Lab Experiment: 07
Subject: Data Structures Lab
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# **Objective:**

To understand and implement basic searching algorithms.

- To analyze the differences between linear and binary search in terms of efficiency.
- To understand how the data structure (sorted vs. unsorted) affects search performance.

### **Instructions:**

Implement the following searching algorithms in C. Use appropriate data structures and techniques to demonstrate the working of each algorithm and analyze their performance.

# **Assignment Tasks**

### **Assignment 1st: Linear Search Implementation**

Definition: Linear search is a simple searching algorithm that checks each element in the list sequentially until the desired element is found or the end of the list is reached.

#### Tasks:

- Write a C program to implement linear search.
- The program should take an array and a target value as inputs and search for the target within the array.
- Display the index where the target value is found, or indicate if it is not present.

**Testing:** Use an example array of unsorted elements to demonstrate the search process.

## **Assignment 2nd: Binary Search Implementation**

**Definition**: Binary search is a highly efficient searching algorithm that only works on sorted arrays. It divides the search interval in half repeatedly to locate the target value.

#### Tasks:

- Write a C program to implement binary search.
- The program should prompt the user to enter a sorted array and a target value.
- Display the index where the target value is found, or indicate if it is not present.

**Testing:** Use a sorted example array to demonstrate the search process and show each step as the interval is divided.

#### Instructions for Submission

1. Implement the above tasks in C, ensuring each function works as expected.

- 2. Capture the output for each function (tree traversal and heap sort).
- 3. Document each step and observation.
- 4. Submit a PDF containing the following:
  - C Code: Include all implemented code sections.
- Output Screenshots: Attach screenshots of the code output for each function.
- Explanation: Provide explanations for each step of the code, including observations and results.