

13. Search in the Row wise -column wise Sorted matrix

Given a $\text{mat}[]$ & an integer x .

Each row & column of the matrix is sorted in increasing order.

	0	1	2
0	3	34	38
1	20	52	54
2	35	60	69

target = 35

greater than target \Rightarrow all the element in that column
are greater than target.

\Downarrow
skip the column $\rightarrow \text{col}--$

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$\text{mat}[0][1] < \text{target} \Rightarrow$ all element on the left in this row
are less than the target

\Downarrow
skip the row $\rightarrow \text{row}++$

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$\text{mat}[1][1] > \text{target} \Rightarrow$ skip the column $\rightarrow \text{col}--$

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$\text{mat}[1][0] < \text{target} \Rightarrow$ skip the row $\rightarrow \text{row}++$

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$\text{mat}[2][0] == \text{target} \Rightarrow$ Target found

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1 // User function template for C++
2 class Solution {
3 public:
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5     bool matSearch(vector<vector<int>> &mat, int x) {
6         int rows = mat.size(), cols = mat[0].size();
7         int i = 0, j = cols-1;
8         while(i<rows && j>=0) {
9             if(mat[i][j] > x)
10                 j--;
11             else if(mat[i][j] < x)
12                 i++;
13             else return true;
14         }
15         return false;
16     }
17 }
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