
Dichotomic search

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Write an efficient recursive function that returns the position of `x` in the subvector `v[@left@..@right@]`. The function must return `-1` if `x` does not belong to `v[@left@..@right@]` or if `@left@ > @right@`.

Precondition

The vector `v` is sorted in strictly increasing order. Moreover, we have $0 \leq @left@ \leq \text{size of } v$ and $-1 \leq @right@ < \text{size of } v$.

Interface

```
C++      int position (double x, const vector<double>& v, int left, int right );
C        int position (double x, double v[], int left , int right );
Java     public static int position (double x, double[] v, int left , int right );
Python   position (x, v, left , right ) # returns int
MyPy     position (x: float , v: list [float ], left : int, right : int) -> int
```

Observation

You only need to submit the required procedure; your main program will be ignored.

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