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If input array is sorted then

- Binary search
- Two pointers

If asked for all permutations/subsets then

- Backtracking

If given a tree then

- DFS
- BFS

If given a graph then

- DFS
- BFS

If given a linked list then

- Two pointers

If recursion is banned then

- Stack

If must solve in-place then

- Swap corresponding values
- Store one or more different values in the same pointer

If asked for maximum/minimum subarray/subset/options then

- Dynamic programming

If asked for top/least K items then

- Heap
- QuickSelect

If asked for common strings then

- Map
- Trie

Else

- Map/Set for $O(1)$ time & $O(n)$ space
- Sort input for $O(n \log n)$ time and $O(1)$ space