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Announcements

- Upcoming Deadlines
 - Lab 9 and Homework 9: next Monday 11/21 @ 11:59 pm
 - Assignment 3: ~~Monday 11/28~~ Friday 12/9 @ 11:59 pm
 - Assignment 4: Friday 12/9 @ 11:59 pm

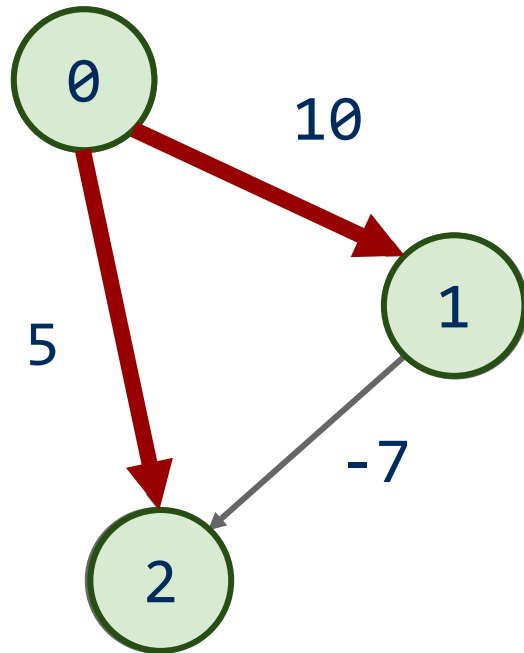
Previous lecture

- Weighted Shortest Paths problem
 - Dijkstra's shortest paths algorithm
 - Bellman-Ford's shortest paths algorithm

This Lecture

- Dynamic Programming

Dijkstra's example with negative edge weights



	Distance	Parent
0	0	--
1	10	0
2	5	0

Incorrect!

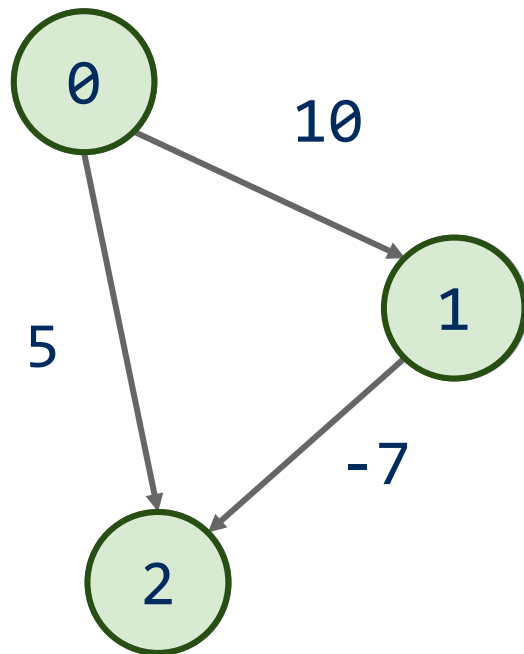
Analysis of Dijkstra's algorithm

Dijkstra's is correct only when all edge weights ≥ 0

Bellman-Ford's algorithm

- Set a distance value of `Double.POSITIVE_INFINITY` for all vertices
- Initialize a FIFO Q
- `distance[start] = 0`
- add start to Q
- While Q is not empty:
 - `cur = pop` a vertex from Q
 - For each non-parent neighbor x of cur:
 - Compute distance from start to x through cur
 - `distance[cur] + weight of edge between cur and x`
 - if computed distance < `distance[x]`
 - Update `distance[x]`
 - add x to Q if not already there

Bellman-Ford's example with negative edge weights



	Distance	Parent
0	0	--
1	10	0
2	3	1

FIFO Q:

0
1
2

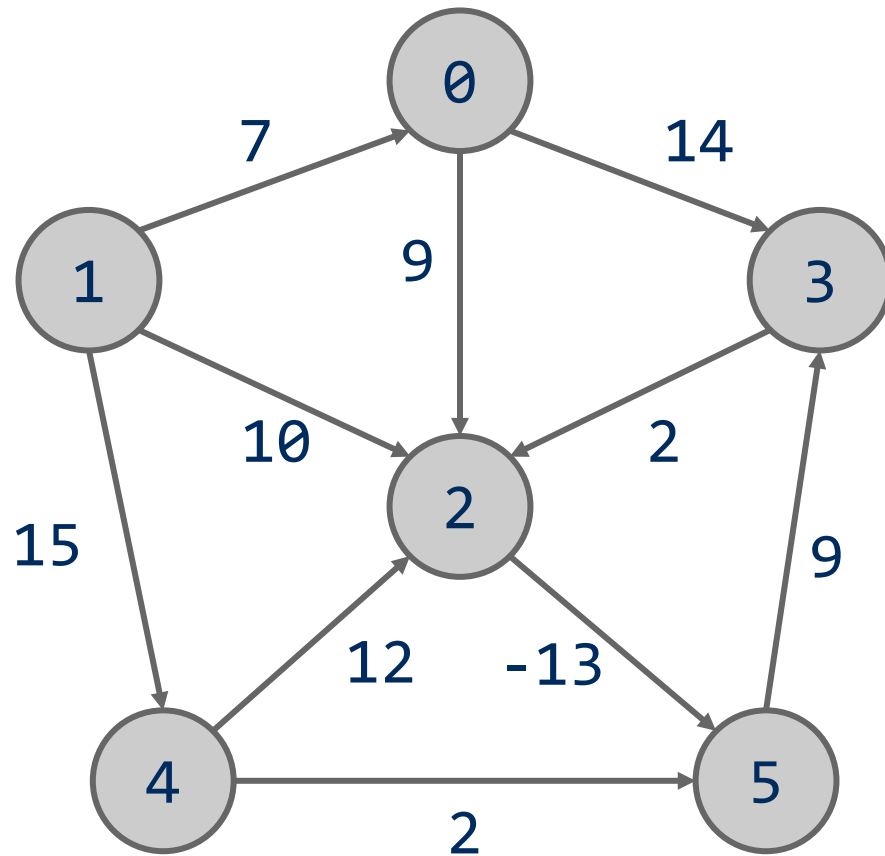
Correct!

Analysis of Bellman-Ford's algorithm

Bellman-Ford's is correct even when there are negative edge weights in the graph but what about negative cycles?

- a negative cycle is a cycle with a negative total weight

Bellman-Ford's example with a negative cycle



Bellman-Ford's algorithm

- Set a distance value of Double.POSITIVE_INFINITY for all vertices
- Initialize a FIFO Q
- $\text{distance}[\text{start}] = 0$
- add start to Q
- While Q is not empty **and no negative cycle has been detected**:
 - $\text{cur} = \text{pop a vertex from Q}$
 - For each non-parent neighbor x of cur:
 - Compute distance from start to x through cur
 - $\text{distance}[\text{cur}] + \text{weight of edge between cur and x}$
 - if computed distance $< \text{distance}[x]$
 - Update $\text{distance}[x]$
 - add x to Q if not already there
 - check for a negative cycle in the current Spanning Tree every v edges

Let's change focus into a different type of problems

- We will get back to graphs after the break!

Consider the change making problem

- What is the minimum number of coins needed to make up a given value k ?
- If you were working as a cashier, what would your algorithm be to solve this problem?

This is a *greedy algorithm*

- At each step, the algorithm makes the choice that seems to be best at the moment
- Have we seen greedy algorithms already this term?
 - Yes!
 - Building Huffman trees
 - Nearest neighbor approach to travelling salesman

... But wait ...

- Nearest neighbor doesn't solve travelling salesman
 - Does not produce an optimal result
- Does our change making algorithm solve the change making problem?
 - For US currency...
 - But what about a currency composed of pennies (1 cent), thrickels (3 cents), and fourters (4 cents)?
 - What denominations would it pick for $k=6$?

So what changed about the problem?

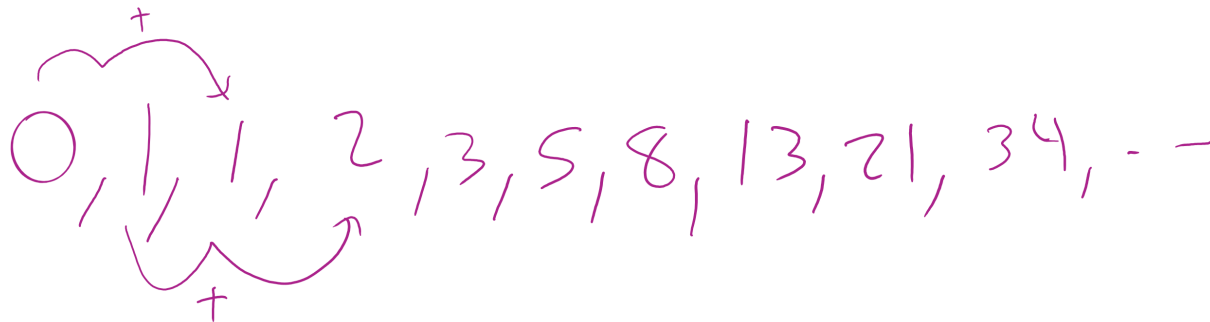
- For greedy algorithms to produce optimal results, problems must have two properties:
 - Optimal substructure
 - Optimal solution to a subproblem leads to an optimal solution to the overall problem
 - The greedy choice property
 - Globally optimal solutions can be assembled from locally optimal choices
- Why is optimal substructure not enough?

Finding all subproblems solutions can be inefficient

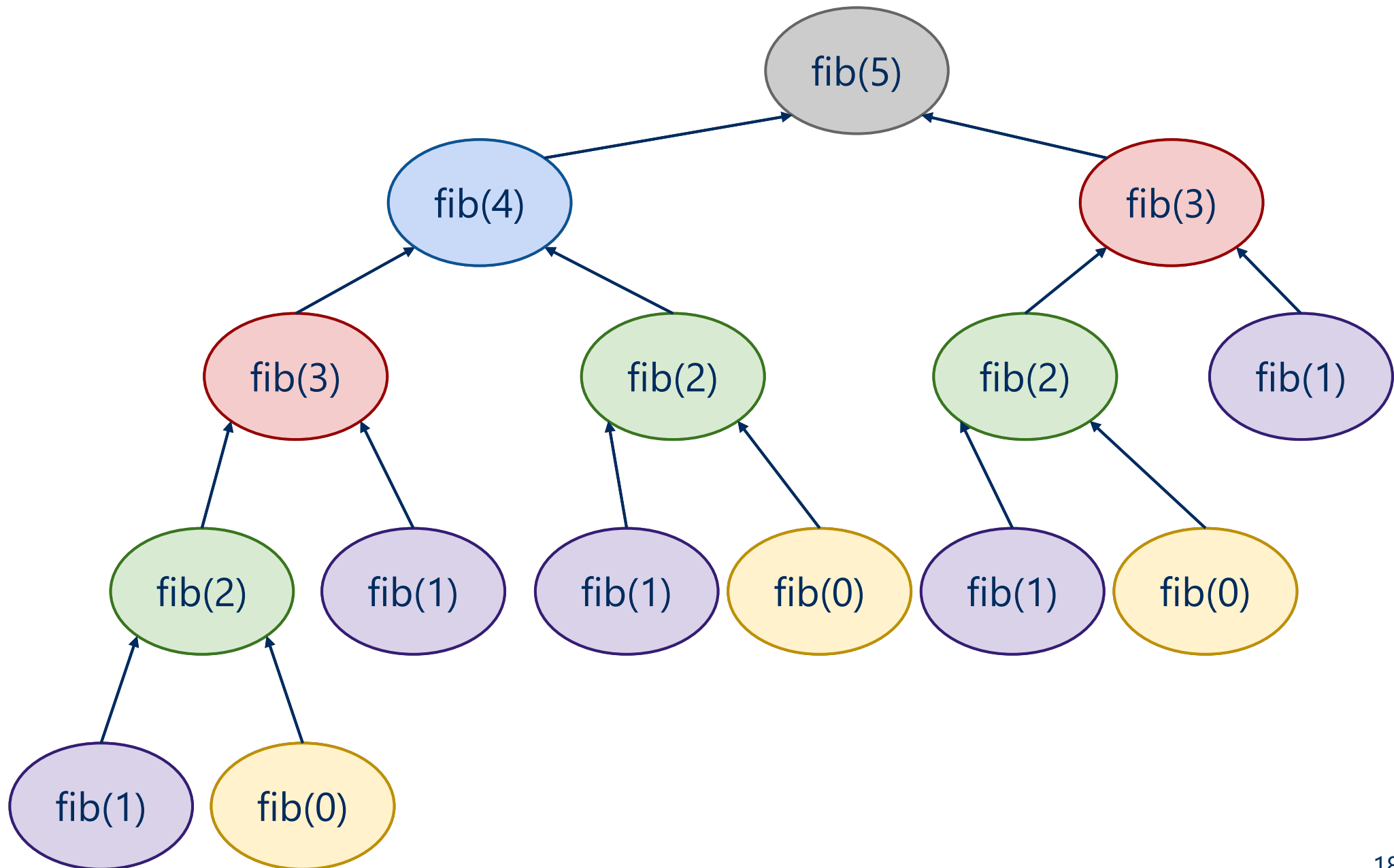
- Consider computing the Fibonacci sequence:

```
int fib(n) {  
    if (n == 0) { return 0 };  
    else if (n == 1) { return 1 };  
    else {  
        return fib(n - 1) + fib(n - 2);  
    }  
}
```

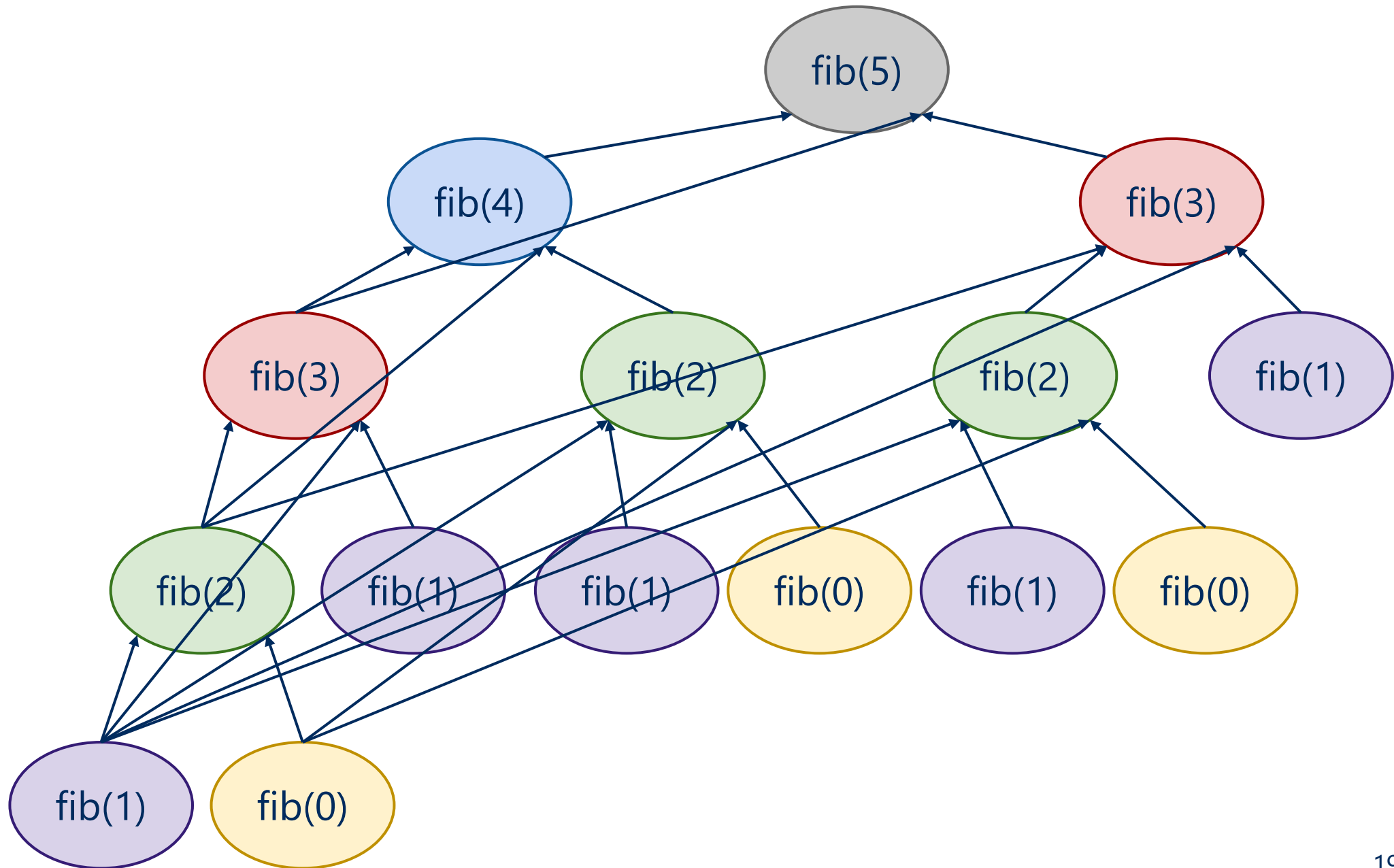
- What does the call tree for $n = 5$ look like?



fib(5)



How do we improve?



Memoization

```
int[] F = new int[n+1];
    F[0] = 0;
    F[1] = 1;
    for(int i = 2; i <= n; i++) { F[i] = -1 };

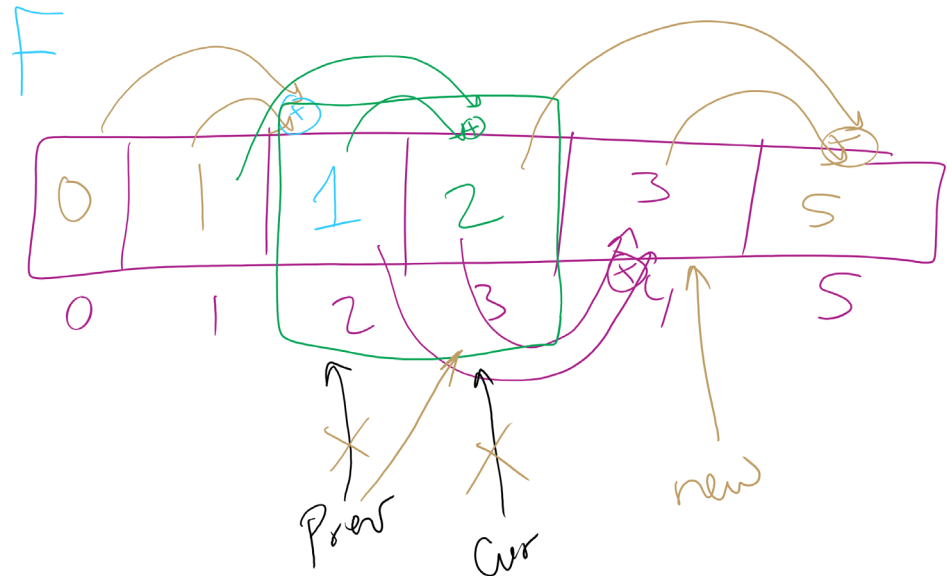
int dp_fib(x) {
    if (F[x] == -1) {
        F[x] = dp_fib(x-1) + dp_fib(x-2);
    }
    return F[x];
}
```

Note that we can also do this bottom-up

```
int bottomup_fib(n) {  
    if (n == 0)  
        return 0;  
  
    int[] F = new int[n+1];  
    F[0] = 0;  
    F[1] = 1;  
    for(int i = 2; i <= n; i++) {  
        F[i] = F[i-1] + F[i-2];  
    }  
    return F[n];  
}
```

Can we improve this bottom-up approach?

```
int improve_bottomup_fib(n) {  
    int prev = 0;  
    int cur = 1;  
    int new;  
    for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {  
        new = prev + cur;  
        prev = cur;  
        cur = new;  
    }  
    return cur;  
}
```



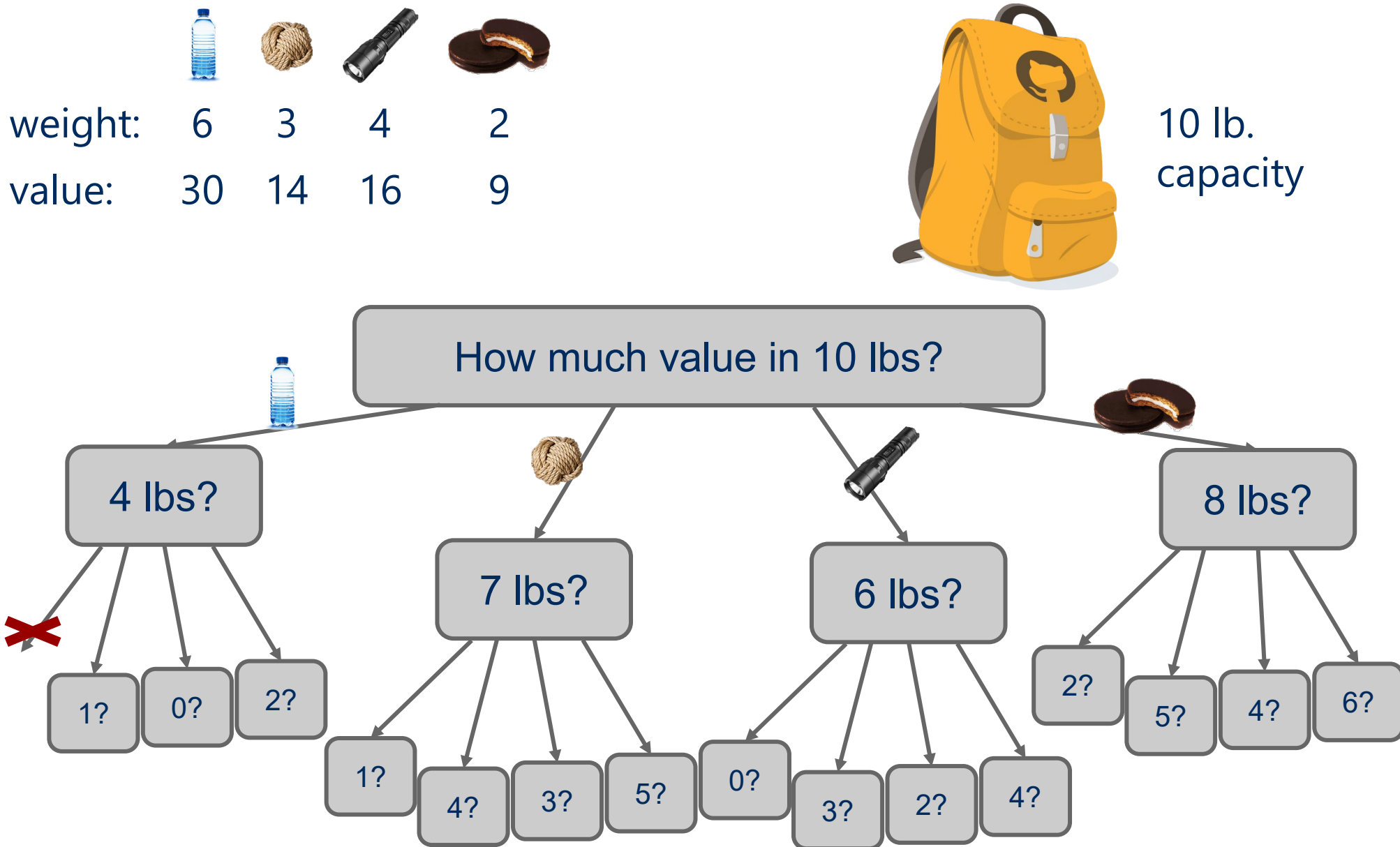
Where can we apply dynamic programming?

- To problems with two properties:
 - Optimal substructure
 - Optimal solution to a subproblem leads to an optimal solution to the overall problem
 - Overlapping subproblems
 - Naively, we would need to recompute the same subproblem multiple times

Problem of the Day Part 3: The unbounded knapsack problem

- Given a knapsack that can hold a weight limit L , and a set of n types items that each has a weight (w_i) and value (v_i), what is the maximum value we can fit in the knapsack if we assume we have unbounded copies of each item?

Recursive Solution



Recursive Solution

