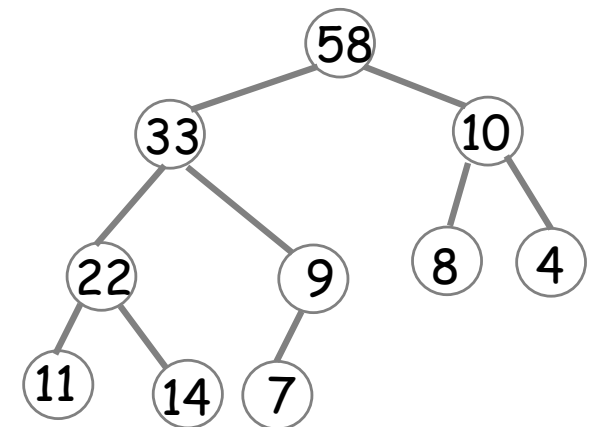
## ► Min-heap

- The key present at the root node must be less than or equal among the keys present at all of its children
- The same property must be recursively true for all sub-trees



## ► Max-heap

- The key present at the root node must be larger than or equal among the keys present at all of its children
- The same property must be recursively true for all sub-trees



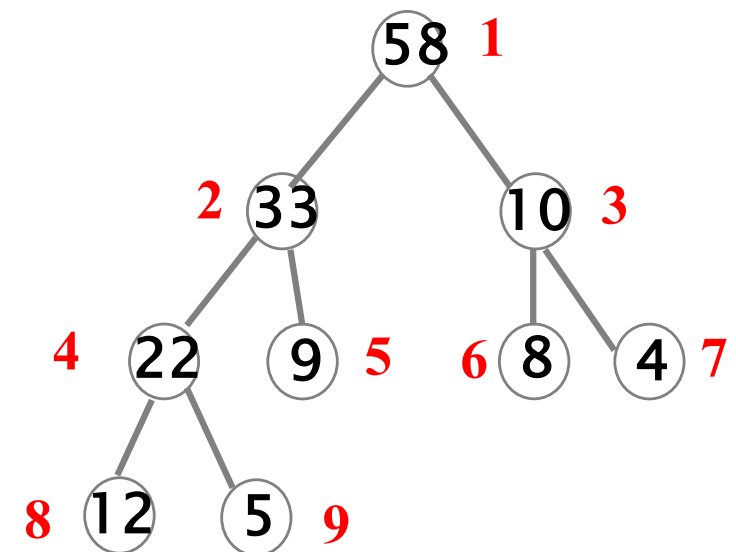


# HeapSort

Complexity?

- ▶ Sorting using a max-heap
  - To sort an array `arr`, we first create a max-heap  $H$  with a capacity of `arr.length+1`
  - Then, we repeatedly delete from the max-heap until the max-heap becomes empty

4	5	8	9	10	12	22	33	58
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# 10 classic sorting algorithms

Sorting algorithm	Stability	Time cost			Extra space cost
		Best	Average	Worst	
Bubble sort	✓	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
Insertion sort	✓	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
Selection sort	✗	$O(n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
MergeSort	✓	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n)$
HeapSort	✗	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(1)$
QuickSort	✗	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
ShellSort	✗	$O(n)$	$O(n^{1.3})$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
CountingSort	✓	$O(n+k)$	$O(n+k)$	$O(n+k)$	$O(k)$
BucketSort	✓	$O(n)$	$O(n+k)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(k)$
RadixSort	✓	$O(nk)$	$O(nk)$	$O(nk)$	$O(n)$

Stable sorting: if two objects with equal keys appear in the same order in sorted output, as they appear in the input array



# Exercise

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- ▶ Sort an array  $A[1...8] = [4, 1, 3, 2, 16, 9, 10, 14]$  in ascending order by HeapSort
  - Show the contents of  $A$  in the sorting process step by step
- ▶ Write the codes of HeapSort



# Recommended reading

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- ▶ Reading
  - Chapters 6&12, textbook
- ▶ Next lecture
  - Hashing, Chapters 11.1-11.4 of textbook