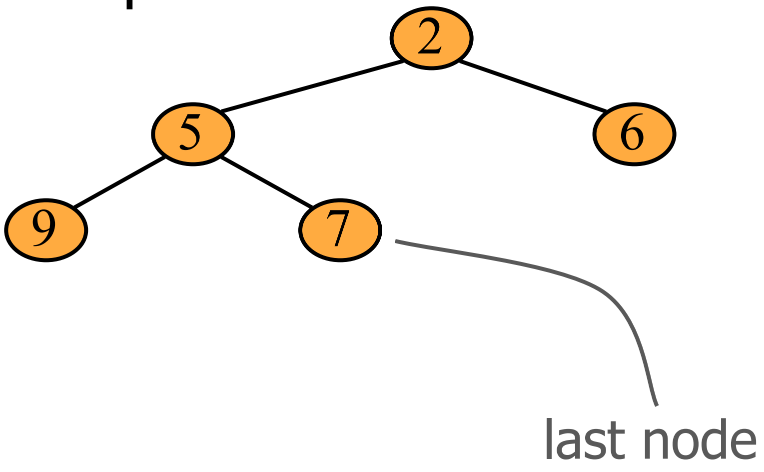
Heaps

- A heap is a binary tree storing keys at its nodes and satisfying the following properties:
  - Heap-Order: for every internal node v other than the root, $key(v) \geq key(parent(v))$
  - Complete Binary Tree: let h be the height of the heap
    - for $i = 0, \ldots, h - 1$, there are 2^i nodes of depth i
    - at depth $h - 1$, the internal nodes are to the left of the external nodes

- The last node of a heap is the rightmost node of depth h

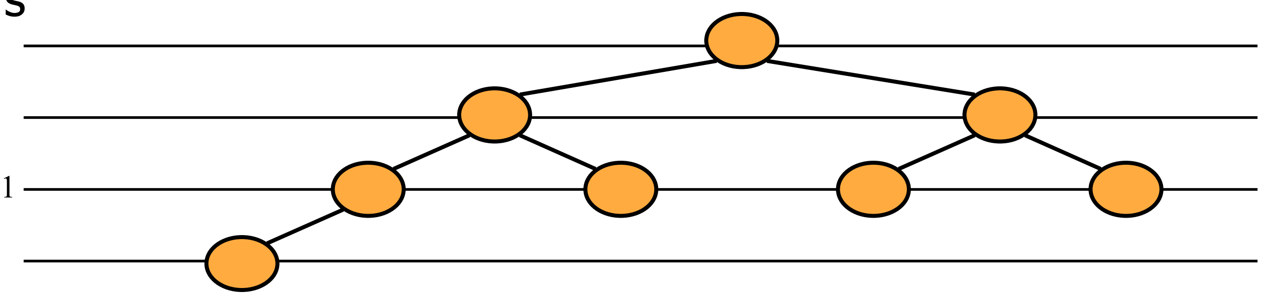


Height of a Heap

- Theorem: A heap storing n keys has height $O(\log n)$

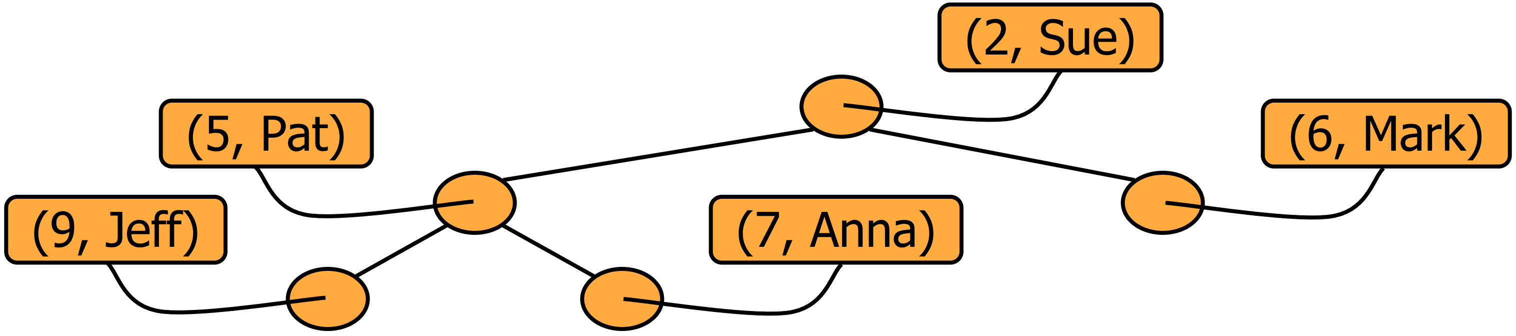
  Proof: (we apply the complete binary tree property)
  - Let h be the height of a heap storing n keys
  - Since there are 2^i keys at depth $i = 0, \dots, h-1$ and at least one key at depth h, we have $n \geq 1 + 2 + 4 + \dots + 2^{h-1} + 1$
  - Thus, $n \geq 2^h$, i.e., $h \leq \log n$

depth	keys
0	1
1	2
$h-1$	2^{h-1}
h	1



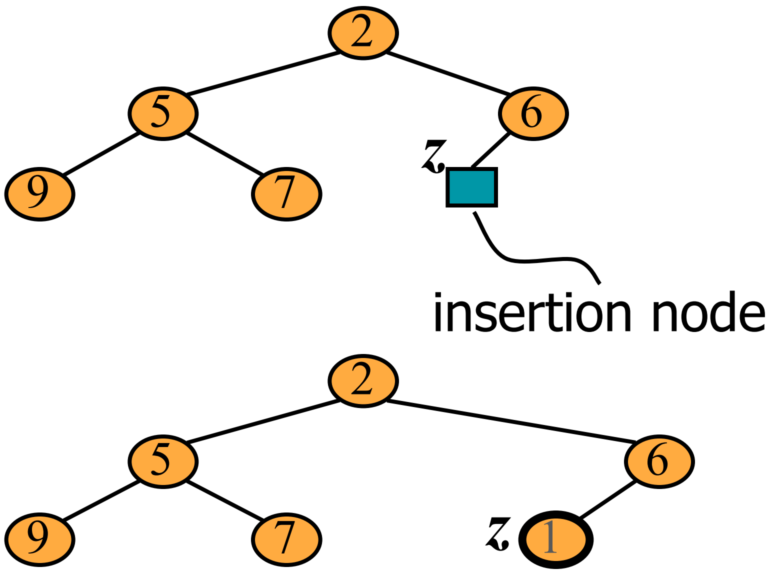
Heaps and Priority Queues

- We can use a heap to implement a priority queue
- We store a (key, element) item at each internal node
- We keep track of the position of the last node
- For simplicity, we show only the keys in the pictures



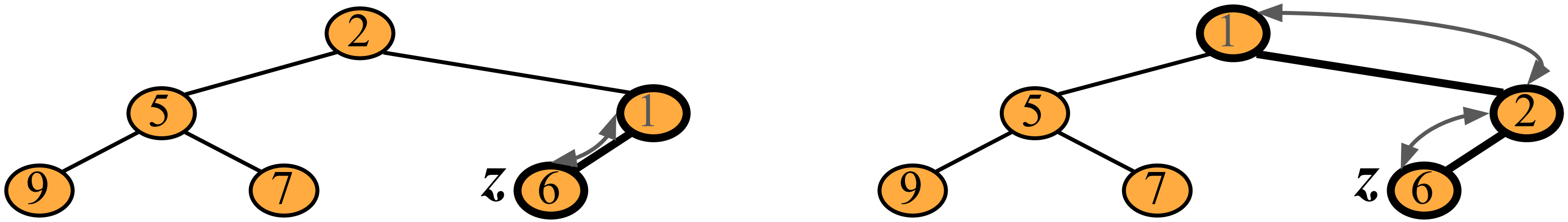
Insertion into a Heap

- Method insertItem of the priority queue ADT corresponds to the insertion of a key k to the heap
- The insertion algorithm consists of three steps
  - Find the insertion node z (the new last node)
  - Store k at z
  - Restore the heap-order property (discussed next)



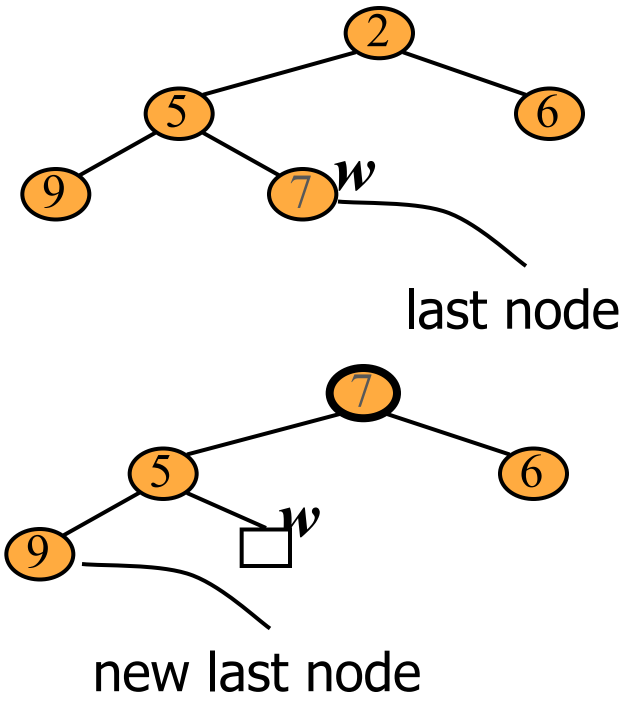
Upheap

- After the insertion of a new key k, the heap-order property may be violated
- Algorithm upheap restores the heap-order property by swapping k along an upward path from the insertion node
- Upheap terminates when the key k reaches the root or a node whose parent has a key smaller than or equal to k
- Since a heap has height $O(\log n)$, upheap runs in $O(\log n)$ time



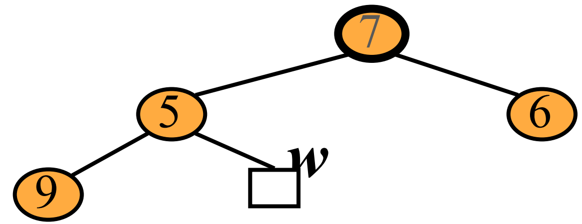
Removal from a Heap (§ 7.3.3)

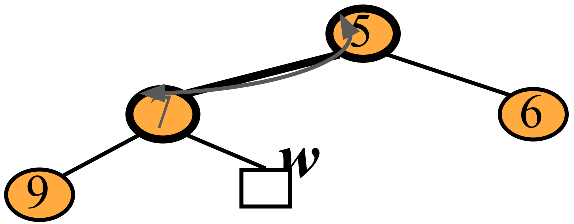
- Method removeMin of the priority queue ADT corresponds to the removal of the root key from the heap
- The removal algorithm consists of three steps
  - Replace the root key with the key of the last node w
  - Remove w
  - Restore the heap-order property (discussed next)



Downheap

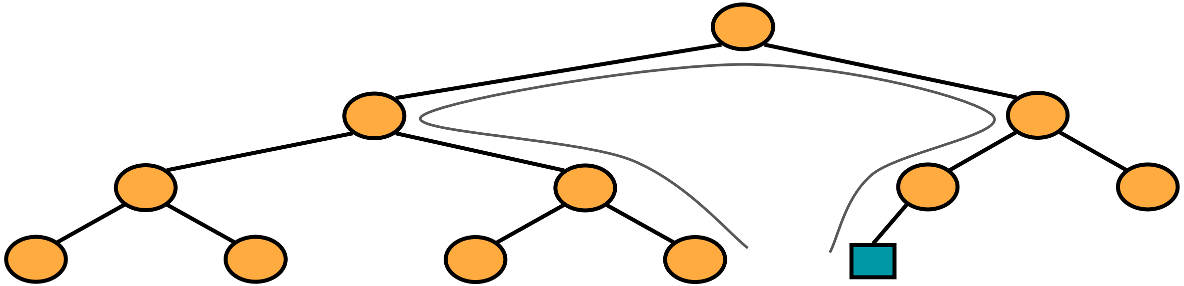
- After replacing the root key with the key k of the last node, the heap-order property may be violated
- Algorithm downheap restores the heap-order property by swapping key k along a downward path from the root
- Upheap terminates when key k reaches a leaf or a node whose children have keys greater than or equal to k
- Since a heap has height $O(\log n)$, downheap runs in $O(\log n)$ time





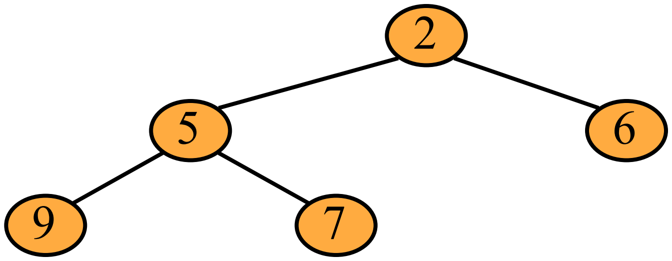
Updating the Last Node

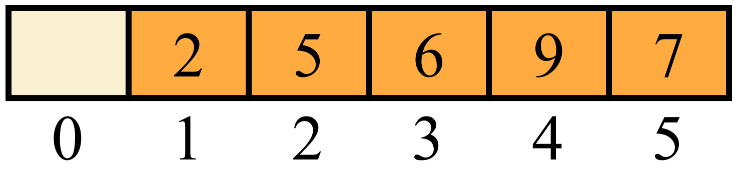
- The insertion node can be found by traversing a path of $O(\log n)$ nodes
  - Go up until a left child or the root is reached
  - If a left child is reached, go to the right child
  - Go down left until a leaf is reached
- Similar algorithm for updating the last node after a removal



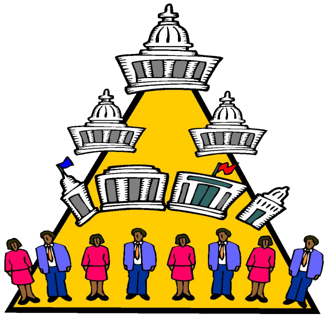
Array-based Heap Implementation

- We can represent a heap with n keys by means of an array of length $n + 1$
- For the node at rank i
  - the left child is at rank $2i$
  - the right child is at rank $2i + 1$
- Links between nodes are not explicitly stored
- The cell of at rank 0 is not used
- Operation insert corresponds to inserting at rank $n + 1$
- Operation removeMin corresponds to removing at rank n
- Yields in-place heap-sort





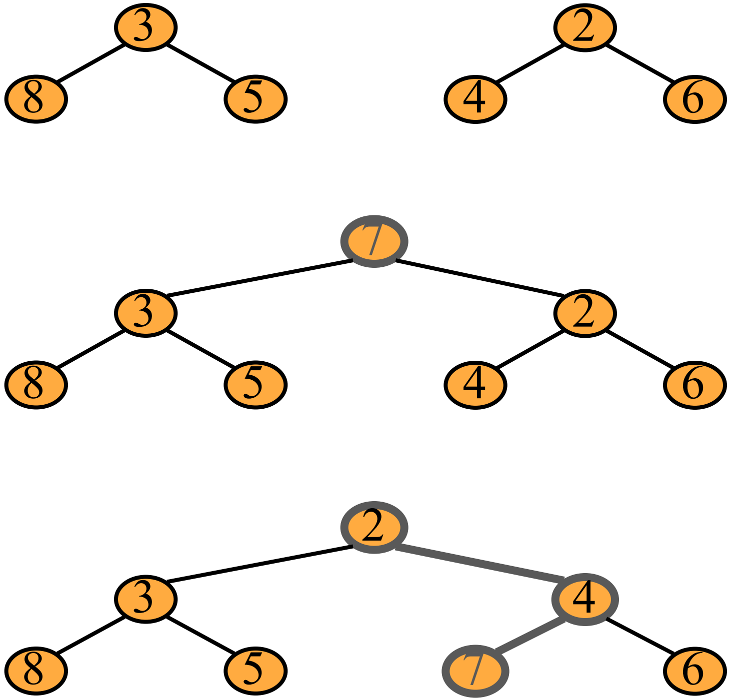
Heap-Sort



- Consider a priority queue with n items implemented by means of a heap
  - the space used is $O(n)$
  - methods insert and removeMin take $O(\log n)$ time
  - methods size, isEmpty, and min take time $O(1)$ time
- Using a heap-based priority queue, we can sort a sequence of n elements in $O(n \log n)$ time
- The resulting algorithm is called heap-sort
- Heap-sort is much faster than quadratic sorting algorithms, such as insertion-sort and selection-sort

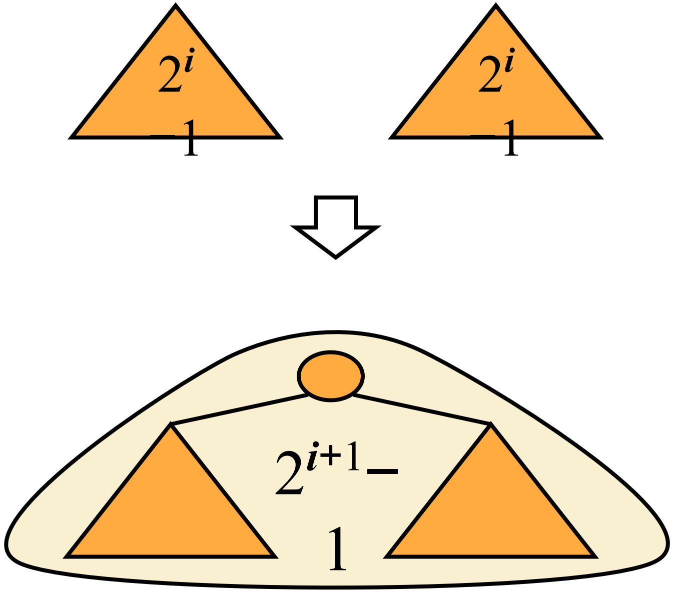
Merging Two Heaps

- We are given two two heaps and a key k
- We create a new heap with the root node storing k and with the two heaps as subtrees
- We perform downheap to restore the heap-order property

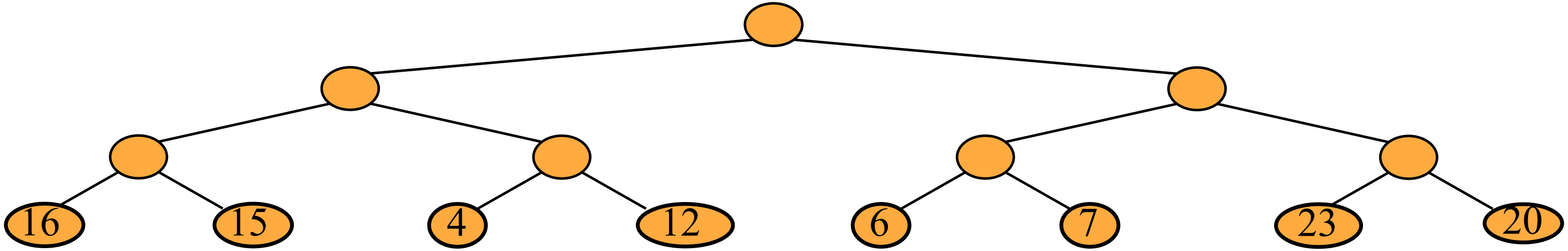


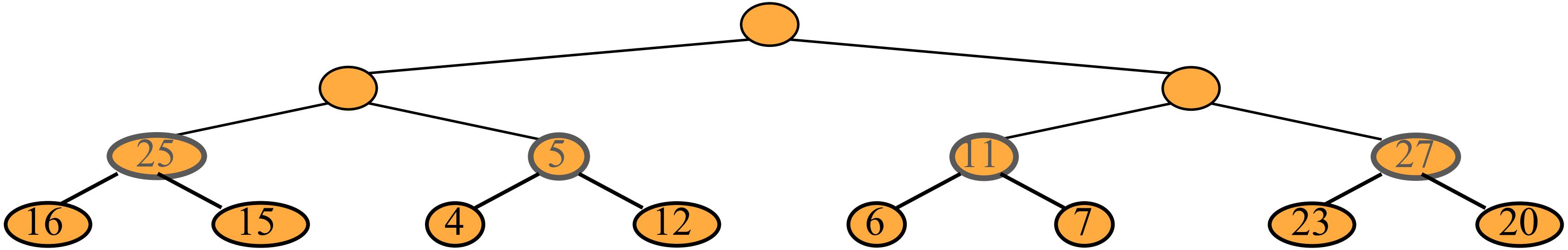
Bottom-up Heap Construction

- We can construct a heap storing $\boldsymbol{n}$ given keys in using a bottom-up construction with $\log \boldsymbol{n}$ phases
- In phase $\boldsymbol{i}$, pairs of heaps with $2^i - 1$ keys are merged into heaps with $2^{\boldsymbol{i}+1} - 1$ keys



Example





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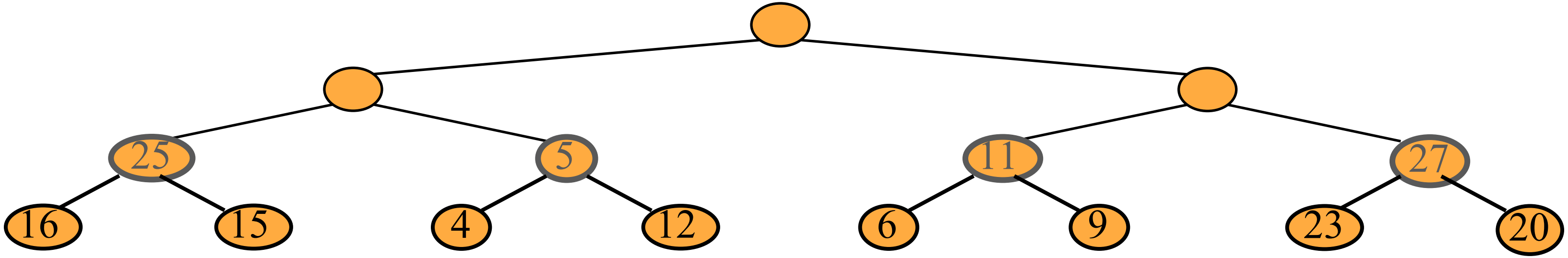

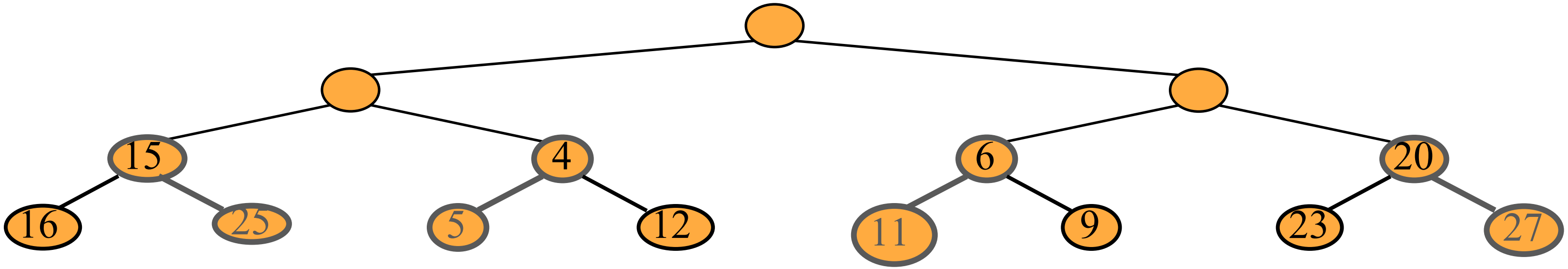

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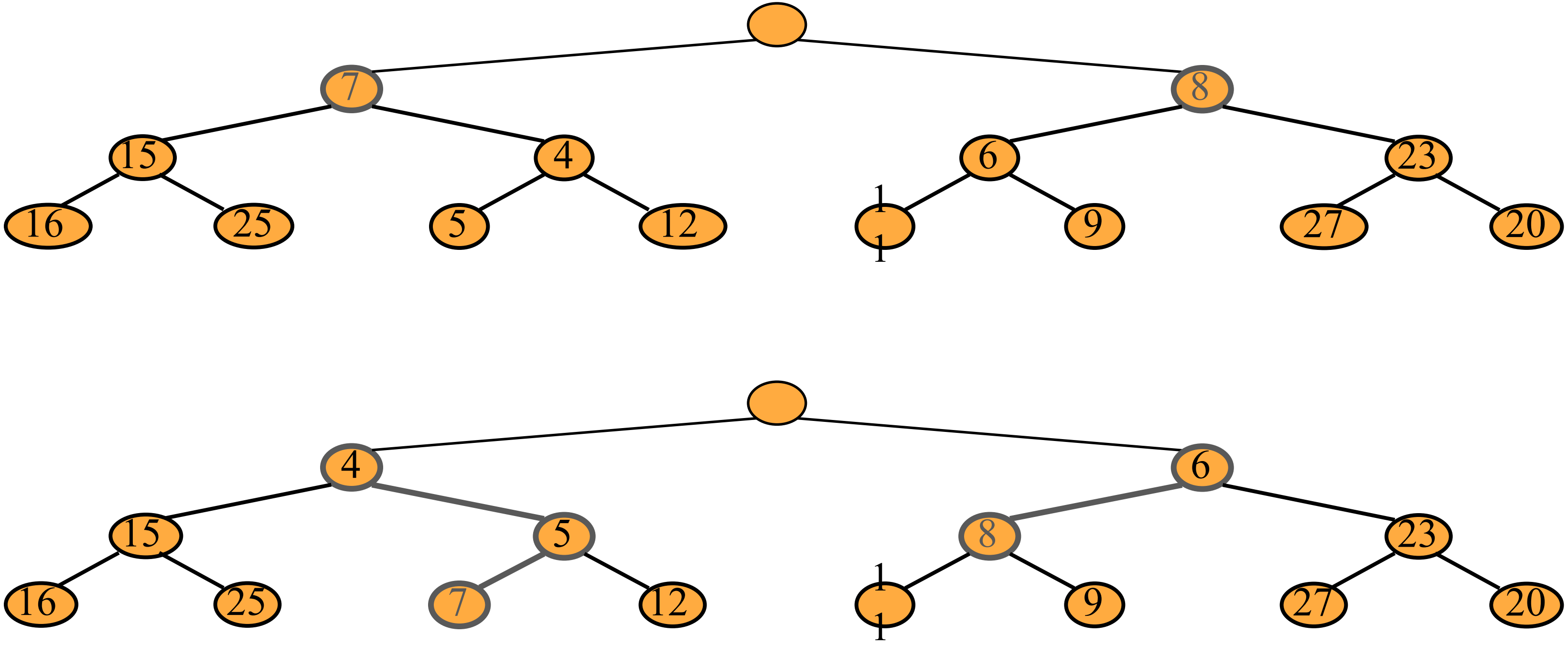

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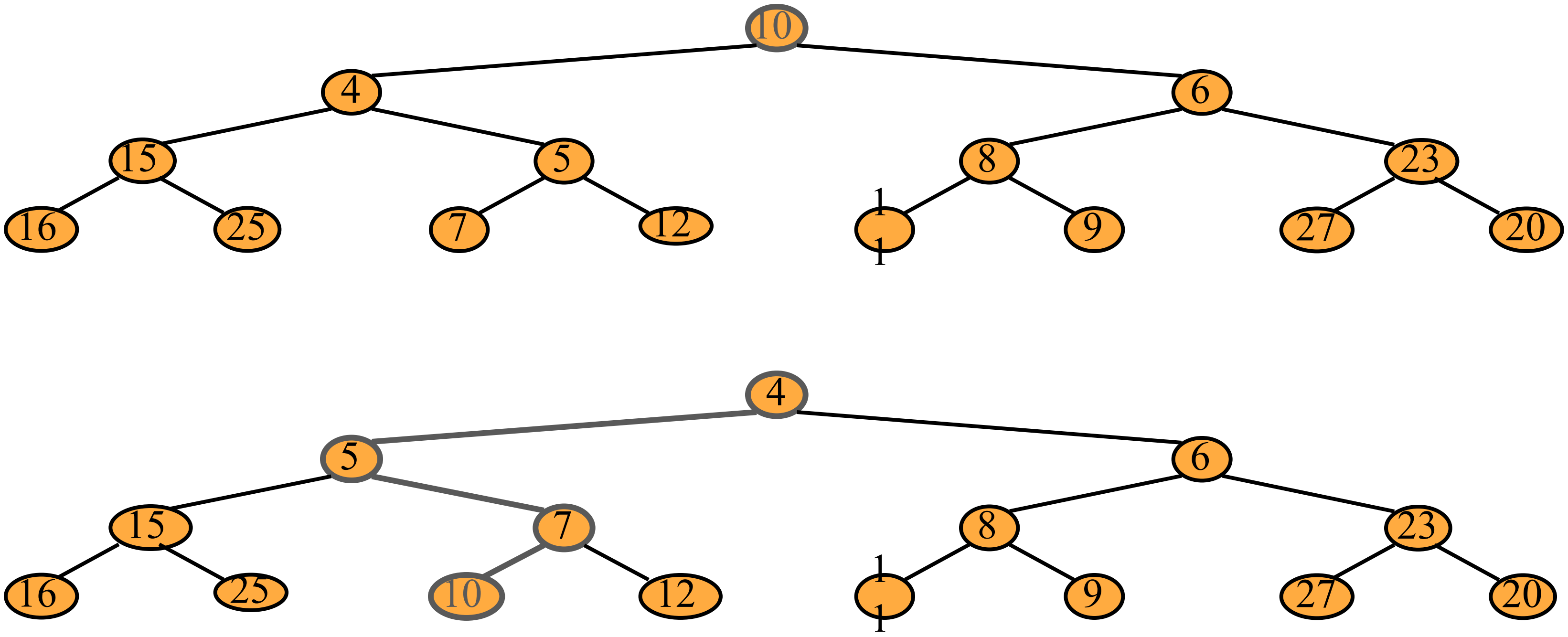

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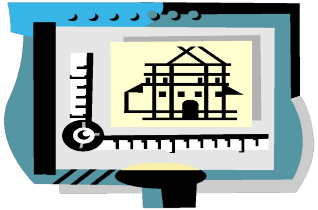
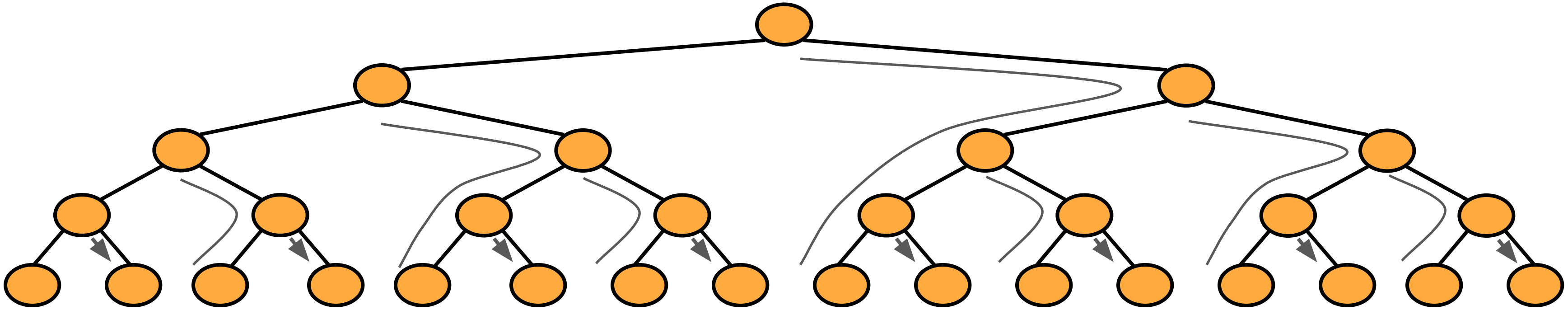


- We visualize the worst-case time of a downheap with a proxy path that goes first right and then repeatedly goes left until the bottom of the heap (this path may differ from the actual downheap path)
- Since each node is traversed by at most two proxy paths, the total number of nodes of the proxy paths is $O(n)$
- Thus, bottom-up heap construction runs in $O(n)$ time
- Bottom-up heap construction is faster than n successive insertions and speeds up the first phase of heap-sort



Exercises

- Take another look at Prim’s, Kruskals, Dijkstra’s
- Question: Can we do even better?
- Yes, an interesting type of heap called a Fibonacci heap