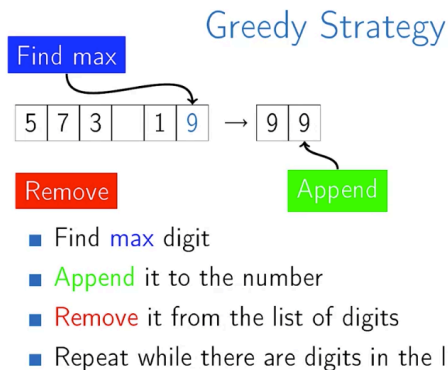


# San Diego Univ “Algorithm Toolbox”

## Week 3. Greedy Algorithm

### 1. Largest number



### Carfueling. MinRefill

$$A = x_0 \leq x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots \leq x_n \leq x_{n+1} = B$$

MinRefills(x, n, L)

```

numRefills ← 0, currentRefill ← 0
while currentRefill ≤ n:
    lastRefill ← currentRefill
    while (currentRefill ≤ n and
           x[currentRefill + 1] - x[lastRefill] ≤ L):
        currentRefill ← currentRefill + 1
    if currentRefill == lastRefill:
        return IMPOSSIBLE
    if currentRefill ≤ n:
        numRefills ← numRefills + 1
return numRefills

```

A which is  $x_0$  and is the smallest value in the array.

#### Lemma

The running time of MinRefills( $x, n, L$ ) is  $O(n)$ .

#### Proof

- $currentRefill$  changes from 0 to  $n + 1$ , one-by-one
- $numRefills$  changes from 0 to at most  $n$ , one-by-one
- Thus,  $O(n)$  iterations

최대 리필 횟수는 기껏해야 n 번// 외부 loop, 내부 loop 구분

## 2. Subproblems in Greedy Algorithms

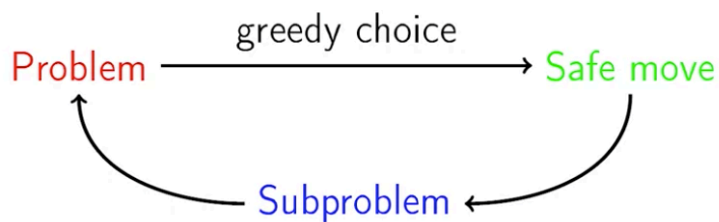
### 2.1 Safe Move

#### Safe move

- A move is called **safe** if there is an optimal solution consistent with this first move
- Not all first moves are safe
- Often greedy moves are not safe

### - 2.2 General Strategy

#### General Strategy



- Make a greedy choice
- **Prove** that it is a **safe move**
- Reduce to a **subproblem**
- Solve the **subproblem**

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### 3. Grouping Children

Running time

#### 3.1 Naive

##### MinGroups( $C$ )

```
 $m \leftarrow \text{len}(C)$ 
for each partition into groups
 $C = G_1 \cup G_2 \cup \dots \cup G_k$ :
    good  $\leftarrow$  true
    for  $i$  from 1 to  $k$ :
        if  $\max(G_i) - \min(G_i) > 1$ :
            good  $\leftarrow$  false
    if good:
         $m \leftarrow \min(m, k)$ 
return  $m$ 
```

##### Lemma

The number of operations in MinGroups( $C$ ) is at least  $2^n$ , where  $n$  is the number of children in  $C$ .

##### Proof

- Consider just partitions in two groups
  - $C = G_1 \cup G_2$
  - For each  $G_1 \subset C$ ,  $G_2 = C \setminus G_1$
  - Size of  $C$  is  $n$
  - Each item can be included or excluded from  $G_1$
  - There are  $2^n$  different  $G_1$
- So there can be  $2^n$  to

It's too slow and inefficient.

#### 3.2 Efficient method

Treat points instead of the above children.

##### Covering points by segments

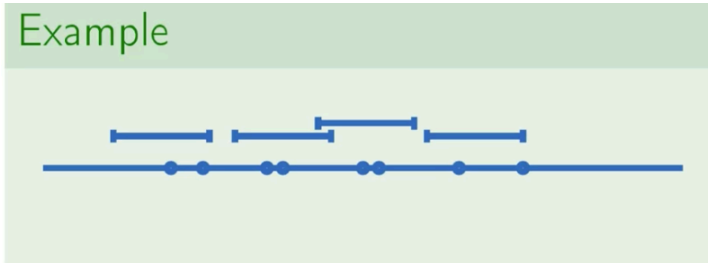
**Input:** A set of  $n$  points  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Output:** The minimum number of segments of unit length needed to cover all the points.

There is points on a line.

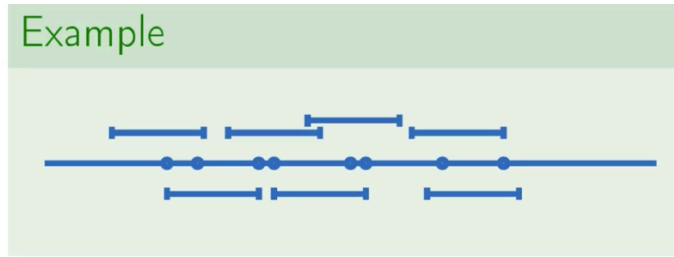
Many lines with same length over the line means covering.  
But this is not optimal solution.

### Example

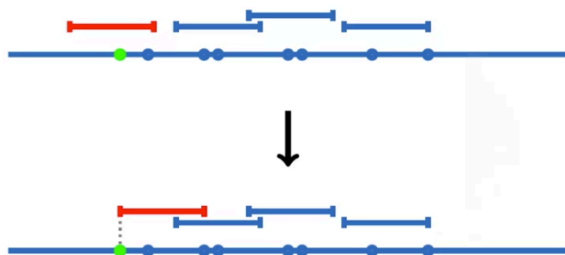


See 3 lines below the centered line. These lines mean covering, and this arrangement is optimal solution for there are the least number of the covering required.

### Example



**Safe move:** cover the leftmost point with a unit segment with left end in this point.



### 3.2.1 Algorithm

Assume  $x_1 \leq x_2 \leq \dots \leq x_n$

**PointsCoverSorted( $x_1, \dots, x_n$ )**

$R \leftarrow \{\}, i \leftarrow 1$

while  $i \leq n$ :

$[\ell, r] \leftarrow [x_i, x_i + 1]$

$R \leftarrow R \cup \{[\ell, r]\}$

$i \leftarrow i + 1$

    while  $i \leq n$  and  $x_i \leq r$ :

$i \leftarrow i + 1$

return  $R$

We'll start with an empty set  
of segments denoted by  $R$  and

$R$ : empty set

$i = 1$

While ( $i \leq n$ ): # Currently, 'i' refers to leftmost point

$\ell, r = x_i, x_i + 1$  #  $x_i$  point is in left end. (2)  $[\ell, r]$ : [left, right] in a specific segment

$R = R \cup [\ell, r]$

$i = i + 1$  # Not remove the point, but just move the pointer

#### Lemma

The running time of PointsCoverSorted is  $O(n)$ .

#### Proof

- $i$  changes from 1 to  $n$
- For each  $i$ , at most 1 new segment
- Overall, running time is  $O(n)$   $\square$

# Conclusion

- Straightforward solution is exponential
- Important to reformulate the problem in mathematical terms
- Safe move is to cover leftmost point
- Sort in  $O(n \log n)$  + greedy in  $O(n)$

## 4. Fractional Knapsack

### 4.1 Long Hike

>> It requires enough foods.

What is the maximized amount of calories that I can get from these foods?

### 4.2 Fractional Knapsack

#### Fractional knapsack

**Input:** Weights  $w_1, \dots, w_n$  and values  $v_1, \dots, v_n$  of  $n$  items; capacity  $W$ .

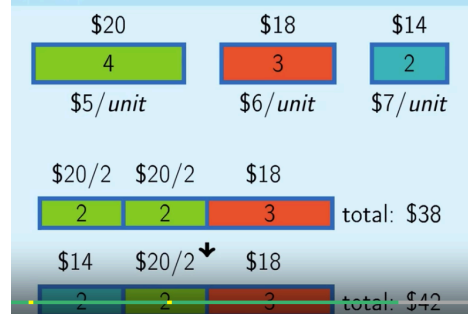
**Output:** The maximum total value of fractions of items that fit into a bag of capacity  $W$ .

#### Safe move

#### Lemma

There exists an optimal solution that uses as much as possible of an item with the maximal value per unit of weight.

#### Proof



#### Greedy Algorithm

- While knapsack is not full
- Choose item  $i$  with maximum  $\frac{v_i}{w_i}$
- If item fits into knapsack, take all of it
- Otherwise take so much as to fill the knapsack

## 4.3 Implementation, Analysis, and Optimization

### 4.3.1 Naive

**Knapsack**( $W, w_1, v_1, \dots, w_n, v_n$ )

```
 $A \leftarrow [0, 0, \dots, 0], V \leftarrow 0$ 
repeat  $n$  times:
  if  $W = 0$ :
    return ( $V, A$ )
  select  $i$  with  $w_i > 0$  and  $\max \frac{v_i}{w_i}$ 
   $a \leftarrow \min(w_i, W)$ 
   $V \leftarrow V + a \frac{v_i}{w_i}$ 
   $w_i \leftarrow w_i - a, A[i] \leftarrow A[i] + a, W \leftarrow W - a$ 
return ( $V, A$ )
```

#### Lemma

The running time of Knapsack is  $O(n^2)$ .

#### Proof

- Select best item on each step is  $O(n)$
- Main loop is executed  $n$  times
- Overall,  $O(n^2)$  □

For  $\_$  in range( $n$ ):

If  $W == 0$ :  
Return ( $V, A$ )

### 4.3.2 Efficient ver

Assume  $\frac{v_1}{w_1} \geq \frac{v_2}{w_2} \geq \dots \geq \frac{v_n}{w_n}$

**Knapsack**( $W, w_1, v_1, \dots, w_n, v_n$ )

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 $A \leftarrow [0, 0, \dots, 0], V \leftarrow 0$ 
for  $i$  from 1 to  $n$ :
  if  $W = 0$ :
    return ( $V, A$ )
   $a \leftarrow \min(w_i, W)$ 
   $V \leftarrow V + a \frac{v_i}{w_i}$ 
   $w_i \leftarrow w_i - a, A[i] \leftarrow A[i] + a, W \leftarrow W - a$ 
return ( $V, A$ )
```

## 5. Review

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### Main Ingredients

- Safe move
- Prove safety
- Solve subproblem
- Estimate running time

### Safe Moves

- Put max digit first
- Find first occurrence of first character
- Cover leftmost point
- Use item with maximum value per unit of weight