

1. (a) we use a $k+1 \times n+1$ table M to solve this problem

$M[i, k]$ = the maximum investment using $(f_i, f_{i+1}, \dots, f_n)$ and exactly k dollar.

base cases $M[i, 0] = 0$ and $M[n, k] = f_n(k)$ and for

general case it will be

$$M[i, k] = \max_{\text{for } m \leq k} (f_i(m) + M[i+1, k-m])$$

evaluation order we will the table k in an increasing order and i in the decreasing order.

and the answer will be $\max_{\text{for all } k} (M[0, k])$.

space: $O(nk)$ table
in total
 $O(nk) + O(nk^2) = O(nk^2)$

Complexity: for each entry there are $O(k)$ values to consider the maximum ~~one~~ which also takes $O(k)$, there are $O(nk)$ entries so ~~total~~ ^{DP is} $O(nk)$. $O(nk) = O(nk^2)$. then find max $O(k)$

Correctness: the correctness should be obvious, for current investment f_i with remaining k dollars, we can invest m from 1 to k dollar in f_i and the rest depends on the ~~the~~ maximum investment using $(f_{i+1}, f_{i+2}, \dots, f_n)$ with the remaining money which is exactly $M[i+1, k-m]$ as we defined then ~~we~~ take the max of all possible m will give the maximum required.

notice, the problem asks the maximum investment of (f_1, \dots, f_n) using ~~less than~~ ^{at most} k dollar, so at the end, we take max of $ME_0[k]$ for all k to be the answer. Therefore, the DP should give out the correct answer.

(b): from the recursive formula in (a), it's not hard to find that for $ME_i[k]$ fixed i , it only depends on the entries in the $ME_{i+1, \cdot}$ entries, therefore if we only need to calculate the maximum investment at the end, instead of saving the entire table, ^{two} a single columns will be sufficient, one for current values, one for previously computed values and save current values to previously computed values once a column is finished, therefore, two columns only takes $O(k)$ space in total.