# Lecture 5. Knapsack problem

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#### Problem statement

**Problem:** Ali Baba 3 (classical knapsack problem):

Ali Baba returned back to cave, and took his knapsack with carrying capacity W to take treasures out of the cave. When he came into cave he found a room with N gold bars in it. For each bar he knows weight and cost. As usual, he wants to maximize total cost of treasures taken out. The bars are undividable.

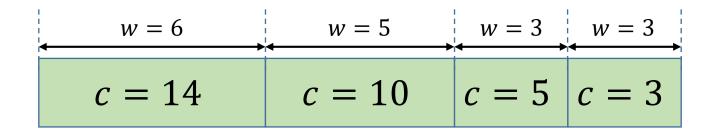
**More formally.** You have a knapsack with carrying capacity W and N items with weight  $w_i$  and cost  $c_i$ , you need to choose several items with indices  $i_0, \ldots, i_{K-1}$ , such that:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{K-1} w_{i_k} \le W, \qquad \sum_{k=0}^{K-1} c_{i_k} \to \max$$

This problem is NP-hard. In common case it cannot be solved faster than  $O(2^N)$ .

But if  $w_i$  are integer and W is rather small, we can solve it in O(NW) operations.

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Greedy algorithm. Items are sorted by  $\frac{c}{w}$ : W = 8

Optimal solution: 10 5 C = 15 W = 8

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DP solution

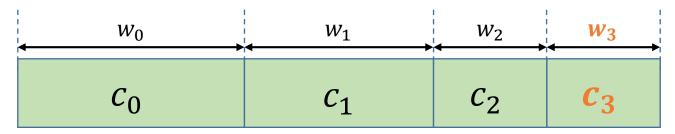
#### 1. Subproblems:

d[i][w] – maximum total cost we can get using first i items and knapsack with capacity w

#### 2. Basis:

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d[:][0] = 0 Let's suppose that all weights are positive. Otherwise we can automatically take all items with w \le 0, and solve problem for the rest items d[0][:] = 0 if we don't have items, we can't take any
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#### DP solution



Let's assume that we have calculated all solutions for  $i \leq 3$ .

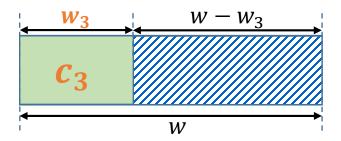
This means we know how we can optimally fill knapsacks with different capacities with first 3 items: (0, 1, 2).

Now let's analyze how the solutions may change if we add one more item:

$$i = 4$$

To fill d[4][:] we need to solve the subproblem for each capacity w. Actually, for each capacity w, adding new item gives two possible cases:

- We ignore this new item. In this case, total cost is d[3][w] = d[i-1][w].
- We place this new item into knapsack and fill free space with the rest of the items. Total cost in this case:  $d[3][w w_3] + c_3 = d[i 1][w w_{i-1}] + c_{i-1}$



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#### 3. Inductive step:

$$d[i][w] = \max \begin{cases} d[i-1][w] \\ d[i-1][w-w_{i-1}] + c_{i-1}, & if \ w_{i-1} \le w \end{cases}$$

#### 4. Answer:

#### **DP** solution

	$w_{i-1}$	$c_{i-1}$
i = 1	3	3
i = 2	3	5
i = 3	5	10
i = 4	6	14

i $w$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
i = 0	0 _	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
i = 1	0 _	0	0 +3	3	3	3	3	3	3
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i = 3	0 _	0	0	5	5 +10	10	10	10	15
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Objects in optimal solution: 3, 2

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Another problem modifications

**Problem 1**. (Ali-Baba 1). Given N items with different costs and knapsack can contain up to W items. Maximize total cost.

$$w_i = 1$$

This problem can be solved using greedy algorithm.

**Problem 2**. Given N items with different weights and knapsack with capacity W. Maximize number of taken elements:

$$c_i = 1$$

This problem can be solved using greedy algorithm.

**Problem 3.** We can use each item  $(c_i, w_i)$  any number of times:

$$d[:] = 0$$

$$d[w] = \max_{w_i \le w} (c_i + d[w - w_i])$$

Another problem modifications

**Problem 4.** Does a given number W equal a sum of any subset of numbers  $w_0, w_1, ..., w_{N-1}$ ?

We don't need costs here.

#### Subproblems:

d[i][w] — does w equal a sum of any subset of  $w_0, ..., w_{i-1}$ 

Basis:

$$d[:][0] = True,$$
  $d[0][1:] = False$ 

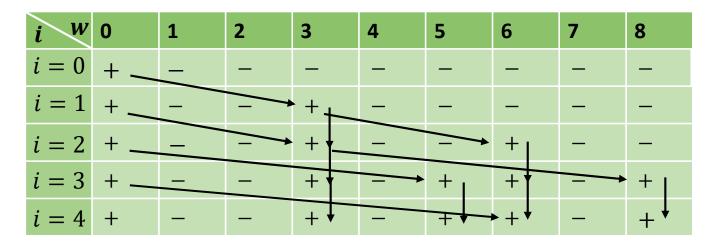
Inductive step:

$$d[i][w] = \begin{cases} d[i-1][w], & if \ w < w_{i-1} \\ d[i-1][w] \ OR \ d[i-1][w-w_{i-1}], if \ w \ge w_{i-1} \end{cases}$$

Answer:

#### Another problem modifications

	$w_{i-1}$
i = 1	3
i = 2	3
i = 3	5
i = 4	6



We can obtain: 0, 3, 5, 6, 8, ...

Another problem modifications

**Problem 5**. Given number W and numbers  $w_0, w_1, ..., w_{N-1}$ . Find a closest to W number  $W^*$ , which is a sum of a subset of  $w_0, w_1, ..., w_{N-1}$ .

Same as **Problem 4:** 

#### Subproblems:

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Answer:

$$W^*$$
:  $d[N][W^*] = True$ ,  $|W - W^*| \rightarrow min$ 

## Conclusion

## Thank you for watching!