

Recitation 13 (11/28 - 12/2)

- Remind them about the 480s timeout for HW 9
- Recap last week's recitation, answer any questions people may have:
<http://www-student.cse.buffalo.edu/~atri/cse331/fall16/recitations/Recitation12.pdf>
- Dynamic Programming (source: Zulkar's recitation notes from last year, just typed out)
 - Divide problem into subproblems
 - Solve each subproblem
 - Combine to get original solution
 - This should look a lot like divide and conquer!
 - Differences below

Divide and Conquer	Dynamic Programming
Independent subproblems	Overlapping subproblems
Solve top down	Solve bottom up (or top down using memoization)
Usually recursive	Backtracking

Ex: Divide and Conquer vs. Dynamic Programming Solutions (same problem)

Fibonacci Series - 1 1 2 3 5 8 13

def: $\text{fib}[n] = \text{fib}[n-1] + \text{fib}[n-2]$

Assume $\text{fib}[0] = 0$ and $\text{fib}[1] = 1$

This is all you know and you want to get $\text{fib}[5]$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{fib}[5] &= \text{fib}[4] + \text{fib}[3] \\ &= \text{fib}[3] + \text{fib}[2] \\ &= \text{fib}[2] + \text{fib}[1]\end{aligned}$$

The above has overlapping subproblems. Better solution to the problem

→ Solve smaller subproblems first, store them and use them to solve the larger subproblems

$\text{fib}(n)$:

$\text{fib}[0] = 0$

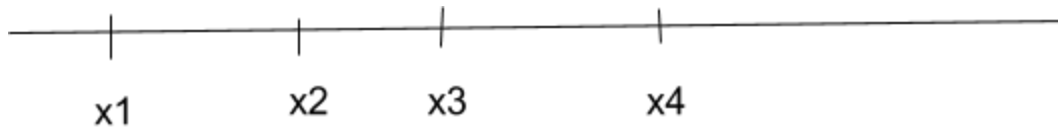
$\text{fib}[1] = 1$

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for i in range(2,n):
    fib[i] = fib[i-1] + fib[i-2]
return fib[n]

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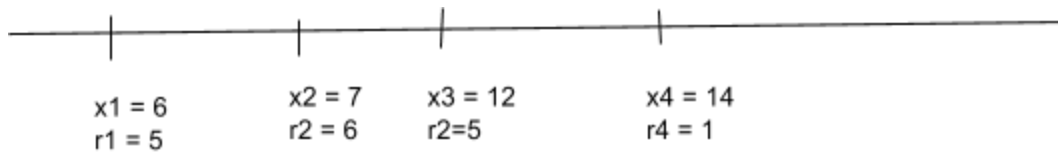
Billboard Problem:



sites for a billboard, each at a location x_i and each site generates r_i revenue

Goal: Maximize revenue with the constraint: $\min(\text{dist}(x_i, x_{i+1})) > 5$

Example:



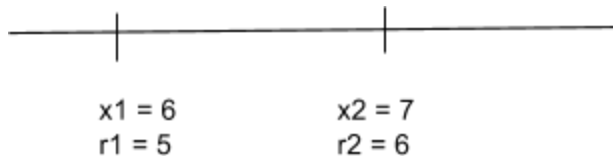
Bottom-Up (Dynamic Programming Style)

- Assume only 1 site



Optimal solution: $\text{opt}(1) = 5$

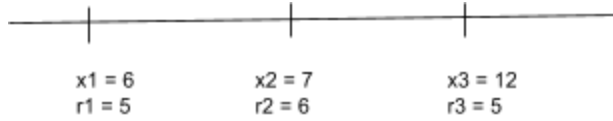
- Assume 2 sites



- Don't pick x_2 - optimal solution is the same as above = 5
- Pick x_2 - eliminate all sites within a 5 mile radius of x_2

$\text{opt}(2) = \max(\text{opt}(1), r_2) = \max\{5, 6\} = 6$

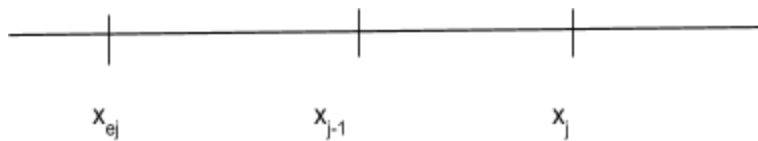
- Assume 3 sites - 2 options



- Don't pick x_3 : $\text{opt}(2)$
- Pick x_3 : $\text{opt}(x_1) + r_3$

$$\max\{\text{opt}(2), \text{opt}(x_1) + r_3\} = \{6, 5+5\} = \{6, 10\} = 10$$

Generic Formula (try to get students to come up with this for you)



$$\text{opt}(x_j) = \max\{\text{opt}(x_{j-1}), \text{opt}(x_{e_j}) + r_j\} \text{ (where } e_j \text{ is outside of the 5 mile radius)}$$

Algorithm:

$M[j] \leftarrow$ stores value of opt from prev eq

$M[0] = 0$

$M[1] = r_1$

for $j = 2 \dots n$:

compute $M[j]$ based on generic

return $M[n] \rightarrow$ will be the largest revenue

Runtime Analysis - $O(n)$

Look up for x_{e_j} can be done in constant time

Keep two lists - $x_1 \dots x_n$ & $x'_1 \dots x'_n$ where $x'_i = x_i - 5$

Now we can merge the two lists $O(n)$

Look for current element x'_j in list $O(n)$ and x_{e_j} is to the left of it $O(1)$

Can preprocess and create a dict that contains the x_{e_j} value for each x_j