

Lab - Experiment 7

Objective:

- To understand and implement basic searching algorithms.
- To analyze the differences between linear and binary search in terms of efficiency.
- To understand how the data structure (sorted vs. unsorted) affects search performance.

Assignment 1st: Linear Search Implementation

Tasks:

- Write a C program to implement linear search.
 - The program should take an array and a target value as inputs and search for the target within the array.
 - Display the index where the target value is found, or indicate if it is not present.
- Testing: Use an example array of unsorted elements to demonstrate the search process.

Code:-

```
#include <stdio.h>
// Function to perform linear search
int linearSearch(int arr[], int size, int target) {
    for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) {
        if (arr[i] == target) {
            return i; // Return index if target is found
        }
    }
    return -1; // Return -1 if target is not found
}

int main() {
    int arr[] = {34, 78, 19, 5, 102, 56, 89};
    int size = sizeof(arr) / sizeof(arr[0]);
    int target;
    // Prompt user to enter the target value
    printf("Enter the target value to search for: ");
    scanf("%d", &target);
    // Perform linear search
    int result = linearSearch(arr, size, target);
    // Display results
    if (result != -1) {
        printf("Target found at index %d.\n", result);
    } else {
        printf("Target not found in the array.\n");
    }
    return 0;
}
```

Output:-

```
Enter the target value to search for: 56
Target found at index 5.
```

```
Enter the target value to search for: 35
Target not found in the array.
```

Assignment 2nd: Binary Search Implementation

Tasks:

- Write a C program to implement binary search.
- The program should prompt the user to enter a sorted array and a target value.
- Display the index where the target value is found, or indicate if it is not present.

Testing: Use a sorted example array to demonstrate the search process and show each step as the interval is divided.

Code:-

```
#include <stdio.h>
// Function to perform binary search
int binarySearch(int arr[], int left, int right, int target) {
    while (left <= right) {
        int mid = left + (right - left) / 2; // Find the middle index
        // Display the current interval being checked
        printf("Searching in interval: [%d, %d], Middle index: %d\n", left, right, mid);
        // Check if the target is present at mid
        if (arr[mid] == target) {
            return mid; // Return index if target is found
        }
        // If target is greater, ignore the left half
        else if (arr[mid] < target) {
            left = mid + 1;
        }
        // If target is smaller, ignore the right half
        else {
            right = mid - 1;
        }
    }
    return -1; // Return -1 if target is not found
}

int main() {
    int size, target;
    // Prompt user to enter the array size
    printf("Enter the number of elements in the sorted array: ");
    scanf("%d", &size);
    int arr[size];
    // Prompt user to enter the sorted array elements
    printf("Enter %d sorted elements:\n", size);
    for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) {
        scanf("%d", &arr[i]);
    }
}
```

```
}  
// Prompt user to enter the target value  
printf("Enter the target value to search for: ");  
scanf("%d", &target);  
// Perform binary search  
int result = binarySearch(arr, 0, size - 1, target);  
// Display results  
if (result != -1) {  
    printf("Target found at index %d.\n", result);  
} else {  
    printf("Target not found in the array.\n");  
}  
return 0;  
}
```

Output:-

```
Enter the number of elements in the sorted array: 4  
Enter 4 sorted elements:  
52  
55  
86  
89  
Enter the target value to search for: 86  
Searching in interval: [0, 3], Middle index: 1  
Searching in interval: [2, 3], Middle index: 2  
Target found at index 2.
```