

# Problem 268: Missing Number

## Problem Information

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Acceptance Rate:** 71.08%

**Paid Only:** No

**Tags:** Array, Hash Table, Math, Binary Search, Bit Manipulation, Sorting

## Problem Description

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:\*\***

**\*\*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`.

**\*\*Constraints:\*\***

\* `n == nums.length` \* `1 <= n <= 104` \* `0 <= nums[i] <= n` \* All the numbers of `nums` are **\*\*unique\*\***.

**\*\*Follow up:\*\*** Could you implement a solution using only `O(1)` extra space complexity and `O(n)` runtime complexity?

## Code Snippets

**C++:**

```
class Solution {
public:
    int missingNumber(vector<int>& nums) {

    }
};
```

**Java:**

```
class Solution {
    public int missingNumber(int[] nums) {

    }
}
```

**Python3:**

```
class Solution:
    def missingNumber(self, nums: List[int]) -> int:
```