

1. First, let's use a Dynamic programming Algorithm to solve this question. Let's define $T(i, j)$

$T(i, j)$ = whether we can use elements $a_1 \dots a_n$ to have a sum of j

base cases: $T(i, 0)$ for all i is true, $T(0, j)$ for all $j > 0$ is false

general recursive definition:

$$T(i, j) = \begin{cases} \text{or} \\ T(i+1, j-a_i) \\ T(i+1, j) \end{cases} \quad \text{if } j-a_i \geq 0 \&\&$$

then just return $T(0, T)$ will return the answer. The correctness of this DP should be straight. The complexity is that time $O(nT)$ since there are $O(nT)$ entries and $O(1)$ per entry, and since $T(i, j)$ only depends on entries in the $T(i+1, \dots)$ columns, then it's okay to compute the $T(0, T)$ only memorizing $O(T)$ space, but still it's not enough we cannot output the subset. Therefore, we need to introduce a new function $div(n, k)$ and a new "table" $T'(i, j)$

$T'(i, j) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \text{whether we can use element } a_0 \dots a_i \text{ to have a sum of } j.$

Similarly $T(i, j) = \text{or } \{ j - a_i \geq 0 \ \&\& \ T(i-1, j-a_i) \}$ base cases: $T(i, 0) = \text{true}$ for all i

and $T(0, j) = \text{false}$ for all $j > 0$. Then $\text{div}(\{a_0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}, k)$ is a function that checks for a subset $S \subseteq \{a_0, \dots, a_n\}$ that sums to k , the sum S_1 that is the sum of all elements in $S \in \{a_0, \dots, a_{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor}\}$ and the sum S_2 that's the sum of all elements in $S \in \{a_{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 1}, \dots, a_n\}$, the code is:

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div({0, 1, 2, ..., n}, k):
    for i from 0 to T
        if T(n/2, i) and T(n/2, T-i) == True
            return i, T-i
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else: return -1, -1 // no such split.

then the complexity of $\text{div}(\{0, 1, \dots, n\}, k)$ should be clear: For loop is $O(n)$ time the computation of $T(n/2, \cdot)$ is $O(nT)$ time $O(T)$ space, similarly for $T'(n/2, \cdot)$ it's $O(nT)$ time $O(T)$ space, so in total it's $O(nT)$ time with $O(T)$ space. then the function F to output the subset is just.

$F(\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}, k)$ let's call it set T .

if $|T| = 1$:

if a_{T_0} is k return a_{T_0}

else return None.

else:

$S_1, S_2 = \text{div}(\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}, k)$

if $S_1, S_2 == -1$: return False:

else:

$F(\{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lfloor n/2 \rfloor\}, S_1)$

$F(\{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor + 1, \dots, n\}, S_2)$.

The complexity of F will be:

$$F(n, T) = O(nT) + F(n/2, j) + F(n/2, T-j)$$

$$\text{guess that } F(n, k) \leq \alpha \cdot nT$$

$$F(n, T) \leq \beta nT + \alpha \frac{n}{2} \cdot j + \alpha \frac{n}{2} \cdot (T-j) = \left(\beta + \frac{\alpha}{2}\right) nT$$

So it's valid as long as $\alpha > 2\beta$ then we know that

$$F(n, T) \leq \cancel{O(nT)} O(nT)$$

Therefore computing the actual subset in total needs $\cancel{O(nT)} O(nT)$ time and $O(T)$ space.

Correctness: Since within function F , we recursively called F based on the output of $\text{div}()$ then if we can prove the correctness $\text{div}()$ we can still get the correct results. Then the $\text{div}()$ is just checking the correct "contribution" that the first half and the second half should make, and therefore we recursively cut the range into half and once we reach base case, when range is one, $\text{div}(a_i, k)$ we can check whether the ~~sum~~ k is a_i or k is zero to know a_i is selected or not. Therefore, via recursion we can return all the selected elements and thus output the subset.