# Lab 6: Implementation of sum of subset problem using backtracking

# Objective:

To implement the sum of subset problem using backtracking method.

## Theory:

Backtracking is an algorithmic technique for solving problems recursively by trying to build a solution incrementally, one piece ate a time, removing those solutions that fail to satisfy the constraints of the problem at any point of time. It is a form of recursive depth first search.

#### Algorithm:

- 1. Create a recursive function that takes the following parameters:
  - The current subset
  - The current sum
  - The target sum
  - The index of the current element being considered
- 2. If the current sum equals the target sum, we've found a valid subset.
- 3. If the current sum exceeds the target sum or we've considered all elements, backtrack
- 4. For the current element, we have two choices:
  - Include it in the subset
  - Exclude it from the subset
- 5. Recursively try both choices

## Observation

```
#include <iostream>
#include <vector>
#include "gettime.h"
using namespace std;
class SubsetSumSolver
private:
    vector<int> set;
    int targetSum;
    vector<vector<int>> solutions;
    void backtrack(vector<int> &currentSubset, int currentSum, int index)
        if (currentSum == targetSum)
            solutions.push_back(currentSubset);
            return;
        if (currentSum > targetSum || index >= set.size())
            return;
        currentSubset.push_back(set[index]);
        backtrack(currentSubset, currentSum + set[index], index + 1);
        currentSubset.pop back();
        backtrack(currentSubset, currentSum, index + 1);
public:
    SubsetSumSolver(const vector<int> &s, int target)
        this->set = s;
        this->targetSum = target;
    vector<vector<int>> solve()
        vector<int> currentSubset;
        backtrack(currentSubset, 0, 0);
        return solutions;
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class SubsetSumExecutor
public:
    static void execute(int size)
        vector<int> set;
        int targetSum = 50;
        for (int i = 0; i < size; i++)
            set.push_back(rand() % 10);
        SubsetSumSolver solver(set, targetSum);
        vector<vector<int>> solutions;
        long long time = getTime([&]()
                                  { solutions = solver.solve(); });
        cout << "Size = " << size << "Time = " << time << endl;</pre>
};
bool flag = 0;
void PrintSubsetSum(int i, int n, int set[], int targetSum,
                    vector<int> &subset)
    if (targetSum == 0)
        flag = 1;
        cout << "[ ";
        for (int i = 0; i < subset.size(); i++)</pre>
            cout << subset[i] << " ";</pre>
        cout << "]";
        return;
    if (i == n)
        return;
    PrintSubsetSum(i + 1, n, set, targetSum, subset);
    if (set[i] <= targetSum)</pre>
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subset.push_back(set[i]);
        PrintSubsetSum(i + 1, n, set, targetSum - set[i],
                       subset);
        subset.pop_back();
int main()
   vector<int> sizes;
   int start_size = 15;
   int increment = 1;
   sizes.push_back(start_size);
   srand(time(NULL));
   SubsetSumExecutor::execute(start_size);
   for (size_t i = 0; i < 4; i++)
        start_size += increment;
       sizes.push_back(start_size);
       SubsetSumExecutor::execute(start_size);
    return 0;
```

### Output:

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Size = 15Time = 2002600

Size = 16Time = 5044300

Size = 17Time = 8994800

Size = 18Time = 236226000

Size = 19Time = 780274600
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## Conclusion

We implemented backtracking algorithm to solve subset sum problem in C++.