

Linear Search

Given an array, search for an element K .

$$\text{arr}[] = [2 \quad -1 \quad 4 \quad 9 \quad 8 \quad 10]$$
$$T_c : O(n)$$

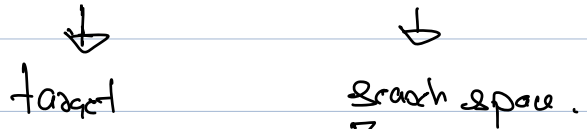
$K = "raj"$

arr [] = ["yash", "raj", "ayush"]

$T_c = (n \times \text{len of string})$
 $T_c = O(n) \times [\text{Time taken for comparison}]$

Search Space & Target

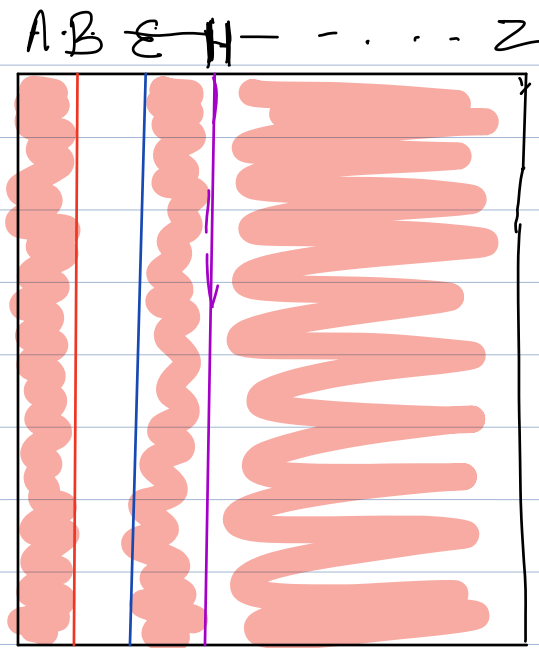
i) Search for an article on dhoni in the newspaper



2) Search for K in an array

Dictionary

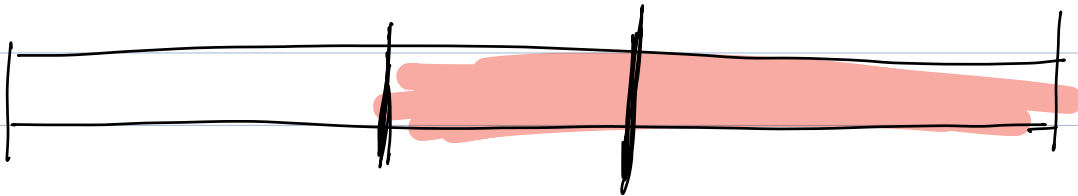
Search for
a word "dog"



Why searching is easier in Dictionary?

→ Data is sorted!

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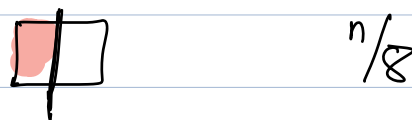
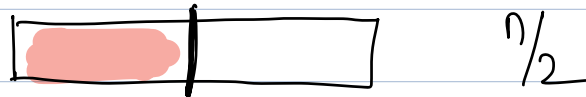
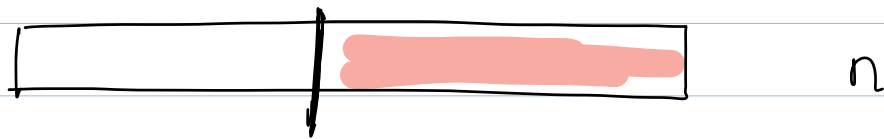
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$$n \times \frac{4}{10} \times \frac{4}{10} \times \frac{4}{10} \times \frac{4}{10} \Rightarrow$$

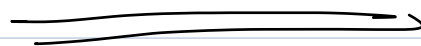
How to optimally divide Search space.

→ Search At middle to ensure we are reducing search space by half (50%) every time.

Binary Search : Where we reduce the search space by half every iteration using a specified logic



→ eventually we reach to one element.



Binary Search

➔ Divide Search Space by half.

Ex1 Arr = [3 6 9 12 14 19 20 23 25 27]

Q Given a sorted array with distinct elements.
Search for the index of element K.

If K is not present return -1.

Ex1 Arr =

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	3	6	9	12	14	19	20	23	25	27

K \Rightarrow 9

Find middle

\Rightarrow lo \Rightarrow 0

\Rightarrow hi \Rightarrow 9

1) $mid \Rightarrow \left(\frac{lo + hi}{2} \right) = \left(\underset{\downarrow}{int} + \underset{\downarrow}{snt} \right)$

2) $mid \Rightarrow lo + \frac{(hi - lo)}{2}$

$Arr = [\overset{0}{3} \overset{1}{6} \overset{2}{9} \overset{3}{12} \overset{4}{14} \overset{5}{19} \overset{6}{20} \overset{7}{23} \overset{8}{25} \overset{9}{27}]$
 $K \Rightarrow 9$

Steps	lo	hi	mid	element
1	0	9	4	14, $hi = 3$
2	0	3	1	6, $lo \Rightarrow 2$
3	2	3	2	9

Case 1 : $arr[mid] > K$
 $hi \Rightarrow mid - 1$

Case 2 : $arr[mid] < K$
 $lo \Rightarrow mid + 1$

Case 3 : $arr[mid] == K$
return mid

$\text{Arr} = [\overset{0}{3} \overset{1}{6} \overset{2}{9} \overset{3}{12} \overset{4}{14} \overset{5}{19} \overset{6}{20} \overset{7}{23} \overset{8}{25} \overset{9}{27}]$
 $K \Rightarrow 24$

Steps	lo	hi	mid	element
1	0	9	4	14
2	5	9	7	23
3	8	9	8	25
	8	7		

int BinarySearch (int arr[], int k) {

int lo \Rightarrow 0; Tc: $O(\log n)$
 int hi \Rightarrow arr.size() - 1; Sc: $O(1)$;

while (lo \leq hi) {

int mid \Rightarrow $\left(\frac{lo+hi}{2}\right)$;

if (arr[mid] == k) return mid;

else if (arr[mid] > k) hi \Rightarrow mid - 1;

else lo \Rightarrow mid + 1

}

return -1;

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Q2 Given a sorted array ! Find the floor of element K .

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greatest element $\leq K$.

Ex1 Arr =

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	3	6	9	12	14	19	20	23	25	27

1) floor (9) = 9

2) floor (10) = 9

3) floor (24) \Rightarrow 23

4) floor (2) \Rightarrow Integer.min

Arr = [3 6 9 12 14 19 20 23 25 27]

floor (24) \Rightarrow 23

Steps	lo	hi	mid	element
1	0	9	4	14
2	5	9	7	23
3	8	9	8	25
	8	7		

Case 1 : $arr[mid] > K$
 $hi \Rightarrow mid - 1$

Case 2 : $arr[mid] < K$, $ans \Rightarrow arr[mid]$;
 $lo \Rightarrow mid + 1$

Case 3 : $arr[mid] == K$
 $return arr[mid];$

Q3 Given a sorted array ! Find the 1st occurrence of element K.

↳ you need to return index!

Ex1 Arr =

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
-1	-1	0	2	2	5	5	5	7	8	8

K \Rightarrow 5 \Rightarrow ans = 5

Case 1 : arr[mid] > K
 $h_1 \Rightarrow mid - 1$

Case 2 : arr[mid] < K
 $l_0 \Rightarrow mid + 1$

Case 3 : arr[mid] == K
ans \Rightarrow mid
 $h_1 \Rightarrow mid - 1$;

Variations of the above Questions

1) Find the last occurrence of K .

2) lower-bound (K) \Rightarrow first element such that $\geq K$.

returns
index

arr = [2 5 10 16 20]

1) lower-bound (5) \Rightarrow 1

2) lower-bound (9) \Rightarrow 2

3) lower-bound (-1) \Rightarrow 0

4) lower-bound (50) \Rightarrow 5 = size of array

3) upper-bound (K) \Rightarrow first element such that $> K$.

returns
index

arr = [2 5 10 16 20]

1) upper-bound (5) \Rightarrow 2

2) upper-bound (9) \Rightarrow 2

3) upper-bound (-1) \Rightarrow 0

4) upper-bound (50) \Rightarrow 5 = size of array

Q Given a sorted Array! Find the number of occurrence of K .

Ex1 Arr = $\begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 \\ [-1 & -1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 5 & 5 & 5 & 7 & 8 & 8] \end{matrix}$

Ex1 $K \Rightarrow 5$ ans $\Rightarrow 3$

\Rightarrow Linear Search $T_c: O(n)$

1) Lower-bound (5) $\Rightarrow 5 \Rightarrow l$

2) Upper-bound (5) $\Rightarrow 8 \Rightarrow u$

ans $\Rightarrow u - l$

Ex1 Arr = $\begin{matrix} 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 & 9 & 10 \\ [-1 & -1 & 0 & 2 & 2 & 5 & 5 & 5 & 7 & 8 & 8] \end{matrix}$

Ex1 $K \Rightarrow 1$

1) lower-bound $\Rightarrow 3$

2) upper-bound $\Rightarrow 3$

Q Given a 2D sorted matrix. Search for K.

A = $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 6 & 8 & 10 \\ 12 & 18 & 20 & 30 \\ 33 & 40 & 42 & 46 \\ 50 & 55 & 60 & 66 \end{bmatrix}$ rows = n
column \Rightarrow m
1d \Rightarrow 40

1) Approach 1 : Flatten into an array.

Do binary search

Tc: $O(mn + \log mn)$.

Sc: $O(m \times n)$;

2) Approach 2 : Do binary search on every row.

Tc: $(n \times \log m)$

Sc: $O(1)$

3) Approach 3 : Do binary search on every column

Tc: $(m \times \log n)$

Sc: $O(1)$

4) Approach 4 : Lower bound on last column.

the Binary search on the row.

Tc: $O(\log m + \log n)$

Sc: $O(1)$.

