

5 steps of Dynamic Programming

1. **Optimal substructure**
2. **Memorization** by define arrays for storing previously computed values
3. **Rewrite the recurrence relation** in terms of arrays defined previously
4. **Bottom-up approach**: write down an iterative solution
5. **Compute a path to an actual solution**

Weighted interval scheduling problem

Given a set of jobs $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ with start time s_i , finish time f_i , and weight w_i for each job at index i . The goal is to schedule jobs in such a way that you obtain maximum possible value/weight.

Solution.

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Sort the jobs by finish time and define $P(j)$ be maximum job i such that $i < j$ and i does not overlap with j (i.e. first job before j that does not overlap with j)

1. **optimal substructure** Let O_n denote an optimal solution and let $OPT(n)$ be such value.
 - (a) **Case 1**: $n \in O_n$, then $OPT(n) = w_n + OPT(P(n))$
 - (b) **Case 2**: $n \notin O_n$, then $OPT(n) = OPT(n - 1)$
2. **Define array for caching** Define $M[j]$ be optimal value obtained with jobs $\{1, \dots, j\}$
3. **Rewrite recurrence relation**:

$$M[j] = \begin{cases} w_j + M[P(j)] & j \in O_j \\ M[j - 1] & j \notin O_j \end{cases}$$

4. **Convert from recursive to bottom-up approach**

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1 Function Recursive-Compute-OPT ( $j$ )
2   if  $j = 0$  then
3     return 0
4   if  $M[j]$  is defined then
5     return  $M[j]$ 
6   else
7      $M[j] =$ 
7        $Max\{Recursive-Compute-OPT(j - 1), w_j + Recursive-Compute-OPT(P(j))\}$ 
8     return  $M[j]$ 
```

$M[n]$ is the final optimal value. Complexity is $O(n)$ since each job in index is processed just once and the computed result is stored in memo.

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1 Function Iterative-Compute-OPT
2    $M \leftarrow [0 \dots n]$ 
3    $M[0] = 0$ 
4   for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
5      $M[j] = \text{Max}\{M[j-1], w_j + M[P(j)]\}$ 
6   return  $M[n]$ 

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Complexity $\Theta(n)$

5. Find an actual solution with the optimal value

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1 Function Compute-Path ( $j, M$ )
2   if  $j = 0$  then
3     return ""
4   if  $w_j + M[P(j)] > M[j-1]$  then
5     Output Compute-Path ( $P[j], m$ ) +  $j$ 
6   Output Compute-Path ( $j-1, n$ )

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weighted interval scheduling where sort by start time and similar recurren relation? does it work? what is special about sorting by finish time

Problem 2: Rod cutting problem

Given a rod of length n , we have $P(i)$ which holds the price of rod with length i . The goal is to cut the rod into pieces such that the prices of the pieces is maximized

1. **Optimal substructure** If you cut the rod at location i then

$$OPT(n) = \text{Max}_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{P(i) + OPT(n-i)\}$$

2. **Array definition:** $M[j]$ holds optimal value on a rod of length j

3. **Recurrence relation:**

$$M[j] = \text{Max}_{1 \leq i \leq j} \{P(i) + M(j-i)\}$$

4. **Bottom-up approach:**

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1 Function Bottom-Up-Cut-Rod ( $P, n$ )
2    $M \leftarrow [0 \cdots n]$ 
3    $M[0] = 0$ 
4   for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
5     for  $i = 1$  to  $j$  do
6        $M[j] = \text{Max}\{M[j], P[i] + M[j - i]\}$ 

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Complexity $\Theta(n^2)$

5. **Find a way of cutting rod optimally**

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1 Function Cut-Rod ( $P, n$ )
2    $M, S \leftarrow [0 \cdots n]$ 
3    $M[0] = 0$ 
4   for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
5      $q \leftarrow -\infty$ 
6     for  $i = 1$  to  $j$  do
7       if  $q < P[i] + M[j - i]$  then
8          $q = P[i] + M[j - i]$ 
9          $S[j] = i$ 
10     $M[j] = q$ 
11  return ( $S, M$ )
12 Function Print-Cut-Rod ( $p, n$ )
13  ( $S, M$ ) = Cut-Rod( $p, n$ )
14  while  $n > 0$  do
15    print  $s[n]$ 
16     $n = n - s[n]$ 

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$S[i]$ holds index of first cut in optimal solution for rod of length i

Proposition. *Correctness of the algorithm*

Proof. Prove by strong induction

1. **basis:** $n = 0$, $M[0] = 0$
2. **inductive step:** Assume $M[j]$ is the optimal value for $0 \leq j < n$. i.e. $M[j] = O[j]$ for all $0 \leq j < n$. Now prove $M[n]$ is optimal with dynamic programming. Let the first cut for the optimal solution be at i where $1 \leq i \leq n$, then $O[n] = P[i] + O[n - i]$. By inductive hypothesis then $O[n] = P[i] + M[n - i] \leq M[n]$ (since $M[n] = \text{Max}_{1 \leq i \leq j} \{P(i) + M(j - i)\}$). Since O optimal hence $O[n] = M[n]$.

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Subset Sum & Knapsack Problem

1. **subset sum** Given jobs $J = \{1, \dots, n\}$ with non-negative weights w_1, \dots, w_n . The goal is to find $S \subseteq J$ that maximizes $\sum_{i \in S} w_i$ such that $\sum_{i \in S} w_i \leq W$.
2. **knapsack problem** Given jobs $J = \{1, \dots, n\}$ with non-negative weights w_1, \dots, w_n and value v_1, \dots, v_n . The goal is to find $S \subseteq J$ that maximizes $\sum_{i \in S} v_i$ such that $\sum_{i \in S} w_i \leq W$.

3. Hence subset sum problem is a special case of knapsack problem where $v_i = w_i$.

1. **optimal substructure** Let O_n be optimal solution and $OPT(n)$ be the optimal value.

$$OPT(n) = w_n + OPT(n-1) \quad \text{wrong because the weight constraint not satisfied}$$

To take care of the constraint,

- (a) If $n \notin O_n$, then

$$OPT(n, W) = OPT(n-1, W)$$

- (b) If $n \in O_n$, then

$$OPT(n, W) = w_n + OPT(n-1, W - w_n)$$

Hence

$$OPT(j, W) = \text{Max}\{OPT(j-1, W), w_n + OPT(j-1, W - w_j)\}$$

2. **Define array** $M[1 \dots n][1 \dots W]$. Hence $M[j][W]$ is the optimal value on $\{1, \dots, j\}$ jobs with weights $w \in \{1 \leq w \leq W\}$,

3. **Redefine recurrence relation**

$$M[j][W] = \text{Max}\{M[j-1][W], w_n + M[j_i][W - w_j]\}$$

For knapsack

$$M[j][W] = \text{Max}\{M[j-1][W], v_j + M[j-1][W - w_j]\}$$

where we use v_j instead of w_j

4. Bottom-Up Approach

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1 Function Subset-Sum ( $n, W$ )
2    $M \leftarrow [0 \dots n][0 \dots W]$ 
3    $M[0, w] = 0$  for  $w = 0 \dots W$ 
4   for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
5     for  $w = 1$  to  $W$  do
6       if  $w < w_j$  then
7          $M[j][w] = M[j-1][w]$ 
8       else
9          $M[j][w] = \text{Max}\{M[j-1][w], w_n + M[j_i][w - w_j]\}$ 

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Complexity $\Theta(nW)$ Polynomial expression involving an actual input value is called pseudo-polynomial. If W is really large cant really control it... Knapsack is NP hard, so use approximation algorithms instead.

5. **Actual solution** Run through array $M[j][W]$ and figure out if j was is included or not. With time complexity of $\Theta(n)$

Longest Common Subsequence Problem

Given two sequences

$$X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$$

$$Y = \langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \rangle$$

The goal is to find a subsequence that is common to both X and Y and that has the maximum possible length

Example.

$$X = \langle 5, 10, 13, 12, 11, 7 \rangle$$

$$Y = \langle 6, 10, 13, 7, 11, 8 \rangle$$

$\langle 10, 13 \rangle$ is a common subsequence of X and Y

$\langle 10, 13, 11 \rangle$ is the longest common subsequence of X and Y

1. optimal substructure

- (a) $x_m = y_n$, in other words, the last 2 item in X and Y same, hence

$$OPT(X, Y) = OPT(X_{1 \dots m-1}, Y_{1 \dots n-1}) + 1$$

- (b) $x_m \neq y_n$

$$OPT(X_{1 \dots m}, Y_{1 \dots n}) = \text{Max}\{OPT(X_{1 \dots m-1}, Y_{1 \dots n}), OPT(X_{1 \dots m}, Y_{1 \dots n-1})\}$$

2. **Array definition** $M[0 \cdots m, 0 \cdots n]$

$$M[i, j] := \text{length of a LCS of } X_{1 \cdots i} \text{ and } Y_{1 \cdots j}$$

3. **recurrence relation**

$$M[i, j] = \begin{cases} M[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x_i = x_j \\ \text{Max}\{M[i-1, j], M[i, j-1]\} & \text{if } x_i \neq x_j \end{cases}$$

4. **Bottom-Up Approach**

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1 Function Longest-Common-Subsequence ( $X, Y$ )
2    $M \leftarrow M[0 \cdots m, 0 \cdots n]$ 
3   Initialize  $M[i, 0]$  and  $M[0, j]$  to be zero
4   for  $i = 1$  to  $m$  do
5     for  $j = 1$  to  $n$  do
6       if  $X[i] = Y[j]$  then
7          $M[i, j] = M[i-1, j-1] + 1$ 
8       else
9          $M[i, j] = \text{Max}\{M[i-1, j], M[i, j-1]\}$ 
10  return  $M[m, n]$ 

```

5. **Actual solution**

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1 Function Longest-Common-Subsequence-Path ( $M, X, Y, i, j$ )
2   if  $i = 0$  or  $j = 0$  then
3     return
4   else if  $X[i] = Y[j]$  then
5     return Longest-Common-Subsequence-Path ( $M, X, Y, i-1, j-1$ ) +  $X[i]$ 
6   else
7     if  $M[i, j-1] > M[i-1, j]$  then
8       return Longest-Common-Subsequence-Path ( $M, X, Y, i, j-1$ )
9     else
10    return Longest-Common-Subsequence-Path ( $M, X, Y, i-1, j$ )

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Complexity $\Theta(m + n)$. each recursion i and j are decremented by 1 each time, so total of $m + n$ function call