# Goal

• Today we will cover a very important algorithm - Binary Search.

## Resources

#### **Binary Search**

- Quick Birds Eye View
  - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MFhxShGxHWc">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MFhxShGxHWc</a>
- Detailed Explanation
  - by Errichto
  - This guy is an LGM on Codeforces.
  - So, he kinda knows what he is talking about.
  - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GU7DpgHINWQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GU7DpgHINWQ</a>

# Questions

## Binary Search

- 1. Given an integers n and q.
  - ullet Followed by a list of n integers in ascending order.
  - Now you will be given q integers.
    - For each integer output the index, if the integer exists in the list given above.
    - If the integer doesn't exist in the list, print -1.
    - You checking should be performed using binary search.
  - sample\_input

```
10 5
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
7
3
11
1
```

• sample\_output

```
6
2
-1
0
9
```

- 2. Given an integer x print its square root if it is a perfect square otherwise print -1.
  - Use binary search to find the square root.
  - sample\_input\_1

100000000

• sample\_output\_1

10000

sample\_input\_2

1000

sample\_output\_2

-1

- 3. Given an integer  $n\geq 2$  followed by a list of n integers which are first strictly increasing and then strictly decreasing.
  - The length of the strictly increasing or the strictly decreasing part may be 0.
  - Find the index of the largest element using binary search.
  - sample\_input

10 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 3 2 1

• sample\_output

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