Formula:

$$\sum_{1}^{n} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

Here are the steps to find the missing number.

- 1. Find the sum of elements of all the numbers in the array. Let's call it sum. This would require a linear scan, O(n).
- 2. Then find the expected sum of the first n numbers using the formula: $\frac{(n(n+1))}{2}$. Let's call it total.
- 3. The difference between total and sum is the missing number in the array.

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Given an array nums containing n distinct numbers in the range [0, n], return the only number in the range that is missing from the array.

Example 1:

Input: nums = [3,0,1]

Output: 2

Explanation: n = 3 since there are 3 numbers, so all numbers are in the range [0,3]. 2 is the missing number in the range since it does not appear in nums.

Example 2:

Input: nums = [0,1]

Output: 2

Explanation: n = 2 since there are 2 numbers, so all numbers are in the range [0,2]. 2 is the missing number in the range since it does not appear in nums.

Example 3:

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Input: nums = [9,6,4,2,3,5,7,0,1]
Output: 8
Explanation: n = 9 since there are 9 numbers, so all
numbers are in the range [0,9]. 8 is the missing number
in the range since it does not appear in nums.
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def getMissingNumber(x):
  print(f"Array \t: {x}")
  length=len(x)
  print("length of array:", length)
  n=length+1
  print("length+1:", n)
  total=(length*n)//2
  #total=(n*(n+1))//2
  print(f"Formula[n*((n+1)/2]:{total}")
  s=sum(x)
  print(f"Sum of length: {s}")
  print(f"Difference is [total - sum]: {total -s}")
  return total -s
#a=[9,6,4,2,3,5,7,0,1]
#a=[0,1]
a=[3,0,1]
print(f"Missing number is \t: {getMissingNumber(a)}")
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