

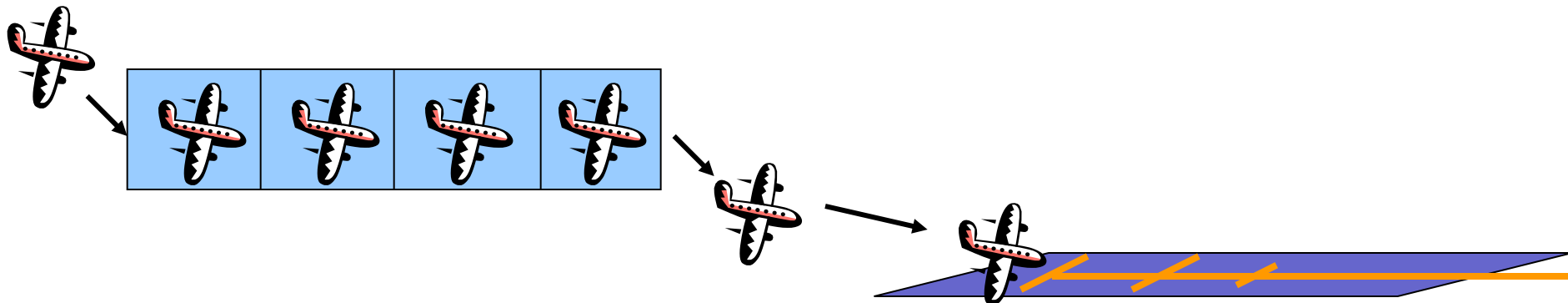
# Heaps

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# Priority Queues: Concept

- A priority queue is an abstract data type for storing a collection of prioritized elements.
  - Like a queue but, removal is based on a **priority**
- Terminology:
  - Priority Queues hold **entries** (key + value) – the key is the priority
  - An object can be inserted at any time with any priority
  - Only the element with the highest priority can be removed
- Example: Airport landing schedule



# Priority Queues: Funct. Spec.

- Priority Queues work with two objects:
  - a data object
  - A key (priority) object
- Core Operations:
  - `insert(k,e)` Insert a new element `e` with key `k` into `P`
  - `min()` Return (but don't remove) an element of `P` with highest priority; error occurs if `P` empty.
  - `remove()` Remove from `P` and return an element with the highest priority; an error occurs if `P` is empty.
- Support Operations:
  - `isEmpty()` Returns true if the priority queue is empty, or false otherwise
  - `size()` Returns the number of elements in the priority queue

# Priority Queue: Java Interfaces

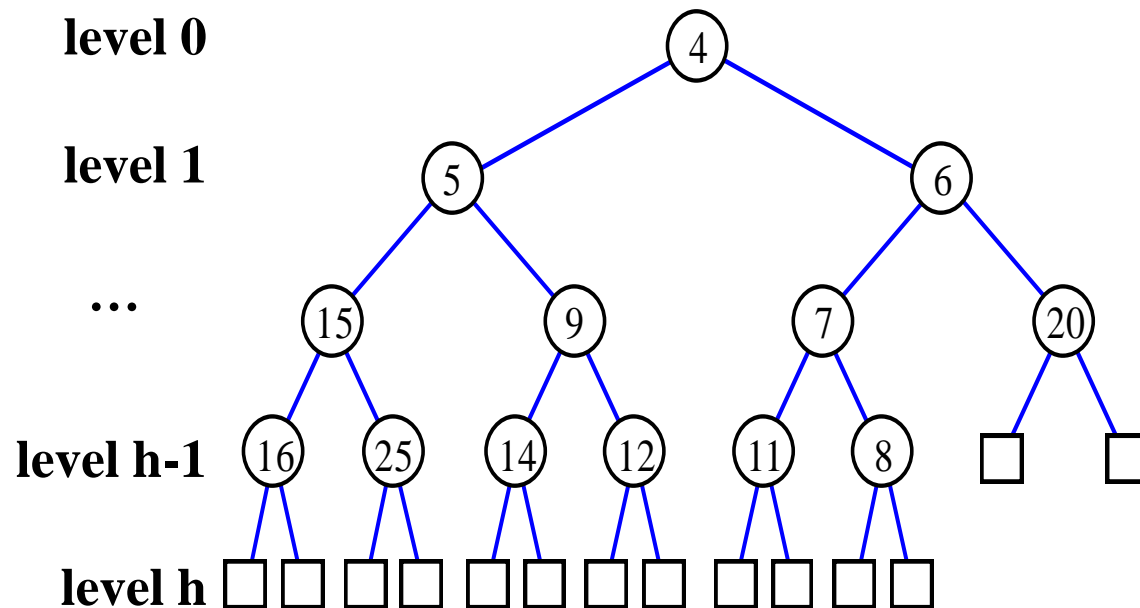
```
public interface PriorityQueue<K,V> {  
    public int size();  
    public boolean isEmpty();  
    public void insert(K key, V value);  
    public V min();  
    public V remove();  
}
```

# Priority Queue Impl. Strategies

- List-Based Strategies:
  - Unsorted List:
    - Insert at end of the list
    - Use linear search to find which item to remove
  - Sorted List:
    - Insert based on priority (like insertion sort)
- Both strategies have  $O(n)$  performance on some operations
  - Unsorted List: `min()` and `removeMin()`
  - Sorted List: `insert()`
- Sorted Lists are “better” because they only affect one operation

# Heaps

- A **heap** is a binary tree that stores keys (key-value pairs) at its internal nodes and that satisfies two additional properties:
  - **Order Property:**  $\text{key}(\text{parent}) \leq \text{key}(\text{child})$
  - **Structural “Completeness” Property:** all levels are full, except the bottom, which is “left-filled”

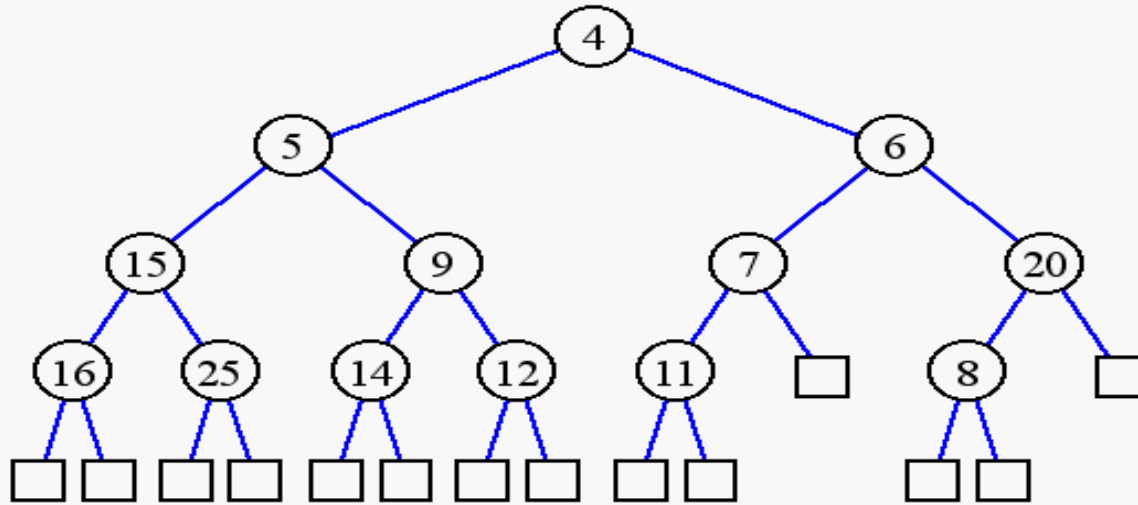


Rule 1. Level  $i$  has  $2^i$  nodes, for  $0 \leq i < h$

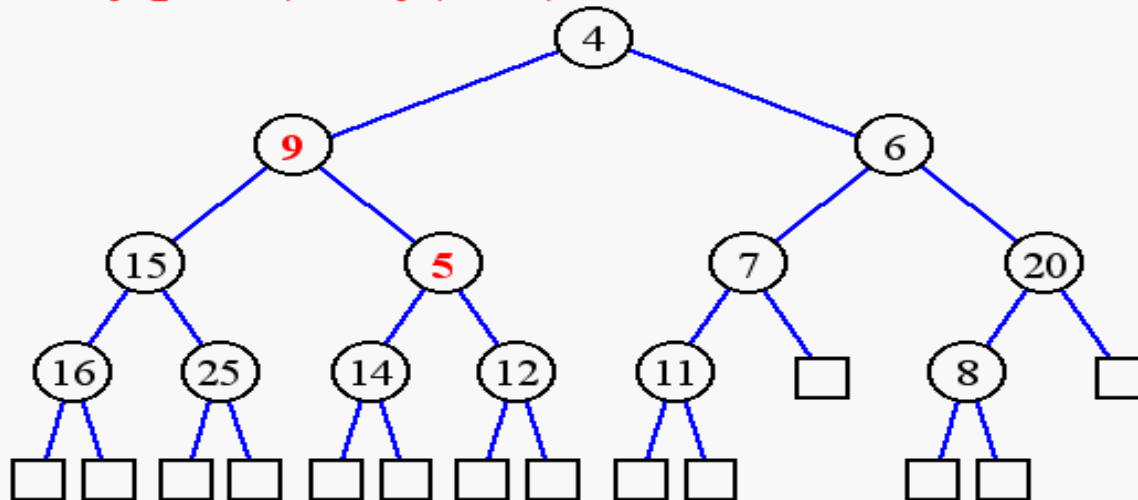
Rule 2. At level  $h-1$ , all leafs are to right of all internal nodes

# Examples that are *NOT* heaps

- bottom level is not left-filled

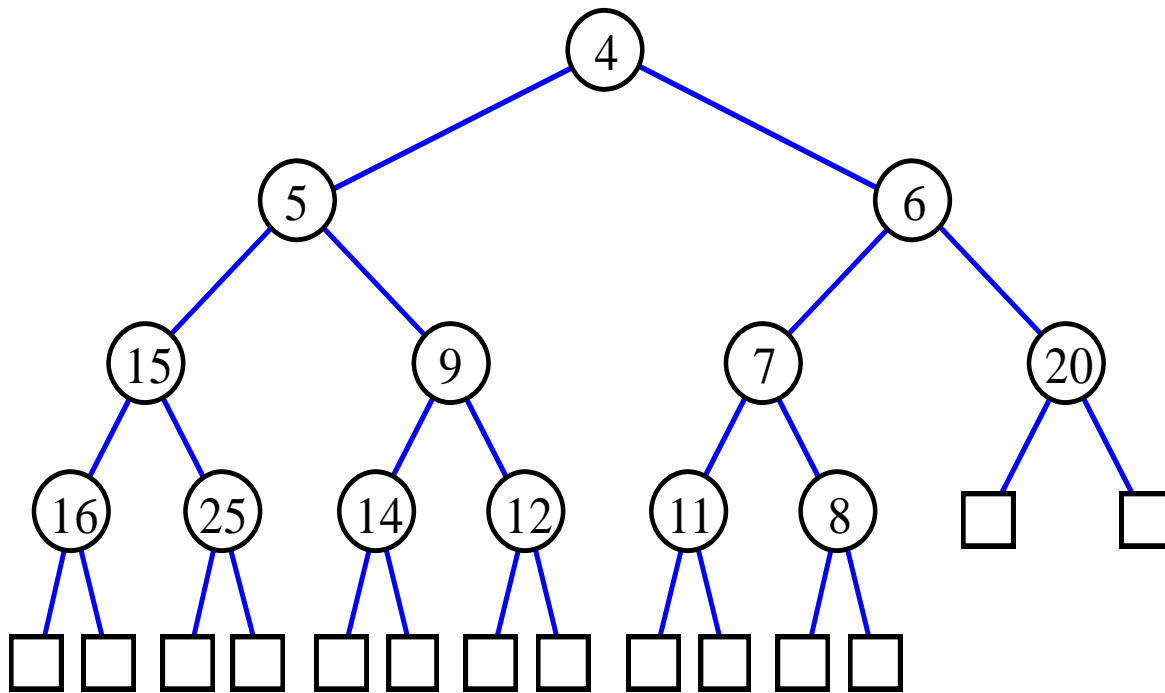


- $\text{key}(\text{parent}) > \text{key}(\text{child})$



# A useful fact

- A heap storing  $N$  keys has height  
 $h = \lceil \log(N+1) \rceil$      $\lceil x \rceil$  = smallest integer greater than  $x$   
 $h = \lceil \log(13+1) \rceil = \lceil 3.8074... \rceil = 4$

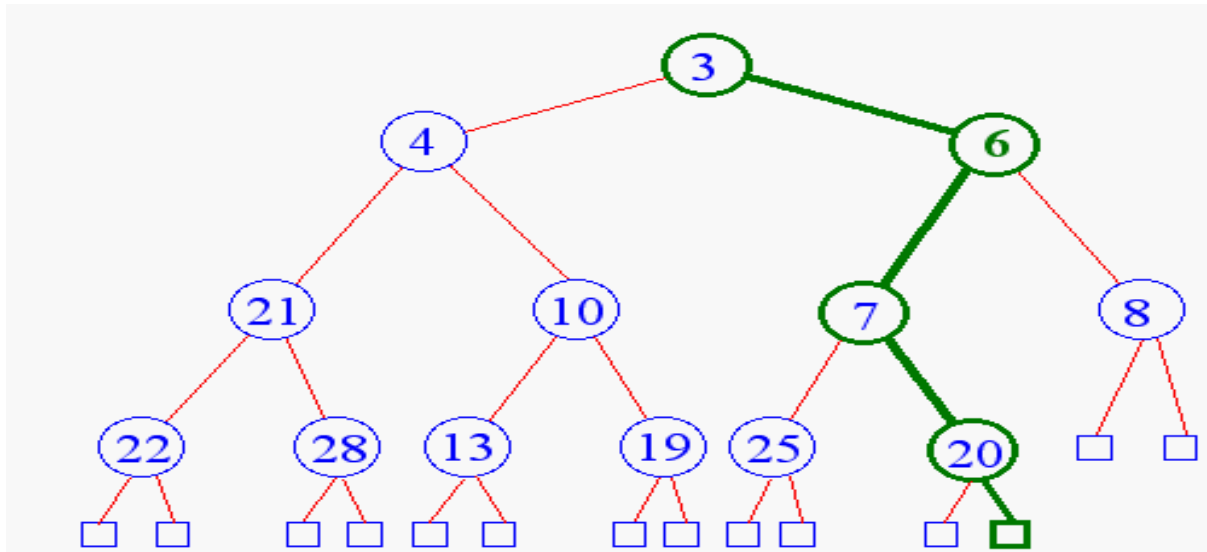




# Inserting into Heaps

- To insert an entry into a heap, we must perform three steps:
  1. **Insert the new entry at the last position in the heap.**
  2. **Upheap to restore the “order property”.** This involves repeatedly swapping the newly added entry with parent entries until the property is restored.
  3. **Identify the “new” last position in the heap.** This involves finding the next position in an in-order traversal of the tree. If no next position exists, then the new “last” position is the leftmost child on the next level down.
- **Example:** Add the following numbers into a heap:  
5, 30, 12, 23, 26, 3, 6, 15, 18, 21, 9, 29, 33

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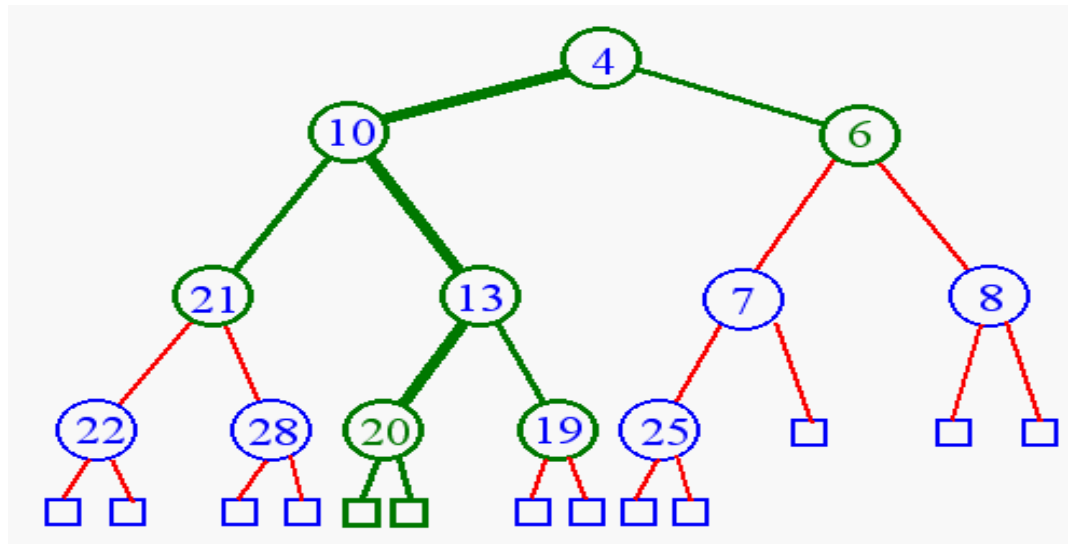


- Upheap terminates when new value is greater than the value of its parent, or the top of the heap is reached.
- **Note:** after Upheap the heap is again valid!
- Complexity Analysis:  
 $\text{cost}(\text{insert}) = (\text{total\#swaps}) \leq (h-1) = \lceil \log_2(N+1) \rceil = \mathbf{O(\log n)}$

# Removing from Heaps

- To remove an entry from the heap, we must:
  1. **Remove the root node (this is the current min entry).**
  2. **Replace this node with the last item in the heap, node L.**
  3. **Perform a Downheap to re-establish the “ordering property”.**  
This involves checking whether L is less than its children. If it is not, then L is swapped with the smaller of the two children, and downheap is performed again on L in its new position.
  4. **Update the “last” reference.** Need to do an inverse pre-order traversal (i.e. goto the node that is before the last node in a pre-order traversal). If there is no previous node, then find the last node on the next level up.

# Removing from Heaps



- Downheap terminates when the key is greater than the keys of both its children, or the bottom of the heap is reached.
- Note that after Downheap the heap is again valid!
- Complexity Analysis:

$$\text{cost(rMin)} = (\text{total\#swaps}) \leq (h-1) = \lceil \log_2(N+1) \rceil = O(\log n)$$

# Complete Binary Trees

- Heaps are a type of **Binary Tree** that is known as a **Complete Binary Tree**.
- A Binary Tree  $T$ , with height  $h$ , is **complete** if:
  - Levels 0 to  $h-1$  have the maximum number of nodes possible
  - In level  $h-1$ , all the internal nodes are to the left of the external nodes, and there is at most one node that has only a left child.
- When dealing with Complete Binary Trees, there are two important nodes:
  - The **root** node (the top of the tree)
  - The **last** node (the next insertion point for the tree).
- To support this, we introduce the **CompleteBinaryTree ADT**.

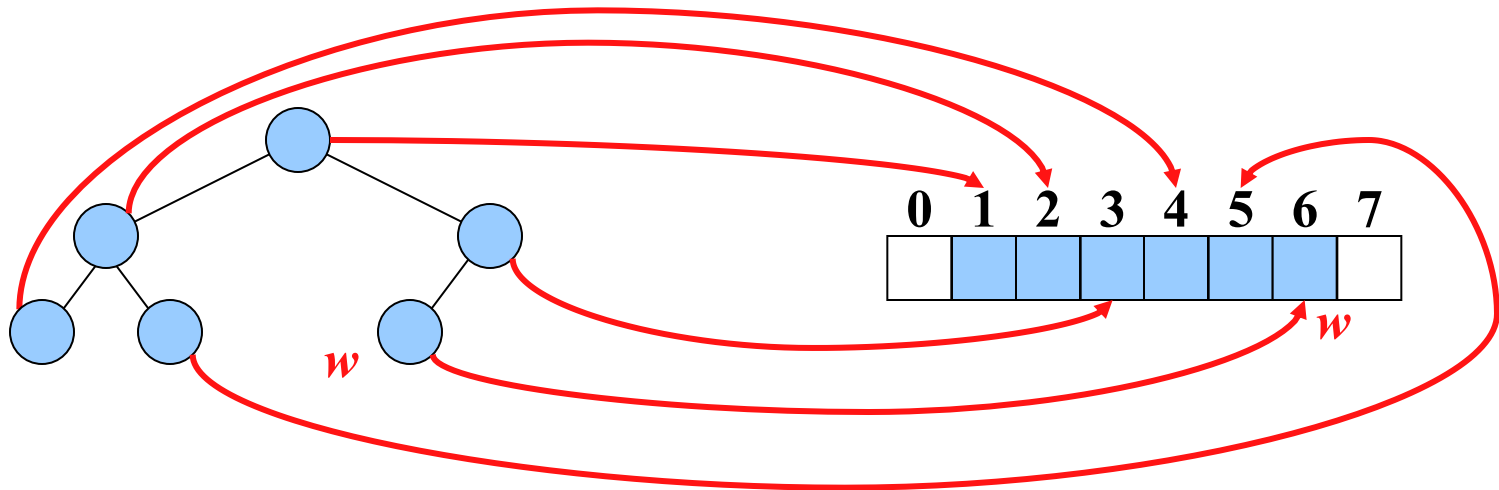
# The Complete Binary Tree ADT

- A Complete Binary Tree (CBT) is a Binary Tree that also supports the following operations:
  - ***add(e)*** adds e to the tree and returns a new external node, v, such that the resulting tree is a complete binary tree with last node v.
  - ***remove()*** removes the last node of T and returns its element
- Java Interface:

```
interface CompleteBinaryTree<T> extends BinaryTree<T> {  
    public Position<T> add(T elem);  
    public T remove();  
}
```

# Implementing a CBT

- Vectors are a particularly suitable way of implementing Complete Binary Trees (CBT):
  - This is due to the structured way in which items are inserted into and removed from CBTs.
  - This is illustrated in the figure below...



- With a vector, the last node is the last item!

# Heap Sort

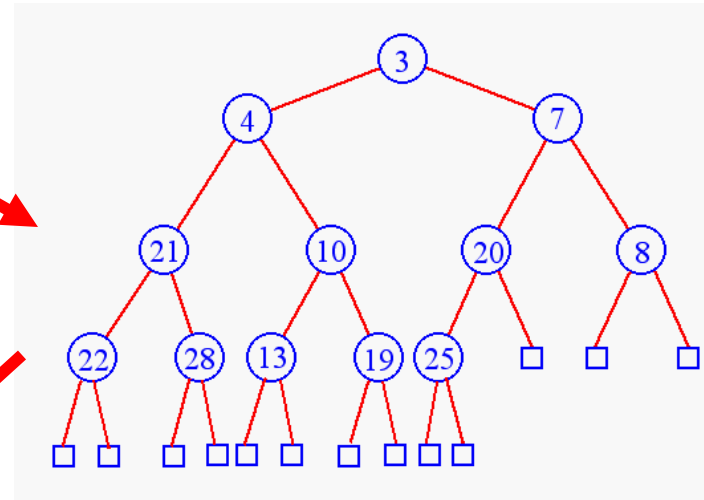
- A simple PQ-based sorting algorithm called “heap sort”:
  - Insert all items to be sorted into a Priority Queue
  - Remove them; they’ll be in sorted order

**[4,19,10,3,22,13,8,21,20,28,7,25]**

**cost =  $n \times \text{cost}(\text{insert}) = n \times O(\log(n))$**

**cost =  $n \times \text{cost}(\text{remove}) = n \times O(\log(n))$**

**[3,4,7,8,10,13,19,20,21,22,25,28]**

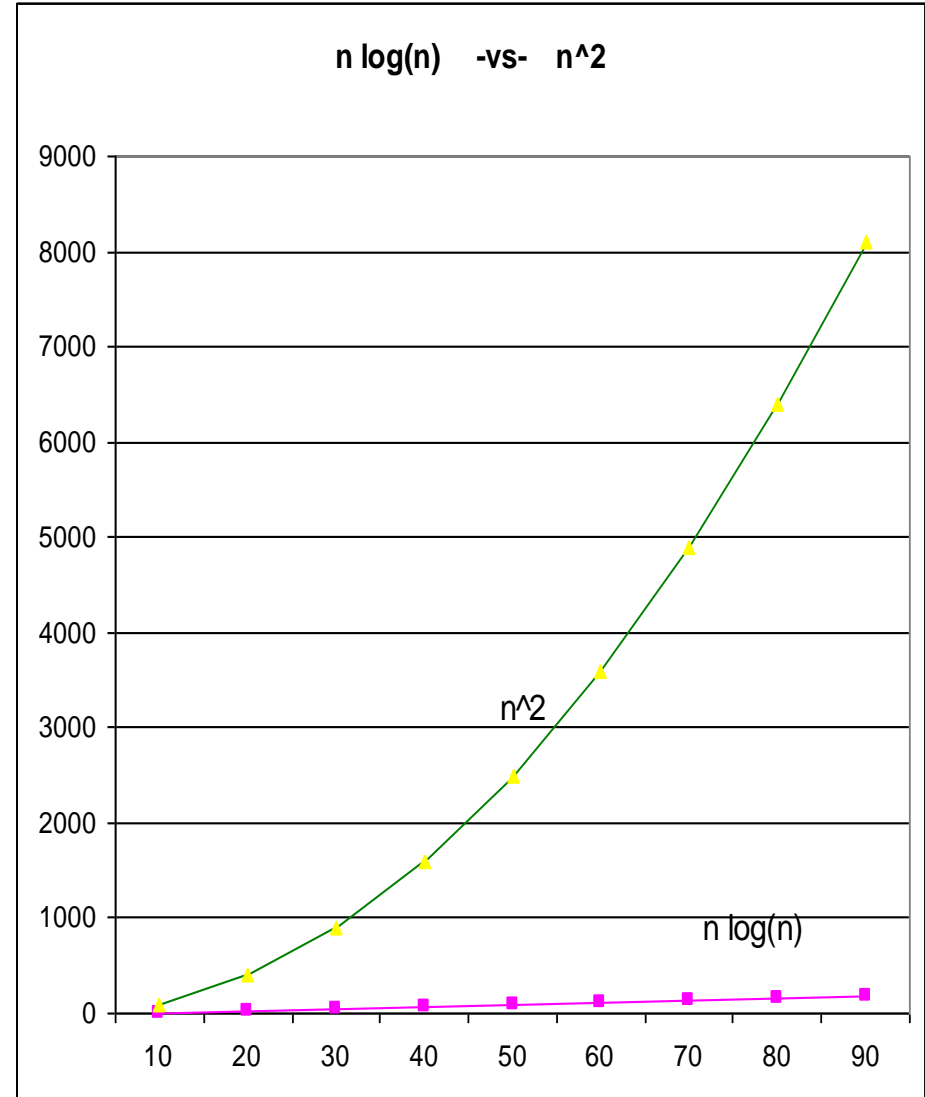


**total cost =  $2 \times n \times O(\log(n)) = O(n \times \log(n))$**



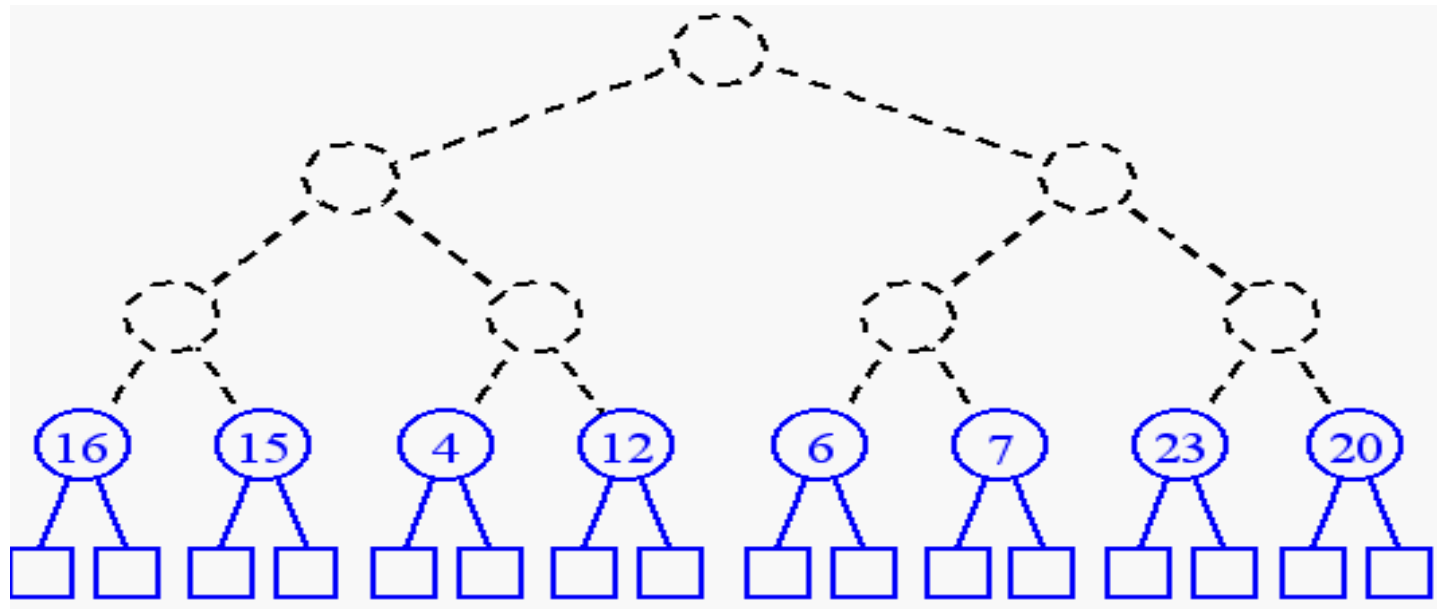
# Heap Sort - analysis

- All heap methods run in  $O(\log(n))$  time, and need  $n$  insertions &  $n$  removals.
  - Therefore total time is  $O(2n \log(n)) = O(n \log(n))$
- Compare to the selection and insertion sort's which had  $O(n^2)$  complexity



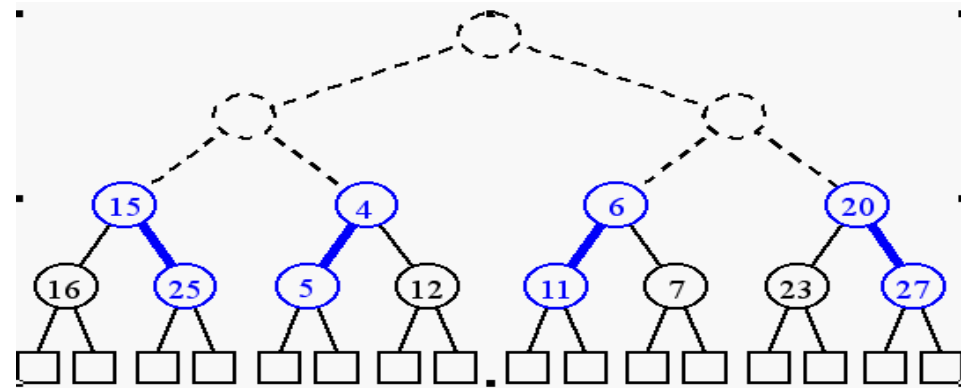
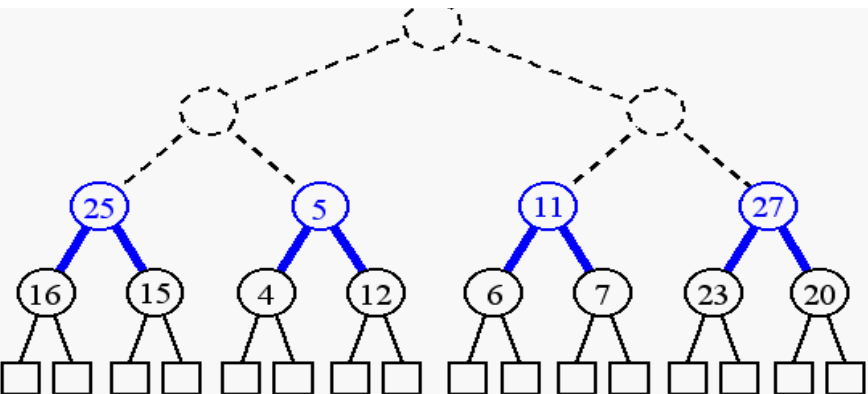
# Bottom-Up Heap Construction

- Illustrate Bottom-Up heap construction by adding the following elements to a heap:  
[16,15,4,12,6,7,23,20,25,5,11,27,9,8,14]
- Step 1: Construct  $(n + 1)/2$  elementary heaps storing one entry each.



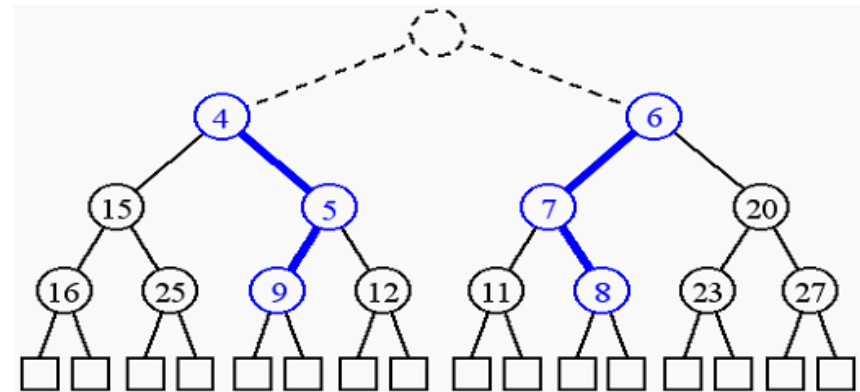
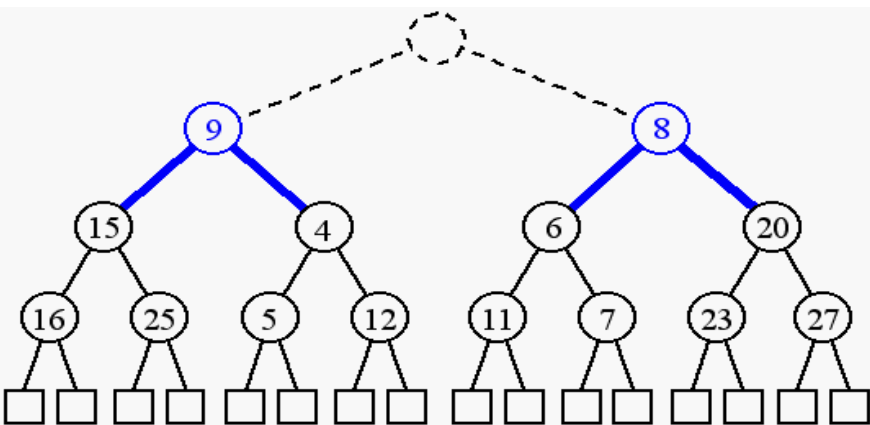
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- Step 2: Construct  $(n + 1)/4$  heaps, each storing 3 entries.
  - This is done by joining pairs of elementary heaps and adding a new entry placed at the root.
  - A downheap operation may be performed on the new root if necessary.



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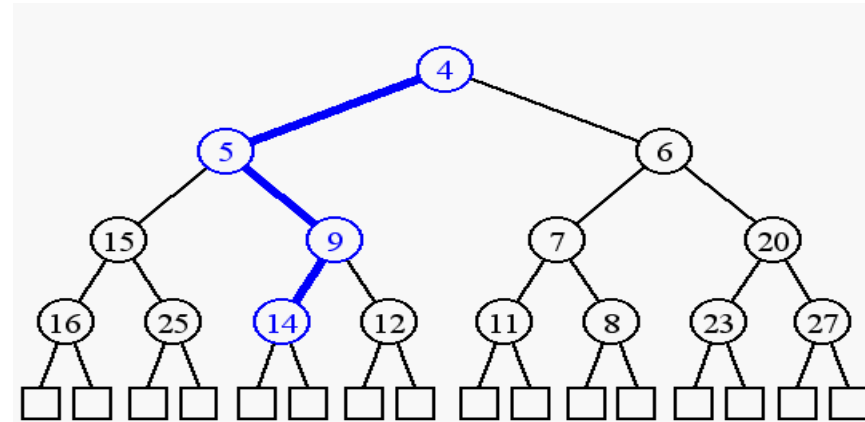
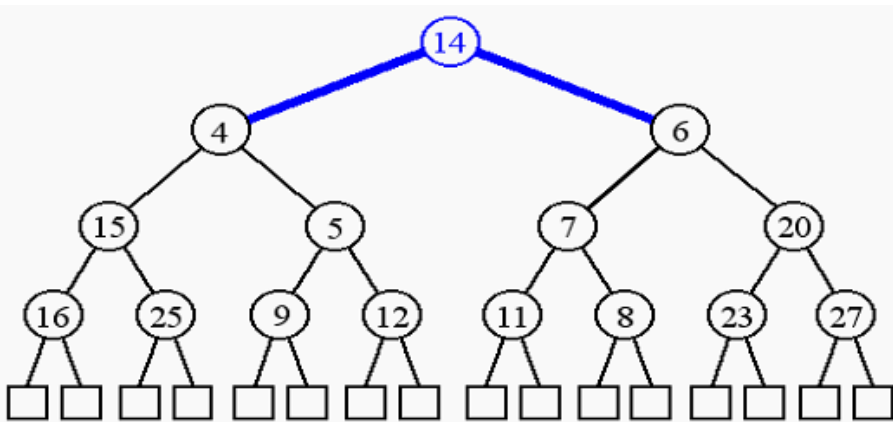
- Step 3: Construct  $(n + 1)/8$  heaps, each storing 7 entries.
  - This is done by joining pairs of 3-entry heaps and adding a new entry placed at the root.
  - A downheap operation may be performed on the new root if necessary.



**And so on...**

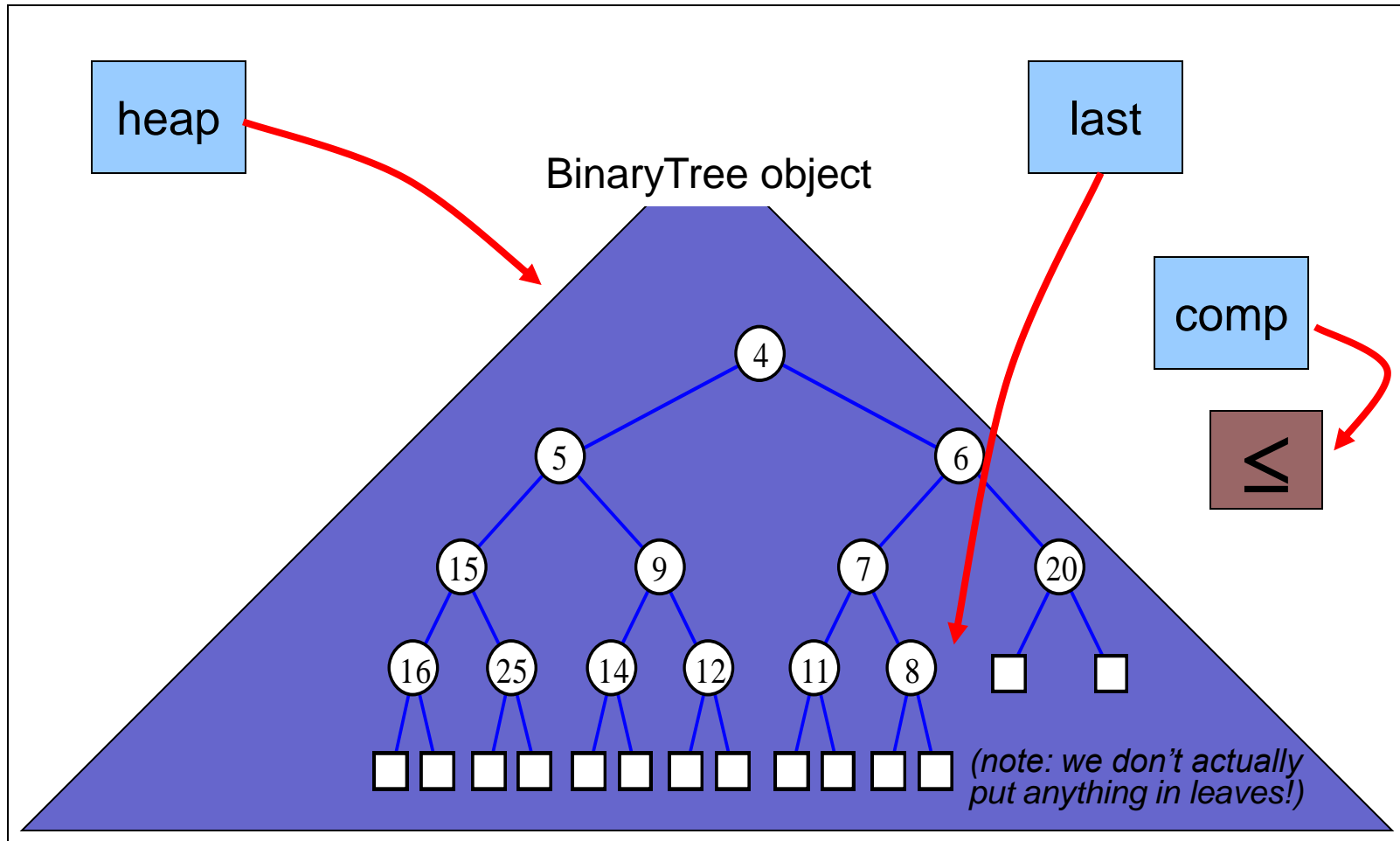
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- Final Step: Construct  $(n + 1)/16$  heaps, each storing 15 entries.
  - This is done by joining pairs of 7-entry heaps and adding a new entry placed at the root.
  - A downheap operation may be performed on the new root if necessary.



# Using a heap to implement a PQ

an instance of the HeapPriorityQueue class



For simplicity... only keys are shown (elements not displayed)  
keys are integers ordered by the ordinary “ $\leq$ ” relation

# PQ Comparison

<u>Operation</u>	<u>Heap</u>	<u>SortedSeq</u>	<u>UnsortedSeq</u>
Size, isEmpty	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
min	$O(1)$	$O(1)$	$O(n)$ ouch
insert	$O(\log n)$	$O(n)$ ouch	$O(1)$
removeMin	$O(\log n)$	$O(1)$	$O(n)$ ouch
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mixture of all operations	$O(\log n)$	$O(n)$	$O(n)$

