

Activity Selection Problem:

ASP(A, n)

{ Sort according to early finish times.

$B = \{A[i]\}$

for ($i \leftarrow 2$ To n)

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if ($S_i \geq f_j$)

{ $B = B \cup \{A[i]\}$

$j = i$ }

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To prove any greedy algo correct, we've to prove 2 things:

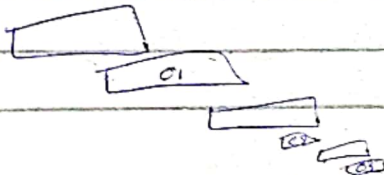
- 1) Greedy choice property
- 2) Optimal substructure

Proof (Greedy choice property):

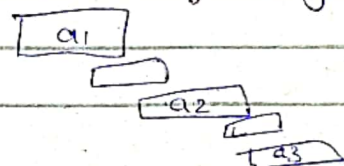
Let there is an optimal solution $O = \{O_1, O_2, O_3\}$

& greedy solution is $G.S = \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}$

Let our solution:



But in greedy:



Case 1:

If $(o_1 == a_1)$

we are done (we've same solution)

Case 2:

if $(o_1 \neq a_1)$

Just replace o_1 by a_1

$O = \{a_1, o_2, o_3\}$

• Solution is feasible (all conditions satisfied)

So, no cost is used/added so
greedy choice made by our algo is
correct.

Activity Selection Problem:

Proof of correctness:

Optimal substructure proof,

Proof by induction:

Let there are n activities,

$$S = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n\}$$

assume it is sorted by early finish time.

If we remove a_1 then

For $n-1$ activities

$$S' = \{a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n\}$$

Let there be an optimal solution for S'
(where activities overlapping with a_1 should not be part of solution)

After adding a_1 to that optimal solution

Now, we'll have optimal solution for n activities.

Proof by contradiction:

Let there are n activities

Let there is an optimal solution that k activities have been scheduled.

If we remove ' a_1 '

Now activities are $n-1$

& their optimal solution consists ' $k-1$ ' activities

Contradiction:

Let us assume that we've another optimal solution for subproblem (say k') better than ' $k-1$ ' so

$$k' > k-1$$

After adding a_1 to go towards complete problem.

$$k' + 1 > k - 1 + 1$$

$$k' + 1 > k$$

It contradicts our assumption so not possible.

Fractional Knapsack:

Problem:-

→ There are n items.

→ Each item has some value v_i & weight w_i .

→ Knapsack (like a bag) has capacity ' W '

→ You are allowed to add any item or skip

→ You can add fraction of item as well

∴ In binary knapsack, full item is added rather than an option to add some part of it

Goal:

To maximize value sum.

Here, relation is $\text{value sum} \propto \text{value}$
& $\text{value sum} \propto \frac{1}{\text{weight}}$

	A	B	C	
Value	Rs. 100	Rs. 500	Rs. 1000	
weight	3 pounds	4 pounds	10 pounds	$W=6$

$$\frac{\text{value}}{\text{pound}} = 100$$

If value is choice then 600 added
if weight then A added & B partial i.e.
100 + 375 added i.e. 475

If we take both in choice as $\frac{\text{value}}{\text{weight}}$

	A	B	C
$\frac{\text{value}}{\text{weight}}$	33.3	125	100

$$500 (4 \text{ of B}) + 200 (2 \text{ of C added}) \\ = 700$$

$\frac{w}{w_i}$

Proof by Contradiction

Optimal Substructure:

Let there be n items.

Let V be an optimal solution that

value S .

If we remove V_1 (value of first) $w-w_1$

Now it's $V-1$

& their optimal solution consists of $V-V_1$.

Let us assume that we have another optimal

solution Subproblem say V' so

better than

$$V' > V - V_1$$

$$V' + V_1 > -V_1 + V$$

$$V' + V_1 > V$$

(we add V_1)