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Equivalently, the problem can be cast as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ll} \max_{x_i \in \{0,1\}} & \displaystyle \sum_{i=1}^n v_i x_i \\ \text{s.t.} & \displaystyle \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \leq W \end{array}$$

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All three appraches generate feasible solutions. However, cannot guarantee to always generate an optimal solution!

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Optimal solution - by inspection

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The better of these two choices should be made., that is

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- Running time:  $\Theta(nW)$ :
  - ▶  $\Theta(nW)$  to fill in the c table (n+1)(W+1) entries each requiring  $\Theta(1)$  time
  - ▶ O(n) time to trace the solution starts in row n and moves up 1 row at each step.

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- Optimal value = c[3, 5] = 22.
- The optimal solution (the items to take):  $S = \{3, 2\}$

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