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## **DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

### **19ITB201 – DESIGN AND ANALYSIS OF ALGORITHMS**

II YEAR IV SEM

UNIT-II-BRUTE FORCE AND DIVIDE AND CONQUER

TOPIC: Brute Force-Assignment Problem

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# BRUTE FORCE ASSIGNMENT PROBLEM



Subject :Design and Analysis of Algorithm  
Unit :II





# EXHAUSTIVE SEARCH



- Traveling Salesman Problem
- Knapsack Problem
- Assignment problem

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# *Exhaustive search*



*Exhaustive search* is simply a brute-force approach to combinatorial problems such as permutation, combination and sum of subsets

## **The method:**

- Generate a list of all the potential solutions to the problem
- select the solution that satisfy all the constraints, and then
- Find the desired solution that optimizes some objective function.





## Assignment problem:



There are  $n$  people who need to be assigned to  $n$  jobs, one person per job. The cost of assigning person  $i$  to job  $j$  is  $C[i,j]$ . Find an assignment that minimizes the total cost.

	Job 1	Job 2	Job 3	Job 4
Person 1	9	2	7	8
Person 2	6	4	3	7
Person 3	5	8	1	8
Person 4	7	6	9	4







### Algorithmic Plan:

- Generate all legitimate assignments,
- compute their costs, and
- select the cheapest one.

We can describe feasible solutions to the assignment problem as  $n$ -tuples  $\langle j_1, \dots, j_n \rangle$  in which the  $i$ th component  $= 1, \dots, n$ , indicates the column of the element selected in the  $i$ th row (i.e., the job number assigned to the  $i$ th person). For example, for the cost matrix above,  $\langle 2, 3, 4, 1 \rangle$  indicates the assignment of Person 1 to Job 2, Person 2 to Job 3, Person 3 to Job 4, and Person 4 to Job 1.





$C = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 2 & 7 & 8 \\ 6 & 4 & 3 & 7 \\ 5 & 8 & 1 & 8 \\ 7 & 6 & 9 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$	$\langle 1, 2, 3, 4 \rangle$	cost = 9 + 4 + 1 + 4 = 18	
	$\langle 1, 2, 4, 3 \rangle$	cost = 9 + 4 + 8 + 9 = 30	
	$\langle 1, 3, 2, 4 \rangle$	cost = 9 + 3 + 8 + 4 = 24	
	$\langle 1, 3, 4, 2 \rangle$	cost = 9 + 3 + 8 + 6 = 26	etc.
	$\langle 1, 4, 2, 3 \rangle$	cost = 9 + 7 + 8 + 9 = 33	
	$\langle 1, 4, 3, 2 \rangle$	cost = 9 + 7 + 1 + 6 = 23	

(First few iterations of solving a small instance of the assignment problem by exhaustive search)

**Analysis:**

$T(n) = n!$





Thank you!

