

## 22. Dynamic Programming III

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FPTAS [Ottman/Widmayer, Kap. 7.2, 7.3, Cormen et al, Kap. 15,35.5], Optimal Search Tree [Ottman/Widmayer, Kap. 5.7]

# Approximation

Let  $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$  given. Let  $I_{\text{opt}}$  an optimal selection.  
No try to find a valid selection  $I$  with

$$\sum_{i \in I} v_i \geq (1 - \varepsilon) \sum_{i \in I_{\text{opt}}} v_i.$$

Sum of weights may not violate the weight limit.

# Different formulation of the algorithm

**Before:** weight limit  $w \rightarrow$  maximal value  $v$

**Reversed:** value  $v \rightarrow$  minimal weight  $w$

$\Rightarrow$  **alternative table**  $g[i, v]$  provides the minimum weight with

- a selection of the first  $i$  items ( $0 \leq i \leq n$ ) that
- provide a value of exactly  $v$  ( $0 \leq v \leq \sum_{i=1}^n v_i$ ).

# Computation

## Initially

- $g[0, 0] \leftarrow 0$
- $g[0, v] \leftarrow \infty$  (Value  $v$  cannot be achieved with 0 items.).

## Computation

$$g[i, v] \leftarrow \begin{cases} g[i-1, v] & \text{falls } v < v_i \\ \min\{g[i-1, v], g[i-1, v-v_i] + w_i\} & \text{sonst.} \end{cases}$$

incrementally in  $i$  and for fixed  $i$  increasing in  $v$ .

Solution can be found at largest index  $v$  with  $g[n, v] \leq w$ .

# Example

$$E = \{(2, 3), (4, 5), (1, 1)\}$$

		$\xrightarrow{v}$									
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
$i \downarrow$	$\emptyset$	0	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
	(2, 3)	0	$\infty$	$\infty$	2	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$	$\infty$
	(4, 5)	0	$\infty$	$\infty$	2	$\infty$	4	$\infty$	$\infty$	6	$\infty$
	(1, 1)	0	1	$\infty$	2	3	4	5	$\infty$	6	7

Read out the solution: if  $g[i, v] = g[i - 1, v]$  then item  $i$  unused and continue with  $g[i - 1, v]$  otherwise used and continue with  $g[i - 1, b - v_i]$ .

# The approximation trick

Pseudopolynomial run time gets polynomial if the number of occurring values can be bounded by a polynomial of the input length.

Let  $K > 0$  be chosen *appropriately*. Replace values  $v_i$  by “rounded values”  $\tilde{v}_i = \lfloor v_i/K \rfloor$  delivering a new input  $E' = (w_i, \tilde{v}_i)_{i=1\dots n}$ .

Apply the algorithm on the input  $E'$  with the same weight limit  $W$ .

# Idea

**Example**  $K = 5$

Values

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, ..., 98, 99, 100

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0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 1, 2, ..., 19, 19, 20

Obviously less different values

# Properties of the new algorithm

- Selection of items in  $E'$  is also admissible in  $E$ . Weight remains unchanged!
- Run time of the algorithm is bounded by  $\mathcal{O}(n^2 \cdot v_{\max}/K)$   
( $v_{\max} := \max\{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ )



# How good is the approximation?

It holds that

$$v_i - K \leq K \cdot \left\lfloor \frac{v_i}{K} \right\rfloor = K \cdot \tilde{v}_i \leq v_i$$

Let  $I'_{opt}$  be an optimal solution of  $E'$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{i \in I_{opt}} v_i \right) - n \cdot K &\stackrel{|I_{opt}| \leq n}{\leq} \sum_{i \in I_{opt}} (v_i - K) \leq \sum_{i \in I_{opt}} (K \cdot \tilde{v}_i) = K \sum_{i \in I_{opt}} \tilde{v}_i \\ &\stackrel{I'_{opt} \text{ optimal}}{\leq} K \sum_{i \in I'_{opt}} \tilde{v}_i = \sum_{i \in I'_{opt}} K \cdot \tilde{v}_i \leq \sum_{i \in I'_{opt}} v_i. \end{aligned}$$

# Choice of $K$

Requirement:

$$\sum_{i \in I'} v_i \geq (1 - \varepsilon) \sum_{i \in I_{\text{opt}}} v_i.$$

Inequality from above:

$$\sum_{i \in I'_{\text{opt}}} v_i \geq \left( \sum_{i \in I_{\text{opt}}} v_i \right) - n \cdot K$$

thus:  $K = \varepsilon \frac{\sum_{i \in I_{\text{opt}}} v_i}{n}$ .

# Choice of $K$

Choose  $K = \varepsilon \frac{\sum_{i \in I_{\text{opt}}} v_i}{n}$ . The optimal sum is unknown. Therefore we choose  $K' = \varepsilon \frac{v_{\max}}{n}$ .<sup>38</sup>

It holds that  $v_{\max} \leq \sum_{i \in I_{\text{opt}}} v_i$  and thus  $K' \leq K$  and the approximation is even slightly better.

The run time of the algorithm is bounded by

$$\mathcal{O}(n^2 \cdot v_{\max}/K') = \mathcal{O}(n^2 \cdot v_{\max}/(\varepsilon \cdot v_{\max}/n)) = \mathcal{O}(n^3/\varepsilon).$$

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<sup>38</sup>We can assume that items  $i$  with  $w_i > W$  have been removed in the first place.

# FPTAS

Such a family of algorithms is called an **approximation scheme**: the choice of  $\varepsilon$  controls both running time and approximation quality.

The runtime  $\mathcal{O}(n^3/\varepsilon)$  is a polynomial in  $n$  and in  $\frac{1}{\varepsilon}$ . The scheme is therefore also called a **FPTAS - Fully Polynomial Time Approximation Scheme**

## 22.2 Optimale Suchbäume

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# Optimal binary Search Trees

Given: search probabilities  $p_i$  for each key  $k_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ) and  $q_i$  of each interval  $d_i$  ( $i = 0, \dots, n$ ) between search keys of a binary search tree.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n p_i + \sum_{i=0}^n q_i = 1.$$

Wanted: optimal search tree  $T$  with key depths  $\text{depth}(\cdot)$ , that minimizes the expected search costs

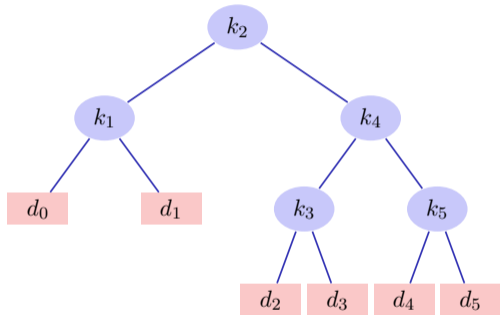
$$\begin{aligned} C(T) &= \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \cdot (\text{depth}(k_i) + 1) + \sum_{i=0}^n q_i \cdot (\text{depth}(d_i) + 1) \\ &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n p_i \cdot \text{depth}(k_i) + \sum_{i=0}^n q_i \cdot \text{depth}(d_i) \end{aligned}$$

# Example

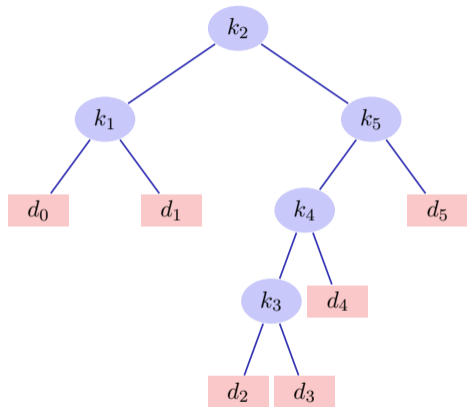
## Expected Frequencies

$i$	0	1	2	3	4	5
$p_i$		0.15	0.10	0.05	0.10	0.20
$q_i$	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.10

# Example



Search tree with expected costs  
2.8



Search tree with expected costs  
2.75



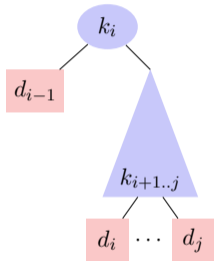
# Structure of a optimal binary search tree

- Subtree with keys  $k_i, \dots, k_j$  and intervals  $d_{i-1}, \dots, d_j$  must be optimal for the respective sub-problem.<sup>39</sup>
- Consider all subtrees with roots  $k_r$  and optimal subtrees for keys  $k_i, \dots, k_{r-1}$  and  $k_{r+1}, \dots, k_j$

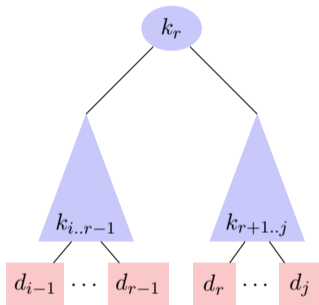
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<sup>39</sup>The usual argument: if it was not optimal, it could be replaced by a better solution improving the overall solution.

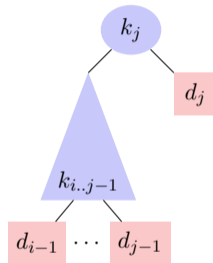
# Sub-trees for Searching



empty left subtree



non-empty left and  
right subtrees



empty right subtree

# Expected Search Costs

Let  $\text{depth}_T(k)$  be the depth of a node  $k$  in the sub-tree  $T$ . Let  $k$  be the root of subtrees  $T_r$  and  $T_{L_r}$  and  $T_{R_r}$  be the left and right sub-tree of  $T_r$ . Then

$$\text{depth}_T(k_i) = \text{depth}_{T_{L_r}}(k_i) + 1, (i < r)$$

$$\text{depth}_T(k_i) = \text{depth}_{T_{R_r}}(k_i) + 1, (i > r)$$

# Expected Search Costs

Let  $e[i, j]$  be the costs of an optimal search tree with nodes  $k_i, \dots, k_j$ .

Base case  $e[i, i - 1]$ , expected costs  $d_{i-1}$

Let  $w(i, j) = \sum_{l=i}^j p_l + \sum_{l=i-1}^j q_l$ .

If  $k_r$  is the root of an optimal search tree with keys  $k_i, \dots, k_j$ , then

$$e[i, j] = p_r + (e[i, r - 1] + w(i, r - 1)) + (e[r + 1, j] + w(r + 1, j))$$

with  $w(i, j) = w(i, r - 1) + p_r + w(r + 1, j)$ :

$$e[i, j] = e[i, r - 1] + e[r + 1, j] + w(i, j).$$

# Dynamic Programming

$$e[i, j] = \begin{cases} q_{i-1} & \text{if } j = i - 1, \\ \min_{i \leq r \leq j} \{e[i, r - 1] + e[r + 1, j] + w[i, j]\} & \text{if } i \leq j \end{cases}$$

# Computation

Tables  $e[1 \dots n + 1, 0 \dots n]$ ,  $w[1 \dots n + 1, 0 \dots m]$ ,  $r[1 \dots n, 1 \dots n]$  Initially

■  $e[i, i - 1] \leftarrow q_{i-1}$ ,  $w[i, i - 1] \leftarrow q_{i-1}$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq n + 1$ .

We compute

$$w[i, j] = w[i, j - 1] + p_j + q_j$$

$$e[i, j] = \min_{i \leq r \leq j} \{e[i, r - 1] + e[r + 1, j] + w[i, j]\}$$

$$r[i, j] = \arg \min_{i \leq r \leq j} \{e[i, r - 1] + e[r + 1, j] + w[i, j]\}$$

for intervals  $[i, j]$  with increasing lengths  $l = 1, \dots, n$ , each for  $i = 1, \dots, n - l + 1$ . Result in  $e[1, n]$ , reconstruction via  $r$ . Runtime  $\Theta(n^3)$ .

# Example

$i$	0	1	2	3	4	5
$p_i$		0.15	0.10	0.05	0.10	0.20
$q_i$	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.10

$e$

$j$						
0	0.05					
1	0.45	0.10				
2	0.90	0.40	0.05			
3	1.25	0.70	0.25	0.05		
4	1.75	1.20	0.60	0.30	0.05	
5	2.75	2.00	1.30	0.90	0.50	0.10
	1	2	3	4	5	6

$i$

$w$

$j$						
0	0.05					
1	0.30	0.10				
2	0.45	0.25	0.05			
3	0.55	0.35	0.15	0.05		
4	0.70	0.50	0.30	0.20	0.05	
5	1.00	0.80	0.60	0.50	0.35	0.10
	1	2	3	4	5	6

$i$

$r$

$j$						
1	1					
2	1	2				
3	2	2	3			
4	2	2	4	4		
5	2	4	5	5	5	
	1	2	3	4	5	

$i$