# Dynamic Programming

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# Dynamic Programming

- Applied for optimization problems
  - Finding a solution vs. optimum solution
- Partition the problem in terms of subproblems
  - Subproblems may have shared subsubproblems
  - Divide-and-conquer will recompute things
  - Dynamic programming solves each subproblem once
- Developing dynamic programming algorithms
  - Characterize the structure of an optimal solution
  - Recursively define the value of an optimal solution
  - Compute the value of an optimal solution
    - Typically in a bottom-up fashion
  - Construct an optimal solution



## Rod Cutting

- Given a rod of length n
  - Cut it into k smaller pieces,  $1 \le k \le n$
  - Size of each piece is  $i_1, i_2, \ldots, i_k$

$$i_1+i_2+\cdots+i_k=n$$

- Price table gives price of every piece
  - Piece of size i has price p<sub>i</sub>
  - Total revenue for a cut of sizes  $i_1, i_2, \ldots, i_k$  is

$$r_n=p_{i_1}+p_{i_2}+\cdots+p_{i_k}$$

• How do we cut the rod to maximize revenue?

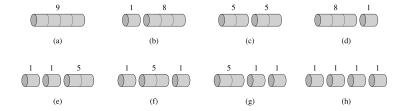


#### Example: Rod Cutting

length i	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
price $p_i$	1	5	8	9	10	17	17	20	24	30

- Price table for rod cutting
- Prices  $p_i$  for each length i
- ullet Optimizing cuts for a given n

## Example: Rod Cutting with n = 4



- Consider all possible cuts
- Total number of options is  $2^{n-1}$
- Decide on cutting or not at distance i from the left end

# Example: Rod Cutting by Inspection

length i	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
price $p_i$	1	5	8	9	10	17	17	20	24	30

n	Cut	r <sub>n</sub>
1	1 (no cuts)	1
2	2 (no cuts)	5
3	3 (no cuts)	8
4	2 + 2	10
5	2 + 3	13
6	6 (no cuts)	17
7	1 + 6	18
8	2 + 6	22
9	3 + 6	25
10	10 (no cuts)	30

## Rod Cutting as Optimization

- Express  $r_n$  in terms of optimal revenue from shorter rods
  - Initial cut into two pieces of size (i, n-i), i = 1, 2, ..., n-1
  - Also consider the 'no cut' scenario

$$r_n = \max(p_n, r_1 + r_{n-1}, r_2 + r_{n-2}, \dots, r_{n-1} + r_1)$$

- Optimal substructure
  - Optimal solution includes optimal solution to smaller subproblems
  - After first cut, we have two smaller problems of the same type
- Alternative simpler approach for recursive structure
  - Cut the first piece of size i
  - Optimize over the remainder of size (n-i)
  - The first piece cannot be cut further, the remainder can be

$$r_n = \max_{1 \le i \le n} \left( p_i + r_{n-i} \right)$$



#### Algorithm: CUT-ROD

```
CUT-ROD(p, n)

if n == 0

return 0

q = -\infty

for i = 1 to n

q = \max(q, p[i] + \text{CUT-ROD}(p, n - i))

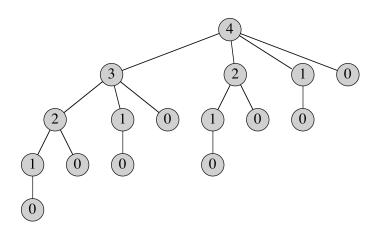
return q
```

- Induction on n shows correctness
- Really slow algorithm
- T(n): total number of calls made to CUT-ROD

$$T(n) = 1 + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} T(j) \implies T(n) = 2^n$$



#### Issues with Cut-Rod



• Repeatedly solves the same subproblem



## Dynamic Programming for Rod Cutting

- Idea: Solve every sub-problem only once
- Time-memory tradeoff
  - Use extra memory to store solutions of subproblems
  - Each subproblem needs to be solved once
  - Subsequent calls is just a look-up
- From exponential to polynomial time
  - Number of distinct subproblems needs to be polynomial
- Two approaches to dynamic programming
  - Top-down with memoization: Recursive, but stores subproblem solutions
  - Bottom-up: Solve smaller subproblems first



# Algorithm: MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD

```
MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD(p, n)
let r[0..n] be a new array
for i = 0 to n
r[i] = -\infty
return MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD-AUX(p, n, r)
```

- Use array r to store solutions
- Same subproblem need not be solved twice

## Algorithm: Memoized-Cut-Rod-Aux

```
\begin{aligned} & \text{MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD-AUX}(p,n,r) \\ & \text{if } r[n] \geq 0 \\ & & \text{return } r[n] \\ & \text{if } n == 0 \\ & q = 0 \\ & \text{else } q = -\infty \\ & \text{for } i = 1 \text{ to } n \\ & q = \max(q,p[i] + \text{MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD-AUX}(p,n-i,r)) \\ & r[n] = q \\ & \text{return } q \end{aligned}
```

- If  $r[n] \ge 0$ , subproblem has been solved before
- Otherwise solve and store in r[n]
- Overall approach has complexity  $\Theta(n^2)$



# Algorithm: BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD

```
BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD(p, n)

let r[0..n] be a new array r[0] = 0

for j = 1 to n

q = -\infty

for i = 1 to j

q = \max(q, p[i] + r[j - i])

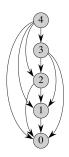
r[j] = q

return r[n]
```

- No recursions, solve the smaller subproblems first
- When r[j-i] is called, it has been computed
- Complexity of  $\Theta(n^2)$ , good constants



# Subproblem Graphs



- Directed edge implies subproblem dependency
- For Bottom-Up, solve subproblems by 'reverse topological sort'
- Number of subproblems is equal to the number of vertices
- Typically, time for a subproblem is proportional to outdegree
- Typically, complexity is linear in number of edges and nodes



#### Algorithm: Extended-Bottom-Up-Cut-Rod

```
EXTENDED-BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD(p, n)
let r[0..n] and s[0..n] be new arrays
r[0] = 0
for j = 1 to n
    q = -\infty
    for i = 1 to i
        if q < p[i] + r[j-i]
            q = p[i] + r[j-i]
            s[i] = i
    r[i] = q
return r and s
```

- Array s keeps track of first piece to cut
- s[j] is the optimal size i for problem of size j



# Printing A Solution

```
PRINT-CUT-ROD-SOLUTION (p, n)

(r, s) = \text{EXTENDED-BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD}(p, n)

while n > 0

print s[n]

n = n - s[n]

\frac{i \mid 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 4 \quad 5 \quad 6 \quad 7 \quad 8 \quad 9 \quad 10}{r[i] \mid 0 \quad 1 \quad 5 \quad 8 \quad 10 \quad 13 \quad 17 \quad 18 \quad 22 \quad 25 \quad 30}
s[i] \mid 0 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 2 \quad 2 \quad 6 \quad 1 \quad 2 \quad 3 \quad 10
```

- For (p, 10) will just print 10
- For (p,7), will print 1, 6

#### Review: Matrix Multiplication

```
MATRIX-MULTIPLY (A, B)

1 if A.columns \neq B.rows

2 error "incompatible dimensions"

3 else let C be a new A.rows \times B.columns matrix

4 for i = 1 to A.rows

5 for j = 1 to B.columns

6 c_{ij} = 0

7 for k = 1 to A.columns

8 c_{ij} = c_{ij} + a_{ik} \cdot b_{kj}

9 return C
```

- Assume A is  $p \times q$ , B is  $q \times r$
- Number of columns of A = number of rows of B
- C is  $p \times r$ , total pqr scalar multiplications

# Matrix Chain Multiplication

- Matrix multiplication is associative:  $(A_1A_2)A_3 = A_1(A_2A_3)$
- Example:  $A_1A_2A_3A_4$  can be parenthesized in 5 ways

$$(A_1(A_2(A_3A_4)))$$

$$(A_1((A_2A_3)A_4))$$

$$((A_1A_2)(A_3A_4))$$

$$((A_1(A_2A_3))A_4)$$

$$(((A_1A_2)A_3)A_4)$$

# Matrix Chain Multiplication: Problem Formulation

- Fully parenthesize the product:  $A_1A_2\cdots A_n$ 
  - Each  $A_i$  has dimensions  $p_{i-1} \times p_i$
  - Find parenthesization with minimum number of scalar multiplications
- Different parenthesizations have different complexity
- Consider  $A_1A_2A_3 = (A_1A_2)A_3 = A_1(A_2A_3)$ 
  - $A_1$  is  $10 \times 100$ ,  $A_2$  is  $100 \times 5$ ,  $A_3$  is  $5 \times 50$
  - $((A_1A_2)A_3)$  takes a total of 5000 + 2500 = 7500 scalar multiplications
  - $(A_1(A_2A_3))$  takes a total of 25,000 + 50,000 = 75,000 scalar multiplications



#### Total Number of Parenthesizations

• P(n) denote the total number of parenthesis

$$P(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1\\ \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P(k)P(n-k) & \text{if } n \ge 2 \end{cases}$$

- Similar recurrence as Catalan numbers, which grows as  $\Omega(4^n/n^{3/2})$
- ullet Can show that the recurrence grows as  $\Omega(2^n)$

