## **Binary Search**

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class Tester {
  public static int iterations = 0;
  public static int searchElement(int elements[], int low, int high, int
elementToBeSearched) {
   while (low <= high) {
     iterations++; // increment the number of iterations
     int mid = low + (high - low) / 2;
      // Check if elementToBeSearched is present at mid
     if (elements[mid] == elementToBeSearched) {
       return mid; // return the index position
     }
     // If elementToBeSearched is greater, ignore the left half
     if (elements[mid] < elementToBeSearched) {</pre>
       low = mid + 1;
     }else{
       // If elementToBeSearched is smaller, ignore the right half
       high = mid - 1;
     }
   }
   return -1; // Element not found
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}
 public static void main(String[] args)
   { int[] elements = { 1, 23, 43, 46, 78,
   90}; int elementToBeSearched = 43;
   int indexPosition = searchElement(elements, 0, elements.length - 1,
elementToBeSearched);
   if (indexPosition == -1)
     System.out.println("Element not found!");
   else
     System.out.println("Element found at index position " + indexPosition + "!");
   System.out.println("Number of iterations: " + iterations);
 }
}
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Element found at index position 2!
Number of iterations: 1
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