Computer Science 112
Data Structures

Lecture 10:

Binary Search

Binary Search Trees

Midterm Exam

- **Sunday, March 1**
- **3 – 4:20**
- **Rooms to be announced**
- **Know which recitation you are registered for**

Review: Big O for Block Search

- Sorted array, size n
- think of it as m blocks of s elements each
- compare target with last element of first block: a[s-1]
  - if target == a[s-1] target has been found
  - else if target < a[s-1] search from start of block to a[2-1]
  - otherwise, redo on next block
- What is worst case cost? What is average cost?

New: Search an ordered array

- **Question game**
  - **You think of a number between 1 and 1,000**
  - **I will guess a number**
  - **You tell me if your number is**
    - the same as my guess,
    - bigger than my guess,
    - smaller than my guess

Search an ordered array

- **In an ordered array, one test can rule out a whole region of the array**

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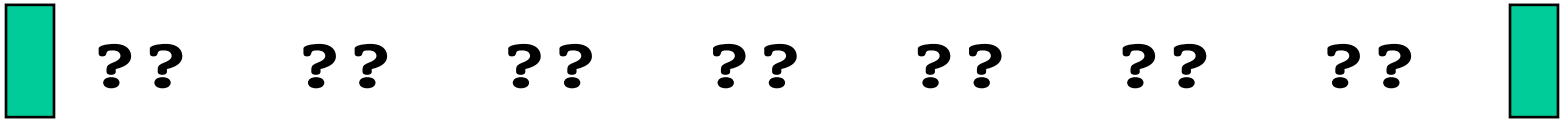
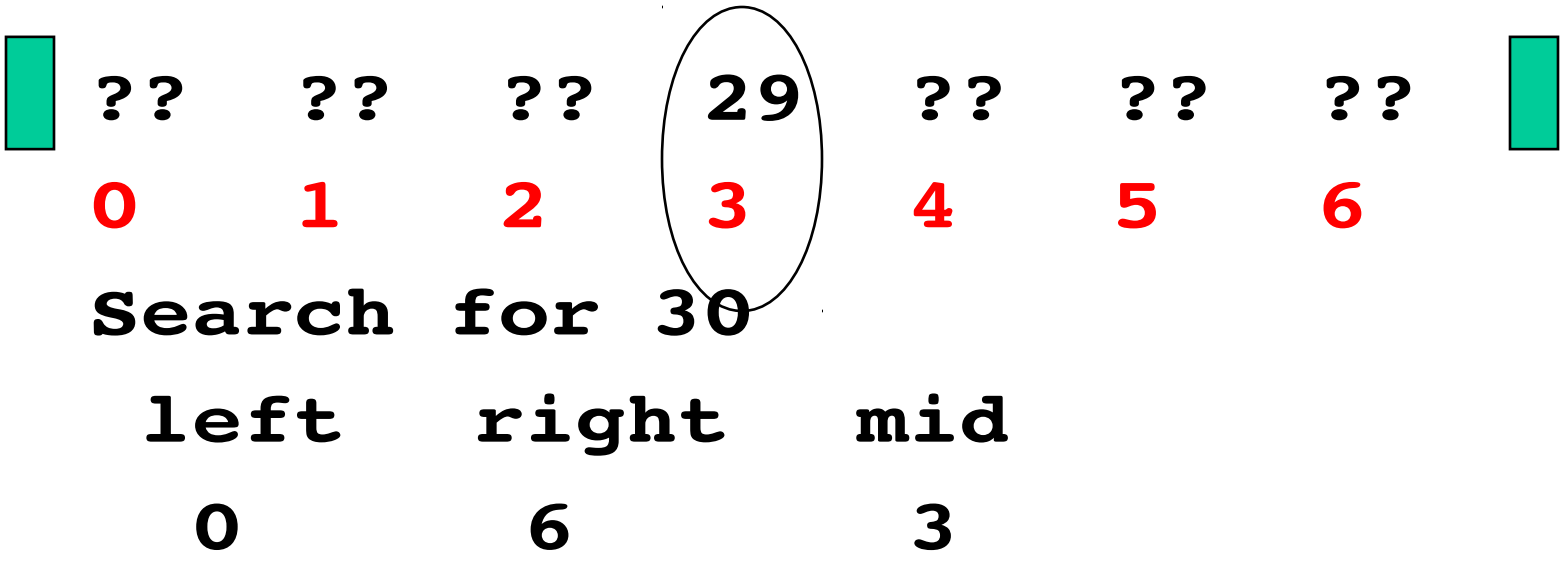
if (a[10] < target){
    // if we get here target can't be in a[j] for
    // 0 <= j <= 10
```

Binary Search




```
Search for 30
 left   right   mid
  0       6
```

Binary Search



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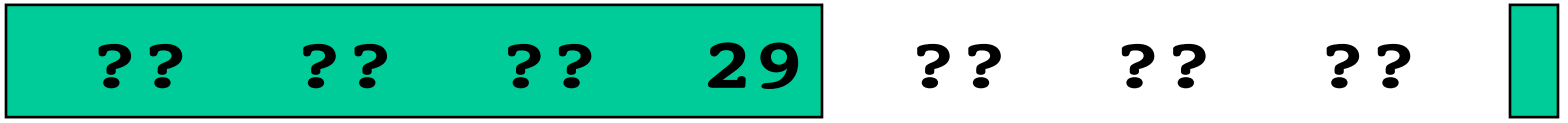


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Search for 30
 left   right   mid
  4       6
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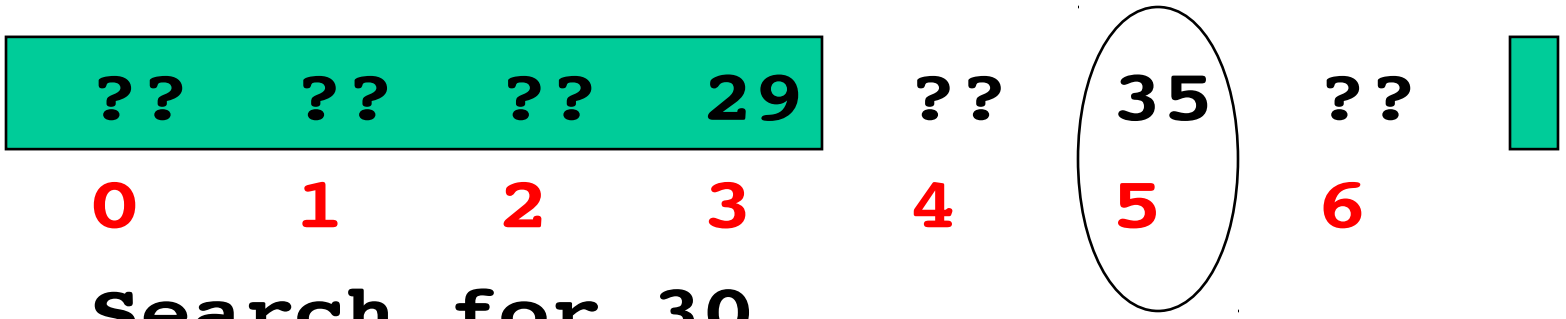
Binary Search



Search for 30

left	right	mid
4	6	5

Binary Search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Search for 30
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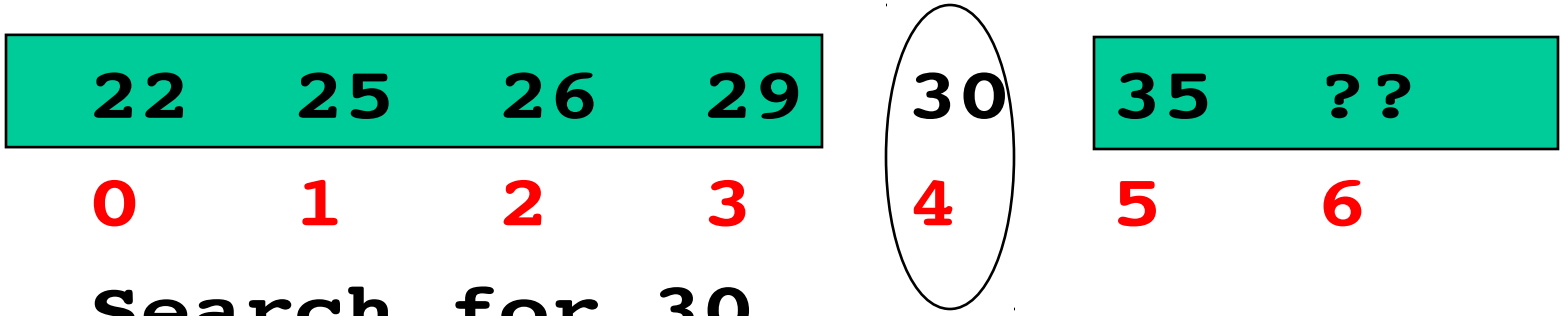
Binary Search



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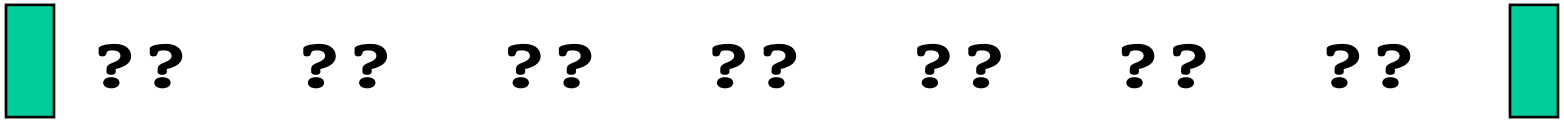


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Search for 32
 left   right   mid
  0       6
```
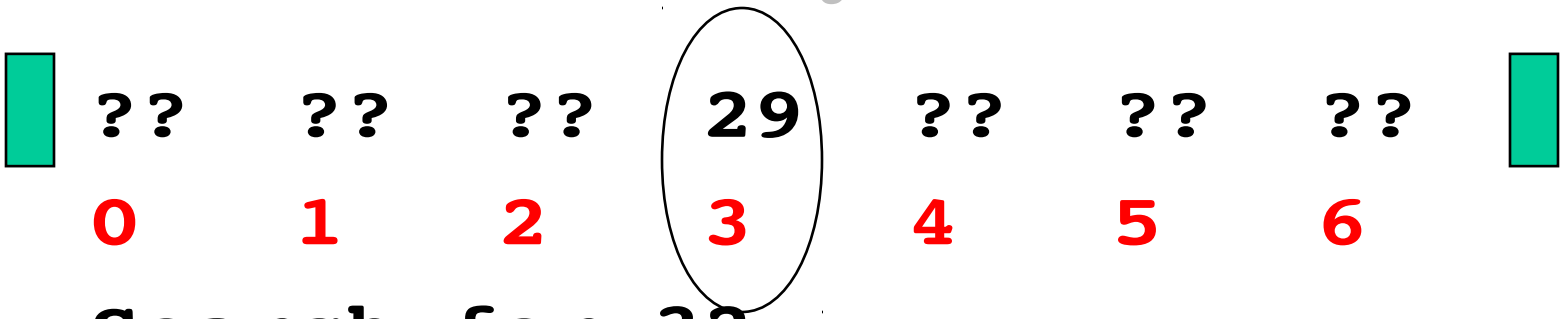
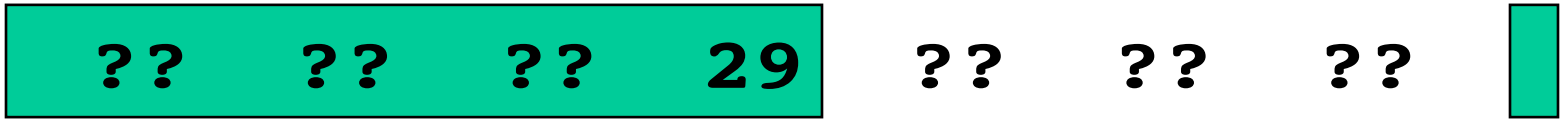

Binary Search



Search for 32

left	right	mid
0	6	3

Binary Search

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Search for 32
 left   right   mid
  4       6
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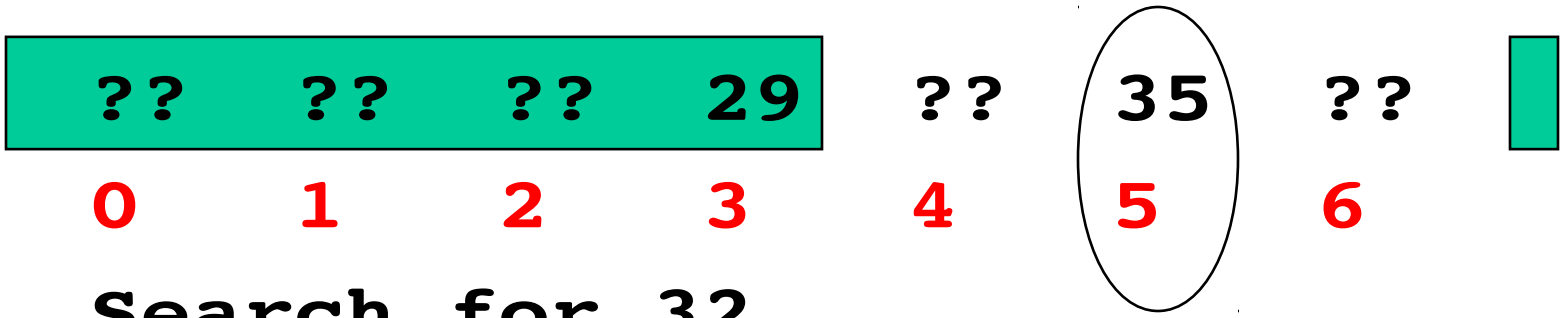
Binary Search



Search for 32

left	right	mid
4	6	5

Binary Search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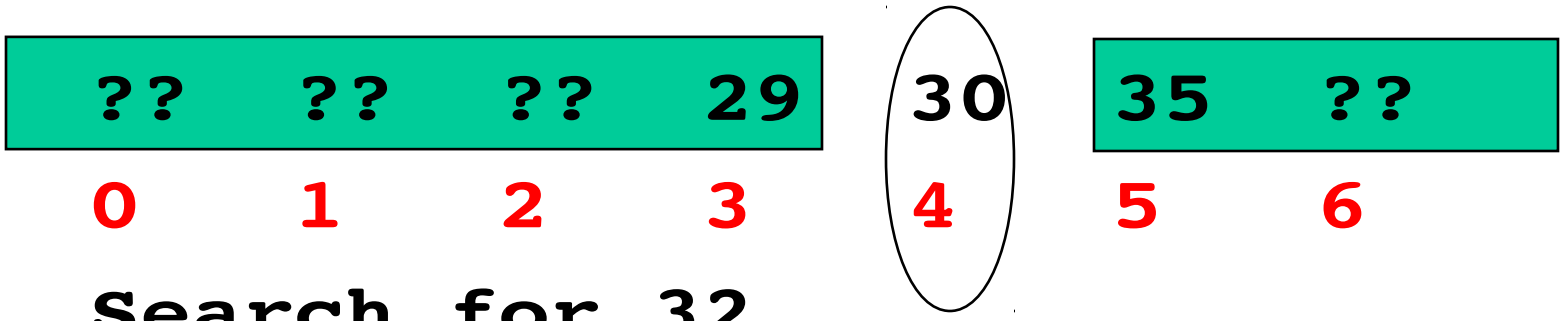
Binary Search



Binary Search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See BinarySearch.java

See RecursiveBinSearch.java

How Many Questions

- **How many questions for 1000 numbers?**
  - **Each question eliminates 1/2 of possibilities**
  - **Therefore each question doubles the size of array you can search**
  - **Therefore size = $2^{\text{questions}}$**
  - **Therefore $\log_2(\text{size}) = \text{questions}$**
  - **$\text{Log}_2\,(1000) \approx 10$**
  - **Answer: 10 questions**

Searching an array Performance

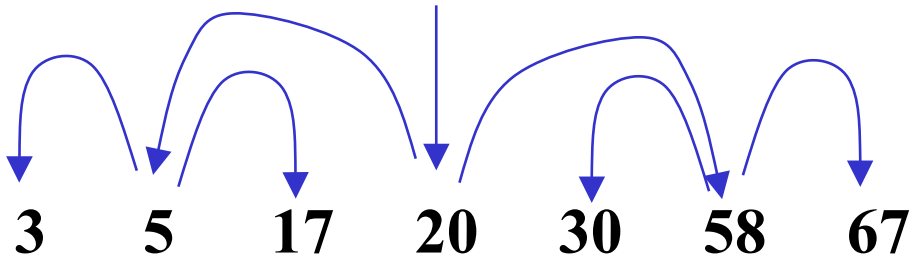
- **Search among 1 Million entries**
- **Check 1 million entries per second**
  - **Sequential search**
    - **1 million operations needed**
    - **Requires 1 second**
  - **Binary earch**
    - **20 operations needed**
    - **Requires 20 microseconds**
    - **50,000 times faster**

Searching an array Performance

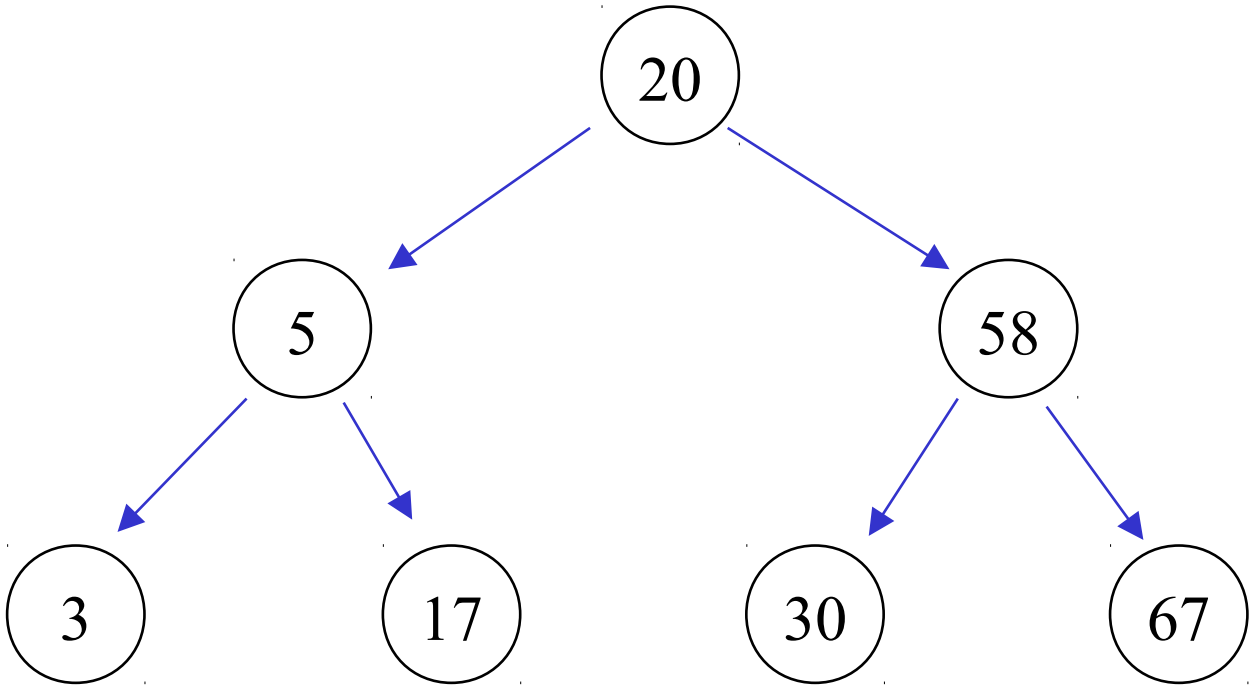
- **Search among 1 Billion entries**
- **Check 1 million entries per second**
  - **Sequential search**
    - **1 billion operations needed**
    - **Requires 1000 seconds - about 20 minutes**
  - **Binary search**
    - **30 operations needed**
    - **Requires 30 microseconds**
    - **30 million times faster**

Binary Search Trees

- **Why can't we do binary search on a linked list?**
  - **can't jump to middle**
- **Lets keep a pointer to the middle!**
- **Then what?**



This looks like a binary tree!



Binary Tree Nodes

- **Each node has**
  - **a data field**
  - **a left subtree, which is a Binary Tree Node**
  - **a right subtree, which is a Binary Tree Node**

Binary Search Tree

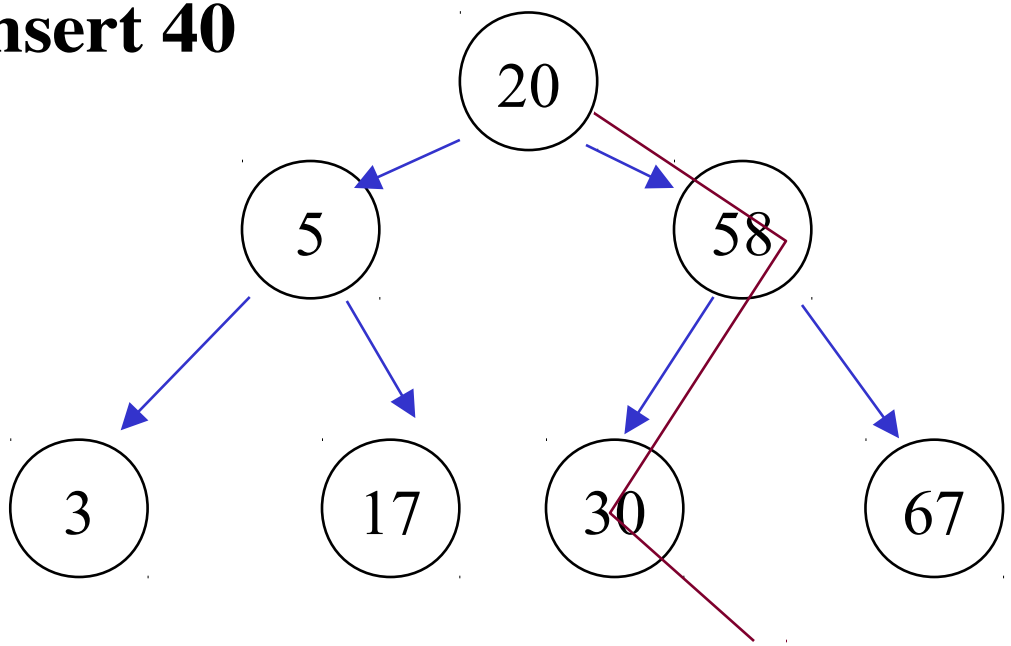
- **data at a node is > any data in left subtree**
- **data at a node is < any data in right subtree**
- **Therefore, to print a BST in data order:**
  - **Print left subtree in data order**
  - **Print data**
  - **Print right subtree in data order**

Search

- **Searching a BST is easy**
  - **if node = null, search fails**
  - **if node.data equals target, found**
  - **if target < node.data, search on left subtree**
  - **else search on right subtree**
- **See BST.java, BSTApp.java**

Insert

- **Search, fail, insert where failed**
  - **Insert 40**



Insert

- **Search, fail, insert where failed**
  - **Insert 40**