

# 033. Search in Rotated Sorted Array

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- Binary Search+array

### Description

Suppose an array sorted in ascending order is rotated at some pivot unknown to you beforehand.

(i.e., `0 1 2 4 5 6 7` might become `4 5 6 7 0 1 2`).

You are given a target value to search. If found in the array return its index, otherwise return -1.

You may assume no duplicate exists in the array.

### 1. Thought line

1. Find pivot
2. Do binary search on left half;
3. Do binary search on right half;
4. Binary search processing

### 2. Binary Search+array

```
class Solution {
private:
    void binarySearch(vector<int>& nums, int target, int st, int ed, int& res){
        // finish process condition
        if (st>ed) return;
        if (target<nums[st]||target>nums[ed]) return;

        // no target
        if (st==ed && nums[st]!=target) return;

        // find target
        if (st==ed && nums[st]==target) res = st;

        // keep finding process
        else{
            // middle spot in array
            int mid = (st+ed)/2;
            if (target<=nums[mid])
                binarySearch(nums, target, st, mid, res);
            else
                binarySearch(nums, target, mid+1, ed, res);
        }
    }

public:
    int search(vector<int>& nums, int target) {
        int res = -1;
        int pivot = 0;
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};  
  
    if (nums.empty()) return -1;  
    // find pivot  
    for (int i = 1; !nums.empty() && i<=nums.size()-1; ++i){  
        if (nums[i-1]>nums[i]){  
            pivot = i;  
            break;  
        }  
    }  
    // process binary search on left half  
    binarySearch(nums, target, 0, pivot-1, res);  
    // process binary search on right half  
    binarySearch(nums, target, pivot, nums.size()-1, res);  
    return res;  
}
```