

## 2.3 QUICKSORT DEMO

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Basic plan.

input

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
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```
private static int partition(Comparable[] a, int lo, int hi){...}
```

- Initially, a -> array to sort
  - lo -> 0
  - hi -> a.length - 1 (15)
  - partition item = a[lo] = a[0] = “K”

**partition**

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## Partition Algorithm: Java

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```
private static int partition(Comparable[] a, int lo, int hi)
{ // Partition into a[lo..i-1], a[i], a[i+1..hi].
  int i = lo, j = hi+1;           // left and right scan indices
  Comparable v = a[lo];           // partitioning item
  while (true)
  { // Scan right, scan left, check for scan complete, and exchange.
    while (less(a[++i], v)) if (i == hi) break;
    while (less(v, a[--j])) if (j == lo) break;
    if (i >= j) break;
    exch(a, i, j);
  }
  exch(a, lo, j);                 // Put v = a[j] into position
  return j;                       // with a[lo..j-1] <= a[j] <= a[j+1..hi].
}
```

# Finding the final position of "K"

|                       |  | v |    | a[] |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|-----------------------|--|---|----|-----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|                       |  | i | j  | 0   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| initial values        |  | 0 | 16 | K   | R | A | T | E | L | E | P | U | I | M  | Q  | C  | X  | O  | S  |
| scan left, scan right |  | 1 | 12 | K   | R | A | T | E | L | E | P | U | I | M  | Q  | C  | X  | O  | S  |
| exchange              |  | 1 | 12 | K   | C | A | T | E | L | E | P | U | I | M  | Q  | R  | X  | O  | S  |
| scan left, scan right |  | 3 | 9  | K   | C | A | T | E | L | E | P | U | I | M  | Q  | R  | X  | O  | S  |
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| scan left, scan right |  | 6 | 5  | K   | C | A | I | E | E | L | P | U | T | M  | Q  | R  | X  | O  | S  |
| final exchange        |  | 6 | 5  | E   | C | A | I | E | K | L | P | U | T | M  | Q  | R  | X  | O  | S  |
| result                |  |   | 5  | E   | C | A | I | E | K | L | P | U | T | M  | Q  | R  | X  | O  | S  |

Partitioning trace (array contents before and after each exchange)

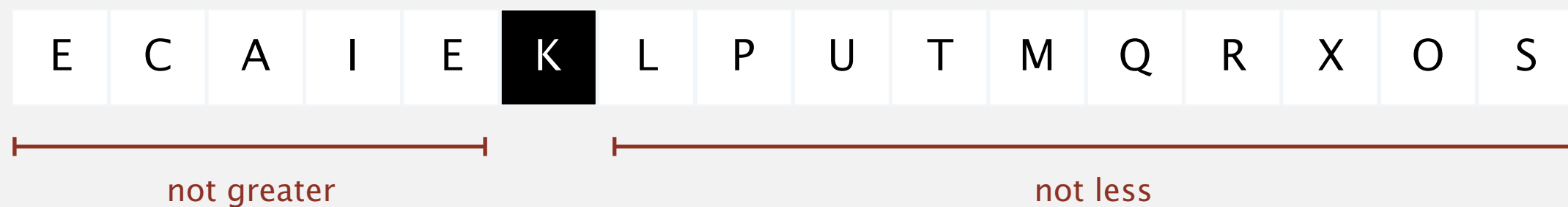
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### sorted array

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