# Data Structures and Algorithms Lecture notes: Algorithm paradigms: Dynamic programming, Part 1

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## Divide-&-conquer algorithms

#### Recursive algorithms like D&C have two phases :

- 1. A "divide" phase where a problem instance is decomposed into smaller instances
- 2. A "conquer" phase where solutions to sub-problems are composed into solutions of larger problems

# Binary Search

The recursive version of binary search is a divide-and-conquer algorithm

```
\begin{aligned} \mathsf{BinarySearch}(A[i..j], x) \\ & \quad \text{if } i > j \text{ then return } -1 \\ & \quad k = \lfloor \frac{(i+j)}{2} \rfloor \\ & \quad \text{if } A[k] = x \text{ return } k \\ & \quad \text{if } x < A[k] \text{ then} \\ & \quad \text{return } BinarySearch(A[i..k-1], x) \\ & \quad \text{else} \\ & \quad \text{return } BinarySearch(A[k+1..j], x) \end{aligned}
```

## Finding Max and Min

```
Problem: Find the maximum and minimum elements in an array
L[1..n].
An iterative algorithm:
             function iterative_maxmin(L[1..n])
               \max = \min := L[1];
               for i := 2 to n do
                 if L[i] > \max then \max := L[i];
                  if L[i] < \min then \min := L[i];
             return max, min
Run in O(n).
```

## Max Min: Divide & Conquer Approach

Divide array L in half. Find the maximum and minimum in each half recursively. Return the maximum of the two maxima and the minimum of the two minima.

The parameters x and y are two indexes into the array L where Max and Min are sought. Initially x = 1 and y = n.

```
\begin{split} & \text{function } \mathsf{maxmin}(\mathsf{L}[1..n],\mathsf{x},y) \\ & \text{if } y-x \leq 1 \text{ then} \\ & \quad \mathsf{return}(\mathsf{max}(\boldsymbol{L}[x],\boldsymbol{L}[y]), \; \mathsf{min}(\boldsymbol{L}[x],\boldsymbol{L}[y])) \,; \\ & \mathsf{else} \\ & \quad (\mathsf{max1},\mathsf{min1}) := \mathsf{maxmin}(\mathsf{L}[1..n],\mathsf{x},\lfloor\frac{(x+y)}{2}\rfloor) \,; \\ & \quad (\mathsf{max2},\mathsf{min2}) := \mathsf{maxmin}(\mathsf{L}[1..n],\lfloor\frac{(x+y)}{2}\rfloor+1,y) \,; \\ & \quad \mathsf{return}(\mathsf{max}(\mathsf{max1},\mathsf{max2}), \; \mathsf{min}(\mathsf{min1},\mathsf{min2})) \,; \end{split}
```

The recurrence is

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 2 \\ 2T(n/2) + 2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

By master theorem a = 2, b = 2, m = 0,

$$a > b^m \Rightarrow T(n) \in \Theta(n^{\log_b a}) = \Theta(n^{\log_2 2}) = \Theta(n^1) = \Theta(n)$$

## Merge sort

Merge sort is a divide-&-conquer algorithm

```
\begin{aligned} &\mathsf{Mergesort}(A[p..r]) \\ &\mathbf{if} \ p < r \\ &q = \lfloor \frac{p+r}{2} \rfloor \\ &\mathsf{Mergesort}(A[p..q]) \\ &\mathsf{Mergesort}(A[q+1..r]) \\ &\mathsf{Merge}(A,p,q,r) \end{aligned}
```

The cost of each "Merge" is O(n), as the procedure has to scan two subarrays.

The size of the problem instance is reduced by half each time the recursive function is called. So the recurrence relation is as followed:

$$T(n)=2T(\frac{n}{2})+cn.$$

This recurrence can be solved using the Master Theorem : a=2, b=2 and m=1,  $a=b^m$ ,  $T(n) \in \Theta(n^m \log n) = \Theta(n \log n)$ .

## Mergesort divide by 4

```
Mergesort4(A,p,r)
  If(q < r)
    q = floor((p+r)/4)
    Mergesort4(A, p, q)
    Mergesort4(A, q+1, 2q)
    Mergesort4(A, 2q+1, 3q)
    Mergesort4(A, 3q+1, r)
    Merge( A, p, q, q+1, 2q, 2q+1, 3q, 3q+1, r)
Merge( A, p, q, q+1, 2q, 2q+1, 3q, 3q+1, r)
  if(q!=0 \& p!=0)
    Merge(A,p,q,2q)
  Merge(A,2q+1,3q,r)
  Merge(A,p,2q+1,r)
```

## Problems with divide-and-conquer

During the divide part of divide-and-conquer some subproblems could be generated more than one time.

If subproblems are duplicated during the divide phase, then the computation of the solution of the subproblems during the conquer phase is also duplicated, solving the same subproblems several times obviously yield very poor running times.

# Example : D&C algo for computing the Fibonacci numbers

It is a sequence of integers. After the first two numbers in the sequence, each other number is the sum of the two previous numbers in the sequence :

The following divide-and-conquer algorithm computes the first n+1 values of the Fibonacci sequence :

```
function Fib(n)

if (n \le 1) then return n;

else

return Fib(n-1) + Fib(n-2)
```

## Computing Fibonacci numbers

```
function Fib(n)
        if (n \le 1) then return n;
        else
          return(Fib(n-1) + Fib(n-2));
First the following divide steps take place:
 Fib(7) = Fib(6) + Fib(5)
 Fib(6) = Fib(5) + Fib(4)
 Fib(5) = Fib(4) + Fib(3)
 Fib(4) = Fib(3) + Fib(2)
 Fib(3) = Fib(2) + Fib(1)
 Fib(2) = Fib(1) + Fib(0)
Fib(1) = 1
 Fib(0) = 0
```

## Computing Fibonacci numbers

```
function Fib(n)

if (n \le 1) then return n;

else

return Fib(n-1) + Fib(n-2);
```

Next solutions to sub-problems are combined to obtain the solution of the original problem instance :

```
Fib(0) = 0
Fib(1) = 1
Fib(2) = Fib(1) + Fib(0) = 1 + 0 = 1
Fib(3) = Fib(2) + Fib(1) = 1 + 1 = 2
Fib(4) = Fib(3) + Fib(2) = 2 + 1 = 3
Fib(5) = Fib(4) + Fib(3) = 3 + 2 = 5
Fib(6) = Fib(5) + Fib(4) = 5 + 3 = 8
Fib(7) = Fib(6) + Fib(5) = 8 + 5 = 13
```

## Time complexity of DC Fibonacci

```
function Fib(n)

if (n \le 1) then return n;

else

return Fib(n-1) + Fib(n-2);
```

One possible recurrence relation for this algorithm that counts the number of time the function *Fib* is called is the following :

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n=0\\ 1 & \text{if } n=1\\ T(n-1) + T(n-2) + 1 & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

The solution of this recurrence is  $O((\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2})^n)$ , the time complexity is exponential.

#### Call tree of D&C Fibonacci

```
function Fib(n)

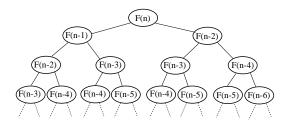
if (n \le 1) then return n;

else

return Fib(n-1) + Fib(n-2);
```

The poor time complexity of *Fib* derived from re-solving the same sub-problems several times.

D&C generates the following call tree :



# Dynamic Programming

Dynamic programming algorithms avoid recomputing the solution of same subproblems by storing the solution of subproblems the first time they are computed, and referring to the stored solution when needed.

So, instead of solving the same subproblem repeatedly, arrange to solve each subproblem only one time

Save the solution to a subproblem in a table (an array), and refer back to the table whenever we revisit the subproblem

## Dynamic programming main ideas

Instead of solving the same subproblem repeatedly, arrange to solve each subproblem only one time

Save the solution to a subproblem in a table, and refer back to the table whenever we revisit the subproblem

"Store, don't recompute"

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
0	1	2	3							

▶ here computing Fib(4) and Fib(5) both require Fib(3), but Fib(3) is computed only once

Can turn an exponential-time solution into a polynomial-time solution. However, in terms of the input size, a single integer, this solution still run in exponential of time

# Designing dynamic programming algorithms

There are two dynamic programming algorithm design options :

- ► Top down : start to compute with the whole problem
- ▶ Bottom up : start to compute with the D&C base case

# Top-down dynamic programming for Fibonacci

A top-down design is a recursive algorithm where the original problem is decomposed into smaller problems and once the base cases are solved, solutions to subproblems are computed out of results in the table :

```
 \begin{split} & \textbf{function} \quad \textit{DyFib}(\textit{n}) \\ & \textbf{if} \; (\textit{n} == 0) \; \textbf{return} \; 0 \, ; \\ & \textbf{if} \; (\textit{n} == 1) \; \textbf{return} \; 1 \, ; \\ & \textbf{if} \; (\texttt{table}[\textit{n}] \, != 0) \; \textbf{return} \; \texttt{table}[\textit{n}] \, ; \\ & \textbf{else} \\ & \texttt{table}[\textit{n}] = \mathsf{DyFib}(\textit{n} - 1) + \mathsf{DyFib}(\textit{n} - 2) \\ & \textbf{return} \; \texttt{table}[\textit{n}] \, ; \\ \end{aligned}
```

inpu		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
solution	n	0	1												

# Bottom up dynamic programming for Fibonacci

Bottom up design is an iterative algorithm which first compute the base cases and then uses the solutions to the base cases to start computing the solutions to the other larger subproblems :

input	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
solution	0	1												

 $fib\_dyn \in \Theta(n)$  as opposed to the exponential complexity  $O((\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2})^n)$  for  $fib\_rec$ .

#### When do we need DP

Before writing a dynamic programming algorithm, first do the following :

- Write a divide-and-conquer algorithm to solve the problem
- ▶ Next, analyze its running time, if it is exponential then :
  - it is likely that the divide-and-conquer generates a large number of identical subproblems
  - therefore solving many times the same subproblems

If D&C has poor running times, we can consider DP.

But successful application of DP requires that the problem satisfies some conditions, which will be introduced later...

## Writing a DP algorithm : the bottom-up approach

Writing a DP often starts by writing a D&C recursive algorithm and use the conquer phase of the D&C recursive code to write an iterative bottom up DP algorithm :

- Create a table that will store the solution of the subproblems
- ▶ Use the "base case" of recursive D&C to initialize the table
- Devise look-up template using the recursive calls of the D&C algorithm
- ▶ Devise for-loops that fill the table using look-up template
- ► The function containing the for loop returns the last entry that has been filled in the table.

## An example : making change

Devise an algorithm for paying back a customer a certain amount using the smallest possible number of coins.

For example, what is the smallest amount of coins needed to pay back \$2.89 (289 cents) using as denominations "one dollars", "quaters", "dimes" and "pennies".

The solution is 10 coins, i.e. 2 one dollars, 3 quaters, 1 dime and 4 pennies.

# Making change : a recursive solution

Assume we have an infinite supply of n different denominations of coins.

A coin of denomination i worth  $d_i$  units,  $1 \le i \le n$ . We need to return change for N units.

Here is a recursive D&C algorithm for returning change (j is the amount of change to return):

```
function Make_Change(i,j)

if (j == 0) then return 0;

else

return min(make_change(i - 1, j), make_change(i, j - d_i) + 1);
```

The function is called initially as  $Make\_Change(n, N)$ .

## Making change : a recursive solution

```
\begin{split} & \text{function} & \text{ Make\_Change(i,j)} \\ & \text{ if } (j == 0) \text{ then return 0}; \\ & \text{ else} \\ & \text{ return } \min(\text{make\_change}(i-1,j), \text{ make\_change}(i,j-d_i)+1); \end{split}
```

How did we get this D&C algo? The making change problem has 2 input parameters :

- 1. *n* the number of different denominations
- 2. N the amount of change to return

Sub-problems are obtained by reducing the value of one of the two inputs :

- 1. Try to solve a sub-problem using i-1 denominations, i.e. the sub-problem make\_change (i-1,j)
- 2. Use denomination i to reduce the amount of money to return, thus we are left with the sub-problem make\_change $(i, j d_i)$  to solve.

The base case is when the amount to return is 0, in which case no coin is used, the solution to the base case is 0 coin.

# C code implementing recursive make\_change

```
#include <stdio.h>
#define min(a,b)((a < b)? a:b)
int make change(int d[], int n, int N)
 if(N == 0) return 0;
 else if (N < 0 | | (N > 0 \&\& n <= 0)) return 1000:
 else{
  return min(make change(d,n-1,N), make change(d,n,N-d[n-1]) + 1);
int main()
  int d[] = \{1, 5, 10, 25\};
  int N = 13:
  int n = sizeof(d)/sizeof(d[0]);
  int ans = make_change(d, n, N);
  printf("Minimal # of coins = %d\n",ans);
  return 0;
```

The D&C algo has two parameters because a make change problem has two dimensions: number of different types of coins available and the amount to return.

An instance of make change problem can be uniquely identified by these two values.

DP uses a table to store the values of instances that have already been computed, it makes sense here to use a 2-dimensional table where one dimension refers to the coin types and the other to the amounts to return

Coins/Amounts	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_1 = 1$									
$d_2 = 4$									
$d_3 = 6$									

The entries of the above table can store the values of all the sub-problems of a make change problem instance with 3 types of coins (1,4,6) and an amount to return equal to 8.

For example, entry  $(d_1 = 1, 2)$  refers to a sub-problem where the amount to return is 2 and where only coins of type  $d_1 = 1$  are available to return this amount.



Assume n = 3,  $d_1 = 1$ ,  $d_2 = 4$  and  $d_3 = 6$ . Let N = 8.

To solve this problem by dynamic programming we set up a table t[1..n, 0..N], one row for each denomination and one column for each amount from 0 unit to N units.

Coins/Amounts	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_1 = 1$									
$d_2 = 4$									
$d_3 = 6$									

Entry t[i,j] will store the solution to sub-problem instance i,j, i.e. the minimum number of coins needed to refund an amount of j units using only coins from denominations 1 to i.

Using the base case of the D&C algo :

```
\begin{split} & \text{function} & \text{Make\_Change(i,j)} \\ & \text{if } (j == 0) \text{ then return 0}; \\ & \text{else} \\ & \text{return } \min(\text{make\_change}(i-1,j), \text{ make\_change}(i,j-d_i)+1); \end{split}
```

one can immediately fill the 3 entries of the table where j = 0, i.e. for i = 1, 2, 3

Coins/Amounts	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_1 = 1$	0								
$d_2 = 4$	0								
$d_3 = 6$	0								

The solution to make change for instances where i=0 is not defined. Thus the DP for computing the entries of instances where i=1 can only be based on the second recursive call of the D&C algo :

```
\begin{split} & \text{function} & \text{Make\_Change}(i,j) \\ & \text{if } (j == 0) \text{ then return } 0 \,; \\ & \text{else} \\ & \text{return } \min(\text{make\_change}(i-1,j), \, \text{make\_change}(i,j-d_i) + 1) \,; \end{split}
```

Thus the solution to instance  $t[1,1] = \text{make\_change}(i,j-d_i)+1 = \text{make\_change}(1,1-1)+1 = \text{make\_change}(1,0)+1 = t[1,0]+1=1$ 

Therefore 
$$t[1,j]$$
 for  $j = 1..8$  is  $t[i,j] = t[i,j-d_i] + 1$ 

Example: the value stored in entry t[1,4] is interpreted as the minimum number of coins to return 4 units using only denomination 1, which is the minimum number of coins to return 3 units, i.e. t[1,3] + 1 = 4 coins.



For the solutions of instances where i > 1, one needs to consider both recursive calls of the D&C algo. and take the minimum value return from these two.

```
\begin{split} & \text{function} & \text{Make\_Change}(i,j) \\ & \text{if } (j == 0) \text{ then return } 0 \,; \\ & \text{else} \\ & \text{return } \min(\text{make\_change}(i-1,j), \text{ make\_change}(i,j-d_i) + 1) \,; \end{split}
```

Thus the solution to instance t[i,j] is the minimum of the values returned by make\_change(i-1,j) and make\_change $(i,j-d_i)+1$ , i.e.  $t[i,j]=\min(t[i-1,j],t[i,j-d_i])$ .

Special case : if the amount of change to return is smaller than domination  $d_i$ , i.e.  $j < d_i$ , then the change needs to be returned can only be based on denominations smaller than  $d_i$ , i.e t[i,j] = t[i-1,j]

Coins/Amounts	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_1 = 1$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_2 = 4$	0	1	2	3					
$d_3 = 6$	0	1	2	3	1	2			

# A bottom-up DP algorithm for making change

For the general, the following table look-ups deduced from the D&C algo is used to compute entries in the DP table :

```
t[i,j] = \min(t[i-1,j], t[i,j-d_i] + 1)
```

```
\begin{aligned} & \mathsf{DP\_making\_change}(n,N) \\ & \mathsf{int} \quad d[1..n] = d[1,4,6] \,; \\ & \mathsf{int} \quad t[1..n,0..N] \,; \\ & \mathsf{for} \quad (i=1;i\leq n;i++) \,\, t[i,0] = 0 \,; \,\, \text{*/base case */} \\ & \mathsf{for} \quad (i=1;i\leq n;i++) \\ & \mathsf{for} \quad (j=1;j\leq N;j++) \\ & \quad \mathsf{if} \,\, (i==1) \,\, \mathsf{then} \quad t[i,j] = t[i,j-d_i] + 1 \\ & \quad \mathsf{else} \,\, \mathsf{if} \,\, (j< d[i]) \,\, \mathsf{then} \quad t[i,j] = t[i-1,j] \\ & \quad \mathsf{else} \,\, t[i,j] = \min(t[i-1,j],t[i,j-d[i]] + 1) \\ & \quad \mathsf{return} \quad t[n,N] \,; \end{aligned}
```

The algorithm runs in  $\Theta(nN)$ . However, DP making change is pseudo-polynomial, the input N is an integer,  $\log_2 N$  is the real size of this input, thus the inner loop run in  $2^{\log_2 N}$ 

# Making change: DP approach

Coins/Amounts									
$d_1 = 1$	0	1	2 2 2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_2 = 4$	0	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	2
$d_3 = 6$	0	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	2

To fill entry t[i,j], j > 0, we have two choices :

- 1. Don't use a coin from  $d_i$ , then t[i,j] = t[i-1,j]
- 2. Use at least one coin from  $d_i$ , then  $t[i,j] = t[i,j-d_i] + 1$ .

Since we seek to minimize the number of coins returned, we have

$$t[i,j] = \min(t[i-1,j], t[i,j-d_i] + 1)$$

The solution is in entry t[n, N]



# Using the DP table to return coins

Entry t[n, N] display the minimum number of coins that can used to return change for N.

Coins/Amounts	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_1 = 1$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_2 = 4$	0	1	2	3	1	2	3	7 4 2	2
$d_3 = 6$	0	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	2

From other entries in the DP table we can also find what is the denomination of the coins to return:

- ► Start at entry t[n, N];
- If t[i,j] = t[i-1,j] then no coin of denomination i has been used to calculate t[i,j], then move to entry t[i-1,j];
- ▶ If  $t[i,j] = t[i,j-d_i] + 1$ , then add one coin of denomination i and move to entry  $t[i,j-d_i]$ .

#### Exercises 1 and 2

1. Construct the table and solve the making change problem where n=3 with denominations  $d_1=1, d_2=2$  and  $d_3=3$  where the amount of change to be returned is N=7

Amount	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$d_1 = 1$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$d_2 = 2$	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	4
$d_1 = 1$ $d_2 = 2$ $d_3 = 3$	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	3

$$t[i,j] = \min(t[i-1,j], t[i,j-d_i] + 1)$$

2. Construct the table and solve the making change problem where n=4 with denominations  $d_1=1, d_2=3, d_3=4$  and  $d_4=5$  where the amount of change to be returned is N=12

#### Solutions table

Amount	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_1 = 1$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_2 = 4$	0	1	2	3	1	2	3	4	2
$d_1 = 1$ $d_2 = 4$ $d_3 = 6$	0	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	2

Each entry in the above table is a solution to a subproblem.

For example, entry t[1,3] is the solution to the subproblem where an amount of 3 needs to be returned using only coins of denomination 1.

Entry t[2,6] is the number of coins that have to be returned when an amount of 6 needs to be returned using only coins of denomination 1 or 4.

Amount	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$d_1 = 1$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$d_2 = 4$	0	1	2	3	1	2	3

## Optimization problems

DP is often used to solve optimization problems that have the following form

min 
$$f(x)$$
 **or**
max  $f(x)$  (1)
s.t. some constraints

Making change is an optimization problem. The problem consists to minimize the function f(x), i.e. to minimize the number of coins returned

There is only one constraint: the sum of the value of the coins is equal to the amount to be returned

### Solutions of an optimization problems

Optimization problems often have many solutions

The problem below has, in the last column, "3 feasible solutions", 6, 3 and 1.

The 3 solutions are feasible because they satisfy the constraint that the sum of the coin values is equal the amount to return.

However, only the solution with the smallest value is a solution to the optimization problem which is to minimize the number of coins

Amount							
$d_1 = 1$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$d_1 = 1$ $d_2 = 4$ $d_3 = 6$	0	1	2	3	1	2	3
$d_3 = 6$	0	1	2	3	1	2	1

In solving optimization problems with DP, we find the optimal solution of a problem of size n by solving smaller problems of same type

The optimal solution of the original problem is made of optimal solutions from subproblems

Thus the subsolutions within an optimal solution are optimal subsolutions

Solutions to optimization problems that exhibit this property are say to be based on optimal substructures

Make\_Change() exhibits the optimal substructure property :

- Each entry t[i,j] in the table is the optimal solution (minimum number of coins) that can be used to return an amount of j units using only denominations  $d_1$  to  $d_i$ .
- ▶ The optimal solution of problem (i,j) is obtained using optimal solutions (minimum number of coins) of sub-problems (i-1,j) and  $(i,j-d_i)$ .

Coins/Amounts	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_1 = 1$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
$d_2 = 4$	0	1	2	3	1	2	3	7	2
$d_3 = 6$	0	1	2	3	1	2	1	2	2

The optimal solution for t[i,j] is obtained by comparing t[i-1,j] and  $t[i,j-d_i]+1$ , taking the smallest of the two.



To compute the optimal solution, we can compute all optimal subsolutions

Often we start with all optimal subsolutions of size 1, then compute all optimal subsolutions of size 2 combining some subsolutions of size 1. We continue in this fashion until we have the solution for n.

Note, not all optimization problems satisfy the optimal substructure property. When it fails to apply, we cannot use DP.

# Big O notation for two variables

One variable :  $f(n) \in O(g(n))$  if  $\exists$  2 constants c and  $n_0$  such that  $f(n) \le cg(n) \ \forall n \ge n_0$ , for  $n \to \infty$ 

#### Two variables:

▶  $f(n,m) \in O(g(n,m))$  if  $\exists$  2 constants c and  $n_0$  such that

$$f(n,m) \le cg(n,m) \ \forall n,m \ge n_0, \ \text{ for } n,m \to \infty$$

Some also use  $f(n, m) \in O(g(n, m))$  if  $\exists$  3 constants c,  $n_0$  and  $m_0$  such that

$$f(n,m) \leq cg(n,m) \ \forall n \geq n_0, m \geq m_0 \ \text{ for } n,m \to \infty$$



# Big O notation for two variables

$$f(n,m) = n + m \rightarrow f(n,m) \in O(n+m)$$
 and  $n+m$  is linear  $f(n,m) = n \times m \rightarrow f(n,m) \in O(n \times m)$  and  $n \times m$  not linear and not quadratic either (no terms in  $x^2$ )

Sometime we know a relationship between n and m. If n is the number of nodes in a graph and m the number of edges, then  $m \in O(n^2)$  in a complete graph and  $m \in O(n)$  in a connected tree, if f(n,m) = n + m is either  $O(n+m) = O(n^2)$  or  $O(n+m) \in O(n)$ 

Sometime one of the two variables is bounded by a constant (for example  $n \to \infty$ ), then  $f(n, m) = n \times m \in O(m)$ 

# DP for optimization problems

#### The basic steps are :

- 1. Characterize the structure of an optimal solution, i.e. the problem meet the optimal substructure property
- 2. Give a recursive definition for computing the optimal solution based on optimal solutions of smaller problems.
- 3. Compute the optimal solutions and/or the value of the optimal solution in a bottom-up fashion.

#### Integer 0-1 Knapsack Problem

Given n objects with integer weights  $w_i$  and values  $v_i$ , you are asked to pack a knapsack with no more than W weight (W is integer) such that the load is as valuable as possible (maximize). You cannot take part of an object, you must either take an object or leave it out.

**Example :** Suppose we are given 4 objects with the following weights and values :

Suppose W = 5 units of weight in our knapsack.

Seek a load that maximize the value



#### Problem formulation

#### Given

- ightharpoonup n integer weights  $w_1, \ldots, w_n$ ,
- $\triangleright$  n values  $v_1, \ldots, v_n$ , and
- ▶ an integer capacity W,

assign either 0 or 1 to each of  $x_1, \ldots, x_n$  so that the sum

$$f(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i v_i$$

is maximized, s.t.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i w_i \leq W.$$

#### Explanation

 $x_i = 1$  represents putting Object i into the knapsack and  $x_i = 0$  represents leaving Object i out of the knapsack.

The value of the chosen load is  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i v_i$ . We want the most valuable load, so we want to maximize this sum.

The weight of the chosen load is  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i w_i$ . We can't carry more than W units of weight, so this sum must be  $\leq W$ .

# Solving the 0-1 Knapsack

0-1 knapsack is an optimization problem.

Should we apply dynamic programming to solve it? To answer this question we need to investigate two things :

- 1. Whether subproblems are solved repeatedly when using a recursive algorithm.
- 2. An optimal solution contains optimal sub-solutions, the problem exhibits optimal substructure

Does integer 0-1 knapsack exhibits the optimal substructure property?

Let  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k\}$  be the objects in an optimal solution x.

The optimal value is  $V = v_{x_1} + v_{x_2} + \cdots + v_{x_k}$ .

We must also have that  $w_{x_1} + w_{x_2} + \cdots + w_{x_k} \leq W$  since x is a feasible solution.

#### Claim:

If  $\{x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_k\}$  is an optimal solution to the knapsack problem with weight W, then  $\{x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_{k-1}\}$  is an optimal solution to the knapsack problem with  $W' = W - w_{x_k}$ .



**Proof**: Assume  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-1}\}$  is not an optimal solution to the subproblem. Then there are objects  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_l\}$  such that

$$w_{y_1}+w_{y_2}+\cdots+w_{y_l}\leq W',$$

and

$$v_{y_1} + v_{y_2} + \cdots + v_{y_l} > v_{x_1} + v_{x_2} + \cdots + v_{x_{k-1}}.$$

Then

$$v_{y_1} + v_{y_2} + \cdots + v_{y_l} + v_{x_k} > v_{x_1} + v_{x_2} + \cdots + v_{x_{k-1}} + v_{x_k}.$$

However, this implies that the set  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k\}$  is not an optimal solution to the knapsack problem with weight W.

This contradicts our assumption. Thus  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{k-1}\}$  is an optimal solution to the knapsack problem with  $W' = W - w_{x_k}$ .



#### Recursive solution: problem decomposition

Seeking for a recursive algorithm to a problem one must think about the ways the problem can be reduced to subproblems.

Let K[n, W] denote the 0-1 knapsack problem instance to be solved where n is the initial number of objects to be considered and W is the initial capacity of the sack.

There are two ways this problem can be decomposed into smaller problems. Let K[i,j] be the recursive function :

- ▶ one can add the *i*th object in the knapsack, thus reducing the initial problem to one with i-1 objects yet to consider and capacity  $j-w_i$ :  $K[i-1,j-w_i]$
- ▶ one can choose to disregard object i (don't put in the sack), thus generating a new subproblem with i-1 objects and capacity j unchanged : K[i-1,j]

#### Recursive solution: writing the algorithm

The base case will be when one object is left to consider. The solution is

$$K[1,j] = \begin{cases} v_1 & \text{if } w_1 \leq j \\ 0 & \text{if } w_1 > j. \end{cases}$$

Once the value of the base case is computed, the solution to the other subproblems is obtained as followed :

$$K[i,j] = \begin{cases} K[i-1,j] & \text{if } w_i > j \\ \max(K[i-1,j], K[i-1,j-w_i] + v_i) & \text{if } w_i \leq j. \end{cases}$$

This recursive function is initially called with K[n, W].

# Divide & Conquer 0-1 Knapsack

Below is the pseudo-code of a D&C algorithm that computes the optimal solution of a knapsack problem instance.

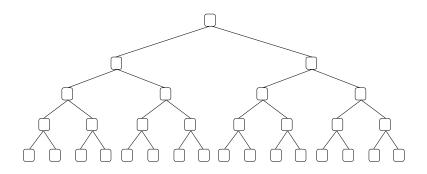
This algorithm has 3 inputs : the capacity W, an array v of n values and an array w of n weights

```
 \begin{array}{l} \text{int } \mathsf{K}(i, \textcolor{red}{W}) \\ \text{if } (\mathsf{i} == 1) \text{ return } (\mathsf{W} < \mathsf{w}[1]) \,? \, 0 : \mathsf{v}[1] \\ \text{if } (\textcolor{red}{W} < \textcolor{red}{w[i]}) \text{ return } \mathsf{K}(i-1, \textcolor{red}{W}); \\ \text{return } \max(\mathsf{K}(i-1, \textcolor{red}{W}), \, \mathsf{K}(i-1, \textcolor{red}{W} - \textcolor{red}{w[i]}) + \textcolor{red}{v[i]}); \\ \end{array}
```

Solve for the following problem instance where W = 10:

i	1	2	3	4	5
Wi	6	5	4	2	2
Vi	6	3	5	4	6

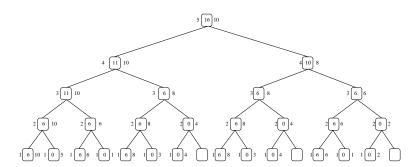




i	1	2	3	4	5
Wi	6	5	4	2	2
Vi	6	3	5	4	6

```
int K(i, W)
```

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 \begin{split} & \text{if } (\mathsf{i} == 1) \text{ return } (\mathsf{W} < \mathsf{w}[1]) ? \ 0 : \mathsf{v}[1] \, ; \\ & \text{if } (\textit{W} < \textit{w}[i]) \text{ return } \mathsf{K}(\textit{i} - 1, \textit{W}) \, ; \\ & \text{return } \max(\mathsf{K}(\textit{i} - 1, \textit{W}), \ \mathsf{K}(\textit{i} - 1, \textit{W} - \textit{w}[\textit{i}]) + \textit{v}[\textit{i}]) \, ; \end{split}
```



#### C code implementing recursive 0-1 knapsack

The initial call to K(n-1, W) because array indexes in C start at 0, so values of object 1 are in val[0] and wt[0], etc.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int max(int a, int b) { return (a > b) ? a : b; }
int K(int W. int wt[], int val[], int n) {
  // Base Case
  if (n == 0) return (W < wt[0])? 0 : val[0];
  //Knapsack does not have residual capacity for object n
  if (wt[n] > W) return K(W, wt, val, n - 1);
  else
    return max(
       val[n] + K(W - wt[n], wt, val, n - 1),
       K(W. wt. val. n - 1)):
int main() {
  int val[] = \{6, 3, 5, 4, 6\}; int wt[] = \{6, 5, 4, 2, 2\};
  int W = 10;
  int n = sizeof(val) / sizeof(val[0]):
  printf("The solution is %d\n", K(W, wt. val. n-1)):
  return 0;
```

### Analysis of the Recursive Solution

Let T(n) be the worst-case running time on an input with n objects.

If there is only one object, we do a constant amount of work.

$$T(1)=1.$$

If there is more than one object, this algorithm does a constant amount of work plus two recursive calls involving n-1 objects.

$$T(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1\\ 2T(n-1) + 1 & \text{if } n > 1 \end{cases}$$

The solution to this recurrence is  $T(n) \in \Theta(2^n)$ 

# Overlapping Subproblems

We have seen that the maximal value is K[n, W].

But computing K[n, W] recursively cost  $2^n - 1$ .

While the number of subproblems is only nW.

Thus, if  $nW < 2^n$ , then the 0-1 knapsack problem will certainly have overlapping subproblems, therefore using dynamic programming is most likely to provide a more efficient algorithm.

0-1 knapsack satisfies the two pre-conditions (optimal substructure and repeated solutions of identical subproblems) justifying the design of an DP algorithm for this problem.

Declare a table K of size  $n \times W + 1$  that stores the optimal solutions of all the possible subproblems. Let n = 6, W = 10 and

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
Wi	3	2	6	1	7	4
Vi	7	10	2	3	2	6

$i \setminus j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1											
2											
3											
4											
5											
6											

#### Initialization of the table:

The value of the knapsack is 0 when the capacity is 0. Therefore, K[i, 0] = 0, i = 1..6.

$i \setminus j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0										
2	0										
3	0										
4	0										
5	0										
6	0										

Initialization of the table using the base case of the recursive function : if (i == 1) return (W < w[1])? 0 : v[1]

This said that if the capacity is smaller than the weight of object 1, then the value is 0 (cannot add object 1), otherwise the value is v[1]

Since 
$$w[1] = 3$$
 and  $v[1] = 7$ , we have :

i∖j	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
2	0										
3	0										
4	0										
5	0										
6	0										

The DP code for computing the other entries of the table is based on the recursive function for 0-1 knapsack :  $\begin{pmatrix} i & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ w_i & 3 & 2 & 6 & 1 & 7 & 4 \\ w_i & v_i & v_i & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3 & 2 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$ 

```
 \begin{array}{ll} \text{int } \mathsf{K}(i,W) \\ \text{if } (i == 1) \text{ return } (W < w[1]) ? 0 : v[1]; \\ \text{if } (W < w[i]) \text{ return } \mathsf{K}(i-1,W); \\ \text{return } \max(\mathsf{K}(i-1,W), \, \mathsf{K}(i-1,W-w[i]) + v[i]); \end{array}
```

$i \setminus j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
2	0										
3	0										
4	0										
5	0										
6	0										

The bottom-up dynamic programming algorithm is now (more or less) straightforward.

```
function 0-1-Knapsack(w, v, n, W)
  int K[n, W + 1];
  for(i = 1; i < n; i + +) K[i, 0] = 0:
  for(i = 0; i < W; i + +)
     if (w[1] \le j) then K[1, j] = v[1];
     else K[1, i] = 0:
  for (i = 2; i < n; i + +)
      for (i = 1; i < W; i + +)
         if (i > w[i] \&\& K[i-1, i-w[i]] + v[i] > K[i-1, i])
            K[i, j] = K[i-1, j-w[i]] + v[i];
         else
            K[i,j] = K[i-1,j];
  return K[n, W];
```

# Caution on the running time of the DP algo for knapsack

The previous algorithm runs in O(nW), this seems polynomial in the input size, but this is not the case because W is not polynomial

Two of the inputs of the previous algo are a vector of n weights and a vector of n values. Assume the largest number in these two vectors is 29, thus we need max 5 bits to represent any number in the two vectors. Thus the total number of input bits to represent these two vectors  $2 \times 5 \times n$ . The outer for loop **for**  $(i=2;i\leq n;i++)$  runs n times which is linear in the size of the two input vectors

The other input is W. Assume W=16, thus we need only 4 bits to represent W. However, the inner loop for  $(j=1; j \leq W; j++)$  runs 16 times, i.e.  $2^4$  times its input size of 4 bits!

For this reason, the running time of DP is said to be "pseudo-polynomial". Knapsack is a NP-hard problem (actually weakly NP-hard), which means it is unlikely to have a polynomial time solution

Nonetheless, the knapsack problem is an intuitive example to introduce dynamic programming, considering the notions of pseudo-polynomial time and NP-hardness will not be on the final...

### 0-1 Knapsack example solved with DP

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
Wi	3	2	6	1	7	4
Vi	7	10	2	3	2	6

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{for } (i=2; i \leq n; i++) \\ &\text{for } (j=1; j \leq W; j++) \\ &\text{if } (j \geq w[i] \; \&\& \; K[i-1, j-w[i]] + v[i] > K[i-1, j]) \\ &\quad K[i, j] = K[i-1, j-w[i]] + v[i] \; ; \\ &\text{else} \\ &\quad K[i, j] = K[i-1, j] \; ; \end{aligned}$$

i∖j	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
2	0	0	10	10	10	17	17	17	17	17	17
3	0	0	10	10	10	17	17	17	17	17	17
4	0	3	10	13	13	17	20	20	20	20	20
5	0	3	10	13	13	17	20	20	20	20	20
6	0	3	10	13	13	17	20	20	20	23	26

# 0-1 Knapsack example solved with D&C

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
Wi	3	2	6	1	7	4
Vi	7	10	2	3	2	6

```
 \begin{array}{lll} \mbox{int } K(\emph{i}, \begin{subarray}{ll} W \end{subarray} & \mbox{if } (\emph{i} == 1) \mbox{ return } (W < w[1]) \ ? \ 0 \ : \ v[1]; \\ \mbox{if } (W < w[\emph{i}]) \mbox{ return } K(\emph{i-1},W); \\ \mbox{return } \max(K(\emph{i-1},W), \ K(\emph{i-1},W-w[\emph{i}]) + v[\emph{i}]); \end{array}
```

i∖j	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
2	0	0	10	10	10	17	17	17	17	17	17
3	0	0						17			
4	0	3	10	13	13	17	20	20	20	20	20
5	0	3	10	13	13	17	20	20	20	20	20
6	0	3	10	13	13	17	20	20	20	23	26

### Finding the Knapsack

How do we compute an optimal knapsack?

With this problem, we don't have to keep track of anything extra. Let K[n, k] be the maximal value.

If  $K[n, k] \neq K[n-1, k]$ , then  $K[n, k] = K[n-1, k-w_n] + v_n$ , and the *n*th item is in the knapsack.

Otherwise, we know K[n, k] = K[n-1, k], and we assume that the *n*th item is not in the optimal knapsack.

# Finding the Knapsack

In either case, we have an optimal solution to a subproblem.

Thus, we continue the process with either K[n-1,k] or  $K[n-1,k-w_n]$ , depending on whether n was in the knapsack or not.

When we get to the K[1, k] entry, we take item 1 if  $K[1, k] \neq 0$  (equivalently, when  $k \geq w[1]$ )

#### Finishing the Example

Recall we had :

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
Wi	3	2	6	1	7	4
Vi	7	10	2	3	2	6

▶ We work backwards through the table

$$\mathsf{max}(\mathsf{K}(\mathsf{i}\text{-}1,\mathsf{W}),\,\mathsf{K}(\mathsf{i}\text{-}1,\mathsf{W}\text{-}\mathsf{w}[\mathsf{i}])\,+\,\mathsf{v}[\mathsf{i}])$$

▶ The optimal knapsack contains  $\{1, 2, 4, 6\}$ 

#### Exercise 3: 0-1 Knapsack

Solve the following 0-1 knapsack instance with W=10:

$i \setminus j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0										
2	0										
3	0										
4	0										
5	0										

What is the optimal value? Which objects are part of the optimal solution?

### Exercise 4: 0-1 Knapsack

Solve the following 0-1 knapsack problem : W = 10

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
Wi	4	2	3	1	6	4
Vi	6	4	5	3	9	7

#### DP 0-1 knapsack: top-down

Start with a recursive algo:

```
 \begin{array}{l} \text{int } \mathsf{K}(i, W) \\ \text{if } (i = 1) \text{ return } (W < w[1]) ? 0 : v[1]; \\ \text{if } (W < w[i]) \text{ return } \mathsf{K}(i-1, W); \\ \text{return } \max(\mathsf{K}(i-1, W), \; \mathsf{K}(i-1, W-w[i]) + v[i]); \end{array}
```

Initialize to -1 each entry of an  $n \times W$  array

Use the recursive algorithm, with a test in the entry that check whether the solution for instance i, W has already been computed

```
 \begin{array}{l} \text{int } \mathsf{K}(i,W) \\ \text{if } \textit{Ka}[i,W] < 0 \text{ then} \\ \text{if } (i=1) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = (\textit{W} < \textit{w}[1]) \; ? \; 0 \; : \; \textit{v}[1]; \\ \text{if } (\textit{W} < \textit{w}[i]) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \mathsf{K}(i-1,W); \\ \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \max(\mathsf{K}(i-1,W), \; \mathsf{K}(i-1,W-\textit{w}[i]) + \textit{v}[i]); \\ \text{else return } \textit{Ka}[i,W]; \\ \end{array}
```

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
wi	3	2	6	1	7	4
Vi	7	10	2	3	2	6

```
\begin{array}{l} \text{int } \mathsf{K}(i,W) \\ \text{if } \textit{Ka}[i,W] < 0 \text{ then} \\ \text{if } (i = 1) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = (W < w[1]) \; ? \; 0 \; : \; v[1]; \\ \text{if } (W < w[i]) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \mathsf{K}(i-1,W); \\ \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \max(\mathsf{K}(i-1,W), \; \mathsf{K}(i-1,W-w[i]) + v[i]); \\ \text{else return } \textit{Ka}[i,W]; \end{array}
```

$i \setminus j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
2											
3	0										
4											
5	0										
6	0										?

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
wi	3	2	6	1	7	4
Vi	7	10	2	3	2	6

```
 \begin{array}{l} \text{int } \mathsf{K}(i,W) \\ \text{if } \textit{Ka}[i,W] < 0 \text{ then} \\ \text{if } (i = 1) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = (W < w[1]) \; ? \; 0 \; : \; v[1]; \\ \text{if } (W < w[i]) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \mathsf{K}(i-1,W); \\ \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \max(\mathsf{K}(i-1,W), \; \mathsf{K}(i-1,W-w[i]) + v[i]); \\ \text{else return } \textit{Ka}[i,W]; \\ \end{array}
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$i \setminus j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
2											
3	0										
4											
5	0						6-10				6-10
6	0										?

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
w <sub>i</sub>	3	2	6	1	7	4
Vi	7	10	2	3	2	6

```
 \begin{array}{l} \text{int } \mathsf{K}(i,W) \\ \text{if } \textit{Ka}[i,W] < 0 \text{ then} \\ \text{if } (i = 1) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = (W < w[1]) \; ? \; 0 \; : \; v[1]; \\ \text{if } (W < w[i]) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \mathsf{K}(i-1,W); \\ \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \max(\mathsf{K}(i-1,W), \; \mathsf{K}(i-1,W-w[i]) + v[i]); \\ \text{else return } \textit{Ka}[i,W]; \\ \end{array}
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$i \setminus j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
2											
3	0										
4	∞5-6			5-10			5-6				5-10
5	0						6-10				6-10
6	0										?

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
wi	3	2	6	1	7	4
Vi	7	10	2	3	2	6

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 \begin{array}{l} \text{int } \mathsf{K}(i,W) \\ \text{if } \textit{Ka}[i,W] < 0 \text{ then} \\ \text{if } (i = 1) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = (W < w[1]) \; ? \; 0 \; : \; v[1]; \\ \text{if } (W < w[i]) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \mathsf{K}(i-1,W); \\ \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \max(\mathsf{K}(i-1,W), \; \mathsf{K}(i-1,W-w[i]) + v[i]); \\ \text{else return } \textit{Ka}[i,W]; \\ \end{array}
```

$i \setminus j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
2											
3	0		4-3	4-3		4-6	4-6			4-10	4-10
4	∞5-6			5-10			5-6				5-10
5	0						6-10				6-10
6	0										?

i	1	2	3	4	5	6
wi	3	2	6	1	7	4
v <sub>i</sub>	7	10	2	3	2	6

```
 \begin{array}{l} \text{int } \mathsf{K}(i,W) \\ \text{if } \textit{Ka}[i,W] < 0 \text{ then} \\ \text{if } (i = 1) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = (W < w[1]) \; ? \; 0 \; : \; v[1]; \\ \text{if } (W < w[i]) \; \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \mathsf{K}(i-1,W); \\ \textit{Ka}[i,W] = \max(\mathsf{K}(i-1,W), \; \mathsf{K}(i-1,W-w[i]) + v[i]); \\ \text{else return } \textit{Ka}[i,W]; \\ \end{array}
```

$i \setminus j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	0	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
2	0 3-6		3-2	3-9/3-3	3-10	3-5	3-6			3-9	3-10
3	0		4-3	4-3		4-6	4-6			4-10	4-10
4	∞5-6			5-10			5-6				5-10
5	0						6-10				6-10
6	0										?

#### Others 0-1 KS instances

Val Wt	18/4	Item	Max Weight								
	vvt		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
4	3	2	0	1	1	4	5	5	5	5	
5	4	3	0	1	1	4	5	6	6	9	
7	5	4	0	1	1	4	5	7	8	9	

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2(1)	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
3(2)	0	0	1	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3
3(5)	0	0	1	5	5	6	7	7	8	8	8
4(9)	0	0	1	5	9	9	10	14	14	15	16
6(4)	0	0	1	5	9	9	10	14	14	15	16