

* The stack is initialized to (-1) . Then check is performed to determine if the stack is empty by comparing top to (-1) . As elements are added to the stack, the position of top is updated. As soon as elements are popped or deleted, the topmost element is removed and the position of top is updated.

Tutorials ⑧

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① What is a Linear search, Explain.

A Linear search is checking each element in a list in a sequential manner. It starts with one end and goes to another until its desired element is found. If until then the whole list has been searched.

② What is Binary search, Explain.

It is defined as a searching algorithm used in a sorted array by repeatedly dividing the search interval in half. There are two forms of Binary search; They are Iterative and recursive methods.

③ Compare and Contrast Linear vs Binary Search.

	Linear search	vs	Binary search
precondition	Any random order		Sorted
Size	Preferred for small lists.		Preferred for large lists
speed	Slow		fast
dimensions	Multidimensional arrays can also be used.		Only single dimensional arrays can be used.
Time Complexity	Linear graph $O(n)$		Logarithmic graph $O(\log n)$
	• Access data sequentially		• Access data randomly
	• perform equal comparisons		• perform ordering comparisons

(A) Write the pseudocode for Linear search.

Linear Search (item - element)

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{
    INITIALIZE index = 0
    WHILE (index < number of items in the list)
    {
        IF (list [index] == target element)
        {
            Return index
        }
        increment index by 1
    }
    return -1
}
```

(B) Write the pseudocode for binary search.

Algorithm to search a [First] through a [Last]

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Precondition:

$a[\text{First}] \leq a[\text{First} + 1] \leq a[\text{First} + 2] \leq \dots \leq a[\text{last}]$

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To locate the value Key:

if (first > last) // A Stopping case

return -1;

else

{ mid = approximate mid-point between first and last;

if (key == a[mid] // stopping case

return mid;

else if key < a[mid] // A case with recursion

return the result of searching a[first] through a[mid - 1];

else if key > a[mid] // A case with recursion.

return result of searching a[mid + 1] through a[last];

}