

# Fibonacci Heaps

## Advanced Algorithms and Data Structures - Lecture 8

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# Complexity of Heap Operations

Summary of the complexity of basic heap operation for several kinds of heaps:

(Fibonacci Heap extraction is amortized complexity)

	insert	minimum	extract	union
Binary	$O(\log n)$	$\Theta(1)$	$\Theta(\log n)$	$\Theta(n)$
Leftist	$\Theta(\log n)$	$\Theta(1)$	$\Theta(\log n)$	$\Theta(\log n)$
Binomial	$\Theta(1)$	$\Theta(\log n)$	$\Theta(\log n)$	$\Theta(\log n)$
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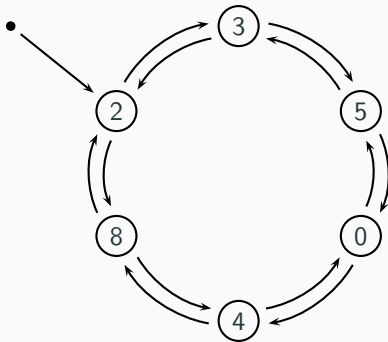
Amortized Complexity is a method of analyzing the running time that takes into account a whole sequence of operations:

Some operation have a long running time, some have a short running time

Amortized complexity refers to the average time of the whole sequence

# Wheels

As a first step towards the definition of Fibonacci Heaps we study doubly-linked circular lists ([wheels](#))



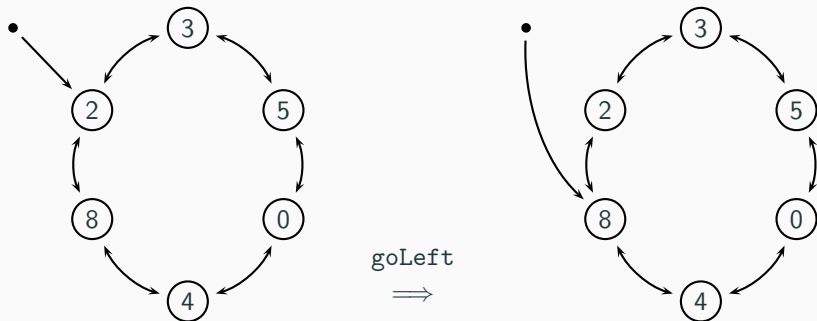
(We use the notation  $\{ 2, 3, 5, 0, 4, 8 \}$ )

A sequence of values linked in a circle with a head pointer to one value (2 in the example)  
and operations to move the pointer, insert and delete elements

# Wheel Operations: Move

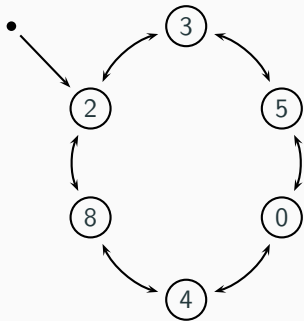
`goRight` and `goLeft`

move the head pointer clockwise (to 3) or anti-clockwise (to 8):

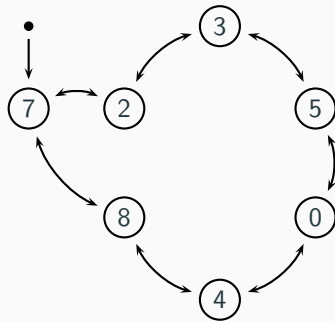


# Wheel Operations: Insert

`insert` a new element just before the pointer:

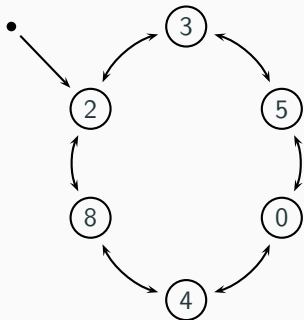


`insertW 7`

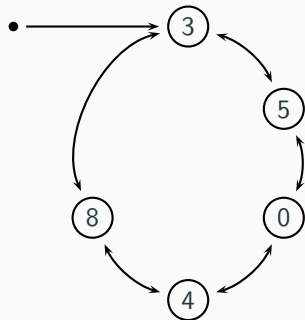


# Wheel Operations: Delete

**delete** the element pointed at:  
(and move the pointer clockwise)



deleteW



# Implementation of Wheels

In **imperative programming**, you can implement wheels using pointers going back and forth between every pair of elements.

The complexity of each operation is  $\Theta(1)$ .

In **functional programming**, you can implement wheels by a pair of lists, similarly to what we have done for FIFO queues.

All operations can be programmed with amortized complexity  $\Theta(1)$ .

**Hint:** Since we can move both left and right, the *best* state of the structure is when both lists have the same length. This should be the state with the highest potential.

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Formally a Fibonacci Heap has:

- A **root wheel** of values, with the main pointer pointing to the smallest of them  
The values don't need to be ordered
- Each element of the root wheel is in turn connected to a **sub-heap**  
(The sub-heap could be empty)
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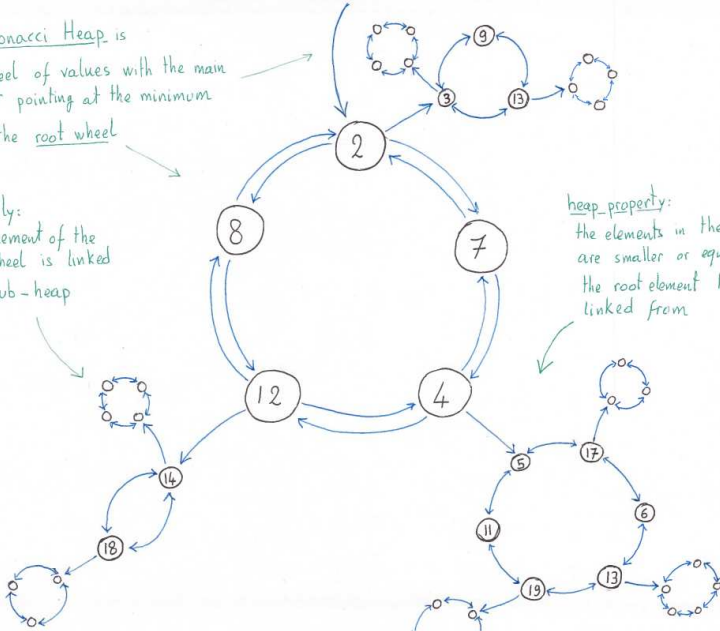
A Fibonacci Heap is

a Wheel of values with the main pointer pointing at the minimum

This is the root wheel

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**Q:** If the heap and all the sub-heaps are consolidated,  
What is the minimum number of elements the heap  
as a function of the length of the root wheel?



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The element 7 has degree 0 because its sub-heap is empty

(This is not a consolidated heap: Two nodes with the same degree 0)

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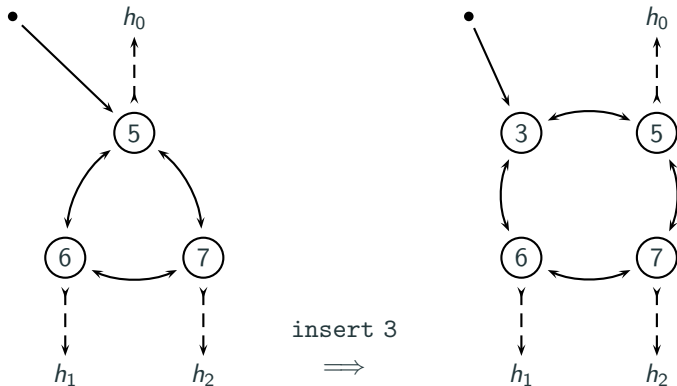
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- **Insertion** adds the new element to the wheel with empty sub-heap, but must move the head right if the inserted element is bigger than the previous head:

```
insertH x h@(FHeap w) =  
  if (isEmptyW w)  
  then FHeap  $\emptyset$  (x, 0, emptyH)  $\emptyset$   
  else if  $x \leq$  minimum h  
       then FHeap (insertW (x, 0, emptyH) w)  
       else FHeap (goRight (insertW (x, 0, emptyH) w))
```

# Insertion Example 1

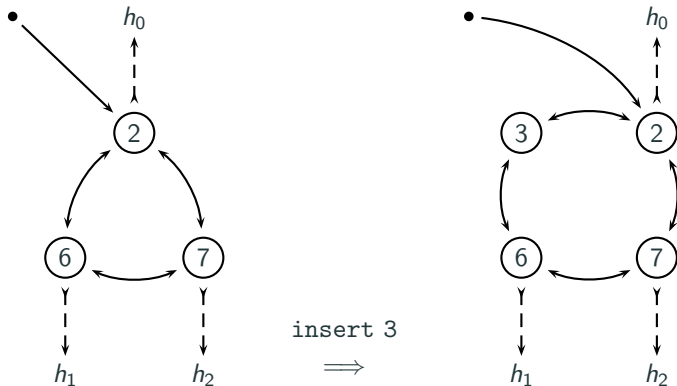
For example, if we insert 3 into a heap with minimum 5  
3 becomes the new minimum:





## Insertion Example 2

But if we insert 3 into a heap with minimum 2  
2 remains the minimum:

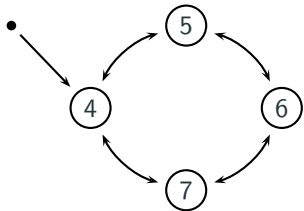
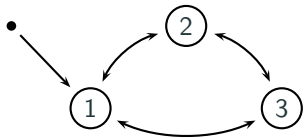


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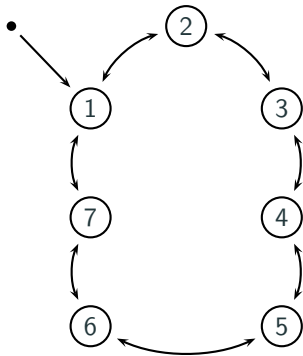
Union of two heaps is done by simply concatenating the corresponding wheels

We must make sure that the head pointer points to the minimum of the heads of the two heaps

Exercise: Implement the concatenation of two wheels:



concatW  
 $\Rightarrow$



## Union 2

```
union h1@(FHeap w1) h2@(FHeap w2) =  
  if isEmpty h1 then h2 else  
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in a naive way, without worrying about the structure of the heap

The only operation that rearranges the heap is **extraction**

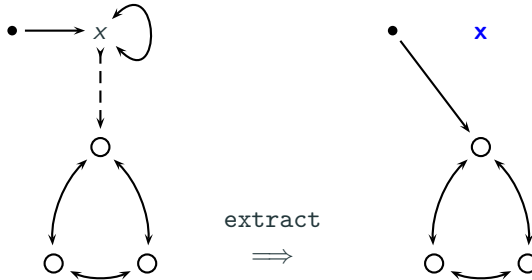
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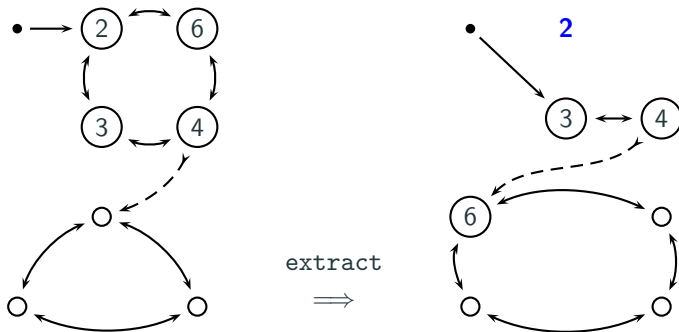
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It can happen that an element that was originally on the root wheel is moved into some of the sub-heaps:





## Extraction 3

So **extraction** removes the minimum, concatenates its sub-heap with the root wheel, and then consolidates:

```
extract :: FibHeap → (Key, FibHeap)
extract (FHeap w) =
  let ((x, FHeap wx), w') = extractW w
  in (x, consolidate (FHeap (concatenateW wx w')))
```

(The code is sketchy, to make it work you must add a couple of details)

**Consolidation** consists in reorganizing the structure of the heap while at the same time finding the new minimum.

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Define a type of nodes/sub-heap that explicitly contains the degree:

```
type Node = (Key,Int,FibHeap)
```

Note: then a Fibonacci Heap can be defined just as a wheel of nodes:

```
data FibHeap = FHeap (Wheel Node)
```

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Let us denote by  $A[d \mapsto x]$

the array  $A$  where the entry  $A[d]$  has been changed to  $x$

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Inserting a new node into the array will require checking if its degree is already taken:

```
insNA :: Node → NArray → NArray
insNA x@(kx,dx,hx) A =
  if A[dx] is undefined
  then A[dx ↦ x]
  else insNA (link x A[dx]) A
```

Note that if the degree  $dx$  in  $A$  is already occupied  
We link  $x$  with the occupier  $A[dx]$  before inserting  
We know this generates a new node of degree  $dx+1$



## Consolidation 3

We now transform a wheel of nodes into an array  
by extracting and inserting them one by one

```
makeNA :: (Wheel Node) → NArray
makeNA w =
  if (isEmpty w)
    then emptyArray
    else let (x,w') = extractW w
         in  insNA x (makeNA w')
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insNode x w =  
  if (isEmpty w) or (x ≤ head w)  
  then (insertW x w)  
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The last line guarantees that we are still pointing at the minimum

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We can show that `extract` runs in  $O(\log n)$  amortized time

This depends on the relation between:

- the number elements of the heap
- the length of the root wheel

in a consolidated heap (see earlier exercise)

See IA for the definition of the potential function and the proof