



# **CIS 263 Introduction to Data Structures and Algorithms**

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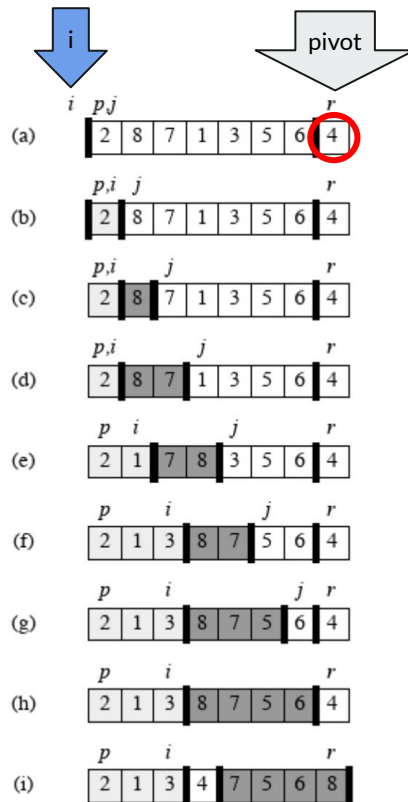
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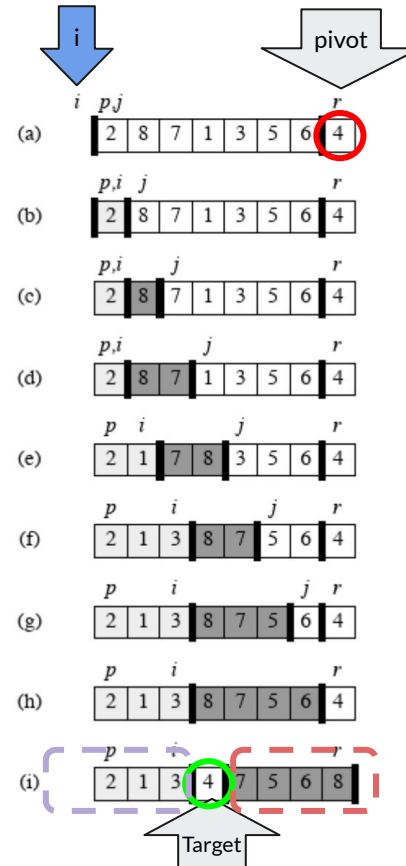
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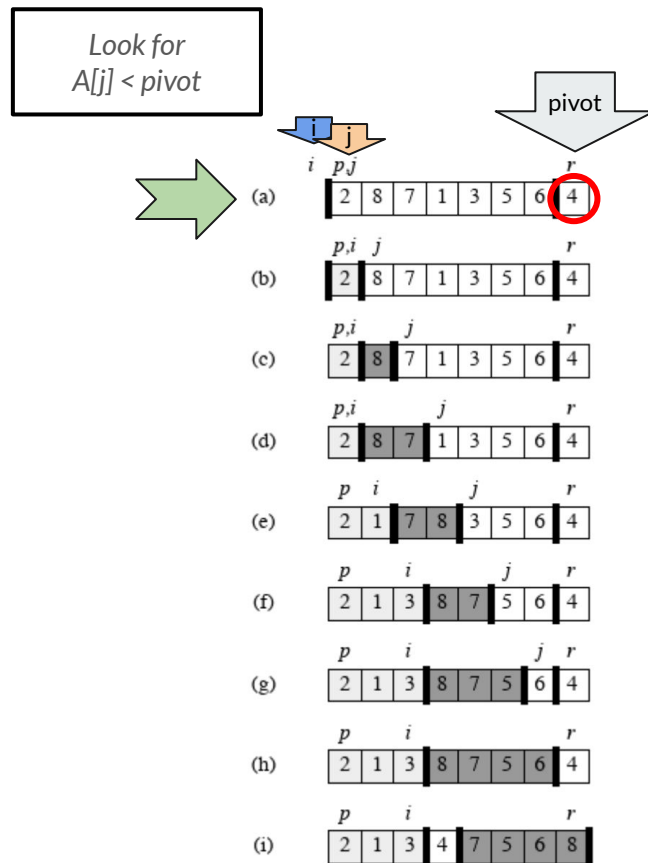


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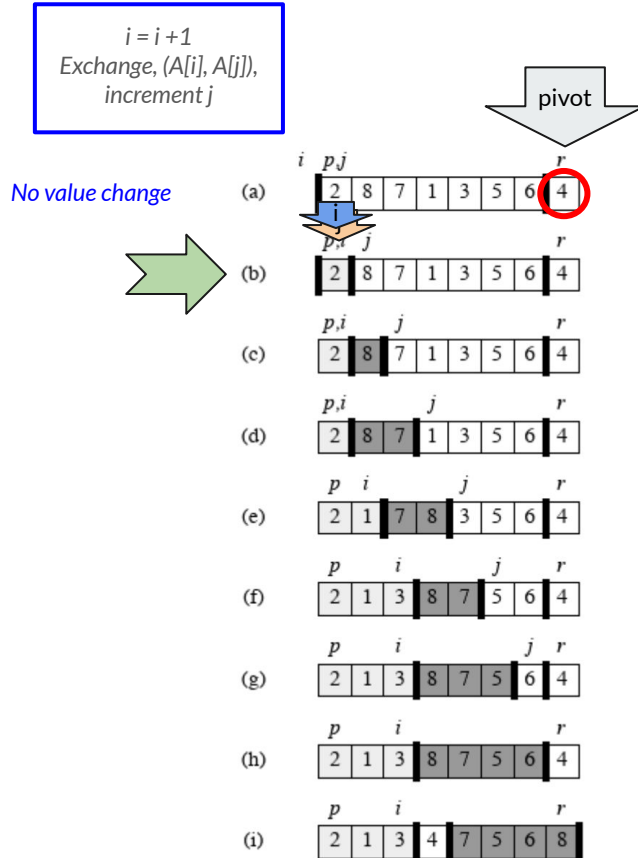
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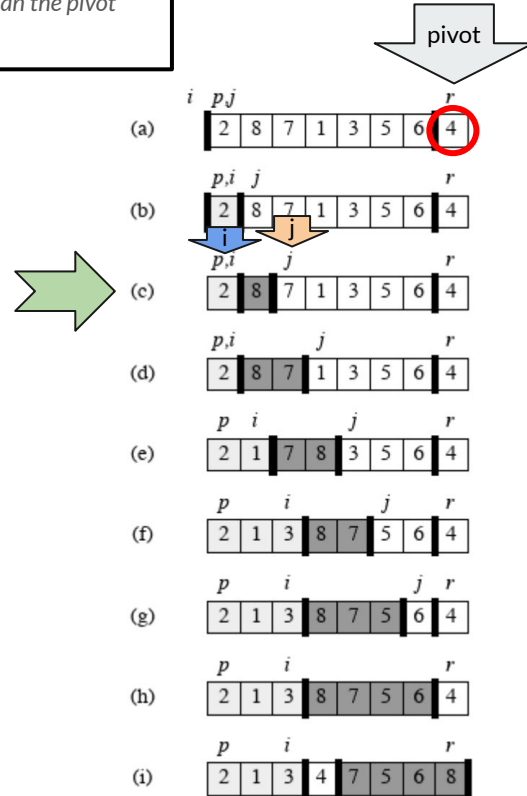
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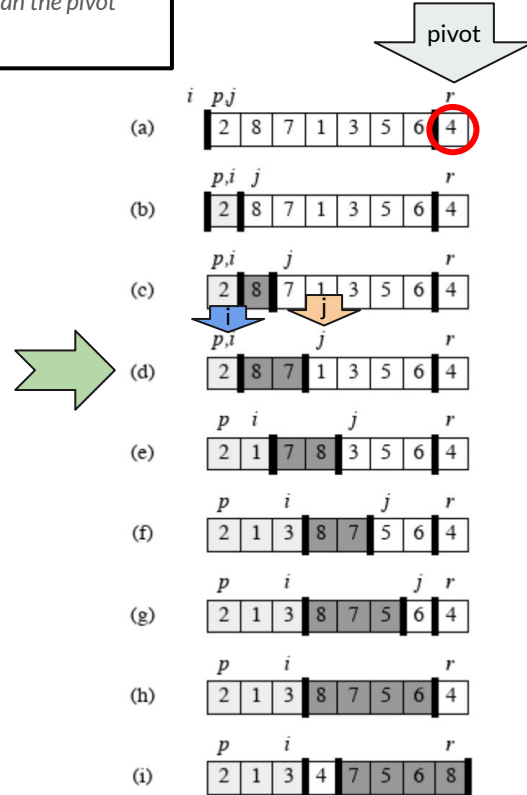
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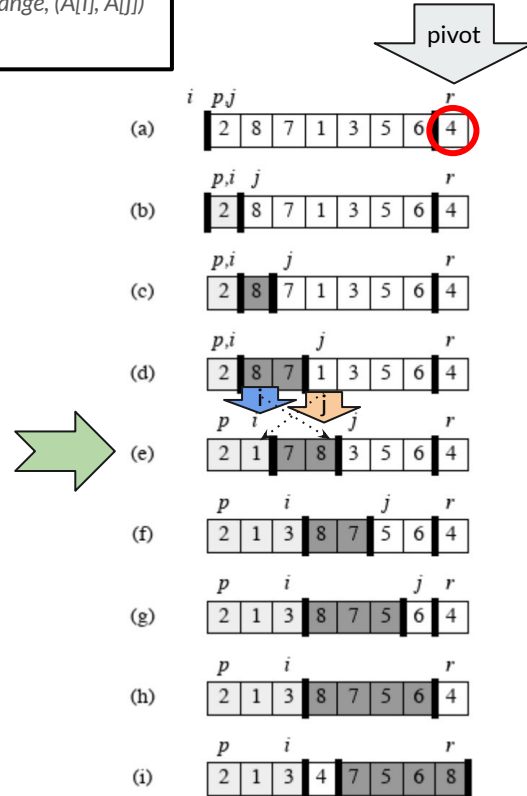
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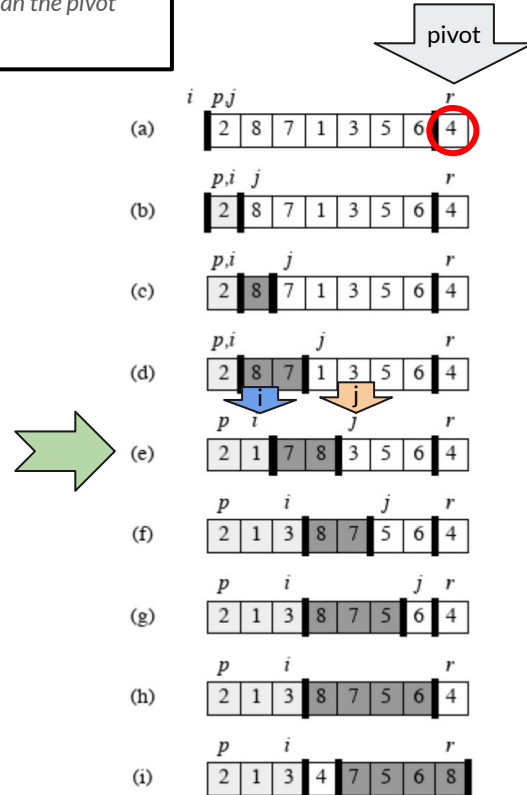
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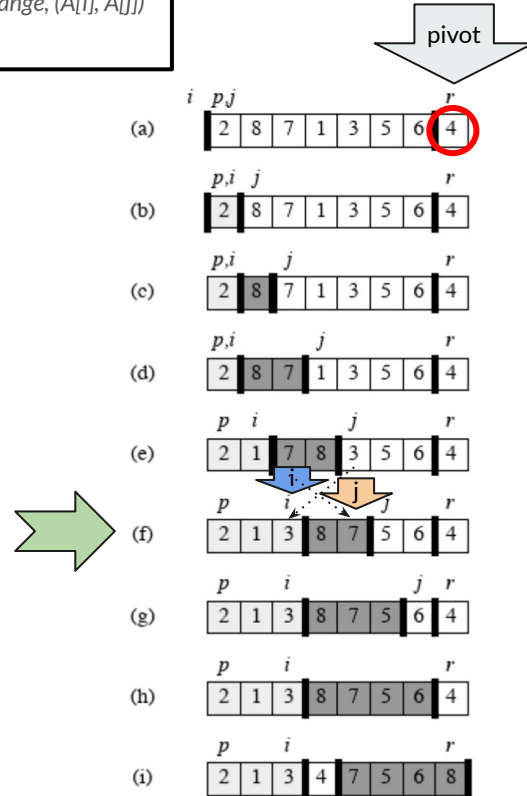
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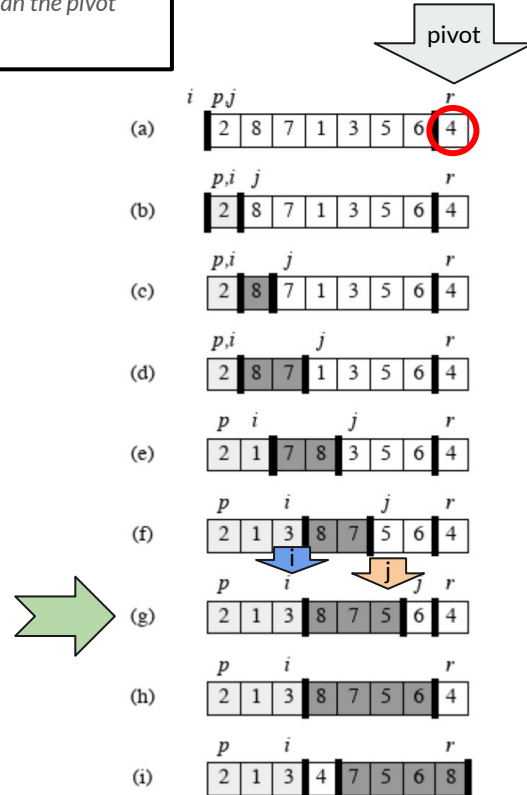
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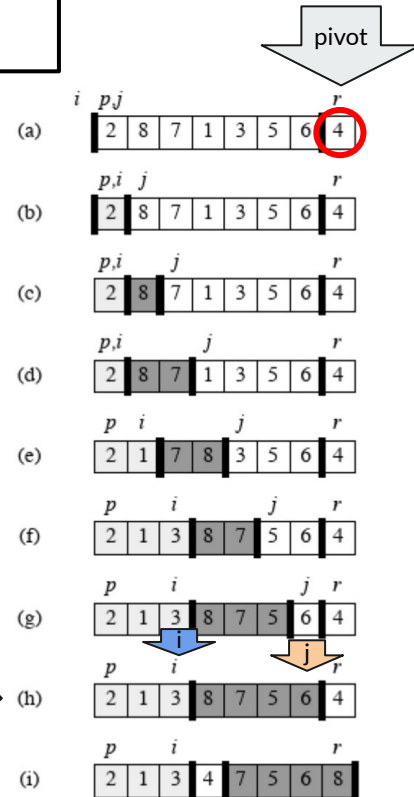
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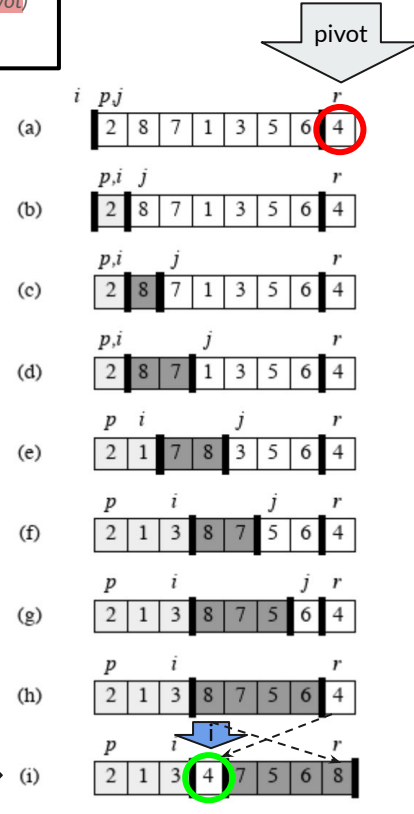
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Average case:  $O(n \log n)$

Worst case:  $O(n^2)$  ; when data is already sorted