

Question 1

Given an integer array `nums` of length `n` and an integer `target`, find three integers in `nums` such that the sum is closest to the target. Return the sum of the three integers. You may assume that each input would have exactly one solution.

Example 1: Input: `nums = [-1,2,1,-4]`, `target = 1` Output: 2 Explanation: The sum that is closest to the target is 2. $(-1 + 2 + 1 = 2)$.

Soln:

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def find_close_triplet(arr, n, x, count, sum, ind, ans, minm):
    if ind == n:
        if count == 3:
            if abs(x - sum) < minm[0]:
                minm[0] = abs(x - sum)
                ans[0] = sum
        return

    # Pick this number
    find_close_triplet(arr, n, x, count + 1, sum + arr[ind], ind + 1, ans, minm)

    # Don't pick this number
    find_close_triplet(arr, n, x, count, sum, ind + 1, ans, minm)

# Driver's code
if __name__ == "__main__":
    # Input array
    arr = [-1, 2, 1, -4]
    x = 1
    n = len(arr)
    minm = [float('inf')]
    ans = [0]

    # Function Call
    find_close_triplet(arr, n, x, 0, 0, 0, ans, minm)
    print(ans[0])
```

Question 2:

Given an array `nums` of `n` integers, return an array of all the unique quadruplets `[nums[a], nums[b], nums[c], nums[d]]` such that: • $0 \leq a, b, c, d < n$ • `a, b, c, and d` are distinct. • `nums[a] + nums[b] + nums[c] + nums[d] == target` You may return the answer in any order.

Example 1: Input: `nums = [1,0,-1,0,-2,2]`, `target = 0` Output: `[[-2,-1,1,2],[-2,0,0,2],[-1,0,0,1]]`

Soln:

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def nextPermutation(nums):
    # Find the first pair of adjacent numbers in descending order
    i = len(nums) - 2
    while i >= 0 and nums[i] >= nums[i + 1]:
        i -= 1

    # If such pair exists, find the smallest number greater than the one at index i
    if i >= 0:
        j = len(nums) - 1
        while nums[j] <= nums[i]:
            j -= 1
        nums[i], nums[j] = nums[j], nums[i]

    # Reverse the subarray from i+1 to the end
    start = i + 1
    end = len(nums) - 1
    while start < end:
        nums[start], nums[end] = nums[end], nums[start]
        start += 1
        end -= 1
```

Question 4

Given a sorted array of distinct integers and a target value, return the index if the target is found. If not, return the index where it would be if it were inserted in order. You must write an algorithm with $O(\log n)$ runtime complexity. Example 1: Input: nums = [1,3,5,6], target = 5 Output: 2

Soln:

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

    while left <= right:
        mid = (left + right) // 2
        if nums[mid] == target:
            return mid
        elif nums[mid] < target:
            left = mid + 1
        else:
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right = mid - 1
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return left
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Question 5 You are given a large integer represented as an integer array `digits`, where each `digits[i]` is the *i*th digit of the integer. The digits are ordered from most significant to least significant in left-to-right order. The large integer does not contain any leading 0's.

Increment the large integer by one and return the resulting array of digits.

Example 1: Input: `digits = [1,2,3]` Output: `[1,2,4]`

Explanation: The array represents the integer 123. Incrementing by one gives $123 + 1 = 124$. Thus, the result should be `[1,2,4]`.

Soln:

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def plusOne(digits):
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    n = len(digits)
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    carry = 1
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    for i in range(n - 1, -1, -1):
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        digits[i] += carry
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        carry = digits[i] // 10
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        digits[i] %= 10
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    if carry:
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        digits.insert(0, carry)
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    return digits
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Question 6

Given a non-empty array of integers `nums`, every element appears twice except for one. Find that single one. You must implement a solution with a linear runtime complexity and use only constant extra space.

Example 1: Input: `nums = [2,2,1]` Output: 1

Soln:

```
def singleNumber(nums):
    result = 0
    for num in nums:
        result ^= num
    return result
```

Question 7

You are given an inclusive range `[lower, upper]` and a sorted unique integer array `nums`, where all elements are within the inclusive range. A number `x` is considered missing if `x` is in the range `[lower, upper]` and `x` is not in `nums`. Return the shortest sorted list of ranges that exactly covers all the missing numbers. That is, no element of `nums` is included in any of the ranges, and each missing number is covered by one of the ranges.

Example 1: Input: `nums = [0,1,3,50,75]`, `lower = 0`, `upper = 99` Output:

`[[2,2],[4,49],[51,74],[76,99]]`

Explanation: The ranges are: `[2,2]` `[4,49]` `[51,74]` `[76,99]`

Soln:

```
def findMissingRanges(nums, lower, upper):
    result = []
    start = lower

    for num in nums:
        if num > start:
            result.append(getRange(start, num - 1))
            start = num + 1

    if start <= upper:
        result.append(getRange(start, upper))

    return result
```

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def getRange(start, end):  
    if start == end:  
        return str(start)  
    else:  
        return str(start) + "->" + str(end)
```

Question 8

Given an array of meeting time intervals where intervals[i] = [starti, endi], determine if a person could attend all meetings.

Example 1: Input: intervals = [[0,30],[5,10],[15,20]] Output: false

Soln:

```
def canAttendMeetings(intervals):  
    # Sort the intervals by the start time  
    intervals.sort(key=lambda x: x[0])  
  
    # Check for overlapping meetings  
    for i in range(1, len(intervals)):  
        if intervals[i][0] < intervals[i-1][1]:  
            return False  
  
    return True
```