

## Objectives

Dynamic Programming

- Finish weighted scheduling
- Segmented least squares

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## Quote of the NCAA Tourney

This is the guy who has to get it done for Binghamton. He's their CPU if this is a computer.... He's the operating system.... He's the processing unit, the one that makes everything happen.

-- Clark Kellogg on Emanuel Mayben

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## Dynamic Programming: Key Idea?

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## Dynamic Programming: Key Idea

**Memoization.** Keep the previous results to reduce running time

- Tradeoff of space for time

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## WEIGHTED INTERVAL SCHEDULING

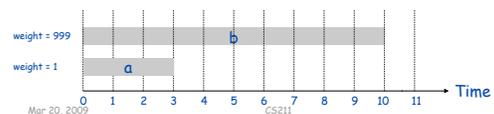
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## Limitation of Greedy Algorithm

**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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### Dynamic Programming: Binary Choice

**Notation.** OPT = 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, ..., 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

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

*Choose the better of the two solutions*

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### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Memoization

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

**Input:** n jobs (associated start time s<sub>j</sub>, finish time f<sub>j</sub>, and value v<sub>j</sub>)

Sort jobs by finish times so that f<sub>1</sub> ≤ f<sub>2</sub> ≤ ... ≤ f<sub>n</sub>  
 Compute p(1), p(2), ..., p(n)

for j = 1 to n  
 M[j] = empty ← global array  
 M[0] = 0 ← Because we have jobs whose p(i) = 0

**M-Compute-Opt(j):**  
 if M[j] is empty:  
 M[j] = max(v<sub>j</sub> + M-Compute-Opt(p(j)), M-Compute-Opt(j-1))  
 return M[j]

Need to analyze runtime...

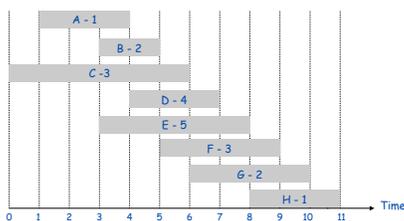
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### Example

Jobs labeled with name - weight/value



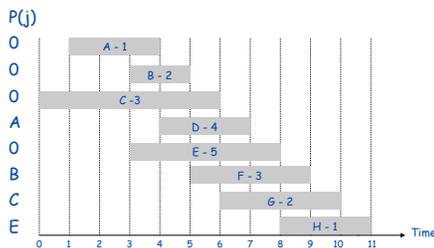
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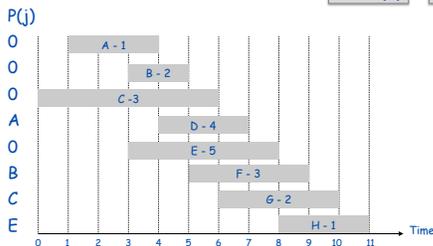
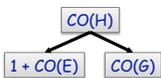
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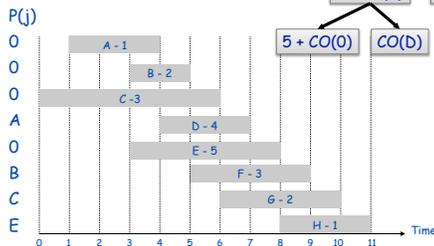
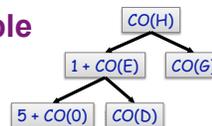
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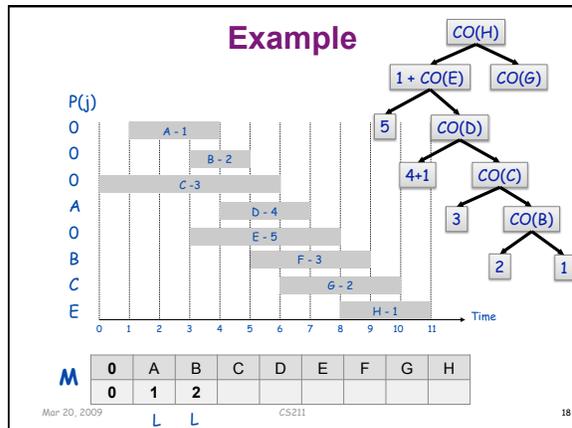
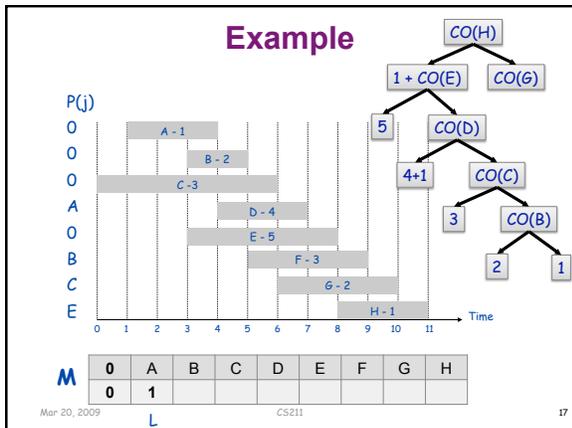
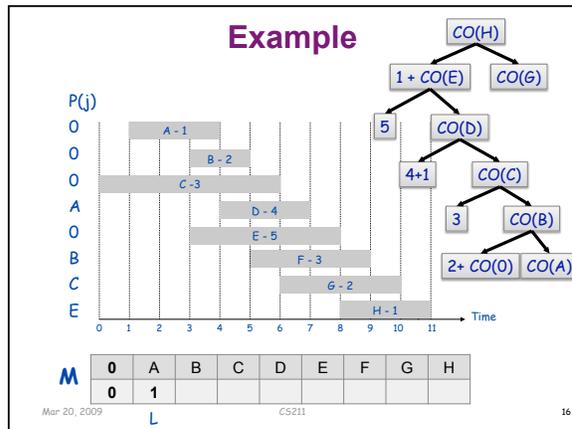
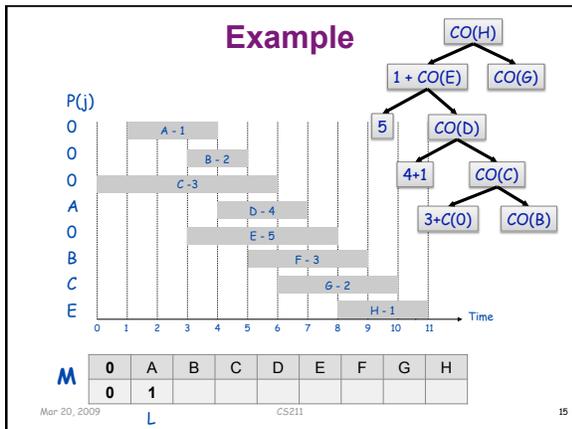
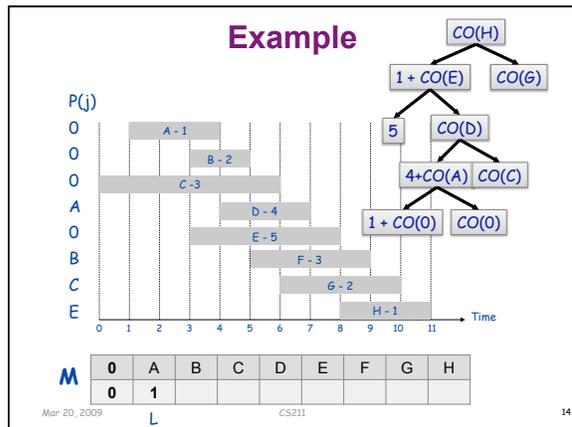
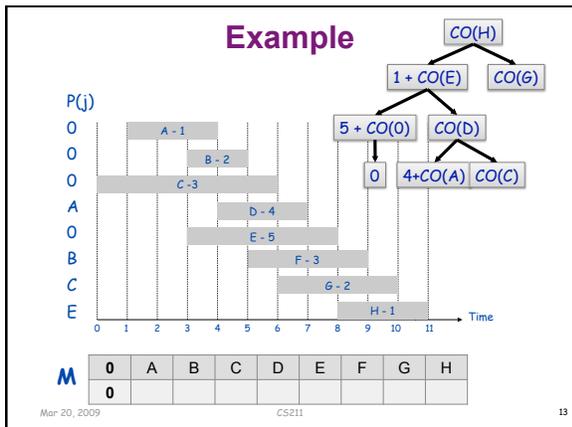


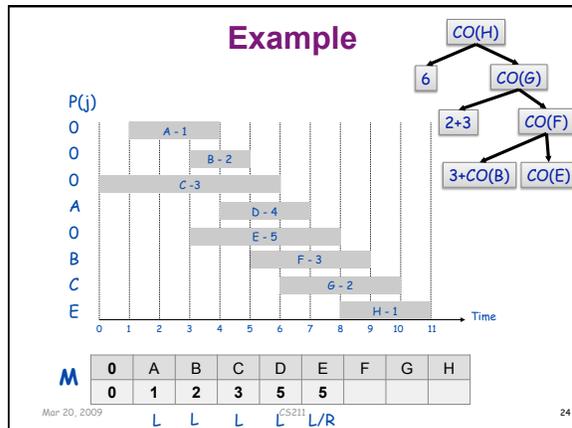
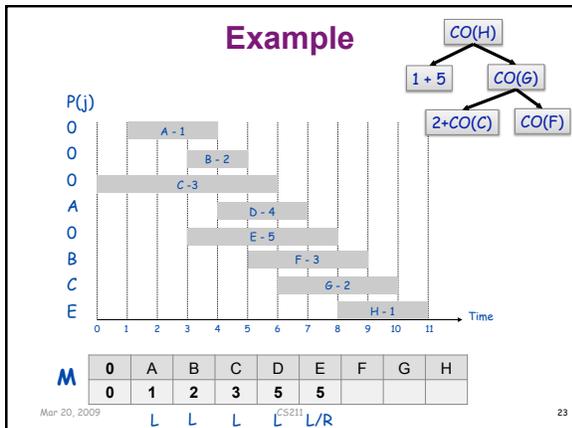
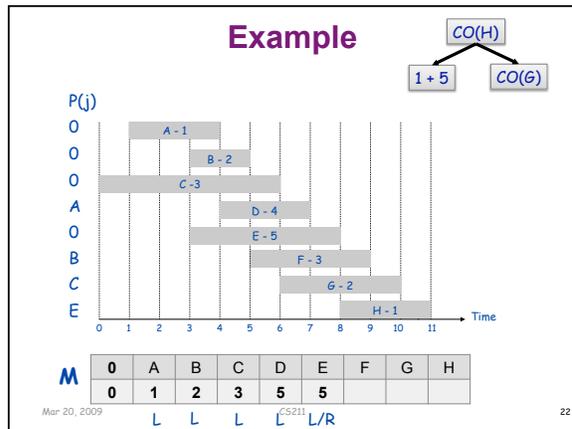
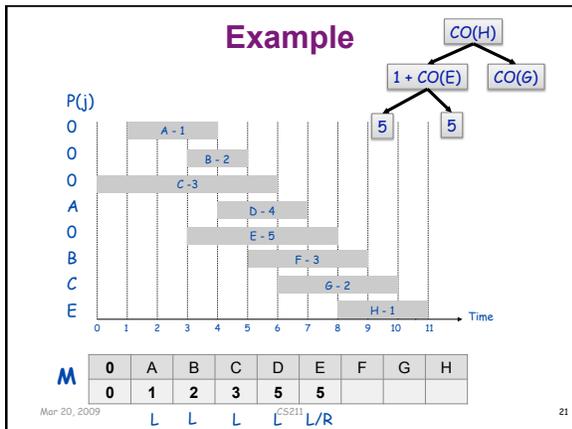
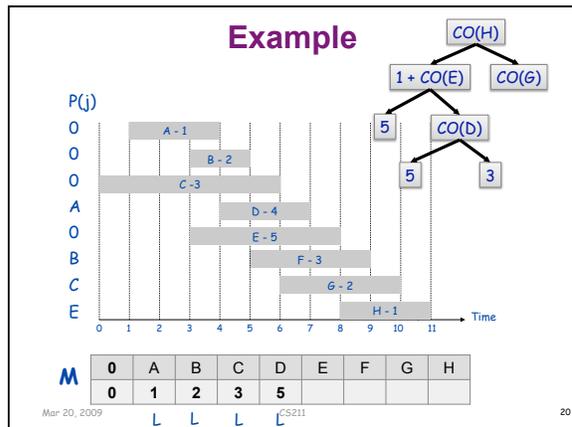
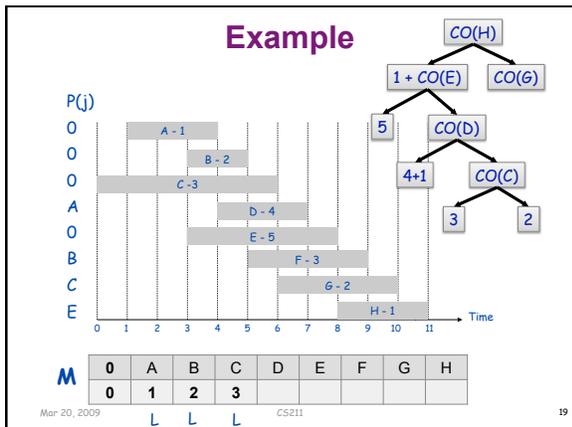
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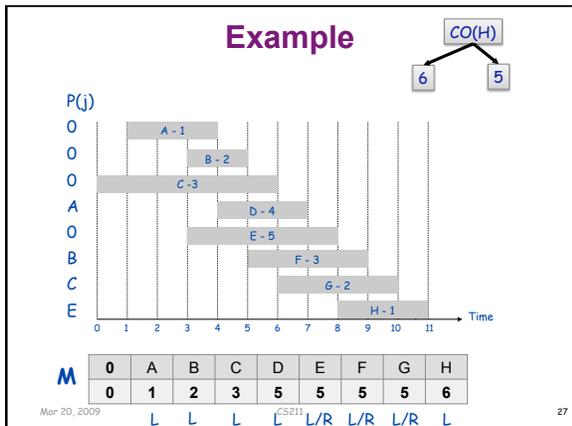
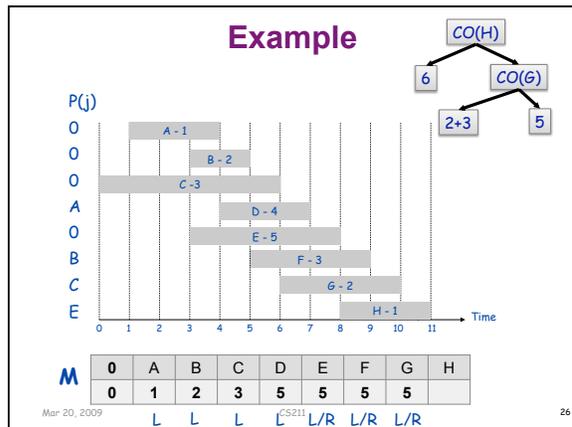
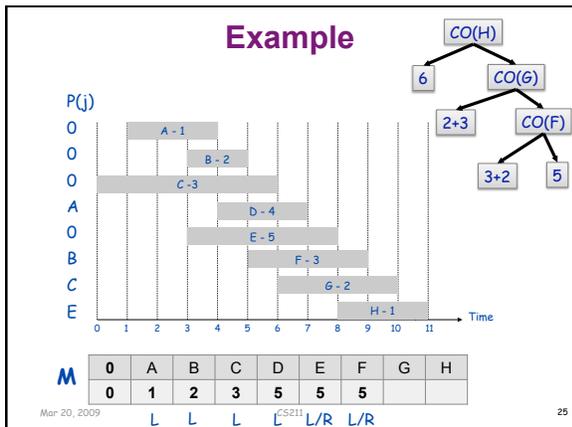
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## Weighted Interval Scheduling: Memoization Analysis

Costs?

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

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## 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-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  $M[\ ]$ 
  - (i) initially  $\Phi = 0$ , throughout  $\Phi \leq n$
  - (ii) increases  $\Phi$  by 1  $\Rightarrow$  at most  $2n$  recursive calls
- Overall running time of **M-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: Finding a Solution

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

A. Do some post-processing

- Looking at M, how do we know which set of intervals were chosen?

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	0	1	2	3	5	5	5	5	6
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### Weighted Interval Scheduling: Finding a Solution

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

Find-Solution(j):
  if j = 0:
    output nothing
  elif vj + M[p(j)] > M[j-1]:
    print j
    Find-Solution(p(j))
  else:
    Find-Solution(j-1)
    
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### Turning it Around...

We solved the Fibonacci problem as both recursive/ memoized and an iterative algorithm

Can we write this algorithm as an iterative solution?

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

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### Iterative Solution

Build up solution from subproblems instead of breaking down

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  $p(1), p(2), \dots, p(n)$

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Iterative-Compute-Opt
  M[0] = 0
  for j = 1 to n
    M[j] = max(vj + M[p(j)], M[j-1])
    
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Typically, approach we'll take

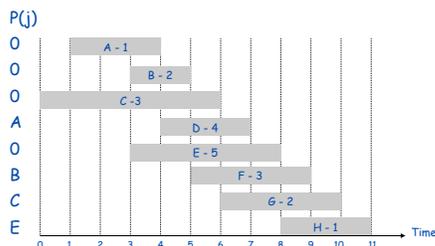
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### Example: Iteratively



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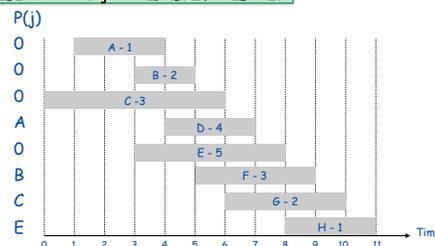
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### Example: Iteratively

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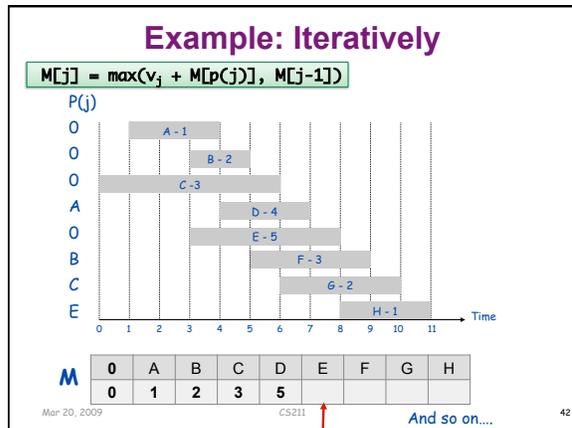
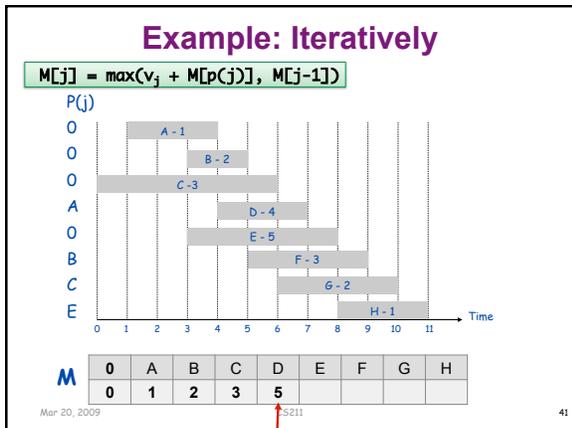
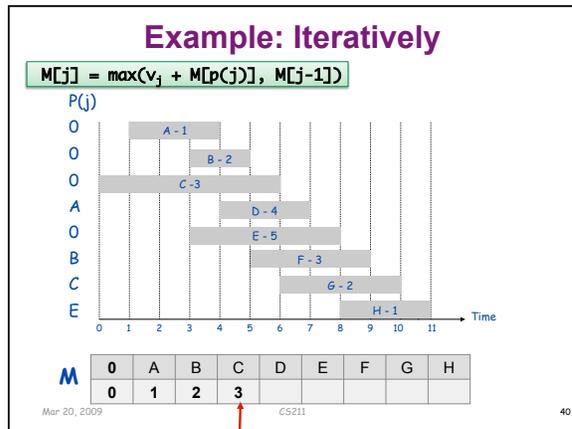
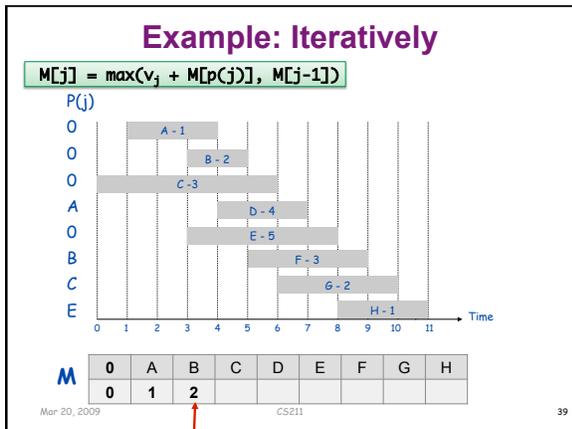
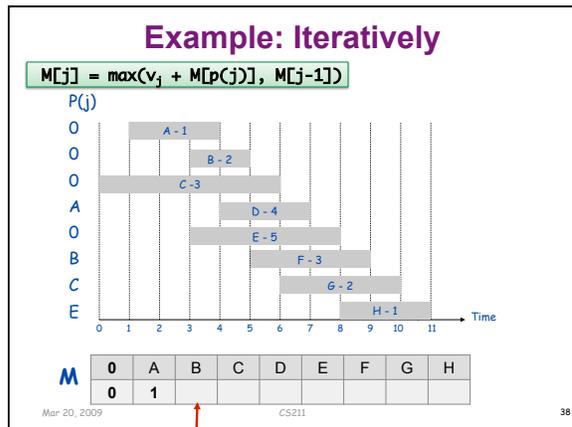
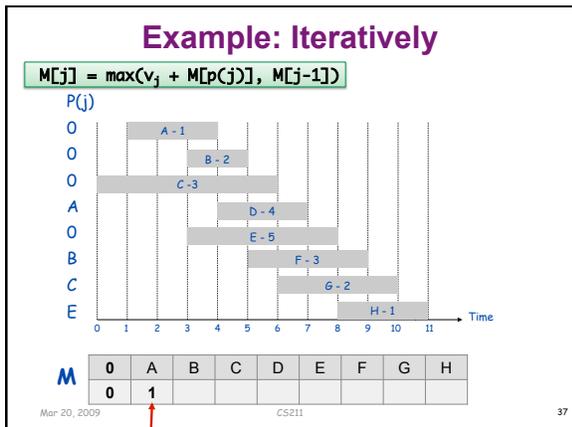


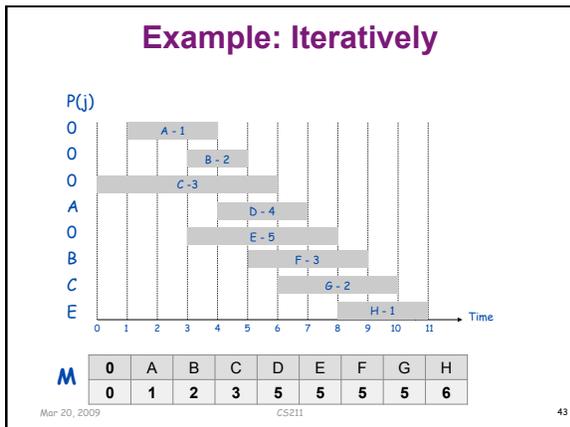
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### Summary: Properties of Problems for DP

- Polynomial number of subproblems
- Solution to original problem can be easily computed from solutions to subproblems
- Natural ordering of subproblems, easy to compute recurrence

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## SEGMENTED LEAST SQUARES

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### Least Squares

Foundational problem in statistic and numerical analysis

Given  $n$  points in the plane:  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$

Find a line  $y = ax + b$  that minimizes the sum of the squared error

- "line of best fit"

Sum of squared error

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - ax_i - b)^2$$

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Closed form solution. Calculus  $\Rightarrow$  min error is achieved when

$$a = \frac{n \sum x_i y_i - (\sum x_i)(\sum y_i)}{n \sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i)^2}, \quad b = \frac{\sum y_i - a \sum x_i}{n}$$

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### Least Squares

What happens to the error if we try to fit one line to these points?

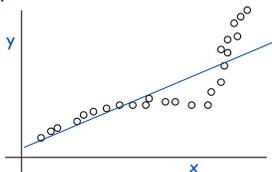
What pattern does it seem like these points have?

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### Least Squares

What happens to the error if we try to fit one line to these points?

- Large error



Pattern: More like 3 lines

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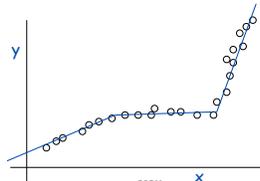
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### Segmented Least Squares

Points lie roughly on a **sequence** of line segments

Given  $n$  points in the plane  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$  with  $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$ , find a sequence of lines that minimizes  $f(x)$

If I want the **best** fit, how many lines would I use?



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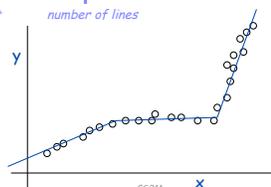
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Q. What's a reasonable choice for  $f(x)$  to balance accuracy and parsimony?

↑ goodness of fit      ↑ number of lines



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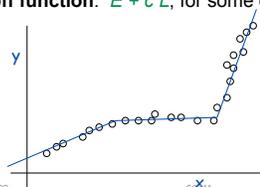
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Points lie roughly on a **sequence** of several line segments.

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- the sum of the sums of the squared errors  $E$  in each segment
- the number of lines  $L$

Tradeoff function:  $E + cL$ , for some constant  $c > 0$ .



How should we define an optimal solution?

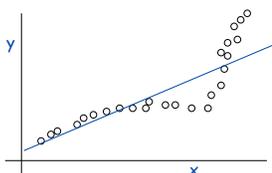
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### Segmented Least Squares

What made it seem like the points were in 3 lines? What happened?



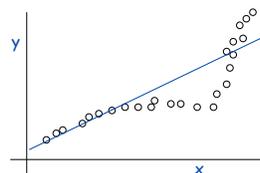
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### Segmented Least Squares

What happens to the error if we try to fit one line to these points?



Looking for *change* in linear approximation

- Where to partition points into line segments

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## Recall: Properties of Problems for DP

Polynomial number of subproblems

Solution to original problem can be easily computed from solutions to subproblems

Natural ordering of subproblems, easy to compute recurrence

We need to:

- Figure out how to break the problem into subproblems
- Figure out how to compute solution from subproblems
- Define the recurrence relation between the problems

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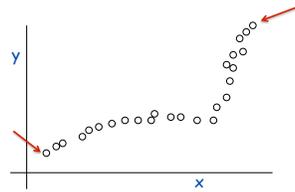
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## Toward a Solution

Consider just the first or last point

- What do we know about those points/their segments/cost of segments?



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