

## **287. Find the Duplicate Number**

- Given an array of integers `nums` containing  $n + 1$  integers where each integer is in the range  $[1, n]$  inclusive.
- There is only one repeated number in `nums`, return this repeated number.
- You must solve the problem without modifying the array `nums` and using only constant extra space.

### **Example 1:**

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

### **Example 2:**

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

### **Example 3:**

- **Input:** `nums = [3,3,3,3,3]`
- **Output:** 3

### **Constraints:**

- $1 \leq n \leq 10^5$
- `nums.length == n + 1`
- $1 \leq \text{nums}[i] \leq n$
- All the integers in `nums` appear only once except for precisely one integer which appears two or more times.

### **Follow up:**

- How can we prove that at least one duplicate number must exist in `nums`?
- Can you solve the problem in linear runtime complexity?