

**Lab 4 PRE-LAB**  
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**About Pre Labs**

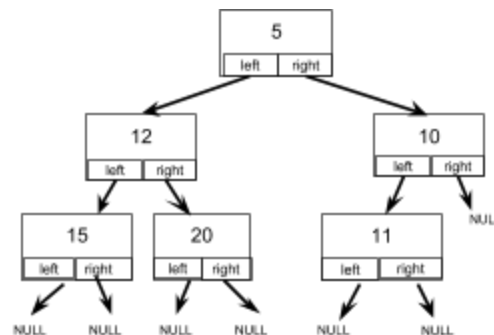
This pre-lab is designed to ensure that you come into each week's lab prepared and ready to solve the problem in front of you. Read up on [abstract classes and templates](#), and then answer the questions below. Bring the completed paper to your lab section.

**About Lab 4**

Lab 4 uses Heaps, a specialized type of binary tree. There are two subtypes of heap: min-heaps and max-heaps. There is no such thing as a "plain" heap.

In a MinHeap (example below), every node is smaller than or equal to its children. Other than that, no ordering or values are taken into consideration. In a MaxHeap, every node would be larger than or equal to its children.

A heap is also a complete binary tree: like our original Binary Tree data structure, the tree is filled up from top to bottom and left to right.



*Min Heap example. Every node is smaller than or equal to its children and larger than or equal to its parent.*

Heaps have two purposes in life: to implement priority queues, and to sort data. We'll do both in Lab 4.

**Question 1**

This lab will simulate prioritizing patients as they come into an emergency room. The priority of a patient is a number from 1-5. We don't want to make this data type an integer, though, because we want to prevent someone from setting a patient's priority to an unacceptable integer like 100. Instead, we'll use C++ [enumerated types](#) to do this.

Declare an enum that we could use for 5 priority levels.

### Question 2

The patient class has four attributes that can be used in calculating the patient's priority in the ER:

- chest\_pain (bool)
- head\_wound (bool)
- temp (double)
- pulse (unsigned) // unsigned int because a pulse would never be negative

How would you use these 4 data points to determine a patient's priority from 1-5? For this lab, you can calculate the priority of a patient any way you like (and later for this week's homework we'll have a more specific way to approach it). Write the code you would put in `calculate_priority` member function of the `Patient` class, assuming it also has an attribute called `priority` whose value needs to be assigned in this function.

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### Question 3 -- Insert

Once we've got patients, we'll insert them all into a MinHeap. Here's how insert works:

- Put the new item in the next "open" slot, just like we do with Binary Trees.
- Now we need to "heapify up": find the correct place for the new item, where it is larger than or equal to its parent and smaller than or equal to its children. We proceed:
  - Compare the new item to its current parent. If it's smaller than its parent, swap the two.
  - If we made a swap, compare the new item to its current parent (it has a "new" current parent after the swap).
  - Repeat until the new item is in the correct position.

Draw the MinHeap that would result after inserting patients in the following order:

- Hawkeye, Priority 1
- McDreamy, Priority 5
- Elliot, Priority 3
- J.D., Priority 1
- Marcus Welby, Priority 1
- Doctor Who, Priority 4

#### Question 4 -- Extract

The function a MinHeap specializes in is returning the item with the smallest value. Here's how that operation works:

- Return the item in the heap's root, which is always the smallest.
- Take the "last" item (bottom level, right-most node) and put it in the root position. Call this the *replace item*. We want to "heapify down": go down the heap until the replace item is smaller than or equal to its children and larger than or equal to its parent. We proceed:
  - Compare the replace item to its left and right children. If it's larger than either/both of its children, replace it with whichever child is smaller.
  - If we made a swap, compare the replace item with its new left and right children
  - Repeat this until the replace item is in the correct position

Suppose we remove the minimum item 3 times from the MinHeap you drew in Question 3. Draw the resulting MinHeap after all 3 removals.