

# Doubt Clearing Session

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# Data Structure: Doubts

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*Hello!*

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I am here because I love to teach

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# Question 1

Consider an array of size  $n-1$  elements which contains elements between 1 to  $n$  (all unique) but 1 number is missing. Find the missing number?

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for( i=0; i<n; i++ )  
{  
    B[i] = -1;  
}
```

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for( k=0; k<n-1; k++ )  
{  
    B[A[k]-1] = A[k];  
}
```

```
for( i=0; i<=n-1; i++ )  
{  
    if ( B[i] == -1 )  
        return i+1;  
}  
RT.  $O(n)$   
space  $\Rightarrow \Theta(n)$ 
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Sol ②

$$1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Sum of array

$$\text{sum} = 0;$$

for ( $i=0$ ;  $i < n-1$ ;  $i++$ )

{      $\text{sum} = \text{sum} + A[i];$

}

return  $(n * (n + 1)) / 2 - \text{sum};$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1, 5, 6, 2, 4 \\ \hline \text{sum} \\ 18 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{6(6+1)}{2} = 21$$

$$\cancel{21 - 18}$$

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## Question 2

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Consider an array  $A[-6 \dots 15]$ , which is stored in memory starting from location 1000. Assume each element in memory is stored on 4 locations. Then the location of element  $A[2]$  is?

$$= 1000 + 4 * (2 - (-6))$$

$$= 1000 + 4 * 8$$

$$= \underline{\underline{1032}}$$

# Question 3

There are  $n$  students in the class and the teacher is going to find the leader of the class. The teacher applies a simple strategy to find the leader as follows:

Teacher asked all students to stand in a single queue then given them numbering from 1 to  $n$ , starting from first student to last student. Then teacher has removed all students with odd numbering i.e. 1, 3, 5 ....

For remaining students teacher given numbering once again from 1 without changing their relative order and then removed the odd number students again from the queue. Teacher repeated the same till there is only 1 student remaining in the queue. That one student becomes leader of the class.

Assume you want to be the leader then in the initial queue of  $n$  students on which position you will stand so that you can become the leader?

✓ 2 ✗ 4 5 - - -

~~1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10~~

~~2 4 6 8 10~~

~~8~~

8

if

| n   | ans |
|-----|-----|
| 100 | 64  |
| 50  | 32  |
| 25  | 16  |
| 200 | 128 |
| 256 | 256 |

Ans:- Max valuee which  
power of 2 and  $\leq n$

$$x = \lfloor \log n / \log 2 \rfloor;$$

$y = \text{pow}(2, x);$   
return y;

~~2~~ ~~3~~ ~~4~~ ~~5~~ ~~6~~ ~~7~~ ~~8~~ ~~9~~ ~~10~~ ~~11~~ ~~12~~ ~~13~~ ~~14~~ ~~15~~

~~2~~ ~~4~~ ~~5~~ ~~8~~ ~~10~~ ~~12~~ ~~14~~

~~4~~ ~~8~~ ~~12~~

8

~~1~~ 2 ~~3~~ 4 ~~5~~ 6 ~~7~~ 8 ~~9~~ 10 ~~11~~ 12 ~~13~~ 14 ~~15~~ 16 ~~17~~ 18 ~~19~~ 20

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~~4~~ 8 ~~12~~ 16 ~~20~~

~~8~~ 16

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# Question 1

Consider you are the commander in chief for march past event and to have a good uniform arrangement in the march past, you need to arrange the students in a very specific manner. To identify this arrangement, you want to find the height difference of the students against each other. If there are  $n$  number of students and if it takes 40 seconds of time to compare heights of 2 students then, total time required to get the maximum of the differences between the heights of any 2 students for  $n = 200$  is?

# Question 2

Consider an array of  $n$  elements. Rotate the array in left  $k$  positions where  $k$  is a non-negative integer?

# Question 3

Consider an array of  $n$  elements. Total comparisons required to calculate second minimum element of array if  $n = 64$ ?

$$n + \lceil \log_2 n \rceil - 2$$

$$64 + \log_2 64 - 2$$

68 Ans

# Question 4

Consider an array of size  $n-1$  elements which contains elements between 1 to  $n$  (all unique) but 1 number is missing. Find the missing number?



# Question 5

Consider an array which contains n elements. Arrange the array elements in such a way that all zeros in array are moved in the starting of the array, while maintaining the relative order of other elements.

**Example:**

Input: 1, 5, 7, 0, 2, 0, 4, 8, 0

Output: 0, 0, 0, 1, 5, 7, 2, 4, 8

# Question 6

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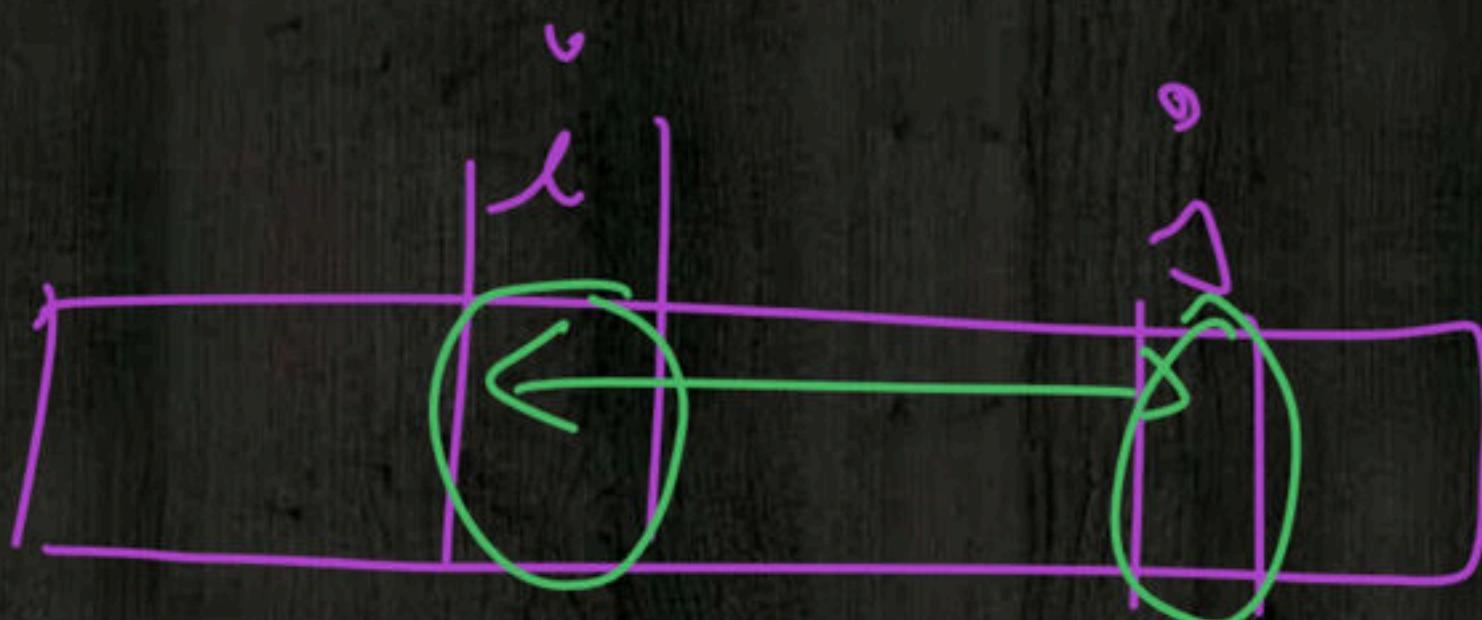
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# Question

Consider a sorted array of size  $n$  with duplicate elements. You have been given an element  $k$ , what is the time complexity to find the frequency of element  $k$  in the array?

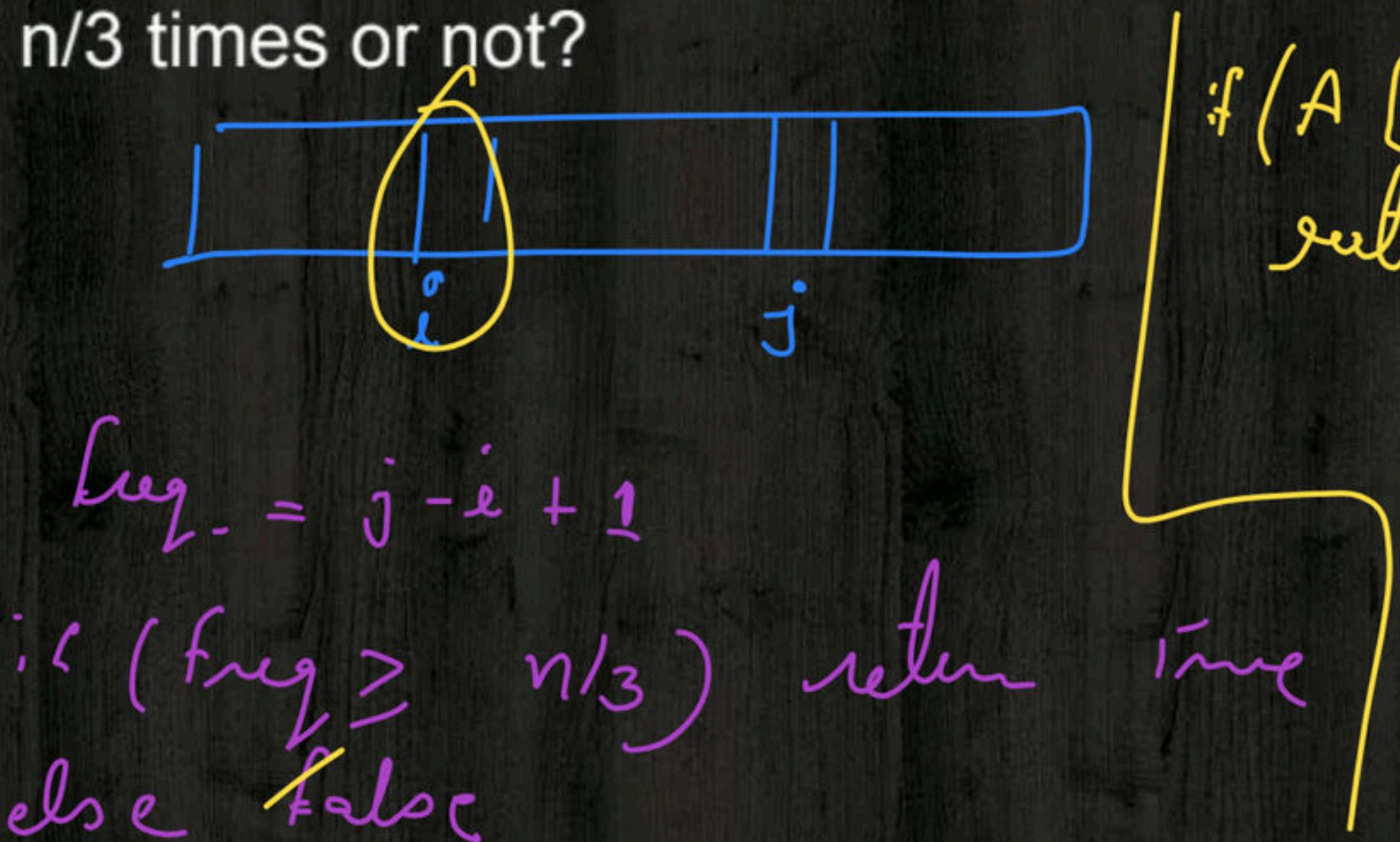
- (A)  $\theta(1)$
- (B)  $\theta(\log n)$
- (C)  $\theta(n)$
- (D) None



# Question

Consider a sorted array of size  $n$  with duplicate elements. You have been given an element  $k$ , what is the time complexity to find that the element  $k$  is appeared atleast  $n/3$  times or not?

- (A)  $O(1)$
- (B)  $O(\log n)$
- (C)  $O(n)$
- (D) None



$f(A[i : i + n/3 - 1] = k)$   
return True

# Question

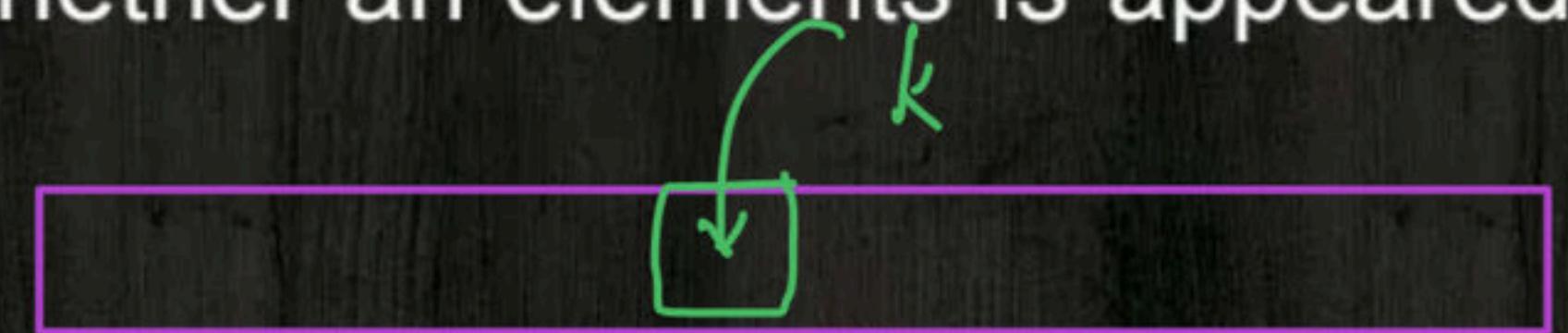
Consider a sorted array of size  $n$  with duplicate elements. Find the time complexity to find whether an element is appeared more than  $\frac{n}{2}$  times or not in the array?

(A)  $O(1)$

(B)  ~~$O(\log n)$~~

(C)  $O(n)$

(D) None



find  $i \Rightarrow$  first appearance in array

if ( $A[i : i + n/2 - 1] == k$ )

return True

else return False

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# Happy Learning



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