

Elementary Data Structures and Algorithms

Binary Heaps

If the heap is stored in an array, it is stored in the standard way.

Arrays use zero-based indexing, unless otherwise indicated.

Assume integer division.

Always choose the best or most general answer, unless otherwise instructed.

Concept: heap shapes

1. In a heap, the upper bound on the number of leaves is:

(A) $O(1)$ (C) $O(n)$
(B) $O(n \log n)$ (D) $O(\log n)$

2. In a heap, the distance from the root to the furthest leaf is:

(A) $\theta(n)$ (C) $\theta(\log n)$
(B) $\theta(1)$ (D) $\theta(n \log n)$

3. In a heap, let d_f be the distance of the furthest leaf from the root and let d_c be the analogous distance of the closest leaf. What is $d_f - d_c$, at most?

(A) 0 (C) 2
(B) 1 (D) $\theta(\log n)$

4. What is the most number of nodes in a heap with a single child?

(A) 0 (D) 1
(B) 2 (E) $\Theta(\log n)$
(C) $\Theta(n)$

5. What is the fewest number of nodes in a heap with a single child?

(A) one per level (C) 2
(B) 0 (D) 1

6. **T** or **F**: There can be two or more nodes in a heap with exactly one child.

7. **T** or **F**: A heap can have no nodes with exactly one child.

8. **T** or **F**: All heaps are perfect trees.

9. **T** or **F**: No heaps are perfect trees.

10. **T** or **F**: All heaps are complete trees.

11. **T** or **F**: No heaps are complete trees.

12. **T** or **F**: A binary tree with one node must be a heap.

13. **T** or **F**: A binary tree with two nodes and with the root having the smallest value must be a min-heap.

14. **T** or **F**: If a node in a heap is a right child and has two children, then its sibling must also have two children.

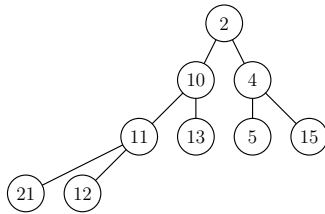
15. **T** or **F**: If a node in a heap is a right child and has one child, then its sibling must also have one child.

Concept: heap ordering

16. In a min-heap, what is the relationship between a parent and its left child?
- (A) the parent has a larger value (C) there is no relationship between their values
(B) the parent has a smaller value (D) the parent has the same value
17. In a min-heap, what is the relationship between a left child and its sibling?
- (A) both children cannot have the same value (C) the right child has a larger value
(B) there is no relationship between their values (D) the left child has a smaller value
18. **T or F:** A binary tree with three nodes and with the root having the smallest value and two children must be a min heap.
19. **T or F:** The largest value in a max-heap can be found at the root.
20. **T or F:** The largest value in a min-heap can be found at the root.
21. **T or F:** The largest value in a min-heap can be found at a leaf.

Concept: heaps stored in arrays

22. How would this heap be stored in an array?

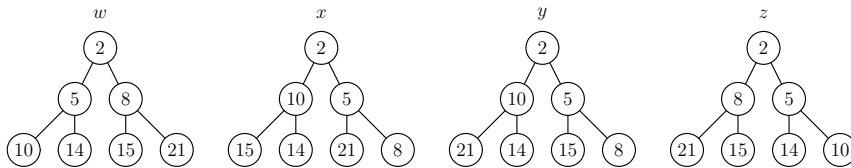


- (A) [2,10,11,21,12,13,4,5,15] (C) [21,11,12,10,13,2,5,4,15]
(B) [2,10,4,11,13,5,15,21,12] (D) [2,4,5,10,11,12,13,15,21]
23. Printing out the values in the array yield what kind of traversal of the heap?
- (A) post-order (C) pre-order
(B) level-order (D) in-order
24. Suppose the heap has n values. The root of the heap can be found at which index?
- (A) 0 (C) n
(B) $n-1$ (D) 1
25. Suppose the heap has n values. The left child of the root can be found at which index?
- (A) n (D) 2
(B) $n-2$ (E) 0
(C) $n-1$ (F) 1
26. Left children in a heap are stored at what kind of indices?
- (A) all odd (D) all even but one
(B) all even (E) a roughly equal mix of odd and even
(C) all odd but one

27. Right children in a heap are stored at what kind of indices?
- (A) all even (D) a roughly equal mix of odd and even
 (B) all even but one (E) all odd
 (C) all odd but one
28. The formula for finding the left child of a node stored at index i is:
- (A) $i * 2 + 1$ (C) $i * 2 - 1$
 (B) $i * 2$ (D) $i * 2 + 2$
29. The formula for finding the right child of a node stored at index i is:
- (A) $i * 2 + 2$ (C) $i * 2 + 1$
 (B) $i * 2$ (D) $i * 2 - 1$
30. The formula for finding the parent of a node stored at index i is:
- (A) $i/2$ (C) $(i + 1)/2$
 (B) $(i + 2)/2$ (D) $(i - 1)/2$
31. If the array uses one-based indexing, the formula for finding the left child of a node stored at index i is:
- (A) $i * 2 - 1$ (C) $i * 2 + 2$
 (B) $i * 2 + 1$ (D) $i * 2$
32. If the array uses one-based indexing, the formula for finding the right child of a node stored at index i is:
- (A) $i * 2 + 2$ (C) $i * 2 + 1$
 (B) $i * 2$ (D) $i * 2 - 1$
33. If the array uses one-based indexing, the formula for finding the parent of a node stored at index i is:
- (A) $(i - 1)/2$ (C) $i/2$
 (B) $(i + 2)/2$ (D) $(i + 1)/2$
34. Consider a trinary heap stored in an array. The formula for finding the left child of a node stored at index i is:
- (A) $i * 3 + 2$ (D) $i * 3 + 1$
 (B) $i * 3 - 2$ (E) $i * 3 + 3$
 (C) $i * 3$ (F) $i * 3 - 1$
35. Consider a trinary heap stored in an array. The formula for finding the middle child of a node stored at index i is:
- (A) $i * 3 - 1$ (D) $i * 3 + 2$
 (B) $i * 3$ (E) $i * 3 + 1$
 (C) $i * 3 - 2$ (F) $i * 3 + 3$
36. Consider a trinary heap stored in an array. The formula for finding the right child of a node stored at index i is:
- (A) $i * 3 + 2$ (D) $i * 3$
 (B) $i * 3 - 1$ (E) $i * 3 + 1$
 (C) $i * 3 - 2$ (F) $i * 3 + 3$
37. Consider a trinary heap stored in an array. The formula for finding the parent of a node stored at index i is:
- (A) $i/3 - 1$ (D) $(i + 1)/3$
 (B) $(i - 1)/3$ (E) $(i + 2)/3$
 (C) $(i - 2)/3$ (F) $i/3 + 1$

Concept: *heap operations*

38. In a max-heap with no knowledge of the minimum value, the minimum value can be found in time:
- (A) $\theta(\log n)$ (C) $\theta(n \log n)$
 (B) $\theta(1)$ (D) $\theta(n)$
39. Suppose a min-heap with n values is stored in an array a . In the *extractMin* operation, which element immediately replaces the root element (prior to this new root being sifted down).
- (A) the minimum of $a[1]$ and $a[2]$ (C) $a[2]$
 (B) $a[1]$ (D) $a[n-1]$
40. The *findMin* operation in a min-heap takes how much time?
- (A) $\Theta(\log n)$ (C) $\Theta(n)$
 (B) $\Theta(n \log n)$ (D) $\Theta(1)$
41. The *extractMin* operation in a min-heap takes how much time?
- (A) $\Theta(\log n)$ (C) $\Theta(1)$
 (B) $\Theta(n \log n)$ (D) $\Theta(n)$
42. Merging two heaps of size n and m , $m < n$ takes how much time?
- (A) $\Theta(\log n * \log m)$ (D) $\Theta(\log n + \log m)$
 (B) $\Theta(m \log n)$ (E) $\Theta(n + m)$
 (C) $\Theta(n \log m)$ (F) $\Theta(n * m)$
43. The *insert* operation takes how much time?
- (A) $\Theta(\log n)$ (C) $\Theta(n \log n)$
 (B) $\Theta(n)$ (D) $\Theta(1)$
44. Turning an unordered array into a heap takes how much time?
- (A) $\Theta(1)$ (C) $\Theta(n)$
 (B) $\Theta(\log n)$ (D) $\Theta(n \log n)$
45. Suppose the values 21, 15, 14, 10, 8, 5, and 2 are inserted, one after the other, into an empty *min*-heap. What does the resulting heap look like? Heap properties are maintained after every insertion.



- (A) w (C) x
 (B) y (D) z
46. Using the standard *buildHeap* operation to turn an unordered array into a *max*-heap, how many parent-child swaps are made if the initial unordered array is $[5, 21, 8, 15, 25, 3, 9]$?
- (A) 7 (D) 3
 (B) 4 (E) 5
 (C) 6 (F) 2