

PEAK ELEMENT IN 2D

* In this problem, we are given a 2D matrix of integers and we are supposed to return the row, column of an element which is greater than all its adjacent elements.

Brute force solution is to obviously conduct a $m \times n$ search and have four checks as any element will have 4 adjacents. Time complexity here is $O(4mn)$. This can be improved by conducting a $O(MN)$ search and returning the largest element as the largest element will always be one of the peaks.

Optimal solution involves the use of Binary Search. We use a similar approach as we did in Peak Element in a 1D array.

We start by running a linear search in the first row to find the largest element as it will have the highest probability of being a peak. Then we find the largest element in its column and if it is greater than our current,

we run a check for the peak.
If it passes, we return else
we repeat the process

Pseudocode :

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peakElement2D(arr, M, N) {  
    low = 0, high = N - 1  
    while (low <= high) {  
        mid = (low + high) / 2  
        now = maxElement(mat, M, N, mid)  
        left = mid - 1 >= 0 ? arr[now][mid - 1] : -1  
        right = mid + 1 >= 0 ? arr[now][mid + 1] : -1  
        if (arr[now][mid] > left && arr[now][mid] > right){  
            return (now, mid)  
        } else if (arr[now][mid] < left){  
            high = mid - 1  
        } else {  
            low = mid + 1  
        }  
    }  
}
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maxElement(arr, M, N, col) {  
    maxV, index = -1  
    for (i = 0 → M - 1) {  
        if (arr[i][col] > maxV) {  
            maxV = arr[i][col]  
            index = i  
        }  
    }  
}
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} return i