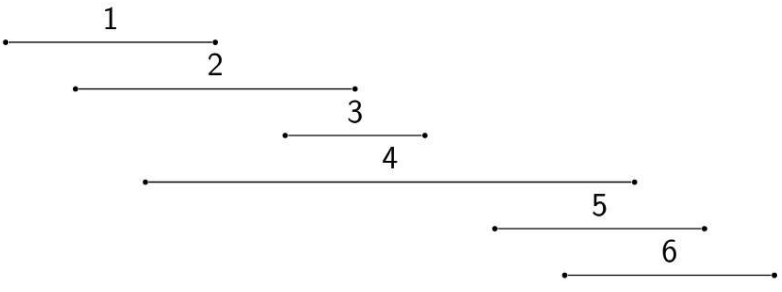
Computer Science Spring 2021 Lecture 13: Dynamic Programming: Interval Scheduling

Warm-Up

- Given n intervals, $1 \ldots n$,
  - each has start time s_i and finish time f_i.
- For each interval, compute a value $p[i]$
  - $p[i] = j$ means j is the *latest* f_j such that $f_j \leq s_i$
  - If no intervals end before s_i, then $f[i] = 0$.
- Intervals are already sorted by finish time.

Example:



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Warm-Up

Warm-up(int n, intervals $[s_1, f_1]$, $[s_2, f_2]$, ... $[s_n, f_n]$)
Sort intervals by finish time (if not already)

for each interval i // $[s_i, f_i]$
// find largest $f_j \leq s_i$ in $O(\log n)$
$p[i]$ = binary search for that

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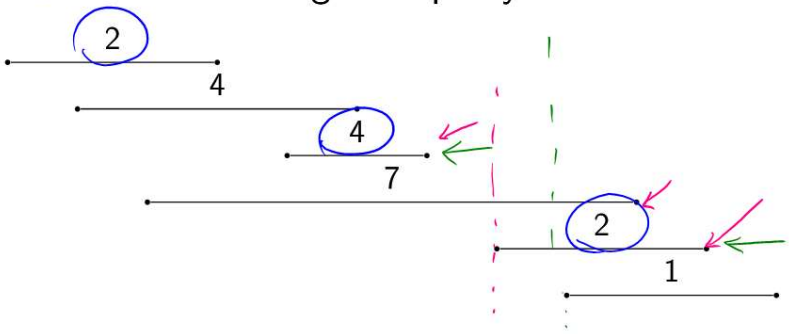
Interval Scheduling Problem Statement

- Which classes should take next quarter?
- The classes all meet once a day,
  - at different times and lengths
  - are worth different amounts of credits.
- Maximize amount of credits earned in quarter
- Without having to skip any classes



5 Interval Scheduling: Recursive Solution

- Key : your friend will take class i xor won't

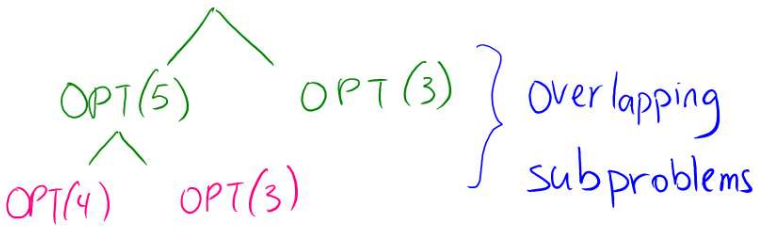
```
OPT(i) // opt # of credits, intervals 1...i
   // Base Case:
        if   i<1    return 0
   // If my friend doesn't take class i:
   value_if_not_taken = OPT(i-1)

   // If my friend takes class i:
   value_if_taken = v[i] + OPT(p[i])

   //return something:
   return   max(value_if_not_taken,
                value_if_taken)
```

6 Interval Scheduling: Recursive Implementation

```
OPT(i)
  if i is 0 then
    return 0
  // value_if_not_taken = OPT(i − 1)
  // value_if_taken = v_i + OPT(p[i])
  return  max( OPT(i − 1), v_i + OPT(p[i]) )
```

recursive substructure

- To solve: call `OPT(6)` for this input.



7 Interval Scheduling: Memoization

Declare memo[0...n], $\forall i$ memo[i] = -1
memo[0] = 0

- Many overlapping subproblems in rec solution.

```
OPT(i)
  if ~~i is 0 then~~
    ~~return 0~~
  if (-1 == memo[i])
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$$memo[i] := \max(\text{OPT}(i-1), v_i + \text{OPT}(p[i]))$$

return memo[i] // relies on smaller values

8 Interval Scheduling: Iterative Solution

- Observation: once Memo$[0 \ldots i-1]$ filled in,

  I can fill in Memo[i]

- We can write an iterative solution.

```
Declare  Memo[0...n]   // Θ(n)
Compute  p[i] values   // Θ(n lg n)
Memo[0] = 0
for i=1 to n
    Memo[i] = max(memo[i-1],
                  memo[p[i]] + v[i])
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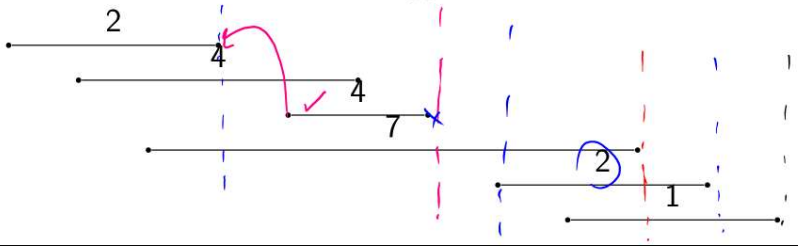
Interval Scheduling: Table

memo array

i	$p[i]$	$\text{OPT}(p(i)) + v_i$	$\text{OPT}(i-1)$	$\text{OPT}(i)$
0	N/A	N/A	N/A	0
1	0	0 +2	0	2
2	0	0 +4	2	4
3	1	2 +4	4	6
4	0	0 +7	6	7
5	3	6 +2	7	8
6	3	6 +1	8	8



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What classes to take?

- Now we have `Memo[...]` filled in.
- Instead of `return Memo[n]`, output courses.
- Hint: take course n or no? ← our tautology <3

```
i ← n
while i > 0:
    // do I take course i?
    if memo[i] > memo[i-1]:
        output ith
        i ← p(i)
    else:
        i ← i - 1
```