

#1 Assignment - CMPT 405

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#1 - Let C be the array containing all the possible coins $\{1, 5, 10, 25, 100, 200\}$. Let V be the total change value.

Algorithm:

Input: C, V

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 $d \leftarrow \text{sort } C \text{ such that } d_1 \geq d_2 \geq \dots \geq d_n$ 
 $res \leftarrow \emptyset; i \leftarrow 1$ 
while  $V > 0$  do
  if  $V \geq d_i$  then
     $n_{coins} \leftarrow \left\lfloor \frac{V}{d_i} \right\rfloor$ 
     $V \leftarrow V - (n_{coins} * d_i)$ 
     $res \leftarrow res \cup \{(d_i, n_{coins})\}$ 
  end if
   $i \leftarrow i + 1$ 
end while
return  $res$ 
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Intuition: $\forall (d_i, d_j) \in C, 1 \leq i < j \leq n, d_i \geq 2 * d_j$, meaning that if I the algorithm chooses any d_j over any d_i , it will have to pick at least 2 times more coins for some value V that satisfies both d_i and d_j .

Proof. The only way to give more coins than the smallest possible number of coins for any change would be in a case where the algorithm chooses d_j over a d_i (see *Intuition*). Now, imagine that the algorithm chooses d_j over d_i , then we have two cases:

- Case 1. $d_i > V$:

If so, we are done because there are no possible ways of choosing d_i for value V .

- Case 2. $d_i \leq V$:

If that was the case, we would have an optimal set OPT such that $OPT_{i-1} \cup d_j \subseteq OPT$, which is not the case, once the iteration i will happen before the iteration j , causing the algorithm to choose d_i over d_j (and never the opposite) for any value V that satisfies both d_i and d_j . \square

#2 a)

Greedy approach to the fractional knapsack:

- n objects and a knapsack
- item i weighs $w_i > 0$ and has utility $u_i > 0$
- fill knapsack so as to **maximize** total utility/weight, not exceeding total capacity W

Algorithm approach:

- sort items in decreasing order of their utility-to-weight ratio u_i/w_i
- repeatedly add item with max ratio u_i/w_i . If not possible to add the whole object, add a fraction $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ of it, if possible.

Proof. Let K_{opt} be the optimal set of items in a knapsack and let K_j be the chosen items after an iteration j , $0 \leq j \leq n$.

Base case: K_0 : K_0 is promising since the total number of chosen objects, in this case *none*, does not exceed total capacity W , there exists some optimal K_{opt} such that $K_0 \subseteq K_{opt} \subseteq K_0 \cup \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_n\}$.

Induction step: Assume K_{j-1} . Since K_{j-1} is promising for stage $j-1$, $K_{j-1} \subseteq K_{opt} \subseteq K_{j-1} \cup \{i_j, i_{j+1}, \dots, i_n\}$. We want to show K_j . On a stage j we have two cases:

Case 1. i_j is rejected. Then $K_{j-1} \cup \{i_j\}$ or $K_{j-1} \cup \{i_j * \alpha\}$ (any fraction $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ of i_j) exceed the capacity W ; thus, $K_{j-1} = K_j$. Since $K_{j-1} \subseteq K_{opt}$ and K_{opt} does not exceed the total capacity W , $i_j \notin K_{opt}$. So $K_j \subseteq K_{opt} \subseteq K_j \cup \{i_{j+1}, i_{j+2}, \dots, i_n\}$.

Case 2. i_j or $i_j * \alpha$ is added to K_{j-1} . Let item i_{chosen} be i_j or $i_j * \alpha$ (whichever was added to K_{j-1}). Then $K_{j-1} \cup \{i_{chosen}\}$ does not exceed the total capacity W and we have $K_{j-1} \cup \{i_{chosen}\} = K_j$.

Case 2.1. $i_{chosen} \in K_{opt}$. Then we have $K_j \subseteq K_{opt} \subseteq K_j \cup \{i_{j+1}, i_{j+2}, \dots, i_n\}$.

Case 2.2. $i_{chosen} \notin K_{opt}$. We show that there is another maximum set of utility-to-weight items K'_{opt} that witnesses the fact that K_j is promising. For example, consider an item i_{chosen} added to K_{opt} . This will exceed the capacity W and the knapsack will contain at least one item of $\{i_{j+1}, i_{j+2}, \dots, i_n\}$.

Proof of claim: K_{opt} contains all elements of K_{j-1} and can be obtained from K_{j-1} by adding some items from the set $\{i_j, i_{j+1}, \dots, i_n\}$. Adding i_j does not exceed capacity W , so the excess in $K_{opt} \cup \{i_{chosen}\}$ must contain some elements other items in $\{i_{j+1}, i_{j+2}, \dots, i_n\}$.

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#2 b)

item	utility	weight
1	2	1
2	1000	1000

$W = 1000$

$K_{opt} = \{i_2\}$ (utility = 1000), $K_{greedy} = \{i_1\}$ (utility = 2)

#3

The idea here is to use the greedy approach of the **set cover** problem. Let U be the the collection with all tiles a_{ij} and let two tiles a_{ij}, a_{i+1k} be adjacent if it is possible to color them horizontally, meeting the algorithm criteria.

Algorithm:

Input: U

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for  $i$  from 1 to  $K$  do
  for  $j$  from 1 to  $n_i$  do
     $arr[i] \leftarrow$  sort tiles such that  $a_{ij} \geq a_{ij+1} \geq \dots \geq a_{i_n i}$ 
  end for
end for
 $S \leftarrow$  create sets  $S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{n_{overlaps}}$  for each possible row using adjacent tiles in  $arr$ .
 $C \leftarrow 0$ 
while all tiles are not covered do
  choose  $s \in S$  such that  $s$  contains most uncovered tiles.
  mark the tiles in  $s$  as covered
   $C \leftarrow C + 1$ 
end while
return  $C$ 
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Counterexample:

Columns:

col 1 : $a_{11} = 0.325, a_{12} = 0.225, a_{13} = 0.225, a_{14} = 0.225$
col 2 : $a_{21} = 0.45, a_{22} = 0.225, a_{23} = 0.225, a_{24} = 0.1$
col 3 : $a_{31} = 0.225, a_{32} = 0.225, a_{33} = 0.225, a_{34} = 0.225, a_{35} = 0.1$
col 4 : $a_{41} = 0.325, a_{42} = 0.225, a_{43} = 0.1125, a_{44} = 0.1125, a_{45} = 0.1125,$
 $a_{46} = 0.1125$
col 5 : $a_{51} = 0.55, a_{52} = 0.45$
col 6 : $a_{61} = 0.33333, a_{62} = 0.33333, a_{63} = 0.33333$
col 7 : $a_{71} = 0.44444, a_{72} = 0.22222, a_{73} = 0.22222, a_{74} = 0.11112$

Created Sets:

$S_1 = \{a_{11}, a_{21}, a_{31}, a_{41}, a_{51}, a_{61}, a_{71}\}$
 $S_2 = \{a_{11}, a_{21}, a_{32}, a_{41}, a_{51}, a_{61}, a_{71}\}$
 $S_3 = \{a_{12}, a_{21}, a_{32}, a_{42}, a_{51}, a_{62}, a_{71}\}$
 $S_4 = \{a_{12}, a_{22}, a_{33}, a_{42}, a_{51}, a_{62}, a_{72}\}$
 $S_5 = \{a_{13}, a_{22}, a_{33}, a_{43}, a_{52}, a_{62}, a_{72}\}$
 $S_6 = \{a_{13}, a_{23}, a_{34}, a_{44}, a_{52}, a_{63}, a_{73}\}$
 $S_7 = \{a_{14}, a_{23}, a_{34}, a_{45}, a_{52}, a_{63}, a_{73}\}$
 $S_8 = \{a_{14}, a_{24}, a_{35}, a_{46}, a_{52}, a_{63}, a_{74}\}$

