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## Binary Search:

Arithmetic Progression as first and last index  $\frac{last - first}{n - 1}$  delete not possible  
if,  $\frac{last - first}{n - 1}$  is not actual difference  
then  $\frac{last - first}{n - 1}$  is not possible.

binary search idea is, middle element for (mid), compare element with then element is right & search more  
more left &

compare with,  $arr[mid] = arr[0] + mid * \frac{arr[n-1] - arr[0]}{n-1}$

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class Solution {
public:
    int missingNumber(vector<int> &arr) {
        int n = arr.size();

        // Get the difference 'difference'.
        int difference = (arr.back() - arr.front()) / n;
        int lo = 0;
        int hi = n - 1;

        // Basic binary search template.
        while (lo < hi) {
            int mid = (lo + hi) / 2;

            // All numbers upto 'mid' have no missing number, so search
            on the right side.
            if (arr[mid] == arr.front() + mid * difference) {
                lo = mid + 1;
            }

            // A number is missing before 'mid' inclusive of 'mid'
            itself.
            else {
                hi = mid;
            }
        }

        // Index 'lo' will be the position with the first incorrect
        number.
        // Return the value that was supposed to be at this index.
        return arr.front() + difference * lo;
    }
};
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