

Maximum of all subarrays of size k (Added a O(n) method)

Given an array and an integer k, find the maximum for each and every contiguous subarray of size k.

Examples:

Input :

arr[] = {1, 2, 3, 1, 4, 5, 2, 3, 6}

k = 3

Output :

3 3 4 5 5 5 6

Input :

arr[] = {8, 5, 10, 7, 9, 4, 15, 12, 90, 13}

k = 4

Output :

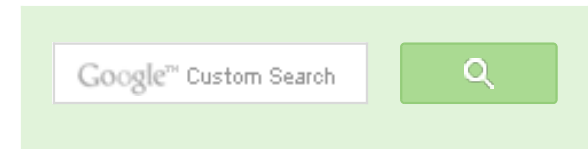
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Method 1 (Simple)

Run two loops. In the outer loop, take all subarrays of size k. In the inner loop, get the maximum of the current subarray.

```
#include<stdio.h>
```

```
void printKMax(int arr[], int n, int k)
{
    int j, max;
```



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```

for (int i = 0; i <= n-k; i++)
{
    max = arr[i];

    for (j = 1; j < k; j++)
    {
        if (arr[i+j] > max)
            max = arr[i+j];
    }
    printf("%d ", max);
}

int main()
{
    int arr[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10};
    int n = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);
    int k = 3;
    printKMax(arr, n, k);
    return 0;
}

```

Time Complexity: The outer loop runs $n-k+1$ times and the inner loop runs k times for every iteration of outer loop. So time complexity is $O((n-k+1)*k)$ which can also be written as $O(nk)$.

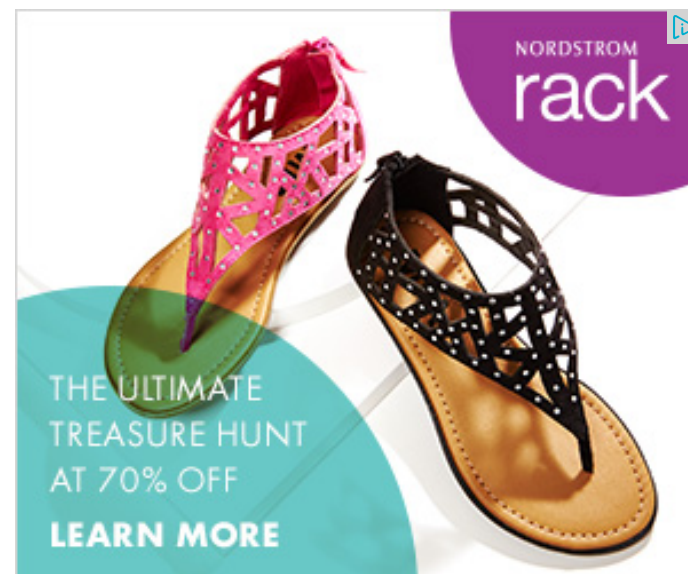
Method 2 (Use Self-Balancing BST)

- 1) Pick first k elements and create a Self-Balancing Binary Search Tree (BST) of size k .
- 2) Run a loop for $i = 0$ to $n - k$
 -a) Get the maximum element from the BST, and print it.
 -b) Search for $arr[i]$ in the BST and delete it from the BST.
 -c) Insert $arr[i+k]$ into the BST.

Time Complexity: Time Complexity of step 1 is $O(k \log k)$. Time Complexity of steps 2(a), 2(b) and 2(c) is $O(\log k)$. Since steps 2(a), 2(b) and 2(c) are in a loop that runs $n-k+1$ times, time complexity of the complete algorithm is $O(k \log k + (n-k+1) \log k)$ which can also be written as $O(n \log k)$.

Method 3 (A $O(n)$ method: use Dequeue)

We create a [Dequeue](#), Q_i of capacity k , that stores only useful elements of current window of k



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elements. An element is useful if it is in current window and is greater than all other elements on left side of it in current window. We process all array elements one by one and maintain Q_i to contain useful elements of current window and these useful elements are maintained in sorted order. The element at front of the Q_i is the largest and element at rear of Q_i is the smallest of current window. Thanks to [Aashish](#) for suggesting this method.

Following is C++ implementation of this method.

```
#include <iostream>
#include <deque>

using namespace std;

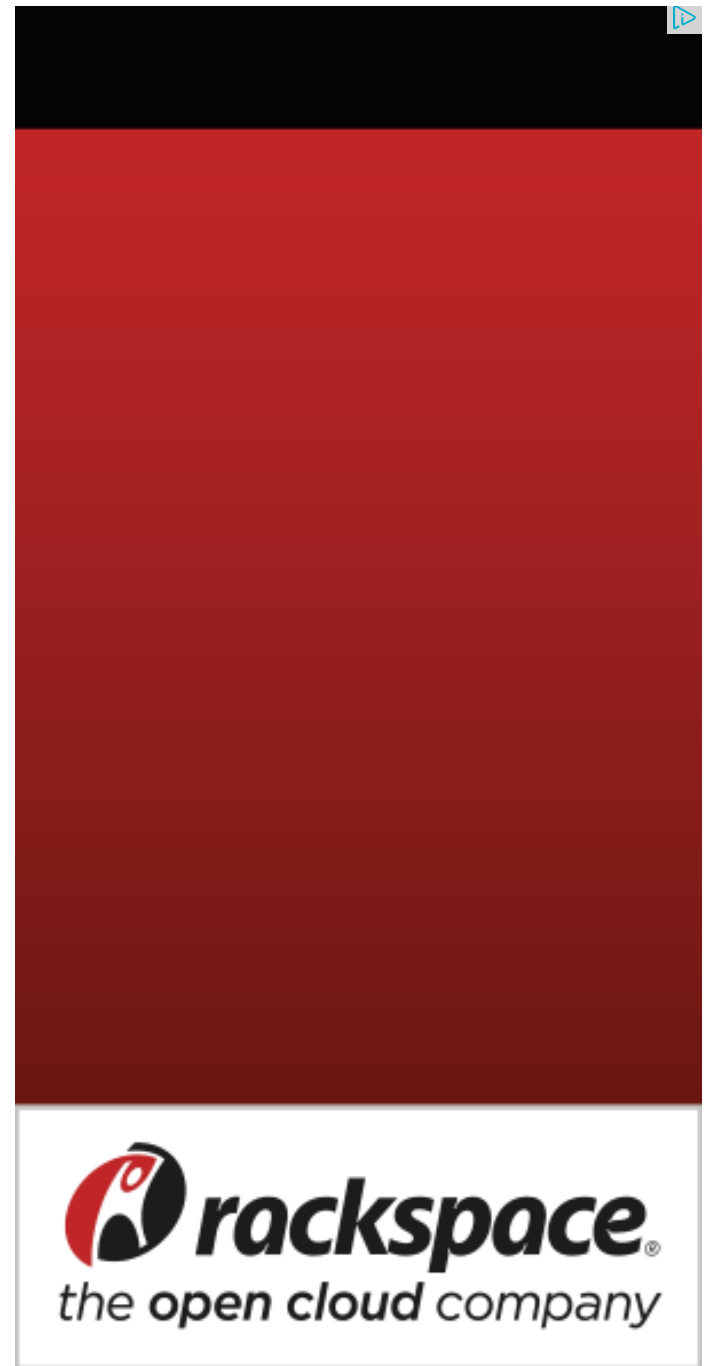
// A Dequeue (Double ended queue) based method for printing maximum element
// all subarrays of size k
void printKMax(int arr[], int n, int k)
{
    // Create a Double Ended Queue, Qi that will store indexes of array
    // The queue will store indexes of useful elements in every window
    // maintain decreasing order of values from front to rear in Qi, i.e.
    // arr[Qi.front()] to arr[Qi.rear()] are sorted in decreasing order
    std::deque<int> Qi(k);

    /* Process first k (or first window) elements of array */
    int i;
    for (i = 0; i < k; ++i)
    {
        // For very element, the previous smaller elements are useless
        // remove them from Qi
        while ( (!Qi.empty()) && arr[i] >= arr[Qi.back()])
            Qi.pop_back(); // Remove from rear

        // Add new element at rear of queue
        Qi.push_back(i);
    }

    // Process rest of the elements, i.e., from arr[k] to arr[n-1]
    for (; i < n; ++i)
    {
        // The element at the front of the queue is the largest element
        // previous window, so print it
        cout << arr[Qi.front()] << " ";

        // Remove the elements which are out of this window
        while ( (!Qi.empty()) && Qi.front() <= i - k)
            Qi.pop_front();
    }
}
```





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```

        Qi.pop_front(); // Remove from front of queue

        // Remove all elements smaller than the currently
        // being added element (remove useless elements)
        while ( (!Qi.empty()) && arr[i] >= arr[Qi.back()])
            Qi.pop_back();

        // Add current element at the rear of Qi
        Qi.push_back(i);
    }

    // Print the maximum element of last window
    cout << arr[Qi.front()];
}

```

```

// Driver program to test above functions
int main()
{
    int arr[] = {12, 1, 78, 90, 57, 89, 56};
    int n = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(arr[0]);
    int k = 3;
    printKMax(arr, n, k);
    return 0;
}

```

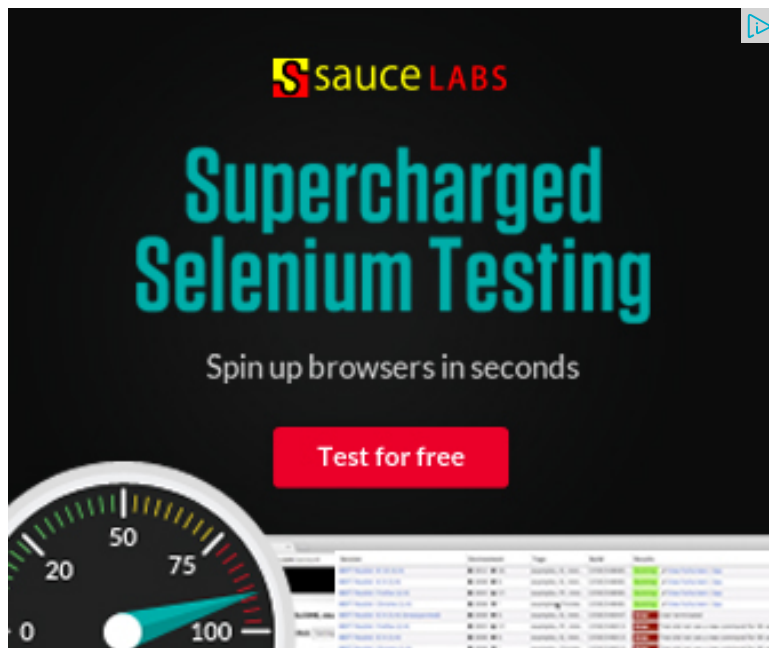
Output:

78 90 90 90 89

Time Complexity: $O(n)$. It seems more than $O(n)$ at first look. If we take a closer look, we can observe that every element of array is added and removed at most once. So there are total $2n$ operations.

Auxiliary Space: $O(k)$

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