

Knapsack is NP-Complete

- **(Decision) KNAPSACK:** Given a finite set X , nonnegative weights w_i , nonnegative values v_i , a weight limit W , and a target value V , is there a subset $S \subseteq X$ such that:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i \in S} w_i &\leq W \\ \sum_{i \in S} v_i &\geq V\end{aligned}$$

- **SUBSET-SUM:** Given a finite set Y , nonnegative values u_i , and an integer U , is there a subset $S' \subseteq Y$ whose elements sum to exactly U ?
- **Claim.** $\text{SUBSET-SUM} \leq_p \text{KNAPSACK}$.
- **Reduction.** Given instance (u_1, \dots, u_n, U) of SUBSET-SUM, create KNAPSACK instance:

$$\begin{aligned}v_i = w_i = u_i \quad \sum_{i \in S} u_i &\leq U \\ V = W = U \quad \sum_{i \in S} u_i &\geq U\end{aligned}$$