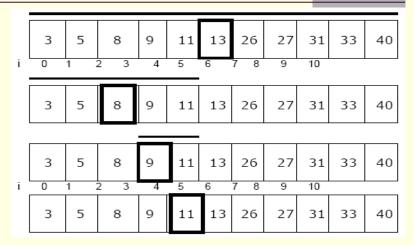
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Recursive sorting and searching

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Binary Search



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Recursive Binary Search

```
int binarySearch (int array [ ] , int first, int last, int key)
{
  int middle;

// base case
  if ( first > last)
     return - 1; // key was not found
```

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Recursive Binary Search (cont)

```
else {
    middle = ( first + last) / 2;
    if ( key == array [ middle ] )
        return middle;
    else if ( key < array [middle ] )
        return binarySearch ( array , first, middle - 1, key );
    else
        return binarySearch ( array, middle + 1, last, key);
}</pre>
```

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Quicksort

- One of the fastest and simplest sorting algorithms. It works recursively by a divideand-conquer strategy.
- Divide the array of items to be sorted into two partitions and then call the quicksort procedure recursively to sort the two partitions,
- ie we divide the problem into two smaller ones and conquer by solving the smaller ones.

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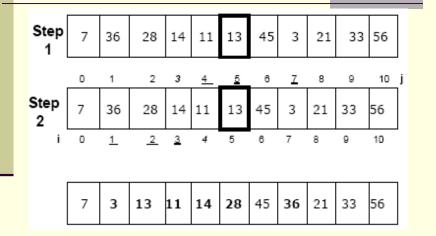
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Quicksort Algorithm

- 1. pick one element in the array, which will be the *pivot*.
- 2. make one pass through the array, called a *partition step*, re-arranging the entries so that:
 - entries smaller than the pivot are to the left of the pivot.
 - entries larger than the pivot are to its right.
 - the pivot is in its proper place.
- 3. recursively apply quicksort to the part of the array that is to the left of the pivot, and to the part on its right.

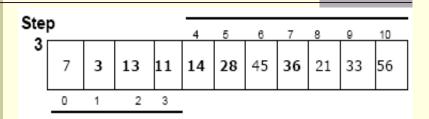
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How Quicksort works

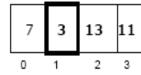


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How Quicksort works



Step 1 again



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Quicksort Implementation

```
void quicksort ( int array [ ], int lo, int hi ) {
  // lo is the lower index,
  // hi is the upper index
  // of the region of array a that is to be
  // sorted
  int i = lo, j = hi, temp;
  //step 1, x will be the pivot
  int x = array [ ( lo + hi ) / 2 ];
```

Quicksort Implementation (cont 2)

```
// partition //step
do {
while (array [ i ] < x ) //check until we find an
    //element bigger than the pivot in the
    i++; // lower part of the array.
while (array [ j ] > x ) // check until we find an
    //element smaller than the pivot in the
    j- - ; // higher part of the array.
```

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Quicksort Implementation (cont 3)

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```
if (i <= j)
{
    temp = array [ i ]; //swap
    array [ i ] = array [ j ];
    array [ j ] = temp;
    i++;
    j--;
}
while (i <= j);</pre>
```

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Quicksort Implementation (cont 4)

```
// recursion // step 3 
if ( lo < j ) quicksort ( array , lo, j ); 
if ( i < hi ) quicksort ( array , i, hi ); 
}
```

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Quicksort Analysis

- The *best-case* behavior of the Quicksort algorithm occurs when in each recursion step the partitioning produces two parts of equal length.
- In order to sort n elements, in this case the running time is in O(nlog(n)).
- This is because the recursion depth is log (n) and on each level there are n elements to be treated.

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Quicksort Analysis (cont)

- The worst case occurs when in each recursion step an unbalanced partitioning is produced.
- When one part consists of only one element and the other part consists of the rest of the elements .
- Then the recursion depth is n-1 and Quicksort runs in time (n²).

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