

# Project 1: Bit Rotation

## 1 PROBLEM

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Given an array of size  $k$ , we want to rotate the elements within the array by some integer amount  $d$  to the left or right.

## 2 APPROACH

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The pseudo code for the algorithm is as followed:

1. Divide the array into 2 parts:  $L$  and  $R$ , where the size of the  $L$  is  $d$  and the size of  $R$  is  $k - d$ .
2. If the size of  $L$  is smaller than the size of  $R$ , subdivide  $R$  into  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ , where the size of  $R_2$  is equal to that of  $L$ . Swap  $L$  with  $R_2$ . The resulting array is  $R_2R_1L$ .  $L$  is already at the final position in this case. Repeat step 1 with input parameters: array  $R_2R_1$  and same value of  $d$  as before.
3. Else if the size of  $L$  is bigger than the size of  $R$ , subdivide  $L$  into  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , where the size of  $L_1$  is equal to that of  $R$ . Swap  $R$  with  $L_1$ . The resulting array is  $RL_2L_1$ .  $R$  is already at the final position in this case. Repeat step 1 with input parameters: array  $L_2L_1$  and  $d$  equal to  $d - \text{len}(R)$ .

Consider for example an array of size  $k = 8$  and  $d = 3$ . Using the pseudo code above, the array rotation follows the following steps.

Step 1:	a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h
	f	g	h	d	e	a	b	c
Step 2:	f	g	h	d	e	a	b	c
	d	e	h	f	g	a	b	c
Step 3:	d	e	h	f	g	a	b	c
	d	e	g	f	h	a	b	c
Step 5:	d	e	g	f	h	a	b	c
	d	e	f	g	h	a	b	c

**Running time:**  $O(k)$

**Auxiliary memory:**  $O(1)$