

# QUICK SORT

## CODE:

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#include <stdio.h> #include <stdlib.h>

void swap (int *a, int *b){ int temp = *a; *a = *b; *b = temp; }

int partitionFirst(int a [], int low, int high) {int pivot = a[low]; int i = low + 1, j = high;

while(i <= j){
    while(i <= high && a[i] <= pivot){
        i++;
    }
    while(a[j] > pivot){
        j--;
    }
    if(i < j){
        swap(&a[i], &a[j]);
    }
}
swap(&a[low], &a[j]);
return j;

}

int partition Last(int a[], int low, int high) { int pivot = a[high]; int i = low - 1;

for(int j = low; j < high; j++){
    if(a[j] <= pivot){
        i++;
        swap(&a[i], &a[j]);
    }
}
swap(&a[i + 1], &a[high]);
return i + 1;

}

int partitionRandom(int a[], int low, int high){ int randomIndex = low + rand() % (high - low + 1);
printf("Randomly selected pivot: %d\n", a[randomIndex]); swap(&a[randomIndex], &a[high]); return
partitionLast(a, low, high); }
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void quickSort(int a[], int low, int high, int choice){ if(low < high){ int p;

    if(choice == 1){
        p = partitionFirst(a, low, high);
    }
    else if(choice == 2){
        p = partitionLast(a, low, high);
    }
    else{
        p = partitionRandom(a, low, high);
    }

    quickSort(a, low, p - 1, choice);
    quickSort(a, p + 1, high, choice);
}

}

void copyArray(int src[], int dest[], int n){ for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){ dest[i] = src[i]; } }

void display(int a[], int n){ for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){ printf("%d ", a[i]); } printf("\n"); }

int main(){ int n, choice;

printf("Enter number of elements: ");
scanf("%d", &n);

int original[n], temp[n];

printf("Enter elements:\n");
for(int i = 0; i < n; i++){
    scanf("%d", &original[i]);
}

while(1){
    printf("\n----- QUICK SORT MENU ----- \n");
    printf("1. First Element as Pivot\n");
    printf("2. Last Element as Pivot\n");
    printf("3. Random Element as Pivot\n");
    printf("4. Exit\n");
    printf("Enter your choice: ");
    scanf("%d", &choice);

    if(choice == 4){

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        printf("Exiting program...\n");
        break;
    }

    if(choice < 1 || choice > 3){
        printf("Invalid choice! Try again.\n");
        continue;
    }

    copyArray(original, temp, n);

    printf("\nOriginal array:\n");
    display(temp, n);

    quickSort(temp, 0, n - 1, choice);

    printf("Sorted array:\n");
    display(temp, n);
}

return 0;

}
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**OUTPUT:**

Enter number of elements: 2

Enter elements:

65

45

----- QUICK SORT MENU -----

1. First Element as Pivot

2. Last Element as Pivot

3. Random Element as Pivot

4. Exit

Enter your choice: 1

Original array:

65 45

Sorted array:

45 65

----- QUICK SORT MENU -----

1. First Element as Pivot

2. Last Element as Pivot

3. Random Element as Pivot

4. Exit

Enter your choice: 2

Enter your choice: 2

Original array:

65 45

Sorted array:

45 65

----- QUICK SORT MENU -----

1. First Element as Pivot
2. Last Element as Pivot
3. Random Element as Pivot
4. Exit

Enter your choice:

3

Original array:

65 45

Randomly selected pivot: 45

Sorted array:

45 65

----- QUICK SORT MENU -----

1. First Element as Pivot
2. Last Element as Pivot
3. Random Element as Pivot
4. Exit

Enter your choice: 4

Exiting program...

# NOTES

1)

Quick Sort :-

157, 110, 147, 122, 111, 149, 151, 141, 123, 112, 117, 133

Pivot element = first element

$i = \text{left} + 1$

$j = \text{right}$

Move  $i$  right side till  $A[i] > \text{pivot}$

Move  $j$  left side till  $A[j] > \text{pivot}$

If  $i < j \rightarrow \text{Swap } A[i], A[j]$

If  $i > j \rightarrow \text{Swap pivot with } A[j]$

Index	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Array	157	110	147	122	111	149	151	141	123	112	117	133

Step 1:-

Pivot : 157

$i = 1, j = 11$

No element is greater than 157

$j$  stay at 11

$157 > 110$  [move  $i$  right side]

$157 > 147$

$157 > 122$

$157 > 133$

moves till end

$i = j$

So swap  $157 \rightarrow 133$

133	110	147	122	111	149	151	141	123	112	117	157
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Pivot											

Step 2:- pivot = 133

$i = 1, j = 10$

$133 > 110$  (moves right)

$133 > 147$  ( $i$  stays at 147)

Swap (147, 117)

133	110	119	122	111	149	151	141	123	112	147
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133 > 122 (moves i right) 112 < 133 (stop at j=9)

133 > 111 (moves i right) i < j

133 < 149 (stop at i=5) Swap(149, 122)

133	110	117	122	111	112	151	141	123	149	147
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112 < 133 (moves i right)

149 > 133 (move j left)

151 > 133 (stop at i=6)

123 > 133 (stop at j=8)

i > j

Swap(112, 111)

111 | 110 | 112 | 122 | 117 112 is fixed.

Step 5:-

Partition (0-1)

i=1, j=1

i=j

Swap(111, 110)

110 | 111

Sorted

110	111	112	122	117
0	1	2	3	4

Step 6:-

Partition (3-4)

i=4, j=4

Pivot = 122

i=j So Swap(122, 117)

117 | 122

110	111	112	117	122
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sorted

Step 7:- partition (7-10)

Pivot = 141

151 > 141 (stop at i=8)

i > j

Swap (Pivot, A(j))

(141, 141)

Sorted

141	151	149	147
7	8	9	10

141 fixed.

141	151	149	147
7	8	9	10
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147 > 141 (j moves left)

149 > 141 ( " )

151 > 141 ( " )

149 > 141 (stop at j=7)

Step 8:- (8-10)

Pivot = 151

i = 9, j = 10

149 < 151

147 < 151 (at i=10)

Swap (151, 147)

147	149	151
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Sorted

147 < 151 (at j=10)

133	141	147	149	151
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Finally sorted array:-

110	111	112	117	122	123	133	141	147	149	151	157
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2)



Last element as pivot :-

157	110	147	122	111	149	151	141	123	112	119	133
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Pivot = last (high)

i = low

j = high - 1

move i right while  $A[i] < \text{Pivot}$  (while)

move j left  $A[j] > \text{Pivot}$  (while)

If  $i < j$  Swap  $A[i], A[j]$

If  $i \geq j$  Swap  $A[i], \text{Pivot}$

Step 1:- partition (0-11)

Pivot = 133

i = 0, j = 10

$157 > 133$  (i stop at i = 0)  $119 < 133$  (j stop j = 10)

Swap (157  $\leftrightarrow$  119)

119	110	147	122	111	149	151	141	123	112	157	133
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$110 < 133$  (move i right)

$157 > 133$  (move left)

$147 < 133$  (stop at i = 2)

$122 < 133$  (stop at j = 9)

Swap (147, 122)

119	110	122	122	111	149	151	141	123	147	157	133
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$112 < 133$  (move i right)

$147 > 133$  (move left)

$111 < 133$  ( " " )

$123 < 133$  (stop at j = 8)

$149 > 133$  (stop at i = 5)

119	110	112	122	111	123	151	149	141	147	157	133
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$123 < 133$  (move right)

$149 > 133$  (move left)

$151 > 133$  (stop at i = 6)

$141 > 133$  ( " " )

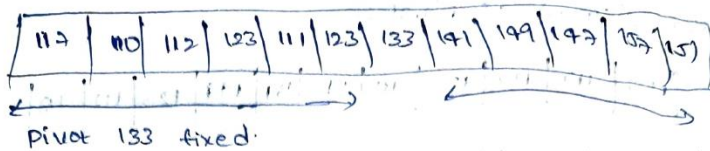
i > j

$157 > 133$  ( " " )

Swap (Pivot, A[i])

$123 < 133$  (stop at j = 5)

Swap (133, 151)



Step 2 :- Left (0-5)

Pivot = 123

i = 0 ; j = 4

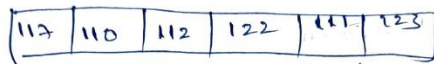
117 < 123 (moves right)

110 < 123 ( " )

112 < 123 " "

111 < 123 " "

123 = 123 (stop at i=5)



pivot 123 fixed

Step 3:

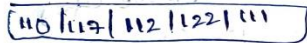
Left (0-4)

Pivot = 111

i = 0 j = 3

117 > 111 (stops)

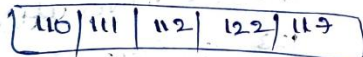
i = 0



↑    ↑  
i    j

117 > 111 (stop at i=1)

i = j Swap (117, 111)



Pivot 111 is fixed

Step 4 :- (2-4)

Pivot = 117

i = 2 j = 3

112 < 117 (i moves)

122 > 117 (stops)

j = 2 Swap (117, 112)



Step 5: (7-11)

141	149	147	151	157
7	8	9	10	11

Pivot = 151

i = 7 j = 10

141 < 151 (moves right)

149 < 151 "

147 < 151 "

157 < 151 (i stops at i=10)

157 > 151 (j move left)

147 < 151 (stops)

j = 9

i > j

Swap(10, 9)

141	149	147	151	157
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Pivot fixed

Step 6: (7-9)

Pivot = 147

i = 7 j = 8

149	149	147
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147 < 147 (moves right)

149 > 147 (moves left)

149 > 147 (at j=8)

141 < 147 (at i=7)

Swap(149, 147)

141	147	149
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Finally sorted array:-

110	111	112	117	122	123	133	141	147	149	151	157
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3)

iii, Random elements as pivot element  
Method Logic:-

- 1) Choose random index
- 2) Swap with first element
- 3) Use same method used in first element

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157	110	147	122	111	149	151	141	123	117	119	133
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0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

Step 1:- Take 141 as pivot element

Swap with first element

141	110	147	122	111	149	151	157	123	117	119	133
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0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

Pass 1:-

1 stop at 147

Swap 147 133

Steps at 133

141	110	133	122	111	149	131	157	123	112	119	147
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0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

Pass 2:-

1 stop at 149

Swap 149 117

3 stop at 133

141	110	133	122	111	147	151	157	123	112	149	133
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Pass 3:

1 stops at 151

3 stops at 112

swap 151  $\leftrightarrow$  112

111	110	133	122	111	112	112	151	123	151	111	112
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Pass 4:-

1 stop at 153

3 stop at 123

swap 153  $\leftrightarrow$  123

123	110	133	122	111	112	112	111	151	151	111	112
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Pivot index = 2

Left subarray [0, 6]

Step 2:- Left subarray [0, 6]

Pass 1:-

123	110	133	122	111	112	112
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Random pivot = 112

after swap

112	110	133	122	111	123	112
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1 stop at 1

3 stop at 6

swap 133  $\leftrightarrow$  112

112	110	112	122	111	123	133
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Pass 2:-

1 stop at 122

3 stop at 111

swap 122  $\leftrightarrow$  111

117	110	112	111	112	123	133
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Pass 3:

$i = 4$

$s = 3$

$i \geq s \Rightarrow \text{stop}$

111	110	112	117	122	123	133
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Left subarray [0 2]

Step 3: subarray [0,2] left of 117

Take pivot = 110

Swap with 111

110	111	112
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Pass 1:

$i = 1$   $s = 2$   $\Rightarrow i \geq s \Rightarrow \text{stop}$

Already sorted

Right of 117  $\Rightarrow$  already sorted.

Right of 111  $\Rightarrow$ 

157	151	149	147
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Step 4: subarray [8,11] 

157	151	149	147
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Take pivot = 149

Swap with 157

149	151	157	147
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Pass 1:

$i = 9$

$s = 11$

Swaps  $147 \leftrightarrow 151$

149	147	157	151
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Pass 2:-

1 = 10      Swap 149  $\leftrightarrow$  147  
3 = 9

[147 | 149 | 157 | 151]

Step 5:- Right of 149 [10, 11]

157      151

Pivot = 151

After swap 151      157

Sorted

finally

[110 | 111 | 112 | 117 | 122 | 123 | 133 | 141 | 147 | 149 | 151 | 157]

At last Random pivot is most efficient that first or last

1. Avoids worst-case performance
2. Give balanced partitions
3. Improve average time complexity
4. better practice performance