



Lecture 8

Dynamic Programming I: Introduction, Memoization, Rod Cutting, Knapsack

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- **Similar** to divide-and-conquer: **recursion** (for solving sub-problems)
- Sub-problems **overlap**: solve them only **once**!

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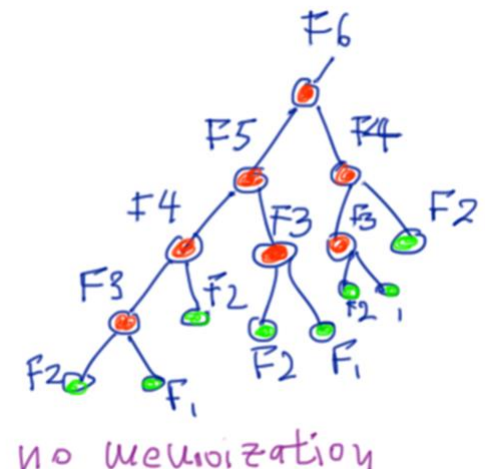
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which is $\Omega(2^{n/2})$

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Linear time: Let's see $F(6)$

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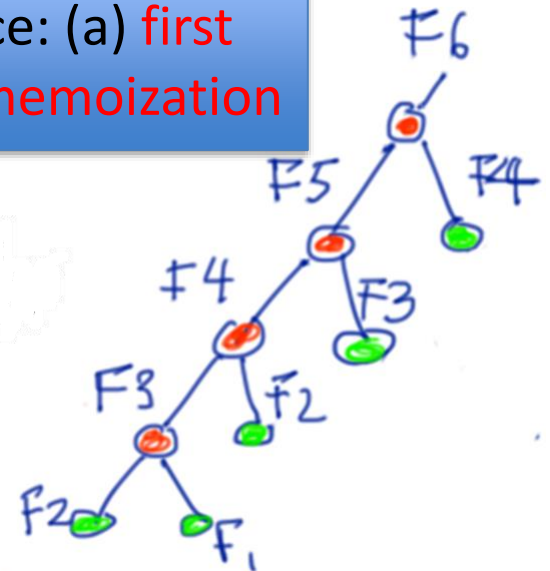
Running time: $\Theta(n)$

Fib(n) will be invoked twice: (a) **first recursion** and (b) **second memoization**

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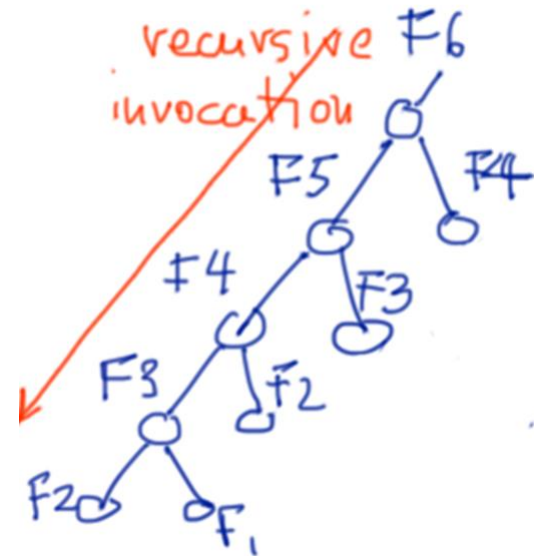
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Two approaches in Dynamic Programming

1. Top-down approach:

If solution is **stored** in the array,
return it (**memoization**).

Otherwise solves
subproblems recursively



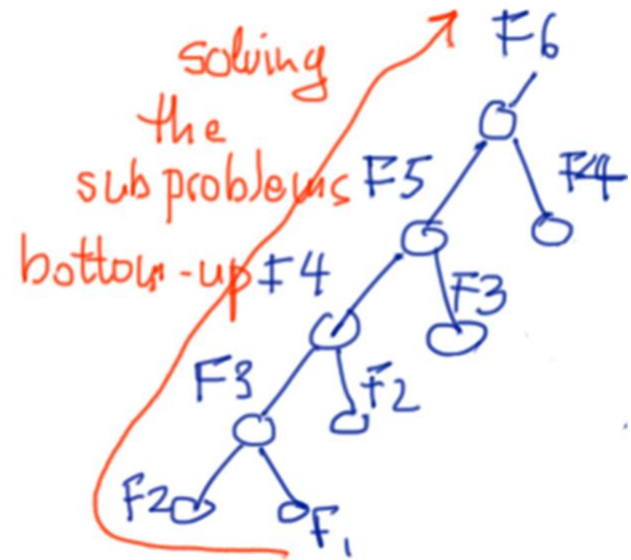
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2. Bottom-up approach:
Solves subproblems **iteratively**
in the order of **smallest**
to **largest sub**problems.

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Array fib[]  
fib[1] ← 1, fib[2] ← 1  
For  $i = 3$  to  $n$  do  
     $\text{fib}[i] = \text{fib}(i - 1) + \text{fib}(i - 2)$   
return fib[n]
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Exponential many 2^{n-1}
Hence exponential time

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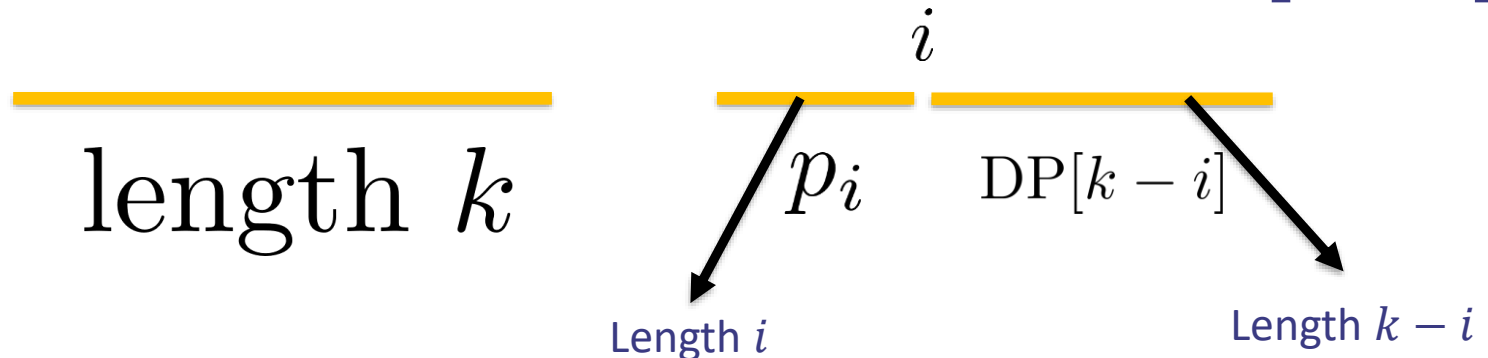
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$DP[k]$ is the max of $p_i + DP[k - i]$ for all $1 \leq i \leq k$

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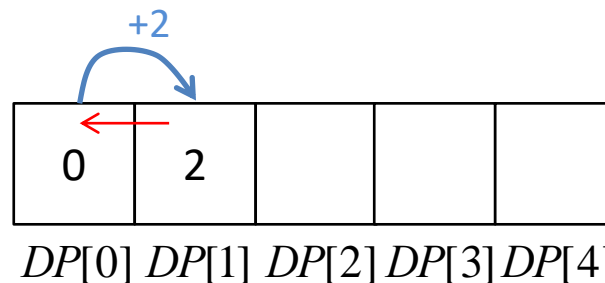
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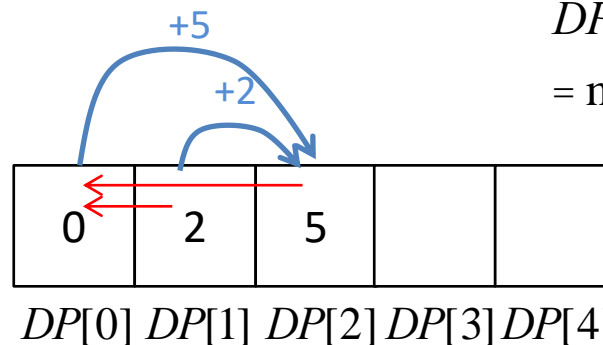
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$$\begin{aligned} DP[2] &= \max\{p_2 + DP[0], p_1 + DP[1]\} \\ &= \max\{5 + 0, 2 + 2\} \end{aligned}$$

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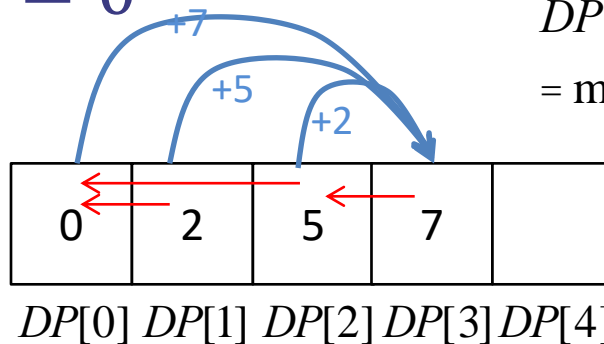
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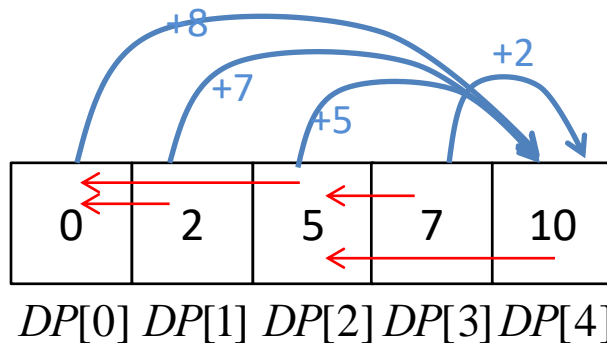
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Running time: $\Theta(n^2)$

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Answer: Use pointer S

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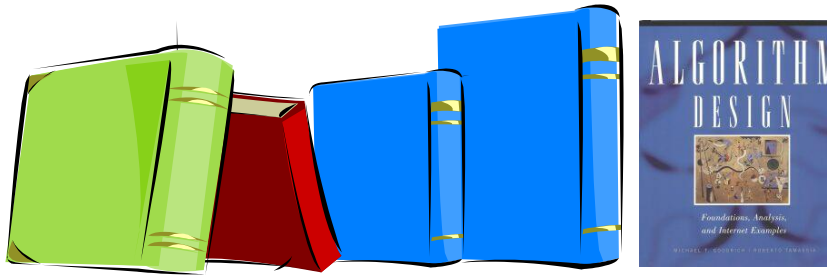
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Case study II: 0/1 Knapsack

Problem: A set of n items, with each item i having positive weight w_i and positive benefit v_i . You are asked to choose items with **maximum total benefit** so that the **total weight** is **at most W**

Example:

Items:



Weight:	4 lbs	2 lbs	2 lbs	6 lbs	2 lbs
Benefit:	\$20	\$3	\$6	\$25	\$80

“knapsack” with 9 lbs capacity



Solution:

- item 5 (\$80, 2 lbs)
- item 3 (\$6, 2lbs)
- item 1 (\$20, 4lbs)

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Idea: Dynamic Programming (first attempt).

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Answer: Let $DP[k]$ be the **maximum value** I can get from items $\{1, \dots, k\}$ without exceeding W .

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It is $DP[n]$.

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Item k will be used or not.

$$DP[k] = \max(DP[k-1], DP[k-1] + v_k)$$

But how do we know that $DP[k-1]$ does **not exceed** $W - w_k$ in weight so we can use k ?

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$$DP[k][j] = \begin{cases} \text{if } w_k \leq j & \max(DP[k-1][j-w_k] + v_k, DP[k-1][j]) \\ \text{If } w_k > j & DP[k-1][j] \end{cases}$$

Answer: Add an if statement in the recurrence.

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Example: 3 items, $W = 4$
 $w_1 = 2, v_1 = 1, w_2 = 2, v_2 = 1, w_3 = 3, v_3 = 5$

Initialization:

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i=0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0				
2	0				
3	0				

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i=0	0	0	0	0	0
1	0	0 ($j < w_1$)			
2	0	0 ($j < w_2$)			
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3	0	0	1		

The table represents the dynamic programming table for the 0/1 Knapsack problem. The rows represent items (i) and the columns represent the knapsack capacity (j). The values in the table are the maximum value that can be achieved with a knapsack of capacity j, considering items 0 through i. The red arrow indicates the transition from the cell (i=1, j=3) to the cell (i=0, j=1), which is the base case for the calculation of the value in the cell (i=1, j=3). The green arrow indicates the transition from the cell (i=1, j=3) to the cell (i=1, j=2), which is the base case for the calculation of the value in the cell (i=1, j=2).

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