

NP-hard problems

KNAPSACK problem (KP)

container CAPACITY $W > 0$

items $1, 2, \dots, n$:

item j : $w_j > 0$ WEIGHT

$p_j > 0$ PROFIT

Select $S \subseteq \{1, \dots, n\}$:

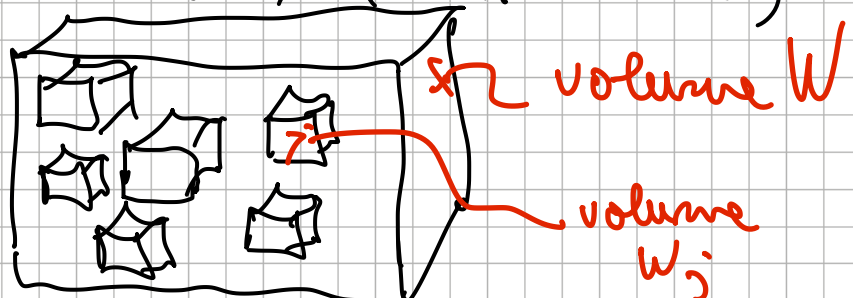
$$\sum_{j \in S} w_j \leq W$$

$$\sum_{j \in S} p_j \rightarrow \text{MAX.}$$

Hp:
 • w_j, W are integer
 • $\sum_{j=1}^n w_j > W$

APPLICATIONS : ...

~~3-D~~ version (LOADING PR.)



ILP model

$j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$:

$$x_j = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if item } j \text{ is loaded} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

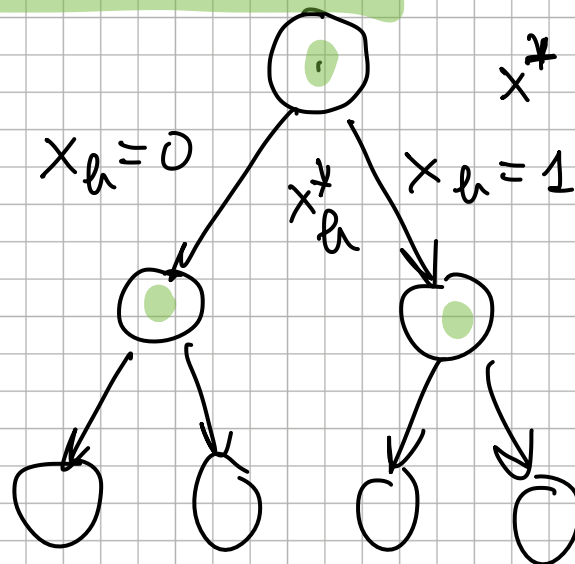
$$\max \sum_{j=1}^n p_j x_j \quad \text{"} \sum_{j \in S} p_j \text{"}$$

$$\sum_{j=1}^n w_j x_j \leq W$$

$$0 \leq x_j \leq 1 \text{ integer, } \forall j=1, \dots, n$$

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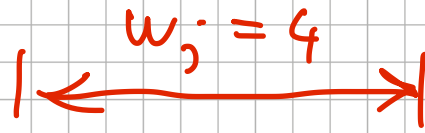
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LP-relaxation can be solved very easily ($O(n \log n)$ time)

by DANTZIG's alg.

IDEA



$$P_j = 40$$

item j



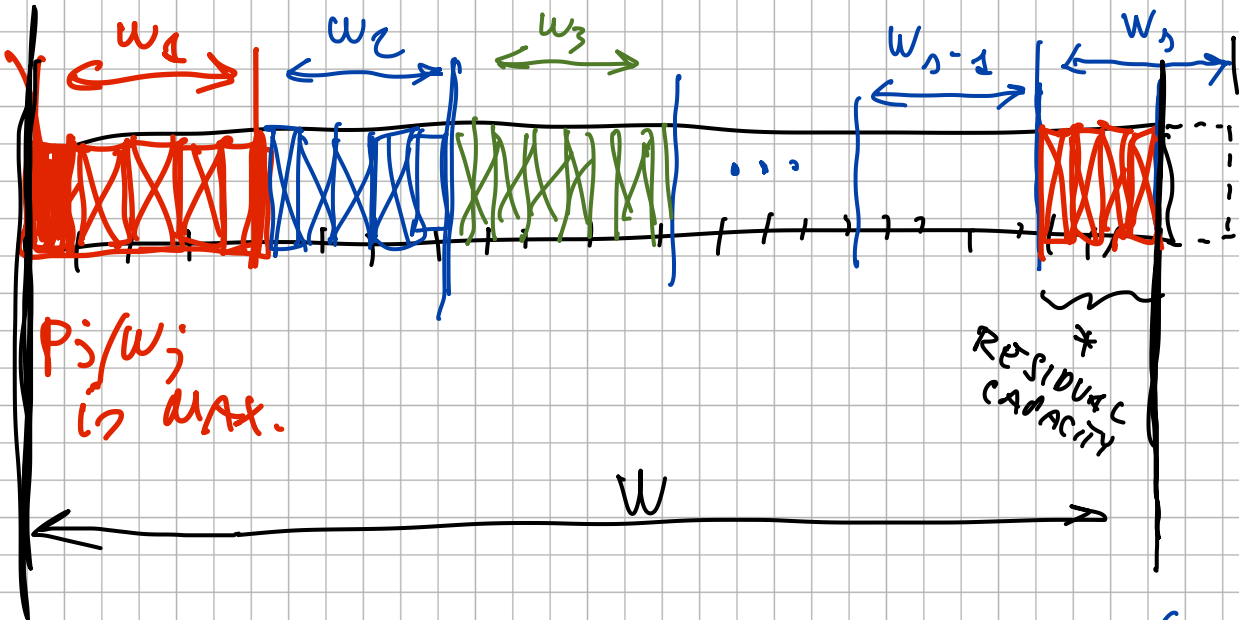
$$w_j' = 4$$

BREAK ITEM j INTO μ -ITEMS

$$w = 1 \quad p = 40/4 = 10$$

$\Rightarrow w_j$ μ -items : weight = 1
profit = P_j/w_j

GREEDY alg: $\frac{P_1}{w_1} \geq \frac{P_2}{w_2} \geq \dots \geq \frac{P_n}{w_n}$



CRITICAL ITEM \rightarrow

$O(n)$
PARTIAL SORT.

1 SORT THE ITEMS : $O(n \log n)$

2 FIND THE CRITICAL ITEM \rightarrow SUCH THAT:

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\Delta-1} w_j < W \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\Delta} w_j$$

$O(n)$ time

• OPTIMAL LP SOL. x^* :

$$x_1^* = x_2^* = \dots = x_{\Delta-1}^* = 1$$

$$x_{\Delta}^* = \left(W - \sum_{j=1}^{\Delta-1} w_j \right) / w_{\Delta}$$

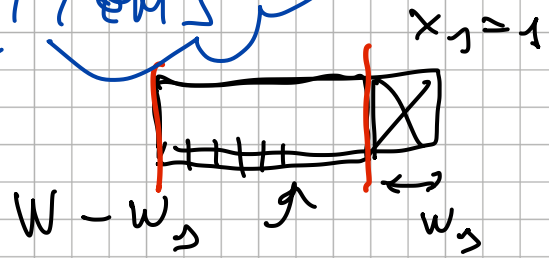
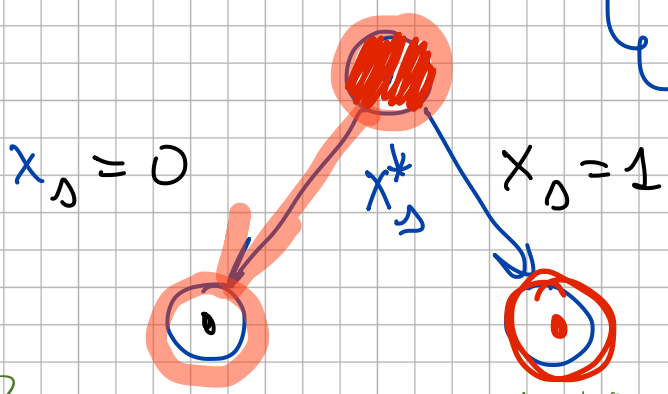
$$x_{\Delta+1}^* = x_{\Delta+2}^* = \dots = x_n^* = 0$$

possibly fract. for the critical item

$O(n)$ time

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ROOT NODE ONLY:
SORT ALL THE
ITEMS



"Parametric computation of the LP solution"
move the index \rightarrow to the right/left

\Rightarrow ENUMERATE MILLION NODES
IN VERY SHORT COMPUTING
TIME !!

DYNAMIC PROG.

Define

$$z[K, j] = \begin{cases} \text{max profit for a KP} \\ \text{with capacity } K \text{ and} \\ \text{item set } 1, \dots, j \end{cases}$$

for

$$K = 0, 1, \dots, W$$

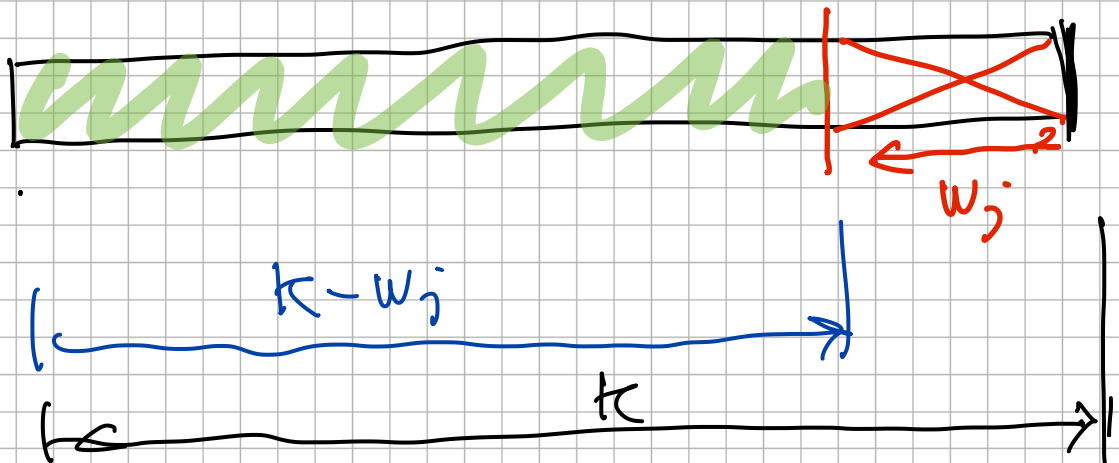
$$j = 1, \dots, n$$

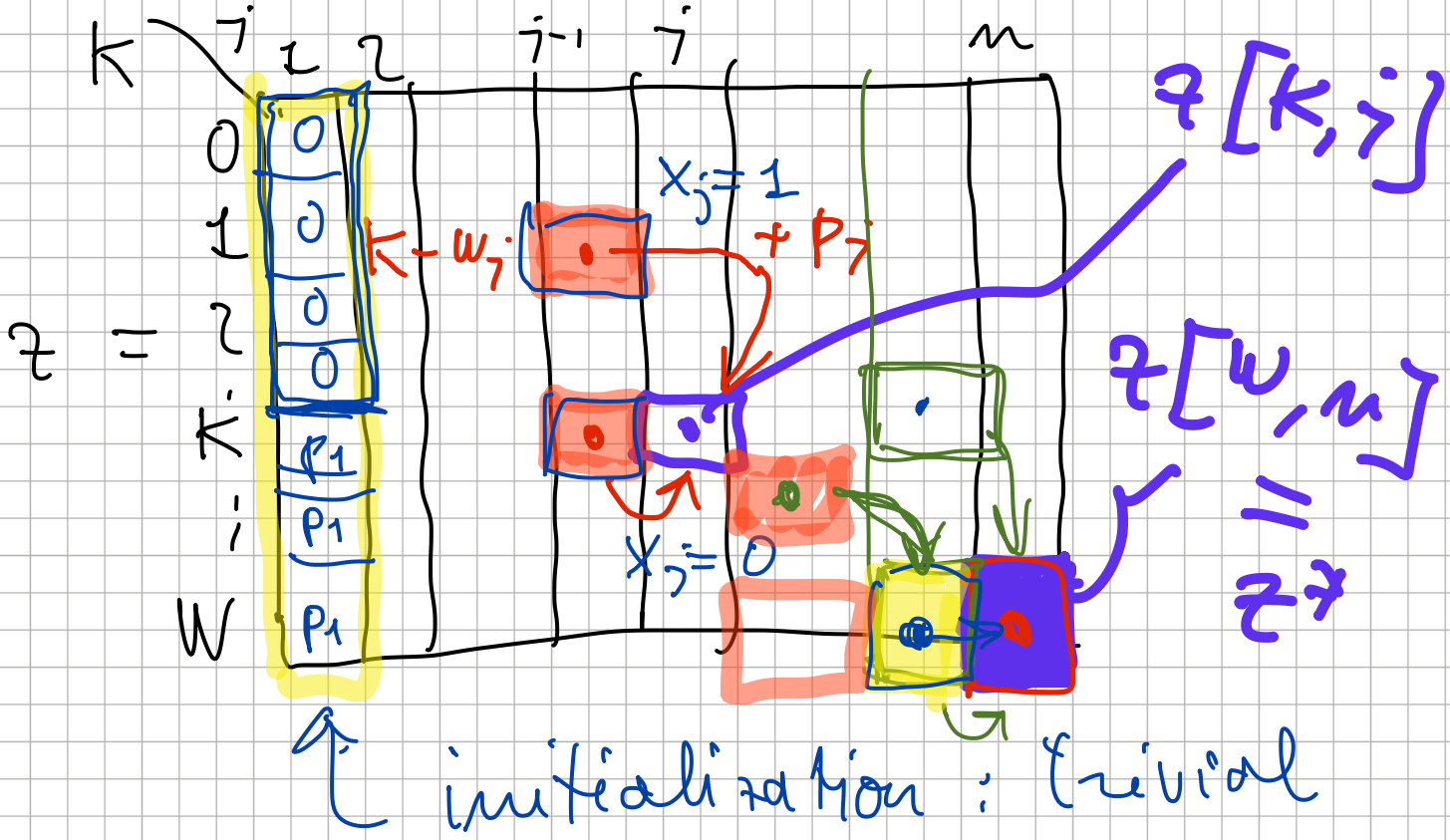
$$\rightarrow z^* = z[W, n] =$$

= opt. value of the original KP.

RECURSIVE FORMULA

$$z[K, j] = \max \left\{ \underbrace{z[K, j-1]}_{x_j=0}, \underbrace{p_j + z[K-w_j, j-1]}_{x_j=1} \right\}$$





OPTIMAL x^* → BACKTRACKING

$$x_m = 0, x_{m-1} = 1, x_{m-2} = \dots$$

$O(m)$ time

not polynomial in the size of input

TOTAL COMPLEXITY: $O(W \cdot m)$

time (and space)

$$W \approx 1,000 \Rightarrow OK$$

$$W = 1,000,000 \Rightarrow \text{TOO SLOW!!}$$