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Homework 14.1

Whatever be the partition value, a total of  $n-1$  comparisons are required. The partition key will be compared to every other value in the array.

It

- big- $O(n)$
- big- $\Omega(n)$
- theta  $\Theta(n)$



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Ans  $\Rightarrow$  In every possibility, total comparisons would be  $n-1$  as we have to compare every element with the key and decide its place relative to key.

i)  $\rightarrow$  following possibilities are equally probable -

- 1 in left of key and rest in right
- 2 in left of key and rest in right

$$T(n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (T(j-1) + T(n-j-1) + (n-1))$$

$$T(n) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (T(j-1) + T(n-j-1)) + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (n-1)$$

$$T(n) = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} T(j) + \frac{n(n-1)}{n}$$

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The required recurrence relation

ii) Since quicksort is a sorting algorithm, it is very natural to assume the solution to be  $O(n \log n)$ .

$$\text{LHS } T(n) = O(n \log n)$$

$$\text{RHS} = \frac{2}{n} [1 \log 1 + 2 \log 2 + \dots + n \log n] + (n-1)$$

$$\frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n i \log i \leq \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n i \log n \leq \frac{2}{n} \log n \times n \times \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$\text{RHS} \leq n \log n - \log n + n - 1$$

which is  $O(n \log n)$

Note similar proof by assumption was used by nareen sir earlier (which he referred to during the lecture).