CS61B Lecture #22

Administrative:

• Midterm graded:

- Intended average: 20 - Actual average: 23 - Actual median: 22

• Midterms available at lecture today; after that, they'll be in 385 Soda.

Today: Project #1 retrospective, priority queues.

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Priority Queues, Heaps

- 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).
- Heap is common implementation.
- Enforces heap property: all labels in both children of node are less (or greater) than node's label.
- So node at top has largest (or smallest) label.
- Are free to add smaller value to less bushy subtree, thus maintaining bushiness (keeping tree balanced).
- ullet Insertion and deletion always proportional to $\lg N$ in worst case.

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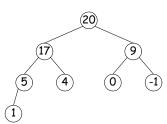
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Example: Inserting into a simple heap

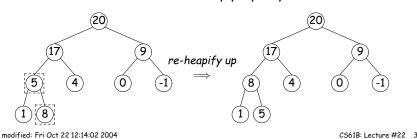
Data:

1 17 4 5 9 0 -1 20

Initial Heap:

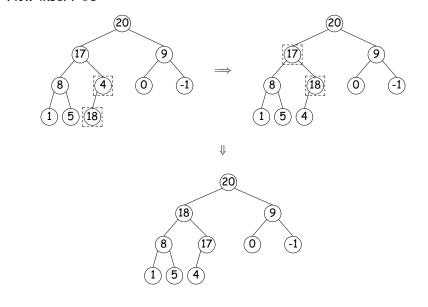


Add 8: Dashed boxes show where heap property violated



Heap insertion continued

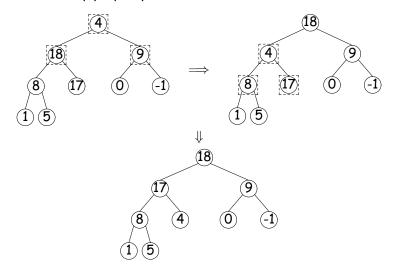
Now insert 18:



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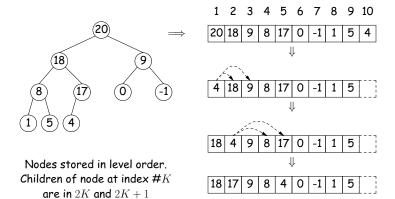
Removing Largest from Heap

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.



Heaps in Arrays

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



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