



lower-bound  $\rightarrow$  First element  $\geq x$

$$x = 9$$

Arr: [1, 2, 4, 8, 8, 8, 20, 23], N=8  
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

check[i] =  
arr[i]  $\geq x$   
 $\downarrow$   
if yes  $\rightarrow 1$   
else  $\rightarrow 0$

so where the pos<sup>n</sup> of first 1  
will be the ans

check = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1]  
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

$\rightarrow$  This will take  $O(n)$  time to create and then  $O(\log n)$ , so instead  
we do this:

check = [0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1]  
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7  
low mid lo, mid hi  
 $\downarrow \downarrow \downarrow \downarrow$   
0 0 1 1

Ans=6

This we created only the elements we needed. We will not create  
an array just check it is 0/1 and move forward accordingly.

Code :-

```
int n;  
int arr[100100];  
int x;  
int check(int mid) {  
    if (arr[mid]  $\geq$  x) return 1;  
    else return 0;  
}  
void solve() {  
    cin  $\gg$  n;  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)  
        cin  $\gg$  arr[i];  
    cin  $\gg$  x;  
    // lower bound  
    int lo = 0;  
    int hi = n - 1;  
    int ans = n;  
    while (lo  $\leq$  hi) {
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int mid = (l+hi)/2; // l + (hi-l)/2;
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if (check(mid) == 1) { check mid = 1
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ans = mid;
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hi = mid-1;
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} else {
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lo = mid+1;
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}
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cout << ans << endl;
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For upper bound, only slight change in check func<sup>n</sup>.

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int check(int mid) {
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if (arr[mid] > x) return 1;
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else return 0;
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}
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Q: Rotated array

How many times original array would be rotated to get this array?  
Find this in  $O(\log(N))$

[5, 8, 12, 11, 3] → Ans = 3

check: [5 8 12 1 2]  
[0 0 0 1 1]

1 2 3 4 5  
check: [1 1 1 1 1]

2 3 4 5 1  
check: [0 0 0 0 1]

```
int check(int mid) {
    if (arr[mid] < arr[n-1]) return 1;
    else return 0;
}
```

Q: Peak finding in a Bitonic Array

→ The array will first strictly inc & then strictly dec.

1 2 3 4 2 1  
0 1 2 3 4 5  
0 0 0 1 1 1

```
if (mid == n-1) return -1;
if (arr[mid] > arr[mid+1]) return 1;
else return 0;
```

## Time Complexity:-

$$O(\log n) \times O(\text{check})$$

$$O(\log(hi - lo + 1)) * (\text{check})$$

How to identify it is a Binary search Problem?

