

# EECS 4101-5101

## Advanced Data Structures

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Picture is from the cover of the textbook CLRS.



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- A **priority queue** is an abstract data type formed by a set  $S$  of key-value pairs
- **Basic operations** include:
  - **insert** ( $k$ ) inserts a new element with key  $k$  into  $S$
  - **get-Max** which returns the element of  $S$  with the largest key
  - **extract-Max** which returns the element of  $S$  with the largest key and delete it from  $S$
- We are often given the whole data and need to **build** the data structure based on it.
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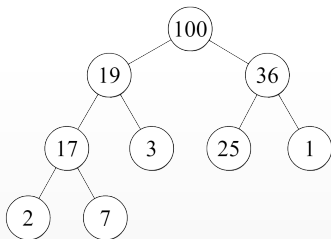
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  - How long does it take to form a BST from a given set of items?
  - It takes  $\Omega(n \log n)$ ; otherwise you can sort them in  $o(n \log n)$  by building the BST and doing an inoder traverse in  $O(n)$ .
  - We know we cannot comparison-sort in  $o(n \log n)$  and hence cannot build the tree in such time.



## Binary heaps

- A **heap** is a **tree** data structure
- For every node  $i$  other than the root, we have  $key[\text{parent}[i]] \geq key[i]$ .
- A **binary** heap is a complete binary tree which can be stored using an array.
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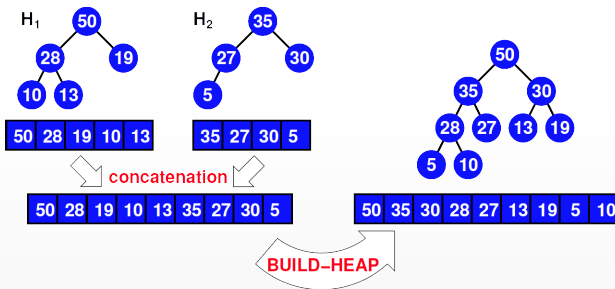
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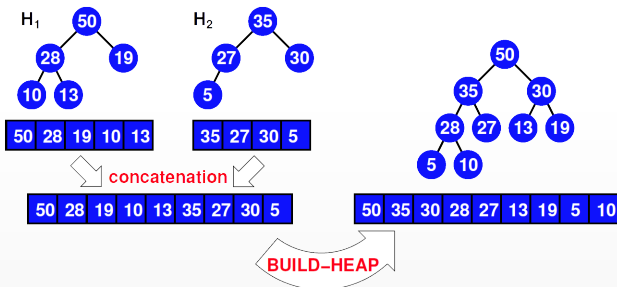
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  - insert( $H, x$ )
  - extract-Max( $H$ )
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  - union( $H_1, H_2$ ) (merge)
  - increase-key( $H, x, k$ )
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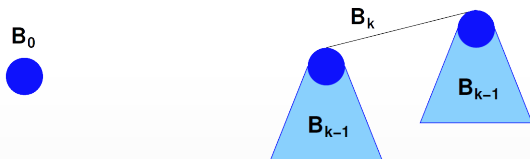
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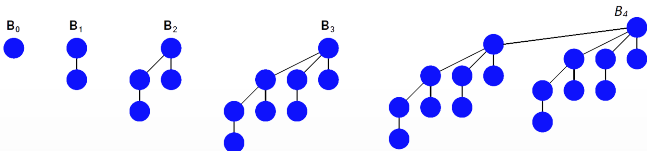
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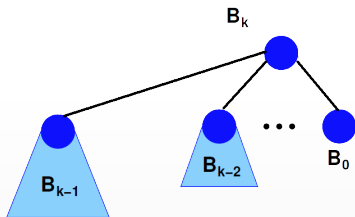
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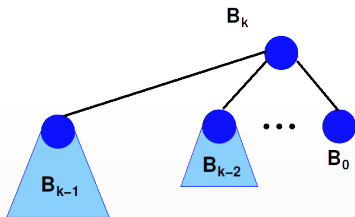






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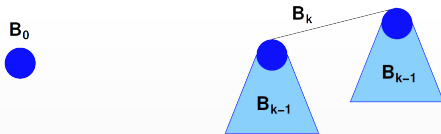
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  - The tree  $B_k$  has its first child as  $B_{k-1}$  (recursive construction).
  - With respect to other children, it is a binomial tree  $B_{k-1}$  and hence has children  $B_{k-2}, \dots, B_0$  by induction hypothesis





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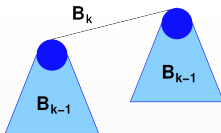




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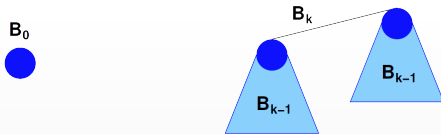
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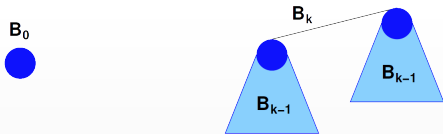
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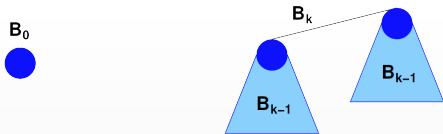
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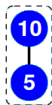


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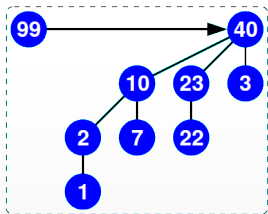


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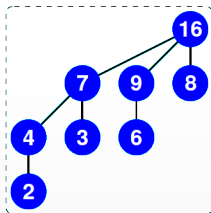


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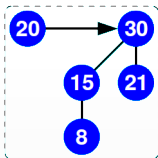


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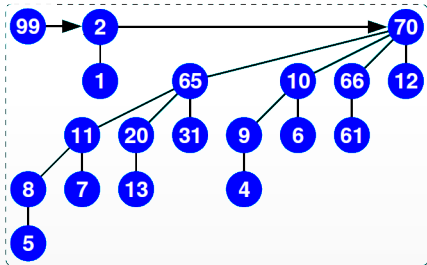


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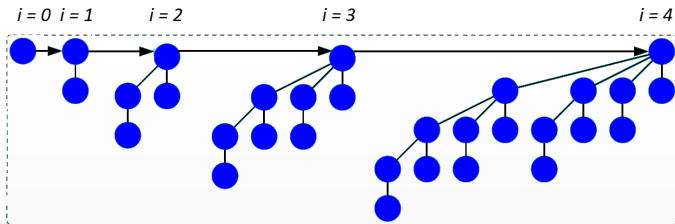
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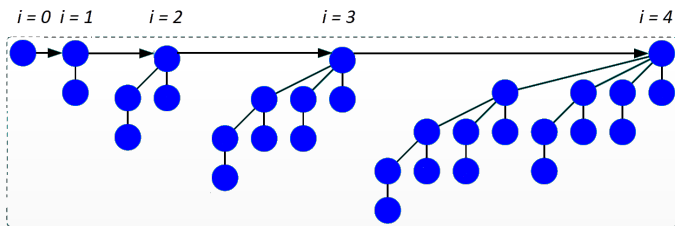
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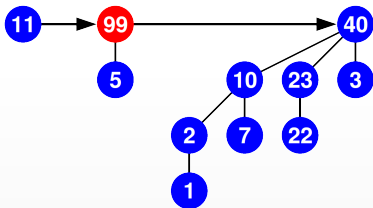
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    - Recall that a binomial tree of order  $i$  has  $2^i$  nodes.
    - We have  $n = 1 + 2 + \dots + 2^{x-1} = 2^x - 1$ , i.e.,  $x = \lceil \log(n + 1) \rceil$
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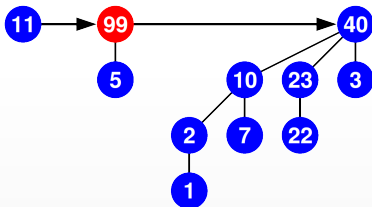
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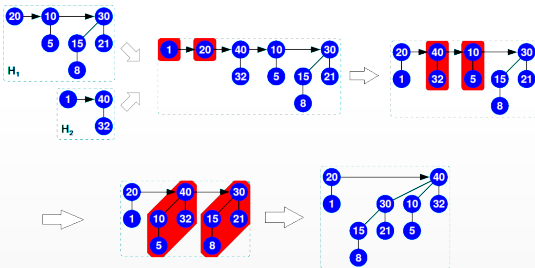






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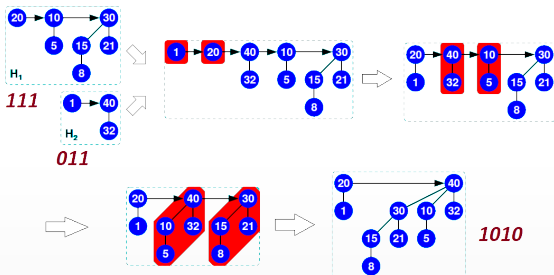
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  - If two trees of same order  $i$  are visited, merge them into a binomial tree of order  $i + 1$ 
    - It is possible by the definition of binomial tree.
    - The tree with the smaller key in its root becomes a child of the other tree.
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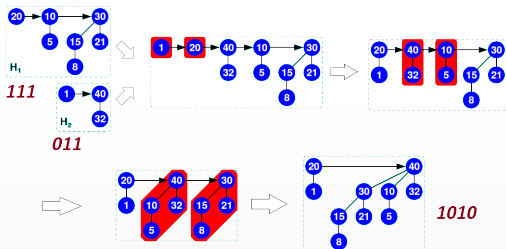
- There is an analogy with **binary** addition: add bits and carry
  - Read from the least significant to the most significant bit (right to left)
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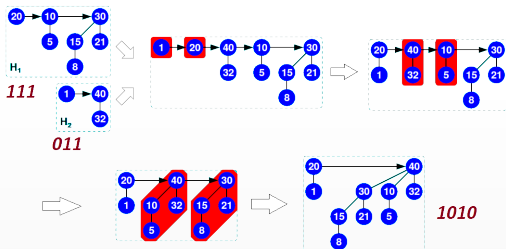
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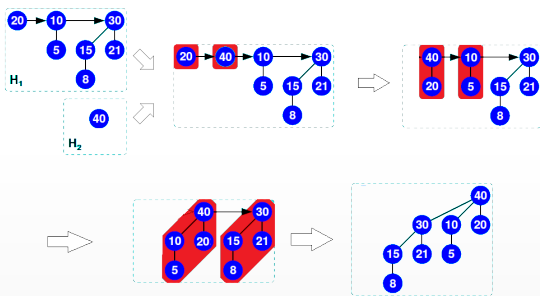
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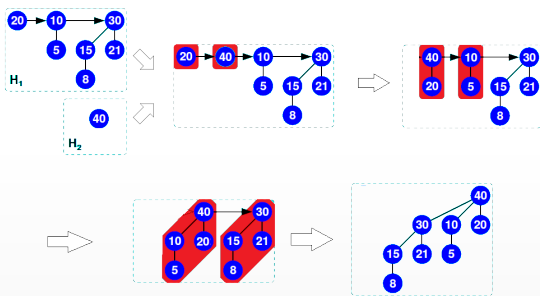
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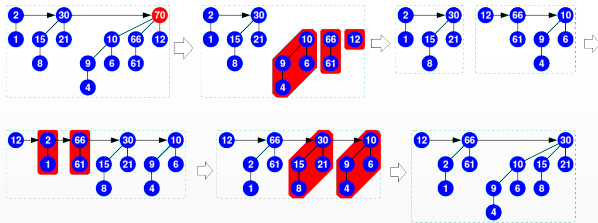
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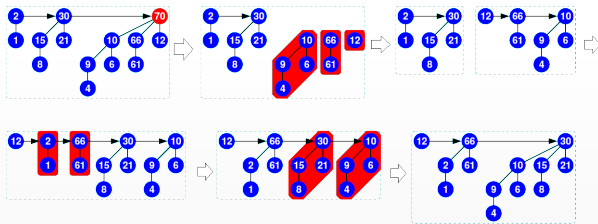
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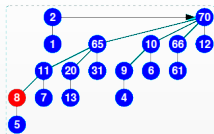
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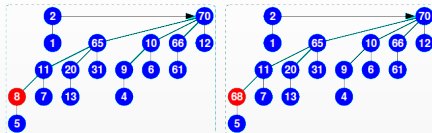
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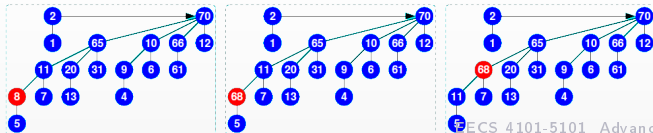
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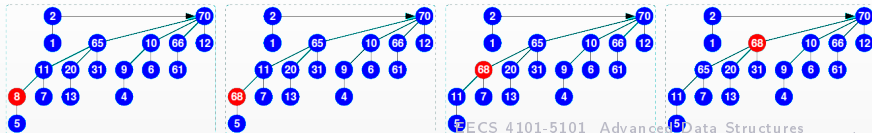
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- **Increase the key of a given node can be done in time  $\Theta(\log n)$ .**





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- **Deleting a given node can be done in time  $O(\log n)$ .**



## Binomial Heaps Summary

- Given a key (a pointer to its node), we can increase or delete that node in  $O(\log n)$ .

### *Theorem*

*Priority queries can be implemented with binomial tree so that **Get-Max**, **Merge**, **Extract-Max**, **Increase** (with given pointer) and **delete** (with given pointer) can all be performed in  $O(\log n)$ .*