

1. Consider the function $f(x, n)$ where x is assumed to be an object of a number type and n is assumed to be a nonnegative integer.

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1 def f(x, n):
2     if n == 0:
3         return 1
4     elif n%2 == 0:
5         return f(x, n//2) * f(x, n//2)
6     else:
7         return x*f(x, n-1)

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(c): replace as follows:

$\rightarrow \text{return } f(x, n//2) ** 2$

(*)

- (a) What is this function doing?
 (b) What is the asymptotic running time of this function?
 (c) Suggest a simple improvement to this function that guarantees an asymptotic running time of $O(\log n)$.

(*) This guarantees a recursion (5+5+5)
 depth of $O(\log n)$ with one recursive call per level.
 \Rightarrow total cost is $O(\log n)$

(a) It's computing integer powers of x :

$$f(x, n) = x^n$$

via: • base case: $x^0 = 1$

• n odd: $x^n = x \cdot x^{n-1}$ and $n-1$ is even

• n even: $x^n = (x^{\frac{n}{2}})^2$

(b) The way it is implemented, the recursion is calling $f(x, \frac{n}{2})$

twice, rather than storing the result: Let $c(n)$ be the number of function calls when $f(x, n)$ is evaluated (as a measure of total running time as each function call adds $O(1)$ running time). Clearly,

$$c(1) = 1, \quad c(2) = 2c(\frac{2}{2}) = 2, \quad c(2^2) = 2c(2) = 2^2 \dots c(2^i) = 2c(2^{i-1})$$

$\Rightarrow c(2^i) = 2^i$. If n is not a power of two, we can bound from above by the nearest power 2 of two, so in general $c(n) = O(n)$.

2. Sketch, using Python or Python-like pseudocode, the implementation of a function that computes the height of a tree. (10)

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def height(T, v):  
    # Computes height of subtree of T rooted at v  
    h = 0  
    for c in T.children(v):  
        h = max(h, height(T, c))  
    return h + 1
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def height(T):  
    return height(T, T.root())
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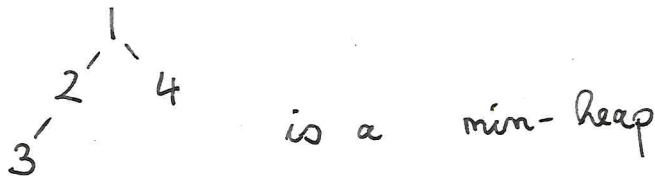
3. (a) Suppose you have array that is sorted in increasing order. Is it a valid array representation of a min-heap?
- (b) You have a valid array representation of a min-heap. Then you reverse the array. Do you get a valid array representation of a max-heap?

Justify your answer in each case.

(5+5)

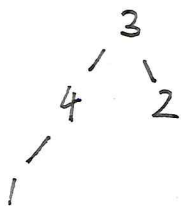
(a) Yes, because the children of any node are located after the node in the array representation. So heap order is satisfied.

(b) No. Counterexample:



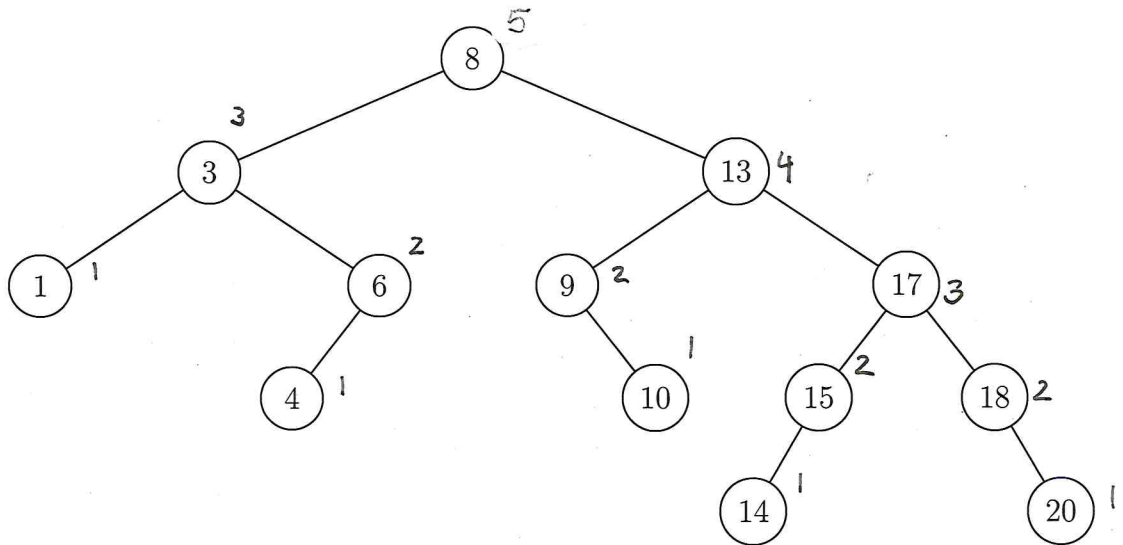
1 2 4 3 is its array representation

3 4 2 1 is the reversed array representation, which encodes the binary tree



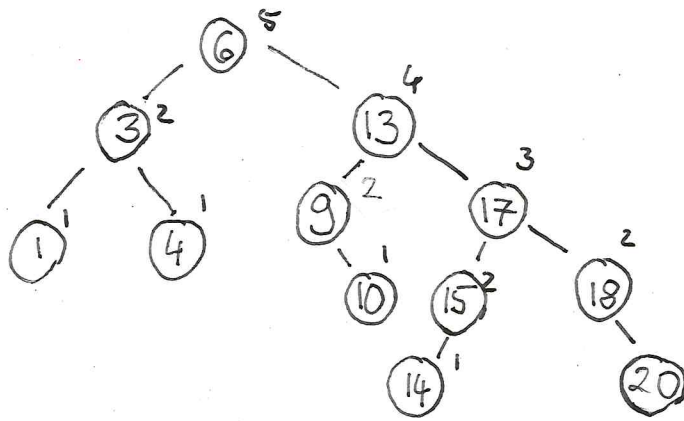
This is not a (max)-heap !

4. Delete the key 8 from the following AVL tree. Indicate all subtree heights before the deletion, and show the changes introduced by the deletion and subsequent rebalancing step-by-step. (You may consult the summary of tree rotations on the front page.)



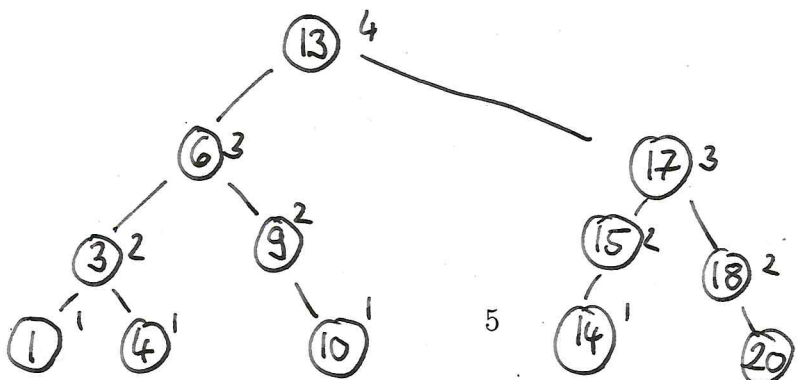
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Convention 1: Move largest element from left subtree into deleted position:



Root node is out of balance!

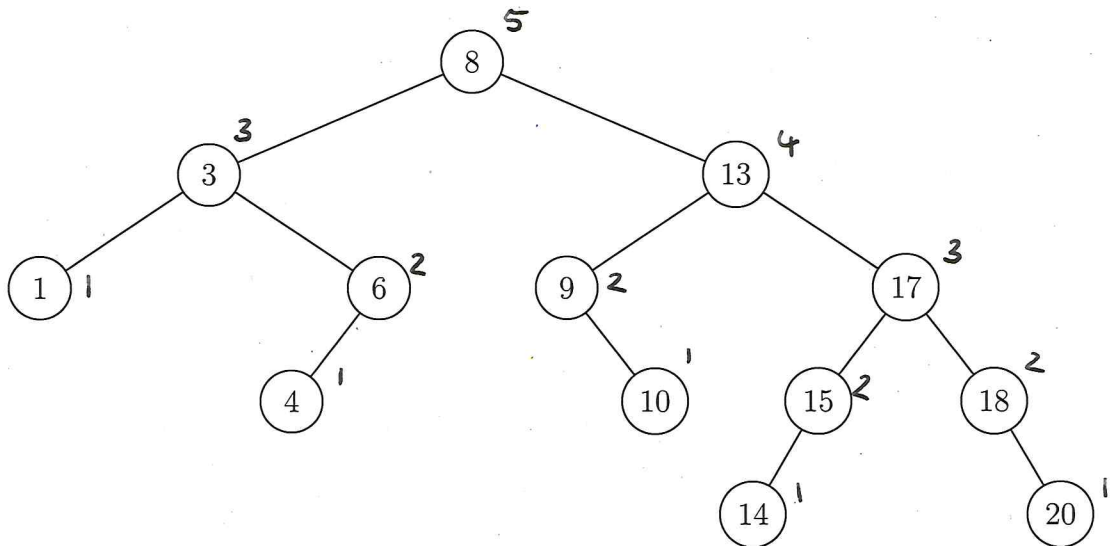
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Tree is now in balance.

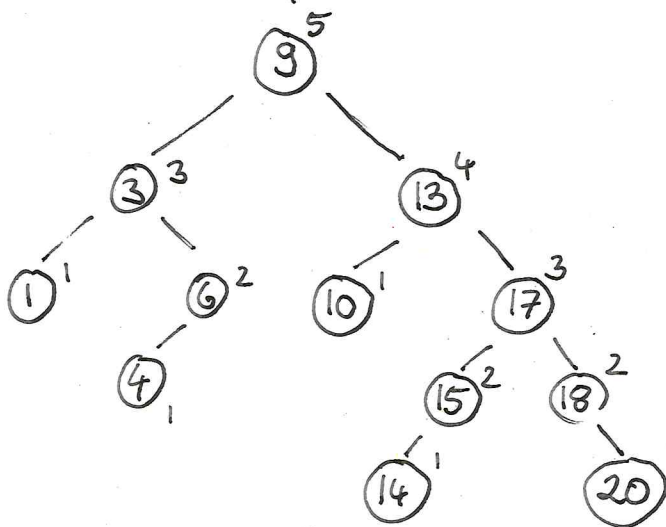
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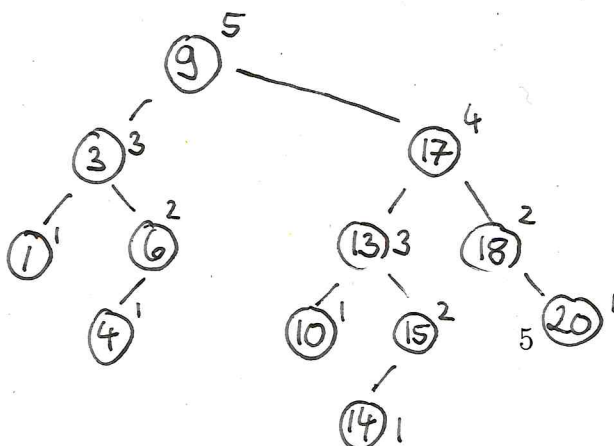
Convention 2: Move smallest element from right subtree into deleted position:

(10)



Node 13 is out of balance

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rotation



Tree is now in balance

5. We noted in class that every implementation of a sorted map can be turned into a sort algorithm as follows: Given a list L to be sorted, take an initially empty sorted map M and move the elements of L one-by-one into the sorted list. Then traverse M in-order, moving the elements back into L .

For each of the following data structures that can be used to implement a sorted map, state the asymptotic running time in two cases: worst case, and L already sorted. (10)

Implementation	Worst case	L already sorted
Sorted linked list	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$
Reverse sorted linked list	$\Theta(n^2)$	$\Theta(n)$
Skip list	$\Theta(n^2)$ <i>but $O(n \log n)$ expected</i>	$\Theta(n^2)$ <i>but $O(n \log n)$ expected</i>
AVL tree	$\Theta(n \log n)$	$\Theta(n \log n)$
Splay tree	$\Theta(n \log n)$	$O(n)$

6. (a) Show that every rooted tree has at least one leaf.

(b) For a ^{connected} graph $G = (V, E)$, let $v = |V|$ denote the number of vertices and $e = |E|$ denote the number of edges. Show that G is a tree if and only if

$$v = e + 1.$$

(c) How many connected components¹ does a forest² with $v = 20$ vertices and $e = 15$ edges have?

(5+5+5)

(a) Let v be any vertex. If it is not already a leaf, it has at least one child. Let v then be one of the children, and repeat. If this process does not terminate with finding a leaf in a finite number of steps, the graph is not a tree, or it is infinite (which we do not consider!).

(b) So long as G has a leaf, iteratively remove the leaf and its connecting edge. This leaves the remaining graph connected, and the difference $v - e$ does not change. Eventually, one of two cases occurs:

(i) There is only one vertex left. Then G is a tree and $v - e = 1$.

(ii) There is no leaf $\Rightarrow G$ is connected but not a tree
 $\Rightarrow G$ has a cycle. Within the cycle, there are as many edges as vertices, for every additional vertex, there is at least one edge connecting it. $\Rightarrow e \geq v \Rightarrow v - e \leq 0$.

This proves that G is a tree iff $v - e = 1$.

¹A connected component of a graph G is a maximal connected subgraph of G .

²A graph G is a forest if it contains no cycles. (So every connected subgraph of a forest is a tree.)

(c) For every "missing" edge relative to the balance $v - e = 1$, there is one additional connected component. Here: $v - e = 5$, i.e. the forest has 5 trees.