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## MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

Design and Analysis of Algorithms

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UNIT-3

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# SUM OF SUBSETS PROBLEM

- This is a simple algorithm, but it demonstrates that sometimes you need to return to a previous state and re-evaluate a previous decision in order to solve a problem.

**Backtracking** is a general algorithmic technique that considers searching every possible combination in order to solve an optimization problem. Backtracking uses **depth-first search** approach. By inserting more knowledge of the problem, the search tree can be pruned to avoid considering cases that don't look promising. While backtracking is useful for hard problems to which we do not know more efficient solutions, it is a poor solution for the everyday problems that other techniques are much better at solving.

# Sum of Subsets Using Backtracking

- Subset sum problem is to find subset of elements
- that are selected from a given set whose sum adds
- up to a given number .
- Ex: let A be a set
- $A=\{5,7,10,12,15,18,20\}$
- and given sum  $m=35$
- so we have the following subsets that add
- up to 35 are:
- $\{15,20\}, \{18,7,10\}, \{5,10,20\}$ , and
- $\{18,12,5\}$

# Assumption and considerations

- set contains non-negative values.
- input set is unique (no duplicates are presented).

# Solution Using NAÏVE APPROACH

Let  $w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_n$

be the given set of  $n$  numbers

Let  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$  belongs to  $\{0, 1\}$

If  $x_i = 1$  then  $w_i$  is chosen

$x_i = 0$  then  $w_i$  is not chosen

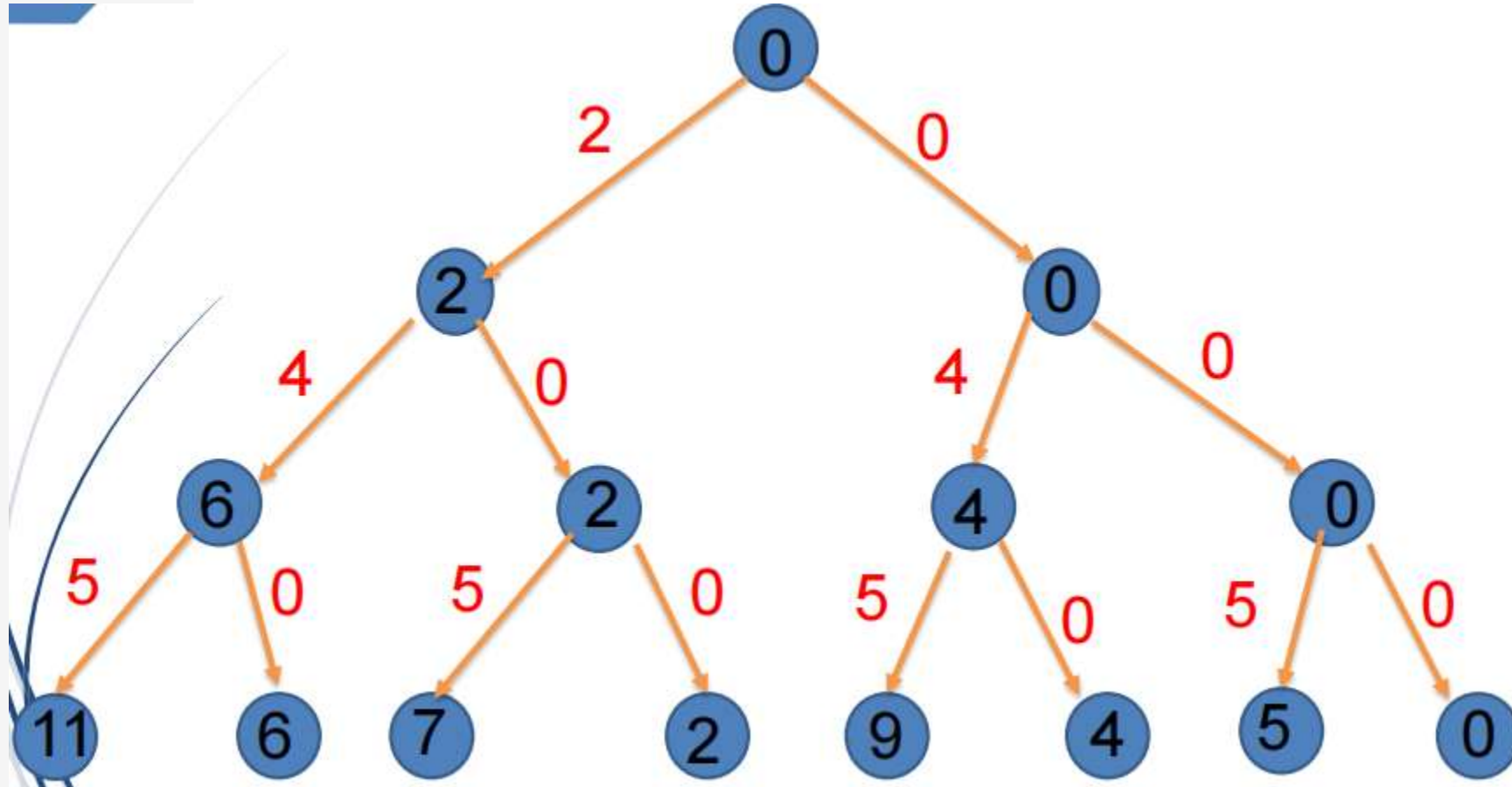
**So in totality we have  $2^n$  subsets**

$$2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times \dots \times 2 = 2^n$$

$$x_1 \ x_2 \ x_3 \ \dots \ x_n$$

# Solution Using NAÏVE APPROACH

$A=\{2,4,5\}$  and  $m=9$





# Solution Using BACKTRACKING

## Promising Conditions

$$s+r \geq m$$

$$s+w(k+1) \leq m$$

where

$$s = \sum w_i x_i \text{ from } i=1 \text{ to } k-1$$

$$r = \sum w_i \text{ from } i=k \text{ to } n$$

# Algorithm

## Algorithm:

```
sumofsubset(s,k,r)
{
    X[k]=1;
    if (s+W[k]=m) then write(X[1:k]);
    else if (s+W[k]+W[k+1]<=m)
        then sumofsubset(s+W[k], k+1,r- W[k]);

    if ((s+ r-W[k]>=m)and(s+ W[k+1]<=m)) then
    {
        X[k]=0;
        sumofsubset(s, k+1, r- W[k]);
    }
}
```



# Time Complexity

## Complexity Analysis:

**Time Complexity:**  $O(\text{sum} * n)$ , where sum is the 'target sum' and 'n' is the size of array.

**Auxiliary Space:**  $O(\text{sum} * n)$ , as the size of 2-D array is  $\text{sum} * n$ .

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