

# Greedy Algorithms and Techniques

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# Problem 1:

Given an array of integers find the minimum absolute difference between any two elements of the array. ( $1 \leq N \leq 1e5$ )

|    |   |    |   |   |   |
|----|---|----|---|---|---|
| 10 | 9 | 20 | 3 | 5 | 1 |
|----|---|----|---|---|---|

Ans = 2

## Problem 2:

Given an array of integers, you want to transfer every element from it to another array (initially empty). The cost of moving an element  $X$  on the  $i^{\text{th}}$  step is  $i * X$ . Find minimum total cost.

|    |  |
|----|--|
| 10 |  |
| 3  |  |
| 4  |  |

|    |   |
|----|---|
| 10 | 4 |
| 3  |   |
|    |   |

$$4 * 1$$

|   |    |
|---|----|
|   | 4  |
| 3 | 10 |
|   |    |

$$10 * 2$$

|  |    |
|--|----|
|  | 4  |
|  | 10 |
|  | 3  |

$$3 * 3$$

## Problem 3:

Given an array of positive integers, select 3 elements from it such that they can form a triangle and perimeter of the triangle is maximized. ( $1 \leq N \leq 1e5$ )

|    |   |   |   |   |   |
|----|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 1 |
|----|---|---|---|---|---|

Choosing 6, 4, 2 will give the best biggest perimeter

## Problem 4: Activity Selection [Link](#)

Given N event with start and end times, find the maximum number of events you can attend such that no two selected events overlap.

( $1 \leq N \leq 1e5$ ), ( $1 \leq \text{start times} \leq \text{end times} \leq 1e9$ )

|       |       |       |       |        |         |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------|
| 1 - 2 | 3 - 7 | 5 - 6 | 8 - 9 | 7 - 10 | 10 - 11 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------|

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------|
| 1 - 2 | 3 - 7 | 5 - 6 | 8 - 9 | 7 - 10 | 10 - 11 |
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# Bonus: Weighted Activity Selection

Given  $N$  event with start, end times and profits, find the maximum number of events you can attend such that no two selected events overlap.

$(1 \leq N \leq 1e5)$ ,  $(1 \leq \text{start times} \leq \text{end times} \leq 1e9)$   $(1 \leq \text{profits} \leq 1e9)$

To be covered after Dynamic Programming

# Problem 5: Fractional Knapsack

Given  $N$  items with each item having 2 parameters  $X_i$  and  $Y_i$  which means picking  $X_i$  units of item  $i$  will give you a profit of  $Y_i$  points. You are not required to pick all  $X_i$  units of an item. You are also given a value  $D$ . You can pick up to  $D$  units in total. Find the maximum profit you can make.