Recording

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Problem Specification : Write a program to check if two arrays are equal (having the

same elements in the same order).

Assumption : Both arrays are of the same type (e.g., int).

Arrays can be of any valid length ≥ 0 .

Arrays may contain positive, negative, or zero values.

Limitation : Arrays must be compared element by element and in order.

If either array is null, it should be handled separately (not

covered in basic version).

Input : Two arrays arr1and arr2.

Processing : Compare the lengths of the arrays.

If lengths differ \rightarrow arrays are not equal.

If lengths are equal:

• Compare each pair of elements at the same index.

• If any element differs \rightarrow arrays are not equal.

• If all elements match \rightarrow arrays are equal.

Output: A message indicating whether the arrays are equal or not equal.

Algorithm : Step 1: Define two arrays arr1 and arr2.

Step 2: If lengths of arr1 and arr2 are different \rightarrow return false.

Step 3: Loop from i = 0 to arr1.length - 1:

- If arr1[i] != arr2[i], return false.

Step 4: If loop completes without mismatch, return true.

Step 5: Display result.

Programme listing: Programme file attached

Test data and expected output: 1. Test data: arr1[]={1, 2, 3, 4}

arr2[]={1, 2, 3, 4}

Expected output: Equal

2. Test data: arr1[]={1, 2, 3, 4}

arr2[]={{1, 2, 4, 3}

Expected output: Not Equal

Output obtained for test data : 1. Test data: arr1[]={1, 2, 3, 4}

arr2[]={1, 2, 3, 4}

Expected output: Equal

2. Test data: arr1[]={1, 2, 3, 4}

arr2[]={1, 2, 3}

Expected output: Not Equal

Analysis

The numbers of operation required in performing the algorithm.

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For calculation	-	-	-	-
For loop	-	-	-	N times
Comparison	-	-	-	N times

Conclusion: This program efficiently checks whether two arrays are equal in size and content order using a simple linear loop. It works for any integer array and supports empty arrays.

Discussion

This approach runs in $\Theta(N)$ time and uses no extra space.

For more complex types (e.g., objects), .equals() should be used

instead of ==.