Analysis of Algorithms Heapsort and Quicksort

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Heapsort intuition

Heapsort proceeds by storing every element of the vector in a heap and then extracts the root in sucessive iterations until the sorted vector is obtained. Heapsort relies on the heap property of having the biggest (or smallest) element of the vector as the root.



MAX-HEAPIFY

In order to maintain the max-heap property, we call the procedure MAX-HEAPIFY. Its inputs are an array A and an index i into the array. When it is called, MAX-HEAPIFY assumes that the binary trees rooted at LEFT(i) and RIGHT(i) are max-heaps, but that A[i] might be smaller than its children, thus violating the max-heap property. MAX-HEAPIFY lets the value at A[i] "float down" in the max-heap so that the subtree rooted at index i obeys the max-heap property.



Example

Conceptually using heapsort sort the following list:

10, 5, 8, 4, 12, 2, 6, 11, 3, 9, 7, 1



Exercise

Imegine that you have a max heap \boldsymbol{A} and you wanna support the following operations of:

- Increase − Key(A, i, newkey)
- Insert(A, i)
- Extract Max(A)

How would you do it?



Exercise 6.2-6 from Cormen's book

Show that the worst-case running time of MAX-HEAPIFY on a heap of size n is $\Omega(\log n)$.

• (Hint: For a heap with *n* nodes, give node values that cause MAX-HEAPIFY to be called recursively at every node on a simple path from the root down to a leaf.)

