

1099. Two Sum Less Than K

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Given an array `nums` of integers and integer `k`, return the maximum `sum` such that there exists `i < j` with `nums[i] + nums[j] = sum` and `sum < k`. If no `i, j` exist satisfying this equation, return `-1`.

Example 1:

Input: `nums = [34,23,1,24,75,33,54,8], k = 60`

Output: 58

Explanation: We can use 34 and 24 to sum 58 which is less than 60.

Example 2:

Input: `nums = [10,20,30], k = 15`

Output: -1

Explanation: In this case it is not possible to get a pair sum less than 15.

Constraints:

- 1 <= `nums.length` <= 100
- 1 <= `nums[i]` <= 1000
- 1 <= `k` <= 2000

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What if we have the array sorted?

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Loop the array and get the value `A[i]` then we need to find a value `A[j]` such that `A[i] + A[j] < K` which means `A[j] < K - A[i]`. In order to do that we can find that value with a binary search.

JavaAutocomplete

```
1 * class Solution {
2 *     public int twoSumLessThanK(int[] nums, int k) {
3 *         Arrays.sort(nums);
4 *         int answer = -1;
5 *         int left = 0;
6 *         int right = nums.length - 1;
7 *         while (left < right) {
8 *             int sum = nums[left] + nums[right];
9 *             if (sum < k) {
10 *                 answer = Math.max(answer, sum);
11 *                 left++;
12 *             } else {
13 *                 right--;
14 *             }
15 *         }
16 *         return answer;
17 *     }
18 * }
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20
21 * class Solution {
22 *     public int twoSumLessThanK(int[] nums, int k) {
23 *         int answer = -1;
24 *         Arrays.sort(nums);
25 *         for (int i = 0; i < nums.length; ++i) {
26 *             int idx = Arrays.binarySearch(nums, i + 1, nums.length, k - nums[i] - 1);
27 *             int j = (idx >= 0 ? idx : -(idx) + 1);
28 *             if (j == nums.length || nums[j] > k - nums[i] - 1) {
29 *                 j--;
30 *             }
31 *             if (j > i) {
32 *                 answer = Math.max(answer, nums[i] + nums[j]);
33 *             }
34 *         }
35 *         return answer;
36 *     }
37 * }
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