

# Find the repeating and missing number

## Problem Statement

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You are given an array of size 'N'. The elements of the array are in the range from 1 to 'N'.

Ideally, the array should contain elements from 1 to 'N'. But due to some miscalculations, there is a number R in the range [1, N] which appears in the array twice and another number M in the range [1, N] which is missing from the array. Your task is to find the missing number (M) and the repeating number (R).

For Example:

Consider an array of size six. The elements of the array are { 6, 4, 3, 5, 5, 1 }.

The array should contain elements from one to six. Here, 2 is not present and 5 is occurring twice. Thus, 2 is the missing number (M) and 5 is the repeating number (R).

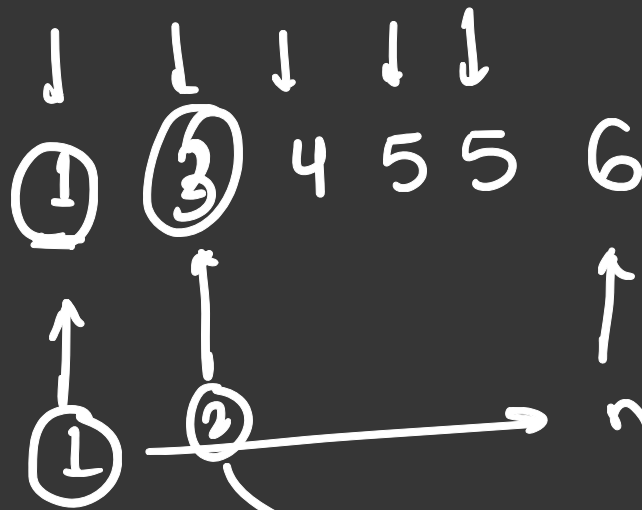
0 1 2 3 4 5  
{ 6, 4, 3, 5, 5, 1 } 2      6 { 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 }

↑    ↑

5, 2

Brute force.

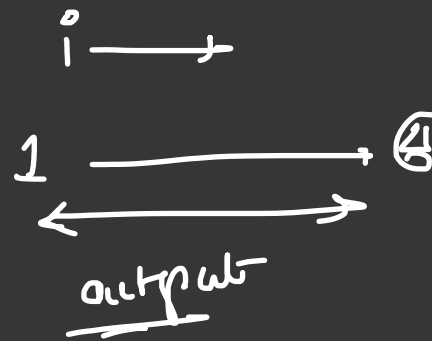
sort :



Find repeating  
5

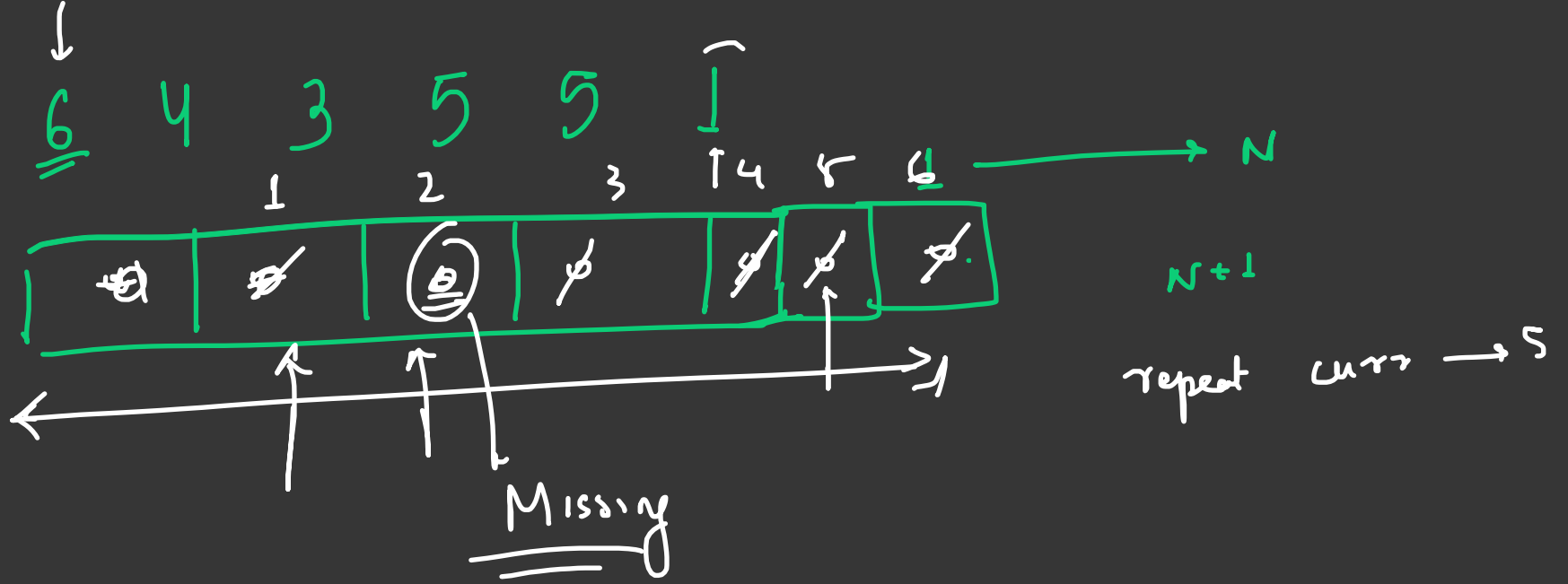
T.C.:  $O(N \log N) + O(N) + O(N)$

map



T.C.  $O(N) + O(N)$   
S.L.  $\sim O(N)$

Better



Optimal Solution:

(Marks)

{ 6, 3, 4, 5, 5, 1 }

→

{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 }

Thik  
Karna  
hai  
↓  
unsolved array

↓  
yeh  
Thik  
hai  
↓  
Perfect array

$$\cancel{6} + \cancel{3} + \cancel{4} + \cancel{5} + \cancel{5} + \cancel{1} - (\cancel{1} + \cancel{2} + \cancel{3} + \cancel{4} + \cancel{5} + \cancel{6})$$

$$\textcircled{5} - \textcircled{2}^2 = \textcircled{3}$$
$$24 - 21 = \textcircled{\underline{3}}$$

Assuming  
x = repeating  
y = missing

$$\boxed{x - y = 3} \rightarrow (1) \quad S_1 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$S_2 - S_{n2}$$

$$\left( \cancel{6^2} + \cancel{3^2} + \cancel{1^2} + \cancel{5^2} + \cancel{5^2} + \cancel{1^2} \right) - \left( \cancel{1^2} + \cancel{2^2} + \cancel{3^2} + \cancel{4^2} + \cancel{5^2} + \cancel{6^2} \right)$$

$$5^2 - 4^2 = 25 - 16 = 9$$

$$\leftarrow x^2 - y^2 = 24$$

$$(x - y)(x + y) = 24$$

$$x + y = \frac{24}{(x - y)} = \frac{24}{3} = \cancel{8} 7$$

$$\boxed{x + y = \cancel{8} 7} \quad (2)$$

$$x - y = 3$$

$$x + y = 7$$

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$$2x = 7 + 3$$

$$x = \frac{7+3}{2} = \frac{10}{2} = \underline{\underline{5}}$$

$$x + y = \text{val}$$

$$\boxed{y = \text{val} - x} = 7 - x$$

$$= 7 - 5 = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 5 \\ y &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

any

$$\begin{aligned} \text{T.C} &= O(1) \\ \text{S.C.} &= O(1) \end{aligned}$$

# Optimal Solution Using XOR:

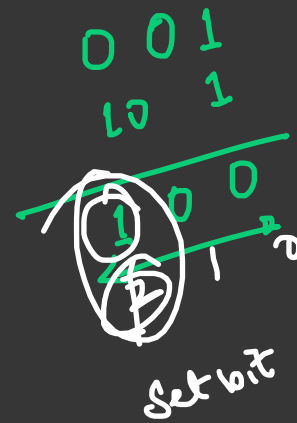
$$\{ \cancel{1}, \cancel{2}, \cancel{6}, \cancel{7}, \cancel{1} \} \wedge \{ \cancel{1}, \cancel{2}, \cancel{3}, \cancel{4}, \cancel{5}, \cancel{6} \}$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} 1 & 5 \\ \uparrow & \uparrow \\ x & y \end{array} = 4$$

$$1 \wedge 5 = 4$$

$$\begin{array}{cc} x & y \\ \swarrow & \searrow \\ \text{sep} & \text{mixing} \end{array} = 4$$

bit No = 2  
↓  
2 bit set



XOR

Same  $\wedge$  Same = 0

1  $\wedge$  1 = 0

0  $\wedge$  0 = 0

1  $\wedge$  0 = 1

0  $\wedge$  1 = 1

001  
101  
-----  
100

In XOR

Same  $\wedge$  Same

$$1 \wedge 1 = 0$$

$$1 \wedge 1 \wedge 1 = 1$$

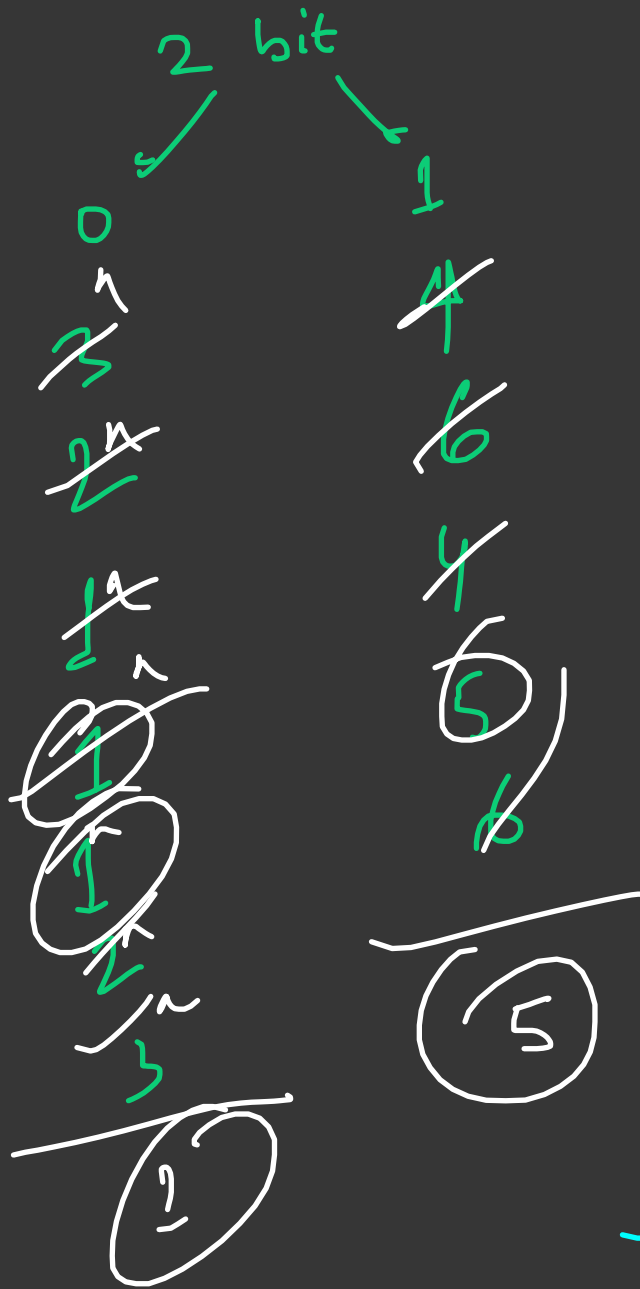
$$\begin{array}{ccc} 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \times 101 \\ 001 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 601 \\ 100 \end{array}$$

{ 4, 3, 6, 2, 1, 1 }  
 $\uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow \uparrow$

{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 }

100  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} 1 \wedge 1 = 0 \text{ (even)} \\ 1 \wedge 1 \wedge 1 = 1 \end{array} \right.$



100 111  
 110

1, 5



for ( i = 0  $\xrightarrow{1}$  n )

val

count 1

{ 1, 5 }

{ 5, 1 }

2's

$\rightarrow$  100

$\begin{array}{r} 101 \\ 011 \\ \hline 101 \end{array}$

$n(5-1)$

111  
100

$\begin{array}{r} n4 \\ (-4) \\ 2 \end{array}$

2's 5

1

5  $\rightarrow$  101

$n5 + 1$

$-4 = \underline{011}$

$\begin{array}{r} 010 \\ +1 \\ \hline 011 \end{array}$

max(n)

$\begin{array}{r} 101 \\ 011 \\ \hline 001 \end{array}$

## XOR Step

- XOR all the element in the array and  $1 \rightarrow n$
- Step Find the bit No at position of the rightmost set bit of the no
- Segregate the element in array and  $1 \rightarrow n$  into two groups with zero and one at bit no.
- XOR all the 0th bit no. and 1th bit no.
- \* Iterate and find the repeating and missing numbers

$$\{4, 3, 5, 1, 1\}$$

$$\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$$

$$4 \wedge 3 \wedge 5 \wedge 1 \wedge 1 \wedge 1 \wedge 2 \wedge 3 \wedge 4 \wedge 5$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 011 \\ 100 \\ +1 \\ \hline 101 \\ 011 \\ \hline 001 \end{array}$$

$$1 \wedge 2 = 3$$

rightmost bit No

$$-3 = 2^3 3$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \wedge 3 + 1 \wedge (3-1)$$

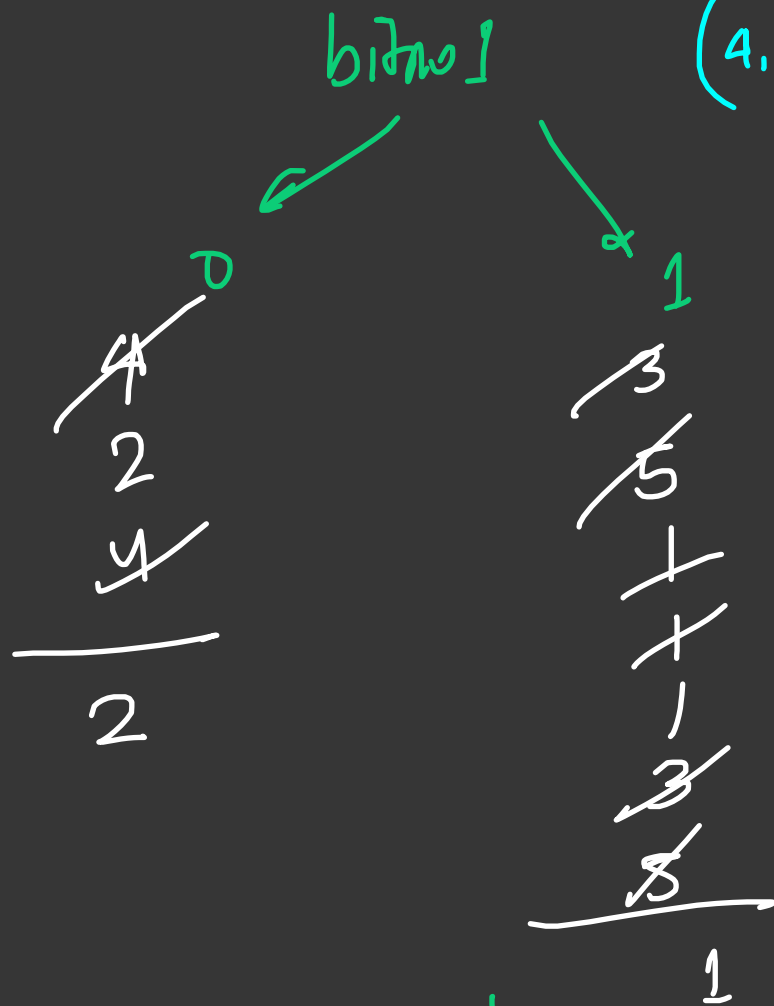
$$\begin{aligned} & 3 \wedge (-3) \\ & = 3 \wedge \{ \wedge (3-1) \} \\ & = 3 \wedge \wedge (2) \\ & = 3 \wedge 1 \\ & = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 010 \\ 101 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 011 \\ 000 \\ \hline 001 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 001 \\ 010 \\ \hline 011 \\ 001 \\ \hline 010 \\ 011 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 10 \\ 01 \\ \hline 011 \\ 001 \\ \hline 000 \\ 001 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



(4, 3, 5, 1, 0)

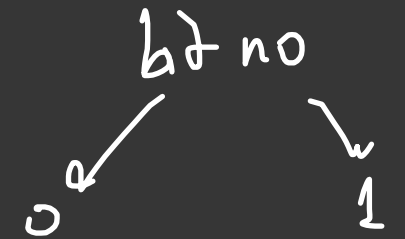
4 → 100<sup>↑</sup>

3 → 011<sup>↓</sup>

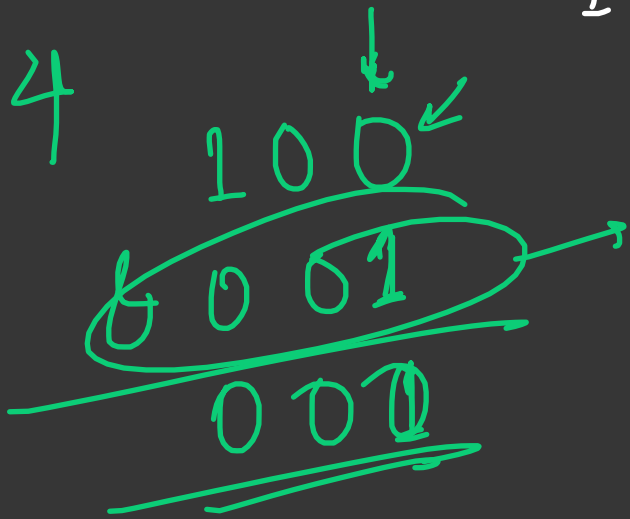
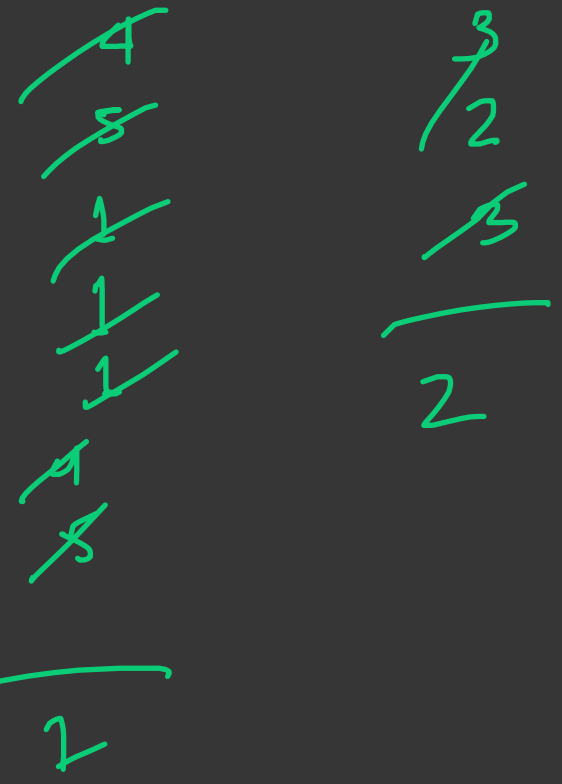
2 → 010

1 → 001<sup>↓</sup>

2 1 0



(1 << bitNo.)



generate every time

$1 \ll \text{bitNo}$  → while(1)  
 if  $((1 \ll \text{bitNo}) \& 1)$   
 break,  
 bitNo++.

for upper  
example

001

this is done

generated every  
time we use it

we store it in a val.

2 001  
 2 1