

## Unit #2: Priority Queues

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# Unit Outline

- ▶ Rooted Trees, Briefly
- ▶ Priority Queue ADT
- ▶ Heaps
  - ▶ Implementing Priority Queue ADT
  - ▶ Focus on Create: Heapify
  - ▶ Brief introduction to  $d$ -Heaps

## Learning Goals

- ▶ Provide examples of appropriate applications for priority queues and heaps
- ▶ Manipulate data in heaps
- ▶ Describe and apply the Heapify algorithm, and analyze its complexity

# Rooted Trees

- ▶ Family Trees
- ▶ Organization Charts
- ▶ Classification trees (a.k.a. keys)
  - ▶ What kind of flower is this?
  - ▶ Is this mushroom poisonous?
- ▶ File directory structure
  - ▶ folders, subfolders in Windows
  - ▶ directories, subdirectories in UNIX
- ▶ Non-recursive call graphs



# Tree Terminology

vertex  
node

root: A

leaf: D E F ...

child: of A: B and C

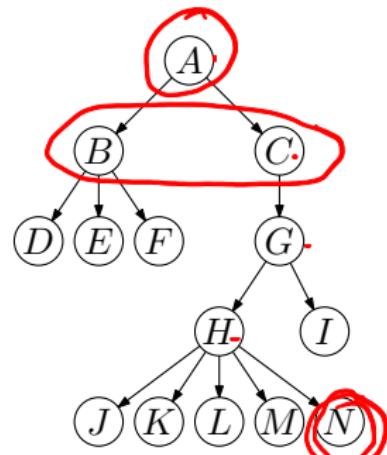
parent: of H: G

sibling: B and C

ancestor: of N: N, H, G, C, A

descendant: of C: C, G, I, H, J, K, L, M, N

subtree: of G: G and all descendants



# Tree Terminology Reference

root: the single node with no parent

leaf: a node with no children

child: a node pointed to by me

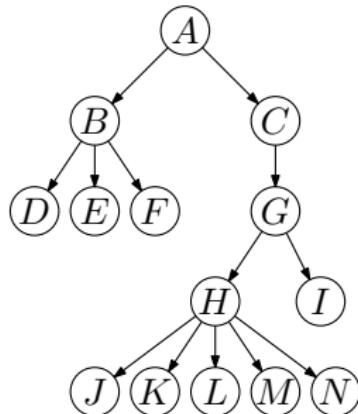
parent: the node that points to me

sibling: another child of my parent

ancestor: my parent or my parent's ancestor

descendent: my child or my child's descendent

subtree: a node and its descendants

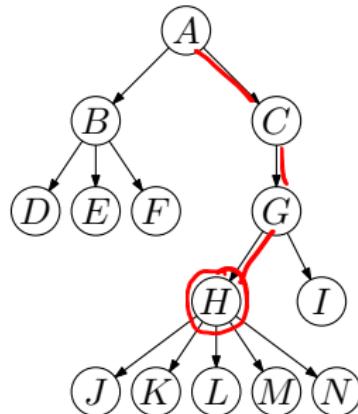


## More Tree Terminology

depth: Number of edges on path from root to node

depth of  $H$ ?

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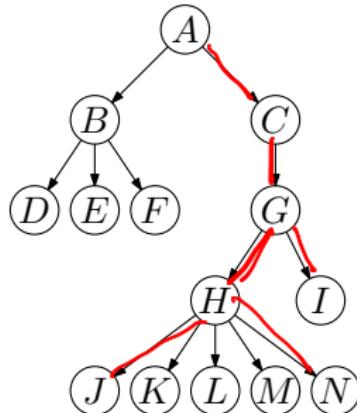


## More Tree Terminology

height: Number of edges on longest path from node to descendant  
or, for whole tree, from root to leaf

height of tree?  $\stackrel{= \text{ height of root}}{=} 4$

height of  $G$ ?  $\stackrel{= 2}{=}$

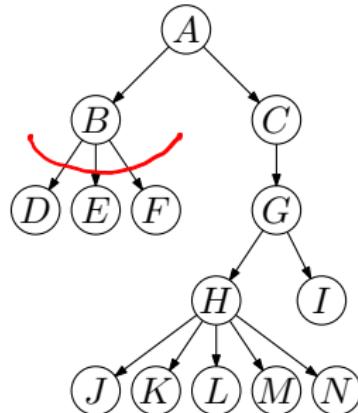


## More Tree Terminology

(downward) degree: Number of children of a node

degree of  $B$ ?

3



# One More Tree Terminology Slide

**binary:** each node has degree at most 2

**d-ary:** degree at most  $d$

#nodes<sup>n</sup> in a binary tree  
of height h

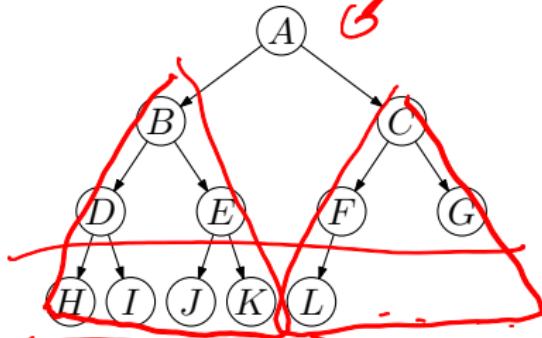
$$h+1 \leq n \leq 2^{h+1} - 1$$

**complete:** as many nodes as possible for its height (each row filled in)

**nearly complete:** each row except the last one is filled in, all nodes in the last row are as far left as possible

If nearly complete tree has  $n$  nodes, what is its height?  
tricky to prove [lgn]

ordered  
(structure)  
 $ht = 3$   
num nodes = 4



# Longest Path

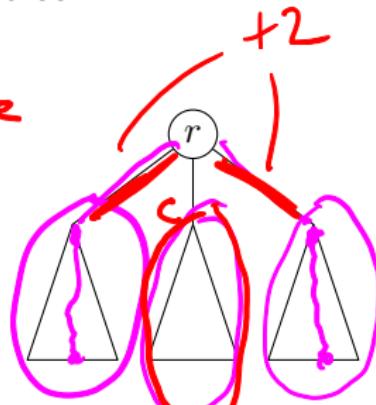
Find the longest *undirected* path in a tree

Longest path is either  
① is within a child subtree  
or ② contains the root

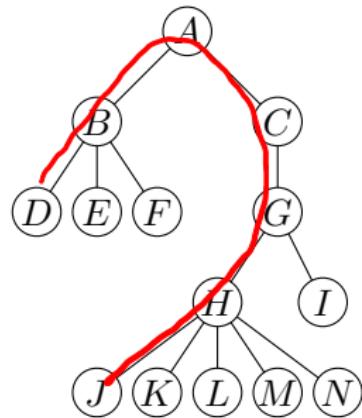
$$\text{longpath}(T) = \max \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \textcircled{1} \max_{\text{child } c} \text{longpath}(T_c), \\ \textcircled{2} 2 + \max_{\text{child } c \neq d} \{\text{height}(T_c) + \text{height}(T_d)\} \end{array} \right\}_{T_c}$$

$$\text{longpath}(T) = 0 \quad \text{if } |T|=1$$

$$\text{height}(T) = 1 + \max_{\text{child } c} \text{height}(T_c)$$



## Longest Path Example



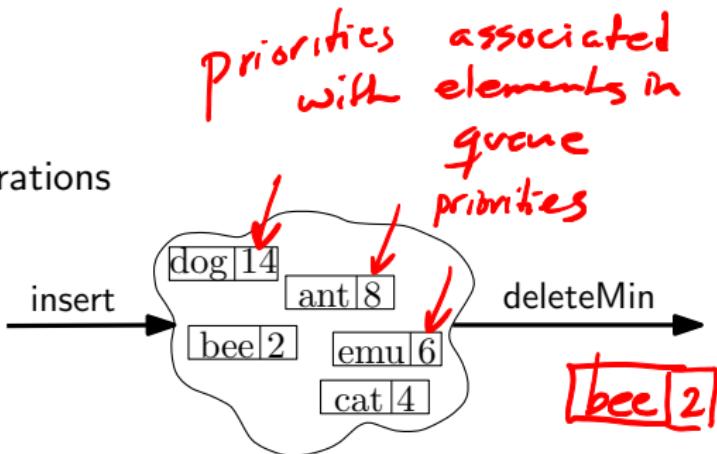
## Back to Queues

- ▶ Applications
  - ▶ ordering CPU jobs
  - ▶ simulating events
  - ▶ picking the next search site
- ▶ But we don't want FIFO ...
  - ▶ *short* jobs should go first
  - ▶ *earliest* (simulated time) events should go first
  - ▶ *most promising* sites should be searched first

# Priority Queue ADT

- ▶ Priority Queue operations

- ▶ create
- ▶ destroy
- ▶ insert
- ▶ deleteMin
- ▶ is\_empty



- ▶ Priority Queue property: For two elements in the queue,  $x$  and  $y$ , if  $x$  has a lower priority value than  $y$ ,  $x$  will be deleted before  $y$ .

## Applications of the Priority Q

- ▶ Hold jobs for a printer in order of length
- ▶ Store packets on network routers in order of urgency
- ▶ Simulate events
- ▶ Select symbols for compression
- ▶ Sort numbers
- ▶ Anything *greedy*: an algorithm that makes the “locally best choice” at each step

# Priority Q Data Structures

- ▶ Unsorted list
  - ▶ insert time:  $\Theta(1)$
  - ▶ deleteMin time:  $\Theta(n)$
  
- ▶ Sorted list
  - ▶ insert time:  $\Theta(n)$
  - ▶ deleteMin time:  $\Theta(1)$

# Binary Heap Priority Q Data Structure

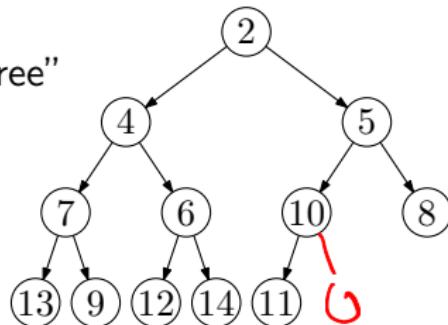
Heap-order property: parent's key  $\leq$  children's keys.

- ▶ minimum is always at the top

only showing priorities

Structure property: “nearly complete tree”

- ▶ depth is always  $O(\log n)$
- ▶ next open location always known



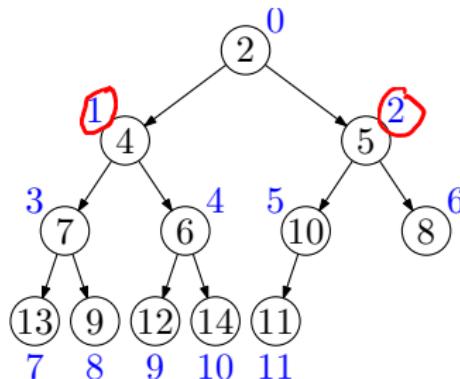
**WARNING:** This has NO SIMILARITY to the “heap” you hear about when people say “things you create with new go on the heap”.

# Nifty Storage Trick

*n elements*

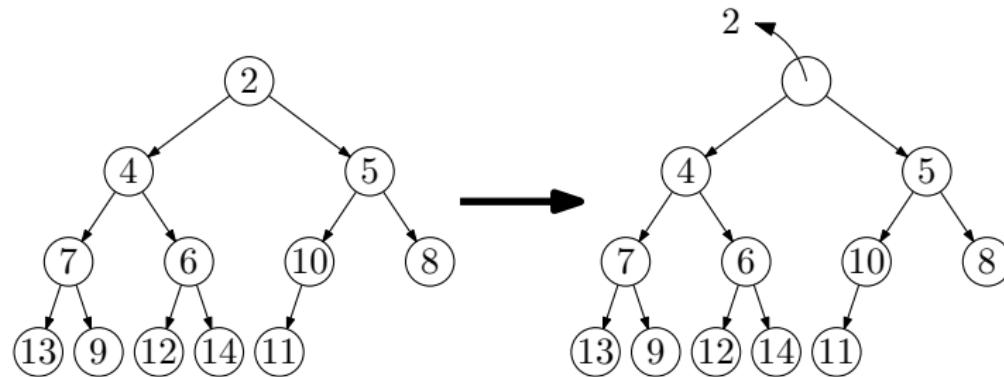
Navigation using indices:

- ▶  $\text{left\_child}(i) = 2i + 1$
- ▶  $\text{right\_child}(i) = 2i + 2$
- ▶  $\text{parent}(i) = \lceil \frac{i}{2} \rceil - 1 = \lfloor \frac{i-1}{2} \rfloor$
- ▶  $\text{root} = 0$
- ▶  $\text{next free position} = n$



|   |   |   |   |   |    |   |    |   |    |    |    |    |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|----|---|----|---|----|----|----|----|---|
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5  | 6 | 7  | 8 | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 | . |
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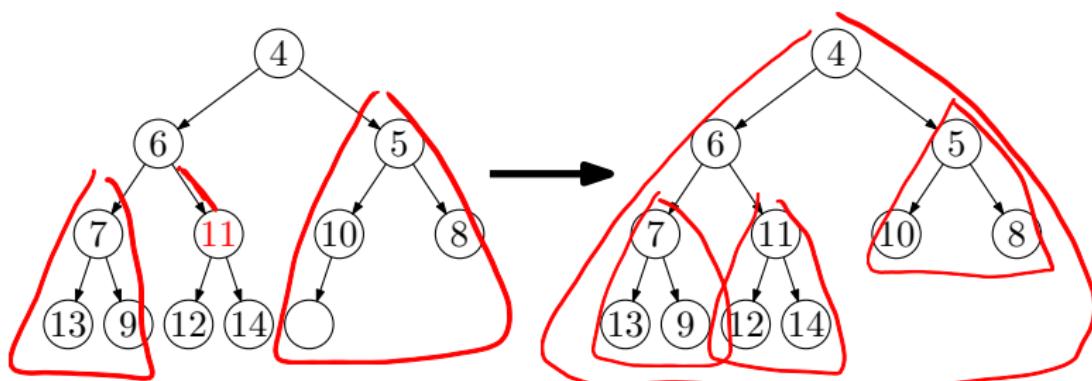
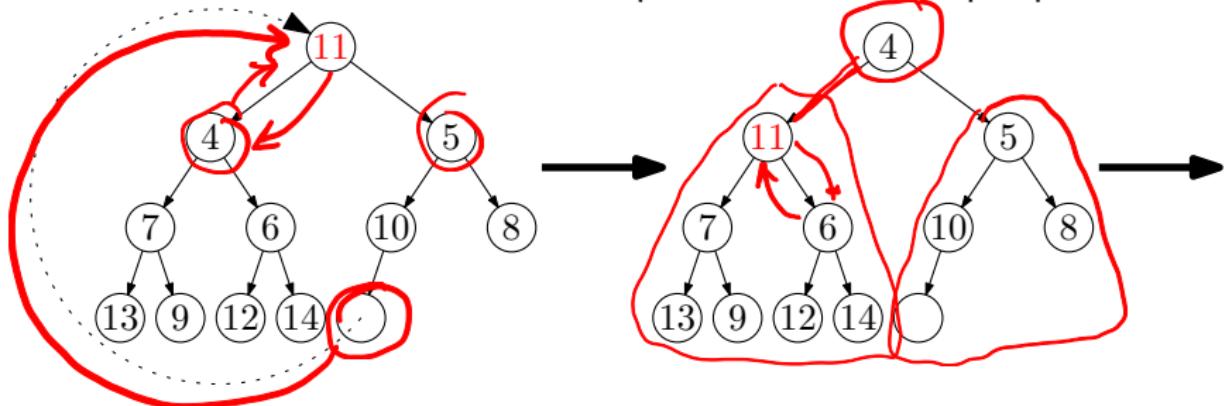
## DeleteMin



Invariants violated! No longer “nearly complete”

## Swap (Heapify) Down

Move last element to root then swap it down to its proper position.



## DeleteMin Code

```
int deleteMin() {  
    assert(!isEmpty());  
    int returnVal = Heap[0];  
    Heap[0] = Heap[n-1];  
    n--;  
    swapDown(0);  
    return returnVal;  
}
```

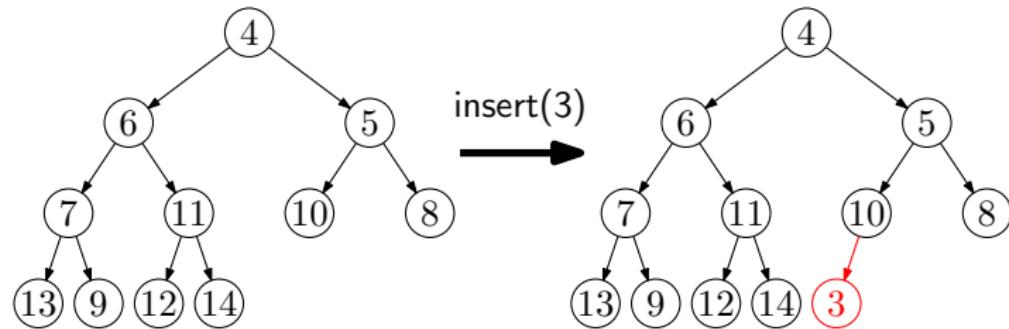
Runtime:

$O(\log n)$  if recursive call  
is made  
 $s > 2i$   
 $\Rightarrow \# \text{recursive calls} < \log_2 n$

will be the index of smaller  
of  $i$  here

```
void swapDown(int i) {  
    int s = i;  
    int left = i * 2 + 1;  
    int right = left + 1;  
    if( left < n &&  
        Heap[left] < Heap[s] )  
        s = left;  
    if( right < n &&  
        Heap[right] < Heap[s] )  
        s = right;  
    if( s != i ) {  
        int tmp = Heap[i];  
        Heap[i] = Heap[s];  
        Heap[s] = tmp;  
        swapDown(s);  
    }  
}
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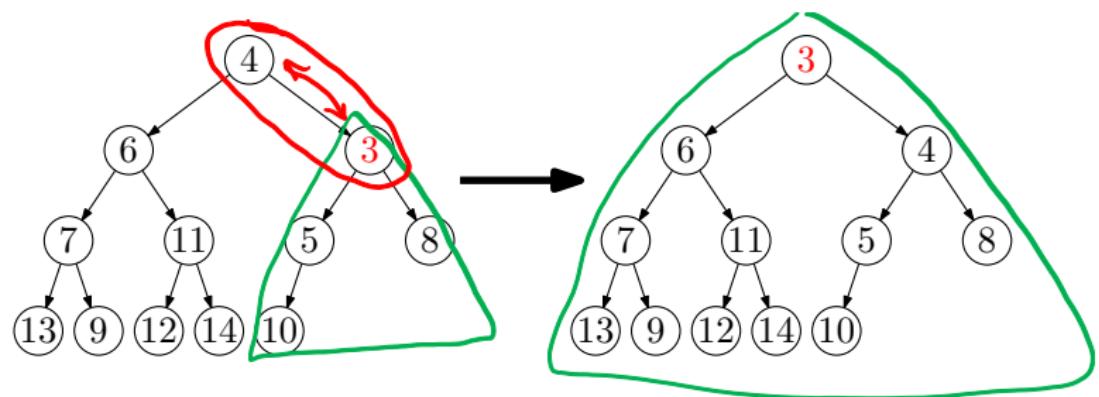
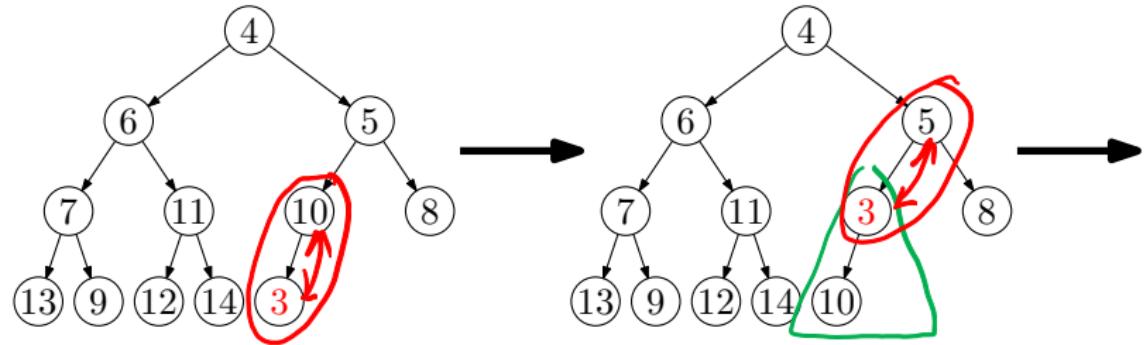
## Insert



Invariant violated! Child has smaller key than parent.

## Swap (Heapify) Up

Put new element last then swap it up to its proper position.



## Insert Code

```
void insert(int x) {  
    assert(!isFull());  
    Heap[n] = x;  
    n++;  
    swapUp(n-1);  
}
```

Runtime:  $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$

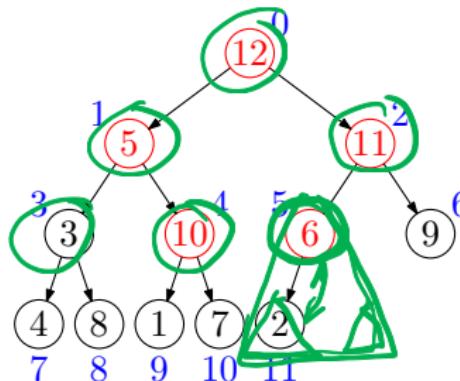
```
void swapUp(int i) {  
    if( i == 0 ) return;  
    int p = (i - 1)/2;  
    if( Heap[i] < Heap[p] ) {  
        int tmp = Heap[i];  
        Heap[i] = Heap[p];  
        Heap[p] = tmp;  
        swapUp(p);  
    }  
}
```

$$P < \frac{i}{2}$$

# Heapify: Build a Heap from a non-Heap Array

1. Start with the input array.

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|----|---|----|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 12 | 5 | 11 | 3 | 10 | 6 | 9 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 7 | 2 |
|----|---|----|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|



Invariant violated!

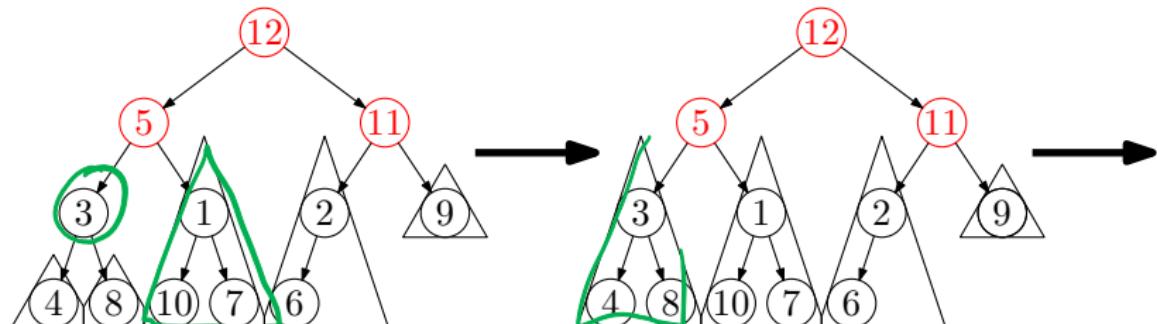
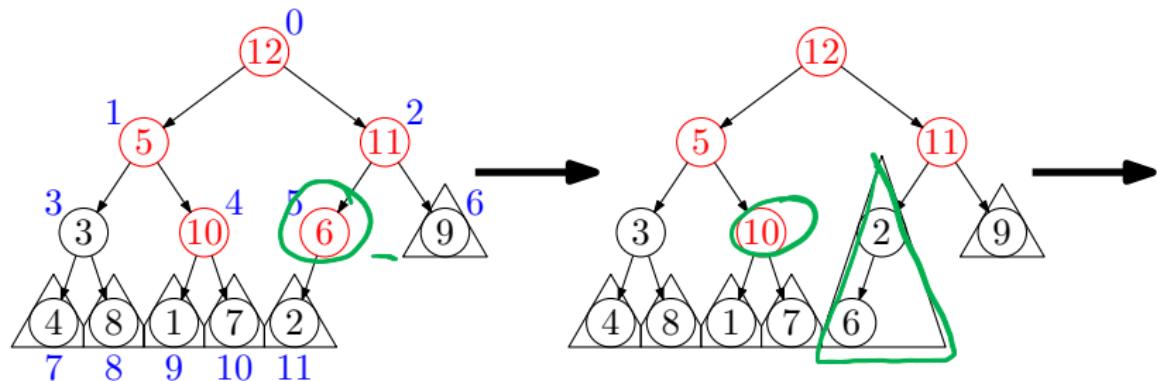
2. Fix the heap-order property bottom up. Use swapDown.

```
for( i=n/2-1; i >=0; i-- ) swapDown(i);
```

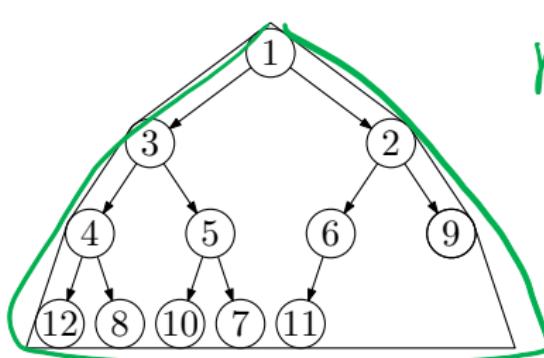
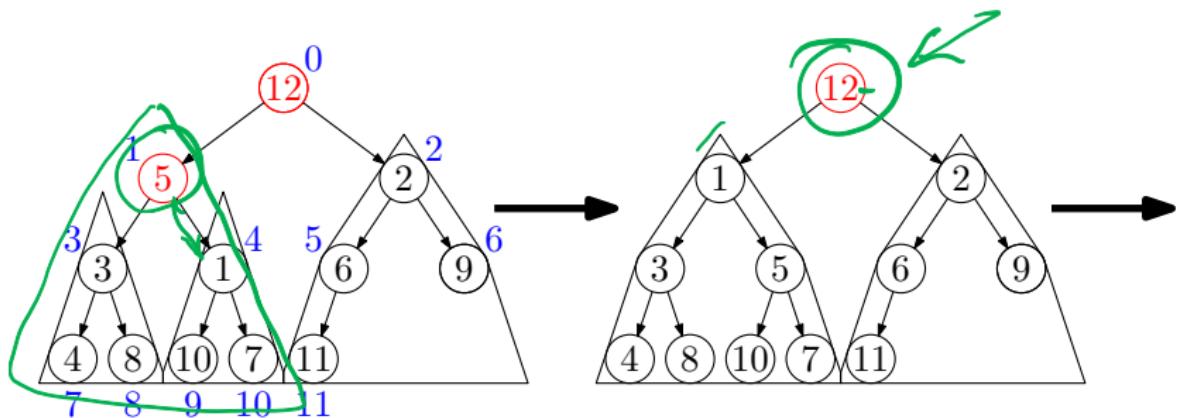


## Heapify Example...

$\Delta$ 's mean proper heaps



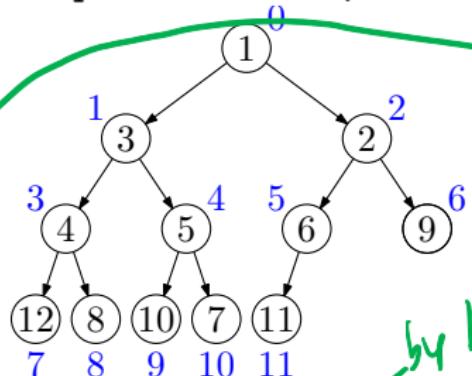
## Heapify Example



runtime  
< #swapDown's  
x lg n  
 $\in O(n \log n)$

# Heapify Runtime

swapDown on a heap of height  $h$  takes at most  $\underline{h}$  steps.



Let  $H$  be the height of the heap.

$$(H = \lfloor \lg n \rfloor)$$

by heapify

swapDown is called

once

$\leq 2$  times

$\leq 4$  times

$\leq 2^{H-h}$

$\leq 2^{H-1}$  times

on heap of height

$H$

on heap of height

$H-1$

on heap of height

$H-2$

... ... ...

$h$

on heap of height

1

$$\text{Total \# steps} \leq \sum_{h=1}^H h 2^{H-h} = 2^H \sum_{h=1}^H h / 2^h \leq 2^{H+1} = O(n)$$

$$2^H \sum_{h=1}^H h/2^h \leq 2^{H+1}$$

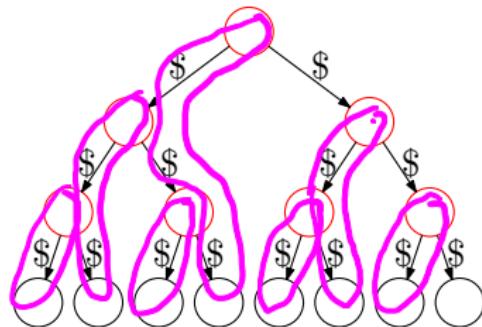
$$\leq 2^H \left( \frac{1/2 + 2/4 + 3/8 + \dots}{2^H} \right) = S$$

$$= 2^H \cdot S$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 2S = 1 + \frac{2}{2} + \frac{3}{4} + \dots \\ -S \quad \quad \frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{4} + \frac{3}{8} \dots \\ \hline S = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots \end{array}$$

$$S \leq 2$$

## Heapify Runtime: Charging Scheme



Possible **violations**. How much time to fix them?

Place a dollar on each edge of the heap. One dollar pays for one step of `swapDown`. By induction, we can show that when `swapDown` is called on a node  $v$ , both children of  $v$  have a path (the rightmost path) to a leaf that is uncharged. The edges on the left child's rightmost path plus the edge to the left child pay for the steps of `swapDown` at  $v$ . The edges on the right child's rightmost path plus the edge to the right child form the uncharged path available to the parent of  $v$ .

# Thinking about Binary Heaps

## Observations

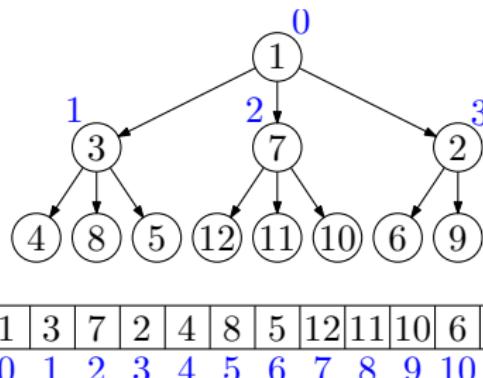
- ▶ finding a child/parent index is a multiply/divide by two
- ▶ deleteMin and insert access far-apart array locations
- ▶ deleteMin accesses all children of visited nodes
- ▶ insert accesses only parent of visited nodes
- ▶ insert is at least as common as deleteMin

## Realities

- ▶ division and multiplication by powers of two are fast
- ▶ far-apart array accesses ruin cache performance
- ▶ with huge data sets, disk I/O dominates

## Solution: $d$ -Heaps

Nearly complete  $d$ -ary trees (representable by array) with Heap-order property.

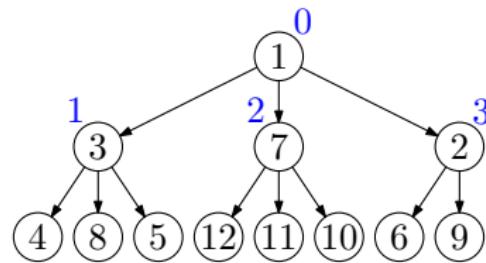


Good choices for  $d$ :

- ▶ fit one set of children on a memory page/disk block
- ▶ fit one set of children in a cache line
- ▶ optimize performance based on ratio of inserts/deleteMins
- ▶ make  $d$  a power of two for efficiency

## $d$ -Heap Navigation

- ▶  $j$ th-child( $i$ ) =  $\lfloor \frac{i-1}{d} \rfloor$
- ▶ parent( $i$ ) =  $\lceil \frac{i-1}{d} \rceil$
- ▶ root = 0
- ▶ next free position =  $n$



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