

20. Dynamic Programming II

Subset sum problem, knapsack problem, greedy algorithm vs dynamic programming [Ottman/Widmayer, Kap. 7.2, 7.3, 5.7, Cormen et al, Kap. 15,35.5]

Quiz Solution

■ $n \times n$ Table

- Entry at row i and column j : height of highest possible stack formed from maximally i boxes and basement box j .

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Determination of the table: $\Theta(n^3)$, for each entry all entries in the row above must be considered. Computation of the optimal solution by traversing back, worst case $\Theta(n^2)$

Quiz Alternative Solution

- $1 \times n$ Table, topologically sorted³¹ according to half-order stackability
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³¹ explanation soon

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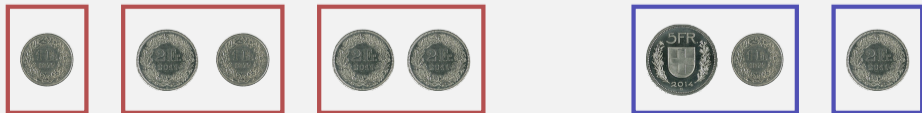
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A solution:



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Goal: decide if a selection $I \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$ exists such that

$$\sum_{i \in I} a_i = \sum_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\} \setminus I} a_i.$$

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Worst case: n steps for each of the 2^n bit vectors b . Number of steps: $\mathcal{O}(n \cdot 2^n)$.

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\Leftrightarrow One possible solution: $\{1, 3, 4\}$

Analysis

- Generate partial sums for each part: $\mathcal{O}(2^{n/2} \cdot n)$.
- Each sorting: $\mathcal{O}(2^{n/2} \log(2^{n/2})) = \mathcal{O}(n2^{n/2})$.
- Merge: $\mathcal{O}(2^{n/2})$

Overall running time

$$\mathcal{O}\left(n \cdot 2^{n/2}\right) = \mathcal{O}\left(n \left(\sqrt{2}\right)^n\right).$$

Substantial improvement over the naive method –
but still exponential!

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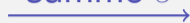
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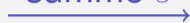
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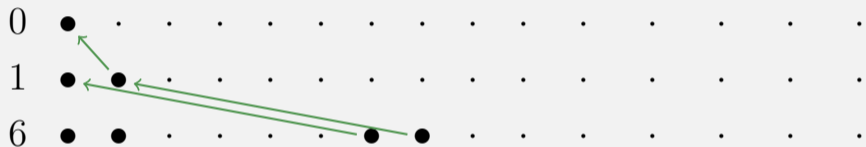
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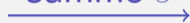
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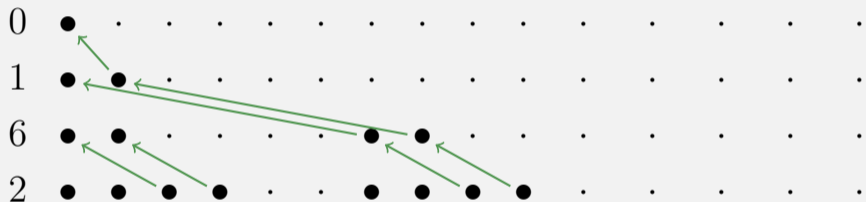
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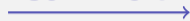


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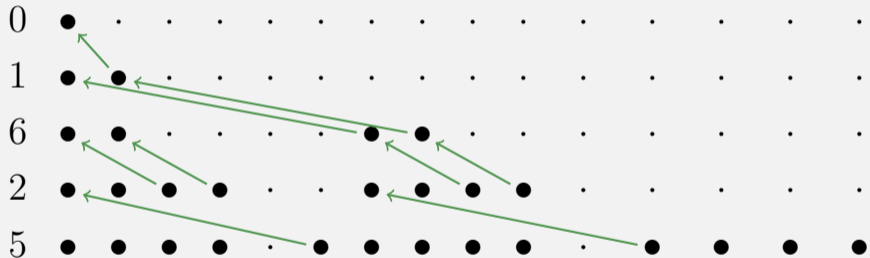
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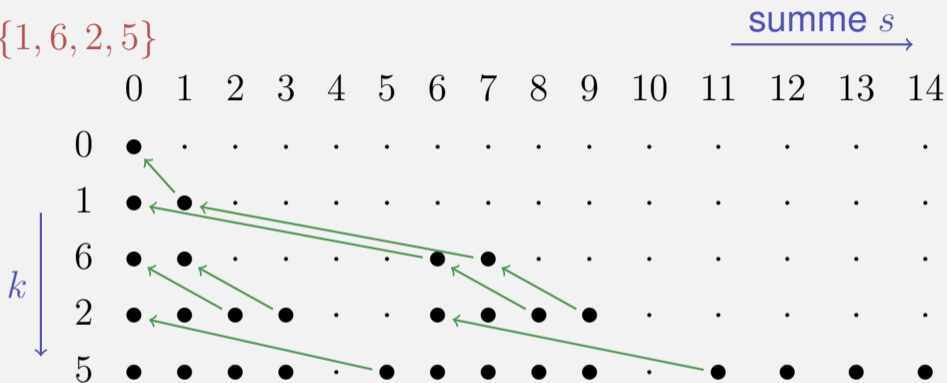


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Determination of the solution: if $T[k, s] = T[k - 1, s]$ then a_k unused and continue with $T[k - 1, s]$, otherwise a_k used and continue with $T[k - 1, s - a_k]$.

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If, however, z is polynomial in n then the algorithm has polynomial run time in n . This is called *pseudo-polynomial*.

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Implications:

- NP contains P.
- Problems can be *verified* in polynomial time.
- Under the not (yet?) proven assumption³² that $NP \neq P$, there is *no algorithm with polynomial run time* for the problem considered above.

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a selection $I \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$ that maximises $\sum_{i \in I} v_i$ under $\sum_{i \in I} w_i \leq W$.

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That is fast: $\Theta(n \log n)$ for sorting and $\Theta(n)$ for the selection. But is it good?

Counterexample

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Greedy algorithm chooses $\{v_1\}$ with value 1.

Best selection: $\{v_2\}$ with value $W - 1$ and weight W .

Greedy heuristics can be arbitrarily bad.

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- with overall weight w ($0 \leq w \leq W$) and
- a value of at least v ($0 \leq v \leq \sum_{i=1}^n v_i$).

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- $m[i, w, 0] \leftarrow \text{true}$ für alle $i \geq 0$ und alle $w \geq 0$.
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increasing in i and for each i increasing in w and for fixed i and w increasing by v .

Solution: largest v , such that $m[i, w, v] = \text{true}$ for some i and w .

Observation

The definition of the problem obviously implies that

■ for $m[i, w, v] = \text{true}$ it holds:

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This strongly suggests that we do not need a 3d table!

2d DP table

Table entry $t[i, w]$ contains, instead of boolean values, the largest v , that can be achieved³³ with

- items $1, \dots, i$ ($0 \leq i \leq n$)
- at maximum weight w ($0 \leq w \leq W$).

³³We could have followed a similar idea in order to reduce the size of the sparse table.

Computation

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- $t[0, w] \leftarrow 0$ for all $w \geq 0$.

We compute

$$t[i, w] \leftarrow \begin{cases} t[i-1, w] & \text{if } w < w_i \\ \max\{t[i-1, w], t[i-1, w-w_i] + v_i\} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

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Solution is located in $t[n, w]$

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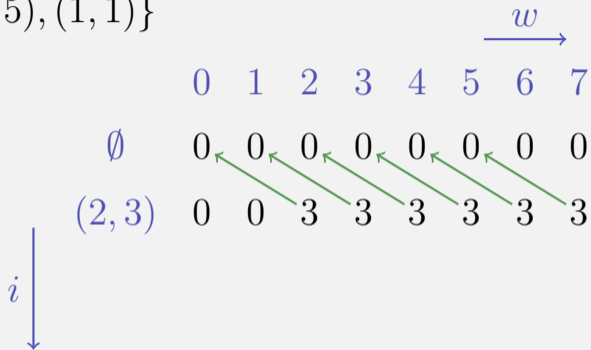
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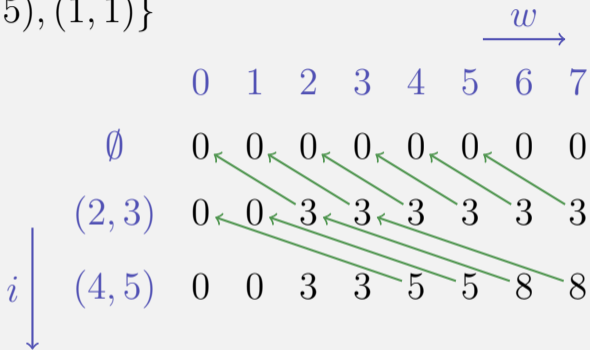
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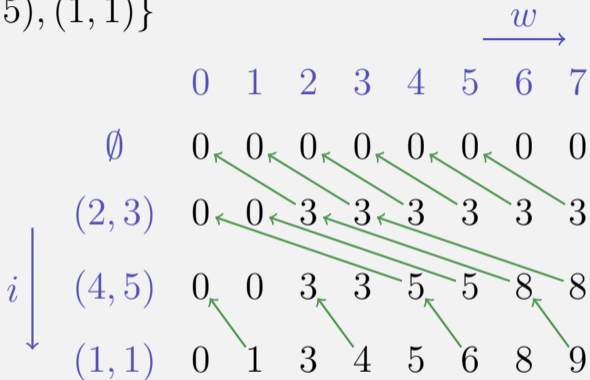
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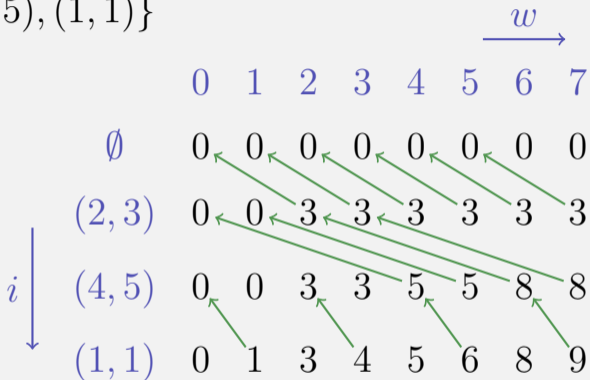
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Reading out the solution: if $t[i, w] = t[i - 1, w]$ then item i unused and continue with $t[i - 1, w]$ otherwise used and continue with $t[i - 1, s - w_i]$.

Analysis

The two algorithms for the knapsack problem provide a run time in $\Theta(n \cdot W \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n v_i)$ (3d-table) and $\Theta(n \cdot W)$ (2d-table) and are thus both pseudo-polynomial, but they deliver the best possible result.

The greedy algorithm is very fast but might deliver an arbitrarily bad result.

Now we consider a solution between the two extremes.