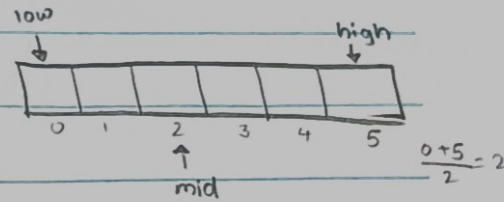


## VII Binary Search

- applicable only for <sup>unique</sup> sorted array
- Trimming down search space



# iterative

```
func(arr, n, target){
```

```
    low = 0; high = n-1;
```

```
    while (low <= high){
```

```
        mid = (low + high) / 2;
```

```
        if (arr[mid] == target) return mid;
```

```
        if (arr[mid] < target){
```

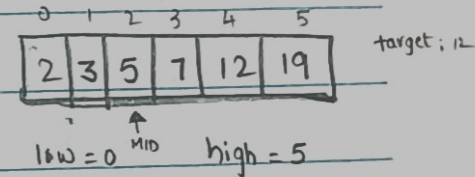
```
            low = mid + 1;
```

```
        } else { high = mid - 1; }
```

```
        return -1;
```

```
    }
```

answer  
will come  
as mid



while (0 <= 5)

mid =  $\frac{0+5}{2} = 2$   
arr[mid] = 5

$5 == 12$  X

$5 < 12$  ✓

low =  $2+1 = 3$

high = 5

again while (3 <= 5)

mid =  $\frac{3+5}{2} = 4$

arr[mid] = 12

$12 == 12$  give mid

HQ

# Recursive

```
func(arr, low, high, target) {
```

```
    if (low > high) {
```

```
        return -1;
```

```
    }
```

\*  $mid = low + \frac{(high - low)}{2}$

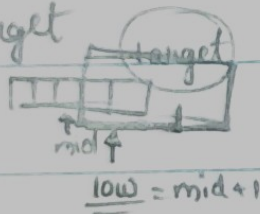
```
    mid = (low + high) / 2
```

```
    if (arr[mid] == target)
```

```
    { return mid; }
```

mid < target

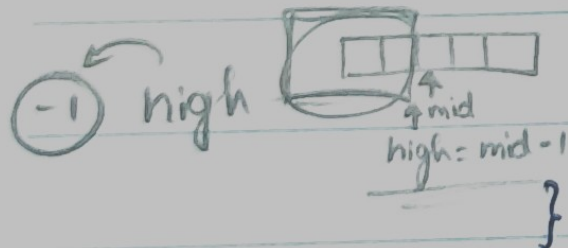
low → +1



```
    else if (arr[mid] < target) {
```

```
        return func(arr, mid + 1, high, target);
```

```
    }
```



```
        return func(arr, low, mid - 1, target);
```

```
    }
```

```
}
```

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Lower Bound: smallest index such that  $\boxed{\text{arr}[\text{index}] \geq x}$

Upper Bound: smallest index such that  $\boxed{\text{arr}[\text{index}] > x}$

```
bool found = binary_search(arr.begin(), arr.end(), target)
```

```
auto lb = lower_bound(arr.begin(), arr.end(), target);
```

```
auto ub = upper_bound(arr.begin(), arr.end(), target);
```

(lb)

```
if (arr[mid]  $\geq$  x)
```

```
    ans = mid;
```

```
    high = mid - 1;
```

```
else
```

```
    low = mid + 1;
```

(ub)

```
if (arr[mid] > x)
```

```
    ans = mid;
```

```
    high = mid - 1;
```

```
else
```

```
    low = mid + 1;
```