

Week 16 - Wednesday

COMP 2100

Last time

- What did we talk about last time?
- Student questions
- Review up to Exam 2

Questions?

Project 4

Student Questions

Graphs

Graphs

- Edges
- Nodes
- Types
 - Undirected
 - Directed
 - Multigraphs
 - Weighted
 - Colored
 - Triangle inequality

Traversals

- Depth First Search
 - Cycle detection
 - Connectivity
- Breadth First Search

Dijkstra's Algorithm

- Start with two sets, S and V :
 - S has the starting node in it
 - V has everything else
- 1. Set the distance to all nodes in V to ∞
- 2. Find the node u in V with the smallest $d(u)$
- 3. For every neighbor v of u in V
 - a) If $d(v) > d(u) + d(u,v)$
 - b) Set $d(v) = d(u) + d(u,v)$
- 4. Move u from V to S
- 5. If V is not empty, go back to Step 2

Minimum Spanning Tree (MST)

- Start with two sets, S and V :
 - S has the starting node in it
 - V has everything else
- 1. Find the node u in V that is closest to any node in S
- 2. Put the edge to u into the MST
- 3. Move u from V to S
- 4. If V is not empty, go back to Step 1

Euler paths and tours

- An Euler path visits all edges exactly once
- An Euler tour is an Euler path that starts and ends on the same node
- If a graph only has an Euler path, exactly 2 nodes have odd degree
- If a graph has an Euler tour, all nodes have even degree
- Otherwise, the graph has no Euler tour or path

Bipartite graphs

- A bipartite graph is one whose nodes can be divided into two disjoint sets X and Y
- There can be edges between set X and set Y
- There are no edges inside set X or set Y
- A graph is bipartite if and only if it contains no odd cycles
- **If you want to show a graph is bipartite, divide it into two sets**
- **If you want to show a graph is not bipartite, show an odd cycle**

Maximum matching

- A **perfect matching** is when every node in set X and every node in set Y is matched
- It is not always possible to have a perfect matching
- We can still try to find a **maximum matching** in which as many nodes are matched up as possible

Matching algorithm

1. Come up with a legal, maximal matching
2. Take an **augmenting path** that starts at an unmatched node in X and ends at an unmatched node in Y
3. If there is such a path, switch all the edges along the path from being in the matching to being out and vice versa
4. If there is another augmenting path, go back to Step 2

NP-completeness

- A tour that visits every node exactly once is called a Hamiltonian tour
- Finding the shortest Hamiltonian tour is called the Traveling Salesman Problem
- Both problems are NP-complete (well, actually NP-hard)
- NP-complete problems are believed to have no polynomial time algorithm

B-trees

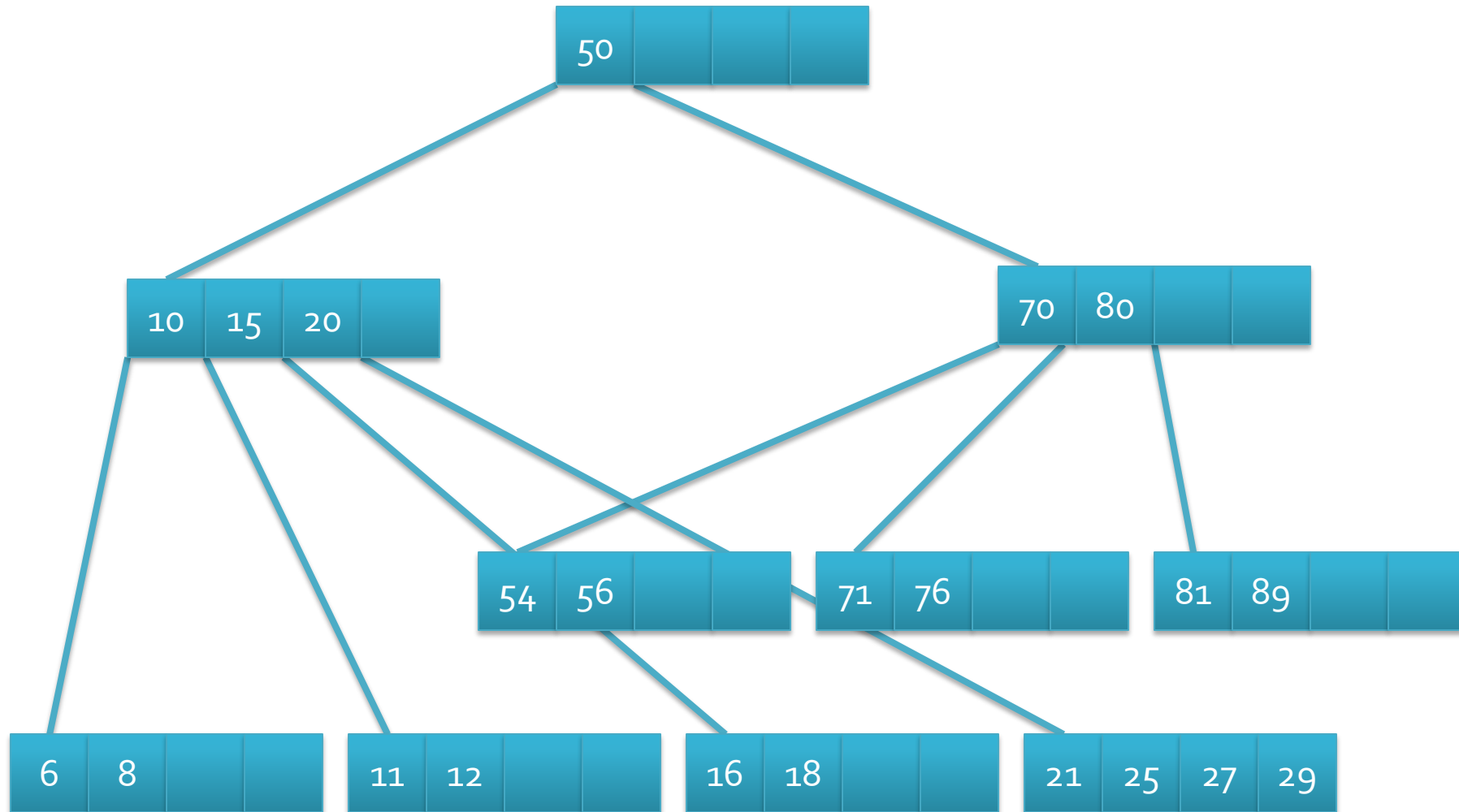
Why B-trees?

- For a tree in secondary storage
- Each read of a block from disk storage is slow
 - We want to get a whole node at once
 - Each node will give us information about lots of child nodes
 - We don't have to make many decisions to get to the node we want

B-tree definition

- A B-tree of order **m** has the following properties:
 1. The root has at least two subtrees unless it is a leaf
 2. Each nonroot and each nonleaf node holds **k** keys and **$k + 1$** pointers to subtrees where **$m/2 \leq k \leq m$**
 3. Each leaf node holds **k** keys where **$m/2 \leq k \leq m$**
 4. **All leaves are on the same level**

B-tree of order 4



B-tree operations

- Go down the leaf where the value should go
- If the node is full
 - Break it into two half full nodes
 - Put the median value in the parent
 - If the parent is full, break it in half, etc.
- Otherwise, insert it where it goes
- Deletes are the opposite process
 - When a node goes below half full, merge it with its neighbor

Variations

- B*-tree
 - Shares values between two neighboring leaves until they are both full
 - Then, splits two nodes into three
 - Maintains better space utilization
- B⁺-tree
 - Keeps (copies of) all keys in the leaves
 - Has a linked list that joins all leaves together for fast sequential access

Maximum flow

- A common flow problem on flow networks is to find the **maximum flow**
- A maximum flow is a non-negative amount of flow on each edge such that:
 - The maximum amount of flow gets from s to t
 - No edge has more flow than its capacity
 - The flow going into every node (except s and t) is equal to the flow going out

Augmenting path

- When we were talking about matching, we mentioned **augmenting paths**
- Augmenting paths in flows are a little different
- A flow augmenting path:
 - Starts at s and ends at t
 - May cross some edges in the direction of the edge (forward edges)
 - May cross some edges in the opposite direction (backwards edges)
 - Increases the flow by the minimum of the unused capacity in the forward edges or the maximum of the flow in the backwards edges

Sorting

Characteristics of a sort

- Running time
 - Best case
 - Worst case
 - Average case
- Stable
 - Will elements with the same value get reordered?
- Adaptive
 - Will a mostly-sorted list take less time to sort?
- In-place
 - Can we perform the sort without additional memory?
- Simplicity of implementation
 - Relates to the constant hidden by Big Oh
- Online
 - Can sort as values arrive

Insertion sort

- We do n rounds
 - For round i , assume that the elements 0 through $i-1$ are sorted
 - Take element i and move it up the list of already sorted elements until you find the spot where it fits
- $O(n^2)$ in the worst case
- $O(n)$ in the best case
- Adaptive and the fastest way to sort 10 numbers or fewer

Merge sort algorithm

- Take a list of numbers, and divide it in half, then, recursively:
 - Merge sort each half
 - After each half has been sorted, merge them together in order
- $O(n \log n)$ best and worst case time
- Not in-place

Heap sort

- Make the array have the heap property:
 1. Let i be the index of the parent of the last two nodes
 2. Bubble the value at index i down if needed
 3. Decrement i
 4. If i is not less than zero, go to Step 2
- 1. Let pos be the index of the last element in the array
- 2. Swap index 0 with index pos
- 3. Bubble down index 0
- 4. Decrement pos
- 5. If pos is greater than zero, go to Step 2
- $O(n \log n)$ best and worst case time
- In-place

Quicksort

1. Pick a pivot
 2. Partition the array into a left half smaller than the pivot and a right half bigger than the pivot
 3. Recursively, quicksort the left part (items smaller than the pivot)
 4. Recursively quicksort the right part (items larger than the pivot)
- $O(n^2)$ worst case time but $O(n \log n)$ best case and average case
 - In-place

Counting sort

- Make an array with enough elements to hold every possible **value** in your range of values
 - If you need 1 – 100, make an array with length 100
- Sweep through your original list of numbers, when you see a particular value, increment the corresponding index in the value array
- To get your final sorted list, sweep through your value array and, for every entry with value $k > 0$, print its index k times
- Runs in $O(n + |\text{Values}|)$ time

Radix sort

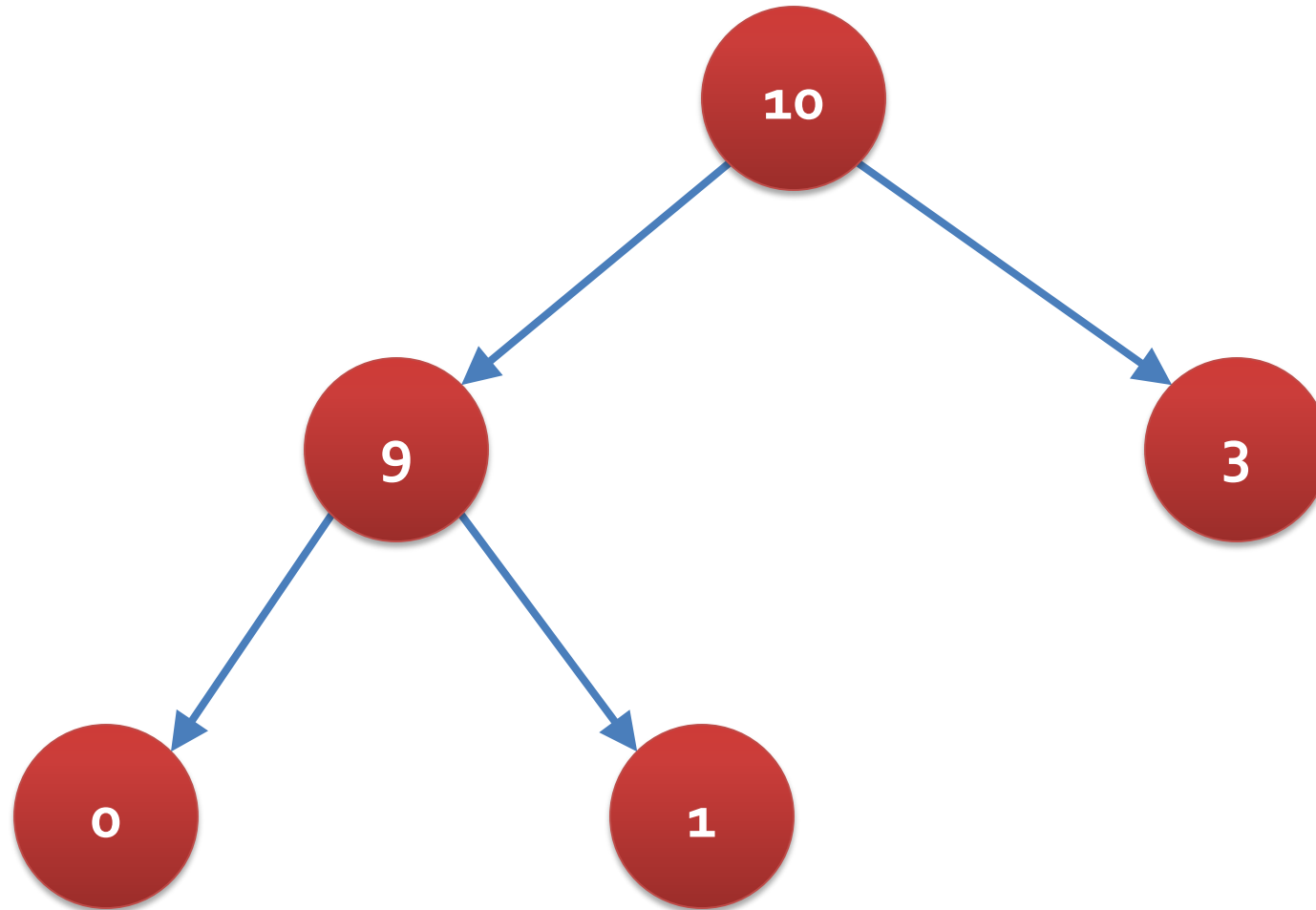
- We can "generalize" counting sort somewhat
- Instead of looking at the value as a whole, we can look at individual digits (or even individual characters)
- For decimal numbers, we would only need 10 buckets (0 – 9)
- First, we bucket everything based on the least significant digits, then the second least, etc.
- Runs in $O(nk)$ time, where k is the number of digits we have to examine

Heaps

Heaps

- A maximum heap is a complete binary tree where
 - The left and right children of the root have key values less than the root
 - The left and right subtrees are also maximum heaps

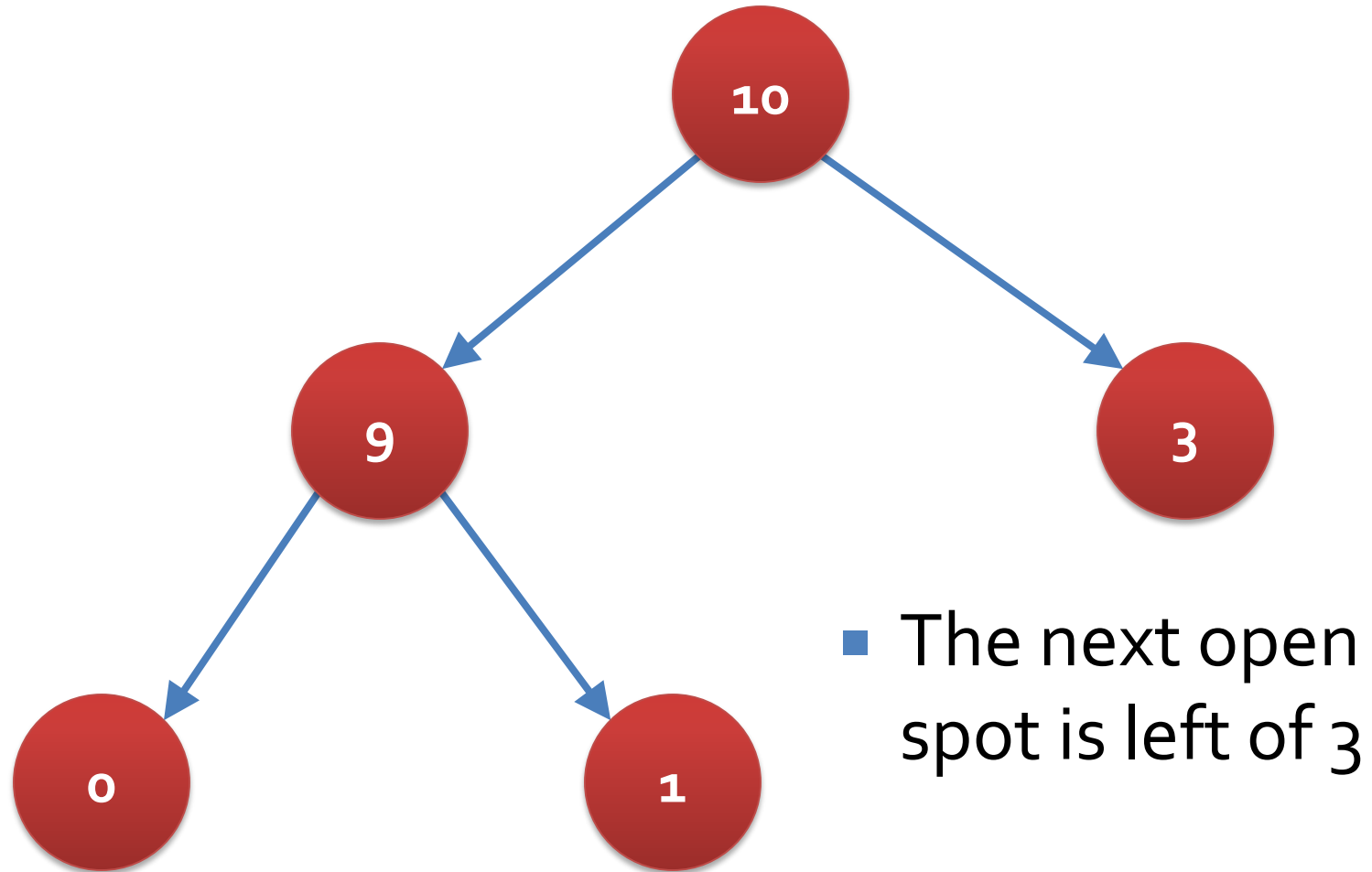
Heap example



How do you know where to add?

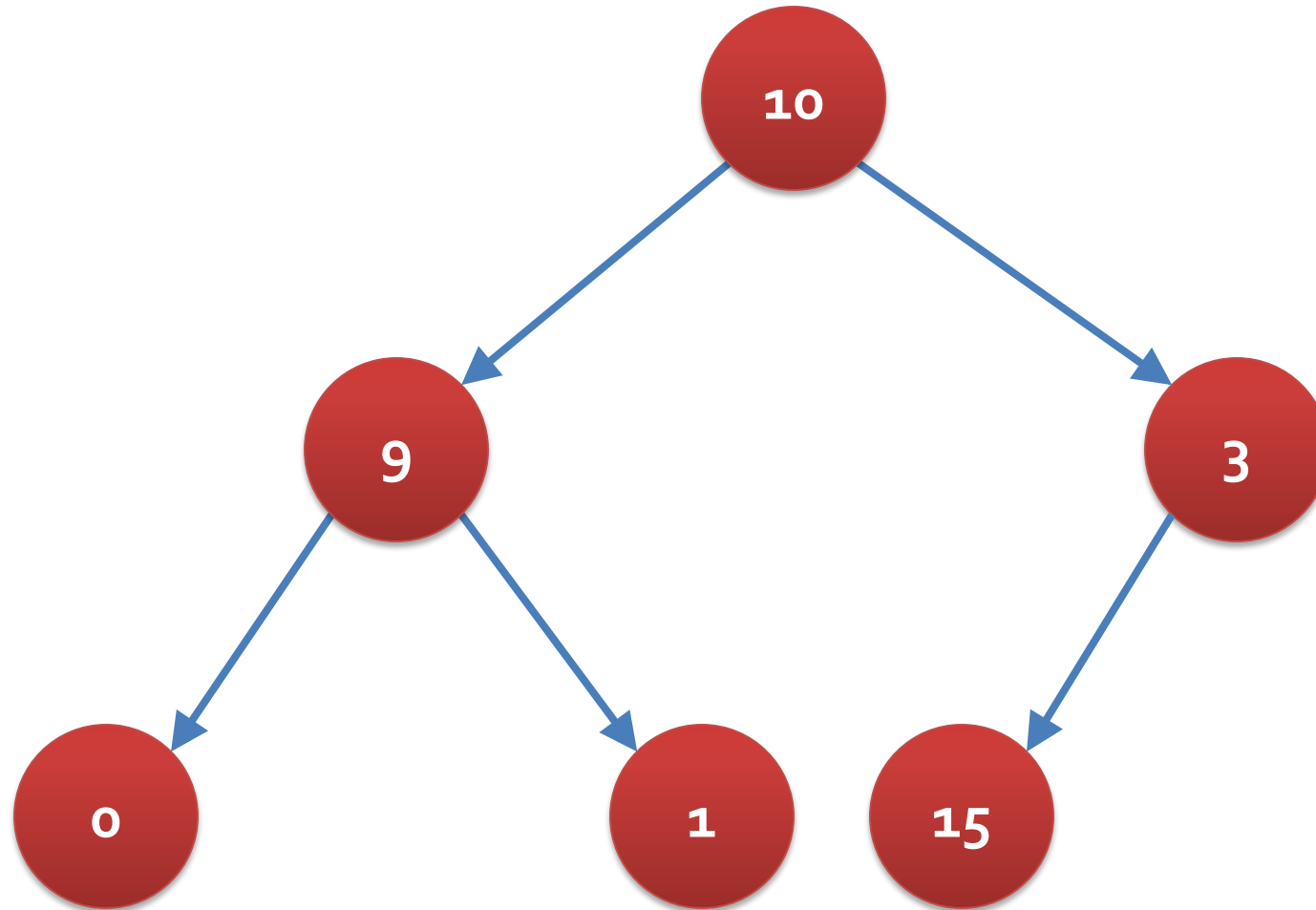
- Always in the first open spot on the bottom level of the tree, moving from left to right
- If the bottom level of the tree is full, start a new level

New node

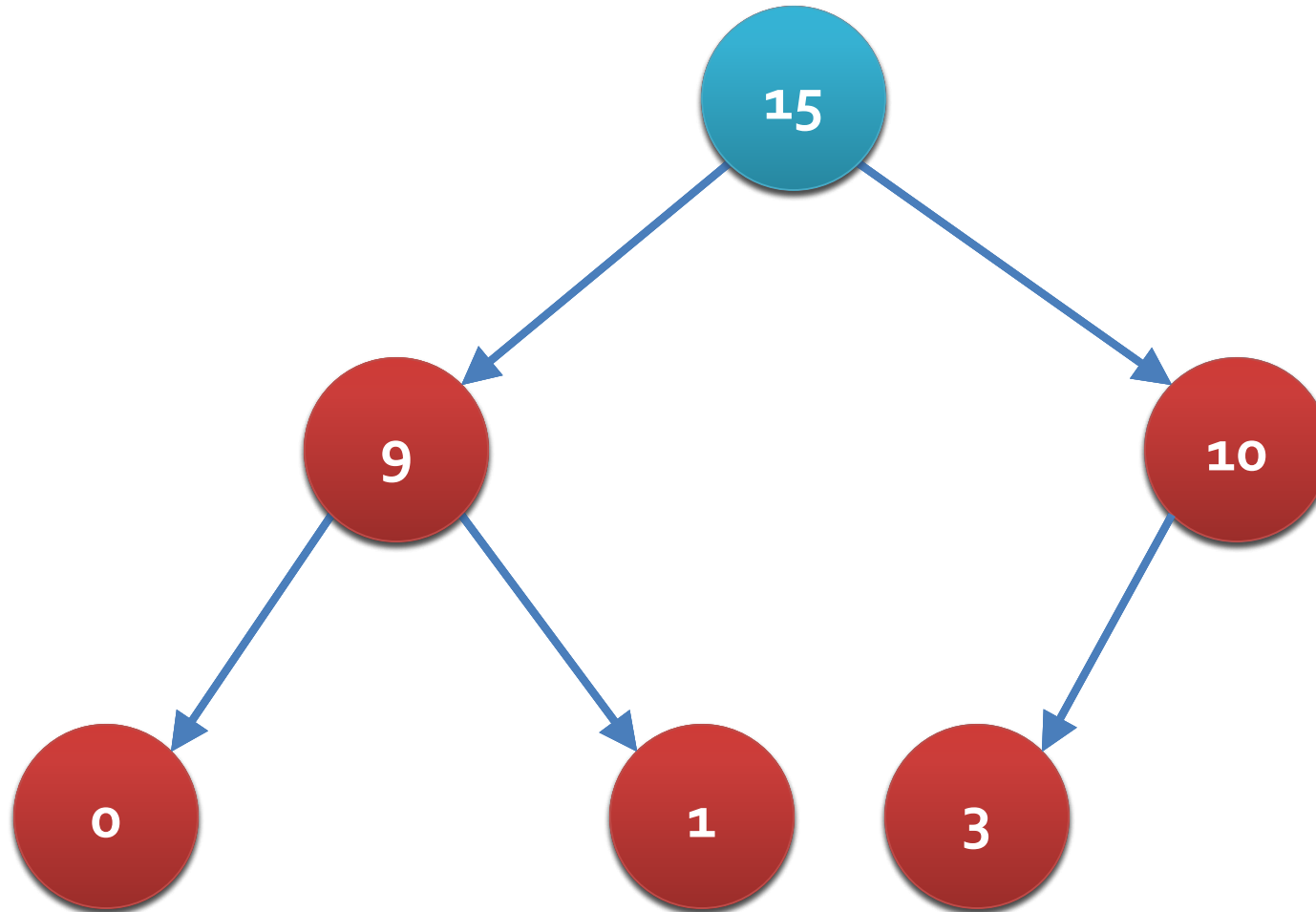


Add 15

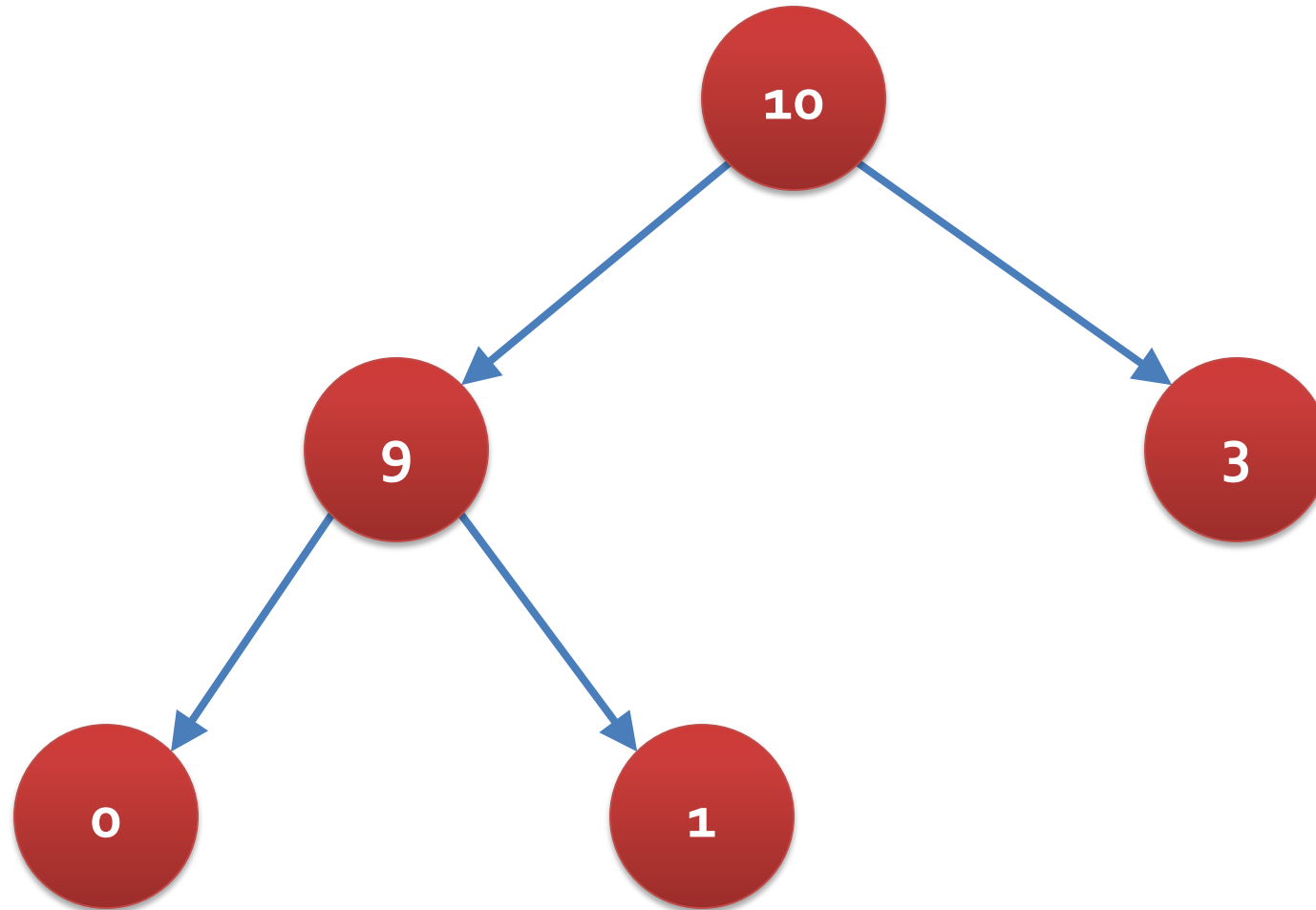
- Oh no!



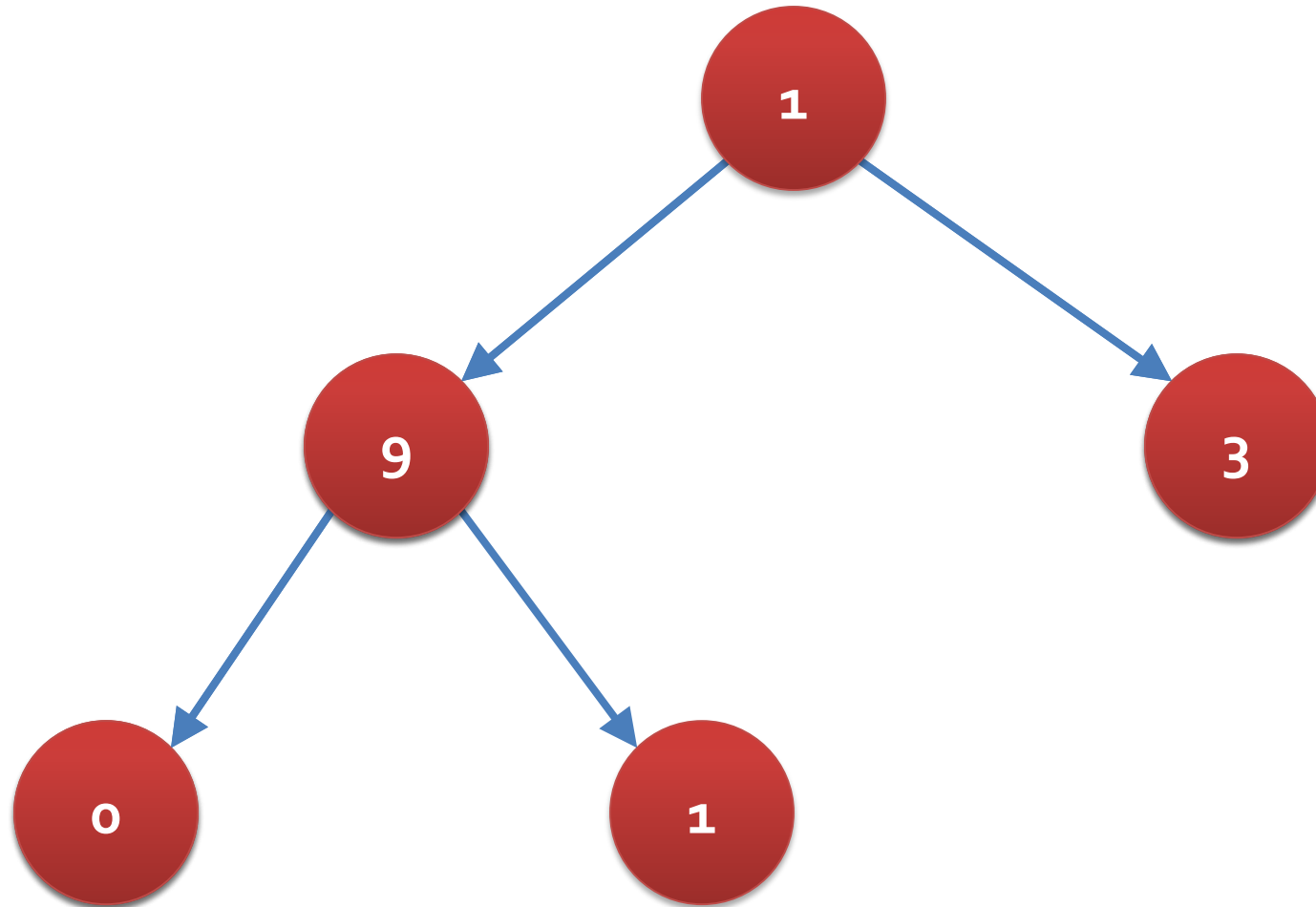
After an add, bubble up



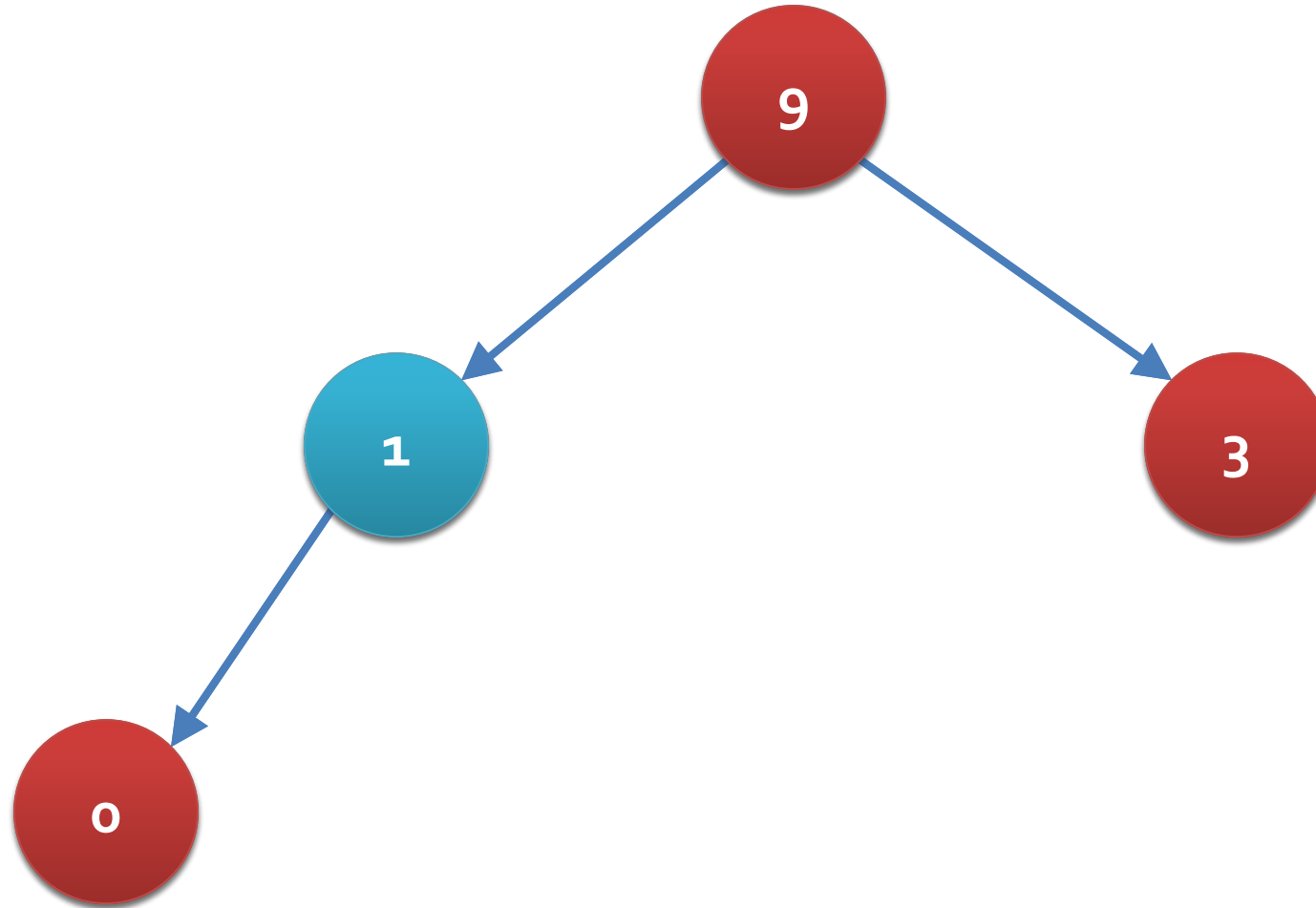
Only the root can be deleted



Replace it with the “last” node



Then, bubble down

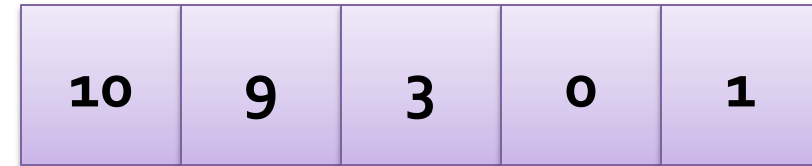
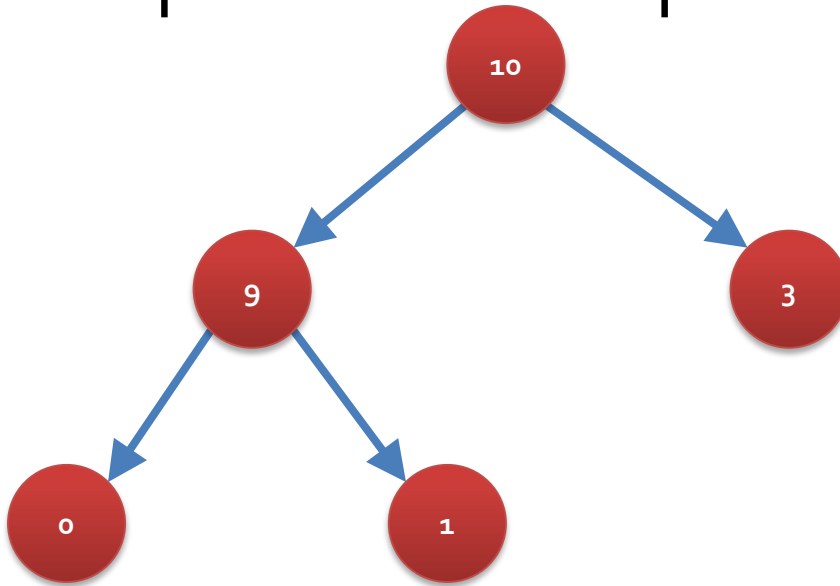


Operations

- Heaps only have:
 - Add
 - Remove Largest
 - Get Largest
- Which cost:
 - Add: $O(\log n)$
 - Remove Largest: $O(\log n)$
 - Get Largest: $O(1)$
- Heaps are a perfect data structure for a priority queue

Array view

- We can implement a heap with a (dynamic) array



- The left child of element i is at $2i + 1$
- The right child of element i is at $2i + 2$

Tries

Storing strings (of anything)

- We can use a (non-binary) tree to record strings implicitly where each link corresponds to the next letter in the string
- Let's store:
 - 10
 - 102
 - 103
 - 10224
 - 305
 - 305678
 - 09

Upcoming

Next time...

- There is no next time!

Reminders

- **Fill out course evaluations!**
- **Finish Project 4**
 - **Due tonight!**
- **Study for final exam**
 - **Friday, 12/05/2025 from 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.**