

Weighted Interval scheduling.

- Given jobs $1 \dots n$.

Job j has a start time s_j
end time f_j
value v_j

- Goal: find a maximum weight subset of mutually compatible jobs.

- Ex. $\{b, e, h\} \Rightarrow 3+3+3=9$

- Ex. $\{a, g\} \Rightarrow 6+4=10$

- Label jobs in order of finish time: $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$

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- Subproblem is to solve WIS for a smaller set of jobs, $\{1, \dots, i\}$. (~~for $i < j$~~)
(the first i jobs)
- Denote the max weight of a solution for the first i jobs as $\text{OPT}(i)$
- Trying to find $\text{OPT}(j)$, but you magically have the values for $\text{OPT}(i)$, $\forall i < j$
- What's changed/new in $\text{OPT}(j)$ that's not in $\text{OPT}(i)$?
Job j !
- Job j is either in the OPT sol, or it is not.
(inclusion/exclusion)

- If j is not included:

~~The OPT sol to j~~

The $\text{OPT}(j)$ solution is an optimal solution for the subproblem $\{1, \dots, j-1\}$.

$$\text{OPT}(j) = \text{OPT}(j-1)$$

- If j is included

The $\text{OPT}(j)$ solution contains an optimal solution to $\text{OPT}(p(j))$

$$\text{OPT}(j) = \text{OPT}(p(j)) + v_j$$

Dynamic Programming
Formula/Equation.

$$\text{OPT}(j) = \begin{cases} \max(\text{OPT}(j-1), \text{OPT}(p(j)) + v_j) & \text{if } j > 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } j = 0 \end{cases}$$

Two strategies: memoization and bottom-up.

WIS-Bot-Up-DP ($n, s_1, \dots, s_n, f_1, \dots, f_n, v_1, \dots, v_n$)

$\Theta(n \log n)$ Sort jobs by finish times
 $O(n \log n)$ Compute $p(1), \dots, p(n)$
 $M(0) = 0$

$\Theta(n)$ for $j = 1$ to n {
DP table. $\rightarrow M(j) = \max(\underline{M(j-1)}, \underline{v_j} + \underline{M(p(j))})$ } $\Theta(1)$
}
return $M(n)$

Runtime is $\Theta(n \log n)$