Binary Search Application:

User Guide

INTRODUCTION:

It is a Visual Basic.Net application to search for an element in an list using Binary Search Algorithm and show how the Binary Search Algorithm works.

USAGE:

People who want to search for a value in a list of similar values can use this application to get their job done instantaneously. Beginners who are interested in the Binary Search Algorithm, can use this application to see step-by-step process of how the Binary Search Algorithm works on different inputs.

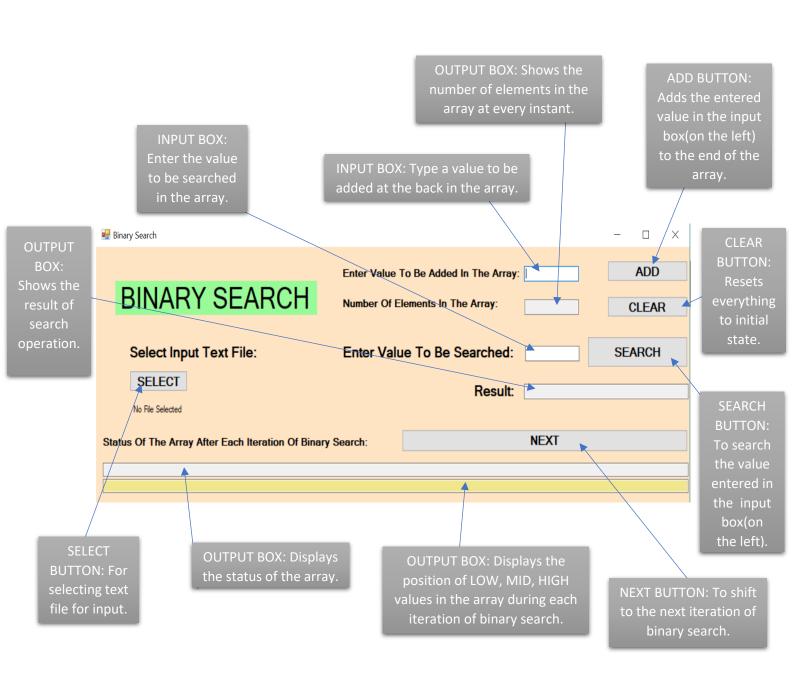
INTERFACE:

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BINARY SEARCH	Enter Value To Be Added In The Array: Number Of Elements In The Array:	ADD
Select Input Text File: SELECT No File Selected	Enter Value To Be Searched: Result:	SEARCH
Status Of The Array After Each Iteration Of Binary	Search: NEXT	

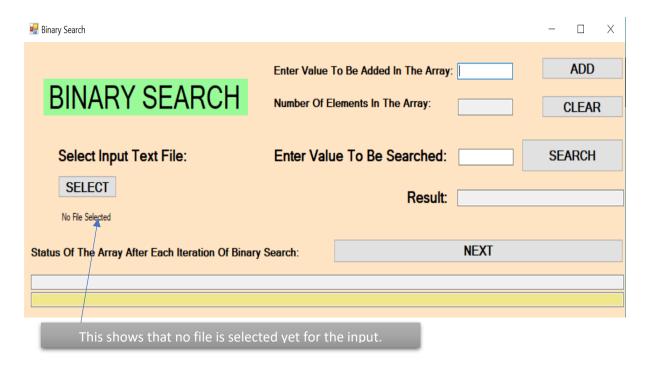
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As can be seen in the diagram that the application contains three elements:

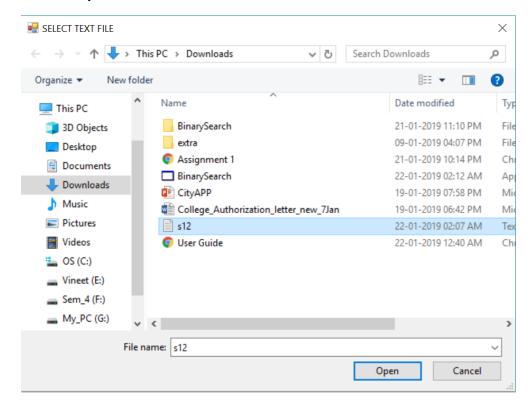
- 1. INPUT BOX: User can write values in it.
- 2. BUTTONS: Each button has a specific task and those tasks are performed when the user presses the button.
- 3. OUTPUT BOX: Displays some values. User can not write in an output box.



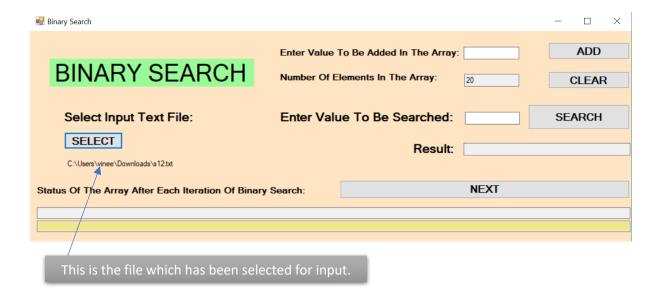
SELECT BUTTON:



When you click on the select button a new window appears:



Now choose the text file with inputs, and click "Open".



Limitations/Precautions of the Application:

- 1. Array size cannot be greater than 1,000,000.
- 2. Input array should be sorted. The program won't work for an unsorted array.
- 3. Array values should be of the same data type.
- 4. Selected file should be a text file, with each array value written on a separate line.
- 5. The visualization feature will only be helpful for arrays with number of elements <= 20, due to the limitation of the window size.