

Let J = set of jobs given as input

$OPT(J)$ = value of the optimal solution

Look at a particular job j :

Recursive expression for OPT :

$$OPT(J) = \max \{ OPT(J \setminus \{j\}), \text{ // if } j \text{ not part of opt. solution}$$

$$OPT(J \setminus \{j \text{ and all jobs overlapping with } j\})$$

$$+ v(j) \text{ // if } j \text{ is part of the optimal solution}$$

$$OPT(\{\}) = 0 \text{ // base case}$$

How can we generate subproblems efficiently (in constant time).

Set of jobs $1, \dots, n$, ordered by finish time.

$OPT(j)$ is value of optimal solution to the problem consisting of jobs $1, \dots, j$.
integer

$$OPT(j) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } j=0 \\ \max \{ OPT(j-1), v_j + OPT(p(j)) \} \end{cases}$$

$p(j)$: largest index
 $p(j) < j$ s.t. job
 $p(j)$ is compatible
with j .

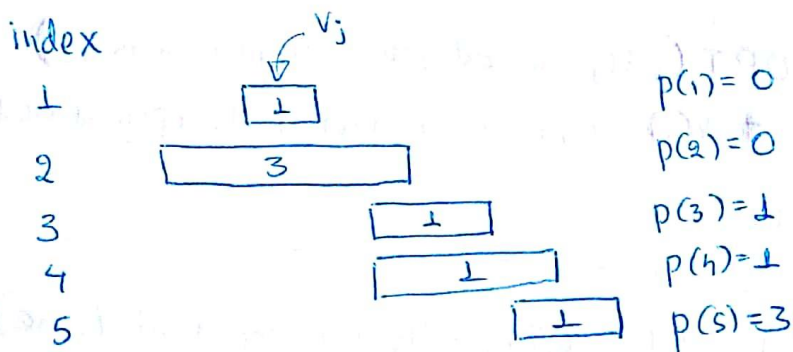
This is an arbitrary way to organise the jobs.

If we had sorted by start time, it would still be correct.

Running time

- Sort: $O(n \log n)$
- Compute $p(j)$'s: $O(n \log n)$ // binary search for $p(j)$
- Iterative loop: $O(n)$

Overall: $O(n \log n)$



$$\begin{aligned} \text{OPT}(5) &= \max \{ \underset{=3}{\text{OPT}(4)}, 1 + \underset{=3}{\text{OPT}(3)} \} = 4 \\ \text{OPT}(4) &= \max \{ \underset{=3}{\text{OPT}(3)}, 1 + \underset{=1}{\text{OPT}(1)} \} = 3 \\ \text{OPT}(3) &= \max \{ \underset{=3}{\text{OPT}(2)}, 1 + \underset{=2}{\text{OPT}(1)} \} = 3 \\ \text{OPT}(2) &= \max \{ \underset{=1}{\text{OPT}(1)}, 3 + \underset{=2}{\text{OPT}(0)} \} = 3 \\ \text{OPT}(1) &= \max \{ \underset{=0}{\text{OPT}(0)}, 1 + \underset{=1}{\text{OPT}(0)} \} = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$M =$

0	1	2	3	4	5
0	1	3	3	3	4

↑

$M[j] := \text{OPT}(j)$

OUTPUT: $\text{OPT}(n)$

Apply FIND-SOLUTION(n) algorithm from the slides:

Find-SOLUTION(5)

Find-SOLUTION(3)

Find-SOLUTION(2)

Find-SOLUTION(0)

OUTPUT: 5, 2

KNAPSACK

Given n items, each with weight $w_i > 0$ & value v_i .

↙ integer

Knapsack can hold at most W total weight.

Goal: Fill the knapsack so as to maximize total value.