

## Randomized Quicksort

Same idea as for Randomized median  
but we repeat till we found a good splitter  
(expected # repetitions is 2)

So the expected running time on given subset  
 $S$  is  $O(|S|)$  (excluding time for recursion)

$S'$  is of type  $j$  iff  $n\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{j+1} \leq |S'| \leq n\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^j$

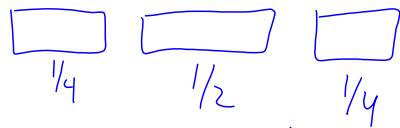
So Expected time on each problem of type  $j$   
is  $O\left(n\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^j\right)$

In Quicksort



Recall that we repeat finding a pivot until it is a good splitter

This is expected to take 2 tries

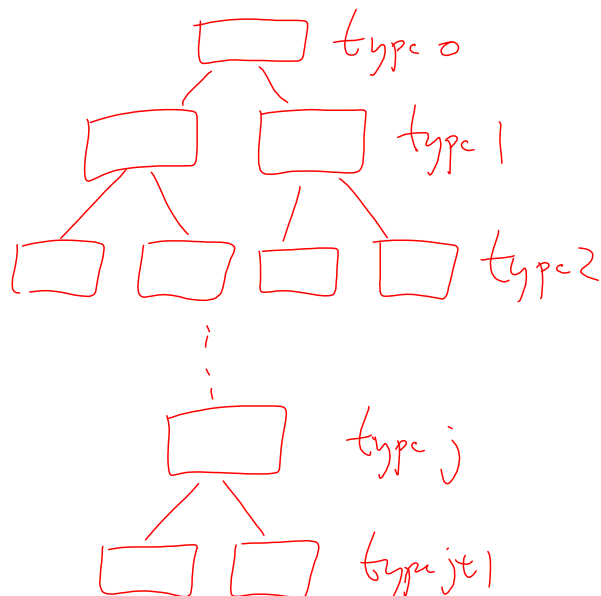


no of different types  $j$  is at most  $\log_{\frac{3}{4}} n$  so  $O(\log n)$

So we need to prove that Expected work on all subproblems of type  $j$  is  $O(n)$   
 (we know that for each such  $S^j$  we expect to spend  $O(n(\frac{3}{4})^j)$ )

Key observation:

all subproblems of type  $j$  are disjoint!



so there at most  $\frac{n}{n(\frac{3}{4})^{j+1}} \leq (\frac{4}{3})^{j+1}$

Hence Expected work on all these  
is  $O\left(\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{j+1} n \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^j\right) = O(n)$

Conclusion: Expected running time  
of Rand QS is  $O(n \log n)$

## Analysis ala Cormen

Need to estimate # comparisons.

Let the sorted order of our set  $S$  be  $s_1 \leq s_2 \leq \dots \leq s_n$

Define  $X_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{iff } s_i \text{ and } s_j \text{ compared} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$\text{Then } X = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n X_{ij}$$

recall that  $E(X_{ij}) = p_{ij}$ : probability  
that  $s_i$  and  $s_j$   
get compared

$P_{ij}$ ?      -----  $s_i$  -----  $s_j$  -----

Zoom in on interval from  $s_i$  to  $s_j$   
in the sorted order:

assume  $s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots, s_j$  all in the same subset to be sorted

-----  $s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots, s_{j-1}, s_j$  -----

↑  
such a pivot  
will interval  
unsplit

↑  
also here

Conclusion the list  $s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots, s_{j-1}, s_j$   
is intact until the first pivot  
that lies in the list is chosen.

Case 1: first pivot is from  $s_{i+1}, \dots, s_{j-1}$   
here  $s_i$  and  $s_j$  will never be compared  
as they will fall in different sets  
 $s_i \in I_{<}$  and  $s_j \in I_{>}$  wrt pivot

Case 2 first pivot from  $s_i, s_{i+1}, \dots, s_j$   
is  $s_i$  or  $s_j$

$$P_{ij} = \text{prob of case} = \frac{2}{j-i+1}$$

Now we can find  $E(X)$

$$E(X) = E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n X_{ij}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n E(X_{ij})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n p_{ij}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \frac{2}{j-i+1}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{r=1}^n \frac{1}{r} \leq n H(n) \sim O(n \log n)$$