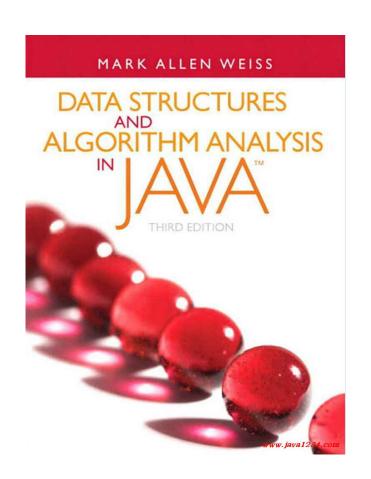
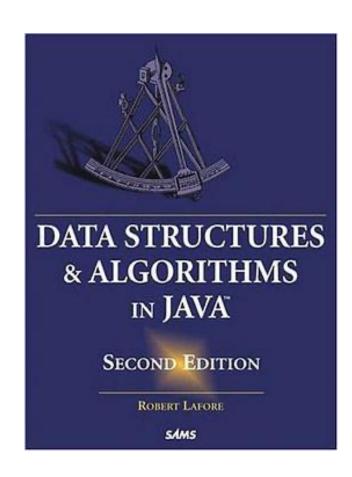
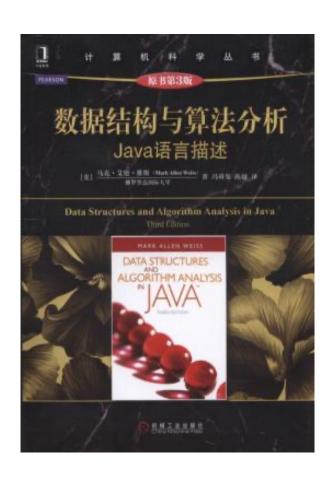
Topic 17 – Greedy Algorithm









- - Minimum rotations to unlock a circular lock
 - Minimum product subset of an array
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Greedy Algorithm

- A greedy algorithm is an approach for solving a problem by selecting the best option available at the moment, without worrying about the future result it would bring.
- In other words, the locally best choices aim at producing globally best results.



Greedy Algorithm

- This algorithm may not be the best option for all the problems.
- It may produce wrong results in some cases.
- This algorithm never goes back to reverse the decision made. This algorithm works in a top-down approach.

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- The main advantage of this algorithm is:
 - The algorithm is easier to describe.
 - This algorithm can **perform better** than other algorithms (but, not in all cases).

Feasible Solution

• A feasible solution is the one that provides the optimal solution to the problem.

Examples of Greedy Algorithm

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- You are given a lock which is made up of n-different circular rings and each ring has 0-9 digit printed serially on it.
- Initially all n-rings together show a n-digit integer but there is particular code only which can open the lock.
- You can rotate each ring any number of time in either direction.

• You have to find the minimum number of rotation done on

rings of lock to open the lock.

- Examples:
 - Input:
 - Input = 2345, Unlock code = 5432
 - Output : Rotations required = 8
 - Explanation :
 - 1st ring is rotated thrice as 2->3->4->5
 - 2nd ring is rotated once as 3->4
 - 3rd ring is rotated once as 4->3
 - 4th ring is rotated thrice as 5->4->3->2

- Examples:
 - Input:
 - Input = 1919, Unlock code = 0000
 - Output : Rotations required = 4
 - Explanation :
 - 1st ring is rotated once as 1->0
 - 2nd ring is rotated once as 9->0
 - 3rd ring is rotated once as 1->0
 - 4th ring is rotated once as 9->0

- For a single ring we can rotate it in any of two direction forward or backward as:
 - 0->1->2....->9->0
 - 9->8->....0->9
- But we are concerned with minimum number of rotation required so we should choose *min* (*abs*(*a-b*), 10-*abs*(*a-b*)) as *a-b* denotes the number of forward rotation and 10-*abs*(*a-b*) denotes the number of backward rotation for a ring to rotate from a to b.
- Further we have to find minimum number for each ring that is for each digit.
- So starting from right most digit we can easily the find minimum number of rotation required for each ring and end up at left most digit.

```
// Java program for min rotation to unlock
class GFG {
  // function for min rotation
  static int minRotation(int input, int unlock code)
     int rotation = 0;
     int input digit, code digit;
    // iterate till input and unlock code become 0
     while (input>0 || unlock code>0) {
            //Next page
     return rotation;
```

```
// iterate till input and unlock code become 0
while (input>0 || unlock code>0) {
  // input and unlock last digit as reminder
  input digit = input % 10;
  code digit = unlock code % 10;
  // find min rotation
  rotation += Math.min(Math.abs(input digit
         - code digit), 10 - Math.abs(
           input digit - code digit));
  // update code and input
  input /= 10;
  unlock code /= 10;
```

Output:

Minimum Rotation = 12

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- Given an array a, we have to find minimum product possible with the subset of elements present in the array.
- The minimum product can be single element also.

• Examples:

- Input_1: $a[] = \{-1, -1, -2, 4, 3\}$
 - Output 1: -24
 - Explanation: (-2 * -1 * -1 * 4 * 3) = -24
- Input_2: $a[] = \{ -1, 0 \}$
 - Output 2: -1
 - Explanation: -1(single element)
- Input_3: $a[] = \{ 0, 0, 0 \}$
 - **Output_3:** 0

- A simple solution is to generate all subsets, find product of every subset and return minimum product.
 - List all possible
- A better solution is to use the below facts.
 - 1. If there are even number of negative numbers and no zeros, the result is the product of all except the largest valued negative number.
 - 2. If there are an **odd number of negative numbers** and **no zeros**, the result is simply the product of all.
 - 3. If there are zeros and positive, no negative, the result is 0.
 - 4. The exceptional case is when there is no negative number and all other elements positive then our result should be the first minimum positive number.

```
// Java program to find maximum product of a subset.
class GFG {
   static int minProductSubset(int a[], int n)
       if(n == 1)
           return a[0];
       int negmax = Integer.MIN VALUE;
       int posmin = Integer.MAX VALUE;
       int count neg = 0, count zero = 0;
       int product = 1;
```

```
array for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
               // count the zero numbers
               if(a[i] == 0) count zero++;
               else {
                   // count the negetive numbers
                   if(a[i] < 0) {
                       count neg++;
                       if(a[i] > negmax) negmax = a[i];
                   // find the minimum positive number
                   if(a[i] > 0 \&\& a[i] < posmin) posmin = a[i];
                   product *= a[i];
```

```
// main function
public static void main(String[] args) {
    int a[] = { -1, -1, -2, 4, 3 };
    int n = 5;

    System.out.println(minProductSubset(a, n));
}
```

Output: -24

```
// if there are all zeroes
// or zero is present but no
// negetive number is present
if (count zero > 0)
    if(count neg == 0)
       return 0;
    else {
       if (count neg \% 2 == 1) //odd neg.
           return product;
        else
            retuen product / negmax;
else
    return posmin;
```

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• Given a value V, if we want to make a change for V Rs, and we have an infinite supply of each of the denominations in Indian currency, i.e., we have an infinite supply of { 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 500, 1000} valued coins/notes, what is the minimum number of coins and/or notes needed to make the change?

• Examples:

- Input_1: V = 70
 - Output 1:2
 - We need a 50 Rs note and a 20 Rs note.
- Input_2: V = 121
 - **Output_2:** 3
 - We need a 100 Rs note, a 20 Rs note and a 1 Rs coin.

• Solution: Greedy Approach.

• Approach:

- A common intuition would be to take coins with greater value first. This can reduce the total number of coins needed.
- Start from the largest possible denomination and keep adding denominations while the remaining value is greater than 0.

• Algorithm:

- 1. Sort the array of coins in decreasing order.
- 2. Initialize result as empty.
- 3. Find the largest denomination that is smaller than current amount.
- 4. Add found denomination to result. Subtract value of found denomination from amount.
- 5. If amount becomes 0, then print result.
- 6. Else repeat steps 3 and 4 for new value of V.

```
// Java program to find minimum number of denominations
import java.util.Vector;

class GFG {

    // All denominations of Indian Currency
    static int deno[] = {1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 500, 1000};
    static int n = deno.length;
```

```
static void findMin(int V) {
   Vector<Integer> ans = new Vector<>(); // Initialize result
   // Traverse through all denomination
   for (int i = n - 1; i \ge 0; i - - 0) {
       // Find denominations
       while (V \ge deno[i])
           V = deno[i];
           ans.add(deno[i]);
   // Print result
   for (int i = 0; i < ans.size(); i++)
       System.out.print(" " + ans.elementAt(i));
```

```
// Driver code
public static void main(String[] args)
   int n = 93;
   System.out.print("Following is minimal number "
       +"of change for " + n + ": ");
   findMin(n);
```

Output:

Following is minimal number of change for 93: 50 20 20 2 1

Complexity Analysis:

- Time Complexity: O(V).
- Auxiliary Space: O(1) as no additional space is used.

• Note:

- The above approach may not work for all denominations.
- For example, it doesn't work for denominations $\{9, 6, 5, 1\}$ and V = 11.
- The above approach would print 9, 1 and 1.
- But we can use 2 denominations 5 and 6.
- For general input, dynamic programming approach can solve it.

