

DAA Hands On 6

Q3 Average Runtime Complexity of Non-Random Quick sort.

1. Partitioning \rightarrow Each partition step takes linear time, $O(n)$.
2. Recursive Calls: The depth of the recursion will depend on how balanced the partitions are. On average, the pivot divides the array into two halves

This leads to the recurrence relation:

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$

Solving gives us:

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n) \\ &= O(n \log n) \end{aligned}$$

So, the ~~avg~~ average runtime complexity of the non-random version of quicksort is $O(n \log n)$