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Top AI roles**



P-2



Q. Input : array = [2, 4, 5, 6, 8] ← sorted  
Target = 13

Output : return [i1, i2]

Constraints

$2 \leq \text{array.size} \leq 10^4$

2 → 4, 5, 6, 8 ✓

4 → 5, 6, 8 ✓

5 → 6, 8 ✓

6 → 8 ✓



✓ Better

Sorted  $\rightarrow$  array = [2, 4, 5, 6, 8]  $\rightarrow$  n  $\leftarrow$  unsorted  
Target = 13  $\uparrow$  a  
Target - a  $\leftarrow$   
 $\rightarrow$  index

→ Last Lecture (p1)

- ↳ Array (Unsorted) + Hash Table Amortized  
↳  $O(1)$  Search ✓

↳  $T(n) = \underline{O(n)}$  Amortiz.

Space =  $O(n)$  ← Hash Table

## Optimal



array = [2, 4, 5, 6, 8]  $\leftarrow n$   
Target = 13

Pair ✓

$\Rightarrow l \geq r$

$l == r \times$

$l > r \checkmark$

→ Sorted

Time  $\leq$

Space  $\leq$

↳ Better Approach  $\rightarrow O(\underline{n}) + O(\underline{n})$

↳ Two Pointer

$\Rightarrow T(n) = O(n)$

$\Rightarrow \text{Space} = O(\underline{1}) \checkmark$

✓✓  $l, r = 0, n-1$

→ while  $l < r$ : ✓  $\leftarrow O(n)$  ✓

if  $arr[l] + arr[r] == \text{Target}$ :

$\Rightarrow l = 0$

return  $[l, r]$  ✓  $\leftarrow O(1)$

$r = n-1$

elif  $arr[l] + arr[r] < \text{Target}$ :

$l$   $+= 1$  ✓  $\leftarrow O(1)$

else:

$r$   $-= 1$  ✓

return  $[]$

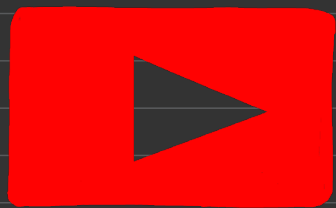
$0 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 2 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow (n-1)$

↳  $(n)$  iter

$n-1 \rightarrow n-2 \rightarrow n-3 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow 0$

↳  $(n)$  iterat.

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