K^{TH} ELEMENT OF 2 SORTED ARRAYS

☆ In this problem, we are given 2 sorted arrays of integers and our job is to find and return the K^{th} element of their merged array

Bruteforce solution is to obviously merge both the arrays using a 3rd array and then returning the element at K^{th} position.

Better solution is to either merge without using any extra space OR to just stop the 2 pointer approach merge as soon as we reach K.

Optimal solution involves Binary Search just like median of two Sorted Arrays. Here, instead of us splitting in two equal halves, we will split in halves of K and N−K.

Pseudocode :

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kthElement(arr1, n2, arr2, n2, K) {
    if(n1 > n2) {
        return medianSortedArrays(arr2, n2,
                                  arr1, n1, K)
    }
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low, high = max(0, K-n2), min(k, n1)
while(low <= high) {
    mid = (low + high) / 2
    oMid = K - mid
    l1, l2 = INT_MIN, INT_MIN
    r1, r2 = INT_MAX, INT_MAX
    if(mid   < n1)  r1 = arr1[mid]
    if(oMid < n2)  r2 = arr2[oMid]
    if(mid-1 > 0)  l1 = arr1[mid-1]
    if(oMid-1 > 0)  l2 = arr2[oMid-1]
    if(l1 <= r2 && l2 <= r1) {
        if(n1 + n2 % 2 != 0) {
            return max(l1, l2)
        } else {
            return (max(l1, l2) + min(r1, r2))
                                        / 2
        }
    } else if(l1 > r2) {
        high = mid-1
    } else {
        low = mid+1
    }
}
return 0
}
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