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## → LINEAR SEARCH

\* Searching: finding given value/position in a list of values.

\* Linear/sequential search: Basic & simple, compares the target value with elements of list to identify the given value to find.

### Time Complexity

\* linear search me one by one value of pe jake check kiya jata hai w.s.t underlying condition.

\* Best case - No. of checks will the loop make in best case, the element ~~not~~ found at 0th index ~~array~~ so one comparison is done that is best case.

lex array me jitne kam check karne pade hai ek position pe wo best case hai

\* worst case - loop will go through every element & then it can say element not found.

code =  $\begin{cases} \text{condition (if-else)} \\ \text{loop/iteration} \end{cases}$

### \* practice questions from github

#### \* Algorithm :-

- 1) Traversal of array.
- 2) Compare all elements one by one with targeted key.
- 3) If element matches key, return current index.

find '15'

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
10	20	40	30	15	9	35

## → BINARY SEARCH

\* Sorted arrays  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{ascending} \\ \text{decending} \end{array} \right\}$  orders

\* Search<sup>in</sup> sorted array which repeatedly divide the search interval in half.

\* idea of binary search to reduce time complexity. ~~too~~

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### \* ALGORITHM

- i) find the middle element  $\leftarrow \frac{\text{start index} + \text{end index}}{2}$  for large range index  $\leftarrow \text{start} + \frac{(\text{end} - \text{start})}{2}$
- ii) Take the middle element  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{target element} > \text{middle} \rightarrow \text{search right part} \\ \text{target element} < \text{middle} \rightarrow \text{search left} \\ \text{target} == \text{middle} \rightarrow \text{answer} \end{array} \right.$
- rept repeating until search is done
- ascending order array

\* if start index > end index, element not found

⇒ To check whether array is sorted in ascending or descending.

compare start index value to end index value.

ORDER AGNOSTIC BINARY SEARCH

if  $s > f \rightarrow$  increasing / ascending  
else  $\rightarrow$  decreasing / descending

(iii) for descending sorted array,

target element > middle  $\rightarrow$  search left part  
target element < middle  $\rightarrow$  search right part

\* Time complexity:-

Best case :  $O(1)$

Worst case :  $O(\log n)$

(Total comparisons in array)  
Total no. of comparisons in worst case  $\Rightarrow K = \log_2 N$  size of array



## Pseudocode for Binary Search

// whether array is sorted in ascending or descending  
boolean checkArrayOrder = arr[start] < arr[end];

if this condition is true, so ascending  
and if false then descending

### RECURSIVE IMPLEMENTATION

// function  
int binarySearch(int arr, int start, int end, int key) {  
 int mid = (start + end) / 2; // calculate mid  
 or  
 mid = (start + (end - start)) / 2;

~~if (checkArrayOrder) {~~

if (mid == key) {  
 return mid;  
}

if (checkArrayOrder) {

if (mid > key) {  
 return binarySearch(arr, start, mid - 1, key);  
}

else {  
 return binarySearch(arr, mid + 1, end, key);  
}

else {

if (key > mid) {  
 return binarySearch(arr, start, mid - 1, key);  
}

else {  
 return binarySearch(arr, mid + 1, end, key);  
}

### Iterative Implementation

while (start <= end) {  
 calculate mid-term

if (mid == key) {  
 return mid;  
}

if (checkArrayOrder) {  
 if (key < mid) {  
 end = mid - 1;

// start = same;

} else {  
 // end = same;  
 start = mid + 1;

} else {  
 if (key > mid) {  
 end = mid - 1;

// start = same;

} else {  
 start = mid + 1;  
 // end = same;

}}

## \* When to use Binary search

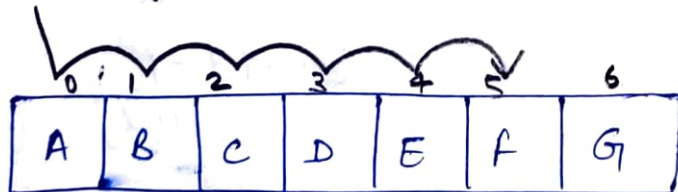
- sorted array
- when the problem stated is in sequential/particular pattern/way so that it follows a ~~linear~~ sequential pattern to get answer.

## ⇒ Difference b/w linear & Binary Search

### LINEAR SEARCH

- \* Input data need not to be sorted.
- \* It does sequential access
- \* Time complexity →  $O(n)$
- \* equality no. of comparisons

Find 'F'



### BINARY SEARCH

- \* Input data needs to be sorted.
- \* It access data randomly.
- \* Time complexity →  $O(\log n)$
- \* performs order <sup>no.</sup> of comparisons.

Find B

