

*“To iterate is human, to recurse divine.”*

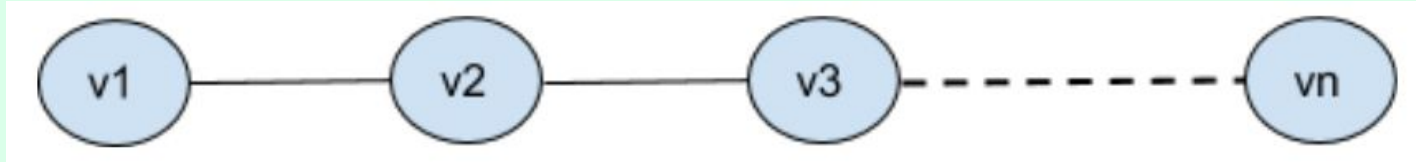
- *L. Peter Deutsch*

# Dynamic programming

- There is an **ordering** on the subproblems, and
- A recurrence relation that shows how to solve a subproblem given the answers to “smaller” subproblems that appear earlier in the ordering.
- In dynamic programming the **DAG** is implicit. Its nodes are the subproblems we define, and its edges are the dependencies between the subproblems.

## An example

Undirected graph  $G(V, E)$  where the vertices are connected in a **chain** as shown below.



The vertices represent chemicals and the edges between them represent interactions between pair of chemicals. **Each of the chemicals have a price (price<sub>i</sub>) in rupees.** You have to pack a subset of chemicals in **one box** such that the **total price is maximized**. Chemicals that interact with each other cannot be placed together in the box.

**You are given a chain of five chemicals in the following order:**

**c1, c2, c3, c4, c5.** Their prices are

**1, 8, 2, 1, 7** respectively.

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# Memoized version - chemical chain

```
/* initialization */  
for j= 1 to n  
    Memo[j] = -1  
Memo[0] = 1  
Memo[1] = price[1]  
  
chain(n) {  
    if (Memo[n] < 0)  
        Memo[n] = max(price[n]+chain(n-2), chain(n-1));  
    return Memo[n];  
}
```

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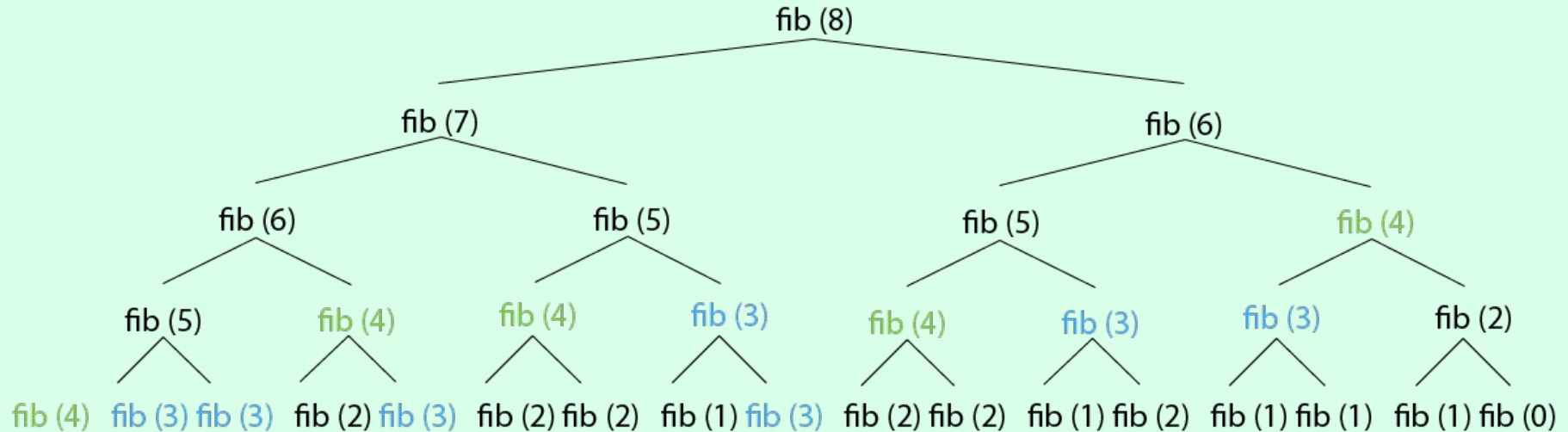
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FindSolution():  $O(n)$

# Dynamic Programming

Optimization problems must have the following two key ingredients in order for dynamic programming to apply.

- **optimal substructure**
  - a problem exhibits optimal substructure if an optimal solution to the problem contains within it optimal solutions to subproblems.
- **overlapping subproblems**
  - **When a recursive algorithm revisits the **same** problem repeatedly**, we say that the optimization problem has overlapping subproblems.
    - Typically, the total number of distinct subproblems is a polynomial in the input size.

# Example of overlapping subproblems



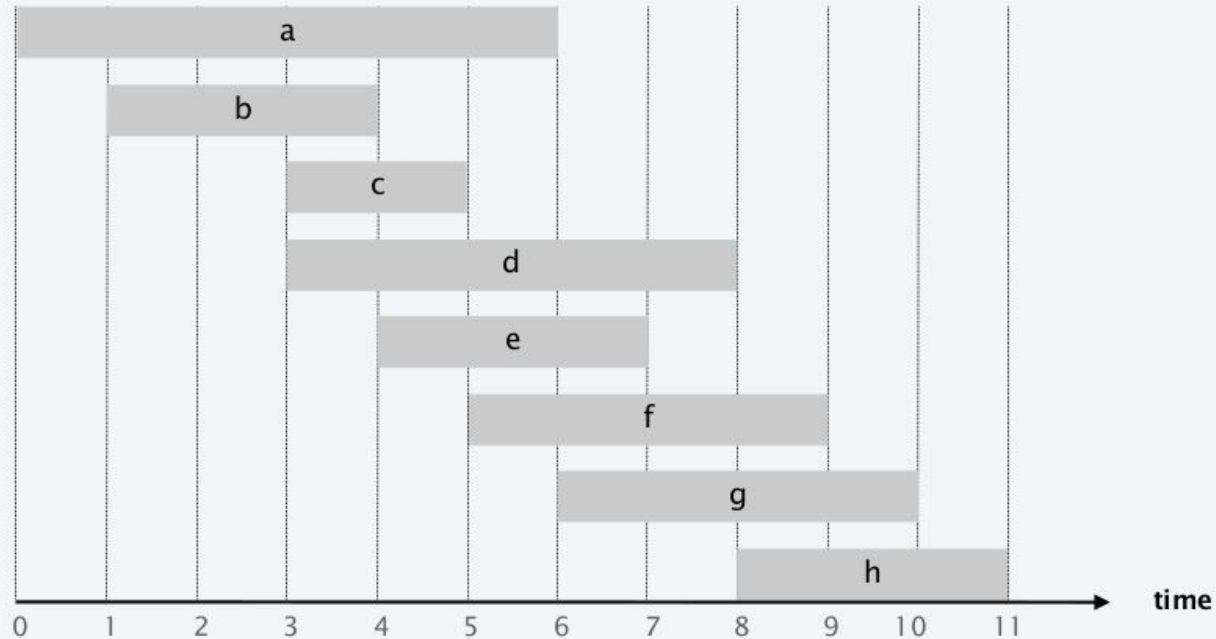
# Three Steps to Dynamic Programming

1. Formulate the answer as a recurrence relation or recursive algorithm.
2. Space of subproblems must be “small”, typically bounded by a polynomial (i.e., show that the **number of different arguments** to your recursive function isn't large, so that we can benefit from storing the results).
3. **Specify an order** of evaluation for the recurrence so you always have what you need.

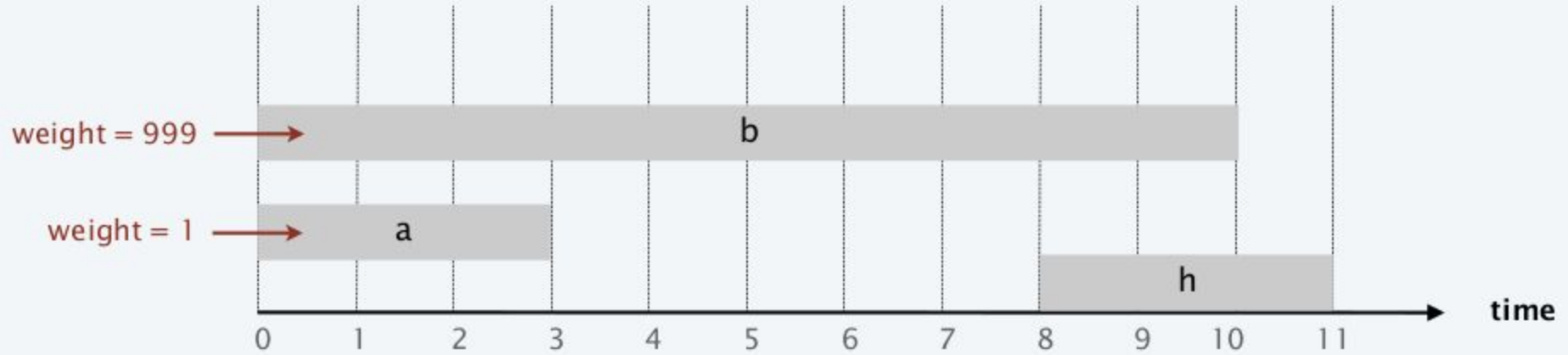
# Weighted interval scheduling

## 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.



# Earliest Finish Time First



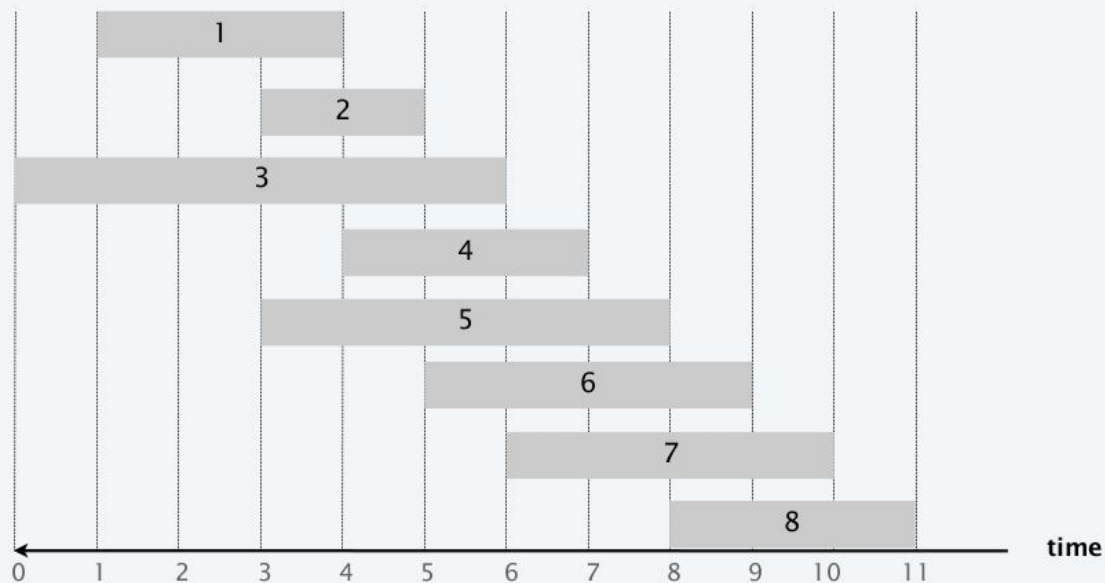


# Weighted interval scheduling

**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.**  $p(8) = \square$ ,  $p(7) = \square$ ,  $p(2) = \square$ .

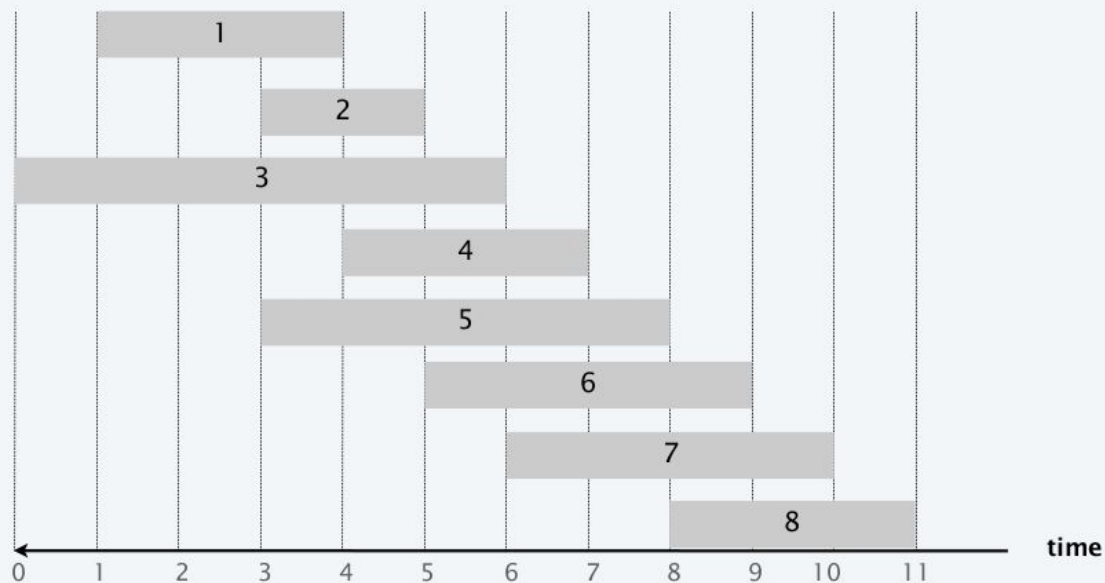


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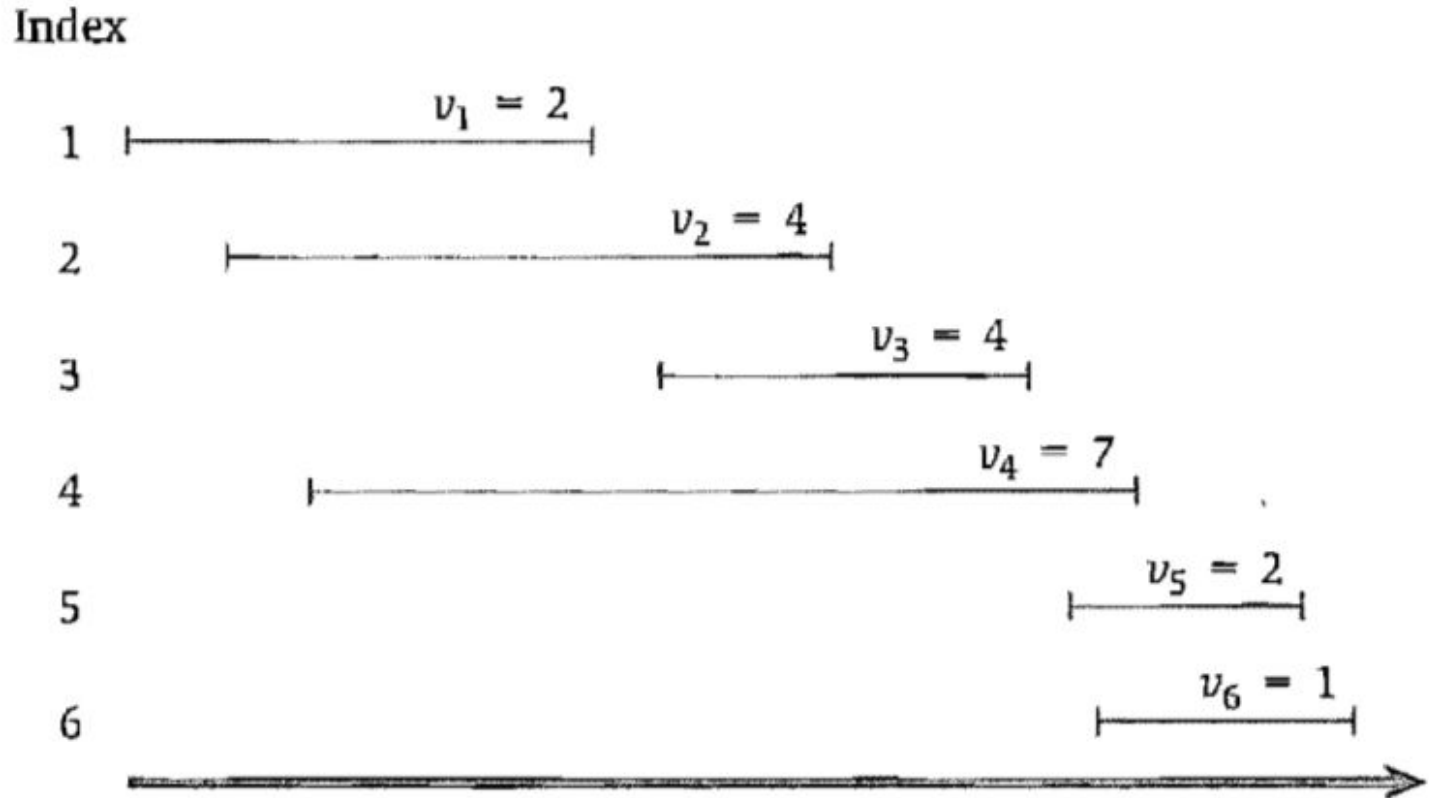
**Ex.**  $p(8) = 5, p(7) = 3, p(2) = 0$ .



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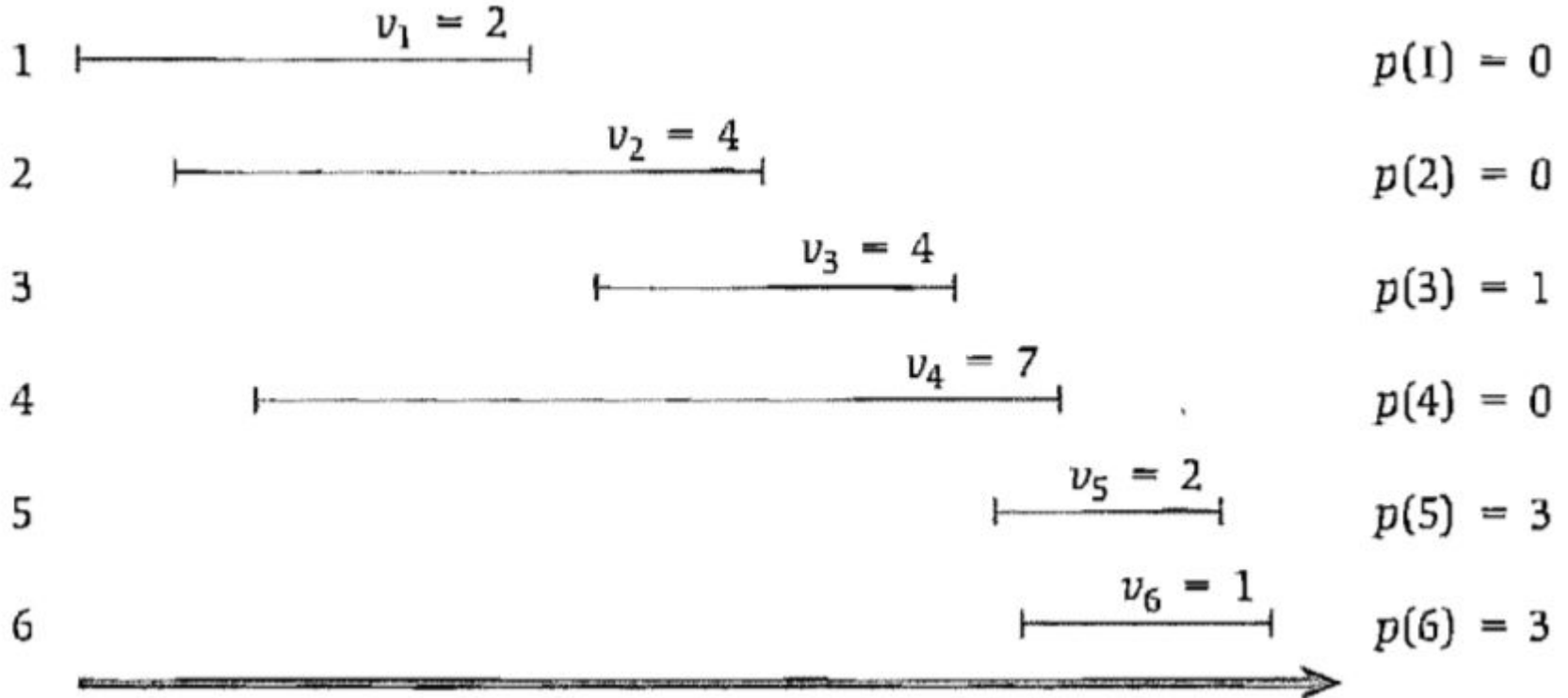
Indices are  
names of  
intervals.

And  $v_i$  are  
weights of  
intervals.



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

Input:  $n$ ,  $s[1..n]$ ,  $f[1..n]$ ,  $v[1..n]$

Sort jobs by finish time so that  $f[1] \leq f[2] \leq \dots \leq f[n]$ .

Compute  $p[1]$ ,  $p[2]$ , ...,  $p[n]$ .

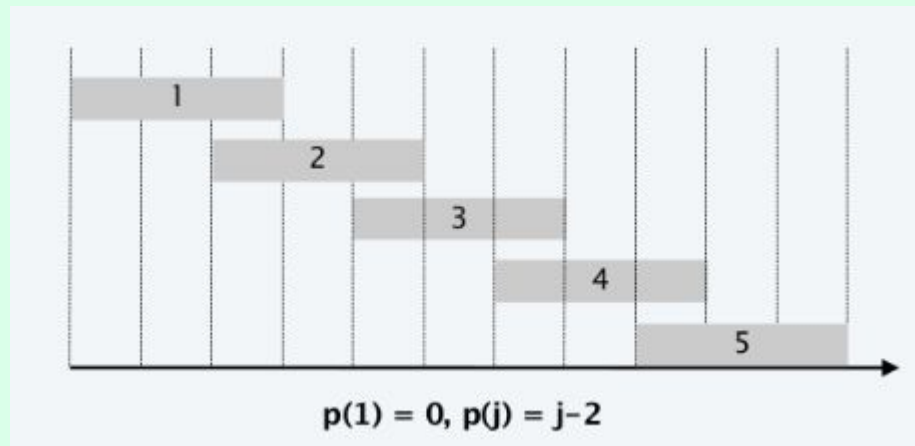
Compute-Opt( $j$ )

if  $j = 0$

    return 0.

else

    return  $\max(v[j] + \text{Compute-Opt}(p[j]), \text{Compute-Opt}(j-1))$ .





## Weighted interval scheduling: memoization

**Memoization.** Cache results of each subproblem; lookup as needed.

**Input:**  $n$ ,  $s[1..n]$ ,  $f[1..n]$ ,  $v[1..n]$

**Sort** jobs by finish time so that  $f[1] \leq f[2] \leq \dots \leq f[n]$ .

**Compute**  $p[1]$ ,  $p[2]$ , ...,  $p[n]$ .

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

**M-Compute-Opt**( $j$ )

**if**  $M[j]$  is empty

$M[j] \leftarrow \max(v[j] + \text{M-Compute-Opt}(p[j]), \text{M-Compute-Opt}(j - 1))$ .

**return**  $M[j]$ .



# Running time?

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$M\text{-Compute-Opt}(j)$

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return  $M[j]$ .

For sorting:  $O(n \log(n))$

For M-Compute-Opt( $n$ ):  $O(n)$

# Weighted interval: Unwind recursion

**BOTTOM-UP**  $(n, s_1, \dots, s_n, f_1, \dots, f_n, v_1, \dots, v_n)$

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

$M[0] \leftarrow 0$ .

**FOR**  $j = 1$  **TO**  $n$

$M[j] \leftarrow \max \{ v_j + M[p(j)], M[j-1] \}.$

Sorting:  $O(n \log(n))$

For-loop:  $O(n)$

## Weighted interval scheduling: finding a solution

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Q. DP algorithm computes optimal value. How to find solution itself?

A. Make a second pass.

```
Find-Solution(j)
```

```
if  $j = 0$ 
```

```
    return  $\emptyset$ .
```

```
else if ( $v[j] + M[p[j]] > M[j-1]$ )
```

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    return  $\{j\} \cup \text{Find-Solution}(p[j])$ .
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    return Find-Solution( $j-1$ ).
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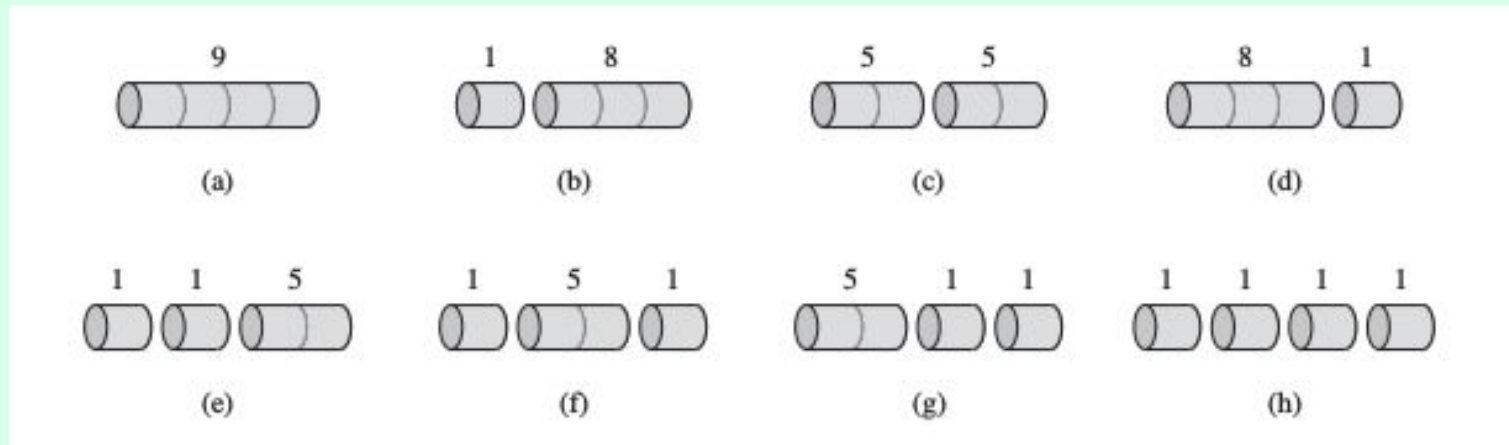
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length $i$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
price $p_i$	1	5	8	9	10	17	17	20	24	30

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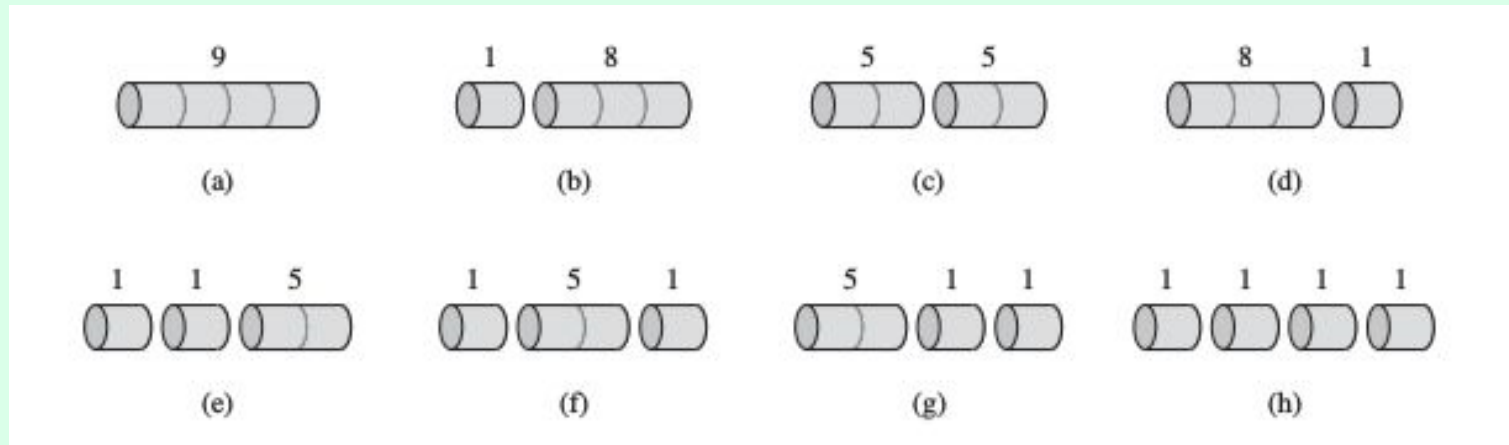
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The 8 possible ways of cutting up a rod of length 4. Above each piece is the value of that piece.



**Brute Force:**  $2^{n-1}$  different ways to cut the rod.