

The length of the array is **n**. So, the sum of all $n+1$ elements i.e. sum of numbers from **1** to **$n+1$** can be calculated using the formula **$n+1*(n+2)/2$** . Now find the sum of all the elements in the array and subtract it from the sum of the first $n+1$ natural numbers, it will give us the value of the missing element.

Brute Force:

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int MissingNumber(vector<int> &array, int n) // My approach: O(nlogn)
{
    sort(array.begin(), array.end()); // nlog(n)
    int count = 0;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) // O(N)
    {
        count++;
        if (array[i] != count)
            return count;
    }
}
```

Optimized: Time complexity: $O(n)$; Space complexity: $O(1)$

```
int sumTotal = (n+1)*(n+2)/2;
for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
{
    sumTotal = sumTotal - array[i];
}
return sumTotal;
```