Heap Sort Practice Set

Basic Level

- 1. Sort the array [4, 10, 3, 5, 1] using heap sort and show the heap after each step.
- 2. True/False: Heap sort is an in-place sorting algorithm.
- 3. True/False: Heap sort is a **stable** sorting algorithm.
- 4. What is the worst-case time complexity of heap sort?
- 5. Convert the array [7, 2, 6, 3, 9] into a max-heap. Show each step.
- Explain why we use a max-heap for ascending order sorting.
- 7. Identify the heap after one extraction of the max element from [20, 18, 15, 13, 10, 12, 8].

Medium Level

- 8. Given the array [12, 11, 13, 5, 6, 7], perform **heap sort** and show the heap after each extraction.
- 9. Write a **C++ function** to heapify a subtree rooted at index i.
- 10. Swap the root with the last element in a max-heap [15, 10, 8, 5, 7] and show the heap after re-heapifying.
- 11. Which of the following is **not required** in heap sort?
 - a) Building heap
 - b) Heapify
 - c) Merge step



- d) Swapping root with last element
- 12. Convert the array [9, 4, 7, 1, -2, 6, 5] into a **min-heap**.
- 13. Explain the difference between **building a heap** and **heapifying during extraction**.

Advanced Level

- 14. Implement heap sort in C++ without using STL priority_queue.
- 15. Sort [9, 4, 7, 1, -2, 6, 5] using heap sort and draw the heap after each extraction.
- 16. Explain why heap sort is not stable, giving an example.
- 17. Given a nearly sorted array [2, 6, 3, 12, 56, 8], discuss whether heap sort or insertion sort is more efficient and why.
- 18. True/False: Heap sort requires extra space proportional to n.
- 19. Adapt heap sort to sort a stream of data where elements arrive one by one.
- 20. Given an array of **10^6 elements**, explain why heap sort is preferred over bubble sort or insertion sort in terms of **time complexity and space efficiency**

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