

→ Quick sort

algorithm / implementation here considers the last element as pivot.

look, we simply have to place the pivot element in the right place such that all elements left of it are smaller than it & right of it are bigger.

how do we achieve this?

we need to maintain a variable which will hold the "left most element which is greater than pivot's" index. if we find a element less than pivot after finding a element greater than pivot towards the left. we swap these two.

after iterating through both we recurse to implement these on two half's on both sides excluding pivot element.

```
void quickSort (int a[], int l, int r)
{
```

```
    if (l < r) { // base case.
        return;
```

```
    }
```

```
    pi = pivotPlace (a, l, r);
```

```
    quickSort (a, l, pi-1);
```

```
    quickSort (a, pi+1, r);
```

```
}
```

• experimental²
code.

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```
void pivotplacer (int a[], int l, int r)
```

```
{
```

```
    int i = -1;
```

```
    pivot = a[r]; // specific to this implementation
```

```
    for (int j = l; j < r; j++)
```

```
    {
```

```
        if (a[j] > pivot && i == -1)
```

```
        {
```

```
            i = j;
```

```
        }
```

```
        if (a[j] < pivot && i != -1)
```

```
        {
```

```
            swap(a, j, i);
```

```
            i = j;
```

```
        }
```

```
    }
```

```
    swap(a, i, l); return (i);
```

```
}
```

```
void pivotplacer (int a[], int l, int r)
```

```
{
```

```
    int i = l;
```

```
    int pivot = a[r];
```

```
    for (int j = l; j < r; j++)
```

```
    {
```

```
        if (a[j] < pivot)
```

```
        {
```

```
            swap(a, i, j);
```

```
            i++;
```

```
        }
```

```
    }
```

```
    swap(a, i, r);
```

```
}
```

```
    return i;
```