

### Dynamic Programming - 0/1 Knapsack problem

- Given a knapsack with maximum capacity  $W$ , and a set  $S$  consisting of  $n$  items
- Each item  $i$  has some weight  $w_i$  and benefit value  $b_i$  (all  $w_i$  and  $W$  are integer values)

Problem: How to pack the knapsack to achieve maximum total value of packed items?

Items are indivisible; you either take an item or not, The problem is called a "0-1" problem, because each item must be entirely accepted or rejected.

Problem in other words, is to find :

$$\max \sum_{i \in T} b_i \text{ subject to } \sum_{i \in T} w_i \leq W$$

Where  $b_i$  is the benefit/profit provided by each item  $i$  and  $w_i$  is the weight of each item  $i$ .

Let's first solve this problem with a straightforward algorithm - brute force method:

- Since there are  $n$  items, there are  $2^n$  possible combinations of items.
- We go through all combinations and find the one with maximum value and with total weight less or equal to  $W$
- Running time will be  $O(2^n)$

### Dynamic programming approach :

We can do better with an algorithm based on dynamic programming, We need to carefully identify the sub-problems

#### **Defining a sub-problem:**

Let's try this:

If items are labeled  $1..n$ , then a sub-problem would be to find an optimal solution for  $S_k = \{\text{items labeled } 1, 2, \dots, k\}$

But, in this case, the final solution  $(S_n)$  cannot be described in terms of sub-problems  $(S_k)$ .

To illustrate this, consider the following example:

Item	Weight	Value
I0	3	10
I1	8	4
I2	9	9
I3	8	11

The maximum weight the knapsack can hold is 20.

The best set of items from  $\{I_0, I_1, I_2\}$  is  $\{I_0, I_1, I_2\}$   
but the best set of items from  $\{I_0, I_1, I_2, I_3\}$  is  $\{I_0, I_2, I_3\}$ .

In this example, note that this optimal solution,  $\{I_0, I_2, I_3\}$ , does NOT build upon the previous optimal solution,  $\{I_0, I_1, I_2\}$ .

(Instead it builds upon the solution,  $\{I_0, I_2\}$ , which is really the optimal subset of  $\{I_0, I_1, I_2\}$  with weight 12 or less.)

So our definition of a sub-problem is flawed and we need another one!

**Let's add another parameter:  $w$ , which will represent the maximum weight for each subset of items**

The sub-problem then will be to compute  $V[k, w]$ , i.e., to find an optimal solution for  $S_k = \{I_0, I_1, I_2, \dots, I_k\}$  in a knapsack of size ' $w$ '

Assuming knowing  $V[i, j]$ ,  
where  $i=0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1$ ,  $j=0, 1, 2, \dots, w$ ,

how to derive  $V[k, w]$ ?

**Recursive Formula for sub-problems:**

$$V[k, w] = \begin{cases} V[k-1, w] & \text{if } w_k > w \\ \max\{V[k-1, w], V[k-1, w-w_k] + b_k\} & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

It means, that the best subset of  $S_k$  that has total weight  $w$  is:

- 1) the best subset of  $S_{k-1}$  that has total weight  $\leq w$ , or
- 2) the best subset of  $S_{k-1}$  that has total weight  $\leq w-w_k$  plus the item  $k$

The best subset of  $S_k$  that has the total weight  $\leq w$ , either contains item  $k$  or not.

**First case:**  $w_k > w$ . Item  $k$  can't be part of the solution, since if it was, the total weight would be greater than  $w$ , which is unacceptable.

**Second case:**  $w_k \leq w$ . Then the item  $k$  can be in the solution, and we choose the case with greater value.

**0-1 Knapsack Algorithm**

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for w := 0 to W
    V[0, w] = 0;
for i := 1 to n
    V[i, 0] = 0;
for i := 1 to n
{
    for w := 0 to W
    {
        if  $w_i \leq w$            // item i can be part of the solution
        {
            if (  $b_i + V[i-1, w - w_i] > V[i-1, w]$  )
                V[i, w] =  $b_i + V[i-1, w - w_i]$ ;
            else
                V[i, w] = V[i-1, w];
        }
        else V[i, w] = V[i-1, w] //  $w_i > w$ 
    }
}

```

The running time of the algorithm is :  $O(n*W)$ , Remember that the brute-force algorithm takes  $O(2^n)$

Example of 0/1 Knapsack using dynamic programming:  
 $n = 4$  (number of elements)  
 $W = 5$  (max weight)

Elements	weight	benefit
$I_1$	2	3
$I_2$	3	4
$I_3$	4	5
$I_4$	5	6



i \ W	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1						
2						
3						
4						

for  $w := 0$  to  $W$   
 $V[0,w] = 0$   
 for  $i := 1$  to  $n$   
 $V[i,0] = 0$

i \ W	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0				
2	0					
3	0					
4	0					

Items:

1: (2,3)

2: (3,4)

3: (4,5)

4: (5,6)

$i=1$

$b_i=3$

$w_i=2$

$w=1$

$w-w_i=-1$

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item  $i$  can be part of the solution  
   if  $b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i] > V[i-1, w]$   
      $V[i, w] = b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i]$   
   else  
      $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$   
 else  $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$

Items:

1: (2,3)

2: (3,4)

3: (4,5)

4: (5,6)

i \ W	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3			
2	0					
3	0					
4	0					

 $i=1$  $b_i=3$  $w_i=2$  $w=2$  $w-w_i=0$ 

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item i can be part of the solution  
 if  $b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i] > V[i-1, w]$   
 $V[i, w] = b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i]$   
 else  
 $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$   
 else  $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$

Items:

1: (2,3)

2: (3,4)

3: (4,5)

4: (5,6)

i \ W	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3	3		
2	0					
3	0					
4	0					

 $i=1$  $b_i=3$  $w_i=2$  $w=3$  $w-w_i=1$ 

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item i can be part of the solution  
 if  $b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i] > V[i-1, w]$   
 $V[i, w] = b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i]$   
 else  
 $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$   
 else  $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$

Items:

1: (2,3)

2: (3,4)

3: (4,5)

4: (5,6)

i \ W	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3	3	3	
2	0					
3	0					
4	0					

i=1

$b_i=3$

$w_i=2$

$w=4$

$w-w_i=2$

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item i can be part of the solution  
 if  $b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i] > V[i-1, w]$   
 $V[i, w] = b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i]$   
 else  
 $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$   
 else  $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$

Items:

1: (2,3)

2: (3,4)

3: (4,5)

4: (5,6)

i \ W	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3	3	3	3
2	0					
3	0					
4	0					

i=1

$b_i=3$

$w_i=2$

$w=5$

$w-w_i=3$

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item i can be part of the solution  
 if  $b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i] > V[i-1, w]$   
 $V[i, w] = b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i]$   
 else  
 $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$   
 else  $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$

Likewise, continue calculating until  $V[4,5]$



$i \backslash W$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3	3	3	3
2	0	0	3	4	4	7
3	0	0	3	4	5	7
4	0	0	3	4	5	7

Items:

1: (2,3)

2: (3,4)

3: (4,5)

4: (5,6)

 $i=4$  $b_i=6$  $w_i=5$  $w=5$  $w - w_i = 0$ 

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if  $w_i \leq w$  // item i can be part of the solution
  if  $b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i] > V[i-1, w]$ 
     $V[i, w] = b_i + V[i-1, w-w_i]$ 
  else
     $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$ 
else  $V[i, w] = V[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$ 

```

This algorithm only finds the max possible value that can be carried in the knapsack i.e., the value in  $V[n, W]$

To know the items that make this maximum value, an addition to this algorithm is necessary

#### How to find actual Knapsack Items?

- All of the information we need is in the table.
- $V[n, W]$  is the maximal value of items that can be placed in the Knapsack.
- Algorithm to choose items that can be included in the final solution:

```

i=n, k=W;
while I, k>0
{
  if  $V[i, k] \neq V[i-1, k]$  then
     $i = i-1$ ;  $k = k-w_i$ ; //mark the  $i^{th}$  item as in the knapsack
  else
     $i = i-1$ ; // Assume the  $i^{th}$  item is not in the knapsack
}

```

## Finding the Items (1)

$i \backslash W$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3	3	3	3
2	0	0	3	4	4	7
3	0	0	3	4	5	7
4	0	0	3	4	5	7

$i=4$   
 $k=5$

$b_i=6$   
 $w_i=5$   
 $V[i,k]=7$   
 $V[i-1,k]=7$

Items:

- 1: (2,3)
- 2: (3,4)
- 3: (4,5)
- 4: (5,6)

```

i=n, k=W
while i,k > 0
    if  $V[i,k] \neq V[i-1,k]$  then
        mark the  $i^{\text{th}}$  item as in the knapsack
         $i = i-1, k = k-w_i$ 
    else
         $i = i-1$ 
    
```

## Finding the Items (2)

$i \backslash W$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3	3	3	3
2	0	0	3	4	4	7
3	0	0	3	4	5	7
4	0	0	3	4	5	7

$i=3$   
 $k=5$

$b_i=5$   
 $w_i=4$   
 $V[i,k]=7$   
 $V[i-1,k]=7$

Items:

- 1: (2,3)
- 2: (3,4)
- 3: (4,5)
- 4: (5,6)

```

i=n, k=W
while i,k > 0
    if  $V[i,k] \neq V[i-1,k]$  then
        mark the  $i^{\text{th}}$  item as in the knapsack
         $i = i-1, k = k-w_i$ 
    else
         $i = i-1$ 
    
```



### Finding the Items (3)

$i \backslash W$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3	3	3	3
2	0	0	3	4	4	7
3	0	0	3	4	5	7
4	0	0	3	4	5	7

Items:

- 1: (2,3)
- 2: (3,4)
- 3: (4,5)
- 4: (5,6)

 $i=2$  $k=5$  $b_i=4$  $w_i=3$  $V[i,k] = 7$  $V[i-1,k] = 3$  $k - w_i = 2$  $i=n, k=W$ while  $i, k > 0$ if  $V[i,k] \neq V[i-1,k]$  thenmark the  $i^{\text{th}}$  item as in the knapsack $i = i-1, k = k - w_i$ 

else

 $i = i-1$ 

### Finding the Items (4)

$i \backslash W$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3	3	3	3
2	0	0	3	4	4	7
3	0	0	3	4	5	7
4	0	0	3	4	5	7

Items:

- 1: (2,3)
- 2: (3,4)
- 3: (4,5)
- 4: (5,6)

 $i=1$  $k=2$  $b_i=3$  $w_i=2$  $V[i,k] = 3$  $V[i-1,k] = 0$  $k - w_i = 0$  $i=n, k=W$ while  $i, k > 0$ if  $V[i,k] \neq V[i-1,k]$  thenmark the  $i^{\text{th}}$  item as in the knapsack $i = i-1, k = k - w_i$ 

else

 $i = i-1$

## Finding the Items (6)

$i \backslash W$	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	3	3	3	3
2	0	0	3	4	4	7
3	0	0	3	4	5	7
4	0	0	3	4	5	7

$i=0$   
 $k=0$

Items:

1: (2,3)  
2: (3,4)  
3: (4,5)  
4: (5,6)

The optimal  
knapsack  
should contain  
{1, 2}

```

i=n, k=W
while i,k > 0
    if  $V[i,k] \neq V[i-1,k]$  then
        mark the  $n^{\text{th}}$  item as in the knapsack
         $i = i-1, k = k-w_i$ 
    else
         $i = i-1$ 
    
```

### Conclusion

- Dynamic programming is a useful technique of solving certain kind of problems
- When the solution can be recursively described in terms of partial solutions, we can store these partial solutions and re-use them as necessary (memorization)
- Running time of dynamic programming algorithm vs. naïve algorithm:  
**Knapsack problem:  $O(W \cdot n)$  vs.  $O(2^n)$**