

# GREEDY ALGORITHMS

→ optimizing problems

general structure

getOptimal (Item arr[], int n) {

① initialize res = 0

② while (All items are not considered)  
{

i = selectAnItem();

if (feasible(i))

res = res + i;

}

③ Return Res

}

\* Greedy algorithms may not work all the time

Activity Selection problem

I/P → {(2,3), (1,4), (5,8), (6,10)}

O/P → 2

machine can do only 1 activity at a time and we have to count max. number of activities happen on single machine.

I/P → {(1,3), (2,4), (3,8), (10,11)}

O/P → 3

Greedy

- sort according to finish-time
- initialize the solution with  
    max first activity (i.e min finish-time)
- do the following for remaining
  - ① if current activity overlaps with  
    the last picked activity, ignore  
    the current activity
  - ② Else add the current activity

I/P →  $\{(3, 8), (2, 4), (1, 3), (10, 11)\}$

sorted →  $\{(1, 3), (2, 4), (3, 8), (10, 11)\}$

ans  $\{(1, 3), (3, 8), (10, 11)\}$

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Implementation

```
int maxActivities (pair<int, int> arr[], int n) {  
    sort(arr, arr+n, mycmp);  
    int prev = 0;  
    int res = 1;  
    for (int curr = 1; curr < n; curr++) {  
        if (arr[curr].first >= arr[prev].second)  
        {  
            res++;  
            prev = curr;  
        }  
    }  
    return res;  
}
```

```
bool mycmp (pair<int, int> a, pair<int, int> b)  
    return a.second < b.second;
```

## FRACTIONAL KNAPSACK

- collect maximum value in knapsack.

weight	50	20	30
values	600	500	400

knapsack capacity = 70

$$\begin{aligned} \text{O/P} &\rightarrow I_2 + I_3 + \frac{20}{50} \times 600 \\ &= 500 + 400 + \frac{20}{50} \times 600 \\ &= 1140 \end{aligned}$$

### Algorithm

- calculate ratios (value/weight) for every item.
- sort all items in decreasing order.
- initialize res = 0, curr-cap = given-cap.
- do the following for every item  $I$  in sorted order.

if ( $I$ .weight  $\leq$  curr-cap) {

curr-cap -=  $I$ .weight

res +=  $I$ .value;

}

else {  
res +=  $\frac{\text{curr-cap}}{I.\text{weight}} \times I.\text{value}$ ;

return res.

}

return res.

## Job sequencing

I/P	deadline	4	1	1	1	1
profit	70	80	30	100		

O/P  $\rightarrow$  170

I/P	deadl.	2	1	2	1	3
profit	100	50	10	20	30	

$\rightarrow$  180

### Algorithm

- sort jobs in decreasing order of profit.
- initialize the result as first job in the sorted list.
- do the following for the remaining (n-1) jobs.
  - if this job can not be added, ignore it.
  - else add it to the latest possible slot.

4	1	1	5	5
50	5	20	10	80

$\Rightarrow$

$J_4$	$J_0$	$J_2$	$J_3$	$J_1$
5	4	1	5	1
80	50	20	10	5

$\downarrow$

$J_2$	$J_3$	$J_0$	$J_4$
1	2	3	4
5			

$$80 + 50 + 20 + 10$$

one unit by every job  
only one job can be assigned at a time  
 $\rightarrow$  time slot with 0  
 $\rightarrow$  maximize the profit



## Huffman algorithm

- $I/P \rightarrow [ 'a', 'b', 'c', 'f' ]$   
 $[ 'd', '50', '20', '40', '80' ]$

1) Build a binary Tree

0

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A hand-drawn diagram showing a box with '50' and 'd' connected by an arrow to a box with '80' and 'f'.

0

10

prefix Requirement for decomposition

code should  
be prefix of any  
other.

⑥ left = n  
right = n

char  
↓  
flag

4

10

Invest now

represent Huffman code

in the  
vent of  
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Q. left + b  
as right + b

red binary tree.

```
void printCodes (root, str = "") {
```

```
    if (root == null)
```

```
        return;
```

```
    if (root.data != '$')
```

```
        print (root.data + " " + str);
```

```
        return
```

```
    printCodes (root->left, str + "0");
```

```
    printCodes (root->right, str + "1");
```

3.

### Implementation

```
struct Node {
```

```
    int freq;
```

```
    char ch;
```

```
    Node *left, *right;
```

```
    Node (int f, char c, Node *l = NULL,
```

```
        Node *r = NULL)
```

```
{
```

```
    freq = f;
```

```
    ch = c;
```

```
    left = l;
```

```
    right = r;
```

```
};
```

```
void createBTrees (int arr [], int freq [], int n) {
```

```
    priority-queue < Node *, vector < Node * >,
```

```
        compare > arr;
```

```
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++)
```

```
        arr.push_back (new Node (freq[i], arr[i]));
```

```
    while (arr.size() > 1) {
```

```
        Node *l = arr.pop();
```

```
        Node *r = arr.pop();
```

```
Node *node = new Node ('$', l->freq + r->freq, l, r);
```

```
arr.push (node);
```

```
}
```

```
void printCodes (arr.top(), "");
```

```
struct compare {
```

```
    bool operator () (Node *l, Node *r) {
```

```
        return l->freq < r->freq;
```

```
    };
```

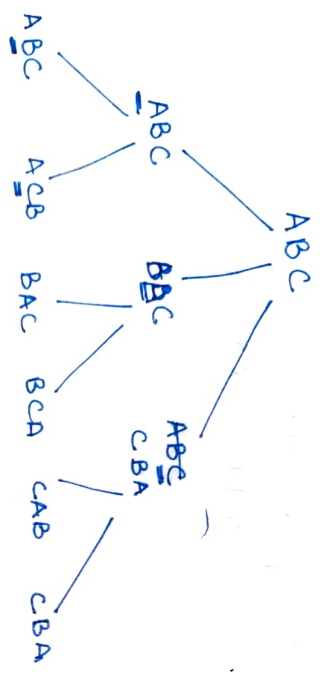
```
time comp + O(n log n) + O(n log n) + O(log n).
```

# Backtracking

Given a string / print all the permutation which do not contain "AB" as a substring  
 string → "ABC"

## Naive solution

generate all permutations and before printing we check if "ab" is a substring



Fix a character and swap the next one with the remaining of string.

```
void permute (string str, int l, int r) {
    if (l == r) {
        print (str);
        return;
    }
    for (int i = l; i ≤ r; i++) {
        swap (str[i], str[l]);
        permute (str, l+1, r);
        swap (str[i], str[l]);
    }
}
```

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we can not call recursion after the currently generated string contains 'AB' not in it. It can reduce a lot of recursive calls. Hence before calling swap & permute we can just include bool is-safe

bool is-safe (string str, int l, int i, int r) {

if (l == 0 && str[l-1] == 'A' && str[l] == 'B')  
 return false;

if (r == l+1 && str[l] == 'A' && str[l+1] == 'B')  
 return false;

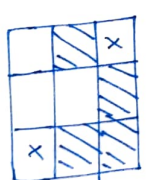
return true;

⇒ Cut down Recursive calls.

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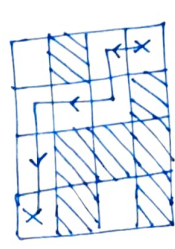
## Rat in a Maze

{ 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0 }  
 { 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0 }  
 { 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1 }

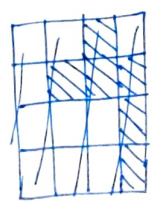


(NO)

{ 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0 }  
 { 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1 }  
 { 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0 }  
 { 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1 }



(Yes)



only two moves req  
 → (i+1, j)  
 → (i, j+1)

→ right & down



⇒ boolean solveMaze() {

if (solveMazeRec(0,0) == false)

return false;

else {

print(sol);

return true;

}

⇒ bool isSafe(int i, int j) {

return (i < n && j < n && m[i][j] == 1)

}

⇒ boolean solveMazeRec(int i, int j) {

if (i == N-1 && j == N-1) { sol[i][j] = 1; return true; }

if (isSafe(i,j) == true) {

sol[i][j] = 1;

if (solveMazeRec(i+1,j) == true)

return true;

if (solveMazeRec(i,j+1) == true)

return true;

sol[i][j] = 0;

}

return false

}

## N Queen Problem

- placing n queens so that no two can attack each other.

- A queen can attack horizontally, vertically and diagonally

N = 4

O/P → Yes

	1		
			1
		1	

*	*	*	*	*	*
*	*	*	*	*	*
*	*	*	*	*	*
*	*	*	*	*	*
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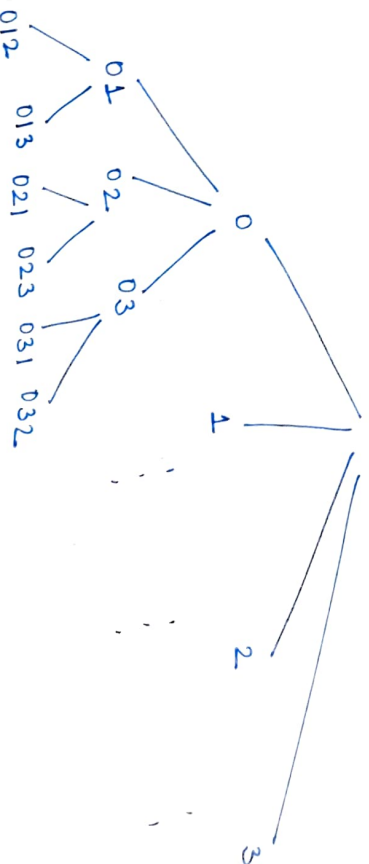
N = 3 O/P → NO

## Super Naive solution

generate all possible permutations i.e.  $n^2 C_n$ .

## Naive solution

\* placing queens in different columns. hence generate permutations of n columns itself.



## SUDOKU PROBLEMS

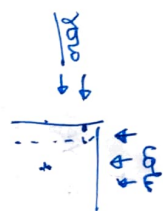
The size of sudoku is always a square  
 $4 \times 4$ ,  $9 \times 9$ ,  $16 \times 16$

Numbers are generated from  
 $1 \rightarrow N$

- Every number in every row is different
- Every number in every column is different.
- Every number in size subgrid  $2 \times 2$  must also be different.

⇒ bool solve() {  
 if (solveRec(0) == false)  
 return false;  
 else {  
 printMatrix(board);  
 return true;  
 }  
}

⇒ bool solveRec(int col) {



if (col == N) return true;

for (int i = 0; i < N; i++) {

if (isSafe(i, col)) {

board[i][col] = i;

if (solveRec(col + 1))

return true;

board[i][col] = 0;

}

return false;

}

⇒ bool isSafe(int row, int col) {

for (i = 0; i < N)

if (board[row][i]) return false;

horizontal check

for (i = row; i < N;

i++) if (board[i][col])

return false;

upper diagonal

lower diagonal {  
 for (i = row, j = col; i >= 0 && j < N; i--, j++)  
 if (board[i][j]) return false;  
 return true;  
}

bool isSafe(int i, int j, int n) {

for (int k = 0; k < n; k++) {

if (grid[k][i] == n || grid[i][k] == n)

return false;

int s = sqrt(n);

int rs = i / s;

int cs = j / s;

for (int i = 0; i < s; i++) {

for (int j = 0; j < s; j++) {

if (grid[i + rs][j + cs] == n)

return false;

}

}

bool solve() {

int i, j;

for (int i = 0; i < n;

for (j = 0; j < n;

if (grid[i][j] == 0) break;



```
if (i == n && j == n)
    return true;
```

```
for (int num = 1; num ≤ n; num++) {
    if (isSafe(i, j, num)) {
        grid[i][j] = num;
        if (solve()) return true;
        grid[i][j] = 0;
    }
}
return false;
```

}