

## Shortest Unsorted Continuous Subarray

Given an integer array, you need to find one **continuous subarray** that if you only sort this subarray in ascending order, then the whole array will be sorted in ascending order, too.

You need to find the **shortest** such subarray and output its length.

### Example 1:

**Input:** [2, 6, 4, 8, 10, 9, 15]

**Output:** 5

**Explanation:** You need to sort [6, 4, 8, 10, 9] in ascending order to make the whole array sorted in ascending order.

### Note:

1. Then length of the input array is in range [1, 10,000].
2. The input array may contain duplicates, so ascending order here means.

## Solution 1

I use the variables `beg` and `end` to keep track of minimum subarray `A[beg...end]` which must be sorted for the entire array `A` to be sorted. If `end < beg < 0` at the end of the `for` loop, then the array is already fully sorted.

```
public int findUnsortedSubarray(int[] A) {  
    int n = A.length, beg = -1, end = -2, min = A[n-1], max = A[0];  
    for (int i=1; i<n; i++) {  
        max = Math.max(max, A[i]);  
        min = Math.min(min, A[n-1-i]);  
        if (A[i] < max) end = i;  
        if (A[n-1-i] > min) beg = n-1-i;  
    }  
    return end - beg + 1;  
}
```

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## Solution 2

```
public class Solution {  
    public int findUnsortedSubarray(int[] nums) {  
        int n = nums.length;  
        int[] temp = new int[n];  
        for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) temp[i] = nums[i];  
        Arrays.sort(temp);  
  
        int start = 0;  
        while (start < n && nums[start] == temp[start]) start++;  
  
        int end = n - 1;  
        while (end > start && nums[end] == temp[end]) end--;  
  
        return end - start + 1;  
    }  
}
```

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## Solution 3

```
int findUnsortedSubarray(vector<int>& nums) {
    int shortest = 0;

    int left = 0, right = nums.size() - 1;
    while (left < nums.size() - 1 && nums[left] <= nums[left + 1]) { left++; }
    while (right > 0 && nums[right] >= nums[right - 1]) { right--; };

    if (right > left) {
        int vmin = INT_MAX, vmax = INT_MIN;
        for (int i = left; i <= right; ++i) {
            if (nums[i] > vmax) {
                vmax = nums[i];
            }
            if (nums[i] < vmin) {
                vmin = nums[i];
            }
        }

        while (left >= 0 && nums[left] > vmin) { left--; };
        while (right < nums.size() && nums[right] < vmax) { right++; };

        shortest = right - left - 1;
    }

    return shortest;
}
```

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