

Quicksort 1 - Partition

The previous challenges covered [Insertion Sort](#), which is a simple and intuitive sorting algorithm with a running time of $O(n^2)$. In these next few challenges, we're covering a *divide-and-conquer* algorithm called [Quicksort](#) (also known as *Partition Sort*). This challenge is a modified version of the algorithm that only addresses partitioning. It is implemented as follows:

Step 1: Divide

Choose some pivot element, p , and partition your unsorted array, arr , into three smaller arrays: *left*, *right*, and *equal*, where each element in *left* $< p$, each element in *right* $> p$, and each element in *equal* $= p$.

Example

$arr = [5, 7, 4, 3, 8]$

In this challenge, the pivot will always be at $arr[0]$, so the pivot is 5.

arr is divided into *left* $= \{4, 3\}$, *equal* $= \{5\}$, and *right* $= \{7, 8\}$.

Putting them all together, you get $\{4, 3, 5, 7, 8\}$. There is a flexible checker that allows the elements of *left* and *right* to be in any order. For example, $\{3, 4, 5, 8, 7\}$ is valid as well.

Given arr and $p = arr[0]$, partition arr into *left*, *right*, and *equal* using the *Divide* instructions above. Return a 1-dimensional array containing each element in *left* first, followed by each element in *equal*, followed by each element in *right*.

Function Description

Complete the `quickSort` function in the editor below.

`quickSort` has the following parameter(s):

- $int\ arr[n]$: $arr[0]$ is the pivot element

Returns

- $int[n]$: an array of integers as described above

Input Format

The first line contains n , the size of arr .

The second line contains n space-separated integers $arr[i]$ (the unsorted array). The first integer, $arr[0]$, is the pivot element, p .

Constraints

- $1 \leq n \leq 1000$
- $-1000 \leq arr[i] \leq 1000$ where $0 \leq i < n$

- All elements are distinct.

Sample Input

STDIN	Function
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5	arr[] size n =5
4 5 3 7 2	arr =[4, 5, 3, 7, 2]

Sample Output

3 2 4 5 7

Explanation

$arr = [4, 5, 3, 7, 2]$ Pivot: $p = arr[0] = 4$.

$left = \{\}$; $equal = \{4\}$; $right = \{\}$

$arr[1] = 5 > p$, so it is added to *right*.

$left = \{\}$; $equal = \{4\}$; $right = \{5\}$

$arr[2] = 3 < p$, so it is added to *left*.

$left = \{3\}$; $equal = \{4\}$; $right = \{5\}$

$arr[3] = 7 > p$, so it is added to *right*.

$left = \{3\}$; $equal = \{4\}$; $right = \{5, 7\}$

$arr[4] = 2 < p$, so it is added to *left*.

$left = \{3, 2\}$; $equal = \{4\}$; $right = \{5, 7\}$

Return the array **{32457}**.

The order of the elements to the left and right of **4** does not need to match this answer. It is only required that **3** and **2** are to the left of **4**, and **5** and **7** are to the right.