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solution from step 1. Let us assume that to optimally parenthesize, we split the product $A_i A_{i+1} \cdots A_j$ between A_k and A_{k+1}, where $i \le k < j$. Then, $m[i,j]$ equals the minimum cost for computing the subproducts $A_{i..k}$ and $A_{k+1..j}$, plus the cost of multiplying these two matrices together. Recalling that each matrix A_i is $p_{i-1} \times p_i$, we see that computing the matrix product $A_{i..k}A_{k+1..j}$ takes $p_{i-1}p_k p_j$ scalar multiplications. Thus, we obtain

$$m[i,j] = m[i,k] + m[k+1,j] + p_{i-1}p_k p_j .$$

recursive definition for the minimum cost of parenthesizing the product $A_i A_{i+1} \cdots A_j$ becomes

$$m[i,j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = j , \\ \min\limits_{i \le k < j} \{m[i,k] + m[k+1,j] + p_{i-1}p_k p_j\} & \text{if } i < j . \end{cases}$$

m[i; j] costs and another auxiliary table
S[1..n – 2,n that records which index of k achieved the optimal cost in computing m[i; j]

MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER(p)

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n = p.length - 1
let m[1..n, 1..n] and s[1..n-1, 2..n] be new tables
for i = 1 to n
    m[i,i] = 0
for l = 2 to n            // l is the chain length
    for i = 1 to n - l + 1
        j = i + l - 1
        m[i,j] = ∞
        for k = i to j - 1
            q = m[i,k] + m[k+1,j] + p_{i-1} p_k p_j
            if q < m[i,j]
                m[i,j] = q
                s[i,j] = k
return m and s
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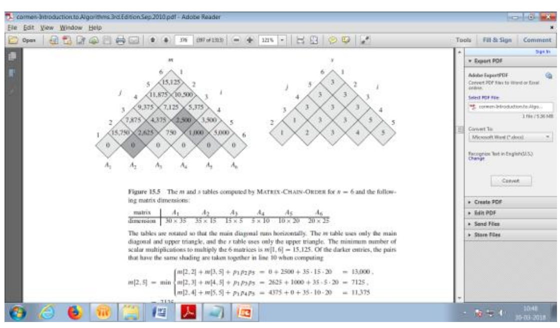
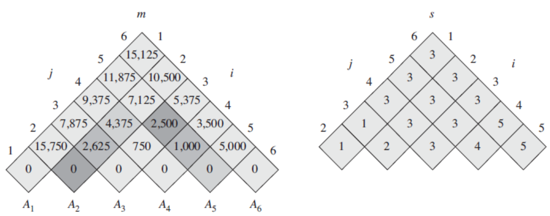
matrix	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5	A_6
dimension	30×35	35×15	15×5	5×10	10×20	20×25





m[1,6]=15125

$$m[2,5] = \min \begin{cases} m[2,2] + m[3,5] + p_1 p_2 p_5 = 0 + 2500 + 35 \cdot 15 \cdot 20 = 13{,}000\,, \\ m[2,3] + m[4,5] + p_1 p_3 p_5 = 2625 + 1000 + 35 \cdot 5 \cdot 20 = 7125\,, \\ m[2,4] + m[5,5] + p_1 p_4 p_5 = 4375 + 0 + 35 \cdot 10 \cdot 20 = 11{,}375 \end{cases}$$
$$= 7125\,.$$

PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS(s; i; j)

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PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS(s, i, j)
if i == j
    print "A"_i
else print "("
    PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS(s, i, s[i, j])
    PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS(s, s[i, j] + 1, j)
    print ")"
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In the example of Figure 15.5, the call PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS$(s, 1, 6)$ prints the parenthesization $((A_1(A_2A_3))((A_4A_5)A_6))$.