Problem: Implement a min heap with extract_min and insert methods.

Constraints

- Can we assume the inputs are ints?
 - Yes
- Can we assume this fits memory?
 - Yes

Test Cases

- Extract min of an empty tree
- Extract min general case
- Insert into an empty tree
- Insert general case (left and right insert)

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_5_
/ \
20 15
/\ / \
22 40 25
extract_min(): 5
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15/ \20 25

/\ /\22 40

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• insert(2):

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• _2_ • / \ • 20 5

• /\ /\

• 22 40 25 15

Algorithm

A heap is a complete binary tree where each node is smaller than its children.

extract_min

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_5__
/ \
20 15
/\ /\
22 40 25
Save the root as the value to be returned: 5
Move the right most element to the root: 25
_25__
/ \
20 15
/\ /\
22 40
Bubble down 25: Swap 25 and 15 (the smaller child)
_15__
/ \
20 25
/\ /\
22 40
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We'll use an array to represent the tree, here are the indices:

• Return 5

To get to a child, we take 2 index + 1 (left child) or 2 index + 2 (right child).

For example, the right child of index 1 is 2 * 1 + 2 = 4.

Complexity:

• Time: O(Ig(n))

• Space: O(lg(n)) for the recursion depth (tree height), or O(1) if using an iterative approach

insert

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20 15
     /\ /\
     22 40 25
• insert(2):
  Insert at the right-most spot to maintain the heap property.
      20 15
      /\ /\
     22 40 25 2
• Bubble up 2: Swap 2 and 15
       _5_
      20 2
      /\ /\
     22 40 25 15
• Bubble up 2: Swap 2 and 5
      20 5
     /\ /\
```

We'll use an array to represent the tree, here are the indices:

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/ \
1 2
/\ /\
3 4 5 6

22 40 25 15

To get to a parent, we take (index - 1) # 2.

For example, the parent of index 6 is (6 - 1) // 2 = 2.

Complexity:

- Time: O(lg(n))
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