

# *Algorithm Design and Analysis*

**CSE  
565**

## **LECTURE 13**

### **Dynamic Programming**

- Segmented Least Squares
- Knapsack Problem

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# Dynamic Programming

"Those who cannot remember the past are doomed to repeat it."

*George Santayana, The Life of Reason, Book I: Introduction and Reason in Common Sense*

# Design Techniques So Far

- **Greedy**. Build up a solution incrementally, myopically optimizing some local criterion.
- **Recursion / divide & conquer**. Break up a problem into subproblems, solve subproblems, and combine solutions.
- **Dynamic programming**. Break problem into *overlapping* subproblems, and build up solutions to larger and larger subproblems.

# Segmented Least Squares

# Least Squares

Foundational problem in statistic and numerical analysis.

- Given  $n$  points in the plane:  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ .
- Find a line  $y = ax + b$  that minimizes the sum of the squared error:

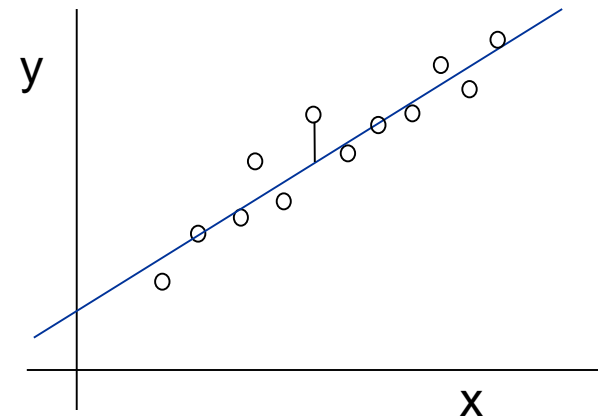
$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - ax_i - b)^2$$

- **Solution.**

Calculus  $\Rightarrow$  min error is achieved when

$$a = \frac{n \sum_i x_i y_i - (\sum_i x_i) (\sum_i y_i)}{n \sum_i x_i^2 - (\sum_i x_i)^2}, \quad b = \frac{\sum_i y_i - a \sum_i x_i}{n}$$

$\leftarrow O(n)$  time



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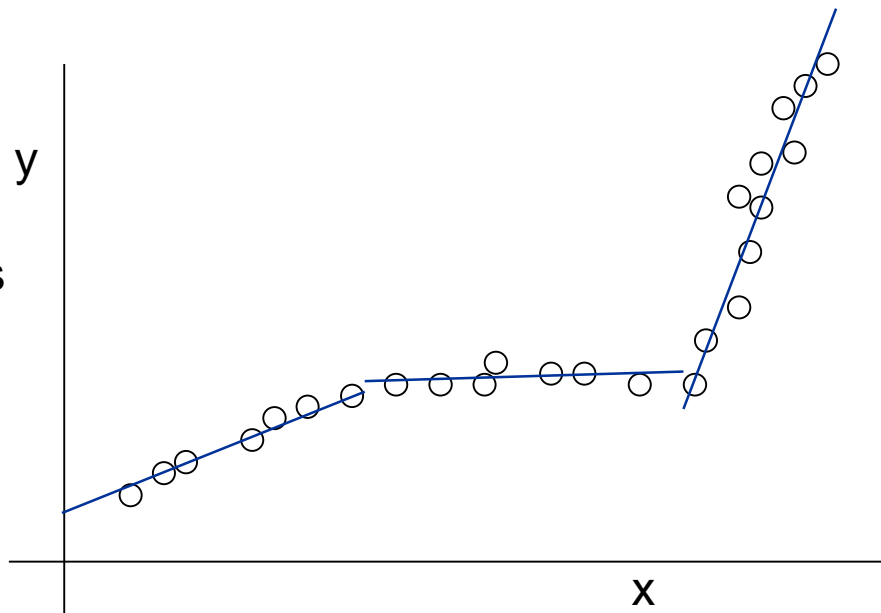
## Segmented least squares.

- Points lie roughly on a sequence of several line segments.
- Given  $n$  points in the plane  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$  with  $x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n$ , find a sequence of lines that minimizes  $f(x)$ .

Q. What's a reasonable choice for  $f(x)$  to balance accuracy and parsimony?

↑  
number of lines

↑  
goodness of fit

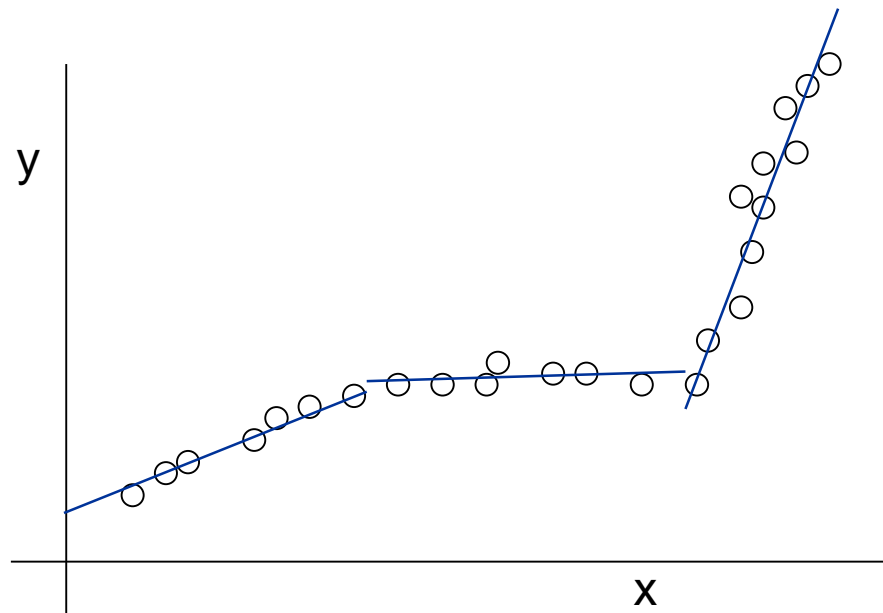


Note: discontinuous functions permitted!

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  - the sum of the sums of the squared errors  $E$  in each segment
  - the number of lines  $L$
- Tradeoff function:  $E + c L$ , for some constant  $c > 0$ .



# Dynamic Programming: Multiway Choice

## Notation.

$e(i,j)$  takes  $O(n)$  time to compute

- $e(i, j)$  = minimum sum of squares for points  $p_i, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_j$ .
- $OPT(j)$  = minimum cost for points  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_j$ .

## To compute $OPT(j)$ :

- Last segment uses points  $p_i, p_{i+1}, \dots, p_j$  for some  $i$ .
- Cost =  $e(i, j) + c + OPT(i-1)$ .

$$OPT(j) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j = 0 \\ \min_{1 \leq i \leq j} \{ e(i, j) + c + OPT(i-1) \} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$



# Segmented Least Squares: Algorithm

```
Segmented-Least-Squares ( $n, p_1, \dots, p_n, c$ ) {  
  M[0] = 0  
  for j = 1 to n  
    for i = 1 to j  
      compute the least square error  $e_{ij}$  for  
      the segment  $p_i, \dots, p_j$   
  
  for j = 1 to n  
    M[j] =  $\min_{1 \leq i \leq j} (e_{ij} + c + M[i-1])$   
  
  return M[n]  
}
```

Running time.  $O(n^3)$ .  Only  $O(n^2)$  when  $e_{ij}$ 's are precomputed

- Bottleneck = computing  $e(i, j)$  for  $O(n^2)$  pairs,  $O(n)$  per pair using previous formula.

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- Ex:  $\{ 3, 4 \}$  has value 40.

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- Many "packing" problems fit this model
  - Assigning production jobs to a factory
  - Deciding which jobs to do on a single processor with bounded time
  - Deciding which problems to do on an exam

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- **Greedy algorithm?**

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- **Greedy:** repeatedly add item with maximum ratio  $v_i / w_i$
- Example:  $\{ 5, 2, 1 \}$  achieves only value = 35
- Greedy is not optimal.

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# Dynamic programming: attempt 1

- **Definition:**  $\text{OPT}(i) =$ 
  - maximum profit on subset of items  $1, \dots, i$ .
- **Case 1:** OPT does not select item  $i$ .
  - OPT selects best of  $\{ 1, 2, \dots, i-1 \}$
- **Case 2:** OPT selects item  $i$ .
  - without knowing what other items were selected before  $i$ , we don't even know if we have enough room for  $i$
- **Conclusion.** Need more subproblems!

# Adding a new variable

- **Definition:**  $OPT(i, w)$  = max profit on subset of items  $1, \dots, i$  **with weight limit  $w$ .**
  - **Case 1:**  $OPT$  does not select item  $i$ .
    - $OPT$  selects best of  $\{ 1, 2, \dots, i-1 \}$  with weight limit  $w$
  - **Case 2:**  $OPT$  selects item  $i$ .
    - new weight limit =  $w - w_i$
    - $OPT$  selects best of  $\{ 1, 2, \dots, i-1 \}$  with new weight limit

$$OPT(i, w) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \\ OPT(i-1, w) & \text{if } w_i > w \\ \max \{ OPT(i-1, w), v_i + OPT(i-1, w - w_i) \} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

# Bottom-up algorithm

- Fill up an  $n$ -by- $W$  array.

```
Input:  $n, W, w_1, \dots, w_N, v_1, \dots, v_N$ 

for  $w = 0$  to  $W$ 
   $M[0, w] = 0$ 

for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
  for  $w = 1$  to  $W$ 
    if ( $w_i > w$ )
       $M[i, w] = M[i-1, w]$ 
    else
       $M[i, w] = \max \{M[i-1, w], v_i + M[i-1, w-w_i]\}$ 

return  $M[n, W]$ 
```



# Knapsack table

		W →											
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
n ↓	$\phi$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	{1}	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	{1, 2}	0	1	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
	{1, 2, 3}	0	1	6	7	7	18	19	24	25	25	25	25
	{1, 2, 3, 4}	0	1	6	7	7	18	22	24	28	29	29	40
	{1, 2, 3, 4, 5}	0	1	6	7	7	18	22	28	29	34	34	40

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OPT: { 4, 3 }  
value = 22 + 18 = 40

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# Proof of correctness

- Dynamic programming (and divide and conquer) lends itself directly to induction.
  - Base cases:  $\text{OPT}(i,0)=0$ ,  $\text{OPT}(0,w)=0$  (no items!).
  - Inductive step: explaining the correctness of recursive formula
    - If the following values are correctly computed:
      - $\text{OPT}(0,w-1), \text{OPT}(1,w-1), \dots, \text{OPT}(n,w-1)$
      - $\text{OPT}(0,w), \dots, \text{OPT}(i-1,w)$
    - Then the recursive formula computes  $\text{OPT}(i,w)$  correctly
      - Case 1: ..., Case 2: ... (from previous slides).

# Time and space complexity

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What is the input size?

- In words?
- In bits?

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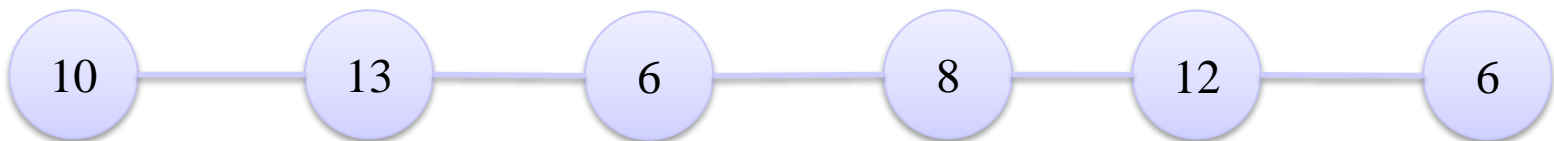
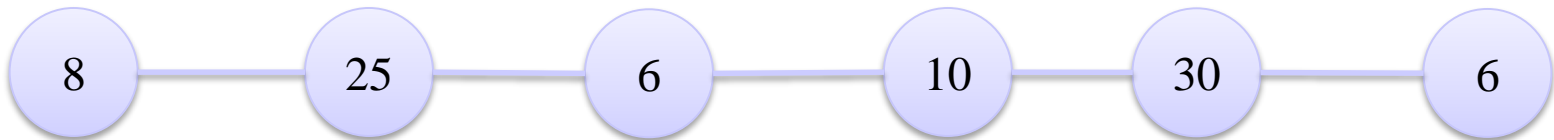
- **Time and space:**  $\Theta(nW)$ .
  - Not polynomial in input size!
  - Space can be made  $O(W)$  (exercise!)
  - "Pseudo-polynomial."
  - Decision version of Knapsack is NP-complete.

[KT, chapter 8]
- **Knapsack approximation algorithm.** There is a poly-time algorithm that produces a solution with value within 0.01% of optimum. [KT, section 11.8]

# **Exercise: Weighted Independent Set on a line**

# Max-weighted IS on a line

- Given a chain of length  $n$  and a weight for each vertex, find independent set of maximum weight
- Examples



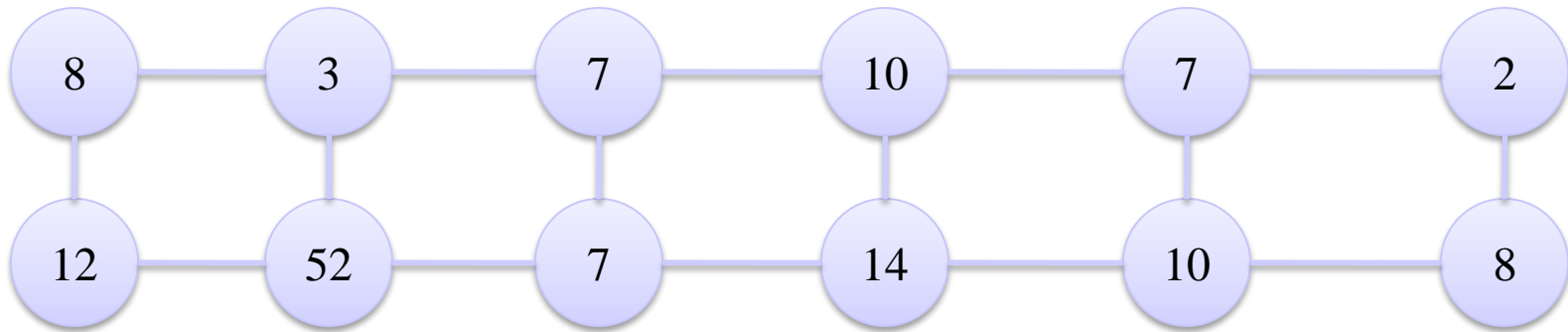
- Is there a simple greedy algorithm?

# Possible greedy algorithms

- Repeatedly add heaviest compatible vertex
- Look at all possible maximum-**size** independent sets
- Counterexamples on previous slide.

# Exercise

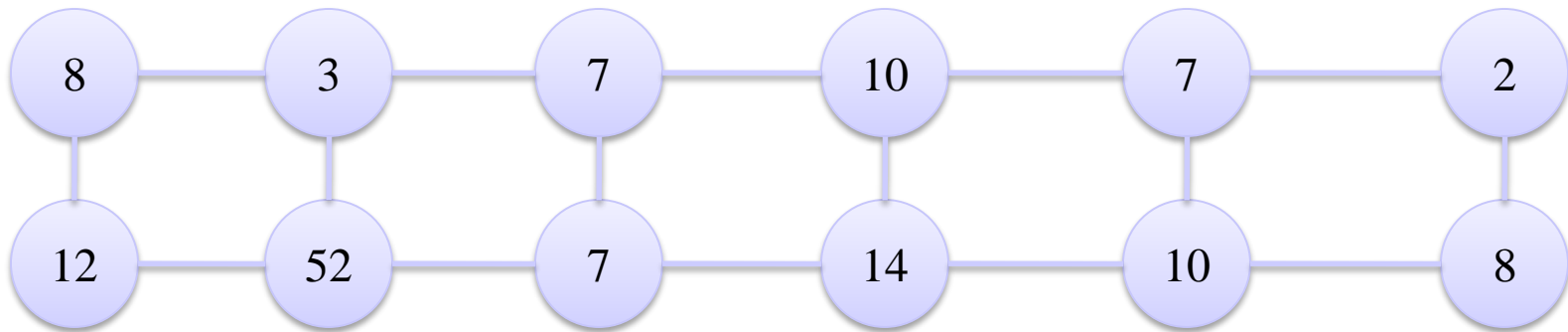
- Do the same with a  $2 \times n$  grid graph





# Exercise

- Do the same with a 2 x n grid graph



- Three types of subproblems:

- grid(i)
- gridTop(i)
- gridBottom(i)

