

45. Find First and Last Position of Element in Sorted Array

Given an array of integers `nums` sorted in non-decreasing order, find the starting and ending position of a given target value. If target is not found in the array, return `[-1, -1]`. You must write an algorithm with $O(\log n)$ runtime complexity.

Example 1: Input: `nums = [5,7,7,8,8,10]`, `target = 8` Output: `[3,4]`

Example 2: Input: `nums = [5,7,7,8,8,10]`, `target = 6` Output: `[-1,-1]`

AIM: To Find First and Last Position of Element in Sorted Array

PROGRAM:

```
def searchRange(nums, target):
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```
    def findLeft(nums, target):
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        left, right = 0, len(nums) - 1
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        while left <= right:
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            mid = (left + right) // 2
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            if nums[mid] < target:
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                left = mid + 1
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            else:
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                right = mid - 1
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```
        return left
```

```
    def findRight(nums, target):
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```
        left, right = 0, len(nums) - 1
```

```
        while left <= right:
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```
            mid = (left + right) // 2
```

```
            if nums[mid] <= target:
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                left = mid + 1
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```
            else:
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```
                right = mid - 1
```

```
        return right
```

```
left_index = findLeft(nums, target)
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```
right_index = findRight(nums, target)
```

```
if left_index <= right_index:  
    return [left_index, right_index]  
else:  
    return [-1, -1]
```

```
nums1 = [5, 7, 7, 8, 8, 10]
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```
target1 = 8
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```
print(searchRange(nums1, target1))
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```
[3, 4]
```

OUTPUT:

TIME COMPLEXITY: $O(\log n)$