

APR 19

Weighted Interval Scheduling problem

Input: n intervals; i th interval = (s_i, f_i, v_i)
start time finish time value

Output: Instead of outputting an optimal schedule O , output

$$V(O) = \sum_{i \in O} v_i$$

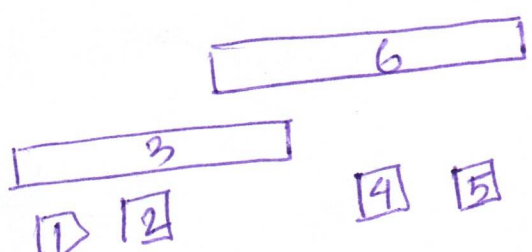
Def. $OPT(j) =$ value of an optimal solution for $[j] \rightarrow \begin{cases} (s_1, f_2, v_1) \\ \vdots \\ (s_j, f_j, v_j) \end{cases}$
 $f(1) \leq f(2) \leq \dots \leq f(n)$

Goal: $OPT(n)$

Def. let O_j be an optimal solution for $[j]$

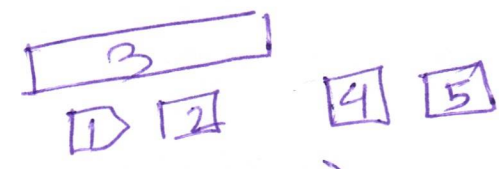
$$V(O_j) = OPT(j) \quad (*)$$

Case 1: $j \notin O_j$



$6 \notin O_6$

O_6 is an optimal solution for $[5]$

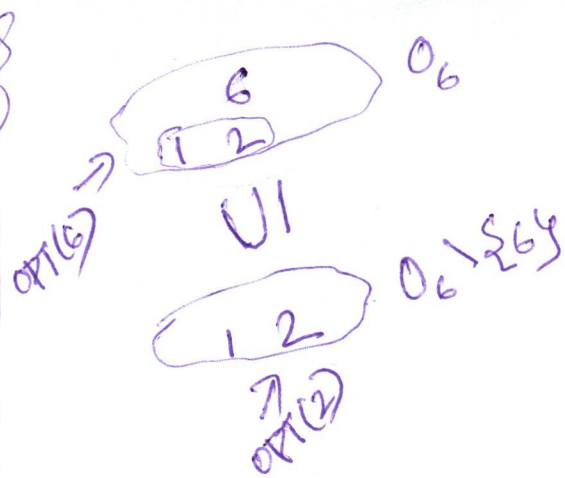


$$OPT(6) = OPT(6-1)$$
$$OPT(j) = OPT(j-1)$$

Case 2: $j \in O_j$ | $6 \in O_6$

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$O_6 \setminus \{6\}$
is an optimal
solution for $[2]$.



$$\text{OPT}(6) = V_6 + \text{OPT}(2)$$

$$\text{OPT}(6) = V_6 + \text{OPT}(P(6))$$

$$\Rightarrow P(6) = 2$$

$P(j)$: largest value of $i < j$ that doesn't conflict with j .

$$\Rightarrow \text{OPT}(j) = V_j + \text{OPT}(P(j))$$

$$\text{OPT}(j) = \max \left\{ \underbrace{\text{OPT}(j-1)}_{j \notin O_j}, \underbrace{V_j + \text{OPT}(P(j))}_{j \in O_j} \right\}$$

Case 1: $j \notin O_j$

claim: O_j is an optimal solution for $[j-1]$

$$\text{OPT}(j) = \underbrace{V(O_j)}_{\text{OPT}(j)} = \underbrace{\text{OPT}(j-1)}_{\text{claim}}$$

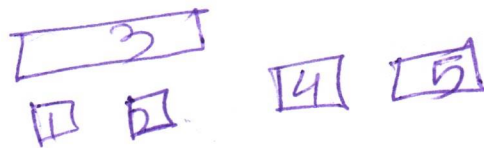
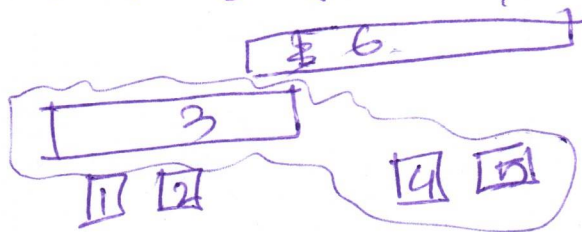
Pf. (idea): By contradiction!

Assume O_j is NOT an optimal solution for $[j-1]$.

$\Rightarrow \exists$ a feasible/valid schedule O'_j for $[j-1]$

AND $V(O'_j) > V(O_j)$.

Q: is O' feasible/valid for $[j]$?



A: O' is also ~~opt~~ feasible for $[j]$.

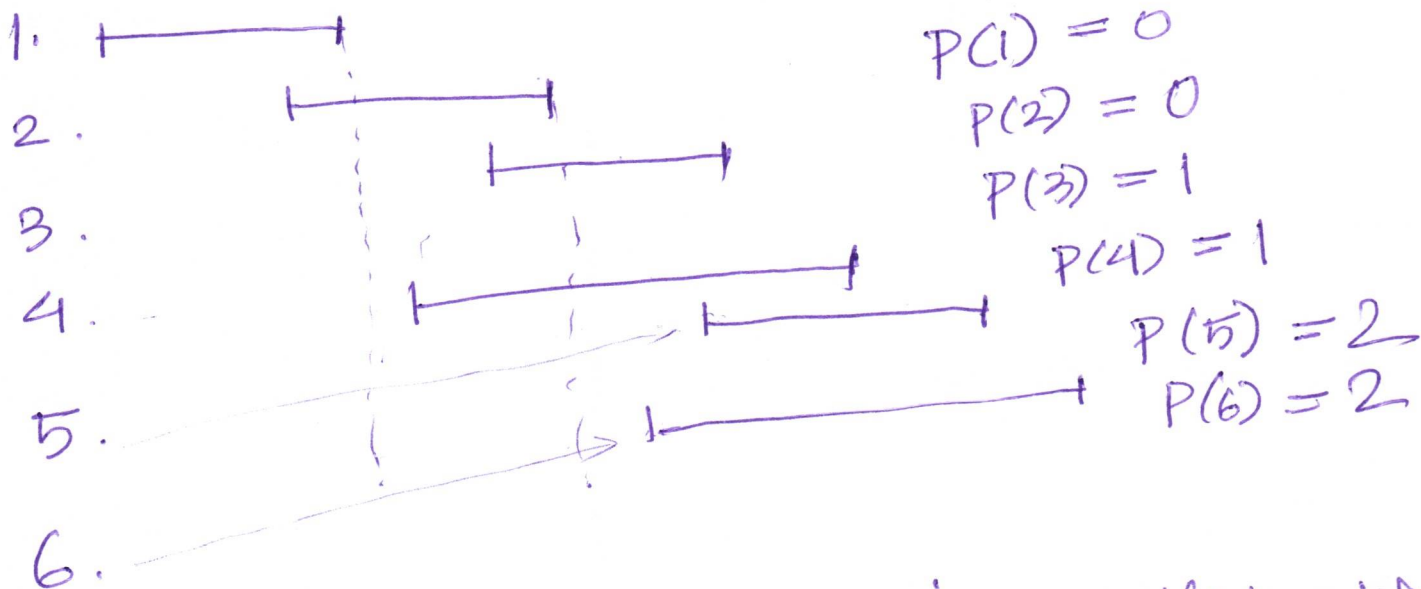
\Rightarrow Contradicts the optimality of O_j .

\Rightarrow as now we have another feasible solution O' AND $v(O') > v(O_j)$.

Case 2: $j \in O_j$.

$$P(j) = \begin{cases} \text{largest index } i < j \\ \text{s.t. } i \text{ \& } j \text{ don't conflict.} \\ 0, & \text{o/w} \end{cases}$$

$n=6$



Note: (1) $P(j)+1, \dots, j-1$ conflict with j .
 (2) $1, \dots, P(j)$ do not " " j .

\Rightarrow AB we pick $j \in O_i$, the remaining subprob-lem,
 $1, \dots, P(j)$

claim: $O_j \setminus \{j\}$ is an optimal solution for $[P(j)]$

Pf. (idea): By contradiction.

$\Rightarrow \exists$ a feasible solution O' for $[P(j)]$

AND $v(O') > v(O_j \setminus \{j\})$.

Note: $O' \cup \{j\}$ is valid for $[P]$.

$$\begin{aligned} v(O' \cup \{j\}) &= v(O') + v_j \\ &> v(O_j \setminus \{j\}) + v_j \\ &= v(O_j) - v_j + v_j \\ &= v(O_j) \end{aligned}$$

\Rightarrow contradicts the optimality of O_j . \square