

Question : 1752. Check if Array Is Sorted and Rotated

Given an array `nums`, return `true` *if the array was originally sorted in non-decreasing order, then rotated **some** number of positions (including zero)*. Otherwise, return `false`.

There may be **duplicates** in the original array.

Note: An array `A` rotated by `x` positions results in an array `B` of the same length such that $A[i] == B[(i+x) \% A.length]$, where `%` is the modulo operation.

Example 1:

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

Output: `true`

Explanation: `[1,2,3,4,5]` is the original sorted array.

You can rotate the array by `x = 3` positions to begin on the the element of value 3: `[3,4,5,1,2]`.

Example 2:

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

Output: `false`

Explanation: There is no sorted array once rotated that can make `nums`.

Example 3:

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

Output: `true`

Explanation: `[1,2,3]` is the original sorted array.

You can rotate the array by `x = 0` positions (i.e. no rotation) to make `nums`.

Link: <https://leetcode.com/problems/check-if-array-is-sorted-and-rotated/description/>

Explanation

Array

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

$(1 < 2 < 3 < 4 < 5)$

(And)

$(5 > 1)$

An array is sorted when the previous element is smaller than its forwarded element

And

when the last element is greater than its ~~first~~ first element

Now,

[See observations]

original : $[1, \leq 2, \leq 3, \leq 4, \leq 5]$

Rotate to right by $i++$; where $n=5$;

① $[5, \textcircled{>}, 1, \leq 2, \leq 3, \leq 4, \leq]$

② $[4, \leq 5, \textcircled{>}, 1, \leq 2, \leq 3, \leq]$

③ $[3, \leq 4, \leq 5, \textcircled{>}, 1, \leq 2, \leq]$

④ $[2, \leq 3, \leq 4, \leq 5, \textcircled{>}, 1, \leq]$

⑤ $[1, \leq 2, \leq 3, \leq 4, \leq 5, \textcircled{>}]$

Original one

Invalid X
⇒ [2, 1, 4, 3, 5]
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⇒ [4, 2, 1, 5, 3]

★ These are not produced by rotation of an array by n position.

Conclusion:

~~In a rotated~~

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* In a Rotated array, there will always be only one pair of elements where the previous element is greater

$$arr[n-1] > arr[n] \text{ (only one)}$$

Code:

To determine the array was originally sorted and then - rotated.

⇒ Run a loop from $(i=1; i < n; i++)$

⇒ Check for the condition

if $(arr[n-1] > arr[n]) \{$

 count++;
}

Special case

⇒ Check condition for the last and first element.

This is necessary because the loop does not compare them.

outside the loop.

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if (arr[n] > arr[0])
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    count++;  
}
```

⇒ if array contains all identical elements like $[1, 1, 1, 1]$, the count will never increment

So, this will not work at all

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[return count == 1;]
```

That is why we use this

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[return count <= 1;]
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class Solution {
    public boolean check(int[] nums) {

        int count = 0;
        int n = nums.length;

        for(int i = 1; i<n; i++){
            if(nums[i-1] > nums[i]){
                count++;
            }
        }

        if(nums[n-1] > nums[0]){
            count++;
        }

        return count<=1;
    }
}
```