

# Knapsack Problem

Input:  $n$  items

- $v_i \in \mathbb{N}$  is value of  $i^{\text{th}}$  item
- $w_i \in \mathbb{N}$  is weight of  $i^{\text{th}}$  item

Capacity  $W$  (max. weight)  $\in \mathbb{N}$

Output:  $S \subseteq [n] \leftarrow$  notation  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$

- s.t.
- $V(S) = \sum_{i \in S} v_i$  is maximized
  - $W(S) = \sum_{i \in S} w_i \leq W$

ex:  $W = 5$

Value	1	2	3	4
Weight	2	1	3	4

What is optimal set?

A)  $\{1, 3\}$

B)  $\{1, 1\}$

C)  $\{1, 2, 3\}$

D)  $\{2, 3\}$

Can't repeat would need to add another copy

## Applications

- Shipping
- Exams (?)

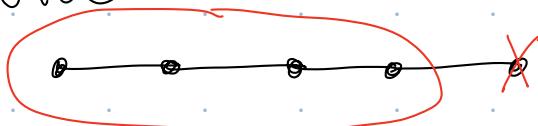
## Brute Force

Similar to MWIS,  
 $O(n2^n)$

# Dynamic Programming

1. Think about "final options" of a solution (solution as sequence of choices)  
MWIS: final vertex in set or not ✓  $S_i$

2. (a) For each option, think about relevant subproblem + create recurrence



$$S_n = \begin{cases} S_{n-1} & \text{if } v_n \notin S_n \\ S_{n-2} & \text{if } v_n \in S_n \end{cases}$$

B.C.

3. Convert into recurrence for objective function

$$A_n = \max \{ A_{n-1}, A_{n-2} + w(v_n) \}, \text{ B.C.}$$

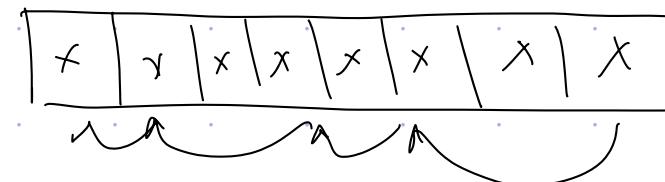
4. Pseudocode:

- create A array with FOR loop from base case
- work backwards through A to get solution

A



B.C.



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Capacity W (max weight)

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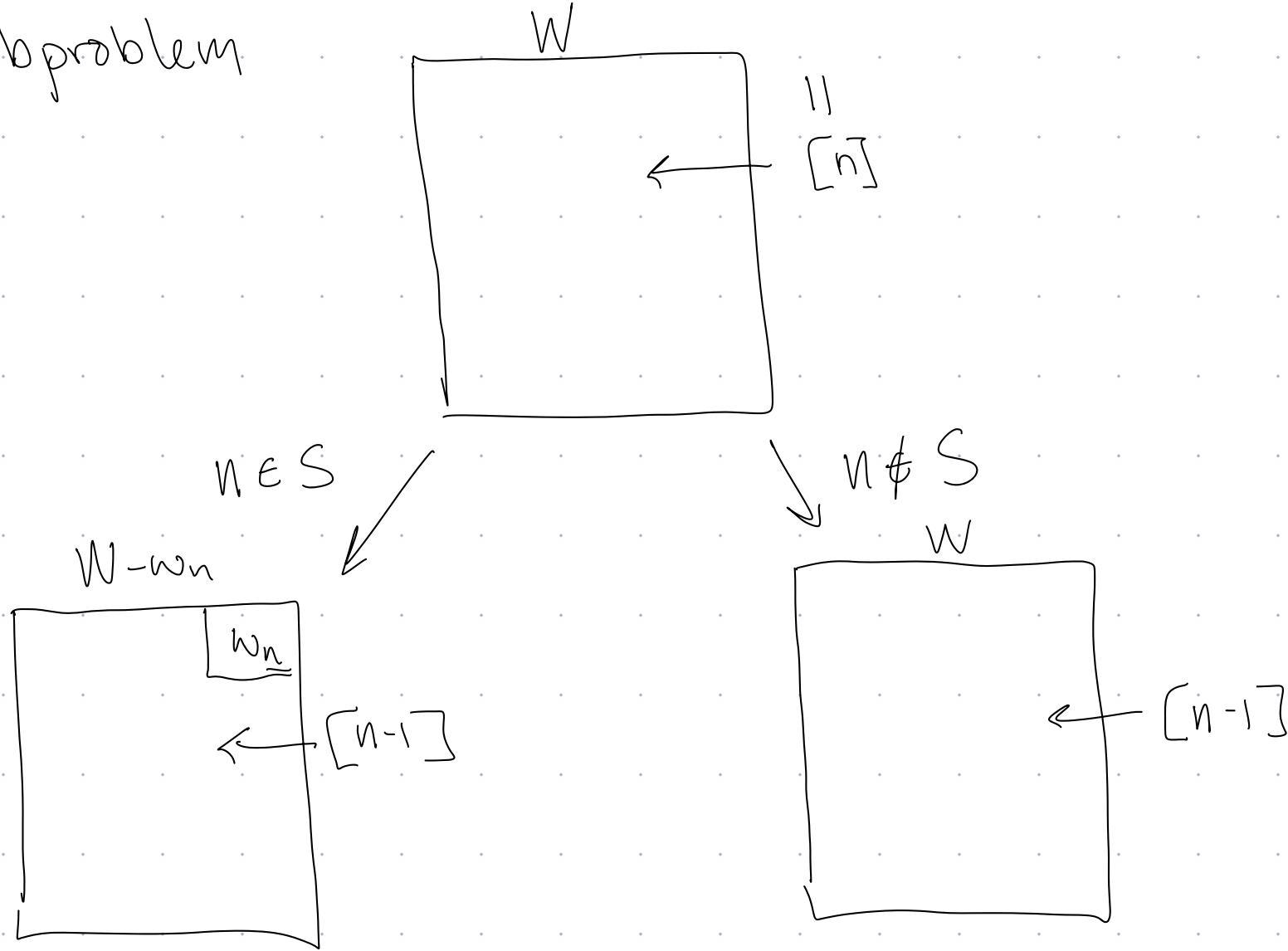
s.t. •  $V(S) = \sum_{i \in S} v_i$  is maximized

•  $W(S) = \sum_{i \in S} w_i \leq W$

I. Ideas for final option?

- Item n added or not

## 2a Subproblem



In subproblems, Weight changes, items available change.  
Need subproblems that depend on both

Define:

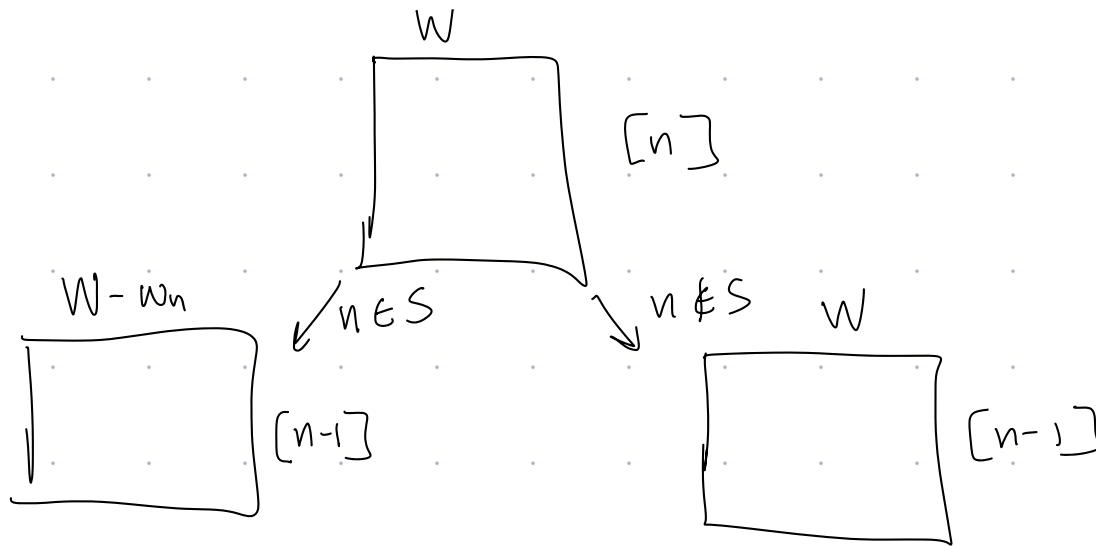
$$S_{i,w} = \left\{ S \subseteq [i] \text{ s.t.} \begin{array}{l} w(S) \leq w \\ V(S) \text{ is maximized} \end{array} \right.$$

	1	2	3	4
Value	6	5	8	7
Weight	2	1	3	4

What is  $S_{2,4}$ ?

- A)  $\{1, 1\}$
- B)  $\{1, 2\}$
- C)  $\{2, 3\}$
- D)  $\{4\}$

2b



$$S_{n,w} = \begin{cases} S_{n-1, w-w_n} \cup \{n\} & n \in S_{n,w} \\ S_{n-1, w} & n \notin S_{n,w} \end{cases}$$

Value  
of optimal set  
Base case later

$$V(S_{n,w}) = \begin{cases} \max \{ V(S_{n-1, w-w_n}) + v_n, V(S_{n-1, w}) \} \\ \text{Base case(s)} \end{cases}$$

Want to store in an Array

$$A[i, c] = \begin{cases} \max \{ A[i-1, c-w_i] + v_i, A[i-1, c] \} & i \in S \\ \text{Base case(s)} & \end{cases}$$

1. Fill out this array using recurrence for these items:

	1	2	3
Value	6	5	8
Weight	2	1	3

$$W=5$$

	0	1	2	3	4	5
$\emptyset < 0$	0	0	0	0	0	0
$\{n\} \leftarrow 1$	0	0	6	6	6	6
$\{1, 2\} \leftarrow 2$	0	5	6	11	11	11
$\{1, 2, 3\} \leftarrow 3$	0	5	6	11	13	14

$n \in S$  this item only possible if  $c \geq w_i$ , room for  $i$

$$A[n, w] = \begin{cases} \max \{ A[n-1, W-w_n] + v_n, A[n-1, W] \} \\ 0 \quad \text{if } n=0 \end{cases}$$

a) Determine Base Case(s)

b) Something else needed to properly use recurrence ..

2. Write pseudocode to create A

Input: length -  $n$  arrays  $V$  and  $W$ , integer  $W$

Output: Set  $S \subseteq [n]$

For  $c \leftarrow 0$  to  $W$ :

|  $A[0, c] = 0$  // Base case

For  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ :

| For  $c \leftarrow 0$  to  $W$ :

| |  $A[i, c] \leftarrow A[i-1, c]$

| | If  $c \geq W[i]$  and  $A[i-1, c-W[i]] + V[i] > A[i-1, c]$ :

| | |  $A[i, c] \leftarrow A[i-1, c-W[i]] + V[i]$

$S \leftarrow \boxed{\emptyset}$

$i \leftarrow \boxed{n}$

$c \leftarrow \boxed{W}$

While  $i > 0$ :

| if  $A[i, c] = A[i-1, c]$ :  $i \leftarrow$

| else:

| |  $S \leftarrow S \cup \{i\}$

| |  $c \leftarrow c - W[i]$

| |  $i \leftarrow$

		0	1	2	3	4	5
i	c	0	0	0	0	0	0
		1	0	0	6	6	6
i	c	2	0	5	6	11	11
		3	0	5	6	11	13

		0	1	2	3	4	5
i	c	0	0	0	0	0	0
		1	0	0	6	6	6
i	c	2	0	5	6	11	11
		3	0	5	6	11	13

Tips for working backwards through A:

- Use if-else sequences, not if-if

→ In edge case where two terms are equal:

$$\max \{ \boxed{A[n-1, W-w_n] + v_n}, \boxed{A[n-1, W]} \}$$

equal

Your code will fail :-

- Pick which option to check first wisely to avoid index-out-of-bounds errors

→ If check if  $A[i, c] = A[i-1, c]$  first, no I-O-O-B error.

→ If check if  $A[i, c] = A[i-1, c-w[n]] + v[n]$  first can get I-O-O-B error if  $c-w[n]$  goes out-of-bounds. Would need extra if statement to avoid.

# Runtime

For  $c \leftarrow 0$  to  $w$ :

$O(nw)$

| A[0, c] = 0 // Base case

For  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$ :

| For  $c \leftarrow 0$  to  $w$ :

|| A[i, c]  $\leftarrow$  A[i-1, c]

|| If  $c \geq w[i]$  and  $A[i-1, c-w[i]] + v[i] > A[i-1, c]$ :

||| A[i, c]  $\leftarrow$  A[i-1, c-w[i]] + v[i]

S  $\leftarrow$  Ø

i  $\leftarrow$  n

c  $\leftarrow$  w

while (i > 0 and c > 0):

| if A[i, c] = A[i-1, c]: i--

| else:

|| S  $\leftarrow$  S  $\cup$  {i}

|| c  $\leftarrow$  c - w[i]

|| i --