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# Unit IV: Introduction to Computational Problems & Algorithms

Programming Methodology (CSF101)

# Outline

- Searching Algorithms
- Arrays & Hashing; Contains Duplicate, Valid Anagram, Two Sums
- Two Pointers; Valid Palindrome, Three Sums

## Searching Algorithms



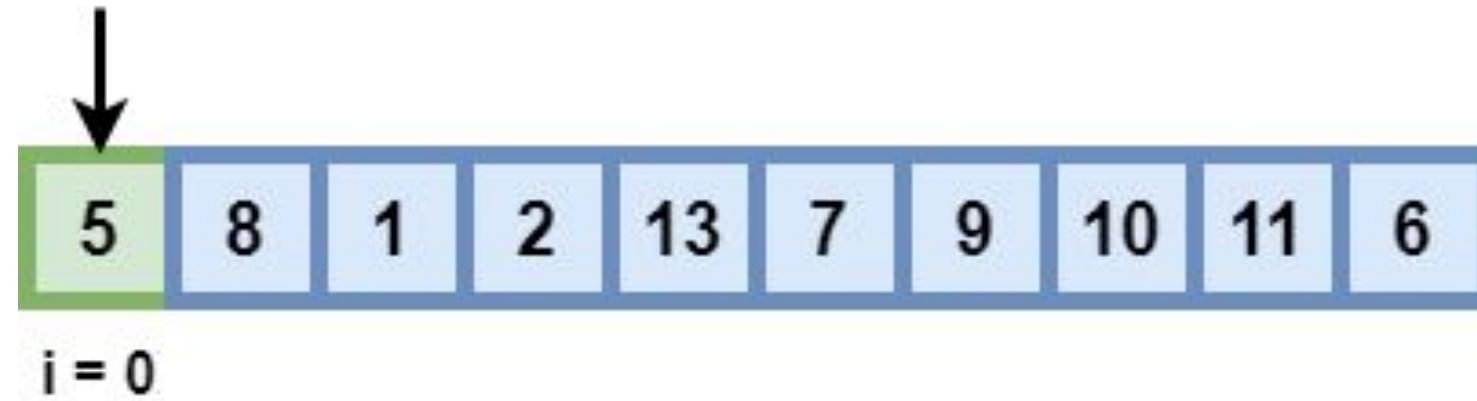
## Two types of searching algorithms

Linear  
Search

Binary  
Search

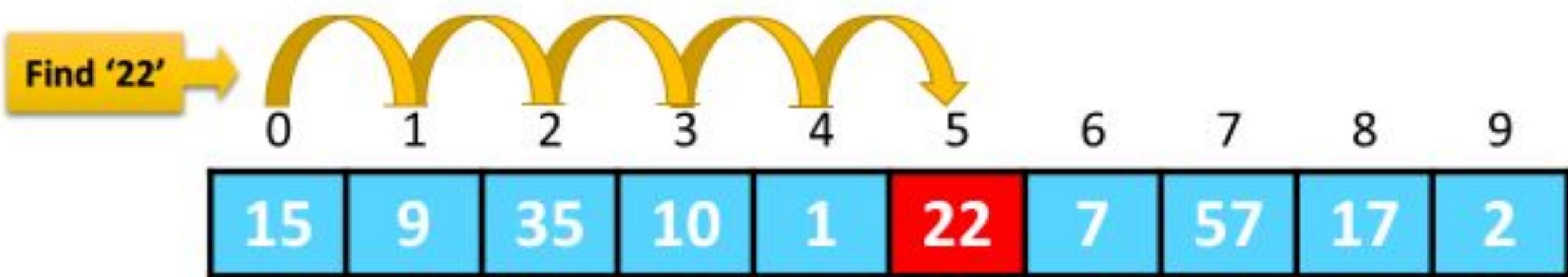
## Linear Search

**Value to Search = 10**



**arr[i] == 10**  
**FALSE**

## Example



## Linear Search implementation in python code

```
def linearSearch(array, n, x):  
  
    for i in range(0, n):  
        if (array[i] == x):  
            return i  
        print(f"i: {i}, array[i]: {array[i]}")  
    return -1  
  
print(linearSearch([15, 9, 35, 10, 1, 22, 7, 57, 17, 2], 10, 22))
```



```
i: 0, array[i]: 15  
i: 1, array[i]: 9  
i: 2, array[i]: 35  
i: 3, array[i]: 10  
i: 4, array[i]: 1  
5
```

## Complexity Analysis of Linear Search

**Time Complexity:**

Best Case:  $O(1)$

Worst Case:  $O(n)$

Average Case:  $O(n)$

**Space Complexity:**  $O(1)$

## Binary Search

Search for 47

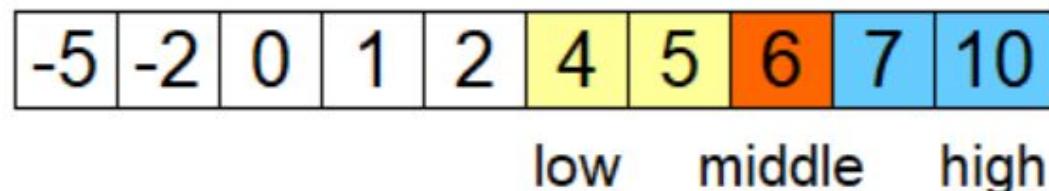
0	4	7	10	14	23	45	47	53
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## Example

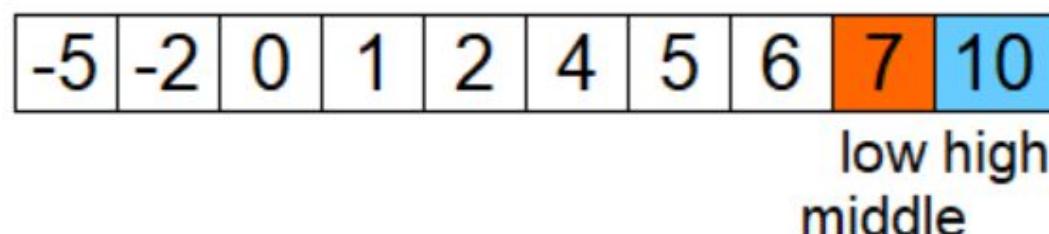
Index: 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9



$7 > 2$  (i.e. target > nums[middle])  
Update *low*



$7 > 6$  (i.e. target > nums[middle])  
Update *low*



$7 = 7$  (i.e. target = nums[middle])  
Return *middle*

## Implementation in python code

```
def binarySearch(array, x, low, high):  
    # Repeat until the pointers low and high meet each other  
    while low <= high:  
        mid = low + (high - low)//2 # Calculate the middle index  
  
        if array[mid] == x: # If the middle element is the target value, return its  
        index  
            print(f"The value {x} is at index:")  
            return mid  
  
        elif array[mid] < x: # If the middle element is less than the target value,  
        search the right half  
            low = mid + 1  
        else: # If the middle element is greater than the target value, search the  
        left half  
            high = mid - 1  
  
    return -1 # Return -1 if the target value is not found in the array  
  
# Example usage:  
print(binarySearch([-5, -2, 0, 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10], 7, 0, 9))
```



The value 7 is at index:  
8

## Complexity Analysis of Binary Search

### Time Complexity:

Best Case :  $O(1)$  #first mid value

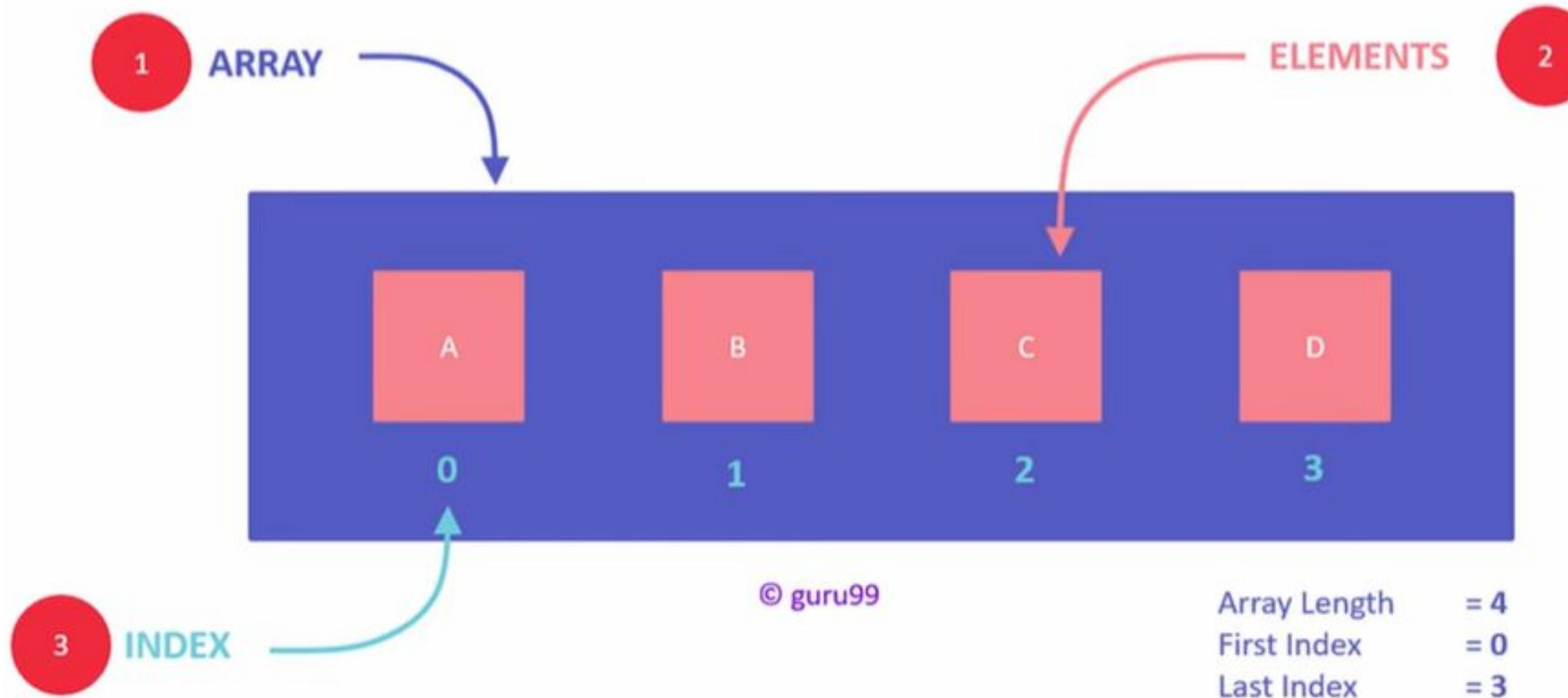
Worst Case :  $O(\log n)$  #extreme values  
or no values at all

Average Case :  $O(\log n)$  #uniform  
distribution of values

### Space Complexity:

$O(1)$

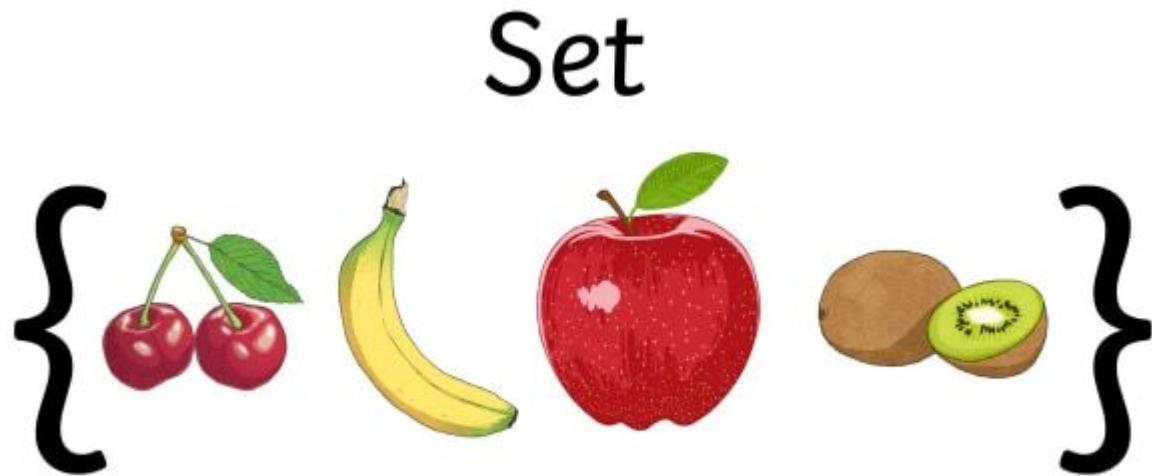
## Brief Recapitulation



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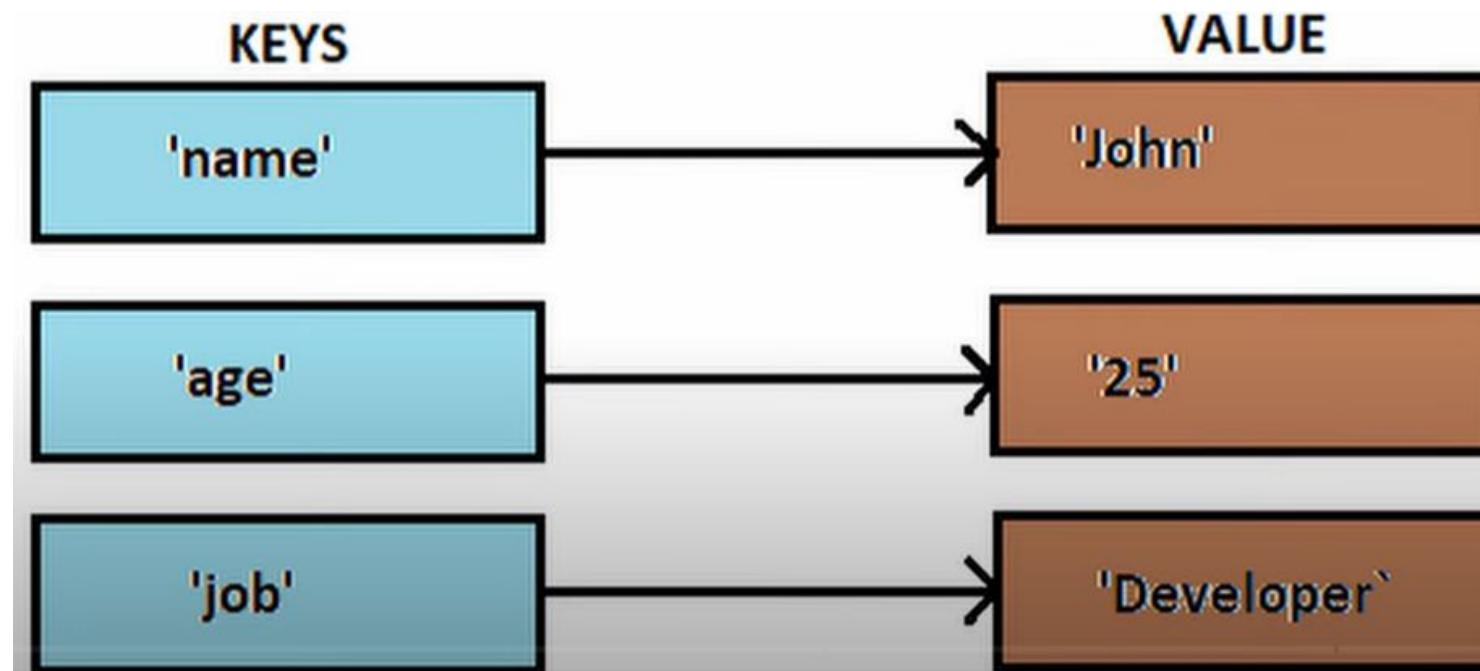
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Set is AKA hashsets

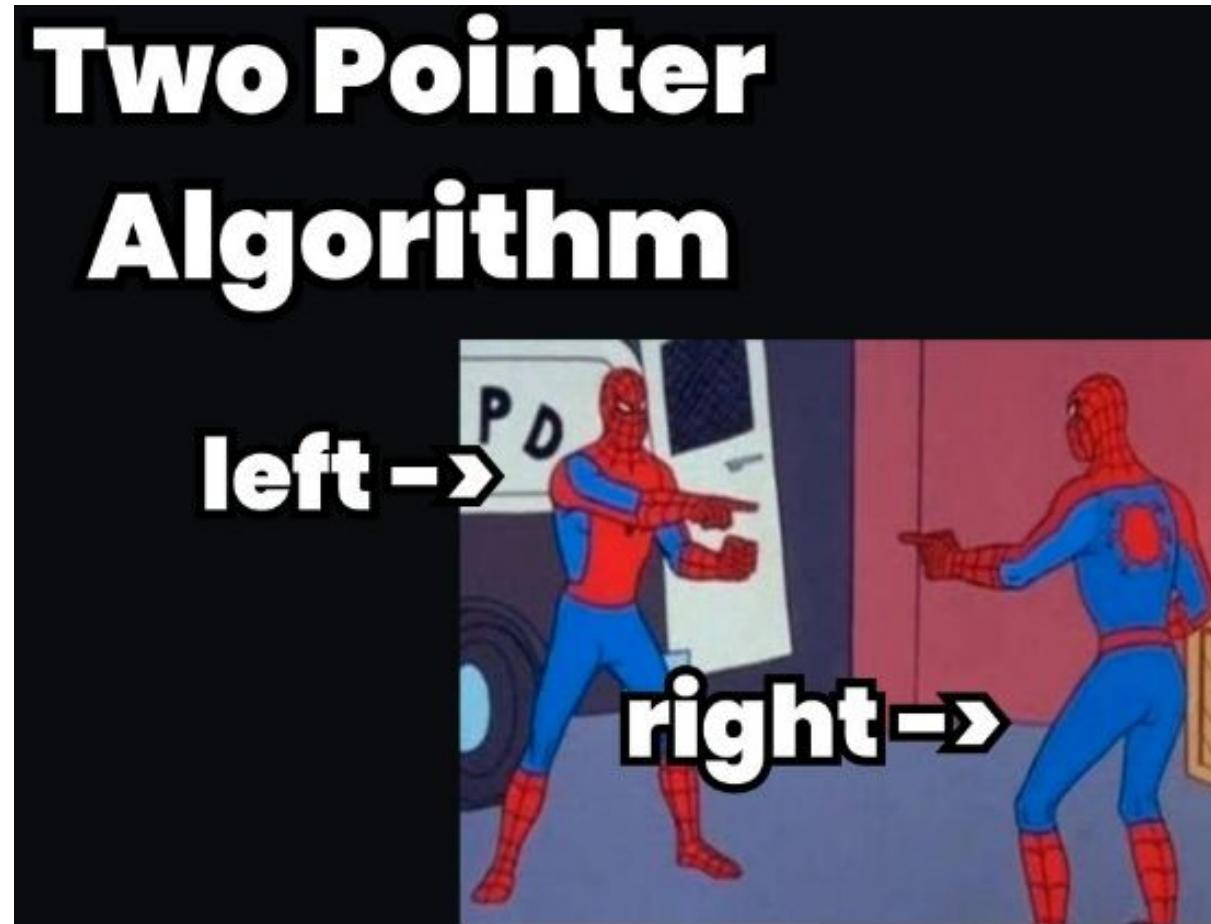


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Dictionary is AKA hashmap.



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## Leetcode Problems on Arrays and Hashings

1. [Contains-duplicate](#)
2. [Two-sum](#)
3. [valid-anagram](#)

## LeetCode problems on Two Pointers

1. [Valid-palindrome](#)
2. [Three-sums](#)

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