

Quicksort

Quicksort(A, ℓ, r):

1. if $\ell < r$ do % if there are at least two elements in $A[\ell, \dots, r]$
2. $p \leftarrow \text{Partition}(A, \ell, r)$
 % partition using $A[r]$ as the pivot element,
 % p is the position the the pivot element
3. Quicksort($A, \ell, p - 1$)
4. Quicksort($A, p + 1, r$)

Partition(A, ℓ, r):

1. $x \leftarrow A[r]$ % x is the pivot element
2. $i \leftarrow \ell$ % all $A[j]$ where $j \leq i - 1$ will satisfy $A[j] \leq x$
3. for k from ℓ to $r - 1$ do
 % at the beginning of the loop: $A[j] > x$ for every j such that $i \leq j \leq k - 1$
4. if $A[k] < x$ do
5. swap $A[i]$ and $A[k]$
6. $i \leftarrow i + 1$
7. end if
8. end for
9. swap $A[i]$ and $A[r]$
10. return i