Given a list of integers from 1 to n , with one number missing, write a python program to find the missing number?

Using Sum Formula

The sum of first n natural numbers is

$$\mathrm{sum} = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

If we subtract the sum of the given list from this expected sum, we get the missing number.

def find_missing(lst, n):

expected_sum = n * (n + 1) // 2

actual_sum = sum(lst)

return expected_sum - actual_sum

Example

n = 10

numbers = [1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10] #8 is missing

print("Missing number:", find_missing(numbers, n))

Output

Missing number: 8

