

Goal

- Today we will be taking a further look at binary search.
- We will cover the following functions:
 1. `lower_bound`
 2. `upper_bound`

Resources

Lower Bound

- https://cplusplus.com/reference/algorithm/lower_bound/
- If the element you are looking for exists in the container, then `lower_bound` will return an iterator pointing to its first occurrence.
- If the element is not in the container, then `lower_bound` will return an iterator pointing to the position where it would be if it were inserted.
 - In other words, it will return an iterator to the first occurrence of the smallest value that is larger than the element.

Upper Bound

- https://cplusplus.com/reference/algorithm/upper_bound/
- It will return an iterator pointing to the first occurrence of the smallest value that is larger than the element.

Questions

Lower Bound

1. Given an integers n and q .
 - 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.
 - Your checking should be performed using `lower_bound`.
 - `sample_input`

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

- sample_output

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

- Solution

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;

#define all(x) (a).begin(), (a).end()

int main() {
    int n, q; cin >> n >> q;
    vector<int> a(n);
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        cin >> a[i];
    sort(all(a));
    while (q--) {
        int x; cin >> x;
        auto lb = lower_bound(all(a), x);
        if (lb == a.end() || *lb != x)
            cout << -1 << "\n";
        else
            cout << lb - a.begin() << "\n";
    }
    return 0;
}
```

2. <https://cses.fi/problemset/task/1091>

- Hint: Sets and Maps have a `.lower_bound()` method. Use that!

- Solution using a Multiset

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;

int main() {
    int n, m; cin >> n >> m;
    multiset<int> tickets;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        int x; cin >> x;
        tickets.insert(x);
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < m; i++) {
        int p; cin >> p;
        auto lb = tickets.lower_bound(p);
        if (lb != tickets.end() && *lb == p) {
            cout << *lb;
        }
    }
}
```

```

        tickets.erase(lb);
    }
    else if (lb != tickets.begin()) {
        --lb;
        cout << *lb;
        tickets.erase(lb);
    }
    else
        cout << -1;
    cout << "\n";
}
return 0;
}

```

- Solution using a Map
 - You can make a frequency map.
 - Decrement the frequency each time you use a ticket.
 - Erase it when the count becomes 0.

Upper Bound

1. Given an integers n and q .
 - 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.
 - Your checking should be performed using upper_bound.
 - sample_input

```

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

```

- sample_output

```

6
2
-1
0
9

```

- Solution

```

#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;

#define all(x) (x).begin(), (x).end()

int main() {
    int n, q; cin >> n >> q;
    vector<int> a(n);
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
        cin >> a[i];
    sort(all(a));
    for (int i = 0; i < q; i++) {
        int x; cin >> x;
        auto ub = upper_bound(all(a), x);
        if (ub == a.begin() || *(--ub) != x)
            cout << -1 << "\n";
        else
            cout << ub - a.begin() << "\n";
    }
    return 0;
}

```

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- Hint: Sets and Maps have a `.upper_bound()` method. Use that!
- Solution:

```

#include <bits/stdc++.h>
using namespace std;

int main() {
    int n, m; cin >> n >> m;
    multiset<int> tickets;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        int x; cin >> x;
        tickets.insert(x);
    }
    for (int i = 0; i < m; i++) {
        int p; cin >> p;
        auto ub = tickets.upper_bound(p);
        if (ub == tickets.begin())
            cout << -1 << "\n";
        else {
            --ub;
            cout << *ub << "\n";
            tickets.erase(ub);
        }
    }
    return 0;
}

```