Coin Changing Problem

Greedy Algorithm to find Minimum number of Coins:

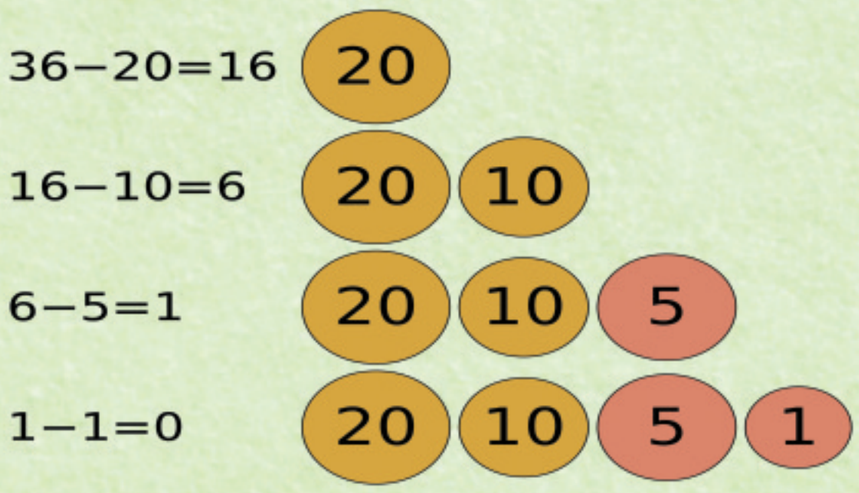
We have infinite supply of { 1, 2, 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 500, 1000} valued coins/notes, what is the minimum number of coins and /or notes needed to make the change?

Input: V = 121
Output: 3
We need a 100 Rs note, a 20 Rs note and a 1 Rs coin.

Dynamic Programming | (Coin Change)

Given a value N, if we want to make change for N cents, and we have infinite supply of each of S = { S1, S2, .. , Sm} valued coins, how many ways can we make the change?

If we have Rs 36 , than coin change algo works like follow:



Solutions

- Sort coins from large to small based on amount
  - 1. Determine how many large coins used
  - 2. Calculate how much the amount left using a given number of large coins
  - 3. Recursion to the deducted value using sub-set of the coins
  - 4. Print out of the remaining amount dividable by the smallest coin amount

Example: penny, nickel, dime

$$C[p] = \begin{cases} \min_{i:d_i \le p}\{C[p-d_i]+1\} & \text{if } p > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } p = 0 \end{cases}$$

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CHANGE(p)
1  if (p < 0)
2      then return ∞
3  elseif (p = 0)
4      then return 0
5      else
6  return 1 + min{CHANGE(p − 1), CHANGE(p − 5), CHANGE(p − 10)}
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