

- 2 Consider the following algorithm in Fig.2, expressed in pseudocode, as a function S:

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function S(A[0..N-1], value, low, high)

    if (high < low)
        return error_message
        mid = (low + high) / 2

    if (A[mid] > value)
        return S(A, value, low, mid-1)

    elseif (A[mid] < value)
        return S(A, value, mid+1, high)

    else
        return mid

endfunction

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Fig.2

- (a) State the name of the algorithm implemented in Fig.2.

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- (b) Describe the purpose of this algorithm.

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- (c) Parameters are passed to this function. Complete the following table to identify these parameters and the purpose of each.

Parameter name	Purpose

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- (d) (i) Describe what is meant by recursion.

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- (ii) Identify **one** example of where recursion occurs in this algorithm.

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- (e) Rewrite the algorithm in Fig.2 without using recursion.

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- (f) Explain how the algorithm in Fig.2 is an example of a divide and conquer approach.

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