

704. Binary Search

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Given an array of integers `nums` which is sorted in ascending order, and an integer `target`, write a function to search `target` in `nums`. If `target` exists in `nums`, return the index of the target. If `target` does not exist in `nums`, return `-1`. You must write an algorithm with $O(\log n)$ runtime complexity.

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [-1,0,3,5,9,12]`, `target = 9`
Output: `4`
Explanation: 9 exists in `nums` and its index is 4

Example 2:

Input: `nums = [-1,0,3,5,9,12]`, `target = 2`
Output: `-1`
Explanation: 2 does not exist in `nums` so return `-1`

Constraints:

- `1 <= nums.length <= 10^4`
- `-10^4 < nums[i], target < 10^4`
- All the integers in `nums` are **unique**.
- `nums` is sorted in ascending order.

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