

# 034. Search for a Range

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- Binary Search+array

### Description

Given an array of integers sorted in ascending order, find the starting and ending position of a given target value.

Your algorithm's runtime complexity must be in the order of  $O(\log n)$ .

If the target is not found in the array, return `[-1, -1]`.

For example,

Given `[5, 7, 7, 8, 8, 10]` and target value `8`,  
return `[3, 4]`.

### 1. Thought line

### 2. Binary Search+array

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class Solution {
private:
    void binarySearchRange(vector<int>& nums, int target, int st, int ed, int& indexMin, int& indexMax){
        if (st>ed) return;
        if (target<nums[st] || target>nums[ed]) return;
        if (st==ed && nums[st]!=target) return;
        if (st==ed && nums[st] == target){
            if (indexMin == -1 && indexMax == -1)
                indexMin = indexMax = st;
            else{
                indexMin = st<indexMin?st:indexMin;
                indexMax = st>indexMax?st:indexMax;
            }
        }
        else{
            int mid = (st+ed)/2;
            binarySearchRange(nums, target, st, mid, indexMin, indexMax);
            binarySearchRange(nums, target, mid+1, ed, indexMin, indexMax);
        }
    }

public:
    vector<int> searchRange(vector<int>& nums, int target) {
        int indexMin = -1, indexMax = -1;
        binarySearchRange(nums, target, 0, nums.size()-1, indexMin, indexMax);
        return vector<int>{indexMin, indexMax};
    }
};
```

