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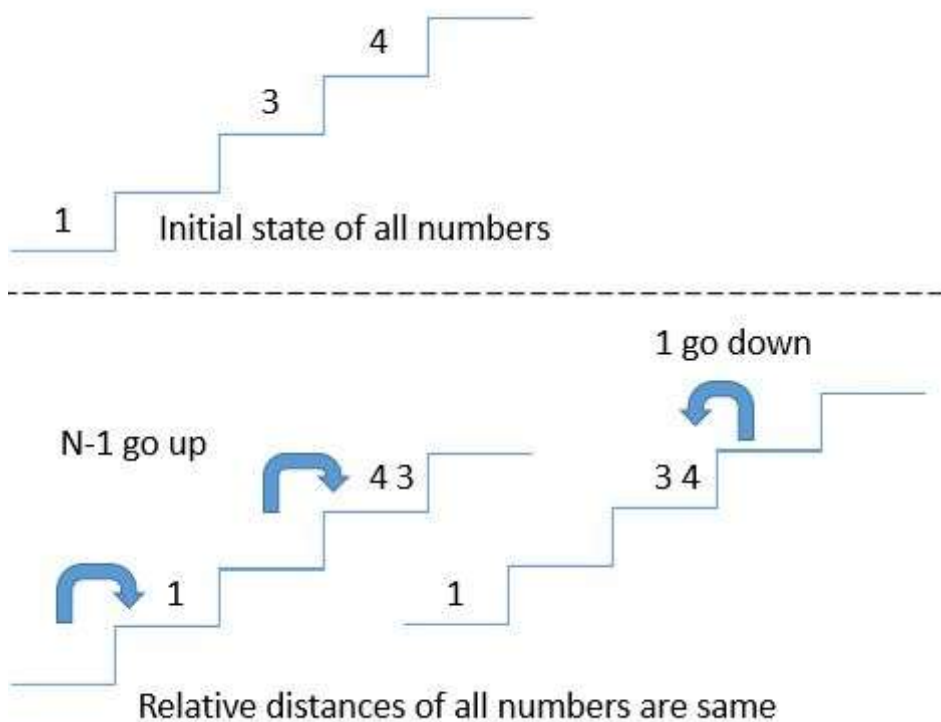
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A more natural way to think about this question:

there is a staircase on which every numbers in array stand with corresponding step. '1' is on the 1st step and

A single move makes n-1 numbers step up, while on the other hand, we can also think a move as the remainder. The relative distance between the numbers are same.



Our goal is to make all numbers on the same step.

Rather than move n-1 numbers up every time, why not just move one number down?

so the problem is simple:

1. find the min
2. move other numbers down to min.

number of moves = $\text{nums}[0] - \text{min} + \text{nums}[1] - \text{min} + \dots + \text{nums}[n] - \text{min} = \text{sum} - n * \text{min}$

just another way to think of the magic equation.

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this explanation is super clear for me tks!!!

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@codexter007 en for the late reply, if the description is decrease n-1 elements by 1, answer is reverse