

## EXAMPLE: SOLVING KNAPSACK PROBLEM WITH DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

Selection of  $n=4$  items, capacity of knapsack  $M=8$

Item $i$	Value $v_i$	Weight $w_i$
1	15	1
2	10	5
3	9	3
4	5	4

$$f(0,g) = 0, f(k,0) = 0$$

**Recursion formula:**

$$f(k,g) = \begin{cases} f(k-1,g) & \text{if } w_k > g \\ \max \{v_k + f(k-1,g-w_k), f(k-1,g)\} & \text{if } w_k \leq g \text{ and } k > 0 \end{cases}$$

Solution tabulated:

		Capacity remaining								
		$g=0$	$g=1$	$g=2$	$g=3$	$g=4$	$g=5$	$g=6$	$g=7$	$g=8$
$k=0$	$f(0,g) =$	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
$k=1$	$f(1,g) =$	0	<b>15</b>	15	15	15	15	15	15	15
$k=2$	$f(2,g) =$	0	<b>15</b>	15	15	15	15	25	25	25
$k=3$	$f(3,g) =$	0	15	15	15	<b>24</b>	24	25	25	25
$k=4$	$f(4,g) =$	0	15	15	15	24	24	25	25	<b><u>29</u></b>

Last value:  $k=n, g=M$

$$f_{\max} = f(n,M) = f(4,8) = 29$$

**Backtracking the solution:**

Repeat for  $k = n, n-1, \dots, 1$

If  $f(k,g) \neq f(k-1,g)$ , item  $k$  is in the selection,  $x_k := 1$ . Otherwise,  $x_k := 0$ .

Capacity for previous items:  $g := g - w_k x_k$

$g=8$

$$\begin{aligned} k=4: \quad & f(4,8) \neq f(3,8) \Rightarrow x_4 = 1 \\ & g = g - w_4 = 8 - 4 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} k=3: \quad & f(3,4) \neq f(2,4) \Rightarrow x_3 = 1 \\ & g = g - w_3 = 4 - 3 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} k=2, : \quad & f(2,1) = f(1,1) \Rightarrow x_2 = 0 \\ & g = g - 0 = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} k=1: \quad & f(1,1) \neq f(0,1) \Rightarrow x_1 = 1 \\ & g = g - w_1 = 1 - 1 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

The solution is  $x = (1,0,1,1)$  i.e. items 1,3, and 4 are selected. value of the knapsack is 29.