

# Quick Sort

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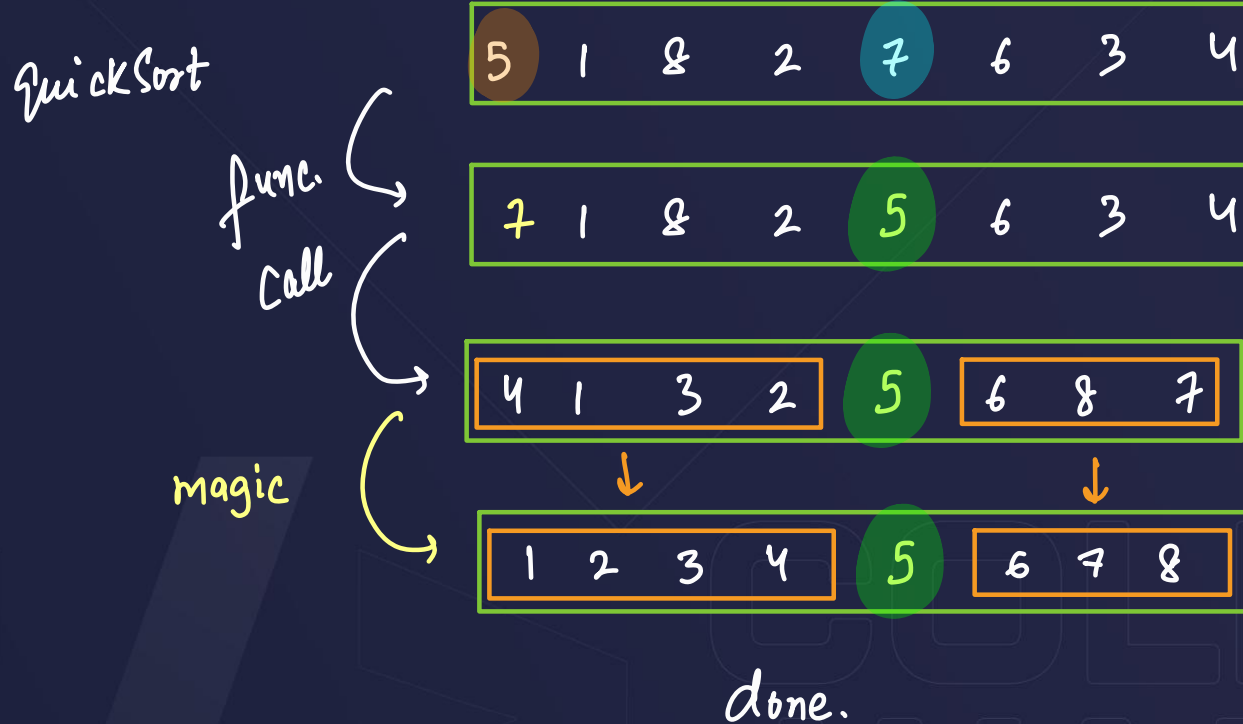
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# Today's checklist

- 1) Quick Sort Algorithm
- 2) Example Explanation
- 3) Quick Sort Time and Space Complexity
- 4) Randomised **Pivot** point
- 5) Stability
- 6) Applications of Quick Sort
- 7) Difference between Quick Sort and Merge Sort

# QuickSort Algorithm



# How to choose the pivot point

1) As of now, we will take the first element as pivot.

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starting idx

2) To set the pivot → find pivot idx & then swap.

→ just find the number of smaller elements than  
arr[start]

count = 0 1 2 3 4

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
5	1	8	2	7	6	3	4

start

end

$\text{pivot idx} = \text{count} + \text{start}$

# Partition Algorithm



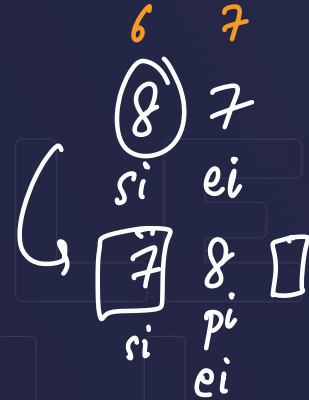
5      6      7  
7      8      6  
st                      end

count = 1

pivot idx = count + st = 6

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# Time and Space complexity

```
void quicksort(int arr[], int si, int ei){
    if(si>=ei) return; // base
    // 5,1,8,2,7,6,3,4
    int pi = partition(arr,si,ei);
    // 4 1 3 2 5 7 8 6
    quicksort(arr,si,pi-1);
    quicksort(arr,pi+1,ei);
}

int main(){
    //
```

```
int partition(int arr[], int si, int ei){
    int pivotElement = arr[si];
    int count = 0;
    for(int i=si+1;i<=ei;i++){
        if(arr[i]<=pivotElement) count++;
    }
    int pivotIdx = count + si;
    swap(arr[si],arr[pivotIdx]);
    int i = si;
    int j = ei;
    while(i<pivotIdx && j>pivotIdx){
        if(arr[i]<=pivotElement) i++;
        if(arr[j]>pivotElement) j--;
        else if(arr[i]>pivotElement && arr[j]<=pivotElement){
            swap(arr[i],arr[j]);
            i++;
            j--;
        }
    }
    return pivotIdx;
}
```

Let the qs code be

run 'x' times

Tno in  
each  
partition  $\rightarrow 2x(ei-si)$

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→  $O(1)$   $\alpha$

→  $O(n)$   $\alpha$

→  $O(\log n)$  ✓



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        else if(arr[i]>pivotElement && arr[j]<=pivotElement){
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            i++;
            j--;
        }
    }
    return pivotIdx;
}
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# Time and Space complexity

Time Complexity :

Avg. Case  $\rightarrow O(n \cdot \log n)$

Worst Case  $\rightarrow O(n^2)$

Worst Case :



Problem  
 $\downarrow$   
 $arr[si] \rightarrow$  pivot element  
 $pi \rightarrow$  swap

# Randomized Pivot point

pivot element  $\rightarrow arr[si]$  ✗

pivot element  $\rightarrow arr[\frac{si+ei}{2}]$  ✓

5 4 3 2 1

↓

1 2

3

4 5

1 2

3

4 5

$\rightarrow T.C. \rightarrow O(n \log n)$

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# Stability of Quick Sort → Not Stable

Stable Sorts



B.S, I.S., M.S



Unstable Sorts



S.C, Q.S



# Application of Quick Sort

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- 1) Internal sorting uses variation of quick sort
- 2) quick select
- 3) Whenever there is no need of stability, we use quick sort.

# Merge Sort vs Quick Sort

B.S, S.S, I.S



T.C.  $O(n \log n)$

S.C.  $O(n)$

Stability ✓



Linked Lists

Inversion Count



$O(n \log n)$

✓  $O(\log n)$  → In Place sorting

✗

Quick select

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**Ques :** Write a Program to find Kth smallest element in an array using QuickSort.

Selection Sort  $\rightarrow O(k*n) \leftarrow$  Bubble  $\Delta$  Insertion

Merge Sort  $\rightarrow O(n \log n)$

Quick Select  $\rightarrow O(n)$  (avg. case)  $\rightarrow$  Worst Case  $\rightarrow O(n^2)$

5 1 8 (2) 7 6 3 4

$K = 5$

1 (2) 8 5 7 6 3 4

1 2 8 5 (7) 6 3 4

1 2 4 5 3 6 (7) 8

1 2 4 (5) 3 6 7 8

1 2 4 3 (5) 6 7 8

*return*

## Quick Select Time Complexity Discussion

$n=8$

```
int kthSmallest(int arr[], int si, int ei, int k){  
    int pi = partition(arr, si, ei);  
    if(pi+1==k) return arr[pi];  
    else if(pi+1 < k) return kthSmallest(arr, pi+1, ei, k);  
    else return kthSmallest(arr, si, pi-1, k);  
}
```



Rough

Total no. of ops  $\rightarrow n$   
 $+ \frac{n}{2} + \frac{n}{4} \dots$

$$= 1 + 2 + 4 \dots \frac{n}{2} + n = 2n - 1 \sim n$$

$$= \text{T.C.} = O(n)$$



# THANK YOU

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classwork →  $k^{\text{th}}$  smallest → LeetCode