

## Interview Questions: Hash Tables (ungraded)

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TOTAL POINTS 2

1. **4-SUM.** Given an array  $a[ ]$  of  $n$  integers, the 4-SUM problem is to determine if there exist distinct indices  $i, j, k$ , and  $l$  such that  $a[i] + a[j] = a[k] + a[l]$ . Design an algorithm for the 4-SUM problem that takes time proportional to  $n^2$  (under suitable technical assumptions). 1 / 1 point

*Note: these interview questions are ungraded and purely for your own enrichment. To get a hint, submit a solution.*

4 - SUM problem in  $n^2$  complexity



**Correct**

*Hint:* create a hash table with  $\binom{n}{2}$  key-value pairs.

2. **Hashing with wrong hashCode() or equals().** Suppose that you implement a data type `OlympicAthlete` for use in a `java.util.HashMap`. 1 / 1 point

- Describe what happens if you override `hashCode()` but not `equals()`.
- Describe what happens if you override `equals()` but not `hashCode()`.
- Describe what happens if you override `hashCode()` but implement `public boolean equals(OlympicAthlete that)` instead of `public boolean equals(Object that)`.

Re-write hashCode(), equals.



**Correct**

*Hint:* it's code—try it and see!