

# **TwoSum Dry Run**



```
import java.util.HashMap;
public class TwoSum {
  public int[] twoSum(int[] nums, int target) {
    // Create a HashMap to store the indices of elements
    HashMap<Integer, Integer> map = new HashMap<>();
    // Traverse the array
    for (int i = 0; i < nums.length; i++) {
      // Calculate the complement that would sum up to the target
      int complement = target - nums[i];
      // Check if the complement is already in the map
      if (map.containsKey(complement)) {
        // If found, return the indices of the complement and current number
        return new int[] {map.get(complement), i};
      // Otherwise, add the current number and its index to the map
      map.put(nums[i], i);
    }
    // Return an empty array if no solution is found (this won't happen as per the assumption)
    return new int[0];
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    TwoSum solution = new TwoSum();
    // Example 1
    int[] nums1 = {2, 7, 11, 15};
    int target1 = 9;
    int[] result1 = solution.twoSum(nums1, target1);
    System.out.println("Output: [" + result1[0] + ", " + result1[1] + "]");
    // Example 2
    int[] nums2 = {3, 2, 4};
    int target2 = 6;
    int[] result2 = solution.twoSum(nums2, target2);
    System.out.println("Output: [" + result2[0] + ", " + result2[1] + "]");
    // Example 3
    int[] nums3 = {3, 3};
    int target3 = 6;
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int[] result3 = solution.twoSum(nums3, target3);
   System.out.println("Output: [" + result3[0] + ", " + result3[1] + "]");
}
Dry run this for: Input: nums = [2,7,11,15], target = 9
```



Let's dry run the given code step-by-step for the input:

## **Input:**

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

### **Initialization:**

• `map = {}` (an empty HashMap).

# Step-by-Step Iteration:

 $\circ$  `map = {2: 0}`

#### **Iteration 2 (`i = 1`):**

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    `nums[i] = 7`
    `complement = target - nums[i] = 9 - 7 = 2`
    Check if `complement (2)` exists in `map`:

            Yes, it exists. The index of `2` in `map` is `0`.

    Return the indices of `complement` and the current number:
```

o `return [map.get(complement), i] = [0, 1]`

## **Result:**

The function returns `[0, 1]`, indicating that the numbers at indices `0` and `1` (i.e., `2` and `7`) sum up to the target `9`.

## **Final Output:**

When the code runs with `nums = [2, 7, 11, 15]` and `target = 9`, the printed output will be:



```
makefile

Output: [0, 1]
```



So it retrurns only the first pair of indices that add upto target right



Yes, the implementation returns only the **first pair of indices** that add up to the target. As soon as the code finds a pair of numbers that satisfy the condition, it exits the loop and returns the result. This is because of the `return` statement inside the `if (map.containsKey(complement))` block.

# Why only the first pair?

The algorithm is designed to:

- 1. Iterate through the array just once.
- 2. Use a `HashMap` to efficiently check for the complement.
- 3. Stop execution and return the result as soon as a valid pair is found.

Thus, the function does not explore any additional pairs after finding the first valid solution.

## **Example to Confirm:**

For an input like:

```
java

int[] nums = {1, 3, 3, 4};
int target = 6;
```

The output will be `[1, 2]` because the algorithm stops at the **first valid pair** `(nums[1] + nums[2] = 3 + 3)`.

Even though `(nums[2] + nums[3] = 3 + 4)` also satisfies the condition, the function will not consider it.

If you want to find **all pairs** that add up to the target, the code would need to be modified to collect results instead of returning immediately. Let me know if you'd like help with that!

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