

Heaps

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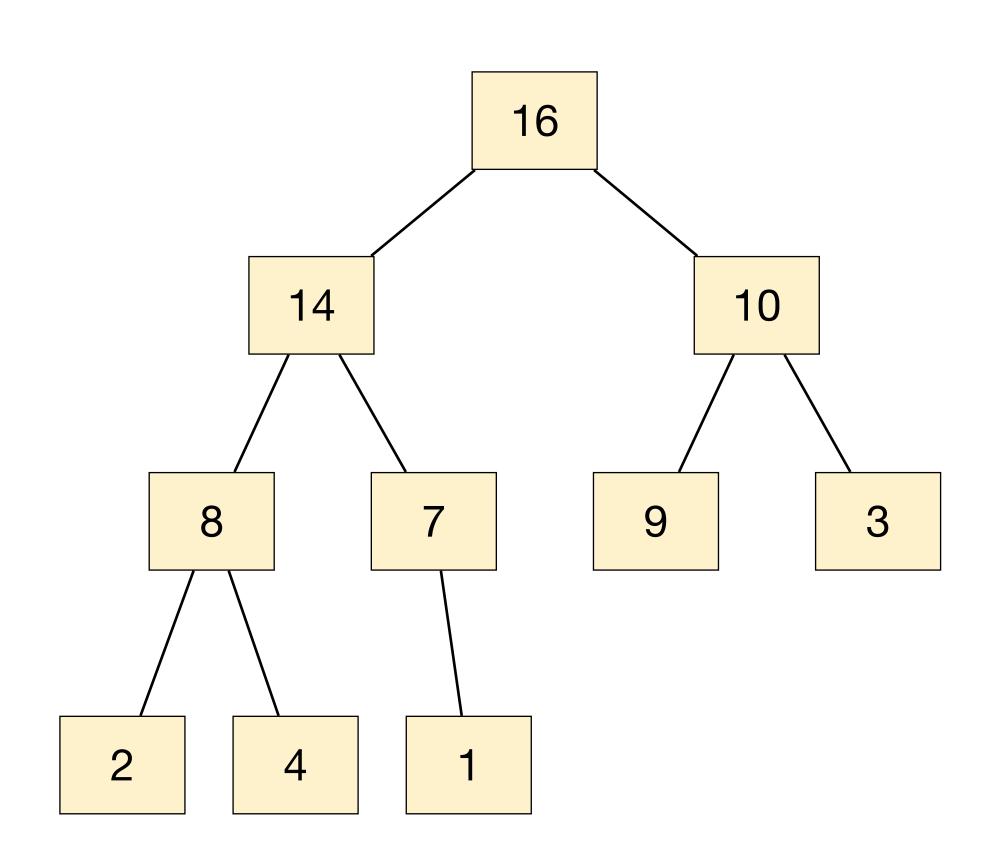
- In computer science, a *heap* is data structure which means "a disorganized pile."
 - In fact, this word has other meanings in computer science, which refers to *heap memory* used for dynamic memory allocation. This topic, however, is **unrelated** to the data structure in this course!





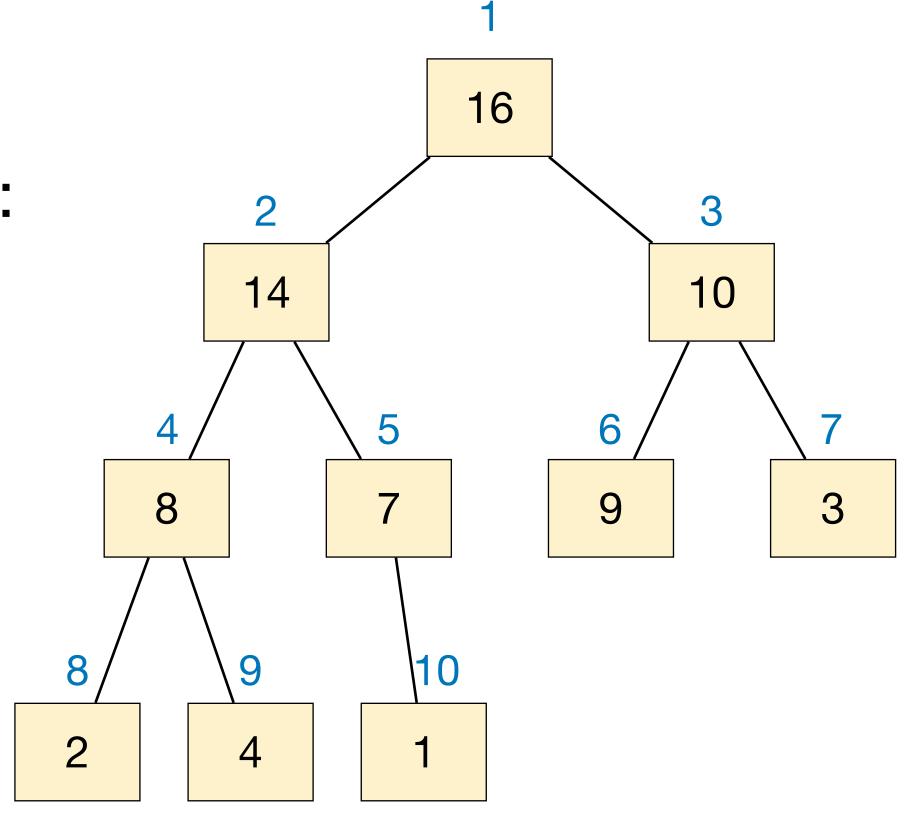
Binary Heap

- A binary heap is a complete binary tree, in which each node represents an item.
 - A complete binary tree is a binary tree in which every level, except possibly the last, is completely filled, and all nodes in the last level are as far left as possible.
 - Values in the nodes satisfy heap-property.
 - Max-heap: for each node except root,
 value of that node ≤ value of its parent.
 - Min-heap: for each node except root,
 value of that node ≥ value of its parent.



Binary Heap

- We can use an array to represent a binary heap. Obtaining parent and children are easy:
 - Parent of node u : $\lfloor idx_u/2 \rfloor$
 - Left child of $u: 2 \cdot idx_u$
 - Right child of $u: 2 \cdot idx_u + 1$
 - All in O(1) time!



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Common operations of Binary Max-Heap

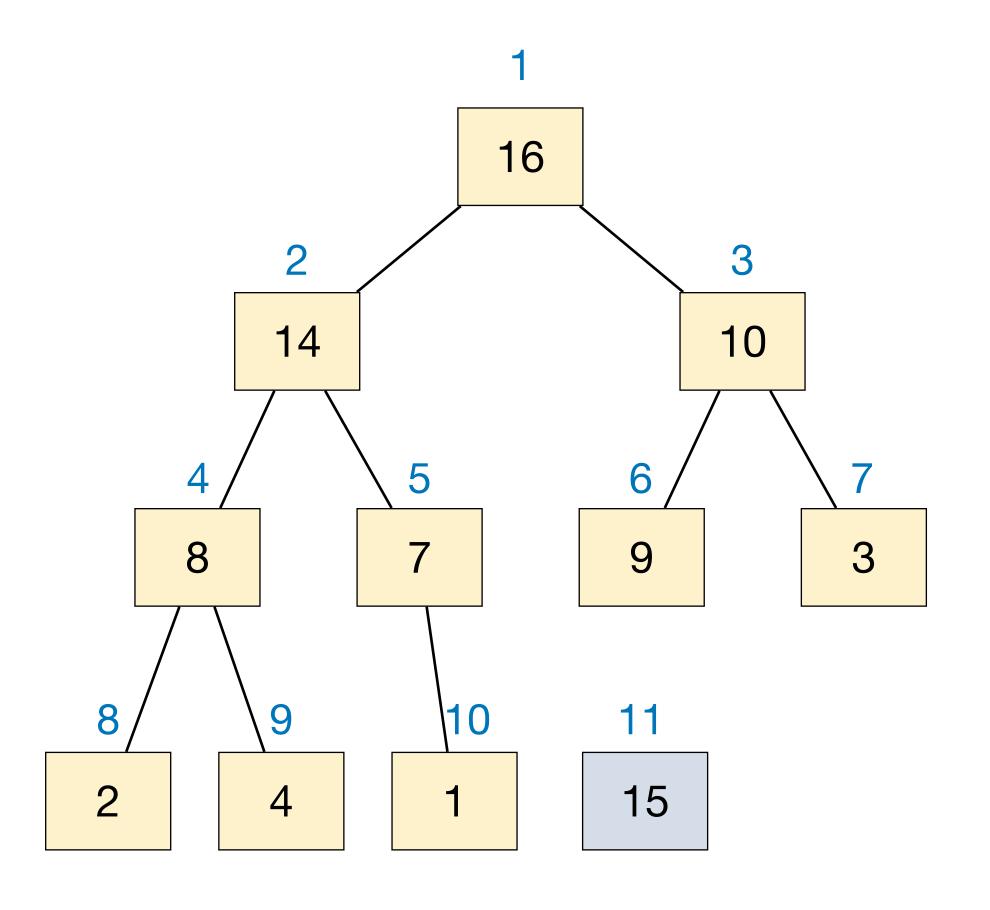
- Consider max-heap as an example. (Min-heap is similar.)
- Most common operations:
 - HeapInsert: insert an element into the heap.
 - ► HeapGetMax: return the item with maximum value.

Runtime is O(1)

- HeapExtractMax: remove the item with maximum value from the heap and return it.
- Other operations (which we'll see later)...



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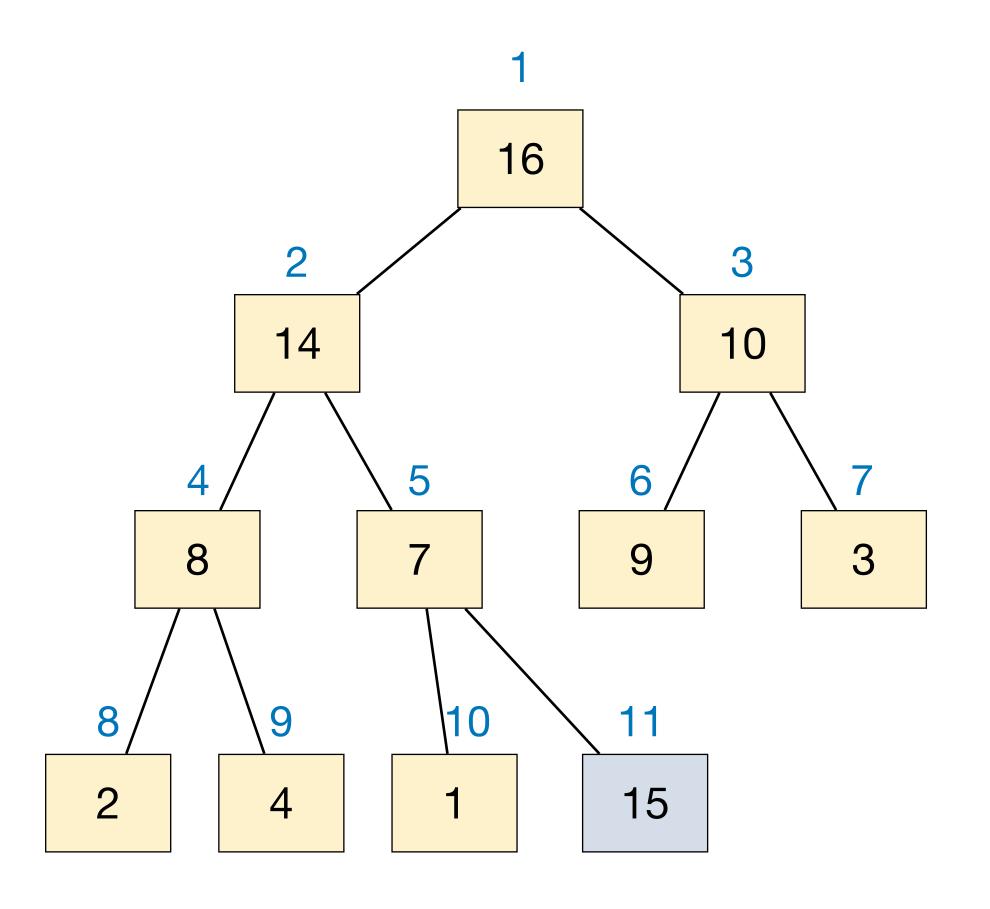


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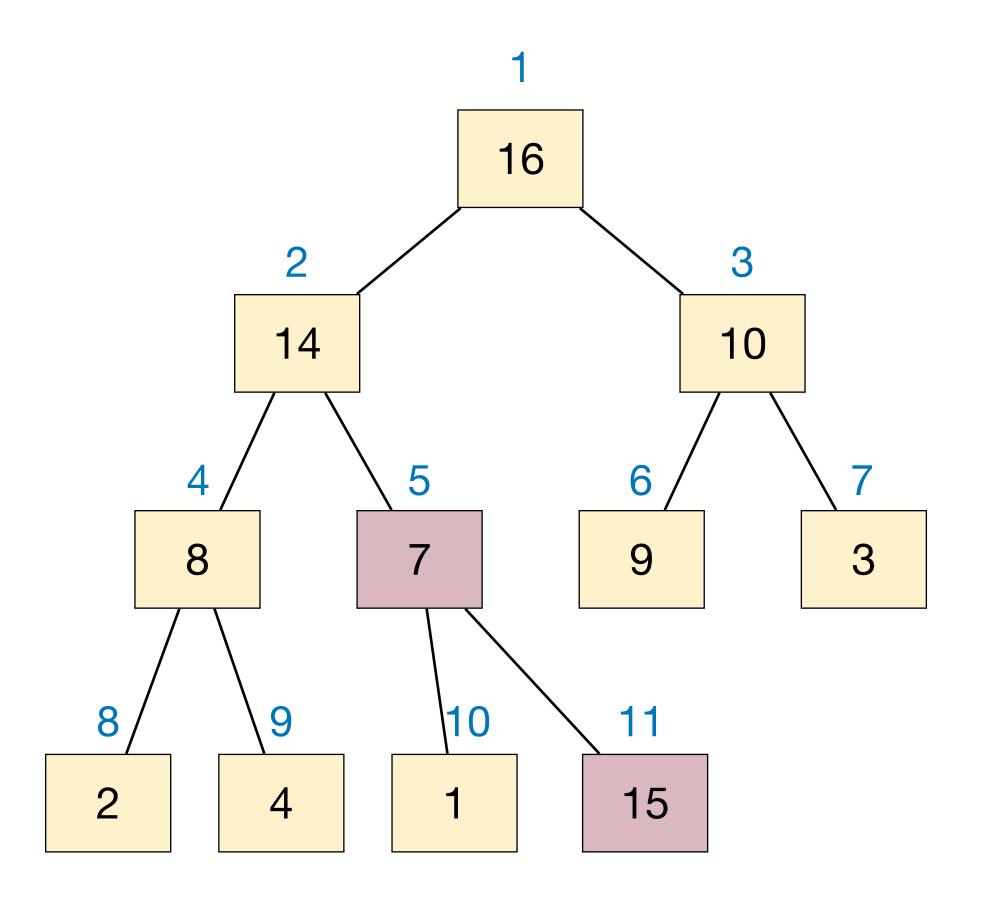
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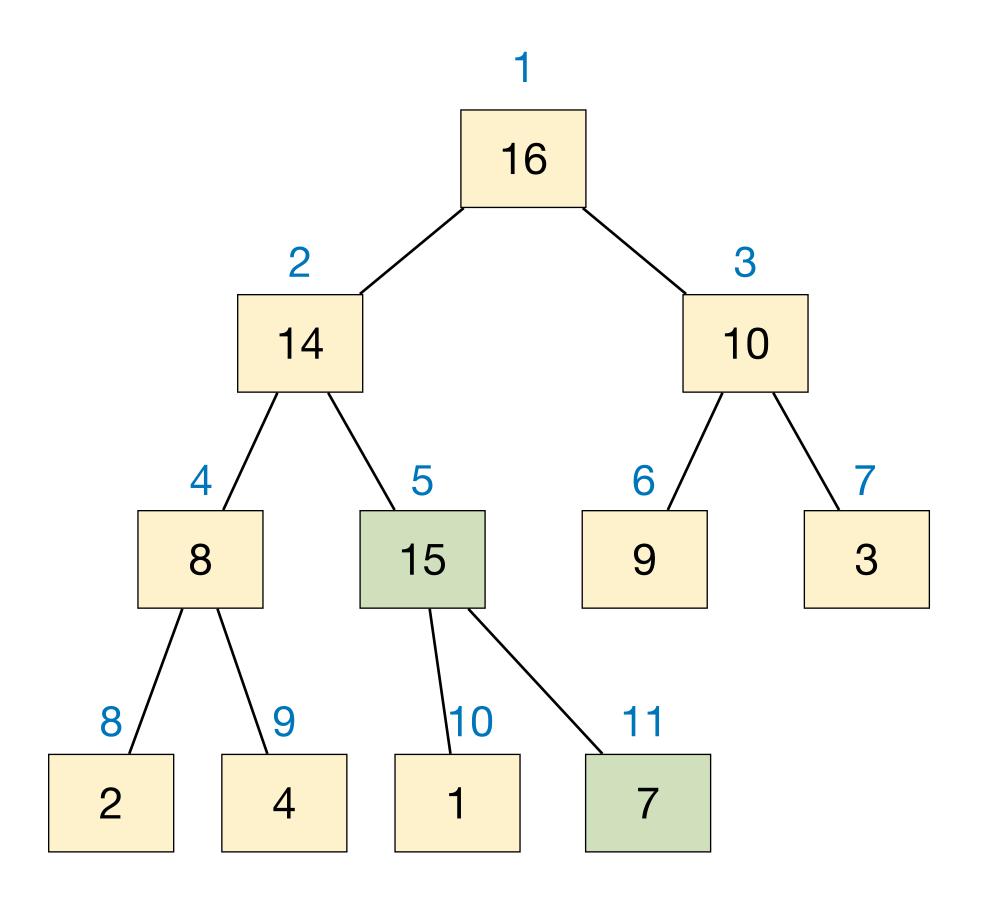
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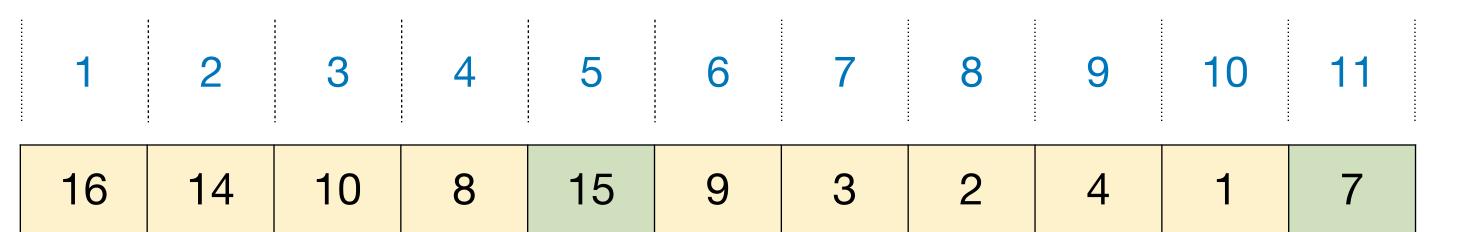


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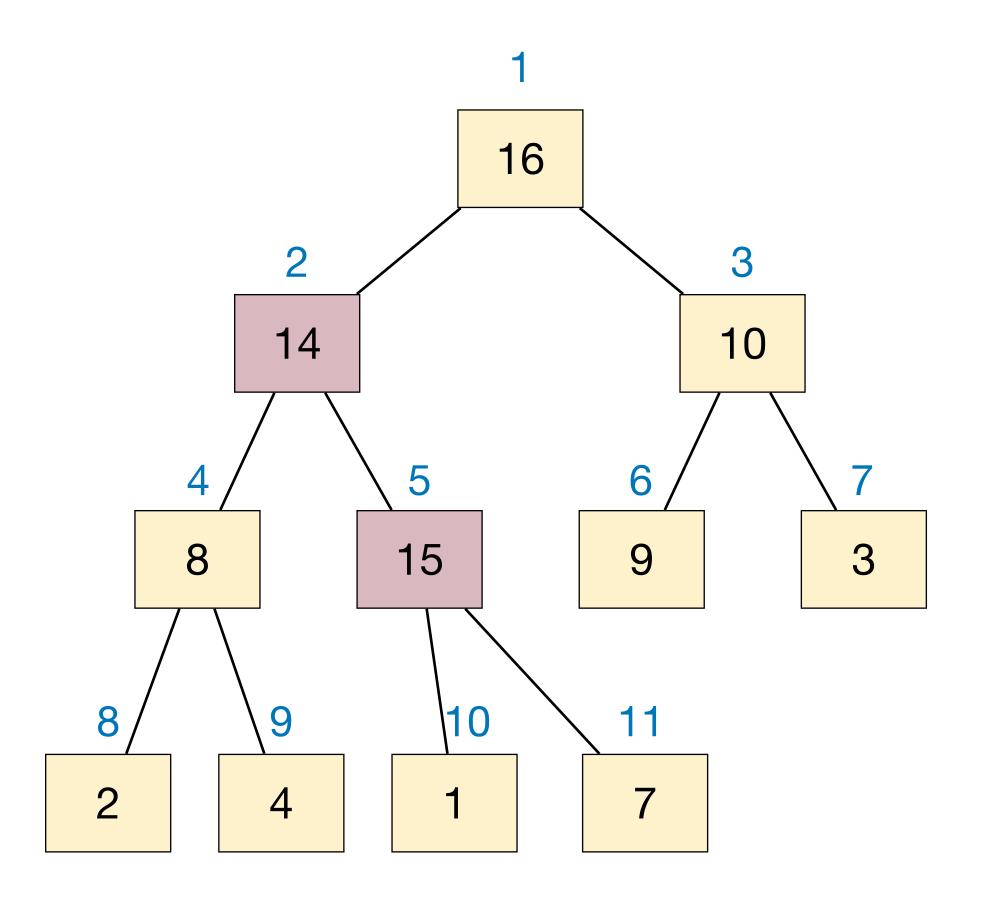
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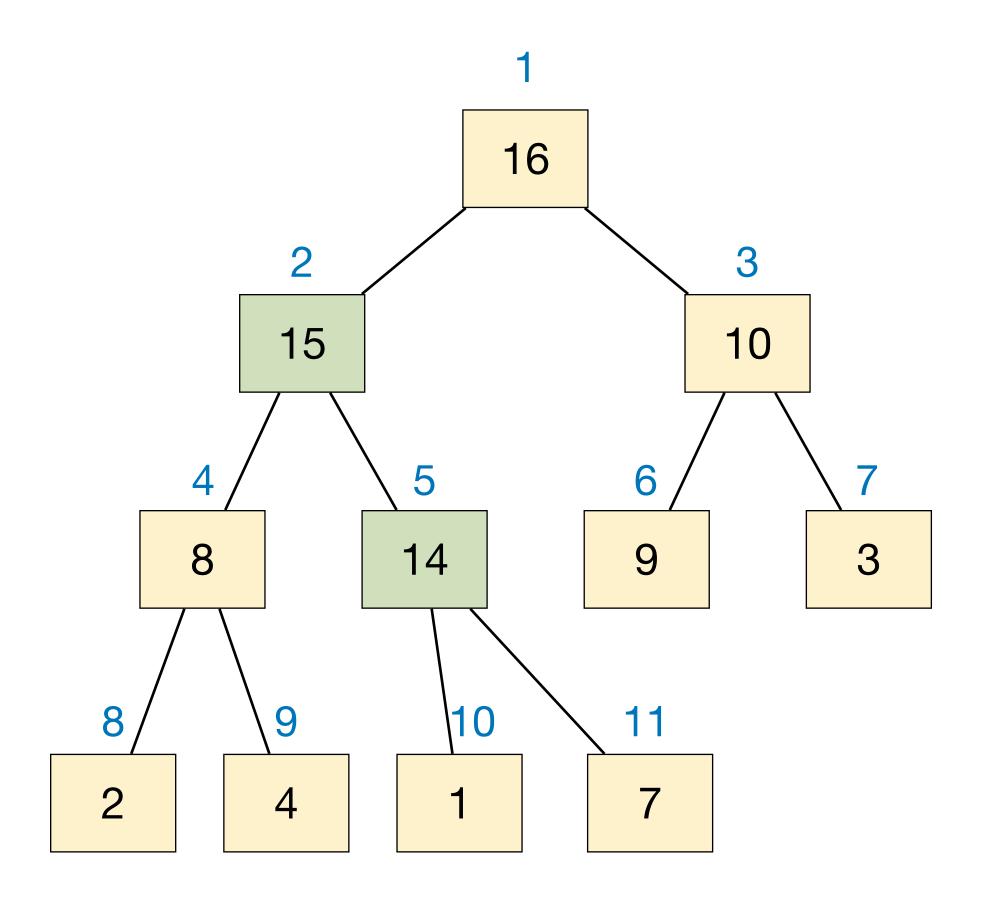
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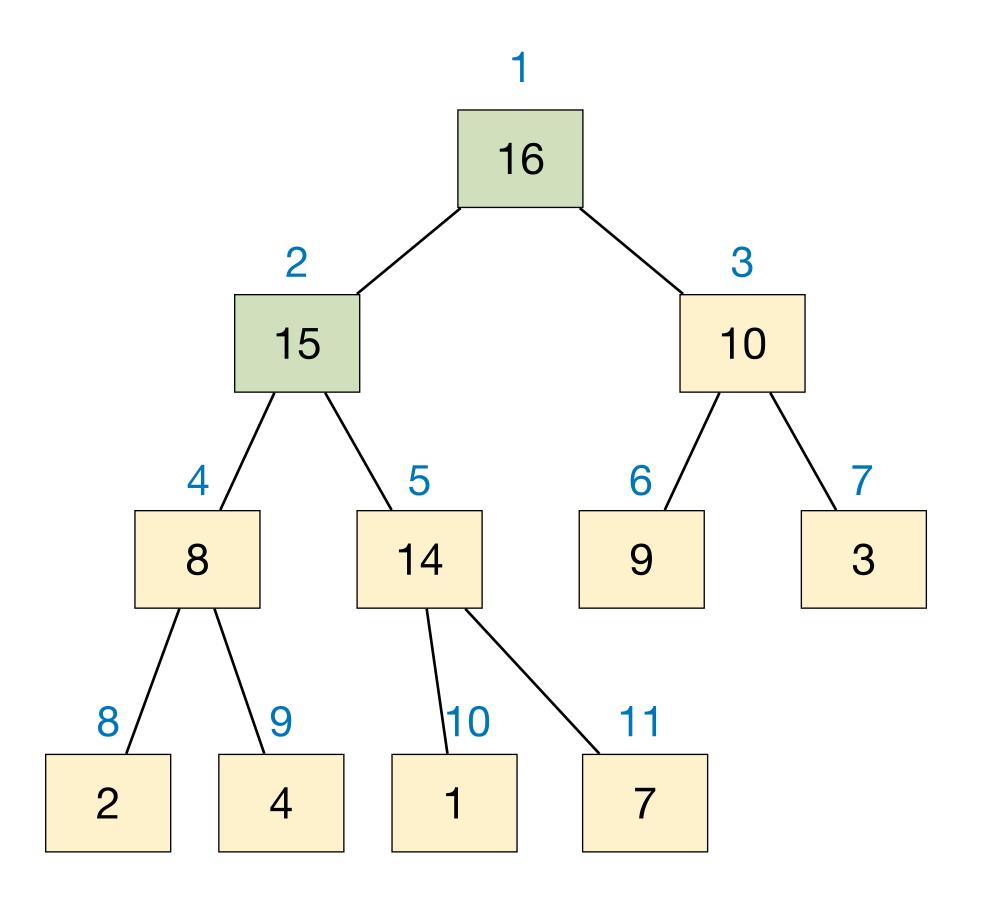
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HeapInsert(A, x):

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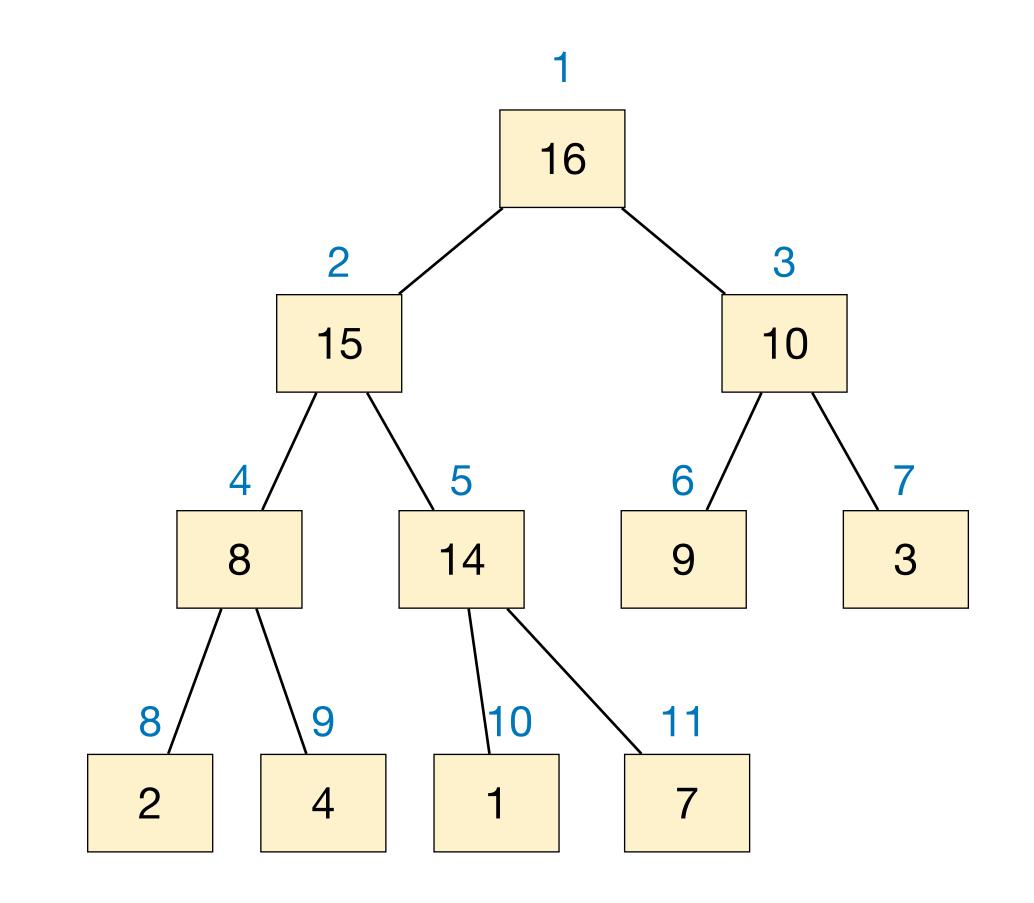
 $A[heap_size] := x$

 $idx := heap_size$

while idx > 1 and A[Floor(idx/2)] < A[idx]

Swap (A[Floor(idx/2)], A[idx])

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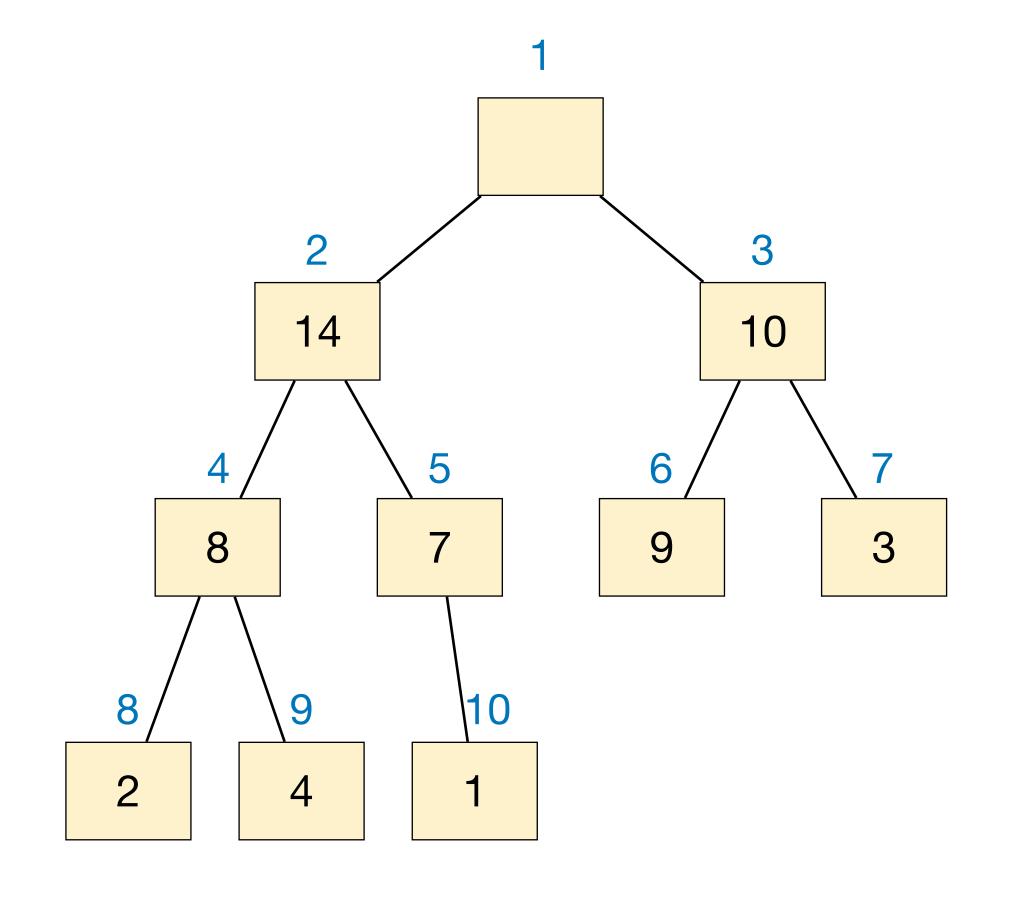


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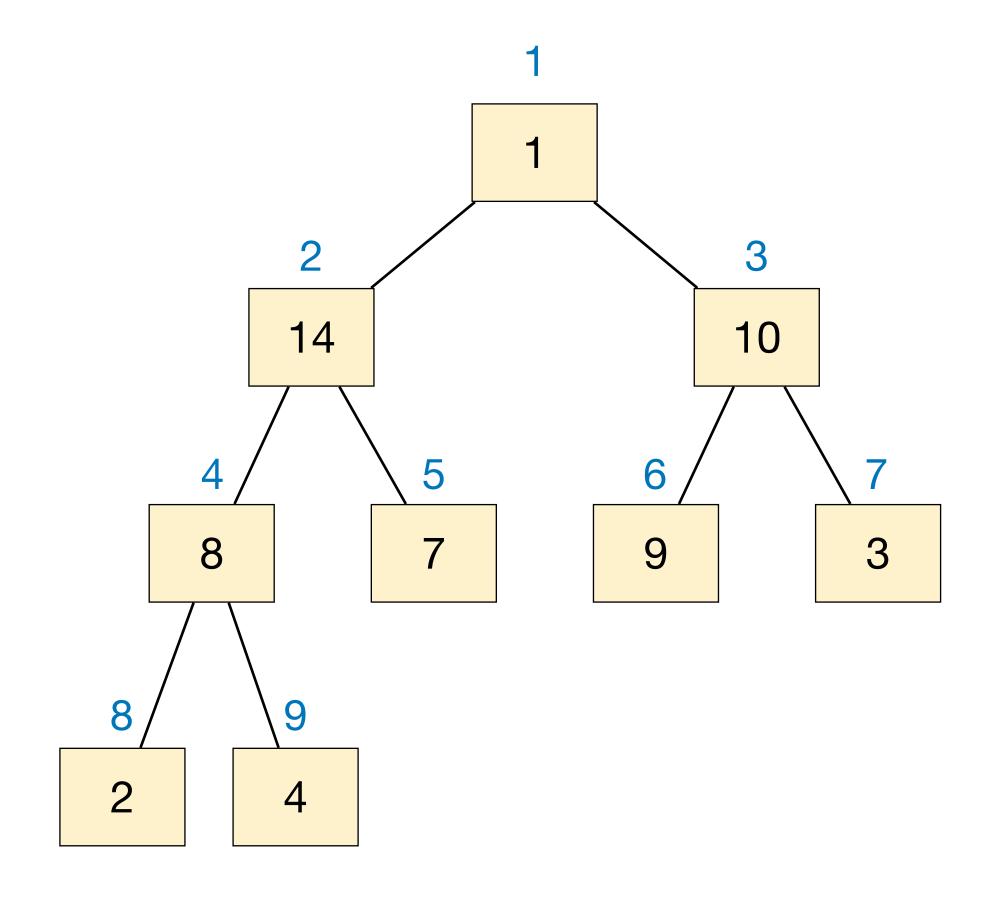
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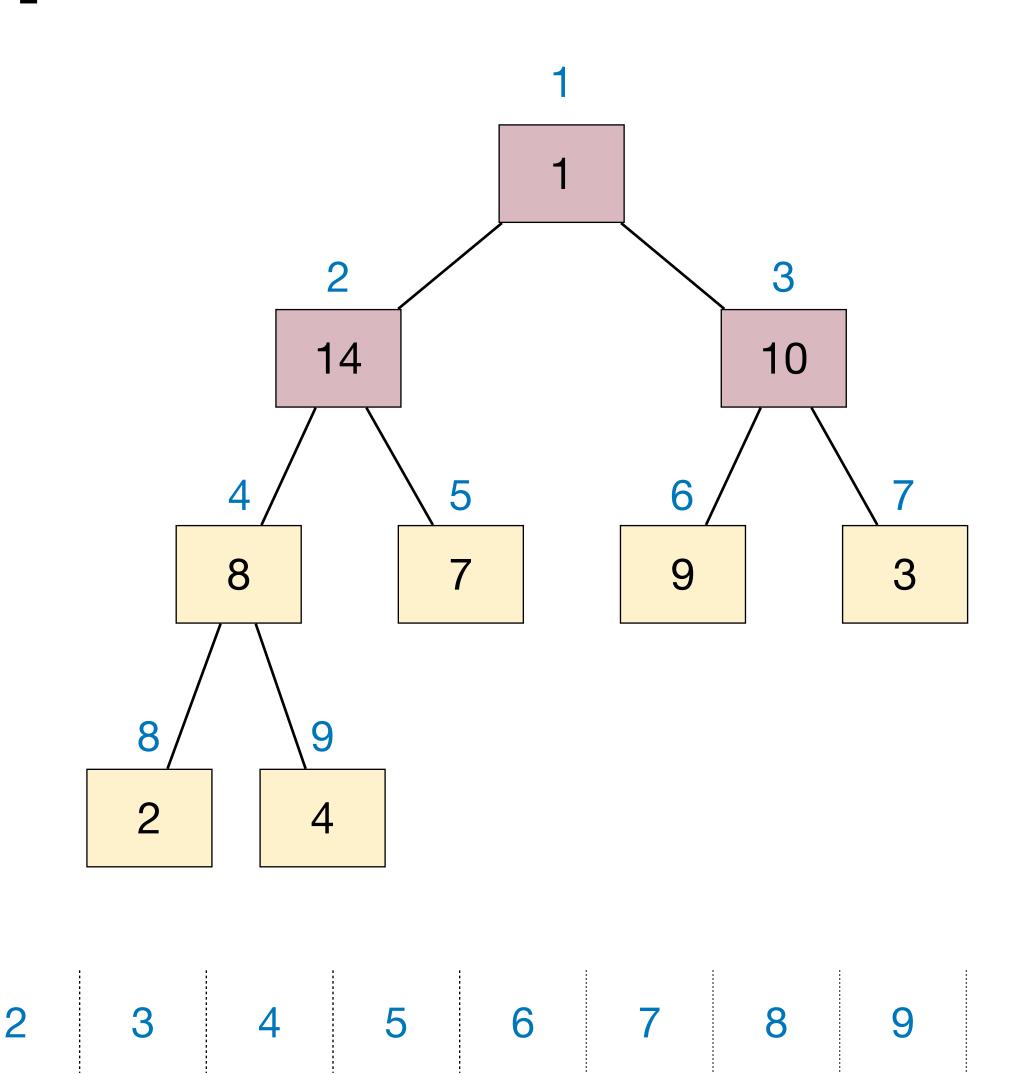


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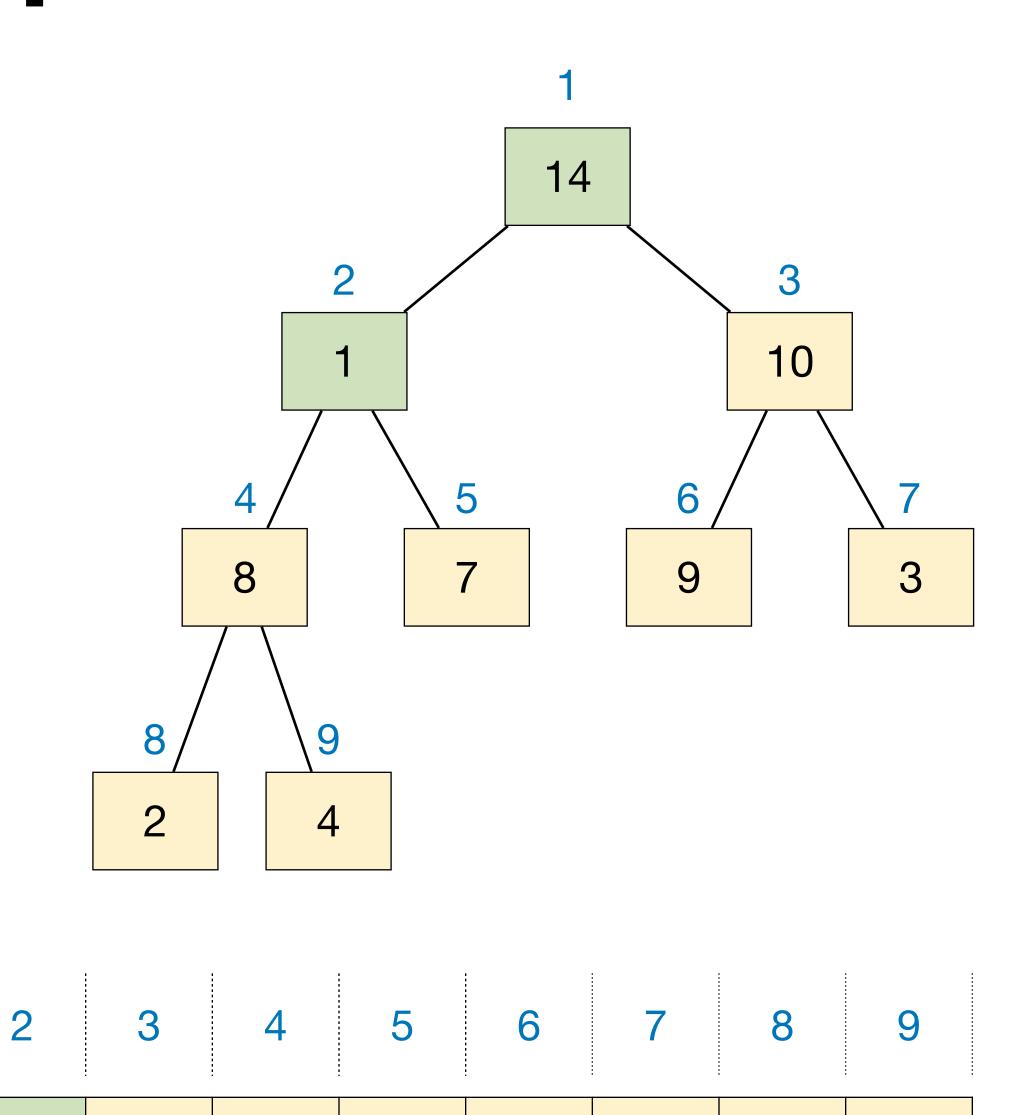


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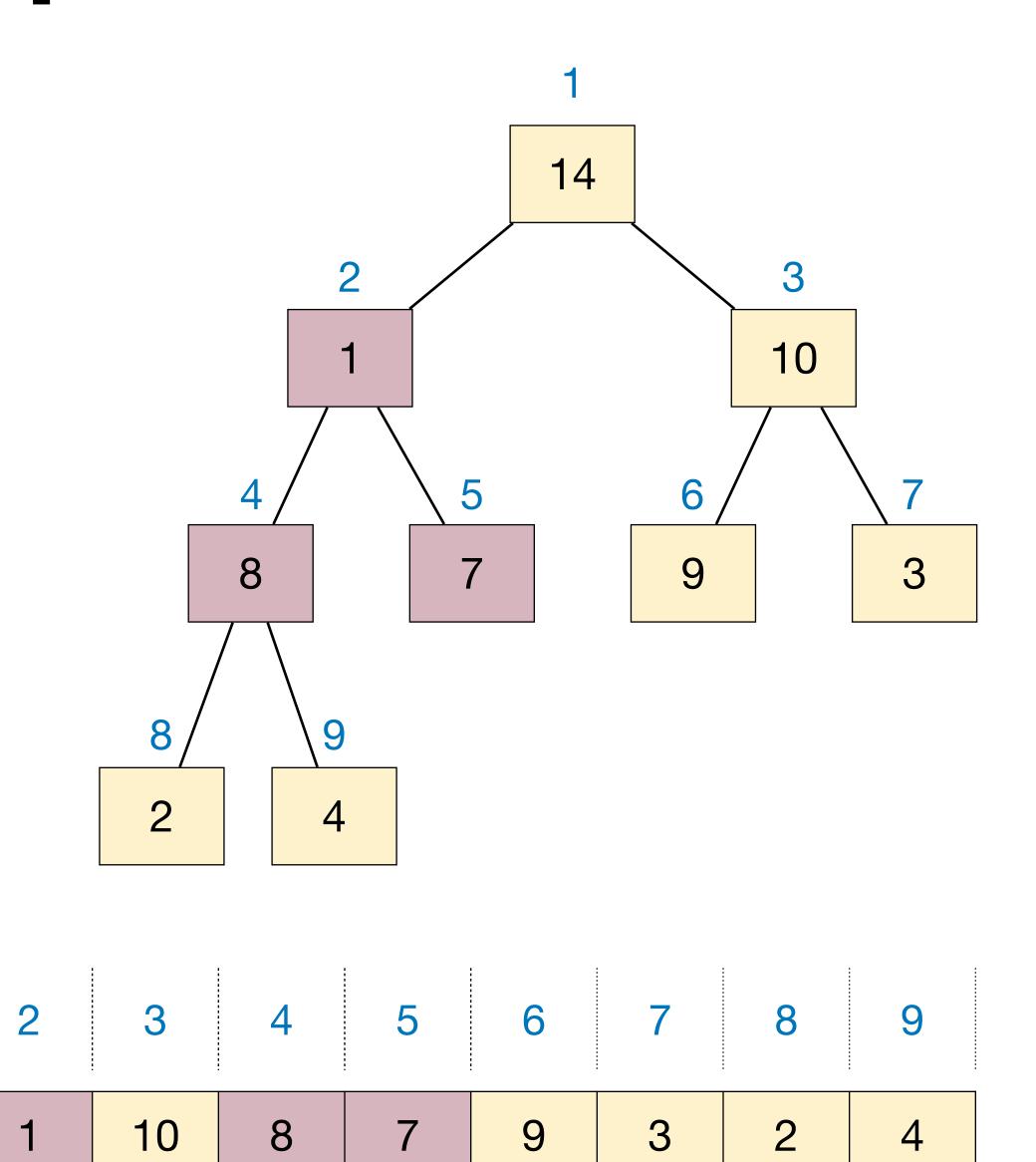


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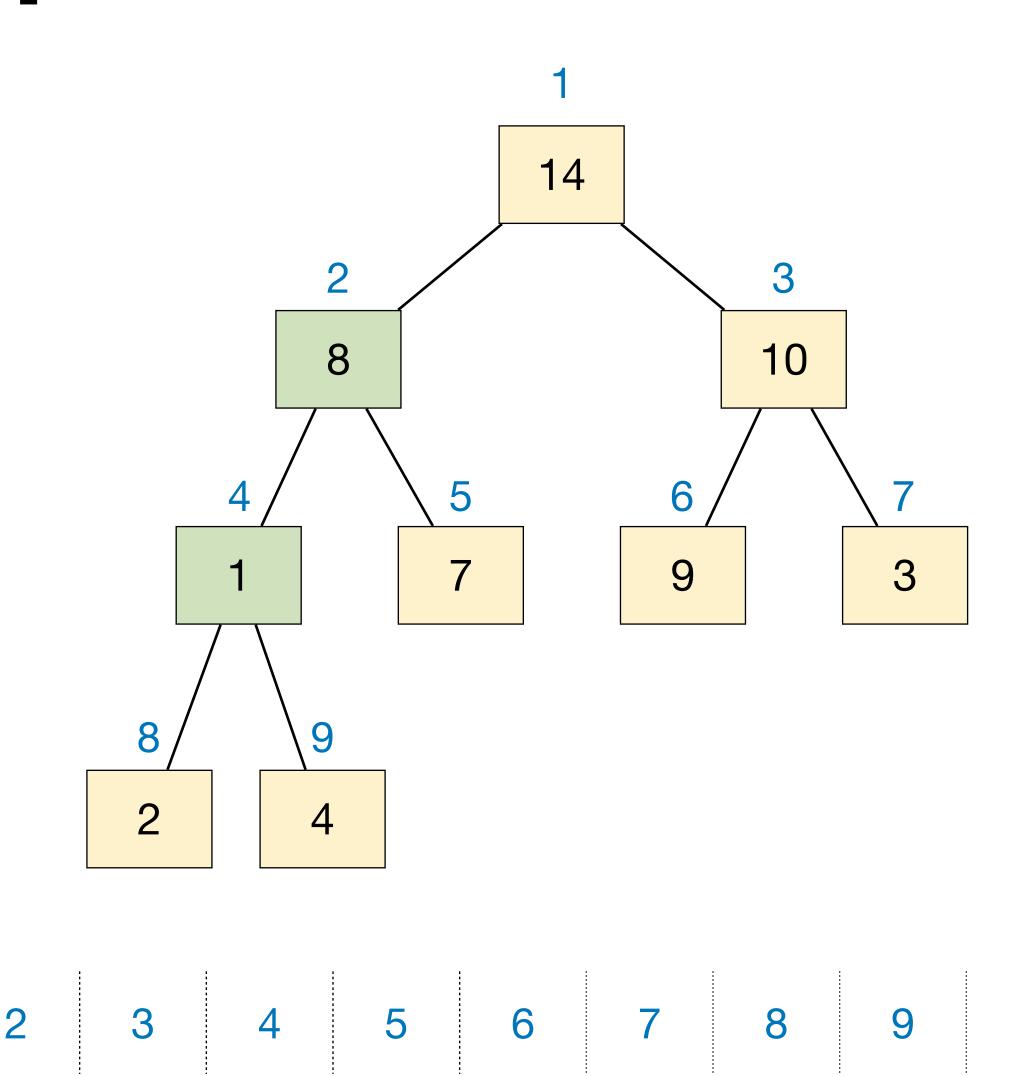


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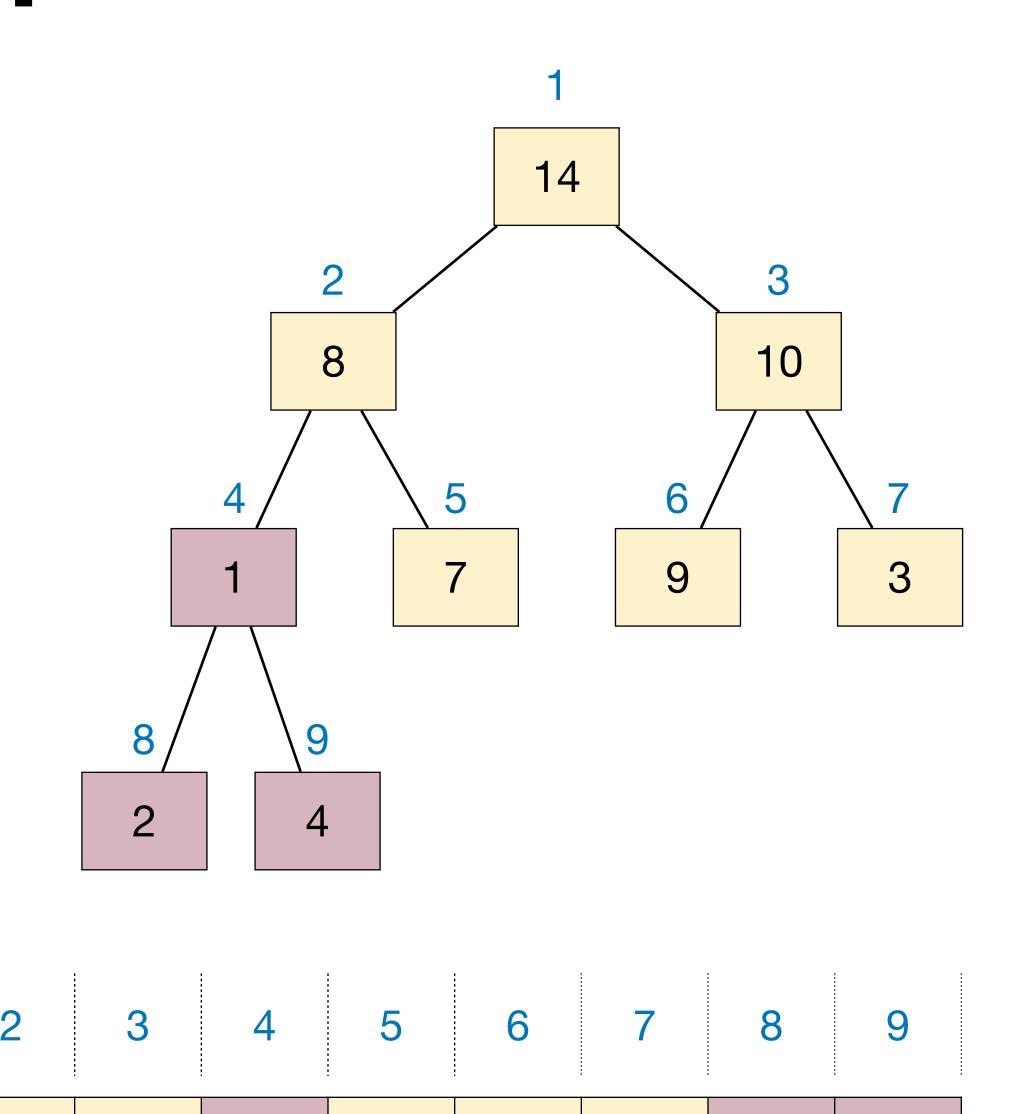


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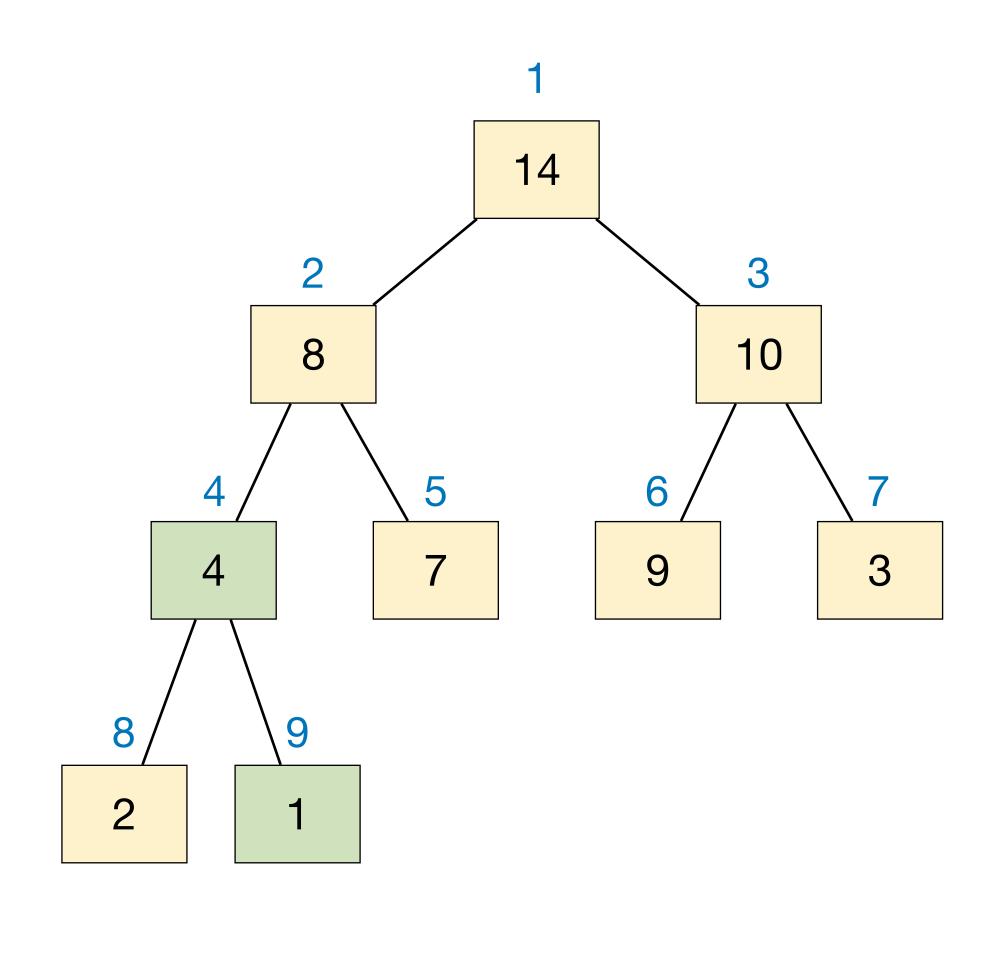


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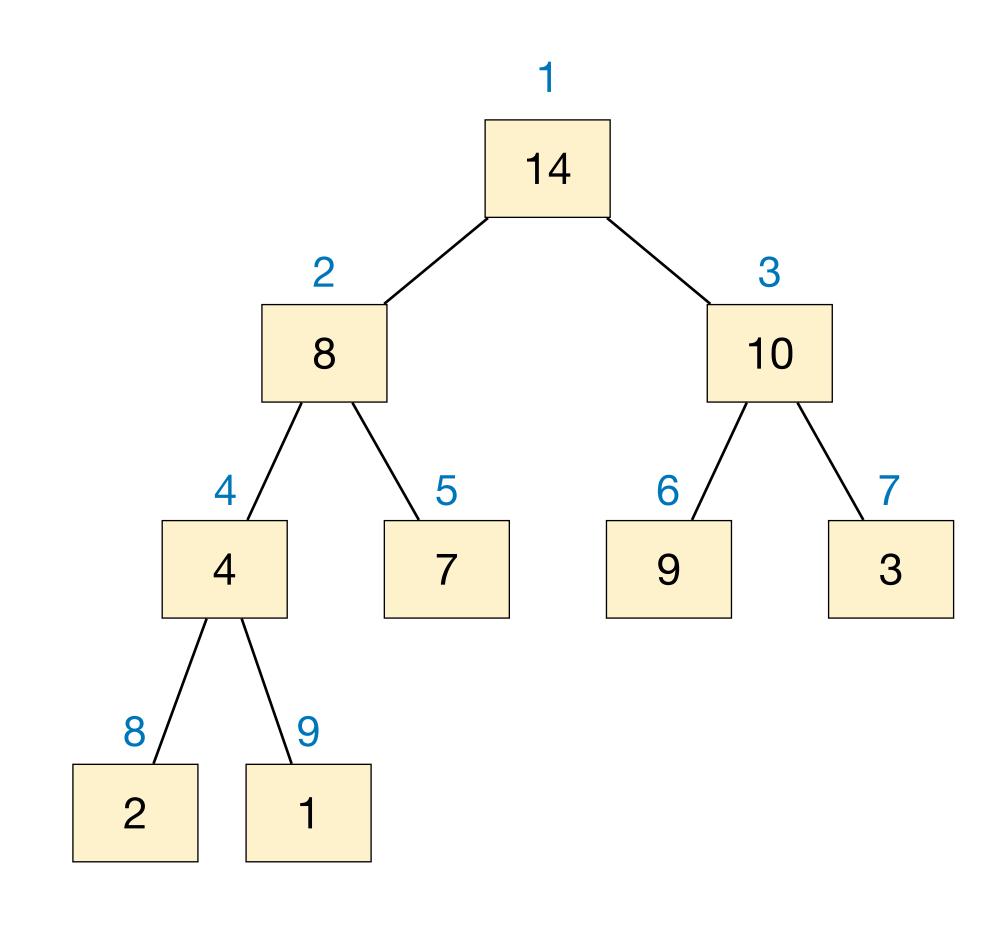
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 $max_item := A[1]$

MaxHeapify(1, A)

return max item

Max-Heap — HeapExtractMax

HeapExtractMax(A):

 $A[1] = A[heap_size--]$



Application of heaps:

Priority Queue



Priority Queue

- Recall the Queue ADT represents a collection of items to which we can add items and remove the next item.
 - Add (item): add item to the queue.
 - Remove (): remove the next item y from queue, return y.
- The queuing discipline decides which item to be removed.
 - First-in-first-out queue (FIFO Queue)
 - Last-in-first-out queue (LIFO Queue, Stack)
 - Priority queue: each item associated with a priority, Remove always deletes the item with max (or min) priority.

Priority Queue

- Use binary heap to implement priority queue
 - ► Add (item): HeapInsert (item)
 - Remove():HeapExtractMax()
 - ► Other operations: GetMax(), UpdatePriority(item, val)
 - All these operations finish within $O(\lg n)$ time
- Application of priority queues
 - Scheduling, Event simulation, ...
 - Used in more sophisticated algorithms (will see them later...)



Take an array and make it a max-heap.

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HeapSort(I):

heap := BuildMaxHeap(I)

for i := n down to 2

cur\_max := heap.HeapExtractMax()

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- 1. Keep a copy of the root item
- 2. Remove last item and put it to root
- 3. Maintain heap property
- 4. Return the copy of the root item

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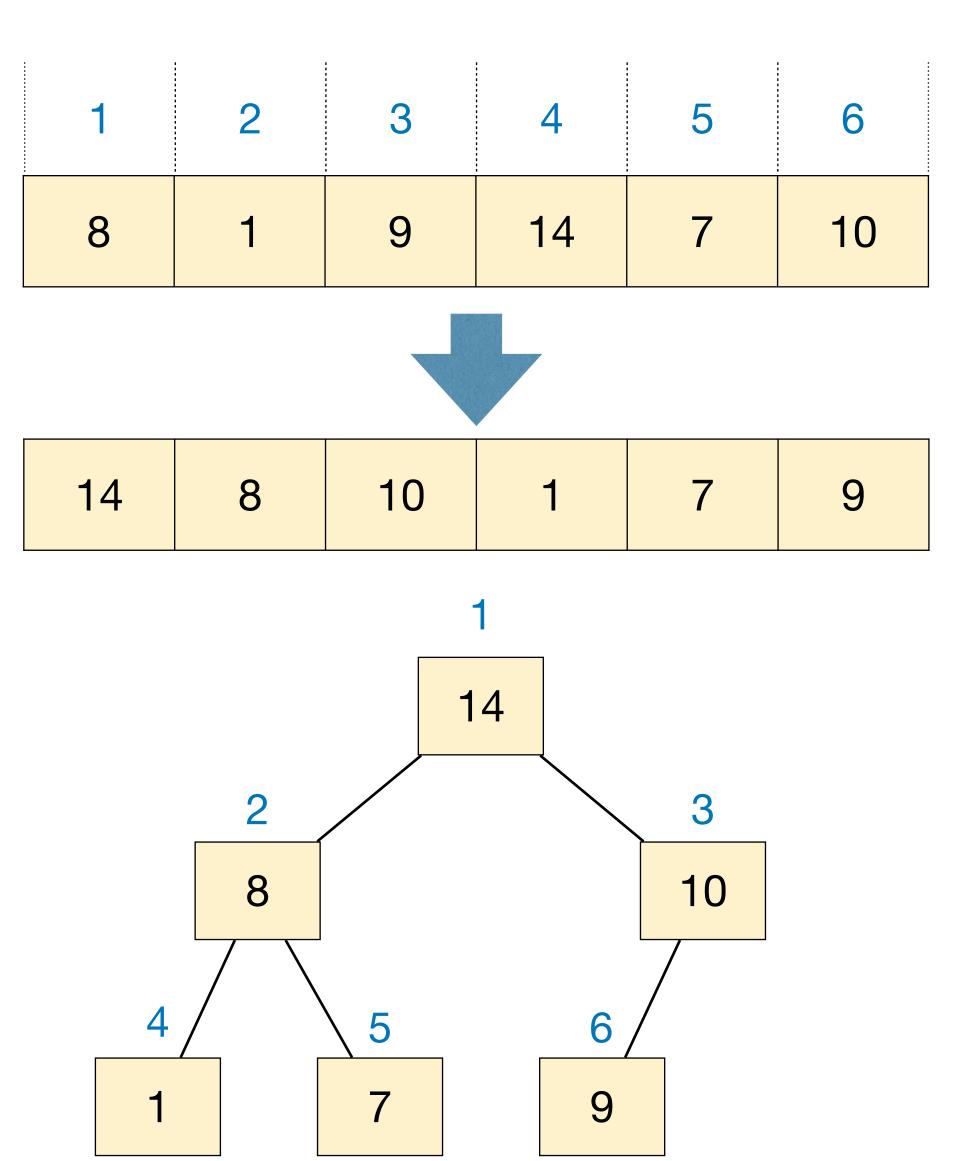


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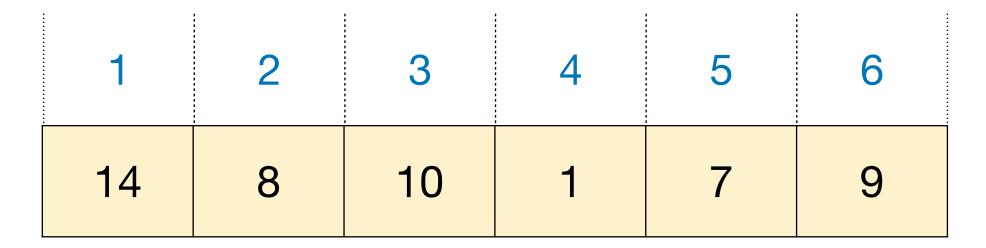


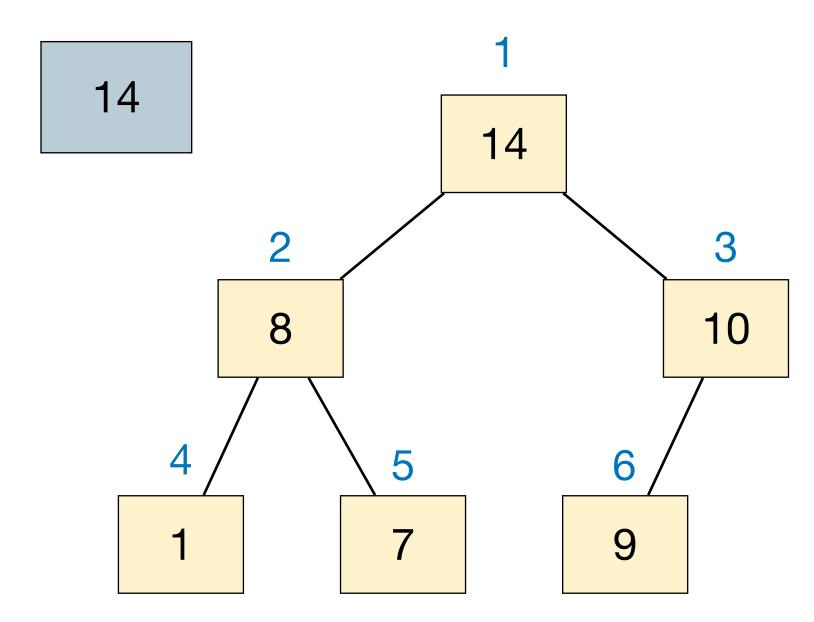
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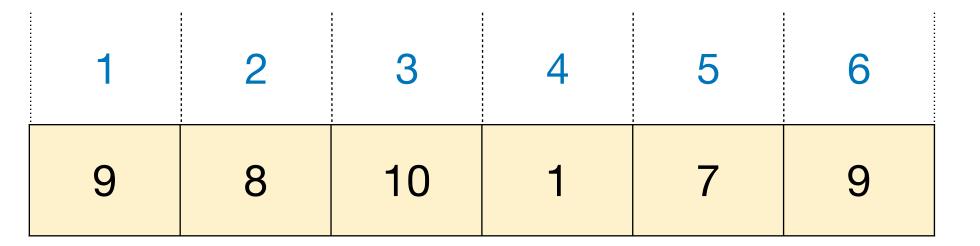


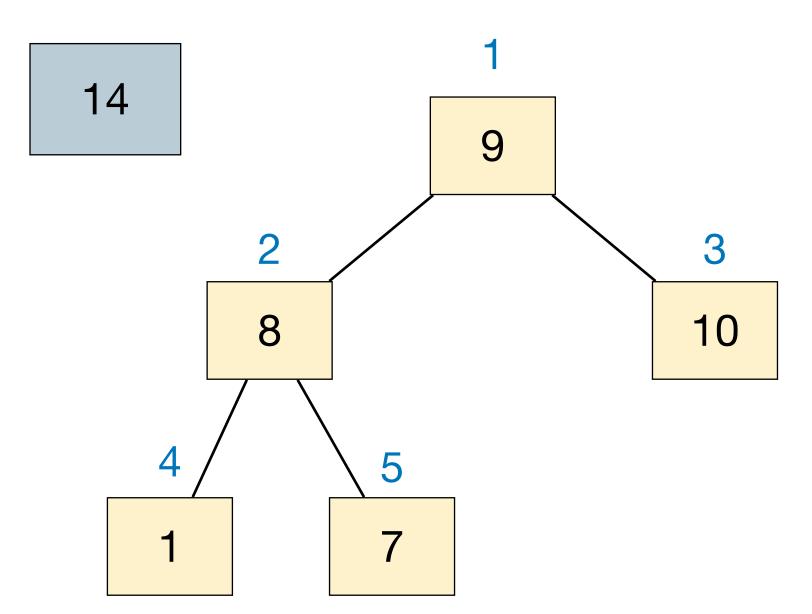
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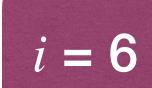
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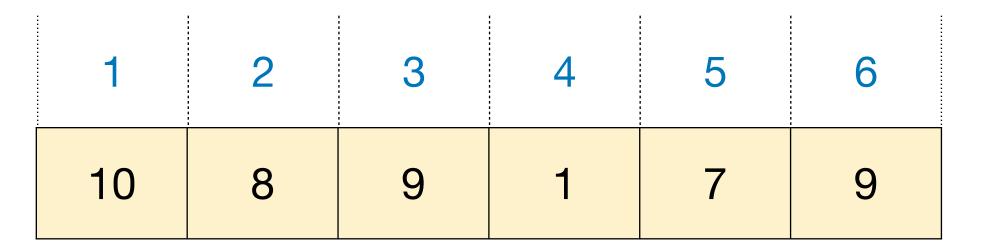


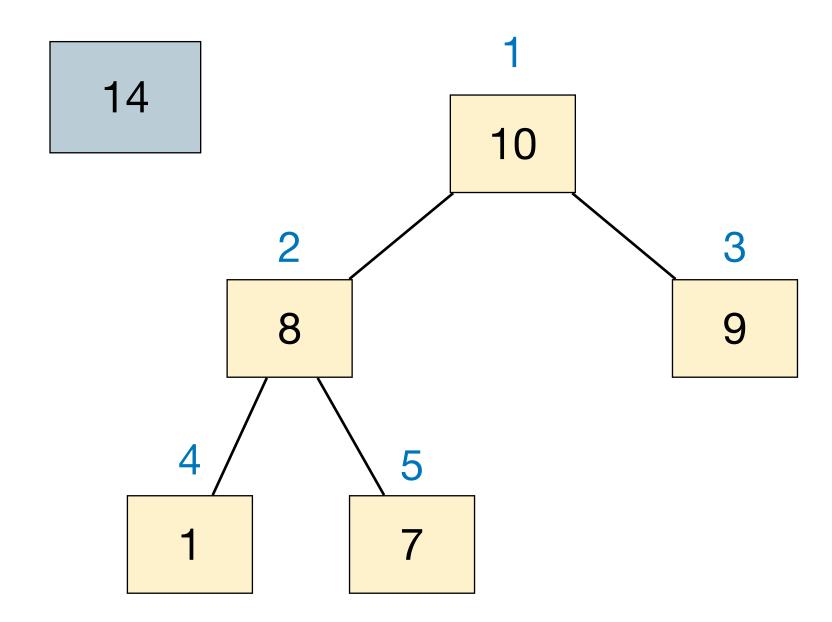
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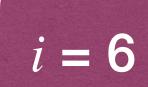
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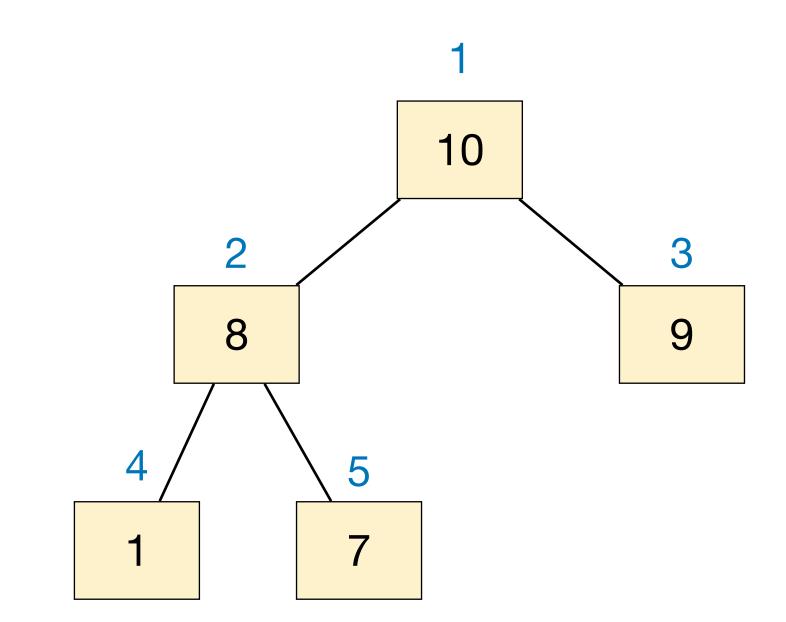
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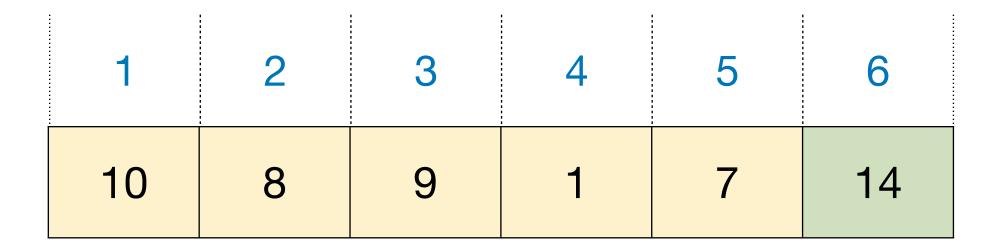


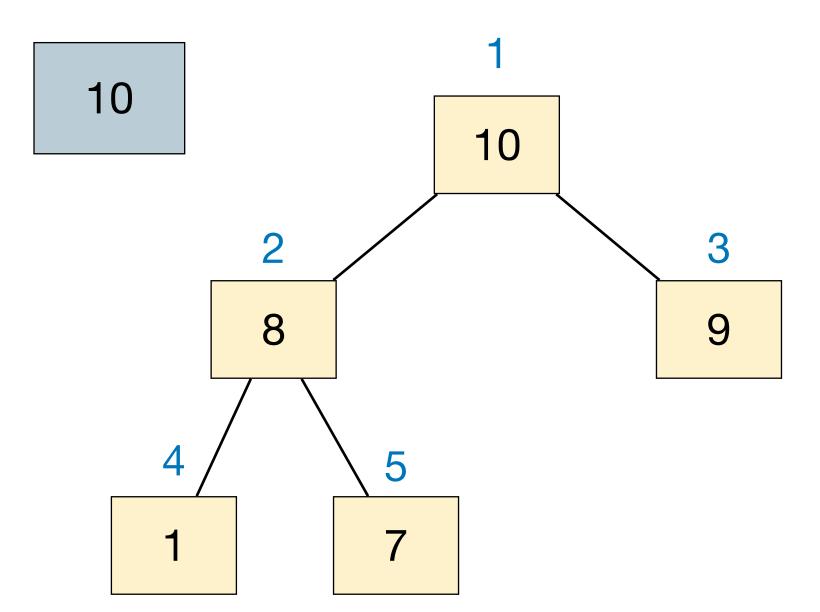
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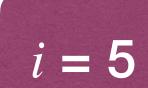
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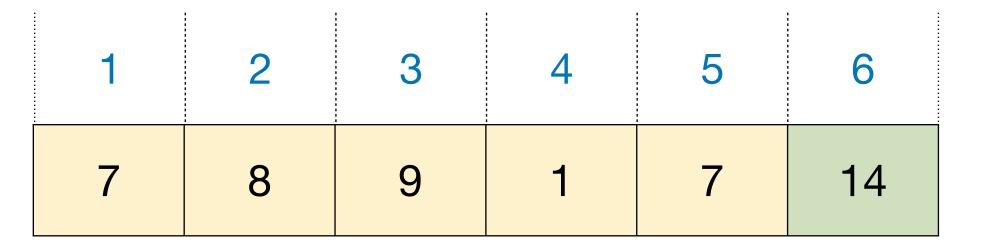


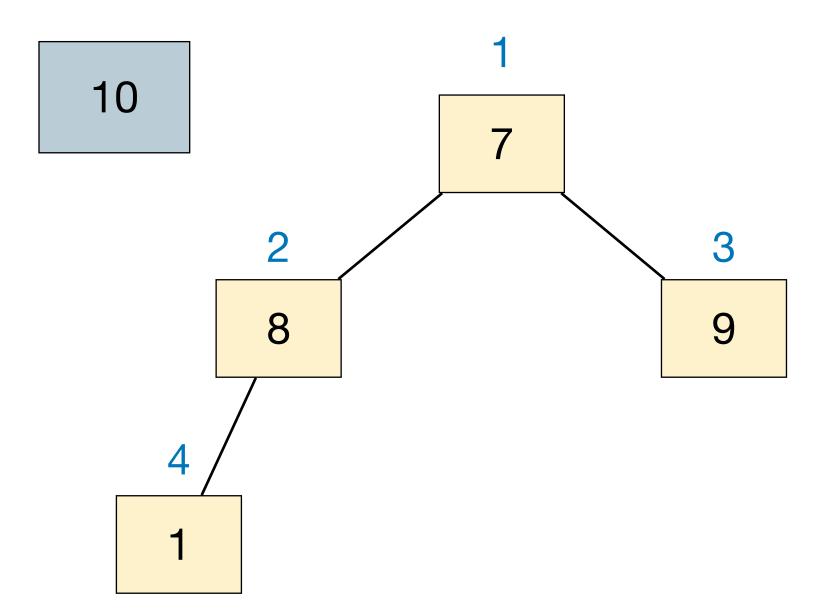
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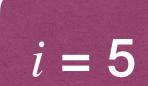
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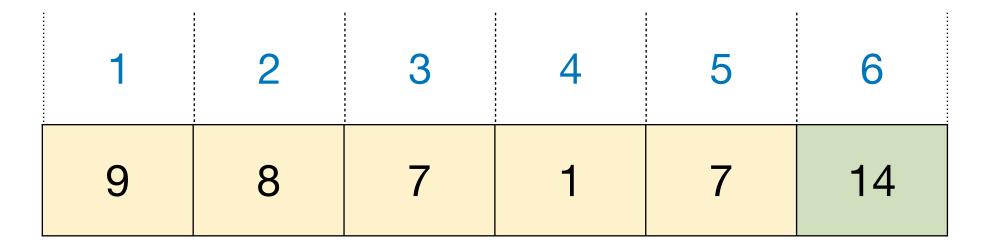


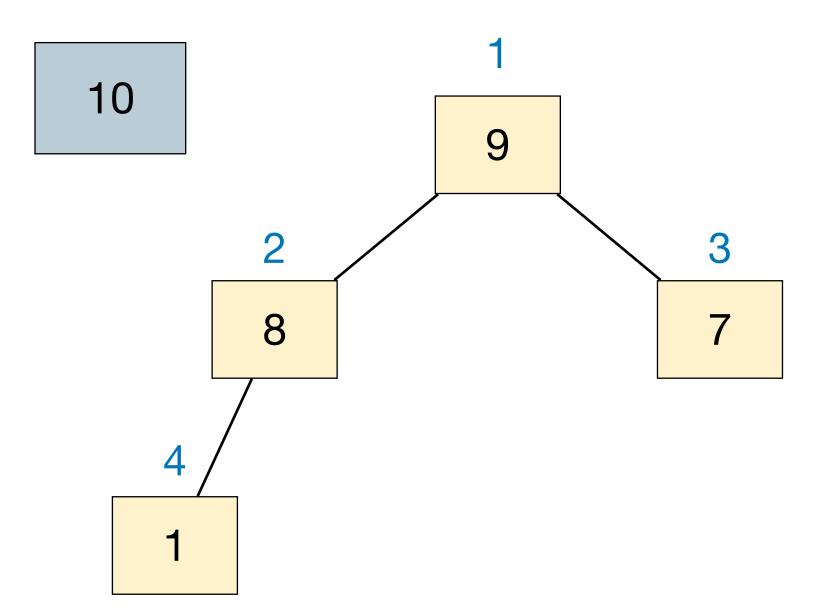
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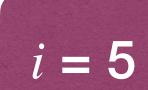
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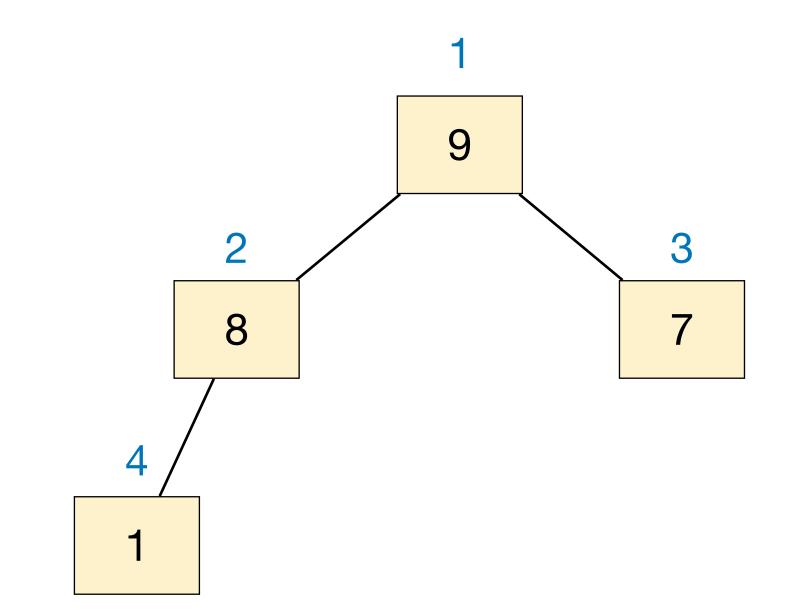
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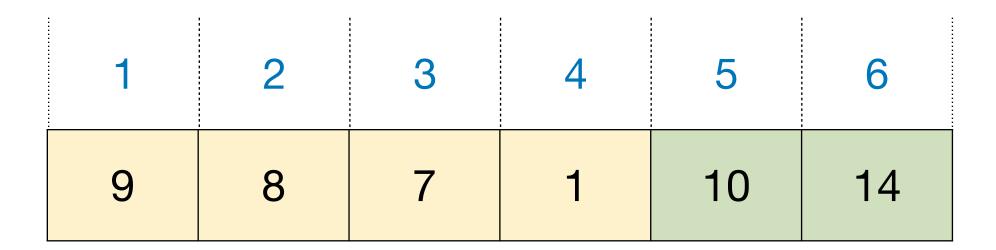


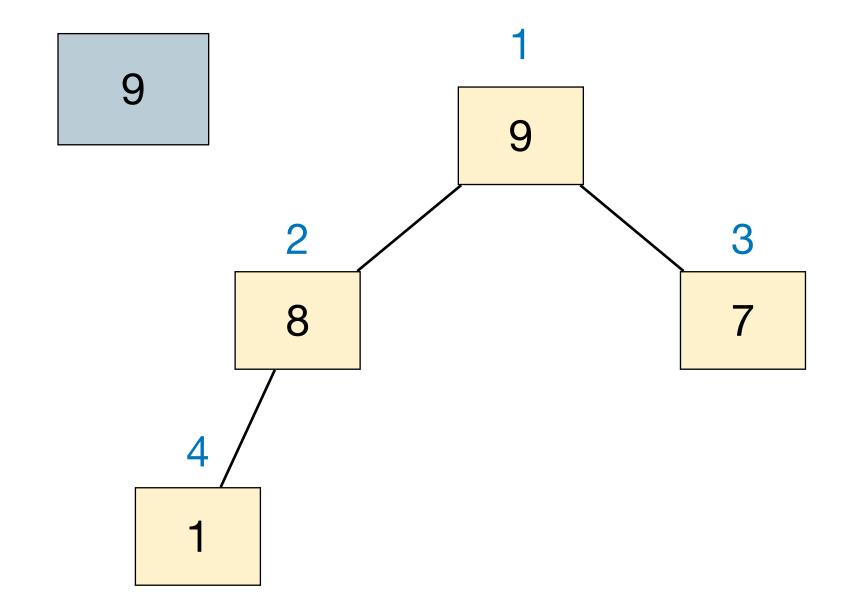
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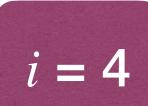
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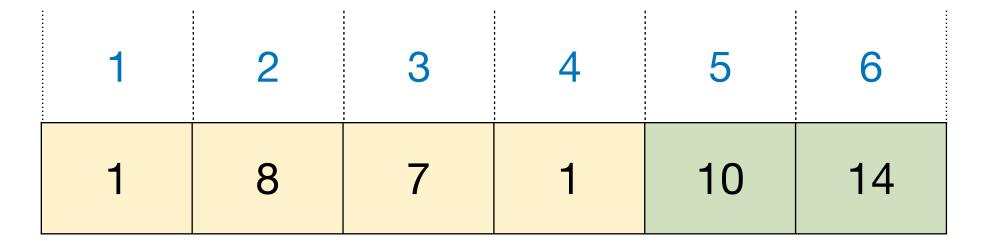


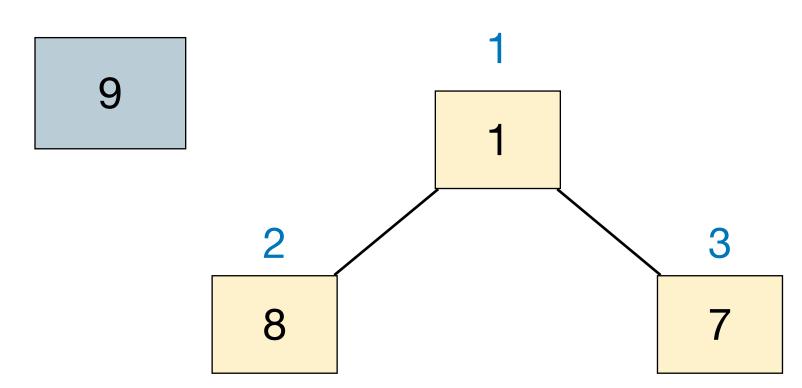
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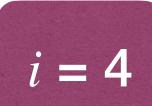
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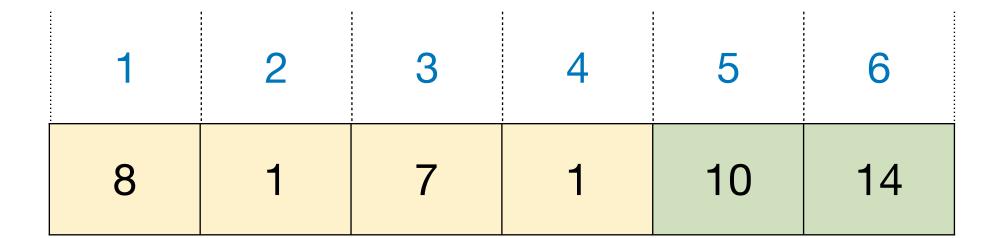


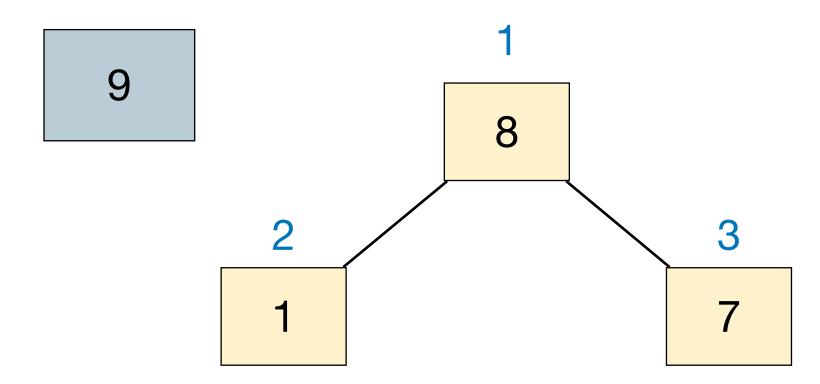
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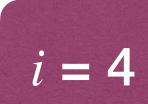
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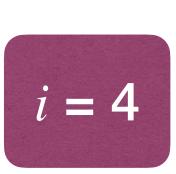
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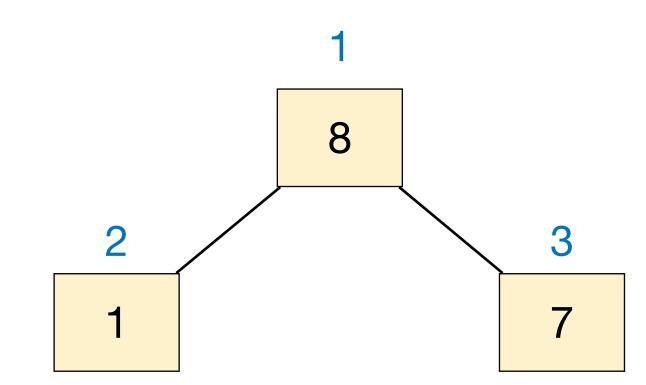
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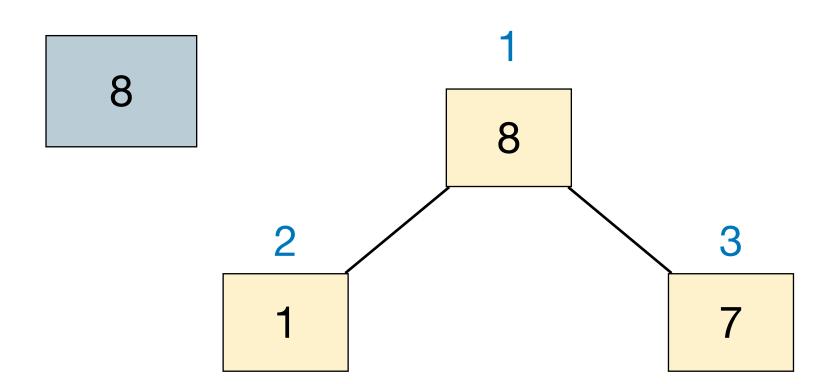
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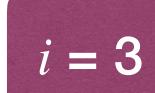
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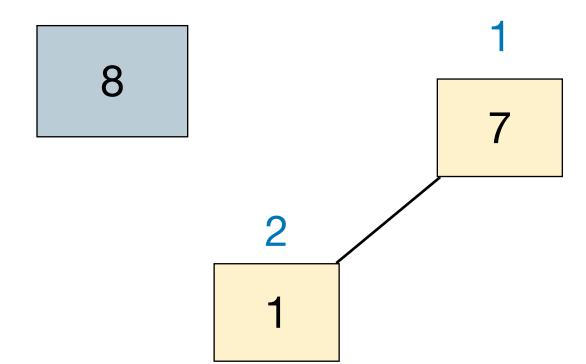
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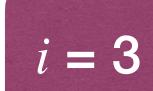
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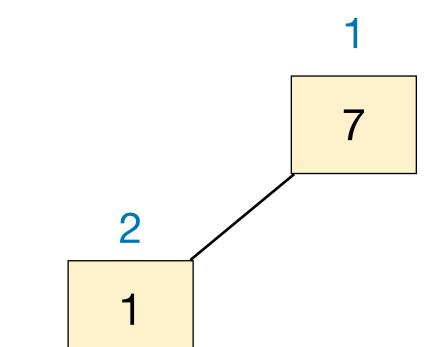
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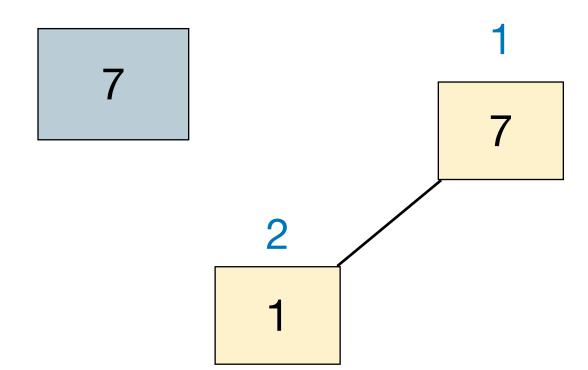
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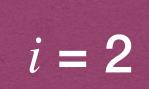
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Total runtime of these iterations

$$\sum_{i=2}^{n} O(\lg i) = O(\lg(n!)) = O(n \lg n)$$

Stirling's formula

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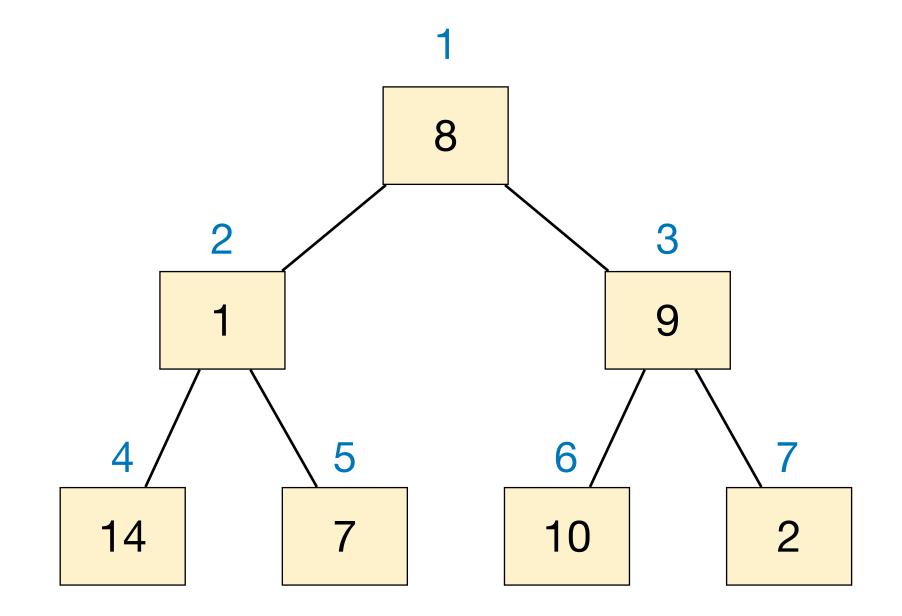
- Given an array I[1...n], how to build a max-heap?
 - Start with an empty heap, then call HeapInsert n times?

Cost is
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} O(\lg i) = O(n \lg n)$$

Not bad, but we can do better.



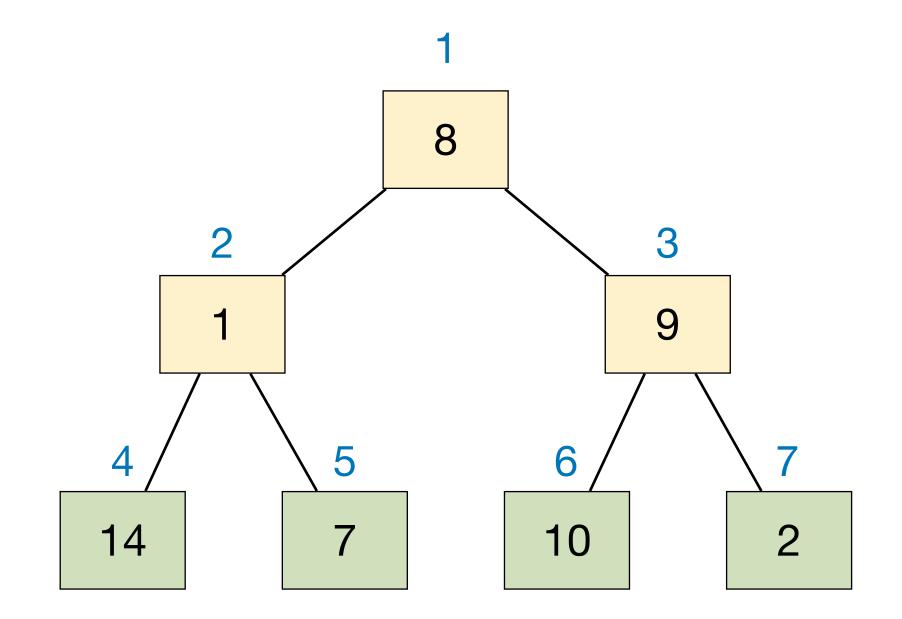
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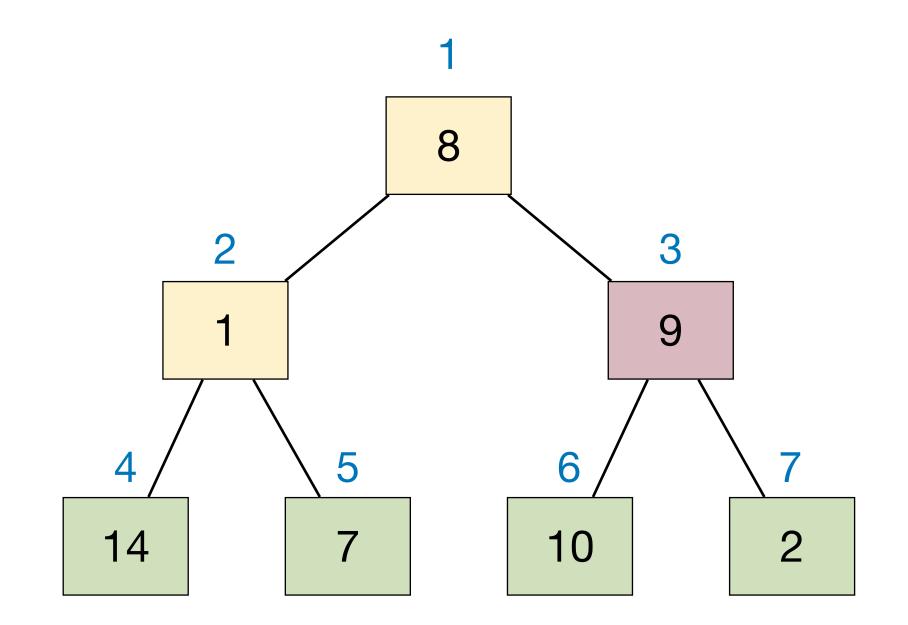
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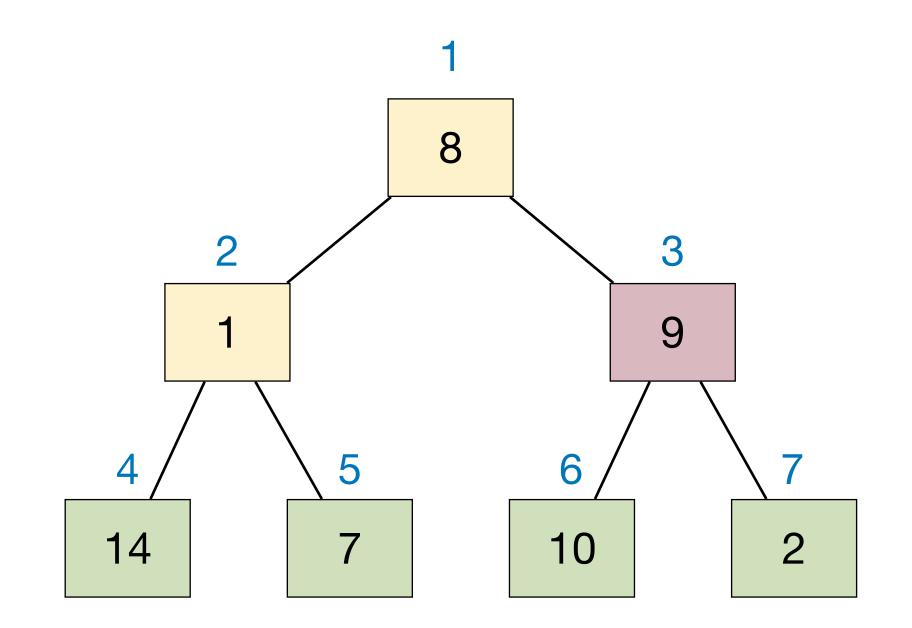
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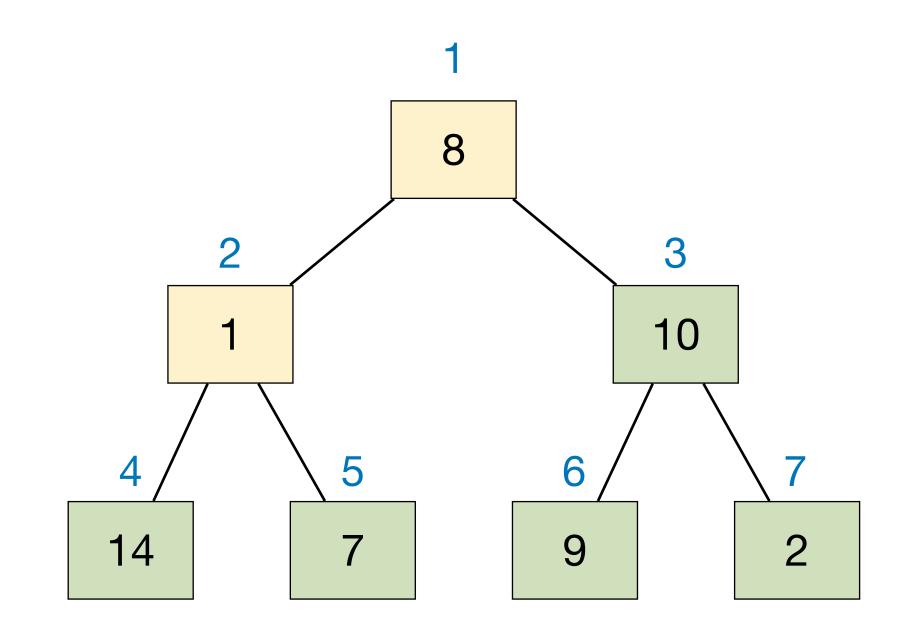
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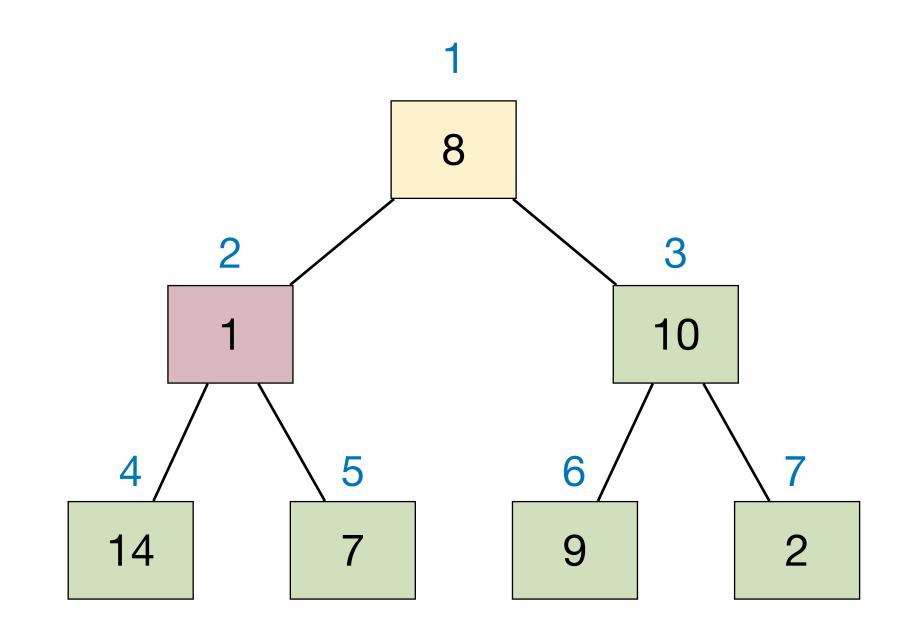
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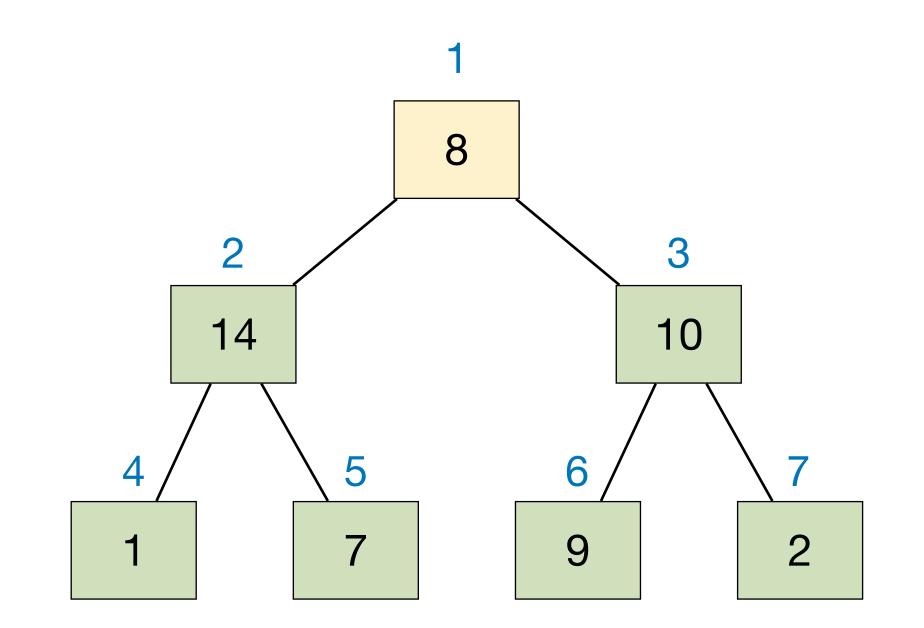
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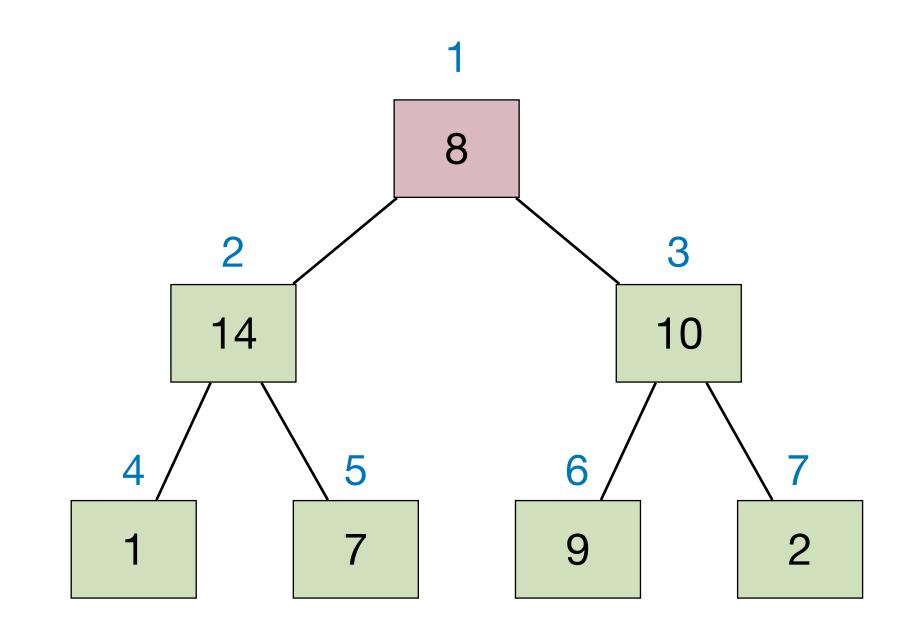
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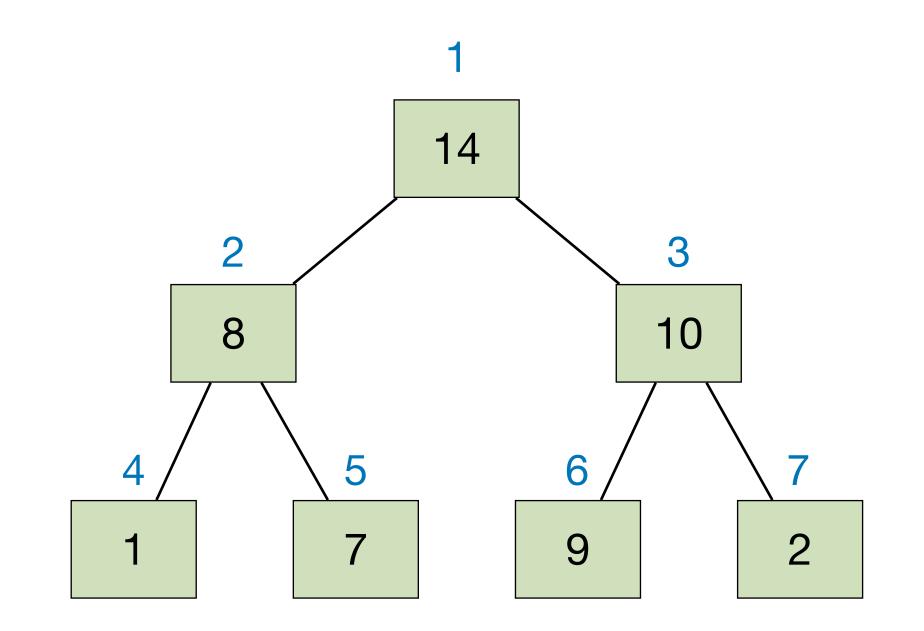
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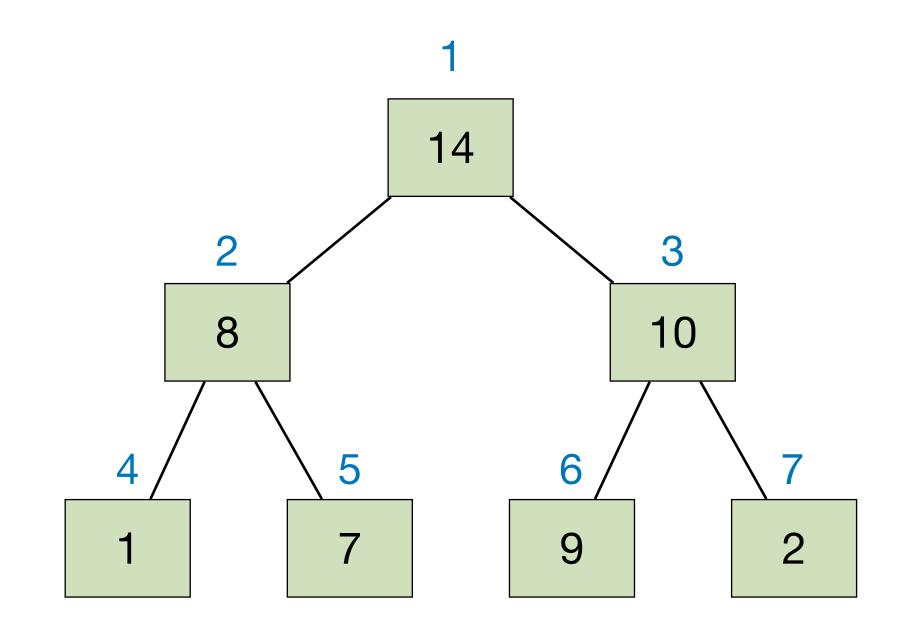
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heap_size := n

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- Time complexity of BuildMaxHeap?
 - $\Theta(n)$ calls to MaxHeapify, each costing $O(\lg n)$, so $O(n \lg n)$?
 - Correct but not tight...



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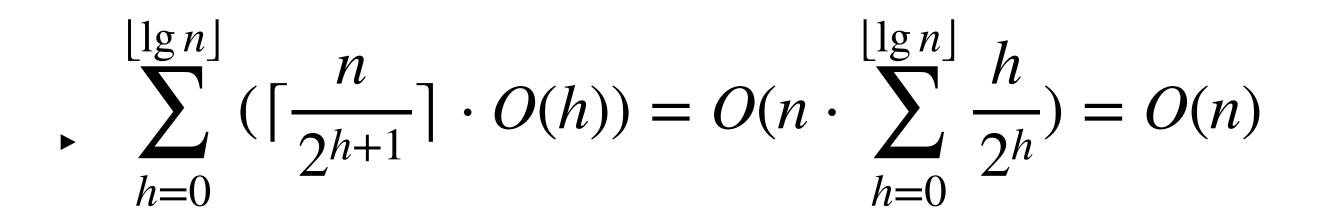
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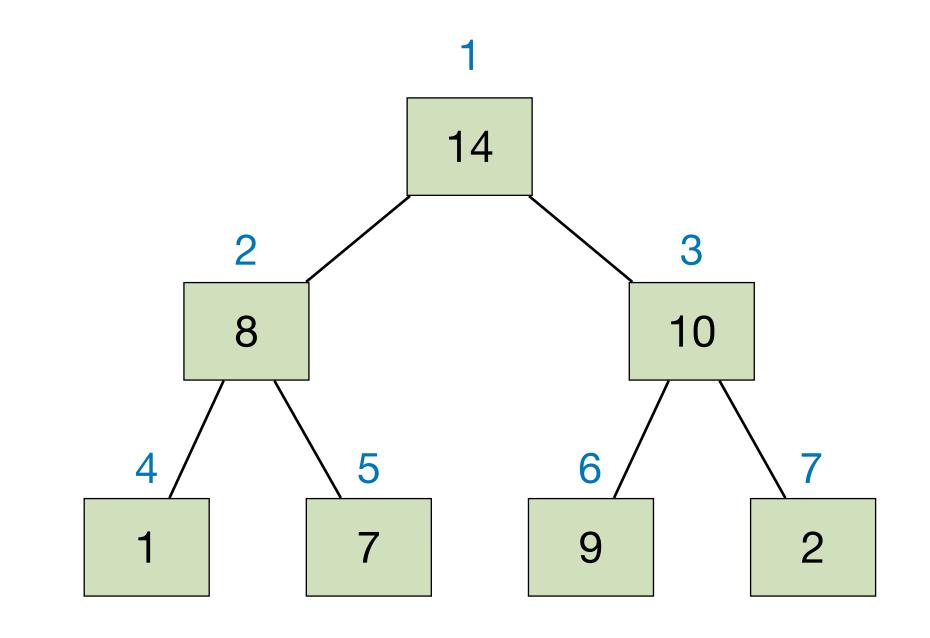
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- Any height h has $\leq \lceil \frac{n}{2^{h+1}} \rceil$ nodes
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HeapSort(I):
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heap := BuildMaxHeap(I)

for i := n down to 2

 $cur_max := heap.HeapExtractMax()$

 $I[i] := cur_max$

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Time Complexity: O(n)

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- Time complexity of HeapSort is $O(n \lg n)$.
- Extra space required during execution is O(1).



Further reading

• [CLRS] Ch.6

