

Binary Search

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Key = 33

[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]	[4]	[5]	[6]	[7]	[8]
11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99

left

Left sub array

mid

Right sub array

right

- 1) Get the key from the user.
- 2) Calculate the left, right and mid index

Left = 0

Right = size-1 = 8

Mid = (left+right) / 2

= (0+8)/2 = 4

= 4

[0]	[1]	[2]	[3]
11	22	33	44

Left

mid

right

- 3) Compare the key with the element at mid
33 == arr[mid]
33 == 55 ?
If yes return the index,
Else, go to step 4
- 4) Check if the key is smaller to element at mid or greater
If the key is smaller, consider left sub array
If the key is greater, consider right sub array

Left sub array = left to mid -1

In Left sub array, left variable remains the same

Right variable changes to mid -1

Right sub array is from mid + 1 to right

In right sub array, right variable remains the same

Left variable changes to mid + 1

As the key is smaller, consider left sub array
Left sub array starts from left to mid-1

Start from step 2

2) Left = 0

Right = mid-1 = 4-1

= 3

Mid = (left + right) / 2

= (0+3)/2

= 1

3) Compare the key with the mid element

33 == arr[mid]

33 == 22 ?

No, so go to step 4

4) Check if key is smaller or greater to mid element
Consider right sub array as key is greater to 22

Right sub array is mid+1 to right

[2]	[3]
33	44

Left

right

mid

Start from step 2

Left = mid + 1 = 1+1 = 2

Right = 3

Mid = (2+3)/2

= 2

3) Compare the key with mid element

33 == arr[mid]

33 == arr[2]

Yes

Key found at index 2