

# Lab Sheet 1

## Revisiting basic iterative programs

1. Write a program to find the smallest element of an unsorted array of size N.  
Don't use any built-in functions/ methods like min() supported by certain programming languages.
  - a. How many times does your loop execute?
  - b. As the elements in the array changes (the size of the array remains same), will there be any change in the number of times the loop executes? What is the minimum and maximum number of times the loop executes?
  - c. What is the time complexity of your program?
2. Write a program to find the smallest and the largest element in a sorted array.
  - a. Do we need any loops in this program?
  - b. What is the time complexity of your program?
3. Write a program to search an element 'k' in an unsorted array of size N.
  - a. As the elements in the array changes (the size of the array remains same), will there be any change in the number of times the loop executes? What is the minimum and maximum number of times the loop executes?
  - b. What is the time complexity of your program?
4. We need to search an element 'k' in a sorted array of size N.
  - a. Will your program for Qn. No 3 work for this case?
  - b. Is the program for Qn. No 3 the most efficient one for this? (Hint: There exists a Binary search algorithm)
  - c. Write an iterative program to implement Binary search.
  - d. As the elements in the array changes (the size of the array remains same), will there be any change in the number of times the loop executes? What is the minimum and maximum number of times the loop executes?
  - e. What is the time complexity of your program?
5. Write an efficient program to find an element in an array which neither the smallest nor the largest. (Hint: you can do this without a loop.)
  - a. What is the time complexity of your program?
6. Write an efficient program to check if a given number is prime or not.
  - a. What is the time complexity of the algorithm?
  - b. Show that the problem can be solved in  $\sqrt{n}$  time.
7. Write an efficient program to find the GCD (also called HCF) of two given numbers.
  - a. What is the time complexity of the algorithm?
  - b. Find an input that requires maximum number of iterations to solve.

8. You are given a sorted array A of size n. Write an iterative program to remove the duplicates from the array. For example, if  $A[] = \{2, 7, 7, 11, 24, 24, 29, 36, 36\}$ , your output should be  $B[] = \{2, 7, 11, 24, 29, 36\}$ .
- Count the operations to get the closed-form equation of running time (worst case).
  - Submit the program for the problem <https://leetcode.com/problems/remove-duplicates-from-sorted-array/> and submit the snapshot of acceptance as proof.
  - What is the time complexity?
9. Consider an array A of size n. Split A[] into the two arrays Low[] and High[] such that Low[] contains all elements  $< A[0]$  and High[] contains all elements  $\geq A[0]$ .
- Write an iterative algorithm and implement it.
  - What is the time complexity?
10. Given two sorted lists A[1..n] and B[1..n], write an algorithm to merge them into a single sorted list C[1..2n]. For example, if  $A[] = \{1, 3, 6, 7\}$  and  $B[] = \{2, 4, 5, 8\}$ , then  $C[] = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$ .
- Find the complexity
  - Submit the program for the problem <https://leetcode.com/problems/merge-two-sorted-lists/> and submit the snapshot of acceptance as proof
11. You are given an array coordinates,  $\text{cord}[i] = [x, y]$ , where  $[x, y]$  represents the coordinate of a point. Check if these points make a straight line in the XY plane.
- Find the time complexity of the algorithm.
  - Submit the program for the problem <https://leetcode.com/problems/check-if-it-is-a-straight-line/> and submit the snapshot of acceptance as proof.
12. There is a class with m students and n exams. You are given a 0-indexed m x n integer matrix called score, where  $\text{score}[i][j]$  denotes the score the ith student got in the jth exam. The matrix score contains distinct integers only. You are also given an integer k. Sort the students (i.e., the rows of the matrix) by their scores in the kth (0-indexed) exam from the highest to the lowest. Return the matrix after sorting it.
- Find the time complexity
  - Submit the program for the problem <https://leetcode.com/problems/sort-the-students-by-their-kth-score/> and submit the snapshot of acceptance as proof.