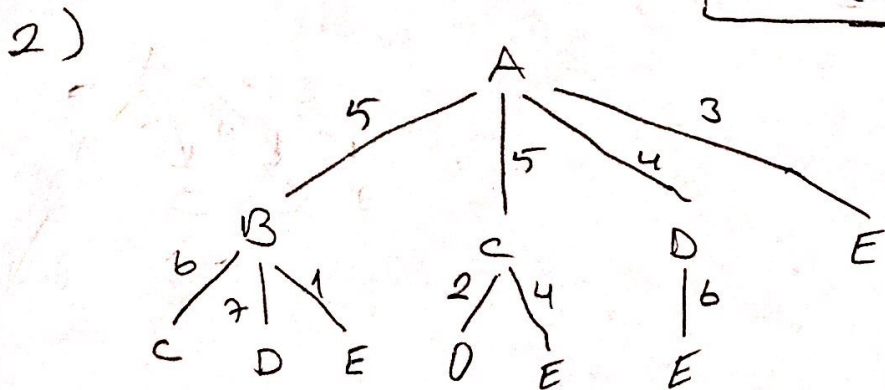


There are three comparisons every time in this algorithm until text's size is $n-3$

$$3 \times (n-3) = 3n-9 \text{ comparisons.}$$

Worst case $\Rightarrow m(n-m+1) \rightarrow 3(n-3+1)$
 $= 3(n-2)$

$$\Rightarrow \Theta(n)$$



\rightarrow Brute force algorithm computes the path length for every possibilities
 find the shortest path.

$$\frac{(5-1)!}{2} = 12 \text{ possibilities.}$$

A-B-C-D-E-A 22	A-B-E-C-D-A 16	A-C-D-B-E-A 18
A-B-C-E-D-A 25	A-B-E-D-C-A 19	A-C-E-B-D-A 21
A-B-D-C-E-A 21	A-C-B-D-E-A 27	A-D-B-C-E-A 24
A-B-D-E-C-A 27	A-C-B-E-D-A 22	A-D-C-B-E-A 16

3)

function fun(n):

if ($n \leq 1$)

return 0

else

return $\text{fun}(n/2) + 1$

The recurrence relation for the number of additions.

$$T(n) = T\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) + 1, \quad n > 1, \quad T(1) = 0$$

$$T(n) \in \Theta(\log_2 n)$$

4)

Among n identical looking coins one is fake with a balance scale, we can compare any 2 sets of bottles.

→ Divide n bottles to 2 piles of $n/2$ bottles each leaving 1 extra bottle aside if n is odd.

→ Continue dividing by 2

Resulting recursion formula $w(n) = w(n/2) + 1$ for $n > 1$

$$\text{so, } \boxed{w(n) = \log n} \quad w(1) = 0$$

⊕ This recursion is identical to the one for the worst case number of comparisons in binary search.

The interesting point here is that this algorithm is not the most efficient solution. It would be more efficient to divide the bottles into 3 piles of about $n/3$ bottles each.

5) We compare the middle elements of arrays $arr1$ and $arr2$ let us call these indices $mid1$ and $mid2$ respectively.

Let us assume $arr1[mid1] < k$, then clearly the elements after $mid2$ cannot be the required element. We then set the last element of $arr2$ to be $arr2[mid2]$.

In this way, we define a new subproblem with half the size of one of the arrays.

```
def fun (arr1, arr2, end1, end2, k):  
    if (arr1 == end1)  
        return arr2[k]  
    if (arr2 == end2)  
        return arr1[k]  
  
    mid1 = (end1 - arr1) / 2  
    mid2 = (end2 - arr2) / 2  
  
    if (mid1 + mid2 < k)  
        if (arr1[mid1] > arr2[mid2])  
            return fun (arr1, arr2 + mid2 + 1, end1, end2,  
                        k - mid2 - 1)  
        else  
            return fun (arr1 + mid1 + 1, arr2, end1, end2,  
                        k - mid1 - 1)  
    if (arr1[mid1] > arr2[mid2])  
        return fun (arr1, arr2, arr1 + mid1, end2, k)  
    else  
        return fun (arr1, arr2, end1, arr2 + mid2, k)
```


Note that

In the above code, k is 0 indexed which means if we want a k that's 1 indexed, we have to subtract 1 when passing it to the function.

worst case time complexity

$$O(\log n + \log m)$$