Largest Number Finder

A C program that finds the maximum value in an array and identifies all indices where this maximum occurs.

Algorithm Overview

The program processes multiple test cases, where each test case:

- 1. Reads (m) (number of test cases)
- 2. For each test case:
 - Reads (n) (array size)
 - Reads (n) integers into array (a[])
 - Finds the maximum value in the array
 - Prints the maximum value
 - Prints all indices where the maximum value appears
 - Continues to the next test case

Example

Input:

```
2
5
1 2 3 2 3
4
10 10 5 10
```

Output:

```
3
2 4
10
0 1 3
```

Explanation:

- Test case 1: Maximum = 3, found at indices 2 and 4
- **Test case 2**: Maximum = 10, found at indices 0, 1, and 3

Implementation

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#include <stdio.h>
int main() {
  int m;
  scanf("%d", &m);
  while (m--) {
    int n;
    scanf("%d", &n);
    int a[n];
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
       scanf("%d", &a[i]);
     int max = a[0];
     for (int i = 1; i < n; i++)
       if (a[i] > max)
          max = a[i];
     printf("%d\n", max);
     for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
       if (a[i] == max)
          printf("%d ", i);
     printf("\n");
  return 0;
```

Code Explanation

Step-by-Step Breakdown

1. Reading Test Cases

```
int m;
scanf("%d", &m);
while (m--) {
```

• Reads the number of test cases (m)

• Uses while (m--) loop to process each test case, decrementing m until it reaches 0

2. Array Input

```
int n;

scanf("%d", &n);

int a[n];

for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)

scanf("%d", &a[i]);
```

- Reads array size n
- Declares a variable-length array (a[n]) (C99 feature)
- Fills the array with n integers using a for loop

3. Finding Maximum Value

```
int max = a[0];
for (int i = 1; i < n; i++)
  if (a[i] > max)
    max = a[i];
```

- Initializes (max) with the first element (a[0])
- Iterates through remaining elements starting from index 1
- Updates (max) whenever a larger element is found
- After this loop, (max) contains the largest value in the array

4. Output Results

```
printf("%d\n", max);
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    if (a[i] == max)
        printf("%d ", i);
printf("\n");</pre>
```

• First prints the maximum value

- Then scans the entire array again to find all indices where the value equals (max)
- Prints each matching index followed by a space
- Adds a newline after all indices are printed

Algorithm Logic

The program uses a **two-pass approach**:

- 1. First pass: Find the maximum value by comparing each element
- 2. **Second pass**: Collect all indices where this maximum value occurs

This approach is efficient because:

- It only requires two linear scans of the array
- No additional storage needed for tracking indices during the first pass
- Simple and straightforward logic that's easy to understand and debug

Key Improvements

- **Dynamic array sizing**: Uses variable-length array (a[n]) instead of fixed (a[100]) for better memory efficiency and safety
- Input validation: Should consider adding constraints to prevent buffer overflow
- Edge case handling: Works correctly with negative numbers (maximum is still properly identified)

Time Complexity

- **O(n)** per test case for finding maximum and indices
- O(m × n) total for all test cases

Space Complexity

• O(n) for the array storage per test case