

Recursive Linear Search self-referencing

Input: integers a_1, \dots, a_n
integer n
integer $i := 1$

Search (x)
integer x

} if ($a_i = x$)
return (i)

if ($i = n$)
return (0)

$i := i + 1$
search (a_{i+1}, x)

}

Questions:

Is it necessary to assume a strictly increasing sequence $a_1 < a_2 < a_3 < \dots < a_n < \dots$?

What happens if for some i, j
 $a_j < a_i$ but $i < j$?

What happens if for some i $a_i = a_{i+1} = a_{i+2}$?

Recursive self referencing Binary Search

Input: integers $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n, \dots$ in increasing
numerical order
integer n
integers $i:=1, j:=n$

binary-search (x)

integer x

{ integer m

$$m = \lfloor \frac{i+j}{2} \rfloor$$

if ($x = a_m$), return (m)

if ($x < a_m$ and $i < m$)

{ $j := m - 1$

binary-search (x)

if ($x > a_m$ and $j > m$)

{ $i := m + 1$

binary-search (x)

}

Questions

1. Run the algorithm with $a_1=1, a_2=3, a_4=6, a_5=8$
 $a_6=9, a_7=10, a_8=12$
2. Is it necessary to assume an increasing sequence $a_i < a_j$, for $i < j$?
example when for some i, j $i < j$ but $a_j < a_i$?
3. Does the algorithm work for $a_i = a_{i+1}$?

Recursive-upward (iterative) for Fibonacci

fibonacci (n)

integer n

{ integers z, x:=0, y:=1, i

if (n=0), return(0)

for (i:=1, to n-1)

{ z := x+y

x := y

y := z

i = i+1

} return(y)

Running for n=6

i=1 z=1

x=1

y=1

i=5 z=8

x=5

y=8

i=2 z=2

x=1

y=2

i=6 z=13

x=8

y=13

i=3 z=3

x=2

y=3

i=4 z=5

x=3

y=5