

Assignment4.3

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Qsort

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2 qsort determines a pivot by selecting the middle index between left
   and right. Lets consider the elements between the left and
   right index to be the focus area. The pivot is moved to the
   front of the array. Every number in the focus area is compared
   to the pivot. Last documents the last number less than the
   pivot. If the function finds a number that is less than the
   pivot but whos index is after last, it swaps the first
   number greater than the pivot (last++) and that number so that
   all numbers less than the pivot are together and all numbers
   greater than the pivot are together. Then, the pivot is moved
   in between the numbers that are greater than the pivot and
   numbers that are less than the pivot. At this point, the index
   of the pivot number is sorted. Repeat this process on the
   numbers less than the pivot and the numbers greater than the
   pivot. The base case is when there is only one number in the
   focus area because a single number is by default sorted. After
   every pass of qsort, one more element is 'sorted' in its right
   index.
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4 Int s[] = {2,6,7,84}
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6 First pass:
7 {4,6,2,7,8}      index of 7 is sorted
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9 Second pass:
10 {2,4,6} 7 {8}      6 is sorted, and 8 is sorted
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12 Third pass:
13 {2,4}6,7,8      2 is sorted
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15 Four pass:
16 2 {4} 6, 7, 8      4 is sorted
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