

# Day 16: Sorting!

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*Sorting* is an important basic algorithmic concept used to organize data so coders can better solve problems. You may find our [interactive article](#) on widely-used sorting algorithms and [this article](#) on *Insertion Sort* helpful in solving today's problem.

The *absolute difference* between two integers,  $a$  and  $b$ , is  $|a - b|$ . The *minimum absolute difference* between two integers in a list  $A$  of positive integers, is the smallest absolute difference between any two integers in  $A$ .

Given a list  $A = \{a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{N-1}\}$  of unsorted integers, find and print the pair (or pairs) of elements having the *minimum absolute difference*.

*Note:* More than one pair of elements may have the same absolute difference.

## Input Format

The first line contains a single integer  $N$ , denoting the *length* of list  $A$ .  
The second line contains  $N$  space-separated integers,  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{N-1}$ , representing the elements in  $A$ .

## Constraints

- $2 \leq N \leq 2 \times 10^5$
- $-10^7 \leq A_i \leq 10^7$
- $A_i \neq A_j$ , where  $0 \leq i < j \leq N-1$

## Output Format

Print the space-separated *pair* of elements having the *minimum absolute difference* in ascending order. If more than one pair meets this criterion, print them consecutively, separated by a space, in ascending order on a single line. Because we are printing space-separated *pairs*, some elements may appear more than once in your output.

## Sample Input 1

```
10
-20 -3916237 -357920 -3620601 7374819 -7330761 30 6246457 -6461594 266854
```

## Sample Output 1

```
-20 30
```

## Explanation

The *minimum absolute difference* is  $50$  ( $ABS(30 - (-20)) = 50$ ). The only pair having this difference is  $(-20, 30)$ .

## Sample Input 2

```
12
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```
-20 -3916237 -357920 -3620601 7374819 -7330761 30 6246457 -6461594 266854 -520 -470
```

## Sample Output 2

```
-520 -470 -20 30
```

## Explanation

Our *minimum absolute difference* is \$50\$. The pairs  $(-470, -520)$  and  $(-20, 30)$  both have this difference.

## Sample Input 3

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4
5 4 3 2
```

## Sample Output 3

```
2 3 3 4 4 5
```

## Explanation

Our *minimum absolute difference* is \$1\$. The pairs  $(2, 3)$ ,  $(3, 4)$ , and  $(4, 5)$  all have this difference. Notice that \$3\$ and \$4\$ appear multiple times, because they are components of more than one pair.

*Note:* Recall that pairs in the output must be printed in ascending order.