

5.Algorithms_search_sort

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1 Searching and Sorting Algorithm examples

Example of 2 different searching algorithms - linear search and binary search

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In [25]: # Create list
        xs = list(range(10000))
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In [26]: %%timeit
        linear_search(xs, 4545)
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260 μ s \pm 6.2 μ s per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 1000 loops each)

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In [30]: %%timeit
        binary_search(xs, 4545)
```

8 μ s \pm 138 ns per loop (mean \pm std. dev. of 7 runs, 100000 loops each)

1.1 Linear Search and emulation of list index method

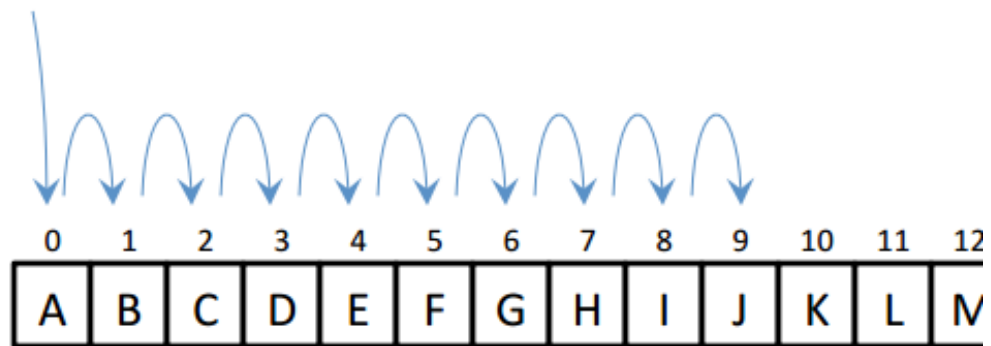
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In [31]: # Specify what to find
        searching_element = 45
        # Initialize index as None
        index = None

        # Iterate over elements in a list with their indices
        # Assign position of element equal to searching_element to index
        for i, elem in enumerate(xs):
            if elem == searching_element:
                index = i
                break

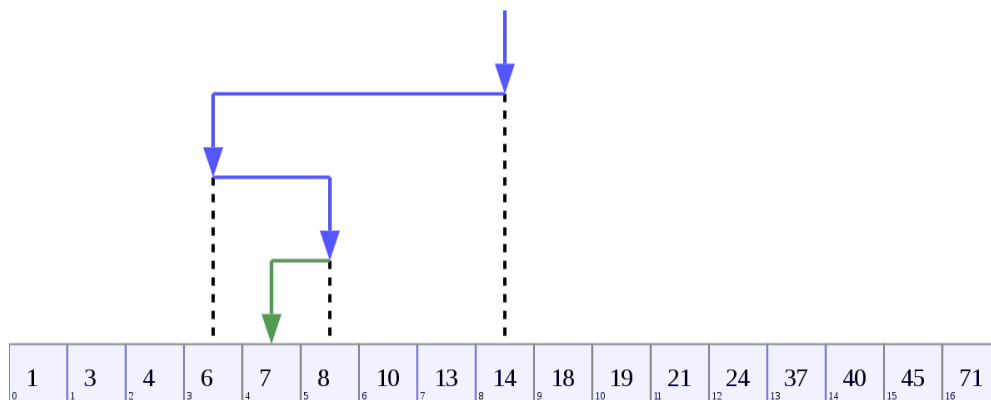
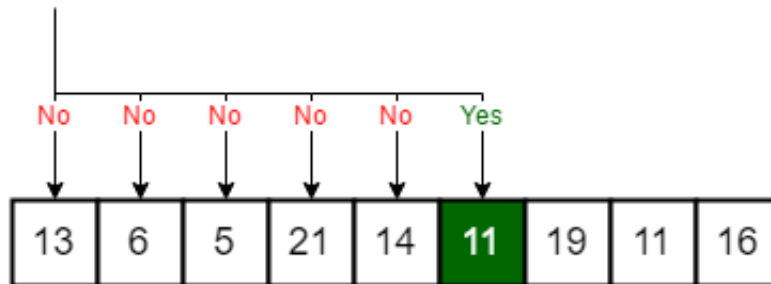
        print(index)
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Find "J"



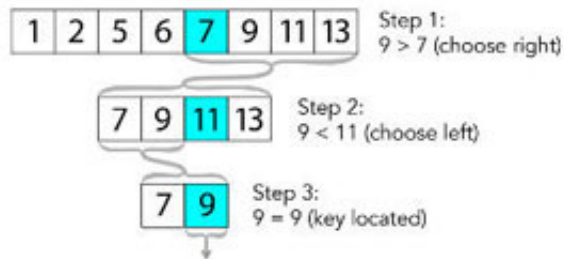
Target Value: 11



Binary Search Diagram

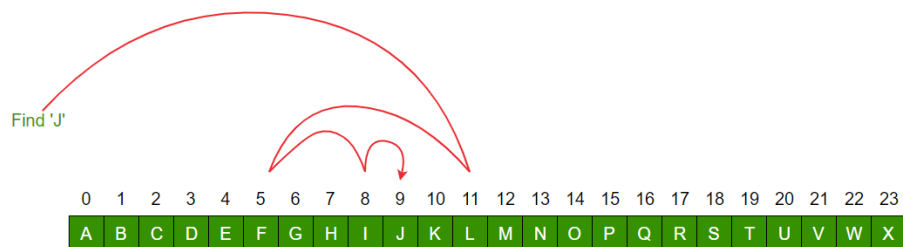
Worst-case binary search (8-element array)

Key = 9



Key located in 3 operations
 $\log(8) = 3$

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1.2 Binary Search

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In [17]: import math
         from IPython.lib.display import YouTubeVideo
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In [32]: # Specify element to search
         searching_element = 0
         # Find length of list, and its half
         length = len(xs)
         delta = length // 2
         index = delta

         # We start to search at the middle of list
         # On each iteration we compare chosen element with one which we need to find
         # and exploiting the fact that list is sorted we decide where to go (right/left/stay)
         # next we slide half of the current delta in necessary direction and reduce delta to half
         for i in range(round(math.log2(length)) + 1):
             # Compute range to slide in a list
             delta = max(round(delta / 2), 1)
             print(index, delta, xs[index])
             # Element found
             if xs[index] == searching_element:
                 break
             # Element somewhere in the greater part of list
             elif xs[index] < searching_element:
                 index += delta
             # Element somewhere in the lesser part of list
             else:
                 index -= delta

         print(index)
```

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5000 2500 5000
2500 1250 2500
1250 625 1250
625 312 625
313 156 313
157 78 157
79 39 79
40 20 40
20 10 20
10 5 10
5 2 5
3 1 3
2 1 2
1 1 1
0
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In [28]: def linear_search(xs, ele):
        for i, elem in enumerate(xs):
            if elem == ele:
                return i

        def binary_search(xs, elem):
            # Find length of list, and its half
            length = len(xs)
            delta = length // 2
            index = delta

            for i in range(round(math.log2(length)) + 2):
                delta = max(round(delta / 2), 1)

                if xs[index] == elem:
                    return index
                elif xs[index] < elem:
                    index += delta
                else:
                    index -= delta
```

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In [29]: binary_search(range(100000), 135)
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Out[29]: 135
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1.3 Mergesort illustration

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In [24]: YouTubeVideo('61Z9-RP04xk', width=750, height=400)
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Out[24]:
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