



# HEAPS

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Problem Solving with Computers-II

C++

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

int main(){
    cout<<"Hola Facebook!";
    return 0;
}
```

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# How is PA02 going?

- A. Done
- B. On track to finish
- C. Having some difficulties
- D. Just started
- E. Haven't started

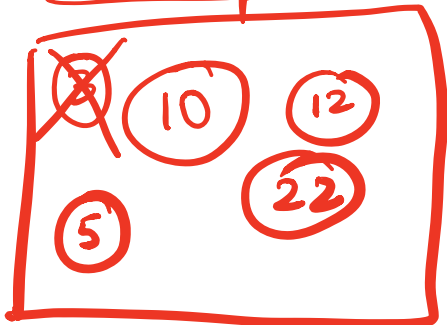
# Heaps

- Clarification
  - *heap*, the data structure is not related to *heap*, the region of memory
- What are the operations supported?
- What are the running times?

There are two variants of the heap data structure - min-heap, max-heap  
Each supports the following operations

push () // insert a key  
top () // For a min-heap, top() returns the min key  
// For a max-heap, top() returns the max key  
pop () // delete the key on top() (either min or max)  
empty () // check if the heap is empty

min-heap as a black-box



```
push(5)
push(22)
push(10)
top() // returns 5
push(12)
push(3)
top() // returns 3
pop() // delete 3
top() // returns 5
```

Running time for heap  
with  $N$  keys

$\text{push}() \rightarrow O(\log N)$

$\rightarrow$  same as insert in a  
balanced BST, but in  
practice heap-push is faster

$\text{top}() \rightarrow O(1)$

$\rightarrow$  better than a balanced  
BST

$\text{pop}() - O(\log N) \rightarrow$  same as delete min  
on a BST

# Heaps

$N$  keys in each data structure

	Min-Heaps	Max-Heap	BST	balanced BST
• Insert :	$O(\log N)$	$O(\log N)$	$O(N)$	$O(\log N)$
• Min:	$\rightarrow O(1)$	—	$O(N)$	$O(\log N)$
• Delete Min:	$O(\log N)$	—	$O(N)$	$O(\log N)$
• Max	—	$O(1)$	$O(N)$	$O(\log N)$
• Delete Max	—	$O(\log N)$	$O(N)$	$O(\log N)$

## Applications:

- Efficient sort
- Finding the median of a sequence of numbers
- Compression codes

Choose heap if you are doing repeated insert/delete/(min OR max) operations

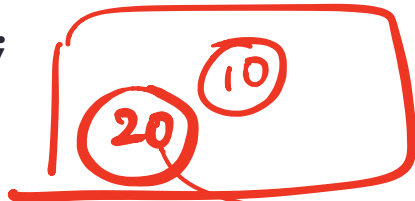
## std::priority\_queue (STL's version of heap)

A C++ `priority_queue` is a generic container, and can store any data type on which an ordering can be defined: for example `ints`, `structs (Card)`, `pointers` etc.

→ heap  
`#include <queue>`    keys  
`priority_queue<int> pq;`

### Methods:

\* `push()`    //insert  
 \* `pop()`    //delete max priority item  
 \* `top()`    //get max priority item  
 \* `empty()`    //returns true if the priority queue is empty



`push(10)`  
`push(20)`  
`top()` // returns 20

key values are used as priority by default  
 key with max priority is on "top"

- You can extract object of highest priority in  $O(\log N)$
- To determine priority: objects in a priority queue must be comparable to each other

## STL Heap implementation: Priority Queues in C++

What is the output of this code?

```
priority_queue<int> pq;  
pq.push(10);  
pq.push(2);  
pq.push(80);  
cout<<pq.top();  
pq.pop();  
cout<<pq.top();  
pq.pop();  
cout<<pq.top();  
pq.pop();
```

A. 10 2 80

B. 2 10 80

C. 80 10 2

D. 80 2 10

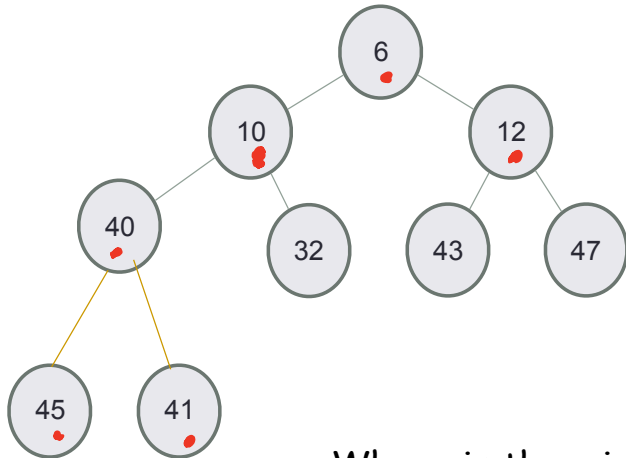
E. None of the above

# Heaps as binary trees

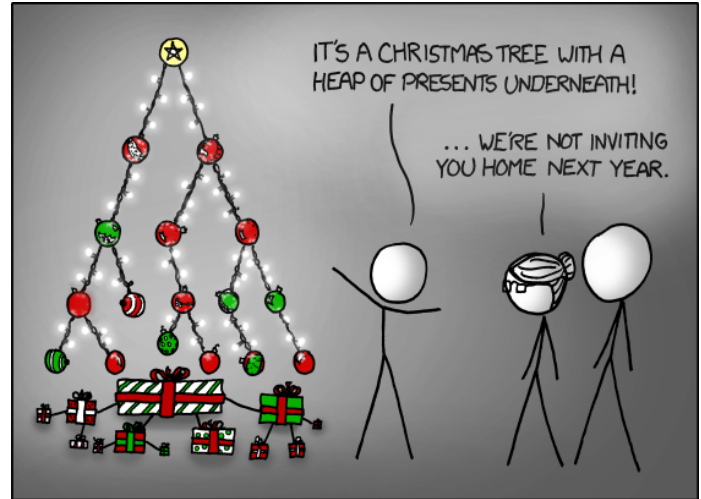
- Rooted binary tree that is as complete as possible
- In a **min-Heap**, each node satisfies the following **heap property**:

$$\text{key}(x) \leq \text{key}(\text{children of } x)$$

## Min Heap with 9 nodes



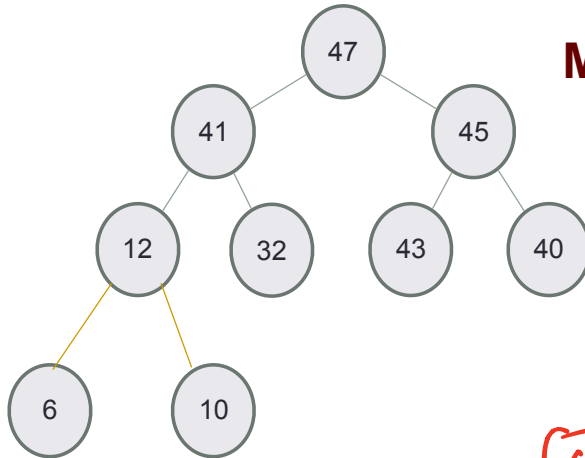
Where is the minimum element?





# Heaps as binary trees

- Rooted binary tree that is as complete as possible
- In a max-Heap, each node satisfies the following **heap property**:  
 $\text{key}(x) \geq \text{key}(\text{children of } x)$



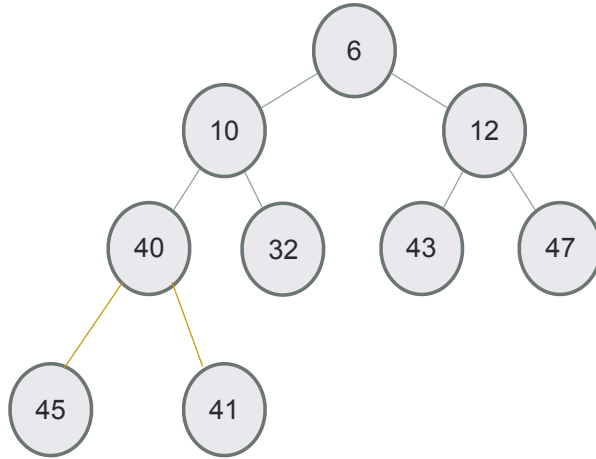
**Max Heap with 9 nodes**

Where is the maximum element?

50

# Structure: Complete binary tree

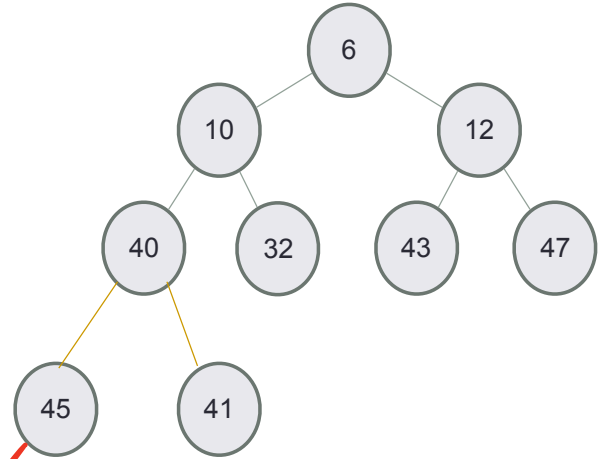
A heap is a complete binary tree: Each level is as full as possible. Nodes on the bottom level are placed as far left as possible



# Identifying heaps

Starting with the following min-Heap which of the following operations will result in something that is NOT a min Heap

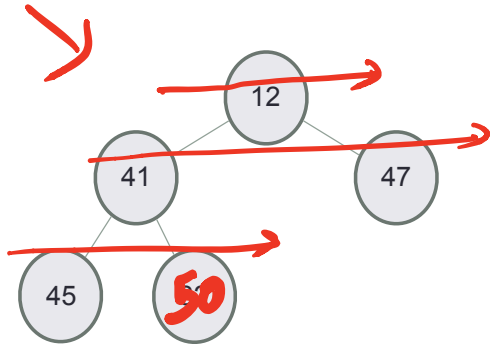
- A. Swap the nodes 40 and 32
- B. Swap the nodes 32 and 43
- C. Swap the nodes 43 and 40
- D. Insert 50 as the left child of 45
- E. C&D**



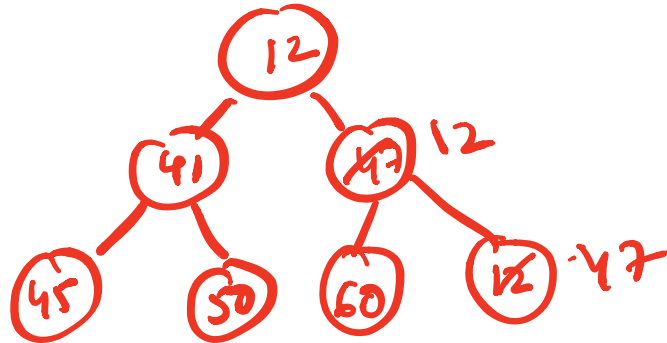
*Violates the structure requirement*

# Insert 50 into a heap

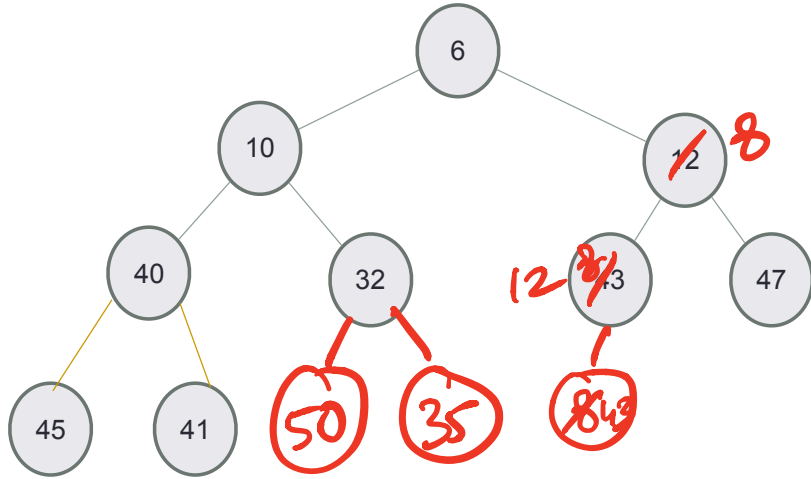
- Insert key(x) in the first open slot at the last level of tree (going from left to right)
- If the heap property is not violated - Done
- Else: while( $\text{key}(\text{parent}(x)) > \text{key}(x)$ ) swap the key(x) with  $\text{key}(\text{parent}(x))$



12 41 47 45 50

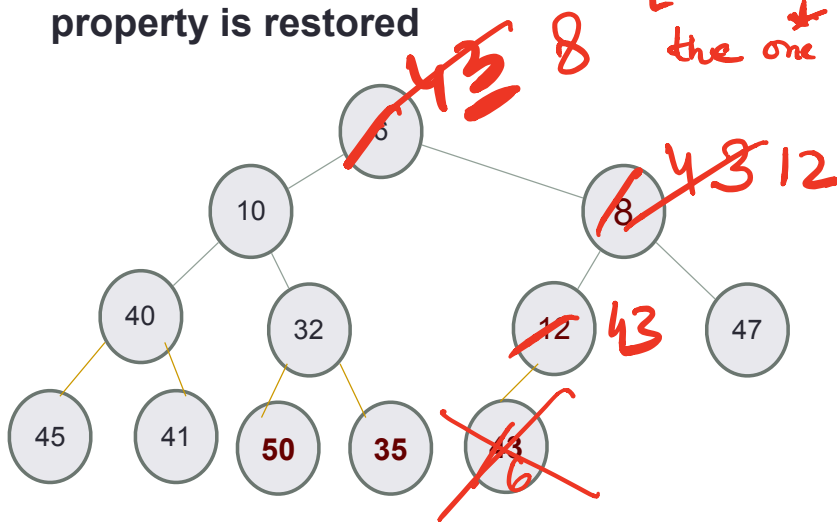


Insert 50, then 35, then 8



# Delete min

- Replace the root with the rightmost node at the last level
- “Bubble down”- swap node with [one of the children] until the heap property is restored



Perform `pop()`  
on this tree  
swap 6 with 43  
Bubble down 43

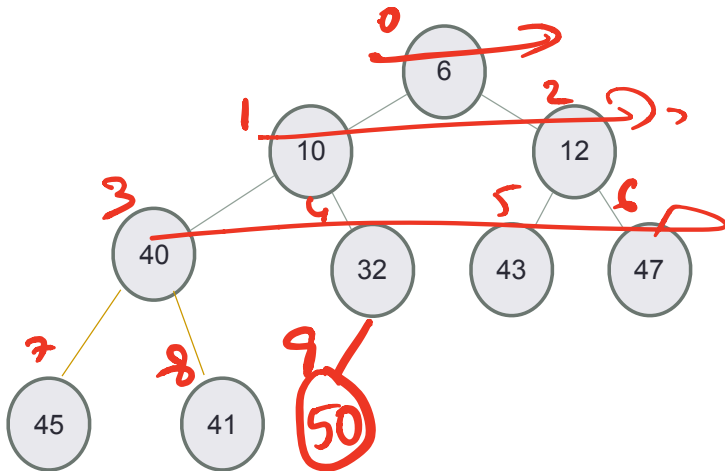
# Under the hood of heaps

- An efficient way of implementing heaps is using vectors
- Although we think of heaps as trees, the entire tree can be efficiently represented as a vector!!

# Implementing heaps using an array or vector

"Read out" the keys in the tree level by level, left to right.  
Start with the root.

Value	6	10	12	40	32	43	47	45	41	50
Index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9



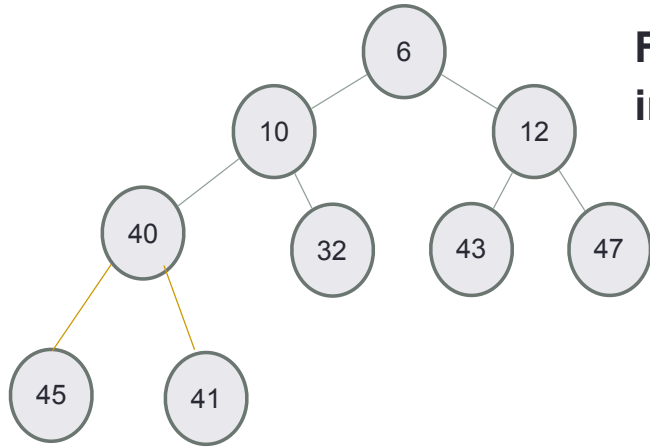
The entire heap-tree shown on the left can be represented as a vector. The parent-child relationships in the vector are implicit (we don't store pointers).

Using vector as the internal data structure of the heap has some advantages:

- More space efficient than trees
- Easier to insert nodes into the heap



# Finding the "parent" of a "node" in the vector representation



For a ~~node~~<sup>key</sup> at index  $i$ , index of the parent is  $\text{int}(i-1/2)$

In general for a key at index  $i$  of the vector, the index of its parent is  $\text{int}\left(\frac{i-1}{2}\right)$

Value	6	10	12	40	32	43	47	45	41	
Index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	...

Key  
Index of parent

	-	0	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	...
										$\text{int}\left(\frac{i-1}{2}\right)$

# Insert into a heap

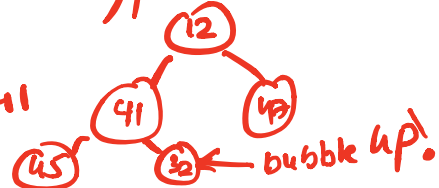
- Insert key(x) in the first open slot at the last level of tree (going from left to right)
- If the heap property is not violated - Done
- Else....

Insert the elements {12, 41, 47, 45, 32} in a min-Heap using the vector representation of the heap

In practice we never implement the binary tree in the usual way with nodes & pointers

So, we never convert heap-tree to a vector instead work directly with the vector representation of a hypothetical tree

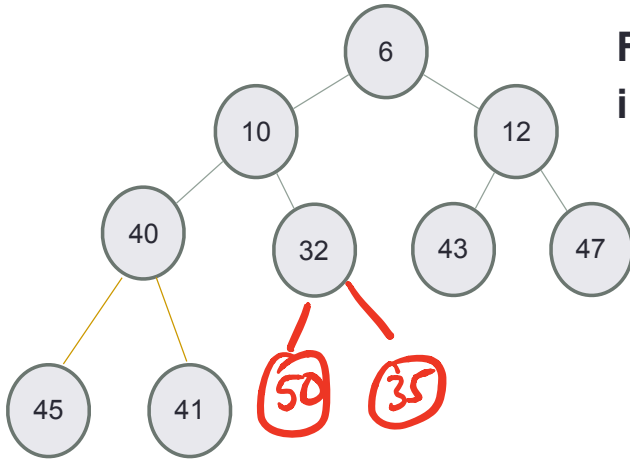
32 is at index 4  
its parent is at  
index 1 (41)  
swap 32 with 41



32 > parent(41)  
stop  
bubbling  
up!

12	<del>41</del> 32	47	45	<del>32</del> 41
0	1	2	3	4

# Insert 50, then 35



For a node at index  $i$ , index of the parent is  $\text{int}(i-1/2)$

Value	6	10	12	40	32	43	47	45	41	50	35
Index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

# Insert 8 into a heap

Value	6	10	<del>12</del> 8	40	32	<del>43</del> 12	47	45	41	50	35	<del>8</del> 43
Index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Insert 8 at index 11 (8 is now the last node in the last level of the "tree")

Find 8's parent at index  $(\frac{11-1}{2}) = 5$ ,  $\rightarrow$  key 43

$8 < 43$  so swap, 8 & 43

Find 8's new parent at index  $(\frac{5-1}{2}) = 2 \rightarrow$  key 12

swap 8 & 12

Find 8's new parent at

index  $(\frac{2-1}{2}) = 0$ , key 6

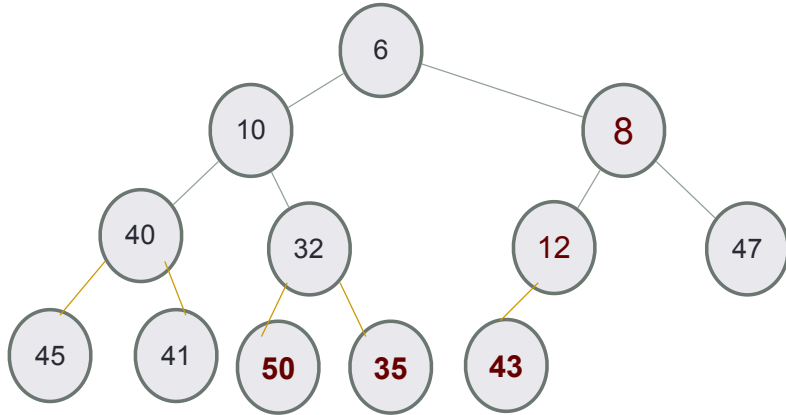
$8 > 6 \rightarrow$  stop

After inserting 8, which node is the parent of 8 ?

- A. Node 6
- B. Node 12
- C. Node 43
- D. None - Node 8 will be the root

# Delete min

- Replace the root with the rightmost node at the last level
- “Bubble down”- swap node with one of the children until the heap property is restored



## Traversing down the tree

When doing a pop, replace the min key (6) with the last key in the vector (41). Delete 6, by reducing the size of the vector by 1. Bubble down 41.

Value	6	10	12	40	32	43	47	45	41		
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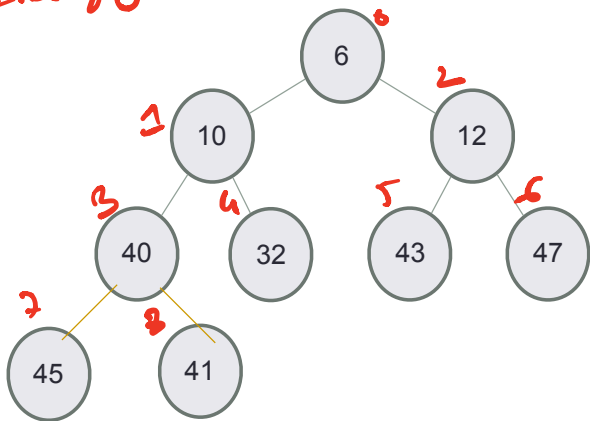
Index 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

Index of left child 1

Index of right child 2

3 5 7 - - - - -  
4 6 8 - - - - -

to do this need to find the children in the vector.



For a node at index  $i$ , what is the index of the left and right children?

A.  $(2*i, 2*i+1)$

**B.  $(2*i+1, 2*i+2)$**

C.  $(\log(i), \log(i)+1)$

D. None of the above

# Next lecture

- More on STL implementation of heaps (priority queues)
- Queues