

## QuickSort Algorithm, Annotated

This version does NOT swap elements that are equal to the pivot, making it more efficient. **THIS IS VERSION WE'LL USE.**

```
public void quickSort(int array[])
// pre: array is full, all elements are non-null integers
// post: the array is sorted in ascending order
{
    quickSort(array, 0, array.length - 1);           // quicksort all the elements in the array
}

public void quickSort(int array[], int start, int end)
{
    int bot = start;                                // index of left-to-right scan
    int top = end;                                  // index of right-to-left scan

    if (end - start >= 1) //OR: if (end > start) // checks that there are at least two elements to sort
    {
        int pivot = array[start];                  // set the pivot as the first element in the partition

        while (bot < top) {                          // while the scan indices from left and right have not met,
            while (bot < top && array[bot] <= pivot) // from the left, look for the 1st value greater than the pivot
                bot++;
            while (bot <= top && array[top] >= pivot) // from the right, look for the 1st value less than the pivot
                top--;
            if (bot < top)                          // if the left seek index is still smaller than
                swap(array, bot, top);              // the right index, swap the corresponding elements
        }
        swap(array, start, top);                    // after the indices have crossed, swap the last element in
                                                    // the left partition with the pivot
        quickSort(array, start, top - 1);           // quicksort the left partition
        quickSort(array, top + 1, end);             // quicksort the right partition
    }
}

public void swap(int array[], int index1, int index2)
// pre: array is full and index1, index2 < array.length
// post: the values at indices 1 and 2 have been swapped
{
    int temp = array[index1];                      // store the first value in a temp
    array[index1] = array[index2];                 // copy the value of the second into the first
    array[index2] = temp;                          // copy the value of the temp into the second
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Slight variation on the above that does swap elements that are equal to the pivot. Therefore it's less efficient.

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    {                                                 // could've been written as if (end > start)
        int pivot = array[start];                   // set the pivot as the first element in the partition
        bot++;                                       // advance past the pivot.
        while (bot < top) {                          // while the scan indices from left and right have not met,
            while (bot < top && array[bot] < pivot) // from the left, look for the 1st value not smaller than
                bot++;                               // the pivot
            while (bot < top && array[top] > pivot) // from the right, look for the first 1st value not greater than
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