

Knapsack problem revisited

Capacity =  $B$

weights  $w_1, w_2 \dots w_n$

profits  $p_1, p_2 \dots p_n$

$$\text{Max } \sum x_i \cdot p_i \quad \text{s.t.}$$

$$\sum x_i w_i \leq B$$

$$x_i \in \{0, 1\}$$

$B, w_i$ 's  
are integral

Define  $F_i(y)$  = the max profit  
for the knapsack  
problem restricted to  
items  $1, 2, \dots, i$  and capacity  $y$   
 $0 \leq y \leq B, 1 \leq i \leq n$

Then our objective is to compute

$$F_n(B)$$

$$F_i(y) = \max \left\{ F_{i-1}(y - w_i) + p_i, F_{i-1}(y) \right\}$$

max profit including the  $i^{\text{th}}$  object

max profit not including  $i^{\text{th}}$  object

It is a recurrence which implies that if we have "precomputed" the two terms on the RHS, with addition  $O(1)$  computation, we can compute  $F_i(y)$

$$F_{i-1}(y - w_i) \quad F_{i-1}(y)$$

$\uparrow$   
base cases

$$F_0(y) = 0 \quad F_i(0) = 0$$

$$F_i(j) \text{ is } -\infty \text{ for } i, j < 0$$

i	y				y	B
	0	1	2	3		
0	0	0.	0	0	0	0 ... 0
1	0	•	•	•	•	•
2	0	<del>•</del>				
3	0	•				
4	0	•				
...	0	•				
l					$F_i(y)$	
i						
n	0					

$$F_i(y) = \max \left\{ F_{i-1}(y - w_i) + p_i, F_{i-1}(y) \right\}$$

$F_n(B)$

We want to compute the entries in an order such that the two required terms precede the current term

What is the time complexity of this process of filling up the table?

$$O(n \cdot B)$$

total # entries in table  
 $\times O(1)$  for filling each entry

Input size : description of  $n$  items  
 $= N$   $p_1 p_2 \dots p_n \quad w_1 w_2 \dots w_n$   
 $B$

$$|p_i|, |w_i| \leq b \quad N = 2b \cdot n + \log_2 B$$

(bits)

$B \leq n^3$ , suppose then polynomial in  $N$

$$b = 3$$

$$\log_2 B = n$$

$$N = 6n + n = 7n$$

→ Dynamic Programming

→ Pseudo polynomial time  
algorithm

(it is polynomial in some parameters,  
but not all)