

Endsem Practice

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Question 1

Write a function “concat” which takes two 1D character arrays as input whose size is 100. You have to perform concatenation operation which appends the second string at the end of the first string **without** making a new character array. Display the new first string (1D character array).

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Eg: `char A[100] = {'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', '\0'};`

`char B[100] = {'w', 'o', 'r', 'l', 'd', '\0'};`

Now A[] becomes `{'h', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o', 'w', 'o', 'r', 'l', 'd', '\0'}`

Solution 1

```
_____ concat(char A[100], char B[100])
{
    int i = 0, j = 0;
    while(_____)
    {
        i++;
    }

    while(B[j] != _____)
    {
        _____;
        i++;
        j++;
    }
}
```

Question 2

Given an integer array **nums**, find the **subarray** with the **largest sum** and return it's sum.

Note : You only have to return the sum and not the subarray.

Input : `nums = [-2, 1, -3, 4, -1, 2, 1, -5, 4]`

Output : 6

Explanation : The subarray `[4, -1, 2, 1]` has the largest sum 6.

Solution 2 : Kadane's Algorithm

- The main Intuition behind Kadane's algorithm is :
 - The subarray with negative sum is discarded (by assigning `max_ending_here = 0` in code).
 - We carry subarray till it gives positive sum.
- Follow the below steps to implement the idea:
 - Initialize the variables `max_so_far = INT_MIN` and `max_ending_here = 0`
 - Run a for loop from 0 to N-1 and for each index i:
 - Add the `arr[i]` to `max_ending_here`.
 - If `max_so_far` is less than `max_ending_here` then update `max_so_far` to `max_ending_here`.
 - If `max_ending_here < 0` then update `max_ending_here = 0`
 - Return `max_so_far`

Question 3

You have a (2x3) 2D character array where each row contains the coefficients of a quadratic polynomial. The numbers are in character format. Given a value of x from the user, return true if the value of the polynomial of first row is greater than the value of the polynomial of second row. The coefficients in each row are in the order of x^2 , x , 1. Example input is shown below.

```
char A[2][3] = {{'1', '3', '6'},  
                {'2', '3', '8'}}
```

Thus the polynomials are $(x^2 + 3x + 6)$ and $(2x^2 + 3x + 8)$.

Solution 3

```
double polynomial(int a, int b, int c, double x)
{
    return a*x*x + b*x + c;
}
```

```
bool check(char A[2][3], double x)
{
    double y[2];

    int a, b, c;
    for(int i = 0; i < 2; i++)
    {
        a = A[i][0] - '0';
        b = A[i][1] - '0';
        c = A[i][2] - '0';

        y[i] = polynomial(a, b, c, x);
    }

    return (y[0] > y[1] ? true : false);
}
```

Question 4

Write a function to reverse an integer array using recursion **without** using loops. You have to do this in-place which means you cannot create a new array.

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Question 4

You are given a **positive** integer 'n'.

Your task is to find and return its square root. If 'n' is not a perfect square, then return the **floor value of $\text{sqrt}(n)$** .

Example:

Input: 'n' = 7

Output: 2

Explanation:

The square root of the number 7 lies between 2 and 3, so the floor value is 2.

Solution 4

Brute Force Solution : Let us say, we have to find the floor value of \sqrt{n}

- For this given 'n', we iterate 'i' from 1 to 'n'. Let ans = 1.
- If ($i^2 \leq n$), then $\text{ans} \leftarrow i$
- Else, break the loop and print ans.
- Time Complexity : $O(n)$

Binary Search Solution : Time Complexity : $O(\log n)$

- Low = 1 ; High = n ; Mid = (Low + High)/2 ; ans = 1
- If ($\text{Mid} * \text{Mid} \leq n$), then : Low \leftarrow Mid + 1 && ans \leftarrow mid
- Otherwise, High = Mid - 1
- Keep on reducing the search space (i.e. perform the above steps if your low is less than equal to high) and finally print ans.

Question 5

Design a structure called Shape which has 4 attributes called corners, r, l1, l2 denoting the no. of corners, radius, length of side 1 and length of side 2 respectively. Your objective is to calculate the area of the given shape. Accept the no. of corners from the user (which can be 4 or 0 only). If the no. of corners are 0 then its a circle otherwise its a rectangle (possibly a square).

Question 6

The function BSearch (binary search) shown below, expects the array 'A' to be sorted in increasing order, and guarantees that if the element 'x' to be searched is present in 'A', 'true' is returned; else 'false' is returned. Suppose 'A' is not sorted (in increasing order) at all, and $A=\{15,22,11,13,12,18,16,6,14,5\}$. For what values of '??' will Bsearch successfully find the index of 'q' in 'A' and return "true" (i.e., 1)?

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;
bool Bsearch(int A[],int S,int L,int x) {
    if(L == 1) return A[S] == x;
    if(x == A[S+L/2]) return true;
    else if(x < A[S+L/2])
        return Bsearch(A, S, L/2, x);
    else
        return Bsearch(A, S+L/2, L-L/2, x);
}
int main(){
    int A[10]={15, 22, 11, 13, 12, 18, 16, 6, 14, 5};
    int q = ??;           //find values of ?? for which ...
    cout << Bsearch(A,0,10,q) << endl; //...prints 1 (true)
}
```

Solution 6

First it checks for $x (> \text{ or } \leq) A[5] \Rightarrow x = A[5] \Rightarrow X = 18$ will return true

Now Bsearch will search in the first half of the array if $x < 18$, else in the second half, but we can see that the second half has values less than 18.

\Rightarrow Hence X can be none of those values.

Next search goes to index $\text{int}(5/2) = 2$, we see that $x = A[2] < 18$.

So $x = 11$ will return True.

Now to match with the first quarter of the array, $x < 11$, which we see isn't possible

\Rightarrow Hence X can be none of those values.

So, can only match in the 2nd quarter of the array, $A[2 + 3/2] = A[3] = 13$

$11 < 13 < 18$, hence returns True. The only other element $A[4]$ is less than 13 but is to the right of 13, therefore cannot be matched.

So the only values of q that return true is 11, 13, 18.