

# Priority Queue ADT; Heaps

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- ❖ What is the difference between a *binary tree* and a *binary **search** tree*?

# Announcements

- ❖ P1: Congrats on completing Checkpoint 1!
  - (if you didn't fill out the survey, you still can until tomorrow night (PDT))
  
- ❖ Reminder that we will NOT answer concept questions in office hours after the quiz is released on Tuesday
  - Get your questions in now!

# Lecture Outline

- ❖ **Priority Queue ADT**
- ❖ Tree Terminology and Properties
- ❖ Binary Heap
  - Tree Visualization and Operations
  - Array Representation

# ADTs So Far (1 of 3)

**List ADT.** A collection storing an ordered sequence of elements.

- Each element is accessible by a zero-based index
- A list has a size defined as the number of elements in the list
- Elements can be added to the front, back, *or any index in the list*
- Optionally, elements can be removed from the front, back, *or any index in the list*

## ADTs So Far (2 of 3)

**Stack ADT.** A collection storing an ordered sequence of elements.

- A stack has a size defined as the number of elements in the stack
- Elements can only be added and removed from the top (“LIFO”)

**Queue ADT.** A collection storing an ordered sequence of elements.

- A queue has a size defined as the number of elements in the queue
- Elements can only be added to one end and removed from the other (“FIFO”)

## ADTs So Far (3 of 3)

**Set ADT.** A collection of values.

- A set has a size defined as the number of elements in the set
- You can add and remove values, but the contained values are unique
- Each value is accessible via a “get” operation

**Dictionary ADT.** A collection of keys, each associated with a value.

- A dictionary has a size defined as the number of elements in the dictionary
- You can add and remove (key, value) pairs, but the keys are unique
- Each value is accessible by its key via a “find” or “contains” operation

# A Scenario

- ❖ What is the difference between waiting for service at a pharmacy versus an ER?
  - Pharmacies usually follow the rule “First Come, First Served”
  - Emergency Rooms assign priorities based on each individual's need



# A New ADT: Priority Queue

- ❖ See Weiss Chapter 6
- ❖ A **priority queue** holds *compare-able data*
  - Unlike lists, stacks, and queues, we need to *compare items*
    - Given  $x$  and  $y$ : is  $x$  less than, equal to, or greater than  $y$ ?
    - Much of this course will require comparable items: e.g. sorting
  - Typically two fields: the *priority* and the *data*
- ❖ For simplicity in lecture, we'll suppose data are **ints** *and* that the same **int** value is also the priority
  - **int** priorities are common, but really just need `Comparable`
  - Not having “other data” is very rare
    - Example: print job has a priority *and* the file to print

# Priority Queue ADT: Intro

**Priority Queue ADT.** A collection storing a set of elements and their priority.

- A PQ has a size defined as the number of elements in the set
- You can add elements (and their priorities)
- You cannot access or remove arbitrary elements, only the element with the min priority

Primary Operations:

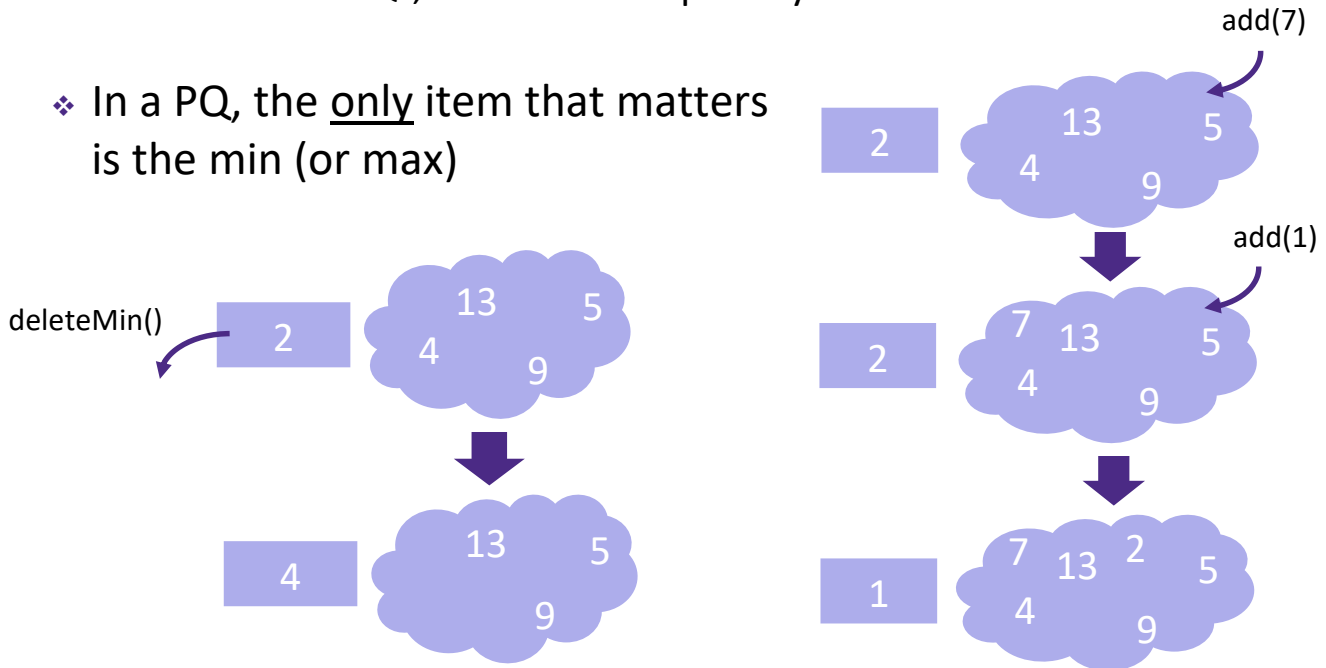
- **add**
- **deleteMin**

Key property:

- **deleteMin** removes and returns the “most important” item (lowest priority value)
- Can resolve ties arbitrarily

# Priority Queue ADT: Functionality

- ❖ In lecture, we will study **min priority queues** but you may also see **max priority queues**
  - Same as minPQs, but invert the priority
- ❖ In a PQ, the only item that matters is the min (or max)



# Priority Queue ADT: Example

add *a* with priority 5

add *b* with priority 3

add *c* with priority 4

*w* = deleteMin

*x* = deleteMin

add *d* with priority 2

add *e* with priority 6

*y* = deleteMin

*z* = deleteMin

after execution:

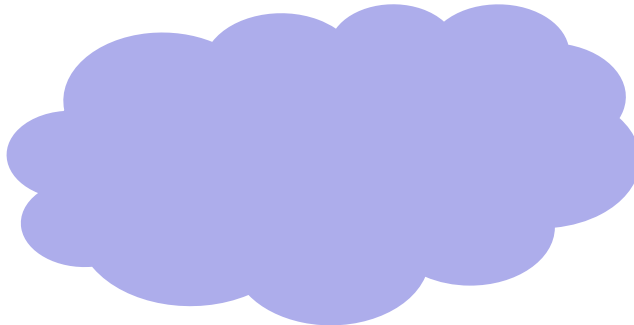
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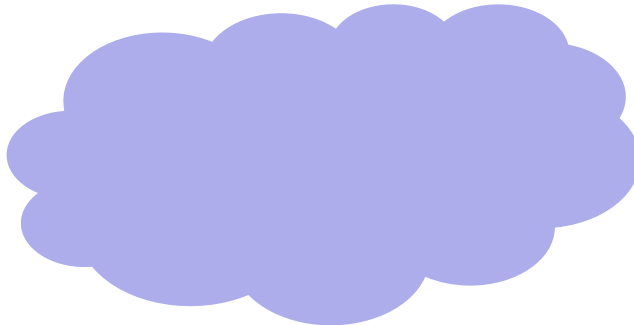
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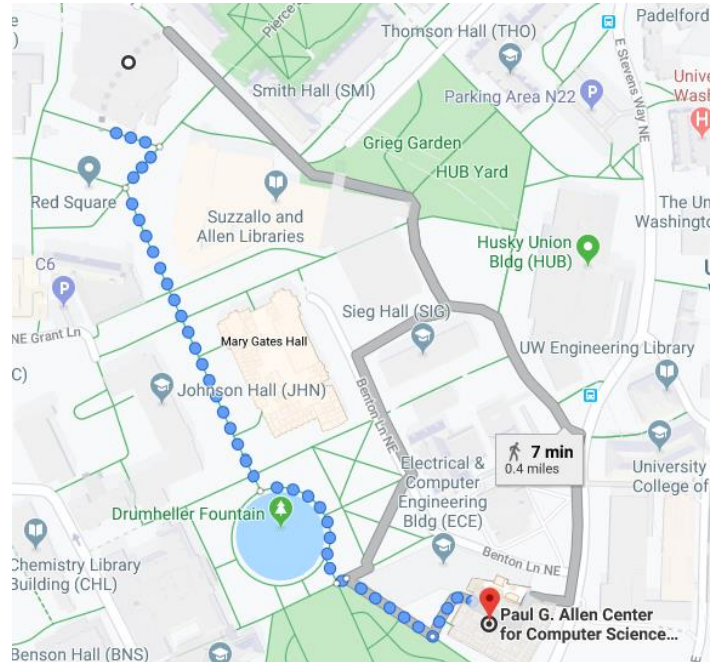
- ❖ How do Priority Queues differ from Queues? How can you implement a Queue using a Priority Queue?

# Priority Queue ADT: Applications

- ❖ Run multiple programs in the operating system
  - “critical” before “interactive” before “compute-intensive”
- ❖ Triage (or treat) hospital patients in order of severity
- ❖ Order print jobs (by increasing length?)
- ❖ Forward network packets by order of urgency
- ❖ Identify most frequently-used symbols for data compression
- ❖ Sorting!
  - **add** all elements, then repeatedly **deleteMin**

# Priority Queue ADT: More Applications

- ❖ Used heavily in **greedy algorithms**, where each phase of the algorithm picks the locally optimum solution
- ❖ Example: route finding
  - Represent a map as a series of *segments*
  - At each intersection, ask which segment gets you closest to the destination (ie, has max priority or min distance)





# Priority Queue ADT: Possible Data Structures

	add	deleteMin
Unsorted Array	$O(1)$	$O(N)$
Unsorted Singly-linked Linked List		
Sorted Circular Array	$O(N)$	$O(1)$
Sorted Doubly-linked Linked List		
Binary Search Tree (BST)		

*Assumptions: Worst case; Arrays have enough space*

# Our Eventual Data Structure: The Heap

## ❖ Heap:

- `add`:  $O(\log n)$ , worst case
- `deleteMin`:  $O(\log n)$ , worst case
- If items added in random order, expected case for `add` is  $O(1)$
- Very good constant factors

## ❖ Key idea: Only pay for functionality needed

- We need something better than scanning unsorted items
- But we do not need to maintain a full sorted list



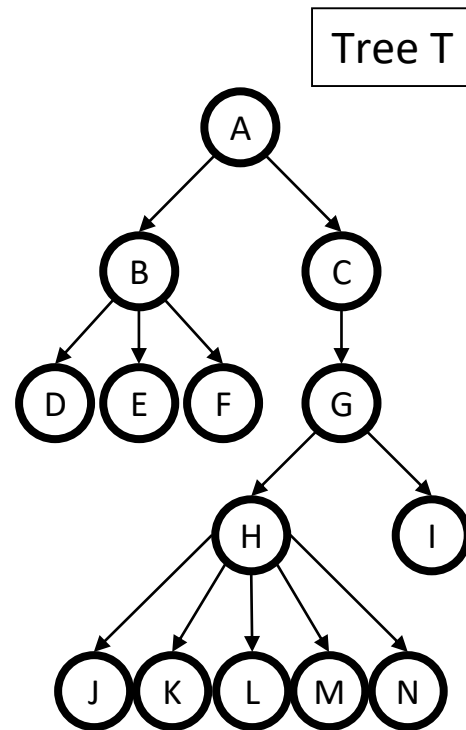
## ❖ We *visualize* our heap as a tree, so let's review some terminology

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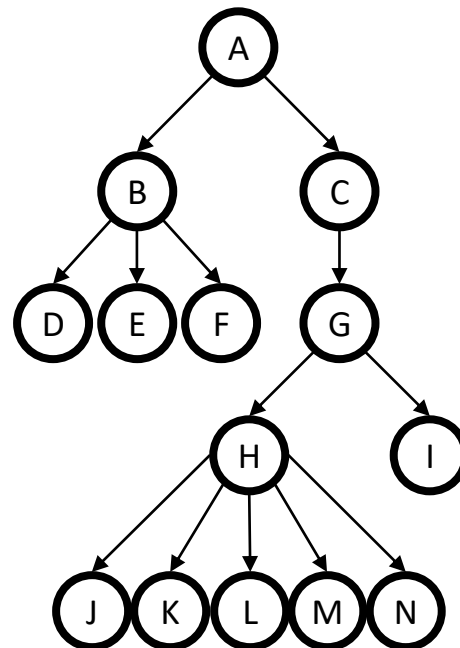
# Review: Tree Terminology

- ❖  $\text{root}(T)$ :
- ❖  $\text{leaves}(T)$ :
- ❖  $\text{children}(B)$ :
- ❖  $\text{parent}(H)$ :
- ❖  $\text{siblings}(E)$ :
- ❖  $\text{ancestors}(F)$ : *B, A*
- ❖  $\text{descendants}(G)$ :
- ❖  $\text{subtree}(G)$ :
- ❖  $\text{depth}(B)$ :
- ❖  $\text{height}(G)$ :
- ❖  $\text{height}(T)$ : *4*
- ❖  $\text{degree}(B)$ :
- ❖  $\text{branching factor}(T)$ :



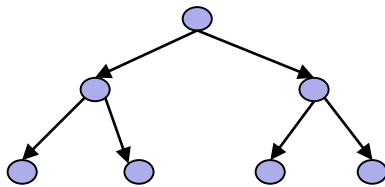
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- ❖ siblings(E):  $D, F$
- ❖ height(T):  $4$
- ❖ branching factor(T):  
avg/mean:  $\frac{13}{6}$   
max:  $5$

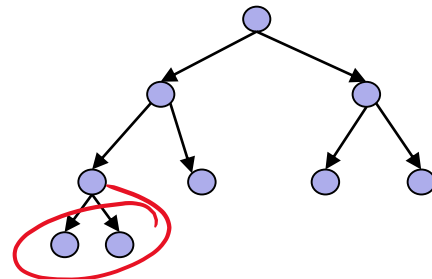


# Types of Trees

Binary tree	Every node has $\leq 2$ children
N-ary tree	Every node has $\leq n$ children
Perfect tree	Every row is completely full
Complete tree	All rows except possibly the bottom are completely full. The bottom row is filled from left to right



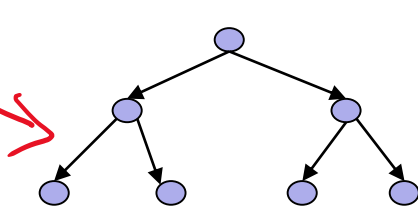
Perfect Tree



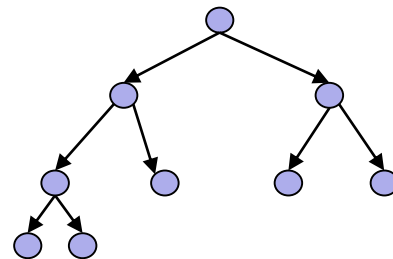
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# Perfect Tree Properties

Height	Number of Nodes	Number of Leaves
1	3	2
2	7	4
3	15	8
4	31	16
$h$	$2^{h+1} - 1$	$2^h$



Perfect Tree



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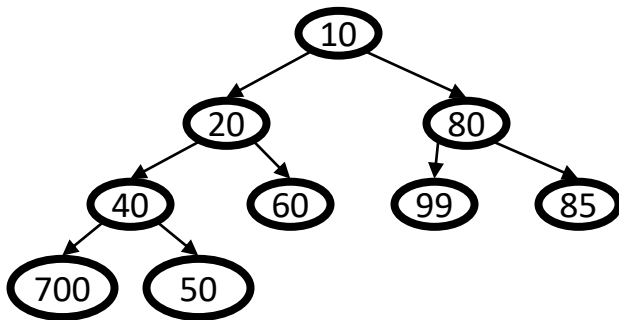
# Our Data Structure: Binary (Min-)Heap (1 of 3)

- ❖ More commonly known as a *binary heap* or simply a *heap*
  - The “min” refers to the fact that the special priority value is the smallest; a “max heap” tracks the largest priority
- ❖ **Structure Property:** A complete binary tree
- ❖ **Order Property:** Every non-root node has a priority value larger than (or possibly equal to) the priority of its parent

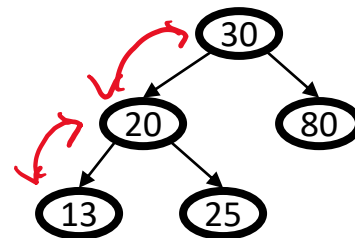
*How is this different from a binary search tree?*

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A Heap



Not a Heap

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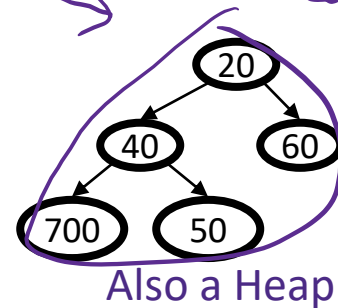
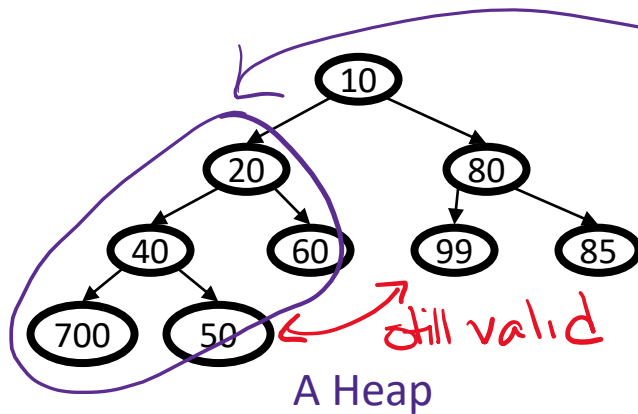
❖ Where is the minimum priority item? *root!*

❖ What is the height of a heap with n items?  $\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$

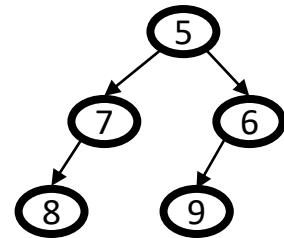
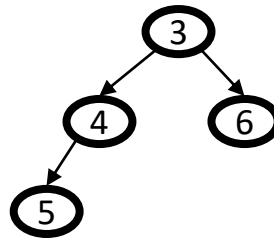
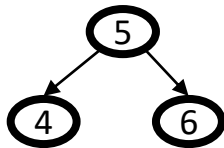
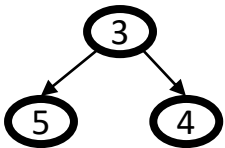
❖ Is this tree unique to this heap?

*No!*

*subheap still a valid heap*



❖ Are these valid binary min-heaps?



- A. Yes, no, yes, yes
- B. Yes, yes, yes, yes
- C. Yes, no, no, yes
- D. Yes, no, yes, no
- E. No, no, yes, no
- F. I'm not sure ...

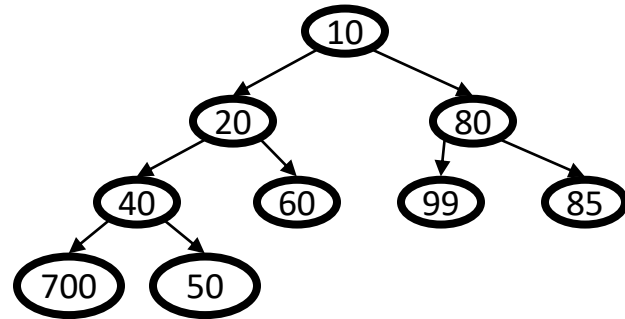
# Binary Heap Helper Functions

## ❖ **add:**

- Put new node in rightmost position of the last row (*restore structure property*)
- “Percolate up” to correct layer (*restore order property*)

## ❖ **deleteMin:**

- `answer = root.item`
- Move rightmost node in last row to root (*restore structure property*)
- “Percolate down” to correct layer (*restore order property*)

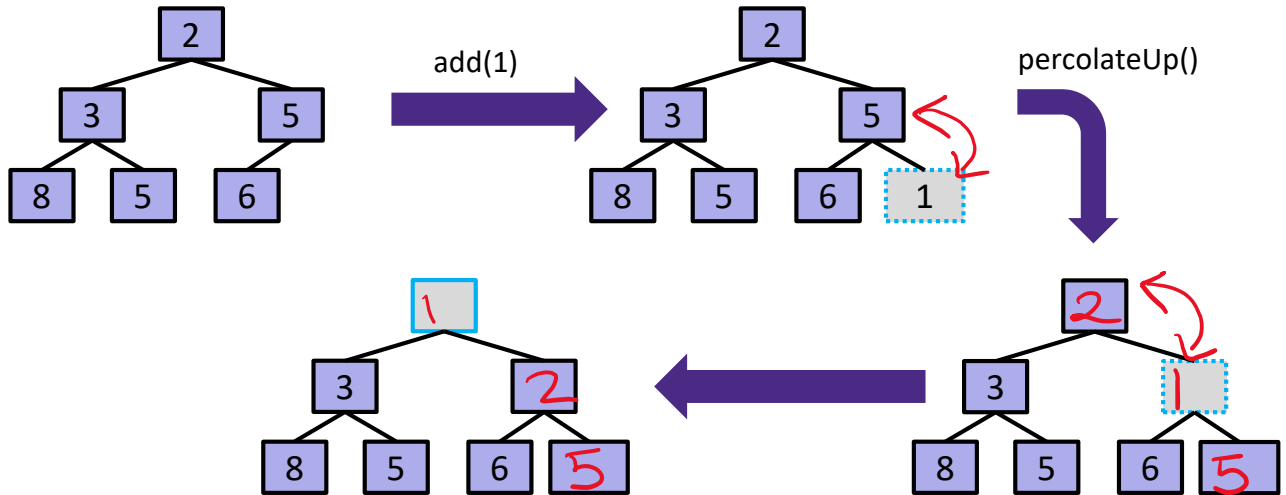


### Overall strategy:

- *Preserve complete tree structure property*
  - ... which may break heap order property
- *Percolate to restore heap order property*

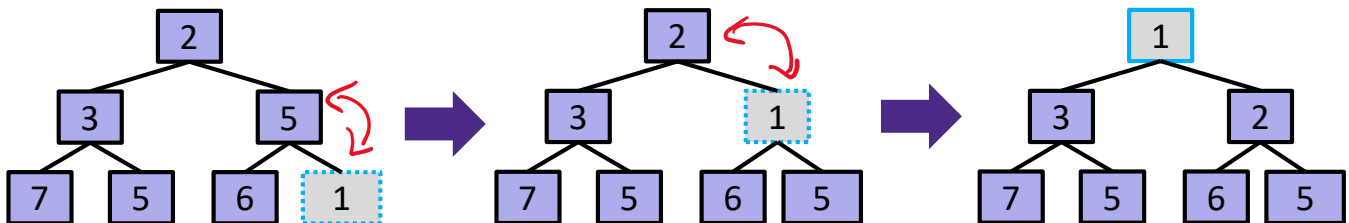
# Binary Heap: add()

- ❖ Put new node in rightmost position of the last row
- ❖ “Percolate up” to correct layer



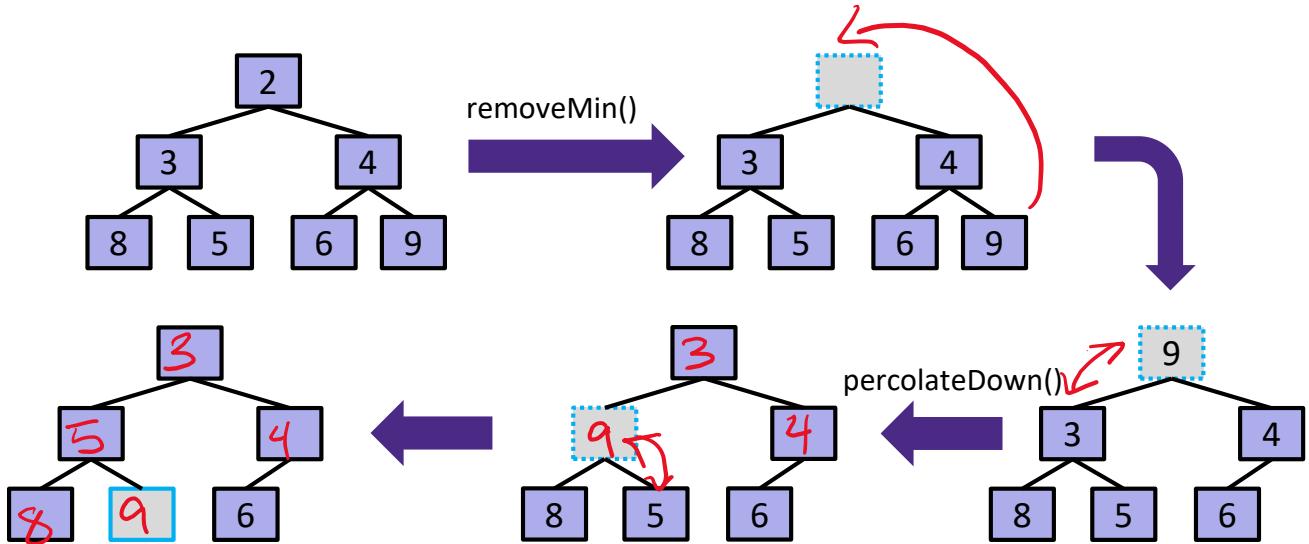
# percolateUp() Helper Function

- ❖ percolateUp():
  - Put new item in new location
  - If parent larger, swap with parent, and continue
  - Done when parent  $\leq$  item or reached root
- ❖ Why does this work? What is the run time?



# Binary Heap: removeMin()

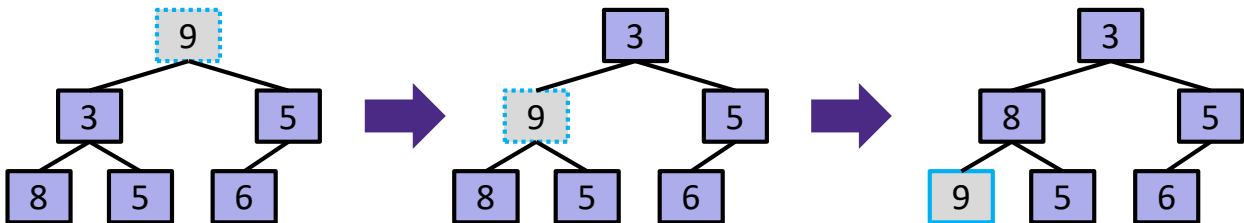
- ❖ Move rightmost node in last row to the root
- ❖ “Percolate down” to correct layer





# percolateDown() Helper Function

- ❖ percolateDown:
  - Keep comparing with both children
  - Move *smaller* child up and go down one level
  - Done if both children are  $\geq$  item or reached a leaf node
- ❖ Why does this work? What is the run time?



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# A Clever Trick for Storing the Heap...

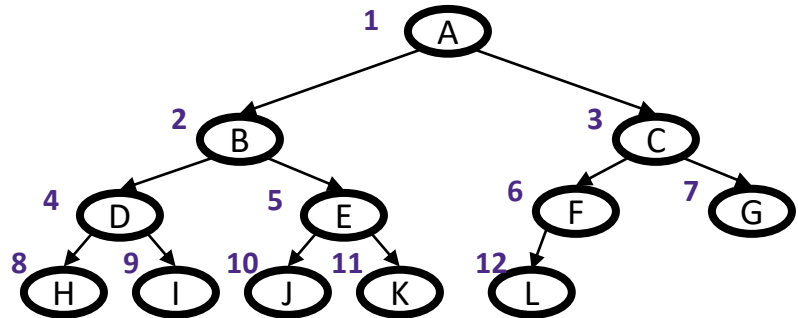
- ❖ All complete trees of size  $n$  contain the same edges
  - So why are we even representing the edges?
  - We should only pay for the functionality we need!!

# Array Representation of a Binary Heap

- ❖ In lecture and in Weiss, skip index 0 to make the math simpler
  - Though, it's a good place to store the current size of the heap
  - P1 doesn't skip; starts counting from 0

❖ From node  $i$ :

- left child:  $2i$
- right child:  $2i+1$
- parent:  $\lfloor \frac{i}{2} \rfloor$

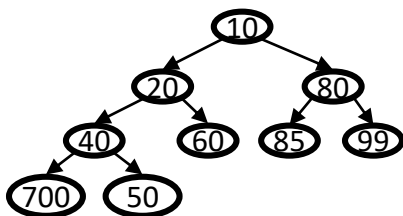


	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13

# Pseudocode: add()

```
void insert(int val) {
    if (size == arr.length-1)
        resize();
    size++;
    i = percolateUp(size, val);
    arr[i] = val;
}
```

```
int percolateUp(int hole,
               int val) {
    while (hole > 1 &&
           val < arr[hole/2]) {
        arr[hole] = arr[hole/2];
        hole = hole / 2;
    }
    return hole;
}
```



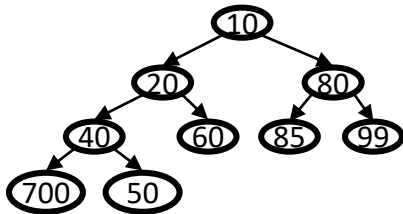
## Disclaimers:

- This pseudocode uses ints. In real use, you will have nodes with priorities and values
- P1 doesn't skip; starts counting from 0

	10	20	80	40	60	85	99	700	50				
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# Pseudocode: deleteMin()

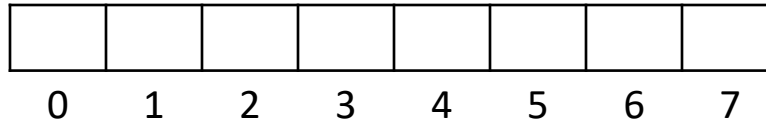
```
int deleteMin() {
    if(isEmpty()) throw ...
    ans = arr[1];
    hole = percolateDown(
        1, arr[size]);
    arr[hole] = arr[size];
    size--;
    return ans;
}
```



```
int percolateDown(int hole,
                  int val) {
    while (2*hole <= size) {
        left = 2*hole;
        right = left + 1;
        if (arr[left] < arr[right]
            || right > size)
            target = left;
        else
            target = right;
        if (arr[target] < val) {
            arr[hole] = arr[target];
            hole = target;
        } else
            break;
    }
    return hole;
}
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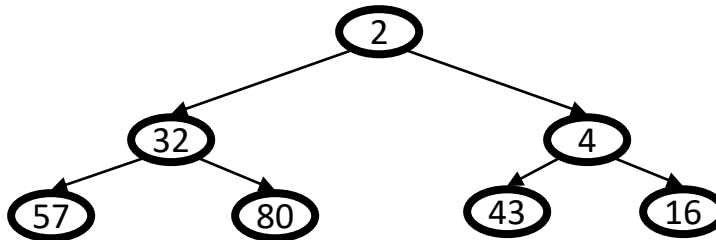
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2. deleteMin



# Activity Answer: After add()s

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0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7





# Activity Answer: After deleteMin()

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