

6.5-8.

The operation $\text{HEAP-DELETE}(A, i)$ deletes the item in node i from heap A . Give an implementation of HEAP-DELETE that runs in $O(\lg n)$ time for an n -element max-heap.

Answer.

The procedure MAX-HEAP-DELETE is similar to HEAP-EXTRACT-MAX procedure.

$\text{MAX-HEAP-DELETE}(A, i)$

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1  if  $A.\text{heap-size} < 1$ 
2      error "heap underflow"
3   $i = A[A.\text{heap-size}]$ 
4   $A.\text{heap-size} = A.\text{heap-size} - 1$ 
5   $\text{MAX-HEAPIFY}(A, i)$ 
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The running time of MAX-HEAP-DELETE is $O(\lg n)$, since it performs only a constant amount of work in lines 1–4, while the procedure MAX-HEAPIFY in line 5 takes time $O(\lg n)$.

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