

Week 12 – S01

Dynamic Programming contd.

50.004 Introduction to Algorithms

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# Common subsequence

A subsequence of a given sequence is just the given sequence with zero or more elements left out. Formally, given a sequence  $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$ , another sequence  $Z = \langle z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k \rangle$  is a **subsequence** of  $X$  if there exists a strictly increasing sequence  $\langle i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k \rangle$  of indices of  $X$  such that for all  $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$ , we have  $x_{i_j} = z_j$ . For example,  $Z = \langle B, C, D, B \rangle$  is a subsequence of  $X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A, B \rangle$  with corresponding index sequence  $\langle 2, 3, 5, 7 \rangle$ .

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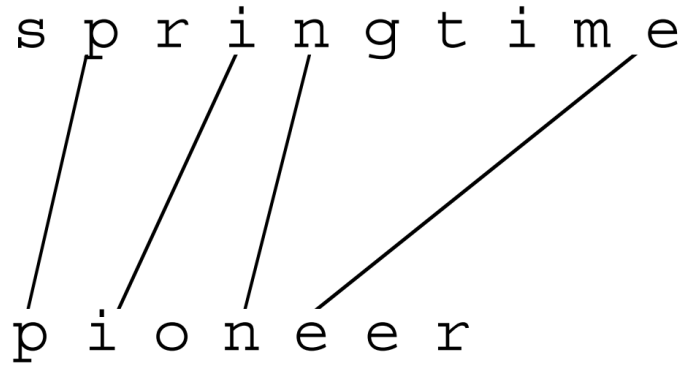
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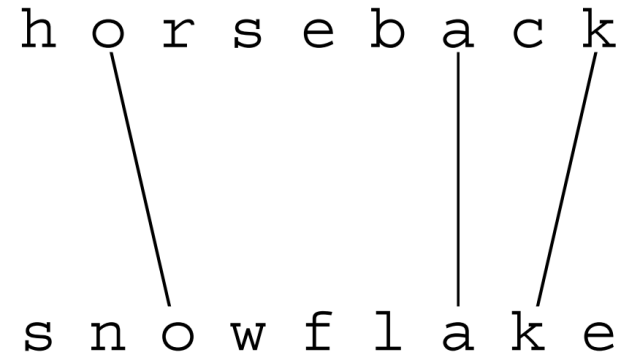
In the *longest-common-subsequence problem*, we are given two sequences  $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$  and  $Y = \langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \rangle$  and wish to find a maximum-length common subsequence of  $X$  and  $Y$ .

# Examples

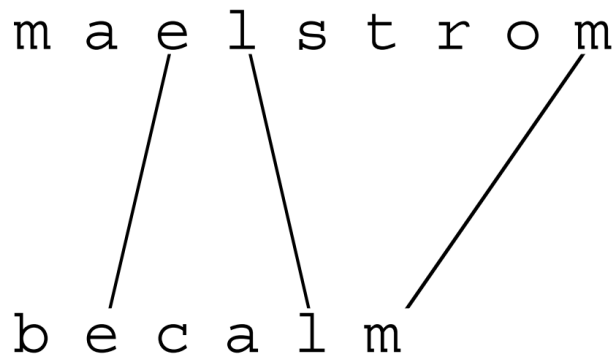
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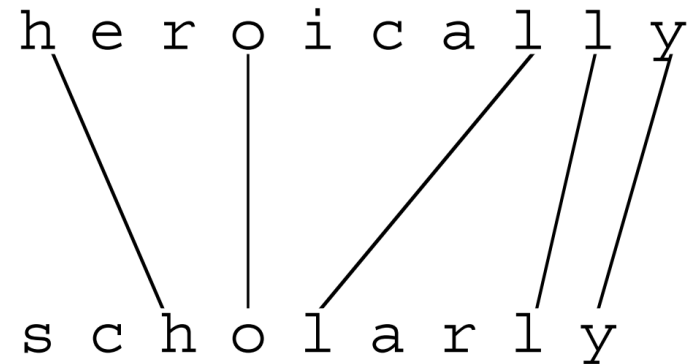
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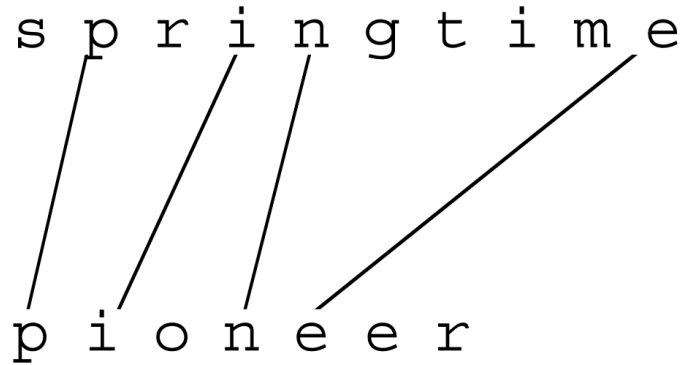


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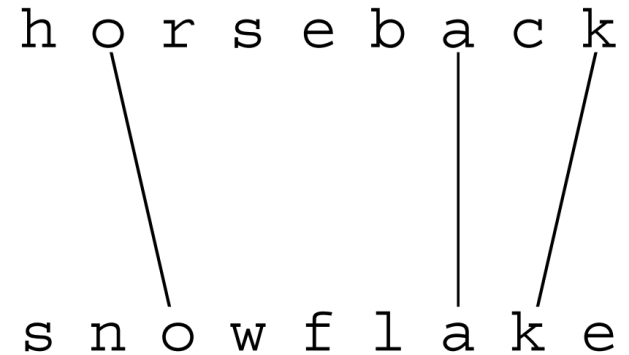


# Note: Common characters need not be contiguous!

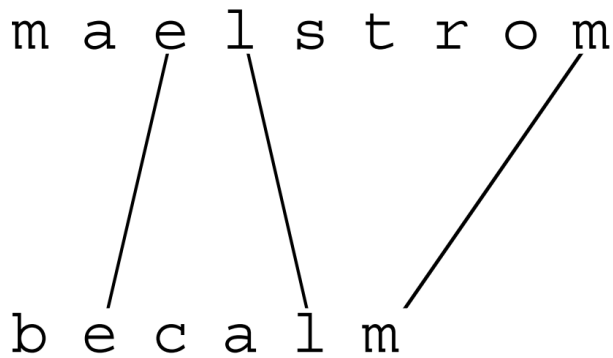
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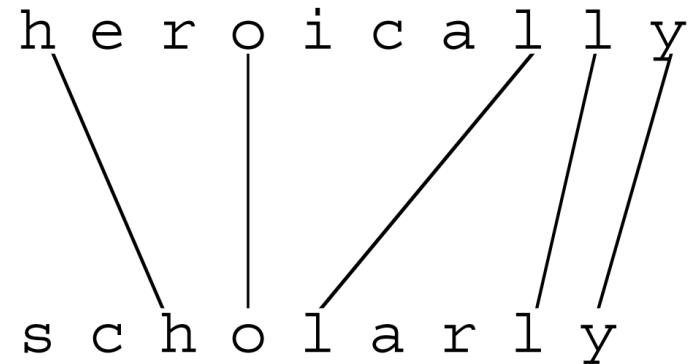
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# Optimal substructure of LCS: Proof

**Proof** (1) If  $z_k \neq x_m$ , then we could append  $x_m = y_n$  to  $Z$  to obtain a common subsequence of  $X$  and  $Y$  of length  $k + 1$ , contradicting the supposition that  $Z$  is a *longest* common subsequence of  $X$  and  $Y$ . Thus, we must have  $z_k = x_m = y_n$ . Now, the prefix  $Z_{k-1}$  is a length- $(k - 1)$  common subsequence of  $X_{m-1}$  and  $Y_{n-1}$ . We wish to show that it is an LCS. Suppose for the purpose of contradiction that there exists a common subsequence  $W$  of  $X_{m-1}$  and  $Y_{n-1}$  with length greater than  $k - 1$ . Then, appending  $x_m = y_n$  to  $W$  produces a common subsequence of  $X$  and  $Y$  whose length is greater than  $k$ , which is a contradiction.

(2) If  $z_k \neq x_m$ , then  $Z$  is a common subsequence of  $X_{m-1}$  and  $Y$ . If there were a common subsequence  $W$  of  $X_{m-1}$  and  $Y$  with length greater than  $k$ , then  $W$  would also be a common subsequence of  $X_m$  and  $Y$ , contradicting the assumption that  $Z$  is an LCS of  $X$  and  $Y$ .

(3) The proof is symmetric to (2). ■



# What would be the complexity of brute force?

For every subsequence of  $X$ , check whether it's a subsequence of  $Y$ .

Time:  $\Theta(n2^m)$ .

- $2^m$  subsequences of  $X$  to check.
- Each subsequence takes  $\Theta(n)$  time to check: scan  $Y$  for first letter, from there scan for second, and so on.

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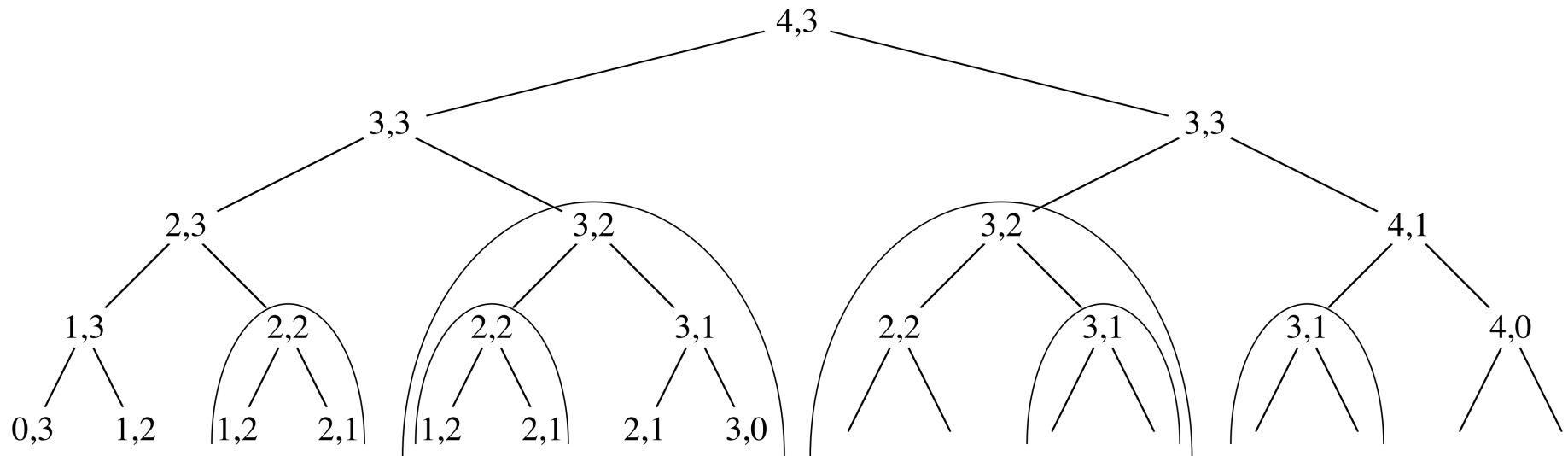
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# What do you see?



- Lots of repeated subproblems.
- Instead of recomputing, store in a table.

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PRINT-LCS( $b, X, i, j$ )

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		$y_j$		B	D	C	A	B	A
$i$	$x_i$								
0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0						
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			$y_j$ <span><math>B</math></span> $D$ <span><math>C</math></span> $A$ <span><math>B</math></span> <span><math>A</math></span>						
$i$	$x_i$								
0	$x_i$		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	$A$		0	↑ 0	↑ 0	↑ 0	↖ 1	← 1	↖ 1
2	<span><math>B</math></span>		0	↖ 1	← 1	← 1	↑ 1	↖ 2	← 2
3	<span><math>C</math></span>		0	↑ 1	↑ 1	↖ 2	← 2	↑ 2	↑ 2
4	<span><math>B</math></span>		0	↖ 1	↑ 1	↑ 2	↑ 2	↖ 3	← 3
5	$D$		0						
6	<span><math>A</math></span>		0						
7	$B$		0						

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$i$	$x_i$								
0	$x_i$		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	$A$		0	↑	↑	↑	↖ <sub>1</sub>	← <sub>1</sub>	↖ <sub>1</sub>
2	<span><math>B</math></span>		0	↖ <sub>1</sub>	← <sub>1</sub>	← <sub>1</sub>	↑ <sub>1</sub>	↖ <sub>2</sub>	← <sub>2</sub>
3	<span><math>C</math></span>		0	↑ <sub>1</sub>	↑ <sub>1</sub>	↖ <sub>2</sub>	← <sub>2</sub>	↑ <sub>2</sub>	↑ <sub>2</sub>
4	<span><math>B</math></span>		0	↖ <sub>1</sub>	↑ <sub>1</sub>	↑ <sub>2</sub>	↑ <sub>2</sub>	↖ <sub>3</sub>	← <sub>3</sub>
5	$D$		0	↑ <sub>1</sub>	↖ <sub>2</sub>	↑ <sub>2</sub>	↑ <sub>2</sub>	↑ <sub>3</sub>	↑ <sub>3</sub>
6	<span><math>A</math></span>		0						
7	$B$		0						

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2	<span style="background-color: #cccccc; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px 5px;"><math>B</math></span>		0	↖ 1	← 1	← 1	↑ 1	↖ 2	← 2
3	<span style="background-color: #cccccc; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px 5px;"><math>C</math></span>		0	↑ 1	↑ 1	↖ 2	← 2	↑ 2	↑ 2
4	<span style="background-color: #cccccc; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px 5px;"><math>B</math></span>		0	↖ 1	↑ 1	↑ 2	↑ 2	↖ 3	← 3
5	$D$		0	↑ 1	↖ 2	↑ 2	↑ 2	↑ 3	↑ 3
6	<span style="background-color: #cccccc; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px 5px;"><math>A</math></span>		0	↑ 1	↑ 2	↑ 2	↖ 3	↑ 3	↖ 4
7	$B$		0						

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0	$x_i$		0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	↑	↑	↑	↖	←	↖
2	<b>B</b>		0	↖	←	←	↑	↖	←
3	<b>C</b>		0	↑	↑	↖	←	↑	↑
4	<b>B</b>		0	↖	↑	↑	↑	↖	←
5	D		0	↑	↖	↑	↑	↑	↑
6	<b>A</b>		0	↑	↑	↑	↖	↑	↖
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2	<b>B</b>		0	↖	←	←	↑	↖	←
3	<b>C</b>		0	↑	↑	↖	←	↑	↑
4	<b>B</b>		0	↖	↑	↑	↑	↖	←
5	D		0	↑	↖	↑	↑	↑	↑
6	<b>A</b>		0	↑	↑	↑	↖	↑	↖
7	B		0	↖	↑	↑	↑	↖	↑

PRINT-LCS( $b, X, i, j$ )

```

1  if  $i == 0$  or  $j == 0$ 
2    return
3  if  $b[i, j] == \text{"↖"}$ 
4    PRINT-LCS( $b, X, i - 1, j - 1$ )
5    print  $x_i$ 
6  elseif  $b[i, j] == \text{"↑"}$ 
7    PRINT-LCS( $b, X, i - 1, j$ )
8  else PRINT-LCS( $b, X, i, j - 1$ )
    
```

# Time complexity?

LCS-LENGTH( $X, Y$ )

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# Time complexity? $\Theta(mn)$

LCS-LENGTH( $X, Y$ )

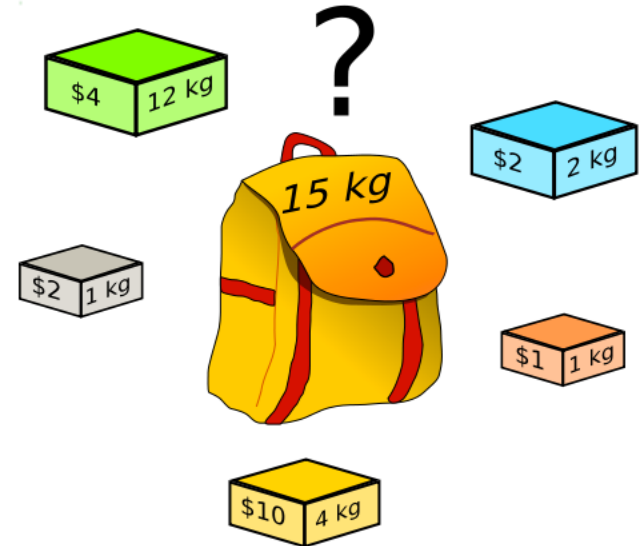
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# The Integer (0/1) Knapsack Problem

We pack a knapsack of size  $S$  with items chosen from a set of  $n$  items:

- Item  $i$  has size  $s_i$ , value  $v_i$
- Goal: choose items of maximum total value such that total size  $\leq S$

numbers = integers  
no repetition



We need to figure out

- Sub-problem
- Recurrence formula

**DP[i,X]**: the best value that you can get  
only using item from 1 to i  
place them in a bag of size X

Recurrence:

$$DP[i, X] = \max_k \{ DP[i-1, X], v_i + DP[i-1, X - s_i] \}$$

$$DP[i, 0] = 0, DP[0, X] = 0$$

# Knapsack problem: The general strategy

- Try with item 1,
  - Fit the bag of size 1
  - Fit the bag of size 2
  - Fit the bag of size 3
  - ...
- Try with item 1 and item 2:
  - Fit the bag of size 1
  - Fit the bag of size 2
  - Fit the bag of size 3
  - ...
- Try with item 1, item 2 and item 3:
  - Fit the bag of size 1
  - Fit the bag of size 2
  - Fit the bag of size 3
  - ...



# Knapsack problem: The general strategy

Best total value of

- Bag size = 5
- Using item 1,2,3,4

=

Best total value of

- Bag size = 5
- Using item 1,2,3

OR

Best total value of

- Bag size = 5 – weight of item 4
- Using item 1,2,3

+


Value of  
item 4

# Exercise


- Bag Capacity – 10kg
- Items:
  - Item 1: \$5 (3kg)
  - Item 2: \$7 (4kg)
  - Item 3: \$8 (5kg)
- You can have **multiple copies** for each item (e.g two item 1, three item 2...)
- Solve it with DP
- Solve it with a greedy algorithm:
  - Is the result better or worse than DP?

# IMPORTANT NOTE

- When multiple copies of an item **IS NOT** allowed

$$DP[i, X] = \max\{DP[i-1, X], v_i + DP[i-1, X - s_i]\}$$


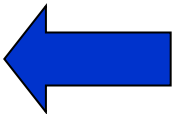
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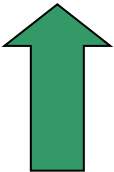
# Solution

Table

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1										
2										
3										



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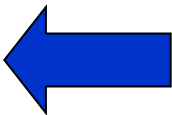


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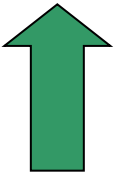
# Solution

Table

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1			Using only item 1							
2										
3										



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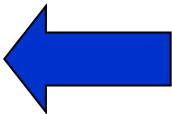


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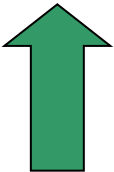
# Solution

Table

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1										
2			Using only item 1 & 2							
3										



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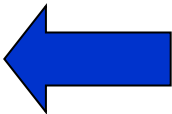


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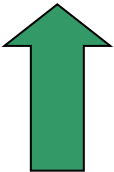
# Solution

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1										
2										
3			Using items 1, 2 & 3							



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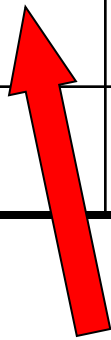
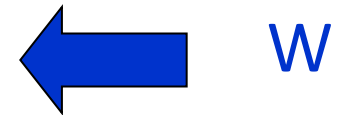
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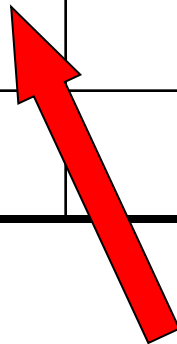
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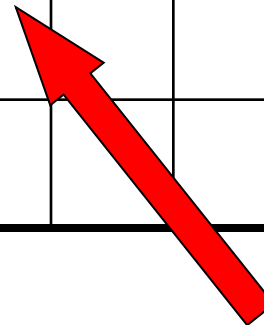
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1	0	0	5	5	5	10				
2										
3										



0 items



1 item  
one  $w_1 = 3$



2 items  
two  $w_1 = 6$



# Solution

- Item 1: \$5 (3kg)
- Item 2: \$7 (4kg)
- Item 3: \$8 (5kg)

Table

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	5	5	5	10	10	10	15	15
2	0	0	5	7						
3										

$DP(2,1) + \text{item}_2 (4\text{kg}, \$7)$

\$5

$$DP(2,5) = \text{Max} [ v_2 + DP(2,5-w_2) ; DP(1,5) ]$$

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Table

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	5	5	5	10	10	10	15	15
2	0	0	5	7	7					
3										

$DP(2,2) + \text{item}_2 (4\text{kg}, \$7)$

$$DP(2,6) = \text{Max}[v_2 + DP(2,6-w_2); DP(1,6)]$$

# Solution

- Item 1: \$5 (3kg)
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Table

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	5	5	5	10	10	10	15	15
2	0	0	5	7	7	10				
3										

$DP(1,2) + \text{item}_2 \text{ (4kg, \$7)}$

$$DP(2,6) = \text{Max} [ \cancel{v_2 + DP(2,6-w_2)} ; DP(1,6) ]$$

# Solution

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## COMPLETED TABLE

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	0	0	5	5	5	10	10	10	15	15
2	0	0	5	7	7	10	12	14	15	17
3	0	0	5	7	8	10	12	14	15	17

# Solution using greed!

- Item 1: \$5 (3kg)
- Item 2: \$7 (4kg)
- Item 3: \$8 (5kg)

- Greedy algorithm
- Find the price per kg of each item
  - Item 1:  $\$5/3 = \$1.66/\text{kg}$
  - Item 2:  $\$7/4 = \$1.75/\text{kg}$
  - Item 3:  $\$8/5 = \$1.6/\text{kg}$
- Fill up the bag with item 2, then item 1, then item 3...
- Result: two x item2 (=\$14)
- Worse than the DP result (\$17)

# So, does greed work?

- DP: always give the best solution
- Greedy algorithm: Can't guarantee for optimal solution, but the answer is usually... not so bad.
- DP: slower
- Greedy: usually very fast
- So, DP or greedy? It depends....
  - You want speed? Or 100% accuracy?

# Exercise

$$DP[i, X] = \max\{DP[i-1, X], v_i + DP[i-1, X - s_i]\}$$

$$S = 4$$

$$s_1 = 2, v_1 = 1, s_2 = 2, v_2 = 1, s_3 = 3, v_3 = 5$$

	X=0	1	2	3	4
i=0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0				
2	0				
3	0				



# Solution

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	X=0	1	2	3	4
i=0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0	1	1	1
2	0	0	1	1	2
3	0	0	1	5	5

# Greedy versus DP

- Both the greedy and dynamic-programming strategies exploit optimal substructure of a problem
  - An optimal solution to the problem contains within it optimal solutions to sub-problems
- So can greedy strategy work wherever DP can work?

# The 0-1 knapsack problem

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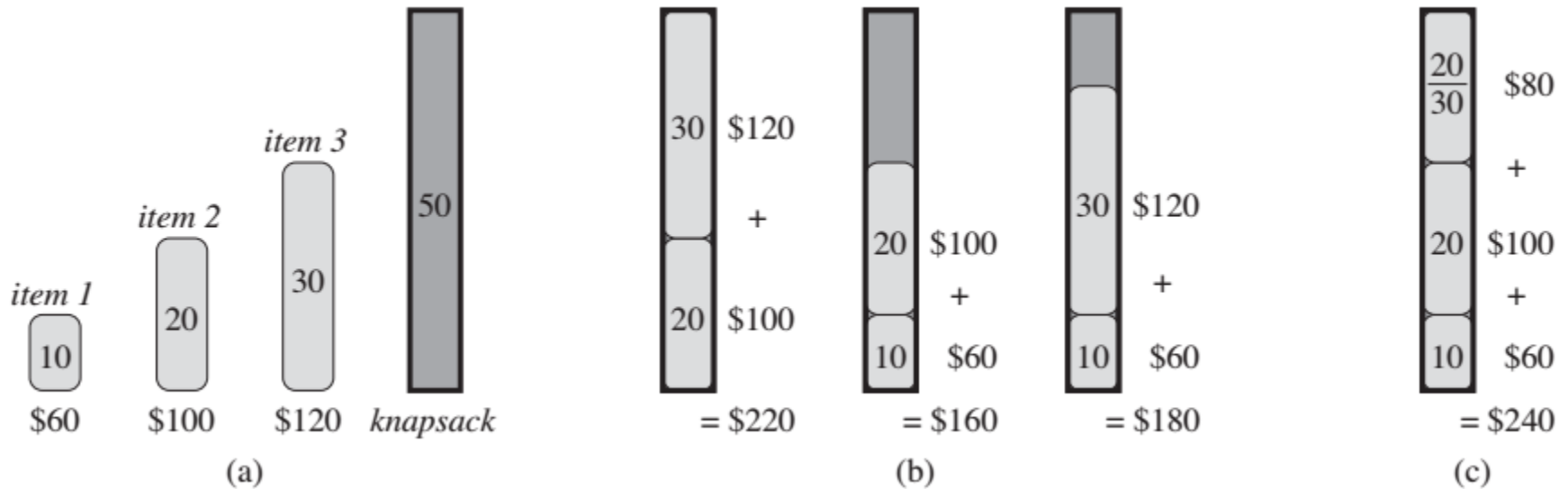
# The fractional knapsack problem

In the *fractional knapsack problem*, the setup is the same, but the thief can take fractions of items, rather than having to make a binary (0-1) choice for each item. You can think of an item in the 0-1 knapsack problem as being like a gold ingot and an item in the fractional knapsack problem as more like gold dust.

# Optimal substructure property

Both knapsack problems exhibit the optimal-substructure property. For the 0-1 problem, consider the most valuable load that weighs at most  $W$  pounds. If we remove item  $j$  from this load, the remaining load must be the most valuable load weighing at most  $W - w_j$  that the thief can take from the  $n - 1$  original items excluding  $j$ . For the comparable fractional problem, consider that if we remove a weight  $w$  of one item  $j$  from the optimal load, the remaining load must be the most valuable load weighing at most  $W - w$  that the thief can take from the  $n - 1$  original items plus  $w_j - w$  pounds of item  $j$ .

# Greedy versus DP: The last word!



An example showing that the greedy strategy does not work for the 0-1 knapsack problem. **(a)** The thief must select a subset of the three items shown whose weight must not exceed 50 pounds. **(b)** The optimal subset includes items 2 and 3. Any solution with item 1 is suboptimal, even though item 1 has the greatest value per pound. **(c)** For the fractional knapsack problem, taking the items in order of greatest value per pound yields an optimal solution.