

Stock Your Bookshelf

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1. I devised this algorithm very similar to the “subset-sum” algorithm we discussed in class, as they are very similar. Some differences include that while in subset-sum we can choose to include a given item or not, in this algorithm we must include one Sefer from each of the C classes of seforim, and we have to see within each class which Sefer is “most optimal”. I also sorted the seforim in descending order, so when I get the solution List, I get them in backwards order, which will be in ascending order. Another factor to consider is that if it is impossible to find a solution using M dollars and c classes (where $0 \leq c \leq C$), then there will be no possible solution for M dollars and C classes (as choosing the cheapest Sefer from each class will still be more money than her budget allows). The way I checked that is I had a 2D boolean array that checked that the solution to the subproblem is “acceptable”, and if it was, I marked that index in the array as false. Otherwise, I marked it as true. To get the solution List, I backtracked from the 2D array to get the seforim that were used in the solution.
2. To compute $OPT(C, M)$, we need the optimal value for subproblems consisting of the first c items (where $0 \leq c \leq C$) for every money value $0 \leq m \leq M$. The optimal value of these subproblems is $OPT(c, m)$.
3. Given that we need at least one Sefer from each category, the recurrence is as follows:

$OPT(c, m) = \{0 \text{ if } c=0$

$\{ \text{no solution if } (T_i > m), \text{ or } (c-1 \neq 0 \text{ and } m - T_i \leq 0) \text{ (} T_i \text{ for all of the } i \text{ seforim in class } c) \}$

$\{ \max \{ T_i + OPT(c-1, m - T_i) \text{ for all of the } i \text{ seforim in class } c \} \text{ otherwise}$

Additionally, for any value of c where $0 \leq c \leq C$, if $OPT(c, M) = 0$, then there is no possible solution for the first c classes, which means there will certainly not be a solution for the total C classes (which I kept track of using the 2D boolean array).

4. Algorithm performance by method:

○ **maxAmountThatCanBeSpent**

■ For this method, I:

- Sorted the C classes in descending order, which is $(C \log C)$
- Iterated through the C classes. Within each class I iterated through all the money values between 0 and M , and within each money value I iterated through all of the T_i seforim in that class. That totals $(C * W * T_i)$.

■ Therefore, the total runtime of this algorithm is the maximum between $C \log C$ and $C * W * T_i$.

○ **Solution**

■ For this method, I:

- Iterated through the T_i seforim at that level of c from every c between C and 0 , while also checking the value of the weights from 0 to W (worst case)

■ Therefore, the total runtime of this algorithm is $C * W * T_i$.