# 1. Insert Element

## **Difficulty:** Easy

### Question:

Given a sorted integer array 'arr' containing unique elements, and an element 'n', determine and display the two consecutive elements between which 'n' can be inserted while preserving the sorted order of the array.

Constraint: Time Complexity : O(log N)

### Example 1:

**Input:** arr= [1, 5, 7, 8, 10, 19], n = 6

Output: 5 and 7

**Explanation:** Element 6 should be inserted between 5 and 7.

#### Example 2:

**Input:** arr= [-1, 2, 7, 9], n = -2

Output: NULL and -1

Explanation: Element -2 should be inserted before -1. Hence the

previous value is NULL.

## Example 3:

**Input:** arr= [-1, 2, 7, 9], n = 10

Output: 9 and NULL

Explanation: Element 10 should be inserted after 9. Hence the next

value is NULL.

### Example 3:

Input: arr= [5, 15, 20, 25, 40, 60, 100], n = 25

Output: 25 is already present in the array.

(Code given below! Try on your own before viewing the code)

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Solution : (C++)
#include<bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;
int binarySearch(int arr[], int start, int end, int n){
    int ans = -1;
    while(start <= end){</pre>
        int mid = (start + end) / 2;
        if(arr[mid] <= n){</pre>
            ans = mid;
            start = mid + 1;
        else end = mid - 1;
    }
    return ans;
}
int main(){
    int arr[] = {1, 5, 7, 8, 10, 19};
    int n = 6;
    int len = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);
    // Using Binary Search, locate the index where to be inserted
    int idx = binarySearch(arr, 0, len - 1, n);
    if(idx == len - 1 && arr[idx] != n)
        cout << endl << arr[idx] << " and NULL \n";</pre>
    else if(idx == -1)
        cout << endl << "NULL and " << arr[0] << endl;</pre>
    else if(arr[idx] == n)
        cout << "\n Element " << n << " is already present! \n";</pre>
    else
        cout << endl << arr[idx] << " and " << arr[idx + 1] << endl;</pre>
    return 0;
}
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