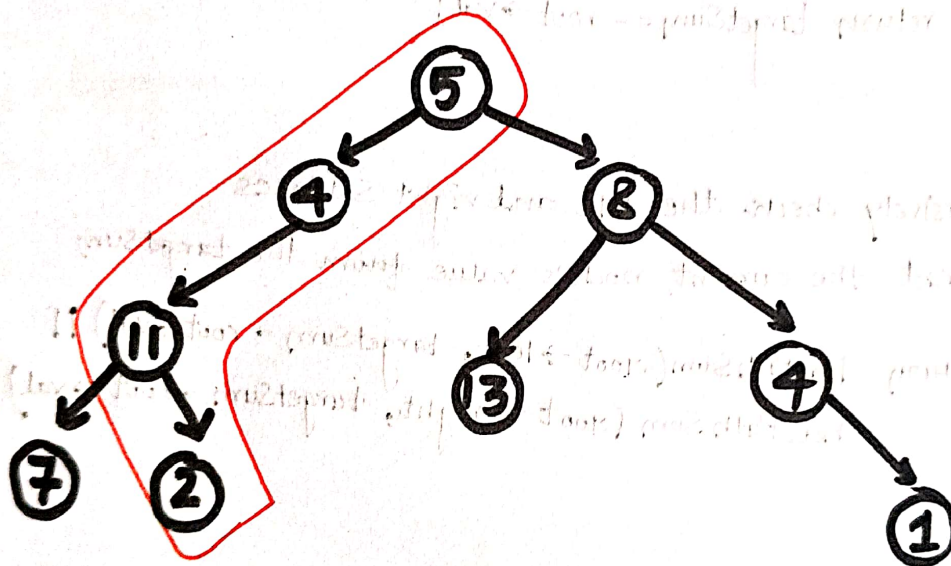


PATH SUM (112)

Given the root of a BINARY TREE AND AN INTEGER targetSum, return true if the tree has a root-to-leaf path such that adding up all the values along the path equals targetSum.



INPUT: root = [5, 4, 8, 11, null, 13, 4, 7, 2, null, null, null, 1],
targetSum = 22

OUTPUT: True

Explanation: → The root-to-leaf path with the target sum is shown.

C++ Code.

```
class Solution {
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public :
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```
bool hasPathSum (TreeNode* root, int targetSum) {
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    if (!root) return false;
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    // Check if the current node is a leaf node
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    if ((!root->left) && (!root->right)) {
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        /* if it's a leaf node, check if the remaining targetSum  
        matches its value */
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        return targetSum == root->val;
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    }
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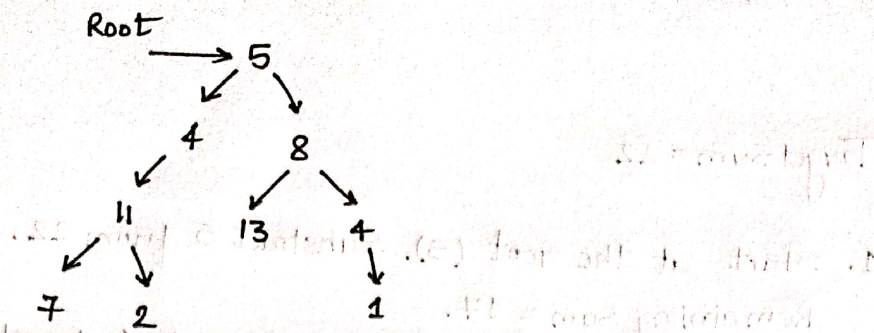
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    // Recursively check the left and right SubTrees
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    // Subtract the current node's value from the targetSum
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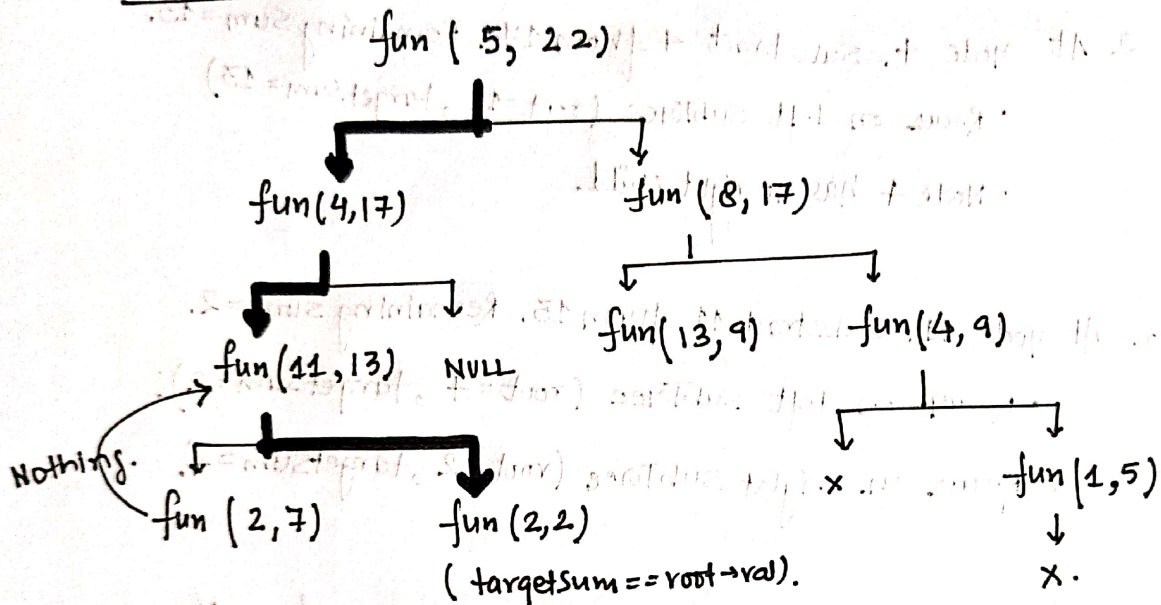
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    return hasPathSum(root->left, targetSum - root->val) ||  
           hasPathSum(root->right, targetSum - root->val);
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}
```

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};
```



Recursion Tree.



5 → 4 → 11 → 2. Answer.

Target Sum = 22

1. Start at the root (5). Subtract 5 from 22.

Remaining Sum = 17.

- Recur on left subtree (root=4, targetSum=17).
- Recur on right subtree (root=8, targetSum=17).

2.

2. At node 4. Subtract 4 from 17. Remaining Sum = 13.

- Recur on left subtree (root=11, targetSum=13)
- Node 4 has no right child.

3. At node 11. Subtract 11 from 13. Remaining sum = 2.

- Recur on left subtree (root=7, targetSum=2).
- Recur on right subtree (root=2, targetSum=2).

4. At node 2 (a leaf node). Remaining sum = 2, Since it matches the node's value, return true.