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Lab 3: Sorting algorithm

Random Number Generation

If you want to implement in C,you can use the following C pattern for generating random numbers for this assignment

```
#include <time.h>
#include <stdlib.h>

srand(time(NULL));    // should only be called once
int r = rand();        // returns a pseudo-random integer between 0 and RAND_MAX
r = r % M              // Mod r y M so that r is a uniformly distributed random integer btween 0 and M-1, both ends included
r = r + K // r is uniformly distributed integer between K and M-1+K
```

Randomized Quick Sort

The quicksort algorithm has a **worst-case** running time of $\Theta(n^2)$ on an input array of n numbers. Despite this slow worst-case running time, quicksort is often the best practical choice for sorting because it is remarkably efficient **on the average**: its **expected** running time is $\Theta(n \lg n)$, and the constant factors hidden in the $\Theta(n \lg n)$ notation are quite small. It also has the advantage of sorting in place.

we can sometimes add randomization to the algorithm in order to obtain good expected performance over **all** inputs. Many people regard the resulting randomized version of quicksort as the sorting algorithm of choice for large enough inputs.

We implement an ascending order randomized quick sort here.

Pseudo Code:

```
//Partition the subarray A[p...r]
RANDOMIZED_PARTITION(A,p,r):
    k = Rand(p,r) //pick a random pivot index between p and r
    swap(A[k],A[r]) // put the pivot at the end of the subarray
    x = A[k]
    i = p - 1
    for j = p to i:{
        if(A[j] <= x):
            i = i + 1
            swap(A[i],A[j])
    }
    swap(A[i+1],A[r])
    return i+1 // return the new postion of the pivot element

RANDOMIZED_QUICK_SORT(A,p,r):
    if p < r:
        q = RANDOMIZED_PARTITION(A,p,r)
        RANDOMIZED_QUICK_SORT(A,p,q-1)
        RANDOMIZED_QUICK_SORT(A,q+1,r)
```

Test your implementation on some random array and the descending array [100000,99999,99998,....,3,2,1], show them during the lab.