

# Backtracking (record partial solution) (偏难)

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## 分析

- plot the implicit tree: path, cur, children, partial solution
- all solutions(paths) <= DFS + Backtracking
  - **DFS(PATH::partial solution, REST::candidate choices, MISC::relevant info)**
- optimal solution(path) <= DP + Backtracking
- number of solutions <= easier; DP
  - **DFS(REST::candidate choices, MISC::relevant info) + CACHE**
- k-th dfs solution <= perfect implicit tree

## subset, combination & permutation

Subsets I (distinct case)

Subsets II (duplicate case)

Combinations (distinct case, k-subset)

Permutations I (distinct case)

Permutations II (duplicate case)

next permutation 从右往左找到首降 $A[j]$ , 从 $j$ 往右找到最右 $A[i] > A[j]$ , 交换 $ij$ , 翻转 $A[j+1:]$

**Permutation Sequence (k-th permutation) (perfect implicit tree)**

Combination Sum I (distinct case, all positive, reuse)

Combination Sum II (duplicate case, all positive, no reuse)

Combination Sum III (distinct case, all positive, no reuse)

Combination Sum IV (distinct case, all positive, reuse, only size)

## Palindrome Permutation II

Beautiful Arrangement (divisible rule)(go from N to 1)

Factor Combinations (画树)

Letter Combinations of a Phone Number

**Android Unlock Patterns (DP)**

**Palindrome Partitioning**

## **misc**

Generate Parentheses

Letter Case Permutation

**Flip Game I**

**Flip Game II (if the starting player can guarantee a win)**

**Generalized Abbreviation**

**Count Numbers with Unique Digits**

**Binary Watch**

**Gray Code**

**Stickers to Spell Word**

**Split Array into Fibonacci Sequence**

**Restore IP Addresses**

## **matrix**

**Sudoku Solver**

**N-Queens I**

**N-Queens II**

## **word**

**Minimum Unique Word Abbreviation**

**Additive Number**

**Word Squares** `trie`

**Word Pattern I**

**Word Pattern II**

**Word Break I**

**Word Break II**

**Word Search I**

**Word Search II**

**Word Ladder I**

**Word Ladder II**

**Regular Expression Matching**

**Wildcard Matching**

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class Solution:
    def subsets1_distinct(self, nums):
        res = []
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def dfs(path=[], rest=0):
    res.append(path)
    for i in range(rest, len(nums)):
        dfs(path+nums[i:i+1], i+1)
dfs()
return res

def subsets2_duplicate(self, nums):
    nums.sort() # sorted
    res = []
    def dfs(path=[], rest=0):
        res.append(path)
        for i in range(rest, len(nums)):
            if i > rest and nums[i] == nums[i-1]: continue # skip
            dfs(path + nums[i:i+1], i+1)
    dfs()
    return res

def subsets_distinct_sizeK(self, n, k):
    res = []
    def dfs(path=[], rest=0, n=n, k=k):
        if k == 0:
            res.append(path)
        else:
            for i in range(rest, n):
                dfs(path+[i], i+1, n, k-1)
    dfs()
    return res

def permute1_distinct(self, nums):
    res = []
    def dfs(path=[], rest=nums):
        if not rest:
            res.append(path)
        else:
            for i in range(len(rest)):
                dfs(path+rest[i:i+1], rest[:i]+rest[i+1:])
    dfs()
    return res

def permute2_duplicate(self, nums):
    nums.sort() # sorted
    res = []
    def dfs(path=[], rest=nums):
        if not rest:

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        res.append(path)
    else:
        for i in range(len(rest)):
            if i > 0 and rest[i] == rest[i-1]: continue # skip
            dfs(path+rest[i:i+1], rest[:i]+rest[i+1:])
    dfs()
    return res

def combinationSum1_distinct_reuse(self, nums, target):
    res = []
    def dfs(path=[], rest=0, target=target):
        if target == 0:
            res.append(path)
        elif target > 0:
            for i in range(rest, len(nums)):
                dfs(path + nums[i:i+1], i, target - nums[i]) # reuse i
    dfs()
    return res

def combinationSum2_duplicate_noreuse(self, nums, target):
    nums.sort() # sorted
    res = []
    def dfs(path=[], rest=0, target=target):
        if target == 0:
            res.append(path)
        elif target > 0:
            for i in range(rest, len(nums)):
                if i > rest and nums[i] == nums[i-1]: continue # skip
                dfs(path + nums[i:i+1], i+1, target - nums[i])
    dfs()
    return res

def combinationSum3_distinct_noreuse_sizeK(self, k, n):
    res = []
    def dfs(path=[], rest=1, target=n, k=k):
        if k == 0:
            if target == 0: res.append(path)
        else:
            for i in range(rest, 10):
                dfs(path+[i], i+1, target-i, k-1)
    dfs()
    return res

def combinationSum4_onlySize(self, nums, target):
    # DP for size
    cache = {}

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def dfs(target=target):
    if target < 0: return 0
    if target in cache: return cache[target]
    ret = 1 if target == 0 else sum(dfs(target-n) for n in nums)
    cache[target] = ret
    return ret
return dfs()

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def generateParenthesis(self, n):
    """
    :type n: int
    :rtype: List[str]
    """
    res = []
    def dfs(path="", left=0, right=0, n=n):
        if left == n and right == n:
            res.append(path)
        elif left == right:
            dfs(path+'(', left+1, right, n)
        elif right < left:
            if left < n:
                dfs(path+'(', left+1, right, n)
            dfs(path+')', left, right+1, n)
    dfs()
    return res

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