

# Computational Project - Project Planning

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## 1 checklist what to do

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- Introdução
  - descrição formal do problema (formulação matemática)
  - revisão bibliográfica do problema (e/ou problemas relacionados)
  - metodologias previamente utilizadas
- Metodologia
  - justificativa
  - descrição das técnicas de otimização
  - descrever as técnicas de otimização contextualizando-as ao problema de otimização combinatória proposto
- Avaliação dos Resultados
  - proposta de experimentos
  - descrição das instâncias
  - como será feita a avaliação dos resultados
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## 2 Definitions

### 2.1 Item

An **Item**  $\iota$  is a 6-tuple:

$$\iota = \langle \chi, \psi, \omega, x, y, z \rangle \quad (1)$$

in which the components represent the item's<sup>1</sup>:

1.  $\chi \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ : dimension in the  $x$  direction;
2.  $\psi \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ : dimension in the  $y$  direction;
3.  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}_+^*$ : dimension in the  $z$  direction;
4.  $x \in \mathbb{R}_+$ :  $x$  position;
5.  $y \in \mathbb{R}_+$ :  $y$  position;
6.  $z \in \mathbb{R}_+$ :  $z$  position;

We represent by  $\mathcal{I} = \mathbb{R}_+^{*3} \times \mathbb{R}_+^3$  the set of all items.

The reason an items is seen in that way is because of the stacking

### 2.2 Vehicle

A **Vehicle**  $v$  is a 3-tuple:

$$v = \langle \alpha, \eta, L \rangle \quad (2)$$

in which:

1.  $\alpha$  is the number of components of the vehicle's loadings;
2.  $\eta : \mathcal{I} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+^\alpha$ : a function that associates every item to a vehicle's loading;
3.  $L \in \mathbb{R}_+^\alpha$ : represents the vehicle's loading limit;

We represent by  $\mathcal{V}$  the set of all vehicles.

## 3 Problem Statement

### 3.1 Input

1.  $I_o \subseteq \mathcal{I}$ : the set of items
2.  $v \in \mathcal{V}$ : the vehicle

### 3.2 Constraints

**Loading Limit Constraint**

$$\sum_{\iota \in I_o} \eta(\iota) \leq L \quad (3)$$

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<sup>1</sup>See a definition for "dimension" in [1]

### Stacking Constraint

An item can only be removed if all items above it have already been removed (4)

We represent whether such constraint is satisfied or not by  $\mathcal{SC}(I_f) \in \{true, false\}$

### 3.3 Output

A subset  $I_f \subseteq I_o$  of the input items.

### 3.4 Objective

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & |I_o| - |I_f| \\ \text{subjected to} \quad & \sum_{\iota \in I_o} \eta(\iota) \leq L \\ & \mathcal{SC}(I_f) \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Minimize the number of items removed so that all constraints are satisfied.

## 4 Similarity with the Knapsack Problem

[2] gives a definition for a 0-1 Knapsack Problem (0-1KP):

$$\begin{aligned} \max \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n p_j x_j \\ \text{subjected to} \quad & \sum_{j=1}^n w_j x_j \leq c \\ & x_j \in \{0, 1\} \quad \forall j \in \{1, \dots, n\} \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

in which  $p_j$  and  $w_j$  are know as the profit and the weight of the item  $j$ , respectively.

Our problem can be seen as:

1. a Multidimensional Knapsack Problem (MKP) since the weight function is multidimensional;
2. a 0-1KP in which the profit of all items are equal (the exact value of the profit depends on how one decide to formulate the problem);
3. a 0-1KP with an extra restriction on how the items can be inserted (or removed) from the knapsack (constraint (4));
4. it is still a “0-1” problem in the sense that one has to decide whether to remove a specific item or not;

## References

- [1] Cambridge Dictionary. dimension, 2022.
- [2] Silvano Martello and Paolo Toth. *Knapsack problems: algorithms and computer implementations*. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1990.