

1 a

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quicksort(A[n]):  
  if(|A| = 1):  
    return A  
  x := rand(n)  
  while(|B| < n/4 or |C| < n/4):  
    partition(A) =: (B, a, C)  
  A := (quicksort(B), a, quicksort(C))  
  return A
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2 b

If

$$X \propto \text{Geom}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[T(n)] = \mathbb{E}[O(n)X] + \mathbb{E}[T(j-1)] + \mathbb{E}[T(n-j)]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[T(n)] = O(n)\mathbb{E}[X] + \mathbb{E}[T(j-1)] + \mathbb{E}[T(n-j)]$$

$$\mathbb{E}[T(n)] = 2O(n) + \mathbb{E}[T(j-1)] + \mathbb{E}[T(n-j)]$$

$$\leq 2O(n) + T(1/4) + T(3/4)$$