

Advanced Algorithms (Fall 2023)

Rounding Data and Dynamic Programming

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- Motivation: you have budget W , and want to buy a subset of items of maximum total value

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Theorem Greedy algorithm gives the optimum solution for fractional knapsack.

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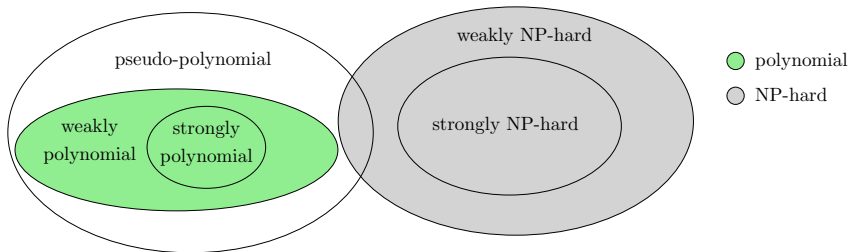
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- The input size is polynomial in n and $\log W$; running time is polynomial in n and W .
- The running time is **pseudo-polynomial**.

- n : number of integers W : maximum value of all integers
- **pseudo-polynomial time**: $\text{poly}(n, W)$ (e.g., DP for Knapsack)
- **weakly polynomial time**: $\text{poly}(n, \log W)$ (e.g., Euclidean Algorithm for Greatest Common Divisor)
- **strongly polynomial time**: $\text{poly}(n)$ time, assuming basic operations on integers taking $O(1)$ time (e.g., Kruskal's)
- **weakly NP-hard**: NP-hard to solve in time $\text{poly}(n, \log W)$
- **strongly NP-hard**: NP-hard even if $W = \text{poly}(n)$



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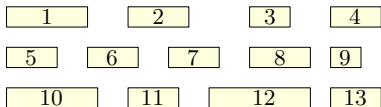
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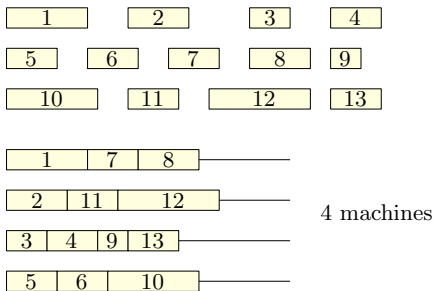
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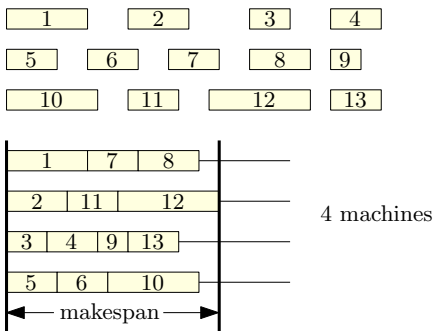
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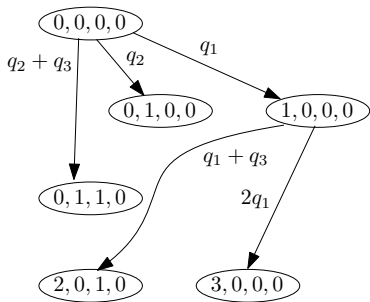
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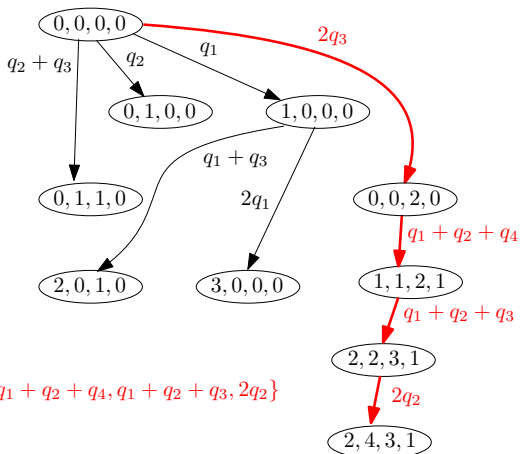
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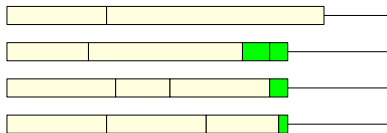
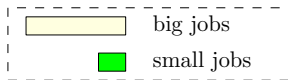
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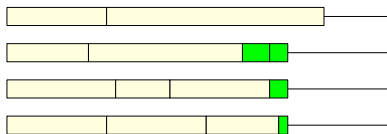
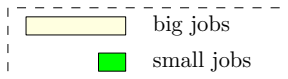
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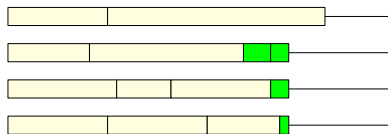
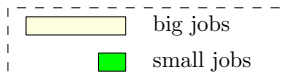


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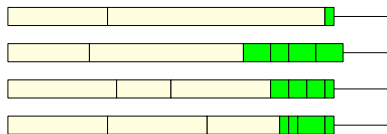
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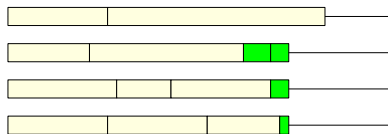
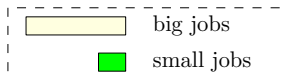
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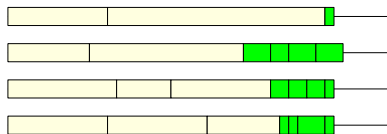
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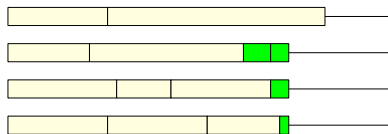
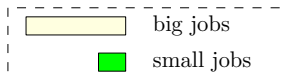
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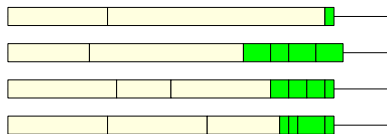
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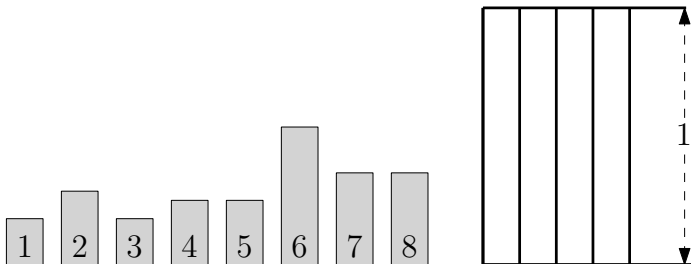
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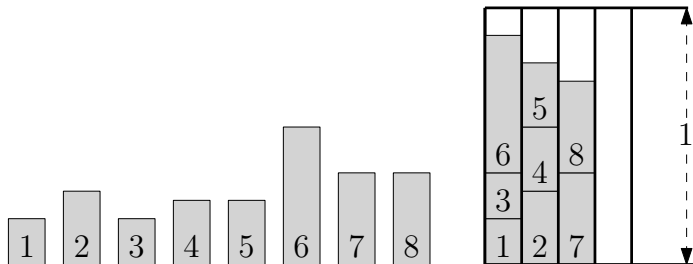
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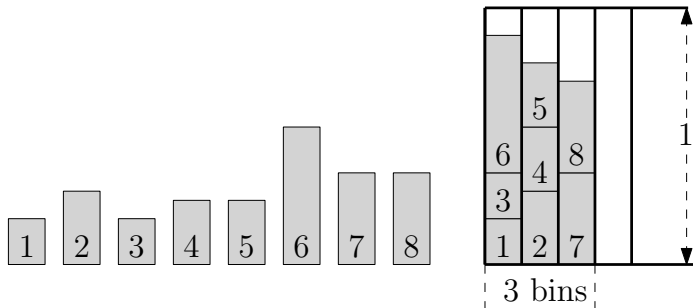
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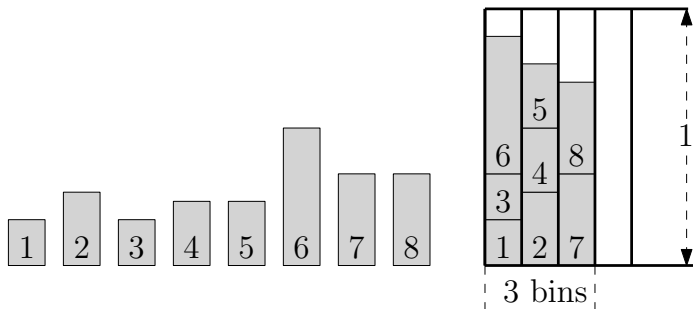
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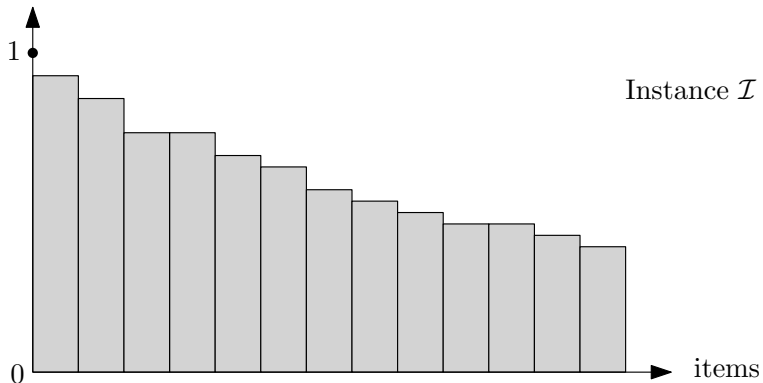
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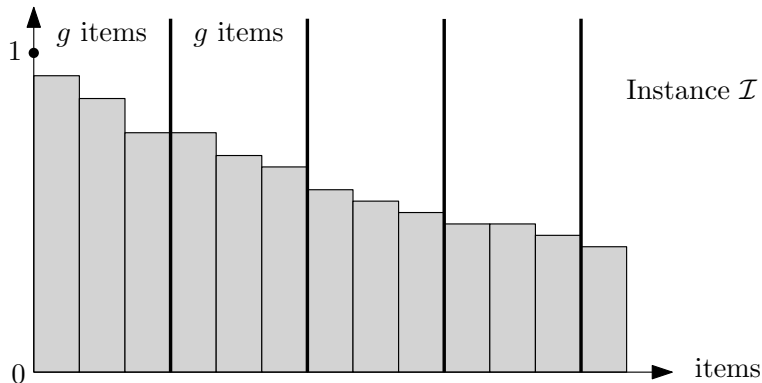
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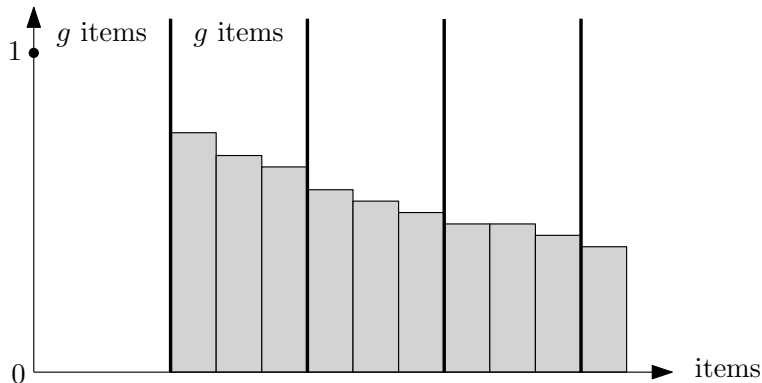
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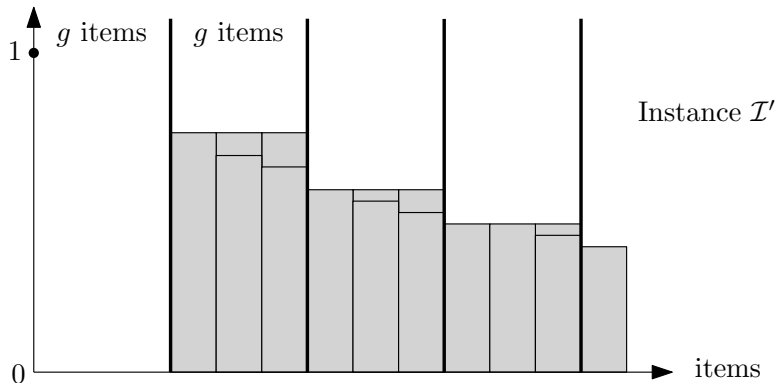
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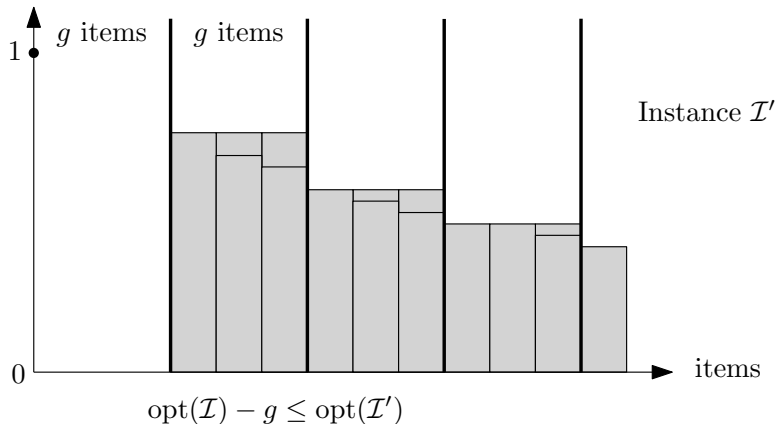
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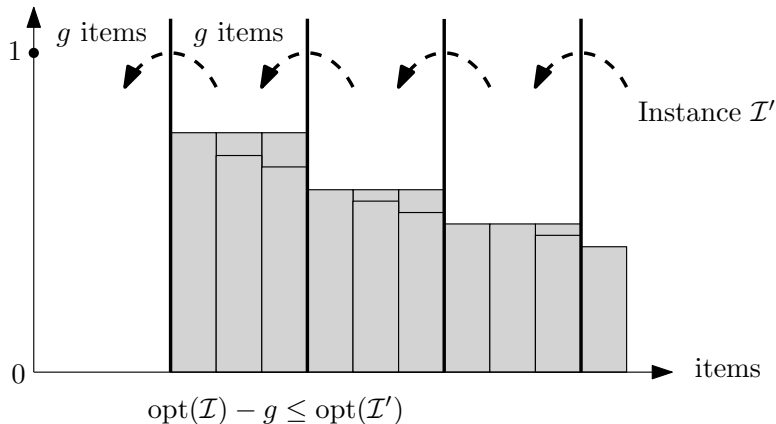
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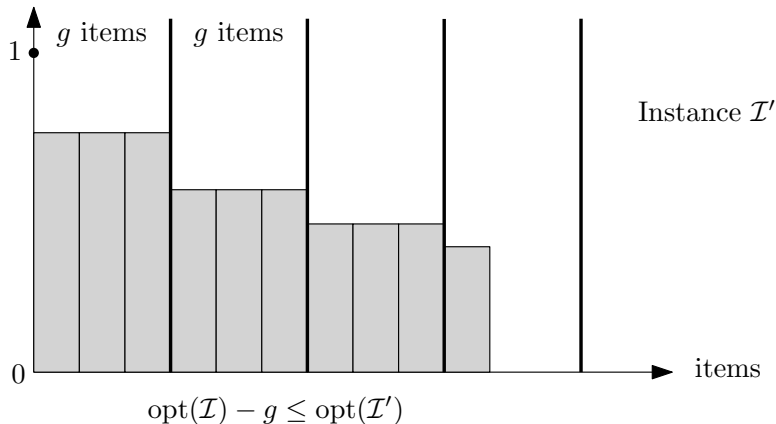
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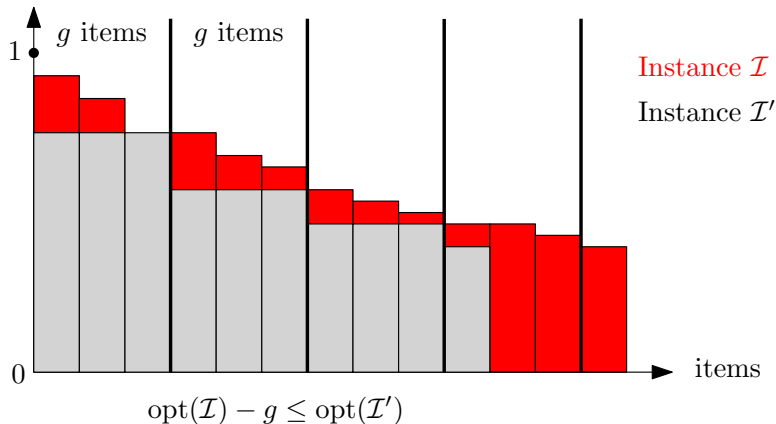
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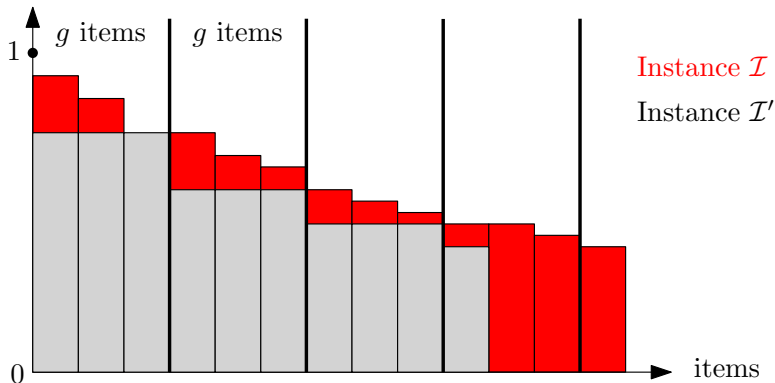
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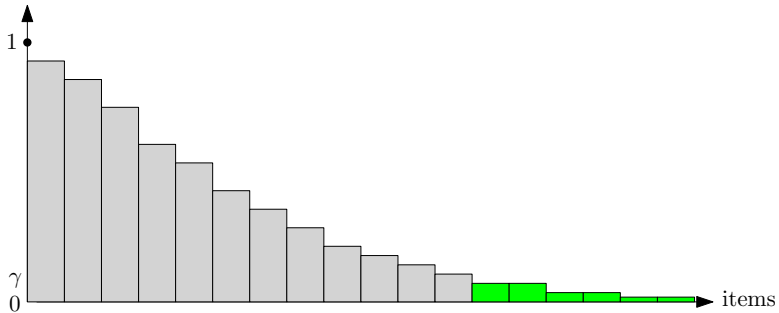
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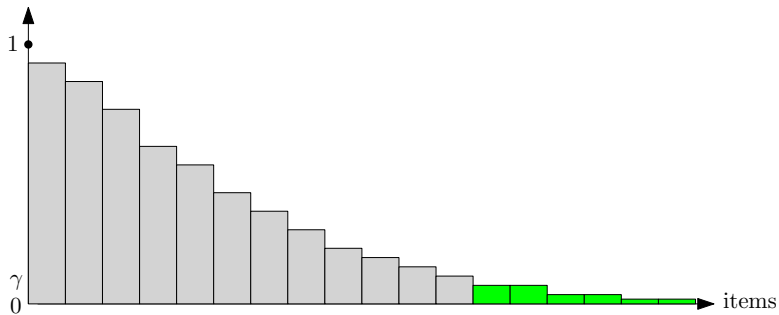
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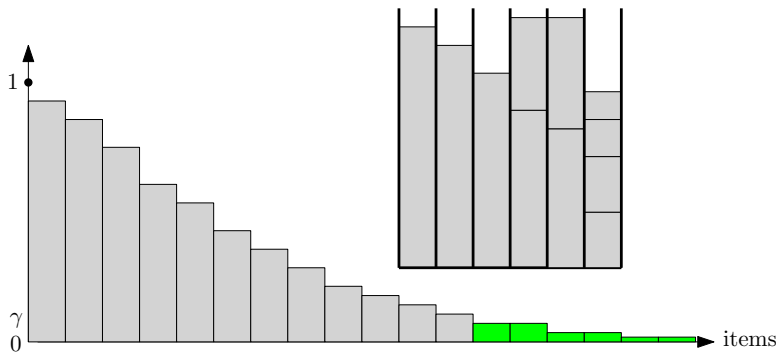


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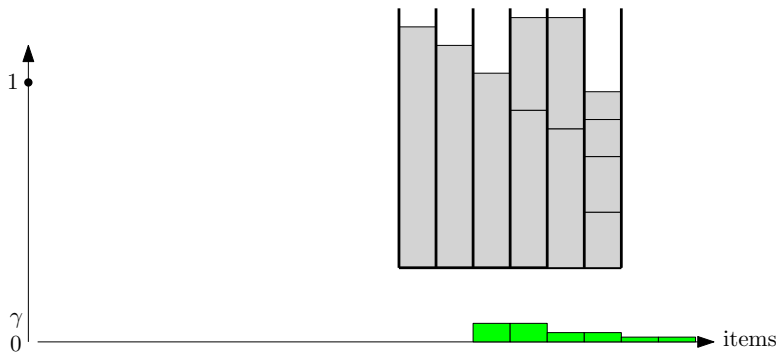
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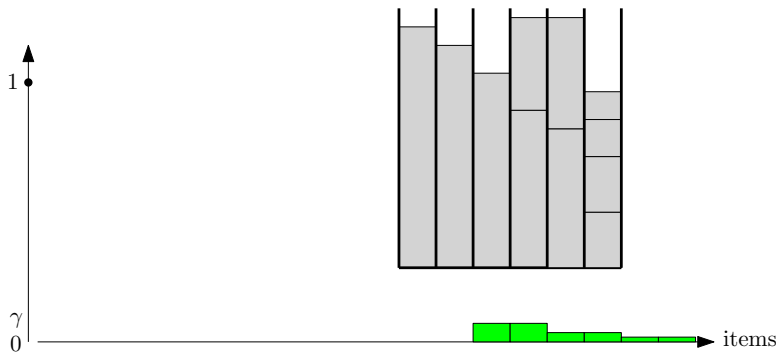
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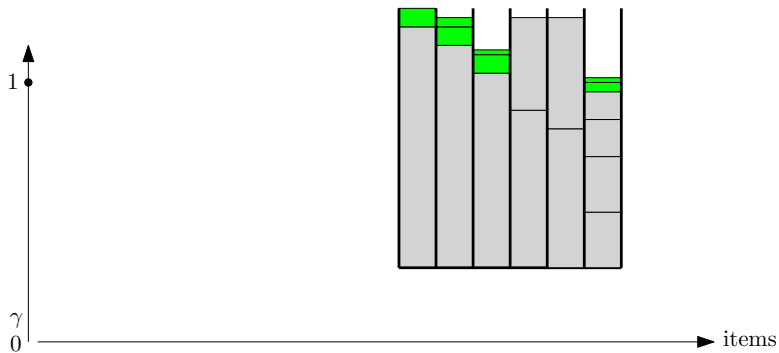
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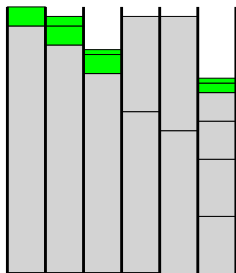


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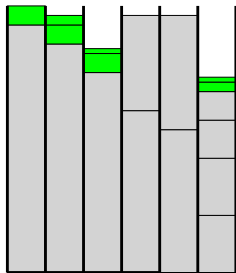
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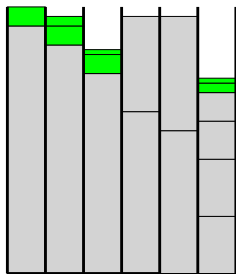


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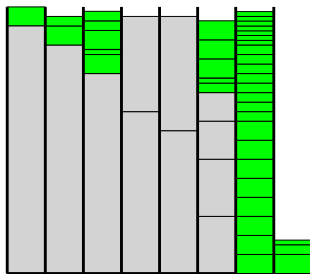
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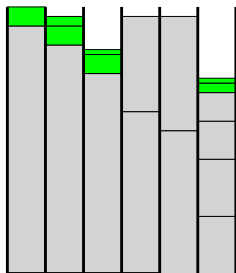
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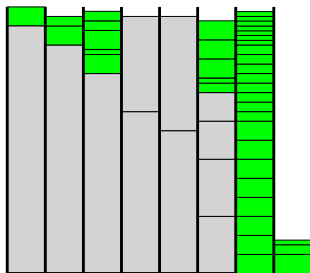
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