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| AIM: | To implement a Backtracking algorithm. |
| Program 1 | |
| PROBLEM STATEMENT : | <p>Details – We are given n distinct positive numbers and find all combinations of these numbers whose sum are m using a Backtracking algorithm.</p> <p>Input – Enter the weights of n number of elements and the integer m</p> <p>Output – Print all possible subsets so that the sum is m.</p> <p>Submission –</p> <p>1) C/C++ source code of implementation 2) Verified output for the written source code with multiple inputs 3) One page report of Exp. 8</p> |
| ALGORITHM: | → |
| PROGRAM (subset.c): | <pre>#include <stdio.h> #include <stdlib.h> int flag = 0; void printsubset(int subset[], int size) { printf("["); for (int i = 0; i < size; i++) printf("%d ", subset[i]); printf("]\n"); } void subsetsum(int index, int n, int set[], int targetsum, int subset[], int subssize) { if (targetsum == 0) { flag = 1; printsubset(subset, subssize); } }</pre> |



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        return;
    }

    if (index == n)
        return;

    if (set[index] <= targetsum) {
        subset[subsetSize] = set[index];
        subsetsum(index + 1, n, set, targetsum - set[index], subset,
            subsetsize + 1);
    }
    subsetsum(index + 1, n, set, targetsum, subset, subsetsize);
}

int main() {
    int n, targetsum;

    printf("Enter the number of elements in the set: ");
    scanf("%d", &n);

    int *set = (int *)malloc(n * sizeof(int));

    printf("Enter the elements of the set: ");
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
        scanf("%d", &set[i]);
    }

    printf("Enter the target sum: ");
    scanf("%d", &targetsum);

    int *subset = (int *)malloc(n * sizeof(int));

    printf("Subsets with sum %d:\n", targetsum);

    subsetsum(0, n, set, targetsum, subset, 0);

    return 0;
}
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• PS C:\Mahadev\SE\Sem4\DAA\Lab\Lab Sessions\exp8> gcc subset.c
• PS C:\Mahadev\SE\Sem4\DAA\Lab\Lab Sessions\exp8> ./a.exe
Enter the number of elements in the set: 5
Enter the elements of the set: 1 2 3 4 5
Enter the target sum: 7
Subsets with sum 7:
[1 2 4 ]
[2 5 ]
[3 4 ]
• PS C:\Mahadev\SE\Sem4\DAA\Lab\Lab Sessions\exp8> ./a.exe
Enter the number of elements in the set: 3
Enter the elements of the set: 1 2 3
Enter the target sum: 10
Subsets with sum 10:
• PS C:\Mahadev\SE\Sem4\DAA\Lab\Lab Sessions\exp8> ./a.exe
Enter the number of elements in the set: 3
Enter the elements of the set: 1 2 3
Enter the target sum: 0
Subsets with sum 0:
[]
• PS C:\Mahadev\SE\Sem4\DAA\Lab\Lab Sessions\exp8> ./a.exe
Enter the number of elements in the set: 4
Enter the elements of the set: 1 2 3 4
Enter the target sum: 10
Subsets with sum 10:
[1 2 3 4 ]
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RESULT:

ANALYSIS:

Algorithm -

Step 1: Input

- Read the number of elements n.
- Allocate and read n integers into an array set.
- Read the targetsum.

Step 2: Initialize

- Allocate an array subset of size n to store temporary subsets.
- Set global flag = 0 to track if any subset has been found.

Step 3: Call subsetsum()

- subsetsum(0, n, set, targetsum, subset, 0);
- Start from index 0 with full target sum and empty subset.

Step 4: Inside subsetsum()

For each call:

- Base Case 1: If targetsum == 0 → valid subset found
 - ◆ Print subset



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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Set flag = 1 ◆ Return <p>→ Base Case 2: If index == n → End of array reached</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Return <p>→ Recursive Step:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ If set[index] <= targetsum, include set[index] in subset, and recurse: ◆ subsetsum(index + 1, ..., targetsum - set[index], ..., subsetsize + 1) ◆ Exclude set[index], recurse: ◆ subsetsum(index + 1, ..., targetsum, ..., subsetsize) <p>Step 5: Output</p> <p>→ All subsets that add up to targetsum are printed.</p> <p>Time Complexity Analysis -</p> <p>Worst Case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → Every element can be included or excluded → 2^n combinations. → Each valid subset might take up to $O(n)$ time to print. → So, the total worst-case time complexity is: $O(n * (2^n))$ <p>Best Case:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → If targetsum is very small or elements are large → few paths are explored due to pruning. <p>Space Complexity Analysis -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> → subset[]: size n → $O(n)$ → Recursive call stack: max depth n → $O(n)$ |
| CONCLUSION: | <p>In this experiment, I implemented a recursive backtracking solution to the Subset Sum Problem, where I explored all subsets of a set that sum to a target value. Through this, I learned how backtracking helps systematically explore combinations, but also realized the time complexity can grow exponentially with larger inputs. This reinforced the importance of optimizing recursive algorithms for efficiency.</p> |