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**Title: Study, Implementation, and Analysis of Fractional Knapsack Problem.**

**Objective:** To learn fractional Knapsack Problem using Dynamic Programming Approach.  
(Maximize the total value of selected items while ensuring their total weight does not exceed W.)

**CO to be achieved:**

CO 2    Describe various algorithm design strategies to solve different problems and analyse Complexity.

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**Pre Lab/ Prior Concepts:**

Data structures, Concepts of algorithm analysis

**Historical Profile:**

Dynamic Programming (DP) is used heavily in optimization problems (finding the maximum and the minimum of something). Applications range from financial models and operation research to biology and basic algorithm research. So the good news is that understanding DP is profitable. However, the bad news is that DP is not an algorithm or a data structure that you can memorize. It is a powerful algorithmic design technique.



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The 0/1 Knapsack Problem is one of the most studied problems in computer science, operations research, and combinatorial optimization. Its origins and development reflect the evolution of mathematical optimization and computational techniques.

**Historical Background**

**Origins in Resource Allocation:** The knapsack problem has its roots in resource allocation problems dating back centuries, where individuals needed to maximize their gain (value) from limited resources (capacity). The term "knapsack" derives from the idea of filling a knapsack with items to achieve the greatest benefit without exceeding its weight limit.

**Early Formalization:** The problem was first mathematically formalized in the early 20th century as part of broader studies in combinatorics and optimization. It gained attention as a theoretical challenge in discrete mathematics.

**Greedy Algorithms and Limitations:** Researchers also explored greedy approaches for simplified variants (e.g., fractional knapsack). The greedy algorithm does not work for the 0/1 knapsack problem due to its inability to handle binary choices optimally.

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**New Concepts to be learned:**

Application of algorithmic design strategy to any problem, dynamic Programming method of problem solving Vs other methods of problem solving, optimality of the solution, Optimal Binary Search Tree Problems and their applications

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**Algorithm:**



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Fractional Knapsack ( $S, W$ )

Input: Set  $S = \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n\}$  of  $n$  items. Each item is assigned value  $v_i$  & weight  $w_i$ . Max weight knapsack can handle is  $W$ .

Output: Amount  $x_i$  of each item  $i=1$  to  $n$

Repeat for each item  $i=1$  to  $n$   
    set  $x_i \leftarrow 0$  (selection of item  $i$  is set to 0 for every item)  
    set  $p_i \leftarrow v_i/w_i$  (profit value of each item)  
End Repeat:

set  $cw \leftarrow 0$  &  $i \leftarrow 1$  (set current weight to 0 and start index to 1)

Repeat while  $cw < W$  and  $i \leq n$   
    remove item  $i$  with highest profit value  $p_i$  from set  $S$ .  
    if  $(cw + w_i) \leq W$  then  
        set  $x_i \leftarrow 1$  and  $cw \leftarrow cw + w_i$   
    else  
        set  $x_i \leftarrow (W - cw) / w_i$   
         $cw = W$   
    end if  
    set  $i \leftarrow i + 1$   
End while  
return  $(x)$

Time complexity :  $O(n \log n)$   
Space complexity :  $O(n)$

**Code:**

```
#include <bits/stdc++.h>
#define endl '\n'
using namespace std;

struct Object
{
    double value, weight, value_by_weight;
};

bool compare(Object a, Object b)
{
    return a.value_by_weight > b.value_by_weight;
}

double fractional_knapsack(int capacity, vector<Object> &Objects)
{
    int n = Objects.size();
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
```



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```
{
    Objects[i].value_by_weight = Objects[i].value / Objects[i].weight;
}

sort(Objects.begin(), Objects.end(), compare);
double total_value = 0.0;
int cw = 0;

for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
{
    if (cw + Objects[i].weight <= capacity)
    {
        cw += Objects[i].weight;
        total_value += Objects[i].value;
    }
    else
    {
        double fractional = (double)(capacity - cw) / Objects[i].weight;
        total_value += Objects[i].value * fractional;
        break;
    }
}
return total_value;
}

int main()
{
    int n, capacity;
    cout << "Enter number of Objects: ";
    cin >> n;
    cout << "Enter the capacity of knapsack: ";
    cin >> capacity;

    vector<Object> Objects(n);
    cout << "Enter value and weight of each Object respectively: " << endl;
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
    {
        cin >> Objects[i].value >> Objects[i].weight;
    }

    double max_profit = fractional_knapsack(capacity, Objects);
    cout << "Maximum profit: " << max_profit << endl;
}
```

**Output:**



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```
Enter number of Objects: 3
Enter the capacity of knapsack: 50
Enter value and weight of each Object respectively:
60 10
100 20
120 30
Maximum profit: 240

Process returned 0 (0x0)   execution time : 13.291 s
Press any key to continue.
```

**Example:**

The image shows a handwritten example of the Fractional Knapsack Problem on lined paper. At the top right, there is a small box with 'classmate' and 'Date' and 'Page' fields. The example is titled '- Example (W=50)'. It contains three tables. The first table lists items with their values and weights. The second table calculates the ratio of value to weight (Vi/Wi) for each item. The third table shows the items sorted in descending order of their Vi/Wi ratio. Below the tables, the maximum profit is calculated as (60x1) + (100x1) + (20x30), which simplifies to 60 + 100 + 60 = 240. The final answer is circled and labeled 'Ans'.

Items	1	2	3
Value	60	100	120
Weight	10	20	30

Calculate ratio of Value/Weight

Items	1	2	3
Value	60	100	120
Weight	10	20	30
$V_i/W_i$	6	5	4

Sort in Descending Order with respect to  $V_i/W_i$

Items	1	2	3
Value	60	100	120
Weight	10	20	30
$V_i/W_i$	6	5	4

Max. profit =  $(60 \times 1) + (100 \times 1) + \left(\frac{20 \times 30}{30}\right)$

Ans:  $= 60 + 100 + 60$   
 $= 240$

**Analysis of algorithm:**

**Time Complexity:**  $O(n \log n)$

**Space Complexity:**  $O(n)$

**CONCLUSION:**

In this experiment, I implemented and analyzed the Fractional Knapsack Problem using a greedy algorithm. The approach involved sorting items based on their value-to-weight ratio and selecting items either fully or partially to maximize the total value within the given capacity constraint. The time complexity of the algorithm is  $O(n \log n)$  due to the sorting step, followed by a linear scan of the items. The space complexity is  $O(n)$  as we store the item details. This experiment helped me strengthen my understanding of greedy algorithms.