

Objectives

Dynamic Programming

- Overview
- Fibonacci
- Weighted scheduling

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Algorithmic Paradigms

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

Divide-and-conquer. Break up a problem into 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

Richard Bellman pioneered systematic study of dynamic programming in 1950s

Etymology

- Dynamic programming = planning over time
 - Not our typical use of programming
- 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"

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

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WARMUP: FIBONACCI SEQUENCE

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How Would You Solve Fibonacci Sequence?

Input: the number of fibonacci numbers I want

Output: display the list of fibonacci numbers

Sequence:

- $F_0 = F_1 = 1$
- $F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$

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Soln 1: Using a List

Typical Solution:

```
fibs = []           # create an empty list
fibs.append(1)      # append the first two Fib numbers
fibs.append(1)
print 1, 1,
for x in xrange(2, N+1):
    newfib = fibs[x-1]+fibs[x-2]
    print newfib,
    fibs.append(newfib)
print fibs          # print out the list
```

Building up solution

Running time? Space cost?

Do we need a whole list?

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Soln 2: Using Three Variables

Only need the solutions to the last two problems ($F[k-1]$, $F[k-2]$)

```
lastNum = 1
twoAgo = 1
print twoAgo, lastNum,

for n in xrange(2, N+1):

    nthNum = twoAgo + lastNum
    print nthNum,

    twoAgo = lastNum
    lastNum = nthNum
```

Write as a recurrence

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Soln 3: Recursion

```
def fibonacci(n):
    return fibonacci(n-1) + fibonacci(n-2)
```

What is the running time of this algorithm?

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Dynamic Programming Memoization Process

Create a table with the possible inputs

If the value is in the table, return it (without recomputing it); Otherwise, call function recursively

- Add value to table for future reference

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Memoization Example: Fibonacci

```
memoized_fibonacci(n):
    for j = 1 to n:
        results[j] = -1 # -1 means undefined

    return memoized_fib_recurs(results, n)

memoized_fib_recurs(results, n):
    if results[n] != -1: # value is defined
        return results[n]
    if n == 1:
        val = 1
    elif n == 2:
        val = 1
    else:
        val = memoized_fib_recurs(results, n-2)
        val = val + memoized_fib_recurs(results, n-1)
    results[n] = val
    return val
```

Runtime?

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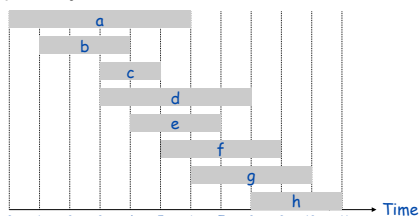
WEIGHTED INTERVAL SCHEDULING

Weighted Interval Scheduling

Job j starts at s_j , finishes at f_j , and has weight or value v_j

Two jobs are **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

What happens if we add weights to the problem?

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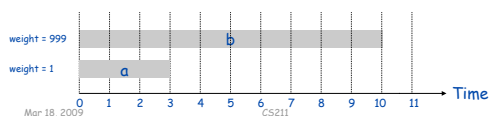
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Limitation of Greedy Algorithm

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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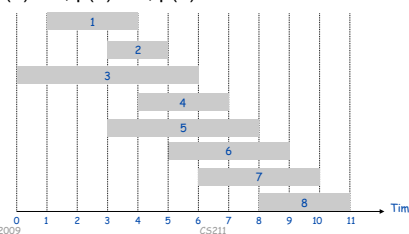
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Weighted Interval Scheduling

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



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Dynamic Programming

Assume we have an optimal solution

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

- What is something *obvious* we can say about the optimal solution with respect to job j ?

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Dynamic Programming: Binary Choice

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

- Case 1: OPT selects job j
- Case 2: OPT does not select job j

- Explore both of these cases...
 - What jobs are in OPT ? Which are not?
- Keep in mind our definition of p

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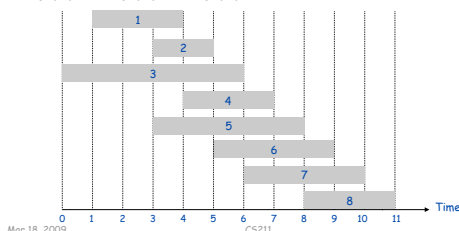
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Dynamic Programming: Binary Choice

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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

Formulate $OPT(j)$ as a recurrence relation

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Two options: $OPT(j) = v_j + OPT(p(j))$
 $OPT(j) = OPT(j-1)$

*Formulate $OPT(j)$ in terms of smaller subproblems
Which should we choose?*

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Dynamic Programming: Binary Choice

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Case 2: OPT does not select job j

- must include optimal solution to problem consisting of remaining compatible jobs 1, 2, ..., $j - 1$

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

Choose the better of the two solutions

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Weighted Interval Scheduling: Recursive Algorithm

Input: n jobs (associated start time s_j , finish time f_j , and value v_j)

Sort jobs by finish times so that $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$

Compute $p(1)$, $p(2)$, ..., $p(n)$

Compute- $OPT(j)$

if $j = 0$

return 0

else

return $\max(v_j + \text{Compute-}OPT(p(j)), \text{Compute-}OPT(j-1))$

What is the run time?
(Trace for $n = 5$)



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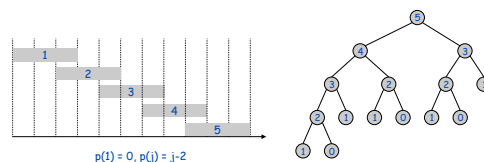
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Weighted Interval Scheduling: Brute Force

Observation. Redundant sub-problems \Rightarrow exponential algorithms

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



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Weighted Interval Scheduling: Memoization

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

Input: n jobs (associated start time s_j , finish time f_j , and value v_j)

Sort jobs by finish times so that $f_1 \leq f_2 \leq \dots \leq f_n$
 Compute $p(1), p(2), \dots, p(n)$

for $j = 1$ to n

$M[j] = \text{empty}$ ← global array

$M[0] = 0$ ← Because we have jobs whose $p(j) = 0$

M-Compute-Opt(j):

if $M[j]$ is empty:

$M[j] = \max(v_j + \text{M-Compute-Opt}(p(j)), \text{M-Compute-Opt}(j-1))$

return $M[j]$

Need to analyze runtime...

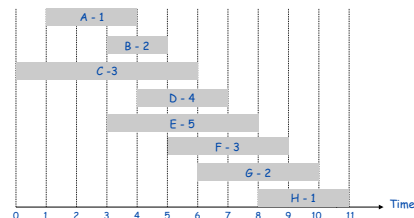
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Example

Jobs labeled with name - weight/value



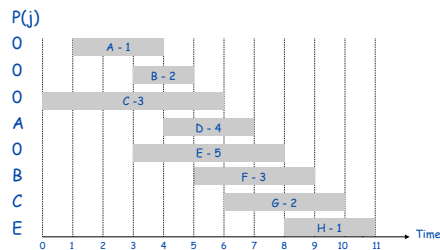
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Example



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