

## Chapter 6

### Dynamic Programming



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#### Algorithmic Paradigms

**Greed.** Build up a solution incrementally, myopically optimizing some local criterion.

**Divide-and-conquer.** Break up a problem into two sub-problems, solve each sub-problem independently, and combine solution to sub-problems to form solution to original problem.

**Dynamic programming.** Break up a problem into a series of overlapping sub-problems, and build up solutions to larger and larger sub-problems.

### Dynamic Programming Applications

#### Areas.

- Bioinformatics.
- Control theory.
- Information theory.
- Operations research.
- Computer science: theory, graphics, AI, systems, ....

#### Some famous dynamic programming algorithms.

- Unix diff for comparing two files.
- Smith-Waterman for sequence alignment.
- Bellman-Ford for shortest path routing in networks.
- Cocke-Kasami-Younger for parsing context free grammars.

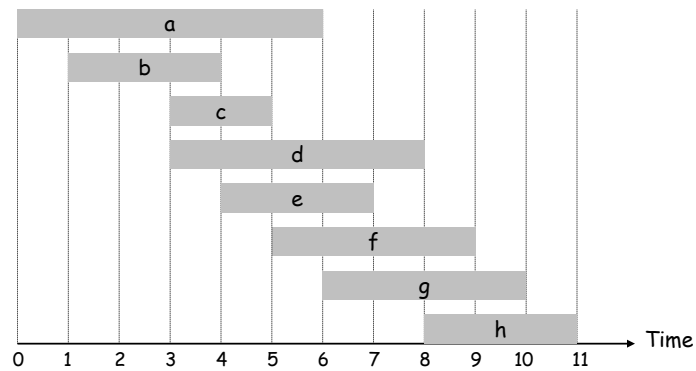
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## 6.1 Weighted Interval Scheduling

### Weighted Interval Scheduling

Weighted interval scheduling problem.

- Job  $j$  starts at  $s_j$ , finishes at  $f_j$ , and has weight or value  $v_j$ .
- Two jobs **compatible** if they don't overlap.
- Goal: find maximum **weight** subset of mutually compatible jobs.



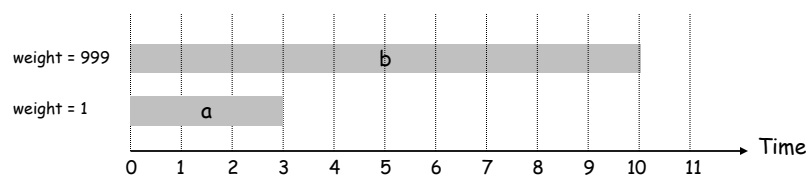
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### Unweighted Interval Scheduling Review

**Recall.** Greedy algorithm works if all weights are 1.

- Consider jobs in ascending order of finish time.
- Add job to subset if it is compatible with previously chosen jobs.

**Observation.** Greedy algorithm can fail spectacularly if arbitrary weights are allowed.



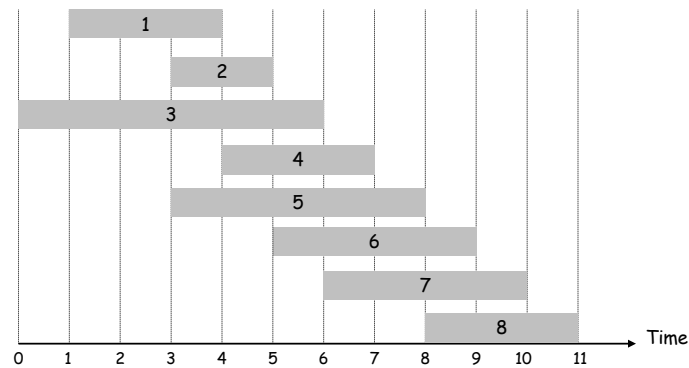
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## Weighted Interval Scheduling

**Notation.** Label jobs by finishing time:  $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$ .

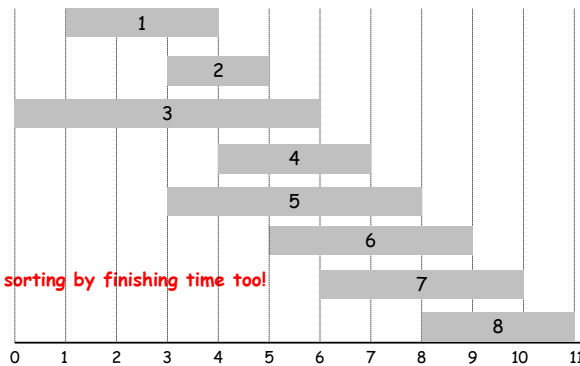
**Def.**  $p(j)$  = largest index  $i < j$  such that job  $i$  is compatible with  $j$ .

**Ex:**  $p(8) = 5$ ,  $p(7) = 3$ ,  $p(2) = 0$ .



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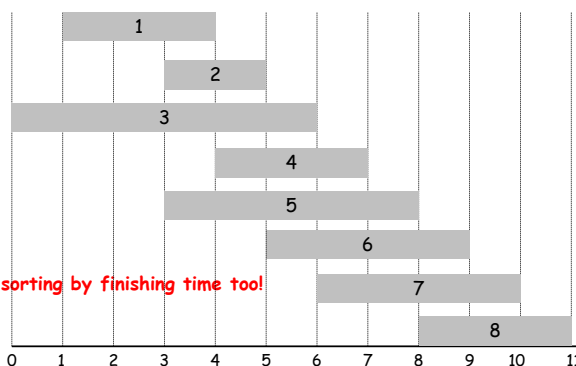
### How to: Computing $p(\cdot)$



- $O(n)$  after sorting by start time and sorting by finishing time too!
- Two lists:
- Finish time:  $f_{i1} < f_{i2} < \dots < f_{in}$
- Start time:  $s_{j1} < s_{j2} < \dots < s_{jn}$
- Merge these two lists: if the last  $f_{ik}$  before  $s_{jm}$ , then  $p(jm) = ik$

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- Start time:  $sj_1 < sj_2 < \dots < sj_n$
- Merge these two lists: if the last fit before  $sj_m$ , then  $p(j_m) = i_k$

Example: time(job)

Finish time **4(1), 5(2), 6(3), 7(4), 8(5), 9(6), 10(7), 11(8)**

Start time: 0(3), 1(1), 3(2), 3(5), 4(4), 5(6), 6(7), 8(8)

Merge: 0(3), 1(1), 3(2), 3(5), **4(1)**, 4(4), **5(2)**, 5(6), **6(3)**, 6(7), **7(4)**, **8(5)**,  
8(8), **9(6)**, **10(7)**, **11(8)**

$P(8)=5$ ,  $P(7)=3$ ,  $P(6)=2$ ,  $P(4)=1$

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### Dynamic Programming: Binary Choice

**Notation.**  $OPT(j)$  = value of optimal solution to the problem consisting of job requests 1, 2, ..., j.

- Case 1: OPT selects job j.
  - can't use incompatible jobs  $\{ p(j) + 1, p(j) + 2, \dots, j - 1 \}$
  - must include optimal solution to problem consisting of remaining compatible jobs 1, 2, ...,  $p(j)$
- Case 2: OPT does not select job j.
  - must include optimal solution to problem consisting of remaining compatible jobs 1, 2, ...,  $j-1$

optimal substructure

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

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## Weighted Interval Scheduling: Brute Force

Brute force algorithm.

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Input:  $n, s_1, \dots, s_n, f_1, \dots, f_n, v_1, \dots, v_n$ 

Sort jobs by finish times so that  $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$ .

Compute  $p(1), p(2), \dots, p(n)$ 

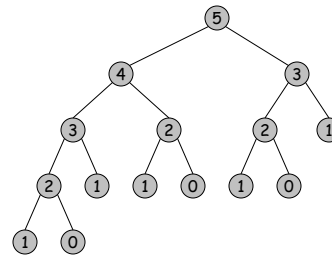
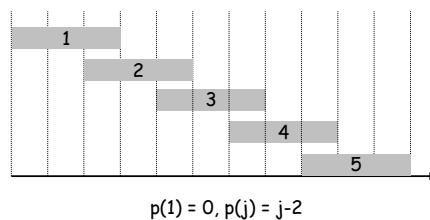
Compute-Opt( $j$ ) {
    if ( $j = 0$ )
        return 0
    else
        return  $\max(v_j + \text{Compute-Opt}(p(j)), \text{Compute-Opt}(j-1))$ 
}
  
```

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## Weighted Interval Scheduling: Brute Force

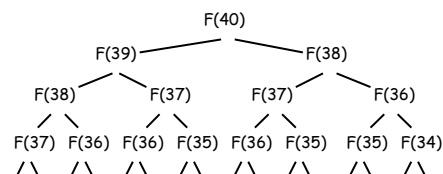
**Observation.** Recursive algorithm fails spectacularly because of redundant sub-problems  $\Rightarrow$  exponential algorithms.

**Ex.** Number of recursive calls for family of "layered" instances grows like Fibonacci sequence.



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static int F(int n) {
    if (n <= 1) return n;
    else return F(n-1) + F(n-2);
}
  
```



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### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Memoization

**Memoization.** Store results of each sub-problem in a cache; lookup as needed.

```

Input:  $n, s_1, \dots, s_n, f_1, \dots, f_n, v_1, \dots, v_n$ 

Sort jobs by finish times so that  $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$ .
Compute  $p(1), p(2), \dots, p(n)$ 

for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
     $M[j] = \text{empty}$   $\leftarrow$  global array
     $M[j] = 0$ 

    M-Compute-Opt( $j$ ) {
        if ( $M[j]$  is empty)
             $M[j] = \max(w_j + \text{M-Compute-Opt}(p(j)), \text{M-Compute-Opt}(j-1))$ 
        return  $M[j]$ 
    }
  
```

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### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Running Time

**Claim.** Memorized version of algorithm takes  $O(n \log n)$  time.

- Sort by finish time:  $O(n \log n)$ .
- Computing  $p(\cdot)$ :  $O(n)$  after sorting by start time.
- **M-Compute-Opt**( $j$ ): each invocation takes  $O(1)$  time and either
  - (i) returns an existing value  $M[j]$
  - (ii) fills in one new entry  $M[j]$  and makes two recursive calls
- Progress measure  $\Phi = \#$  nonempty entries of  $M[\cdot]$ .
  - initially  $\Phi = 0$ , throughout  $\Phi \leq n$ .
  - (ii) increases  $\Phi$  by 1  $\Rightarrow$  at most  $2n$  recursive calls.
- Overall running time of **M-Compute-Opt**( $n$ ) is  $O(n)$ .

**Remark.**  $O(n)$  if jobs are pre-sorted by start and finish times.

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### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Bottom-Up

Bottom-up dynamic programming. Unwind recursion.

```

Input:  $n, s_1, \dots, s_n, f_1, \dots, f_n, v_1, \dots, v_n$ 

Sort jobs by finish times so that  $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$ .

Compute  $p(1), p(2), \dots, p(n)$ 

Iterative-Compute-Opt {
     $M[0] = 0$ 
    for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
         $M[j] = \max(v_j + M[p(j)], M[j-1])$ 
}

```

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### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Finding a Solution

Q. Dynamic programming algorithms computes optimal value. What if we want the solution itself?

A. Remember chosen intervals.

```

Input:  $n, s_1, \dots, s_n, f_1, \dots, f_n, v_1, \dots, v_n$ 

Sort jobs by finish times so that  $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$ .

Compute  $p(1), p(2), \dots, p(n)$ 

Iterative-Compute-Opt {
     $M[0] = 0$ 
    for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
        if  $(v_j + M[p(j)] > M[j-1])$  {
            Chosen[j] =  $j \cup \text{Chosen}[p(j)]$ 
             $M[j] = v_j + M[p(j)]$ 
        }
        else
            Chosen[j] = Chosen[j-1]
             $M[j] = M[j-1]$ 
}

```

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## 6.4 Knapsack Problem

### Knapsack Problem

Knapsack problem.

- Given  $n$  objects and a "knapsack."
- Item  $i$  weighs  $w_i > 0$  kilograms and has value  $v_i > 0$ .
- Knapsack has capacity of  $W$  kilograms.
- Goal: fill knapsack so as to maximize total value.

Ex: { 3, 4 } has value 40.

$W = 11$

Item	Value	Weight
1	1	1
2	6	2
3	18	5
4	22	6
5	28	7

**Greedy:** repeatedly add item with maximum ratio  $v_i / w_i$ .

Ex: { 5, 2, 1 } achieves only value = 35  $\Rightarrow$  greedy not optimal.

### Dynamic Programming: False Start

**Def.**  $OPT(i)$  = max profit subset of items 1, ..., i.

- Case 1: OPT does not select item i.
  - OPT selects best of { 1, 2, ..., i-1 }
- Case 2: OPT selects item i.
  - accepting item i does not immediately imply that we will have to reject other items
  - without knowing what other items were selected before i, we don't even know if we have enough room for i

**Conclusion.** Need more sub-problems!

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### Dynamic Programming: Adding a New Variable

**Def.**  $OPT(i, w)$  = max profit subset of items 1, ..., i with weight limit w.

- Case 1: OPT does not select item i.
  - OPT selects best of { 1, 2, ..., i-1 } using weight limit w
- Case 2: OPT selects item i.
  - new weight limit =  $w - w_i$
  - OPT selects best of { 1, 2, ..., i-1 } using this new weight limit

$$OPT(i, w) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \\ OPT(i-1, w) & \text{if } w_i > w \\ \max\{OPT(i-1, w), v_i + OPT(i-1, w - w_i)\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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### Knapsack Problem: Bottom-Up

Knapsack. Fill up an  $n$ -by- $W$  array.

```

Input:  $n, w_1, \dots, w_N, v_1, \dots, v_N$ 

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

for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
    for  $w = 1$  to  $W$ 
        if  $(w_i > w)$ 
             $M[i, w] = M[i-1, w]$ 
            Chosen[i, w] = Chosen[i-1, w]
        else
             $M[i, w] = \max \{M[i-1, w], v_i + M[i-1, w-w_i]\}$ 
            If ( $M[i-1, w]$  is greater)
                Then Chosen[i, w] = Chosen[i-1, w]
            Else Chosen[i, w] = i Chosen[i-1, w-w_i]
    return  $M[n, W]$ 

```

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### Knapsack Algorithm

		W + 1 →											
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
n + 1 ↓	$\phi$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	{1}	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	{1, 2}	0	1	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
	{1, 2, 3}	0	1	6	7	7	18	19	24	25	25	25	25
	{1, 2, 3, 4}	0	1	6	7	7	18	22	24	28	29	29	40
	{1, 2, 3, 4, 5}	0	1	6	7	7	18	22	28	29	34	34	40

OPT: { 4, 3 }  
value = 22 + 18 = 40

W = 11

Item	Value	Weight
1	1	1
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### Knapsack Problem: Running Time

**Running time.**  $\Theta(nW)$ .

- Not polynomial in input size!
- "Pseudo-polynomial."
- Decision version of Knapsack (subset sum) is NP-complete. [Chapter 8]

**Knapsack approximation algorithm.** There exists a polynomial algorithm that produces a feasible solution that has value within 0.01% of optimum. [Section 11.8]

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