

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:
```