

Fondamenti di Informatica - Compito A

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Exercise (6 points)

Write a recursive function in language C with the following interface

```
int Hindex(int C[], int n);
```

Function *Hindex* considers only the part of the array *C* between the indexes 0 and *n*, and returns the largest number *x* such that $C[x] \geq x$, assuming that the array *C* is sorted in **decreasing** order.

For example, if the array *C* contains:

14	13	10	8	5	3	2	1
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then *Hindex*(*C*, 6) returns 4; in fact $C[4] \geq 4$, while it is not true that $C[5] \geq 5$.

Afterwards, show how the following program (that invokes the function defined earlier) is executed, by showing the activation records.

```
int f(int C[], int *k, int n)
{
    int i=0;

    C[0]= *k;
    while (C[i]>0)
    {
        *k = *k/2;
        i++;
        C[i]= *k;
    }
    return Hindex(C,n);
}

main()
{
    int C[5], r, k=14, n=4;
    r=f(C,&k,n);
}
```

Solution

Code of the function:

```
int Hindex(int C[], int n)
{
    if (C[n] >= n)
        return n;
    else
        return Hindex(C, n-1);
}
```

