

The Name of Task : K-th Element of Two Sorted Arrays

Project Idea : 5

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Merge Sort Algorithm Psuedocode & Time Complexity

```
function find_kth_element(arr1, arr2, m, n, k):
```

```
    i = 0
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    j = 0
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    count = 0
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    while i < m and j < n:
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```
        if arr1[i] < arr2[j]:
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            count += 1
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            if count == k:
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                return arr1[i]
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            i += 1
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```
        else:
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            count += 1
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```
            if count == k:
```

```
                return arr2[j]
```

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            j += 1
```

```
    while i < m:
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        count += 1
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```
        if count == k:
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```
            return arr1[i]
```

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        i += 1
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```
    while j < n:
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        count += 1
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```
        if count == k:
```

```
            return arr2[j]
```

```
        j += 1
```

Time Complexity With Documentation :

- 1) The first step in this algorithm is to merge two sorted arrays into a single sorted array, which takes $O(m + n)$ time.
- 2) The second step is to find the k th element in the merged array, which takes $O(1)$ time.
- 3) Therefore, the time complexity of this algorithm is $O(m + n)$.

```

8
9  #include <stdio.h>
10
11 int findKthElement(int arr1[], int m, int arr2[], int n, int k) {
12     int i = 0, j = 0, kthElement = 0;
13
14     while (i < m && j < n) {
15         if (arr1[i] < arr2[j]) {
16             kthElement = arr1[i];
17             i++;
18         }
19         else {
20             kthElement = arr2[j];
21             j++;
22         }
23
24         k--;
25
26         if (k == 0) {
27             return kthElement;
28         }
29     }

```

input

The k'th element is 5

...Program finished with exit code 0
Press ENTER to exit console.

Binary Search Sort Algorithm Psuedocode & Time Complexity

```
function findKthElement(arr1, arr2, k):
    if arr1.length == 0:
        return arr2[k]
    if arr2.length == 0:
        return arr1[k]
    if k == 0:
        return min(arr1[0], arr2[0])
    mid1 = (arr1.length - 1) / 2
    mid2 = (arr2.length - 1) / 2
    if (mid1 + mid2) < k:
        if arr1[mid1] > arr2[mid2]:
            return findKthElement(arr1, arr2[mid2+1:], k - (mid2+1))
        else:
            return findKthElement(arr1[mid1+1:], arr2, k - (mid1+1))
    else:
        if arr1[mid1] > arr2[mid2]:
            return findKthElement(arr1[:mid1], arr2, k)
        else:
            return findKthElement(arr1, arr2[:mid2], k)
```

Time Complexity With Documentation :

- 1) In the worst case, the algorithm will have to perform binary search on both arrays, which takes $O(\log m) + O(\log n)$ time.
- 2) The algorithm also needs to count the number of elements from 0 to mid in both arrays for each iteration, which takes $O(1)$ time.
- 3) Therefore, the time complexity of this algorithm is $O(\log m + \log n)$.

```
main.c
8
9  #include <stdio.h>
10
11 int findKthElement(int arr1[], int m, int arr2[], int n, int k) {
12     if (m == 0) {
13         return arr2[k];
14     }
15     if (n == 0) {
16         return arr1[k];
17     }
18
19     if (k == 0) {
20         return arr1[0] < arr2[0] ? arr1[0] : arr2[0];
21     }
22
23     int mid1 = (m - 1) / 2;
24     int mid2 = (n - 1) / 2;
25
26     if ((mid1 + mid2) < k) {
27         if (arr1[mid1] > arr2[mid2]) {
            input
        }
    }
}

The k'th element is 5

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Press ENTER to exit console.
```

Comparison and Efficiency

Alogrithm	Merge Sort	Binary Search Sort
Time Complexity	$O(m + n)$	$O(\log m + \log n)$
<p>The binary search algorithm is more efficient than the merge and sort algorithm, because it has a lower time complexity of $O(\log m + \log n)$ compared to $O(m + n)$. The binary search algorithm avoids the expensive operation of merging the two arrays, but instead relies on binary search to locate the kth element.</p> <p>In terms of space complexity, both algorithms require $O(m + n)$ extra space to merge the arrays in the merge and sort algorithm, and $O(1)$ extra space for the binary search algorithm, since it doesn't require any additional memory.</p> <p>Overall, the binary search algorithm is a more efficient solution for finding the kth element in two sorted arrays</p>		

