

Lecture 19

Sorted Lists

(Array Implementation)

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Introduction to Computer Science



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SortedList ADT

- Sequence of items in increasing order
- Possible Operations:
 - ⑩ **Create** a list
 - ⑩ **Add item** to the list
 - ⑩ **Delete** an **item** at a given position from the list
 - ⑩ Check whether the list **is empty**
 - ⑩ Check whether the list **is full**
 - ⑩ Get the **length** of the list.

```
class SortedList:
```

```
    def __init__(self, size):
```

```
        if size > 0:
```

```
            self.the_array = size*[None]
```

```
            self.count = 0
```

```
    def length(self):
```

```
        return self.count
```

```
    def is_empty(self):
```

```
        return self.count == 0
```

```
    def is_full(self):
```

```
        return self.count >= len(self.the_array)
```

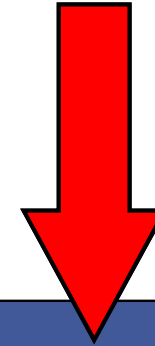
Adding an element to a sorted list

- **Sorted list:** Element at position i is \leq than that at position $i+1$
- **Input:**
 - Sorted list
 - `new_item` to be added
- **Output:**
 - Sorted list
 - **False** if the list was full; **True**, then the list contains all original elements in the same order together with the `new_item` (postcondition)
- **Note:**
 - the “Sorted” is also a pre/postcondition



Example: add "Goat"
to the sorted list.

count: 4



the_array

Blobfish

Cheetah

Iguana

Tapir

???

???

0

1

2

3

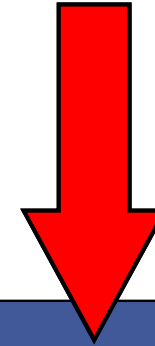
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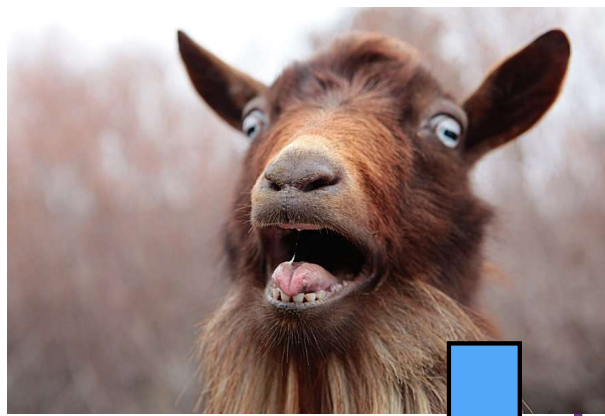
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If there is space, find the correct position



Example: add "Goat"
to the sorted list.

count: 5

Order is maintained!

the_array					
Blobfish	Cheetah	Goat	Iguana	Tapir	???
0	1	2	3	4	5

If there is space, find the correct position

Make room by moving all to the right.

Put item in position.

Update count

then **return True**

If the array has some space left:

find correct ***index*** at which to add item.

make room: move all items from **index** to **count-1** to the right

put item in position **index**.

increment **count**

return **True**.

else:

return **False**.


```
def add(self, new_item):  
    # easy if the list is empty  
    if self.is_empty():  
        self.the_array[self.count] = new_item  
        self.count += 1  
        return True  
    # if the list is not empty...  
    has_place_left = not self.is_full()  
    if has_place_left:  
        # find correct position  
        index = 0  
        while index < self.count and new_item > self.the_array[index]:  
            index += 1  
        # now index has the correct position  
        # we go backwards from count - 1 up to index  
        for i in range(self.count - 1, index - 1, -1):  
            # "moving" the item in position i to position i+1  
            self.the_array[i + 1] = self.the_array[i]  
        # insert new item  
        self.the_array[index] = new_item  
        # increment counter  
        self.count += 1  
    return has_place_left
```

Hence we can use the same delete as for a ListADT

```
def delete(self, index):  
    valid_index = index >= 0 and index < self.count  
    if (valid_index):  
        for i in range(index, self.count-1):  
            self.the_array[i] = self.the_array[i+1]  
        self.count -= 1  
    return valid_index
```

Print List

```
def print(self):  
    for i in range(self.count):  
        print(str(self.the_array[i]), end=" ")
```

Convert to string **whatever** is
stored

What if the List contains more
complex objects?

Overloading operators

- Any class can **redefine** certain special operations:
- By simply defining the **associated method** inside the class

Operation	Class Method
str(obj)	__str__(self)
len(obj)	__len__(self)
item in obj	__contains__(self,item)
y = obj[ndx]	__getitem__(self,ndx)
obj[ndx] = value	__setitem__(self,ndx,value)
obj == rhs	Python checks whether the appropriate method is available to the object. If not defined , the built-in operation (if any) is used.
obj < rhs	
...	
obj + rhs	
...	

Creating a list

```
class List:
    def __init__(self, size):
        assert size > 0, "Size should be positive"
        self.the_array = size*[None]
        self.count = 0
```

object. **__mul__**(self, other)

Operation * is overloaded in Python's List type

```
def __len__(self):  
    return self.count
```

```
def is_empty(self):  
    return len(self) == 0
```

```
def is_full(self):  
    return len(self) >= len(self.the_array)
```

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obj == rhs	__eq__(self,rhs)
obj < rhs	__lt__(self,rhs)
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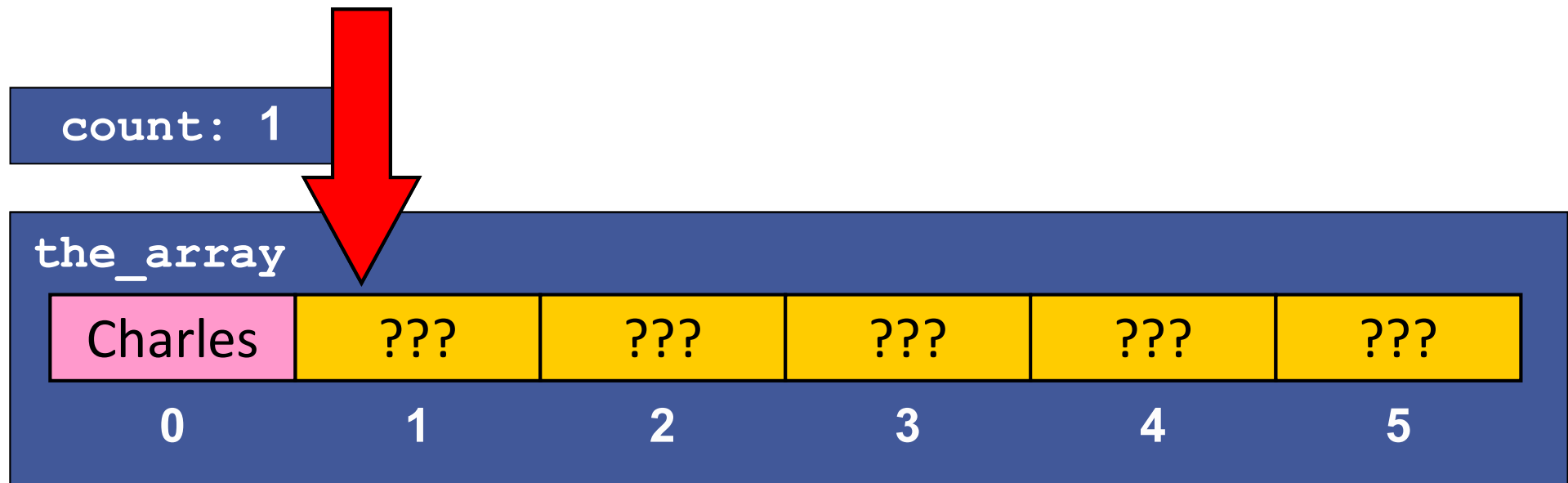


Searching

List ADT

- Sequence of items
- Possible **Operations**:
 - Add item
 - Remove item
 - Find item
 - Retrieve item
 - Next item
 - First item
 - Is last item
 - Is empty
 - Print
 - **Is an item in the list?**
 - **Find the first position of an item in the list.**

- Is an item in the list?
- Find the first position of an item in the list.



Item in List

```
>>> the_list = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
```

```
>>> x = 3
```

```
>>> x in the_list
```

```
True
```

```
>>> y = 8
```

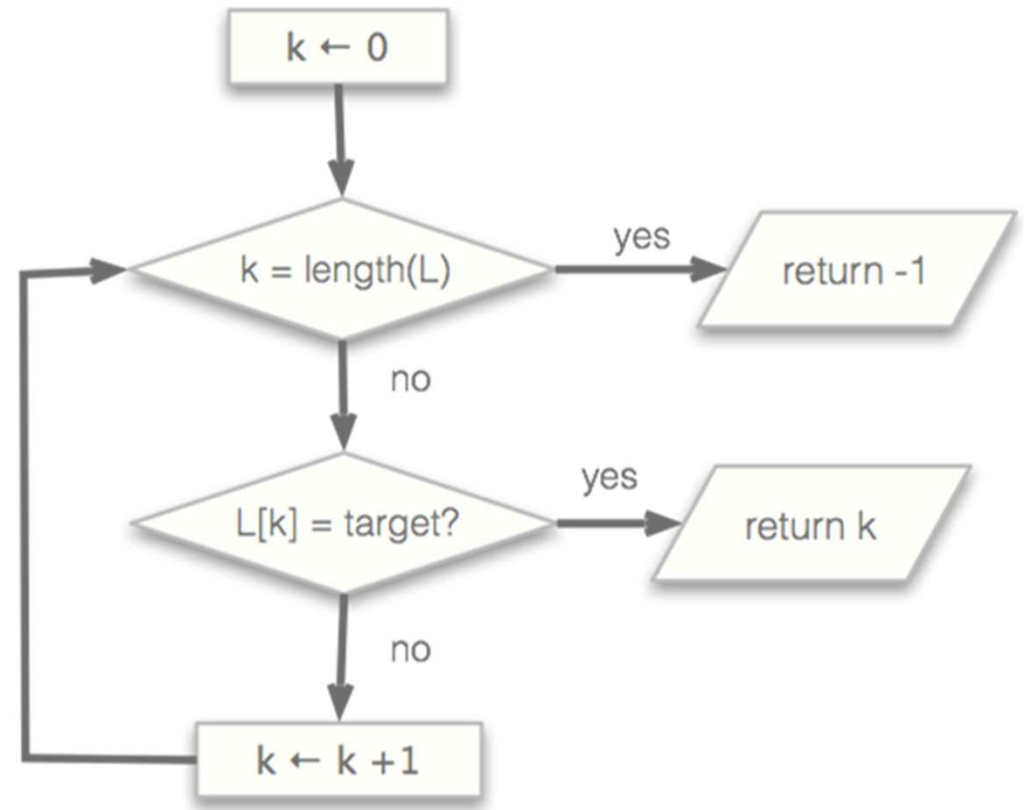
```
>>> y in the_list
```

```
False
```

Item in List

```
def __contains__(self, item):  
    for k in range(len(self)):  
        if item == self.the_array[k]:  
            return True  
    return False
```

Linear Search



```
class SortedList:
```

```
def __init__(self, size):
```

```
    if size > 0:
        self.the_array = size*[None]
        self.count = 0
```

```
def __len__(self):
```

```
    return self.count
```

```
def is_empty(self):
```

```
    return len(self) == 0
```

```
def is_full(self):
```

```
    return len(self) >= size
```

```
def add(self, new_item):
    # easy if the list is empty
    if self.is_empty():
        self.the_array[self.count] = new_item
        self.count += 1
        return True
    # if the list is not empty...
    has_place_left = not self.is_full()
    if has_place_left:
        # find correct position
        index = 0
        while index < self.count and new_item > self.the_array[index]:
            index += 1
        # now index has the correct position
        # we go backwards from count - 1 up to index
        for i in range(self.count - 1, index - 1, -1):
            # "moving" the item in position i to position i+1
            self.the_array[i+1] = self.the_array[i]
        # insert new item
        self.the_array[index] = new_item
        # increment counter
        self.count += 1
    return has_place_left

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            self.the_array[i+1] = self.the_array[i]
        # insert new item
        self.the_array[index] = new_item
        # increment counter
        self.count += 1
    return has_place_left
```

List is always sorted!

Binary Search



Source:<http://www.geekets.com/>

Binary Search Assumptions



- The list is sorted
- We can random access the list
(you can get the value of any position in the list)

Binary Search

item \leftarrow the item in the middle of the list

```
if (item = target)
{
    return True
}
```

```
if (target < item)
{
    search the first part of the list
}
```

```
if (target > item)
{
    search the second part of the list
}
```



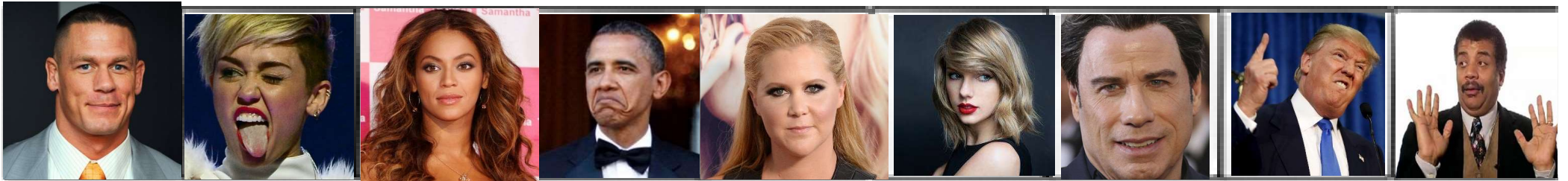

item

item < target

item = target

item > target

Remember how I found TayTay?



John Cena, Miley Cyrus, Beyoncé' Knowles, Barack Obama, Amy Schumer, Taylor Swift, John Travolta, Donald Trump, Neil Degrasse Tyson

Binary Search

Case 2: `target > the_array[mid]`

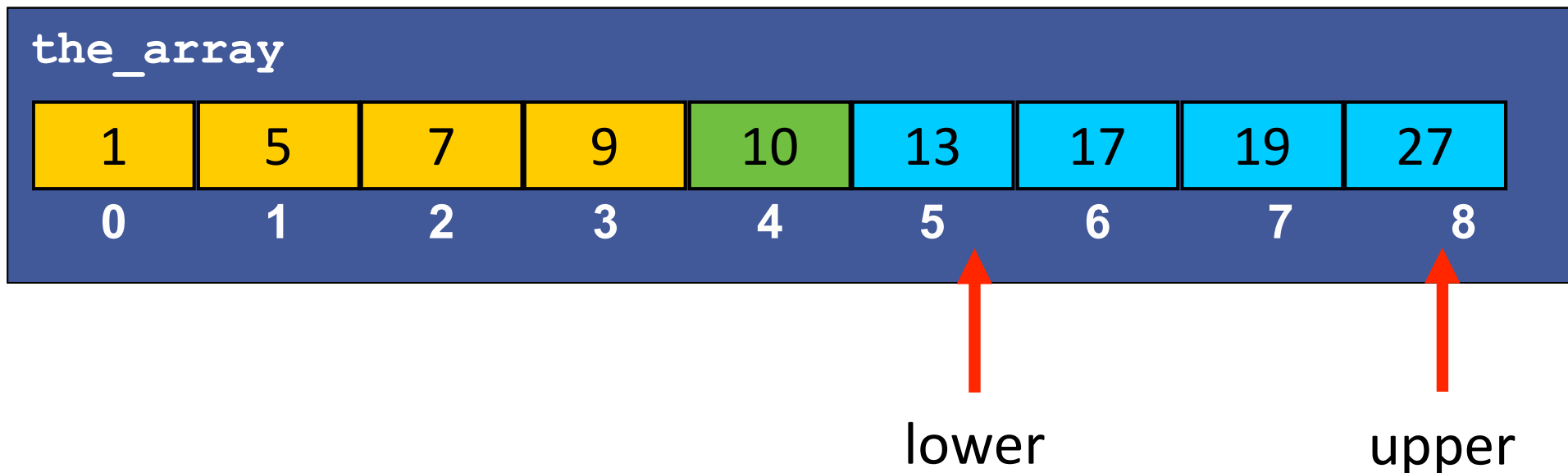
target = 19

lower = 0, upper = 8

mid = $(0+8)//2 = 4$

update **lower** and
keep searching....

lower = mid+1 = 5



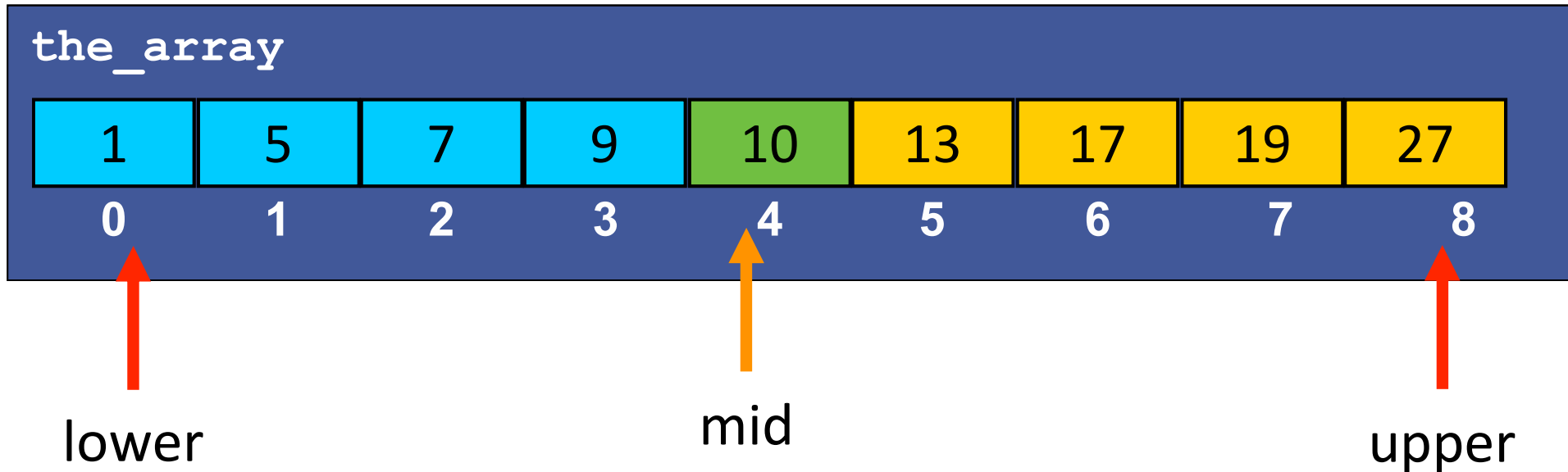
Binary Search

Case 3: `target < the_array[mid]`

target = 7

lower = 0, upper = 8

mid = $(0+8)//2 = 4$



Binary Search

Case 4: target not in the list

target = 11

lower = 0, upper = 8

mid = $(0+8)//2 = 4$

lower = 5, upper = 8

mid = $(5+8)//2 = 13//2 = 6$

lower = 5, upper = 5

mid = $(5+5)//2 = 10//2 = 5$

upper = mid - 1

upper < lower

if Target is not in the List

the_array								
1	5	7	9	10	13	17	19	27
0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

upper

lower

return **False**

Algorithm: BinarySearch(target, L[0..n-1])

Search for target in L

Input: target, and a sorted list L[0, n-1]

Output: If target is in L, returns the index of the first item with that value. Otherwise returns -1.

```
lower ← 0
upper ← n-1
while (lower ≤ upper) do {
    mid ←  $\lfloor (lower + upper) / 2 \rfloor$ 
    if (target = L[mid])
        return True
    if (target < L[mid])
        upper ← mid - 1
    if (target > L[mid])
        lower ← mid + 1
}
return False
```

Binary Search

```
def __contains__(self, item):  
    lower = 0  
    upper = len(self) - 1  
    while lower <= upper:  
        mid = (lower + upper) // 2  
        if self.the_array[mid] == item:  
            return True  
        elif self.the_array[mid] > item:  
            upper = mid - 1  
        else:  
            lower = mid + 1  
    return False
```

n



n/2



n/4



n/8



⋮

$\frac{n}{2^k}$

=1



$$\frac{n}{2^k} = 1$$

$$n = 2^k$$

$$\log_2(n) = k$$

Binary Search: **Assumptions**

- To use Binary Search we need:
 - List to be **sorted**
 - Implemented with an **array**
- Why sorted?
 - Otherwise we cannot **guarantee** that the item we are looking for is **not** in the half we discard
- Why implemented using an array?
 - We need access to any element in the list
 - We need to do that efficiently: **constant time** access
 - Arrays ensure that is always the case

list.index(item)

- Finds the **first index** of an item in the list.
- Raises `ValueError` if item is not in list.

```
>>> the_list = [1, 2, 2, 4, 5]
>>> the_list.index(2)
1
>>> the_list.index(8)
Traceback ...
.....
ValueError: 8 is not in list
```

`list.index(x)`

Return the index in the list of the first item whose value is *x*. It is an error if there is no such item.

<https://docs.python.org/3/tutorial/datastructures.html>

Sorted List

`list.index(x)`

Return the index in the list of the first item whose value is *x*. It is an error if there is no such item.

?

Sorted List

```
def _binary_search(self, item):  
    lower = 0  
    upper = len(self) - 1  
    while lower <= upper:  
        mid = (lower + upper) // 2  
        if self.the_array[mid] == item:  
            return mid  
        elif self.the_array[mid] > item:  
            upper = mid - 1  
        else:  
            lower = mid + 1  
    return -1
```

now it returns a valid index **or** -1

Sorted List

```
def __contains__(self, item):  
    if self._binary_search(item) == -1:  
        return False  
    return True
```

Sorted List

```
def index(self, item):  
    position = self._binary_search(item)  
    if position == -1:  
        raise ValueError("Element " + str(item) + " is not in the list")  
    while position >= 0 and self.the_array[position] == item:  
        position -= 1  
    return position + 1
```

Check if there are copies of the target that appear earlier

Sorted List

```
def index(self, item):  
    position = self._binary_search(item)  
    if position == -1:  
        # item is not in the list  
        raise ValueError("Element " + str(item) + " is not in the list")  
    # there is at least a copy and is in position position  
    while position >= 0 and self.the_array[position] == item:  
        # search back until we find the first appearance  
        position -= 1  
    return position + 1
```

Best-case time complexity $O(1)$





you do better than linear?

```
def index(self, item):  
    position = self._binary_search(item)  
    if position == -1:  
        # item is not in the list  
        raise ValueError("Element " + str(item) + " is not in the list")  
    # there is at least a copy and is in position position  
    while position >= 0 and self.the_array[position] == item:  
        # search back until we find the first appearance  
        position -= 1  
    return position + 1
```

Summary

- Implementing lists using arrays:
 - Class structure for a list
 - Add an element to an unsorted list
 - Add an element to a sorted list
 - Delete an element