# 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.

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

```
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;
}
};
```