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Given a knapsack with maximum capacity W, and a set S consisting of n items

Each item i has some weight w_i and benefit value b_i (all w_i , b_i and W are integer values)

Problem: How to pack the knapsack to achieve maximum total value of packed items?

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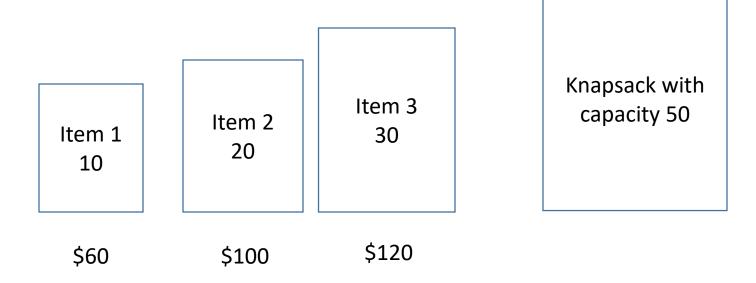
Problem, in other words, is to find

$$\max \sum_{i \in T} b_i \text{ subject to } \sum_{i \in T} w_i \leq W$$

The problem is called a "0-1" problem, because each item must be entirely accepted or rejected.

Just another version of this problem is the "Fractional Knapsack Problem", where we can take fractions of items.

0-1 Knapsack problem (Example)



0-1 Knapsack problem: brute- force approach

Let's first solve this problem with a straightforward algorithm

Since there are *n* items, how many possible combination of items are possible?

It is the same problem as determining all possible subsets of a set.

0-1 Knapsack problem: brute- force approach

Since there are n items, there are 2^n possible combinations of items.

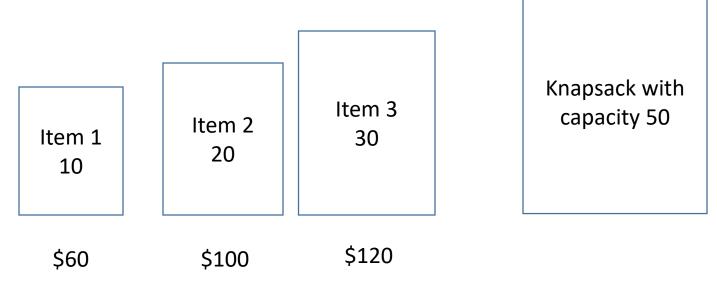
We go through all combinations and find the one with the most total value and with total weight less or equal to W

Running time will be $O(2^n)$

Does any greedy strategy work for 0-1 knapsack problem?

Lets find out!

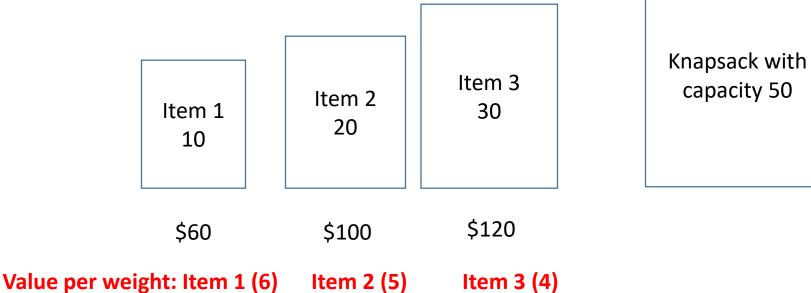
0-1 Knapsack problem (Example 1)



Value per weight: Item 1 (6) Item 2 (5) Item 3 (4)

Lets try value per weight greedy strategy that we used for fractional knapsack

0-1 Knapsack (Counter Example for Greedy Algorithm)



Value per weight Greedy Solution Item 1 (10)

Item 2 (20)

Total Walue = \$160

Optimal Solution

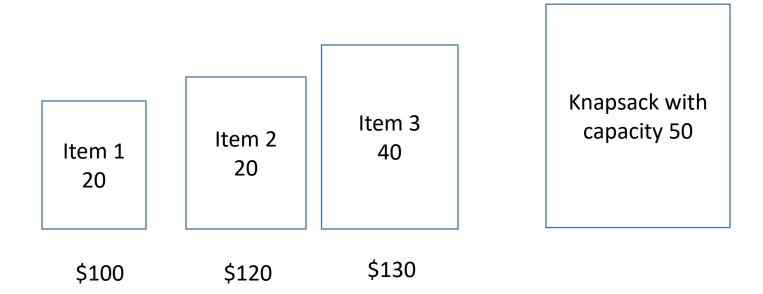
Item 3 (30) Total weight =50

Item 2 (20)

Total Value = \$160

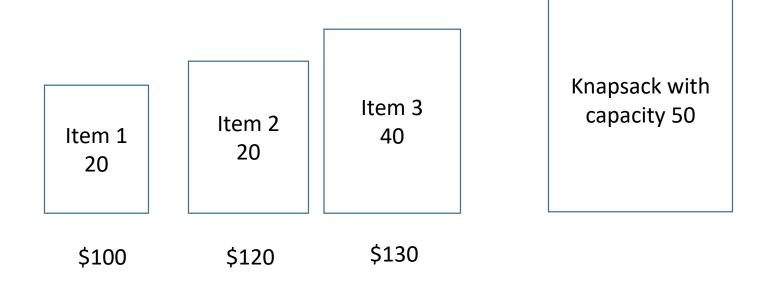
Total Value = \$220

0-1 Knapsack problem (Example 2)



Lets try greedy algorithm: Select item with maximum value first.

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Maximum value first Greedy Solution

Item 3 (40)

Optimal Solution

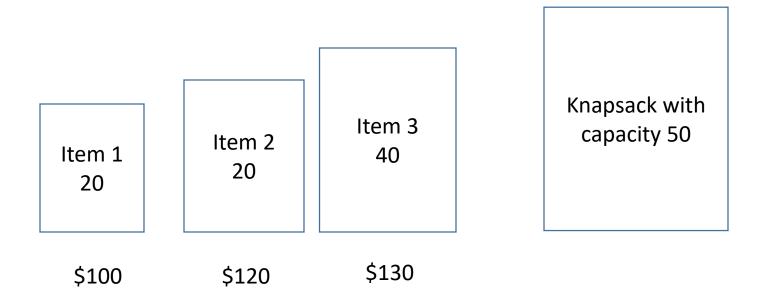
Item 1 (20)

Item 2 (20) Total weight =40

Total Value = \$130

Total Value = \$220

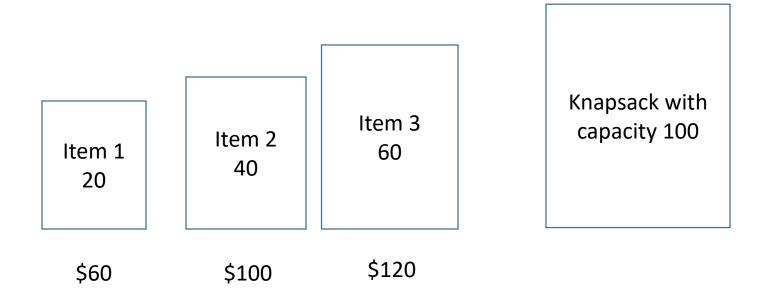
0-1 Knapsack problem (Example 2)



Lets try another greedy algorithm: Select item with minimum weight first.

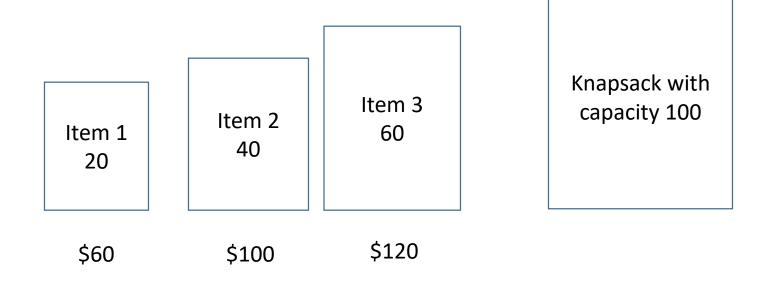
It will give optimal solution in this example with value \$220

0-1 Knapsack problem (Example 3)



Lets try greedy algorithm: Select item with minimum weight first.

0-1 Knapsack problem (Example 3)



Minimum weight first Greedy Solution

Item 1 (20)

Item 2 (40)

Total weight = 60

Total Value = \$160

Optimal Solution

Item 2 (40)

Item 3 (60) Total weight =100

Total Value = \$220

No greedy strategy guarantees optimal solution for 0-1 Knapsack problem

 We have seen counter examples for three greedy algorithms in previous slides