

QUICKSORT

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Agenda

1 Quicksort (divide-and-conquer)

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Quicksort¹

Divides the input elements (array) according to **their value**

$$\underbrace{A[0] \dots A[s-1]}_{\text{all are } \leq A[s]} \quad A[s] \quad \underbrace{A[s+1] \dots A[n-1]}_{\text{all are } \geq A[s]}$$

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Quicksort:

- Divide: **not** immediate
- Conquer: immediate

Mergesort:

- Divide: immediate
- Conquer: **not** immediate

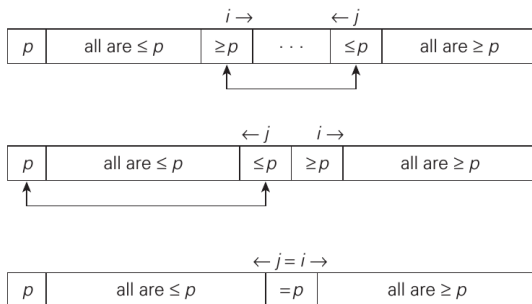
¹ Source: A. Levitin. Introduction to the Design and Analysis of Algorithms. 2011.



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Idea: scan the array from **both ends** (i = left to right / j = right to left)

- If $A[i] < p$, increment i . If $A[j] > p$, decrement j .
- When both scans stop, three situations may arise².



² Considering the check $i \geq r$, we might have $i = j$, but $A[i] \neq p$ and $A[j] \neq p$.

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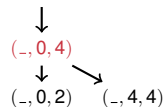
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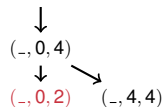
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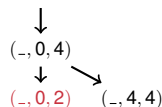
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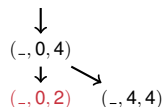
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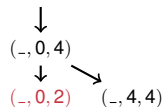
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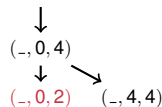
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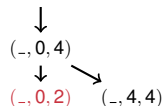
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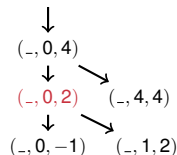
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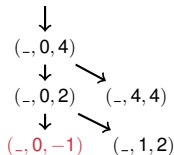
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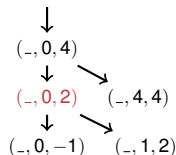
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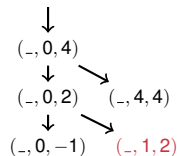
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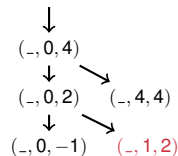
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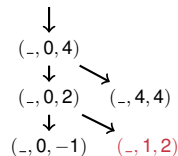
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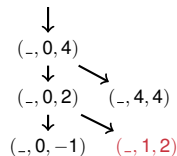
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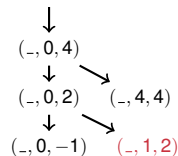
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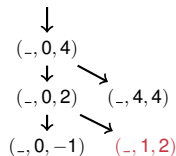
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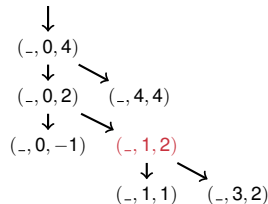
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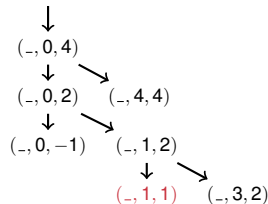
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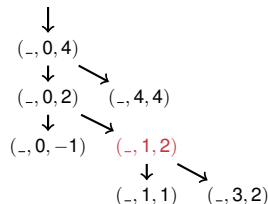
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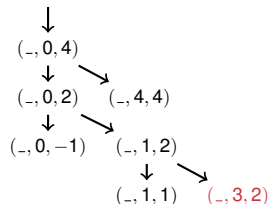
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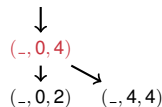
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	l				r	

$s = 3$



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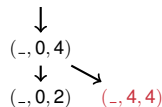
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Quicksort: complexity (basic op. = comp. of keys)

Number of basic operations performed (after both scans):

- $n + 1$ if i crosses j
- n if i coincides with j

Best case: all splits happening in the **middle**

Assuming $n = 2^k$:

- $C_{best}(n) = 2C_{best}(n/2) + n$ for $n > 1$
- $C_{best}(1) = 0$ for $n \leq 1$

Considering the master theorem

- $C_{best}(n) = 2C_{best}(n/2) + n$ for $n > 1$, thus $a = b = 2$
- $f(n) = n \in \Theta(n) = \Theta(n^d)$, thus $d = 1$
- Since $a = b^d$ (i.e., $2 = 2^1$),
 $C_{best}(n) \in \Theta(n^d \log n) = \Theta(n \log n)$



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Quicksort: complexity (basic op. = comp. of keys)

Worst case: one subarray is **empty**, the other one is just **1 less in size**

Assuming $n = 2^k$:

- In the worst case, number of basic operations performed after both scans = $n + 1$ (j always crosses i)
- Size of the initial array ($A[0..n - 1]$) = $(n - 1) - 0 + 1 = n$
 - Number of basic operations for this array = $n + 1$
- Size of the last array ($A[n - 2..n - 1]$) = $(n - 1) - (n - 2) + 1 = 2$
 - Number of basic operations for this array = 3



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$$\begin{aligned}
 C_{\text{worst}}(n) &= (n+1) + n + \dots + 3 \\
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 &\quad - 3 \\
 &= \frac{(1+(n+1))((n+1)-1+1)}{2} - 3 \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

Remember that:

■ $S_n = \frac{(a_1 + a_n) * n}{2}$
(arithm. prog.)



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$$C_{\text{avg}}(n) = 1.39n \log n$$

Pros and cons

- \uparrow : typically, even better than mergesort
- \uparrow : space efficiency
- \downarrow : not stable



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Complexity of sorting algorithms⁴

Algorithm	Time Complexity			Space Complexity
	Best	Average	Worst	Worst
<u>Quicksort</u>	$O(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n^2)$	$O(\log(n))$
<u>Mergesort</u>	$O(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n)$
<u>Timsort</u>	$O(n)$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n)$
<u>Heapsort</u>	$O(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(1)$
<u>Bubble Sort</u>	$O(n)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
<u>Insertion Sort</u>	$O(n)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
<u>Selection Sort</u>	$\Omega(n^2)$	$\Theta(n^2)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(1)$
<u>Tree Sort</u>	$O(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n)$
<u>Shell Sort</u>	$O(n \log(n))$	$\Theta(n(\log(n))^2)$	$O(n(\log(n))^2)$	$O(1)$
<u>Bucket Sort</u>	$O(n+k)$	$\Theta(n+k)$	$O(n^2)$	$O(n)$
<u>Radix Sort</u>	$O(nk)$	$\Theta(nk)$	$O(nk)$	$O(n+k)$
<u>Counting Sort</u>	$O(n+k)$	$\Theta(n+k)$	$O(n+k)$	$O(k)$
<u>Cubesort</u>	$O(n)$	$\Theta(n \log(n))$	$O(n \log(n))$	$O(n)$

⁴Source: <http://bigocheatsheet.com/>



Agenda

1 Quicksort (divide-and-conquer)

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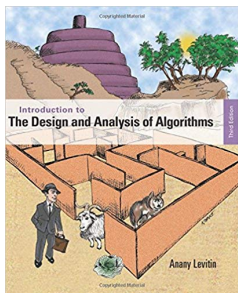


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