

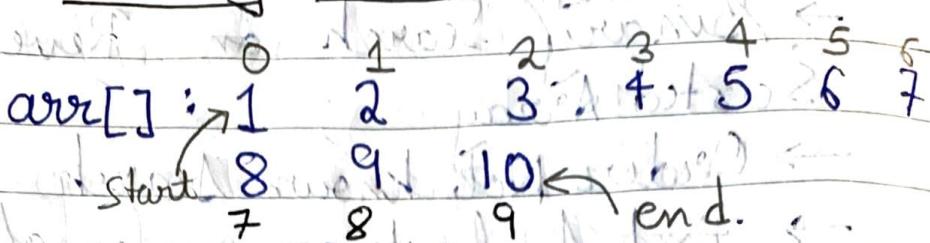
# Binary Search

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- Binary Search on Answer
- Peak Element
- Bitonic Array max element
- Search in Bitonic Array
- Search in row wise or column wise sorted array. (easy with bit manipulation)
- \* → Find element in sorted array that appears only once (adjacent value will not be same)
- Allocate min no. of pages

## Binary Search



1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

start ↑      end ↑

$$\Rightarrow \text{mid} = \frac{\text{start} + \text{end}}{2} = \frac{0+9}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{end} = \text{mid} - 1 = 4 - 1 = 3$$

arr[mid] = ele  
 so, return index

### Code

```
int start = 0; // initial value of start
```

```
int end = n-1; // initial value of end
```

```
while (start <= end)
```

```
{ /* body of loop */ }
```

start + end - start

$\frac{1}{2}$

Optimised (prevents overflow)

int mid =  $(\text{start} + \text{end}) / 2$ ; int

arr  
if ( $\text{arr}[\text{mid}] == \text{ele}$ )

return mid;

else if ( $\text{arr}[\text{mid}] > \text{ele}$ )

end = mid - 1;

else

start = mid + 1;

}

return -1;

Descending Sorted array

start

arr: 20 17 15 14 13 12 10 9

8 7 4

3

↑ end

mid = start + end - start

$\frac{1}{2}$

else if ( $\text{ele} < \text{arr}[\text{mid}]$ ) {

start = mid + 1; }

else {

end = mid - 1;

}

## Order Not Known (Order Agnostic Search)

$\text{arr}[0] < \text{arr}[1] \Rightarrow \text{asc}$

$\text{arr}[0] > \text{arr}[1] \Rightarrow \text{des}$

if  $\text{arr}[\cdot].\text{size}() == 1$

then there exists only 1 element

### 1st & Last Occurrence of an Element

0 2 2 3 4 5 6

2 4 10 10 10 18 20

②

③

④

2 4 10 10 10 18 20

↑

↑

↑

$$\frac{2+2}{2} = 2$$

Code

int result = -1; First Occurance

while (start <= end) {

if (ele == v[mid])

result = mid

end = mid - 1;

}

```
int result = -1;  
while (start <= end) {
```

```
    if (ele == v[mid])
```

```
        result = mid;
```

```
        start = mid + 1;
```

```
}
```

Count of an element in a  
Sorted Array

length = last index - first index + 1  
 $= 4 - 2 + 1$   
 $= 3$

No. of times a binary array is  
rotated

X	5	8	8	11	12	15	18	2	5	6	8
---	---	---	---	----	----	----	----	---	---	---	---

arr[]:	11	12	15	18	2	5	6	8
--------	----	----	----	----	---	---	---	---

① ② ③ ④ ⑤ ⑥ ⑦  
↑ Pivot

index = 4

no. of times a arr  $\Rightarrow$  index of min  
is rotated number

start



end



18 2 5 6 8 11 12 15

↑ (from start to end) divide

mid

18	2	5	6
----	---	---	---

unsorted

6	8	11	12	15
---	---	----	----	----

sorted

while (start <= end)

{

int mid = start + (end - start) / 2;

if (A[mid] <= A[next]) & & A[mid] <= A[prev])

return mid;

if (A[<sup>0</sup>] <= A[mid])

start = mid + 1;

else if (A[mid] <= A[<sup>n-1</sup>])

end = mid - 1

}

start

→ 11

12

15

18

2

5

6

8

prev. ↑

mid

next.

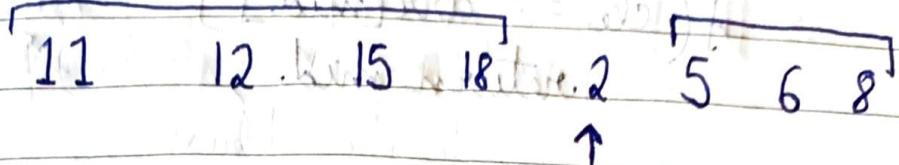
end

prev = (mid + N - 1) % N → for calculating prev at 0th index

next = (mid + i) % N → suppose i = 7  
7 + 1 = 8 → 8 % 8 = 0

min for max in arr is 0 and for min in arr is 1

## Find elements in a rotated sorted Array



no. of rotation  $\rightarrow$  index of min element

binary-search (arr, 0, index - 1)

binary-search (arr, index, size - 1)

if both returns  $i + 1$  then the element is not present in the array.

## Searching in a Nearly Sorted Array

arr []: 

5	10	30	20	40
---	----	----	----	----

nearly sorted =  $i^{th}$  index  
 $i-1$        $i$        $i+1$

$\Rightarrow end = mid - 2$   
 $\Rightarrow start = mid + 2$

sorted array : 5, 10, 20, 30, 40  
①    ②    ③    ④

$\rightarrow else == arr[mid] \Rightarrow mid - 1 >= start$   
new elif  $= arr[mid - 1]$   
condition elif  $= arr[mid + 1] \Rightarrow mid + 1 <= end$

## Code

```
if (ele == arr[mid])
```

```
    return mid;
```

```
↑
```

```
if (mid - 1) >= start && arr[mid - 1] == ele]
```

```
    return mid - 1;
```

```
if (mid + 1 <= end && arr[mid + 1] == ele)
```

```
    return mid + 1;
```

arr

```
if ([mid] > ele)
```

```
    end = mid + 2;
```

```
if (arr[mid] < ele)
```

```
    start = mid + 2;
```

### Find Floor of an element in a

Sorted Array

start ↓

mid ↓

floor  
3 ↑

end ↓

arr[]: 1 2 3 4 8 10 10 12 19

Floor of 5 = greatest element  
smaller than 5

Code:

```
< if (arr[mid] < ele) ..
```

    true {

        res = mid;      // index of element

        arr[mid]

        start = mid + 1;

}

else if ( $\text{arr}[\text{mid}] > \text{ele}$ )

{

$\text{end} = \text{mid} - 1$

}

Ceil of an element in a sorted Array

start

↓

$\text{arr}[]: 1 \downarrow 2 \downarrow 3 \downarrow 4 \downarrow 8 \downarrow 10 \downarrow 10 \downarrow 12 \downarrow 19$

mid

end

↓

Ceil of 5 = Smallest element greater than 5

Code :

```
if ( $\text{arr}[\text{mid}] == \text{ele}$ )
    return  $\rightarrow \text{arr}[\text{mid}]$ ;
```

else if ( $\text{arr}[\text{mid}] > \text{ele}$ )

{

$\text{ans} = \text{arr}[\text{mid}]$

$\text{end} = \text{mid} - 1$ ;

}

else if ( $\text{arr}[\text{mid}] < \text{ele}$ )

{

$\text{start} = \text{mid} + 1$ ;

}

Next letter

$\text{arr}[]: [a \ c \ f \ h] \quad \text{key} = f$



$\rightarrow$  Similar to ceil problem

Dif from ceil

base



PI

$\rightarrow$  alphabet instead of number

$\rightarrow$  Key present x

next alphabet

code:

$\text{arr}[mid] > \text{key}$

$\text{res} = \text{arr}[mid]$

$\text{high} = \text{mid} - 1$

$\text{arr}[mid] \leq \text{key}$

$\text{low} = \text{mid} + 1$

Position of an element in an infinite  
Sorted Array

↓ ↓ ↓ : ... ↓ ↓  
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 \_\_\_\_\_

$\text{end} \rightarrow \text{end} * 2$

: 2 or 4 is the

int low = 0

int high = 1

while (key > arr[high])

{  
    low = high

    high = high \* 2

}

binary search (arr, low, high)

Index of 1<sup>st</sup> in all Binary sorted Array

0 0 0 0 0 1 1 1 1 1

→ ~~∞~~

→ Binary

→ Sorted

while (key > arr[end])

{

    end

    start

}

if (arr[mid] == key)

    ress = mid;

    end = mid - 1;

## Min diff element in a Sorted Array

arr []: 4 6 10  
        7 7 7  
        3 1 3  
Key = 7

1 3 8 [10 15]  
↑ ↑ ↑

abs (arr[low] - key) ] min

abs (arr[high - key])

## Binary Search on Answer

→ The array may not be sorted

arr []: 5 10 20 15  
            ↑

Peak element

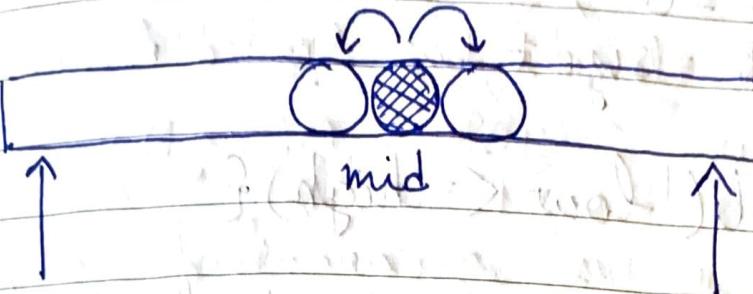
arr []: 10 20 15 2 23 90 67  
            ↑                              ↑

arr []: 10 20 30 40 50  
            ↑

$\text{arr}[]: 50 \ 40 \ 20 \ 30 \ 10$

↑

↑



$\text{start} = 0, \text{mid} = 2, \text{end} = 4$

$$\text{arr}[\text{mid}] > \text{arr}[\text{mid} - 1]$$

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$$\text{arr}[\text{mid}] > \text{arr}[\text{mid} + 1]$$

$\Rightarrow \text{arr}[]: 5 \ 10 \ 20 \ 15$

↑  
start

↑

↑  
end

$$\text{mid} = \frac{0+3}{2} = \text{mid} = 1$$

$$\text{arr}[m+1] \geq \text{arr}[mid]$$

$$\text{start} = \text{mid} + 1;$$

$$\text{arr}[mid] > \text{arr}[m+1]$$

$$\text{end} = \text{mid} - 1;$$

(or)

if  $(\text{arr}[\text{mid} - 1] > \text{arr}[\text{mid}]) \Rightarrow \text{start} = \text{mid} + 1$

$$\text{end} = \text{mid} - 1$$

## Code :

```
low = 0 ;  
high = size - 1 ;  
while( low <= high ) {  
    int mid = low + (high - low) / 2 ;  
    if (mid > 0 && mid < size - 1) {  
        if (arr[mid] > arr[mid - 1] &&  
            arr[mid] > arr[mid + 1])  
            return mid ;  
        else if (arr[mid - 1] > arr[mid])  
            end = mid - 1 ;  
        (high)  
    }  
    else  
        start = mid + 1 ;  
        (low)  
}
```

Condition for 1st & last element :-

```
else if (mid == 0) {  
    if (arr[0] > arr[1])  
        return 0 ;  
    else  
        return 1 ; }  
else if (mid == size - 1) {  
    if (arr[size - 1] > arr[size - 2])  
        return size - 1 ;  
    else  
        return size - 2 ; }
```

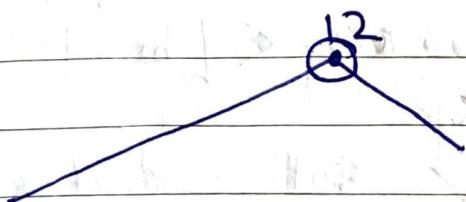
## Max element in bitonic array

arr[]: 1 3 8 12 4 2

→ monotonically ↑ then monotonically ↓

5 10 15 19 21

arr[i+1] > arr[i]



max in Bitonic Array = Peak

only one peak in bitonic array.

## Search in Bitonic array

arr[]: 1 3 8 12 4 2

key = 4

return index

1 3 8

12 4 2

Sorted Array ↑

Sorted Array ↓

Binary SearchA(arr, 0, index-1)

Binary SearchD(arr, index, size-1)

Better way exists Find Element in Sorted Array which occurs only ones  $O(\log N)$   $O(1)$

→ Array is guaranteed to have unique elements

arr[] = [1, 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4, 5, 6]  
          ↑

Property

① Boundary Check

Pair

② index property

Before Unique Element

→ start at an even index

→ ends at an odd index

After Unique Element

For 4

→ Start odd

→ end even

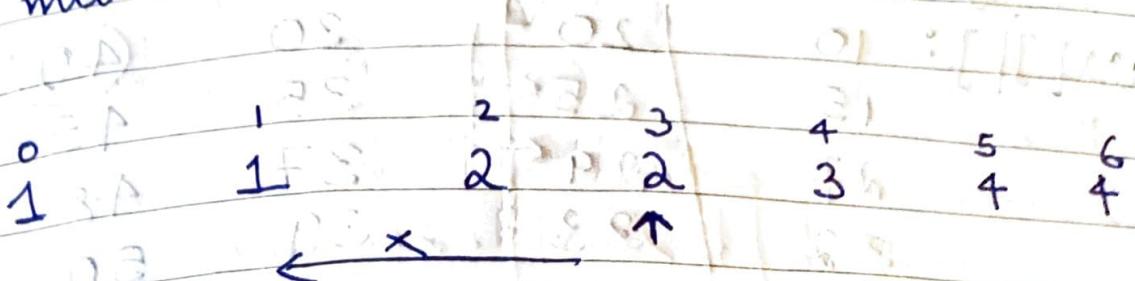
③ Unique Element Property

④ Partition Property

low = 0

high = 6

mid = 3



### Boundary case

```
if (high == 0)  
    return 0;
```

```
else if (nums[0] != nums[1])  
    return nums[0];
```

```
else if (nums[high] != nums[high - 1])  
    return nums[high];
```

```
while (low <= high)
```

```
{  
    mid = low + (high - low) / 2;
```

```
    if (nums[mid] != nums[mid - 1] & & nums[mid] !=  
        nums[mid + 1])
```

```
        return nums[mid];
```

```
    if (mid % 2 == 0 & & [mid] == [mid + 1]) ||
```

```
        mid % 2 != 1 & & nums[mid] == nums[mid - 1])
```

```
    else high = mid - 1;    low = mid + 1;
```

## Search in Row wise + Column wise Sorted Array

$\text{arr}[][]:$

	↓		↓	
	20		30	40
	25	←	35	45
	29	←	37	48
	33		39	50

Key = 29

Compare  $40 < 29$  ( $\times$  - pivot)  
 So  $30 < 29 \times$  ( $\times$  negative)  
 $(20 < 29) \checkmark$  [ $\Rightarrow$  then check row]

$O(n^2) \Rightarrow O(n+m)$

10	20		30	40
15	25	←	35	45
27	29	←	37	48
32	33		39	50

key = 28

Bound:

$i \geq 0 \quad \& \quad i < n$

$j \geq 0 \quad \& \quad j < m$

Code :

```
{ int i=0;
```

```
int j=0;
```

```
while (i >= 0 && i < n && j >= 0  
&& j < m) {
```

```
if (arr[i][j] == key)
```

```
return i, j
```

```
else if (arr[i][j] > key)
```

```
j--
```

```
else (arr[i][j] < key)
```

```
i++
```

```
}
```

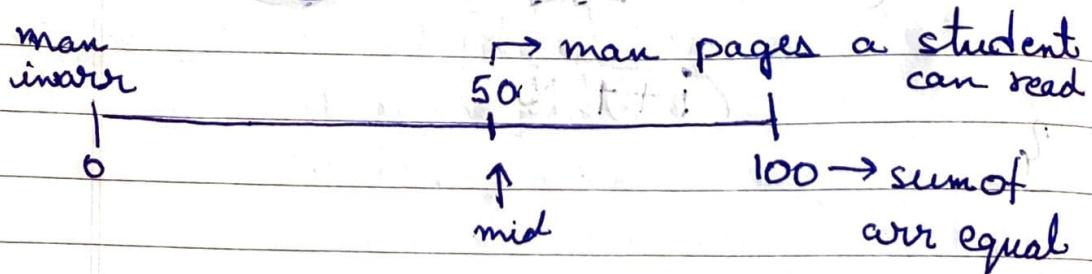
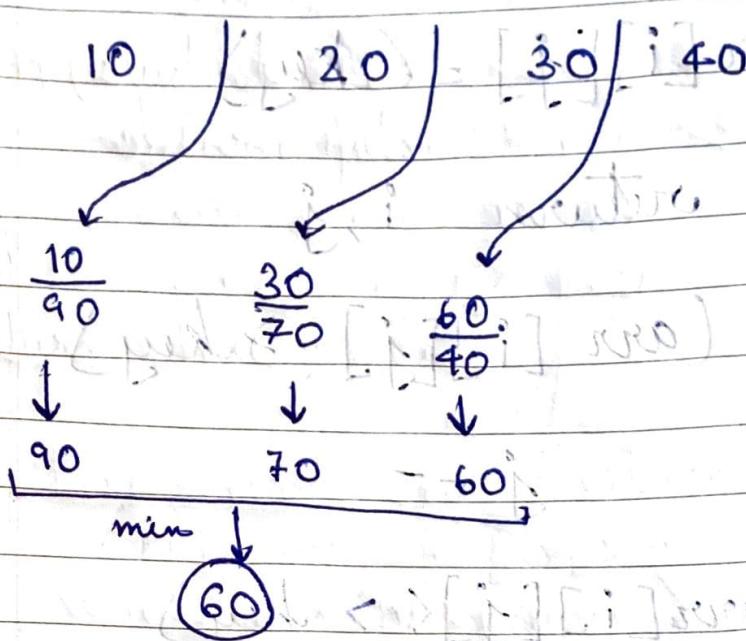
```
return -1;
```

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## Allocate Pages of Books

arr[]: 10 20 30 40

K = 2

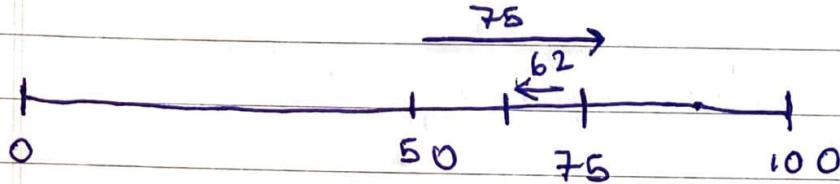


$$S_1 = 10 + 20$$

$$S_2 = 30$$

$$S_3 = 40$$

at least 3 students



$$S_1 = 10 + 20 + 30$$

$$S_2 = 40$$

$$62 \rightarrow 56 \rightarrow 60 \checkmark$$

Code

int start = max in array  $\Rightarrow 40$

int end = sum of all array

int res = -1

while (start  $\leq$  end) {

mid = start + (end - start) / 2

if (is valid (arr, n, k)  $\Rightarrow$  true)

res = mid

end = mid - 1

else

start = mid + 1

function

bool is valid (arr, n, k, mx)  
{

int student = 1;

int sum = 0;

for (int i=0; i<n; i++) {

sum = sum + arr[i]

```
if (sum > max) {  
    student ++;  
    sum = arr[i];  
}
```

if (student > k)

return false;

}

return true;