

# Data structures and algorithms

## Tutorial 4

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We are all familiar with writing mathematical equations as follows:

- $2 + 3 * 5$

- $a * (b + c) - d$

This notations is called the IN-fix notation (IN since operators are between the operands).

There are two other ways to represent equations:

- PRE-fix notation
- POST-fix notation (Reverse Polish Notation)

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<sup>1</sup>The description "Polish" refers to the nationality of logician Jan ukasiewicz, who invented Polish notation in 1924.

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■  $(x+t*y)/2$        $\rightarrow$        $x\ t\ y\ *\ +\ 2\ /\$

■  $(-b+\sqrt{b*b+4*a*c}))/ (2*a)$        $\rightarrow$   
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#include<stack>
```

```
stack<string> st;  
st.push("str1");  
st.push("str2");  
while (!st.empty()) {  
    cout<<st.top()<<endl;  
    st.pop();  
}
```

- Stack:

`http://www.cplusplus.com/reference/stack/stack/`

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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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void double_arr(int arr[], int size, int result[]){  
    for(int i=0; i<size; i++){  
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}
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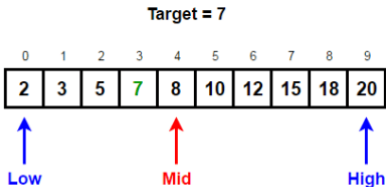
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In computer science, binary search, also known as half-interval search, logarithmic search, or binary chop, is a search algorithm that finds the position of a target value within a sorted array.



**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){  
        // This might happen if the array was {7,8}  
        // and we are searching for item 1  
        return -1;  
    }  
  
    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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Maybe in 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 l_arr[], int r_arr[],  
           int l_size, int r_size, int sorted_arr[]) {  
    ...  
}  
  
int main(){  
    int l_arr[3] = {3, 5, 7};  
    int r_arr[3] = {1, 2, 6};  
    int arr[6];  
  
    merge(l_arr, r_arr, 3, 3, arr);  
}
```

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void merge(int l_arr[], int r_arr[],  
           int l_size, int r_size, int sorted_arr[]){  
    int index = 0;  
    int l_index = 0;  
    int r_index = 0;  
    while(l_index < l_size && r_index < r_size){  
        if (arr[l_index] <= arr[r_index])  
            sorted_arr[index++] = l_arr[l_index++];  
        else  
            sorted_arr[index++] = r_arr[r_index++];  
    }  
  
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    // Copy the remaining elements of either the left or the right  
    while(l_index < l_size)  
        result[index++] = l_arr[l_index++];  
    while(r_index < r_size)  
        result[index++] = r_arr[r_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 arr_len,
                int sorted_arr[]){
    if(arr_len==1){
        sorted_arr[0] = arr[0];
        return ;
    }
    int half_len = (arr_len)/2;
    int * l_arr = new int[half_len];
    int * sorted_l_arr = new int[half_len];
    int i;
    for(i=0; i< half_len; i++)
        l_arr[i] = arr[i];
    int * r_arr = new int[arr_len - half_len];
    int * sorted_r_arr = new int[arr_len - half_len];
    for(int j=0; i< arr_len; i++, j++)
        r_arr[j] = arr[i];
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void merge_sort(int arr[], int arr_len ,  
                int sorted_arr[]){  
  
    merge_sort(l_arr , half_len , sorted_l_arr);  
    merge_sort(r_arr , arr_len - half_len , sorted_r_arr);  
    merge(sorted_l_arr , sorted_r_arr , half_len ,  
          arr_len - half_len , sorted_arr);  
    delete [] l_arr;  
    delete [] sorted_l_arr;  
    delete [] r_arr;  
    delete [] sorted_r_arr;  
}
```

How to trace merge sort for this example?

```
int arr[] = {8, 2, 1, 3, 5, 0, 4, 6}
```

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