

# Algorithms

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# DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

Consider the following code for computing fibonnaci numbers:

```
def fib(n):  
    if n < 2:  
        return 1  
    else:  
        return fib(n-1) + fib(n-2)
```

Recurrence relation for running time:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + T(n-2) + O(1), T(1) = O(1)$$

$T(n)$  is exponential in  $n$ .

Traditional divide and conquer does not work

**Observation.** We compute `fib( $k$ )` for the same  $k$  several times!

Why not just save it when we compute it?

# DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

## Modified Algorithm.

$M = [1, 1, \infty, \dots, \infty]$  *array of size  $n + 1$  where  $M[0] = M[1] = 1$ , and for  $i = 2..n$ ,  $M[i] = \infty$  indicating that  $fib(i)$  has not yet been computed.*

```
def fib(n):
```

```
    if n < 2: return 1
```

```
    if M[n-1] ==  $\infty$ : M[n-1] = fib(n-1)
```

*$O(n)$  time algorithm*

```
    if M[n-2] ==  $\infty$ : M[n-2] = fib(n-2)
```

```
    M[n] = M[n-1] + M[n-2]
```

*Takes more space but  
drastically reduces the  
running time*

```
    return M[n]
```

The idea of saving results is called ***memoization***.

A similar idea can be used in many problems.

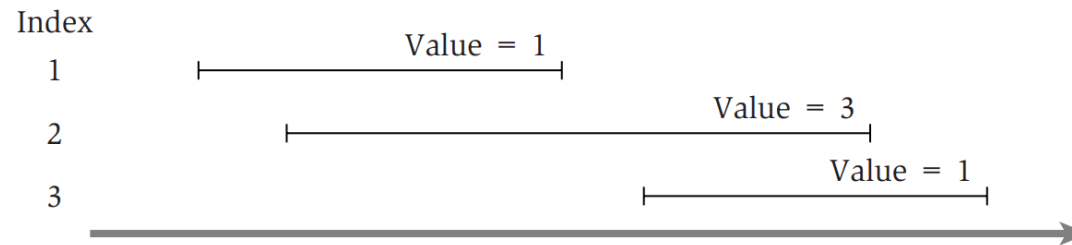
# WEIGHTED INTERVAL SCHEDULING

We are given  $n$  jobs numbered  $1..n$ .

The  $i^{th}$  job starts at time  $s_i$ , finishes at time  $t_i$  and has value  $v_i$ .

**Goal.** Pick a subset of non-overlapping jobs of maximum total value.

*Example.*



Does our earlier greedy algorithm of always picking the job with the earliest finish time work?

*No!*

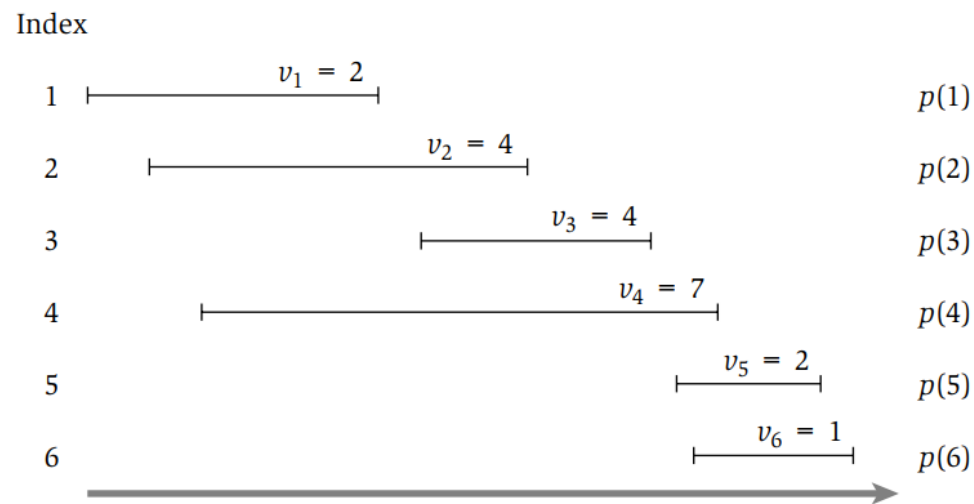
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By sorting, we assume that  $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$ . *sorted in non-decreasing order of finish times*

We also define a dummy job 0 s.t  $f_0 < s_1$ .

For any  $j \in 1..n$ , define  $p(j) = \max\{k \in 0..n : f_k < s_j\}$ . *job with the maximum finish time before the  $j$ 's start time*

*Example.*



Compute the values

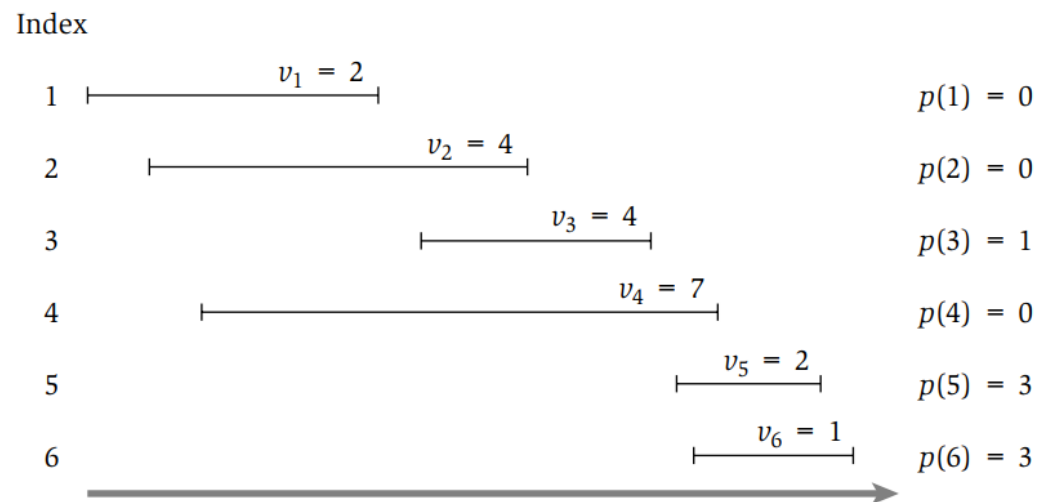
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*Example.*



How fast can we compute  $p(j)$  for all  $j = 1..n$ ?  *$O(n \log n)$  time*

## WEIGHTED INTERVAL SCHEDULING

Let  $\text{OPT}(j)$  define the value of the optimal solution among jobs  $1 \dots j$ .

Consider the last job  $j$ . We have two options for job  $j$ : take it or leave it.

If we take it, we need to find the optimal solution among jobs  $1 \dots p(j)$ .

If we leave it, we need to find the optimal solution among jobs  $1 \dots (j - 1)$ .

Thus,  $\text{OPT}(j) = \max \{ v_j + \text{OPT}(p(j)), \text{OPT}(j - 1) \}$ .

```
def ComputeOpt(j):  
    if j==1: return v1  
    return max( vj + ComputeOpt(p(j)), ComputeOpt(j-1) )
```

*We assume that  $p(j)$  has already been computed for each  $j$ .*

How much time does this take?

## WEIGHTED INTERVAL SCHEDULING

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```

Let  $T(j)$  denote the time required by `computeOpt(j)`

Recurrence relation:

$$T(j) = T(p(j)) + T(j - 1) + O(1), T(1) = O(1).$$

In the worst case, we could have  $p(j) = j - 1$  for all  $j = 1 .. n$ .

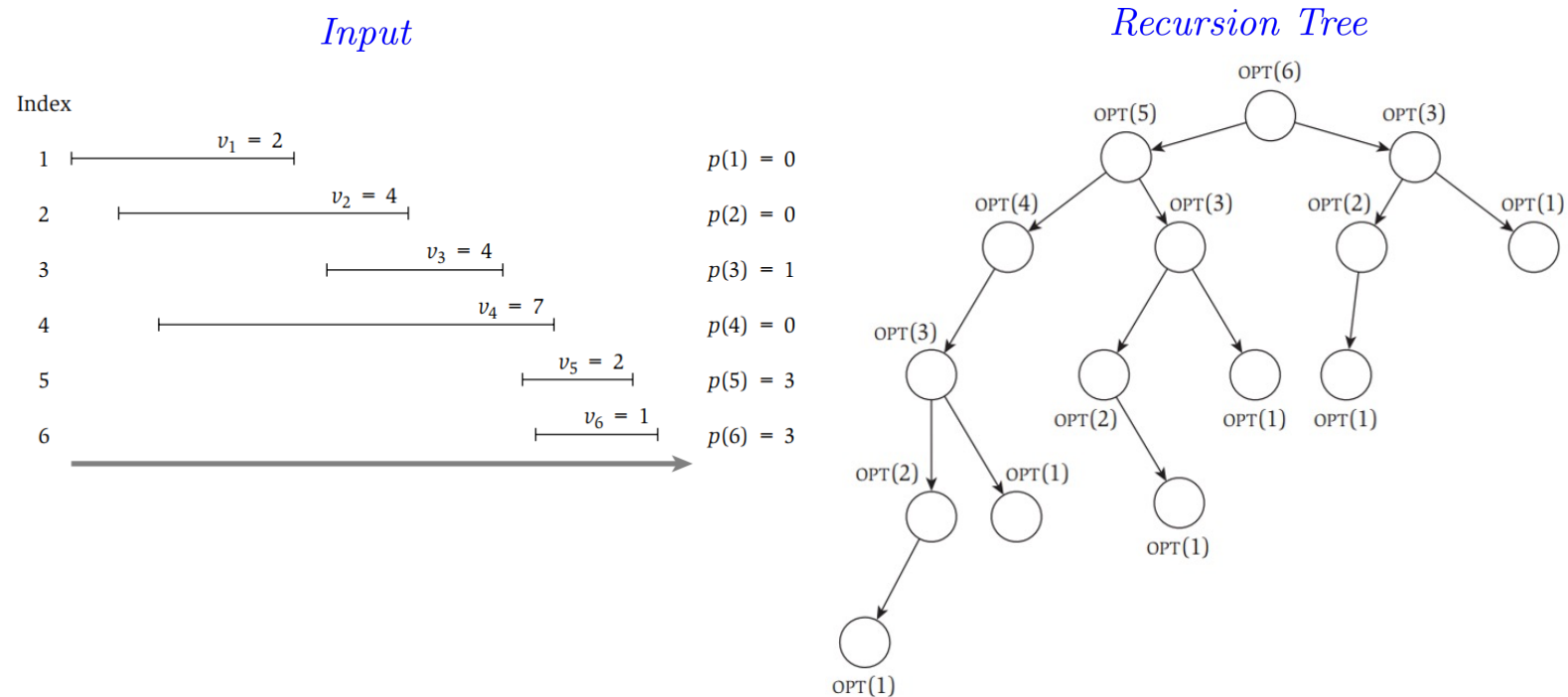
Then,  $T(j) = 2T(j - 1) + O(1)$ ,  $T(1) = O(1)$  for all  $j = 1 .. n$

$$\implies T(n) = \Theta(2^n).$$



# WEIGHTED INTERVAL SCHEDULING

*Example.*



*Observation.* Many subproblems are computed multiple times!

How do we improve the running time? *Memoization!*

## WEIGHTED INTERVAL SCHEDULING

$M = [0, \infty, \dots, \infty]$  *array of length  $(n + 1)$  where  $M[0] = 0$ ,  
and  $M[1] = M[2] = \dots = M[n] = \infty$ .*

`def ComputeOpt(j):` *we assume  $j \in 1..n$*

`if j==1: return  $v_1$`

`if  $M[p(j)] == \infty$ :  $M[p(j)] = \text{ComputeOpt}(p(j))$`

`if  $M[j-1] == \infty$ :  $M[j-1] = \text{ComputeOpt}(j-1)$`

`$M[j] = \max(v_j + M[p(j)], M[j-1])$`

`return  $M[j]$`

*Assumption:  $p(j)$  has already  
been computed for each  $j$ .*

Running time for `ComputeOpt(n)`?  $O(n)$  *Why?*

For any  $j \in 1..n$ , `ComputeOpt(j)` is called at most once, since after any such call, the value is memoized and stored in  $M[j]$ .

For any  $j$ , the time spent in `ComputeOpt(j)` apart from recursive calls is  $O(1)$ .

Thus the total time is  $O(n)$ . *excluding the  $O(n \log n)$  time for computing the  $p(j)$ 's*

## WEIGHTED INTERVAL SCHEDULING

We have computed the value of the optimal solution. How do we find the jobs in the optimal solution?

```
M = array computed before
```

```
S = [] stores selected jobs
```

```
j = n
```

```
while j>0:
```

```
    if M[j] == vj + M[p(j)]: ← indicates if the jth job belongs to OPT(j)
```

```
        S.append(j)
```

```
        j = p(j)
```

```
    else: j = j-1
```

How much time does this take?  $O(n)$

## EXERCISE

## SUBSET SUM

Given an array  $A[1..n]$  containing positive numbers we need to check if a subset of the numbers in the array sum to a given number  $T$ .

*Example.*    1   2   5   7

*Is there a subset that sums to 13?    Yes.*

*Is there a subset that sums to 0?    Yes, the empty subset!*

*Is there a subset that sums to 4?    No.*

How fast can we solve this problem?

## Solution

## SUBSET SUM

Let  $SS(i, t) = \text{TRUE}$  iff some subset of  $A[i..n]$  sums to  $t$ .

We seek  $SS(1, T)$ .

$$SS(i, t) = \begin{cases} \text{TRUE} & \text{if } t = 0 \\ \text{FALSE} & \text{if } i > n \\ SS(i + 1, t) & \text{if } A[i] > t \\ SS(i + 1, t) \text{ OR } SS(i + 1, t - A[i]) & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

In what order should we do the bottom up computation?

*In decreasing order of  $i$  and increasing order of  $t$ .*

For what range of values of  $i$  and  $t$  do we need to memoize  $SS(i, t)$ ?

*For  $i = 1$  to  $n$  and for  $t = 1$  to  $T$ .*

Running time?  $O(nT)$ .

## EXERCISE

# LONGEST INCREASING SUBSEQUENCE

### Exercise.

Suppose that we are given an array  $A$  with  $n$  numbers and we want to compute the length of the longest increasing subsequence in  $A$ .

*Example.*    1   4   2   8   5   7

*There are several increasing subsequences:*   1   2   8, 4   8, 1   4   7 etc.

*The longest ones among these are* 1   2   5   7 *and* 1   4   5   7.

How fast can we compute the longest increasing subsequence?