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Thm IF WE MAXIMIZE $\frac{v_i}{w_i}$ in line (6), THEN KNAPSACK RETURNS AN OPTIMAL SOLN.

Proof:

W.L.O.G. WE ASSUME OBJECTS ARE SORTED BY DECREASING $\frac{v_i}{w_i}$, i.e.

$$\frac{v_1}{w_1} \geq \frac{v_2}{w_2} \geq \dots \geq \frac{v_n}{w_n}$$

LET $x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ BE THE SOLN RETURNED BY KNAPSACK.

IF ALL $x_i = 1$, THEN CLEARLY x IS OPTIMAL. SO ASSUME NOW THAT NOT ALL $x_i = 1$. LET j BE THE FIRST INDEX S.T. $x_j < 1$. ITS CLEAR THAT

$$x_i = 1 \quad \text{FOR } 1 \leq i < j$$

$$x_j < 1$$

$$x_i = 0 \quad \text{FOR } j < i \leq n$$

Also we have

(2)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i w_i = W$$

Let $v(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i v_i$. Let $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$

be any other feasible solution, and let

$v(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i v_i$. We must show $v(x) \geq v(y)$,
whence x is optimal.

Since y is feasible $\sum_{i=1}^n y_i w_i \leq W$, so that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i) w_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i w_i - \sum_{i=1}^n y_i w_i \\ &= W - \sum_{i=1}^n y_i w_i \geq 0. \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} v(x) - v(y) &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i v_i - \sum_{i=1}^n y_i v_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i) v_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i) w_i \cdot \left(\frac{v_i}{w_i} \right) \end{aligned}$$

OBSERVE:

• $i < j \Rightarrow x_i = 1 \Rightarrow x_i - y_i \geq 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{v_i}{w_i} \geq \frac{v_j}{w_j}$

$$\therefore (x_i - y_i) \cdot \left(\frac{v_i}{w_i}\right) \geq (x_i - y_i) \cdot \left(\frac{v_j}{w_j}\right)$$

• $i > j \Rightarrow x_i = 0 \Rightarrow x_i - y_i \leq 0 \quad \& \quad \frac{v_i}{w_i} \leq \frac{v_j}{w_j}$

$$\therefore (x_i - y_i) \cdot \left(\frac{v_i}{w_i}\right) \geq (x_i - y_i) \cdot \left(\frac{v_j}{w_j}\right)$$

• $i = j \Rightarrow (x_i - y_i) \cdot \left(\frac{v_i}{w_i}\right) = (x_i - y_i) \cdot \left(\frac{v_j}{w_j}\right)$

\therefore IN ALL CASES: $\boxed{(x_i - y_i) \cdot \left(\frac{v_i}{w_i}\right) \geq (x_i - y_i) \cdot \left(\frac{v_j}{w_j}\right)}$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \sqrt{(x)} - \sqrt{(y)} &= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i) \cdot \left(\frac{v_i}{w_i}\right) \cdot w_i \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i) \cdot \left(\frac{v_j}{w_j}\right) \cdot w_i \\ &= \left(\frac{v_j}{w_j}\right) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - y_i) w_i \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore \sqrt{(x)} \geq \sqrt{(y)} \quad \therefore x$ is optimal.

TRY GREEDY STRATEGY FOR 0-1 KNAPSACK PROB.

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EX. $n=5, W=10$

i	1	2	3	4	5
v_i	2	3	6.6	4	6
w_i	1	2	3	4	5
$\frac{v_i}{w_i}$	2	1.5	2.2	1	1.2

GREEDY SOLN:

$$x = (1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 1 \quad 0) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{weight} = 10 \\ \text{value} = 15.6 \end{array} \right.$$

EXERCISE SHOW THAT DYN. PROG. YIELDS VERY SAME SOLN.

EX. $n=5, W=11$

v_i	1	6	18	22	28
w_i	1	2	5	6	7
v_i/w_i	1	3	3.6	3.67	4

$$x = (1 \quad 1 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 1) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{weight} = 10 \\ \text{value} = 35 \end{array} \right.$$

Exercise check that Dyn. Prog. yields

Solve $(0 \ 0 \ 1 \ 1 \ 0)$ with $\begin{cases} \text{weight} = 11 \\ \text{value} = 40 \end{cases}$.

Some classic problems

GREEDY STRATEGY:

- From amongst all permutations whose addition would not cause sum to exceed N , choose largest.
- STOP when sum is N .

(Hard) Exercise: show that for $d = (1, 5, 10, 25, 100)$

~~the~~ the GREEDY STRATEGY yields an opt. soln for all $N \geq 0$.

Exercise (easy): show that for $d = (1, 10, 25, 100)$

the GREEDY STRATEGY DOES NOT ALWAYS yield an opt. soln.

Exercise (Very hard)

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characterize all Denomination sets $d = (d_1, \dots, d_n)$ such that the Greedy Strategy always yields an optimal coin Disbursement.

Advantages of Greedy Approach

- OPTIMAL SUBSTRUCTURE.
- GREEDY CHOICE PROPERTY.

Minimum Weight Spanning Tree

Let $G = (V, E)$ be an undir. Graph.

A Graph H is called a Subgraph of G if $V(H) \subseteq V(G)$ and $E(H) \subseteq E(G)$.

H is said to be a Spanning Subgraph if $V(H) = V(G)$. A Spanning Tree

in G is a Spanning Subgraph which is also a Tree.

