

8. Binary Search Trees

[Ottman/Widmayer, Kap. 5.1, Cormen et al, Kap. 12.1 - 12.3]

Trees

Trees are

- Generalized lists: nodes can have more than one successor
- Special graphs: graphs consist of nodes and edges. A tree is a fully connected, directed, acyclic graph.

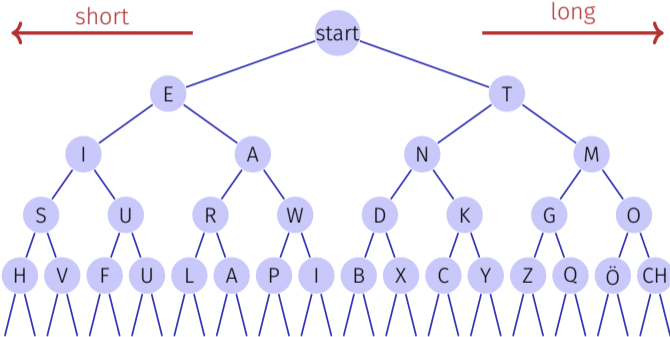
Trees

Use

- Decision trees: hierarchic representation of decision rules
- syntax trees: parsing and traversing of expressions, e.g. in a compiler
- Code trees: representation of a code, e.g. morse alphabet, huffman code
- Search trees: allow efficient searching for an element by value

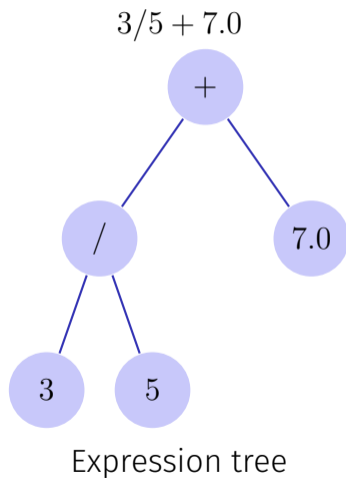


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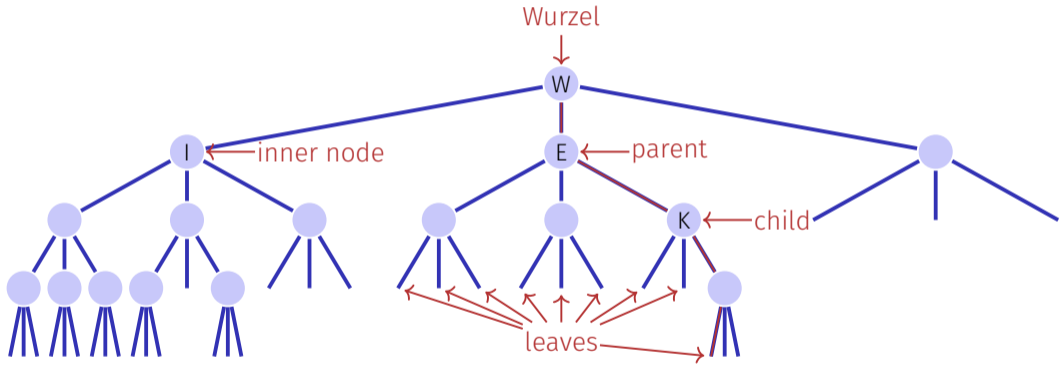


Morsealphabet

Examples



Nomenclature



- Order of the tree: maximum number of child nodes, here: 3
- Height of the tree: maximum path length root – leaf (here: 4)

Binary Trees

A binary tree is

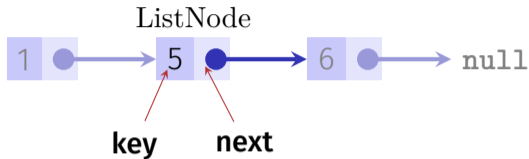
- either a leaf, i.e. an empty tree,
- or an inner leaf with two trees T_l (left subtree) and T_r (right subtree) as left and right successor.

In each inner node v we store

- a key $v.\mathbf{key}$ and
 - two nodes $v.\mathbf{left}$ and $v.\mathbf{right}$ to the roots of the left and right subtree.
- a leaf is represented by the **null**-pointer



Linked List Node in Python



```
class ListNode:
    # entries key, next implicit via constructor

    def __init__(self, key , next = None):
        """Constructor that takes a key and, optionally, next."""
        self.key = key
        self.next = next
}
```

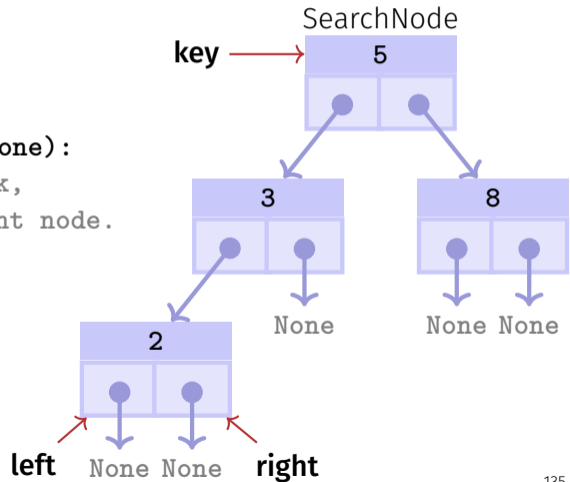

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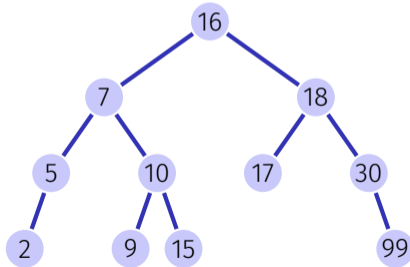
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Binary search tree

A **binary search tree** is a binary tree that fulfils the **search tree property**:

- Every node v stores a key
- Keys in left subtree $v.\text{left}$ are smaller than $v.\text{key}$
- Keys in right subtree $v.\text{right}$ are greater than $v.\text{key}$



Searching

Input: Binary search tree with root r , key k

Output: Node v with $v.key = k$ or **null**

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if $k = v.key$ **then**

 | **return** v

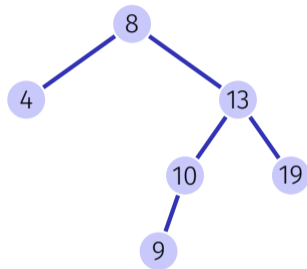
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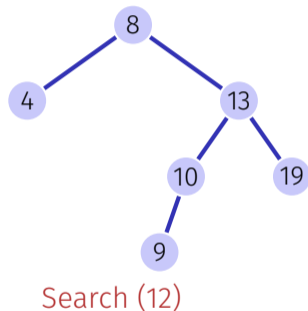
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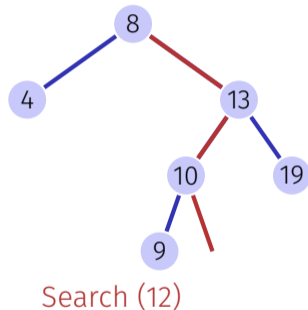
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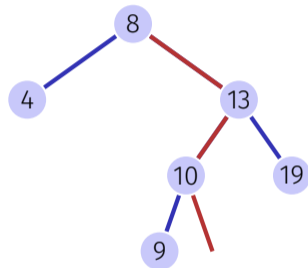
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Search (12) \rightarrow **null**

Searching in Python

```
def findNode(root, key):  
    n = root  
    while n != None and n.key != key:  
        if key < n.key:  
            n = n.left  
        else:  
            n = n.right  
    return n
```


Height of a tree

The height $h(T)$ of a binary tree T with root r is given by

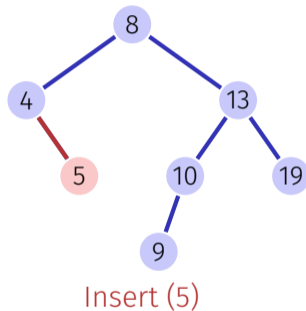
$$h(r) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } r = \mathbf{null} \\ 1 + \max\{h(r.\text{left}), h(r.\text{right})\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The worst case run time of the search is thus $\mathcal{O}(h(T))$

Insertion of a key

Insertion of the key k

- Search for k
- If successful search: e.g. output error
- Of no success: insert the key at the leaf reached



Insert Nodes in Python

```
def addNode(root, key):
    n = root
    if n == None:
        root = Node(key)
    while n.key != key:
        if key < n.key:
            if n.left == None:
                n.left = Node(key)
            n = n.left
        else:
            if n.right == None:
                n.right = Node(key)
            n = n.right
    return root
```

Tree in Python

```
class Tree:
    def __init__(self):
        self.root = None

    def find(self, key):
        return findNode(self.root, key)

    def has(self, key):
        return self.find(key) != None

    def add(self, key):
        self.root = addNode(self.root, key)

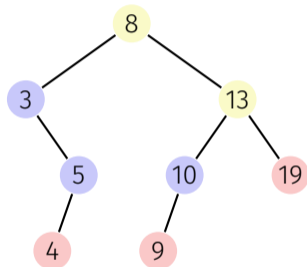
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Remove node

Three cases possible:

- Node has no children
- Node has one child
- Node has two children

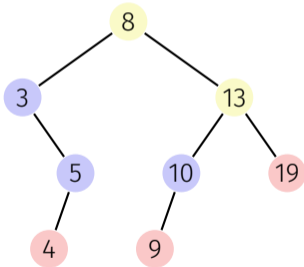
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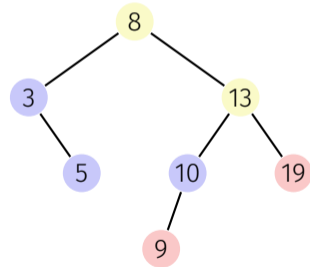
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Simple case: replace node by leaf.



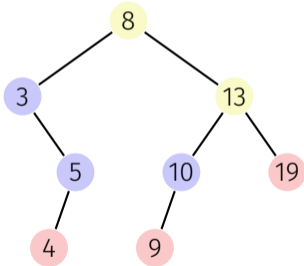
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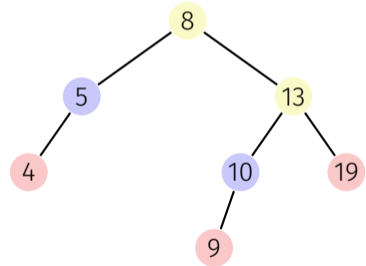
Remove node

Node has one child

Also simple: replace node by single child.



remove(3)
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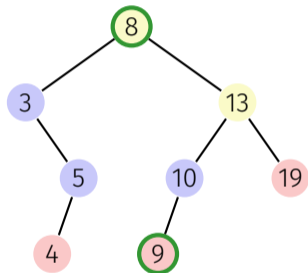
Remove node

Node v has two children

The following observation helps: the smallest key in the right subtree $v.right$ (the **symmetric successor** of v)

- is smaller than all keys in $v.right$
- is greater than all keys in $v.left$
- and cannot have a left child.

Solution: replace v by its symmetric successor.

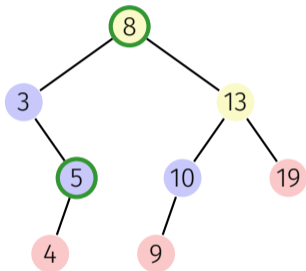


By symmetry...

Node v has two children

Also possible: replace v by its symmetric predecessor.

Implementation: devil is in the detail!



Algorithm SymmetricSuccessor(v)

Input: Node v of a binary search tree.

Output: Symmetric successor of v

$w \leftarrow v.\text{right}$

$x \leftarrow w.\text{left}$

while $x \neq \text{null}$ **do**

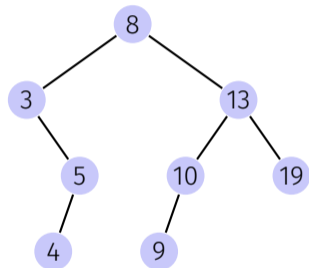
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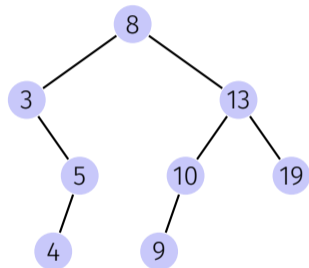
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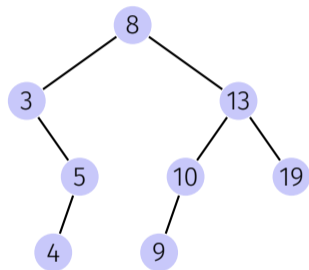
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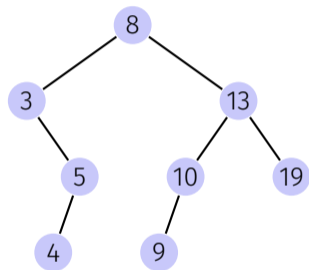
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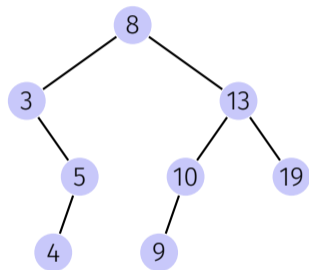
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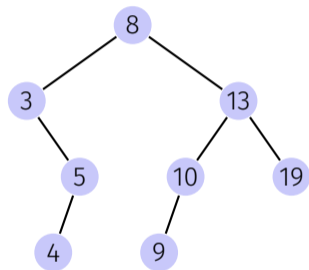
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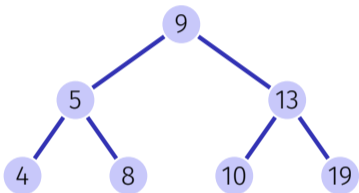


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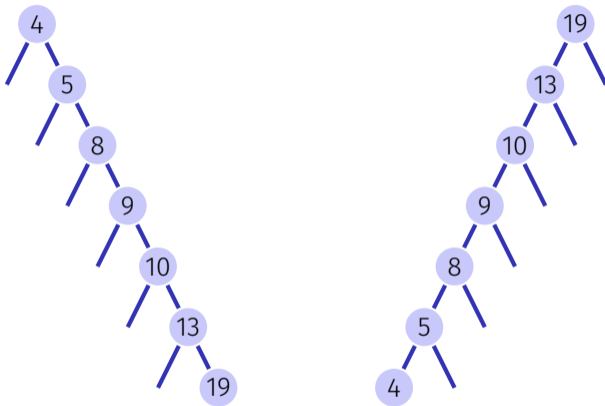
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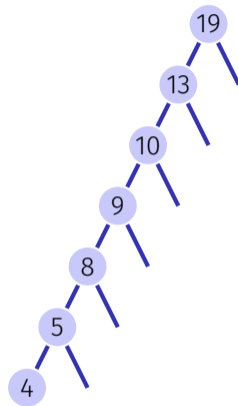
Degenerated search trees



Insert 9,5,13,4,8,10,19
ideally balanced



Insert 4,5,8,9,10,13,19
linear list



Insert 19,13,10,9,8,5,4
linear list

Probabilistically

A search tree constructed from a random sequence of numbers provides an an expected path length of $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$.

Attention: this only holds for insertions. If the tree is constructed by random insertions and deletions, the expected path length is $\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{n})$.

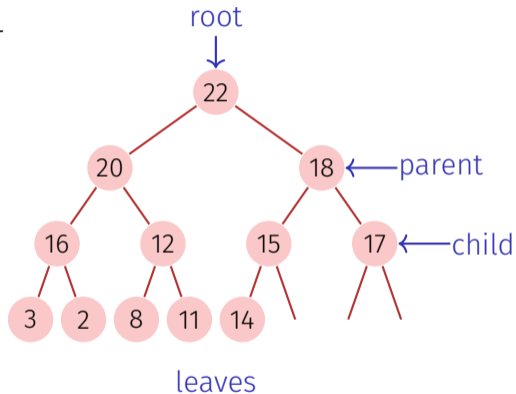
Balanced trees make sure (e.g. with *rotations*) during insertion or deletion that the tree stays balanced and provide a $\mathcal{O}(\log n)$ Worst-case guarantee.

9. Heaps

Datenstruktur optimiert zum schnellen Extrahieren von Minimum oder Maximum und Sortieren. [Ottman/Widmayer, Kap. 2.3, Cormen et al, Kap. 6]

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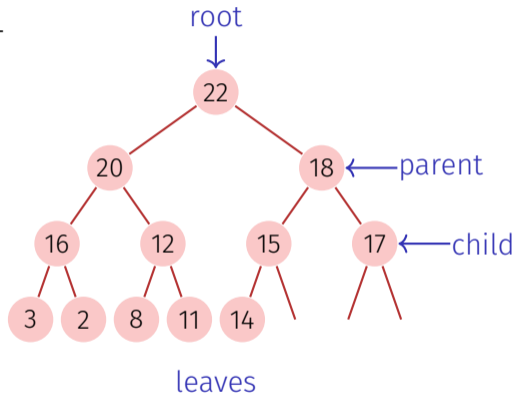


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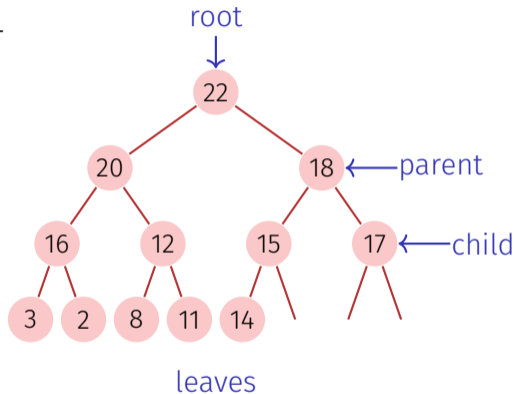


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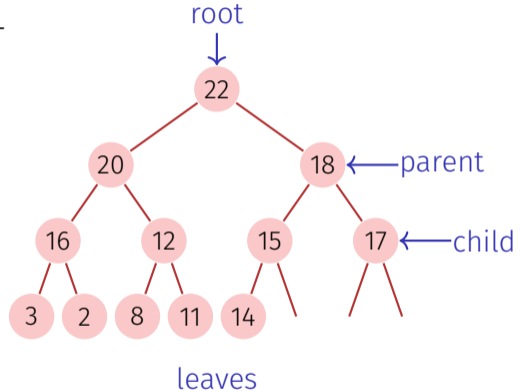


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Max-(Min-)Heap: key of a child smaller (greater) than that of the parent node

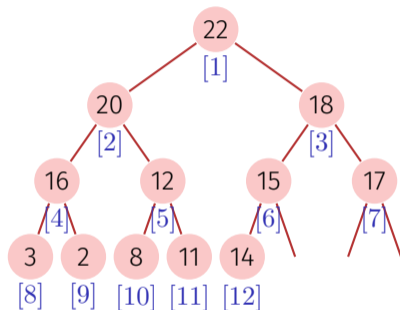
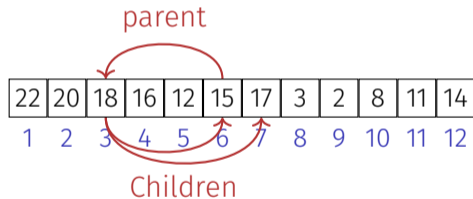


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Heap as Array

Tree \rightarrow Array:

- $\text{children}(i) = \{2i, 2i + 1\}$
- $\text{parent}(i) = \lfloor i/2 \rfloor$



Depends on the starting index⁴

⁴For array that start at 0: $\{2i, 2i + 1\} \rightarrow \{2i + 1, 2i + 2\}$, $\lfloor i/2 \rfloor \rightarrow \lfloor (i - 1)/2 \rfloor$

Height of a Heap

What is the height $H(n)$ of Heap with n nodes? On the i -th level of a binary tree there are at most 2^i nodes. Up to the last level of a heap all levels are filled with values.

$$H(n) = \min\{h \in \mathbb{N} : \sum_{i=0}^{h-1} 2^i \geq n\}$$

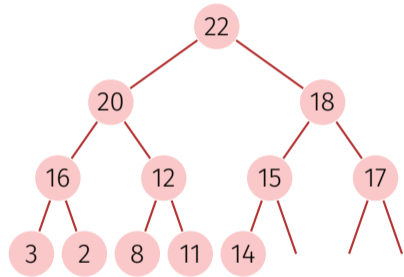
with $\sum_{i=0}^{h-1} 2^i = 2^h - 1$:

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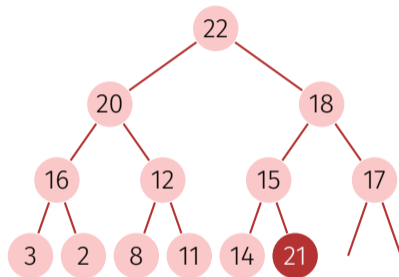
$$H(n) = \lceil \log_2(n + 1) \rceil.$$

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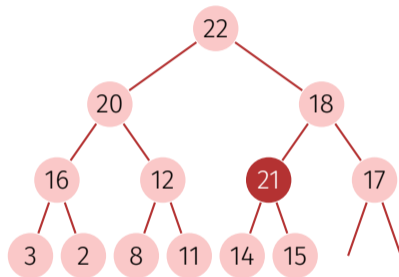
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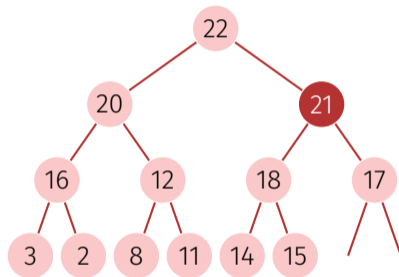
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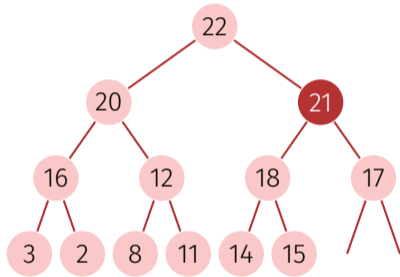
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Algorithm Sift-Up(A, m)

Input: Array A with at least m elements and Max-Heap-Structure on $A[1, \dots, m-1]$

Output: Array A with Max-Heap-Structure on $A[1, \dots, m]$.

$v \leftarrow A[m]$ // value

$c \leftarrow m$ // current position (child)

$p \leftarrow \lfloor c/2 \rfloor$ // parent node

while $c > 1$ and $v > A[p]$ **do**

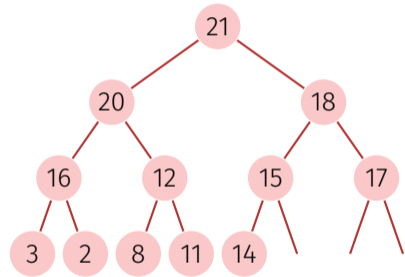
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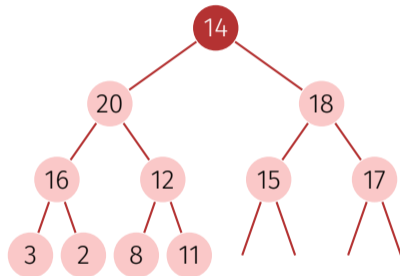
$A[c] \leftarrow v$ // value \rightarrow root of the (sub)tree

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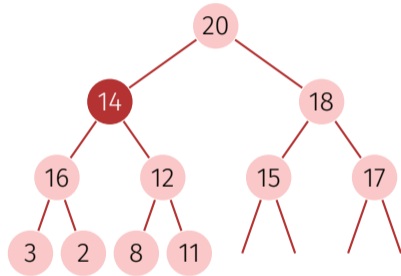
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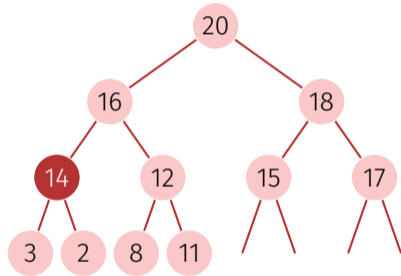
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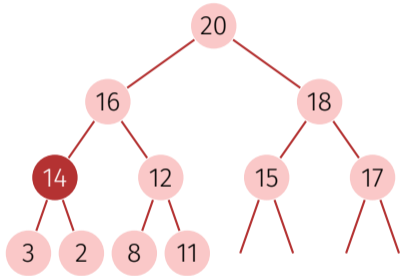
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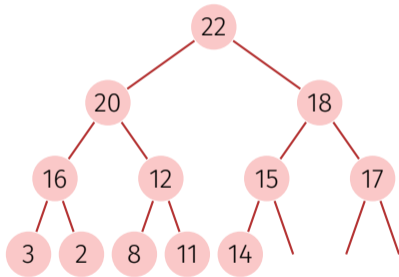
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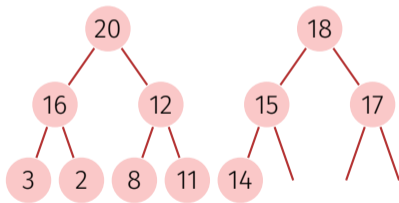
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Input: Array A with heap structure for the children of i . Last element m .

Output: Array A with heap structure for i with last element m .

while $2i \leq m$ **do**

$j \leftarrow 2i$; // j left child

if $j < m$ and $A[j] < A[j + 1]$ **then**

$j \leftarrow j + 1$; // j right child with greater key

if $A[i] < A[j]$ **then**

 swap($A[i], A[j]$)

$i \leftarrow j$; // keep sinking down

else

$i \leftarrow m$; // sift down finished

Sort heap



$A[1, \dots, n]$ is a Heap.

While $n > 1$

- $\text{swap}(A[1], A[n])$
- $\text{SiftDown}(A, 1, n - 1);$
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swap \Rightarrow

7	6	4	5	1	2
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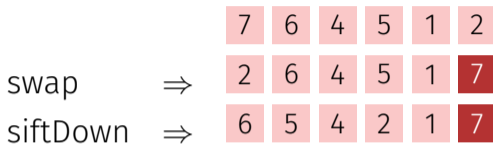
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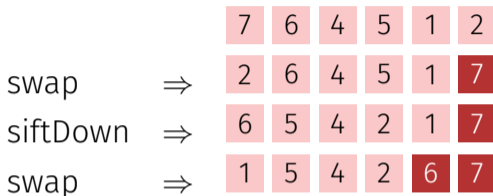


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for $i \leftarrow n/2$ **downto** 1 **do**

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for $i \leftarrow n$ **downto** 2 **do**

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└ SiftDown($A, 1, i - 1$)

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SiftDown traverses at most $\log n$ nodes. For each node 2 key comparisons.
 \Rightarrow sorting a heap costs in the worst case $2 \log n$ comparisons.
Number of memory movements of sorting a heap also $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$.

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Calls to siftDown: $n/2$.

Thus number of comparisons and movements: $v(n) \in \mathcal{O}(n \log n)$.

But mean length of the sift-down paths is much smaller:

We use that $h(n) = \lceil \log_2 n + 1 \rceil = \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor + 1$ für $n > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} v(n) &= \sum_{l=0}^{\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor} \underbrace{2^l}_{\text{number heaps on level } l} \cdot \underbrace{(\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor + 1 - l - 1)}_{\text{height heaps on level } l} = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor} 2^{\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor - k} \cdot k \\ &= 2^{\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor} \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor} \frac{k}{2^k} \leq n \cdot \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{k}{2^k} \leq n \cdot 2 \in \mathcal{O}(n) \end{aligned}$$

with $s(x) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} kx^k = \frac{x}{(1-x)^2}$ ($0 < x < 1$) and $s(\frac{1}{2}) = 2$