

704. Binary Search

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, then return its index. Otherwise, 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

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def search(self, nums: List[int], target: int) -> int:
    if nums[0]==target:
        return 0
    if nums[-1]==target:
        return len(nums)-1

    lo=0
    hi = len(nums)-1
    while lo<=hi:
        mid = (lo+hi)//2
        if nums[mid]==target:
            return mid
        elif nums[mid]>target:
            hi = mid-1
        else:
            lo = mid+1
    return -1
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