

Unsorted Array Interger explanation

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0.1 Problem Statement

Find the minimum and maximum elements in an unsorted array,without sorting and ensure time complexity is $O(n)$.

0.1.1 Design Considerations

Using divide and conquer technique specifically *fastselect* for any kth element in the array we can achieve the specified complexity. This is helped by calling *fastselect* for the smallest and again for the largest element.

0.1.2 Space and Time complexity

Time complexity will be $O(n)$. Since for any fast select we have $O(n)$ time complexity and $O(n) + O(n) = O(n)$.

Space complexity will also be $O(n)$. Since I use a dictionary to store lists of length $\frac{n}{5}$ which add upto to size n . Also the three arrays around the pivot also add up to n . Hence, $O(n) + O(n) + O(n) = O(n)$.