

# CS711008Z Algorithm Design and Analysis

## Lecture 7. Binary heap, binomial heap, and Fibonacci heap

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- Introduction to priority queue
- Various implementations of priority queue:
  - Linked list: a list having  $n$  items is too long to support efficient EXTRACTMIN and INSERT operations simultaneously;
  - Binary heap: using a **tree** rather than a **linked list**;
  - Binomial heap: allowing **multiple trees** rather than **a single tree** to support efficient UNION operation
  - Fibonacci heap: implement DECREASEKEY via simply **cutting an edge** rather than **exchanging nodes**, and control a “bushy” tree shape via allowing **at most one child losing** for any node.

## Priority queue

# Priority queue: motivation

- Motivation: It is usually a case to **extract the minimum** from a set  $S$  of  $n$  numbers, **dynamically**.
- Here, the word “dynamically” means that on  $S$ , we might perform INSERTION, DELETION and DECREASEKEY operations.
- The question is how to organize the data to efficiently support these operations.

- **Priority queue** is an **abstract data type** similar to stack or queue, but each **element** has a **priority** associated with its **name**.
- A min-oriented priority queue must support the following core operations:
  - 1  $H = \text{MAKEHEAP}()$ : to create a new heap  $H$ ;
  - 2  $\text{INSERT}(H, x)$ : to insert into  $H$  an element  $x$  together with its priority
  - 3  $\text{EXTRACTMIN}(H)$ : to extract the element with the highest priority;
  - 4  $\text{DECREASEKEY}(H, x, k)$ : to decrease the priority of element  $x$ ;
  - 5  $\text{UNION}(H_1, H_2)$ : return a new heap containing all elements of heaps  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , and destroy the input heaps

# Priority queue is very useful

- Priority queue has extensive applications, such as:
  - Dijkstra's shortest path algorithm
  - Prim's MST algorithm
  - Huffman coding
  - $A^*$  searching algorithm
  - HeapSort
  - .....

## An example: Dijkstra's algorithm

# Dijkstra's algorithm [1959]

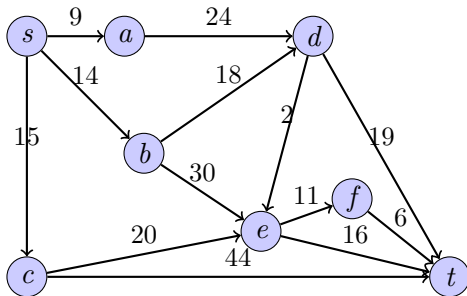
DIJKSTRA( $G, s, t$ )

- 1:  $key(s) = 0$ ; //  $key(u)$  stores an upper bound of the shortest distance from  $s$  to  $u$ ;
- 2:  $PQ$ . INSERT ( $s$ );
- 3: **for all** node  $v \neq s$  **do**
- 4:      $key(v) = +\infty$
- 5:      $PQ$ . INSERT ( $v$ ) //  $n$  times
- 6: **end for**
- 7:  $S = \{\}$ ; // Let  $S$  be the set of explored nodes;
- 8: **while**  $S \neq V$  **do**
- 9:      $v^* = PQ$ . EXTRACTMIN(); //  $n$  times
- 10:      $S = S \cup \{v^*\}$ ;
- 11:     **for all**  $v \notin S$  and  $\langle v^*, v \rangle \in E$  **do**
- 12:         **if**  $key(v^*) + d(v^*, v) < key(v)$  **then**
- 13:              $PQ$ . DECREASEKEY( $v, key(v^*) + d(v^*, v)$ ); //  $m$  times
- 14:         **end if**
- 15:     **end for**
- 16: **end while**

Here  $PQ$  denotes a min-priority queue.

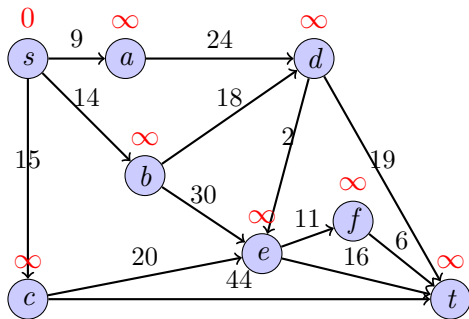


# Dijkstra's algorithm: an example



# Initialization

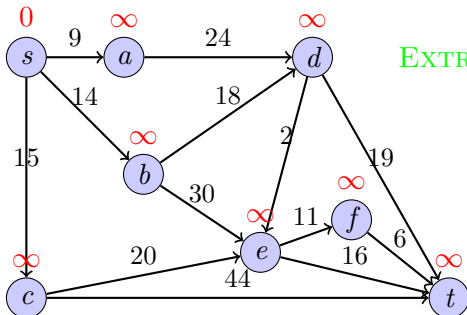
$$S = \{\}$$
$$PQ = \{s(0), a(\infty), b(\infty), c(\infty), d(\infty), e(\infty), f(\infty), t(\infty)\}$$



# Step 1: EXTRACTMIN

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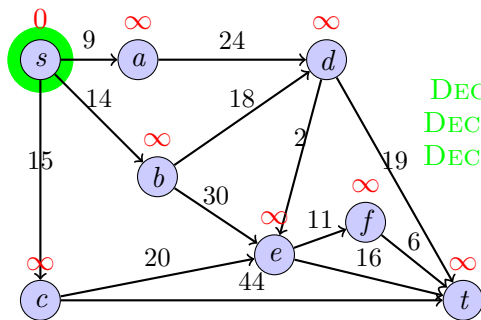


EXTRACTMIN returns  $s$

# Step 1: DECREASEKEY

$$S = \{s\}$$

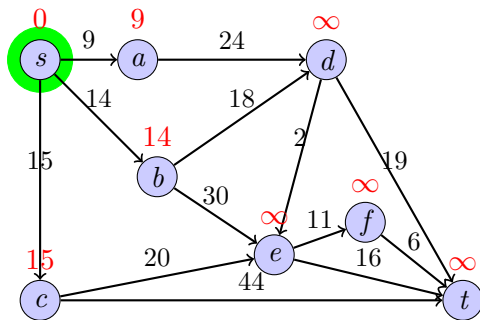
$$PQ = \{a(\infty), b(\infty), c(\infty), d(\infty), e(\infty), f(\infty), t(\infty)\}$$



DECREASEKEY( $a, 9$ )  
DECREASEKEY( $b, 14$ )  
DECREASEKEY( $c, 15$ )

## Step 2: EXTRACTMIN

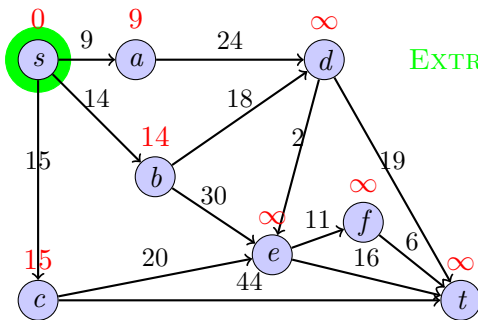
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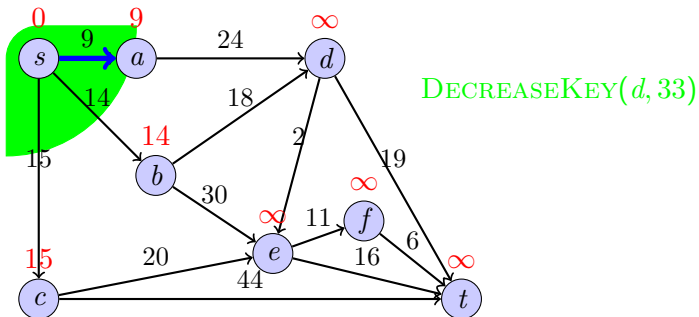
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EXTRACTMIN returns  $a$

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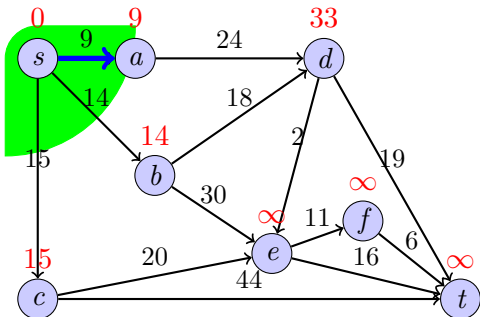
$$S = \{s, a\}$$
$$PQ = \{b(14), c(15), d(\infty), e(\infty), f(\infty), t(\infty)\}$$



# Step 3: EXTRACTMIN

$$S = \{s, a\}$$

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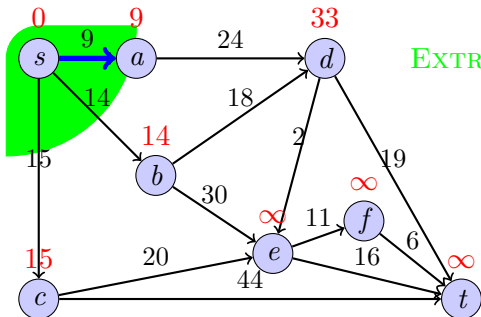




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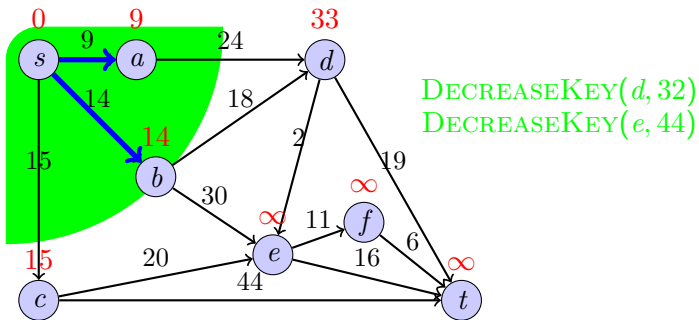
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EXTRACTMIN returns  $b$

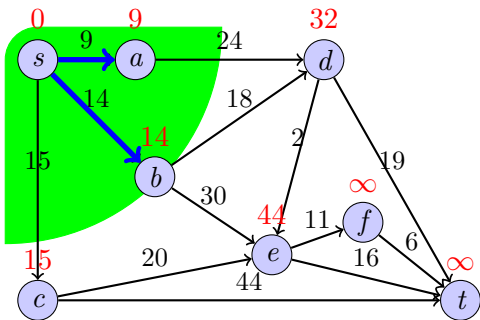
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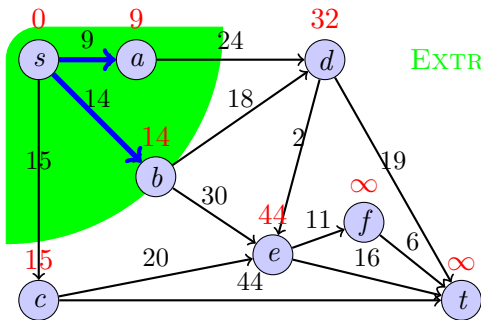
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$S = \{s, a, b\}$   
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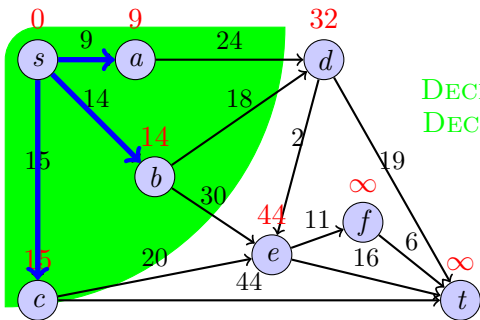
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# Step 4: DECREASEKEY

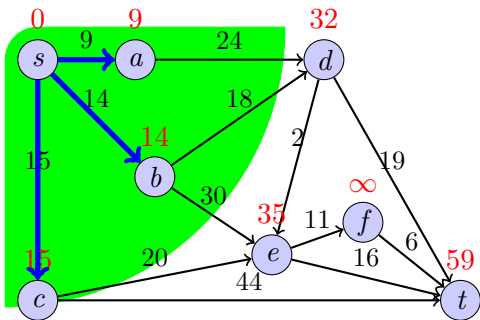
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DECREASEKEY( $e, 35$ )  
DECREASEKEY( $t, 59$ )

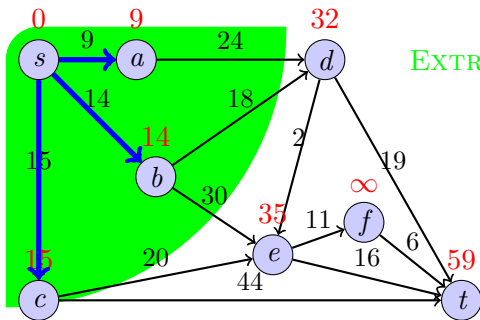
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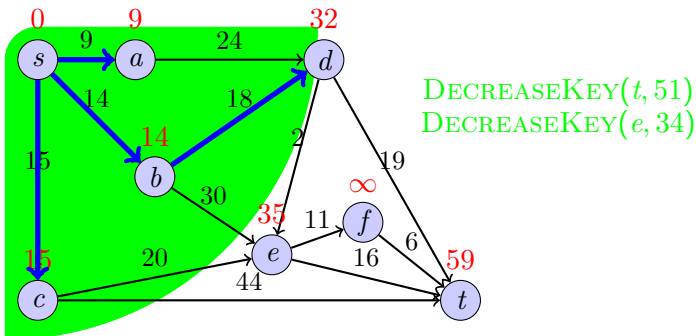
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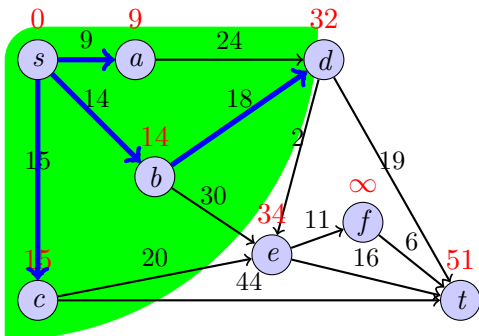
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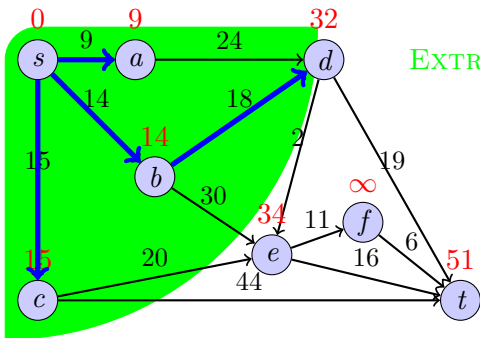
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$S = \{s, a, b, c, d\}$   
 $PQ = \{e(34), t(51), f(\infty)\}$



# Step 6: EXTRACTMIN

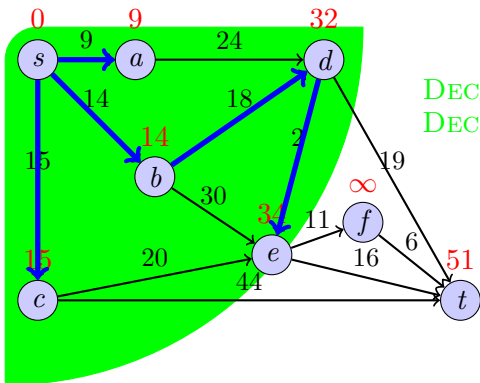
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EXTRACTMIN returns  $e$

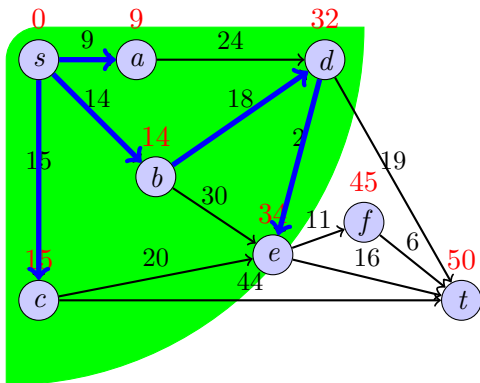
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$$S = \{s, a, b, c, d, e\}$$
$$PQ = \{f(45), t(50)\}$$



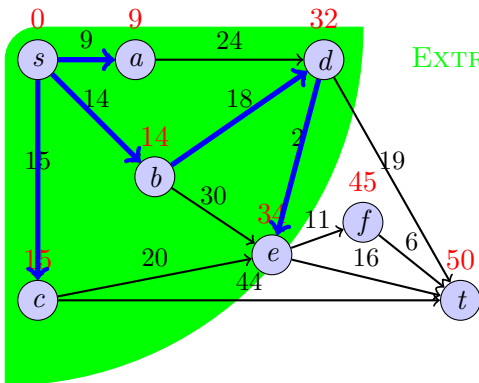
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 $PQ = \{f(45), t(50)\}$



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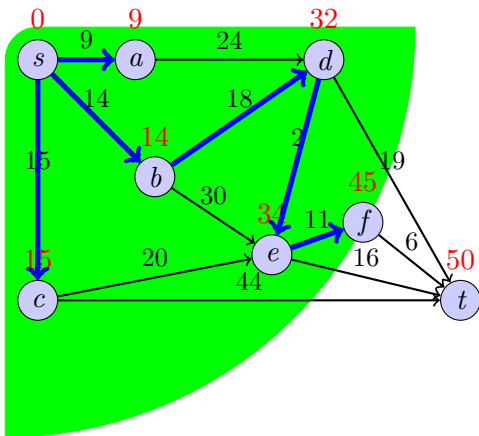
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EXTRACTMIN returns  $f$

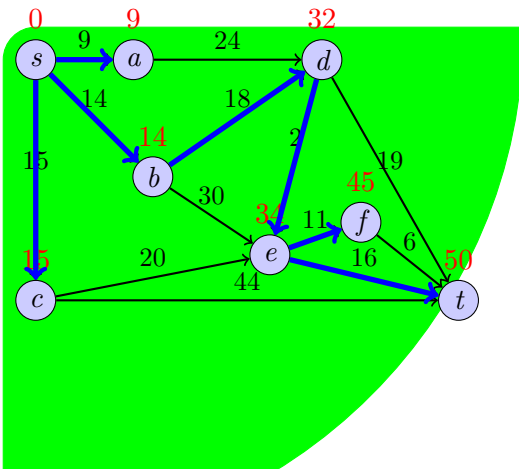
# Step 7: DECREASEKEY

$$S = \{s, a, b, c, d, e, f\}$$
$$PQ = \{t(50)\}$$



# Step 8: EXTRACTMIN

$$S = \{s, a, b, c, d, e, f, t\}$$
$$PQ = \{\}$$



# Time complexity of DIJKSTRA algorithm

Operation	Linked list	Binary heap	Binomial heap	Fibonacci heap
MAKEHEAP	1	1	1	1
INSERT	1	$\log n$	$\log n$	1
EXTRACTMIN	$n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$
DECREASEKEY	1	$\log n$	$\log n$	1
DELETE	$n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$
UNION	1	$n$	$\log n$	1
FINDMIN	$n$	1	$\log n$	1
DIJKSTRA	$O(n^2)$	$O(m \log n)$	$O(m \log n)$	$O(m + n \log n)$

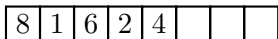
DIJKSTRA algorithm:  $n$  INSERT,  $n$  EXTRACTMIN, and  $m$  DECREASEKEY.



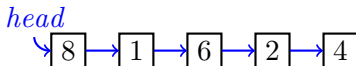
Implementing priority queue: array or linked list

# Implementing priority queue: unsorted array

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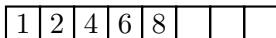
- Unsorted linked list:



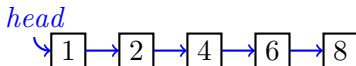
- Operations:
  - INSERT:  $O(1)$
  - EXTRACTMIN:  $O(n)$
- Note: a list containing  $n$  elements is too long to find the minimum efficiently.

# Implementing priority queue: sorted array

- Sorted array:



- Sorted linked list:



- Operations:

- INSERT:  $O(n)$
- EXTRACTMIN:  $O(1)$

- Note: a list containing  $n$  elements is too long to maintain the order among elements.

# Implementing priority queue: array or linked list

<b>Operation</b>	<b>Linked List</b>
INSERT	$O(1)$
EXTRACTMIN	$O(n)$
DECREASEKEY	$O(1)$
UNION	$O(1)$

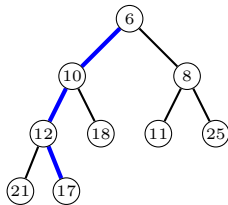
Binary heap: from a linked list to a tree



Figure 1: R. W. Floyd [1964]

# Binary heap: a complete binary tree

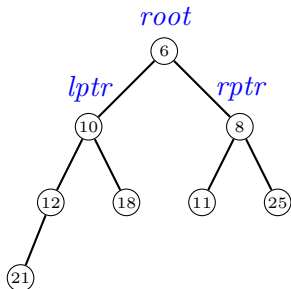
- Basic idea:
  - **loosing the structure**: Recall that the objective is to find the minimum. To achieve this objective, it is not necessary to sort all elements.
  - **but don't loose it too much**: we still need order between some elements.



- Binary heap: elements are stored in a **complete binary tree**, i.e., a tree that is perfectly balanced except for the bottom level. **Heap order** is required, i.e., any parent has a key smaller than his children;
- Advantage: any path has a short length of  $O(\log_2 n)$  rather than  $n$  in linked list, making it efficient to maintain heap order

# Binary heap: an explicit implementation

- **Pointer representation**: each node has pointers to its parent and two children;
- The following information are maintained:
  - the number of elements  $n$ ;
  - the pointer to the root node;

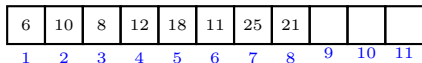
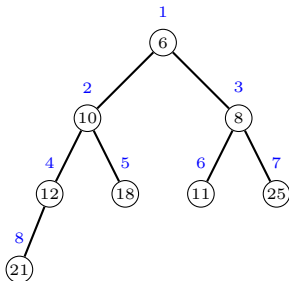


- Note: the last node can be found in  $O(\log n)$  time.



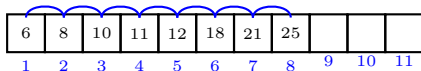
# Binary heap: an implicit implementation

- **Array representation:** one-one correspondence between a binary tree and an array.
  - Binary tree  $\Rightarrow$  array:
    - the indices starting from 1 for the sake of simplicity;
    - the indices record the order that the binary tree is traversed **level by level**.
  - Array  $\Rightarrow$  binary tree:
    - the  $k$ -th item has two children located at  $2k$  and  $2k + 1$ ;
    - the parent of the  $k$ -th item is located at  $\lfloor \frac{k}{2} \rfloor$ ;

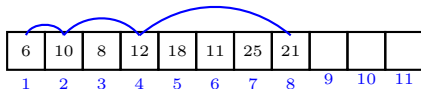


# Sorted array vs. binary heap

- Sorted array: an array containing  $n$  elements in an increasing order;



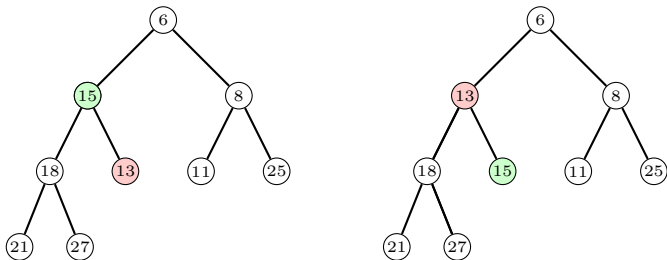
- Binary heap: heap order means that only the order among nodes in short paths (length is less than  $\log n$ ) are maintained. Note that some inverse pairs exist in the array.



## Binary heap: primitive and other operations

# Primitive: exchanging nodes to restore heap order

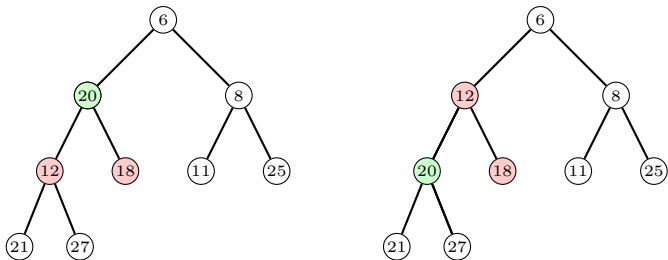
- Primitive operation: when heap order is violated, i.e. a parent has a value larger than only one of its children, we simply exchange them to resolve the conflict.



**Figure 2:** Heap order is violated:  $15 > 13$ . Exchange them to resolve the conflict.

# Primitive: exchanging nodes to restore heap order

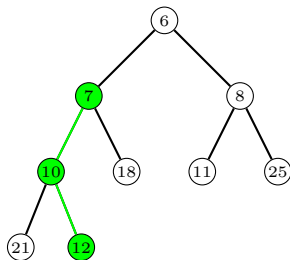
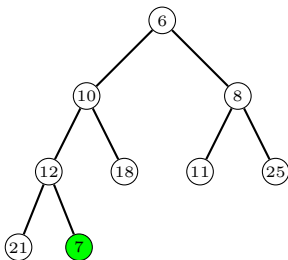
- Primitive operation: when heap order is violated, i.e. a parent has a value larger than both of its children, we exchange the parent with its smaller child to resolve the conflict.



**Figure 3:** Heap order is violated:  $20 > 12$ , and  $20 > 18$ . Exchange 20 with its smaller child (12) to resolve the conflicts.

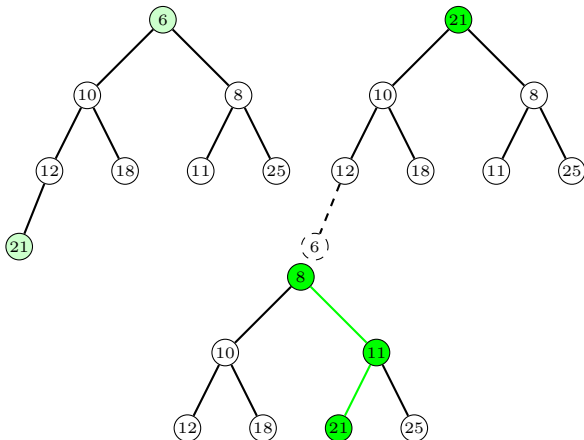
# Binary heap: INSERT operation

- INSERT operation: the element is added as a new node at the end. Since the heap order might be violated, the node is repeatedly exchanged with its parent until heap order is restored.
- For example, INSERT( 7 ):



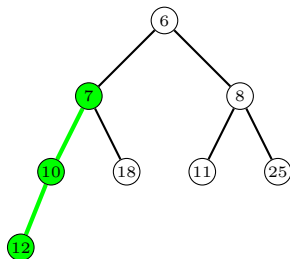
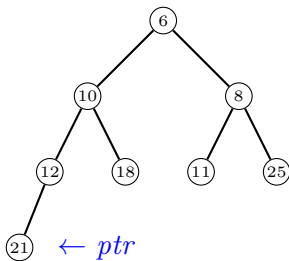
# Binary heap: EXTRACTMIN operation

- EXTRACTMIN operation: exchange element in root with the last node; repeatedly exchange the element in root with its **smaller child** until heap order is restored.
- For example, EXTRACTMIN():



# Binary heap: DECREASEKEY operation

- DECREASEKEY operation: given a handle to a node, repeatedly exchange the node with its parent until heap order is restored.
- For example, DECREASEKEY( *ptr*, 7 ):





## Theorem

In an **implicit** binary heap, any sequence of  $m$  INSERT, . DECREASEKEY, and EXTRACTMIN operations with  $n$  INSERT operations takes  $O(m \log n)$  time.

Note:

- Each operation touches at most  $\log n$  nodes on a path from the root to a leaf.

## Theorem

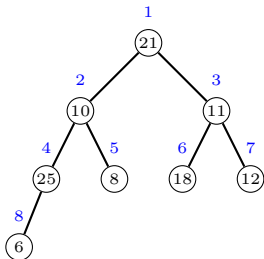
In an **explicit** binary heap with  $n$  nodes, the INSERT, . DECREASEKEY, and EXTRACTMIN operations take  $O(m \log n)$  time in the worst case.

Note:

- If using array representation, a dynamic array expanding/contracting is needed. However, the total cost of array expanding/contracting is  $O(n)$  (see TABLEINSERT).

# Binary heap: heapify a set of items

- Question: Given a set of  $n$  elements, how to construct a binary heap containing them?
- Solutions:
  - 1 Simply INSERT the elements one by one. Takes  $O(n \log n)$  time.
  - 2 Bottom-up heapifying. Takes  $O(n)$  time.  
For  $i = n$  to 1, we repeatedly exchange the element in node  $i$  with its smaller child until the subtree rooted at node  $i$  is heap-ordered.



(see a demo)

## Theorem

*Given  $n$  elements, a binary heap can be constructed using  $O(n)$  time.*

## Proof.

- There are at most  $\lceil \frac{n}{2^{h+1}} \rceil$  nodes of height  $h$ ;
- It takes  $O(h)$  time to sink a node of height  $h$ ;
- The total time is:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{h=0}^{\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor} \lceil \frac{n}{2^{h+1}} \rceil h &\leq \sum_{h=0}^{\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor} n \frac{h}{2^h} \\ &\leq 2n \end{aligned}$$

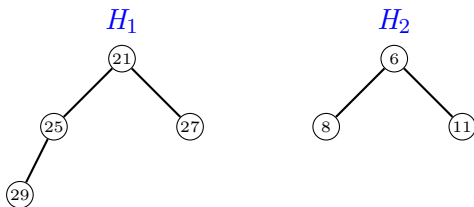


# Implementing priority queue: binary heap

<b>Operation</b>	<b>Linked List</b>	<b>Binary Heap</b>
INSERT	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$
EXTRACTMIN	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$
DECREASEKEY	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$
UNION	$O(1)$	$O(n)$

# Binary heap: UNION operation

- UNION operation: Given two binary heaps  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , to merge them into one binary heap.



- $O(n)$  time is needed if using heapify.
- Question: Is there a quicker way to union two heaps?

Binomial heap: using **multiple trees** rather than **a single tree** to support efficient UNION operation

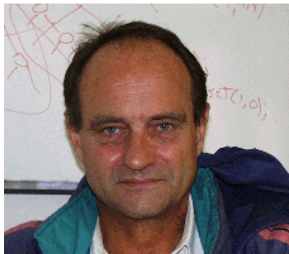
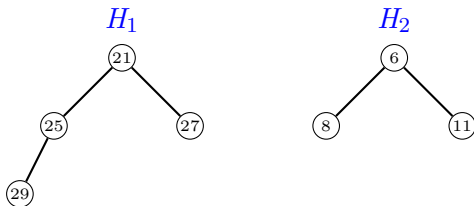


Figure 4: Jean Vuillemin [1978]

# Binomial heap: efficient UNION

- Basic idea:
  - **loosing the structure**: if **multiple trees** are allowed to represent a heap, UNION can be efficiently implemented via simply putting trees together.
  - **but don't loose it too much**: there should not be too many trees; otherwise, it will take a long time to find the minimum among all root nodes.



- **EXTRACTMIN**: simply finding the minimum element of the root nodes. Note that a root node holds the minimum of the tree due to the heap order.

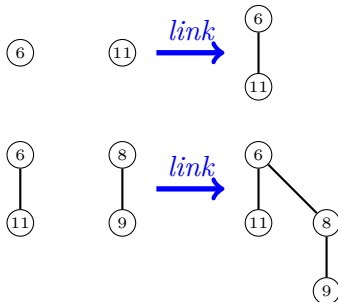


# Why we can't lose the structure too much?

- An extreme case of multiple trees: each node is itself a tree. Then it will take  $O(n)$  time to find the minimum.

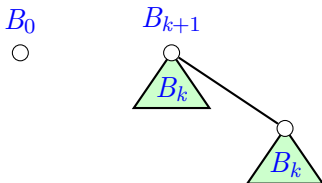


- Solution: **consolidating**, i.e., two trees (with the same size) are merged into one — the larger root is linked to the smaller one to keep the heap order. Note that after consolidating, at most  $\log n$  trees will be left.



## Definition (Binomial tree)

The binomial tree is defined recursively: a single node is itself a  $B_0$  tree, and two  $B_k$  trees are linked into a  $B_{k+1}$  tree.



# Binomial tree examples: $B_0$ , $B_1$ , $B_2$

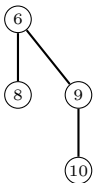
$B_0$



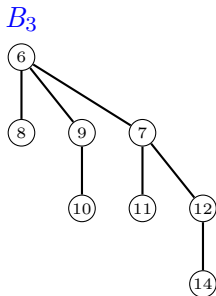
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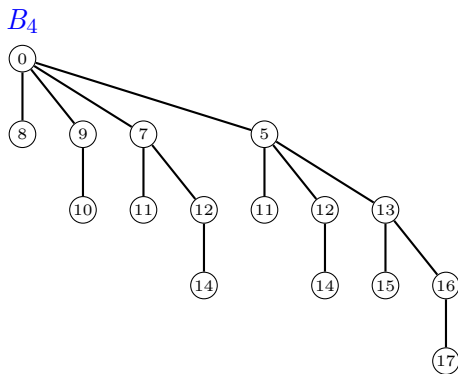
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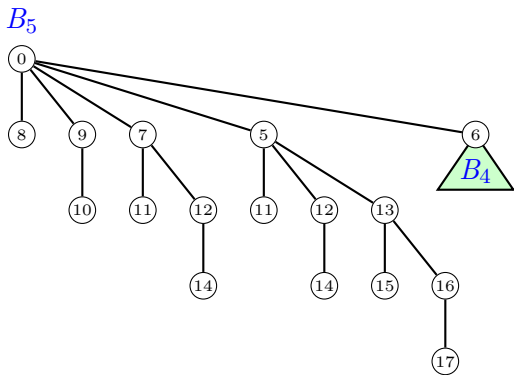
# Binomial tree example: $B_3$



# Binomial tree example: $B_4$



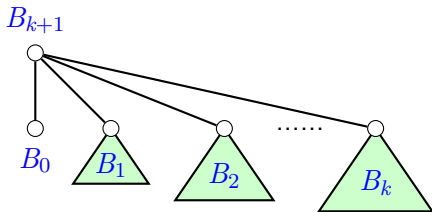
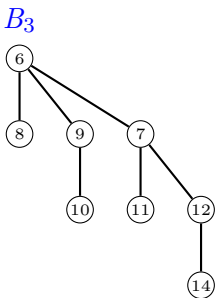
# Binomial tree example: $B_5$



# Binomial tree: property

Properties:

- 1  $|B_k| = 2^k$ .
- 2  $height(B_k) = k$ .
- 3  $degree(B_k) = k$ .
- 4 The  $i$ -th child of a node has a degree of  $i - 1$ .
- 5 The deletion of the root yields trees  $B_0, B_1, \dots, B_{k-1}$ .
- 6 Binomial tree is named after the fact that the node number of all levels are binomial coefficients.



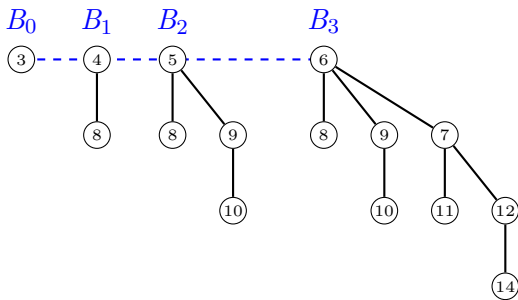
# Binomial heap: a forest

## Definition (Binomial forest)

A binomial heap is a collection of several binomial trees:

- Each tree is heap ordered;
- There is either 0 or 1  $B_k$  for any  $k$ .

- Example:



- Note that the roots are organized using doubly-linked circular list, and the minimum of them is recorded using a pointer.

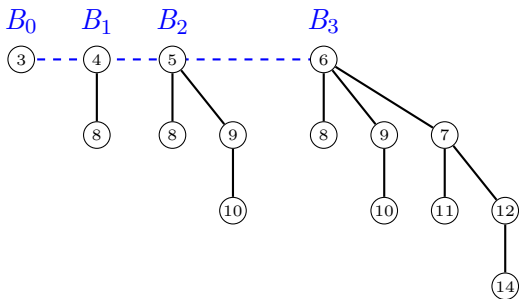


# Binomial heap: properties

Properties:

- 1 A binomial heap with  $n$  nodes contains the binomial tree  $B_i$  iff  $b_i = 1$ , where  $b_k b_{k-1} \dots b_1 b_0$  is binary representation of  $n$ .
- 2 It has at most  $\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor + 1$  trees.
- 3 Its height is at most  $\lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$ .

Thus, it takes  $O(\log n)$  time to find the minimum element via checking the roots.



# UNION is efficient: example 1

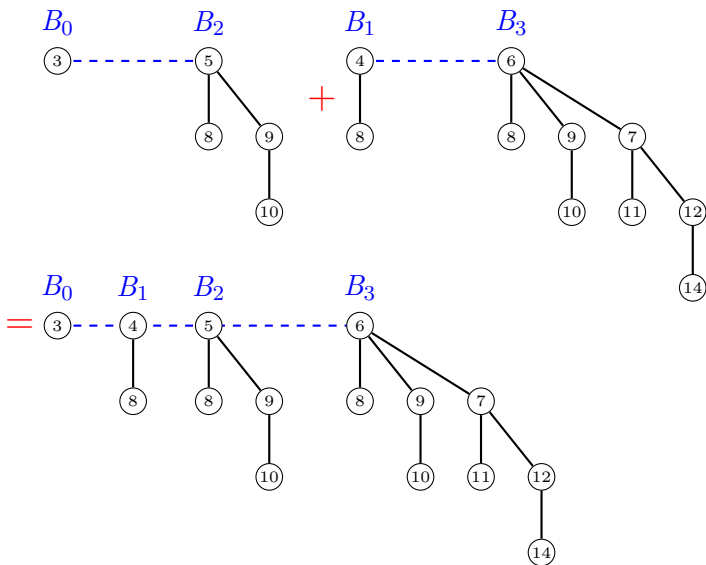


Figure 5: An easy case: no consolidating is needed.

# UNION is efficient: example 2 I

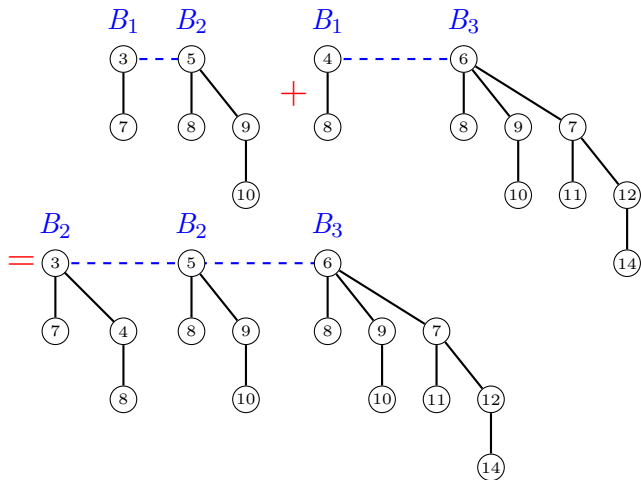


Figure 6: Consolidating two  $B_1$  trees into a  $B_2$  tree

# UNION is efficient: example 2 II

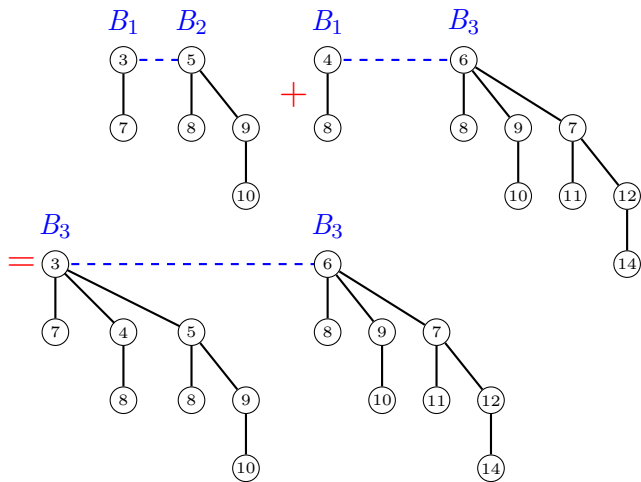
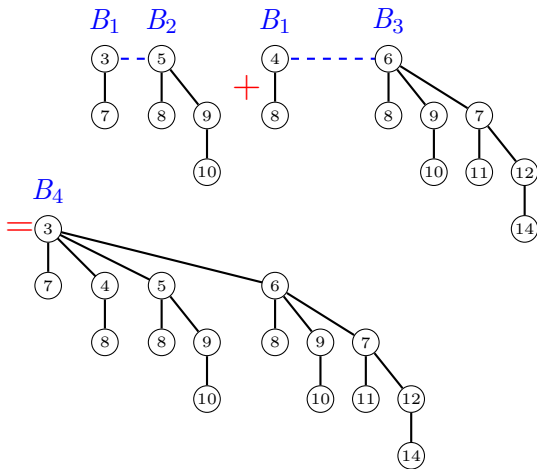


Figure 7: Consolidating two  $B_2$  trees into a  $B_3$  tree

# UNION is efficient: example 2 III



Time complexity:  $O(\log n)$  since there are at most  $O(\log n)$  trees.

# Binomial heap: INSERT operation

INSERT( $x$ )

- 1: Create a  $B_0$  tree for  $x$ ;
- 2: Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 3: **while** there are two  $B_k$  trees for some  $k$  **do**
- 4:   Link them together into one  $B_{k+1}$  tree;
- 5:   Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 6: **end while**

# INSERT operation: an example

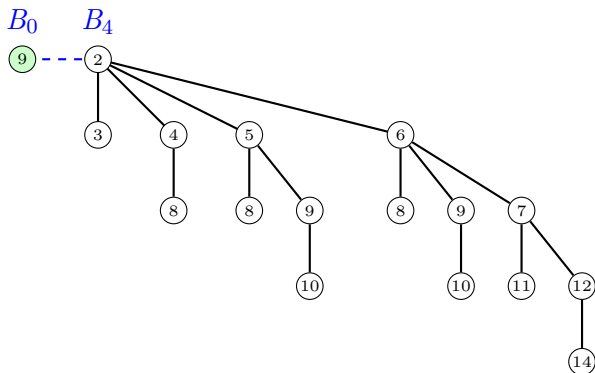


Figure 8: An easy case: no consolidating is needed

# INSERT operation: example 2 I

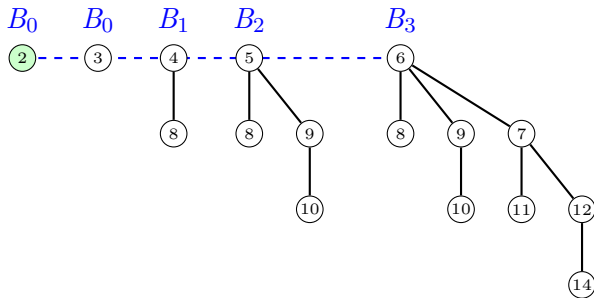


Figure 9: Consolidating two  $B_0$



# INSERT operation: example 2 II

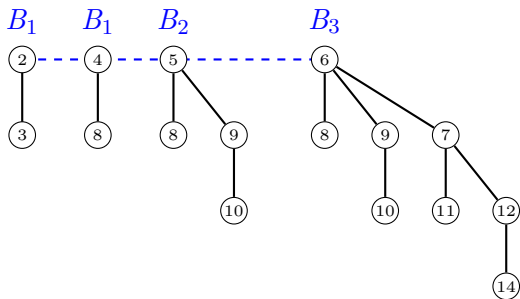


Figure 10: Consolidating two  $B_1$

# INSERT operation: example 2 III

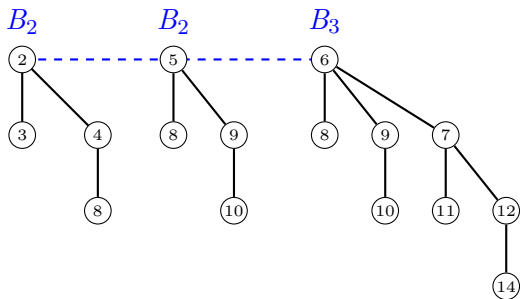


Figure 11: Consolidating two  $B_2$

# INSERT operation: example 2 IV

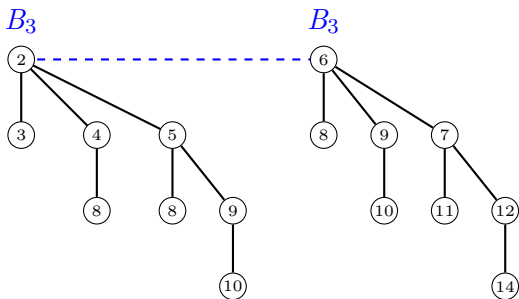
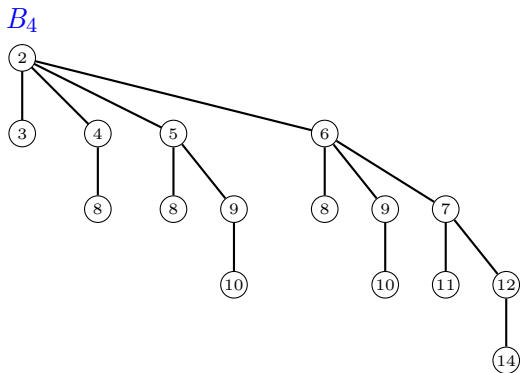


Figure 12: Consolidating two  $B_3$

# INSERT operation: example 2 V

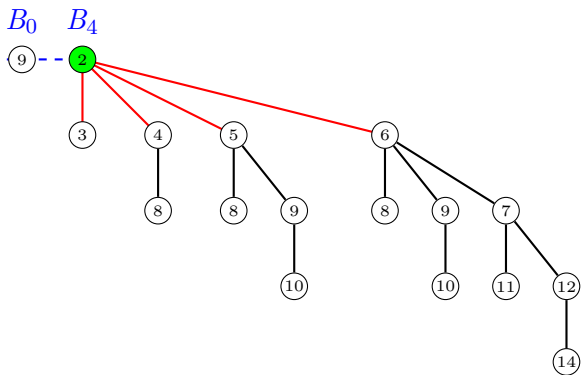


Time complexity:  $O(\log n)$  (worst case) since there are at most  $\log n$  trees.

EXTRACTMIN()

- 1: Remove the min node, and insert its children into the root list;
- 2: Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 3: **while** there are two  $B_k$  trees for some  $k$  **do**
- 4:   Link them together into one  $B_{k+1}$  tree;
- 5:   Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 6: **end while**

# EXTRACTMIN operation: an example I



# EXTRACTMIN operation: an example II

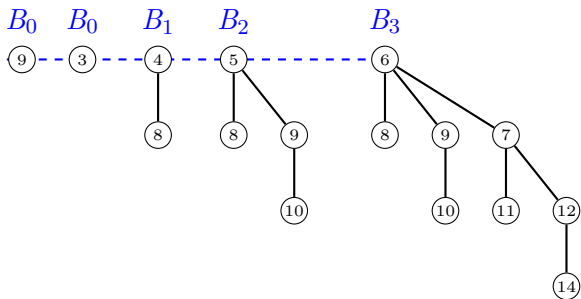


Figure 13: The four children become trees

# EXTRACTMIN operation: an example III

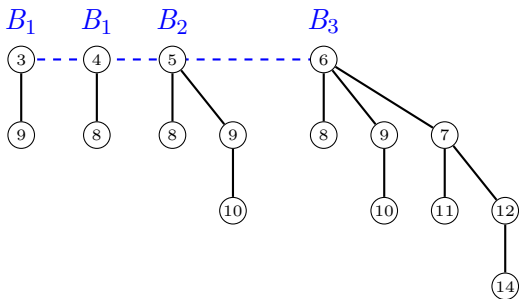


Figure 14: Consolidating two  $B_1$  trees



# EXTRACTMIN operation: an example IV

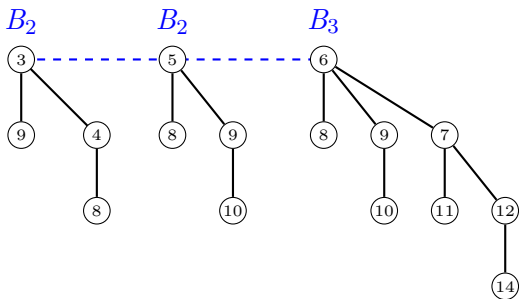


Figure 15: Consolidating two  $B_2$  trees

# EXTRACTMIN operation: an example V

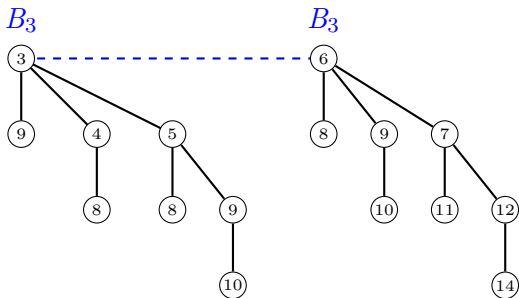
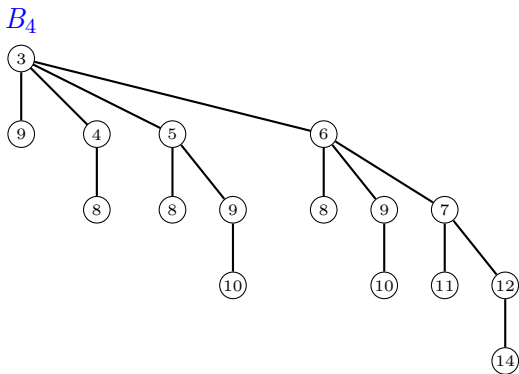


Figure 16: Consolidating two  $B_2$  trees

# EXTRACTMIN operation: an example VI



Time complexity:  $O(\log n)$

# Implementing priority queue: Binomial heap

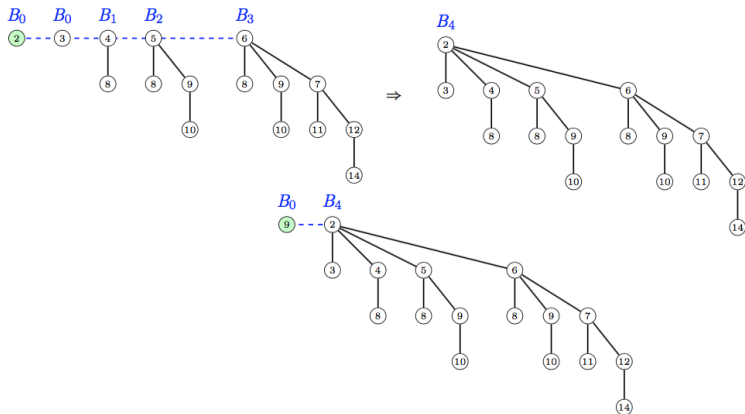
<b>Operation</b>	<b>Linked List</b>	<b>Binary Heap</b>	<b>Binomial Heap</b>
INSERT	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$
EXTRACTMIN	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$
DECREASEKEY	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$
UNION	$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$

Binomial heap: more accurate analysis using the amortized technique

# Amortized analysis of INSERT

Motivation:

- If an INSERT takes a long time (say  $\log n$ ), the subsequent INSERT operations shouldn't take long!



- Thus, it will be more accurate to examine a sequence of operations rather than each operation individually.

# Amortized analysis of INSERT operation

INSERT( $x$ )

- 1: Create a  $B_0$  tree for  $x$ ;
- 2: Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 3: **while** there are two  $B_k$  trees for some  $k$  **do**
- 4:     Link them together into one  $B_{k+1}$  tree;
- 5:     Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 6: **end while**

Analysis:

- A single INSERT operation takes time  $1 + w$ , where  $w = \#WHILE$ .
- For the sake of calculating the total running time of a sequence of operations, we represent the running time of a single operation as decrease of a potential function.
- Consider a quantity  $\Phi = \#trees$  (called potential function). The changes of  $\Phi$  during an operation are:
  - $\Phi$  increase: 1.
  - $\Phi$  decrease:  $w$ .
- Thus the running time of INSERT can be rewritten in terms of  $\Phi$  as  $1 + w = 1 + \text{decrease in } \Phi$ . Note that this representation makes it convenient to sum running time of a sequence of INSERT operations.

# Amortized analysis of EXTRACTMIN

## EXTRACTMIN()

- 1: Remove the min node, and insert its children to the root list;
- 2: Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 3: **while** there are two  $B_k$  trees for some  $k$  **do**
- 4:     Link them together into one  $B_{k+1}$  tree;
- 5:     Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 6: **end while**

## Analysis:

- A single EXTRACTMIN operation takes  $d + w$  time, where  $d$  denotes degree of the removed root node, and  $w = \#WHILE$ .
- For the sake of calculating the total running time of a sequence of operations, we represent the running time of a single operation as decrease of a potential function.
- Consider a potential function  $\Phi = \#trees$ . The changes during an operation are:
  - $\Phi$  increase:  $d$ .
  - $\Phi$  decrease:  $w$ .
- Similarly, the running time is rewritten in terms of  $\Phi$  as  $d + w = d +$  decrease in  $\#trees$ . Note that  $d \leq \log n$ .



# Amortized analysis

- Let's consider any sequence of  $n$  INSERT and  $m$  EXTRACTMIN operations.
- The total running time is at most  $n + m \log n +$  total decrease in  $\#trees$ .
- Note: total decrease in  $\#trees \leq$  total increase in  $\#trees$  (why?), which is at most  $n + m \log n$ .
- Thus the total time is at most  $2n + 2m \log n$ .
- We say INSERT takes  $O(1)$  amortized time, and EXTRACTMIN takes  $O(\log n)$  amortized time.

## Definition (Amortized time)

For any sequence of  $n_1$  operation 1,  $n_2$  operation 2..., if the total time is  $O(n_1 T_1 + n_2 T_2 \dots)$ , we say that operation 1 takes  $T_1$  amortized time, operation 2 takes  $T_2$  amortized time ...

# Intuition of the amortized analysis

- The actual running time of an INSERT operation is  $1 + w$ . A large  $w$  means that the INSERT operation takes a long time. Note that the  $w$  time was spent on “decreasing trees”; thus, if the  $w$  time was amortized over the operations “creating trees”, the “amortized time” of INSERT operation will be only  $O(1)$ .
- The actual running time of an EXTRACTMIN operation is at most  $\log n + w$ . Note that at most  $\log n$  new trees are created during an EXTRACTMIN operation; thus, the amortized time is still  $O(\log n)$  even if some costs have been amortized to it from other operations due to “tree creating”.

# Implementing priority queue: Binomial heap

<b>Operation</b>	<b>Linked List</b>	<b>Binary Heap</b>	<b>Binomial Heap</b>	<b>Binomial Heap*</b>
INSERT	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(1)$
EXTRACTMIN	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$
DECREASEKEY	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$
UNION	$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(1)$

\*amortized cost

# Binomial heap: DECREASEKEY operation

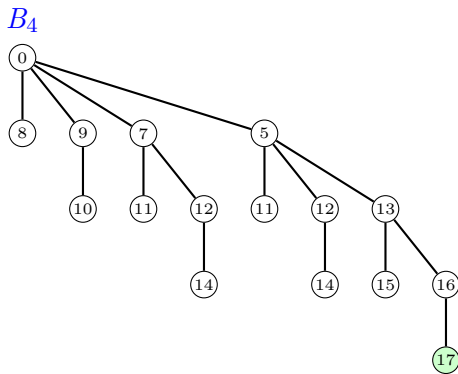


Figure 17: DECREASEKEY: 17 to 1

- Time:  $O(\log n)$  since in the worst case, we need to perform node exchanging up to the root.
- Question: is there a quicker way for decrease key?

Fibonacci heap: an efficient implementation of `DECREASEKEY` via simply cutting an edge rather than exchanging nodes



Figure 18: Robert Tarjan [1986]

# Fibonacci heap: an efficient DECREASEKEY operation

- Basic idea:
  - **loosing the structure:** Binomial heap requires trees to be in perfect shape. Now we loose this restriction — when heap order is violated, a simple solution is to “cut off a node, and insert it into the root list”.
  - **but don't loose it too much:** the “cutting off” operation makes a tree not “binomial” any more; however, it should not deviate from a binomial tree too much. A technique to achieve this objective is allowing any non-root node to lose “at most one child”.

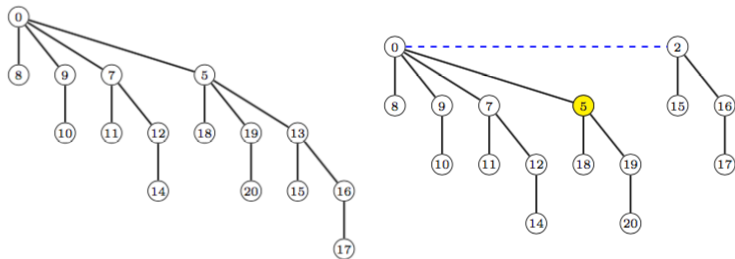


Figure 19: Heap order is violated when DECREASEKEY 13 to 2.

DECREASEKEY( $v, x$ )

- 1:  $key(v) = x$ ;
- 2: **if** heap order is violated **then**
- 3:    $u = v$ 's parent;
- 4:   Cut subtree rooted at node  $v$ , and insert it into the root list;
- 5:   Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 6:   **while**  $u$  is marked **do**
- 7:     Cut subtree rooted at node  $u$ , and insert it into the root list;
- 8:     Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 9:     Unmark  $u$ ;
- 10:     $u = u$ 's parent;
- 11:   **end while**
- 12:   Mark  $u$ ;
- 13: **end if**



# DECREASEKEY: an example I

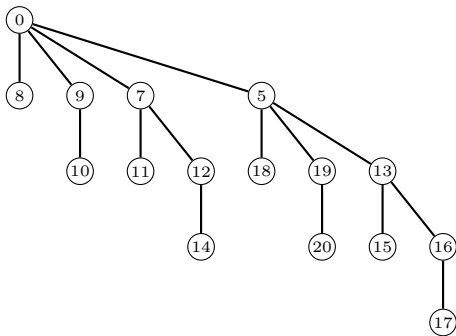


Figure 20: A Fibonacci heap. To DECREASEKEY: 19 to 3.

## DECREASEKEY: an example II

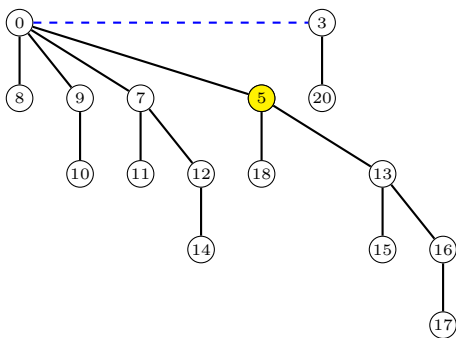


Figure 21: After DECREASEKEY: 19 to 3. To DECREASEKEY: 15 to 2.

# DECREASEKEY: an example III

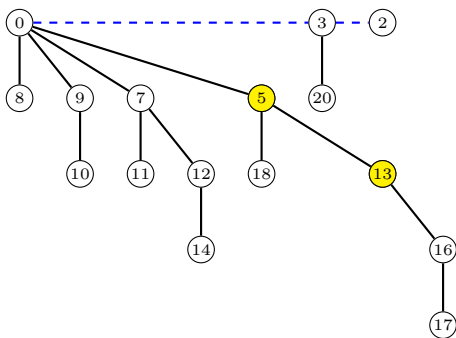


Figure 22: After DECREASEKEY: 15 to 2. To DECREASEKEY: 12 to 8.

# DECREASEKEY: an example IV

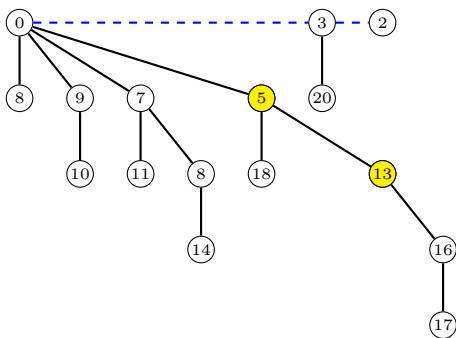


Figure 23: After DECREASEKEY: 12 to 8. To DECREASEKEY: 14 to 1.

# DECREASEKEY: an example V

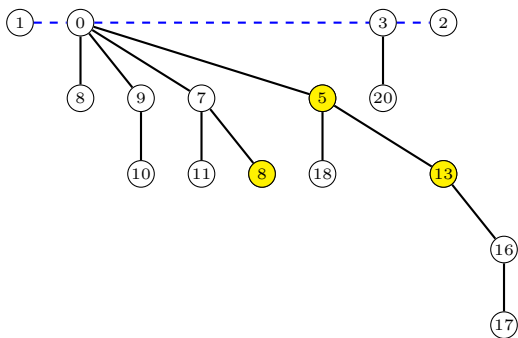


Figure 24: After DECREASEKEY: 14 to 1. To DECREASEKEY: 16 to 9.

# DECREASEKEY: an example VI

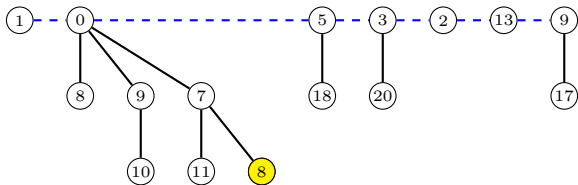


Figure 25: After DECREASEKEY: 16 to 9

# Fibonacci heap: INSERT

INSERT( $x$ )

- 1: Create a tree for  $x$ , and insert it into the root list;
- 2: Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;

Note: **Being lazy!** Consolidating trees when extracting minimum.

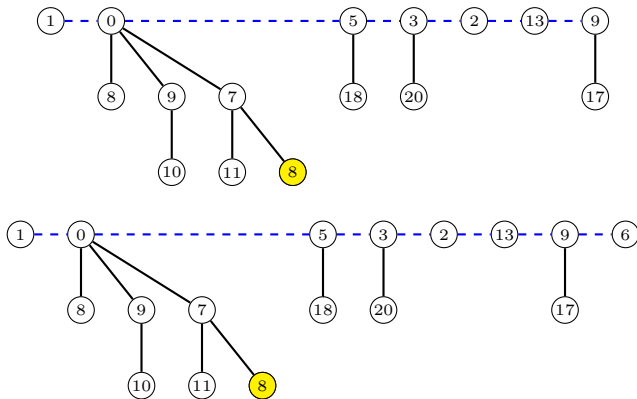


Figure 26: INSERT(6): creating a new tree, and insert it into the root list

## EXTRACTMIN()

- 1: Remove the min node, and insert its children into the root list;
- 2: Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 3: **while** there are two roots  $u$  and  $v$  of the same degree **do**
- 4:     Consolidate the two trees together;
- 5:     Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 6: **end while**



# EXTRACTMIN: an example 1

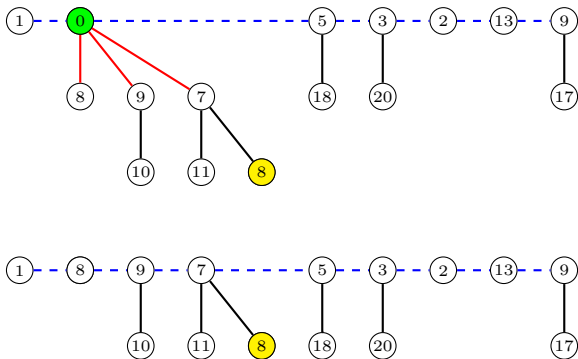


Figure 27: EXTRACTMIN: removing the min node, and adding 3 trees

# EXTRACTMIN: an example II

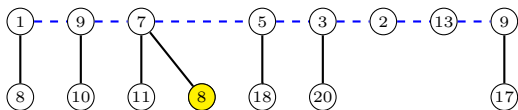


Figure 28: EXTRACTMIN: after consolidating two trees rooted at node 1 and 8

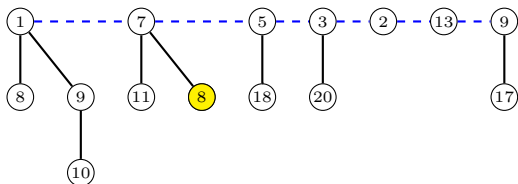


Figure 29: EXTRACTMIN: after consolidating two trees rooted at node 1 and 9

# EXTRACTMIN: an example III

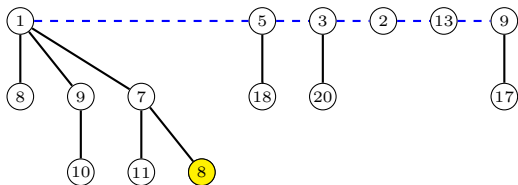


Figure 30: EXTRACTMIN: after consolidating two trees rooted at node 1 and 7

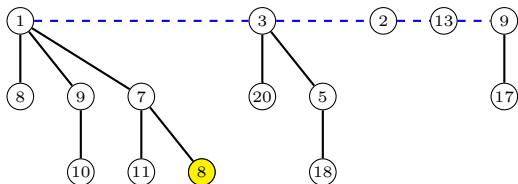


Figure 31: EXTRACTMIN: after consolidating two trees rooted at node 3 and 5

# EXTRACTMIN: an example IV

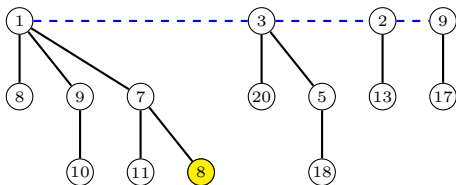


Figure 32: EXTRACTMIN: after consolidating two trees rooted at node 2 and 13

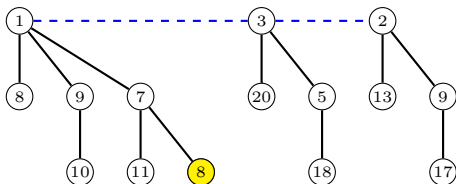


Figure 33: EXTRACTMIN: after consolidating two trees rooted at node 2 and 9

# EXTRACTMIN: an example V

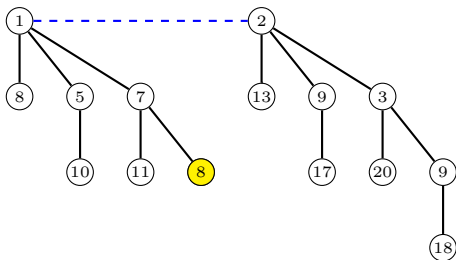


Figure 34: EXTRACTMIN: after consolidating two trees rooted at node 2 and 3

# EXTRACTMIN: an example VI

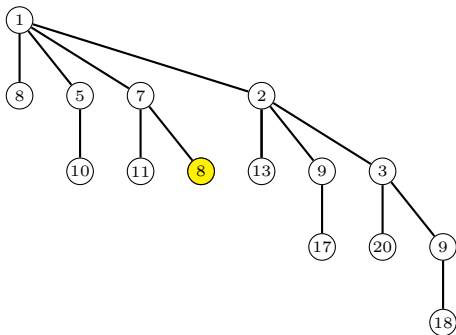


Figure 35: EXTRACTMIN: after consolidating two trees rooted at node 1 and 2

## Fibonacci heap: an amortized analysis

DECREASEKEY( $v, x$ )

- 1:  $key(v) = x$ ;
- 2: **if** heap order is violated **then**
- 3:    $u = v$ 's parent;
- 4:   Cut subtree rooted at node  $v$ , and insert it into the root list;
- 5:   Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 6:   **while**  $u$  is marked **do**
- 7:     Cut subtree rooted at node  $u$ , and insert it into the root list;
- 8:     Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 9:     Unmark  $u$ ;
- 10:     $u = u$ 's parent;
- 11:   **end while**
- 12:   Mark  $u$ ;
- 13: **end if**



# DECREASEKEY: analysis

Analysis:

- The actual running time of a single operation is  $1 + w$ , where  $w = \#WHILE$ .
- To calculate the **total running time** of a **sequence of operations**, we represent the running time of a **single operation** as **decrease of a potential function**.
- Consider a **potential function**  $\Phi = \#trees + 2\#marks$ . The changes of  $\Phi$  during an operation are:
  - $\Phi$  increase:  $1 + 2 = 3$ .
  - $\Phi$  decrease:  $(-1 + 2 * 1) * w = w$ .
- Thus we can rewrite the running time in terms of  $\Phi$  as  $1 + w = 1 + \Phi$  decrease.

Intuition: a large  $w$  means that DECREASEKEY takes a long time; however, if we can “amortize”  $w$  over other operations, a DECREASEKEY operation takes only  $O(1)$  “amortized time”.

## EXTRACTMIN()

- 1: Remove the min node, and insert its children into the root list;
- 2: Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 3: **while** there are two roots  $u$  and  $v$  of the same degree **do**
- 4:     Consolidate the two trees together;
- 5:     Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;
- 6: **end while**

## Analysis:

- The actual running time of a single operation is  $d + w$ , where  $d$  denotes degree of the removed node, and  $w = \#WHILE$ .
- To calculate **the total running time of a sequence of operations**, we represent the running time of **a single operation** as **decrease of a potential function**.
- Consider a **potential function**  $\Phi = \#trees + 2\#marks$ . The changes of  $\Phi$  during an operation are:
  - $\Phi$  increase:  $d$ .
  - $\Phi$  decrease:  $w$ .
- Thus the running time can be rewritten in terms of  $\Phi$  as  $d + w = d + \text{decrease in } \Phi$ .

Note:  $d \leq d_{max}$ , where  $d_{max}$  denotes the maximum root node degree.

# Fibonacci heap: INSERT

INSERT( $x$ )

- 1: Create a tree for  $x$ , and insert it into the root list;
- 2: Change the pointer to the minimum root node if necessary;

Analysis:

- The actual running time is 1, and the changes of  $\Phi$  during this operation are:
  - $\Phi$  increase: 1.
  - $\Phi$  decrease: 0.

Note:

- Recall that a binomial heap consolidates trees in both INSERT and EXTRACTMIN operations.
- In contrast, the Fibonacci heap adopts the strategy of **“being lazy”** — tree consolidating is removed from INSERT operation for the sake of efficiency, and there is no tree consolidating until an EXTRACTMIN operation.

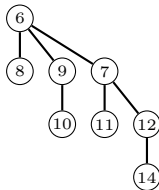
# Fibonacci heap: amortized analysis

- Consider any sequence of  $n$  INSERT,  $m$  EXTRACTMIN, and  $r$  DECREASEKEY operations.
- The total running time is at most:  $n + md_{max} + r +$  total decrease in  $\Phi$ .
- Note: total decrease in  $\Phi \leq$  total increase in  $\Phi = n + md_{max} + 3r$ .
- Thus the total running time is at most:  
 $n + md_{max} + r + n + md_{max} + 3r = 2n + 2md_{max} + 4r$ .
- Thus INSERT takes  $O(1)$  amortized time, DECREASEKEY takes  $O(1)$  amortized time, and EXTRACTMIN takes  $O(d_{max})$  amortized time.
- In fact, EXTRACTMIN takes  $O(\log n)$  amortized time since  $d_{max}$  can be upper-bounded by  $\log n$  (why?).

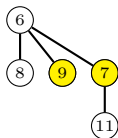
Fibonacci heap: bounding  $d_{max}$

# Fibonacci heap: bounding $d_{max}$

- Recall that for a binomial tree having  $n$  nodes, the root degree  $d$  is **exactly**  $\log_2 n$ , i.e.  $d = \log_2 n$ .



- In contrast, a tree in a Fibonacci heap might have several subtrees cutting off, leading to  $d \geq \log_2 n$ .

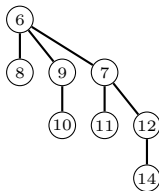


- However, the “marking technique” guarantees that any node can lose at most one child, thus limiting the deviation from the original binomial tree, i.e.  $\log_\phi n \geq d \geq \log_2 n$ , where

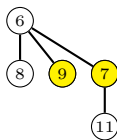
$$\phi = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \approx 1.618$$

# Fibonacci heap: a property of node degree

- Recall that for a binomial tree, the  $i$ -th child of each node has a degree of exactly  $i - 1$ .



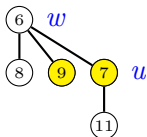
- For a tree in a Fibonacci heap, we will show that the  $i$ -th child of each node has degree  $\geq i - 2$ .





## Lemma

For any node in a Fibonacci heap, the  $i$ -th child has a degree  $\geq i - 2$ .



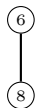
## Proof.

- Suppose  $u$  is the **current**  $i$ -th child of  $w$ ;
- If  $w$  is not a root node, it has at most 1 child lost; otherwise, it might have multiple children lost;
- Consider the time when  $u$  is linked to  $w$ . At that time,  $\text{degree}(w) \geq i - 1$ , so  $\text{degree}(u) = \text{degree}(w) \geq i - 1$ ;
- Subsequently,  $\text{degree}(u)$  decreases by at most 1 (Otherwise,  $u$  will be cut off and no longer a child of  $w$ ).
- Thus,  $\text{degree}(u) \geq i - 2$ .

# The smallest tree with root degree $k$ in a Fibonacci heap

- Let  $F_k$  be **the smallest tree** with root degree of  $k$ , and for any node of  $F_k$ , the  $i$ -th child has degree  $\geq i - 2$ ;

$B_1$



$F_0$



Figure 36:  $|B_1| = 2^1$  and  $|F_0| = 1 \geq \phi^0$

## Example: $B_2$ versus $F_1$

- Let  $F_k$  be the smallest tree with root degree of  $k$ , and for any node of  $F_k$ , the  $i$ -th child has degree  $\geq i - 2$ ;



Figure 37:  $|B_2| = 2^2$  and  $|F_1| = 2 \geq \phi^1$

## Example: $B_3$ versus $F_2$

- Let  $F_k$  be the smallest tree with root degree of  $k$ , and for any node of  $F_k$ , the  $i$ -th child has degree  $\geq i - 2$ ;

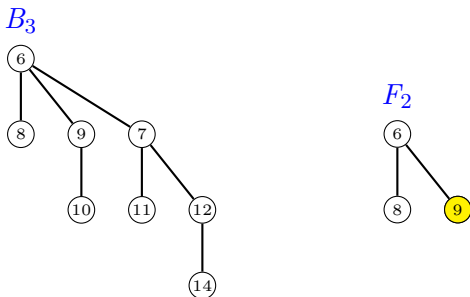


Figure 38:  $|B_3| = 2^3$  and  $|F_2| = 3 \geq \phi^2$

# Example: $B_4$ versus $F_3$

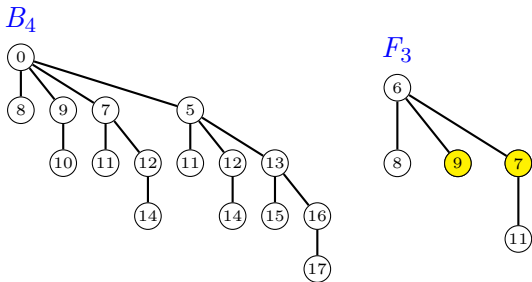


Figure 39:  $|B_4| = 2^4$  and  $|F_3| = 5 \geq \phi^3$

# Example: $B_5$ versus $F_4$

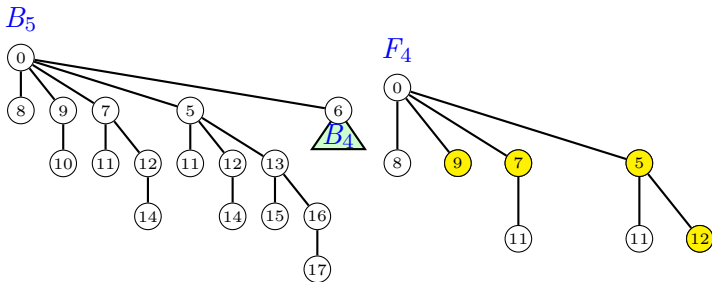
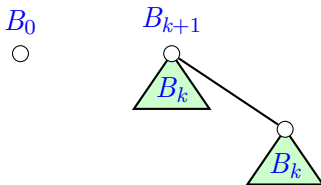


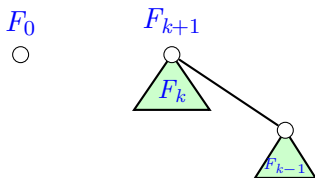
Figure 40:  $|B_5| = 2^5$  and  $|F_4| = 8 \geq \phi^4$

# General case of trees in Fibonacci heap

- Recall that a binomial tree  $B_{k+1}$  is a combination of two  $B_k$  trees.



- In contrast,  $F_{k+1}$  is the combination of an  $F_k$  tree and an  $F_{k-1}$  tree.



- We will show that though  $F_k$  is smaller than  $B_k$ , the difference is not too much. In fact,  $|F_k| \geq 1.618^k$ .

# Fibonacci numbers and Fibonacci heap

## Definition (Fibonacci numbers)

The Fibonacci sequence is 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34.... It can be

defined by the recursion relation:  $f_k = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k = 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } k = 1 \\ f_{k-1} + f_{k-2} & \text{if } k \geq 2 \end{cases}$

- Recall that  $f_{k+2} \geq \phi^k$ , where  $\phi = \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} = 1.618\dots$
- Note that  $|F_k| = f_{k+2}$ , say  $|F_0| = f_2 = 1$ ,  $|F_1| = f_3 = 2$ ,  $|F_2| = f_4 = 3$ .
- Consider a Fibonacci heap  $H$  having  $n$  nodes. Let  $T$  denote a tree in  $H$  with root degree  $d$ .
- We have  $n \geq |T| \geq |F_d| = f_{d+2} \geq \phi^d$ .
- Thus  $d = O(\log_\phi n) = O(\log n)$ . So,  $d_{max} = O(\log n)$ .

Therefore, EXTRACTMIN operation takes  $O(\log n)$  amortized time.



# Implementing priority queue: Fibonacci heap

Operation	Linked List	Binary Heap	Binomial Heap	Binomial Heap*	Fibonacci Heap*
INSERT	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$
EXTRACTMIN	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$
DECREASEKEY	$O(1)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(1)$
UNION	$O(1)$	$O(n)$	$O(\log n)$	$O(1)$	$O(1)$

\*amortized cost

# Time complexity of DIJKSTRA algorithm

Operation	Linked list	Binary heap	Binomial heap	Fibonacci heap
MAKEHEAP	1	1	1	1
INSERT	1	$\log n$	$\log n$	1
EXTRACTMIN	$n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$
DECREASEKEY	1	$\log n$	$\log n$	1
DELETE	$n$	$\log n$	$\log n$	$\log n$
UNION	1	$n$	$\log n$	1
FINDMIN	$n$	1	$\log n$	1
DIJKSTRA	$O(n^2)$	$O(m \log n)$	$O(m \log n)$	$O(m + n \log n)$

DIJKSTRA algorithm:  $n$  INSERT,  $n$  EXTRACTMIN, and  $m$  DECREASEKEY.