HW 03: Exponential Search (Concept)

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Exponential search involves two steps:
Step 01: Find range where element is present
Step 02: Do Binary Search in above found range.
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Exponential search applications:
Search in ∞ infinite array (Sorted array)
Better than binary search when target element is near in beginning
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Time complexity: O(Log n)
Space complexity: 0(1)
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Step 01: Find range where element is present

$$- \frac{(1)^{2}}{(1-i)^{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

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$$C_{i} = i \times 2$$

$$5 < 13$$

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Step 02: Do Binary Search in above found range.

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#include<iostream>
#include<vector>
using namespace std;
// Step 02: Do Binary Search in above found range
int binarySearch(vector<int>& arr, int start, int end, int target){
    int mid = start + (end - start)/2;
    while(start<=end){</pre>
        if(arr[mid]==target){
            return mid;
        else if(arr[mid]<target){</pre>
            start = mid + 1;
        else{
            end = mid - 1;
        mid = start + (end - start)/2;
    return -1;
// Step 01: Find range where element is present
int exponentialSearch(vector<int>& arr,int x){
    int n = arr.size();
    if(arr[0]==x){
        return 0;
    int i = 1;
    while(i<n && arr[i]<=x){</pre>
        i = i*2; // i = i<<1 or i*=2
    }
    return binarySearch(arr, i/2, min(i,n-1), x);
// Main method
int main(){
    vector<int> arr{3,4,5,6,11,13,14,15,56,70};
    int target;
    cin>>target;
    int ans = exponentialSearch(arr, target);
    cout<<"Element "<<target<<" found at index "<<ans<<endl;</pre>
    return 0;
Given a sorted array, and an element x to be searched, find position of x in the array.
Examples 01:
Input: arr[] = \{10, 20, 40, 45, 55\} and x = 45
Output: Element 45 found at index 3
Examples 02:
Input: arr[] = \{10, 15, 25, 45, 55\} and x = 15
Output: Element 15 found at index 1
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