Lecture-02

Search Operation

You can perform a search for an array element based on its value or its index.

Algorithm

Consider **LA** is a linear array with **N** elements and **K** is a positive integer such that **K<=N**. Following is the algorithm to find an element with a value of ITEM using sequential search.

```
1. Start
2. Set J = 0
3. Repeat steps 4 and 5 while J < N
4. IF LA[J] is equal ITEM THEN GOTO STEP 6
5. Set J = J +1
6. PRINT J, ITEM
7. Stop
```

Example

Following is the implementation of the above algorithm −

```
#include <stdio.h>

void main() {
   int LA[] = {1,3,5,7,8};
   int item = 5, n = 5;
   int i = 0, j = 0;
      printf("The original array elements are :\n");
         for(i = 0; i<n; i++) {
      printf("LA[%d] = %d \n", i, LA[i]);
   }
     while( j < n){
      if( LA[j] == item ) {
         break;
      }
     j = j + 1;
   }
  printf("Found element %d at position %d\n", item, j+1);
}
```

When we compile and execute the above program, it produces the following result −

Output

```
The original array elements are :
LA[0] = 1
LA[1] = 3
LA[2] = 5
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LA[3] = 7
LA[4] = 8
Found element 5 at position 3
```

Update Operation

Update operation refers to updating an existing element from the array at a given index.

Algorithm

Consider **LA** is a linear array with **N** elements and **K** is a positive integer such that **K<=N**. Following is the algorithm to update an element available at the K^{th} position of LA.

```
1. Start
2. Set LA[K-1] = ITEM
3. Stop
```

Example

Following is the implementation of the above algorithm −

```
#include <stdio.h>

void main() {
   int LA[] = {1,3,5,7,8};
   int k = 3, n = 5, item = 10;
   int i, j;
     printf("The original array elements are :\n");
   for(i = 0; i<n; i++) {
      printf("LA[%d] = %d \n", i, LA[i]);
   }

   LA[k-1] = item;
  printf("The array elements after updation :\n");
   for(i = 0; i<n; i++) {
      printf("LA[%d] = %d \n", i, LA[i]);
   }
}
```

When we compile and execute the above program, it produces the following result −

Output

```
The original array elements are :
LA[0] = 1
LA[1] = 3
LA[2] = 5
LA[3] = 7
LA[4] = 8
```

```
The array elements after updation :
LA[0] = 1
LA[1] = 3
LA[2] = 10
LA[3] = 7
LA[4] = 8
```