

SEARCHING

Searching algorithms look for a specific value in a list.



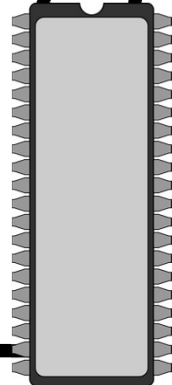
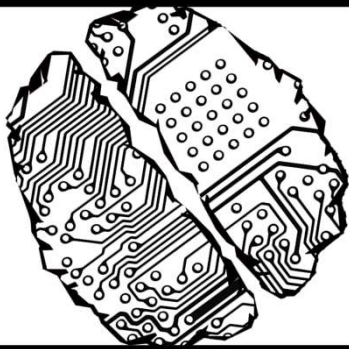
LINEAR

The search is performed in a 'line'

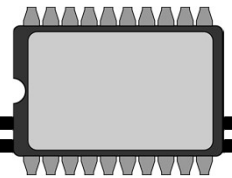
Search "Item"

Position = "Index"

BINARY



Binary search is called a 'divide & conquer' algorithm



FLAG

A flag is a Boolean value to indicate a true / false value to 'halt' the algorithm.



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Complete the algorithms
in Pseudocode!



Unsorted Lists

LINEAR

```
List = [3, 7, 9, 2, 5, 10]
search _____
found _____
pos _____
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WHILE (found _____) AND (pos < len(List) ) DO
  IF List[pos] _____ search THEN
    found _____ TRUE
  END IF
END WHILE
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Sorted Lists

BINARY

```
List = [3, 7, 9, 2, 5, 10]
search _____
high _____
low _____
mid _____
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WHILE (high _____) AND (search _____ List[mid]) DO
  IF search < _____ THEN
    high _____
  ELSE
    low _____
  END IF
  mid _____ (high - low) DIV 2
END WHILE
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Binary search is called
'divide and conquer'
because each time a
loop is executed, the list
size halves!



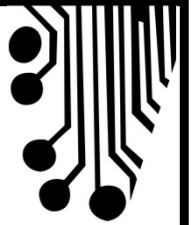


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Key Words	Notes
Linear Search	O_n
Binary Search	O_{n^2}
Order of Complexity (Big O)	
Comparing Algorithms	
Time & Memory Complexity	

Summary