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UNIT III ARRAYS AND FUNCTIONS

ARRAYS (Lecture 4)

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Recapitulations

- Types of Arrays
- One- dimensional Array
- Multi- dimensional Array
- Examples of multidimensional Arrays

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Objective

- Searching algorithms
- Types of searching algorithm
- Searching in one dimensional array
- Searching in two dimensional array

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Searching Algorithms

Searching Algorithms are designed to check for an element or retrieve an element from any data structure where it is stored.

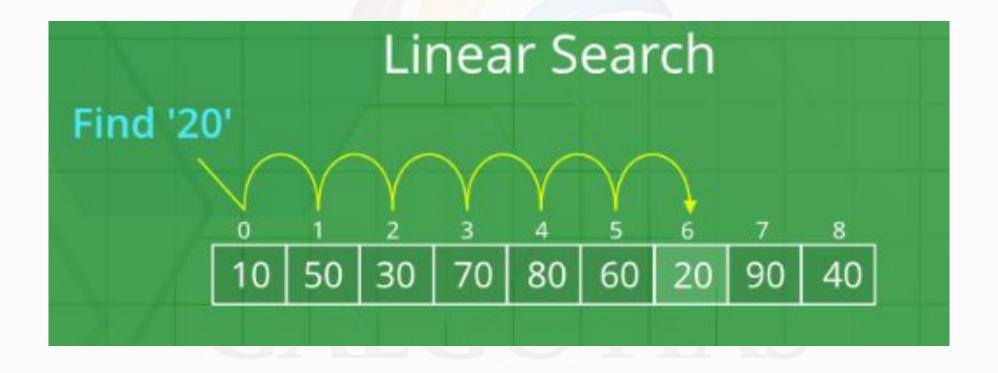
Based on the type of search operation, these algorithms are generally classified into two categories:

- 1. Sequential Search: In this, the list or array is traversed sequentially and every element is checked. For example: Linear Search
- **2. Interval Search:** These algorithms are specifically designed for searching in sorted data-structures. These type of searching algorithms are much more efficient than Linear Search as they repeatedly target the centre of the search structure and divide the search space in half. **For Example: Binary Search**



Linear Search

Linear Search to find the element "20" in a given list of numbers





Linear Search





Linear Search Algorithm

Algorithm

- Start from the leftmost element of arr[] and one by one compare x with each element of arr[]
- If x matches with an element, return the index
- If x doesn't match with any of elements, return -1

The time complexity of above algorithm is O(n)



#include <stdio.h>
#include <conio.h>

Example: Linear Search

```
int main()
                                            C Program to search for an element
                                             in single dimensional array using
   int a[10000],i,n,key;
   printf("Enter size of the array : ");
                                                           linear search
   scanf("%d", &n);
   printf("Enter elements in array : ");
   for(i=0; i<n; i++)
                                         Enter size of the array: 6
   {scanf("%d",&a[i]);
                                         Enter elements in array : 2
   printf("Enter the key : ");
   scanf("%d", &key);
   for(i=0; i<n; i++)
                                         Enter the key : 2
       if(a[i]==key)
                                         element found
       {printf("element found ");
        return 0;
                                          ...Program finished with exit code 0
                                         Press ENTER to exit console.
   printf("element not found");
```



Binary Search

Binary Search to find the element "23" in a given list of numbers





Binary Search

Search for 47





Binary Search Algorithm

Algorithm

- Compare x with the middle element.
- If x matches with middle element, we return the mid index.
- Else If x is greater than the mid element, then x can only lie in right half subarray after the mid element. So we recur for right half.
- Else (x is smaller) recur for the left half.

The idea of binary search is to use the information that the array is sorted and reduce the time complexity to O(Log n).



Example: Binary Search

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{ int c, first, last, middle, n, search, array[100];
  printf("Enter number of elements\n");
  scanf("%d", &n);
  printf("Enter %d integers\n", n);
  for (c = 0; c < n; c++)
   scanf("%d", &array[c]);
  printf("Enter value to find\n");
  scanf("%d", &search);
  first = 0;
  last = n - 1;
  middle = (first+last)/2;
  while (first <= last) {
    if (array[middle] < search)
      first = middle + 1;
    else if (array[middle] == search) {
      printf("%d found at location %d.\n", search, middle+1);
      break;
    else
      last = middle - 1;
    middle = (first + last)/2;
  if (first > last)
    printf("Not found! %d isn't present in the list.\n", search);
  return 0;
```

C Program to search for an element in single dimensional array using Binary search

```
Enter number of elements

Enter 5 integers

2 5 8 9 11

Enter value to find

8

8 found at location 3.

...Program finished with exit code 0

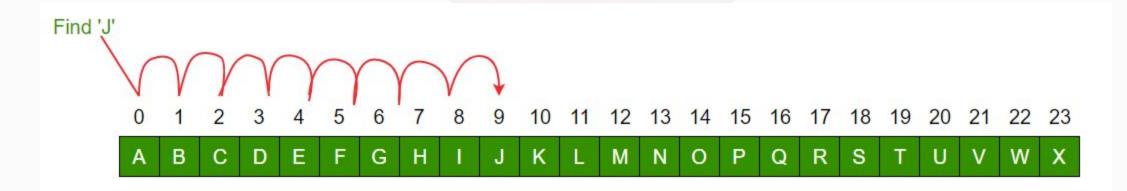
Press ENTER to exit console.
```



Linear Search vs Binary Search

A linear search scans one item at a time, without jumping to any item .

- 1. The worst case complexity is O(n), sometimes known an O(n) search
- 2. Time taken to search elements keep increasing as the number of elements are increased.

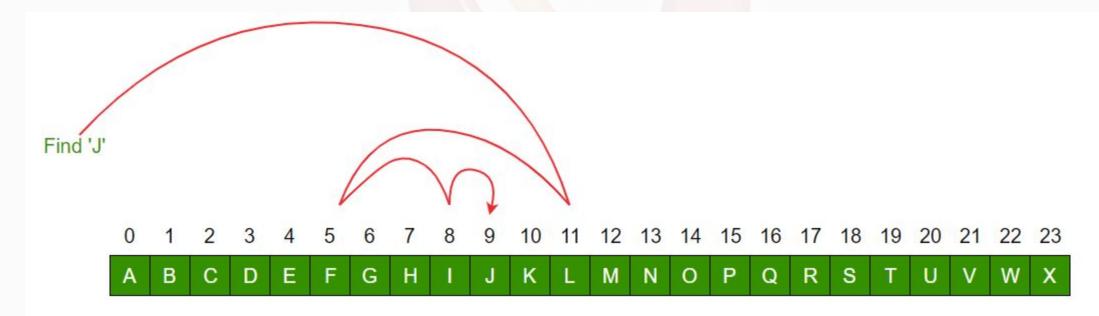




Linear Search vs Binary Search

A binary search however, cut down your **search to half** as soon as you find **middle** of a sorted list.

- 1. The middle element is looked to check if it is greater than or less than the value to be searched.
- 2. Accordingly, search is done to either half of the given list





Important Differences

- Input data needs to be sorted in Binary Search and not in Linear Search
- Linear search does the sequential access whereas Binary search access data randomly.
- Time complexity of linear search O(n), Binary search has time complexity O(log n).
- Linear search performs equality comparisons and Binary search performs ordering comparisons

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Summary

- ❖ A linear search scans one item at a time, without jumping to any item
- ❖ A binary search cut down search to half
- ❖ Input data needs to be sorted in Binary Search

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