

## 2.6 Algorithm steps

1. Let  $X$  be the value we wish to search for.

2. We use 2 variables 'start' and 'end' to mark beginning index and ending index.

3. Repeat the following steps while  $\text{start} \leq \text{end}$

(a) We calculate 2 mids,  $\text{mid1}$  and  $\text{mid2}$

$$\text{mid1} = (\text{end} - \text{start}) / 3 + \text{start}$$

$$\text{mid2} = 2 * (\text{end} - \text{start}) / 3 + \text{start}$$

The array is now divided into 3-parts

→  $[\text{start}, \text{mid1}]$

→  $[\text{mid1}, \text{mid2}]$

→  $[\text{mid2}, \text{end}]$

(b) If  $X$  is equal to  $\text{arr}[\text{mid1}]$  or  $\text{arr}[\text{mid2}]$ , return index of  $X$  and terminate the program.

(c) If  $X$  lies in interval  $[\text{start}, \text{mid1}]$  set  $\text{end} = \text{mid} - 1$

(d) If  $X$  lies in the interval  $(\text{mid1}, \text{mid2})$  set  $\text{start} = \text{mid} + 1$  and  $\text{end} = \text{mid2} - 1$

(e) Else  $X$  lies in the interval  $(\text{mid2}, \text{end}]$ , set  $\text{start} = \text{mid2} + 1$

4. If  $X$  is not present in array, return -1.

## Time complexity

Let  $N$  be the size of array. After the  $k$ th iteration, size of array  $= N / 3^k$ .

$N / 3^k = 1$ , the program will terminate.

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$$N = 3^k$$

$k = \log_3(N)$  since the worse case requires  $k$  iterations, hence the time complexity is  $O(\log_3 N)$

## Space Complexity

The space complexity for this algorithm is  $O(1)$



## 2.7 Algorithm Steps

~~Let~~ Let 'low' be starting index and 'high' be ending index

[function FindMax]

if low = high then  
return arr[low]

~~else~~ if low = high - 1 then  
return max(A[low], A[high])

else

set mid  $\leftarrow (low + high) / 2$

left  $\leftarrow$  recur FindMax(A, low, mid)

right  $\leftarrow$  recur FindMax(A, mid + 1, high)

return max(left ~~max~~, right)

## Time Complexity

Worst case -  $O(N)$

Base case -  $O(1)$

## Space Complexity

The space complexity is  $O(\log N)$  for recursion call stack.

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Step 11: [function merge]

get  $i \leftarrow \text{low}$ ,  $j \leftarrow m_1$ ,  $k \leftarrow m_2$ ,  $l \leftarrow \text{low}$

while  $i < m_1$  and  $j < m_2$  and  $k < \text{high}$  repeat

if  $\text{arr}[i] < \text{arr}[j]$  then

if  $\text{arr}[i] < \text{arr}[k]$  then

set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[i]$

Increase  $l$  and  $i$  by 1

else

set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[k]$

Increase  $l$  and  $k$  by 1

[end of 'if']

else

if  $\text{arr}[i] < \text{arr}[k]$  then

set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[i]$

Increase  $l$  and  $i$  by 1

else

set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[k]$

Increase  $l$  and  $k$  by 1

[End of 'if']

[End of 'while']

while  $i < m_1$  and  $j < m_2$  repeat

if  $\text{arr}[i] < \text{arr}[j]$  then

set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[i]$

Increase  $l$  and  $i$  by 1

else

set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[j]$

Increase  $l$  and  $j$  by 1

[End of 'while']

while  $j < m_2$  and  $k < \text{high}$  repeat

if  $\text{arr}[j] < \text{arr}[k]$  then

set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[j]$

Increase  $l$  and  $j$  by 1

[End of 'while']

else

set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[k]$

Increase  $l$  and  $k$  by 1

[End of 'while']



while  $i < m_1$  and  $k < \text{high}$  repeat  
if  $\text{arr}[i] < \text{arr}[k]$  then  
Set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[i]$   
Increase  $l$  and  $i$  by 1

else  
Set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[k]$   
Increase  $l$  and  $k$  by 1

[End of 'while']

while  $i < m_1$  repeat  
Set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[i]$   
Increase  $l$  and  $i$  by 1

[End of 'while']

while  $j < m_2$  repeat  
Set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[j]$   
Increase  $l$  and  $j$  by 1

[End of 'while']

while  $k < \text{high}$  repeat  
Set  $\text{final}[l] \leftarrow \text{arr}[k]$   
Increase  $l$  and  $k$  by 1

[End of 'while']

Step 2: [function sort-recursive]  
if  $\text{high} - \text{low} < 2$  then  
return

Set  $m_1 \leftarrow \text{low} + (\text{high} - \text{low})/3$

Set  $m_2 \leftarrow \text{low} + 2 * (\text{high} - \text{low})/3 + 1$

Call 'sort-recursive' for index 'low' to ' $m_1$ '

Call 'sort-recursive' for index ' $m_1$ ' to ' $m_2$ '

Call 'sort-recursive' for index ' $m_2$ ' to 'high'

Call function merge to perform 3 way merge sort

[End of function 'sort-recursive']

Step 3: [function 'sort']

if  $n = 0$  then  
return

for  $i = 0$  to  $n-1$  repeat

Set  $\text{duplicate}[i] \leftarrow \text{arr}[i]$

[end of 'for']

Call the function 'sort-recursive' from index 0 to  $n-1$

for  $i = 0$  to  $n-1$  repeat

Set  $\text{arr}[i] \leftarrow \text{duplicate}[i]$

[end of 'for']

[end of function 'sort']

Algorithm Analysis

$$T(n) = 3T(n/3) + O(n)$$

$$T(n) = O(n \log_3 n)$$

Space complexity

$$= O(n)$$