

# Heaps and Priority Queue

• A heap is a complete binary tree where every node is greater than or equal to its children.

• A max-heap is a heap where every node is greater than or equal to its children.

• A min-heap is a heap where every node is less than or equal to its children.

• A priority queue is a data structure that supports insertions and deletions while maintaining the heap property.

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• Deletion in a max-heap: O(log n) time complexity.

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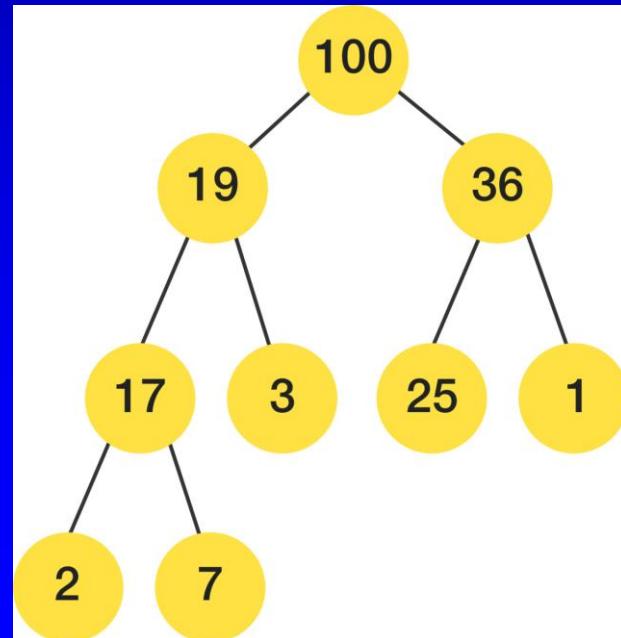
• Deletion in a min-heap: O(log n) time complexity.

• Applications: Dijkstra's algorithm, Prim's algorithm, Huffman coding, etc.

• Implementation: Using arrays or linked lists.

• Time Complexity: O(n log n) for insertion and deletion operations.

- ❑ A **complete binary tree** is a **binary tree** in which every level, except possibly the last, is completely filled, and all nodes are as far left as possible.

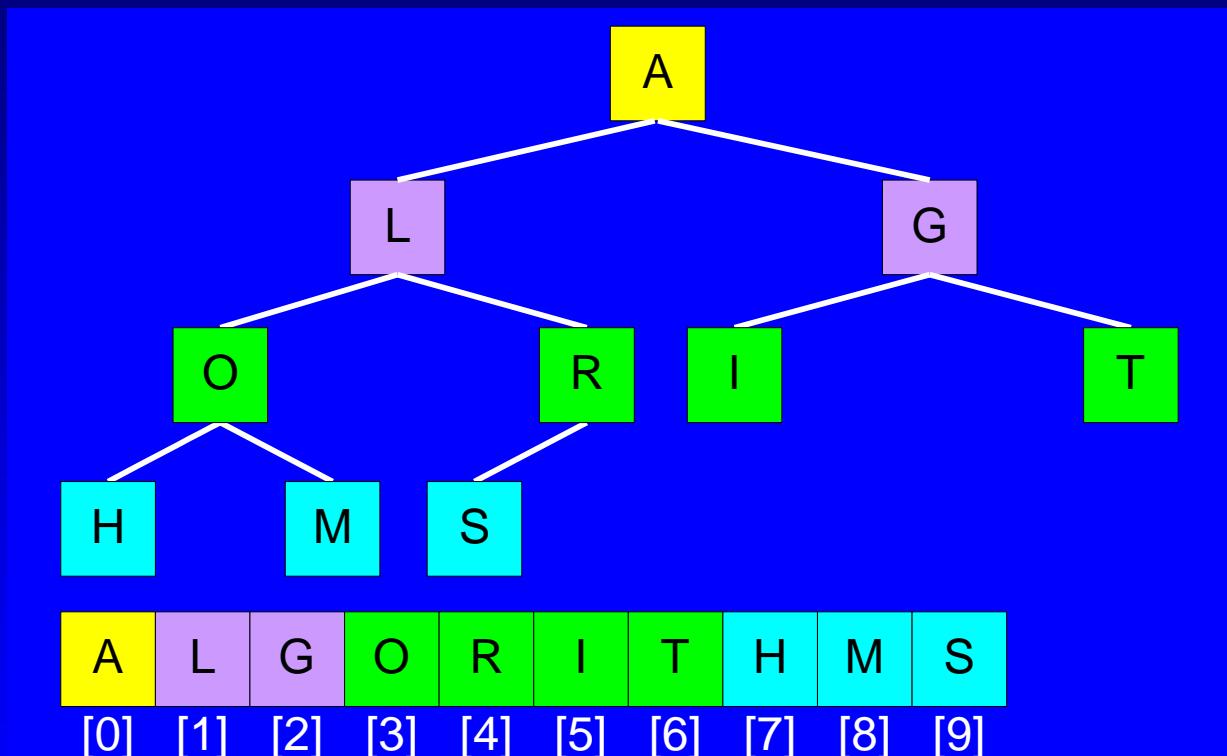


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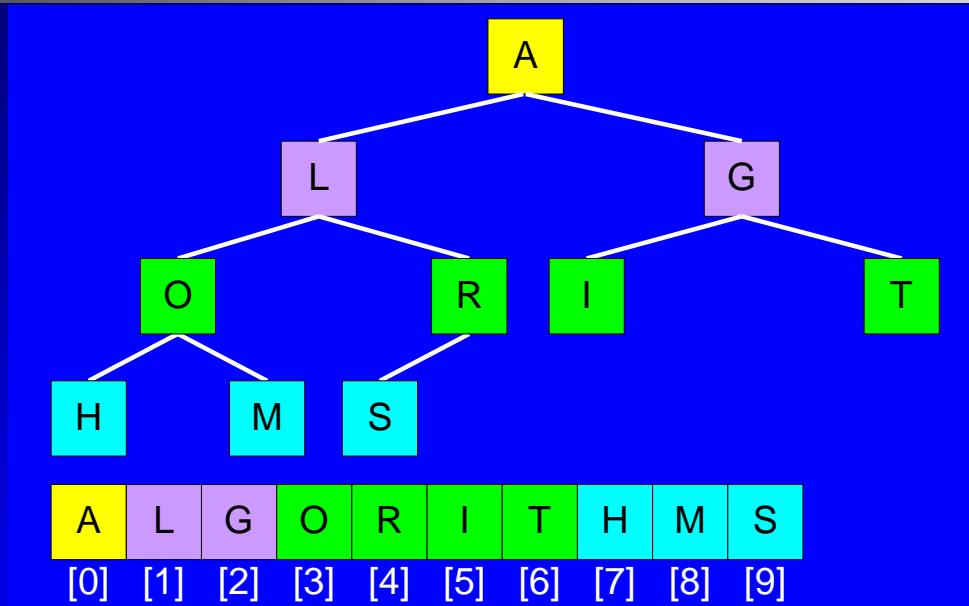
- ❑ Complete binary trees can be represented by
  - ❑ Array representation
  - ❑ Node representation

# Array Representation



- Data from root is stored at [0]-th entry of array
- Each next level is stored at the next entries

# Array Representation



- The node stored at [i]-th entry has children stored at entries
  - $2i + 1$  (left child)
  - $2i + 2$  (right child)
- Non-root node stored at [i]-th entry has a parent at entry
  - $\lfloor (i - 1)/2 \rfloor$

# Array Representation

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- ❑ Class will have three data members
  - ❑ The array
  - ❑ Size of the array (how many entries of the array is used)
  - ❑ Capacity of the array

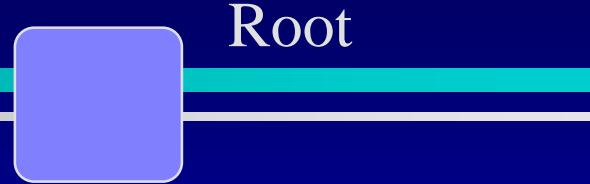
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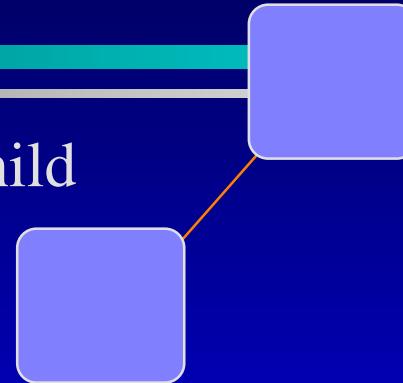
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When a complete binary tree is built, its first node must be the root

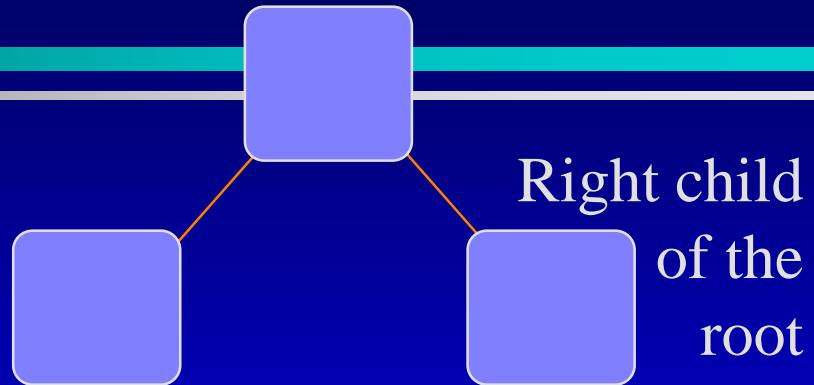
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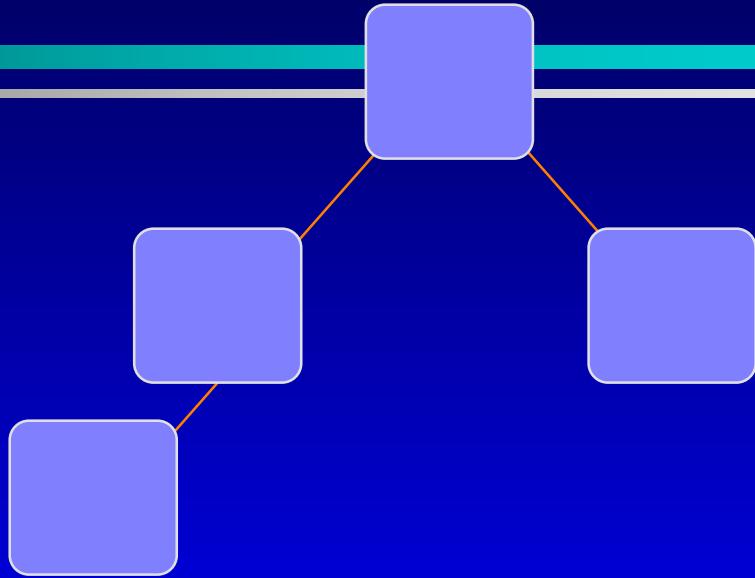
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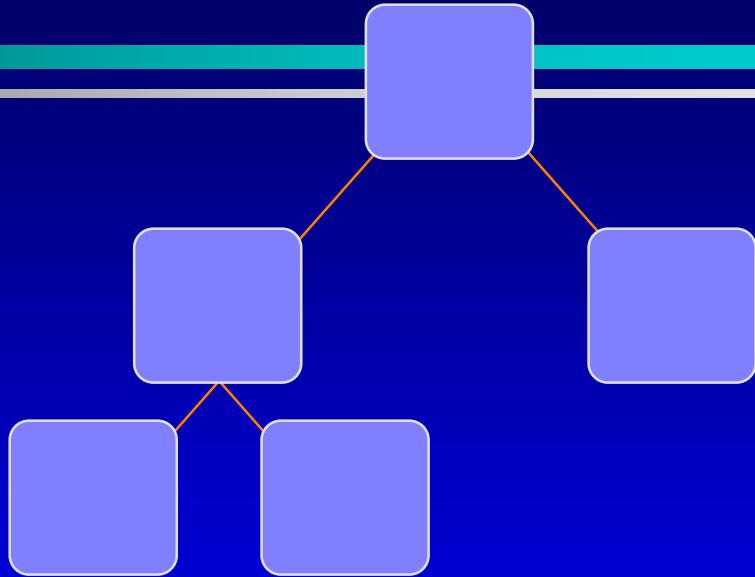
The third node is  
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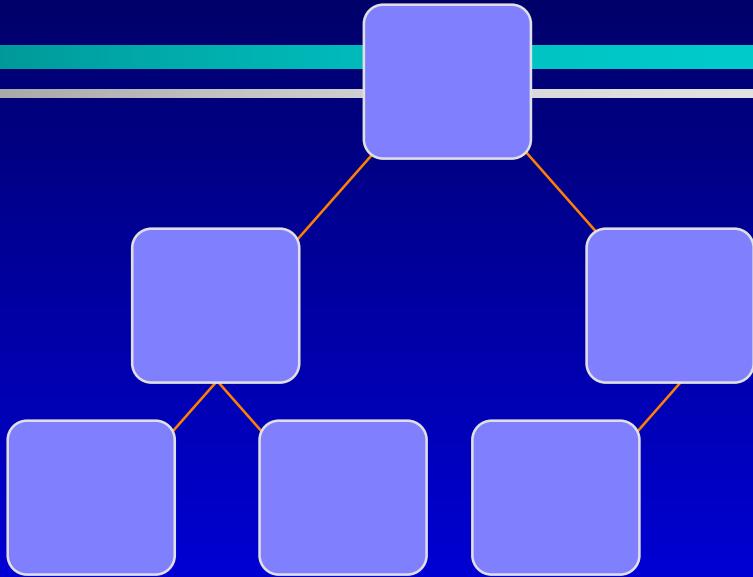
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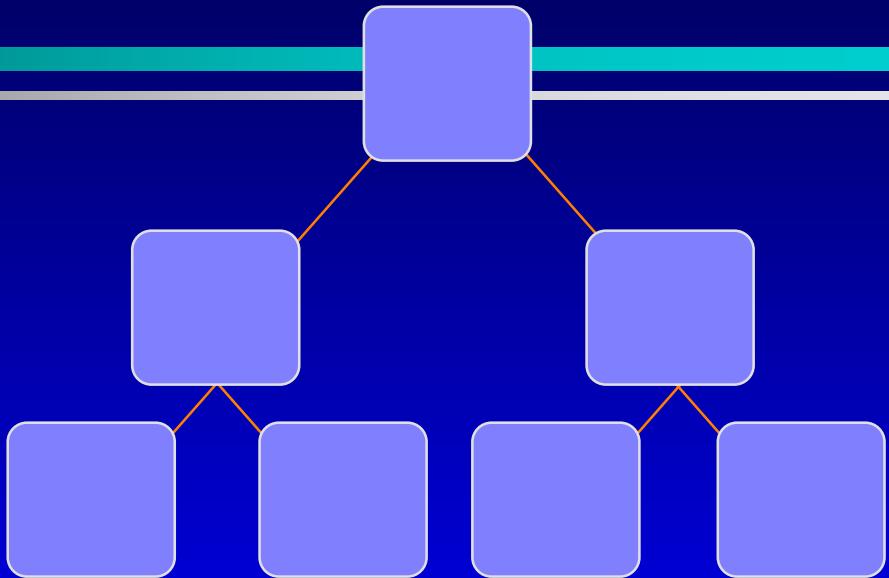
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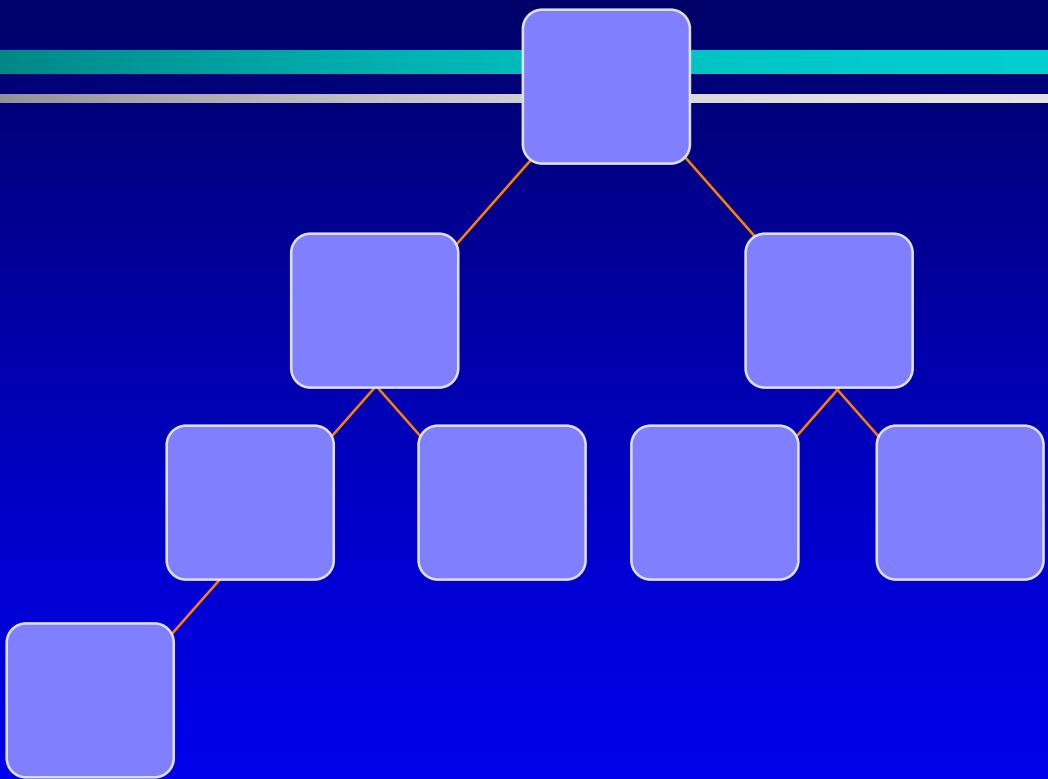
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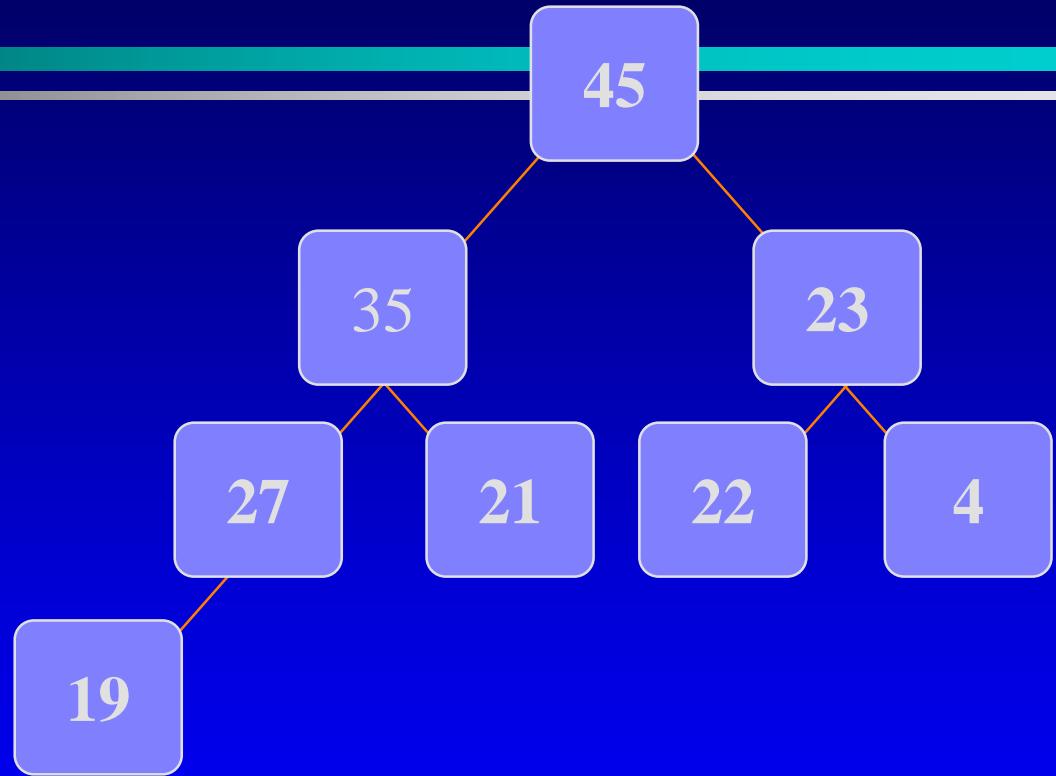


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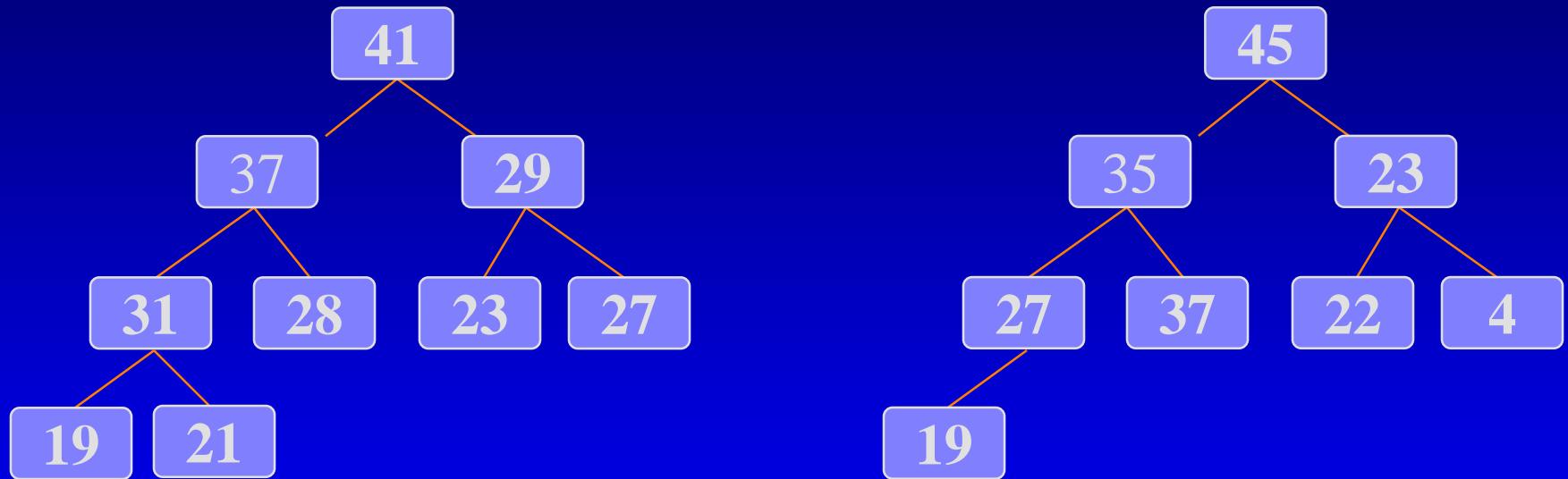


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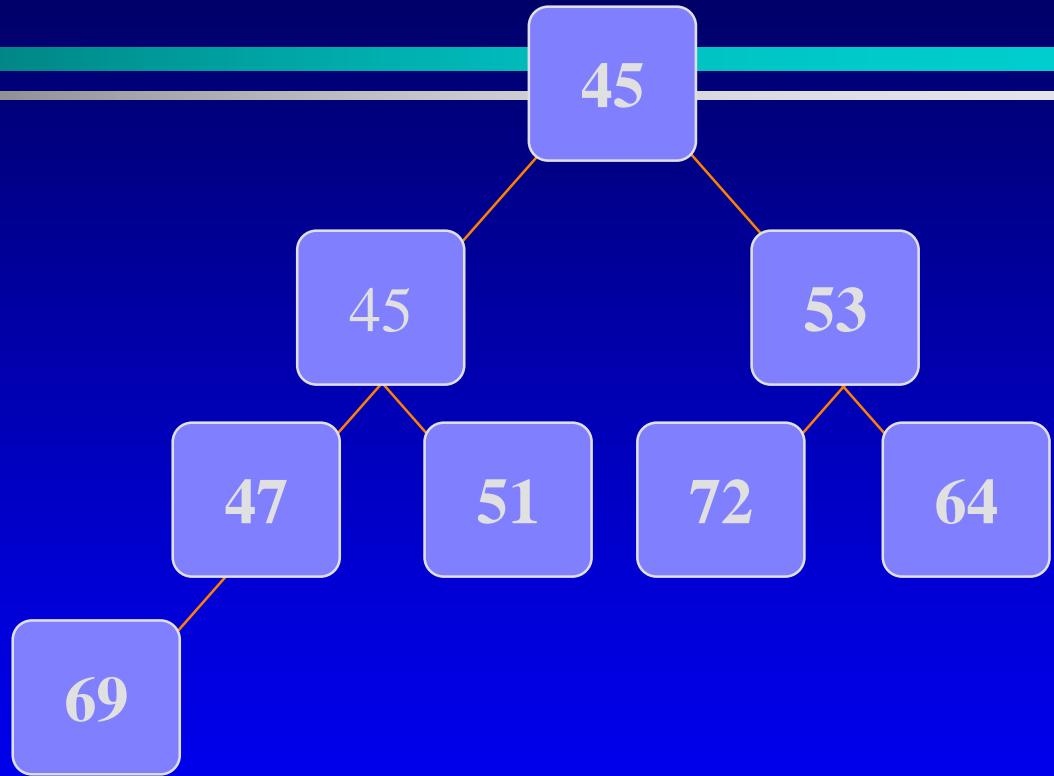
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# Heaps



Which of the trees is a MAX-heap?

# Heaps



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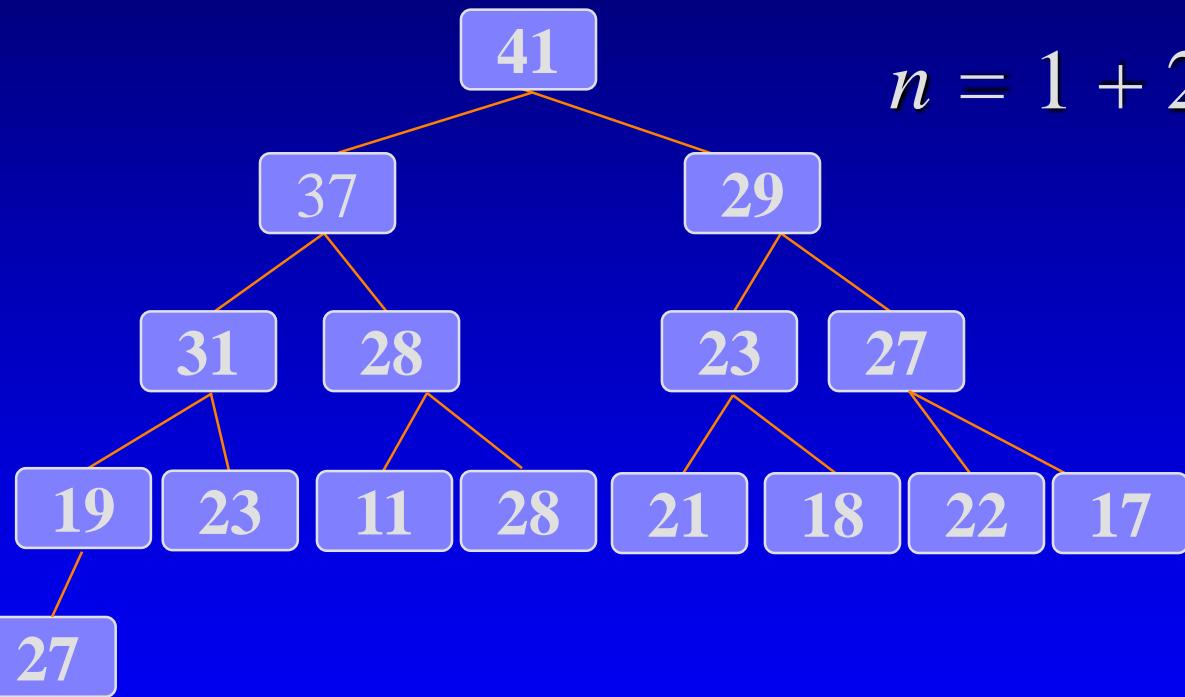
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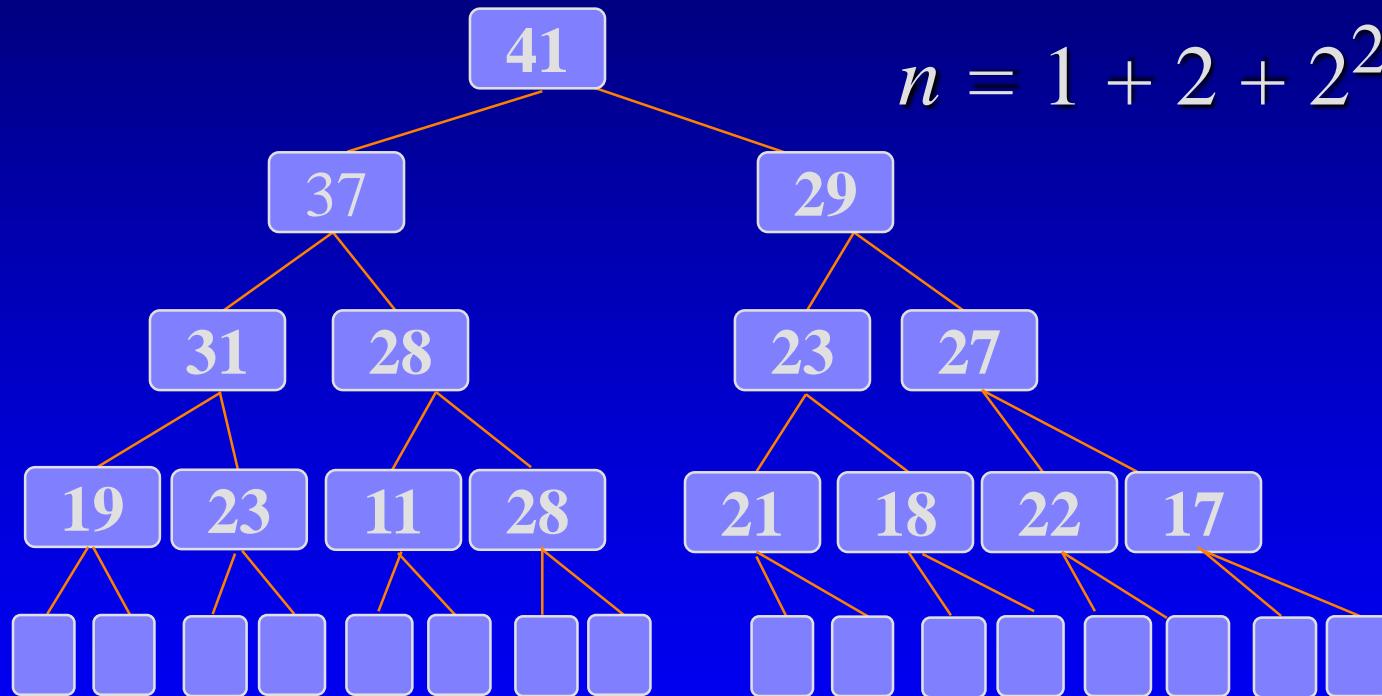
- ❑ What are the minimum and maximum numbers of elements in a heap of height  $h$ ?
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What is the minimum number of nodes in a heap of height  $h$ ?



$$n = 1 + 2 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^{h-1} + 1$$

# What is the maximum number of nodes in a heap of height $h$ ?



$$n = 1 + 2 + 2^2 + \dots + 2^h$$

# Show that $n$ -element heap has the height $h = \lfloor \lg(n) \rfloor$

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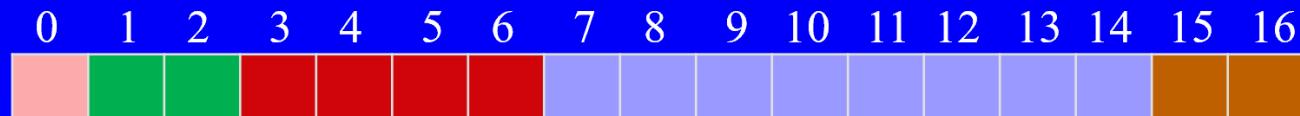
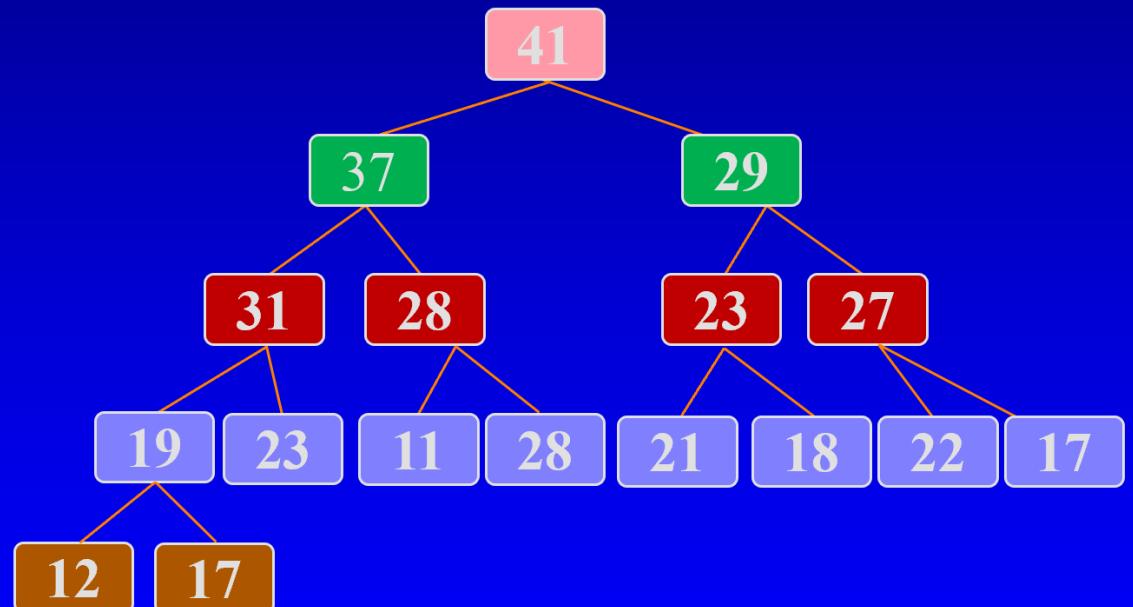
- $2^h \leq n \leq 2^{h+1} - 1$
- $h \leq \lg(n)$  (leftmost inequality)
- $\lg(n + 1) \leq h + 1$  (rightmost inequality)
- $\lg n < \lg(n + 1) \leq h + 1$
- $h \leq \lg(n) < h + 1$
- $h = \lfloor \lg(n) \rfloor$

# Indices of leaves of an $n$ -element heap

Show that the leaves are the nodes indexed by

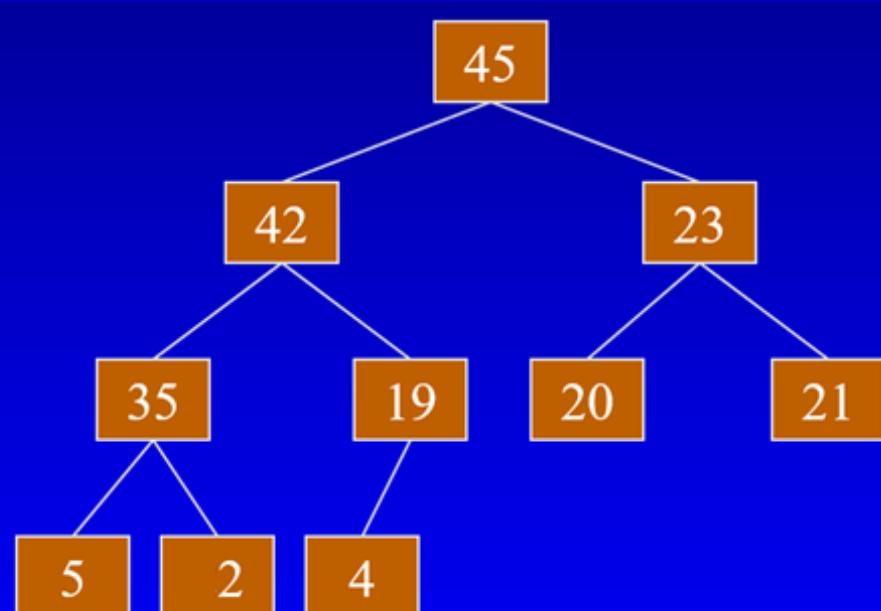
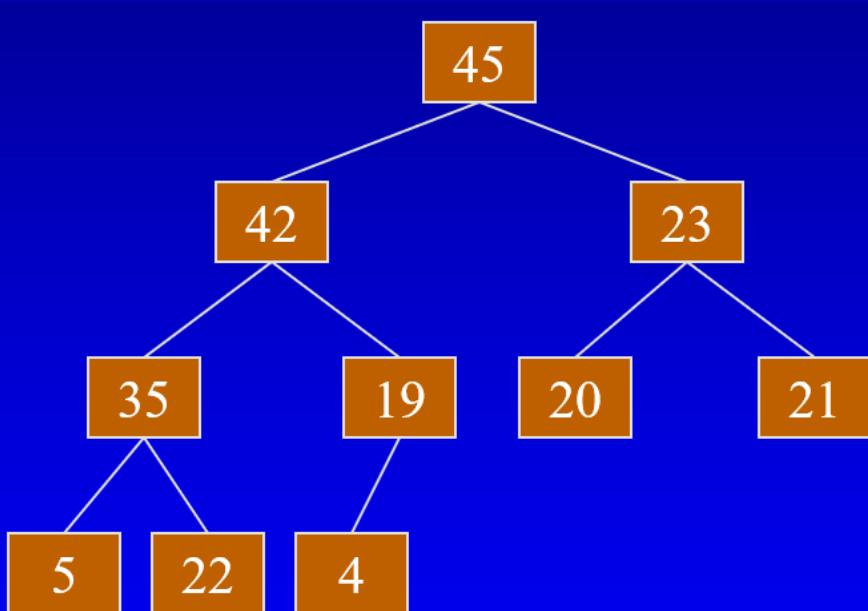
$m+1, m+2, \dots,$

$m = \lfloor (n-2)/2 \rfloor$



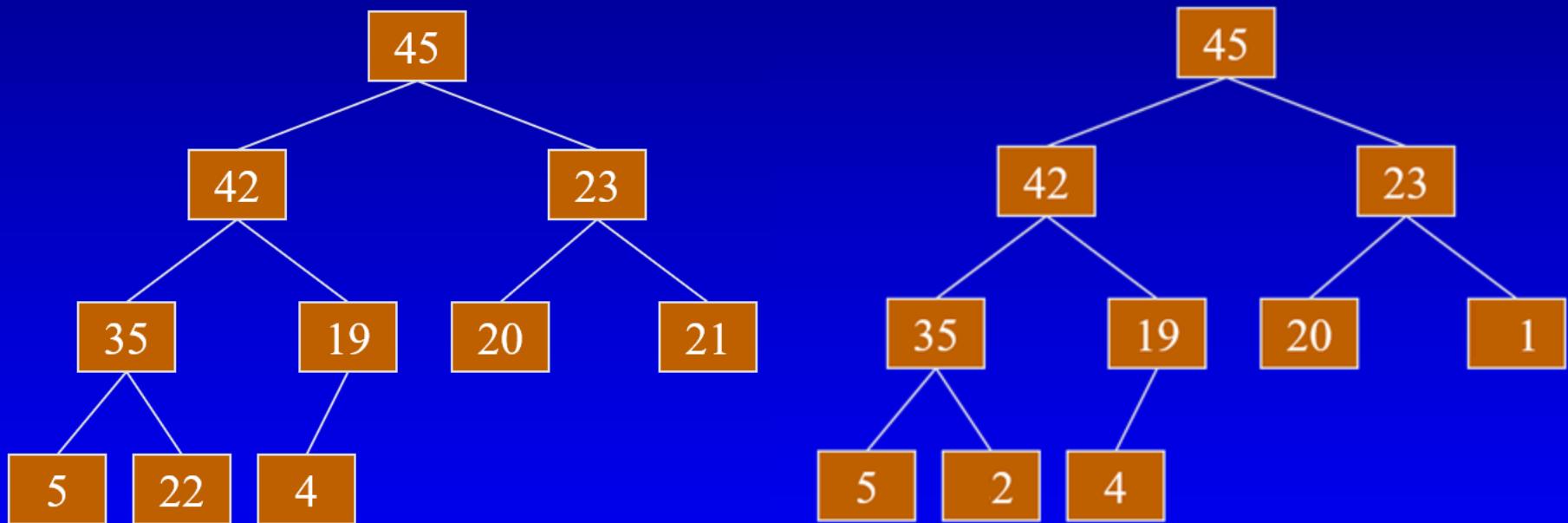
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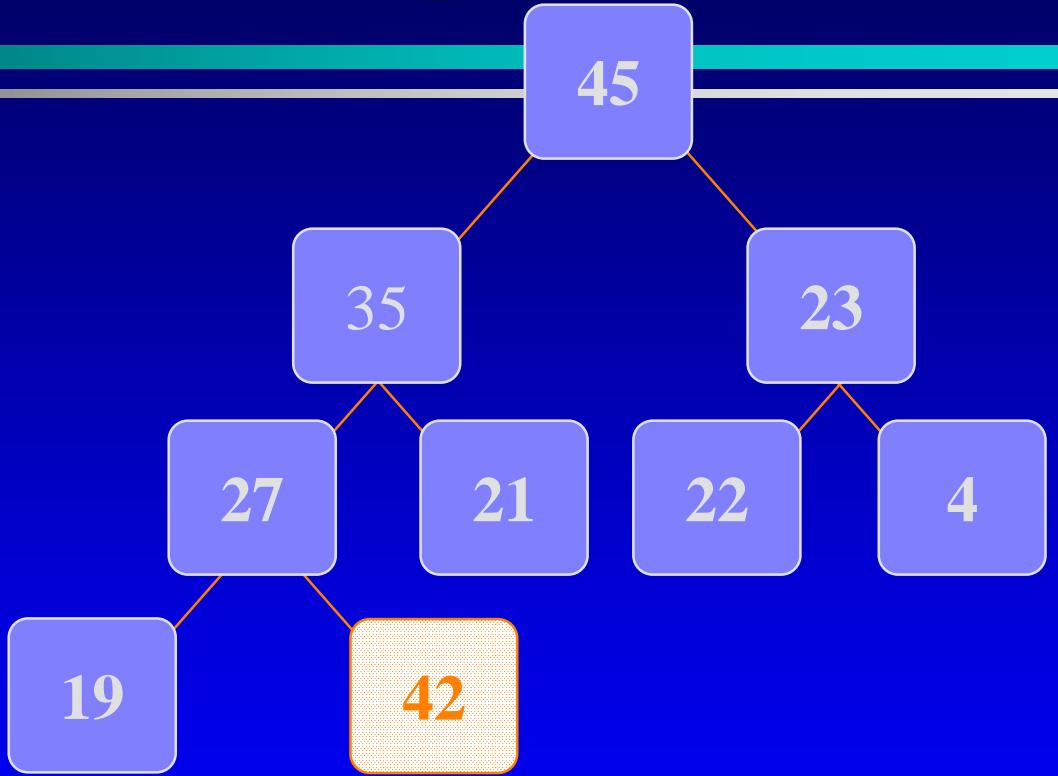
# Operations on a Heap

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- ① Add node to a heap
- ② Remove the root

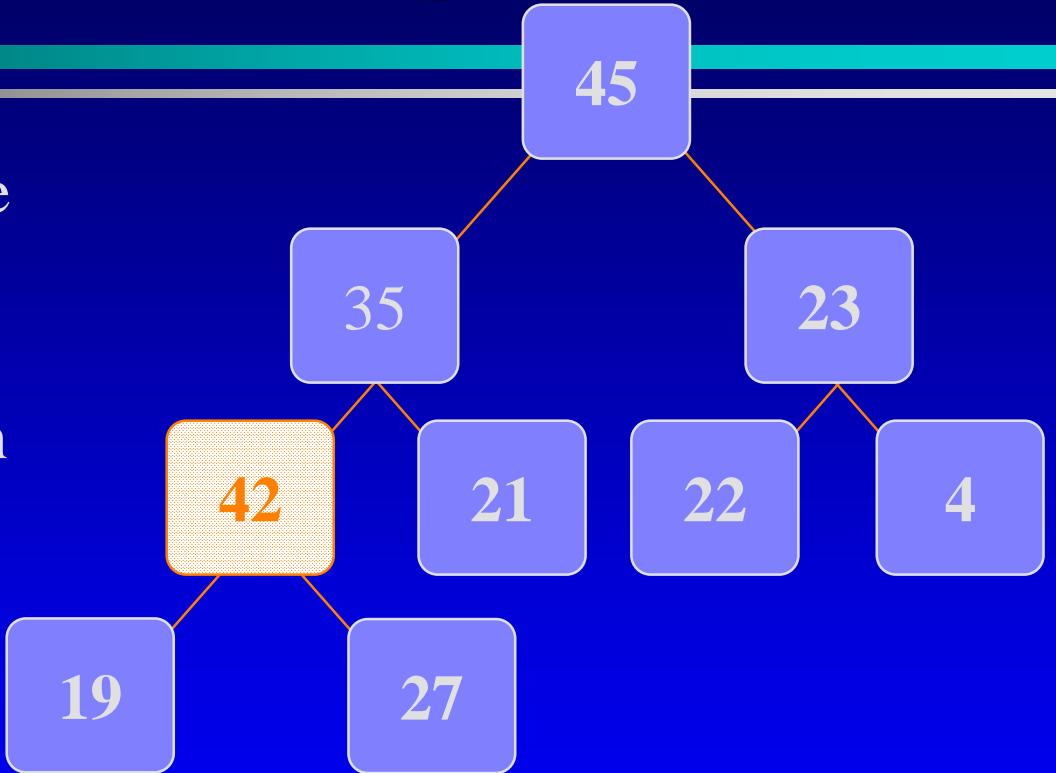
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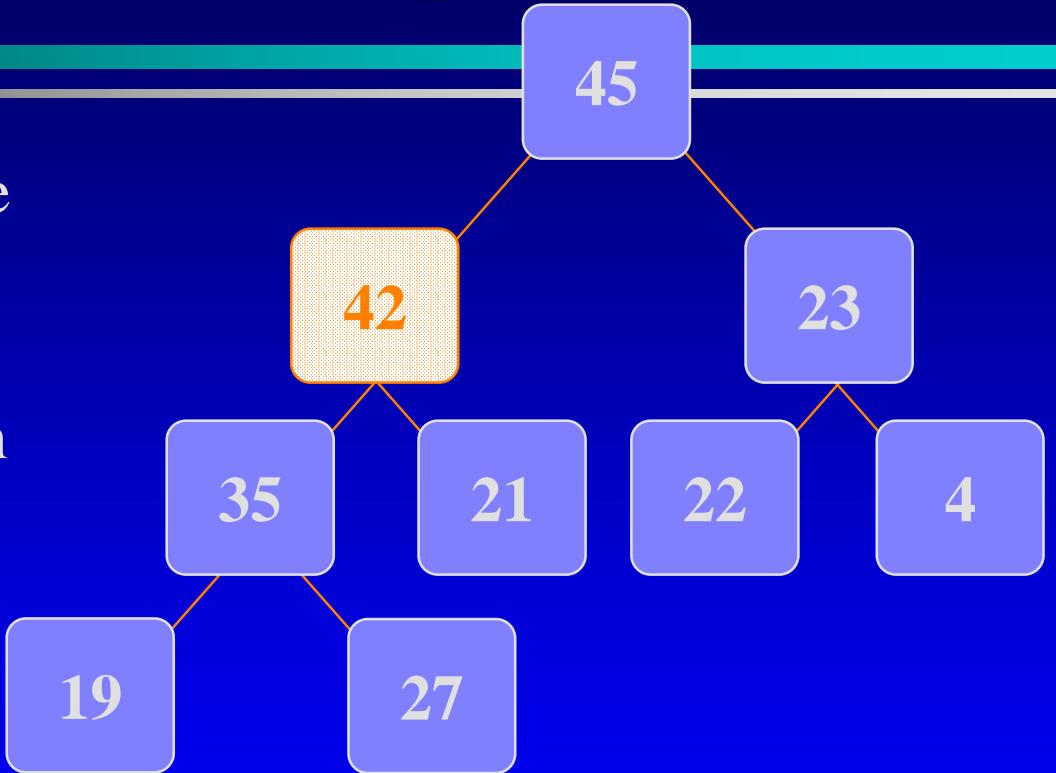
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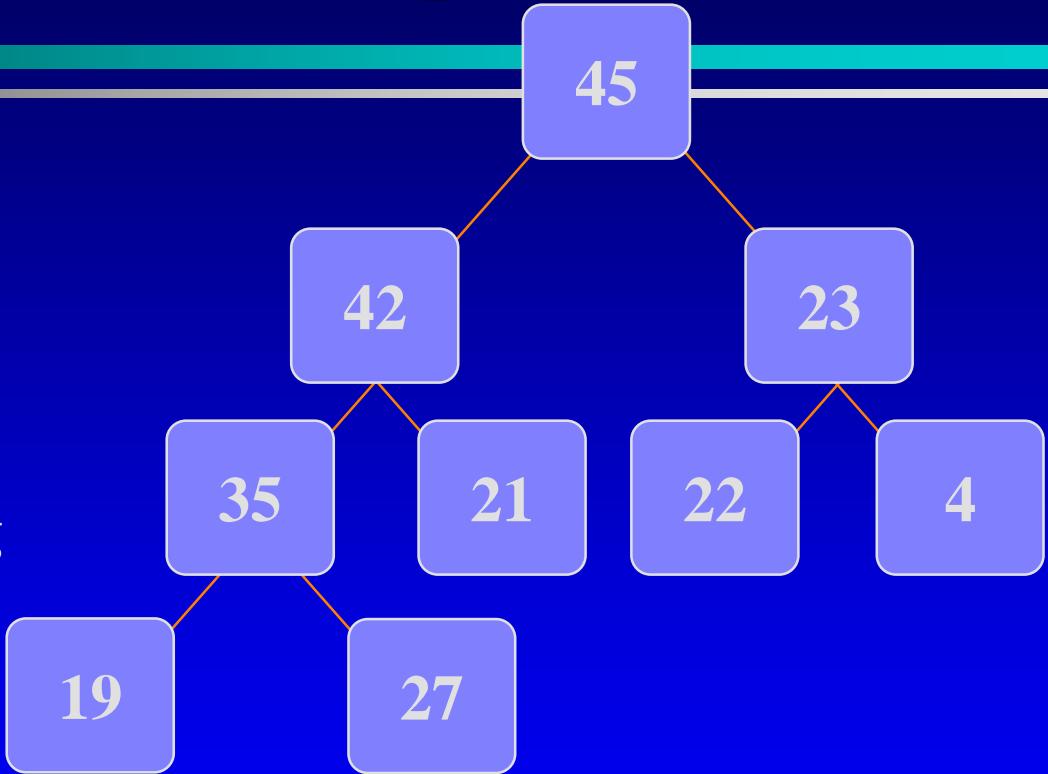
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- ✓ The node reaches the root
- ↗ The process of pushing the new node upward is called  
**reheapification upward**



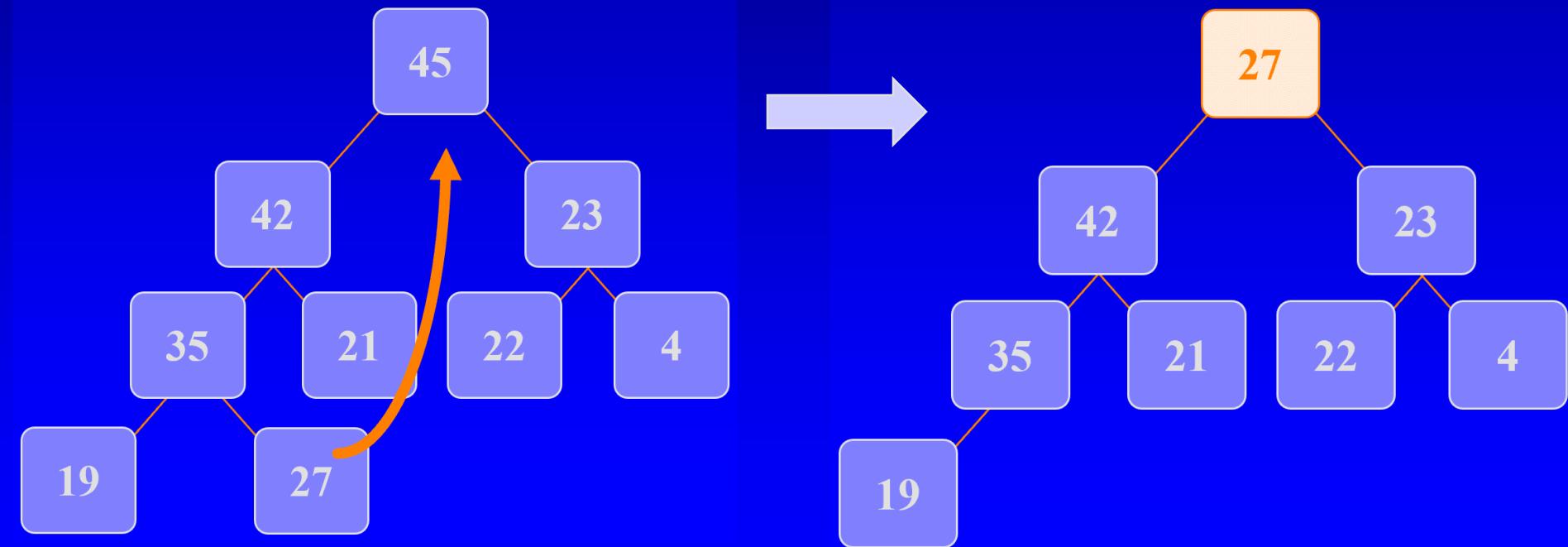
# Adding a Node to a Heap

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- ❑ Time to add a node to a heap is  $O(\lg n)$
- ❑ Justification:
  - ❑ Heap is a complete binary tree of  $n$  nodes
  - ❑ Height of a complete binary tree is  $\lg n$
  - ❑ To insert a new node to the first available spot is  $O(1)$  time
  - ❑ Reheapification upward takes constant number of operations (comparison, swap) taken at most height of the tree times, hence,  $O(\lg n)$

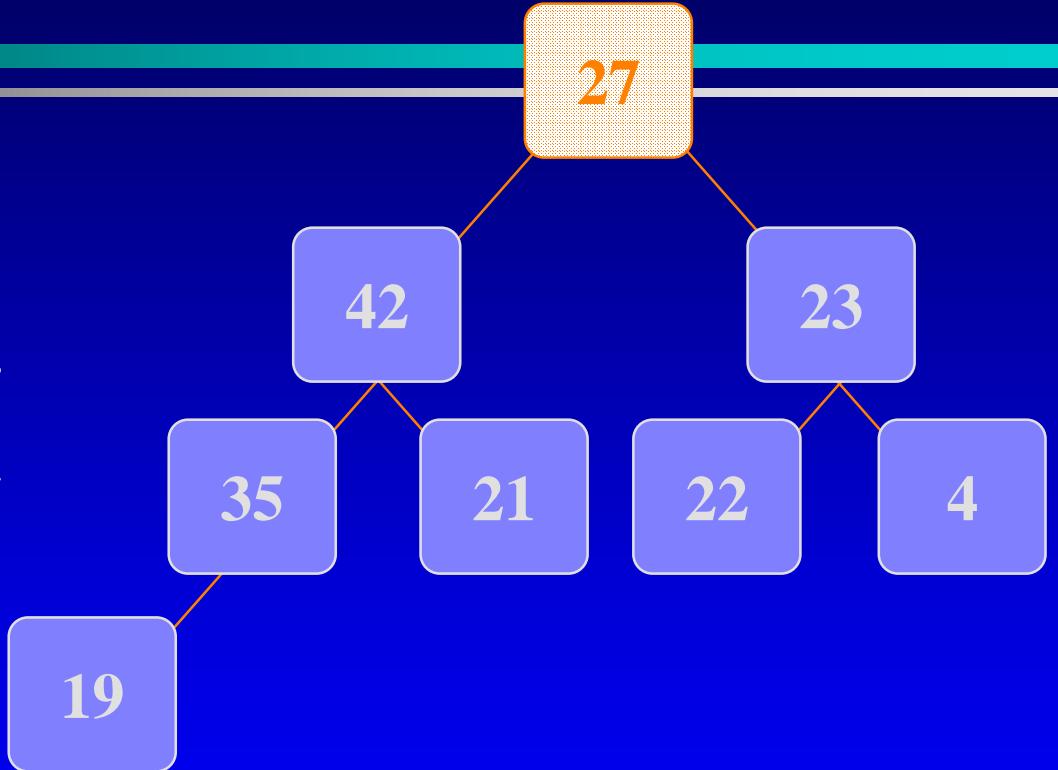
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- ① Replace the root node with the last node



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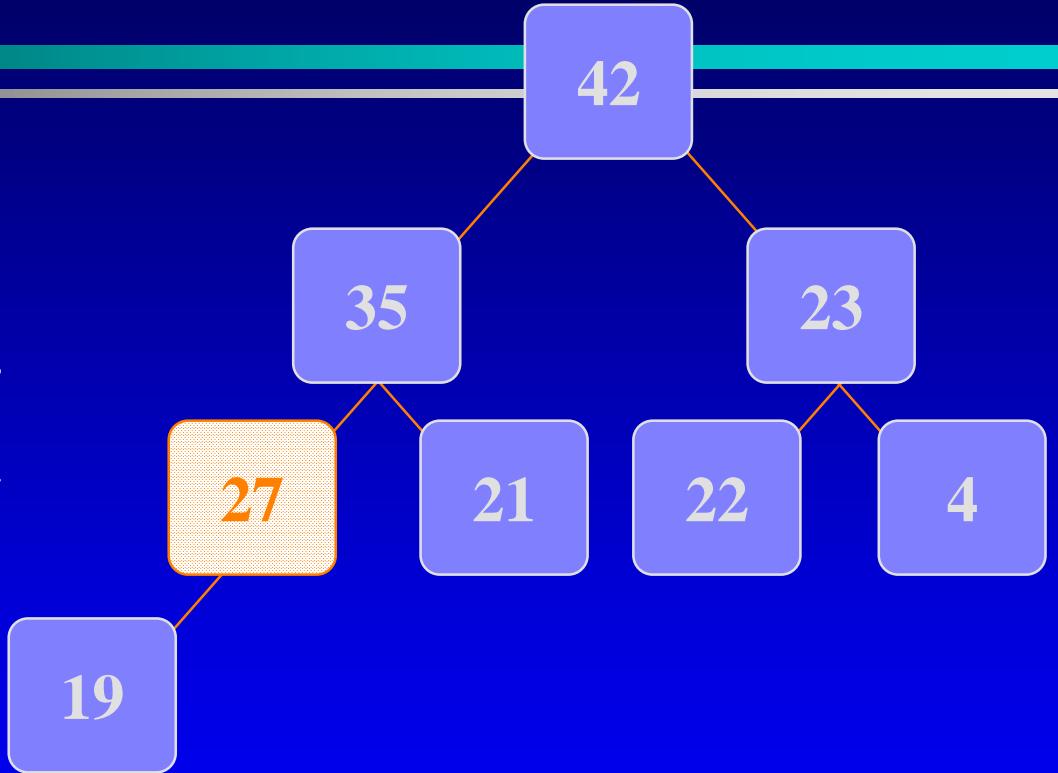
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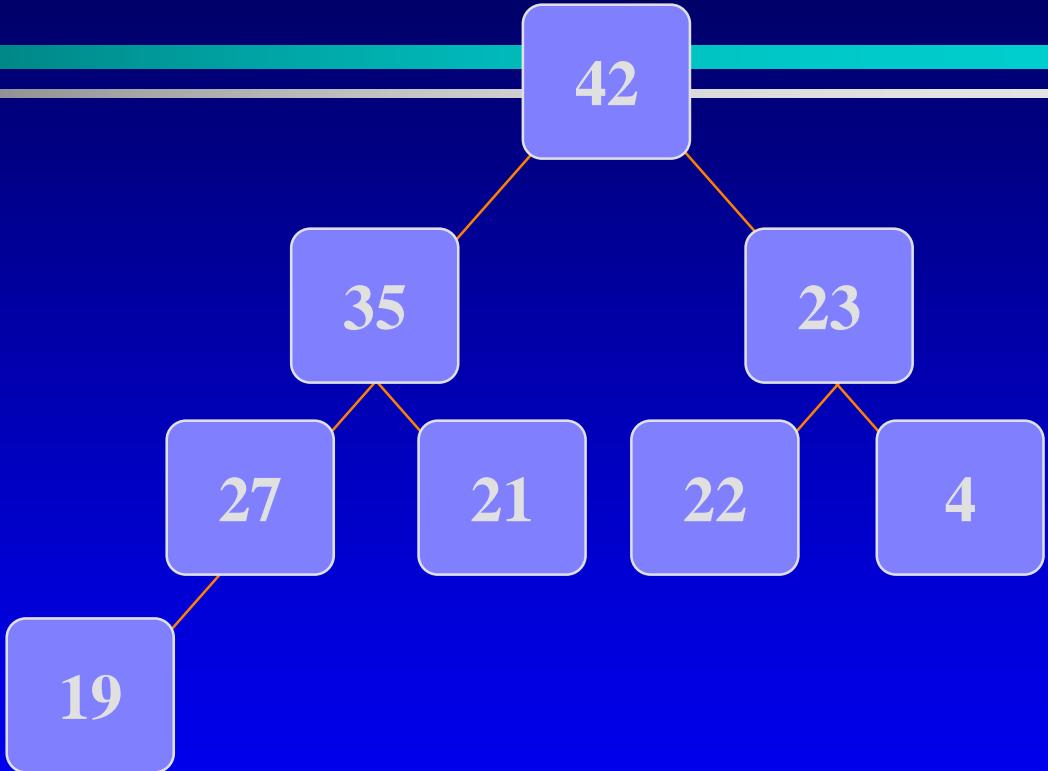
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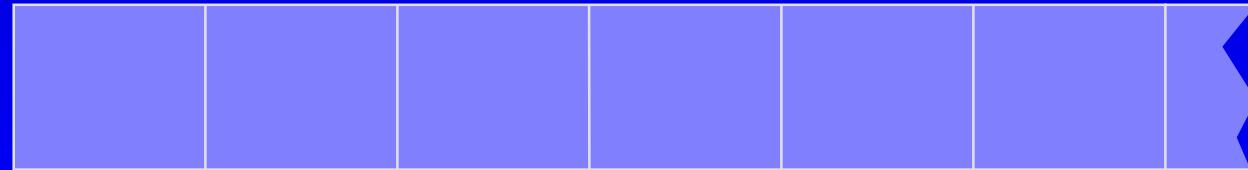
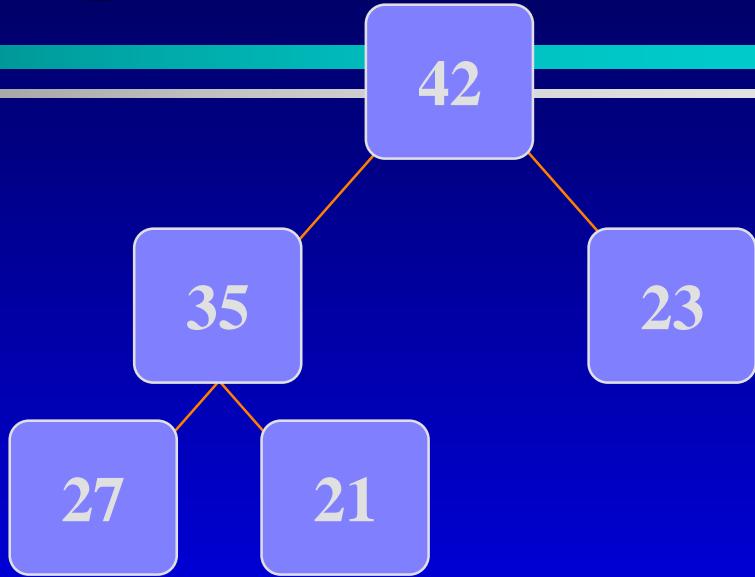
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- ❑ Takes  $O(\lg n)$  time
- ❑ Justification:
  - ❑ To replace the top with the last element takes  $O(1)$
  - ❑ Reheapification downwards takes at most height times, each of which takes a constant number of operations
  - ❑ Height is  $\lg n$

# Implementing a Heap

- We will store the data from the nodes in a partially-filled array



An array of data

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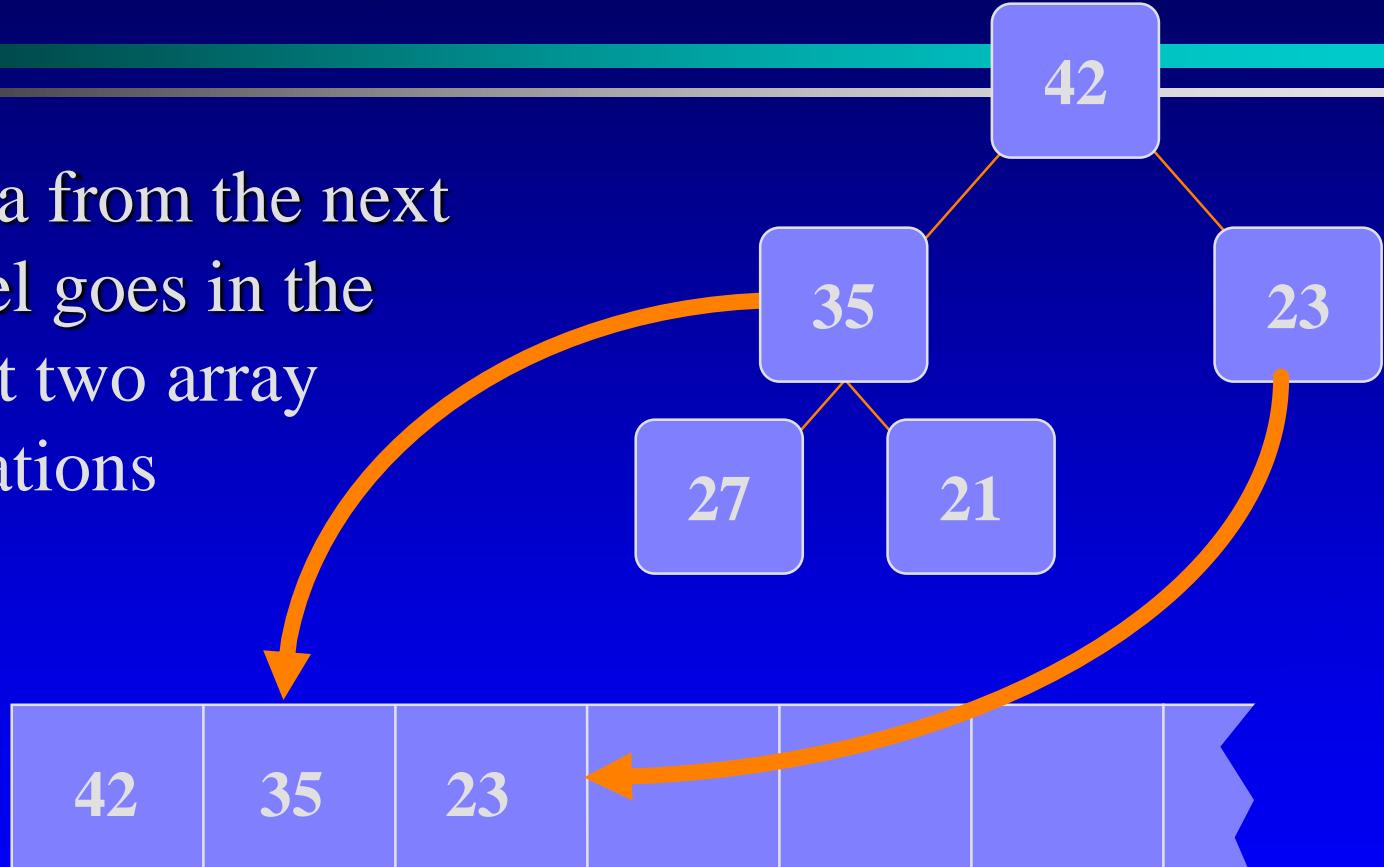
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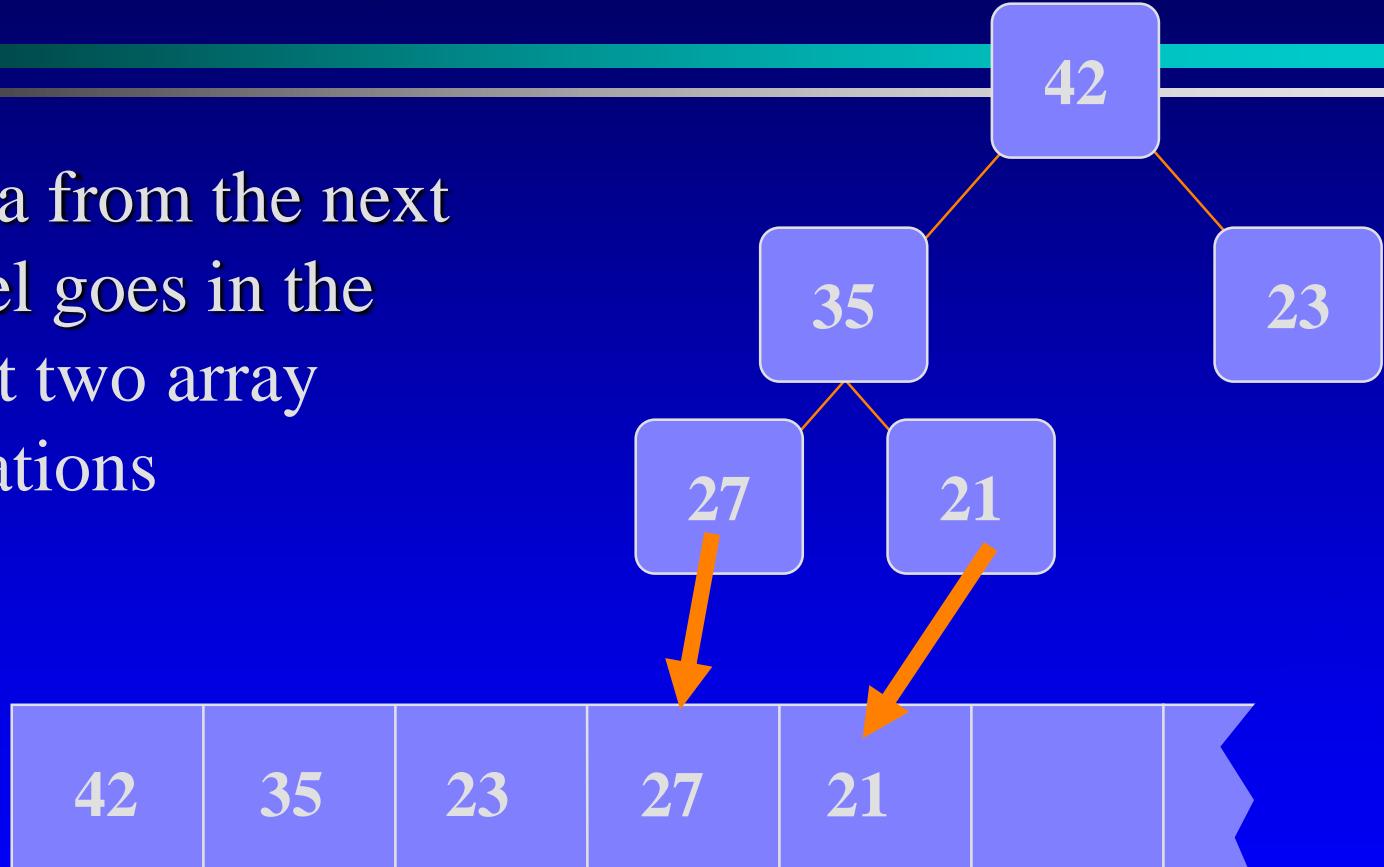
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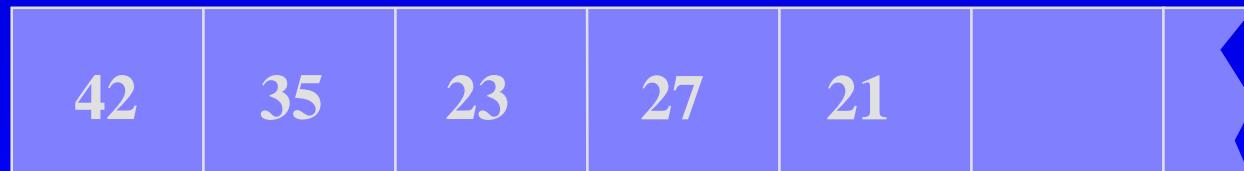
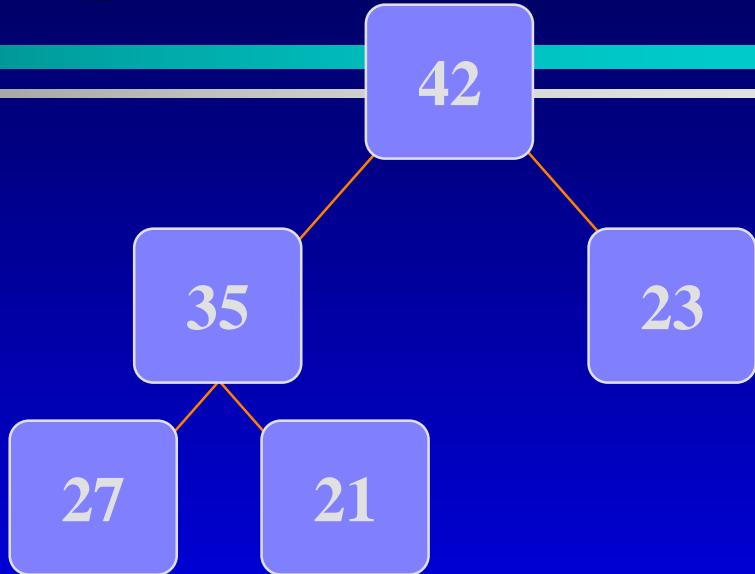
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# Implementing a Heap

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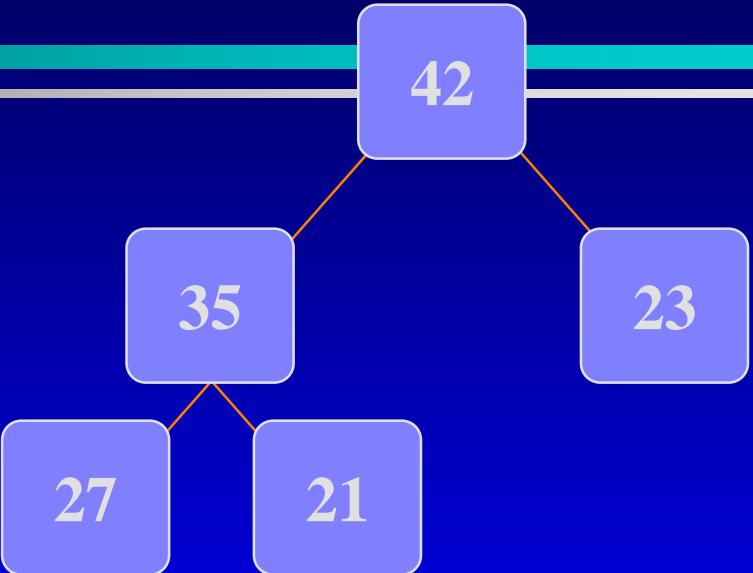


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We don't care what's in  
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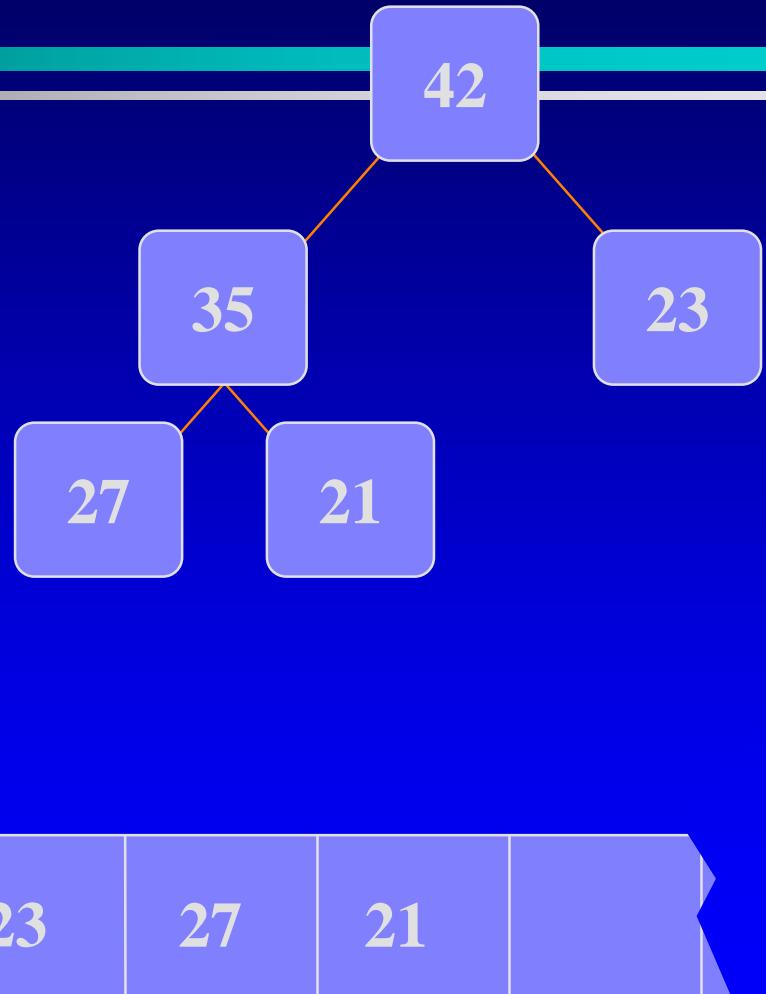
- ❑ The links between the tree's nodes are not actually stored as pointers, or in any other way
- ❑ The only way we "know" that "the array is a tree" is from the way we manipulate the data



An array of data

# Important Points about the Implementation

- If you know the index of a node, then it is easy to figure out the indices of that node's parent and children
- If node is at [i]-th entry, its children are at  $2i + 1, 2i + 2$
- Parent of a child at [i]-th entry is at  $\lfloor(i - 1)/2\rfloor$



# Building a Heap

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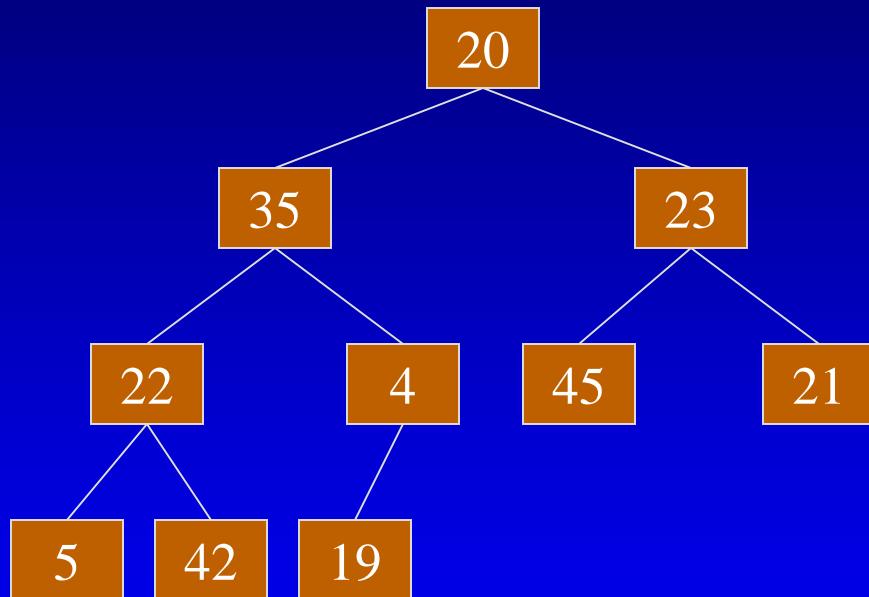
- ❑ Two ways to build a heap with given values:
  - ❑ Insert one value at a time using an insertion
    - ❑  $O(n \lg n)$
  - ❑ Build an arbitrary complete binary tree and then perform reheapification downward
    - ❑  $O(n)$
- ❑ The second way is more optimal

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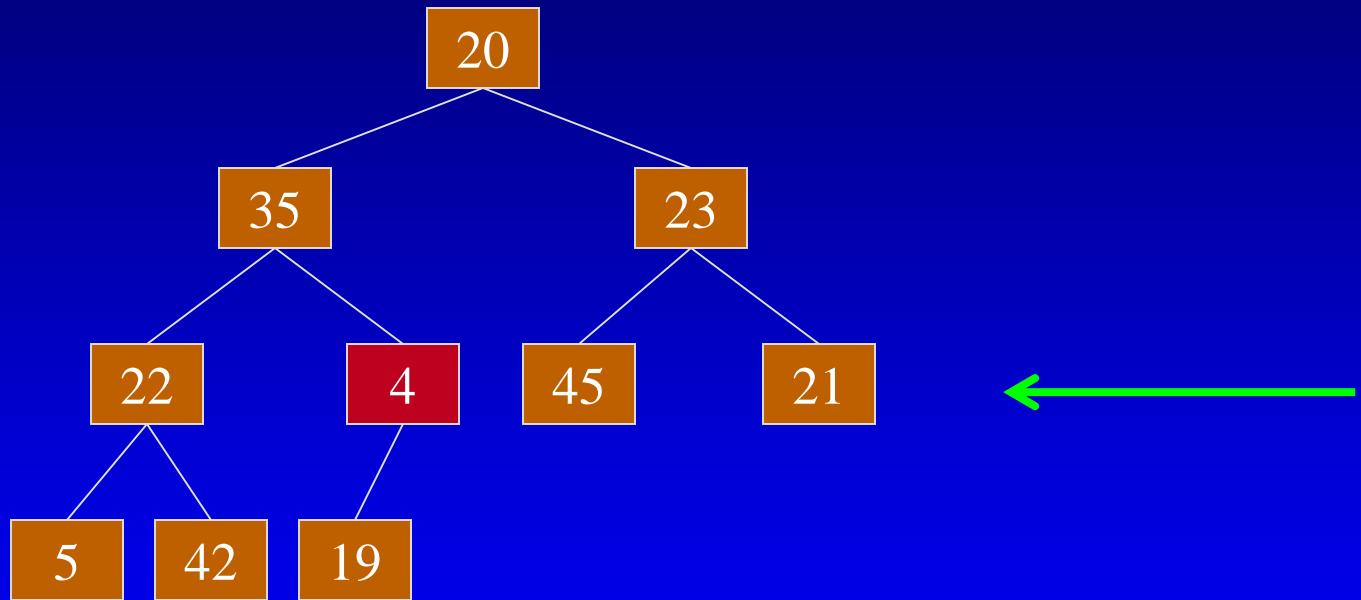
- ❑ Starting from the lowest level, move level by level up
- ❑ At each level, do reheapification downward of each node treating it as a root of a heap (the subtree rooted at that node)

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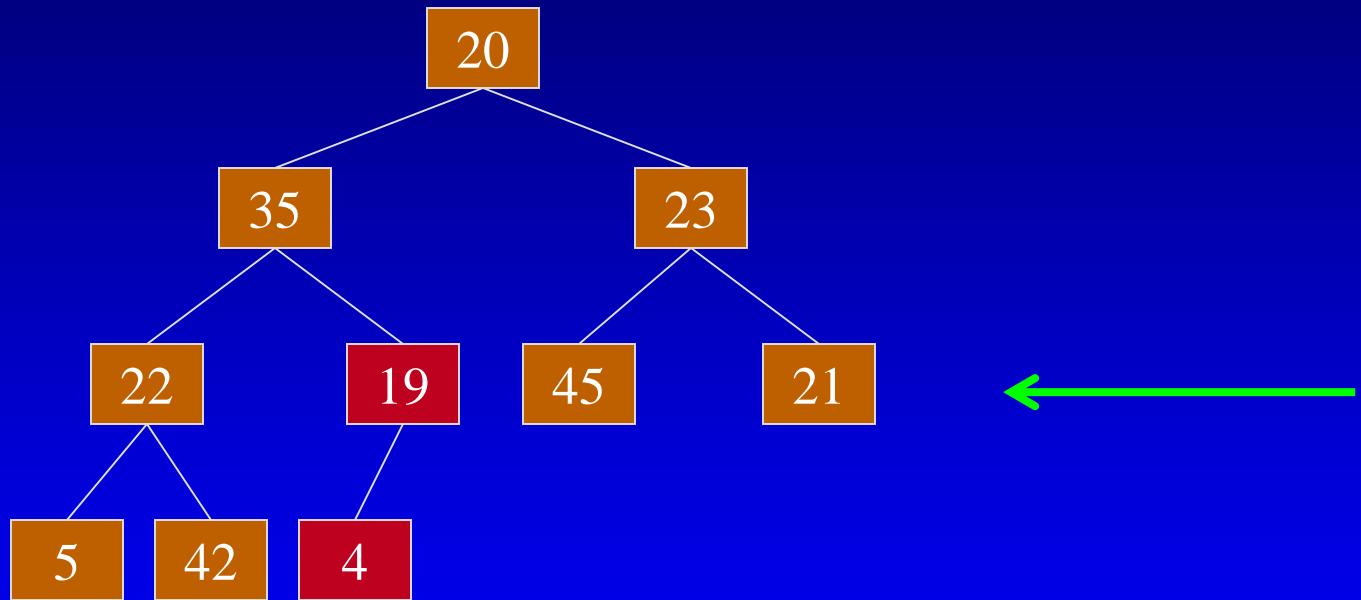
- ❑ First, we build an arbitrary complete binary tree.
- ❑ Then, starting from the bottom level
  - ❑ Reheapify downward each node
  - ❑ Swap with the larger child

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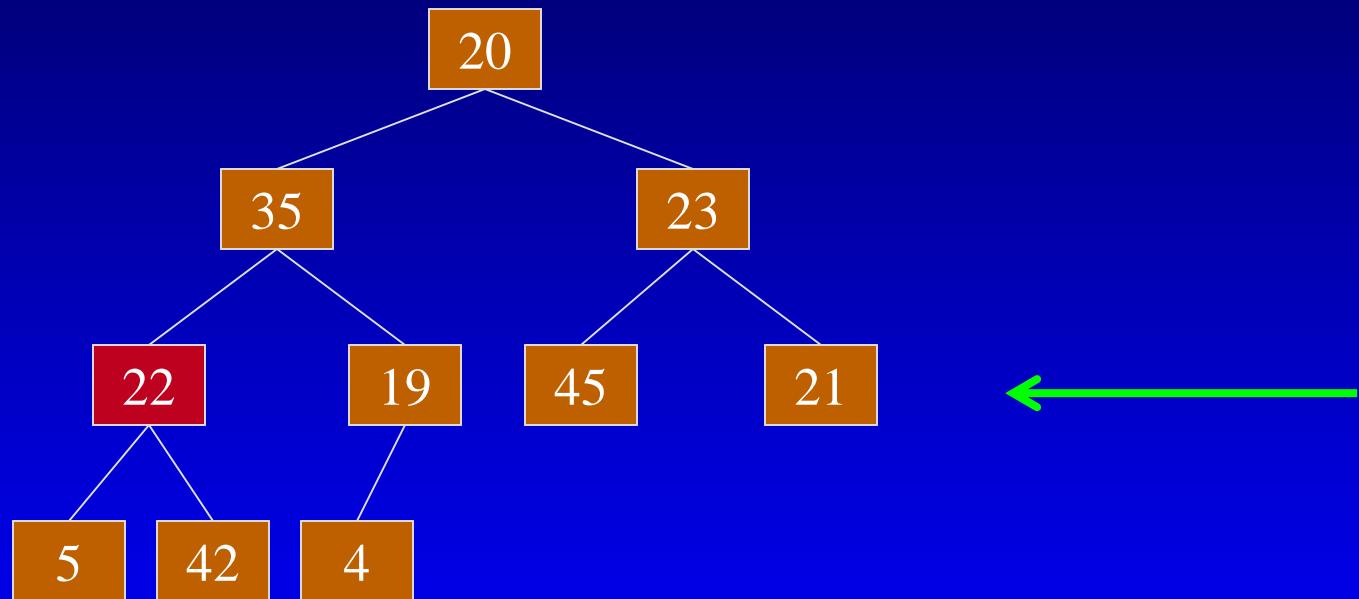
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Swap 4 and 19

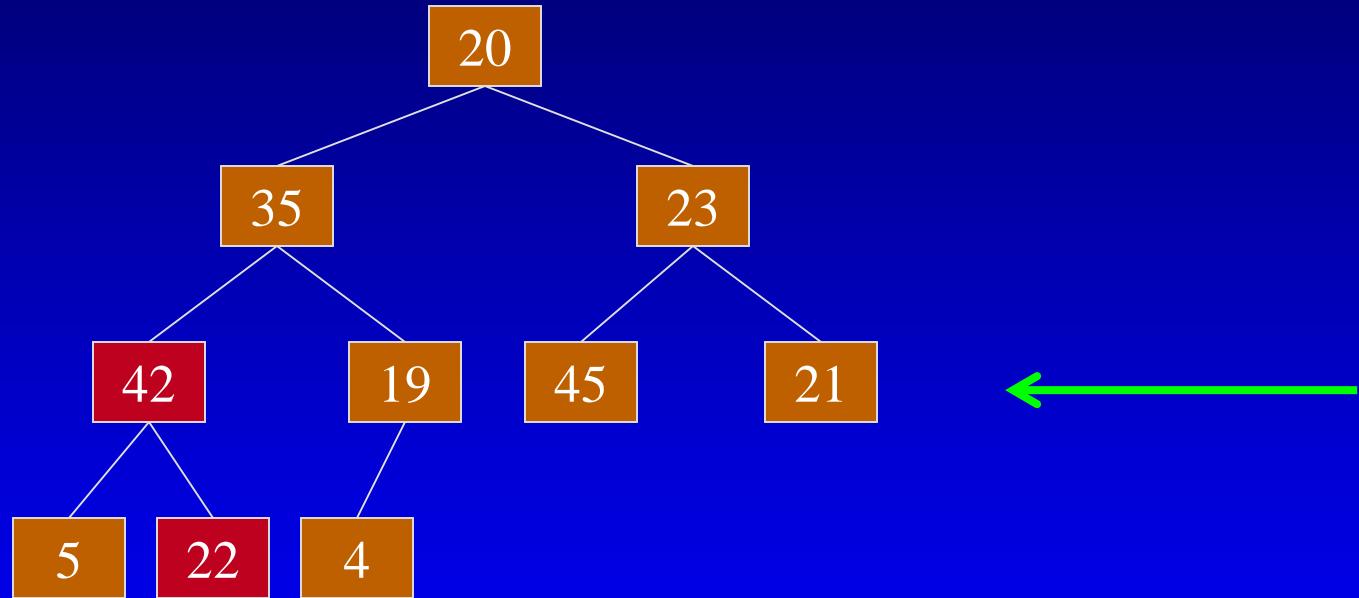
4 is a leaf node, so reheapification downward is complete

Build a heap with 20, 35, 23, 22, 4, 45, 21, 5, 42 and 19



$$22 < 42$$

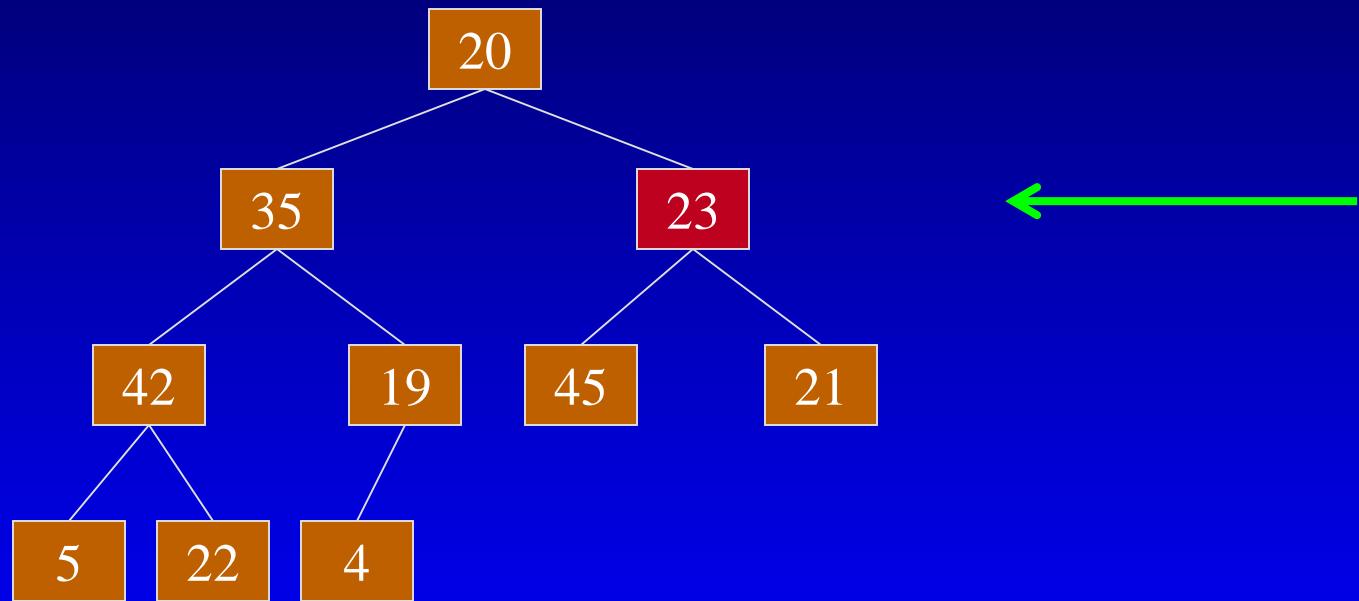
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Swap 22 and 42

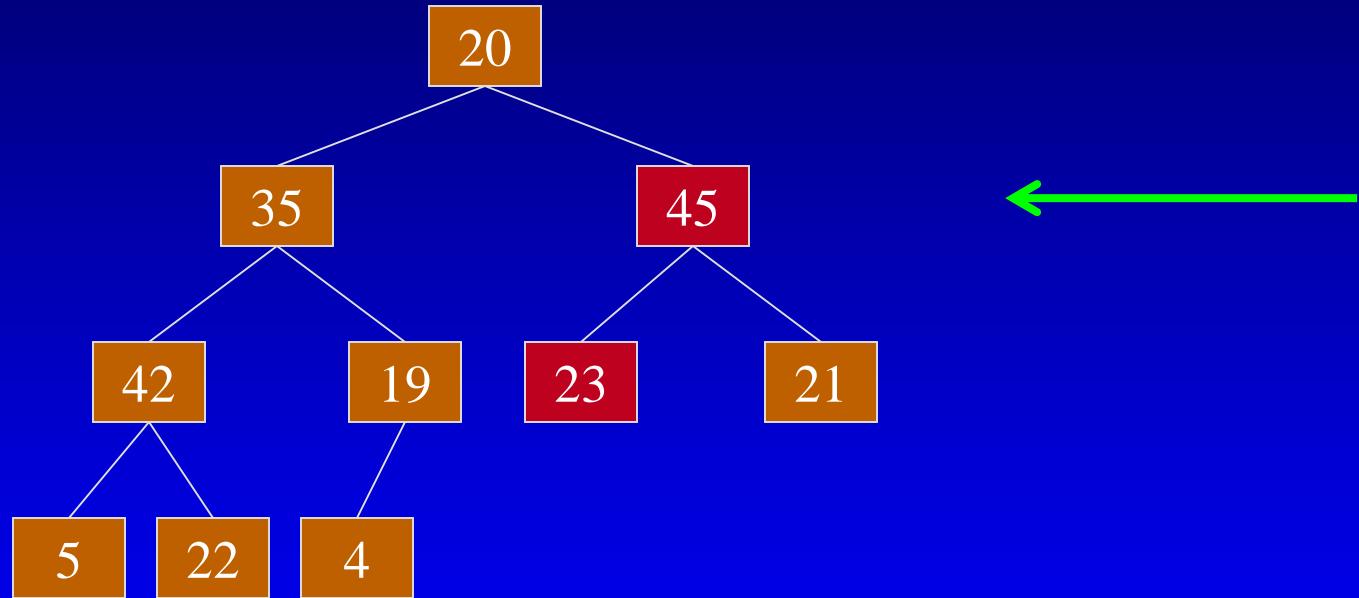
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$$23 < 45$$

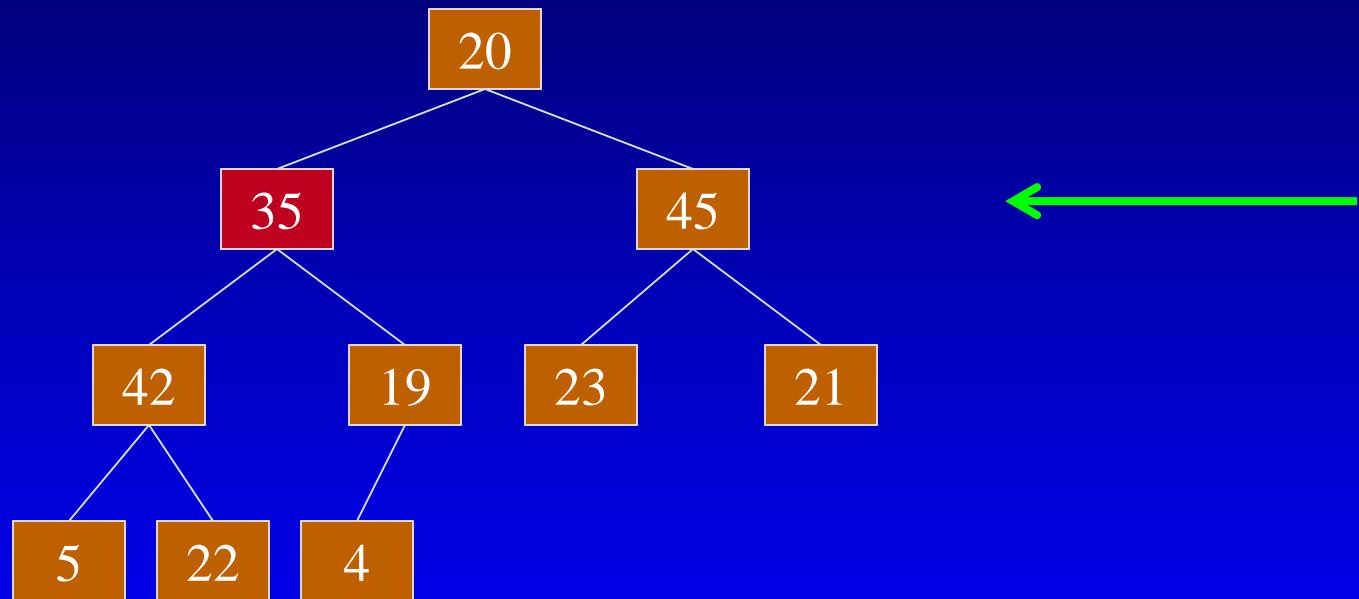
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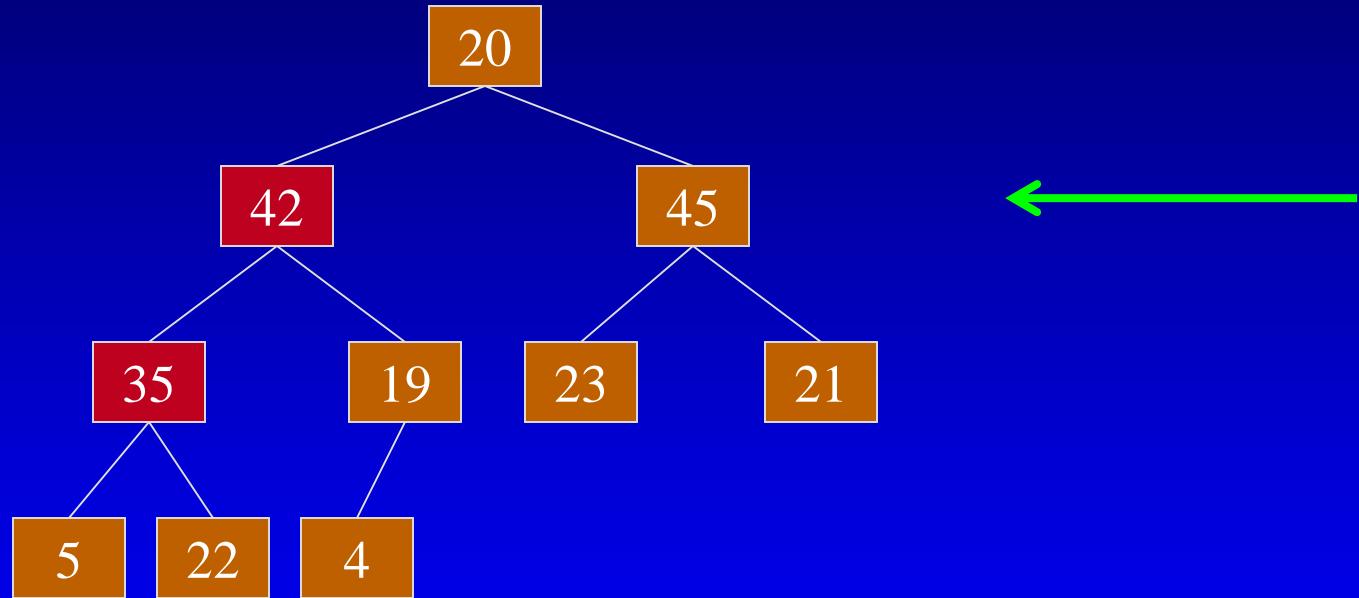
23 is a leaf node, so no reheapification downward is done

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$$35 < 42$$

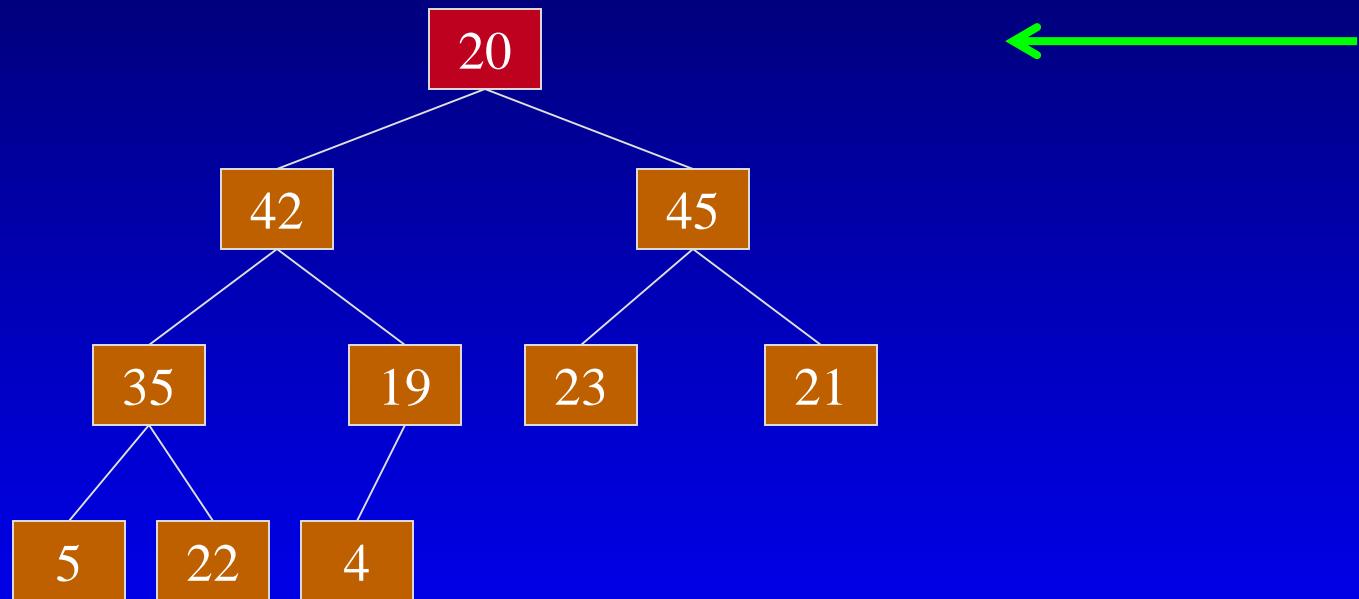
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Swap 35 and 42

$35 \geq 5$  and  $35 \geq 22$ , reheapification downward stops

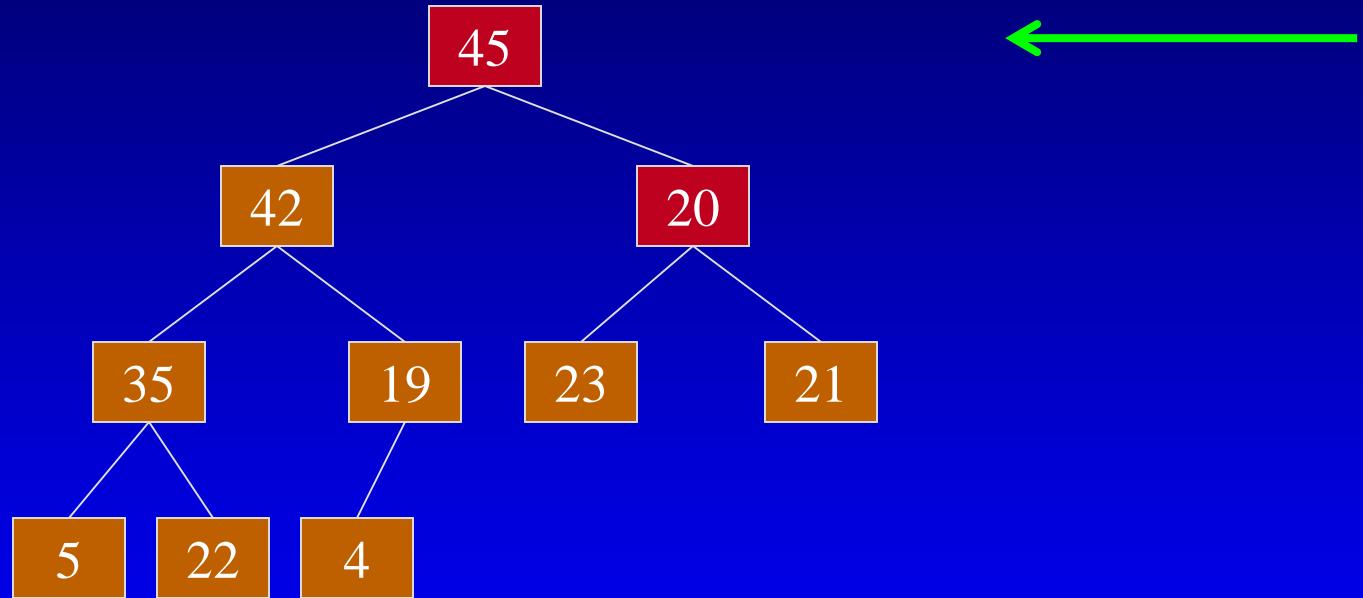
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$20 < 42$  and  $20 < 45$

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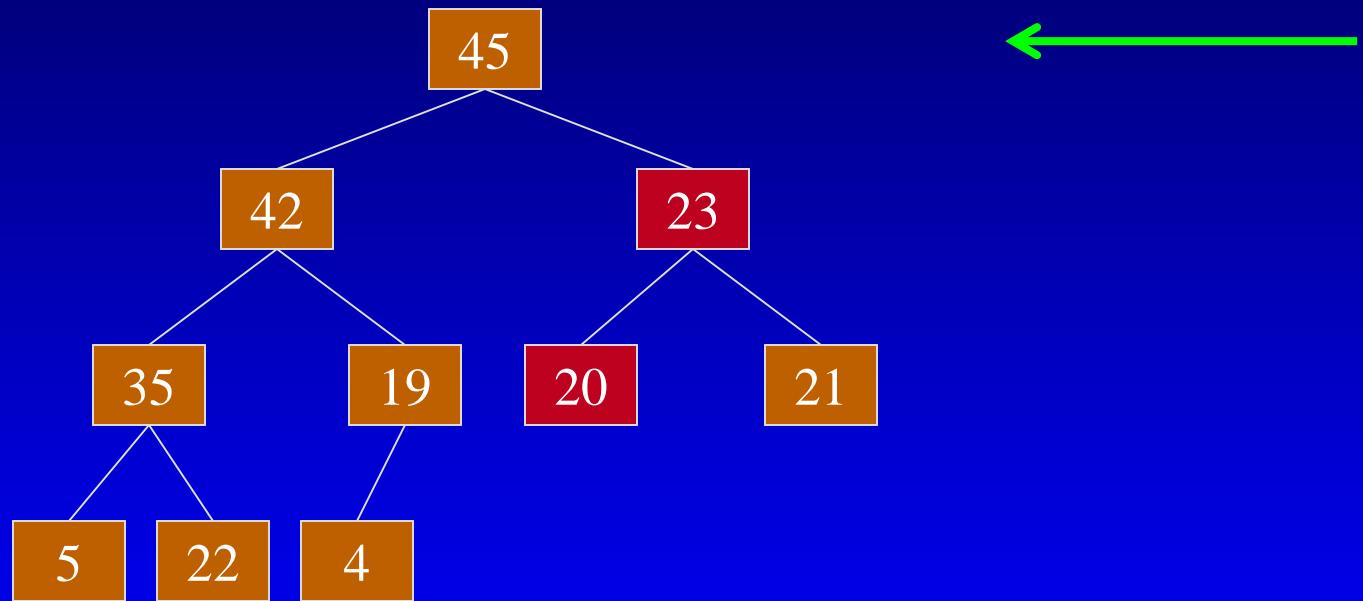


Swap 20 and 45

$20 < 23$  and  $20 < 21$ , continue reheapification downward

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Swap 20 and 23

20 is a leaf node, stop reheapification downward

# Build Heap

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- ❑ Implementation details to think about:
  - ❑ How to move from lowest levels to upper?
  - ❑ How to ensure that we do not miss any node that has not been processed?

# Building a Heap

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- ❑ Correctness:
- ❑ Let  $h$  be the height of a complete binary tree
- ❑ All leaves of a complete binary tree are roots of heaps (each leaf is a root of a subtree of a single node)
- ❑ At each upper level  $i$ , nodes are reheapified downwards of correct heaps, resulting in heaps

# Building a Heap

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- Time analysis
  - We perform reheapification for each node at heights  $0, 1, \dots, \lg n$
  - Each node is the root of a subtree of height  $h$ ,  
 $0 \leq h \leq \lg n$
  - At height  $h$ , there are total of nodes:

$$2^i = 2^{\log(n)-h} = \frac{2^{\log(n)}}{2^h} = \frac{n}{2^h}$$

# Building a Heap

- Time analysis
  - There are total of  $h$  swaps for each node rooted at a subtree of height  $h$
  - Total number of swaps is the product of the number of nodes at height  $h$  and the number of swaps

$$h = \log(n)$$

$$\sum_{h=0}^{\log(n)} \frac{n}{2^h} O(h) \leq O\left(n \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \frac{h}{2^h}\right) = O(2n) = O(n)$$

# Priority Queue

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- A priority queue behaves much like an ordinary queue
  - Elements are placed in the queue and later taken out
  - Each element in addition to data has an associated number called **priority**
  - The highest priority element always leaves first

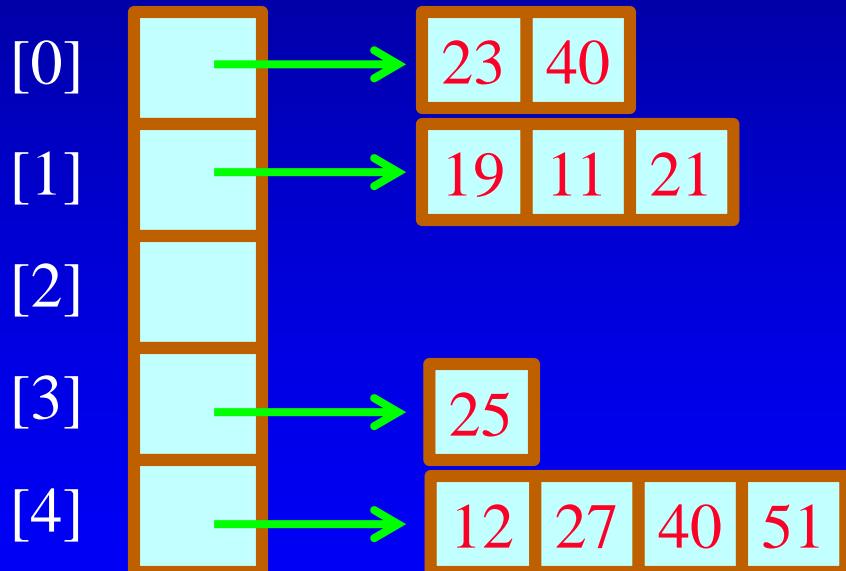
# Priority Queue Implementation

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- ❑ Using a heap
- ❑ Using an array of ordinary queues
  - ❑ An array index denotes a priority
  - ❑ At `queues[i]`, the elements with i-th priority are stored
  - ❑ To insert an item of i-th priority, we insert it at the end of the queue at `queues[i]`
  - ❑ To remove an item, we check from highest to smallest priorities, removing an element at the front of a non-empty queue with highest priority

# Priority Queue Implementation

- Using an array of ordinary queues



Disadvantage:  
Priorities might vary with  
maximum priority not  
fixed  
Not efficient in terms of  
space resources

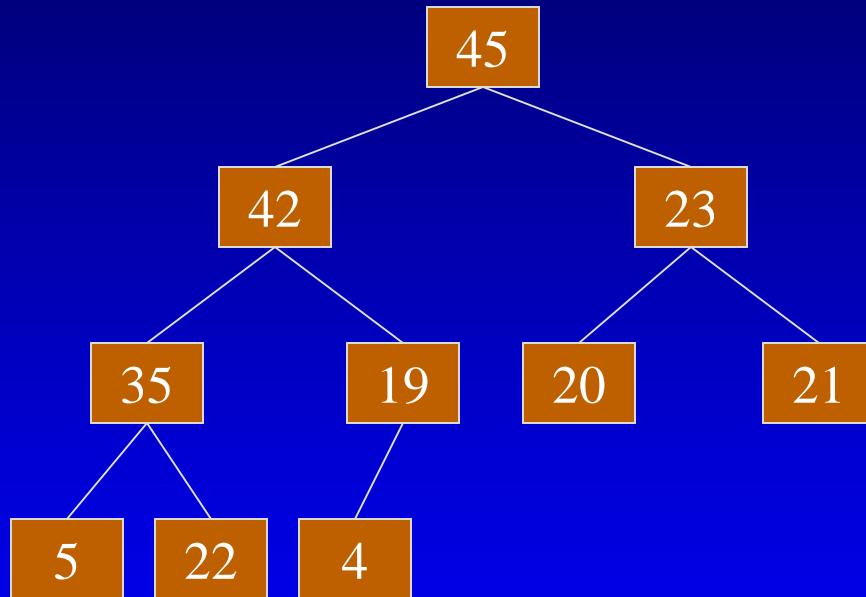
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- ❑ Using a heap
- ❑ Heap is implemented as an array of elements
- ❑ Each element has a data item and priority value
- ❑ Heap rules are applied using the order according to priority values

# Priority Queue using heap

Build a heap with 0:20, 1:35, 2:23, 3:22, 4:4, 5:45, 6:21, 7:5, 8:42 and 9:19 ( key : priority )



45	42	23	35	19	20	21	5	22	4
5	8	2	1	9	0	6	7	3	4

priorities  
keys

# Priority Queue using heap

Update priority of an item with the given key

update( key, priority )

Additional array indexed by keys

A[key] = index of key in Heap



45	42	23	35	19	20	21	5	22	4
5	8	2	1	9	0	6	7	3	4

[0] [1] [2] [3] [4] [5] [6] [7] [8] [9]

priorities  
keys

5	3	2	8	9	0	6	7	1	4
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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# Priority Queue using heap

Update priority of an item with the given key

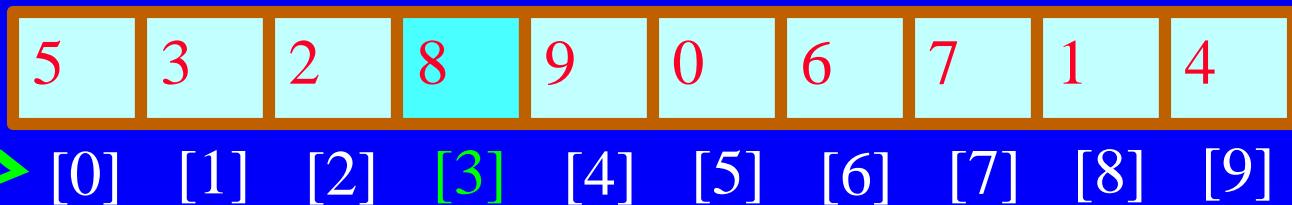
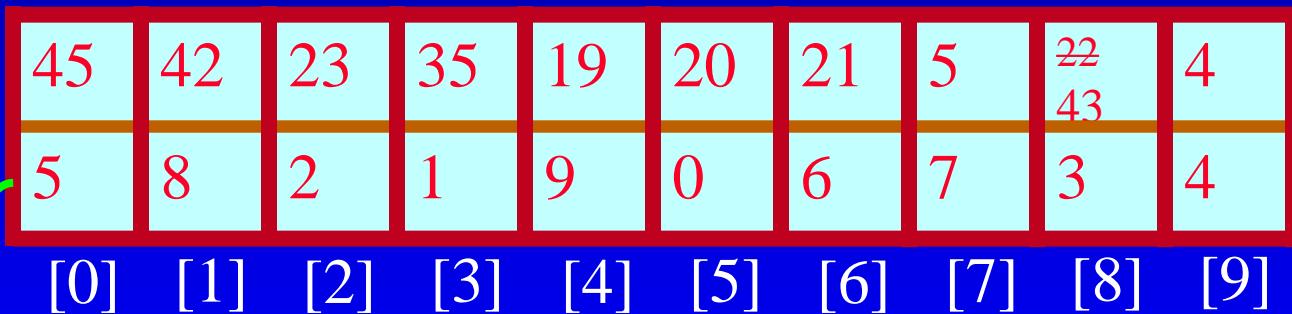
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update( 3, 43):

1. index  $\leftarrow A[3]$  //index = 8

2. Heap[index]  $\leftarrow 43$

3. Reheapify upward (8, 43)



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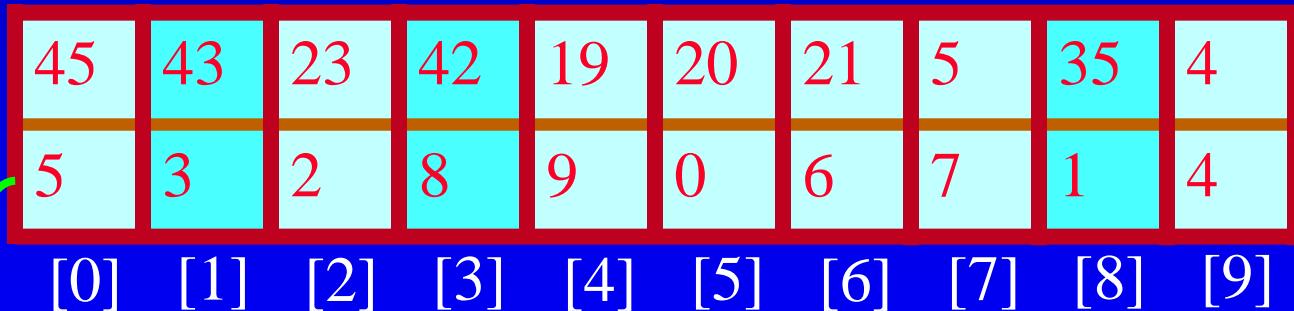
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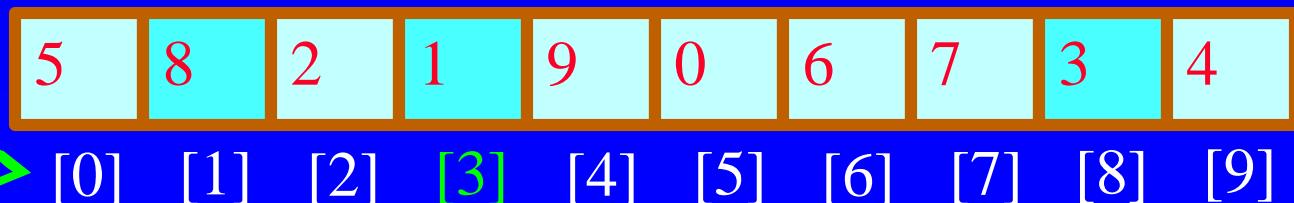
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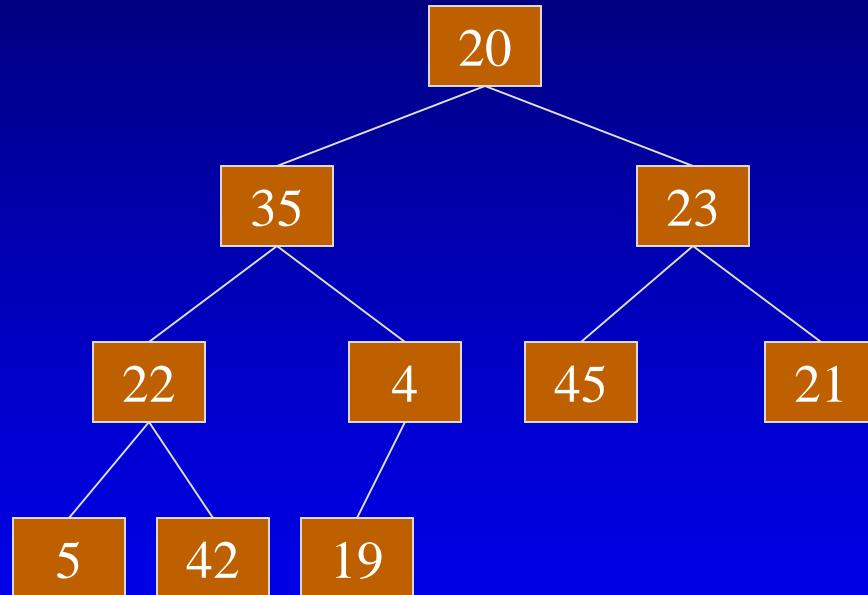
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# Priority Queue using heap

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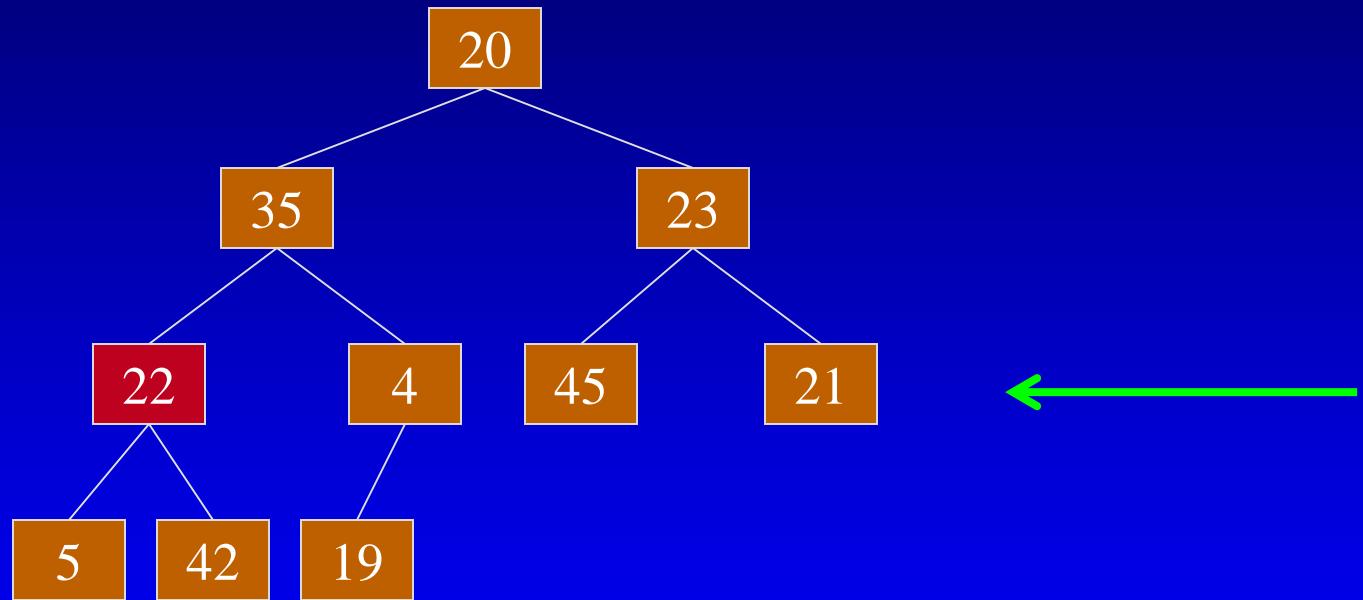
- Time complexity of update( key, priority)
- To find an element with given key takes  $O(1)$  at the cost of additional  $O( n )$  space
- Alternative is time to find an element is  $O( n )$  with no additional cost for space
- Reheapification takes  $O( \log n )$  time

# Build a MIN-heap with 20, 35, 23, 22, 4, 45, 21, 5, 42 and 19



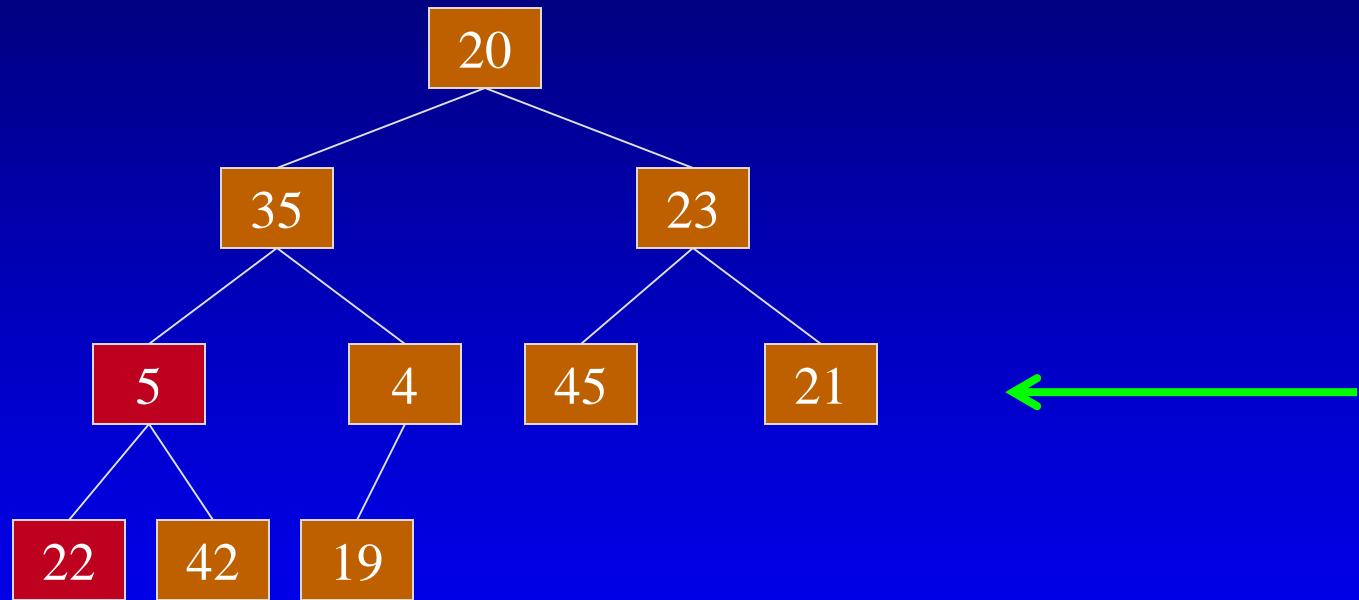
- ❑ First, we build an arbitrary complete binary tree.
- ❑ Then, starting from the bottom level
  - ❑ Reheapify downward each node
  - ❑ Swap with the smaller child.

Build a MIN-heap with 20, 35, 23, 22, 4, 45, 21, 5, 42 and 19



$22 > 5$

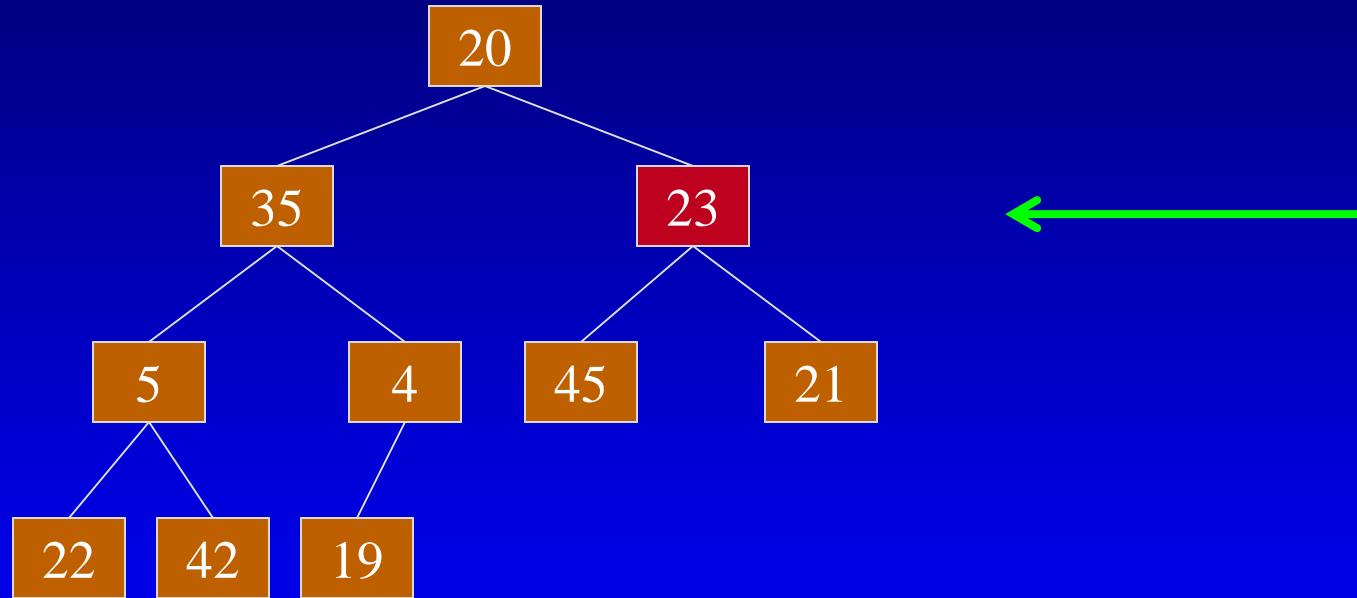
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Swap 22 and 5

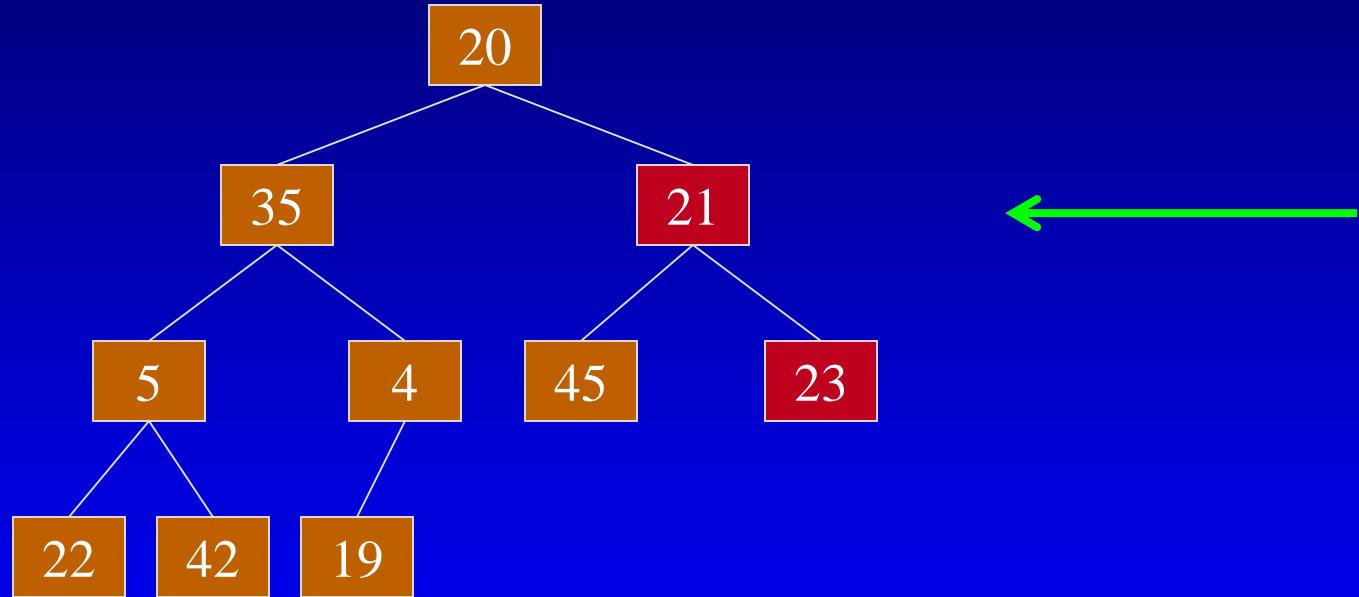
22 is a leaf, stop reheapification

Build a MIN-heap with 20, 35, 23, 22, 4, 45, 21, 5, 42 and 19



$$23 > 21$$

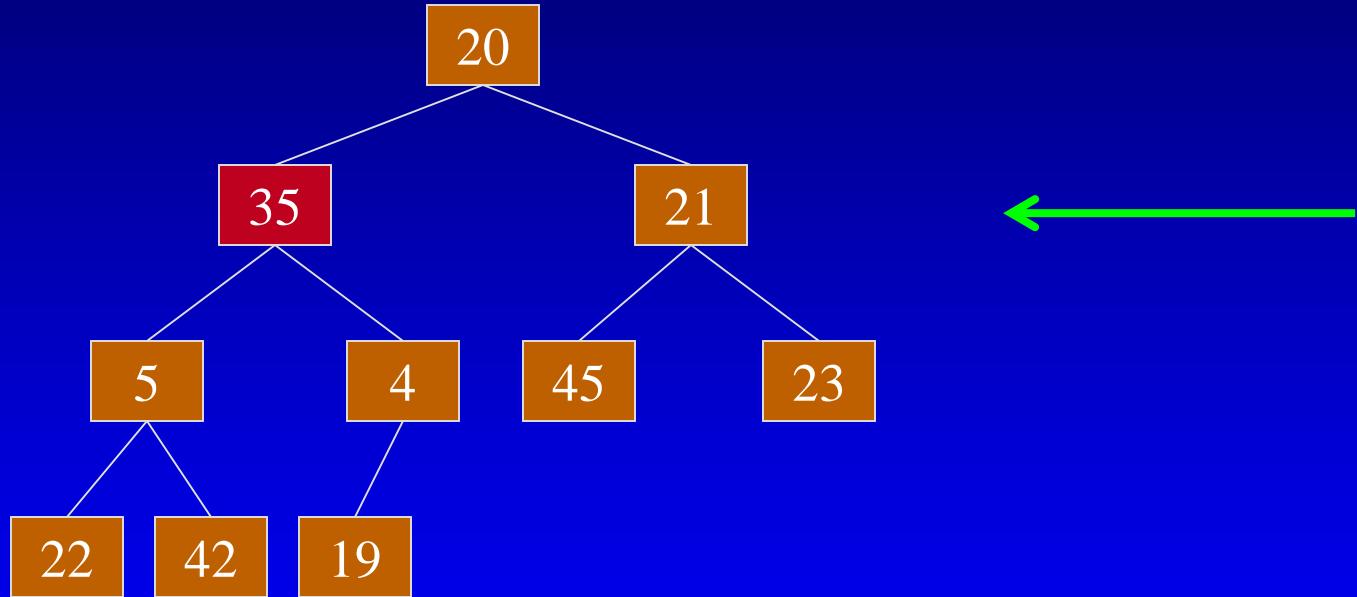
Build a MIN-heap with 20, 35, 23, 22, 4, 45, 21, 5, 42 and 19



Swap 23 and 21

23 is a leaf node, stop reheapification

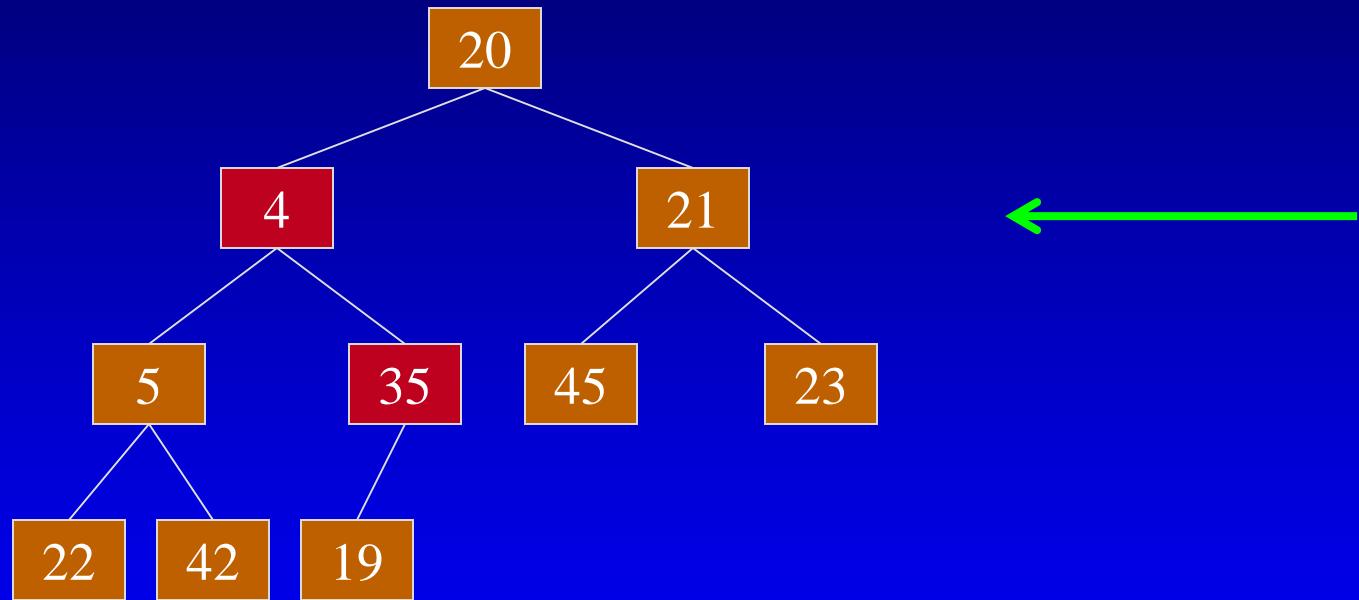
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$35 > 5$  and  $35 > 4$

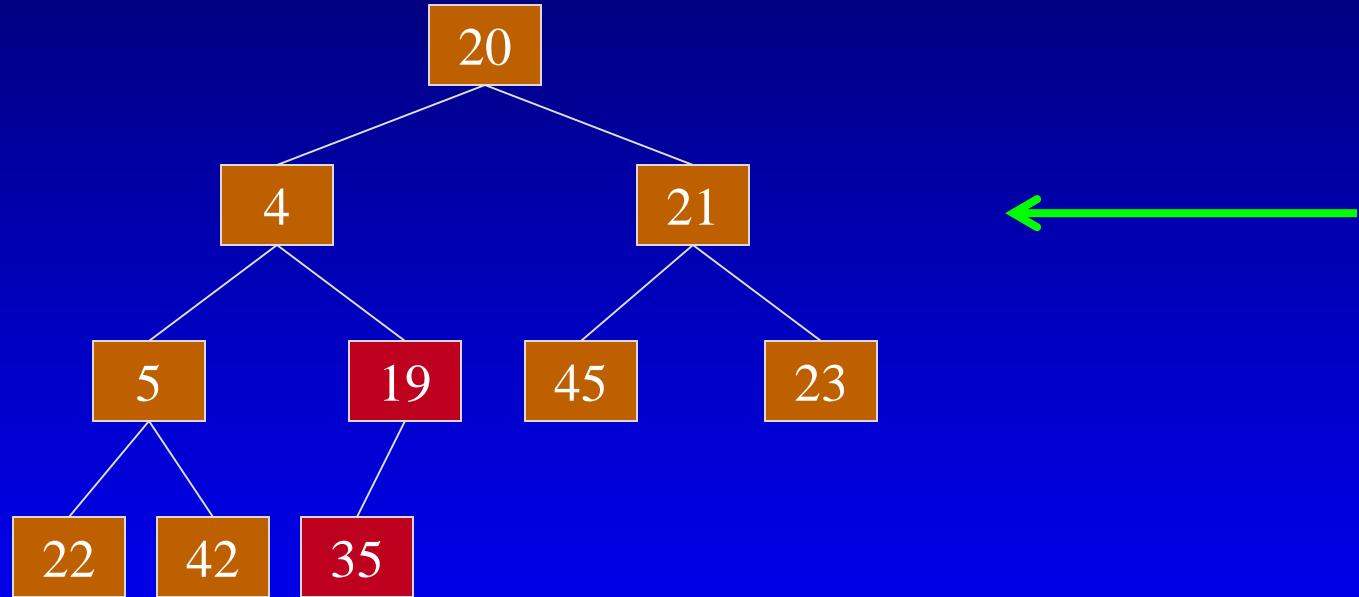
Choose the smaller child, 4

Build a MIN-heap with 20, 35, 23, 22, 4, 45, 21, 5, 42 and 19



$35 > 19$ , continue reheapification

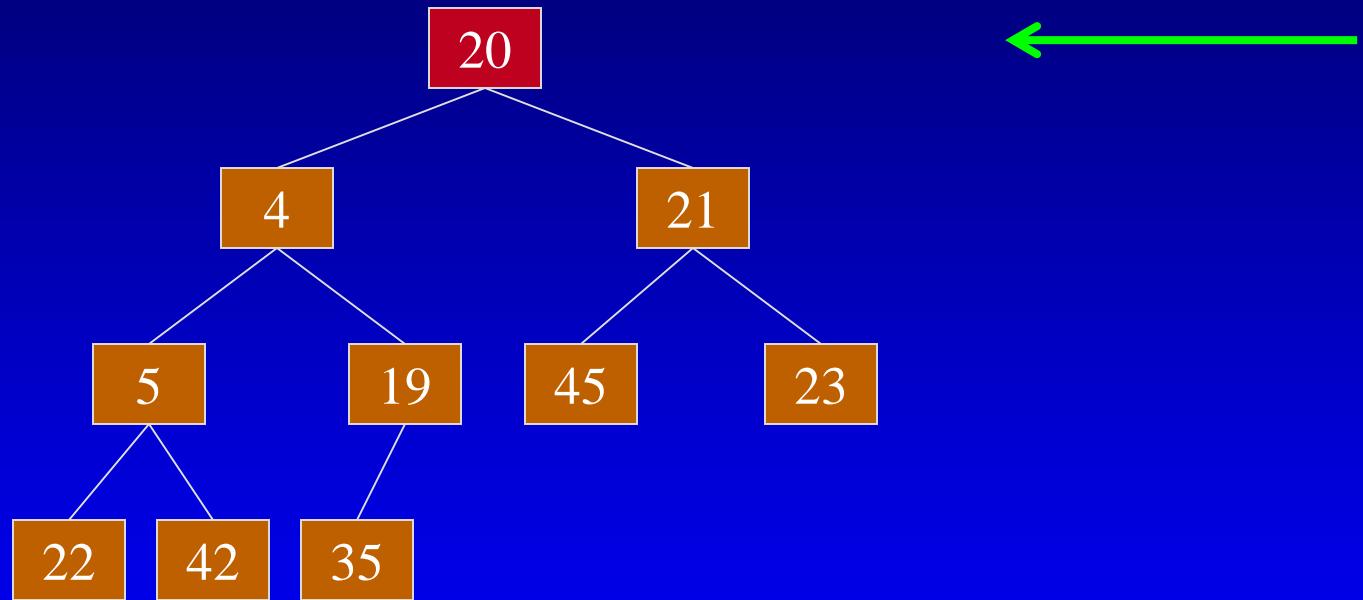
Build a MIN-heap with 20, 35, 23, 22, 4, 45, 21, 5, 42 and 19



Swap 35 and 19

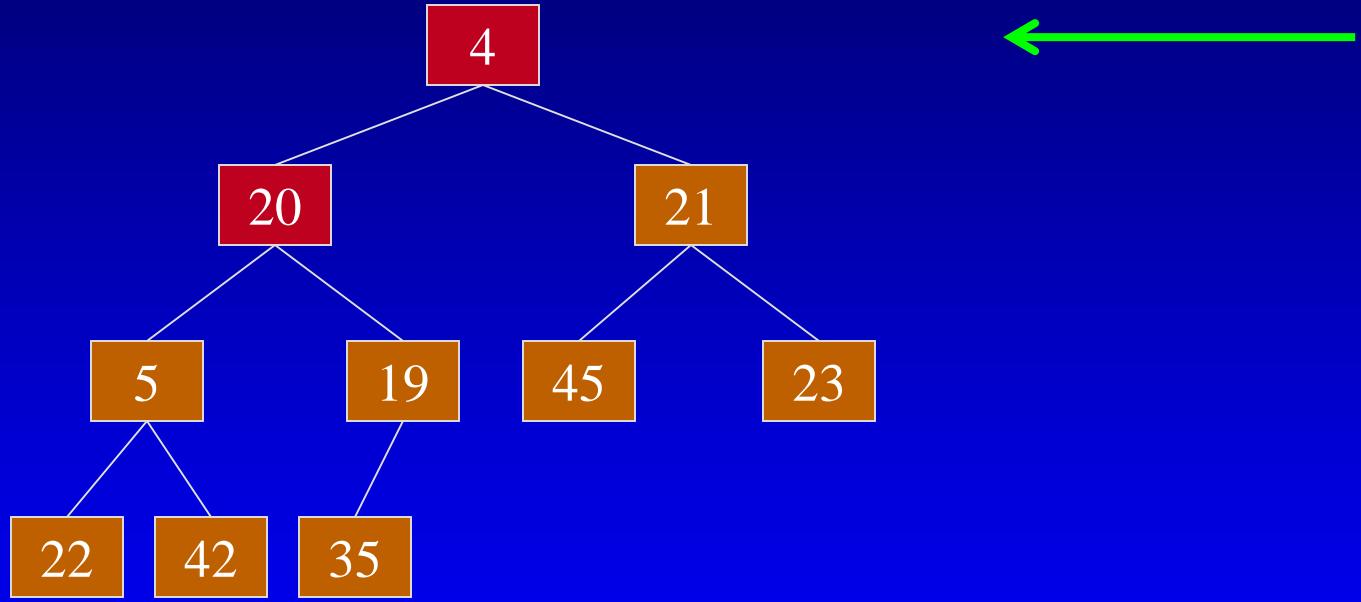
35 is a leaf node, stop reheapification

Build a MIN-heap with 20, 35, 23, 22, 4, 45, 21, 5, 42 and 19



$20 > 4$

Build a MIN-heap with 20, 35, 23, 22, 4, 45, 21, 5, 42 and 19

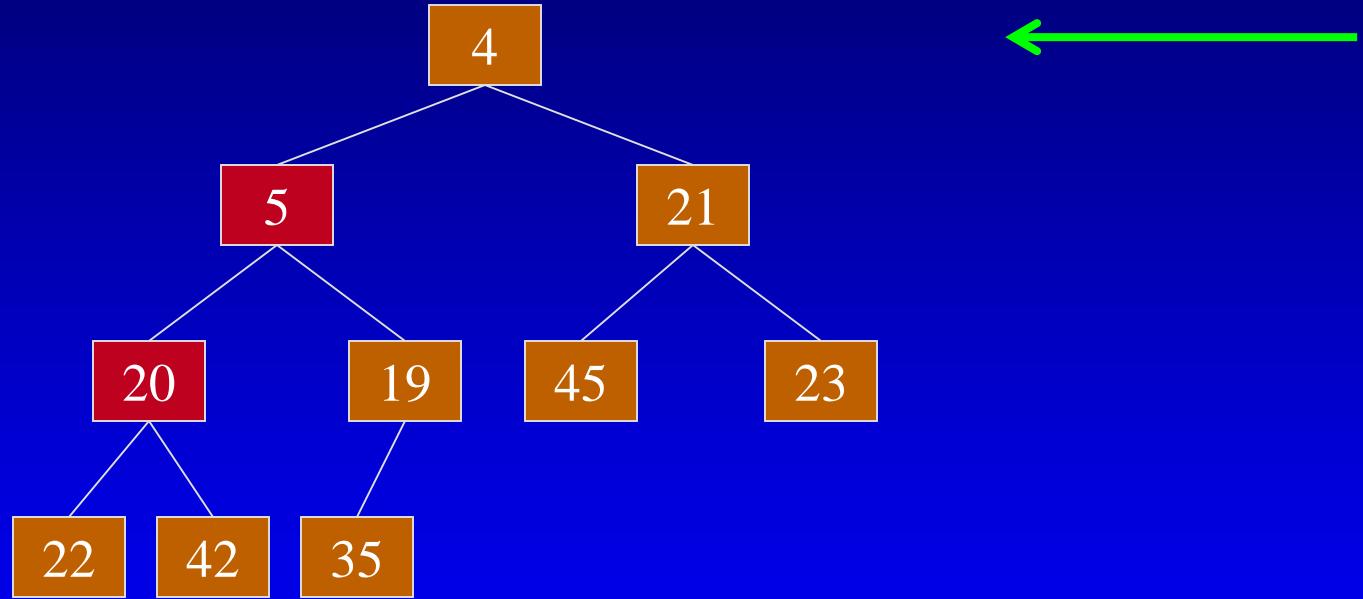


Swap 20 and 4

$20 > 5$  and  $20 > 19$

Choose the smaller child, 5

Build a MIN-heap with 20, 35, 23, 22, 4, 45, 21, 5, 42 and 19



Swap 20 and 5

$20 < 22$  and  $20 < 42$ , stop reheapification

Note, the resulting heap is a MIN-heap

# Implementation details

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```
class Element
{
    int key;
    int priority;
    Node(int akey, int apriority){
        key = akey;
        priority = apriority;
    }
    int getKey(){ return key; }
    int getPriority(){ return priority; }
    void setPriority( int anew ){ priority = anew; }
}
```

# Implementation details

```
public class Heap{  
    private Element aheap[];  
    public int size;  
    private int capacity;  
    public Heap(){ size = 0; capacity = 10; }  
    public void build();//using input from stdin  
    public void upHeapify(int i);  
    public void downHeapify(int i);  
    public void add(Element a);  
    public void remove();  
    public bool update( int key, int priority );  
}
```

# Implementation details

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```
public void build (Element array[]){  
    size = array.length;  
    capacity = size * 2;  
    aheap = new Element[ capacity ];  
    copy array into aheap  
    for i = size/2 down to 0 do  
        downHeapify( i )  
}
```

# Implementation details

```
public void downHeapify( int i ){
    int left = 2*i + 1; //index of the left child
    int right = 2*i + 2; //index of the right child
    int amin = i;
    if( left >= size && right >= size)
        return;// the node is a leaf
    if ( left < size && aheap[ left ].getPriority() < aheap[i].getPriority()){
        amin = left;
    }
    if(right < size &&
        aheap[ right ].getPriority() < aheap[amin].getPriority() )
        amin = right; .....
}
```

# Implementation details

```
public void downHeapify( int i ){  
    .....  
    if ( amin != i )  
        swap aheap[amin] and aheap[i]  
        downHeapify( amin );  
}
```

upHeapify is similar except that we swap with the parent of i:

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int parent = (i - 1) / 2
```

You will need to modify upHeapify and downHeapify to accommodate update operation (need to change values in the additional array *indices* for finding the index of an element with the given key in O(1) time)



# Summary

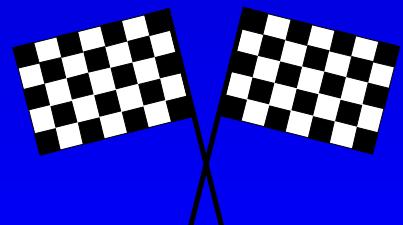
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- ❑ A heap is a complete binary tree, where the entry at each node is greater than or equal to the entries in its children.
- ❑ To add an entry to a heap, place the new entry at the next available spot, and perform a reheapification upward.
- ❑ To remove the biggest entry, move the last node onto the root, and perform a reheapification downward.

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THE END

# Objectives

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- ❑ List the rules for a heap and determine whether a tree satisfies these rules
- ❑ Insert a new element into a heap or remove the root from a heap
- ❑ Use the heap data structure to implement a priority queue

# Prove

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- Show that in any subtree of a max-heap, the root of the subtree contains a largest key occurring at any node in that subtree

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- Proof: Assume that  $m$  is a key in the subtree rooted at  $k$  and  $m > k$  and assume that  $m$  is the closest such node in this subtree
- There exists a path from  $k$  to  $m$  in this subtree
- Since  $m$  is the first node such that  $m > k$ ,
- $\text{Parent}(m)$  on this path is less than or equal to  $k$
- $\text{Parent}(m) \geq m$  (by the heap property)
- $k \geq \text{Parent}(m) \geq m > k$  (contradiction)