

Week 3 Exercises

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Please complete all exercises below. You may use any library that we have covered in class UP TO THIS POINT.

1) Two Sum - Write a function named `two_sum()`

Given a vector of integers `nums` and an integer `target`, return indices of the two numbers such that they add up to `target`.

You may assume that each input would have exactly one solution, and you may not use the same element twice.

You can return the answer in any order.

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [2,7,11,15]`, `target = 9` Output: `[0,1]` Explanation: Because `nums[0] + nums[1] == 9`, we return `[0, 1]`. Example 2:

Input: `nums = [3,2,4]`, `target = 6` Output: `[1,2]` Example 3:

Input: `nums = [3,3]`, `target = 6` Output: `[0,1]`

Constraints:

`2 <= nums.length <= 104` `-109 <= nums[i] <= 109` `-109 <= target <= 109` Only one valid answer exists.

Note: For the first problem I want you to use a brute force approach (loop inside a loop)

The brute force approach is simple. Loop through each element x and find if there is another value that equals to $target - x$

Use the function `seq_along` to iterate

```
two_sum <- function(nums_vector, target) {  
  
  # Check if input values are within valid range  
  if (any(nums_vector < -109) || any(nums_vector > 109)) {  
    stop("Invalid element in input vector nums.")  
  }  
  
  # Check if values are within range for target  
  if (target < -109 || target > 109) {  
    stop("Invalid target sum.")  
  }  
  
  # Brute force approach with loop within a loop  
  # to find the two values that add up to target  
  nums <- length(nums_vector)  
  for (i in 1:(nums - 1)) {
```

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    for (j in (i + 1):nums) {
      if (nums_vector[i] + nums_vector[j] == target) {
        return(c(i, j))
      }
    }
  }
}

# Return null if no nums add up to target
return(NULL)
}

nums_vector <- c(5, 7, 12, 34, 6, 10, 8, 9)
target <- 13

two_sum(nums_vector, target)

```

```
## [1] 1 7
```

How can we get expected answers, if constraints only say one answer?

- 2) Now write the same function using hash tables. Loop the array once to make a hash map of the value to its index. Then loop again to find if the value of target-current value is in the map.

The keys of your hash table should be each of the numbers in the nums_vector minus the target.

A simple implementation uses two iterations. In the first iteration, we add each element's value as a key and its index as a value to the hash table. Then, in the second iteration, we check if each element's complement (target - nums_vector[i]) exists in the hash table. If it does exist, we return current element's index and its complement's index. Beware that the complement must not be nums_vector[i] itself!

```

two_sum_hash <- function(nums_vector, target) {

  # Check if values are within range for nums_vector
  if (any(nums_vector < -109) || any(nums_vector > 109)) {
    stop("Invalid element in input vector nums.")
  }

  # Check if values are within range for target
  if (target < -109 || target > 109) {
    stop("Invalid target sum.")
  }

  # Create hash table
  hash_table <- new.env(hash = TRUE, parent = emptyenv())

  # Stores the amount of numbers in nums_vector into nums
  nums <- length(nums_vector)

  # Uses hash tabel to find the complement values
  # that add up to traget then return if found.
  for (i in 1:nums) {
    complement <- target - nums_vector[i]
    if (exists(as.character(complement), envir = hash_table)) {
      return(c(hash_table[[as.character(complement)]], i))
    }
    hash_table[[as.character(nums_vector[i])]] <- i
  }
}

```

```
}  
  
  # Return null if no nums add up to target  
  return(NULL)  
}  
  
nums_vector <- c(5, 7, 12, 34, 6, 10, 8, 9)  
target <- 15  
  
two_sum_hash(nums_vector, target)  
  
## [1] 1 6  
# How can we get expected answers, if constraints only say one answer?
```