

# Package ‘mknapsack’

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**Type** Package

**Title** Multiple Knapsack Problem Solver

**Version** 0.1.0

**Description** Package solves multiple knapsack optimisation problem.  
Given a set of items, each with volume and value,  
it will allocate them to knapsacks of a given size in a way that  
value of top N knapsacks is as large as possible.

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group_moq	<i>Collapse function for the MOQ items</i>
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**Description**

Combines items with MOQ greater than one to a single line that represents min amount that can be ordered

**Usage**

```
group_moq(units)
```

**Arguments**

units	data.table with following fields: sku, utility, volume, moq
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**Value**

data.table with sku, utility, volume and units fields. first lines for each sku are grouped according to moq

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knapsack	<i>Solves knapsack problem with the library defined in knapsack.solver option: - cbc (default) - uses rcbc package - lpsolve - uses lpSolve package</i>
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**Description**

Solves knapsack problem with the library defined in knapsack.solver option: - cbc (default) - uses rcbc package - lpsolve - uses lpSolve package

**Usage**

```
knapsack(profit, volume, moq = rep(0, length(profit)), cap = 65)
```

**Arguments**

profit	vector with profit for item
volume	vector of item sizes in cubic meters
moq	vector of flags where 1 means that row contains minimum order quantity (MOQ). Defaults to zero vector matching profit in length.
cap	size of the container in cubic meters

**Value**

vector with container numbers keeping the permutation of the original data

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`mknapsack`*Optimal packing into multiple containers*

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## Description

Gets containers based on the utility of individual items, their volume and container size

## Usage

```
mknapsack(profit, volume, moq = rep(0, length(profit)), cap = 65,  
  sold = rep(0, length(profit)))
```

## Arguments

<code>profit</code>	vector with profit for item
<code>volume</code>	vector of item sizes in cubic meters
<code>moq</code>	vector of flags where 1 means that row contains minimum order quantity (MOQ). Defaults to zero vector matching profit in length.
<code>cap</code>	size of the container in cubic meters
<code>sold</code>	vector with a number of items that were sold on demand

## Value

vector with container numbers keeping the permutation of the original data

## Examples

```
# Calculate the optimal containers summary for a sample dataset  
data(unitsbro)  
library(data.table)  
units.combined <- data.table(unitsbro)  
moq <- units.combined$moq  
profit <- units.combined$utility  
volume <- units.combined$volume  
res <- mknapsack(profit, volume, moq, 65)  
units.combined$container <- as.factor(res)  
#Aggregate solution to container  
containers <- units.combined[order(container), .(volume = sum(volume),  
  profit = sum(profit)), by = container]
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moq_constraint	<i>Minimum Order Quantity (MOQ) constraint generator</i>
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### Description

Creates matrix of moq constraints for the LP optimisation. It is assumed that there is only one moq position per SKU and data is sorted by sku, therefore SKU index can be calculated

### Usage

```
moq_constraint(moq)
```

### Arguments

moq	flag that indicates that this position contains MOQ
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### Value

matrix that expresses the MOQ constraint: non-MOQ item cannot be put into container that does not contain MOQ item

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unitsbro	<i>Real sample of item utility for BRO created in May 2017</i>
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### Description

Dataset contains line items with utility and volume and can be used for exploration of the package functionality.

### Usage

```
unitsbro
```

### Format

A data frame with rows and variables

**sku** identifier for the product

**utility** proxy of the profit that this item delivers to the company if purchased

**volume** volume of the item, usually in cubic meters

**units** number of units that this line contains

**moq** If equals one, this line contains the minimum order quantity and should be ordered prior to other lines of the same sku

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