

Hands on 6 (NO 3)

1. Mathematically derive the average runtime complexity of the non-randomized pivot version of quicksort.

- Solution:

Here,

⇒ To derive the average runtime complexity of the non-randomized pivot of quicksort we must follow the below steps:

⇒ **Recurrence Relation:**

- At each step, Quicksort partitions the array around a pivot.
- On average, it splits the array into two subarrays of approximately equal size.
- The recurrence relation is:

$$T(n) = 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + O(n)$$

- The $O(n)$ term represents partitioning.

⇒ **Expanding the Recurrence:**

- Expand for multiple levels:

$$\begin{aligned}T(n) &= 2T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + cn \\&= 2\left(2T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + c\left(\frac{n}{2}\right)\right) + cn \\&= 4T\left(\frac{n}{4}\right) + 2cn + cn \\&= 8T\left(\frac{n}{8}\right) + 3cn\end{aligned}$$

- Continue expanding until $T(1)$, which takes constant time.

⇒ **Depth of Recursion Tree:**

- The recursion depth is determined by how many times n can be divided by 2 until it reaches 1.
- This occurs at depth $\log_2 n$ *meaning* $O(\log n)$ levels.

• **Total Work Per Level:**

- Each level of recursion does $O(n)$ work.
- There are $O(\log n)$ levels.

• **Final Complexity:**

- Summing across all levels: $O(n) \times O(\log n) = O(n \log n)$
- Thus, the **average runtime complexity** of **Quicksort** is **$O(n \log n)$** .