

① → Two sum -

1. Question -

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

Assumptions -

Each input would have exactly one solution, and
you may not use the same element twice.

2. Examples -

nums = [2, 7, 11, 15], target = 9 [2, 7]

2 + 7 = 9
0 1

3. Intuition / concept

[0, 1]

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[1, 2, 3]
0 2

[0, 2]

4. Brute force -

2 ... I in the rest of the array

11 ... 2, 7, 11, 15

11, ... → -2 in the rest of the array

$T(n) = O(n^2)$?

$S(n) = O(1)$?

2, 7, 11, 15
i j

5. Optimized Solution -

Map {

2, 7, 11, 15
0 1 2 3

2, 6, 7, 11 | t = 9

$x + y = 9$

$x = 9 - 7 = 2$

2,

⇒ (Key, Value) pairs

target = 9 // (-6)

3, 2, 4
0 1 2
↑ ↑ ↑

4?

target = 6

{
3: 0,
2: 1

t = 9
2, 6, 7, 11
0 1 2 3
[0, 2]

{
2: 0,
6: 1
}

[2, 1]

$O(n)$

2

6. Time complexity / Space complexity-

[2, 7, 11, 15] target = 17

Optimised solution
T = $O(n)$
S = $O(n)$

{
n: i,
}

7. Code-

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int[] twoSum(int[] nums, int target) {
    Map<Integer, Integer> map ...
    for (int i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
        int rem = target - nums[i];
        if (map has rem) {
            return {
                index of rem,
                i
            }
        }
        map.insert(nums[i], i)
    }
    return {
        -1,
        -1
    }
}
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