

# Problem 33: Search in Rotated Sorted Array

## Problem Information

Difficulty: **Medium**

Acceptance Rate: 0.00%

Paid Only: No

## Problem Description

There is an integer array

`nums`

sorted in ascending order (with

distinct

values).

Prior to being passed to your function,

`nums`

is

possibly left rotated

at an unknown index

`k`

(

$1 \leq k < \text{nums.length}$

) such that the resulting array is

`[nums[k], nums[k+1], ..., nums[n-1], nums[0], nums[1], ..., nums[k-1]]`

(

0-indexed

). For example,

`[0,1,2,4,5,6,7]`

might be left rotated by

3

indices and become

`[4,5,6,7,0,1,2]`

.

Given the array

`nums`

after

the possible rotation and an integer

`target`

, return

the index of

`target`

if it is in

nums

, or

-1

if it is not in

nums

.

You must write an algorithm with

$O(\log n)$

runtime complexity.

Example 1:

Input:

nums = [4,5,6,7,0,1,2], target = 0

Output:

4

Example 2:

Input:

nums = [4,5,6,7,0,1,2], target = 3

Output:

-1

Example 3:

Input:

nums = [1], target = 0

Output:

-1

Constraints:

$1 \leq \text{nums.length} \leq 5000$

-10

4

$\text{nums}[i] \leq 10$

4

All values of

nums

are

unique

.

nums

is an ascending array that is possibly rotated.

-10

4

<= target <= 10

4

## Code Snippets

### C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    int search(vector<int>& nums, int target) {  
  
    }  
};
```

### Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public int search(int[] nums, int target) {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def search(self, nums: List[int], target: int) -> int:
```

### Python:

```
class Solution(object):  
    def search(self, nums, target):  
        """  
        :type nums: List[int]  
        :type target: int  
        :rtype: int  
        """
```

### JavaScript:

```

/**
 * @param {number[]} nums
 * @param {number} target
 * @return {number}
 */
var search = function(nums, target) {

};

```

### TypeScript:

```

function search(nums: number[], target: number): number {

};

```

### C#:

```

public class Solution {
    public int Search(int[] nums, int target) {

    }
}

```

### C:

```

int search(int* nums, int numsSize, int target) {

}

```

### Go:

```

func search(nums []int, target int) int {

}

```

### Kotlin:

```

class Solution {
    fun search(nums: IntArray, target: Int): Int {

    }
}

```

### Swift:

```
class Solution {  
    func search(_ nums: [Int], _ target: Int) -> Int {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Rust:

```
impl Solution {  
    pub fn search(nums: Vec<i32>, target: i32) -> i32 {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Ruby:

```
# @param {Integer[]} nums  
# @param {Integer} target  
# @return {Integer}  
def search(nums, target)  
  
end
```

### PHP:

```
class Solution {  
  
    /**  
     * @param Integer[] $nums  
     * @param Integer $target  
     * @return Integer  
     */  
    function search($nums, $target) {  
  
    }  
}
```

### Dart:

```
class Solution {  
    int search(List<int> nums, int target) {
```

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}  
}
```

### Scala:

```
object Solution {  
  def search(nums: Array[Int], target: Int): Int = {  
  
  }  
}
```

### Elixir:

```
defmodule Solution do  
  @spec search(nums :: [integer], target :: integer) :: integer  
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### Erlang:

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(define/contract (search nums target)  
  (-> (listof exact-integer?) exact-integer? exact-integer?)  
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## Solutions

### C++ Solution:

```
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### Python3 Solution:

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class Solution:
    def search(self, nums: List[int], target: int) -> int:
        # TODO: Implement optimized solution
        pass
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