

# CSCI 4470 Algorithms

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Algorithms: <https://algostructure.com/sorting/selectionsort.php>

Algorithm Name	Best-case	Average-case	Worst-case	Memory	Stable
MergeSort	$n \log(n)$	$n \log(n)$	$n \log(n)$	worst: $n$	yes
HeapSort	$n \log(n)$	$n \log(n)$	$n \log(n)$	1	no
InsertionSort	$n$	$n^2$	$n^2$	1	yes
QuickSort	$n \log(n)$	$n \log(n)$	$n^2$	average: $\log(n)$ worst: $n$	no
Bubblesort	$n$	$n^2$	$n^2$	1	yes
SelectionSort	$n^2$	$n^2$	$n^2$	1	no

### QuickSort Overview

- **Definition**, Quicksort is a divide-and-conquer algorithm utilized for sorting arrays or lists.

### Algorithm Structure

```

QuickSort(A, p, r)
1. if p < r      // Partition the subarray around the pivot, which ends up in A[q].
2.   q = Partition(A, p, r)
3.   QuickSort(A, p, q - 1)    // recursively sort the low side
4.   QuickSort(A, q + 1, r)    // recursively sort the high side

```

## Quicksort Algorithm Process

### 1. Divide

- **Partition:** The array is rearranged into two subarrays:  $A[p \dots q-1]$  and  $A[q+1 \dots r]$ . Each element in  $A[p \dots q-1]$  is  $\leq A[q]$ , and each element in  $A[q+1 \dots r]$  is  $> A[q]$ . The  $q$  index is computed in this step, placing  $A[q]$  in the correct sorted position, a pivotal step in quicksort.

### 2. Conquer

- **Recursive Sorting:** The two subarrays  $A[p \dots q-1]$  and  $A[q+1 \dots r]$  are sorted recursively through quicksort.

### 3. Combine

- **No Additional Steps Required:** The array is sorted in place, eliminating the need for extra steps during the combination phase.

### 4. Base Case

- **Termination:** Recursion ends when a subarray has one or no elements, inherently sorted at this point.

## Properties of Quicksort Algorithm

- **In-Place:** Quicksort sorts the elements directly within the dataset and does not require additional space.
- **Not Stable:** Quicksort may change the relative order of equal elements, making it unstable.

### Why Not Stable?

Consider an array  $A[p, \dots, r] = 2 \ 9 \ 9 \ 6 \ 7$ .

During the partitioning in Quicksort:

- The element 6 may be swapped with the first 9.
- This swap reverses the order of the two 9's, demonstrating the instability of Quicksort.

## Performance

- **Best Case:** *When the pivot is ideally chosen, it results in a time complexity of  $\Theta(n \log n)$ .*
- **Worst Case:** *In the worst scenario, the time complexity can degrade to  $\Theta(n^2)$ .*

- **Average Case:** *Generally, it tends to have a time complexity of  $\Theta(n \log n)$ .*
- **To avoid the WORST-CASE scenario:**
  - Use a good pivot strategy, such as choosing the median element as the pivot.
  - Randomly select the pivot element to ensure the algorithm has an average-case time complexity of  $\Theta(n \log(n))$ .

## Four Regions Maintained by Partition Function

```

PARTITION(A, p, r)
1. x = A[r]      // the pivot
2. i = p - 1     //highest index into the low side
3. for j = p to r - 1    // process each element other than the pivot
4.     if A[j] ≤ x      // does this element belong on the low side?
5.         i = i + 1    // index of a new slot in the low side
6.         exchange A[i] with A[j]    // put this element there
7. exchange A[i + 1] with A[r]    // pivot goes just to the right of the low side
8. return i + 1    // new index of the pivot

```

### Initialization:

| Unrestricted Area | Pivot (x) |

- **Unrestricted Area:** All elements except the pivot.
- **Pivot  $x$ :** The element to partition the array around.

### During Partition:

| ≤ Pivot | > Pivot | Unrestricted Area | Pivot |

- **≤ Pivot:** Elements found to be less than the pivot.
- **≥ Pivot:** Elements greater than the pivot.
- **Unrestricted Area:** Unexamined elements.
- **Swapping:** Elements less than the pivot in the unrestricted area are swapped into the < Pivot region.

### Final Step of Partition:

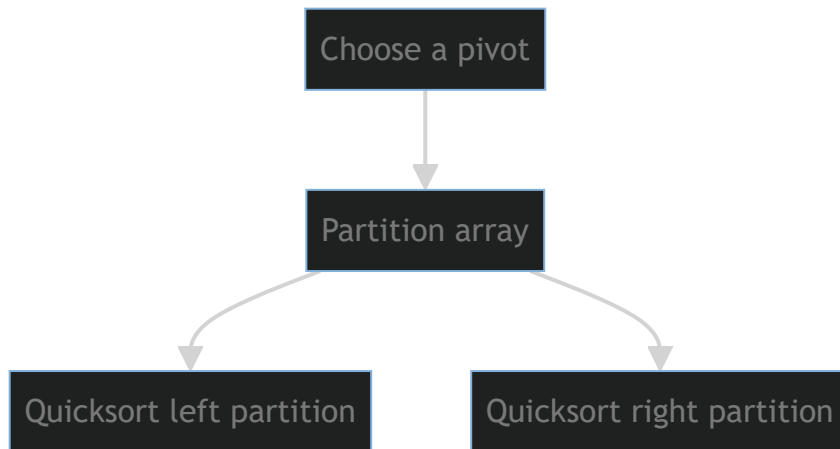
| ≤ Pivot | Pivot (x) | > Pivot |

- **Final Swap:** *The Unrestricted region is empty.* The pivot  $x$  swaps with the last element of the < Pivot region, finding its correct position.

### Post Partition:

|  $\leq$  Pivot | Pivot ( $x$ ) |  $>$  Pivot |

- **Partition Result:** The array is now segmented into two halves for subsequent recursive calls, with the pivot in its correct sorted position.



## The Partition Function Example from Class Note

- The partition process step by step using the array  $[3, 7, 8, 2, 10, 5]$  and the partition function you provided. choose the last element as the pivot, which is 5 in this case.

### Initial Array:

- **Pivot:** 5, **p:** Start of the array (index 0) and **r:** End of the array (index 5)

p					r	x = 5
A[0]	A[1]	A[2]	A[3]	A[4]	A[5]	
3	7	8	2	10	5	

### Step 1: Set $x$ as the pivot element

```
x = 5 // pivot x = A[r]
```

### Step 2: Set $i$ to one less than the starting index

```
i = p - 1 = -1 // p = A[0] = 0
```

### Step 3-6: Start the loop with $j = p$ and iterate until $r-1$

First Iteration ( $j = 0$ ) ( $j = p$ )

3	7	8	2	10	5
i	j				r

- $A[j] = 3$  which is less than  $x = 5$ , so we increase  $i$  by 1 and swap  $A[i]$  and  $A[j]$ .
- $i$  becomes 0.

After First Iteration

3	7	8	2	10	5
i		j			r

Second Iteration ( $j = 1$ )

- $A[j] = 7$  which is greater than  $x = 5$ , so we do nothing and move to the next iteration.

After Second Iteration

3	7	8	2	10	5
i			j		r

Third Iteration ( $j = 2$ )

- $A[j] = 8$  which is greater than  $x = 5$ , so we do nothing and move to the next iteration.

After Third Iteration

3	7	8	2	10	5
i				j	r

Fourth Iteration ( $j = 3$ )

- $A[j] = 2$  which is less than  $x = 5$ , so we increase  $i$  by 1 and swap  $A[i]$  and  $A[j]$ .
- $i$  becomes 1.

After Fourth Iteration

3	2	8	7	10	5
	i			j	r

Fifth Iteration ( $j = 4$ )

- $A[j] = 10$  which is greater than  $x = 5$ , so we do nothing and end the loop.

**Step 7:** Swap  $A[i + 1]$  and  $A[r]$

- $i$  is currently 1, so we swap  $A[i + 1]$  and  $A[r]$ .

After Step 7

```

3  2  5  7  10  8
   i  r

```

**Step 8:** Return  $i + 1$

- The function returns  $i + 1$  which is 2.

*After Partition Function called, the array is partitioned into two parts, elements less than 5 and elements greater than 5, with 5 in its correct position.*

The next steps in quicksort would be to recursively sort the subarrays on either side of the pivot.

## Example of Partition Function of Quicksort Algorithm from Class Note

Using the array: {5,18,10,16,9,12,56,20,13} and using the PARTITION function of the quicksort algorithm and pivot 13 .

### 1. Initial Setup

- **Array:** {5, 18, 10, 16, 9, 12, 56, 20, 13}
- **Pivot:** 13 , **i:** -1 , **j:** 0 , **p:** 5, A[0], and **r:** 13 A[8]

```

i
↓
-1 [5, 18, 10, 16, 9, 12, 56, 20, 13]
   ↑
   j

```

### 2. First Iteration

- **i:** -1 -> 0 (incremented as  $5 < 13$  )
- **j:** 1

```

i
↓
0 [5, 18, 10, 16, 9, 12, 56, 20, 13]
   ↑
   j=1

```

### 3. Second Iteration

- **i:** 0 (remains same as  $18 > 13$  )
- **j:** 2

```
i=0
↓
0 [5, 18, 10, 16, 9, 12, 56, 20, 13]
    ↑
    j=2
```

#### 4. Third Iteration

- **i:** 0  $\rightarrow$  1 (incremented as  $10 < 13$  )
- **j:** 3
- Swap 18 and 10

```
i
↓      18↔10
1 [5, 10, 18, 16, 9, 12, 56, 20, 13]
    ↑
    j=3
```

$\longleftrightarrow$

#### 5. Fourth Iteration

- **i:** 1 (remains same as  $18 > 13$  )
- **j:** 4

```
i
↓
1 [5, 10, 18, 16, 9, 12, 56, 20, 13]
    ↑
    j=4
```

#### 6. Fifth Iteration

- **i:** 2 (incremented as  $9 < 13$  )
- **j:** 5
- Swap 18 and 9

```
i
↓      18↔9
2 [5, 10, 9, 16, 18, 12, 56, 20, 13]
    ↑
    j=5
```

## 7. Sixth Iteration

- **i:** 3 (incremented as  $12 < 13$  )
- **j:** 6
- Swap 16 and 12

```
i
↓
3 [5, 10, 9, 12, 18, 16, 56, 20, 13]
      ↑
      j=6
```

## 8. Seventh Iteration

- **i:** 3 (remains same as  $56 > 13$  )
- **j:** 7

```
i
↓
3 [5, 10, 9, 12, 18, 16, 56, 20, 13]
      ↑
      j=7
```

## 9. Eighth Iteration

- **i:** 3 (remains same as  $20 > 13$  )
- **j:** 8

```
i
↓
3 [5, 10, 9, 12, 18, 16, 56, 20, 13]
      ↑
      j=8
```

## 10. Final Swap

- **i:** 4 (incremented)
- Swap 18 and 13

```
i
↓
4 [5, 10, 9, 12, 13, 16, 56, 20, 18]
      ↑
      j
```



## 11. Conclusion

- The array is now partitioned around 13 .
- Left subarray: {5, 10, 9, 12}
- Right subarray: {16, 56, 20, 18}

This detailed step-by-step walkthrough should help visualize the PARTITION function's execution on the given array.

## The Generic Recurrence Relations for the Quicksort Algorithm

$$T(n) = T(q - 1) + T(n - q) + \Theta(n)$$

- $T(n)$ : Represents the time complexity to sort an array of  $n$  elements
- $T(q - 1)$ : Represents the time complexity to sort the left subarray, which contains  $q - 1$  elements
- $T(n - q)$ : Represents the time complexity to sort the right subarray, which contains  $n - q$  elements
- $\Theta(n)$ : Represents the time complexity to partition the array, which is linear with respect to  $n$

### Notes for $q$ : $q$ (Pivot)

- $q$ : Pivot's position post-partition. It varies based on pivot choice and element distribution:
  - Smallest/largest pivot:  $q = 1$  or  $n$ , **worst-case**.
  - Pivot splits array nearly in half:  $q \approx \frac{n}{2}$ , **best-case**.
  - Otherwise, the choice of the pivot can be  $1 < q < n$ .

### Recurrence Relation Piecewise Function:

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & \text{if } n \leq 1, \\ T(q - 1) + T(n - q) + \Theta(n) & \text{if } n > 1. \end{cases}$$

This Recurrence Relation is more general and can represent various cases including the best, average, and worst cases depending on the values of  $q$ .

**To find out the case scenarios of the recurrence relation, which are finding the Minimum or Maximum of the function**

### Step 1: Setup the Recurrence Relation, and Assumption

- Assume,  $T(n) \leq cn^2$ , and  $1 \leq q < n$
- $T(n) \leq c(q - 1)^2 + c(n - q)^2 + kn$ ,  $k$  is a constant

From the Expression

- $T(n) \leq c[(q - 1)^2 + (n - q)^2] + kn$

## Step 2: Differentiate with Respect to $q$

To find Minimum and Maximum of the function, differentiate each term in the expression with respect to  $q$ .

- *Second Derivative of  $q$  is positive, it is minimum, Second Derivative of  $q$  is negative, it is maximum*
- $\frac{d}{dq} [c [(q - 1)^2 + (n - q)^2] + kn] = 0$

## Step 3: Apply the Chain Rule

Applying the chain rule to differentiate the squares:

$$\frac{d}{dq} [c(q - 1)^2] + \frac{d}{dq} [c(n - q)^2] + \frac{d}{dq} [kn] = 0$$

Using the chain rule:

- $\frac{d}{dq} [c(q - 1)^2] = 2c(q - 1)1$
- $\frac{d}{dq} [c(n - q)^2] = -2c(n - q)1$
- $\frac{d}{dq} [kn] = 0$  Since this term does not contain  $q$ , its derivative with respect to  $q$  is zero:

## Step 4: Set Up the Equation to find the critical points

$$2c(q - 1)1 - 2c(n - q)1 + 0 = 0$$

to find the critical points where the derivative is zero, which are essential in analyzing the behavior of the function in terms of  $q$ .

## Step 5: Simplify and Solve for $q$

- $2cq - 2c - 2c(n - q) = 0$
- $2cq - 2c - 2cn + 2cq = 0$

Combine like terms:

$$4cq - 2c - 2cn = 0$$

Now, solve for  $q$ :

$$\begin{aligned} 4cq &= 2c + 2cn, q = \frac{2c+2cn}{4c} \\ q &= \frac{c(2+2n)}{4c}, q = \frac{2(1+n)}{4} \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we find:

$$q = \frac{n+1}{2}$$

## Step 6: Finding the Second Derivative

To find the **second derivative**, differentiate the first derivative with respect to  $q$  again. Differentiating the terms we obtained in step 3 gives:

$$f'(n) = 2c(q - 1)1 - 2c(n - q)1 = 0$$

So the second derivative of the function with respect to  $q$  is:

- $\frac{d^2}{dq^2} [2c(q - 1) - 2c(n - q)] = 4c$ 
  - $\frac{d^2}{dq^2} [2c(q - 1)] = 2c$
  - $\frac{d^2}{dq^2} [-2c(n - q)] = -2c$
  - $2c - (-2c) = 4c$

### Analysis:

- Since the second derivative is positive ( $4c > 0$ ), the function has a minimum at the critical point.
- In the worst case,  $q$  is either 1 or  $n - 1$  (unbalanced partition), leading to a higher time complexity.

### Step 7: Conclusion

From the analysis, the worst-case scenario for quicksort, where the partition is always unbalanced, leads to a time complexity of  $O(n^2)$  based on the given general recurrence relation and the assumption  $T(n) \leq cn^2$ .

This approach adheres to the requirements you listed, using the general recurrence relation, an assumption, and the first and second derivatives with respect to  $q$  to analyze the worst-case scenario for quicksort.

## Practical Considerations

- **Pivot Strategy:** Implementing strategies like randomized or median-of-three pivot selection can often optimize performance
- **Small Arrays:** For small arrays, other sorting algorithms like insertion sort might be more efficient

## The Recurrence Relation Analysis of Worst Case

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & \text{if } n \leq 1, \text{ (base case)} \\ T(n - 1) + \Theta(n) & \text{if } n > 1, \text{ (general case)} \end{cases}$$

- **Base Case:** When  $n \leq 1$ , the array has at most one element, so it is already sorted, and the time complexity is constant, denoted as  $\Theta(1)$ .
- **General Case:** When  $n > 1$ , we perform a partition and then recursively sort an array of size  $n - 1$ , incurring a time complexity of  $T(n - 1)$ . The partitioning process itself has a time complexity of  $\Theta(n)$ , so we add this to the recursive term.

**Step 1: Setup the Recurrence Relation**

Given the recurrence relation:

- $T(n) = T(n - 1) + \Theta(n)$

Assume that

- $T(n) \leq cn^2$ , for some constant  $c$ , and  $(1 \leq n < \infty)$

**Step 2: Substitute the Assumption into the Recurrence**

Substituting our assumption into the recurrence gives:

- $T(n) \leq c(n - 1)^2 + \Theta(n)$
- Expand the Squared Term  $(a - b)^2 = a^2 - 2ab + b^2$ 
  - $(n - 1)^2 = n^2 - 2(n)(1) + 1^2$
  - $(n - 1)^2 = n^2 - 2n + 1$

**Step 3: Expand and Simplify**

Expand and simplify the expression:

- $T(n) \leq c(n^2 - 2n + 1) + \Theta(n)$ , then  $T(n) \leq cn^2 - 2cn + c + \Theta(n)$

**Step 4: Find the Constant Term**

To identify the right constant  $c$ , set the  $\Theta(n)$  term to  $kn$ , where  $k$  is a constant.

- $T(n) \leq cn^2 - 2cn + c + kn$

**Step 5: Derivative to Find Slope Points**

To find the slope points, we take the derivative of the right-hand side with respect to  $n$ :

- Apply the power rule of differentiation individually to each term. The power rule states that the derivative of  $n^x$  with respect to  $n$  is  $x \cdot n^{(x-1)}$ .
  - Derivative of  $cn^2$  with respect to  $n$  is  $2cn$ .
  - Derivative of  $-2cn$  with respect to  $n$  is  $-2c$ .
  - Derivative of  $c$  with respect to  $n$  is  $0$  because it's a constant.
  - Derivative of  $kn$  with respect to  $n$  is  $k$ .
- $\frac{d}{dn}(cn^2 - 2cn + c + kn) = 2cn - 2c + k$

**Step 6: Find Max and Min Slope Points**

Setting the derivative equal to zero gives the slope points:

- $2cn - 2c + k = 0$

Solving for  $n$  gives:

- $n = \frac{2c-k}{2c}$
- Substitute the value of  $n$ ,  $2c\left(\frac{2c-k}{2c}\right) - 2c + k = 0$

- $\frac{2c \times 2c}{2c} - \frac{2c \times k}{2c} - 2c + k = 0, \frac{4c^2}{2c} - \frac{2ck}{2c} - 2c + k = 0$
- $\frac{4c^2 - 2ck - 4c^2 + 2ck}{2c} = 0, 0 = 0$

**Step 7:** Verify the Solution

verified that substituting the value of  $n$  back into the derivative equation results in zero, confirming it is a critical point.

**Step 8:** Conclusion

From the above steps, we can conclude that  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$  under the assumption  $T(n) \leq cn^2$ .

**Step 9:** To find the suitable constant  $c$  and  $k$ , we can look at the equation derived in step 6:

- $2cn - 2c + k = 0$

Solving for  $c$  gives:

- $2c(n - 1) + k = 0$

This equation gives a relationship between  $c$ ,  $k$ , and  $n$ . To find the exact values of  $c$  and  $k$  that satisfy the condition  $c > \frac{k}{2}$  and  $k < 2c$ , we would need additional information or constraints on the values of  $c$  and  $k$ .

**Solution 2:**

Given the recurrence relation:

- $T(n) = T(n - 1) + \Theta(n)$

**Step 1:** Setup the Recurrence Relation

- Assume  $T(n) \leq cn^2$  for some constant  $c$ , and let the constant term in  $\Theta(n)$  be  $kn$ , where  $k$  is a constant.

**Step 2:** Substitute the Assumption into the Recurrence

- $T(n) \leq c(n - 1)^2 + kn$

**Step 3:** Expand and Simplify

- $T(n) \leq c(n^2 - 2n + 1) + kn$
- $T(n) \leq cn^2 - 2cn + c + kn$

**Step 4:** Rearrange the Terms

- $T(n) \leq cn^2 - n(2c - k) + c$

**Step 5:** Find the Condition for  $n$

- To ensure the inequality holds for all  $n$ , we need  $n(2c - k) > c$ , which gives us:
  - $n > \frac{c}{2c-k}$

**Step 6:** Find the Conditions for  $c$  and  $k$

- From the above inequality, we can derive the conditions for  $c$  and  $k$ :
  - $2c - k > 0$
  - Which gives us two conditions:
    - $c > \frac{k}{2}$
    - $k < 2c$

**Step 7:** Conclusion

- We have found a solution where  $T(n) = \Theta(n^2)$  under the assumption  $T(n) \leq cn^2$ , and we have derived the conditions for  $c$  and  $k$  to satisfy the inequality.

**Base Case:**

For  $n = 1$ ,  $T(1) = \Theta(1)$ . Let's assume  $T(1) = a$  for some constant  $a$ .

**Recurrence Relation Piecewise Function:**

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & \text{if } n = 1 \\ T(q) + T(n - q - 1) + \Theta(n) & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

**Step 1:** Setup the recurrence relation, and Assumption

- Assume that  $T(n) \geq c \cdot n \log(n)$ , where  $c > 0$ , and  $1 \leq q \leq n - 1$
- $T(n) \geq cq \log(q) + c(n - q - 1) \log(n - q - 1) + kn$ ,  $k$  is a constant
- $T(n) = c(q \log(q) + (n - q - 1) \log(n - q - 1) + kn$

**Step 2:** Differentiate the terms with respect to  $q$ , the constants won't affect the result, minimize the function:

- $f(q) = q \log(q) + (n - q - 1) \log(n - q - 1)$

Apply the product rule of Differentiation  $q \log(q)$ , where  $u = q$  and  $v = \log(q)$

$u' = 1$ , and  $v' = \frac{1}{q}$

- $\frac{d}{dq}(q \log(q)) = q \cdot \frac{1}{q} + \log(q) \cdot 1 = \log(n) + 1$

Apply the product rule of Differentiation  $(n - q - 1) \log(n - q - 1)$ , where  $u = n - q - 1$  and  $v = \log(n - q - 1)$

$u' = -1$ , and  $v' = \frac{-1}{n-q-1}$

- $\frac{d}{dq} = ((n - q - 1) \log(n - q - 1)) = (n - q - 1) \cdot \frac{-1}{n - q - 1} + \log(n - q - 1) \cdot (-1)$
- $= -1 - \log(n - q - 1)$

Combine two terms,

- $f'(q) = \log(q) + 1 - \log(n - q - 1) - 1$
- Simplify,  $f'(q) = \log(q) - \log(n - q - 1)$

**Step 3:** Find  $q$  for which  $f'(q) = \log(q) - \log(n - q - 1) = 0$ , we get:

Apply the properties of logarithms

- $\log(n - q - 1) - \log(q) = \log\left(\frac{q}{n - q - 1}\right) = 0$
- $\frac{q}{n - q - 1} = 1, q = n - q - 1$ , then  $2q = n - 1, q = \frac{n - 1}{2}$

**Step 4:** Find  $n$ , using  $q = \frac{n - 1}{2}, 1 \leq q \leq n - 1$

$n = 1$ , makes  $q = 0$  which is out of the validate bound, so pick  $n \geq 2$

- $f(q) = q \log(q) + (n - q - 1) \log(n - q - 1)$
- $\geq \frac{n - 1}{2} \log\left(\frac{n - 1}{2}\right) + \left(n - \frac{n - 1}{2} - 1\right) \log\left(n - \frac{n - 1}{2} - 1\right)$
- $= (n - 1) \log\left(\frac{n - 1}{2}\right)$

Apply to the  $T(n)$ , for  $n \geq 2$

- $T(n) \geq c \cdot (n - 1) \log\left(\frac{n - 1}{2}\right) + \Theta(n)$
- $= c \cdot (n - 1) \log(n - 1) - c \cdot (n - 1) + \Theta(n)$
- $= cn \log(n - 1) - c \log(n - 1) - c(n - 1) + \Theta(n)$
- $\geq cn \log\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) - c \log(n - 1) - c(n - 1) + \Theta(n)$ , since  $n \geq 2$
- $= cn \log(n) - cn - c \log(n - 1) - cn + c + \Theta(n)$
- $= cn \log(n) - (2cn + c \log(n - 1) - c) + \Theta(n)$
- $\geq cn \log(n), T(n) \in \Omega(n \log(n))$  is true

**Step 5:** Find out Minimum (second derivative of  $q''$ ). If  $f''(q) > 0$ , then  $q = \frac{n - 1}{2}$  is indeed a minimum.

By differentiating  $f'(q) = \log(q) - \log(n - q - 1)$ :

- $\frac{d}{dq} \log(q) = \frac{1}{q},$

Apply the chain rule  $f(g(x)) = f'(g(x)) \cdot g'(q)$  for the term  $\log(n - q - 1)$

where  $f(x) = \log(x)$  and  $g(q) = n - q - 1$

- $f'(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ , and  $g'(q) = -1$
- $\frac{d}{dq} \log(n - q - 1) = \frac{-1}{n - q - 1}$

Combine the terms for  $f''(q)$

- $f''(q) = \frac{1}{q} + \frac{1}{n - q - 1}$

For  $q = \frac{n-1}{2}$ ,  $f''(q) > 0$ , confirming that it's a minimum.

Therefore, since we can pick the constant  $c$  small enough so that the  $\Theta(n)$  term dominates the quantity  $2cn + c \log(n-1) - c$ . Thus, the best-case running time of quicksort is  $\Omega(n \log(n))$ .

## The Recurrence Relation Analysis of Average Case

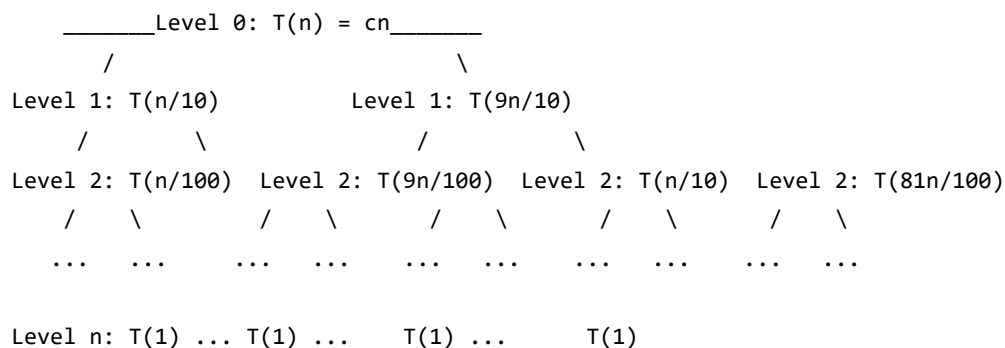
$$T(n) = \begin{cases} \Theta(1) & \text{if } n \leq 1, \\ T\left(\frac{n}{10}\right) + T\left(\frac{9n}{10}\right) + \Theta(n) & \text{if } n > 1. \end{cases}$$

**Case 1:**  $n \leq 1$

- For  $n$  less or equal to 1, the time complexity is constant, denoted as  $\Theta(1)$ .

**Case 2:**  $n > 1$

- For  $n$  greater than 1, the array is split into two parts to be sorted recursively, with a linear time complexity for partitioning and merging.



all terms eventually become  $T(1)$ , biggest size will take longest time

Given that:  $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{10}\right) + T\left(\frac{9n}{10}\right) + \Theta(n)$

- prove that  $T(n) \in \Theta(n \log(n))$
- $T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{10}\right) + T\left(\frac{9n}{10}\right) + cn$

**Level 0:** The initial problem size is  $n$ .

- L0:**  $T(n) = cn$

**Level 1:** First Level of Recursion

- $T\left(\frac{n}{10}\right) + T\left(\frac{9n}{10}\right)$
- L1:** The problem is divided into two **subproblems: one of size  $\frac{n}{10}$  and the other of size  $\frac{9n}{10}$ .**



## Level 2: Second Level of Recursion

Apply the recurrence relation to each term (2 Terms from Level 1):

- **the fraction rule:**  $\frac{\frac{a}{b}}{c} = \frac{a}{b \cdot c}$

For  $T\left(\frac{n}{10}\right)$ :

$$\bullet T\left(\frac{n}{10}\right) = T\left(\frac{\frac{n}{10}}{10}\right) + T\left(\frac{9\frac{n}{10}}{10}\right) + \left(\frac{cn}{10}\right) = T\left(\frac{n}{(10)^2}\right) + T\left(\frac{9n}{(10)^2}\right) + \left(\frac{cn}{10}\right)$$

For  $T\left(\frac{9n}{10}\right)$ :

$$\bullet T\left(\frac{9n}{10}\right) = T\left(\frac{\frac{9n}{10}}{10}\right) + T\left(\frac{9\frac{9n}{10}}{10}\right) + \left(\frac{9cn}{10}\right) = T\left(\frac{9n}{(10)^2}\right) + T\left(\frac{81n}{(10)^2}\right) + \left(\frac{9cn}{10}\right)$$

Combining the results gives the terms at level 2:

$$\bullet T(n) = \left[T\left(\frac{n}{10^2}\right) + T\left(\frac{9n}{10^2}\right) + \Theta\left(\frac{n}{10}\right)\right] + \left[T\left(\frac{9n}{10^2}\right) + T\left(\frac{81n}{10^2}\right) + \Theta\left(\frac{9n}{10}\right)\right] + \Theta(n)$$

Identifying the terms at level 2:

$$\bullet T\left(\frac{n}{10^2}\right), T\left(\frac{9n}{10^2}\right), T\left(\frac{9n}{10^2}\right), T\left(\frac{81n}{10^2}\right)$$
$$\bullet T\left(\frac{n}{10^2}\right) + T\left(\frac{9n}{10^2}\right) + T\left(\frac{9n}{10^2}\right) + T\left(\frac{81n}{10^2}\right)$$

**Observe that:**  $T\left(\frac{n}{10^2}\right)$  is the smallest size of problem, and  $T\left(\frac{81n}{10^2}\right)$  is the biggest size of the problem

- At any level, the size of problem will be  $\frac{n}{10^i}$ ,
- The height of the left most is  $\log_{10}(n)$ 
  - $\frac{n}{10^i} = 1, (10^i) \frac{n}{10^i} = (10^i)1, n = 10^i$
  - $\log_{10}(n) = \log_{10}(10^i), \log_{10}(n) = i$
- The size of problem of the right most tree,  $\left(\frac{9n}{10}\right)^i$ 
  - $\left(\frac{9n}{10}\right)^i = 1, \left(\frac{9n}{10}\right)^i = 1,$
  - $\log_{\frac{10}{9}} \cdot \left(\frac{9n}{10}\right)^i = \log_{\frac{10}{9}} \cdot (n)$

$$T(n) \in O(n \log(n)),$$

$$\text{L.M.B } T(n) \geq cn \log_{10}(n)$$

$$\text{R.M.B } T(n) \leq cn \log_{\frac{10}{9}} n$$

## Last Level of Recursion

- Apply recurrence until  $n \leq 1$  (base case).
- **Last Level:** Tree expands until  $n \leq 1$ , reaching a constant time complexity,  $\Theta(1)$ .

## AVERAGE CASE BEHAVIOR (平均情況行為)

Given a split  $a$  to  $(1 - a)$ , where  $0 \leq a \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ,

### Calculation Steps:

#### 1. Split Ratio:

- Given a 7-to-3 split:  $7(left) + 3(right) = 10$  total parts.

#### 2. Fraction:

- Larger partition is  $\frac{7}{10}$  of the total.

#### 3. Reciprocal:

- Reciprocal of the fraction:  $\frac{10}{7}$ .

#### 4. Height Calculation:

- Height of tree:  $\log_{\frac{10}{7}} n$ , using base  $\frac{10}{7}$ .

This is where  $\frac{10}{7}$  comes from in the height calculation.

What if the partition always produces a 7-to-3 proportional split?

### What is the cost of each level?

- Cost per level =  $O(n)$

### What is the height?

- Height of tree =  $\log_{\frac{10}{7}} n = \Theta(\log(n))$

### What is $T(n)$ ? $T(n)$

- $T(n) = O(n \log(n))$

## Randomized Quicksort Algorithm

### Overview:

- Utilizes a random number generator for behavior determination.

### Advantages:

- Ensures uniform data distribution, unaffected runtime by input order.

### Effect:

- Doesn't alter the worst-case runtime, enhances average case reliability.

### Randomizing Significance:

- Ensures predictable average case scenarios.

### Partition Process:

- Random pivot selection for improved efficiency.

```
RANDOMIZED-PARTITION(A, p, r)
1. i = RANDOM(p, r)    // Randomly select a pivot index `i` between `p` and `r`.
2. exchange A[r] with A[i]  // Swap the randomly selected element with the last element.
3. return PARTITION(A, p, r)  // `PARTITION` function to partition the array around the pivot.

RANDOMIZED-QUICKSORT(A, p, r)
1. if p < r            // Continue if the start index `p` is less than the end index `r`.
2. q = RANDOMIZED-PARTITION(A, p, r)  // `RANDOMIZED-PARTITION` to get partition index `q`.
3. RANDOMIZED-QUICKSORT(A, p, q - 1)  // Recursively sort the subarray b/4 partition index.
4. RANDOMIZED-QUICKSORT(A, q + 1, r)  // Recursively sort the subarray after the partition index.
```

### Purpose:

- RANDOMIZED-PARTITION(A, p, r) : Randomly selects and partitions around a pivot.
- RANDOMIZED-QUICKSORT(A, p, r) : Sorts A using randomized partition recursively.

## Analysis of RANDOMIZED-QUICKSORT Algorithm

### Quicksort() Function

```
QUICKSORT(A, p, r)
1. if p < r
2. q = PARTITION(A, p, r)
3. QUICKSORT(A, p, q - 1)
4. QUICKSORT(A, q + 1, r)
```

### How many times is Quicksort function called?

$n - 1$  times, recursively until array is divided into size 1 subarrays.

### How many elements become a pivot?

$n - 1$  pivot, one pivot in each recursive call.

## What makes the runtime of QuickSort differ for two inputs of size $n$ ?

Pivot choice and initial element order. Good pivot choices lead to faster sorts.

## What is the complexity of the partition function inside of the quicksort function?

$\Theta(n)$ , iterating over the entire array segment (p to r) in the worst case.

## What is the complexity of two recursive calls of quicksort function inside of the quicksort?

**Best Case:**  $\Theta(\log n)$ , equal array division, the depth of the recursive tree is  $\log(n)$ .

**Worst Case:**  $\Theta(n)$ , uneven array division, one subarray is 0, another subarray is  $n - 1$ .

```
PARTITION(A, p, r)
1. x = A[r]    // the pivot
2. i = p - 1    // highest index into the low side
3. for j = p to r - 1    // process each element other than the pivot
4.     if A[j] ≤ x    // does this element belong on the low side?
5.         i = i + 1    // index of a new slot in the low side
6.         exchange A[i] with A[j]    // put this element there
7. exchange A[i+1] with A[r]    // pivot goes just to the right of the low side
8. return i + 1    // new index of the pivot
```

**PARTITION() Function** as below:

- **p (p)**: The start index of the array segment to partition.
- **r (r)**: The end index of the array segment, where the pivot element is located.
- **i (i)**: Tracks the last index of an element  $\leq$  pivot. Initially set to p-1.
- **j (j)**: Used to iterate over the array segment from p to r-1 to find elements  $\leq$  pivot.
- Each variable plays a vital role in partitioning the array correctly around the pivot element.

## How many times is the Partition function called?

$n - 1$  times in the worst case

In the worst case, the partition function is called  $n - 1$  times, once for each element except the last one.

## How much work is done in Partition outside the for loop?

Constant work

Outside the loop, only a few operations are performed, which take a constant amount of time.

## What is doing inside of the for loop?

**Iterating:** From  $p$  to  $r - 1$ , checking each element against the pivot.

**Comparing:** Each element with the pivot element  $A[r]$ .

**Swapping:** If  $A[j] \leq A[r]$ , then  $i$  is increased by 1, and  $A[i]$  is swapped with  $A[j]$ .

**Partitioning:** Ensuring elements  $\leq$  pivot are on the left, and elements  $>$  pivot are on the right.

**How many times is the loop executed?**

$r - p$  times

The loop iterates from  $p$  to  $r - 1$ , so it is executed  $r - p$  times.

**If the data is sorted, which lines execute more often overall?**

**Lines 3 to 6**

In a sorted array, the loop will always find that  $A[j] \leq x$  (since  $x$  is the last element), causing lines 5 and 6 to execute for each element in the array segment, leading to more swaps.

**Line 7**

Line 7 will also execute more often as it is outside the loop and will be executed each time the `PARTITION` function is called.

## EXPECTED RUNNING TIME

**EXPECTED RUNNING TIME**, the Costs of functions `Quicksort(A,p,r)` , and `Partition(A,p,r)` , and the number of comparisons

Corollary: Expected running time of Quicksort is  $n + E[X]$

## Randomized Quicksort

### Introduction

- **Definition:** An algorithm that uses randomness as part of its logic.
- **Benefits:**
  - Removes bias from data, making it appear uniformly distributed.
  - Average case becomes the most likely scenario.
- **Implementation:** Each partition selects the pivot randomly.

### Timing Analysis

- **Best Case:**
  - Occurrence: When each pivot is the median of the segment under consideration.
  - Recurrence:  $T(n) = 2T(\frac{n}{2}) + \Theta(n)$
  - Running Time:  $\Theta(n \log n)$

- **Worst Case:**
  - Occurrence: Very specific data conditions.
  - Running Time:  $\Theta(n^2)$
- **Average Case:**
  - Recurrence: Based on the random choice of pivots, the average depth of the recursion tree is about  $2 \log n$ .
  - Running Time:  $\Theta(n \log n)$

## Lemma

- **Statement:** If line 4 of the partition is executed  $X$  times, the running time is  $O(n + X)$ .
- **Proof:**
  - Outside loop work:  $O(1)$
  - Loop execution:  $X$  times

## Computing $E[X]$

**Definition:**  $E[X]$  is just the total number of comparisons performed.

**Expression:**

$$E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \frac{2}{(j-i+1)}$$

Let elements of  $A$  be labeled  $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n$ , where  $\text{rank}(z_i) = i$

Assumes distinct keys

Let  $X_{ij} = 1$  if  $z_i$  is compared to  $z_j$  (0 otherwise)

Express  $X$  in terms of  $X_{ij}$

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n X_{ij}$$

$$E[X] = E[\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n X_{ij}] = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n E[X_{ij}]$$

Once  $z_i$  and  $z_j$  are in different partitions, they cannot be compared

Why?

Once partitioned, do not compare

Comparisons only happen from  $p$  to  $r$  (i.e., w/in partition)

Partitions do not get merged

Let  $Z_{ij} = \{Z_i, \dots, Z_j\}$ , When are  $z_i$  and  $z_j$  are compared ?

$z_i$  and  $z_j$  are compared when they are in the same partition and 1 of them is the pivot

$$E[X_{ij}] = \Pr\{z_i \text{ or } z_j \text{ is 1st pivot in } Z_{ij}\}$$

$$= Pr\{z_i \text{ is 1st pivot in } Z_{ij}\} + Pr\{z_j \text{ is 1st pivot in } Z_{ij}\}$$

$$Pr\{z_i \text{ is 1st pivot in } Z_{ij}\} = ?$$

$$Pr\{z_j \text{ is 1st pivot in } Z_{ij}\} = ?$$

Assume each element is equally likely to be a pivot

Each probability is  $\frac{1}{(j-i+1)}$

$$\text{So } E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \frac{2}{(j-i+1)}$$

$$E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n E[X_{ij}] = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \frac{2}{(j-i+1)}$$

2. Let  $k = j - i$

$$E[X] = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^{n-i} \frac{2}{(k+1)}$$

$$< \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2}{k} \text{ note } < \text{ and sum bounds changed and denominator changed}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} O(\log(n))$$

$$\text{Thus, } E[x] = O(n \log(n))$$

$$\textbf{Result: } E[X] = O(n \log n)$$

$$\text{Running time of Quicksort} = n + O(n \log(n)) = O(n \log(n))$$

$$\text{Runtime of Quicksort is } O(n + X)$$

$X$  = total number of iterations of Partition loop

$$\text{Randomized-Quicksort has expected runtime of } E[n + X] = O(n + E[X])$$

$$\text{Counting expected number of comparisons gives } E[X] = O(n \log(n))$$

$$\text{Thus, Randomized-Quicksort has expected runtime of } O(n + n \log(n)) = O(n \log(n))$$

## SUMMARY

Quicksort is usually an efficient algorithm

- Under most cases, the runtime is  $O(n \log(n))$
- Very rarely, the runtime can be  $\Theta(n^2)$

Disregarding, stack space from recursive calls, the algorithm is in place

- Even taking the stack space into account, the space is usually  $O(\log(n))$ , which grows very slowly

This is the most popular sorting algorithm for general input values

- Sometimes with variations

We can do better if we know things about the input, though!

## Conclusion

- **Runtime:**  $O(n \log n)$
- **Space:** Usually  $O(\log n)$ , which grows very slowly.
- **Popularity:** The most popular sorting algorithm for general input values, sometimes with variations.