Assignment 5

Shreyas Santosh More

University of Cumberlands

Algorithms and Data Structures (MSCS-532-B01)

Dr.Bass

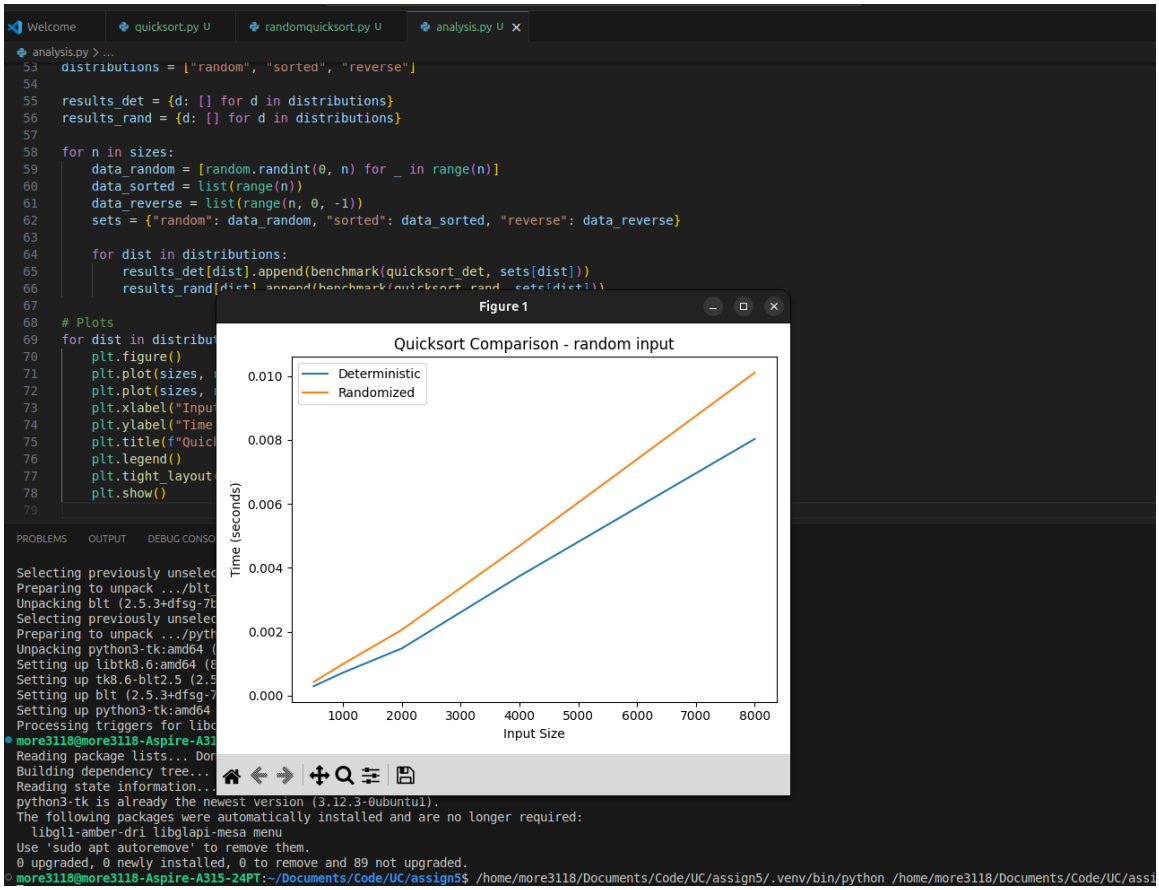
November 16, 2025

Install Matplotlib before proceeding. Use Virtual environment if required to run the programming

```
Sorted array: [1, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10]
more3118@more3118-Aspire-A315-24PT:~/Documents/Code/UC/assign5$ /bin/python3 /home/more3118/Documents/Code/UC/assign5/analysis.py
Traceback (most recent call last):
  File "/home/more3118/Documents/Code/UC/assign5/analysis.py", line 5, in <module>
    import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
ModuleNotFoundError: No module named 'matplotlib'
more3118@more3118-Aspire-A315-24PT:~/Documents/Code/UC/assign5$ py install matplotlib
Command 'py' not found, but can be installed with:
sudo apt install pythonpy
more3118@more3118-Aspire-A315-24PT:~/Documents/Code/UC/assign5$ pip install matplotlib
error: externally-managed-environment

× This environment is externally managed
╰─> To install Python packages system-wide, try apt install
    python3-xyz, where xyz is the package you are trying to
    install.
```

Result of comparison (Empircal Analysis)



Version	Average-case	Worst-case	Worst-case likelihood	Notes
Deterministic	O(n \log n)	O(n^2)	Moderate on	Very sensitive to input

Version	Average-case	Worst-case	Worst-case likelihood	Notes
pivot			structured inputs	order
Randomized pivot	O(n \log n)	O(n^2)	Extremely low	Hard to engineer worst-case
Median-of-three	O(n \log n)	O(n^2)	Low	Heuristic, not proof-level protection

Further Quicksort Time and Space Complexity Analysis

1. Best Case: O(n log n)

In the best case, the pivot divides the array into two nearly equal halves. The recurrence $T(n) = 2T(n/2) + O(n)$ solves to $O(n \log n)$.

2. Average Case: O(n log n)

On average, partitions tend to be reasonably balanced. Solving the expected recurrence leads to $O(n \log n)$.

3. Worst Case: O(n^2)

Occurs when the pivot always produces maximally unbalanced partitions. The recurrence $T(n)=T(n-1)+O(n)$ expands to $O(n^2)$.

4. Space Complexity

Average: O(log n) due to recursion stack.

Worst: O(n) with highly unbalanced recursion.

Quicksort is in-place aside from recursion overhead.

References

GeeksforGeeks. (n.d.). Time and space complexity analysis of quick sort.

Scaler Topics. (n.d.). Quick sort algorithm.

Sourabh, S. K., & Chakraborty, S. (2008). How robust is quicksort average complexity? arXiv.

UMD Math / CMSC 351 Notes. (n.d.). QuickSort analysis.