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Knapsack Problem

Maximize $p_1 x_1 + p_2 x_2 + \dots + p_n x_n$

subject to

$$w_1 x_1 + w_2 x_2 + \dots + w_n x_n \leq W$$

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \geq 0 \text{ \& \textit{integers}}$$

Assumptions are: $w_1, \dots, w_n$ & $p_1, \dots, p_n$
& $W > 0$.

Why knapsack problem?

Scout is going on a trip

Item i has "usefulness" p_i
and weight w_i per unit.

Scout can only carry W in weight.

Wants to maximize usefulness.

Has to take whole items.

Without "wholeness" requirement. One constraint
LP. Choose i to maximize $\frac{p_i}{w_i}$ and fill with that.

D.P. approach.

Solution = Sequence of decisions.

Decision n = how many of item n
to put in.

Suppose I decide to put in x_n of item
 n ; similar problem

$$n \rightarrow n-1; W \rightarrow W - w_n x_n$$

So let

How long to compute $f_n(w)$?

$$O(nW^2)$$

$f_r(w)$ = maximum usefulness obtainable if I can only use items $1, 2, \dots, r$ and there is w left in knapsack.

$$= \max_{0 \leq x_r \leq \frac{w}{w_r}} \left[P_r x_r + f_{r-1}(w - w_r x_r) \right]$$

$$f_0(w) = 0 \quad \text{OR} \quad f_1(w) = \left\lfloor \frac{w}{w_1} \right\rfloor P_1$$

$$f_r(w) = \max \begin{cases} f_{r-1}(w) & x_r = 0 \\ p_r + f_r(w - w_r) & x_r \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

Time to execute

$$O(nW)$$

Example: $n=4$, $\omega = (1, 2, 3, 4)$

$P = (1, 3, 6, 10)$

$W = 11$

ω	f_1	b_1	f_2	b_2	f_3	b_3	f_4	b_4
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	0
2	2	1	3	1	3	0	3	0
3	3	1	4	1	6	1	6	0
4	4	1	6	1	7	1	10	1
5	5	1	7	1	9	1	11	1
6	6	1	9	1	12	1	13	1
7	7	1	10	1	13	1	16	1
8	8	1	12	1	15	1	20	1
9	9	1	13	1	18	1	21	1
10	10	1	15	1	19	1	23	1
11	11	1	16	1	21	1	26	1