

## Binary Search

Binary search is an efficient algorithm for finding an item from a sorted list of items. It works by repeatedly dividing in half the portion of the list that could contain the item, until you've narrowed down the possible locations to just one.

### Binary Search Pseudocode:

#### Iteration Method:

```
procedure binarySearch(arr, x, left, right)
    while repeat till left = right
        mid = (left+right)/2
        if (x == arr[mid])
            return mid
        end if
        else if
            left = mid + 1
        end else if
        else
            right = mid - 1
        end else
    end while
end procedure
```

#### Recursive Method:

```
procedure binarySearch(arr, x, left, right)
    if left > right
        return False
    end if
    else
        mid = (left + right) / 2
        if x == arr[mid]
            return mid
        end if
        else if x > arr[mid]
            return binarySearch(arr, x, mid + 1, right)
        end else if
        else
            return binarySearch(arr, x, right, mid - 1)
        end else
    end else
end procedure
```

**Complexities:** Time Complexity: Best –  $O(1)$ , Average –  $O(\log n)$ , Worst –  $O(\log n)$

Space Complexity:  $O(1)$

**Applications:** In libraries of Java, .Net, C++ STL While debugging, the binary search is used to pinpoint the place where the error happens.

## Source Code: Iterative Method

```
using System;
namespace BinarySearch
{
    class Program
    {
        public static void Main(String[] args)
        {
            Input();
        }
        public static void Input()
        {
            Console.Write("Enter the number of items: ");
            int numberOfItems = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
            int[] itemsList = new int[numberOfItems];
            Console.WriteLine("Enter the items: ");
            for (int i = 0; i < itemsList.Length; i++)
            {
                itemsList[i] = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
            }

            Console.Write("Enter the searching item: ");
            int searchItem = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
            int result = BinarySearch(itemsList, searchItem);
            if(result == -1)
            {
                Console.WriteLine("Item does not find");
            }
            else
            {
                Console.WriteLine($"Item is found in {result+1} position");
            }
        }
        public static int BinarySearch(int[] itemsList, int searchItem)
        {
            int left = 0;
            int right = itemsList.Length - 1;
            while (left <= right)
            {
                int mid = (left + right) / 2;
                if (itemsList[mid] == searchItem)
                {
                    return mid;
                }
                else if(itemsList[mid] < searchItem)
                {
                    left = mid + 1;
                }
                else
                {
                    right = mid - 1;
                }
            }
            return -1;
        }
    }
}
```

## Source Code: Recursive Method

```
using System;

namespace RecursiveBinarySearch
{
    class Program
    {
        public static void Main(String[] args)
        {
            Input();
        }
        public static void Input()
        {
            Console.WriteLine("Enter the number of items: ");
            int numberOfItems = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
            int[] itemsList = new int[numberOfItems];
            Console.WriteLine("Enter the items: ");
            for (int i = 0; i < itemsList.Length; i++)
            {
                itemsList[i] = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());
            }
            Console.WriteLine("Enter the searching item: ");
            int searchItem = Convert.ToInt32(Console.ReadLine());

            int result= RBinarySearch(itemsList, searchItem, 0, itemsList.Length-1);

            if (result == -1)
            {
                Console.WriteLine("Item does not find");
            }
            else
            {
                Console.WriteLine($"Item is found in {result + 1} position");
            }
        }
        static int RBinarySearch(int[] itemsList,int searchItem,int left,int right)
        {
            if(left <= right)
            {
                int mid = (right - left) / 2;
                if(itemsList[mid] == searchItem)
                {
                    return mid;
                }
                if(itemsList[mid] > searchItem)
                {
                    return RBinarySearch(itemsList, searchItem, left, mid-1);
                }
                else
                {
                    return RBinarySearch(itemsList, searchItem, mid+1, right);
                }
            }
            return -1;
        }
    }
}
```