Naive Heapsort with a Max-Heap

Demo

Idea. Instead of rescanning entire array for min, maintain a heap so that finding min is fast!

Heapsort. Selection sort with a max-oriented heap-neat trick for saving memory later.

- 1. O(1). Create output array.
- 2. O(N log N). Insert all items into a new max-heap (separate array for the heap).
- 3. Repeat N times:
 - a. O(log N). Delete max item from the max-heap.
 - b. **O(1)**. Put max item at the end of the unused part of the output array.

O(N log N) time complexity.

 $\Theta(N)$ space complexity to create $\Theta(N)$ separate array heap and $\Theta(N)$ output array.

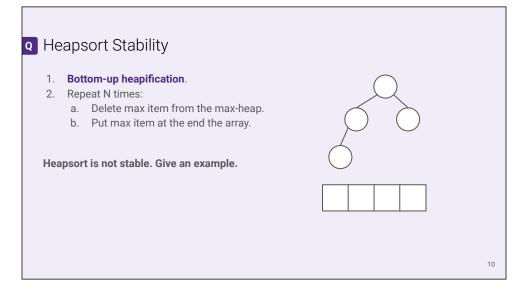
Q In-place Heapsort Runtime

Idea. Save ~2N memory by treating the input array as a heap. Avoid extra copies of data.

Bottom-up heapification. Efficient heap construction by sinking nodes in reverse level order. Once heap-ified, algorithm is almost the same as naive heap sort.

- 1. Bottom-up heapification.
- 2. Repeat N times:
 - a. O(log N). Delete max item from the max-heap.
 - b. **O(1)**. Put max item at the end the array.

Give the tight asymptotic time complexity of in-place heapsort in big-O notation.



Q Selection Sort Stability

Selection sort. Repeatedly select the smallest remaining item and swap it to its proper index.

- 1. Find the smallest item in the array, and swap it with the first item.
- 2. Find the next smallest item in the array, and swap it with the next item.
- 3. Continue until all items in the array are sorted.

Selection sort is not stable. Give an example.



Insertion Sort

Demo

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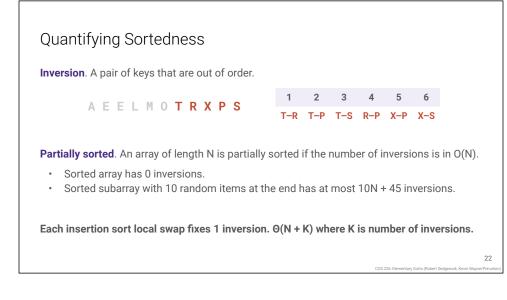
Unstable sorting algorithms (heapsort, selection sort) use long-distance swaps.

Merge sort, a stable sort, uses the fact that left-half items come before right-half items.

Idea. Build a sorted subarray (like selection sort) by using left-neighbor swaps for stability. Insertion sort. Scan from left to right...

- 1. If an item is out of order with respect to its left-neighbor, swap left.
- 2. Keep on swapping left until the item is in order with respect to its left-neighbor.

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Sort	Best-Case	Worst-Case	Space	Stable	Notes
Selection Sort	$\Theta(N^2)$	$\Theta(N^2)$	Θ(1)	No	
Heapsort	Θ(N)	Θ(N log N)	Θ(1)	No	Slow in practice.
Merge sort	Θ(N log N)	Θ(N log N)	Θ(N)	Yes	Fastest stable sort.
Insertion Sort	Θ(N)	$\Theta(N^2)$	Θ(1)	Yes	Best for small or almost sorted inputs.

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