

Problem 494: Target Sum

Problem Information

Difficulty: Medium

Acceptance Rate: 51.48%

Paid Only: No

Tags: Array, Dynamic Programming, Backtracking

Problem Description

You are given an integer array `nums` and an integer `target`.

You want to build an **expression** out of `nums` by adding one of the symbols `+` and `-` before each integer in `nums` and then concatenate all the integers.

* For example, if `nums = [2, 1]`, you can add a `+` before `2` and a `-` before `1` and concatenate them to build the expression `"2-1"`.

Return the number of different **expressions** that you can build, which evaluates to `target`.

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [1,1,1,1,1], target = 3` **Output:** 5 **Explanation:** There are 5 ways to assign symbols to make the sum of `nums` be `target` 3. $-1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$
 $+1 - 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$
 $+1 + 1 - 1 + 1 + 1 = 3$
 $+1 + 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 = 3$
 $+1 + 1 + 1 + 1 - 1 = 3$

Example 2:

Input: `nums = [1], target = 1` **Output:** 1

Constraints:

$1 \leq \text{nums.length} \leq 20$
 $0 \leq \text{nums}[i] \leq 1000$
 $0 \leq \text{sum}(\text{nums}[i]) \leq 1000$
 $-1000 \leq \text{target} \leq 1000$

Code Snippets

C++:

```
class Solution {  
public:  
    int findTargetSumWays(vector<int>& nums, int target) {  
  
    }  
};
```

Java:

```
class Solution {  
    public int findTargetSumWays(int[] nums, int target) {  
  
    }  
}
```

Python3:

```
class Solution:  
    def findTargetSumWays(self, nums: List[int], target: int) -> int:
```