Binary Search Session for the New Batch (21 Jan 2025)

Dear Students,

Welcome to today's session! The topic for this session is **Binary Search**, one of computer science's most fundamental and essential algorithms.

Session Details:

Date: 21 January 2025Duration: 3 hours

Agenda for the Session:

- 1. Understanding the concept and working of Binary Search.
- 2. Solving real-world problems using Binary Search.
- 3. Practicing problems of varying difficulty levels on LeetCode.

Binary Search Practice Problems:

- 1. Binary Search
 - o Problem ID: 704
 - o Link: Binary Search
- 2. Search Insert Position
 - o Problem ID: 35
 - o Link: Search Insert Position
- 3. First Bad Version
 - o Problem ID: 278
 - o Link: First Bad Version
- 4. Find Minimum in Rotated Sorted Array
 - o Problem ID: 153
 - o Link: Find Minimum in Rotated Sorted Array
- 5. Search in Rotated Sorted Array
 - o Problem ID: 33
 - o Link: Search in Rotated Sorted Array
- 6. Find Peak Element
 - o Problem ID: 162
 - o Link: Find Peak Element
- 7. Find the Duplicate Number
 - o Problem ID: 287
 - o Link: Find the Duplicate Number
- 8. Median of Two Sorted Arrays
 - o Problem ID: 4
 - Link: Median of Two Sorted Arrays
- 9. Kth Smallest Element in a Sorted Matrix
 - o Problem ID: 378
 - o Link: Kth Smallest Element in a Sorted Matrix
- 10. Capacity to Ship Packages Within D Days
 - o Problem ID: **1011**
 - o Link: Capacity to Ship Packages Within D Days

Binary Search on Answer Problems:

- 1. Minimum Speed to Arrive on Time
 - o Problem ID: **1870**
 - o Link: Minimum Speed to Arrive on Time
 - Description: Find the minimum speed required to arrive at a destination within a given time.
- 2. Minimum Number of Days to Make m Bouquets
 - Problem ID: 1482
 - o Link: Minimum Number of Days to Make m Bouquets

o Description: Determine the minimum number of days needed to make m bouquets given blooming conditions.

3. Magnetic Force Between Two Balls

- o Problem ID: **1552**
- o Link: Magnetic Force Between Two Balls
- Description: Maximize the minimum magnetic force between two balls placed in a line.

4. Koko Eating Bananas

- o Problem ID: 875
- O Link: Koko Eating Bananas
- O Description: Find the minimum eating speed for Koko to finish eating all bananas within a given number of hours.

5. Capacity to Ship Packages Within D Days

- o Problem ID: **1011**
- o Link: Capacity to Ship Packages Within D Days
- o Description: Determine the minimum capacity of a ship to transport packages within D days

Instructions:

- Step 1: Start with the easier problems like Binary Search and Search Insert Position to build your foundation.
- Step 2: Progress to medium-level problems to enhance your problem-solving skills.
- Step 3: Attempt harder problems like Median of Two Sorted Arrays and so on towards the end.