

## Algorithmic Paradigms

**Greed.** Build up a solution incrementally, myopically optimizing some local criterion.

**Divide-and-conquer.** Break up a problem into two sub-problems, solve each sub-problem independently, and combine solution to sub-problems to form solution to original problem.

**Dynamic programming.** Break up a problem into a series of overlapping sub-problems, and build up solutions to larger and larger sub-problems.

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## Dynamic Programming History

**Bellman.** Pioneered the systematic study of dynamic programming in the 1950s.

### Etymology.

- Dynamic programming = planning over time.
- Secretary of Defense was hostile to mathematical research.
- Bellman sought an impressive name to avoid confrontation.
  - "it's impossible to use dynamic in a pejorative sense"
  - "something not even a Congressman could object to"

Reference: Bellman, R. E. *Eye of the Hurricane, An Autobiography*.

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## Dynamic Programming Applications

### Areas.

- Bioinformatics.
- Control theory.
- Information theory.
- Operations research.
- Computer science: theory, graphics, AI, systems, ....

### Some famous dynamic programming algorithms.

- Viterbi for hidden Markov models.
- Unix diff for comparing two files.
- Smith-Waterman for sequence alignment.
- Bellman-Ford for shortest path routing in networks.
- Cocke-Kasami-Younger for parsing context free grammars.

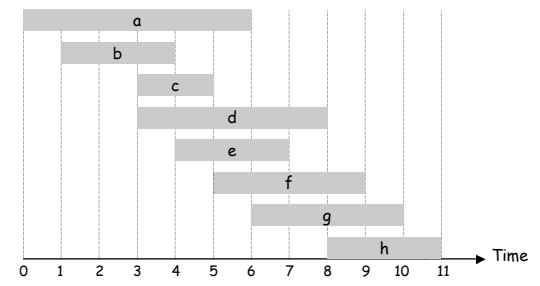
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## 6.1 Weighted Interval Scheduling

### Weighted Interval Scheduling

Weighted interval scheduling problem.

- Job  $j$  starts at  $s_j$ , finishes at  $f_j$ , and has weight or value  $v_j$ .
- Two jobs **compatible** if they don't overlap.
- Goal: find maximum **weight** subset of mutually compatible jobs.



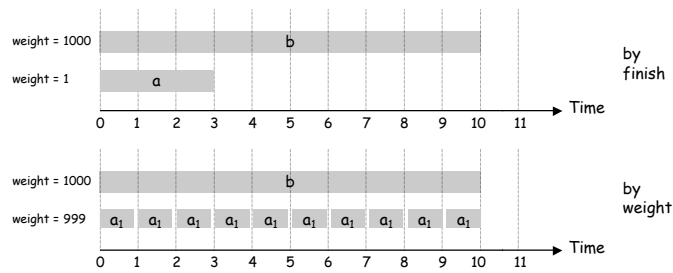
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### Unweighted Interval Scheduling Review

Recall. Greedy algorithm works if all weights are 1.

- Consider jobs in ascending order of finish time.
- Add job to subset if it is compatible with previously chosen jobs.

Observation. Greedy algorithm can fail spectacularly if arbitrary weights are allowed.



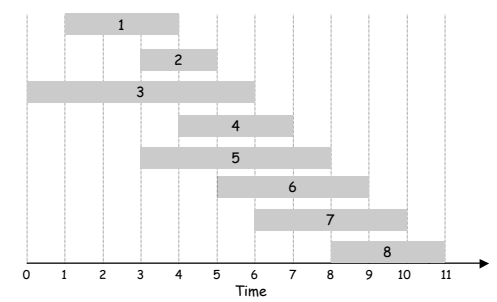
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### Weighted Interval Scheduling

Notation. Label jobs by finishing time:  $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$ .

Def.  $p(j)$  = largest index  $i < j$  such that job  $i$  is compatible with  $j$ .

Ex:  $p(8) = 5$ ,  $p(7) = 3$ ,  $p(2) = 0$ .



$j$	$p(j)$
0	-
1	0
2	0
3	0
4	1
5	0
6	2
7	3
8	5

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### Dynamic Programming: Binary Choice

**Notation.**  $OPT(j)$  = value of optimal solution to the problem consisting of job requests 1, 2, ..., j.

- Case 1:  $OPT$  selects job j.
  - can't use incompatible jobs  $\{ p(j) + 1, p(j) + 2, \dots, j - 1 \}$
  - must include optimal solution to problem consisting of remaining compatible jobs 1, 2, ...,  $p(j)$
- Case 2:  $OPT$  does not select job j.
  - must include optimal solution to problem consisting of remaining compatible jobs 1, 2, ..., j-1

↖ optimal substructure  
↙

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

### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Brute Force

Brute force algorithm.

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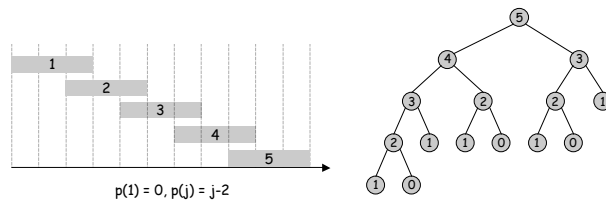
Input: n, s1, ..., sn, f1, ..., fn, v1, ..., vn
Sort jobs by finish times so that f1 ≤ f2 ≤ ... ≤ fn.
Compute p(1), p(2), ..., p(n)

Compute-Opt(j) {
  if (j = 0)
    return 0
  else
    return max(vj + Compute-Opt(p(j)), Compute-Opt(j-1))
}
    
```

### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Brute Force

**Observation.** Recursive algorithm fails spectacularly because of redundant sub-problems ⇒ exponential algorithms.

**Ex.** Number of recursive calls for family of "layered" instances grows like Fibonacci sequence.



### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Memoization

**Memoization.** Store results of each sub-problem in a cache; lookup as needed.

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Input: n, s1, ..., sn, f1, ..., fn, v1, ..., vn
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Compute p(1), p(2), ..., p(n)

for j = 1 to n
  M[j] = empty ← global array
M[0] = 0

M-Compute-Opt(j) {
  if (M[j] is empty)
    M[j] = max(wj + M-Compute-Opt(p(j)), M-Compute-Opt(j-1))
  return M[j]
}
    
```

### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Running Time

**Claim.** Memoized version of algorithm takes  $O(n \log n)$  time.

- Sort by finish time:  $O(n \log n)$ .
- Computing  $p(\cdot)$ :  $O(n)$  after sorting by start time.
- $M\text{-Compute-Opt}(j)$ : each invocation takes  $O(1)$  time and either
  - (i) returns an existing value  $M[j]$
  - (ii) fills in one new entry  $M[j]$  and makes two recursive calls
- Progress measure  $\Phi = \#$  nonempty entries of  $M[\cdot]$ .
  - initially  $\Phi = 0$ , throughout  $\Phi \leq n$ .
  - (ii) increases  $\Phi$  by 1  $\Rightarrow$  at most  $2n$  recursive calls.
- Overall running time of  $M\text{-Compute-Opt}(n)$  is  $O(n)$ . ■

**Remark.**  $O(n)$  if jobs are pre-sorted by start and finish times.

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### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Bottom-Up

Bottom-up dynamic programming. Unwind recursion.

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Input:  $n, s_1, \dots, s_n, f_1, \dots, f_n, v_1, \dots, v_n$ 
Sort jobs by finish times so that  $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$ .
Compute  $p(1), p(2), \dots, p(n)$ 
Iterative-Compute-Opt {
   $M[0] = 0$ 
  for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
     $M[j] = \max(v_j + M[p(j)], M[j-1])$ 
}
    
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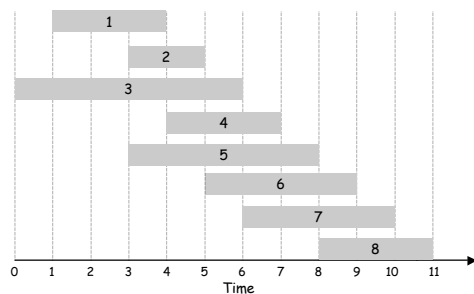
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2		0	
3		0	
4		1	
5		0	
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7		3	
8		5	

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### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Finding a Solution

**Q.** Dynamic programming algorithms computes optimal value. What if we want the solution itself?

**A.** Do some post-processing.

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Run M-Compute-Opt(n)
Run Find-Solution(n)

Find-Solution(j) {
  if (j = 0)
    output nothing
  else if ( $v_j + M[p(j)] > M[j-1]$ )
    print j
    Find-Solution(p(j))
  else
    Find-Solution(j-1)
}
    
```

- # of recursive calls  $\leq n \Rightarrow O(n)$ .

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## 6.4 Knapsack Problem

### Knapsack Problem

#### Knapsack problem.

- Given  $n$  objects and a "knapsack."
- Item  $i$  weighs  $w_i > 0$  kilograms and has value  $v_i > 0$ .
- Knapsack has capacity of  $W$  kilograms.
- Goal: fill knapsack so as to maximize total value.

Ex: { 3, 4 } has value 40.

$W = 11$

Item	Value	Weight
1	1	1
2	6	2
3	18	5
4	22	6
5	28	7

**Greedy:** repeatedly add item with maximum ratio  $v_i / w_i$ .

Ex: { 5, 2, 1 } achieves only value = 35  $\Rightarrow$  greedy not optimal.

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### Dynamic Programming: False Start

**Def.**  $OPT(i)$  = max profit subset of items 1, ...,  $i$ .

- Case 1: OPT does not select item  $i$ .
  - OPT selects best of { 1, 2, ...,  $i-1$  }
- Case 2: OPT selects item  $i$ .
  - accepting item  $i$  does not immediately imply that we will have to reject other items
  - without knowing what other items were selected before  $i$ , we don't even know if we have enough room for  $i$

**Conclusion.** Need more sub-problems!

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### Dynamic Programming: Adding a New Variable

**Def.**  $OPT(i, w)$  = max profit subset of items 1, ...,  $i$  with weight limit  $w$ .

- Case 1: OPT does not select item  $i$ .
  - OPT selects best of { 1, 2, ...,  $i-1$  } using weight limit  $w$
- Case 2: OPT selects item  $i$ .
  - new weight limit =  $w - w_i$
  - OPT selects best of { 1, 2, ...,  $i-1$  } using this new weight limit

$$OPT(i, w) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \\ OPT(i-1, w) & \text{if } w_i > w \\ \max\{OPT(i-1, w), v_i + OPT(i-1, w - w_i)\} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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### Knapsack Problem: Bottom-Up

Knapsack. Fill up an  $n$ -by- $W$  array.

```

Input:  $n, w_1, \dots, w_N, v_1, \dots, v_N$ 

for  $w = 0$  to  $W$ 
   $M[0, w] = 0$ 

for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
  for  $w = 1$  to  $W$ 
    if  $(w_i > w)$ 
       $M[i, w] = M[i-1, w]$ 
    else
       $M[i, w] = \max \{M[i-1, w], v_i + M[i-1, w-w_i]\}$ 

return  $M[n, W]$ 

```

### Knapsack Algorithm

		←----- W + 1 -----→											
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	$\phi$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	{1}	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	{1,2}	0	1	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
	{1,2,3}	0	1	6	7	7	18	19	24	25	25	25	25
	{1,2,3,4}	0	1	6	7	7	18	22	24	28	29	29	40
	{1,2,3,4,5}	0	1	6	7	7	18	22	28	29	34	34	40

OPT: {4, 3}  
value = 22 + 18 = 40

W = 11

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```

if  $(w_i > w)$ 
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```

### Knapsack Problem: Running Time

Running time.  $\Theta(nW)$ .

- Not polynomial in input size!
- "Pseudo-polynomial."
- Decision version of Knapsack is NP-complete. [Chapter 8]

Knapsack approximation algorithm. There exists a polynomial algorithm that produces a feasible solution that has value within 0.01% of optimum. [Section 11.8]

### String Similarity

How similar are two strings?

- occurrence
- occurrence

o c u r r a n c e -

o c c u r r e n c e

5 mismatches, 1 gap

o c - u r r a n c e

o c c u r r e n c e

1 mismatch, 1 gap

o c - u r r - a n c e

o c c u r r e - n c e

0 mismatches, 3 gaps

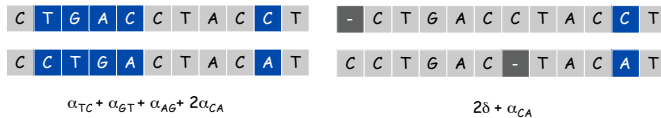
## Edit Distance

### Applications.

- Basis for Unix diff.
- Speech recognition.
- Computational biology.

**Edit distance.** [Levenshtein 1966, Needleman-Wunsch 1970]

- Gap penalty  $\delta$ ; mismatch penalty  $\alpha_{pq}$ .
- Cost = sum of gap and mismatch penalties.



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## Sequence Alignment

**Goal:** Given two strings  $X = x_1 x_2 \dots x_m$  and  $Y = y_1 y_2 \dots y_n$  find alignment of minimum cost.

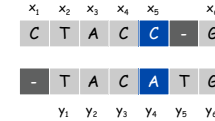
**Def.** An **alignment**  $M$  is a set of ordered pairs  $x_i-y_j$  such that each item occurs in at most one pair and no crossings.

**Def.** The pair  $x_i-y_j$  and  $x_{i'}-y_{j'}$  **cross** if  $i < i'$ , but  $j > j'$ .

$$\text{cost}(M) = \underbrace{\sum_{(x_i, y_j) \in M} \alpha_{x_i, y_j}}_{\text{mismatch}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i: x_i \text{ unmatched}} \delta + \sum_{j: y_j \text{ unmatched}} \delta}_{\text{gap}}$$

**Ex:** CTACCG vs. TACATG.

**Sol:**  $M = x_2-y_1, x_3-y_2, x_4-y_3, x_5-y_4, x_6-y_6$ .



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## Sequence Alignment: Problem Structure

**Def.**  $OPT(i, j)$  = min cost of aligning strings  $x_1 x_2 \dots x_i$  and  $y_1 y_2 \dots y_j$ .

- Case 1:  $OPT$  matches  $x_i-y_j$ .
  - pay mismatch for  $x_i-y_j$  + min cost of aligning two strings  $x_1 x_2 \dots x_{i-1}$  and  $y_1 y_2 \dots y_{j-1}$
- Case 2a:  $OPT$  leaves  $x_i$  unmatched.
  - pay gap for  $x_i$  and min cost of aligning  $x_1 x_2 \dots x_{i-1}$  and  $y_1 y_2 \dots y_j$
- Case 2b:  $OPT$  leaves  $y_j$  unmatched.
  - pay gap for  $y_j$  and min cost of aligning  $x_1 x_2 \dots x_i$  and  $y_1 y_2 \dots y_{j-1}$

$$OPT(i, j) = \begin{cases} j\delta & \text{if } i=0 \\ i\delta & \text{if } j=0 \\ \min \begin{cases} \alpha_{x_i, y_j} + OPT(i-1, j-1) \\ \delta + OPT(i-1, j) \\ \delta + OPT(i, j-1) \end{cases} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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## Sequence Alignment: Algorithm

```

Sequence-Alignment(m, n, x1x2...xm, y1y2...yn, delta, alpha) {
  for i = 0 to m
    M[0, i] = i*delta
  for j = 0 to n
    M[j, 0] = j*delta

  for i = 1 to m
    for j = 1 to n
      M[i, j] = min(alpha[xi, yj] + M[i-1, j-1],
                    delta + M[i-1, j],
                    delta + M[i, j-1])

  return M[m, n]
}
  
```

**Analysis.**  $\Theta(mn)$  time and space.

**English words or sentences:**  $m, n \leq 10$ .

**Computational biology:**  $m = n = 100,000$ . 10 billions ops OK, but 10GB array?

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