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Problem: Move Zeroes

Problem Statement: Given an integer array `nums`, move all 0s to the end of it while maintaining the relative order of the non-zero elements. Note that you must do this in-place without making a copy of the array.

Link to problem:

<https://leetcode.com/problems/move-zeroes/>

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [0,1,0,3,12]`

Output: `[1,3,12,0,0]`

Example 2:

Input: `nums = [0]`

Output: `[0]`

Solution:

```
class Solution {  
  
    public void moveZeroes(int[] nums) {  
        int nonZero = 0, zero = 0; // Initialize pointers for non-zero and zero elements  
  
        while(nonZero < nums.length) { // Iterate through the array  
  
            if(nums[nonZero] != 0) {  
                // Check if the current element is non-zero  
  
                // Swap non-zero element with the element at 'zero' index  
                int temp = nums[zero];  
                nums[zero] = nums[nonZero];  
                nums[nonZero] = temp;  
  
                zero++; // Move the zero pointer to the next position  
  
            }  
            nonZero++; // Move the non-zero pointer to the next position  
  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Explanation:

- We use two pointers: `nonZero` to traverse the array and `zero` to keep track of the position where the next non-zero element should be placed.
 - As we iterate through the array, when we find a non-zero element, we swap it with the element at the `zero` pointer.
 - After the swap, we increment the `zero` pointer to move to the next position for potential non-zero elements.
 - The `nonZero` pointer always moves forward, ensuring we check every element in the array.
 - This approach maintains the order of non-zero elements while moving all 0s to the end of the array.
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Time Complexity:

- $O(n)$, where n is the number of elements in the array. We traverse the array once.

Space Complexity:

- $O(1)$, as we are using only a few extra variables (`nonZero` and `zero`) for storage.
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