

Today:

- Priority queues (*Data Structures* §6.4, §6.5)
- Range queries (§6.2)
- Java utilities: SortedSet, Map, etc.

Next topic: Hashing (*Data Structures* Chapter 7).

- Priority queue: defined by operations "add," "find largest," "remove largest."
- Examples: scheduling long streams of actions to occur at various future times.
- Also useful for sorting (keep removing largest).
- Common implementation is the *heap*, a kind of tree.
- (Confusingly, this same term is used to describe the pool of storage that the *new* operator uses. Sorry about that.)

Heaps

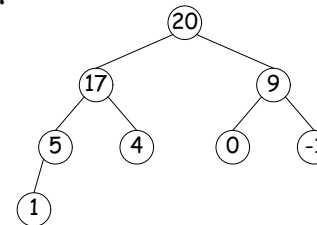
- A *max-heap* is a binary tree that enforces the *Heap Property*: Both labels in *both* children of each node are less than node's label.
- So node at top has largest label.
- Looser than binary search property, which allows us to keep tree "bushy".
- That is, it's always valid to put the smallest nodes anywhere at the bottom of the tree.
- Thus, heaps can be made *nearly complete*: all but possibly the last row have as many keys as possible.
- As a result, insertion of new value and deletion of largest value always take time proportional to $\lg N$ in worst case.
- A *min-heap* is basically the same, but with the minimum value at the root and children having larger values than their parents.

Example: Inserting into a simple heap

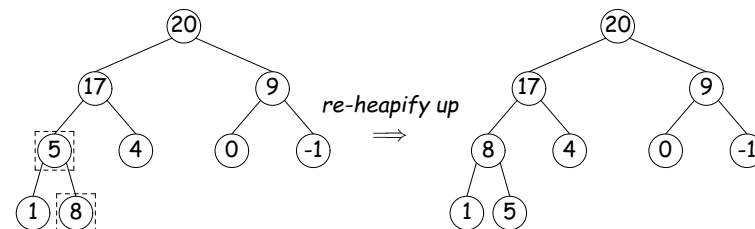
Data:

1 17 4 5 9 0 -1 20

Initial Heap:

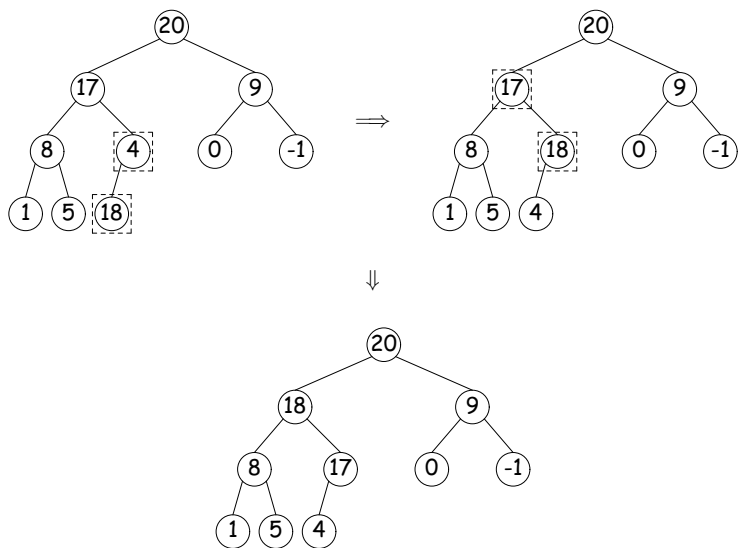


Add 8: Dashed boxes show where heap property violated



Heap insertion continued

Now insert 18:

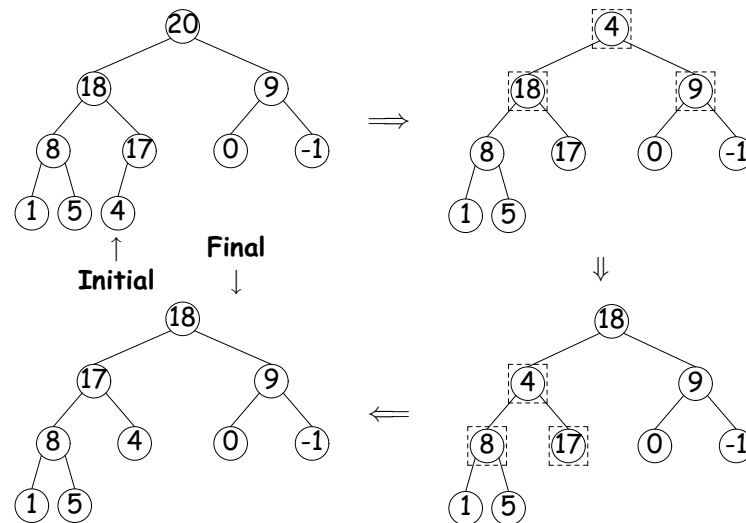


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Removing Largest from Heap

To remove largest: Move bottommost, rightmost node to top, then re-heapify down as needed (swap offending node with larger child) to re-establish heap property.

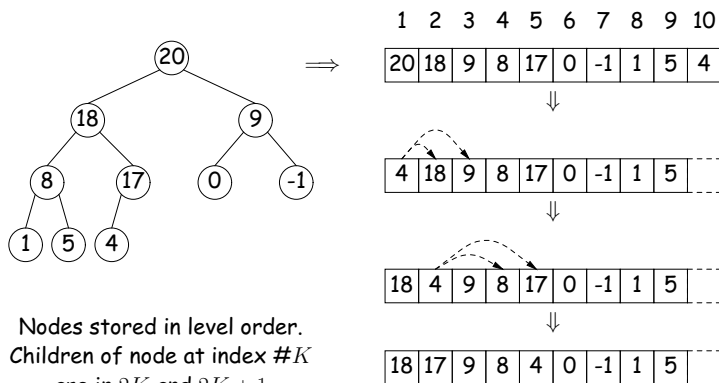


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Heaps in Arrays

- Since heaps are nearly complete (missing items only at bottom level), can use arrays for compact representation.
- Example of removal from last slide (dashed arrows show children):



Nodes stored in level order.
Children of node at index # K
are in $2K$ and $2K + 1$

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Ranges

- So far, have looked for specific items
- But for BSTs, need an ordering anyway, and can also support looking for *ranges of values*.
- Example: perform some action on all values in a BST that are within some range (in natural order):

```

/** Apply WHATTODO to all labels in T that are
 * >= L and < U, in ascending natural order. */
static void visitRange (BST T, Comparable<Key> L, Comparable<Key> U,
                        Action whatToDo)

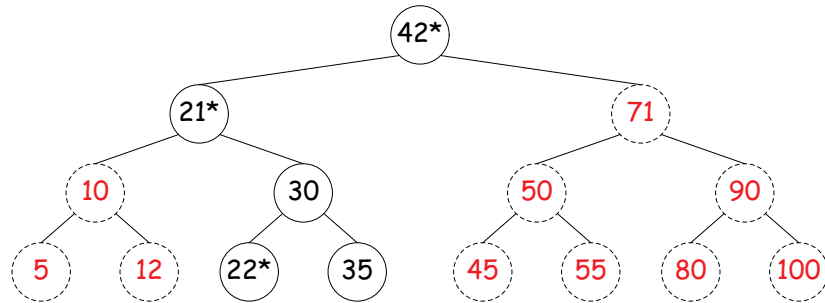
if (T != null) {
    int compLeft = L.compareTo (T.label ()),
        compRight = U.compareTo (T.label ());
    if (compLeft < 0) /* L < label */
        visitRange (T.left (), L, U, whatToDo);
    if (compLeft <= 0 && compRight > 0) /* L <= label < U */
        whatToDo.action (T);
    if (compRight > 0) /* label < U */
        visitRange (T.right (), L, U, whatToDo);
}
    
```

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Time for Range Queries

- Time for range query $\in O(h + M)$, where h is height of tree, and M is number of data items that turn out to be in the range.
- Consider searching the tree below for all values, x , such that $25 \leq x < 40$.
- In this example, the h comes from the starred nodes; the M comes from other non-dashed nodes. **Dashed** nodes are never looked at.



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Ordered Sets and Range Queries in Java

- Class SortedSet supports range queries with *views* of set:
 - `S.headSet(U)`: subset of `S` that is $< U$.
 - `S.tailSet(L)`: subset that is $\geq L$.
 - `S.subSet(L,U)`: subset that is $\geq L, < U$.
- Changes to views modify `S`.
- Attempts to, e.g., add to a `headSet` beyond `U` are disallowed.
- Can iterate through a view to process a range:

```
SortedSet<String> fauna = new TreeSet<String>
    (Arrays.asList ("axolotl", "elk", "dog", "hartebeest", "duck"));
for (String item : fauna.subSet ("bison", "gnu"))
    System.out.printf ("%s, ", item);
```

would print "dog, duck, elk,"

- Java library type `TreeSet<T>` requires either that `T` be `Comparable`, or that you provide a `Comparator`:

```
SortedSet<String> rev_fauna = new TreeSet<String> (Collections.reverseOrder());
```

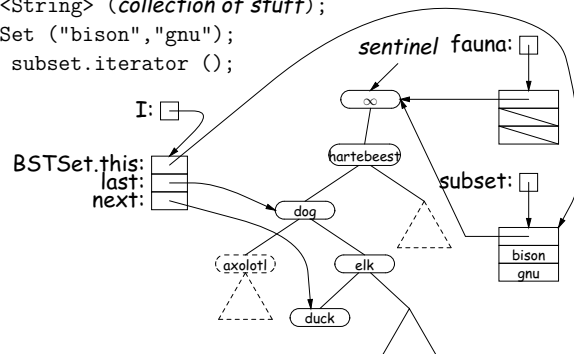
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Example of Representation: BSTSet

- Use binary search tree to represent set. Can use same representation for both `BSTSet` and its subsets.
- Each set has pointer to BST, plus bounds (if any).
- In this representation, size is rather expensive!

```
SortedSet<String>
    fauna = new BSTSet<String> (collection of stuff);
    subset = fauna.subSet ("bison", "gnu");
    Iterator<String> i = subset.iterator ();
```



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