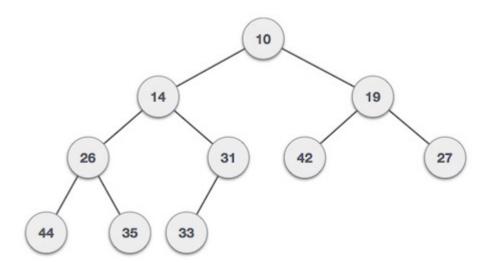
Heap Data Structures

Heap is a special case of balanced binary tree data structure where the root-node key is compared with its children and arranged accordingly. If α has child node β then –

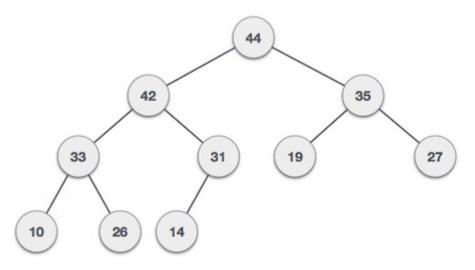
$key(\alpha) \ge key(\beta)$

As the value of parent is greater than that of child, this property generates Max Heap. Based on this criteria, a heap can be of two types -

Min-Heap – Where the value of the root node is less than or equal to either of its children.



Max-Heap – Where the value of the root node is greater than or equal to either of its children.



Both trees are constructed using the same input and order of arrival.