

Data structures and algorithms

Tutorial 5

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Why this code compile and run?

```
#include<iostream>  
using namespace std;
```

```
int main(){  
    int size;  
    cin>>size;  
    int arr[size];  
}
```

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- Yes, If you are using codeblocks (g++/gcc compilers)
- No, If you are using Visual Studio

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VLA (Variable Length Arrays)

- Allows the creation of arrays in the stack whose size is determined at run-time.
- treated like local variables. The compiler deletes them when the function terminates.
- Not part of the standard C++ specification.

VLA (Variable Length Arrays)

- g++/gcc have extensions that allow the usage of VLA.
- g++ vla.cpp -o vla.exe
- Disable the extension and try again: g++ -Wvla vla.cpp -o vla.exe
- The Linux Kernel Is Now VLA-Free: A Win For Security, Less Overhead & Better For Clang.
- https://www.phoronix.com/scan.php?page=news_item&px=Linux-Kills-The-VLA

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Write a function that takes an array and multiplies each element by 2.

```
int * double_arr(int arr[], int size){  
    int result[size];  
    for(int i=0; i<size; i++){  
        result[i] = 2 * arr[i];  
    }  
    return result;  
}
```

Problem: result is local to the function and will be deleted once the function ends.

```
int * double_arr(int arr[], int size){  
    for(int i=0; i<size; i++){  
        arr[i] = 2* arr[i];  
    }  
    return arr;  
}
```

The code works since the array won't be deleted when the function execution ends.

```
void double_arr(int arr[], int size){  
    for(int i=0; i<size; i++){  
        arr[i] = 2* arr[i];  
    }  
}
```

We can just make a void function.

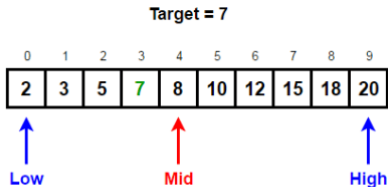
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In computer science, binary search, also known as half-interval search, logarithmic search, or binary chop, is a search algorithm that finds the position of a target value within a sorted array.



**Since 8 (Mid) > 7 (target),
we discard the right half and go LEFT**

New High = Mid - 1


```
int binary_search(int arr[], int item, int l, int r){
    if (l==r){
        if (arr[l] != item) return -1;
        return l;
    }

    int mid = (l+r)>>1;
    if (arr[mid] == item)
        return mid;
    if (arr[mid] > item)
        return binary_search(arr, item, l, mid-1);
    // arr[mid] < item
    return binary_search(arr, item, mid+1, r);
}
```

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We will discuss it later.

May be the tutorial after the midterms :D

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Write a function that sorts an array given that its two halves are sorted.

What is the expected complexity?

```
void merge(int arr[], int size)
{
    ...
}

int main(){
    int arr[6] = {3, 5, 7, 1, 2, 6};
    merge(arr, 6);
}
```

Write a function that sorts an array given that its two halves are sorted.

```
void merge(int arr[], int size)
{
    int * result = new int[size];
    int index = 0;
    int l_index = 0, l_limit = size/2;
    int r_index = size/2, r_limit = size;
    while(l_index < l_limit && r_index < r_limit){
        if (arr[l_index] <= arr[r_index])
            result[index++] = arr[l_index++];
        else
            result[index++] = arr[r_index++];
    }

    // Copy the remaining elements of either the left or t
}
```

Write a function that sorts an array given that its two halves are sorted.

```
void merge(int arr[], int size)
{
    // Copy the remaining elements of either the left or the right array
    while(l_index < l_limit)
        result[index++] = arr[l_index++];
    while(r_index < r_limit)
        result[index++] = arr[r_index++];

    for(int i=0; i < size; i++)
        arr[i] = result[i];

    delete [] result;
}
```


Write a function that sorts an array given that its two halves are sorted.

```
void merge(int arr[], int size, int result[])
{
    ...
}
int main(){
    int arr[6] = {3, 5, 7, 1, 4, 6};
    int res[6];
    merge(arr, 6, res);
}
```

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    int index = 0;
```

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```

```
    int r_index = size/2, r_limit = size;
```

```
    while(l_index < l_limit && r_index < r_limit){
```

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        if (arr[l_index] <= arr[r_index])
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            result[index++] = arr[l_index++];
```

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}
```

```
void merge(int l_arr[], int r_arr[],
           int l_size, int r_size, int sorted_arr[]){ ... }

void merge_sort(int arr[],
                int l, int r, int sorted_arr[]){
    if(l==r){
        sorted_arr[0] = arr[l];
        return ;
    }
    int mid = (l+r)/2;
    int *l_arr = new int[mid-l+1];
    int *r_arr = new int[r-mid];
    merge_sort(arr, l, mid, l_arr);
    merge_sort(arr, mid+1, r, r_arr);
    merge(l_arr, r_arr, mid-l+1, r-mid, sorted_arr);
    delete [] l_arr;
    delete [] r_arr;
}
```

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```
void quick_sort(int arr[], int l, int r){  
    if (l>=r) return;  
    int pivot_val = arr[l];  
    int i = l+1;  
    int j = r;  
    while(i<=j){  
        while(arr[i] <= pivot_val) i++;  
  
        while(arr[j] > pivot_val) j--;  
  
        if (i<j)  
            swap(arr[i], arr[j]);  
    }  
    swap(arr[l], arr[j]);  
    quick_sort(arr, l, j-1);  
    quick_sort(arr, i, r);  
}
```

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```
class Queue{  
    public :  
        Queue();  
        int front();  
        int back();  
        void push(int v);  
        void pop();  
};
```

How to implement a queue?

- An array of fixed size
- A circular array
- A dynamically allocated array
- A linked list

Check the Dr.'s slides.

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- Using a queue of jobs where each job has an estimated service time, Develop a method to compute the required service time of all jobs in the queue and the average waiting time per job.
- Try not to destroy the queue after finding the sum of the jobs.
- Apply your method on the following queue of four jobs.

```
void job_statistics(queue q){
    int q_size = q.size();
    int total_service_time = 0;
    int total_waiting_time = 0;
    for (int i=0; i<q_size; i++){
        int cur_time = q.front();
        q.pop();
        total_waiting_time += total_service_time;
        total_service_time += cur_time;
        q.push(cur_time);
    }
    cout<< "Total_time_"<<total_service_time <<"\n";
    cout<< "Average_waiting_time_"
        <<1.0 * total_waiting_time / q_size<<"\n";
}
```

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