

# COMP20003 Workshop Week 9

Priority Queue  
Heaps & Binary Heaps  
Heap Sort

LAB:

- Heap Sort

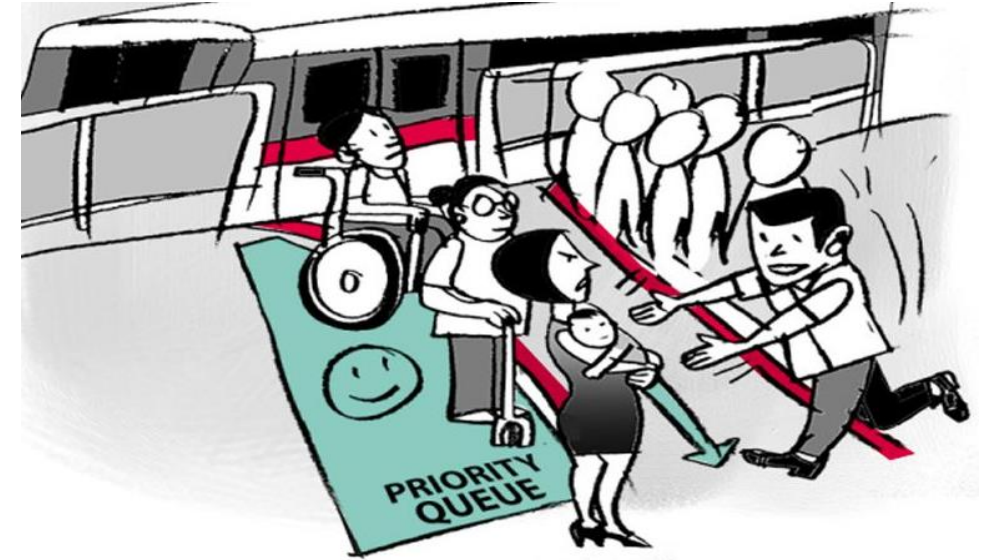
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# ADT: Queue vs. Priority Queue



**Queue:** elements are dequeued in the **FIFO** order.

**enqueue**, **dequeue** can be easily implemented with  **$O(1)$**  time complexity **using linked lists**



**Priority Queue** : element with **highest priority** must be dequeued **first!**

How can we efficiently implement dequeue (and enqueue)?

# Yet Another ADT: Priority Queue

PQ: queue, where each element is associated with a *priority* (or *weight*), and the elements will be *dequeued* following the order of priority.



Main operations:

- **enqueue**: `enPQ(PQ, item)` (supposing easy access to weight inside item), or  
`enPQ(PQ, weight, item)`
- **dequeue**: `dePQ(PQ)` removes & returns the highest-priority element of PQ. Normally named as  
`deleteMax(PQ)`, if *higher priority means bigger*, or  
`deleteMin(PQ)`, if *higher priority means smaller*
- **changeWeight**: change the weight of an item: `changeWeight(PQ, item)`  
or: `changeWeight(PQ, newWeight, item)`
- **create**: `makePQ()` – make an empty PQ or create a PQ from a set of items
- **check for being empty**: `isEmptyPQ(PQ)`

# possible concrete data structures for PQ

Concrete Data Structure	Time complexity of			
	construction a PQ of n elements	enPQ	dePQ	peek
unsorted arrays or linked list				
sorted arrays or linked lists				
BST				
AVL				
hash table				

Example: priority= max

Unsorted array/list: 9 2 7 5 6 8 3

Sorted array/list: 2 3 5 6 7 8 9

Related:  
Ex 9.4

# check your answers: possible concrete data structures for PQ

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	make PQ of n elements	enPQ	dePQ	peek	
unsorted arrays or linked list	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$	
sorted arrays or linked lists	$O(n \log n)$	$O(n)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	
BST	<i>the worst cases are the same as in sorted linked lists</i>				
AVL	$O(n \log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	space-inefficient (and poor cache locality) compared to Heap
hash table (using the priority as a key when hashing)	<i>Generally not efficient:</i> $O(n)$ time for dequeue because a hash table is an <i>unordered data structure</i> . To find the highest-priority element (for peek or dequeue), the entire hash table must be scanned to locate the maximum value.				
Heap or <b>Binary Heap</b>	$\Theta(n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(1)$	space efficient (great cache locality)

# Peer Activity: Hashing Priorities?

Can an efficient priority queue that prioritises lower distances be implemented on a hash table with these constraints? Why?

- a. Yes, it can.
- b. No, it cannot.

Consider the following **constraints**:

- keys supposing  $r$  is small

- range is known ( $0 \leq \text{key} \leq r$ )

- hashed with the function

$$\text{hash}(\text{key}) = \text{key}$$

- hash table

Index	0	1	...	$r - 1$	$r$
Key	...		...		

...

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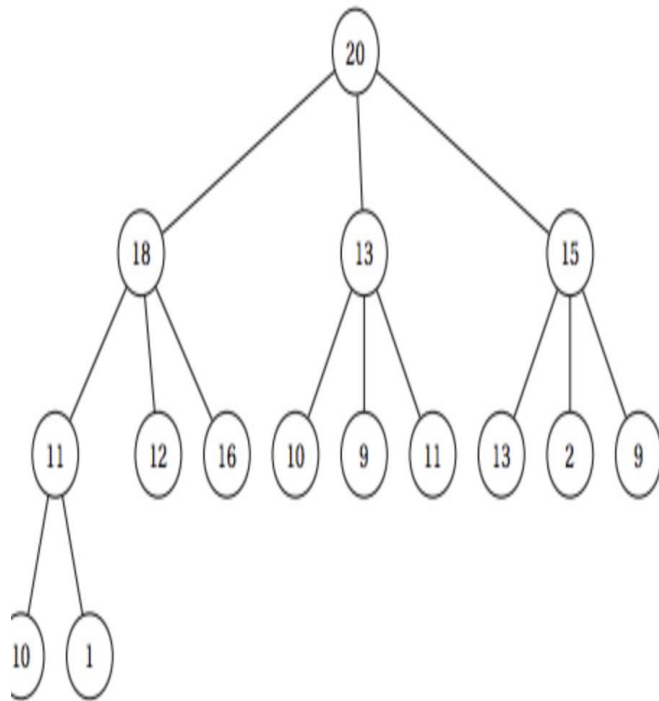


# Binary Heap – An Efficient Data Structure for PQ

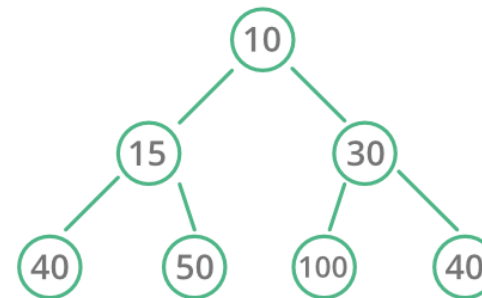
Heap?



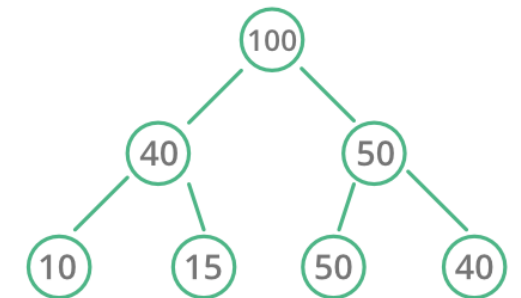
Ternary Heap



**Binary heap:** an efficient implementation for priority queue  
Depending on the priority, we can have min-heap or max-heap



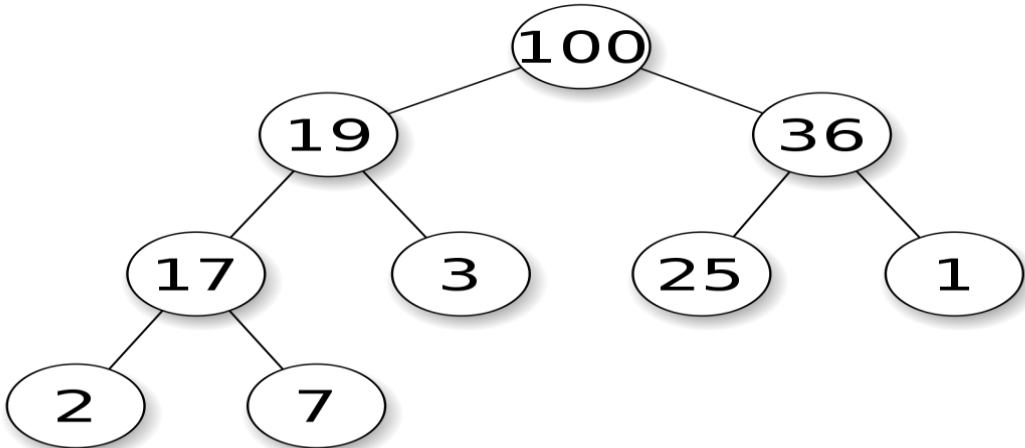
Min Heap

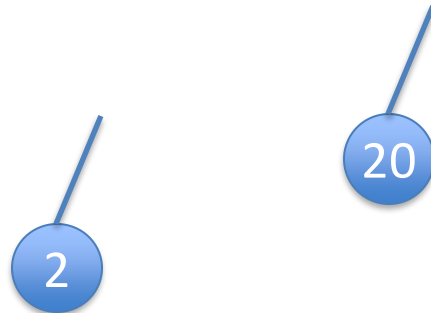


Max Heap

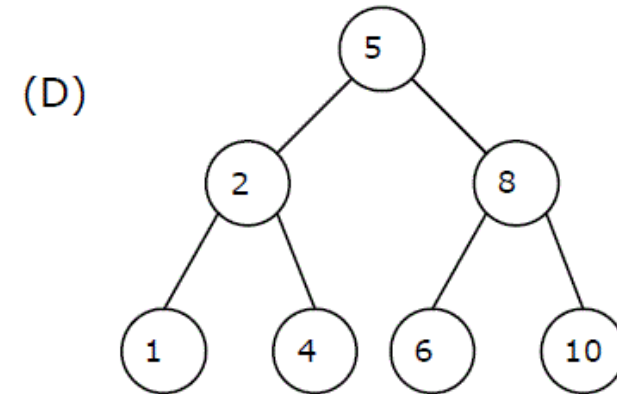
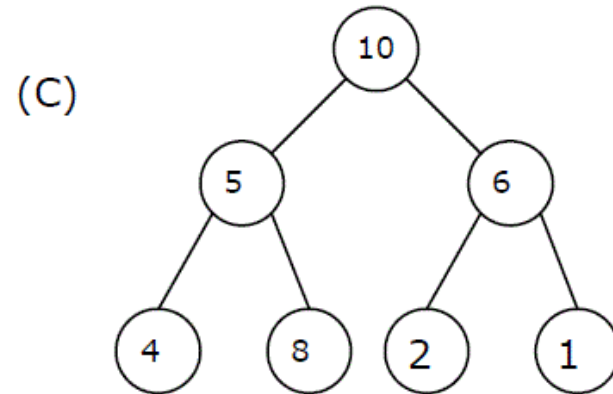
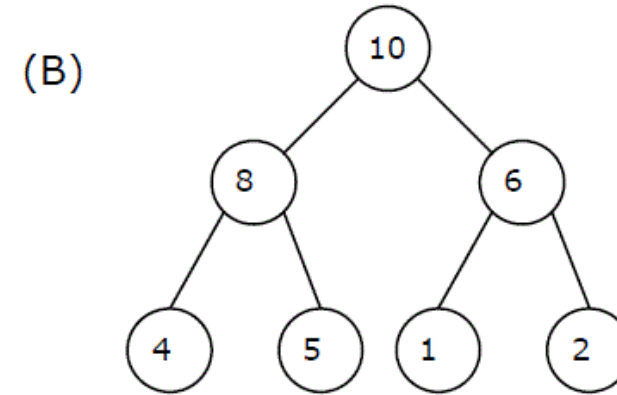
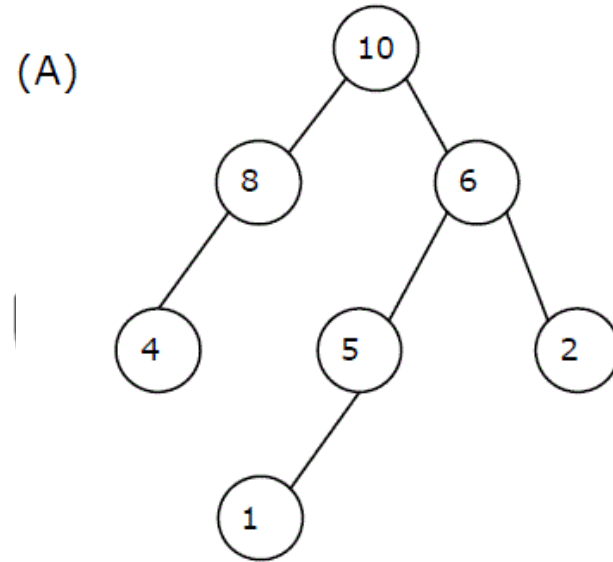


# Heap: requirements

Example	Conditions
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="1510 337 2155 396">1. The tree is complete.</li><li data-bbox="1510 489 2351 925">2. <i>The heap property:</i> each node has a higher priority (here, is not smaller) than any of its descendants (or equivalently, just its children).</li></ol>

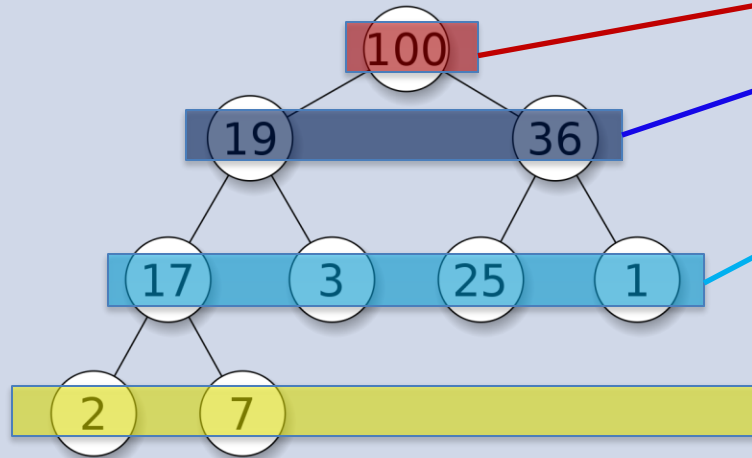


# which one is a binary heap?



# Binary Heap is implemented as an array!

## Visualisation: as a complete binary tree



## Implementation: using arrays

idx	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
val	×	100	19	36	17	3	25	1	2	7

*note:*  $H[1]$  is for the root  
 $H[0]$  not used

Heap is  $H[1..n]$

- level  $i$  occupies  $2^i$  cells in array  $H[1..n]$  from index  $2^i$  to  $2^{i+1}-1$

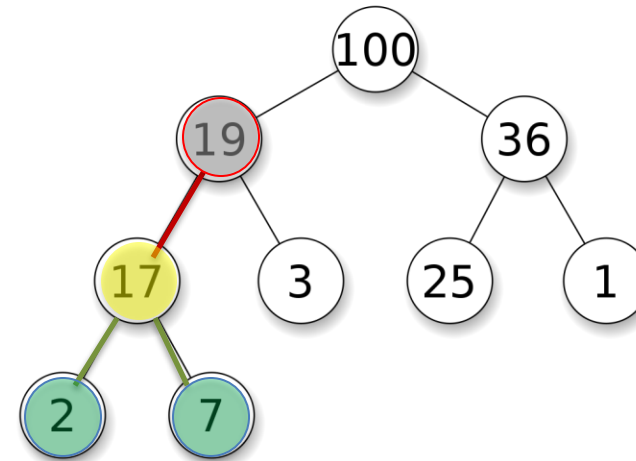
Binary Heap is implemented as an array:

→ efficient locating parent or children of the node at index  $i$

parent of  $H[i]$  is  $H[i/2]$

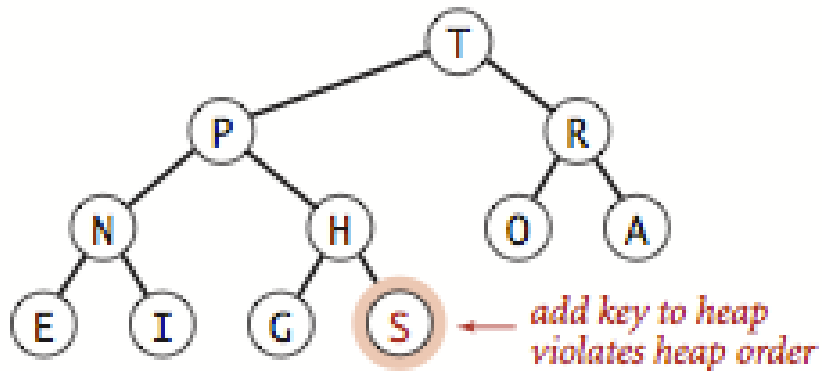
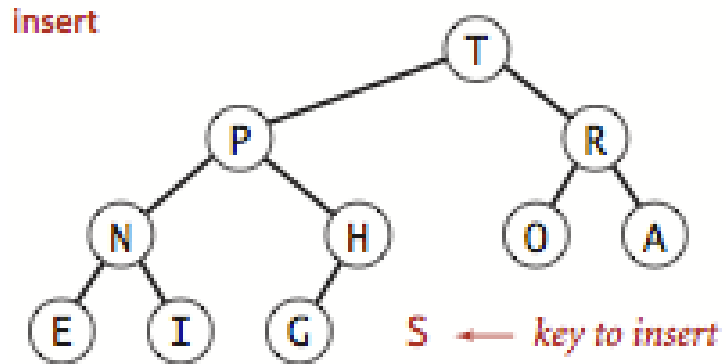
- left child of  $H[i]$  is  $H[2*i]$
- right child of  $H[i]$  is  $H[2*i+1]$

			4/2		i=4				4*2	4*2+1
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# Insert into a heap.

tree visualisation



in the implemented array

index 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

H = [T, P, R, N, H, O, A, E, I, G, ]

H has 10 elements

Insert S

Just added H[11] = S

parent of H[11] is H[11/2] ie. H[5]

index

5 = 11/2

11

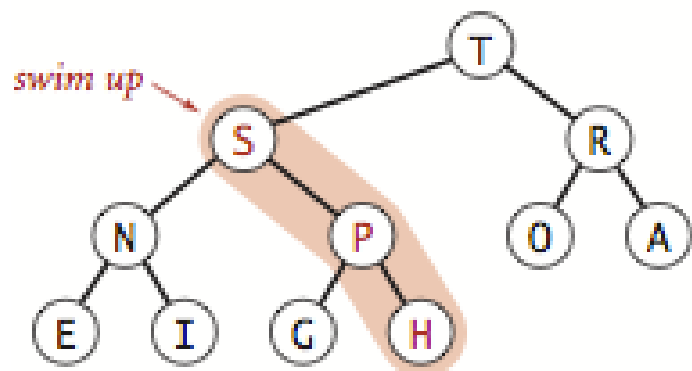
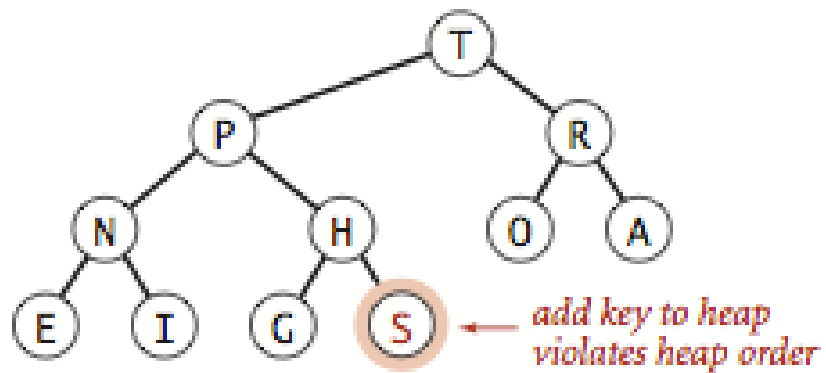
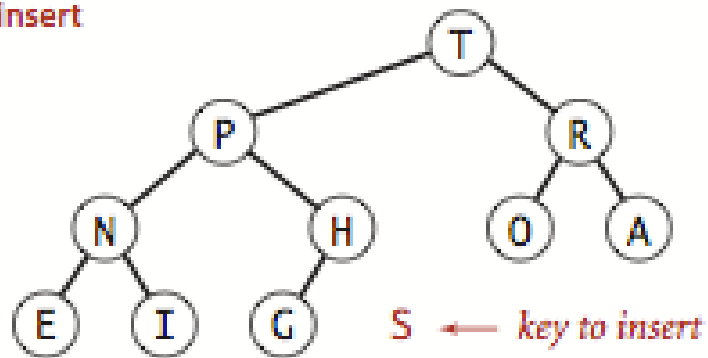
H = [T, P, R, N, H, O, A, E, I, C, S]

in this case H[11] and its parent H[5] violate the heap order

→ need to repair using **upheap**

# Insert a new elem into a heap using upheap. Complexity= ?

insert



**upheap**

when a child node violates the heap order:  
*repeatedly swap the child with its parent (if exist) until having no violation*

**Complexity:**  $O(?)$ ,  $\theta()$

Need to promote  $H[11]$  up using **upheap(h,i=11)**, which repeatedly swap node  $i$  with its parent.

$2/2=1$     $2=5/2$     $5=11/2$     $11$

[T,P,R,N,H,O,A,E,I,C,S]

S

H

→ [T,P,R,N,S,O,A,E,I,C,H]

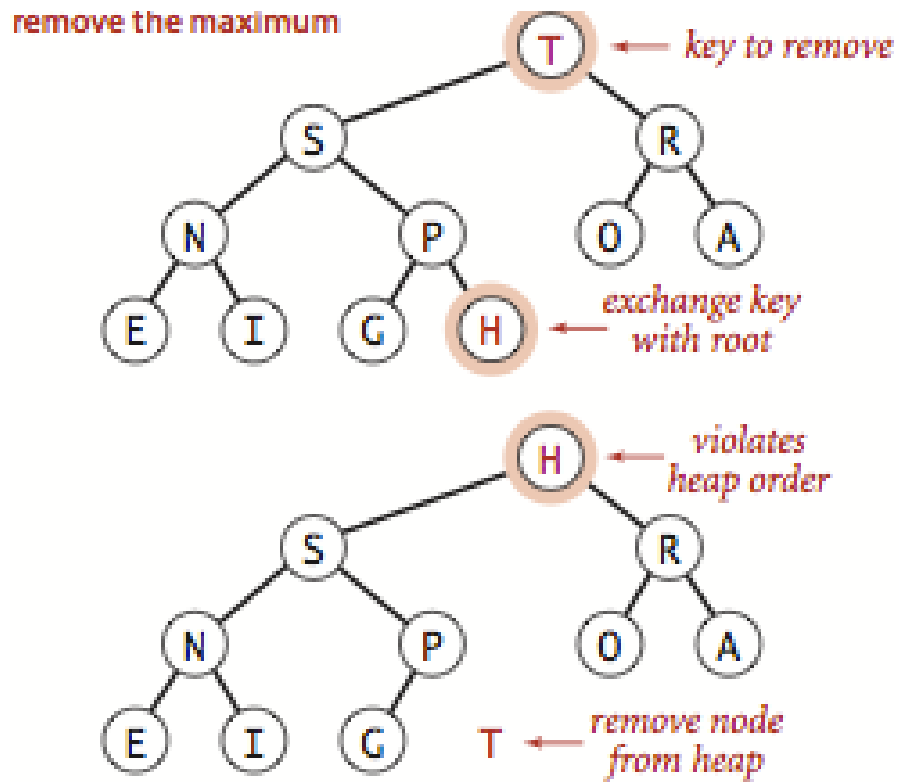
S   P

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S

Complexity= ?

# deletemax: delete (and returns) the heaviest. Complexity=

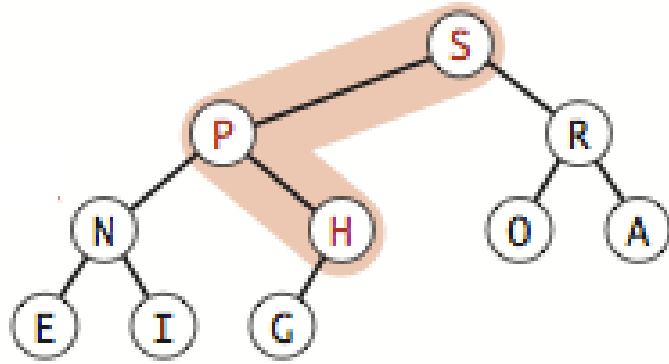


Heap= [T,S,R,N,P,O,A,E,I,G,H]

To remove (the heaviest, the root):

- swap root **T** with the last leaf **H**
- decrease number of elements in heap
- new root will likely violate the heap order: repair that by doing **downheap**

deletemax: delete (and returns) the heaviest. Complexity=



**downheap**= repeatedly swap node with its *heaviest child* until having no violation

Complexity:  $O(\log n)$

Notes: Here **upheap(H, node)** was used for insertion, and **downheap(H, node)** for deletion. The operations can be performed for any **node** of the heap.  
For example, when changing the priority of a node in a heap.



# How to efficiently build a heap with $n$ elements?

- Solution 1: insert each element into the (initially empty) heap, and do **upheap** after each insertion.

Complexity:  $O( ? )$

# How to efficiently build a heap with n elements? **heapify**

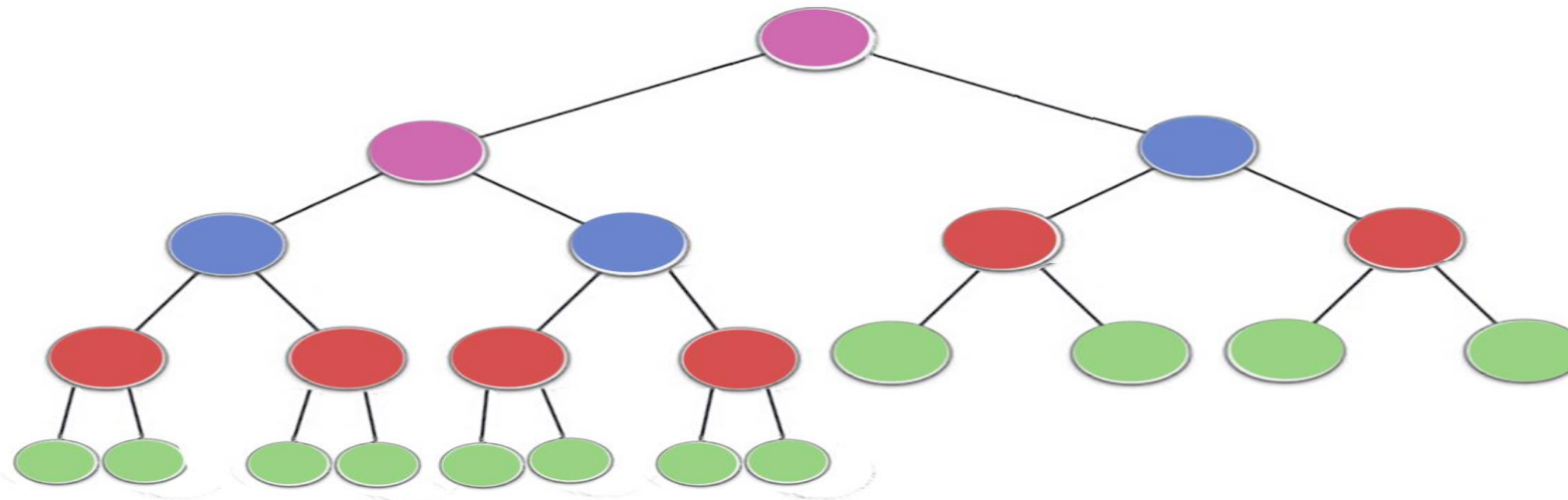
**Solution 2:** populate the heap array with n elements in the input order, then turn the array to a heap (ie make it to satisfy the heap condition). Algorithm:

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for (i= ??? ; i>0; i--) {  
    // for i from last parent node to first node  
    downheap(h, i);  
}
```

=  $\Theta(n)$  (see lectures and/or ask Google for a proof)

The operation is known as Heapify/Makeheap/ Bottom-Up Heap Construction

Related:  
Ex 9.3



# Summary: Building a heap for $n$ priority values

# Heapsort= sorting using a heap

How? Complexity=?

## Pre-questions:

- How to selection-sort by selecting the largest first?
- What is the complexity of selection sort?
- How can we have a faster select-the-largest?

Example: sort the keys: 20,3,60, 8,1,16

# HeapSort summary

To sort an array  $A[1..n]$  in *increasing* order

1. Use **heapify** to turn  $A$  into a *maxheap*
2. while (heap  $A$  has more than 1 element):
  - delete root by :
    - first swap it with the last element of the heap, then
    - **downheap** the new root

Complexity of Heapsort =  
=  $O(?)$

Questions:

- What's the best case of heapsort?
- Is heapsort stable?

**Example:** using Heapsort, sort the keys: 20,3,60,8,1,16

# Heapsort= sorting using a heap

How? Complexity=?

Example: sort the keys: 20,3,60, 8,1,16

Step 1: Turn the array to a maxheap using heapify

20 3 60 8 1 16

60 > only child 16 : subtree 60 is a heap

20 3 60 8 1 16

3 < larger child 8 : swap

20 8 60 3 1 16

3 has no child, is a heap

20 8 60 3 1 16

swap 20 with larger child 60

60 8 20 3 1 16

20 > only child 16 : 20 is a heap

done

complexity step 1:  $\Theta(n)$

Step 2: loop: a) swap root with the last  
decrement heap length  
b) downheap(heap, position= 1)

60 8 20 3 1 16 n= 6

1a: swap(60,16)

16 8 20 3 1 60 n= 5

1b: downheap(16) : swap (16,20), done

20 8 16 3 1 60 n= 5

2a: swap(20,1)

1 8 16 3 20 60 n= 4

2b: downheap(1) : swap (1,16), done

16 8 1 3 20 60 n= 4

3ab: swap (16,3), downheap(3)= swap(3,8)

8 3 1 16 20 60 n= 3

4ab: swap (8,1), downheap(1)= swap(1,3)

3 1 8 16 20 60 n= 2

5ab: swap (3,1), downheap(3)= no swap needed

1 3 8 16 20 60 n= 1, done

DONE after 5= n-1 step

complexity step 2= overall =  $O(n \log n)$

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      - **downheap**( $A,1$ ): downheap the new root
- Complexity=
  - $= O(n \log n)$
  - Questions:
    - What's the best case of heapsort? all elements equal,  $\Theta(n)$
    - Is heapsort stable? no (long-distance swap)

# Heap & Heap Sort: Complexity Summary

Heap operations:

- upheap:
- downheap:
- insert/enPQ:
- deleteMax/deleteMin:
- heapify:
- heapsort:



# Heap & Heap Sort: Complexity Summary

Heap operations:

- `upheap(H, pos)`:  $O(\log n)$
  - `downheap(H, pos)`:  $O(\log n)$
  - `insert/enPQ(H, key)`:  $O(\log n)$
  - `deleteMax/deleteMin(H)`:  $O(\log n)$
- 
- `heapify`:  $\Theta(n)$
  - `heapsort`:  $O(n \log n)$  best case:  $\Theta$

## Peer Activity: $m^{\text{th}}$ Smallest Number

Does the upper-bound complexities of these two algorithms differ?

- Yes, they do.
- No, they do not.

Assume that that  $m \ll n$ .

Consider an **unsorted algorithm** that:

- gets the  $m^{\text{th}}$  smallest value
- from  $n$  unsorted values

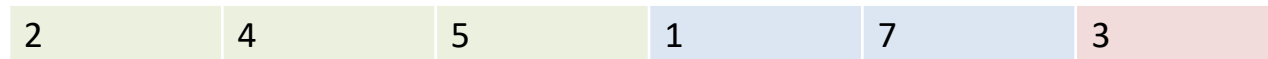
Now consider a **sorted algorithm** that:

- sorts  $n$  values in ascending order
- indexes the  $m^{\text{th}}$  value

# Adaptive (aka. Natural) Merge Sort

Bottom-up merge sort improvement

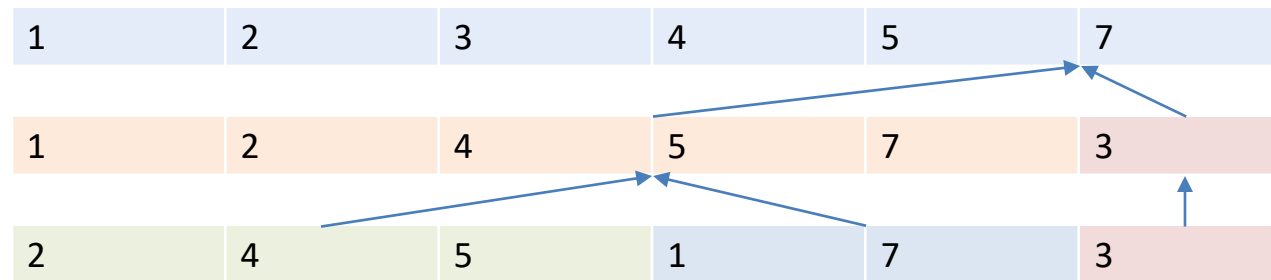
- Monotonic increasing runs already sorted
- Insert monotonic runs into queue instead of singletons



# Demonstration – Adaptive Merge Sort

## Bottom-up merge sort improvement

- Best Case:  $\Theta()$
- Worst Case:  $\Theta()$
- If known  $k$ = number of monotonic runs:  $\Theta()$



## W9.7: Implementing heapsort