

The 0/1 Knapsack Problem

Notations

* Each item is represented by a pair $\langle \text{Value}, \text{weight} \rangle$
 $\in \mathbb{R}^+$

* The knapsack can accommodate items with a total weight of at most capacity W

Let, I be a vector of length n , representing the set of 'n' available items to be selected from.

Also, let V be a vector of length n to indicate whether an item ends up in the knapsack or not?
 i.e.

if $V[i] = 1$ then $I[i]$ is in the knapsack

The 0/1 knapsack problem is thus, finding a collection of items that maximizes.

$$K(W) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} V[i] \times I[i]$$

Subject to the constraint $\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} V[i] \times I[i] \leq W$

Where, W is the capacity of the knapsack.

Solving 0/1 Knapsack with Brute-Force

- 1) Enumerate all possible combinations of items (exponential).
- 2) Remove all such combinations whose total weight exceeds W (knapsack's capacity)
- 3) From the remaining combinations, choose the one that maximizes the total value $K(W)$

Recall: Brute-force guarantees an optimal ~~and~~ solution

but at an exponential cost! Intractable when 'n' and

'W' are large.

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0/1 Knapsack: Two Possible Cases

With Repetition
(Unlimited quantity)

Without Repetition
(each item to be taken only once).

a binary decision tree

For example, consider the following items with $W = 10$

	Weight	Value
a	6	30
b	3	14
c	4	16
d	2	9

1) 0/1 Knapsack with Repetition:

Pick 'a' and two 'd's.

$$\sum w_i = a.w + d.w + d.w = 6 + 2 + 2 = 10$$

$$K(w) = 30 + 2(9) = 48$$

Total value

(2) 0/1 Knapsack without Repetition:

Pick 'a' and 'c'.

$$\sum w_i = a.w + c.w = 6 + 4 = 10$$

$$\text{Total value } K(w) = 30 + 16 = 46$$

Recursive Optimal Substructure for 0/1 Knapsack

Let $K(w)$ be the optimal solution, i.e., the maximum value with a given capacity of w .

Can we express $K(w)$ in terms of optimal subproblems?

Claim: The 0/1 Knapsack has an optimal solution in Dynamic Programming in $O(nw)$.

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Recursive Optimal Subproblems: Given $K(W)$ the optimal solution.

Now, the input to the problem can be shortened in two ways:

- 1) Look at the knapsack with smaller capacity?
i.e., $W_i \leq W$, $1 \leq W_i \leq W$
a smaller capacity knapsack.
- 2) Look at fewer items (given 'n' items) i.e., $1, 2, 3, \dots, j$; $j \leq n$

Let i be an item that is in the optimal solution, i.e., $K(W)$.

If we remove ' i ' from the knapsack, the remaining items in the knapsack will constitute the optimal solution for a knapsack of weight (capacity) $W - W_i$ and will have a total value of $K(W - W_i)$, which will be optimal for a subproblem of size $W - W_i$.

Then,

$$K(W) = \underbrace{K(W - W_i)}_{\text{the optimal solution}} + \underbrace{V_i}_{\text{optimal soln for value of item } i} \quad \text{for some } i$$

Now, we don't know which item ' i ' is to be removed.

So, we try all possibilities:-

i.e.,

$$K(W) = \max_{i: W_i \leq W} K(W - W_i) + V_i \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{with Repetition} \\ \text{allowed!} \end{array} \right\}$$

Bad recursion! But since we'll fill-in the table, there is no need to worry.

Base Case: $K(0) = 0$ } Small est subproblem ($W=0$). The optimal solution

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for $K(0) = 0$.

Filling in the table $K(0) = 0$

For $w_i : 1 \leq w$

$$K(w) = \max \{ K(w - w_i) + V_i \}$$

$w_i \leq w$

\therefore Items can be repeated here, the problem reduces to size by capacity only, so well, fill in a 1D table

eg.:

w \ K(w)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	0	0	9	14	18	23	30	32	39	44	48

starting with $K(w=0) = 0$

the items are

Item	Weight	Value
a	6	30
b	3	14
c	4	16
d	2	9

$$K(w=1) = \max \{ K(w - w_i) + V_i \}$$

for all $i : w_i \leq w$

$$= \max \{ \underbrace{K(1-1)}_{=K(0)} + 0 \} = 0$$

\uparrow No item of weight 1

$$K(w=2) = \max \{ \underbrace{K(2-w.d)}_{2-2=0} + V.d \} = \underbrace{K(0)}_{=0} + 9 = 9$$

$$K(w=3) = \max \{ \underbrace{K(3-w.b)}_{3-3=0} + V.b, \underbrace{K(w-w.d)}_{=K(1)} + V.d \}$$

$$= \max \{ 0 + 14, 0 + 9 \} = 14$$

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Similarly,

$$\begin{aligned}
 K(W=4) &= \max \{ K(4-W \cdot b) + v \cdot b, K(4-W \cdot c) + v \cdot c, K(4-W \cdot d) + v \cdot d \} \\
 &= \max \{ \underbrace{K(4-3)}_{K(1)=0} + 14, \underbrace{K(4-4)}_{K(0)=0} + 16, \underbrace{K(4-2)}_{K(2)=9} + 9 \} \\
 &= \max \{ 14, 16, 18 \} = 18
 \end{aligned}$$

and so on. (Fill in the rest of the table as this).

AnsUse the diag from the table to find items in the final optimal soln for $W=10$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 x \\
 \hline
 x
 \end{array}$$

0/1 Knapsack without Repetition (an item can be taken only once)

Recall, when repetitions were allowed, we only cared about $W_i \leq W$ [one-dimensional table]

Now, we need to keep track of $K(W)$ but also whether an item j ($1 \leq j \leq n$) out of the given n items is already in the optimal solution or not! The problem is now two-dimensional (we'll fill in a 2D table of size $(n+1) \times (W+1)$)

Let, $K(W, i)$ be the maximum value achievable for a Knapsack with capacity W with items $1, 2, \dots, i$.

How can we express the problem recursively?

The problem is $K(W, n)$:

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We have a Decision Problem:-

We're exploring the possibility whether a given item j is part of the optimal solution or not.

So, either the optimal solution exists when j is in the knapsack, or when it is not!

i.e.,

$$K(w, j) = \max \begin{cases} K(w - w_j, j-1) + v_j & \text{s.t. } w_j \leq w \\ K(w, j-1) \end{cases}$$

recall the LCS problem!

Let's take a concrete (toy) example from Dasgupta et al.

Item	Weight	Value	
a	6	30	Smallest Subproblems (base-cases)
b	3	14	$K(0, n) = 0$
c	4	16	$K(w, 0) = 0$
d	2	9	$K(0, 0) = 0$

See, $K(w, j) = \max \begin{cases} K(w - w_j, j-1) + v_j & ; w_j \leq w \\ K(w, j-1) \end{cases}$

$1, 2, 3, \dots, j-1, j$

$1, 2, 3, \dots, j-1, j$

Which j item
are we talking
about?

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Pseudocode to fill-in the 2D table:

1. Initialize all $K(0, j) = 0$ and $K(w, 0) = 0$

2. For $j: 1 \text{ to } n$

For $w: 1 \text{ to } W$

If $w \cdot j > W$

$K(w, j) = K(w, j-1)$

else

$K(w, j) = \max \left\{ K(w-w \cdot j, j-1) + w \cdot j, \right.$

$\left. K(w, j-1) \right\}$

For our example:

	n	a	b	c	d
w	0	0	0	0	0
1	0				
2	0				
3	0				
4	0				
5	0				
6	0				
7	0				
8	0				
9	0				
10	0				

Ans: Fill-in the table!

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$O(nW)$

Pseudo polynomial!

[Next: Are we familiar with Pascal's Δ]

We'll return to Knapsack in Greedy Algorithms!

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