## • Problem 1

```
a.
(1) First-Fit
int First-Fit (int weight[], int number, int capacity) {
    // Initialize bin's number to 0.
    int binNumber = 0;
    // Allocate an array to store the left room in bins, whose size is the number of items.
    int* binRoom;
    binRoom = new int[number];
    // Pack items one by one.
    for (int i = 0; i < number; i++) {
         int j;
         // Put each item into the first bin which it fits.
         for (j = 0; j < binNumber; j++) {
             // If such a bin is found, update this bin's left room and move to next item.
             if (binRoom[j] >= weight[i]) {
                  binRoom[j] = binRoom[j] - weight[i];
                  break;
             }
         }
         // If there is no available bin then open a new bin, set its left room,
         // and update bins' number, then move to the next item.
         if (j == binNumber) {
             binRoom[binNumber] = capacity - weight[i];
             binNumber++;
         }
    }
    delete[] binRoom;
    // After all items are packed into bins, return the number of bins.
    return binNumber;
}
```

The outer loop runs n times, the inner loop runs up to n times. Therefore, the running time of First-Fit algorithm is  $O(n^2)$ , where n is the number of items.

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(2) First-Fit-Decreasing
int First-Fit-Decreasing(int weight[], int number, int capacity) {
    // First sort the items in decreasing order by size.
    Insertion-Sort(weight, number);
    // Then use First-Fit on the resulting list and return the number of bins.
    return First-Fit(weight, number, capacity);
}
```

I used insertion sort to sort the items, and its running time is  $O(n^2)$ ; the running time of First-Fit is also  $O(n^2)$ . Therefore, the running time of First-Fit-Decreasing algorithm is  $O(n^2)$ , where n is the number of items.

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(3) Best-Fit
int Best-Fit(int weight[], int number, int capacity) {
    // Initialize bin's number to 0.
    int binNumber = 0;
    // Allocate an array to store the left room in bins, whose size is the number of items.
    int* binRoom;
    binRoom = new int[number];
    // Pack items one by one.
    for (int i = 0; i < number; i++) {
         int j;
         // Initialize the least left room to bin's capacity plus 1,
         // and the index of bin with the least left room to 0;
         int least = capacity + 1;
         int index = 0;
         // Place the item into the bin which will leave the least room left over after the
         // item is placed in the bin.
         for (j = 0; j < binNumber; j++) {
              // Compare every bin's left room after the item is placed in the bin if the
              // item fits the bin to find the bin which will leave the least room left over
              // after the item is placed in the bin.
              if (binRoom[j] >= weight[i] && binRoom[j] - weight[i] < least) {
                  // Update the least left room and the index of the bin with the least
                  // left room.
                  index = j;
                  least = binRoom[j] - weight[i];
              }
         }
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// If the item does not fit in any bin, start a new bin, set its left room, and
// update bins' number, then move to the next item.
if (least == capacity + 1) {
        binRoom[binNumber] = capacity - weight[i];
        binNumber++;
}

// If such a bin is found, update this bin's left room and move to the next item.
else {
        binRoom[index] -= weight[i];
    }
}

delete[] binRoom;
// After all items are packed into bins, return the number of bins.
return binNumber;
}
```

The outer loop runs n times, the inner loop runs up to n times. Therefore, the running time of Best-Fit algorithm is  $O(n^2)$ , where n is the number of items.

b. The answer is submitted to TEACH.

Below are the screen shots of my randomly generated cases. In my code to produce the random inputs, the range of bin's capacity and number of items are both [1, 50], and the weight of each item is set to from 1 to not exceed the capacity of a bin. Totally 20 bin packing instances are generated.

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Test Case 1:

capacity: 45
iten number: 36
weight: 19 day 21 day 11 30 1 43 41 21 35 28 15 22 40 25 12 5 36 41 38 43 10 38 45 3 40 35 43 30 41 29 37 10 40 32
result: First Fit - 27; First Fit Decreasing - 26; Best Fit - 26

Case 2:
capacity: 32
weight: 13 6 12 15 20 6 13 7 11 21 4 20 12
result: First Fit - 9; First Fit Decreasing - 9; Best Fit - 9

Test Case 3:
capacity: 36
capacity: 37
iten number: 38
weight: 26 24 19 19 8 10 20 3 26 14 11 2 5 11 16 19 13 33 2 16 7 34 21 20 21 20 4 16 19 3 9 8 34 2 24 23 26
result: First Fit - 20; First Fit Decreasing - 19; Best Fit - 20

Test Case 4:
capacity: 26
iten number: 9
weight: 23 8 19 26 21 19 16 5 2
result: First Fit - 6; First Fit Decreasing - 6; Best Fit - 6

Test Case 6:
capacity: 35
iten number: 8
weight: 30 19 25 4 3 15 32 15
result: First Fit - 5; First Fit Decreasing - 5; Best Fit - 5

Test Case 6:
capacity: 45
result: First Fit - 4; First Fit Decreasing - 4; Best Fit - 4

Test Case 7:
capacity: 15
result: First Fit - 4; First Fit Decreasing - 4; Best Fit - 4

Test Case 7:
capacity: 15
iten number: 4
result: First Fit - 3; First Fit Decreasing - 31; Best Fit - 31
result: First Fit - 3; First Fit Decreasing - 31; Best Fit - 31
result: First Fit - 3; First Fit Decreasing - 31; Best Fit - 31
result: First Fit - 3; First Fit Decreasing - 31; Best Fit - 31
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result: First Fit - 3; First Fit Decreasing - 31; Best Fit - 31
result: First Fit - 35; First Fit Decreasing - 34; Best Fit - 25
result: First Fit - 35; First Fit Decreasing - 24; Best Fit - 25
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Test Case 17:
    capacity: 45
    item number: 49
    weight: 32 30 20 23 3 39 33 38 26 3 16 7 31 24 31 35 32 40 5 40 9 10 14 22 15 29 6 41 43 32 35 15 18 35 44 1 27 35 24 22 28 19 20 45 24 14 27 21 19
    result: First Fit - 31; First Fit Decreasing - 29; Best Fit - 30

Test Case 18:
    capacity: 34
    item number: 46
    weight: 22 28 18 33 20 20 31 19 32 31 7 19 5 15 33 16 19 14 21 31 17 7 6 23 32 20 3 28 11 23 14 32 27 21 22 26 8 1 23 10 6 24 15 28 2 20
    result: First Fit - 31; First Fit Decreasing - 30; Best Fit - 30

Test Case 19:
    capacity: 18
    item number: 35
    weight: 11 5 16 2 1 11 6 9 11 7 10 16 10 5 8 13 11 6 17 4 18 4 5 13 4 10 13 4 13 18 15 6 15 7 11
    result: First Fit - 21; First Fit Decreasing - 20; Best Fit - 20

Test Case 20:
    capacity: 12
    item number: 46
    weight: 0 12 3 2 5 12 4 11 1 6 3 6 11 7 6 3 8 8 2 4 10 4 6 12 10 2 9 10 2 9 7 8 5 5 1 8 9 7 2 12 8 8 8 5 9 10
    result: First Fit - 29; First Fit Decreasing - 28; Best Fit - 29
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The results for each algorithm are summarized as below, the algorithm with best performance is marked in blue for every test case.

Case Number	First-Fit	First-Fit- Decreasing	Best-Fit
1	27	26	26
2	9	9	9
3	20	19	20
4	6	6	6
5	5	5	5
6	4	4	4
7	31	31	31
8	25	24	25
9	11	10	11
10	21	21	21
11	25	25	25
12	29	29	29
13	2	2	2
14	7	6	7
15	23	22	23
16	15	14	14
17	31	29	30
18	31	30	30
19	21	20	20
20	29	28	29

Obviously, First-Fit-Decreasing algorithm performs best since it performs best in 11 cases over 20 test cases. Best-Fit algorithm performs as well as First-Fit-Decreasing in 4 cases, but was never better than First-Fit-Decreasing. And First-Fit algorithm performs worst, which never performs better than the other two algorithms. But there are 9 cases over 20 test cases where the three algorithm's performance is same.

Therefore, First-Fit-Decreasing algorithm performs better, in 11 cases over 20 test cases (55% times).

## • Problem 2

a.

Code and result of the integer program from LINDO:

```
MIN Y1 + Y2 + Y3 + Y4 + Y5 + Y6
                                                                  LP OPTIMUM FOUND AT STEP 55
                                                                  OBJECTIVE VALUE - 3.00000000
          A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 + A5 + A6 = 1
         B1 + B2 + B3 + B4 + B5 + B6 = 1
                                                                  NEW INTEGER SOLUTION OF 3.00000000 AT BRANCH 0 PIVOT 55
          C1 + C2 + C3 + C4 + C5 + C8 = 1
                                                                  RE-INSTALLING BEST SOLUTION...
          D1 + D2 + D3 + D4 + D5 + D6 = 1
                                                                     OBJECTIVE FUNCTION VALUE
         E1 + E2 + E3 + E4 + E5 + E6 = 1
         F1 + F2 + F3 + F4 + F5 + F6 = 1
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          4A1 + 4B1 + 4C1 + 6D1 + 6E1 + 6F1 - 10Y1 <= 0
                                                                  VARIABLE
                                                                              VALUE
                                                                                         REDUCED COST
          4A2 + 4B2 + 4C2 + 6D2 + 6E2 + 6F2 - 10Y2 <= 0
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                                                                     Y1
          4A3 + 4B3 + 4C3 + 6D3 + 6E3 + 6F3 - 10Y3 <= 0
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          4A4 + 4B4 + 4C4 + 6D4 + 6E4 + 6F4 - 10Y4 <= 0
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          4A5 + 4B5 + 4C5 + 6D5 + 6E5 + 6F5 - 10Y5 <= 0
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          4A6 + 4B6 + 4C6 + 6D6 + 6E6 + 6F6 - 10Y6 <= 0
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          INT Y2
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          INT Y4
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          INT Y5
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## Interpretation:

The result shows that Y1=1, Y5=1, Y6=1, A5=1, B1=1, C6=1, D5=1, E6=1, and F1=1, so the 6 items can be packed into at least 3 bins:

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Y1 - B1 and F1: first bin - items of weight 4 and 6;
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Y5 – A5 and D5: second bin – items of weight 4 and 6;

Y6 – C6 and E6: third bin – items of weight 4 and 6.

b. Code and result of the integer program from LINDO:

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NEW INTEGER SOLUTION OF 3.00000000 AT BRANCH
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         A1 + A2 + A3 + A4 + A5 = 1
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         B1 + B2 + B3 + B4 + B5 = 1
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         C1 + C2 + C3 + C4 + C5 = 1
D1 + D2 + D3 + D4 + D5 = 1
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         E1 + E2 + E3 + E4 + E5 = 1
20A1 + 10B1 + 15C1 + 10D1 + 5E1 - 20Y1 <= 0
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         20A2 + 10B2 + 15C2 + 10D2 + 5E2 - 20Y2 <= 0
20A3 + 10B3 + 15C3 + 10D3 + 5E3 - 20Y3 <= 0
20A4 + 10B4 + 15C4 + 10D4 + 5E4 - 20Y4 <= 0
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         20A5 + 10B5 + 15C5 + 10D5 + 5E5 - 20Y5 <= 0
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LP OPTIMUM FOUND AT STEP 1
OBJECTIVE VALUE = 3.00000000

## Interpretation:

The result shows that Y1=1, Y2=1, Y3=1, A2=1, B1=1, C3=1, D1=1, and E3=1, so the 5 items can be packed into at least 3 bins:

- Y1 B1 and D1: first bin items of weight 10 and 10;
- Y2 A2: second bin item of weight 20;
- Y3 C3 and E3: third bin items of weight 15 and 5.