

# Inheritance With Comparators

# Comparators

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The Problem:

- Need to compare 2 values
- Determine which of the 2 values comes first in sorted order
- Use the comparator to sort any number of values

The Solution:

- Use a comparator

# Comparators

- A comparator takes 2 parameters and returns information about the order of the two inputs
- Comparators come in 2 primary styles:
  - Returns an int
    - Negative if the first input comes before the second
    - Positive if the second input comes before the first
    - 0 if the order is tied
  - Returns a boolean
    - True if the first input comes before the second
    - False otherwise - Including ties

# Comparators

## Returns an int

- Many Java classes contain a compareTo method
- This method returns an int depending on the order of the inputs
  - If the calling object (this) comes before the argument -> a negative int
  - If the calling object (this) comes after the argument -> a positive int
  - If the the order is tied -> 0
- Common for the ints to be -1 and 1, but not guaranteed in all cases

```
String one = "a";
String two = "b";
System.out.println(one.compareTo(two));
System.out.println(one.compareTo(one));
System.out.println(two.compareTo(one));
```

-1  
0  
1

# Comparators

- For Strings, comparisons are made alphabetically
  - Compare each character of both Strings starting with the first
    - If the characters are different, the String with the character that comes first in the alphabet is determined to come first in the ordering
    - If the characters are the same, check the next characters
    - If the end of one String is reached, that String comes first
  - `compareTo` checks the case of each character!
    - All lowercase letter come after all capital letters ("Z" comes before "a")!

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# Comparators

## Returns a boolean

- Our example in class will return a boolean
- Take 2 parameters
- Return true if the first parameter comes first
- Return false otherwise - including ties

# Writing Comparators

# Comparators

- Our example in class will return a boolean
- This method will compare ints in decreasing order
  - return true when  $a > b$  ( $a$  comes before  $b$ )
  - false otherwise - including  $a == b$

```
public boolean compare(int a, int b) {  
    return a > b;  
}
```

# Comparators

- We'll wrap this method in a class
- Note that the compare method is not static
- Need to create an object of this type to call the method
- Ok.. hey, wait.. there's no constructor! How we gonna create an object?

```
public class IntDecreasing {  
    public boolean compare(int a, int b) {  
        return a > b;  
    }  
}
```

# Default Constructor

- If you don't write a constructor, you automatically get the default constructor
- The default constructor takes no parameters and has no code in it's body
- These two classes are functionally identical

```
public class IntDecreasing {  
  
    public IntDecreasing(){  
        public boolean compare(int a, int b) {  
            return a > b;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

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    }  
}
```

# Comparators

- And we'll use inheritance!
- Write a Comparator class that takes a generic type
- Extend this class with a specific type
- Since we're switching to generics, we change int to Integer

```
public class Comparator<T> {  
    public boolean compare(T a, T b) {  
        return false;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class IntDecreasing extends Comparator<Integer> {  
    @Override  
    public boolean compare(Integer a, Integer b) {  
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# Comparators

- The comparator class defines a stubbed out compare method that always returns false
- Our IntDecreasing class overrides compare

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# Comparators

- We can extend this comparator to compare any type in any way
- This comparator compares GameItems based on their distance from (0, 0)
- We'll stick with the int comparator for lecture to keep things simpler

```
public class Comparator<T> {  
    public boolean compare(T a, T b) {  
        return false;  
    }  
}
```

```
public class DistanceFromOrigin extends Comparator<GameItem> {  
  
    private double distance(GameItem item){  
        return Math.sqrt(Math.pow(item.getX(), 2.0) + Math.pow(item.getY(), 2.0));  
    }  
  
    @Override  
    public boolean compare(GameItem a, GameItem b) {  
        return distance(a) < distance(b);  
    }  
}
```

# Sorting With Comparators

- We have comparators now, but how do we use them?
- We want to sort any number of values
- How do we do this when we can only compare 2 values?

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    @Override  
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# Insertion Sort

- Insertion sort:
  - For each value in the list to be sorted
    - Find where that value belongs in the output list
    - Insert the value at the location

**input:** [1 6 5]

**output:** []

# Insertion Sort

- The first element is copied to the output list
- No decision to make since the output is empty

input: [1 6 5]  
      ↑

output: [1]  
      ↑

# Insertion Sort

- Find where 6 is inserted
- Compare 1 and 6 using our comparator
  - The comparator returns false since 1 does not come before 6  
(Remember we're sorting in reverse order)
- Insert 6 before 1

input: [1 6 5]  
      ↑

output: [6 1]  
      ↑

# Insertion Sort

- Find where 5 is inserted
- Compare 6 and 5 using our comparator
  - The comparator returns true so we advance to the next element
- Compare 1 and 5 using our comparator
  - The comparator return false. This is where we insert

input: [1 6 5]  
      ↑

output: [6 5 1]  
      ↑

# Sorting With Comparators

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    private Comparator<T> comparator;  
    public Sorter(Comparator<T> comparator){  
        this.comparator = comparator;  
    }  
    public ArrayList<T> sort(ArrayList<T> input) {  
        ArrayList<T> output = new ArrayList<>();  
        for (T valueToInsert : input) {  
            int location = 0;  
            for (T valueToCompare : output) {  
                if (comparator.compare(valueToCompare, valueToInsert)) {  
                    location++;  
                }  
            }  
            output.add(location, valueToInsert);  
        }  
        return output;  
    }  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
        Sorter<Integer> sorter = new Sorter<>(new IntDecreasing());  
        ArrayList<Integer> list = new ArrayList<>(Arrays.asList(1, 6, 5));  
        ArrayList<Integer> output = sorter.sort(list);  
        System.out.println(output);  
    }  
}
```

- Let's look through the code for insertion sort using our comparator

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    }  
}
```

- The Sort class will take a generic type
- We write sorting code 1 time ever and use it to sort any type
- The Sort constructor takes and stores a Comparator
- We write sorting code 1 time ever and use it to sort type in any order

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    }  
}
```

- Write a sort method that will take an ArrayList as an input
- Return a new ArrayList with the same values, but in sorted order
- The input is passed by reference
  - Any change made to the input ArrayList will change the state of the heap
  - This change will be seen outside your method
  - Must be careful when handling parameters that are references

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```

- For each element in the input ArrayList:
  - Find the index in the output where it should be inserted
  - Call the comparator to compare each value in the output with the value being inserted
  - Count the number of times compare returned true
    - This is the number of elements that come before this value
    - This is the index where the value should be inserted

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    }  
}
```

- To create an object of type Sort:
  - Call the constructor with a Comparator as the argument  
`new Sort<>(new IntDecreasing())`
- Wait. What?
  - IntDecreasing != Comparator
  - Is that allowed?

# Sorting With Comparators

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```

- IntDecreasing != Comparator
- Is that allowed?
  - Yes. Yes it is!
  - It's allowed because IntDecreasing *extends* Comparator
- **This is polymorphism**
  - Much more discussion about this later in the course
  - For now, this is allowed and we'll use it to sort using any type that extends Comparator

# Diagram Memory

*Get it.. because the words are sorted.....*

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```

Stack		Heap
Name	Value	
		in/out

- We need to create a new Sorter:
  - When calling any method, need to resolve the arguments first

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- The argument is another constructor call
- That constructor must resolve before calling Sorter

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Stack		Heap
Name	Value	
sorter		
IntDecreasing	this	0x350
Comparator	this	0x350
		IntDecreasing
		0x350
		in/out

- IntDecreasing has no constructor in the code
- Call the default constructor

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```

Stack		Heap	
Name	Value		
sorter	0x350		
IntDecreasing	this	IntDecreasing	
Comparator	0x350		0x350

in/out

- Don't forget your super constructor call!
- Even when the constructors are not explicit

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in/out

- IntDecreasing has no instance variables on the heap

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		0x350
		in/out

- The returned reference is not stored in a variable
- No return arrow in our diagram

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IntDecreasing		IntDecreasing	
Comparator		0x350	
Sorter		Sorter	
sorter	0x350	comparator	0x350
this	0x350		0x321
this	0x350		
this	0x321		
comparator	0x350		

- Create the Sorter object now that the argument resolved

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The diagram illustrates the memory layout for the Stack and Heap during a sort operation. The Stack contains objects of `IntDecreasing`, `Comparator`, and `Sorter`. The `Sorter` object's `comparator` field points to the `IntDecreasing` object on the Heap. The `list` field of the `Sorter` object contains the memory address of the heap-allocated array.

Name	Value
sorter	0x321
this	0x350
this	0x350
this	0x321
comparator	0x350
list	0x654

IntDecreasing

Comparator

Sorter

Stack

Heap

IntDecreasing

0x350

Sorter

comparator | 0x350

0x321

0x654

0 | 1

1 | 6

2 | 5

in/out

- Create a new ArrayList with the values 1, 6, 5

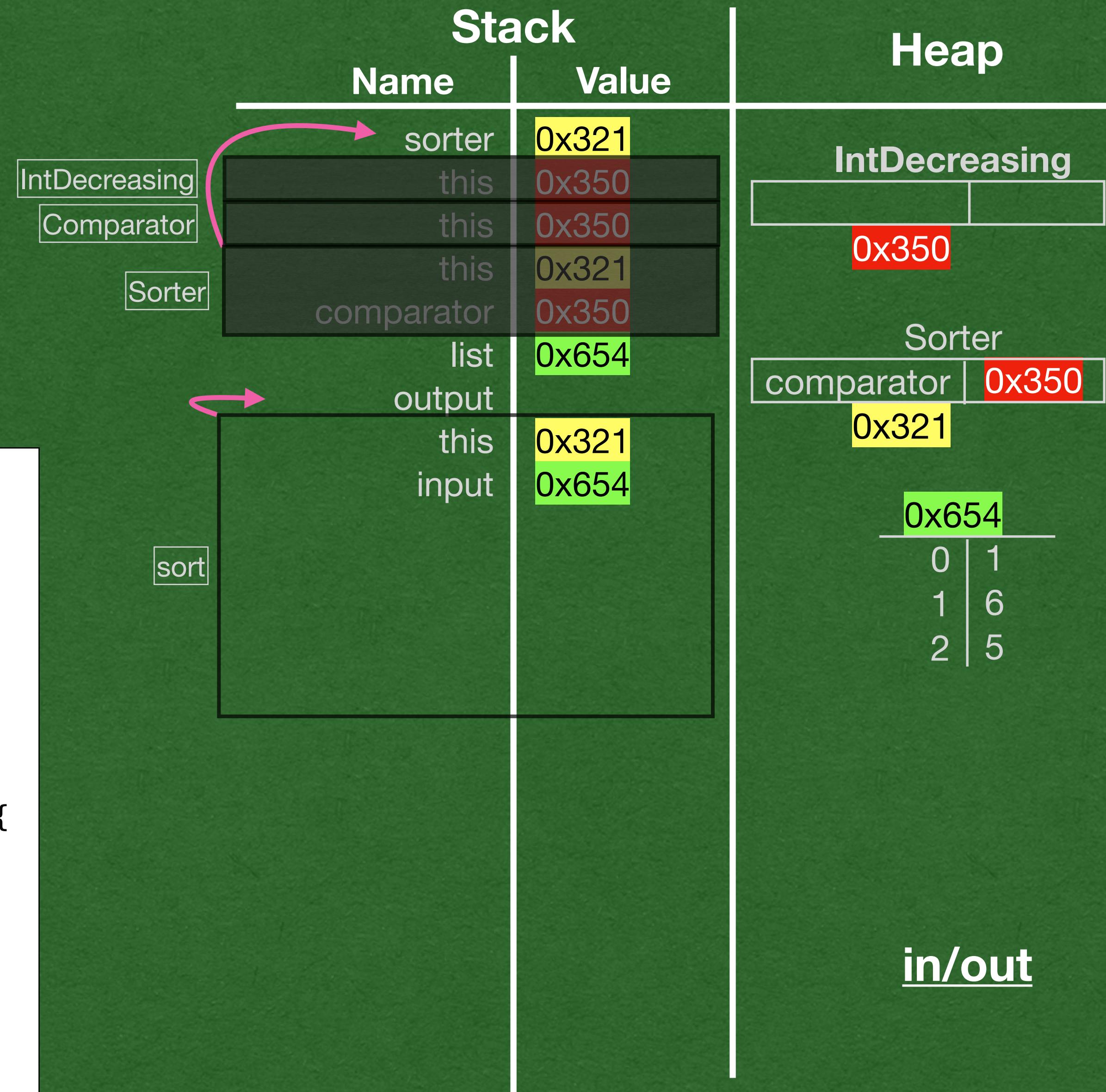
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            }
            output.add(location, valueToInsert);
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        ArrayList<Integer> list = new ArrayList<>(Arrays.asList(1, 6, 5));
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    }
}

```



- Call the sort method
- Create the stack frame

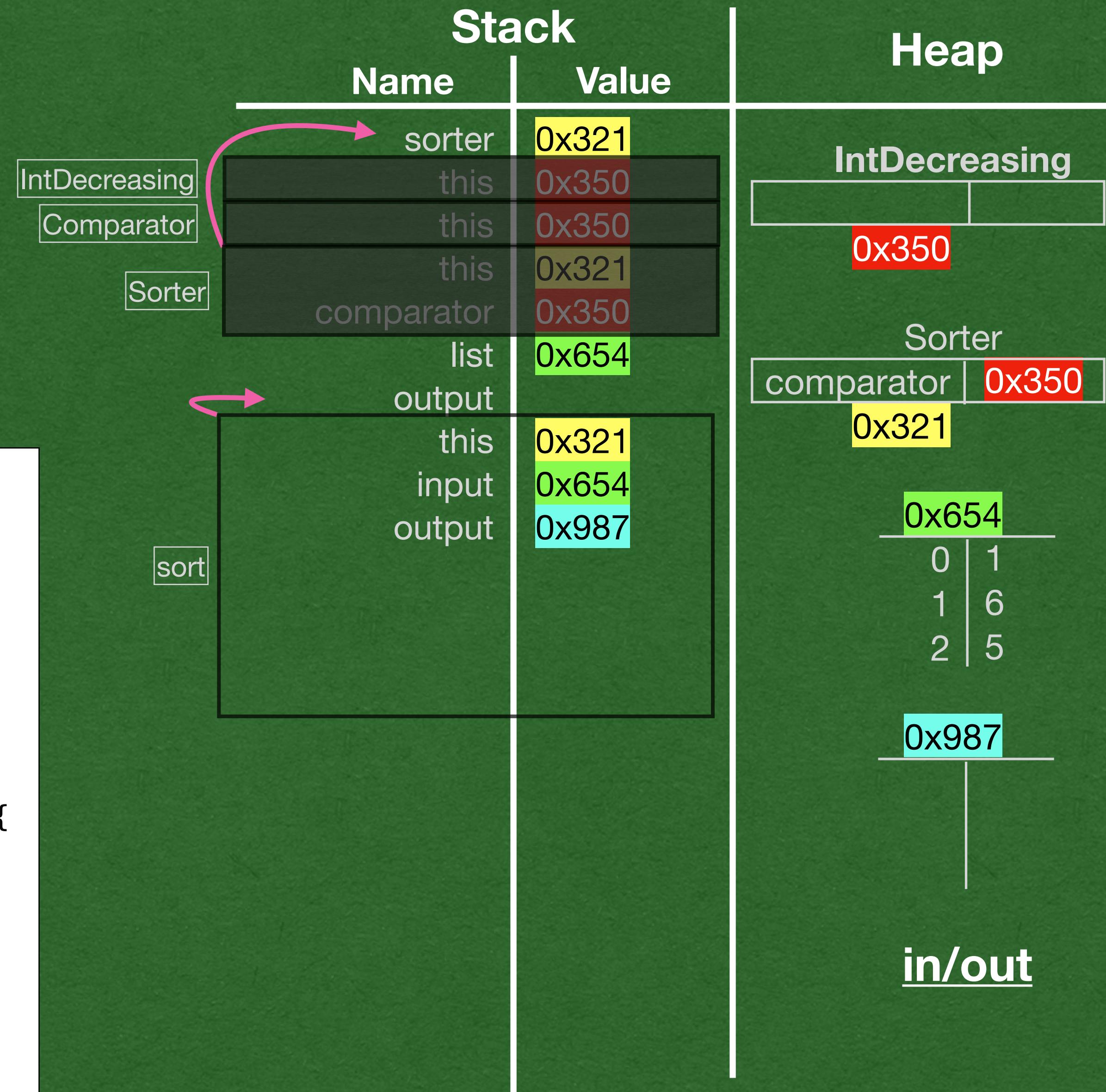
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}

```



- Initialize output to a new empty ArrayList

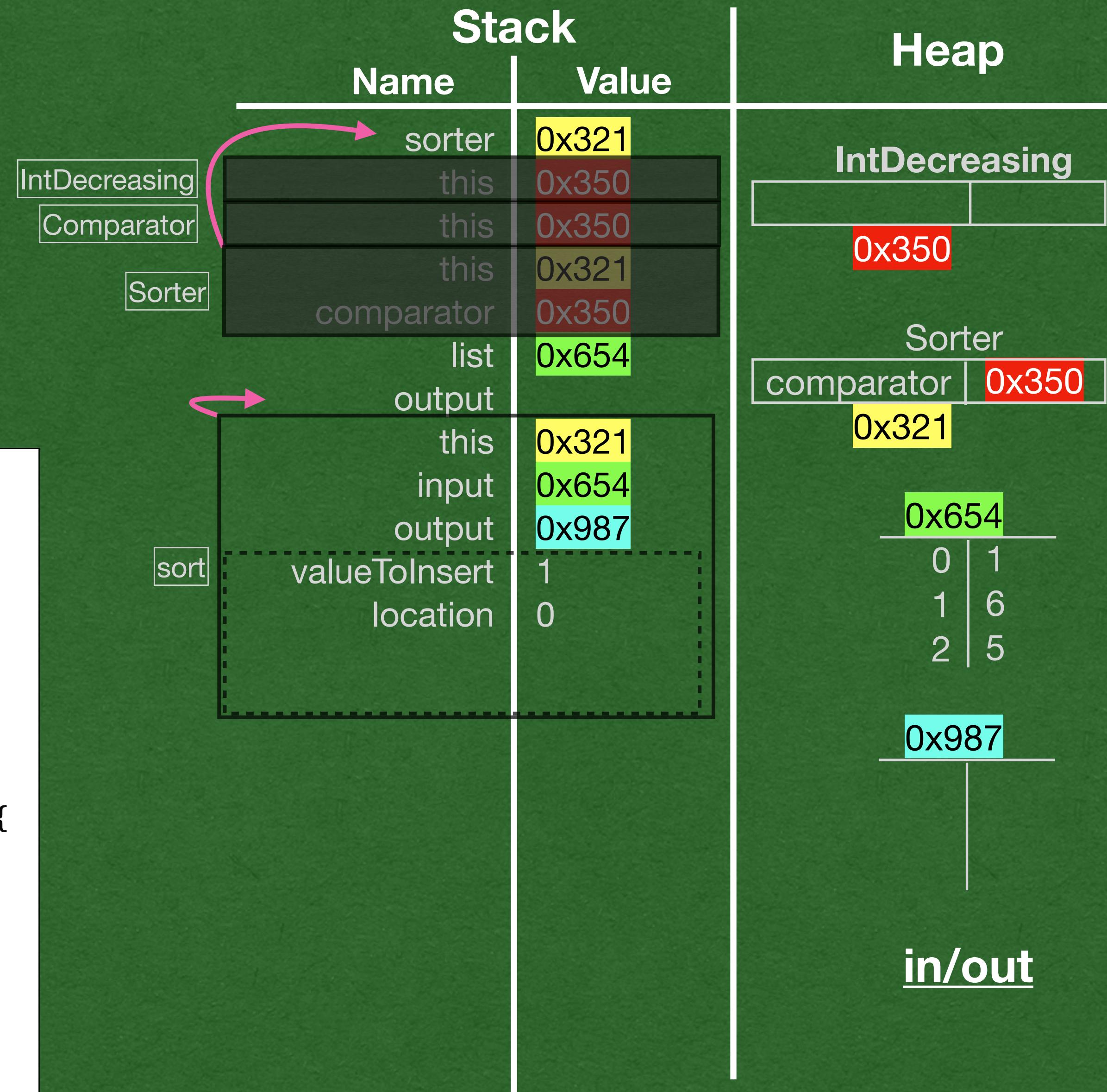
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```



- Start the loop and declare location

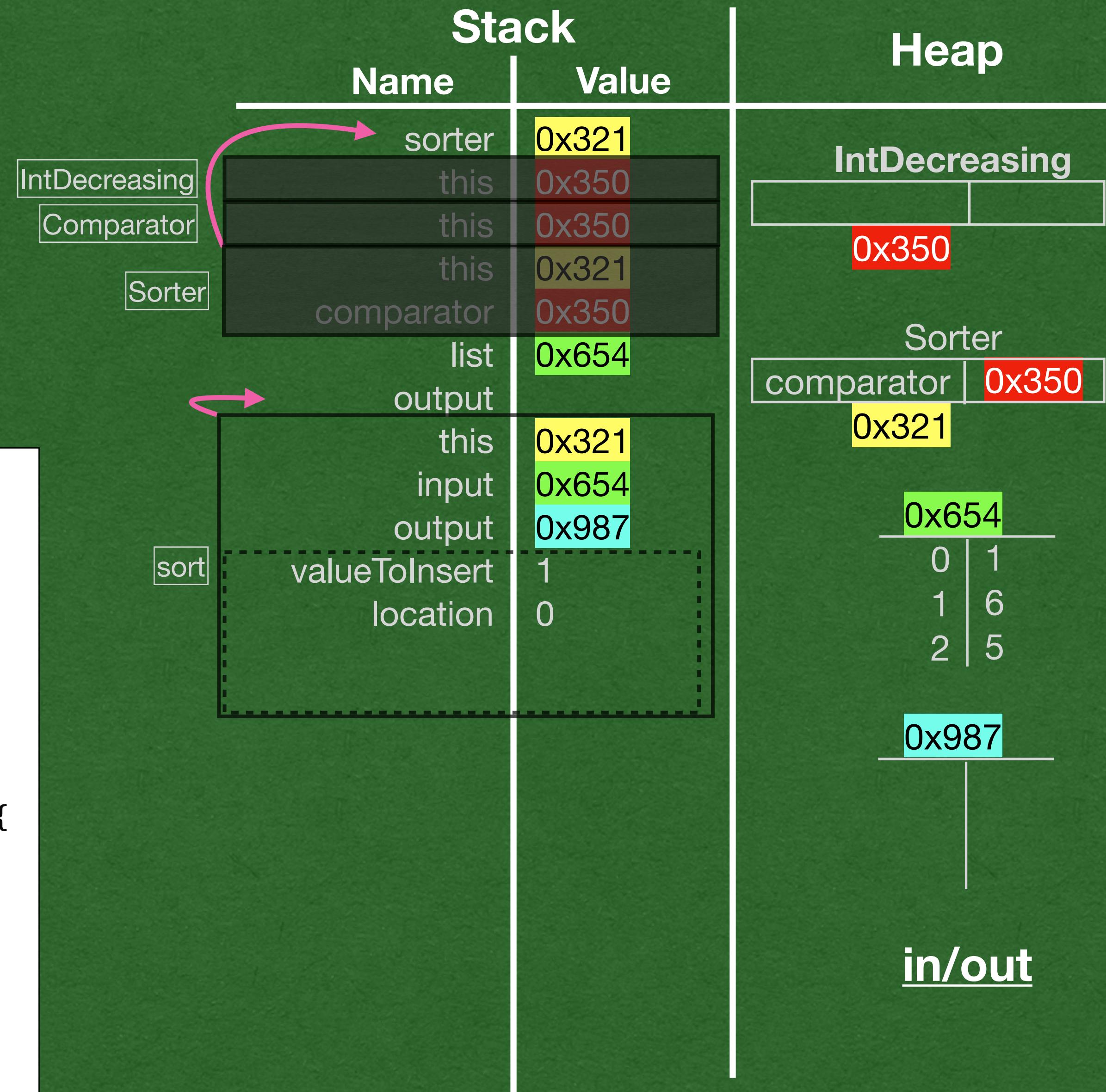
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}

```



- Since output is an empty ArrayList:
- The loop never executes

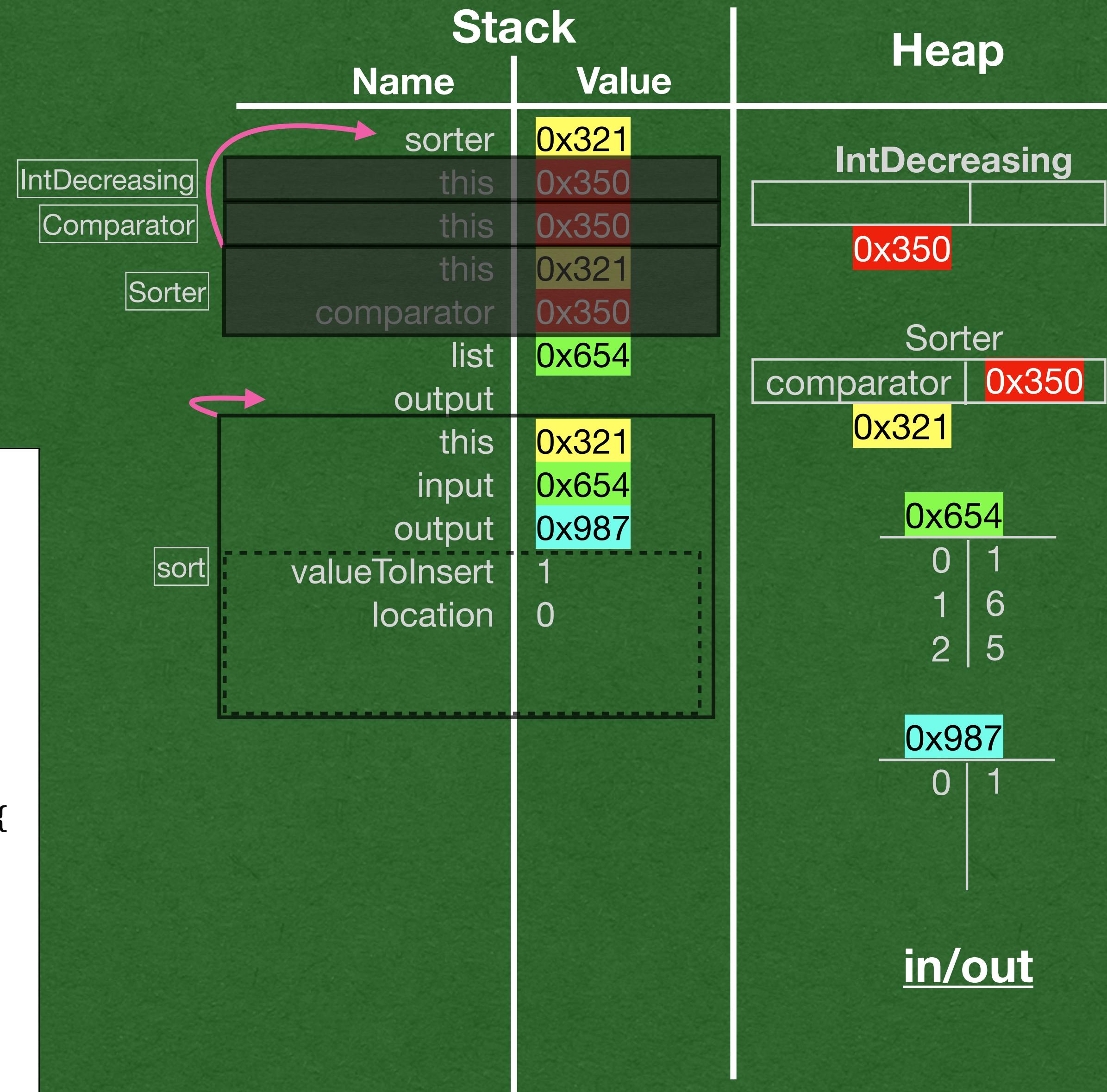
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```



- Insert the value 1 at index 0

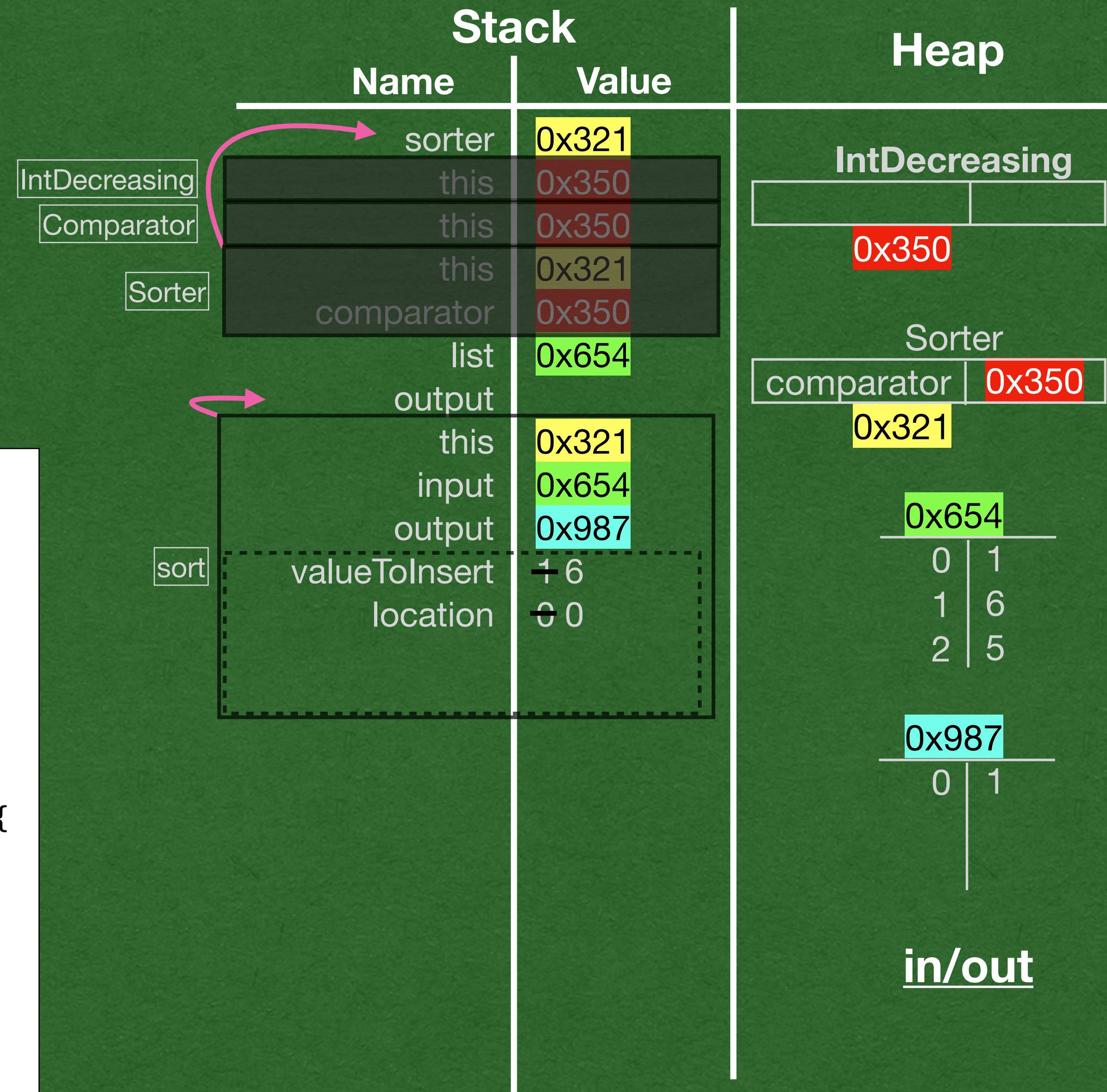
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    }
}

```



- Reinitialize location to 0
- \*Technically, a new variable is created

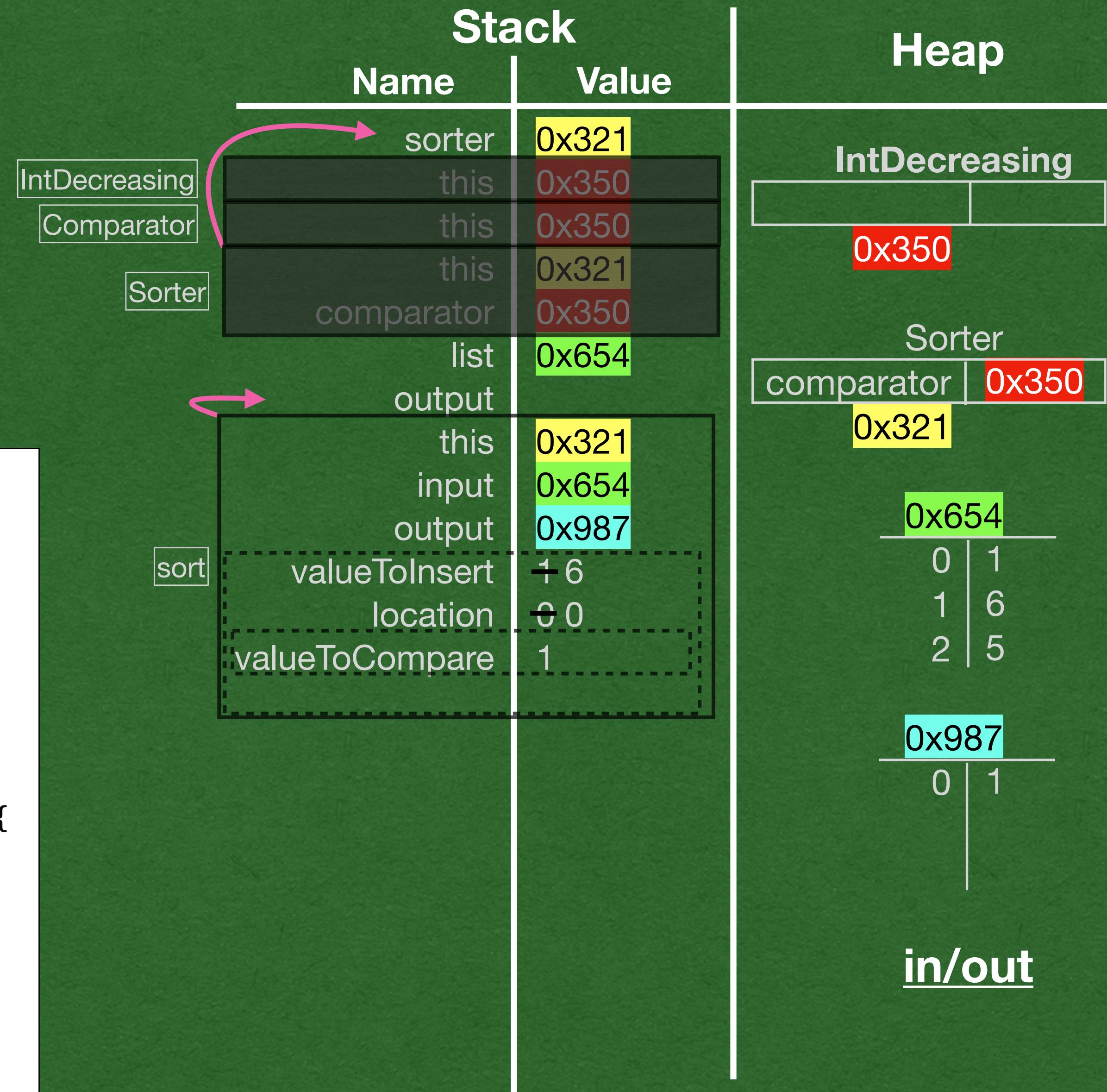
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    }
}

```



- We enter the inner loop
- Add a code block inside a code block

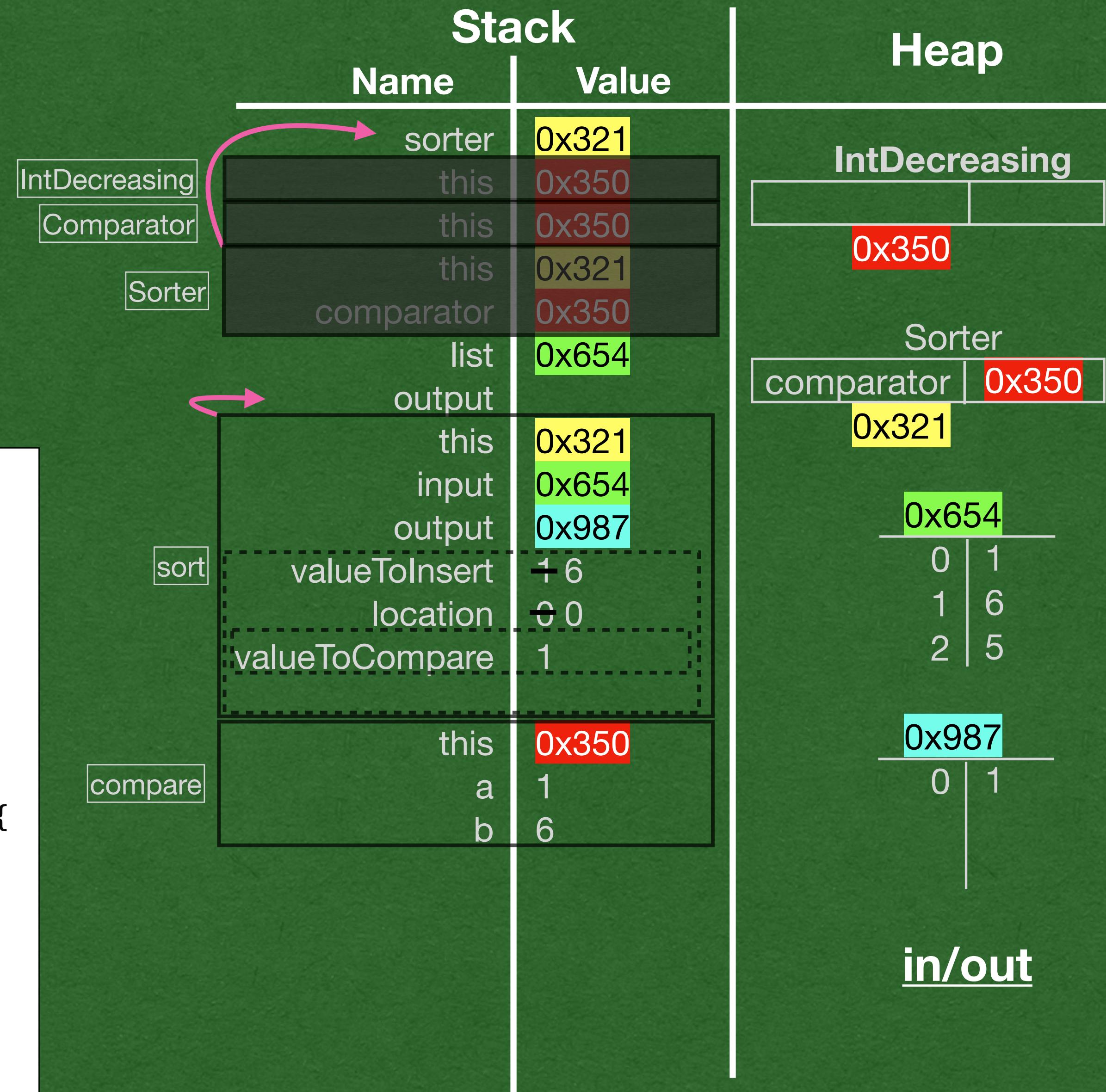
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}

```



- Whenever we need to compare 2 values:
- We call compare

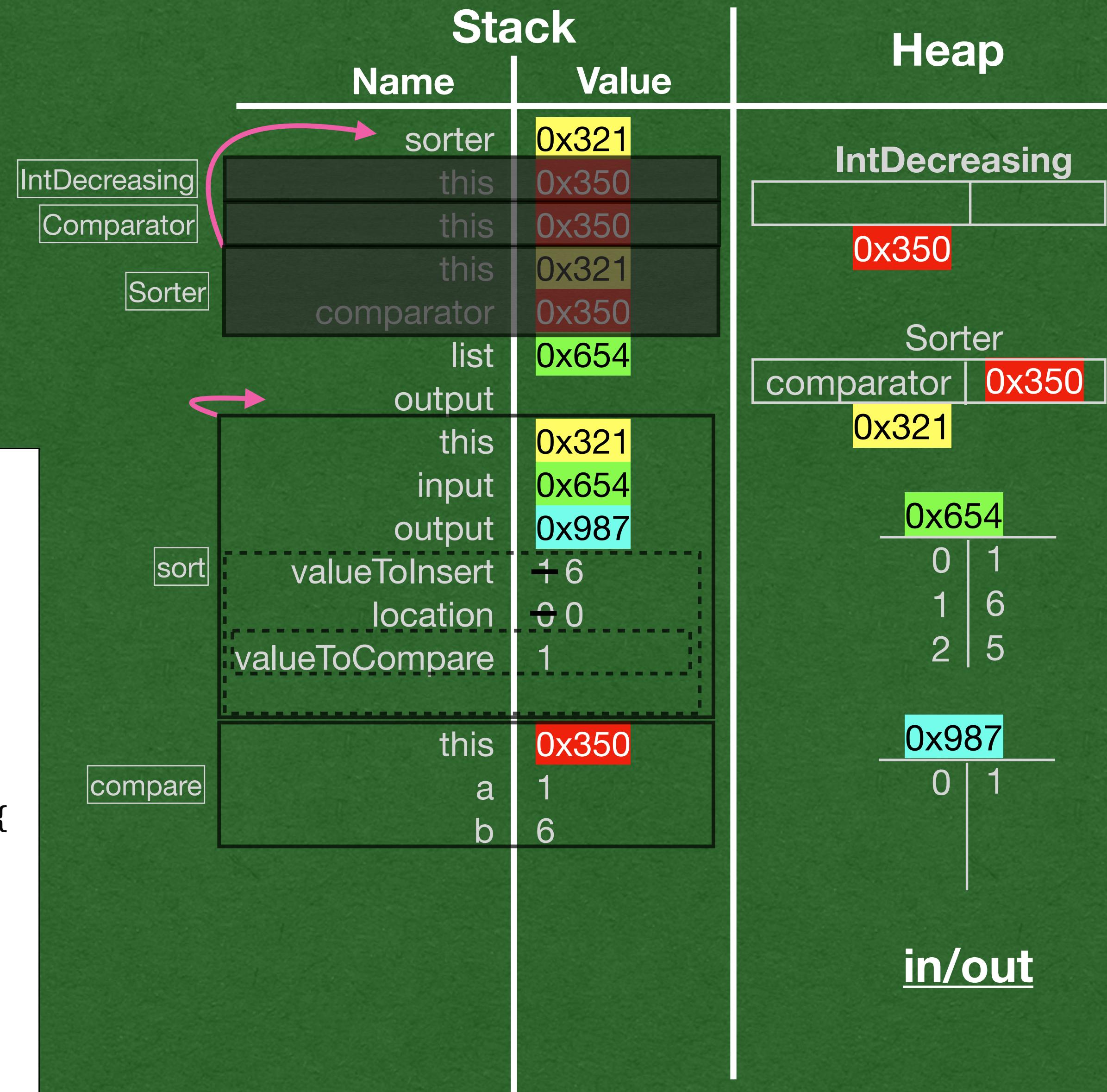
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    }
}

```



- Stack frames never go inside other stack frames!
- Add the new frame below all other frames on the stack

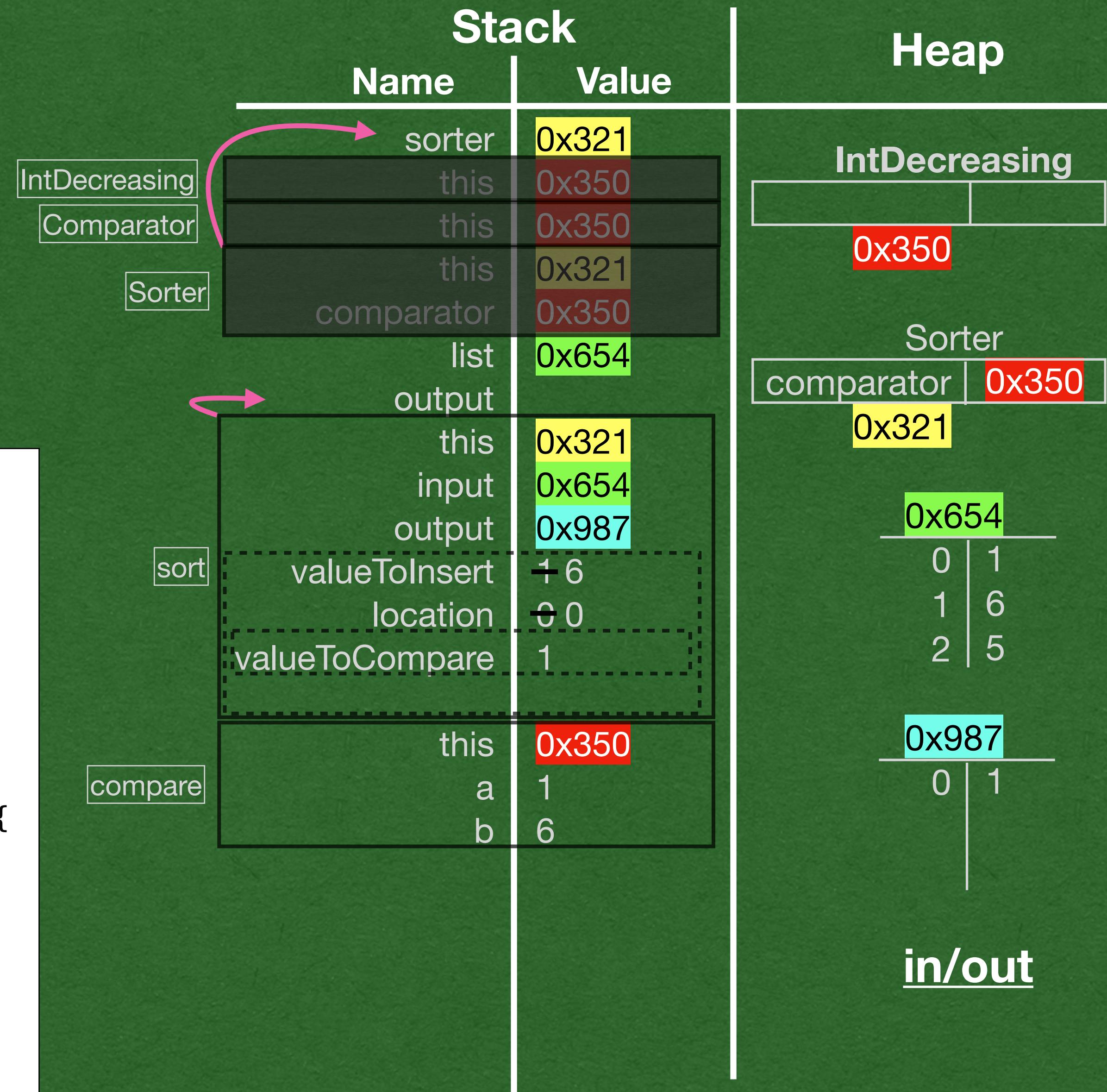
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}

```



- Compare will return  $1 > 6 == \text{false}$
- This tells us that 1 does not come before 6

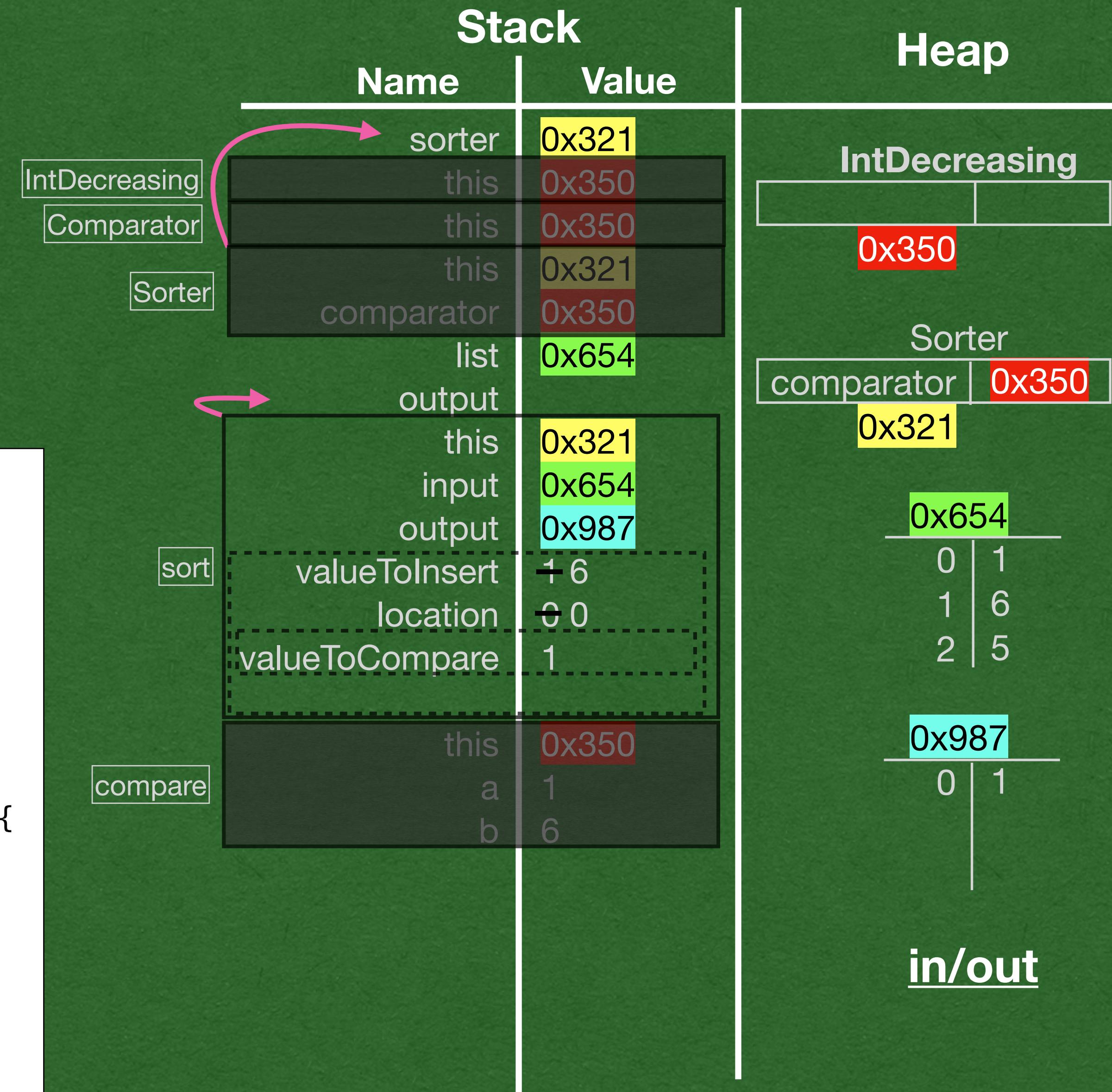
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```



- Since compare returned false:
- We do not increment location

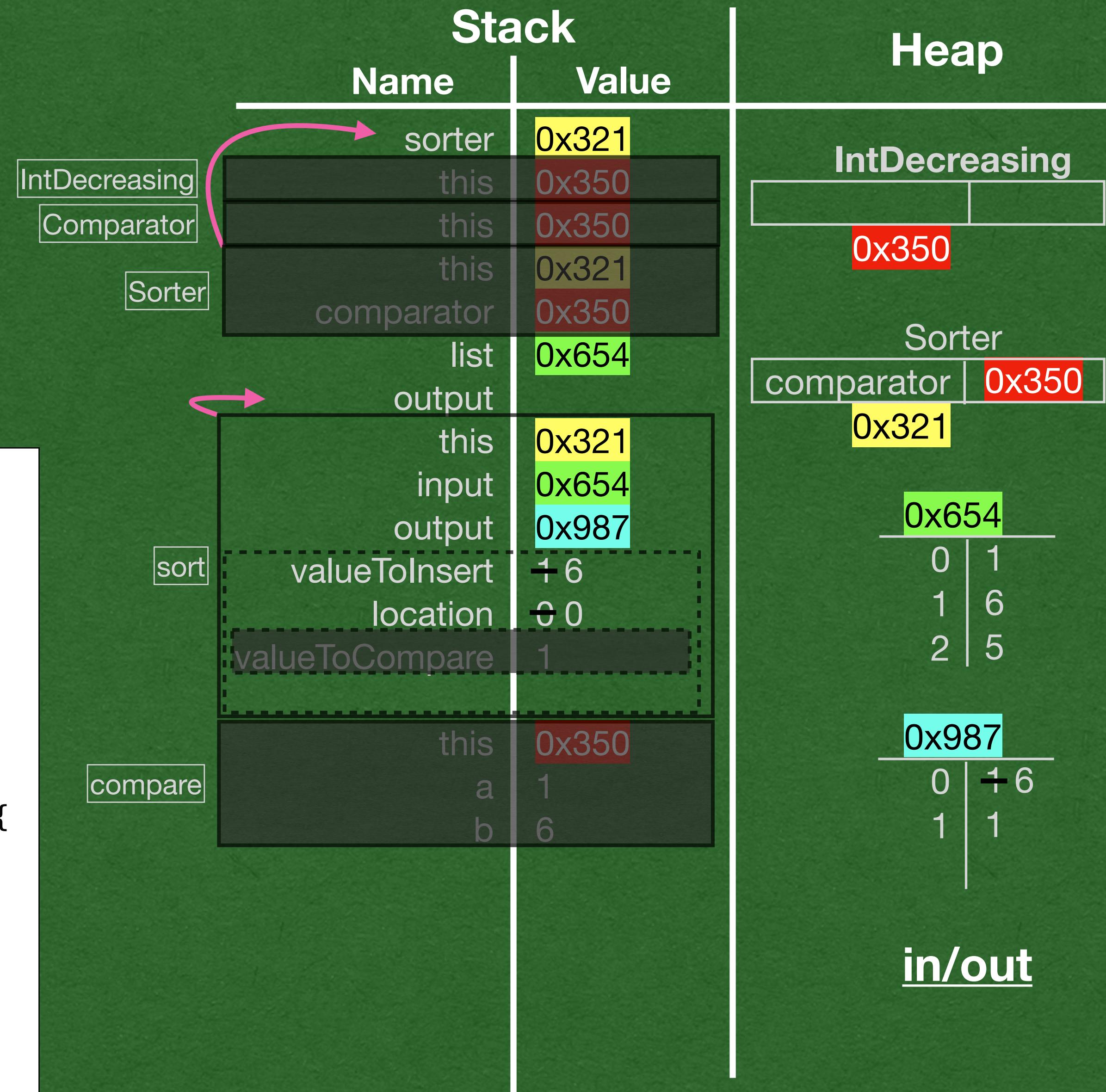
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```



- Insert 6 at index 0
- Move 1 down to index 1

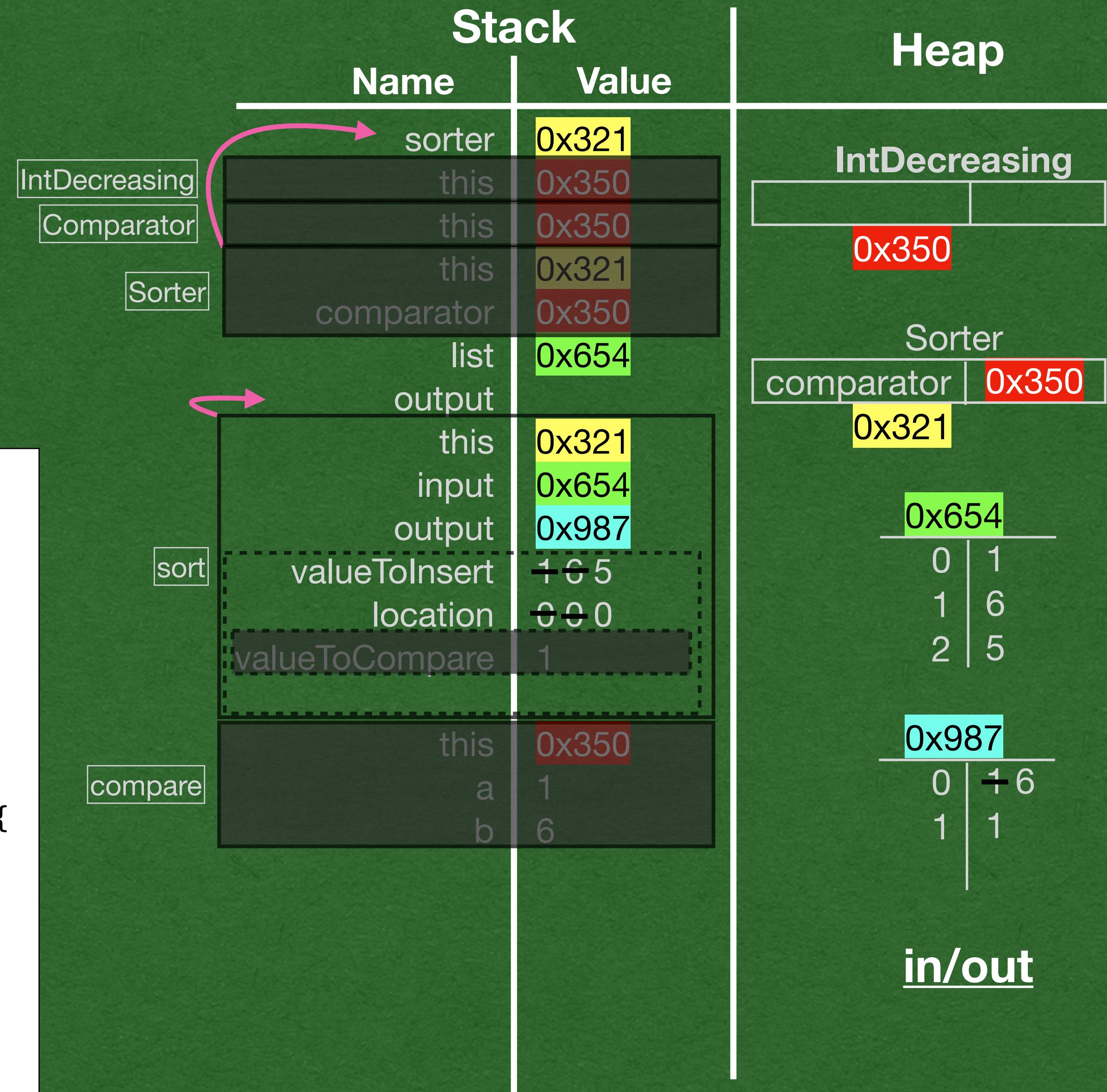
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```



- Initialize 0 for location again

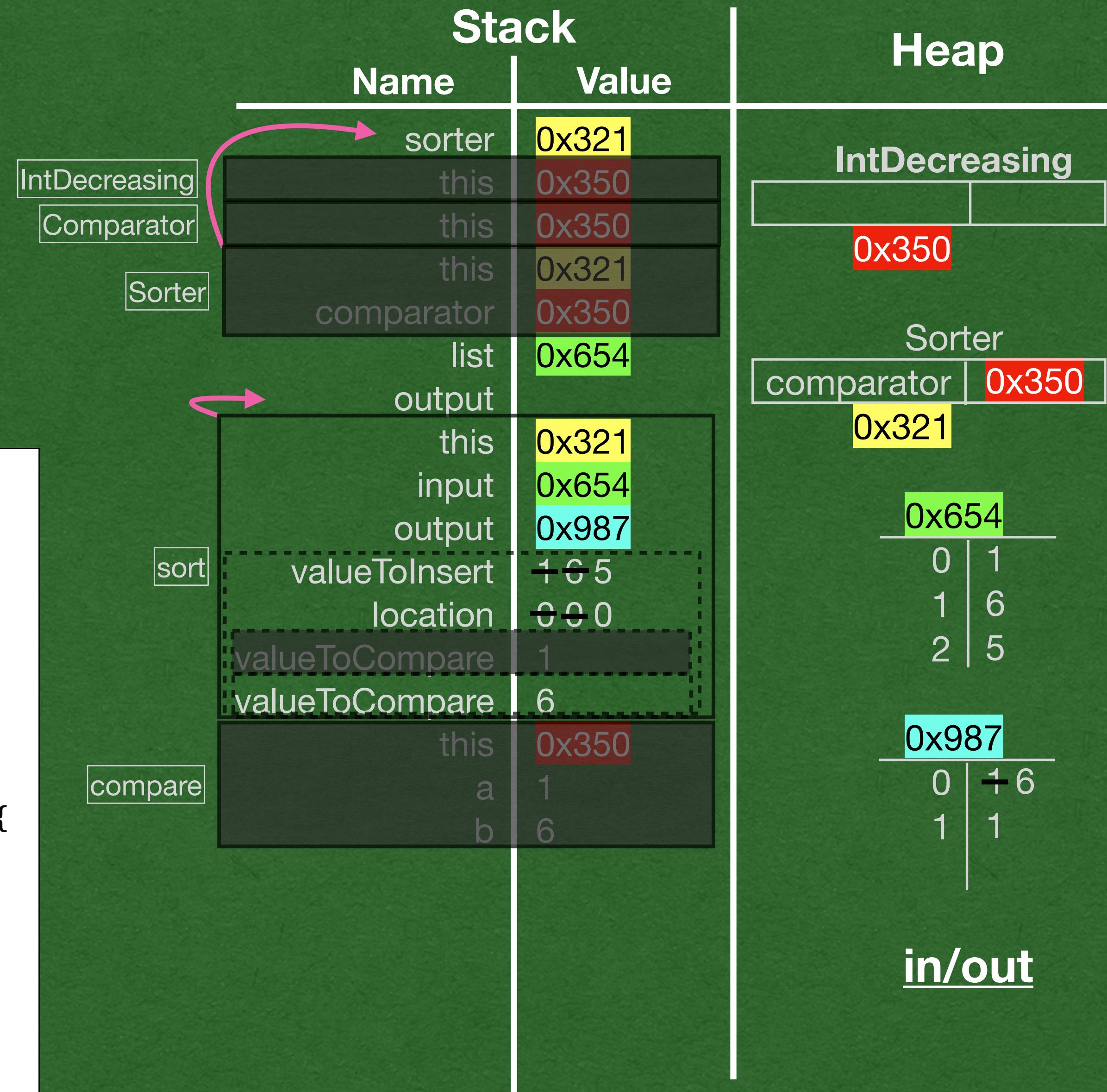
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    }
}

```



- We reach the inner loop a second time
- Add another code block in the diagram

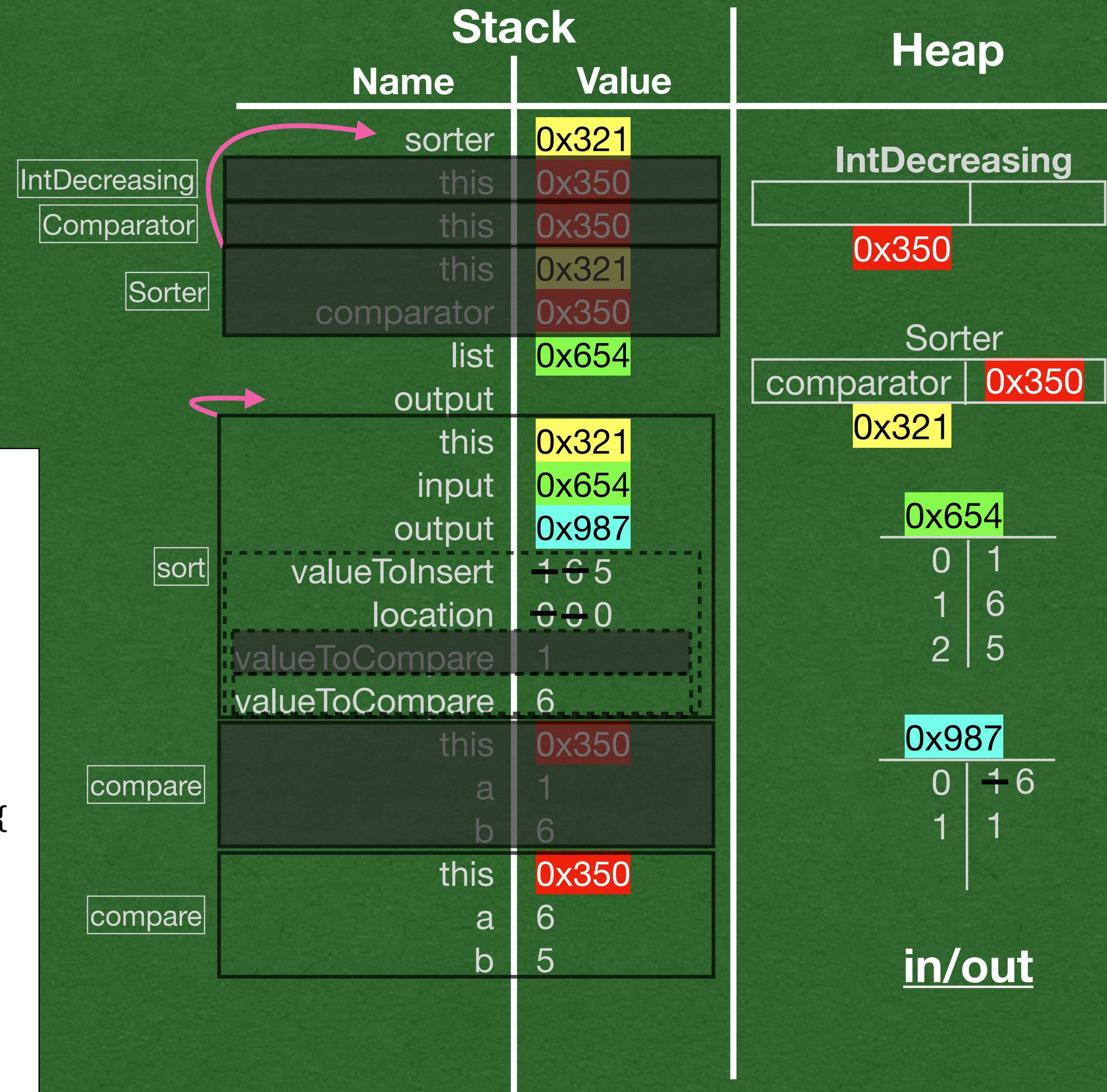
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```



- Call compare with 6 and 5
- $6 > 5$  returns true

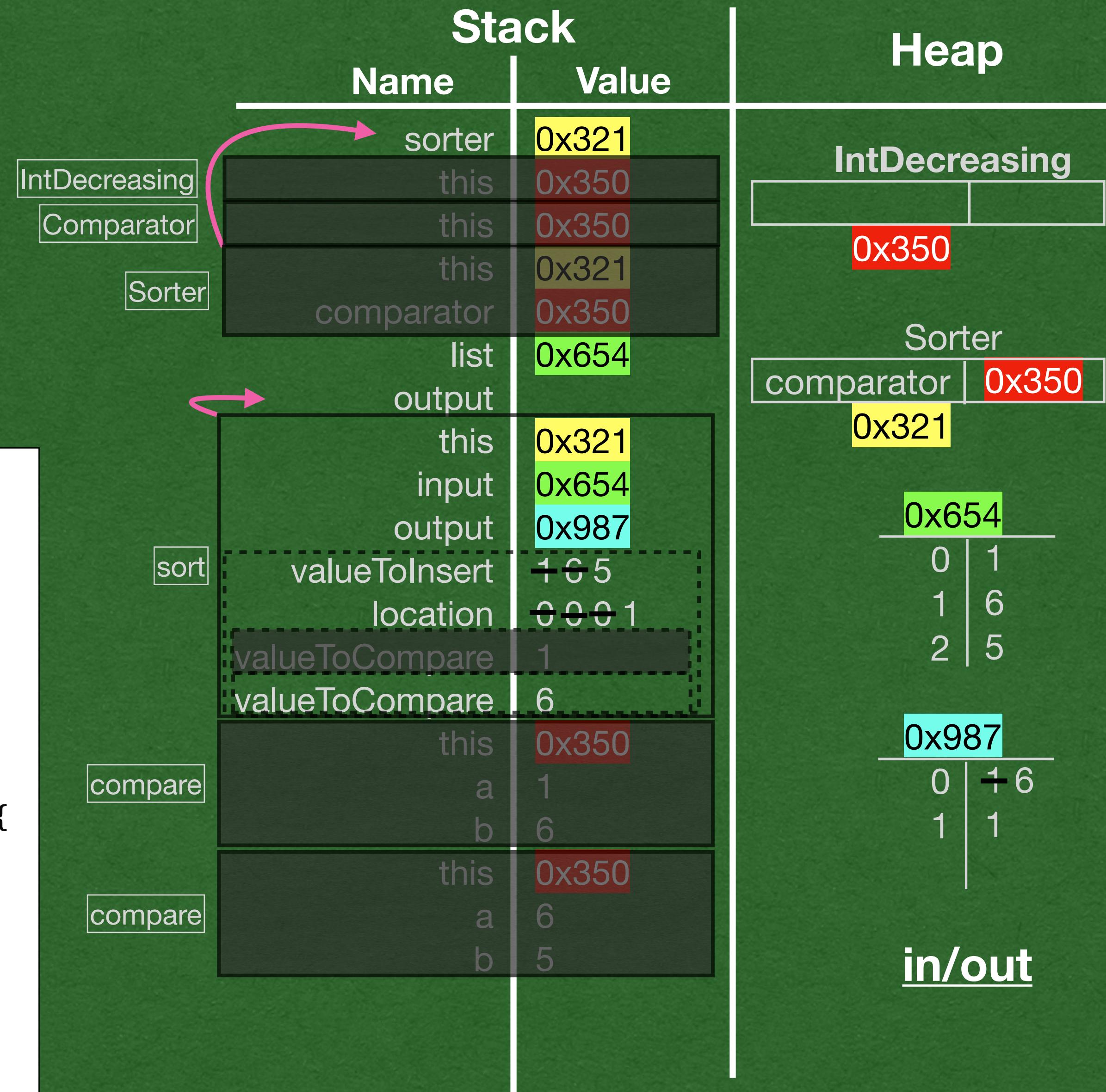
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}

```



- Since compare returned true:
- increment location

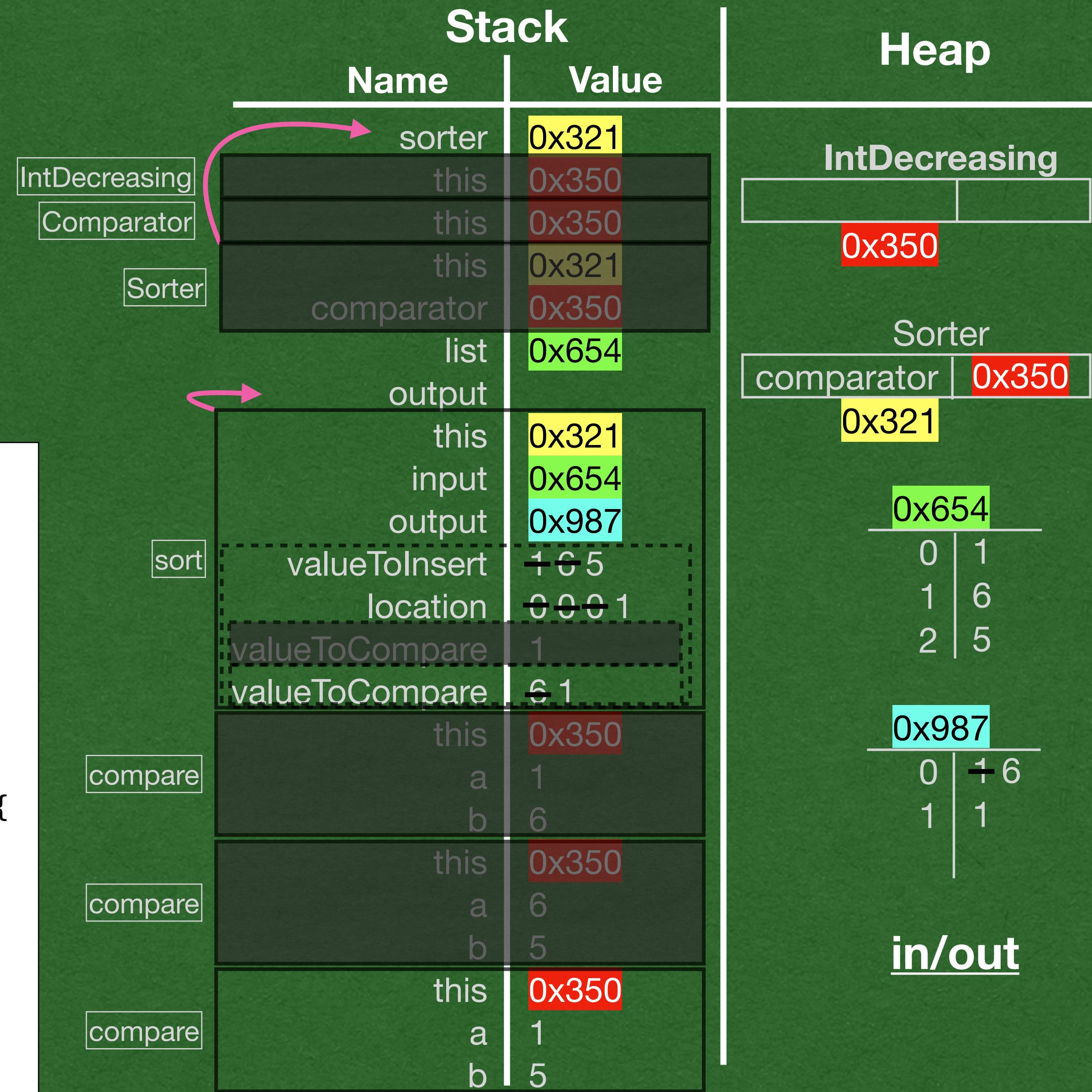
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```



- Compare 1 and 5
- $1 > 5$  returns false

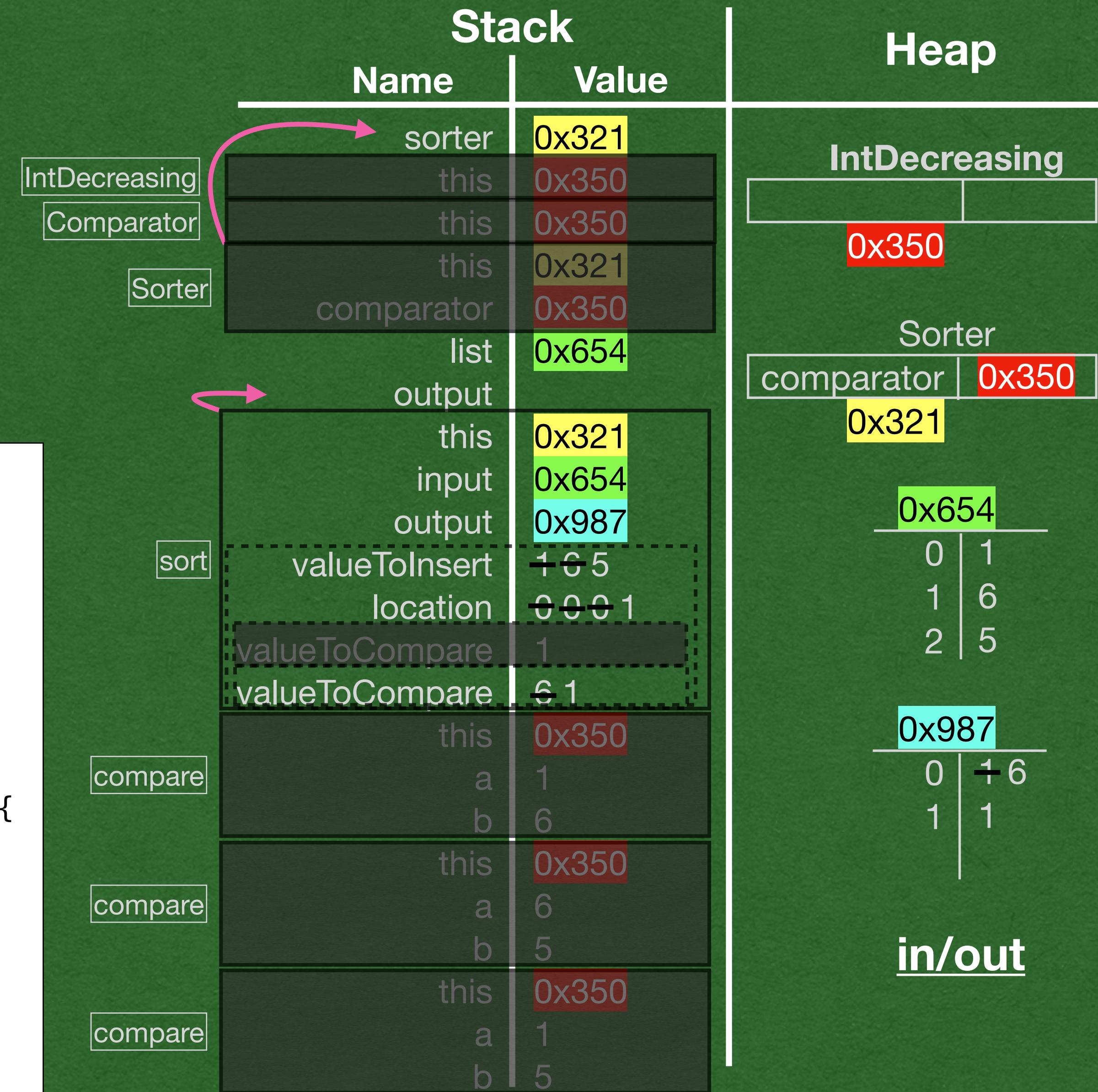
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- compare returned false so we don't increment location

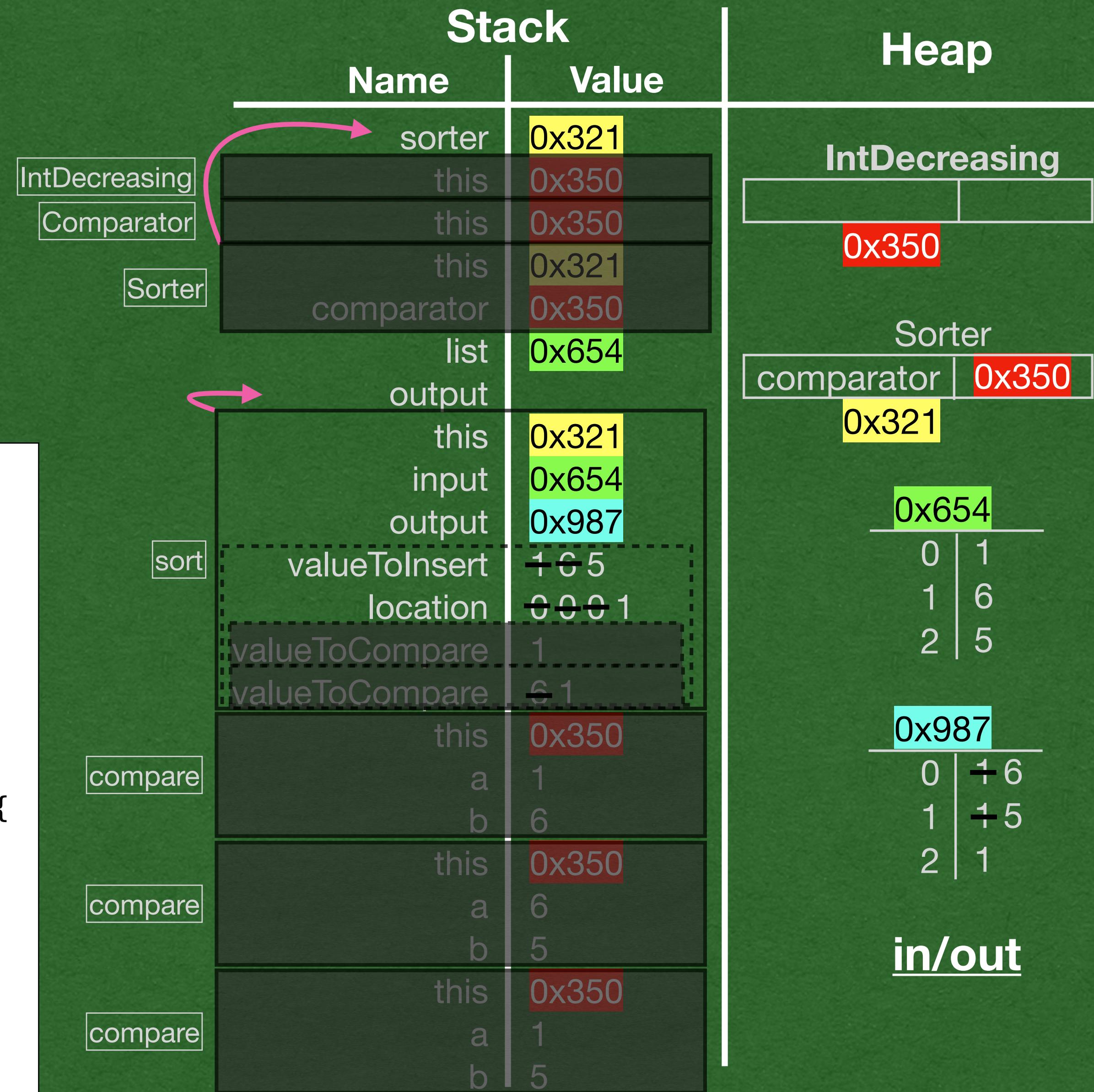
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- Add 5 to the output at index 1
- Move the value 1 to index 2

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Stack		Heap
	Name	Value
IntDecreasing	sorter	0x321
Comparator	this	0x350
Sorter	this	0x350
	this	0x321
	comparator	0x350
sort	list	0x654
	output	
	this	0x321
	input	0x654
	output	0x987
compare	valueToInsert	165
	location	0001
	valueToCompare	1
	valueToCompare	61
compare	this	0x350
	a	1
	b	6
compare	this	0x350
	a	6
	b	5
compare	this	0x350
	a	1
	b	5
	in/out	0x987
	0	1
	1	6
	2	5
	0	16
	1	15
	2	1

- The outer loop ends
  - `valueToInsert` and `location` are removed from the stack

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in/out

- The sort method returns a reference to the output ArrayList

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IntDecreasing		0x350	
Sorter		comparator	0x350
		0x321	
		0x654	
		0	1
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		0x987	
		0	1 6
		1	1 5
		2	1
in/out		[6, 5, 1]	

- Print to the screen
  - End the program