Heap Sort Algorithm

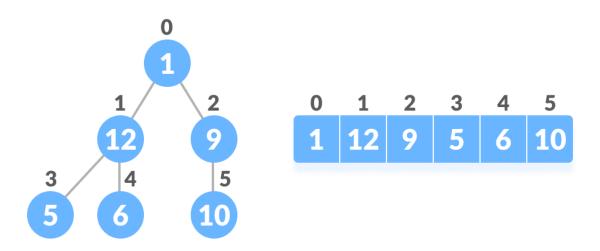
Heap Sort is a popular and efficient sorting algorithm in computer programming.

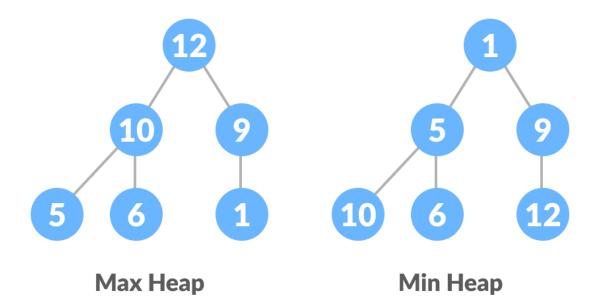
Learning how to write the heap sort algorithm requires knowledge of two types of data structures - arrays and trees.

The initial set of numbers that we want to sort is stored in an array e.g. [10, 3, 76, 34, 23, 32] and after sorting, we get a sorted array [3,10,23,32,34,76].

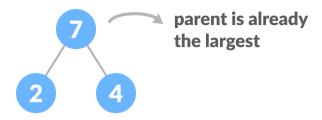
Heap sort works by visualizing the elements of the array as a special kind of complete binary tree called a heap.

Note: As a prerequisite, you must know about <u>a complete binary tree</u> and <u>heap data structure</u>.

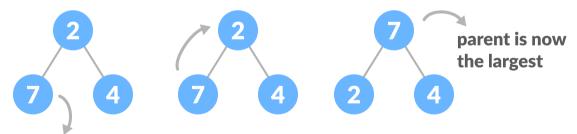




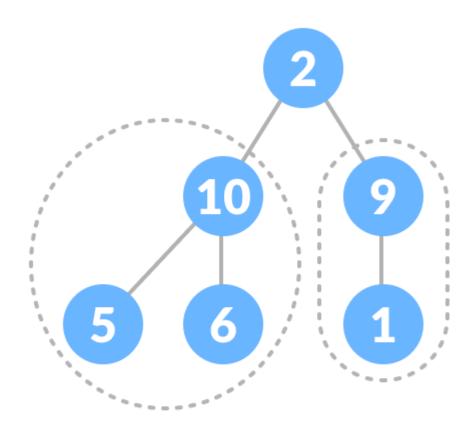
Scenario-1



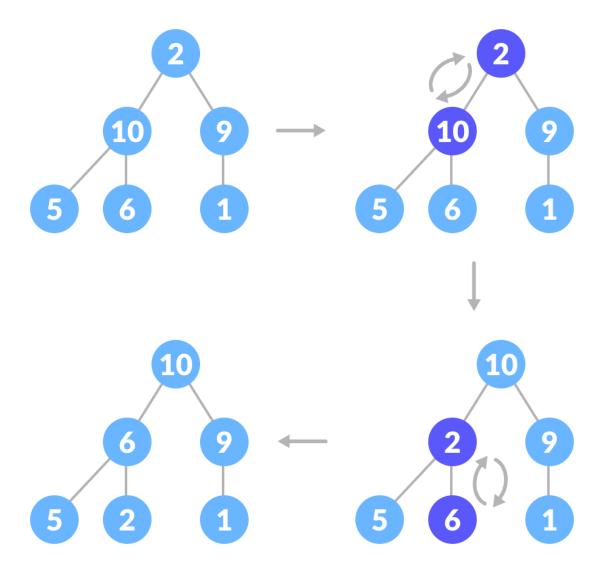
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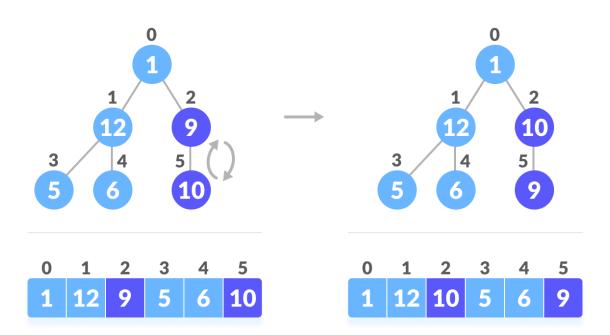


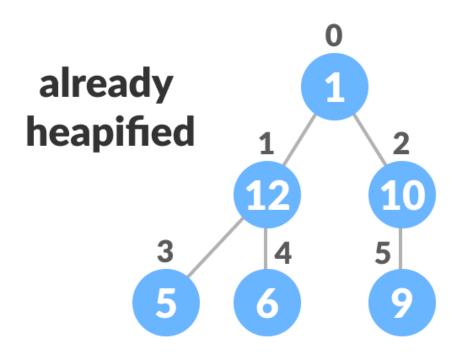
child is greater than the parent



both subtrees of the root are already max-heaps

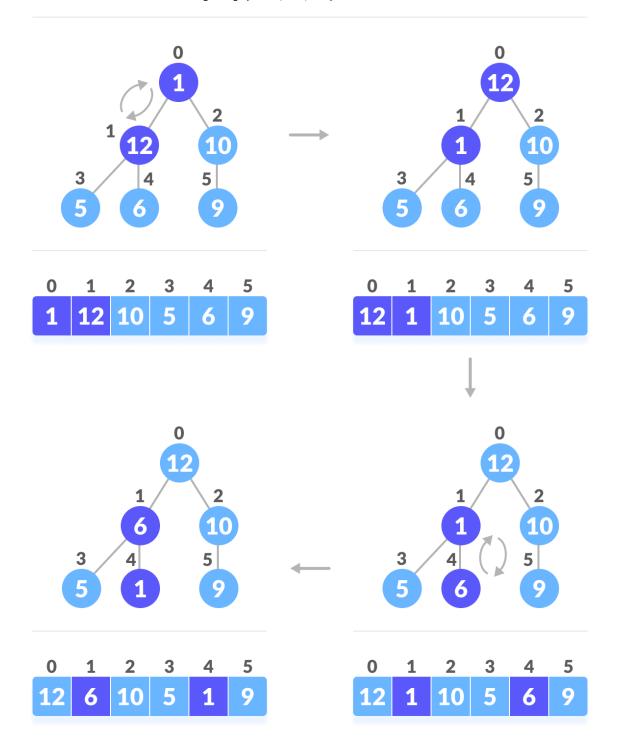




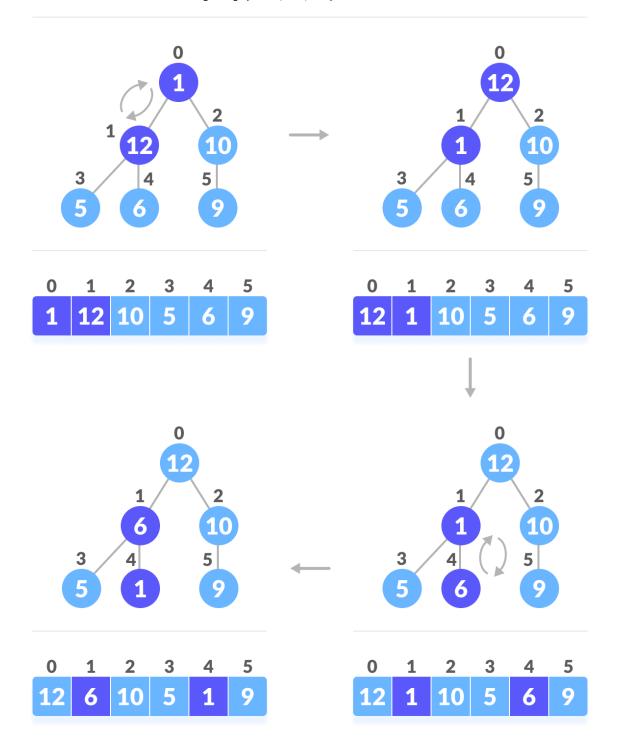




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Working of Heap Sort

- 1. Since the tree satisfies Max-Heap property, then the largest item is stored at the root node.
- 2. **Swap:** Remove the root element and put at the end of the array (nth position) Put the last item of the tree (heap) at the vacant place.
- 3. **Remove:** Reduce the size of the heap by 1.
- 4. **Heapify:** Heapify the root element again so that we have the highest element at root.
- 5. The process is repeated until all the items of the list are sorted.

