Heaps

Adapted from the CLRS book slides

SORTING ALGORITHMS

Goals

- $O(n \lg n)$ worst case—like merge sort.
- Sorts in place—like insertion sort.
- Heapsort combines the best of both algorithms.

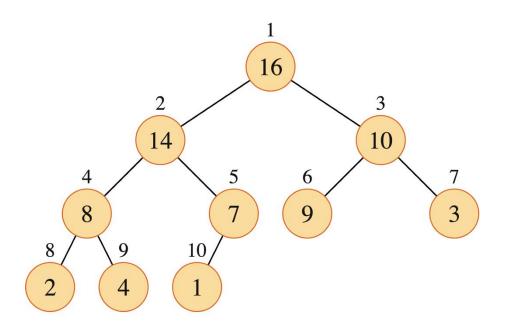
To understand heapsort, we'll cover heaps and heap operations, and then we'll take a look at priority queues.

HEAP DATA STRUCTURE

A heap (**not** garbage-collected storage) is a nearly complete binary tree.

Height of node = # of edges on a longest simple path from the node down to a leaf.

Height of heap = height of root = $\Theta(\lg n)$.



HEAP DATA STRUCTURES (continued)

A heap can be stored as an array A.

- Root of tree is A[1].
- Parent of $A[i] = A[\lfloor i/2 \rfloor]$.
- Left child of A[i] = A[2i].
- Right child of A[i] = A[2i + 1].

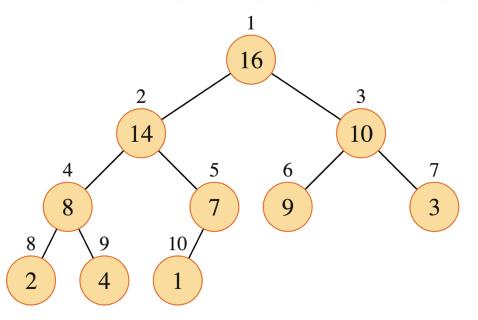
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PARENT(i) return \lfloor i/2 \rfloor
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LEFT(i)

return 2i

RIGHT(i) return 2i + 1

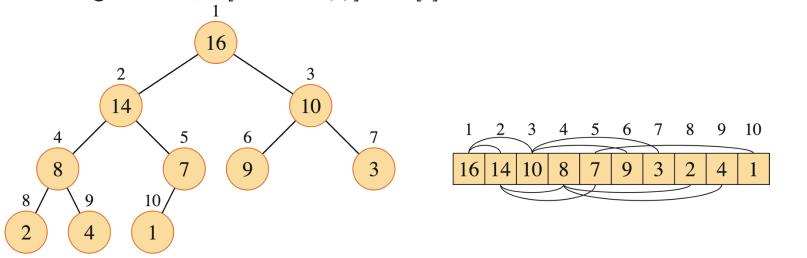
• Attribute A. heap-size says how many elements are stored in A. Only the elements in A[1:A.heap-size] are in the heap.



EXAMPLE

Of a max-heap in array with heap-size = 10.

- For max-heaps (largest element at root), *max-heap property:* for all nodes i, excluding the root, $A[PARENT(i)] \ge A[i]$.
- For min-heaps (smallest element at root), *min-heap property:* for all nodes i, excluding the root, $A[PARENT(i)] \leq A[i]$.



MAINTAINING THE HEAP PROPERTY

MAX-HEAPIFY is important for manipulating max-heaps. It is used to maintain the max-heap property.

Before MAX-HEAPIFY, A[i] may be smaller than its children.

Assume that left and right subtrees of i are max-heaps. (No violations of maxheap property within the left and right subtrees. The only violation within the subtree rooted at i could be between i and its children.)

After MAX-HEAPIFY, subtree rooted at i is a max-heap.

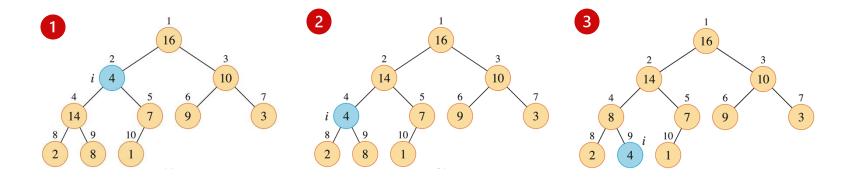
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MAX-HEAPIFY (A, i)

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1 l = LEFT(i)
r = RIGHT(i)
3 if l \leq A. heap-size and A[l] > A[i]
        largest = l
  else largest = i
   if r \leq A. heap-size and A[r] > A[largest]
        largest = r
   if largest \neq i
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        exchange A[i] with A[largest]
        MAX-HEAPIFY(A, largest)
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EXAMPLE

Run MAX-HEAPIFY on the following heap example.



Time: $O(\lg n)$.

BUILDING A HEAP

The following procedure, given an unordered array A[1:n], will produce a max-heap of the n elements in A.

BUILD-MAX-HEAP(A, n)

- 1 A.heap-size = n
- 2 for $i = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ downto 1
- 3 MAX-HEAPIFY(A, i)

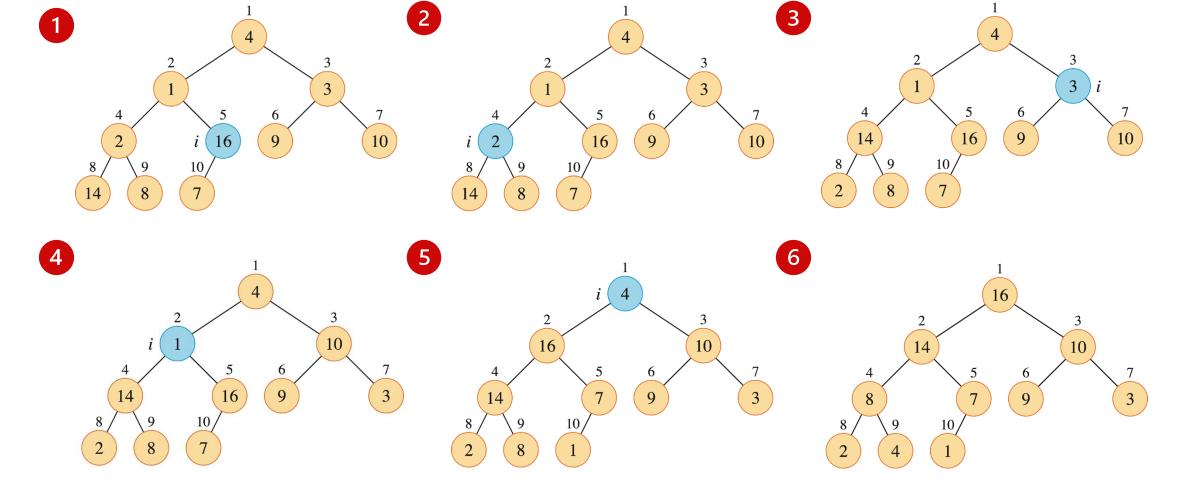
EXAMPLE

Building a max-heap by calling BUILD-MAX-HEAP(A, 10) on the following unsorted array array A[1:10] results in the first heap example.

- *A.heap-size* is set to 10.
- *i* starts off as 5.
- MAX-HEAPIFY is applied to subtrees rooted at nodes (in order): A[5], A[4], A[3], A[2], A[1].

EXAMPLE (continued)

A 4 1 3 2 16 9 10 14 8 7



ANALYSIS

Simple bound:

O(n) calls to MAX-HEAPIFY, each of which takes $O(\lg n)$ time $\Longrightarrow O(n \lg n)$.

Tighter analysis:

Observation: Time to run MAX-HEAPIFY is linear in the height of the node it's run on, and most nodes have small heights. Have $\leq \lfloor n/2^{h+1} \rfloor$ nodes of height h (see Exercise 6.3-4), and height of heap is $\lfloor \lg n \rfloor$ (Exercise 6.1-2).

ANALYSIS (continued)

The time required by MAX-HEAPIFY when called on a node of height h is O(h), so the total cost of BUILD-MAX-HEAP is

$$\sum_{h=0}^{\lfloor \lg n \rfloor} \left\lceil \frac{n}{2^{h+1}} \right\rceil O(h) = O\left(n \sum_{h=0}^{\lfloor \lg n \rfloor} \frac{h}{2^h}\right).$$

Evaluate the last summation by substituting x = 1/2 in the formula (A.11) $(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k x^k)$, which yields

$$\sum_{h=0}^{\lfloor \lg n \rfloor} \frac{h}{2^h} < \sum_{h=0}^{\infty} \frac{h}{2^h}$$

$$= \frac{1/2}{(1-1/2)^2}$$

$$= 2.$$

Thus, the running time of BUILD-MAX-HEAP is O(n).