

Arrays 3: Interview

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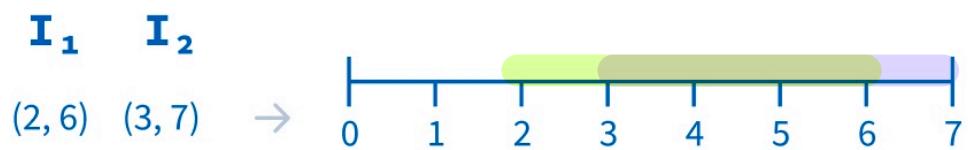




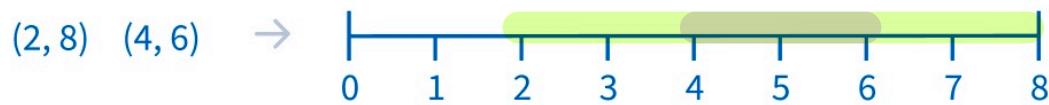
Merge Overlapping Intervals

Ans

(2, 7)



(2, 8)



(3, 10)



(3, 10)



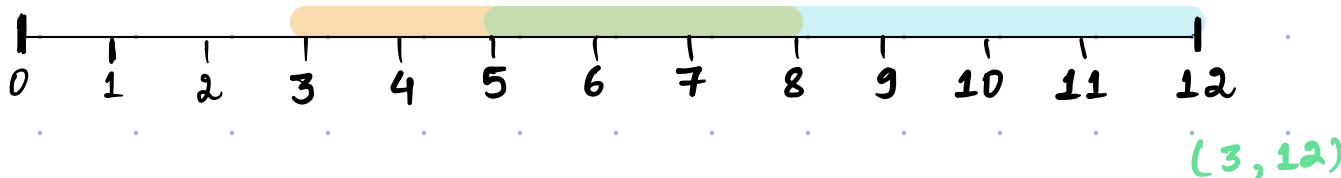
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No overlap



Quiz 1 :

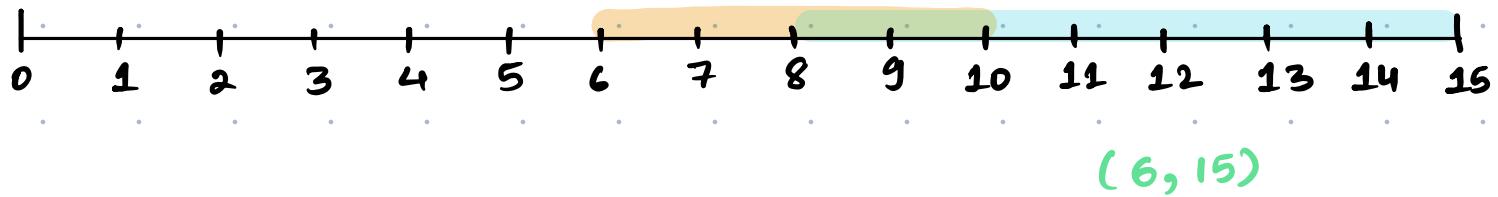
 $(3, 8) \quad (5, 12)$ 

(3, 12)

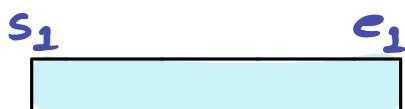


Quiz 2 :

(6,10) (8,15)

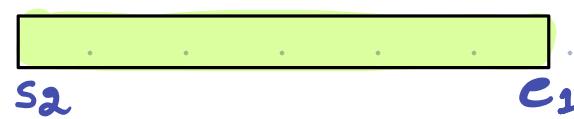
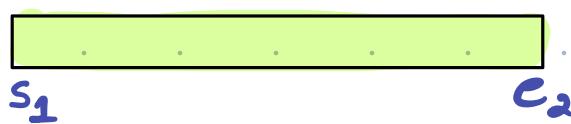
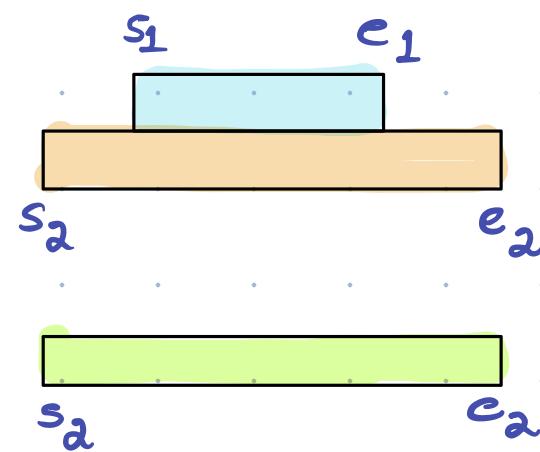
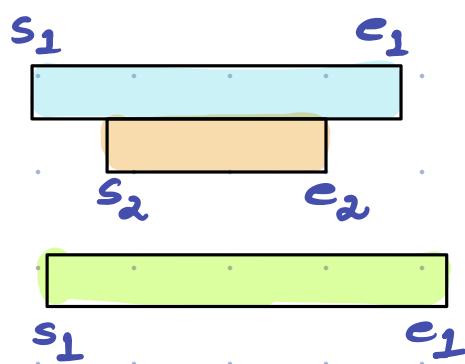
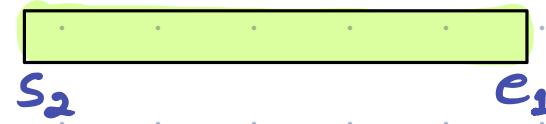
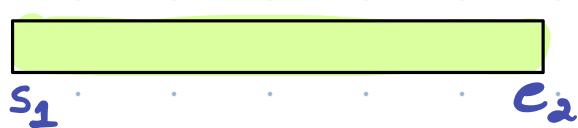
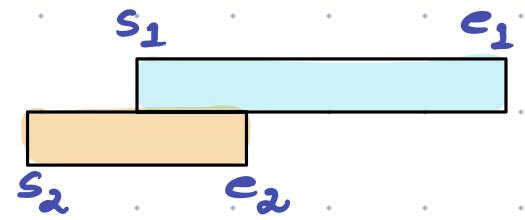
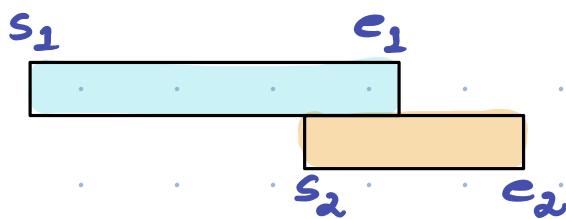


(6, 15)

NON-OVERLAPPING INTERVALS $s_2 > e_1$

or

 $s_1 > e_2$

OVERLAPING INTERVALS

Starting pt of merged interval : $\min(s_1, s_2)$

Ending pt of merged interval : $\max(e_1, e_2)$

Overlapping interval : $[\min(s_1, s_2), \max(e_1, e_2)]$

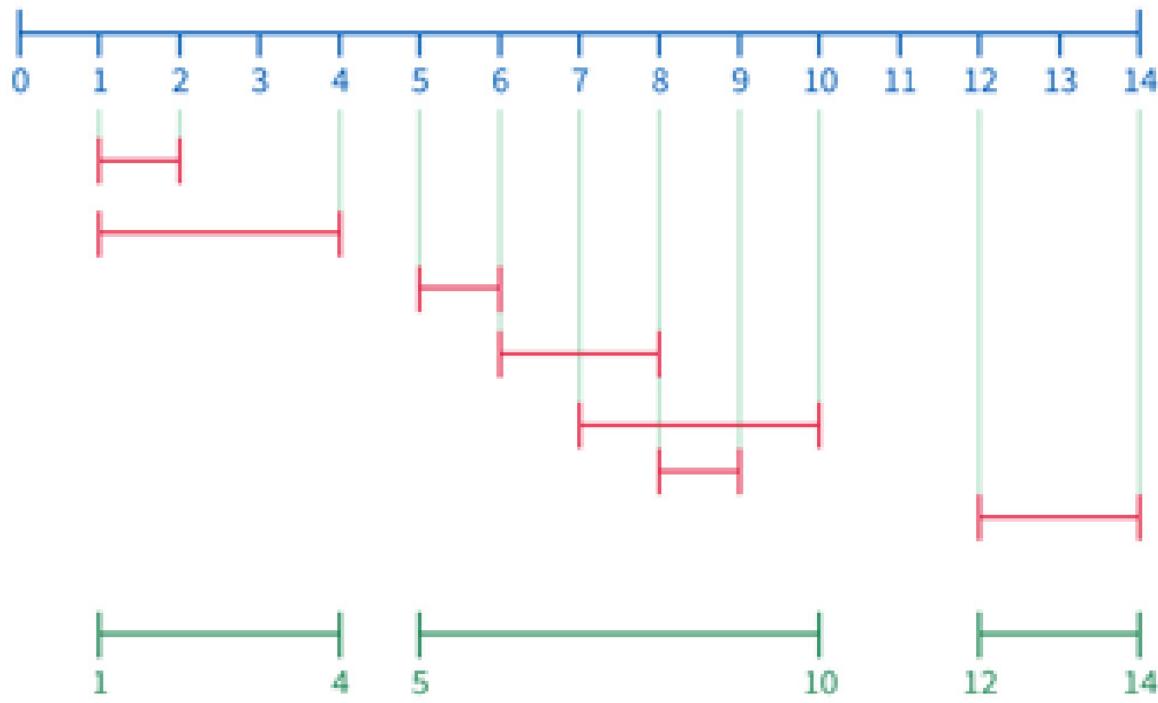
 Question

Given a sorted list of overlapping intervals,
sorted based on start-time. Merge all
overlapping intervals & return the sorted list
of non-overlapping intervals.

[$1 \leq N \leq 10^4$]

Intervals:

1	2
1	4
5	6
6	8
7	10
8	9
12	14



Merge Sorted Overlapping Intervals

1	2
1	4
5	6
6	8
7	10
8	9
12	14

Interval 1	Interval 2	Overlapping?	Merged Interval	Ans
[1, 2]	[1, 4]	✓	[1, 4]	
[1, 4]	[5, 6]	✗		[1, 4]
[5, 6]	[6, 8]	✓	[5, 8]	
[5, 8]	[7, 10]	✓	[5, 10]	
[5, 10]	[8, 9]	✓	[5, 10]	
[5, 10]	[12, 14]	✗		[5, 10]
[12, 14]	—			[12, 14]

O/P : [[1,4] [5,10] [12,14]]

Quiz 3 :

Given a sorted list of overlapping intervals, sorted based on start time, merge all overlapping intervals and return sorted list.

Input:

Interval[] = { (1,10), (2, 3), (4, 5), (9, 12) }

Interval 1	Interval 2	Overlapping?	Merged Interval	Ans
[1, 10]	[2, 3]	✓	[1, 10]	
[1, 10]	[4, 5]	✓	[1, 10]	
[1, 10]	[9, 12]	✓	[1, 12]	
[1, 12]	—			[1, 12]

O/P : [1,12]



Merge Sorted Overlapping Intervals

Code :

```
int start_1 = arr[0][0];
int end_1 = arr[0][1];

for(i=1; i<N; i++){
    int start_2 = arr[i][0];
    int end_2 = arr[i][1];
    if(end_1 > start_2){ //overlapping
        start_1 = min(start_1, start_2);
        end_1 = max(end_1, end_2);
    }
    else{ // Non-overlapping
        ans.insert({start_1, end_1});
        start_1 = start_2;
        end_1 = end_2;
    }
}
// Insert last interval
ans.insert({start_1, end_1});
return ans;
```

T.C : O(N)
S.C : O(1)



Merge Intervals II

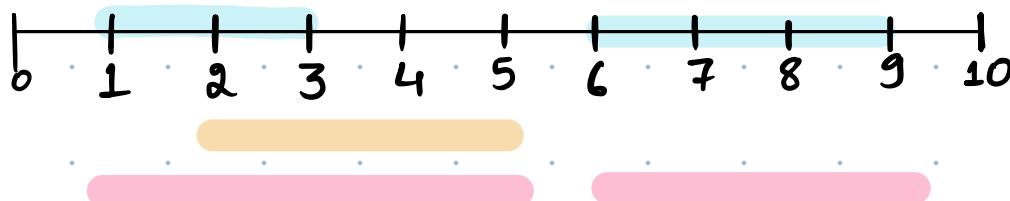
Question

Given N non-overlapping intervals sorted based on start time. Given a new Interval. Merge this with existing intervals if possible & return final non-overlapping interval.



Intervals = $[[1, 3], [6, 9]]$

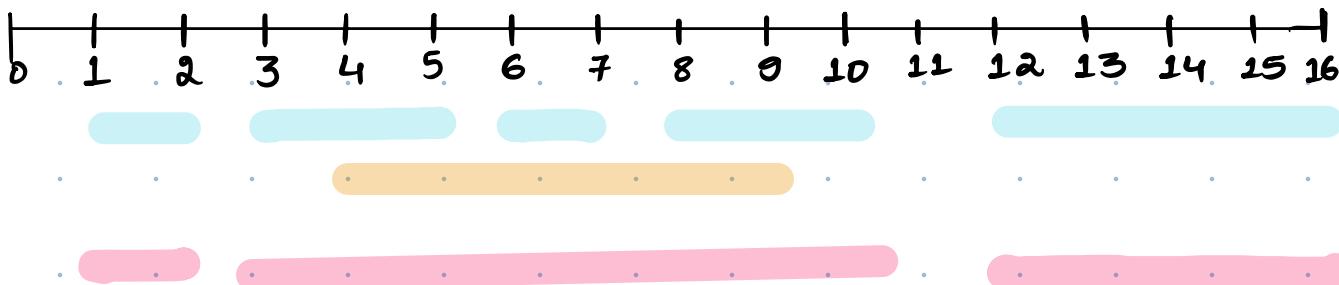
newInterval = $[2, 5]$



O/p : $[[1, 5], [6, 9]]$

Intervals = $[[1, 2], [3, 5], [6, 7], [8, 10], [12, 16]]$

newInterval = $[4, 9]$



O/p : $[[1, 2], [3, 10], [12, 16]]$

Merge Intervals II

Example :

	New Interval	Overlapping?	Ans
(1, 3)		X	(1, 3)
(4, 7)		X	(4, 7)
(10, 14)	(10, 22) → (10, 22)	✓	
(16, 19)	(10, 22) → (10, 22)	✓	
(21, 24)	(10, 22) → (10, 24)	✓	
(27, 30)	(10, 24)	X	(10, 24)
(32, 35)			(27, 30)
			(32, 35)

ans : [[1, 3] [4, 7] [10, 24] [27, 30] [32, 35]]

Quiz :4

If the sorted set of ~~non-overlapping~~ intervals is [1, 5], [6, 10], and [9, 12], what happens if you add the interval '[4, 7]' such that the final list of intervals is also sorted and non-overlapping.?

	New Interval	Overlapping?	Ans
(1, 5)	(4, 7) → (1, 7)	✓	
(6, 10)	(1, 7) → (1, 10)	✓	
(9, 12)	(1, 10) → (1, 12)	✓	
	(1, 12)		(1, 12)

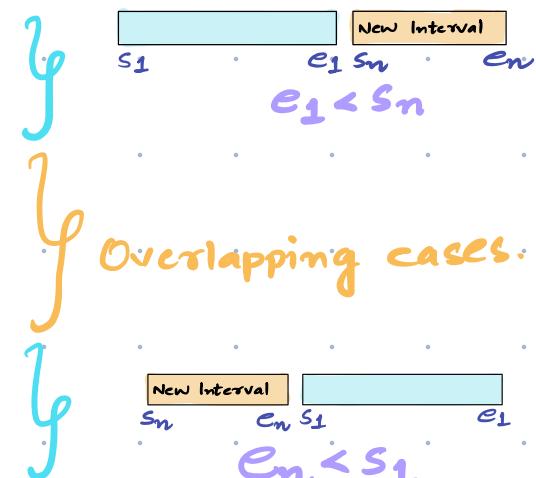
O/p : [1, 12]



Merge Intervals II

Approach :

	New Interval	Overlapping?	Ans
(1, 3)		✗	(1, 3)
(4, 7)		✗	(4, 7)
(10, 14)	(10, 22) → (10, 22)	✓	
(16, 19)	(10, 22) → (10, 22)	✓	
(21, 24)	(10, 22) → (10, 24)	✓	
(27, 30)	(10, 24)	✗	(10, 24)
(32, 35)			(27, 30) (32, 35)



Case I :



Insert my current interval in ans

Case II :



- First insert new interval in ans
- Insert all remaining intervals in ans.
- Return ans.

Case III : Overlapping Intervals.

- Updating new interval as merged interval.

Code :

```

    // New interval
    sn, en ;

for (i=0 ; i < N ; i++) {
    s = arr[i][0];
    e = arr[i][1];
    if (e < sn) {           // Non overlapping Case I
        ans.insert ({s, e});
    }
    else if (en < s) {       // Non overlapping Case II
        ans.insert ({sn, enn = min(sn, s);
    en = max(en, e);
}
ans.insert ({sn, en

```

T.C : O(N)
S.C : O(1)



Given an unsorted array of integers, find first missing natural number.

Question

[1 . . . N]



Example 1:

arr[5] → [3, -1, 1, 2, 7] ans : 4

Example 2:

arr[7] → [9, 2, 6, 4, -8, 1, 3] ans : 5

Example 3:

arr[6] → [1, 0, -5, -6, 4, 2] ans : 3

Example 4:

arr[6] → [1, 2, 5, 6, 4, 3] ans : 7

Example 5:

arr[4] → [1, 2, 3, 4] ans : 5

Quiz : 5

In the array [5, 3, 1, -1, -2, -4, 7, 2], what is the first missing natural number?

ans : 4

Brute force approach

check for all no from 1 till we get ans.

val

1

check if 1 is present

0 → n

2

check if 2 is present

0 → n

3

check if 3 is present

0 → n

!

!

!

n

check if n is present

0 → nT.C : O(N^2)

S.C : O(1)

Idea -2 :

Sort the array.

-3	-7	1	10	3	8	2
----	----	---	----	---	---	---

[-7 -3 1 2 3 8 10]

val : 2 & 3 & 4

ans : 4

T.C : O($N \log N$)

S.C : O(1)

Optimised approach :

Observation

Range of Ans : $[1 \dots N+1]$

If array elements from $[1 \dots n]$ are present
ans : $(N+1)$

If any no other than $[1 \dots n]$ is present in
array then missing no is out of 1 to N.

N : size of array

- Iterate & mark presence of no $\underbrace{[1 \dots N]}$.
Area of Interest
(-) or No $> N$
Ignore
- Iterate again & check for missing no.

How to mark the presence of numbers from $[1 \dots N]$?

Given N elements, find first missing +ve number

No's in array : [1 ... N]

Array Indices : [0 ... N-1]

1 → 0th index

2 → 1st index

3 → 2nd index

1

⋮

N → (N-1)th index

i → (i-1)th index

Use indices to mark presence.

- In 1st iteration bring elements to their correct position. $i \rightarrow (i-1)^{\text{th}}$ index
- Iterate again & check which index doesn't have correct value.
 $A[i] \neq (i+1) \rightarrow \text{ans} : (i+1)$
- If we have reached end of array that means no from [1 ... N] are present in my array.
ans : N+1

Example : 1

$N = 8$

 $[1 \dots 8]$

i

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
5	3	1	-1	-2	-4	5	2
-2 1	2 -2 2	3		5			-2
✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
4	2 0	2		4		4	1
✗	✗	✓		✓			✗

Is no in range of $[1 \dots 8]$

Correct index

Is no equal to value at correct index:

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	2	3	-1	5	-4	5	-2

 i^{th} index $\rightarrow (i+1)$

ans : $(i+1) = 4$



Example : 2

$$N = 7$$

 $[1 \dots 7]$

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
-5	-4	1	10	7	8	2
1	2	-5 3		-3		-7
X	X	✓ X	X	✓ X	X	✓ X
Correct index		0		2		1
Is no equal to value at correct index.			X			

0	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	3	10	-3	8	-7

ans: 4

Approach :

Is no at index 'i' in range of [1....N]

No

Ignore & move ahead

Yes

Is value at index i
equal to value at its
correct index ?

yes

Ignore & move
ahead

NO

Swap
and bring
value to
its correct
index

Keep on doing
this till you
get a correct
value for
current index
or no is
irrelevant
for us.

Code :

```
int n = arr.size();
```

```
int i=0;
```

```
while(i < n) {
```

```
    if (A[i] >= 1 && A[i] <= N && A[i] != A[A[i]-1]) {
```

In Range

Not Equal to value at
correct index

```
        swap(A[i], A[A[i]-1]);
```

```
    } else {
```

```
        i++;
```

```
}
```

```
}
```

```
for(i=0 ; i < n ; i++) {
```

```
    if (A[i] != i+1)
```

```
        return (i+1);
```

```
}
```

```
return (n+1);
```

T.C: O(N)
S.C: O(1)