

# Search Algorithms Report

## 1. Linear Search

- Scans each line one by one to find the query.
- **Pros:** Simple, works on unsorted data.
- **Cons:** Slow for large files.
- **Time complexity:**  $O(n)$

## 2. Binary Search

- Searches for the query in a sorted list using divide-and-conquer.
- **Pros:** Very fast for sorted data.
- **Time complexity:**  $O(\log n)$
- **Cons:** Requires pre-sorting the data.

## 3. Hash Set Lookup

- Loads lines into a hash set and checks if the query exists.
- **Time complexity:**  $O(1)$  average case.
- **Pros:** Very fast.
- **Cons:** High memory usage.

## 4. Regex Search:

- Uses Python's regex engine to search for patterns in lines.
- **Time complexity:**  $O(n * m)$
- **Pros:** Flexible and powerful for partial or pattern matching.
- **Cons:** Can be slower than direct methods for simple queries.

## 5. Rabin-Karp Algorithm

- Uses hashing to compare substring hash values.
- **Time complexity:**  $O(n)$  average,  $O(nm)$  worst.
- **Pros:** Efficient for multiple pattern matches.
- **Cons:** Hash collisions can occur.

## 6. Knuth-Morris-Pratt (KMP) Algorithm

- Preprocesses the pattern to skip redundant comparisons.
- **Time complexity:**  $O(n + m)$
- **Pros:** Efficient and deterministic.
- **Cons:** More complex to implement.

Performance Table Reread\_on\_query(True) - Time(seconds):

File Size(lines)	Large(1 million+)	Medium(150,000+)	Small(15,000+)
Algorithm			
Hash Set Lookup	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
Binary Search	0.000000	0.000000	0.000012
Knuth-Morris-Pratt (KMP) Search	2.661365	0.917436	0.064959
Linear Search	0.008011	0.003018	0.000000
Rabin-Karp Search	1.615010	0.679579	0.054965
Regex Search	0.222860	0.062960	0.005996

Performance Table Reread\_on\_query(False) - Time(seconds):

File Size(Lines)	Large(1 million+)	Medium(150,000+)	Small(15,000+)
Algorithm			
Binary Search	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
Hash Set Lookup	0.000000	0.000000	0.000000
Knuth-Morris-Pratt (KMP) Search	1.847867	0.765531	0.065959
Linear Search	0.006999	0.003002	0.000000
Rabin-Karp Search	1.550042	0.605626	0.055966
Regex Search	0.172893	0.067954	0.005996



