

# Dynamic Programming

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Invented by American mathematician Richard Bellman in the 1950s to solve optimization problems and later assimilated by CS.

“Programming” here means “planning”

*Dynamic Programming* is a powerful algorithm design technique for solving problems that

- Appear to be exponential but have a poly solution with DP
- In many cases are optimization problems (min/max)
- Defined by or formulated as recurrences with overlapping subproblems
- Optimal solution to a problem contains optimal solutions to subproblems.

# Dynamic Programming

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- Like divide and conquer, DP solves problems by combining solutions to subproblems.
- Unlike divide and conquer, subproblems are not independent.
  - Subproblems may share subsubproblems,
  - However, solution to one subproblem may not affect the solutions to other subproblems of the same problem.
- Key: Determine structure of optimal solutions

# 5 Steps to DP

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1. Define subproblems
2. Guess part of the solution
3. Relate subproblem solutions
4. Recurse + memoize or Build a DP bottom-up table.
5. Solve original problem

# DP Examples

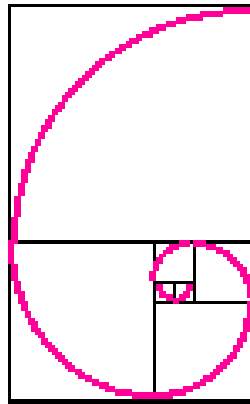
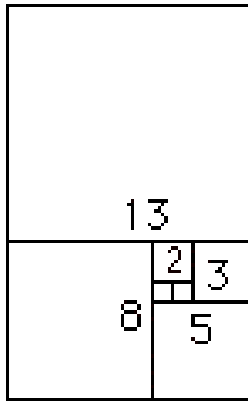
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# Fibonacci Sequence

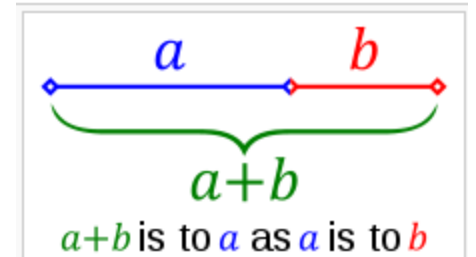
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- 0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, ...



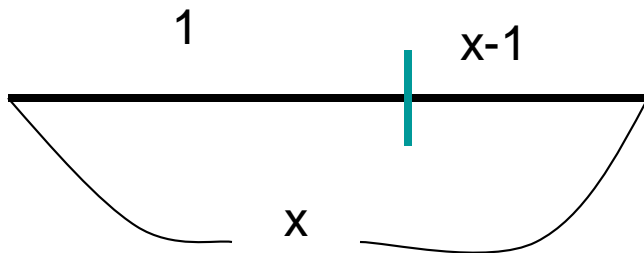
# Fibonacci Number and Golden Ratio

0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34, ...



$$\begin{cases} f_n = 0 & \text{if } n = 0 \\ f_n = 1 & \text{if } n = 1 \\ f_n = f_{n-1} + f_{n-2} & \text{if } n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

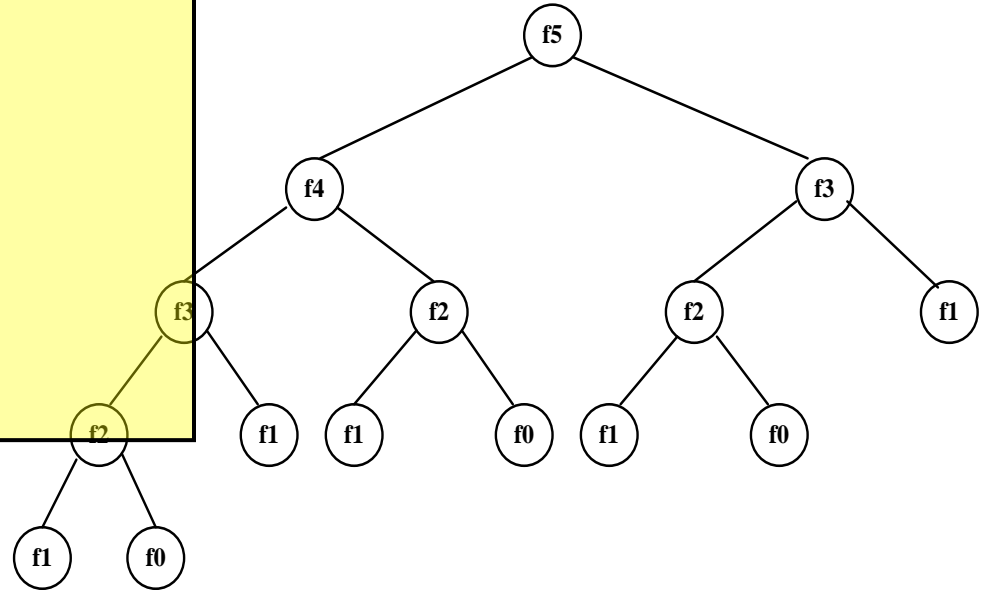
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f_n}{f_{n-1}} = \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} = \text{Golden Ratio} = \phi = 1.61803..$$



$$\begin{aligned} \frac{x}{1} &= \frac{1}{x-1} \\ x^2 - x - 1 &= 0 \\ x &= \frac{1 + \sqrt{5}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

# Naive Recursive Algorithm

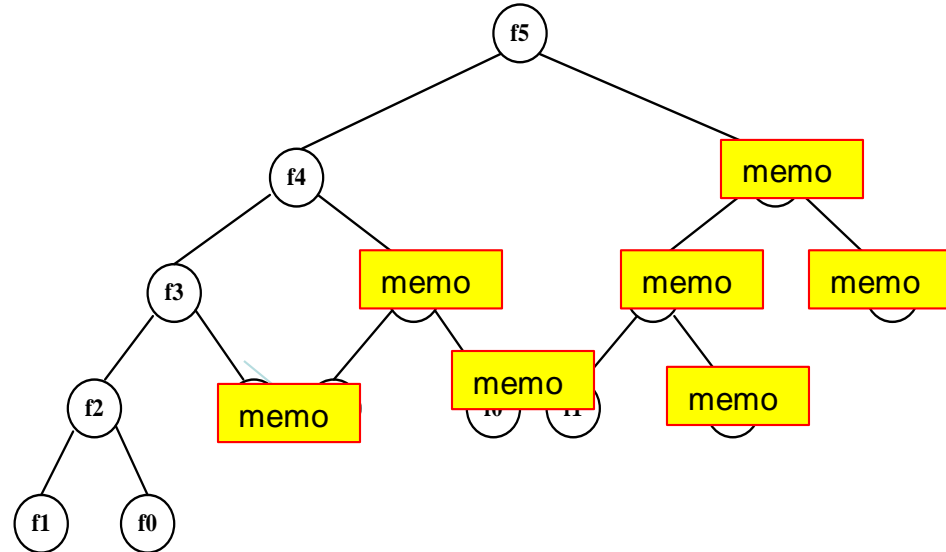
```
fib (n) {  
  if (n = 0) {  
    return 0;  
  } else if (n = 1) {  
    return 1;  
  } else {  
    return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2);  
  }  
}
```



- Solved by a recursive program
- Much replicated computation is done.
- Running time  $\Theta(\phi^n)$  - exponential

# Memoized DP Algorithm

```
memo = { }  
fib (n) {  
  if (n in memo) { return memo[n] }  
  if (n <= 1) {  
    f = n;  
  } else {  
    f = fib(n-1) + fib(n-2);  
  }  
  memo[n] = f;  
  return f  
}
```



- fib(k) only recurses the first time called only n nonmemoized calls
- Memorized calls “free”  $\Theta(1)$ .
- Time = #subproblems \* time/subproblem  
=  $n * \Theta(1)$
- Running time  $\Theta(n)$  - linear



# Bottom-up DP Algorithm

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```
fib = { }  
fib[0] = 0;  
fib[1] = 1;  
for k = 2 to n  
    fib[k] = fib[k-1] + fib[k-2];  
return fib[n]
```

- Same as memoized DP with recursion “unrolled” into iteration.
- Practically faster since no recursion
- Analysis is more obvious
- Running time  $\Theta(n)$  - linear

# A Basic Idea of Dynamic Programming

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- DP = recursion + memoization
  - Memoize = remember and reuse solutions to subproblems
- Botton-Up Method stores all values in a table

# Binomial Coefficient/Combinations $C(n, k)$

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- The number of ways can you select  $k$  lottery balls out of  $n$
- The number of way to select a group of 4 from 6 students
- the number of acyclic paths connecting 2 corners of an  $k \times (n-k)$  grid
- the coefficient of the  $a^k b^{n-k}$  term in the polynomial expansion of  $(a + b)^n$

$$C(n, k) = \binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

# Binomial Coefficient/Combinations $C(n, k)$

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- The number of way to select a group of 4 from 6 students

$$C(n, k) \equiv \binom{n}{k} \equiv \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$$

$$C(6,4) \equiv \binom{6}{4} \equiv \frac{6!}{4!(6-4)!} = 15$$

$C(6,4)$  number of different groups of 4 students selected from 6

|              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| {a, b, c, d} | {a, b, e, f} | {c, d, e, f} |
| {a, b, c, e} | {a, c, d, e} | {b, d, e, f} |
| {a, b, c, f} | {a, c, d, f} | {b, c, e, f} |
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$$C(6, 4) = C(5, 3) + C(5, 4)$$

Six students = {a, b, c, d, e, f}

Groups of 4:

{a, b, c, d}

{a, b, c, e}

{a, b, c, f}

{a, b, d, e}

{a, b, f, d}

{a, b, e, f}

{a, c, d, e}

{a, c, d, f}

{a, c, e, f}

{a, d, e, f}

{c, d, e, f}

{b, d, e, f}

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# Recursive Relationship

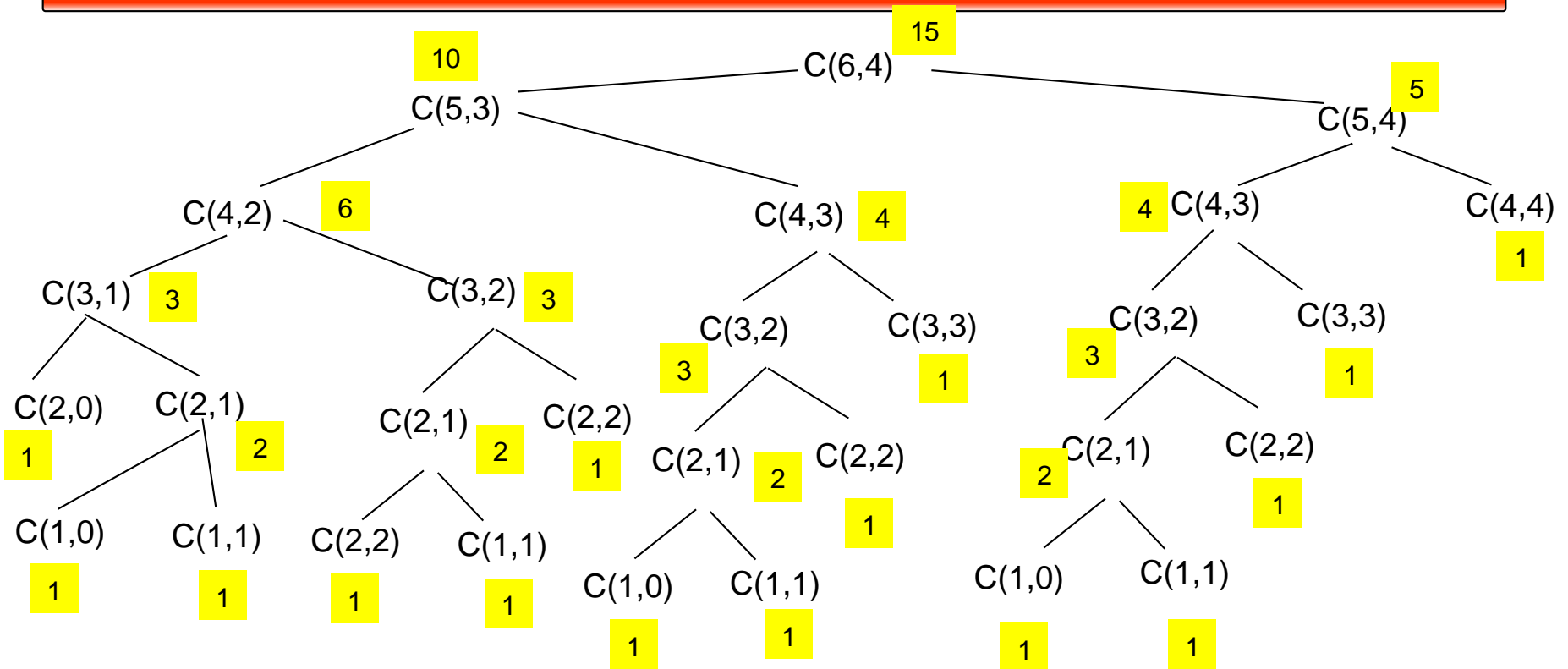
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A computationally easier approach makes use of the following recursive relationship

$$\binom{n}{k} \equiv \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k}$$

$$C(n, k) = C(n-1, k-1) + C(n-1, k)$$

# Binomial Coefficient Tree



$$T(n, k) = T(n-1, k-1) + T(n-1, k) + 1$$

$$T(j, 0) = 1, \quad T(j, j) = 1$$

# Example: Combinations

The number of ways to select 6 lottery balls from 49

6 number lottery with 49 balls  $\rightarrow 49!/(6!43!) = 13,983,816$

$49! = 608,281,864,034,267,560,872,252,163,321,295,376,887,552,831,379,210,240,000,000,000$

Could try to get fancy by canceling terms from numerator & denominator

– can still can end up with individual terms that exceed integer limits

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
 & & \binom{49}{6} & & \\
 & & + & & \\
 \binom{48}{5} & & & & \binom{48}{6} \\
 + & & & & + \\
 \binom{47}{4} & + & \binom{47}{5} & + & \binom{47}{6}
 \end{array}$$

$$\binom{n}{k} \equiv \binom{n-1}{k-1} + \binom{n-1}{k}$$

To select 6 lottery balls out of 49, partition into:

selections that include 1  
(must select 5 out of remaining 48)

+

selections that don't include 1  
(must select 6 out of remaining 48)

$$C(n, k) = C(n-1, k-1) + C(n-1, k)$$



# Recursive Combination

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could use  
straight divide &  
conquer to  
compute based  
on this relation

```
/** using divide-and-conquer
 * Calculates n choose k
 * n the total number to choose from (n > 0)
 * k the number to choose (0 <= k <= n)
 */
int Combinationl(int n, int k) {
    if (k == 0 || n == k) {
        return 1;
    }
    else {
        return Combination(n-1, k-1) + Combination(n-1, k);
    }
}
```

however, this will take a  
long time or exceed  
memory due to redundant  
work

# Recurrence

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$$T(n, k) = T(n-1, k-1) + T(n-1, k) + 1$$

$$T(j, 0) = 1, \quad T(j, j) = 1$$

$$T(n, k) = T(n-1, k-1) + T(n-1, k) + 1 < 2 T(n-1) + 1$$

$$\dots \dots \dots$$
$$O(2^n)$$

# Computing a Combination by DP

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Recurrence:  $C(n,k) = C(n-1,k) + C(n-1,k-1)$  for  $n > k > 0$

$C(j,0) = 1, \quad C(j,j) = 1$  for  $j \geq 0$

|       | K = 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|-------|-------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| N = 0 | 1     |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 1     | 1     | 1 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2     | 1     |   | 1 |   |   |   |   |
| 3     | 1     |   |   | 1 |   |   |   |
| 4     | 1     |   |   |   | 1 |   |   |
| 5     | 1     |   |   |   |   | 1 |   |
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| 1     | 1     | 1     |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2     | 1     | 1+1=2 | 1 |   |   |   |   |
| 3     | 1     |       |   | 1 |   |   |   |
| 4     | 1     |       |   |   | 1 |   |   |
| 5     | 1     |       |   |   |   | 1 |   |
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| 3     | 1     | 3 | 3 | 1 |   |   |   |
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| 2     | 1     | 2 | 1 |   |   |   |   |
| 3     | 1     | 3 | 3 | 1 |   |   |   |
| 4     | 1     | 4 |   |   | 1 |   |   |
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|              | <b>K = 0</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>3</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>6</b> |
|--------------|--------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| <b>N = 0</b> | 1            |          |          |          |          |          |          |
| <b>1</b>     | 1            | 1        |          |          |          |          |          |
| <b>2</b>     | 1            | 2        | 1        |          |          |          |          |
| <b>3</b>     | 1            | 3        | 3        | 1        |          |          |          |
| <b>4</b>     | 1            | 4        | 6        | 4        | 1        |          |          |
| <b>5</b>     | 1            | 5        | 10       | 10       | 5        | 1        |          |
| <b>6</b>     | 1            | 6        | 15       | 20       | 15       | 6        | 1        |



# DP Algorithm for Combinations

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```
CombDPI(n,k)
// Computes C(n,k) by DP
// Input: A pair of nonnegative integers  $n \geq k \geq 0$ 
// Output: the value of C(n,k)
for i  $\leftarrow$  0 to n do
    for j  $\leftarrow$  0 to min(i, k) do
        if j = 0 or j = i
            C[i, j]  $\leftarrow$  1
        else
            C[i, j]  $\leftarrow$  C[i-1, j-1] + C[i-1, j]

Return C[n,k]
```

Running time:  $\Theta(nk)$   $k$  is bounded by  $n$  so in the worst case  $\Theta(n^2)$

Space efficiency:  $\Theta(nk)$  or  $\Theta(n^2)$



# DP Examples

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# Longest Common Subsequence

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- Given two sequences  $x[1..m]$  and  $y[1..n]$

$$X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$$

$$Y = \langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \rangle$$

find a maximum length common subsequence (LCS) of  $X$  and  $Y$

- Example

$$X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A, B \rangle$$

- Subsequences of  $X$ :
  - A subset of elements from the sequence taken in order  
 $\langle A, B, D \rangle, \langle B, C, D, B \rangle$ , etc.

# Longest Common Subsequence (LCS)

Application: Comparison of two DNA strings

Ex:  $X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A, B \rangle$ ,  $Y = \langle B, D, C, A, B, A \rangle$

Longest Common Subsequence:

$X = A \text{ BCB D A } \mathbf{B}$

$Y = \mathbf{B D C A B } A$

$\langle B, D, B \rangle$  is a common subsequence with length 3  
but is it the longest?

# LCS is not unique

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$X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A, B \rangle$

$Y = \langle B, D, C, A, B, A \rangle$

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$Y = \langle B, D, C, A, B, A \rangle$

- $\langle B, C, B, A \rangle$  and  $\langle B, D, A, B \rangle$  are longest common subsequences of  $X$  and  $Y$  (length = 4)
- $\langle B, C, A \rangle$  is a CS of  $X$  and  $Y$  but not the longest

# Brute-Force Solution

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- For every subsequence of  $X$ , check whether it's a subsequence of  $Y$
- There are  $2^m$  subsequences of  $X$  to check
- Each subsequence takes  $\Theta(n)$  time to check
  - scan  $Y$  for first letter, from there scan for second, and so on
- Running time:  $\Theta(n2^m)$

# Steps in Dynamic Programming

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1. Characterize structure of an optimal solution.
2. Define value of optimal solution recursively.
3. Compute optimal solution values **bottom-up** in a table.
4. Construct an optimal solution from computed values.

We'll study these with the help of examples.



# Notations

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- Given a sequence  $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$  we define the  $i$ -th prefix of  $X$ , for  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, m$

$$X_i = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i \rangle \text{ or } x[1, \dots, i]$$

$$Y_j = \langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_j \rangle \text{ or } y[1, \dots, j]$$

- $c[i, j]$  = the length of a LCS of the sequences

$$X_i = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i \rangle \text{ and } Y_j = \langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_j \rangle$$

# Making the choice

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$X = \langle A, B, D, E \rangle$

$Y = \langle Z, B, E \rangle$

- Choice: include one element into the common sequence (E) and solve the resulting subproblem

$X = \langle A, B, D, G \rangle$

$Y = \langle Z, B, D \rangle$

- Choice: exclude an element from a string and solve the resulting subproblem

# A Recursive Solution

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Case 1:  $x_i = y_j$

$X_i = \langle A, B, D, E \rangle$

$Y_j = \langle Z, B, E \rangle$

$$c[i, j] = c[i-1, j-1] + 1$$

- Append  $x_i = y_j$  to the LCS of  $X_{i-1}$  and  $Y_{j-1}$
- Must find a LCS of  $X_{i-1}$  and  $Y_{j-1} \Rightarrow$  optimal solution to a problem includes optimal solutions to subproblems

# A Recursive Solution

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Case 2:  $x_i \neq y_j$

$$X_i = \langle A, B, D, G \rangle$$

$$Y_j = \langle Z, B, D \rangle$$

$$c[i, j] = \max \{ c[i-1, j], c[i, j-1] \}$$

– Must solve two problems

- find a LCS of  $X_{i-1}$  and  $Y_j$ :  $X_{i-1} = \langle A, B, D \rangle$  and  $Y_j = \langle Z, B, D \rangle$
- find a LCS of  $X_i$  and  $Y_{j-1}$ :  $X_i = \langle A, B, D, G \rangle$  and  $Y_j = \langle Z, B \rangle$
- Optimal solution to a problem includes optimal solutions to subproblems

# Overlapping Subproblems

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- To find a LCS of  $X$  and  $Y$ 
  - we may need to find the LCS between  $X$  and  $Y_{n-1}$  and that of  $X_{m-1}$  and  $Y$
  - Both the above subproblems has the subproblem of finding the LCS of  $X_{m-1}$  and  $Y_{n-1}$
- Subproblems share subsubproblems

# LCS Algorithm

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- First we'll find the length of LCS. Later we'll modify the algorithm to find LCS itself.
- Define  $X_i, Y_j$  to be the prefixes of  $X$  and  $Y$  of length  $i$  and  $j$  respectively
- Define  $c[i,j]$  to be the length of LCS of  $X_i$  and  $Y_j$
- Then the length of LCS of  $X$  and  $Y$  will be  $c[m,n]$

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} 0 & i = 0 \text{ or } j = 0, \\ c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x[i] = y[j], \\ \max(c[i, j-1], c[i-1, j]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# LCS recursive solution

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- We start with  $i = j = 0$  (empty substrings of  $x$  and  $y$ )
- Since  $X_0$  and  $Y_0$  are empty strings, their LCS is always empty (i.e.  $c[0, 0] = 0$ )
- LCS of empty string and any other string is empty, so for every  $i$  and  $j$ :  $c[0, j] = c[i, 0] = 0$

# LCS recursive solution

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- When we calculate  $c[i, j]$ , we consider two cases:
- **First case:**  $x[i]=y[j]$ : one more symbol in strings  $X$  and  $Y$  matches, so the length of LCS  $X_i$  and  $Y_j$  equals to the length of LCS of smaller strings  $X_{i-1}$  and  $Y_{j-1}$ , plus 1



# LCS recursive solution

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$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x[i] = y[j], \\ \max(c[i, j-1], c[i-1, j]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- **Second case:**  $x[i] \neq y[j]$
- As symbols don't match, our solution is not improved, and the length of  $\text{LCS}(X_i, Y_j)$  is the same as before (i.e. maximum of  $\text{LCS}(X_i, Y_{j-1})$  and  $\text{LCS}(X_{i-1}, Y_j)$ )

# LCS Length Algorithm

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LCS-Length(X, Y)

m = length(X) // get the # of symbols in X

n = length(Y) // get the # of symbols in Y

for i = 1 to m

    c[i,0] = 0 // special case:  $Y_0$

for j = 1 to n

    c[0,j] = 0 // special case:  $X_0$

for i = 1 to m // for all  $X_i$

    for j = 1 to n // for all  $Y_j$

        if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )

            c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1

        else c[i,j] = max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )

return c

# LCS Example

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We'll see how LCS algorithm works on the following example:

X = ABCB

Y = BDCAB

# LCS Example (0)

ABCB  
BDCAB

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | <div></div>    |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| i |                | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A | B |   |
| 0 | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 1 | A              |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2 | B              |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | C              |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | B              |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |

$X = \text{ABCB}; \quad m = |X| = 4$

$Y = \text{BDCAB}; \quad n = |Y| = 5$

Allocate array  $c[4,5]$

# LCS Example (1)

ABCB  
BDCAB

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
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| i |                | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A | B |   |
| 0 | X <sub>i</sub> | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |   |
| 1 | A              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2 | B              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | C              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | B              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |

for  $i = 1$  to  $m$        $c[i,0] = 0$   
 for  $j = 1$  to  $n$        $c[0,j] = 0$

# LCS Example (2)

A B C B  
B D C A B

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | Y <sub>j</sub> |   | B | D | C | A | B |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | A              | 0              | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2 | B              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | C              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | B              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

# LCS Example

A B C B  
B D C A B

|   |       | j     | 0              | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|-------|-------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |       |       | <div>DDC</div> |   |   |   |   |   |
| i |       | $Y_j$ | B              | D | C | A | B |   |
| 0 | $X_i$ |       | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |   |
| 1 | A     |       | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 |   |   |
| 2 | B     |       | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | C     |       | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | B     |       | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

# LCS Example

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|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A | B |   |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |   |
| 1 | A              | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |   |   |
| 2 | B              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | C              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | B              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
      $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$



# LCS Example

ABCB  
BDCAB

|   |                | j | 0              | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|---|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                |   | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A | B |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |   |                |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                |   | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | A              |   | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | B              |   | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | C              |   | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | B              |   | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

ABCB  
BDCAB

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | Y <sub>j</sub> |   | B | D | C | A | B |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | A              | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |   |
| 2 | B              | 0              | 1 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | C              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | B              | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
      $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

ABCB  
BD CAB

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A | B |   |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | A              |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | B              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |   |
| 3 | C              |                | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | B              |                | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

ABCB  
BDCAB

|   |    | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| i |    | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A | B |   |
| 0 | Xi | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |   |
| 1 | A  | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |   |
| 2 | B  | 0              | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |   |
| 3 | C  | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | B  | 0              |   |   |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
      $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

# LCS Example

ABCB  
BDCAB

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | Y <sub>j</sub> |   | B | D | C | A | B |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | A              |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | B              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | C              |                | 0 | ↓ | ↓ |   |   |   |
|   |                |                |   | 1 | → | 1 |   |   |
| 4 | B              |                | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

# LCS Example

ABCB  
BDCAB

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A | B |   |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |   |
| 1 | A              |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |   |
| 2 | B              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |   |
| 3 | C              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |   |   |
| 4 | B              |                | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
      $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

# LCS Example

ABCB  
BDCAB

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A |   | B |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | A              |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | B              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | C              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 4 | B              |                | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

# LCS Example (13)

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BDCAB

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | Y <sub>j</sub> |   | B | D | C | A | B |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | A              |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | B              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | C              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 4 | B              |                | 0 | 1 |   |   |   |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$



# LCS Example (14)

ABCB  
BD CAB

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A | B |   |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | A              |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | B              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | C              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 4 | B              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 |   |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

# LCS Example (15)

ABCB  
BD CAB

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
|   |                | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A | B |   |
| i | X <sub>i</sub> |                |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 |                |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | A              |                | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | B              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | C              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| 4 | B              |                | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 |

if (  $X_i == Y_j$  )  
 $c[i,j] = c[i-1,j-1] + 1$   
 else  $c[i,j] = \max( c[i-1,j], c[i,j-1] )$

# LCS Algorithm Running Time

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- LCS algorithm calculates the values of each entry of the array  $c[m,n]$
- So what is the running time?

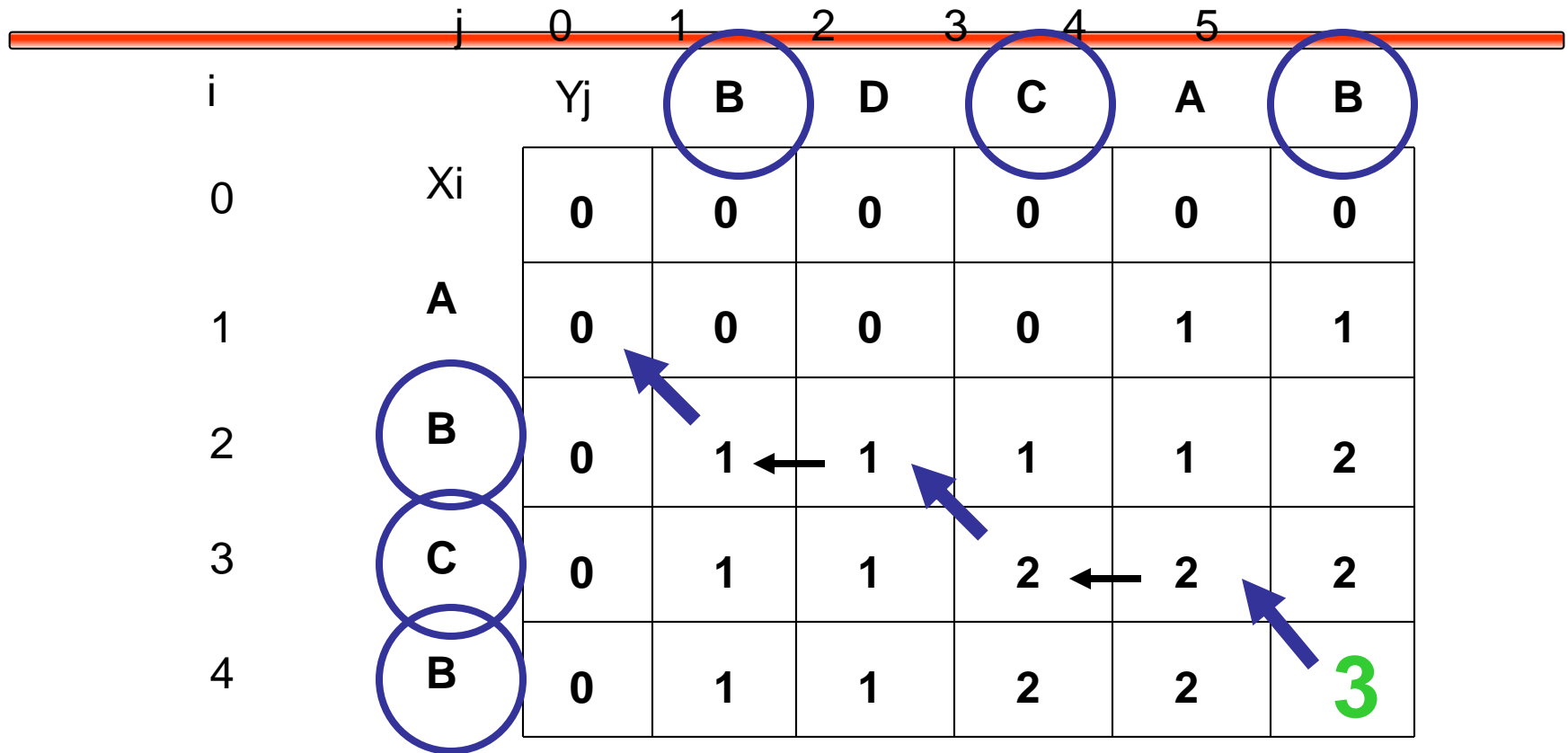
$O(mn)$

since each  $c[i,j]$  is calculated in constant time, and there are  $m*n$  elements in the array

# Finding LCS

|   |                | j              | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|---|----------------|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| i |                | Y <sub>j</sub> | B | D | C | A | B |   |
| 0 | X <sub>i</sub> | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |   |
| 1 | A              | 0              | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |   |
| 2 | B              | 0              | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |   |
| 3 | C              | 0              | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 |   |
| 4 | B              | 0              | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 3 |   |

# Finding LCS (2)



LCS (reversed order):

**B C B**

LCS (straight order):

**B C B**

# Additional Information

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i, j = 0 \\ c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x_i = y_j \\ \max(c[i, j-1], c[i-1, j]) & \text{if } x_i \neq y_j \end{cases}$$

b & c:

|   | 0     | 1 | 2 | 3 |   | n |
|---|-------|---|---|---|---|---|
|   | $y_j$ | A | C | D |   | F |
| 0 | $x_i$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | A     | 0 |   |   |   |   |
| 2 | B     | 0 |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | C     | 0 |   |   |   |   |
|   |       |   |   |   |   |   |
| m | D     | 0 |   |   |   |   |

j

i

Diagram annotations: An arrow points from the cell (3, C) to the cell (2, C), labeled  $c[i, j-1]$ . Another arrow points from the cell (3, C) to the cell (3, D), labeled  $c[i-1, j]$ .

A matrix  $b[i, j]$ :

- For a subproblem  $[i, j]$  it tells us what choice was made to obtain the optimal value
- If  $x_i = y_j$   
 $b[i, j] = \text{“ ”}$
- Else, if  $c[i - 1, j] \geq c[i, j-1]$   
 $b[i, j] = \text{“ } \uparrow \text{”}$
- else  
 $b[i, j] = \text{“ } \leftarrow \text{”}$

# Example

$X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A \rangle$

$Y = \langle B, D, C, A, B, A \rangle$

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } j = 0 \\ c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } x_i = y_j \\ \max(c[i, j-1], c[i-1, j]) & \text{if } x_i \neq y_j \end{cases}$$

If  $x_i = y_j$

$b[i, j] = \text{"} \nearrow \text{"}$

Else if

$c[i-1, j] \geq c[i, j-1]$

$b[i, j] = \text{"} \uparrow \text{"}$

else

$b[i, j] = \text{"} \leftarrow \text{"}$

|   |       | 0 | 1            | 2              | 3            | 4              | 5              | 6 |
|---|-------|---|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|---|
|   | $y_j$ | B | D            | C              | A            | B              | A              |   |
| 0 | $x_i$ | 0 | 0            | 0              | 0            | 0              | 0              |   |
| 1 | A     | 0 | $\uparrow 0$ | $\uparrow 0$   | $\swarrow 1$ | $\leftarrow 1$ | $\swarrow 1$   |   |
| 2 | B     | 0 | $\swarrow 1$ | $\leftarrow 1$ | $\uparrow 1$ | $\swarrow 2$   | $\leftarrow 2$ |   |
| 3 | C     | 0 | $\uparrow 1$ | $\uparrow 1$   | $\swarrow 2$ | $\uparrow 2$   | $\uparrow 2$   |   |
| 4 | B     | 0 | $\swarrow 1$ | $\uparrow 1$   | $\uparrow 2$ | $\swarrow 3$   | $\leftarrow 3$ |   |
| 5 | D     | 0 | $\uparrow 1$ | $\swarrow 2$   | $\uparrow 2$ | $\uparrow 3$   | $\uparrow 3$   |   |
| 6 | A     | 0 | $\uparrow 1$ | $\uparrow 2$   | $\swarrow 3$ | $\uparrow 3$   | $\swarrow 4$   |   |
| 7 | B     | 0 | $\swarrow 1$ | $\uparrow 2$   | $\uparrow 2$ | $\swarrow 4$   | $\uparrow 4$   |   |

# Constructing a LCS

- Start at  $b[m, n]$  and follow the arrows
- When we encounter a “ $\nwarrow$ ” in  $b[i, j] \Rightarrow x_i = y_j$  is an element of the LCS

|   |       | 0 | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      | 5      | 6      |
|---|-------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
|   | $y_j$ | B | D      | C      | A      | B      | A      |        |
| 0 | $x_i$ | 0 | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      | 0      |
| 1 | A     | 0 | ↑<br>0 | ↑<br>0 | ↑<br>0 | ↖<br>1 | ←<br>1 | ↖<br>1 |
| 2 | B     | 0 | ↖<br>1 | ←<br>1 | ←<br>1 | ↑<br>1 | ↖<br>2 | ←<br>2 |
| 3 | C     | 0 | ↑<br>1 | ↑<br>1 | ↖<br>2 | ←<br>2 | ↑<br>2 | ↑<br>2 |
| 4 | B     | 0 | ↖<br>1 | ↑<br>1 | ↑<br>2 | ↑<br>2 | ↖<br>3 | ←<br>3 |
| 5 | D     | 0 | ↑<br>1 | ↖<br>2 | ↑<br>2 | ↑<br>2 | ↑<br>3 | ↑<br>3 |
| 6 | A     | 0 | ↑<br>1 | ↑<br>2 | ↑<br>2 | ↖<br>3 | ↑<br>3 | ↖<br>4 |
| 7 | B     | 0 | ↖<br>1 | ↑<br>2 | ↑<br>2 | ↑<br>3 | ↖<br>4 | ↑<br>4 |



# PRINT-LCS(b, X, i, j)

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**if** (i = 0 or j = 0)

Running time:  $\Theta(m + n)$

**return**

**if** (b[i, j] = "\ ") {

    PRINT-LCS(b, X, i - 1, j - 1)

    print  $x_i$

}

**elseif** ( b[i, j] = "↑" ) {

    PRINT-LCS(b, X, i - 1, j)

**} else {**

    PRINT-LCS(b, X, i, j - 1)

**}**

Initial call: PRINT-LCS(b, X, length[X], length[Y])

# Improving the Code

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- If we only need the length of the LCS
  - LCS-LENGTH works only on two rows of  $c$  at a time.  
The row being computed and the previous row
  - We can reduce the asymptotic space requirements by storing only these two rows

# DP Optimization

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- Used for **optimization problems**
  - Find a solution with the optimal value (minimum or maximum)
  - There may be many solutions that lead to an optimal value
  - Our goal: **find an optimal solution**

# Elements of Dynamic Programming

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- Optimal Substructure
  - An optimal solution to a problem contains within it an optimal solution to subproblems
  - Optimal solution to the entire problem is built in a bottom-up manner from optimal solutions to subproblems
- Overlapping Subproblems
  - If a recursive algorithm revisits the same subproblems over and over  $\Rightarrow$  the problem has overlapping subproblems

# Dynamic Programming Algorithm

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1. **Characterize** the structure of an optimal solution
2. **Recursively** define the value of an optimal solution
3. **Compute** the value of an optimal solution in a bottom-up fashion
4. **Construct** an optimal solution from computed information

# Knapsack problem

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Given a set of items, each with a weight and a benefit (value), pack a knapsack with a subset of items to achieve the maximum total benefit (value). Total weight that can be carried in the knapsack is no more than some fixed number  $W$ .

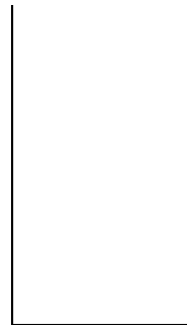
There are two versions:





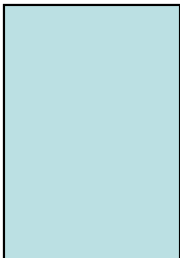
1. “0-1 knapsack problem” use DP  
Items are indivisible: you either take an item or not.
2. “Fractional knapsack problem” Use a Greedy Method  
Items are divisible: you can take any fraction of an item

# 0-1 Knapsack problem:

This is a knapsack  
Max weight:  $W = 13$

Benefit = 0  
Weight = 0



| Items  | Weight<br>$w_i$ | Benefit value<br>$b_i$ |
|--|-----------------|------------------------|
|    | 2               | 3                      |
|    | 3               | 4                      |
|    | 4               | 5                      |
|   | 5               | 15                     |
|  | 10              | 16                     |





# 0-1 Knapsack problem:

This is a knapsack

Max weight:  $W = 13$

Benefit = 16  
Weight = 10



|   | Weight | Benefit value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Items   | $w_i$  | $b_i$         |
|   | 2      | 3             |
|   | 3      | 4             |
|   | 4      | 5             |
|  | 5      | 15            |
|   | 10     | 16            |





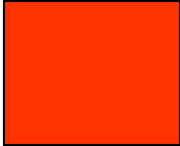
# 0-1 Knapsack problem:

This is a knapsack  
Max weight:  $W = 13$

Is this maximum ?

Benefit = 20  
Weight = 13

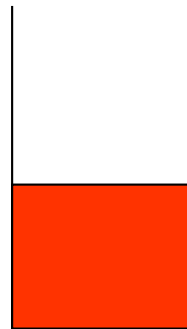





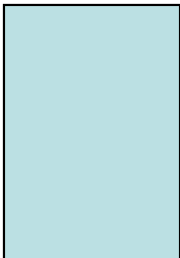
|   | Weight | Benefit value |
|---|--------|---------------|
| Items   | $w_i$  | $b_i$         |
|   | 2      | 3             |
|   | 3      | 4             |
|   | 4      | 5             |
|  | 5      | 15            |
|   | 10     | 16            |

# 0-1 Knapsack problem:

This is a knapsack  
Max weight:  $W = 13$

Benefit = 15  
Weight = 5



| Items  | Weight<br>$w_i$ | Benefit value<br>$b_i$ |
|--|-----------------|------------------------|
|    | 2               | 3                      |
|    | 3               | 4                      |
|    | 4               | 5                      |
|  | 5               | 15                     |
|  | 10              | 16                     |

# 0-1 Knapsack problem:

This is a knapsack

Max weight:  $W = 13$

Benefit = 24  
Weight = 12



Items

Weight

$w_i$

Benefit value

$b_i$

2

3

3

4

4

5

5

15

10

16

# 0-1 Knapsack Problem

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- 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 benefit of packed items?

# 0-1 Knapsack problem

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Let  $S$  be the set of items represented by the ordered pairs  $(w_i, b_i)$  and  $W$  be the capacity of the knapsack.

Find a  $T \subseteq S$  such that

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

The problem is called a “0-1” problem, because each item must be entirely accepted or rejected.

# 0-1 Knapsack Brute-Force

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Let's first solve this problem with a straightforward algorithm

- Since there are  $n$  items, there are  $2^n$  possible combinations of items.
- We go through all combinations and find the one with the most total value and with total weight less or equal to  $W$
- Running time will be  $O(n2^n)$

Can we do better?

Yes, with an algorithm based on dynamic programming  
We need to carefully identify the subproblems

# Defining a Subproblem

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If items are labeled  $1..n$ , then a subproblem would be to find an optimal solution for

$$S_k = \{items\ labeled\ 1, 2, .. k\}$$

- This is a valid subproblem definition.
- The question is: can we describe the final solution ( $S_n$ ) in terms of subproblems ( $S_k$ )?
- Unfortunately, we can't do that. ....Why???

# Defining a Subproblem

|                    |                    |                    |                    |   |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| $w_1=2$<br>$b_1=3$ | $w_2=4$<br>$b_2=5$ | $w_3=3$<br>$b_3=4$ | $w_4=5$<br>$b_4=8$ | ? |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|

Max weight:  $W = 20$

**For  $S_4$ : {1, 2, 3, 4}**

Total weight: 14;  
total benefit: 20

|                    |                    |                    |                     |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| $w_1=2$<br>$b_1=3$ | $w_3=4$<br>$b_3=5$ | $w_4=5$<br>$b_4=8$ | $w_5=9$<br>$b_5=10$ |
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**For  $S_5$ : { 1, 3, 4, 5 }**

Total weight: 20  
total benefit: 26

| Item # | Weight $w_i$ | Benefit $b_i$ |
|--------|--------------|---------------|
| 1      | 2            | 3             |
| 2      | 3            | 4             |
| 3      | 4            | 5             |
| 4      | 5            | 8             |
| 5      | 9            | 10            |

$S_5$

$S_4$

Solution for  $S_4$  is  
not part of the  
solution for  $S_5$ !!!



# Defining a Subproblem

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- As we have seen, the solution for  $S_4$  is not part of the solution for  $S_5$
- So our definition of a subproblem is flawed and we need another one!
- Let's add another parameter:  $w$ , which will represent the exact weight for each subset of items
- The subproblem then will be to compute  $B[k,w]$  which is the maximum benefit for total capacity  $w$  and items  $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$

# Recursive Formula

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

The best subset of  $S_k$  that has the total weight  $w$ , 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  $> w$ . So we select the “optimal” using items  $1, \dots, k-1$
- **Second case:**  $w_k \leq w$ . Then the item  $k$  can be in the solution, and we choose the case with greater value

# Recursive Formula for subproblems

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

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

Item  $k$  is too big to fit in the knapsack with capacity  $w$

Do not use item  $k$ : the best subset of  $S_{k-1}$  that has total weight  $w$ , **or**

Use item  $k$ : the best subset of  $S_{k-1}$  that has total weight  $w-w_k$  plus the item  $k$  with benefit  $b_k$

# 0-1 Knapsack Algorithm

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for  $w = 0$  to  $W$

$B[0,w] = 0$     // 0 item's

for  $i = 0$  to  $n$

$B[i,0] = 0$     // 0 weight

for  $w = 1$  to  $W$

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item  $i$  can be part of the solution

if  $b_i + B[i-1,w-w_i] > B[i-1,w]$

$B[i,w] = b_i + B[i-1,w-w_i]$

else

$B[i,w] = B[i-1,w]$

else  $B[i,w] = B[i-1,w]$  //  $w_i > w$  item  $i$  is too big

# Running time

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for w = 0 to W       $O(W)$   
  B[0,w] = 0  
  for i = 0 to n    Repeat  $n$  times  
    B[i,0] = 0  
    for w = 1 to W   $O(W)$   
      < the rest of the code >
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What is the running time of this algorithm?

$O(nW)$  pseudo-polynomial

Remember that the brute-force algorithm takes  $O(n2^n)$ .  
Better than Brute force if  $W \ll 2^n$



# Example

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Let's run our algorithm on the following data:

$n = 4$  (# of elements)

$W = 5$  (max weight)

Elements (weight, benefit):


$S = \{(2,3), (3,4), (4,5), (5,6)\}$

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|   | i | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| w |   |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 1 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 5 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |

for  $w = 0$  to  $W$   
 $B[0,w] = 0$





|   | i | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| w | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 2 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 3 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 4 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |
| 5 | 0 |   |   |   |   |   |

for  $i = 0$  to  $n$   
 $B[i,0] = 0$

|   |   |       |   |   |   | Item : (w, b) |          |
|---|---|-------|---|---|---|---------------|----------|
|   |   |       |   |   |   | 1: (2,3)      |          |
| w | i | 0     | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4             |          |
| 0 |   | 0     | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0             | 2: (3,4) |
| 1 |   | 0 → 0 |   |   |   |               | 3: (4,5) |
| 2 |   | 0     |   |   |   |               | 4: (5,6) |
| 3 |   | 0     |   |   |   |               |          |
| 4 |   | 0     |   |   |   |               |          |
| 5 |   | 0     |   |   |   |               |          |

$i=1$

$b_i=3$

$w_i=2$

$w=1$

$w-w_i = -1$

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item i can be part of the solution

if  $b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i] > B[i-1, w]$

$B[i, w] = b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i]$

else

$B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$

else  $B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$

| Item : (w, b) |   |   |   |   |   |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|
|               | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| w             |   |   |   |   |   |
| 0             | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1             | 0 | 0 |   |   |   |
| 2             | 0 | 3 |   |   |   |
| 3             | 0 |   |   |   |   |
| 4             | 0 |   |   |   |   |
| 5             | 0 |   |   |   |   |

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

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

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item  $i$  can be part of the solution

if  $b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i] > B[i-1, w]$

$B[i, w] = b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i]$

else

$B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$

else  $B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$

| Item : (w, b) |   |          |   |   |   |
|---------------|---|----------|---|---|---|
|               | 0 | 1        | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| w             |   |          |   |   |   |
| 0             | 0 | 0        | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1             | 0 | 0        |   |   |   |
| 2             | 0 | 3        |   |   |   |
| 3             | 0 | <b>3</b> |   |   |   |
| 4             | 0 |          |   |   |   |
| 5             | 0 |          |   |   |   |

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

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

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item  $i$  can be part of the solution

if  $b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i] > B[i-1, w]$

$B[i, w] = b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i]$

else

$B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$

else  $B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$

| Item : (w, b) |   |          |   |   |   |
|---------------|---|----------|---|---|---|
|               | 0 | 1        | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| w             |   |          |   |   |   |
| 0             | 0 | 0        | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1             | 0 | 0        |   |   |   |
| 2             | 0 | 3        |   |   |   |
| 3             | 0 | 3        |   |   |   |
| 4             | 0 | <b>3</b> |   |   |   |
| 5             | 0 |          |   |   |   |

$i=1$   
 $b_i=3$   
 $w_i=2$   
 $w=4$   
 $w-w_i=2$

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

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item  $i$  can be part of the solution

if  $b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i] > B[i-1, w]$

$B[i, w] = b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i]$

else

$B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$

else  $B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$



|   |   |   |   |     |   | Item : (w, b) |  |
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|   |   |   |   |     |   | 1: (2,3)      |  |
|   |   |   |   |     |   | 2: (3,4)      |  |
|   |   |   |   |     |   | 3: (4,5)      |  |
|   |   |   |   |     |   | 4: (5,6)      |  |
|   |   |   |   |     |   |               |  |
| w | i | 0 | 1 | 2   | 3 | 4             |  |
| 0 |   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0 | 0             |  |
| 1 |   | 0 | 0 | → 0 |   |               |  |
| 2 |   | 0 | 3 |     |   |               |  |
| 3 |   | 0 | 3 |     |   |               |  |
| 4 |   | 0 | 3 |     |   |               |  |
| 5 |   | 0 | 3 |     |   |               |  |

$i=2$

$b_i=4$

$w_i=3$

$w=1$

$w-w_i=-2$

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item i can be part of the solution

if  $b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i] > B[i-1, w]$

$B[i, w] = b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i]$

else

$B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$

else  $B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$





| Item : (w, b) |   |   |   |   |   |
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|               | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 0             | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1             | 0 | 0 | 0 |   |   |
| 2             | 0 | 3 | 3 |   |   |
| 3             | 0 | 3 | 4 |   |   |
| 4             | 0 | 3 |   |   |   |
| 5             | 0 | 3 |   |   |   |

$i=2$   
 $b_i=4$   
 $w_i=3$   
 $w=3$   
 $w-w_i=0$

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

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item  $i$  can be part of the solution

if  $b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i] > B[i-1, w]$

$B[i, w] = b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i]$

else

$B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$

else  $B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$





| Item : (w, b) |   |   |   |       |   |   |
|---------------|---|---|---|-------|---|---|
|               | i | 0 | 1 | 2     | 3 | 4 |
| w             |   |   |   |       |   |   |
| 0             |   | 0 | 0 | 0     | 0 | 0 |
| 1             |   | 0 | 0 | 0 → 0 |   |   |
| 2             |   | 0 | 3 | 3 → 3 |   |   |
| 3             |   | 0 | 3 | 4 → 4 |   |   |
| 4             |   | 0 | 3 | 4     |   |   |
| 5             |   | 0 | 3 | 7     |   |   |

i=3  
b<sub>i</sub>=5  
w<sub>i</sub>=4  
w=1..3

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

$i=3$

$b_i=5$

$w_i=4$

$w=1..3$

1: (2,3)

2: (3,4)

3: (4,5)

4: (5,6)

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item i can be part of the solution

if  $b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i] > B[i-1, w]$

$B[i, w] = b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i]$

else

$B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$

else  $B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$



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|   |  |   |   |   |   | 2             | 3 |
|   |  |   |   |   |   | 4             |   |
| w |  |   |   |   |   |               |   |
| 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0             |   |
| 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0             |   |
| 2 |  | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3             |   |
| 3 |  | 0 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4             |   |
| 4 |  | 0 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 5             |   |
| 5 |  | 0 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 7             |   |

$i=4$   
 $b_i=6$   
 $w_i=5$   
 $w=1..4$

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

if  $w_i \leq w$  // item  $i$  can be part of the solution

if  $b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i] > B[i-1, w]$

$B[i, w] = b_i + B[i-1, w-w_i]$

else

$B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$

else  $B[i, w] = B[i-1, w]$  //  $w_i > w$



# Comments

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- This algorithm only finds the max possible value that can be carried in the knapsack
- To know the items that make this maximum value, an addition to this algorithm is necessary
- See LCS algorithm for the example how to extract this data from the table we built using “parent pointers”.

# Conclusion

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- 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
- Running time (Dynamic Programming algorithm vs. naïve algorithm):
  - LCS:  $O(mn)$  vs.  $O(n 2^m)$
  - 0-1 Knapsack problem:  $O(Wn)$  vs.  $O(n 2^n)$   
Pseudo-polynomial