

6.006 Lecture 8: Sorting I

□ Review: Insertion sort

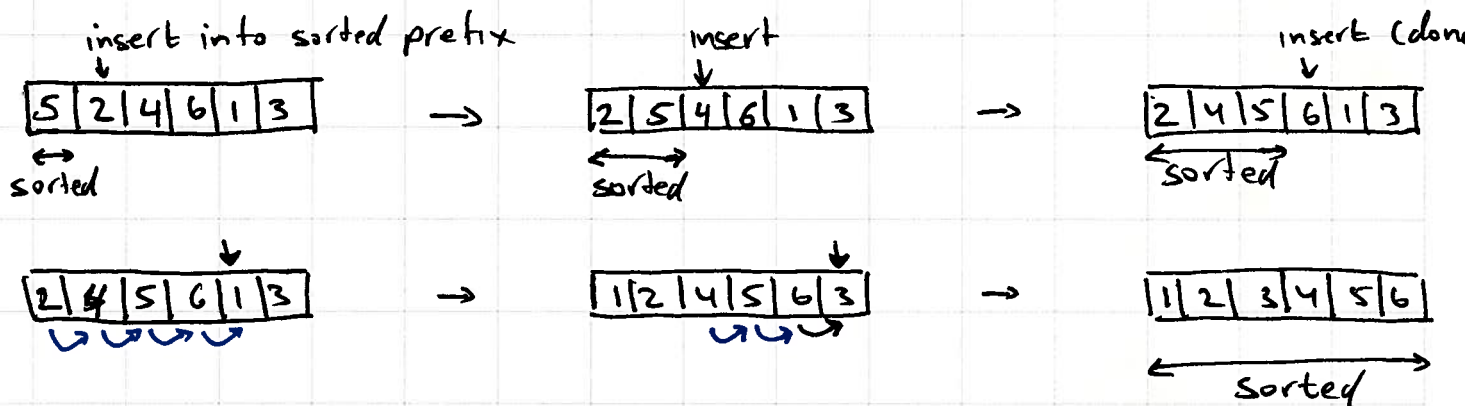
Merge Sort

□ Sorting in place & Selection sorting

□ Heaps

□ CLRS 2.1, 2.2, 2.3 Ch. 6 (some on Thu)

Insertion Sort



Array is sorted in place: only extra memory is

2 indices and 1 element; constant extra storage that does not depend on n (problem size).

Running time is $\Theta(n^2)$

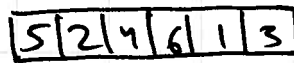
worst case is

n	$n-1$	$n-2$	\dots	3	2	1
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can we do ~~better~~ better in place?

Merge Sort

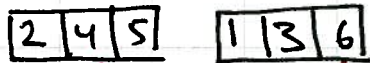
input



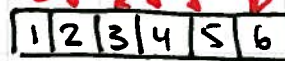
divide



sort recursively



merge



← cannot do this step in place

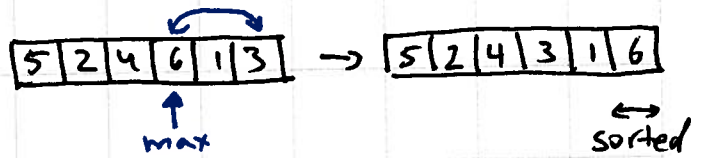
$\Theta(n)$ work for merging

$\Theta(n \lg n)$ work overall

But requires $\Theta(n)$ extra storage!

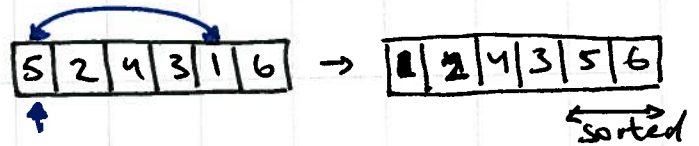
Selection Sort

Find maximum element,
swap with position $n-1$ (last)



repeat on $A[0:n-1]$

repeat...



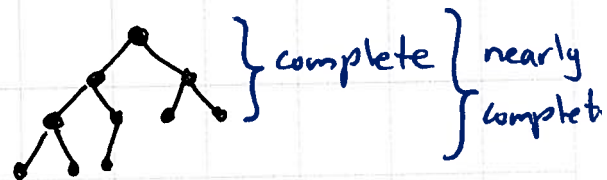
In place, but finding maximum at every step costs $\Theta(n)$, so total is $\Theta(n^2)$ work.

Can we find the max in $\Theta(\lg n)$ time?

Heaps (term is also used for an area used for dynamic memory allocation; not related to this lecture)

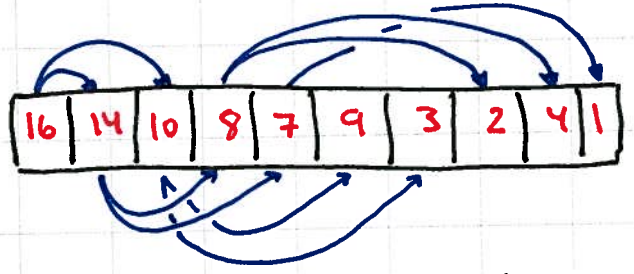
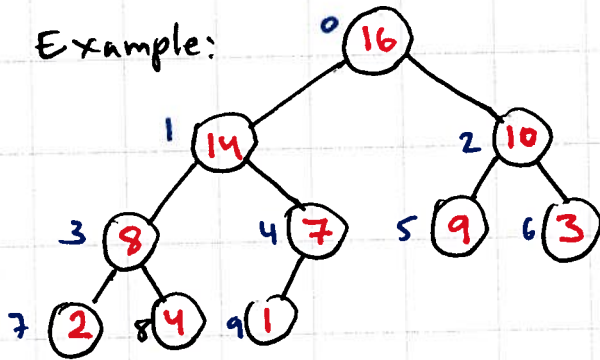
- Abstractly: a binary tree, values at nodes
- node value larger than values at children (compare to a different invariant in BSTs)

- Tree is nearly complete



- Because it is nearly complete, we can store it in an array (Python list) with no explicit pointers.

Example:



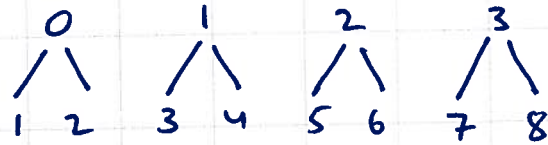
Not sorted (up or down)!

Root at $A[0]$

$$\text{left}(i) = 2i + 1$$

$$\text{right}(i) = 2i + 2$$

$$\text{parent}(j) = \left\lfloor \frac{j-1}{2} \right\rfloor$$

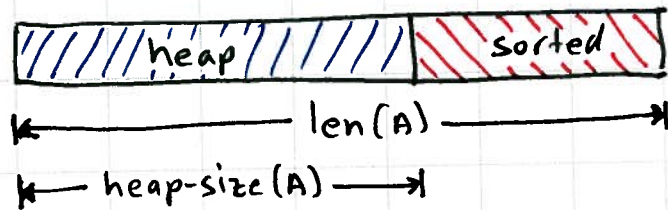


$$i = \left\lfloor \frac{j-1}{2} \right\rfloor$$

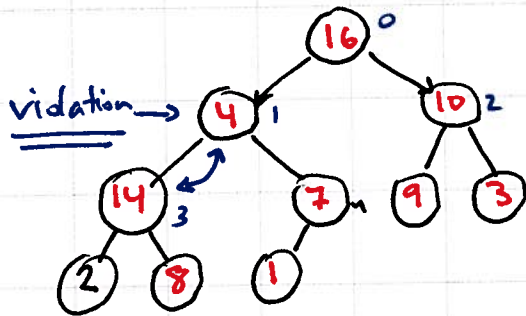
$$j = 2i + 1$$

The array can be larger than the heap

In heapsort, the end of the array contains sorted elements (largest), beginning contains a heap.

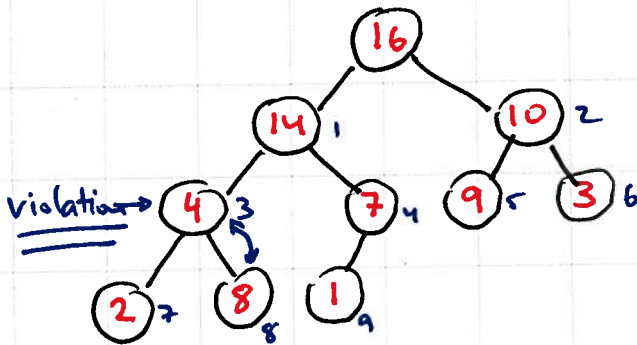


Heapify: a procedure for fixing a heap with one invariant violation



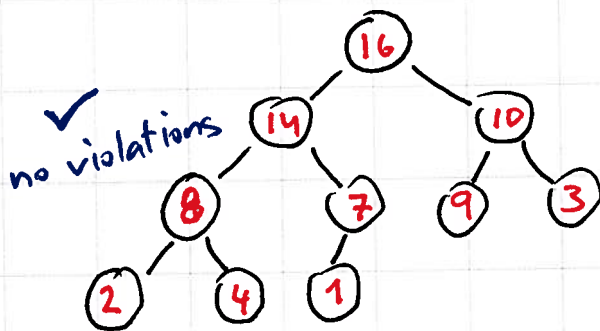
heapify(A, 1)

exchange A[1] with
larger of A[left(1)] ←
A[right(1)]
[or stop if A[i] larger]



heapify(A, 3)

exchange A[3] with
larger of A[left(3)]
A[right(3)]
if necessary



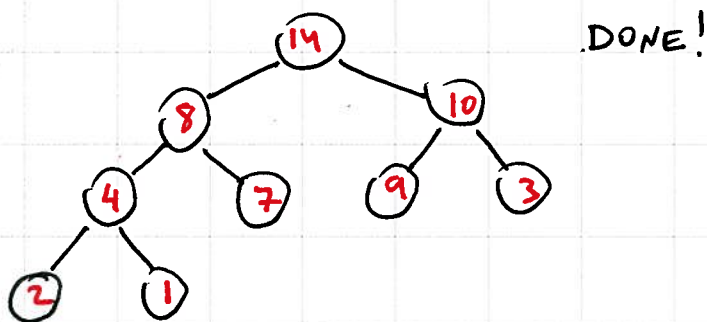
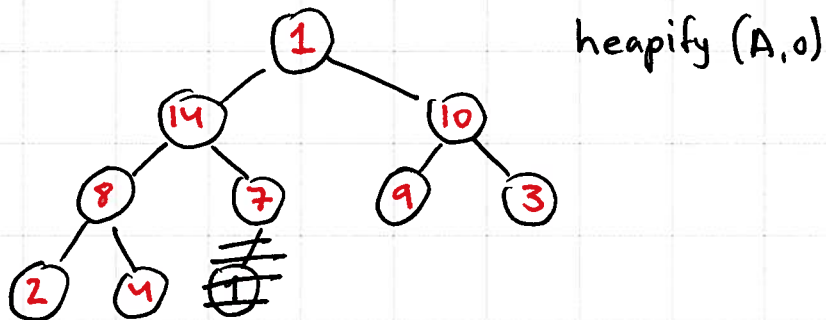
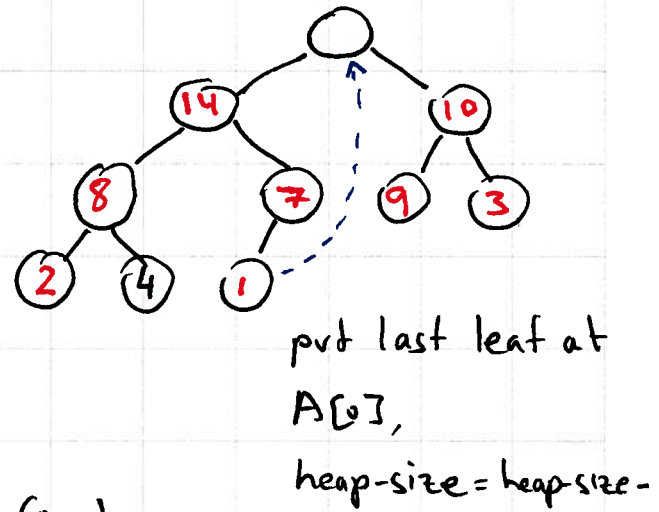
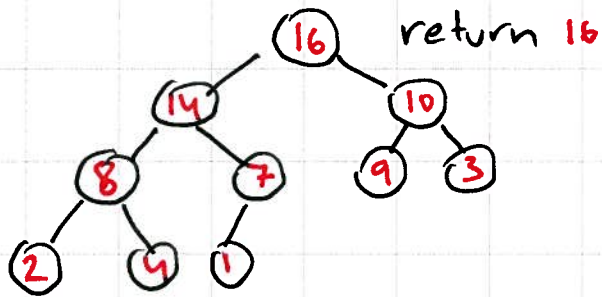
heapify(A, 8)

no children → nothing to do.

constant # operation at each level of the tree
(possibly not every level; we may stop early)

⇒ $\Theta(\lg n)$ work

Extract-Max: return max element & delete it from the heap



constant # operations + one call to heapify $\Rightarrow \Theta(\lg n)$ work.