

# Searching & Sorting

## *Searching*

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# Linear Search

*In this algorithm we simply traverse whole array and search for an element and return its index if its present, else we return -1.*

**Time complexity :**  $O(N)$  - worst case when target element is last element of the array.

**Space complexity :**  $O(1)$  - constant space

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## [code] Linear Search

```
/* ✓ Linear Search Algorithm (Time :  $O(n)$  , Space :  $O(1)$ ) */

#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

// -- this function will return index of target element if present, else if not present
then it will return -1
int linearSearch(int *arr, int size, int &elementToFind){

    for(int i = 0; i < size; i++)
        if(arr[i] == elementToFind) return i;

    return -1;
}

// MAIN FUNCTION
int main(){

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl; // for better output

    int arr[] = {10, 20, -10, 21, 5, 3, 11};
    int size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

    /* Test Cases */
    int elementToFind = 21; // TestCase-1 (output : 3)
    // int elementToFind = -10; //TestCase-2 (output : 2)
    //int elementToFind = -100; //TestCase-3 (output : 2)
```

```
// calling function linearSearch
int ans = linearSearch(arr, size, elementToFind);

if(ans != -1) cout << elementToFind <<" is present at index : " << ans << endl;
else cout << elementToFind << " is not present in the array. " << endl;

cout << "- - - - -" << endl; // for better output
}
```

Output:

```
- - - - -
21 is present at index : 3
- - - - -
```

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# Binary Search

## #1 Approach (iterative)

*In this algorithm we keep on dividing the array into 2 parts until we find the target element*

*In this algo we need a sorted array in the input.*

*Time complexity :  $O(\log(N))$*

*Space complexity :  $O(1)$*

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### [code] Binary Search

```
/* ✓ Binary Search (Time :  $O(\log(n))$ , Space :  $O(1)$  ) */

#include<iostream>
using namespace std;

// -- this function will return the index of the target element if present, else it
// will return -1 if element is not found in the given array
int binarySearch(int *arr, int size, int target){

    // step 1 : create 3 variables low, mid, high
    int low = 0, high = size - 1, mid;

    while(low <= high){
        // step 2 : find mid index from the current low and high
        mid = low + (high - low)/2;

        // step 3 : if the mid element is the target element then return the mid index
        if(arr[mid] == target) return mid;

        // step 4 : if the mid element is smaller than the target, then search in the
        // right half of the array
    }
```

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        else if(arr[mid] < target) low = mid + 1;

        // step 5 : if the mid element is greater than the target, then search in the
        left half of the array
        else high = mid - 1;

    }

    // step 6 : if loop completes then return -1, i.e no target element present in the
    given array
    return -1;
}

// -- main function
int main(){

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

    int arr[] = {10, 12, 15, 19, 21, 26, 28};
    int size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

    /* TEST CASES */

    //int target = 21; // testCase - 1 (output : 4)
    // int target = 28; // testCase - 2 (output : 6)
    //int target = 122221; // testCase - 3 (output : -1)
    //int target = 10; // testCase - 4 (output : 0)
    int target = 19; // testCase - 5 (output : 3)

    int ans = binarySearch(arr, size, target);

    if(ans != -1) cout << target <<" is present at index " << ans << endl;
    else cout << target << " not present in the array." << endl;

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;
}

```

Output:

```

- - - - -
19 is present at index 3
- - - - -

```

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# Binary Search

## #2 Approach (Recursive)

*Time complexity :  $O(\log(N))$*

*Space complexity :  $O(N)$*

Approach explanation :-

step 1 : base case - if low becomes greater than high then that means target element not found in the array.  
step 2 : solving 1 case i.e finding mid for initial low and high and then returning index if it is the target element.  
step 3.1 : else if the mid element is smaller than target then recursion will search for the target in the right part and return the ans.  
step 3.2 : else if element is greater than the target element then recursion will search for the target in the left part and return the ans.

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[code] [Binary Search](#)

```
/* ✓★[Approach 2 - Recursive] Binary Search */  
  
#include<iostream>  
using namespace std;  
  
// -- Recursive Binary Search Function  
  
int recBinarySearch(int *arr, int low, int high, int target){  
  
    // step 1 : base case - if low becomes greater than high then that means target  
    element not found in the array  
    if(low > high) return -1;  
  
    // step 2 : solving 1 case i.e finding mid for initial low and high and then  
    returning index if it is the target element
```

```

int mid = low + (high - low)/2;

if(arr[mid] == target) return mid;

// step 3.1 : else if the mid element is smaller than target then recursion will
search for target in the right part and return the ans
else if(arr[mid] < target) return recBinarySearch(arr, mid+1, high, target);

// step 3.2 : else if element is greater than the target element then recursion
will search for target in the left part and return the ans
else return recBinarySearch(arr, low, mid-1, target);
}

// -- main function
int main(){

    cout << "- - - - - " << endl;

    int arr[] = {10, 12, 15, 19, 21, 26, 28};
    int size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

    /* TEST CASES */

    // int target = 21; // testCase - 1 (output : 4) ✓
    // int target = 28; // testCase - 2 (output : 6) ✓
    // int target = 122221; // testCase - 3 (output : -1) ✓
    // int target = 10; // testCase - 4 (output : 0) ✓
    int target = 19; // testCase - 5 (output : 3) ✓

    int low = 0, high = size-1;
    int ans = recBinarySearch(arr, low, high, target);

    if(ans != -1) cout << target << " is present at index " << ans << endl;
    else cout << target << " not present in the array." << endl;

    cout << "- - - - - " << endl;
}

```

Output:

```

- - - - -
19 is present at index 3

```

# Selection Sort

## #1 Approach (iterative)

*In this algorithm we keep on dividing the array into 2 parts until we find the target element*

*In this algo we need a sorted array in the input.*

**Time complexity :**  $O(N^2)$

**Space complexity :**  $O(1)$

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### APPROACH EXPLANATION :-

step 1 : run a loop from 0 to n-2 th element of array

step 2 : store the ith index in a variable named 'minIndex'

step 3 : run a loop from (i+1 to n-1)th element

step 4 : compare the jth element with the element at 'minIndex' and if jth element is smaller than it then update the minIndex with jth index

step 5 : after the j the loop completes, swap the ith index element with the minIndex element.

step 6 : after the i th loop also completes, the array is now sorted.

T :  $O(n^2)$

S :  $O(1)$

## [code] Selection Sort (approach - 1)

```
/* ✓ Selection Sort - T :  $O(n^2)$  S :  $O(1)$  */
```

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
```



```

// -- this function will print the array at any instance
void printArray(int *arr, int size){

    for(int i = 0; i < size; i++) cout << arr[i] << ' ';
    cout << endl;

}

// -- this function will sort the array
void selectionSort(int *arr, int size){

    // step 1 : run a loop from 0 to n-2 th element of array
    for(int i = 0; i <= size-2; i++){

        // step 2 : store the ith index in a variable named 'minIndex'
        int minIndex = i;

        // step 3 : run a loop from (i+1 to n-1)th element
        for(int j = i + 1; j <= size-1; j++){

            // step 4 : compare the jth element with the element at 'minIndex' and if
            // jth element is smaller than it then update the minIndex with jth index
            if(arr[j] < arr[minIndex]) minIndex = j;

        }

        // step 5 : after the j the loop completes, swap the ith index element with
        // the minIndex element
        swap(arr[i], arr[minIndex]);

    }

    // step 6 : after the i th loop also completes, the array is now sorted.

}

// -- Main Function
int main(){
    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

    int arr[] = {10, 21, 17, -5, 3, 2, 11};
    int size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

    cout << "Input Array : ";
    printArray(arr, size);

    // sorting the array

```

```
selectionSort(arr, size);

cout << "Output Array : ";
printArray(arr, size);

cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

}
```

```
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Input Array : 18 -1 -3 -10 100 81 95 28
Output Array : -10 -3 -1 18 28 81 95 100
- - - - -
```

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# Selection Sort

## #2 Approach (Recursive)

*Time complexity :  $O(N^2)$*

*Space complexity :  $O(N)$  - recursive call stack*

APPROACH EXPLANATION :-

step 1 : base case - if the array has size 1 or 0, then it's already sorted.

step 2 : solving 1 case i.e filling the 0th index with the deserving element using swap().

step 3 : since we solved a case, rest recursion will sort, recursive call ->  
selectionSort(++arr, size-1).

### [code] Selection Sort (approach -2)

```
/*
✓★ SELECTION SORT [Approach 2 - Recursive]
*/

#include<iostream>
using namespace std;

// -- this function will print the array at any instance
void printArray(int *arr, int size){

    for(int i = 0; i < size; i++) cout << arr[i] << ' ';
    cout << endl;

}

void selectionSort(int *arr, int size){

    // step 1 : base case - if array has size 1 or 0, then its already sorted
    if(size == 0 || size == 1) return;

    // step 2 : solving 1 case i.e filling the 0th index with the deserving element
    int minIndex = 0;
    for(int j = 1; j <= size-1; j++){
        if(arr[j] < arr[minIndex]) minIndex = j;
    }

    swap(arr[0], arr[minIndex]);
```

```

// step 3 : since we solved a case, rest recursion will sort
selectionSort(++arr, size-1);

}

int main(){

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

    /* TEST CASES */

    //int arr[] = {10, 21, 17, -5, 3, 2, 11}; // test case 1 ✓
    //int arr[] = {6, 2, 8 ,4 ,10};           // test case 2 ✓
    int arr[] = {18, -1, -3, -10, 100, 81, 95, 28}; // test case 3 ✓

    int size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

    cout << "Input Array : ";
    printArray(arr, size);

    // sorting the array
    selectionSort(arr, size);

    cout << "Output Array : ";
    printArray(arr, size);

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;
}

```

```

- - - - -
Input Array : 18 -1 -3 -10 100 81 95 28
Output Array : -10 -3 -1 18 28 81 95 100
- - - - -

```

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# Bubble Sort

## #1 Approach (Iterative)

*Time complexity :  $O(N^2)$  - worst case,  $O(N)$  - best case*

*Space complexity :  $O(1)$*

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Approach Explanation :

step 1 : run a loop from 1 to n-1 (n-1 because it will handle the worst cases like (10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5).

step 2 : create a boolean variable 'swapped', and initialise it with false

step 3 : run a loop from (0 to N-round)th element

step 4 : if the (j+1)th element is smaller than the jth element than swap, and mark bool 'swapped' as true

step 5 : as the jth loop completes, check if the bool 'swapped' is false, if so Than break the 'round' loop also because the array is now sorted

// ARRAY SORTED

### [code] Bubble Sort (approach - 1)

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;

// -- function to print the array at any instance
void printArray(int arr[], int n){
    for(int i=0; i<n; i++){
        cout << arr[i] << ' ';
    }
    cout << endl;
}

// -- in case swap stl doesnt work
void swapFun(int *arr, int i, int j){

    int temp = arr[i];
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    arr[i] = arr[j];
    arr[j] = temp;

}

// -- bubble sort iterative function
void bubbleSort(int *arr, int size){

    // step 1 : run a loop from 1 to n-1 (n-1 because it will handle the worst
    cases like 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5)
    for(int round = 1; round <= size - 1; round++){

        // step 2 : create a boolean variable 'swapped', and initialize it with
        false
        bool swapped = false;

        // step 3 : run a loop from (0 to N-round)th element
        for(int j = 0; j <= size-round-1; j++){

            // step 4 : if the (j+1)th element is smaller than the jth element
            than swap, and mark bool 'swapped' as true
            if(arr[j+1] < arr[j]){
                swapFun(arr, j, j+1);
                swapped = true;
            }
        }

        // step 5 : as the jth loop completes, check if the bool 'swapped' is
        false, if so then break the 'round' loop also because the array is now sorted
        if(swapped == false) break;
    }

    // ARRAY SORTED
}

// -- main function
int main(){

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

    /* Test Cases */

    //int arr[] = {10, 21, 17, -5, 3, 2, 11}; // testCase - 1 ✓
    //int arr[] = {10,7,17,6,9,1,5}; // testCase - 2 ✓
    int arr[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, -10, -9, -8 }; // testCase - 3 ✓
    //int arr[] = {1,2,3,4,5}; // testCase - 4 ✓

```

```

    int size=sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

    cout << "Original Array : " ;
    printArray(arr,size);

    bubbleSort(arr,size);

    cout << "Using bubble Sort : ";
    printArray(arr,size);

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

}

```

```

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Original Array : 1 2 3 4 -10 -9 -8
Using bubble Sort : -10 -9 -8 1 2 3 4
- - - - -

```

# Bubble Sort

## #2 Approach (Recursive)

Time complexity :  $O(N^2)$  - worst case,  $O(N)$  - best case

Space complexity :  $O(N)$  - recursive stack

explanation :

Step 1 : base case - when array has single element, then its sorted i.e  $round == 1 == size$ , also if array has size 0 then also its already sorted.

step 2 : manage a bool variable swapped initially with value false, to optimise the algorithm to  $O(N)$  time in the best case.

step 3 : solving single case i.e filling the last index with the element it deserves

step 4 : swap the pair and mark swapped as true if we swap a pair

step 5 : when the i loop breaks check if we swapped is false or not is so then return the function as the array is sorted - for optimisation

step 6 : recursion will place rest elements at their right position they belong to

// ARRAY SORTED

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[code] Bubble Sort (approach - 2)

```
// -- function to print the array at any instance
void printArray(int arr[], int n){
    for(int i=0; i<n; i++){
        cout << arr[i] << ' ';
    }
    cout << endl;
}
```



```

// use this function when the original swap stl method is not working
void swapFun(int *arr, int i, int j){
    int temp = arr[i];
    arr[i] = arr[j];
    arr[j] = temp;
}

// this is recursive function for bubble sort
void recBubbleSort(int *arr, int size, int rounds){

    // Step 1 :base case - when array has single element, then its sorted i.e round
    == 1 == size, also if array has size 0 then also its already sorted
    if(size == 0 || rounds == size) return;

    // step 2 : manage a bool variable swapped initially with value false, to
    optimise the algorithm to O(N) time in the best case
    bool swapped = false;

    // step 3 : solving single case i.e filling the last index with the element it
    deserves
    for(int j = 0; j <= size - rounds - 1; j++){

        // step 4 : mark swapped as true if we swap a pair
        if(arr[j+1] < arr[j]){
            swapFun(arr, j, j+1);
            swapped = true;
        }

    }

    // step 5 : when the i loop breaks check if we swapped is false or not is so then
    return the function as the array is sorted - for optimisation
    if(swapped == false) return;

    // step 6 : recursion will place rest elements at their right position they
    belong to
    recBubbleSort(arr, size, ++rounds);

    // ARRAY SORTED
}

// -- main function
int main(){

```

```

cout << "-----" << endl;

/* Test Cases */

//int arr[] = {10, 21, 17, -5, 3, 2, 11}; // testCase - 1 ✓
//int arr[] = {10,7,17,6,9,1,5}; // testCase - 2 ✓
int arr[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, -10, -9, -8 }; // testCase - 3 ✓
//int arr[] = {1,2,3,4,5}; // testCase - 4 ✓

int size=sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

cout << "Original Array : " ;
printArray(arr,size);

int rounds = 1;
recBubbleSort(arr,size, rounds);

cout << "Using bubble Sort : ";
printArray(arr,size);

cout << "-----" << endl;

}

```

```

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Original Array : 1 2 3 4 -10 -9 -8
Using bubble Sort : -10 -9 -8 1 2 3 4
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```

# Insertion Sort

## #1 Approach (Iterative)

*Time complexity :-*

*$O(N^2)$  - worst case, 5 4 3 2 1*

*$O(N)$  best case-eg. 1 2 3 4 5 (no shifting, coping done in this case)*

*Space complexity :-  $O(1)$*

Approach Explanation :-

step 1 : run an i loop from (1 to n-1)th element

step 2 : store the ith index element in a variable "tempVar"

step 3 : run a j loop from (i-1 to 0)th index

step 4 : if any jth element is found which is greater than the tempVar element, then perform "arr[j+1] = arr[j]".

step 5 : else if any jth element found which is smaller or equal to the tempVar element then break the jth loop.

step 6 : when the jth loop is complete/breaks then perform "arr[j+1] = tempVar".

// when both the loop completes/breaks then the array is SORTED.

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## [code] Insertion Sort (approach - 1)

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;

// -- function to print the array at any given instance
void printArray(int *arr, int size){

    for(int i = 0; i < size; i++) cout << arr[i] << ' ';
    cout << endl;

}

// -- selection sort iterative function
void insertionSort(int *arr, int size){

    // step 1 : run an i loop from (1 to n-1)th element
    for(int i = 1; i < size; i++){

        // step 2 : store the ith index element in a variable "tempVar"
        int tempVar = arr[i];

        // step 3 : run a j loop from (i-1 to 0)th index
        int j = i-1;    // to use it later
        for( ; j >= 0; j--){

            // step 4 : if any jth element is found which is greater than the
            tempVar element, then perform "arr[j+1] = arr[j]"
            if(tempVar < arr[j]) arr[j+1] = arr[j];

            // step 5 : else if any jth element found which is smaller or equal to
            the tempVar element then break the jth loop
            else break;
        }

        // step 6 : when the jth loop is complete/breaks than perform "arr[j+1] =
        tempVar"
        arr[j+1] = tempVar;

    }

    // when both the loop completes/breaks then the array is SORTED.
}
```

```
// -- MAIN Function
int main(){

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

    //int arr[] = {10, 21, 17, -5, 3, 2, 11}; // testCase - 1 ✓
    int arr[] = {1, 7, -9, -10, 20}; // testCase - 2 ✓
    //int arr[] = {10, 11, 12, 13, 14}; // testCase - 3 ✓

    int size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

    cout << "Input Array : ";
    printArray(arr, size);

    selectionSort(arr, size);

    cout << "Output Array : ";
    printArray(arr, size);

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

}
```

```
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Input Array : 1 7 -9 -10 20
Output Array : -10 -9 1 7 20
- - - - -
```

# Insertion Sort

## #2 Approach (Recursive)

*Time complexity :-*

*$O(N^2)$  - worst case, 5 4 3 2 1*

*$O(N)$  best case-eg. 1 2 3 4 5 (no shifting, coping done in this case)*

*Space complexity :-  $O(N)$  - recursive call stack*

Approach Explanation :-

step 1 : base case : when i equals n i.e the arrays last element is already processed, then array is sorted

step 2 : lets solve single case i.e lets place ith element at its right position

step 3 : create a tempVar having value of element at the ith index

step 4 : run a loop from i-1 to 0th index in reverse order, and whenever find an element which is greater than 'tempVar' then perform "arr[j+1] = arr[j]", else break the loop.

step 5 : whenever the loop breaks, simply perform "arr[j+1] = tempVar".

step 6 : rest elements recursion will place at their correct position, and sort the array

//Array Sorted

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;

// -- function to print the array at any given instance
void printArray(int *arr, int size){

    for(int i = 0; i < size; i++) cout << arr[i] << ' ';
    cout << endl;

}
```

```

// -- selection sort recursive function
void recInsertion(int *arr, int size, int i){

    // step 1 : base case : when i equals n i.e the arrays last element is already
    processed, then array is sorted
    if(i == size) return;

    // step 2 : lets solve single case i.e lets place ith element at its right
    position

    // step 3 : create a tempVar having value of element at the ith index
    int tempVar = arr[i];

    // step 4 : run a loop from i-1 to 0th index in reverse order, and whenever
    find an element which is greater than 'tempVar' then perform "arr[j+1] = arr[j]",
    else break the loop
    int j = i - 1;
    for( ; j >= 0; j--){
        if(tempVar < arr[j]) arr[j+1] = arr[j];
        else break;
    }

    // step 5 : whenever the loop breaks, simply perform "arr[j+1] = tempVar".
    arr[j+1] = tempVar;

    // step 6 : rest elements recursion will place at their correct position, and
    sort the array
    recInsertionSort(arr, size, ++i);
}

// -- MAIN Function
int main(){

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

    int arr[] = {10, 21, 17, -5, 3, 2, 11}; // testCase - 1 ✓
    //int arr[] = {1, 7, -9, -10, 20}; // testCase - 2 ✓
    //int arr[] = {10, 11, 12, 13, 14}; // testCase - 3 ✓

    int size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

    cout << "Input Array : ";
    printArray(arr, size);
}

```

```
int i = 1;
recSelectionSort(arr, size, i);

cout << "Output Array : ";
printArray(arr, size);

cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

}
```

```
- - - - -
Input Array : 10 21 17 -5 3 2 11
Output Array : -5 2 3 10 11 17 21
- - - - -
```



# Merge Sort

## #1 Approach (Recursive)

*Time complexity :  $O(n \log n)$  - best & worst case*

*Space complexity :  $O(N)$  - recursive call stack*

*- Based on divide and conquer*

Approach explanation :-

### 1. DIVIDE Function

```
step 1 : base case - if start becomes equal to end i.e when
          array size is 1 then its already sorted, just return
          the function.
step 2 : find the mid element for the given start and end at an
          instance.
step 3 : sort the left part of the array
step 4 : sort the right part of the array
<--step 5 : now since both the parts are sorted, just merge the
|           2 arrays.
|  //array sorted.
|
|
--> CONQUER Function
```

```
step 1 : create an array 'left' of length1 (mid-start+1)
step 2 : create an array 'right' of length2 (end - mid)
step 3 : now push the first half elements of original array into
          array 'left'.
step 4 : now push the second half elements of original array into
          array 'right'.
step 5 : now using 2 pointer variables approach, push the 2 sorted
          arrays(left & right) into original array
step 6 : when either one of left or right sorted array all
          elements are pushed and others are still left then push
          all elements of non-empty array into original array.
// now the 2 sorted arrays are merged.
```

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## [code] Merge Sort (approach - 1)

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;

void printArray(int *arr, int size){
    for(int i=0; i<size; i++) cout << arr[i] << ' ';
    cout << endl;
}

// -- function to merge the 2 sorted arrays.
void merge(int *arr, int start, int mid, int end){

    // step 1 : create an array 'left' of length1 (mid-start+1)
    int length1 = mid - start + 1;
    int *left = new int[length1];

    // step 2 : create an array 'right' of length2 (end - mid)
    int length2 = end - mid;
    int *right = new int[length2];

    // step 3 : now push the first half elements of the original array into array 'left'.
    int originalIndex = start; // to not lose the indexes of original array
    for(int i = 0; i < length1; i++) left[i] = arr[originalIndex++];

    // step 4 : now push the second half elements of the original array into array 'right'.
    for(int i = 0; i < length2; i++) right[i] = arr[originalIndex++];

    // step 5 : now using 2 pointer variables approach, push the 2 sorted arrays(left & right) into original array
    int i = 0, j = 0;
    originalIndex = start;
    while(i < length1 && j < length2){
        if(left[i] < right[j]) arr[originalIndex++] = left[i++];
        else arr[originalIndex++] = right[j++];
    }

    // step 6 : when either one of left or right sorted array's all elements are pushed and others are still left then push all elements of non empty array into original array
    while(i < length1) arr[originalIndex++] = left[i++];
}
```

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while(j < length2) arr[originalIndex++] = right[j++];

    // now the 2 sorted arrays are merged.
}

// -- this function will divide the array into parts until a single element is left
void divide(int *arr, int start, int end){

    // step 1 : base case - if start becomes equal to end i.e when array size is 1
    then its already sorted, just return the function
    if(start >= end) return;

    // step 2 : find the mid element for the given start and end at an instance
    int mid = start + (end - start)/2;

    // step 3 : sort the left part of the array
    divide(arr, start, mid);
    // step 4 : sort the right part of the array
    divide(arr, mid + 1, end);

    // step 5 : now since both the parts are sorted, just merge the 2 arrays
    merge(arr, start, mid, end);

    // array sorted.
}

int main(){

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

    // int arr[] = {10, -1, -5, 6, 12, 3}; // TestCase 1 ✓
    // int arr[] = {1, 2, 3, -1, 4, 5, 8, -5}; // TestCase 2 ✓
    int arr[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, -4, -3, -2, -1}; // TestCase 3 ✓
    //int arr[] = {1, 2, 3, 4}; // TestCase 4 ✓
    int size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

    int start = 0, end = size - 1;

    cout <<"Input Array : ";
    printArray(arr,size);

    // calling the mergeSort function divide
    divide(arr, start, end);

    cout <<"Output Array : ";

```

```
printArray(arr,size);  
cout << "- - - - -" << endl;  
}
```

```
- - - - -  
Input Array : 1 2 3 4 -4 -3 -2 -1  
Output Array : -4 -3 -2 -1 1 2 3 4  
- - - - -
```

# Quick Sort

## #1 Approach (Recursive)

*Time complexity :  $O(n^2)$  - worst case,  $O(n \log(n))$  - best case*

*Space complexity :  $O(n)$  - recursive call stack in worst case and  $o(\log(n))$  in normal case*

- *Based on divide and conquer*

Approach explanation :-

Quick Sort Function

step 1 : base case - when there is single element left than array is already sorted

|--- step 2 : find the pivot index using function 'pivotIndexFinder'

| step 3 : now do recursive call for left part of array

| step 4 : do recursive call for right part of the array

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|--> PIVOT INDEX Finder

step 1 : take starting index as the pivot of the array

step 2 : count number of elements smaller or equal to the pivot element.

step 3 : swap the pivotElement and (pivotElement + count)th element.

step 4 : declare 2 variables i = start and j = end, and run a loop until i becomes equal to pivotIndex or j becomes equal to pivotIndex.

step 5 : run a loop until ith element is equal or smaller than the pivotIndex element.

step 6 : run a loop until jth element is greater than the pivotIndex element.

step 7 : swap the ith and jth element if index i is smaller than the pivotIndex and index j is greater than the pivot index.

step 8 : return pivot Index.

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## [code] Quick Sort (approach - 1)

```
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;

// -- function to print the array at any instance
void printArray(int *arr, int size){
    for(int i = 0; i < size; i++) cout << arr[i] << ' ';
    cout << endl;
}

// -- pivotIndexFinder Function -> this function will return the pivot element
int pivotIndexFinder(int *arr, int start, int end){

    // step 1 : take starting index as the pivot of the array
    int pivotIndex = start;

    // step 2 : count number of elements smaller or equal to the pivot element
    int count = 0;
    for(int i = start+1; i < end +1; i++){
        if(arr[i] <= arr[pivotIndex]) count++;
    }

    // step 3 : swap the pivotElement and (pivotElement + count)th element.
    swap(arr[pivotIndex], arr[pivotIndex + count]);
    pivotIndex = start + count;

    // step 4 : declare 2 variables i = start and j = end, and run a loop until i
    // becomes equal to pivotIndex or j becomes equal to pivotIndex.
    int i = start, j = end;
    while(i < pivotIndex && j > pivotIndex){

        // step 5 : run a loop until ith element is equal or smaller than the
        // pivotIndex element
        while(arr[i] <= arr[pivotIndex]) i++;
        // step 6 : run a loop until jth element is greater than the pivotIndex
        // element
        while(arr[j] > arr[pivotIndex]) j--;

        // step 7 : swap the ith and jth element if index i is smaller than the
        // pivotIndex and index j is greater than the pivot index.
    }
```

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        if(i < pivotIndex && j > pivotIndex) swap(arr[i++], arr[j--]);

    }

    // step 8 : return pivot Index.
    return pivotIndex;
}

// -- quick Sort function
void quickSort(int *arr, int start, int end){

    // step 1 : base case - when there is single elemnt left than array is already
    sorted
    if(start >= end) return;

    // step 2 : find the pivot index using function 'pivotIndexFinder'
    int pivotIndex = pivotIndexFinder(arr, start, end);

    // step 3 : now do recursive call for left part of array
    quickSort(arr, start, pivotIndex-1);

    // step 4 : do recursive call for right part of the array
    quickSort(arr, pivotIndex+1, end);

}

int main(){

    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;

    //int arr[] = {10, 12, -3, -5, 6, -1}; // test case 1 ✓
    //int arr[] = {1, 2, 3, -3, -2, -1}; // test case 2 ✓
    int arr[] = {1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, -2, -3, 4, 10, 4}; // test case 3 ✓

    int size = sizeof(arr)/sizeof(int);

    cout << "Input Array : ";
    printArray(arr, size);

    int start = 0, end = size - 1;
    quickSort(arr, start, end);

    cout << "Output Array : ";
    printArray(arr, size);

```

```
    cout << "- - - - -" << endl;  
}
```

```
- - - - -  
Input Array : 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 -2 -3 4 10 4  
Output Array : -3 -2 1 2 3 4 4 4 5 6 7 10  
- - - - -
```