

Reduction 4: Superadditivity \rightarrow Unbounded Knapsack

Assume unbd knapsack could be solved in $O(t^{2-\delta})$ time.

To solve superadditivity, given f_0, \dots, f_{n-1} :
for each $i=0, \dots, n-1$ increases.

Create items $(i, f_i), (t-i, U-f_i)$
 with $t = 2n$
 (type 1) (type 2)
 weight profit weight profit
 capacity

(for suff. large $U \geq 2n \max f_i$)

Solve unbd knapsack in $O(n^{2-\delta})$ time

Claim f is superadditive $\Leftrightarrow \max \text{profit} \leq U$.

Pf: (\Leftarrow) Suppose f is not superadditive.
Then $\exists i, j, f_i + f_j > f_{i+j}$.

Choose 3 items:

$\rightarrow (i, f_i), (j, f_j), (t-i-j, U-f_{i+j})$
 profit $f_i + f_j + U - f_{i+j} > U$.

(\Rightarrow) Suppose f is superadditive.

Consider any feasible sol'n I .

If I uses items $(i, f_i), (j, f_j)$,
 can replace with $(i+j, f_{i+j})$
 & profit can only increase.

(note: duplicates are ok for unbd knapsack)

I can use exactly one item of type 2, of the form $(t-k, U-f_k)$.

So, $I = \{ (i, f_i), (t-k, U-f_k) \}$
 with $i + t - k \leq t \Rightarrow i \leq k$
 profit $f_i + U - f_k \leq U$.

(because U is large)

\Downarrow so, this implies items of type 1 have total wt $\leq n$ so all items of type 1 can be combined into one by the above replacement idea

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Reduction 5: Unbdd Knapsack \rightarrow 0/1 Knapsack

idea - any # can be expressed as sum of distinct powers of 2.

To solve unbdd knapsack:

for each item (w_i, p_i) ,

create new item $(2^l w_i, 2^l p_i)$

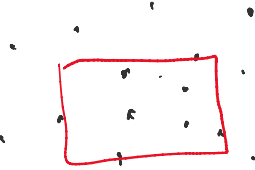
for $l = 0, \dots, \log U$.

Solve 0/1 Knapsack on these $O(n \log U)$ items with same t .

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A geometric appl'n:

Problem Given n pts in 2D and k ,
find min axis-aligned rectangle containing k pts.
area



C., Har-Peled '20: $O(n^2 \log n)$

Thm If min- k -enclos rect could be solved in $O(n^{2-\delta})$ time,
then $(\min, +)$ -Convul $\dots \dots O(n^{2-\delta})$ time.

Pf:

Reduction: Detect-One $(\min, +)$ -Convul Decis \rightarrow min- k -enclos rect.

Given $a_0, \dots, a_{n-1}, b_0, \dots, b_{n-1}, c_0, \dots, c_{2n-2}$:

To decide whether $\exists i, j, a_i + b_j \leq c_{i+j}$:

w.l.o.g. assume a_i, b_i, c_i increas.
 $\&$ in $[0, U)$.

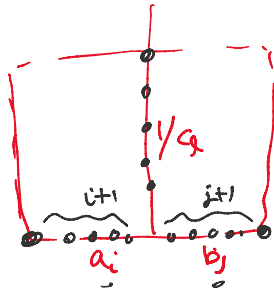
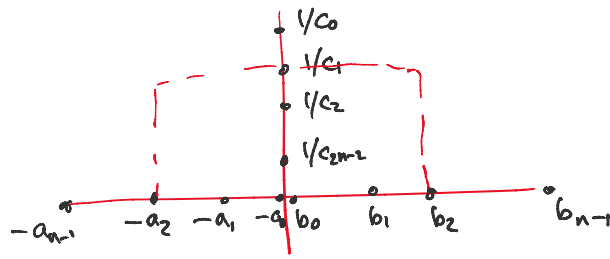
with $a_0 = 0, b_0 = 0$.

Create pts $(-a_i, 0) \quad i = 0, \dots, n-1$

$(0, b_j) \quad j = 0, \dots, n-1$

$(0, \frac{c_l}{2}) \quad l = 0, \dots, 2n-2$

Set $k = 2n+1$.



$$\begin{aligned}
 &\# \text{ pts enclosed} \\
 &= i+1 + j+1 \\
 &\quad + 2n-2-l+1 \\
 &= i+j-l + 2n+1 \\
 &= h \\
 &\Leftrightarrow i+j = l.
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{area} &= (a_i + b_j) \cdot \frac{1}{c_l} \leq 1 \\
 \Leftrightarrow a_i + b_j &\leq c_l. \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

Conditional Lower Bds Based on SAT

(CNF-) SAT Problem Given CNF formula F

with n vars,

decide if \exists satisfying assignment

e.g. $(x_1 \vee x_2 \vee \overline{x_3}) \wedge (\overline{x_2} \vee x_3 \vee x_4) \wedge \dots$

\swarrow literal
clause

k -SAT: version for max clause length k