

PRIORITY QUEUES AND HEAPS

Lecture 19
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Readings and Homework

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Read Chapter 26 to learn about heaps

Salespeople often make matrices that show all the great features of their product that the competitor's product lacks. Try this for a heap versus a BST. First, try and sell someone on a BST: List some desirable properties of a BST that a heap lacks. Now be the heap salesperson: List some good things about heaps that a BST lacks. Can you think of situations where you would favor one over the other?



With ZipUltra heaps, you've got it made in the shade my friend!

The Bag Interface

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A Bag:

```
interface Bag<E> {  
    void insert(E obj);  
    E extract(); //extract some element  
    boolean isEmpty();  
}
```

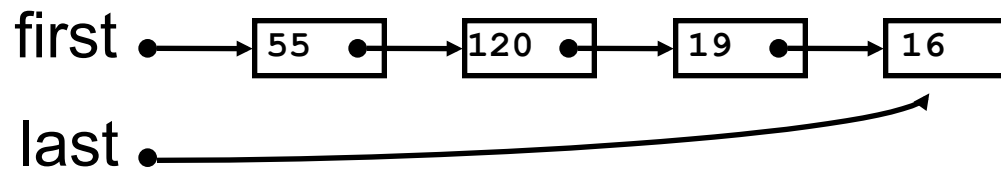
Like a Set except that a value can be in it more than once. Example: a bag of coins

Refinements of Bag: Stack, Queue, PriorityQueue

Stacks and Queues as Lists

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- Stack (LIFO) implemented as list
 - **insert()**, **extract()** from front of list
- Queue (FIFO) implemented as list
 - **insert()** on back of list, **extract()** from front of list
- All **Bag** operations are $O(1)$



Priority Queue

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- A **Bag** in which data items are **Comparable**
- *lesser* elements (as determined by **compareTo()**) have *higher* priority
- **extract()** returns the element with the highest priority = least in the **compareTo()** ordering
- break ties arbitrarily

Priority Queue Examples

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Scheduling jobs to run on a computer
default priority = arrival time
priority can be changed by operator

Scheduling events to be processed by an event handler
priority = time of occurrence

Airline check-in
first class, business class, coach
FIFO within each class

java.util.PriorityQueue<E>

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```
boolean add(E e) {...} //insert an element (insert)
void clear() {...} //remove all elements
E peek() {...} //return min element without removing
                //(null if empty)
E poll() {...} //remove min element (extract)
                //(null if empty)
int size() {...}
```

Priority Queues as Lists

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- Maintain as **unordered** list
 - **insert()** put new element at front – $O(1)$
 - **extract()** must search the list – $O(n)$
- Maintain as **ordered** list
 - **insert()** must search the list – $O(n)$
 - **extract()** get element at front – $O(1)$
- In either case, $O(n^2)$ to process n elements

Can we do better?

Important Special Case

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- Fixed number of priority levels $0, \dots, p - 1$
- FIFO within each level
- Example: airline check-in

- **insert ()** – insert in appropriate queue – $O(1)$
- **extract ()** – must find a nonempty queue – $O(p)$

Heaps

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- A *heap* is a concrete data structure that can be used to implement priority queues
- Gives better complexity than either ordered or unordered list implementation:
 - **insert ()** : $O(\log n)$
 - **extract ()** : $O(\log n)$
- $O(n \log n)$ to process n elements
- Do not confuse with *heap memory*, where the Java virtual machine allocates space for objects – different usage of the word *heap*

Heaps

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- Binary tree with data at each node
- Satisfies the *Heap Order Invariant*:

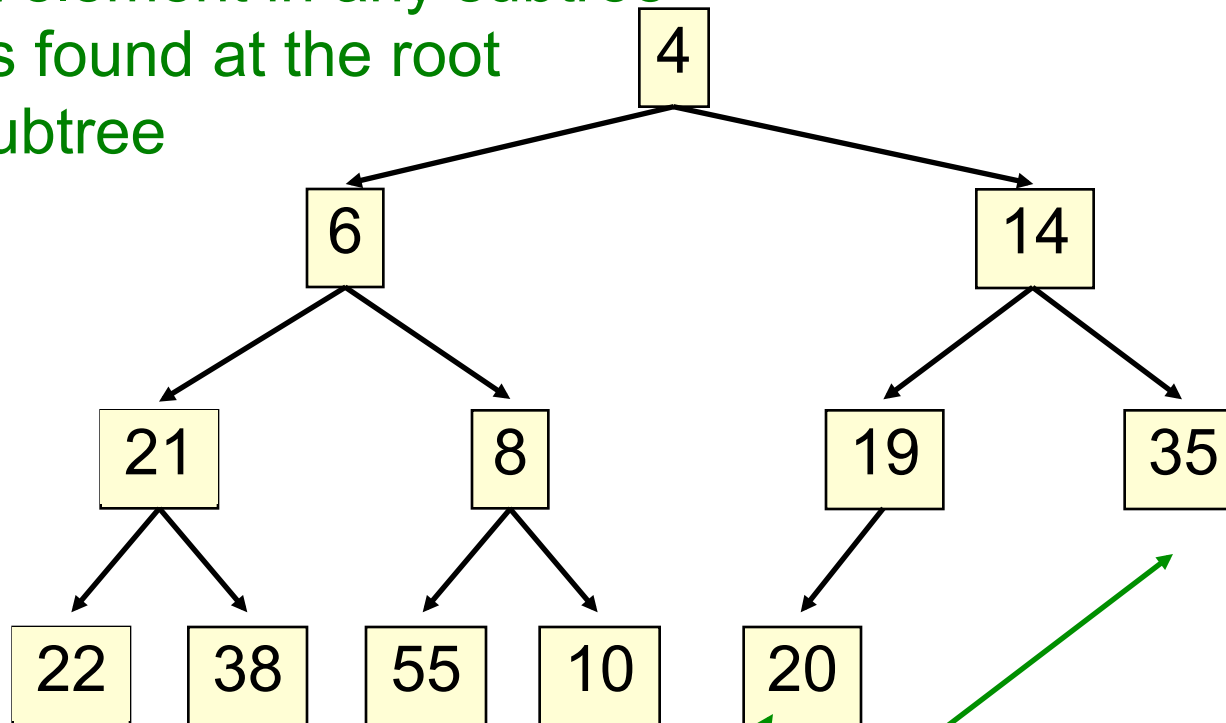
The least (highest priority) element of any subtree is found at the root of that subtree

- Size of the heap is “fixed” at n . (But can usually double n if heap fills up)

Heaps

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Smallest element in any subtree
is always found at the root
of that subtree



Note: 19, 20 < 35: Smaller elements
can be deeper in the tree!

Examples of Heaps

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- Ages of people in family tree
 - parent is always older than children, but you can have an uncle who is younger than you
- Salaries of employees of a company
 - bosses generally make more than subordinates, but a VP in one subdivision may make less than a Project Supervisor in a different subdivision

Balanced Heaps

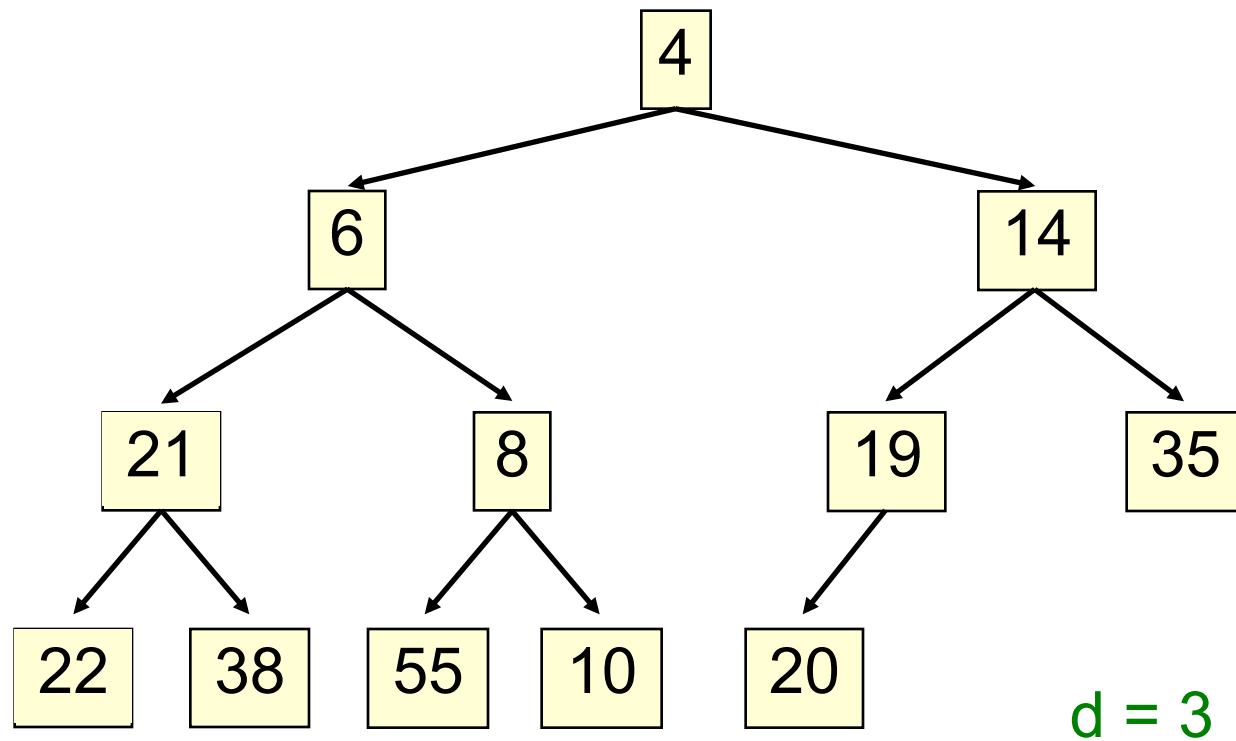
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These add two restrictions:

1. Any node of depth $< d - 1$ has exactly 2 children, where d is the height of the tree
 - implies that any two maximal paths (path from a root to a leaf) are of length d or $d - 1$, and the tree has at least 2^d nodes
- All maximal paths of length d are to the left of those of length $d - 1$

Example of a Balanced Heap

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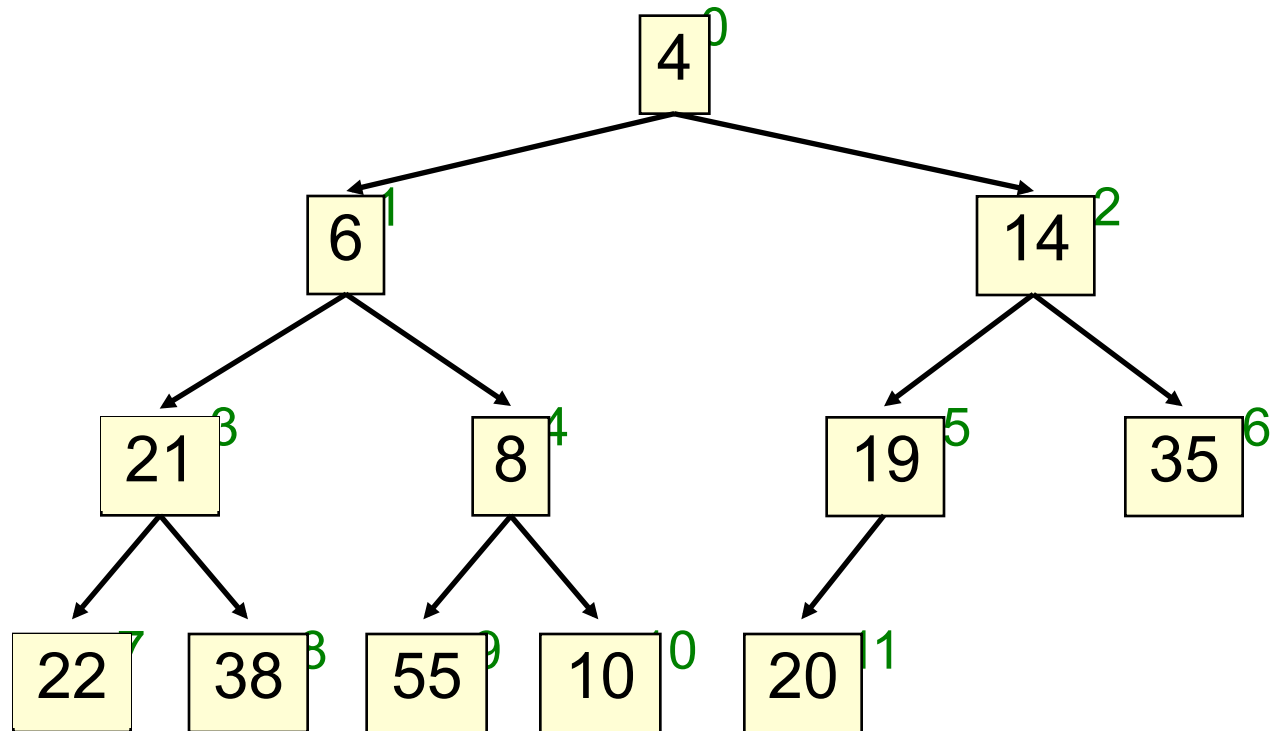
Store in an ArrayList or Vector

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- Elements of the heap are stored in the array in order, going across each level from left to right, top to bottom
- The children of the node at array index n are at indices $2n + 1$ and $2n + 2$
- The parent of node n is node $(n - 1)/2$

Store in an ArrayList or Vector

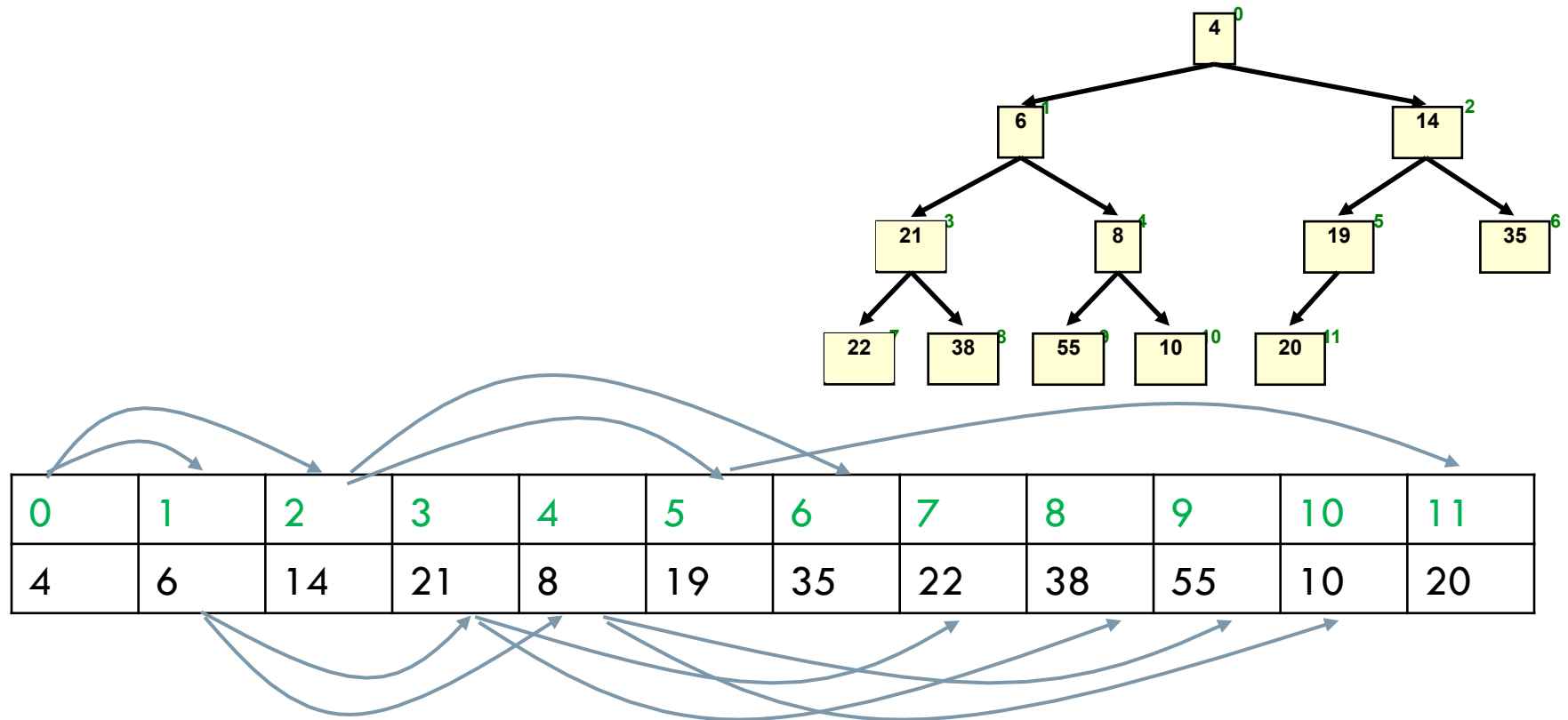
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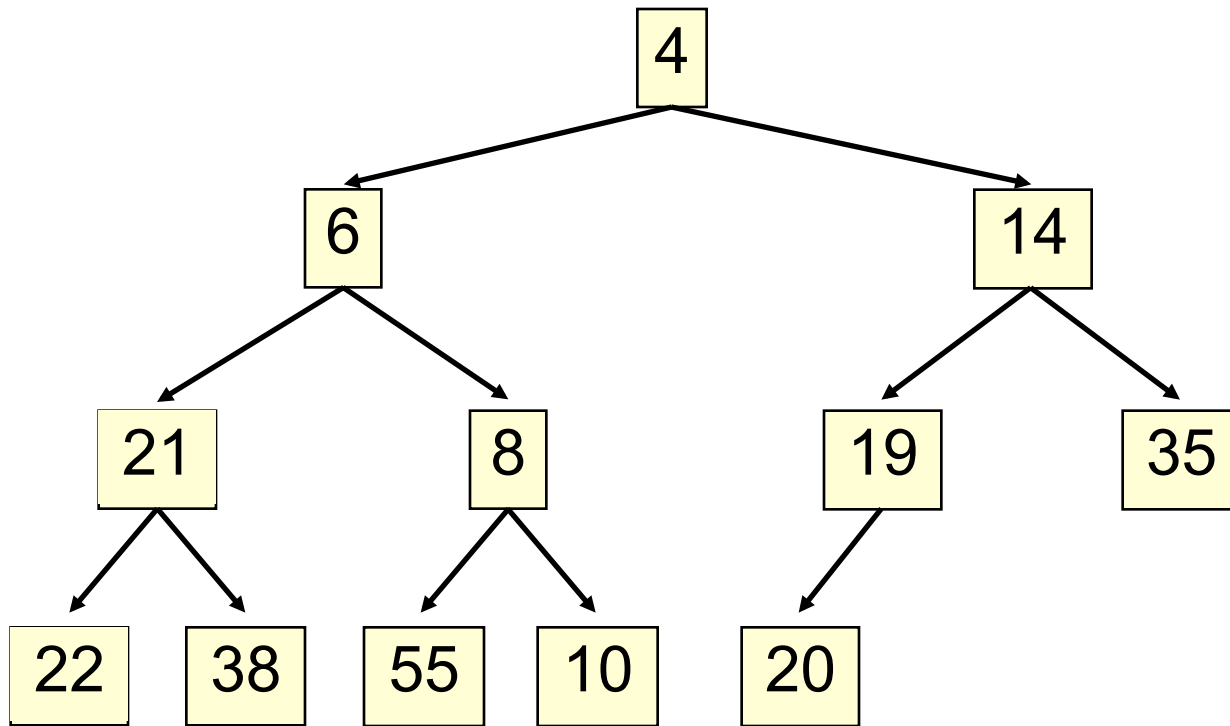
insert ()

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- Put the new element at the end of the array
- If this violates heap order because it is smaller than its parent, swap it with its parent
- Continue swapping it up until it finds its rightful place
- The heap invariant is maintained!

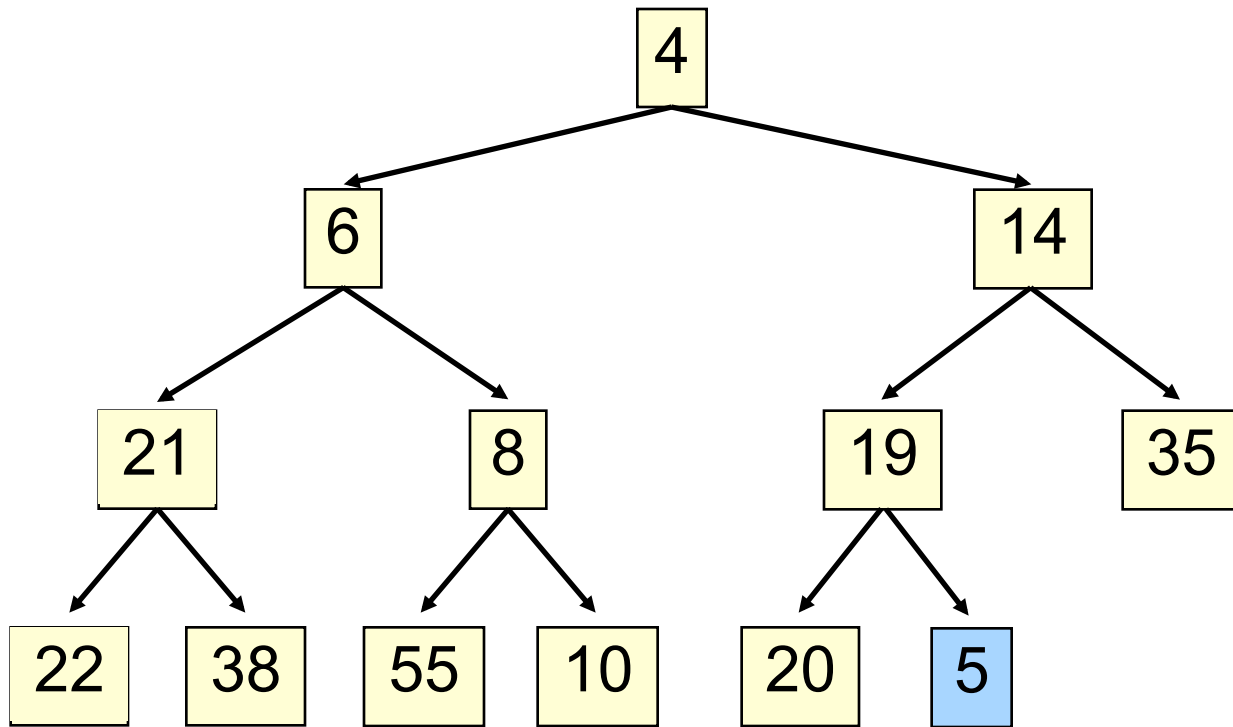
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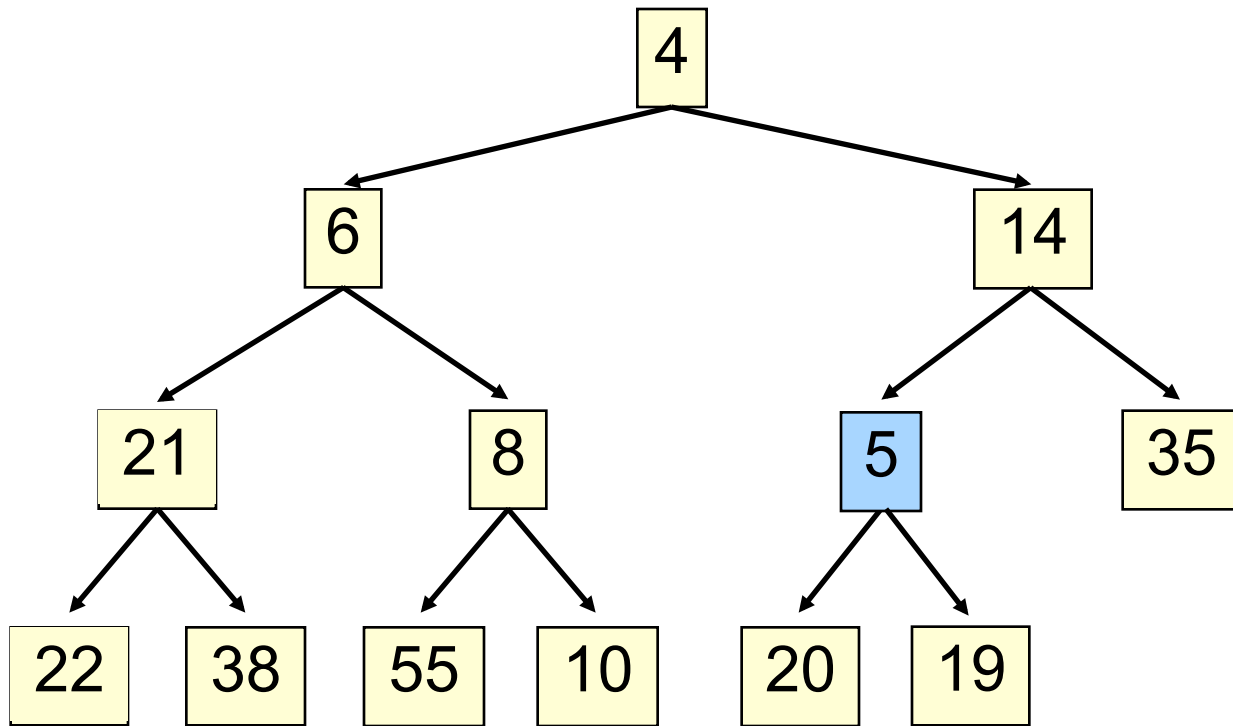
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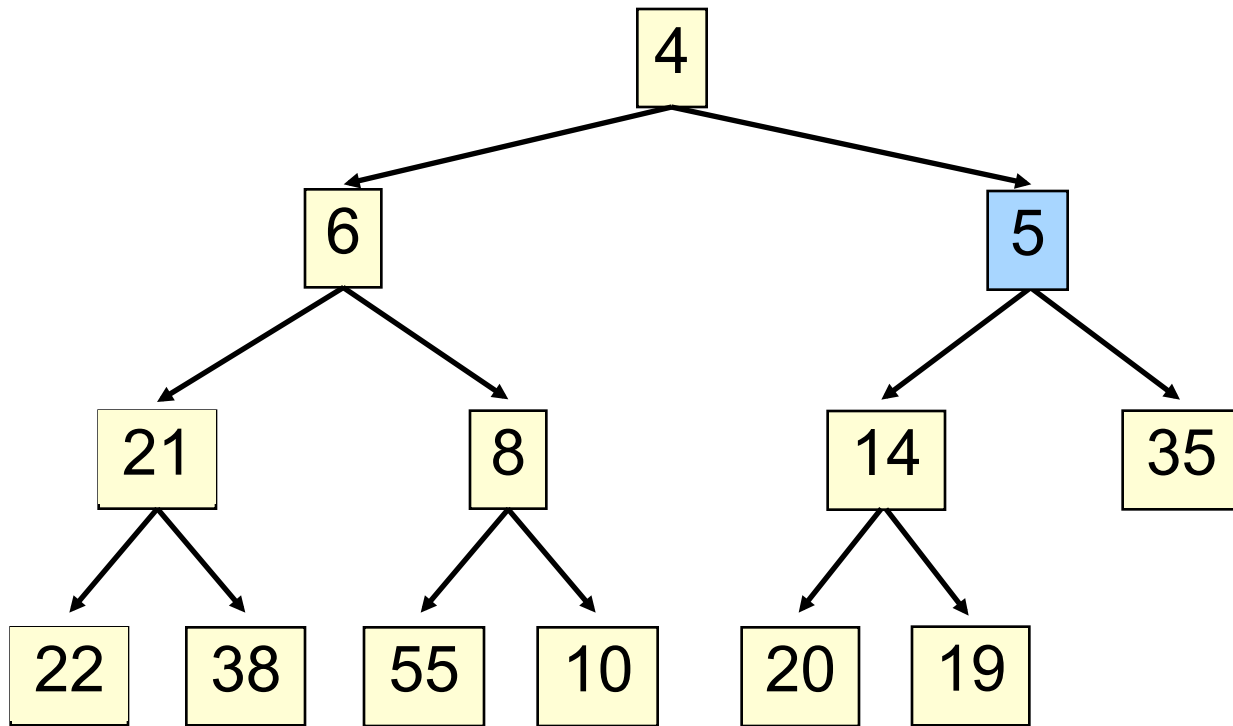
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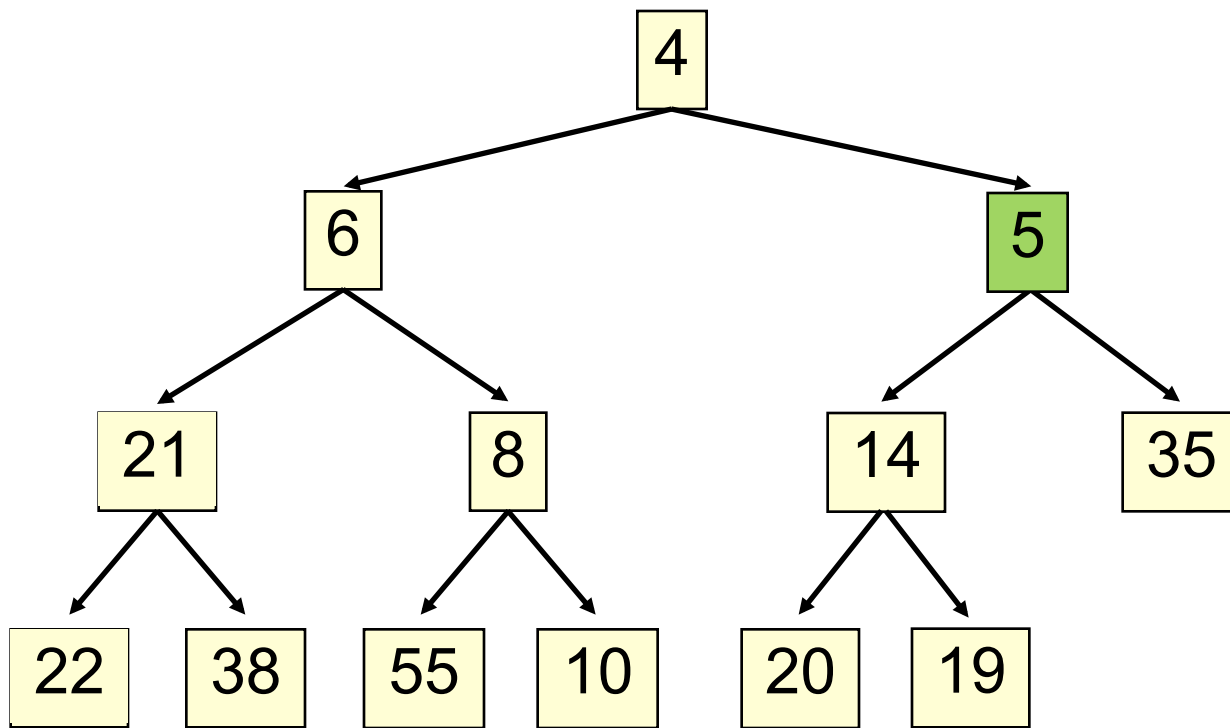
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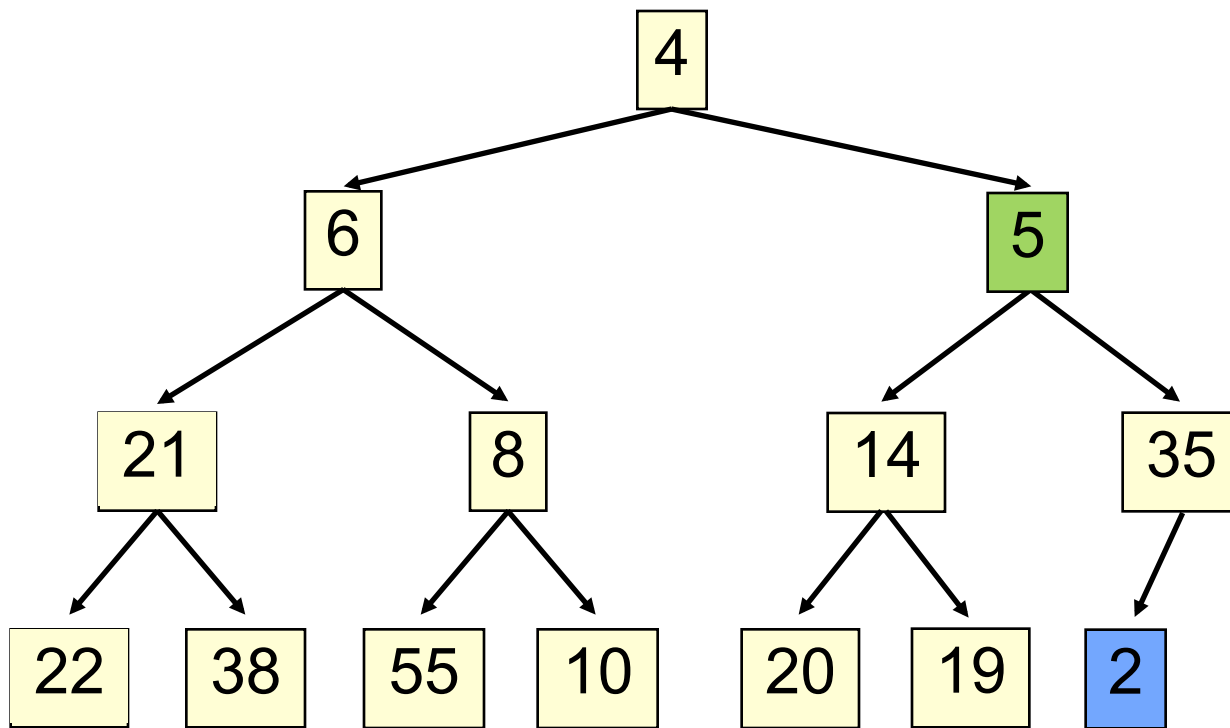
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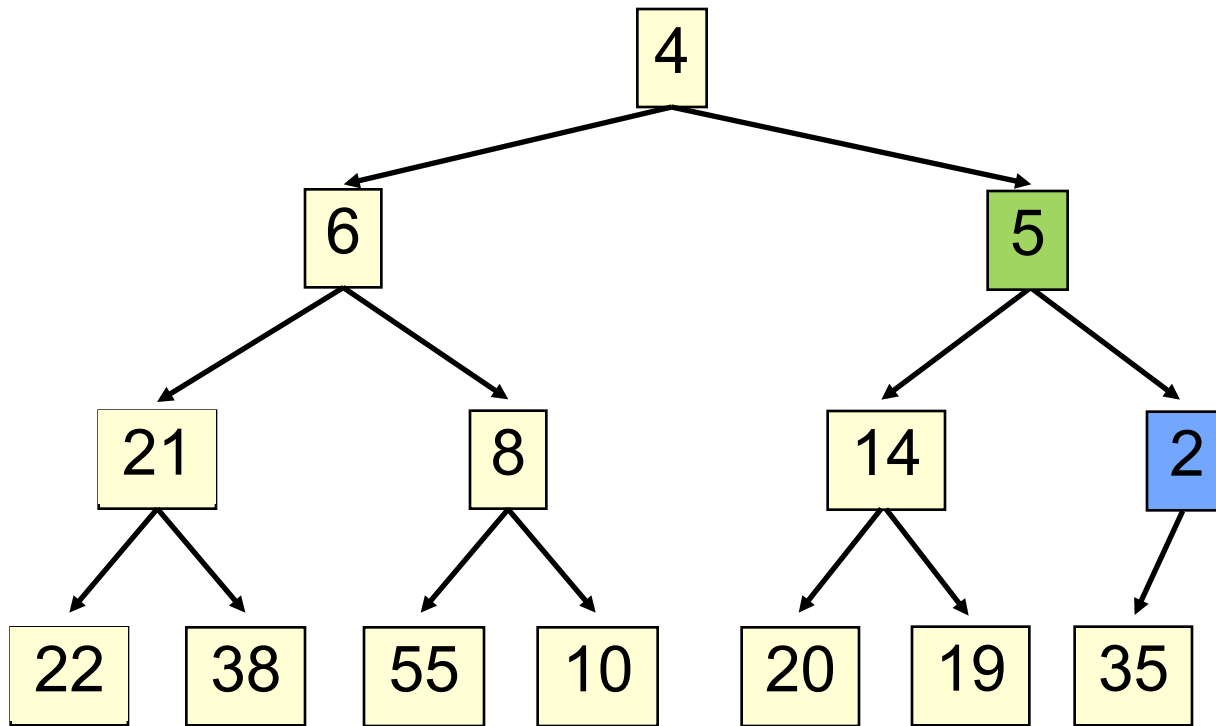
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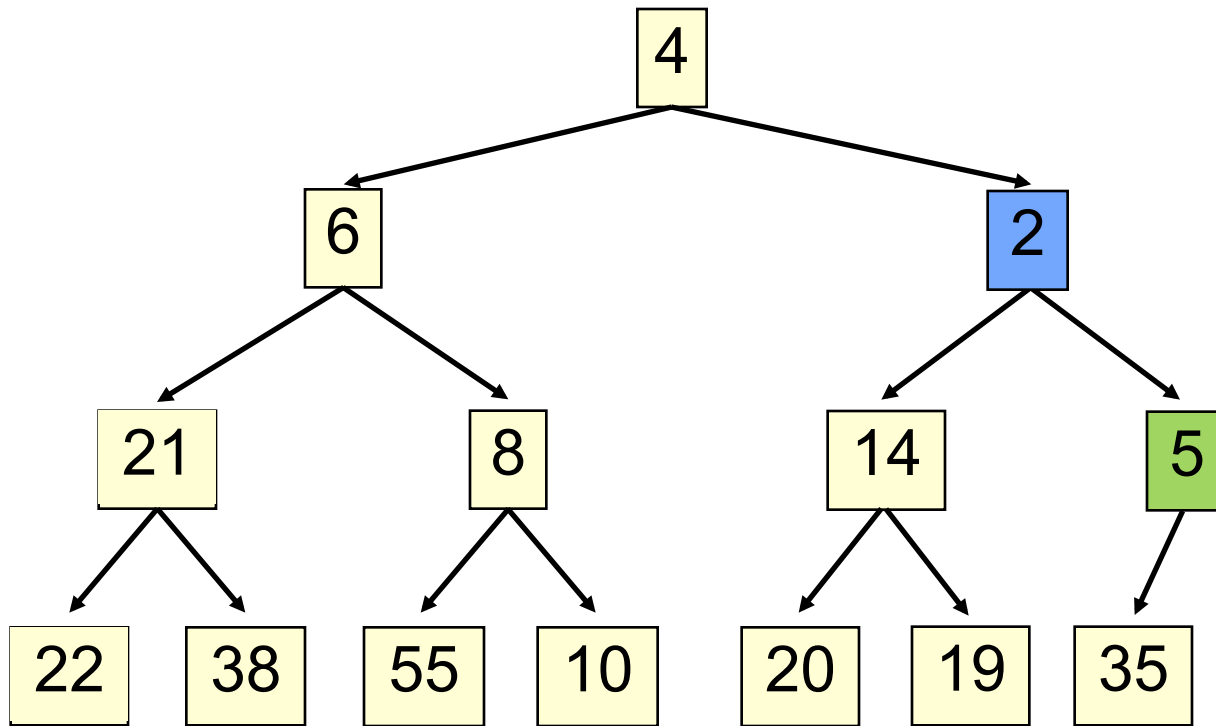
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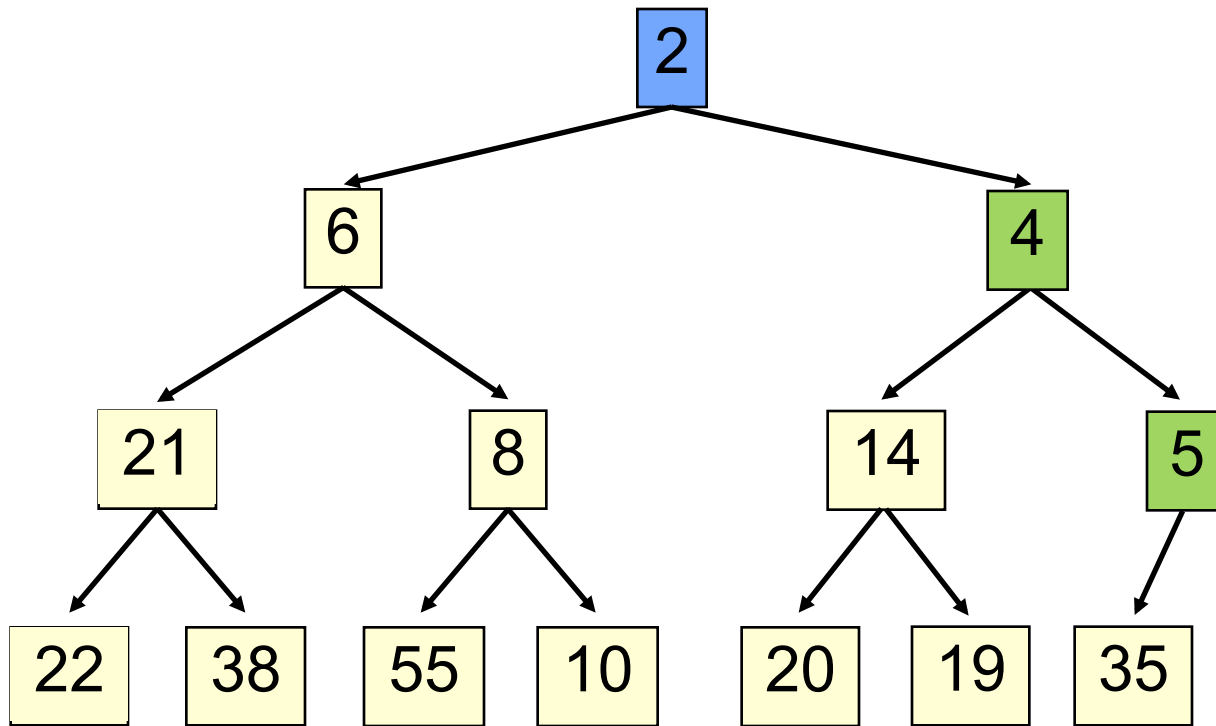
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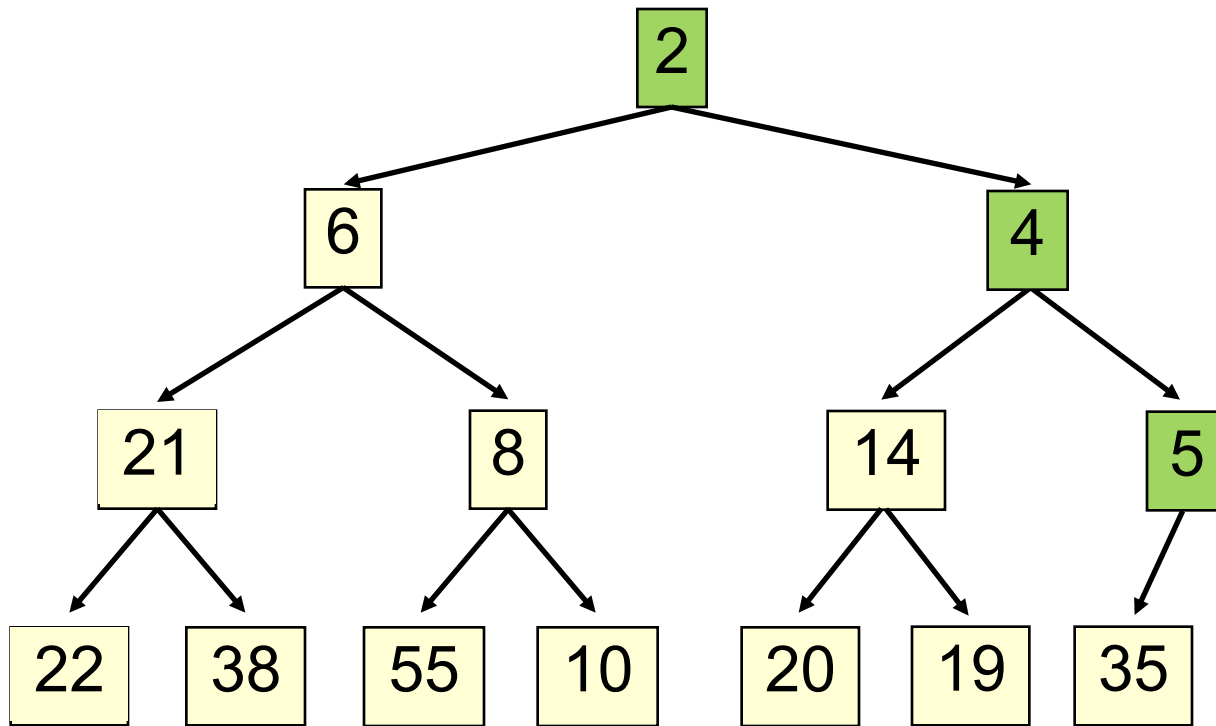
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- Time is $O(\log n)$, since the tree is balanced
 - size of tree is exponential as a function of depth
 - depth of tree is logarithmic as a function of size

insert()

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```
/** An instance of a priority queue */  
class PriorityQueue<E> extends java.util.Vector<E> {  
  
    /** Insert e into the priority queue */  
    public void insert(E e) {  
        super.add(e); //add to end of array  
        bubbleUp(size() - 1); // given on next slide  
    }  
}
```

insert ()

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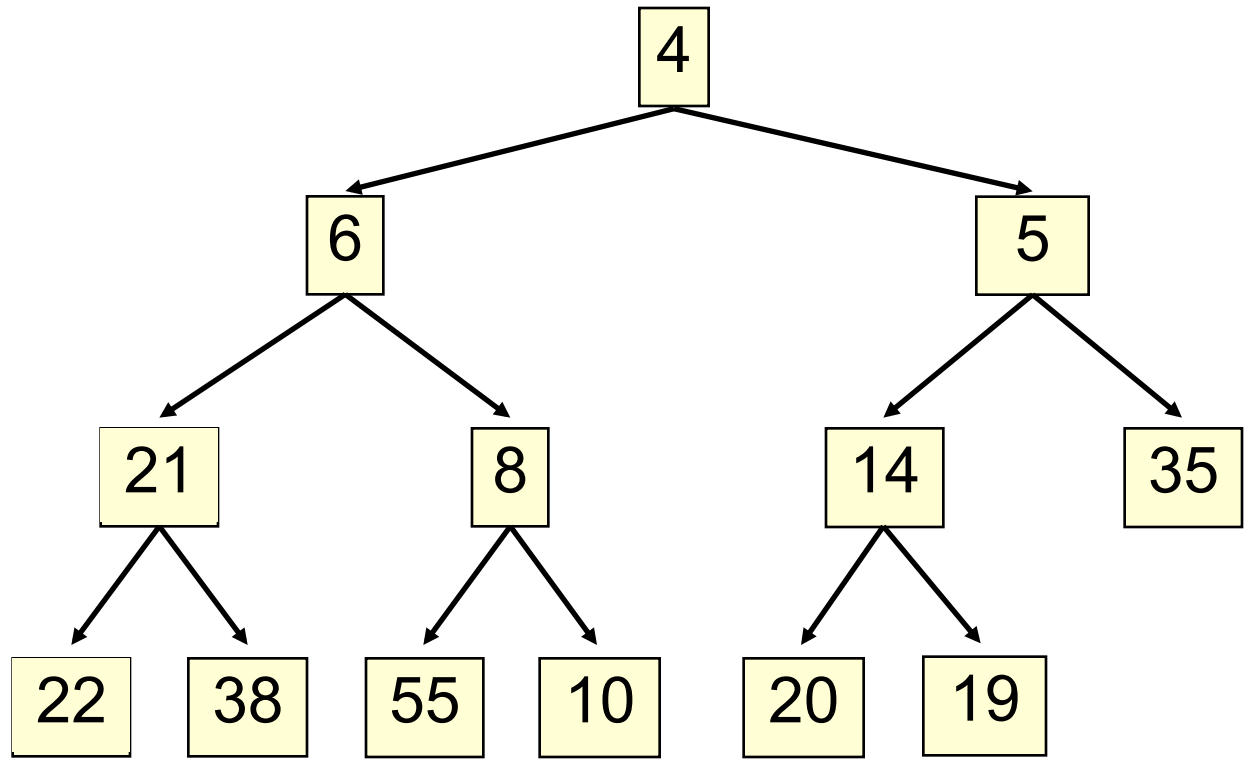
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class PriorityQueue<E> extends java.util.Vector<E> {  
  
    /** Bubble element k up the tree */  
    private void bubbleUp (int k) {  
        int p= (k-1)/2; // p is the parent of k  
        // inv: Every element satisfies the heap property except  
        //      element k might be smaller than its parent  
        while (k > 0  &&  get(k).compareTo(get(p)) < 0) {  
            swap elements k and p;  
            k= p;  
            p= (k-1)/2;  
        }  
    }  
}
```


extract()

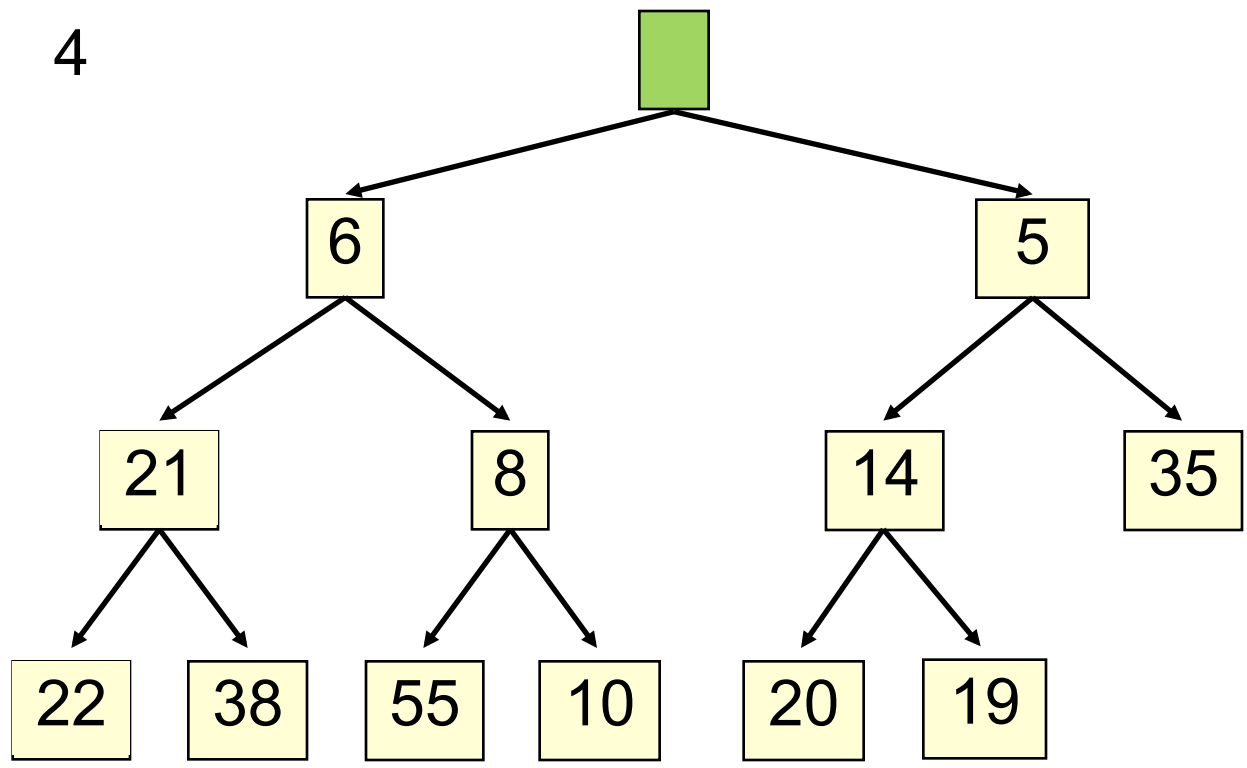
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- Remove the least element – it is at the root
- This leaves a hole at the root – fill it in with the last element of the array
- If this violates heap order because the root element is too big, swap it down with the smaller of its children
- Continue swapping it down until it finds its rightful place
- The heap invariant is maintained!

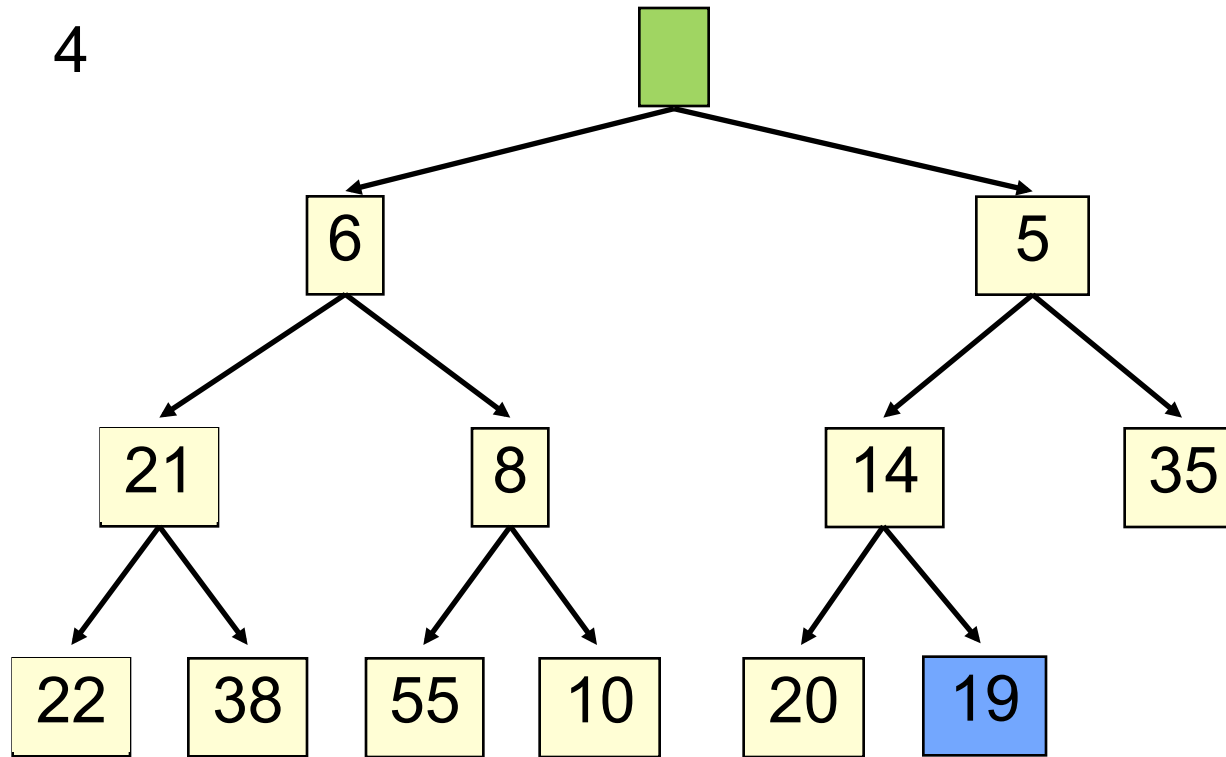
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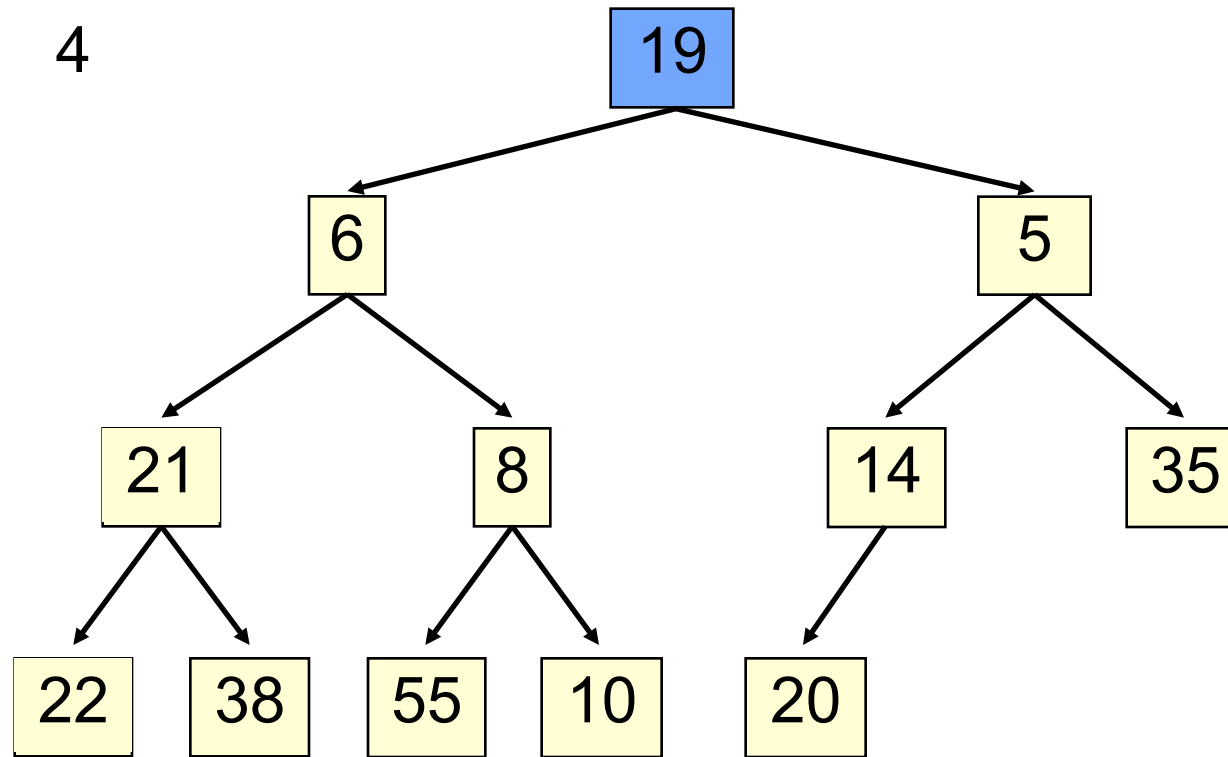


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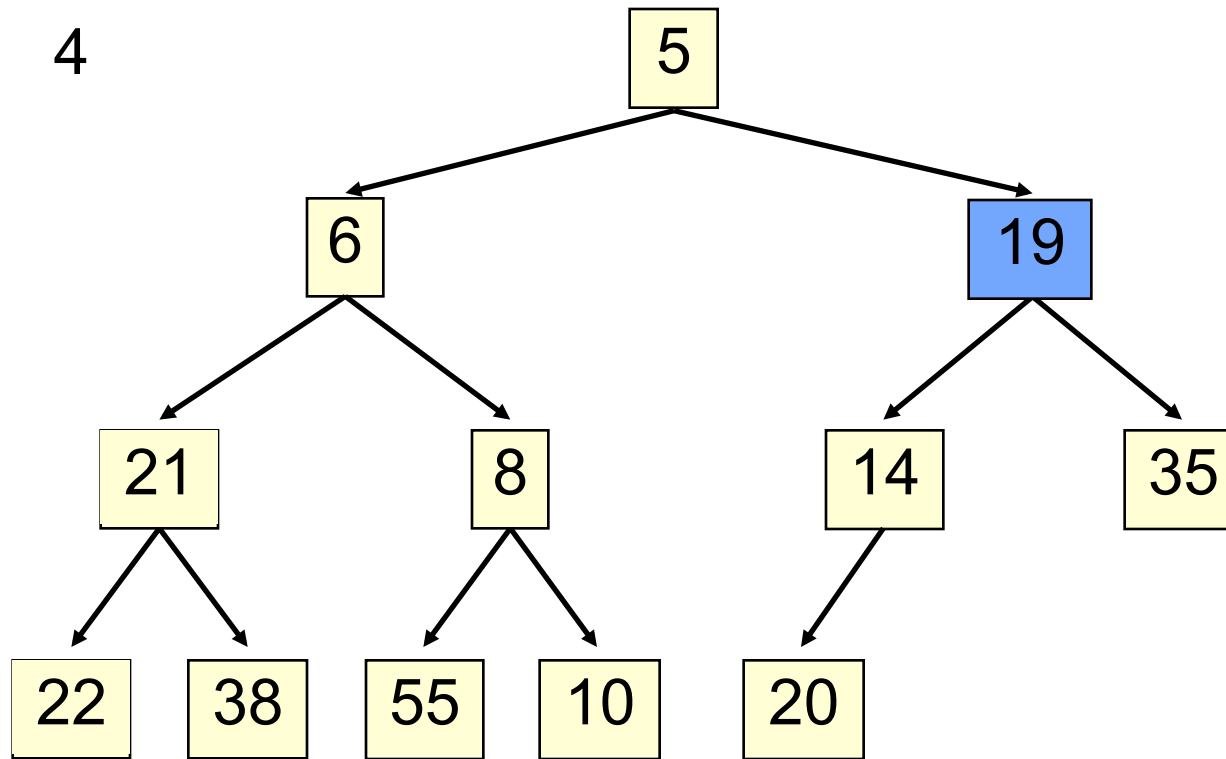


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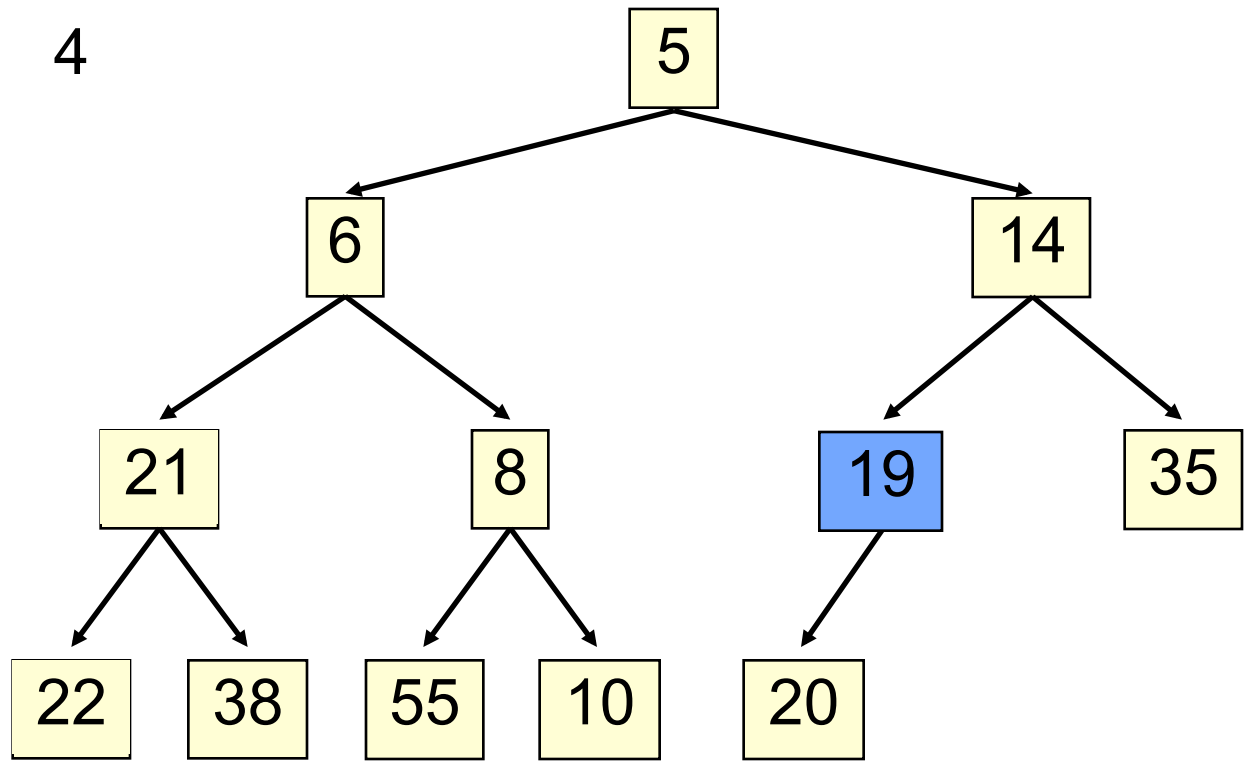
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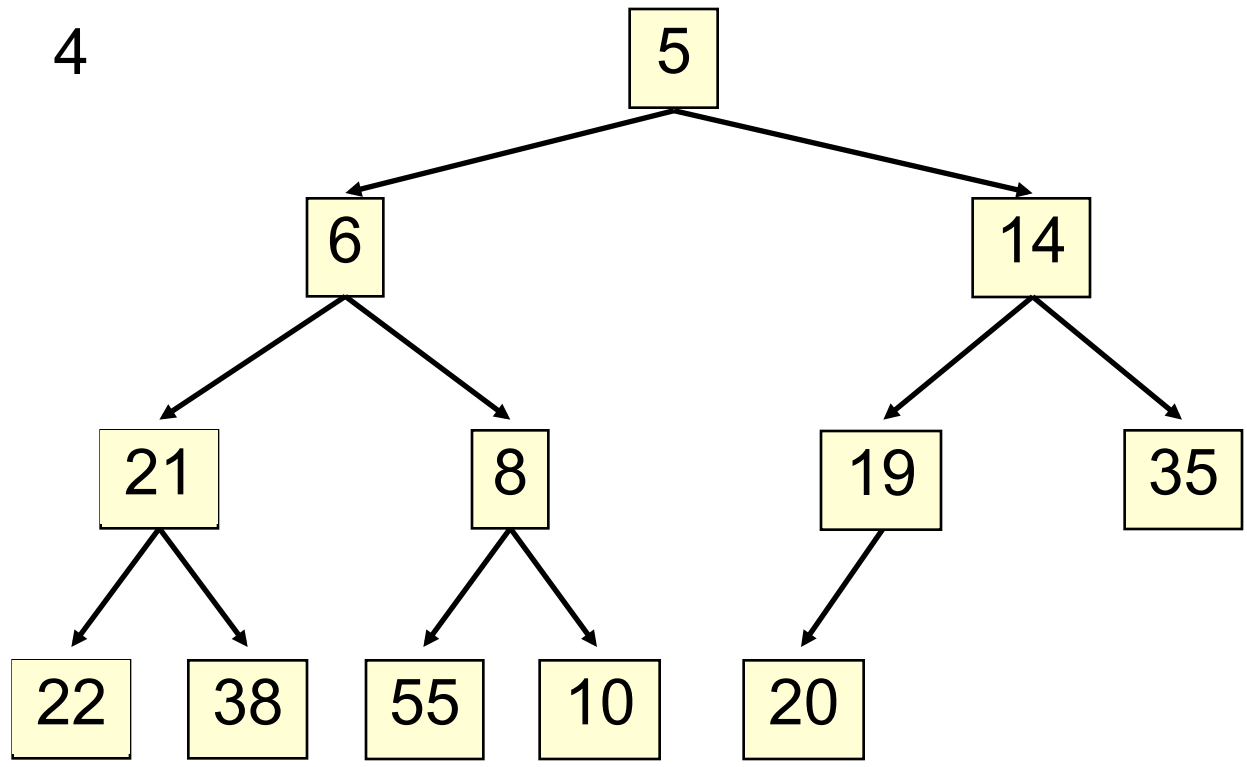
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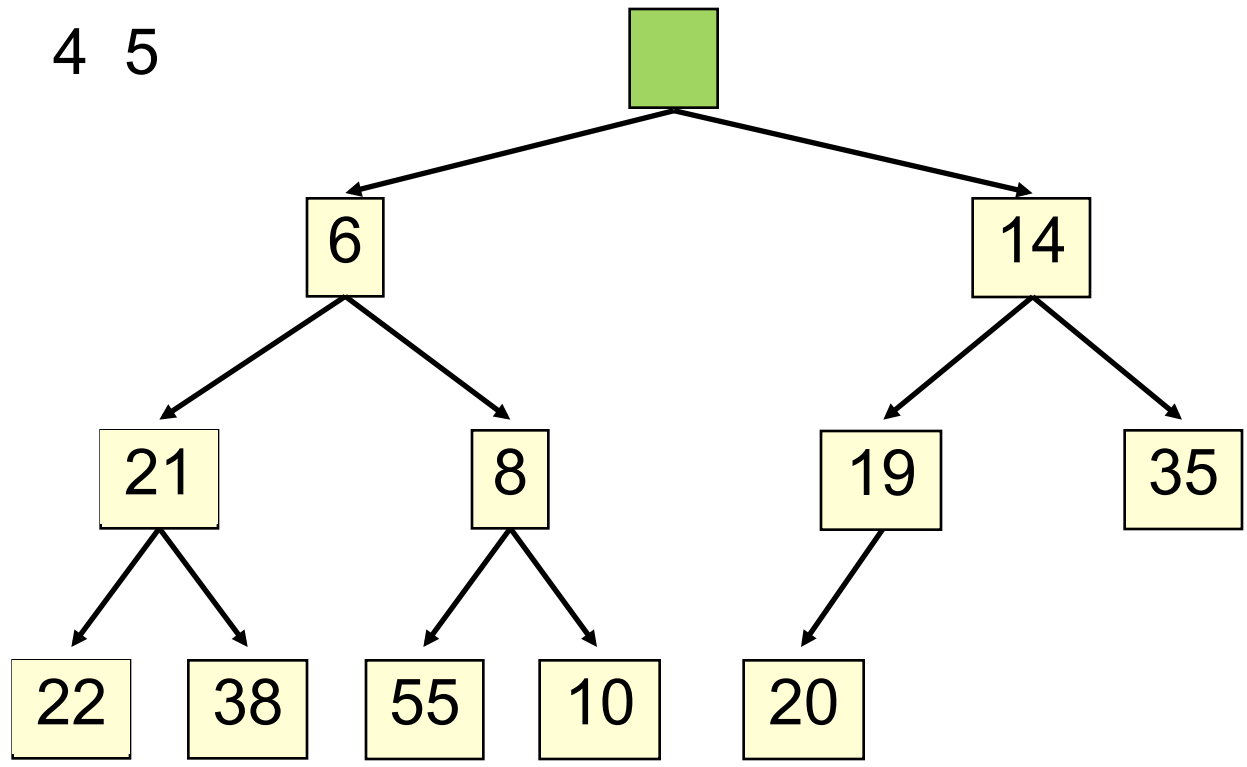
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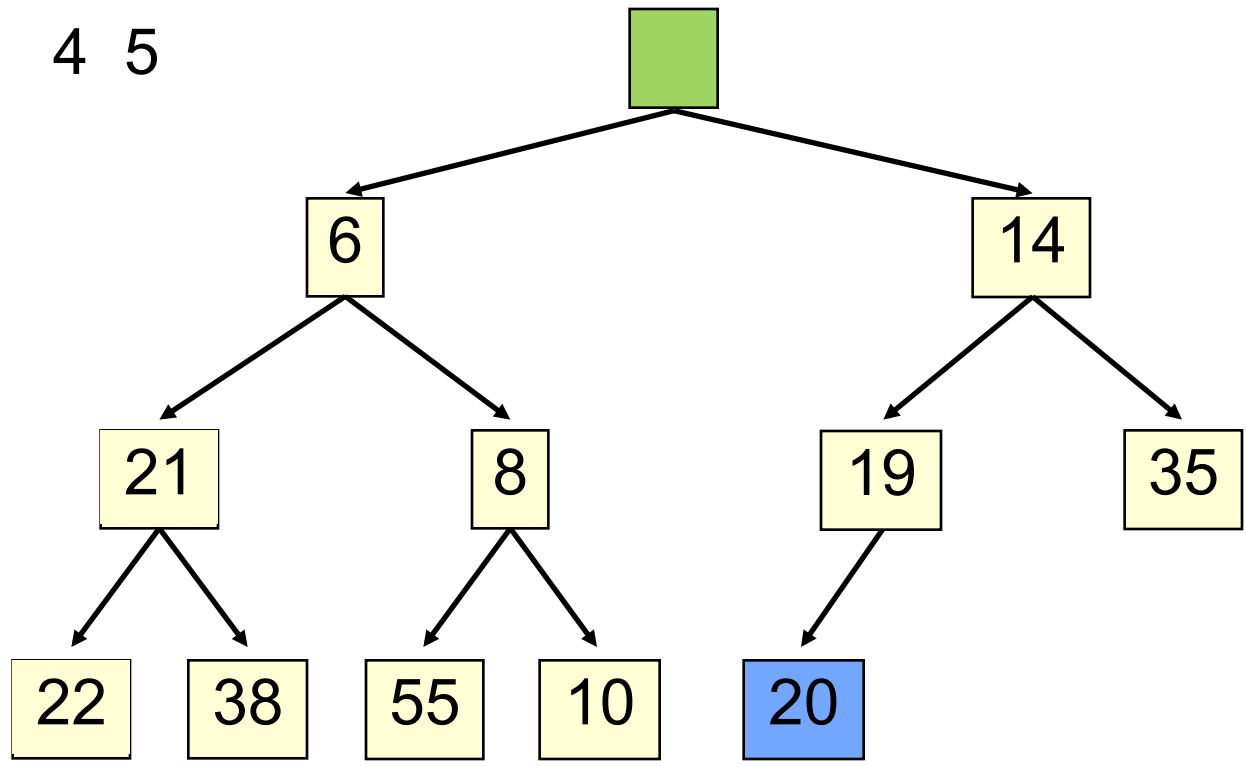
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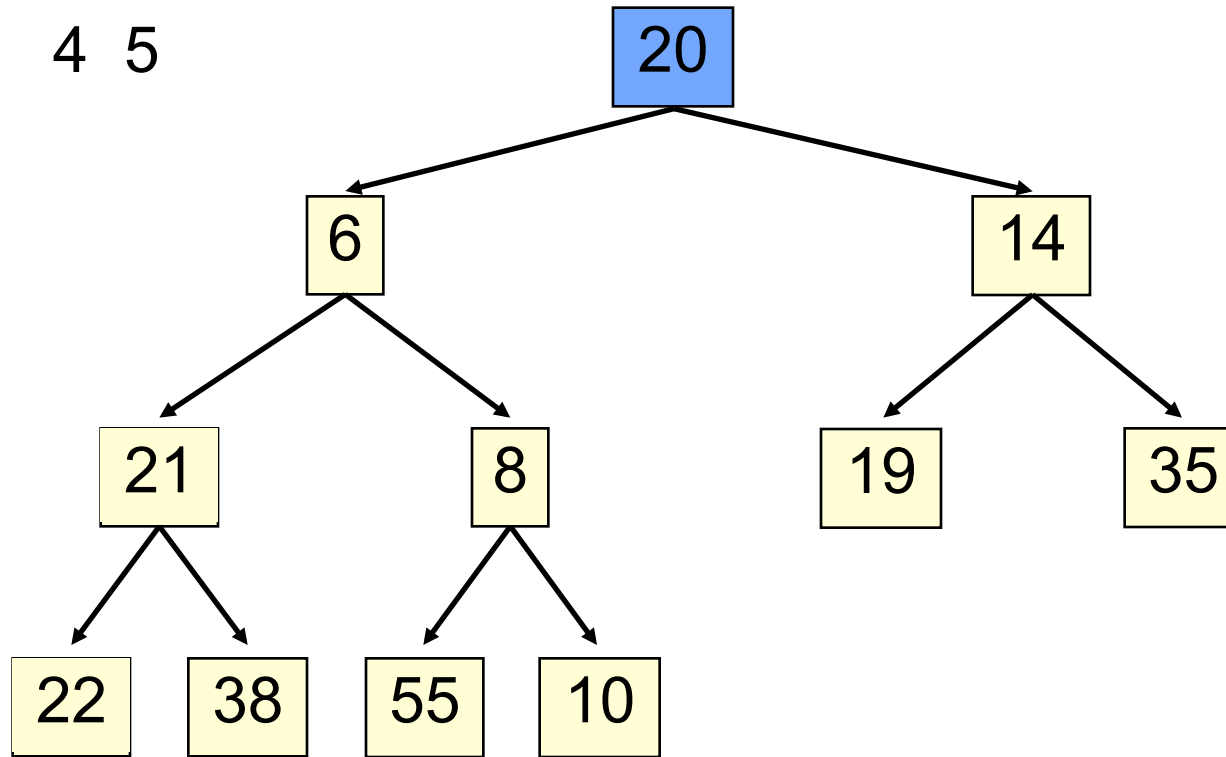
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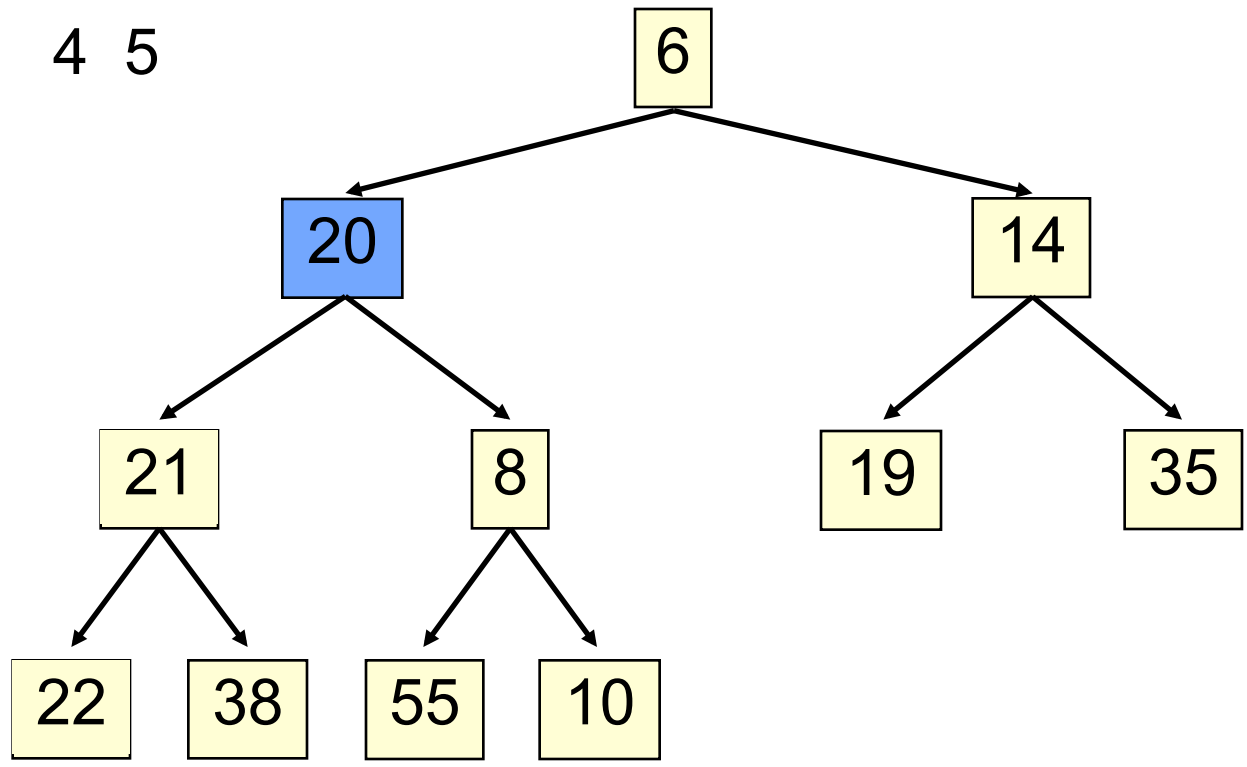
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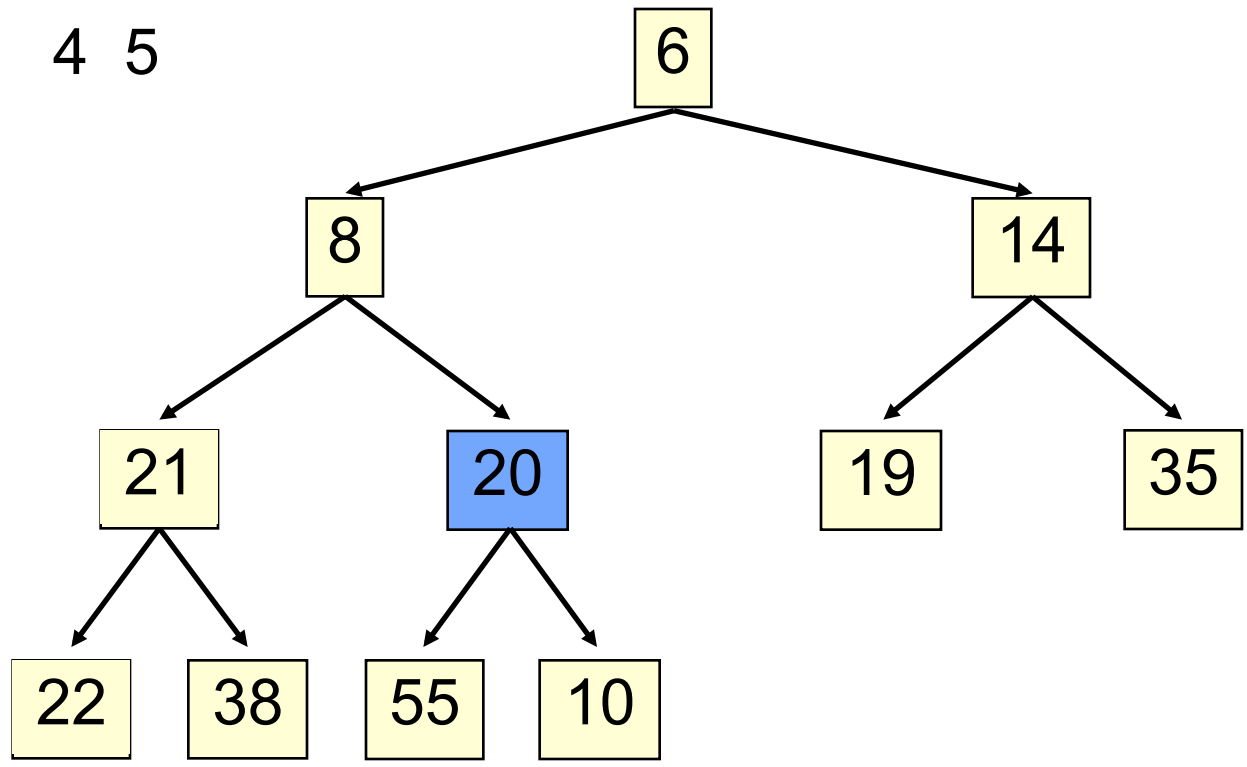
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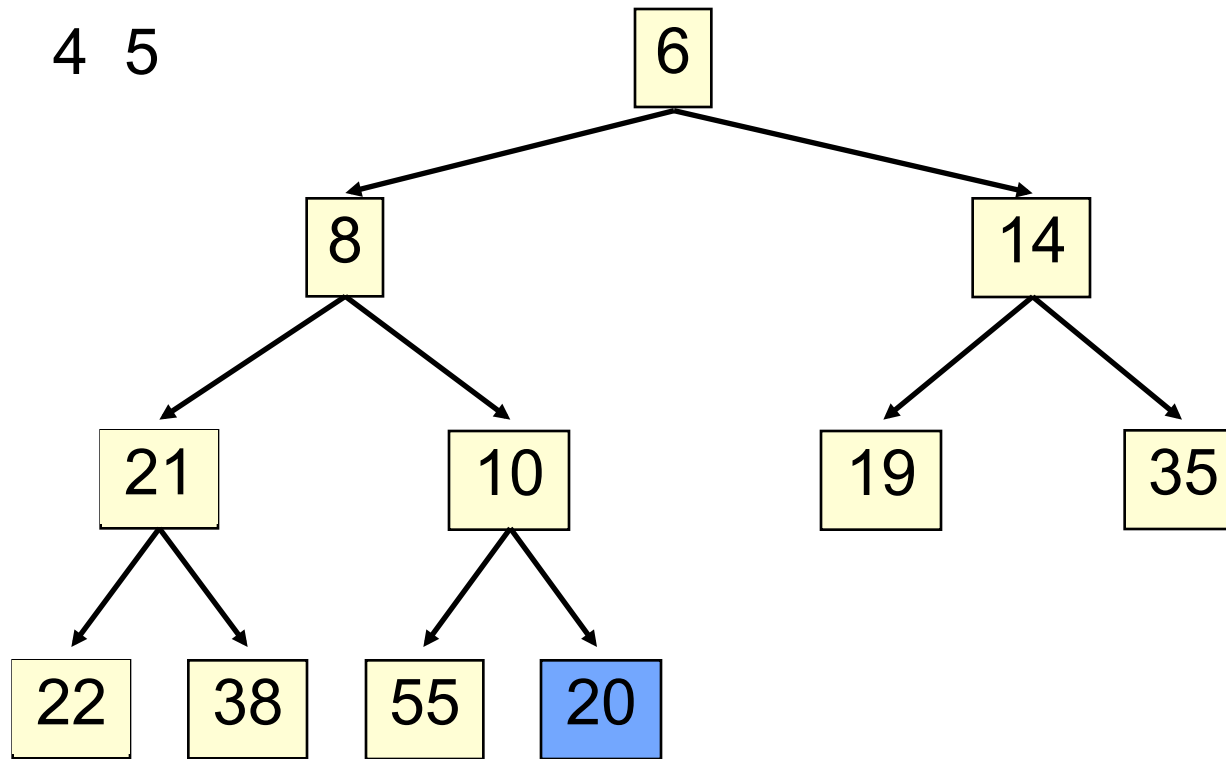
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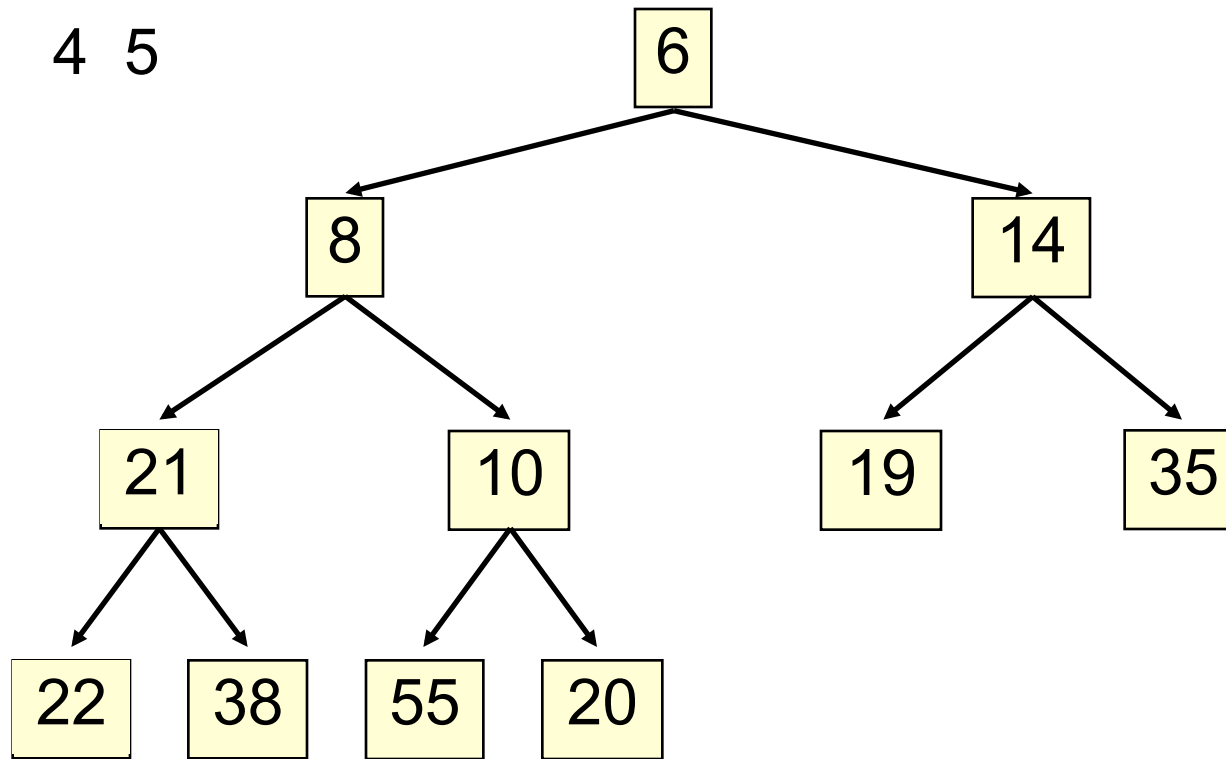
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Time is $O(\log n)$, since the tree is balanced

extract ()

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```
/** Remove and return the smallest element
    return null if list is empty) */
public E extract() {
    if (size() == 0) return null;
    E temp= get(0);      // smallest value is at root
    set(0, get(size() - 1)); // move last element to the root
    setSize(size() - 1); // reduce size by 1
    bubbleDown(0);
    return temp;
}
```

```
/** Bubble the root down to its heap position.  
    Pre: tree is a heap except: root may be >than a child */  
private void bubbleDown() {  
    int k= 0;  
    // Set c to smaller of k's children  
    int c= 2*k + 2;           // k's right child  
    if (c > size()-1 || get(c-1).compareTo(get(c)) < 0) c= c-1;  
    // inv tree is a heap except: element k may be > than a child.  
    //    Also. k's smallest child is element c  
    while (c < size() && get(k).compareTo(get(c)) > 0) {  
        Swap elements at k and c;  
        k= c;  
        c= 2*k + 2;           // k's right child  
        if (c > size()-1 || get(c-1).compareTo(get(c)) < 0) c= c-1;  
    }  
}
```

HeapSort

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Given a `Comparable []` array of length n ,

- Put all n elements into a heap – $O(n \log n)$
- Repeatedly get the min – $O(n \log n)$

```
public static void heapSort(Comparable[] b) {  
    PriorityQueue<Comparable> pq=  
        new PriorityQueue<Comparable>(b);  
    for (int i = 0; i < b.length; i++) {  
        b[i] = pq.extract();  
    }  
}
```

One can do the two stages in the array itself, in place, so algorithm takes $O(1)$ space.

PQ Application: Simulation

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□ Example: Probabilistic model of bank-customer arrival times and transaction times, how many tellers are needed?

- Assume we have a way to generate random inter-arrival times
- Assume we have a way to generate transaction times
- Can simulate the bank to get some idea of how long customers must wait

Time-Driven Simulation

- Check at each *tick* to see if any event occurs

Event-Driven Simulation

- Advance clock to next event, skipping intervening *ticks*
- This uses a PQ!