



153. Find Minimum in Rotated Sorted Array

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Hint

Suppose an array of length n sorted in ascending order is **rotated** between 1 and n times. For example, the array `nums = [0,1,2,4,5,6,7]` might become:

- `[4,5,6,7,0,1,2]` if it was rotated 4 times.
- `[0,1,2,4,5,6,7]` if it was rotated 7 times.

Notice that **rotating** an array `[a[0], a[1], a[2], ..., a[n-1]]` 1 time results in the array `[a[n-1], a[0], a[1], a[2], ..., a[n-2]]`.

Given the sorted rotated array `nums` of **unique** elements, return *the minimum element of this array*.

You must write an algorithm that runs in $O(\log n)$ time.

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [3,4,5,1,2]`

Output: 1

Explanation: The original array was `[1,2,3,4,5]` rotated 3 times.

Example 2:

Input: `nums = [4,5,6,7,0,1,2]`

Output: 0



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Example >

nums = [3, 4, 5, 2]

output: 1

Explanation > The original array was [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

rotated 3 times [1, 2, 3, 4, 5] rotation 1

[5, 1, 2, 3, 4] rotation 2 [4, 5, 1, 2, 3] rotation

3 [3, 4, 5, 1, 2]

Approach 1)

We can easily iterate over an array and track min element. But it will take $O(N)$ complexity. We need to solve it in time complexity $O(\log N)$.

Approach 2)

Because array is sorted array but rotated n times. We will iterate over an array until we get element $i+1$ less than i . It will be our answer. But in worst case if min elem is at last we will get the answer in $O(N)$ time complexity.

Approach 3)

Apply modified Binary search -
Find mid if value at mid is greater than
value at right then move left to
mid + 1. Else move right to mid.
After loop end when left is not
less than right return value at
left location.

```
public int findMin(int[] nums) {  
    int left = 0;  
    int right = nums.length - 1;
```

```
    while (left < right) {  
        int mid = left + (right - left) / 2;  
        if (nums[mid] > nums[right]) {  
            left = mid + 1;
```

```
        } else {  
            right = mid;  
        }  
    }
```

```
    return nums[left];  
}
```

```
}
```

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```
1  class Solution {  
2      public int findMin(int[] nums) {  
3          int left = 0;  
4          int right = nums.length - 1;  
5  
6          while (left < right) {  
7  
8              int mid = left + (right - left) / 2;  
9              if (nums[mid] > nums[right]) {  
10                 left = mid + 1;  
11             } else {  
12                 right = mid;  
13             }  
14         }  
15         return nums[left];  
16     }  
17 }  
18  
19 }
```


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Hint

Given an integer array `nums`, return all the triplets `[nums[i], nums[j], nums[k]]` such that `i != j`, `i != k`, and `j != k`, and `nums[i] + nums[j] + nums[k] == 0`.

Notice that the solution set must not contain duplicate triplets.

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [-1,0,1,2,-1,-4]`

Output: `[[-1,-1,2], [-1,0,1]]`

Explanation:

`nums[0] + nums[1] + nums[2] = (-1) + 0 + 1 = 0.`

`nums[1] + nums[2] + nums[4] = 0 + 1 + (-1) = 0.`

`nums[0] + nums[3] + nums[4] = (-1) + 2 + (-1) = 0.`

The distinct triplets are `[-1,0,1]` and `[-1,-1,2]`.

Notice that the order of the output and the order of the triplets does not matter.

Example 2:

Input: `nums = [0,1,1]`

Output: `[]`

Explanation: The only possible triplet does not sum up to 0.

Brute Force Approach-

$[-1, 0, 1, 2, -1, -4]$

$[-1, 0, 1, 2, -1, -4]$

Take two elem
and find third

$O(N^3)$ Time Complexity

Efficient Solution >

first sort an array

~~[-4, -1, -1, 0, 1, 2]~~

^{first}
 $[-4]$

$[-1, -1, 0, 1, 2]$

$[-4] + \text{No Value} = 0$

$[-1]$

$[-1, 0, 1, 2]$

$[-1] - 1 + 2 = 0$

$[-1] + 0 + 1 = 0$

$[-0]$

$[0, 1, 2]$

$[-0] + 0 + 1 = 0$

0

$[1, 2]$

X

so total three triplets

Time complexity = $O(N^2)$

```


1 import java.util.ArrayList;
2 import java.util.Arrays;
3 import java.util.List;
4
5 public class Solution {
6     public List<List<Integer>> threeSum(int[] nums) {
7         List<List<Integer>> result = new ArrayList<>();
8         if (nums == null || nums.length < 3) {
9             return result;
10        }
11
12        Arrays.sort(nums); // Step 1: Sort the array
13
14        for (int i = 0; i < nums.length - 1; i++) {
15            if (i > 0 && nums[i] == nums[i - 1]) {
16                // Skip duplicate values for the first element
17                continue;
18            }
19
20            int left = i + 1; // Initialize left pointer
21            int right = nums.length - 1; // Initialize right pointer
22
23            while (left < right) {
24                int sum = nums[i] + nums[left] + nums[right];
25
26                if (sum == 0) {
27                    // Found a triplet
28                    result.add(Arrays.asList(nums[i], nums[left], nums[right]));
29
30                    // Skip duplicate values for the second element
31                    while (left < right && nums[left] == nums[left + 1]) {
32                        left++;
33                    }
34
35                    // Skip duplicate values for the third element
36                    while (left < right && nums[right] == nums[right - 1]) {
37                        right--;
38                    }
39
40                    // Move both pointers
41                    left++;
42                    right--;
43                } else if (sum < 0) {
44                    left++;
45                } else {
46                    right--;
47                }
48            }
49        }
50
51        return result;
52    }
53 }

```


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