

6.4 Knapsack Problem



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A. $\{ 3, 4 \}$ attains 40

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Q. What could be a reasonable greedy algorithm?

A. Repeatedly add item with maximum ratio v_i / w_i .

Q. Is this greedy algorithm optimal?

Ex: $\{ 5, 2, 1 \}$ achieves only value = 35 \Rightarrow greedy not optimal.

Dynamic Programming: False Start

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Def. $OPT(i) = \max$ profit subset of items $1, \dots, i$.

•Case 1: OPT **does not select** item i .

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– accepting item i does not immediately imply that we will have to reject other items; this depends on the **remaining weight!**
(does not only depend on best of $\{ 1, 2, \dots, i-1 \}$)

Conclusion. Need more sub-problems!

Q. What are the relevant parameters of a sub-problem?

Q. And how to express the optimal value of a set of items and a capacity in terms of these sub-problems? (1 min)

Dynamic Programming: Adding a New Variable

Recursively define value of optimal solution:

Def. $OPT(i, w)$ = max profit subset of items 1, ..., i with weight limit w.

•Case 1: OPT **does not select** item i.

– OPT selects best of { 1, 2, ..., i-1 } using weight limit w

•Case 2: OPT **selects** item i.

– new weight limit = $w - w_i$

– OPT selects best of { 1, 2, ..., i-1 } using this new weight limit

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Knapsack Algorithm: Recursive

$OPT(i,w)$:

W + 1 →

		w:											
i:		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
↓	0	ϕ	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
	1	{ 1 }	0	1	1	1	1	1			1		1
	2	{ 1, 2 }	0				7	7	7				7
	3	{ 1, 2, 3 }					7	18					25
	4	{ 1, 2, 3, 4 }					7						40
	5	{ 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 }											40

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Knapsack. Fill up an n -by- W array.

```
Input:  $n, w_1, \dots, w_N, v_1, \dots, v_N$ 

for  $w = 0$  to  $W$ 
   $M[0, w] = 0$ 

for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
  for  $w = 0$  to  $W$ 
    if ( $w_i > w$ )
       $M[i, w] = M[i-1, w]$ 
    else
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```

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Knapsack Problem: Running Time

Running time. $\Theta(n W)$.

- Not polynomial in input size!
- "Pseudo-polynomial."
- Decision version of Knapsack is NP-complete.
(Complexity theory, 3rd year)

Knapsack approximation algorithm. There exists a polynomial algorithm that produces a feasible solution that has value within 0.01% of optimum.
[Section 11.8, Master course on Advanced Algorithms]

Knapsack Problem: Finding a Solution

Construct optimal solution from computed information.

```
Run Knapsack()
Run Find-Solution(n,W)

Find-Solution(i,w) {
  if (i = 0 or w = 0)
    output nothing
  else if ( M[i,w] = M[i-1, w] )
    Find-Solution(i-1,w)
  else
    print i
    Find-Solution(i-1,w-wi)
}
```