

CSE214 – Analysis of Algorithms

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Lecture 8

Dynamic Programming

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Introduction

- An algorithm design paradigm like divide-and-conquer
- “**Programming**”: A tabular method (not writing computer code)
 - Older sense of planning or scheduling, typically by filling in a table
- **Divide-and-Conquer (DAC)**: subproblems are independent
- **Dynamic Programming (DP)**: subproblems are not independent
- Overlapping subproblems: subproblems share sub-subproblems
 - In solving problems with overlapping subproblems
 - A DAC algorithm **does redundant** work
 - Repeatedly solves common subproblems
 - A DP algorithm solves each problem just once
 - **Saves its result in a table**

Example: Fibonacci Numbers (Recursive Solution)

Reminder:

$$F(0) = 0 \text{ and } F(1) = 1$$

$$F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)$$

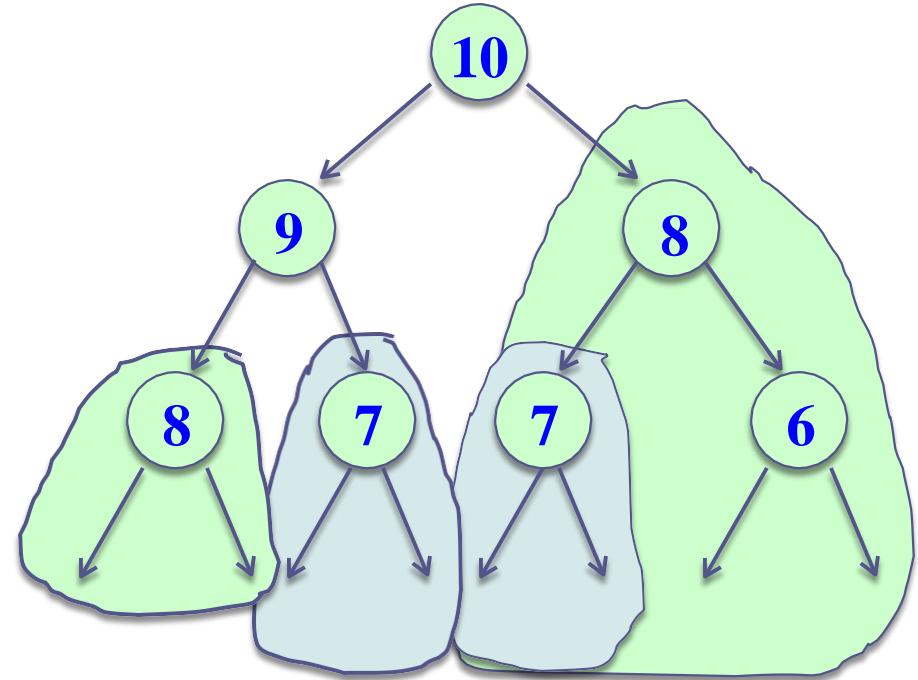
REC-FIBO(n)

if $n < 2$

return n

else

return REC-FIBO($n-1$)
+ REC-FIBO($n-2$)



Overlapping subproblems in different recursive calls. Repeated work!

Example: Fibonacci Numbers (Recursive Solution)

Recurrence:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + T(n-2) + 1$$

→ exponential runtime

Recursive algorithm inefficient because it recomputes the same $F(i)$ repeatedly in different branches of the recursion tree.

Example: Fibonacci Numbers (Bottom-up Computation)

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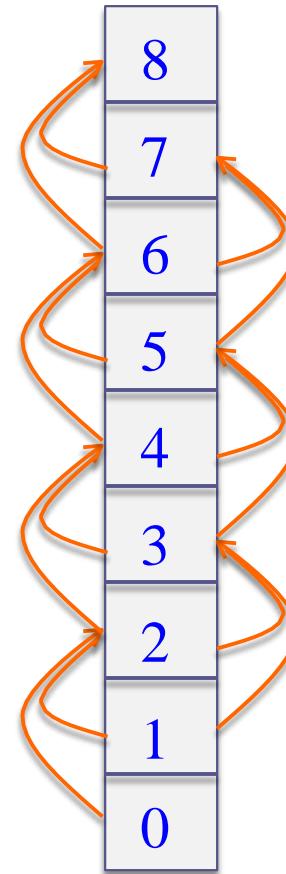
$$F[0] = 0$$

$$F[1] = 1$$

for $i = 2$ **to** n **do**

$$F[i] = F[i-1] + F[i-2]$$

return $F[n]$



Runtime: $\Theta(n)$

Optimization Problems

- DP typically applied to optimization problems
- In an optimization problem
 - There are many possible solutions (feasible solutions)
 - Each solution has a value
 - Want to find an optimal solution to the problem
 - A solution with the optimal value (min or max value)
 - Wrong to say “**the**” optimal solution to the problem
 - There may be several solutions with the same optimal value

Development of a DP Algorithm

1. Characterize the structure of an optimal solution
2. Recursively define the value of an optimal solution
3. Compute the value of an optimal solution in a bottom-up fashion
4. Construct an optimal solution from the information computed in Step 3

Example: Matrix-chain Multiplication

- Input: a sequence (chain) $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle$ of n matrices
- Aim: compute the product $A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot \dots \cdot A_n$
- A product of matrices is fully parenthesized if
 - It is either a **single matrix**
 - Or, the **product** of **two** fully parenthesized matrix products surrounded by a pair of parentheses.

$$(A_i(A_{i+1}A_{i+2} \dots A_j))$$

$$((A_iA_{i+1}A_{i+2} \dots A_{j-1})A_j)$$

$$((A_iA_{i+1}A_{i+2} \dots A_k)(A_{k+1}A_{k+2} \dots A_j)) \quad \text{for } i \leq k < j$$

– *All parenthesizations yield the same product; matrix product is associative*

Matrix-chain Multiplication: An Example Parenthesization

- Input: $\langle A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 \rangle$
- 5 distinct ways of full parenthesization

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

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

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

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

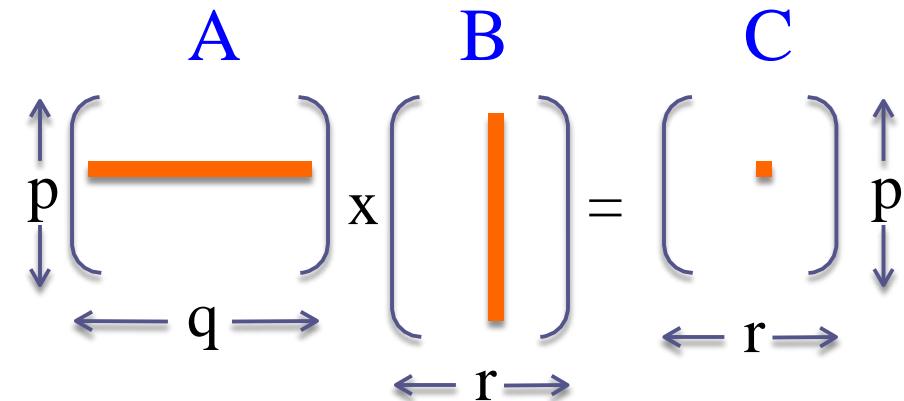
$$(((A_1A_2)A_3)A_4)$$

- The way we parenthesize a chain of matrices can have a dramatic effect on the cost of computing the product
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Reminder: Matrix Multiplication

MATRIX-MULTIPLY(A, B)

```
if cols[A]≠rows[B] then  
error("incompatible dimensions")  
for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to rows[A] do  
    for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to cols[B] do  
        C[i,j]  $\leftarrow 0$   
        for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to cols[A] do  
            C[i,j]  $\leftarrow C[i,j] + A[i,k] \cdot B[k,j]$   
return C
```



$$\text{rows}(A) = p \quad \text{rows}(B) = q$$

$$\text{cols}(A) = q \quad \text{cols}(B) = r$$

$$\text{rows}(C) = p$$

$$\text{cols}(C) = r$$

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        for k←1 to cols[A] do  
            C[i,j]← C[i,j]+A[i,k]·B[k,j]  
return C
```

A: p x q
B: q x r

C: p x r

of mult-add ops
= rows[A] x cols[B] x cols[A]

of mult-add ops = p x q x r

Matrix Chain Multiplication: Example

$A_1: 10 \times 100$

$A_2: 100 \times 5$

$A_3: 5 \times 50$

Which parenthesization is better? $(A_1 A_2) A_3$ or $A_1 (A_2 A_3)$?

$$10 \begin{bmatrix} 100 \\ A_1 \end{bmatrix} \times 100 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix} = 10 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ A_1 A_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

of ops: $10 \cdot 100 \cdot 5 = 5000$

$$10 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ A_1 A_2 \end{bmatrix} \times 5 \begin{bmatrix} 50 \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix} = 10 \begin{bmatrix} 50 \\ A_1 A_2 A_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

of ops: $10 \cdot 5 \cdot 50 = 2500$

Total # of ops: 7500

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of ops: $100 \cdot 5 \cdot 50$
 $= 25000$

$$10 \begin{bmatrix} 100 \\ A_1 \end{bmatrix} \times 100 \begin{bmatrix} 50 \\ A_2 A_3 \end{bmatrix} = 10 \begin{bmatrix} 50 \\ A_1 A_2 A_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

of ops: $10 \cdot 100 \cdot 50$
 $= 50000$

Total # of ops: 75000

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In summary: $(A_1 A_2) A_3 \rightarrow$ # of multiply-add ops: 7500
 $A_1 (A_2 A_3) \rightarrow$ # of multiple-add ops: 75000

→ First parenthesization yields 10x faster computation

Matrix-chain Multiplication Problem

Input: A chain $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle$ of n matrices,
where A_i is a $p_{i-1} \times p_i$ matrix

Objective: Fully parenthesize the product

$$A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot \dots \cdot A_n$$

such that the number of scalar mult-adds is minimized.

Counting the Number of Parenthesizations

- **Brute force approach**: exhaustively check all parenthesizations
- $P(n)$: # of parenthesizations of a sequence of n matrices
- We can split sequence between k^{th} and $(k+1)^{\text{st}}$ matrices for any $k=1, 2, \dots, n-1$, then parenthesize the two resulting sequences independently, i.e.,

$$(A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots A_k) \downarrow (A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \dots A_n)$$

- We obtain the recurrence

$$P(1) = 1 \text{ and } P(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P(k)P(n-k)$$

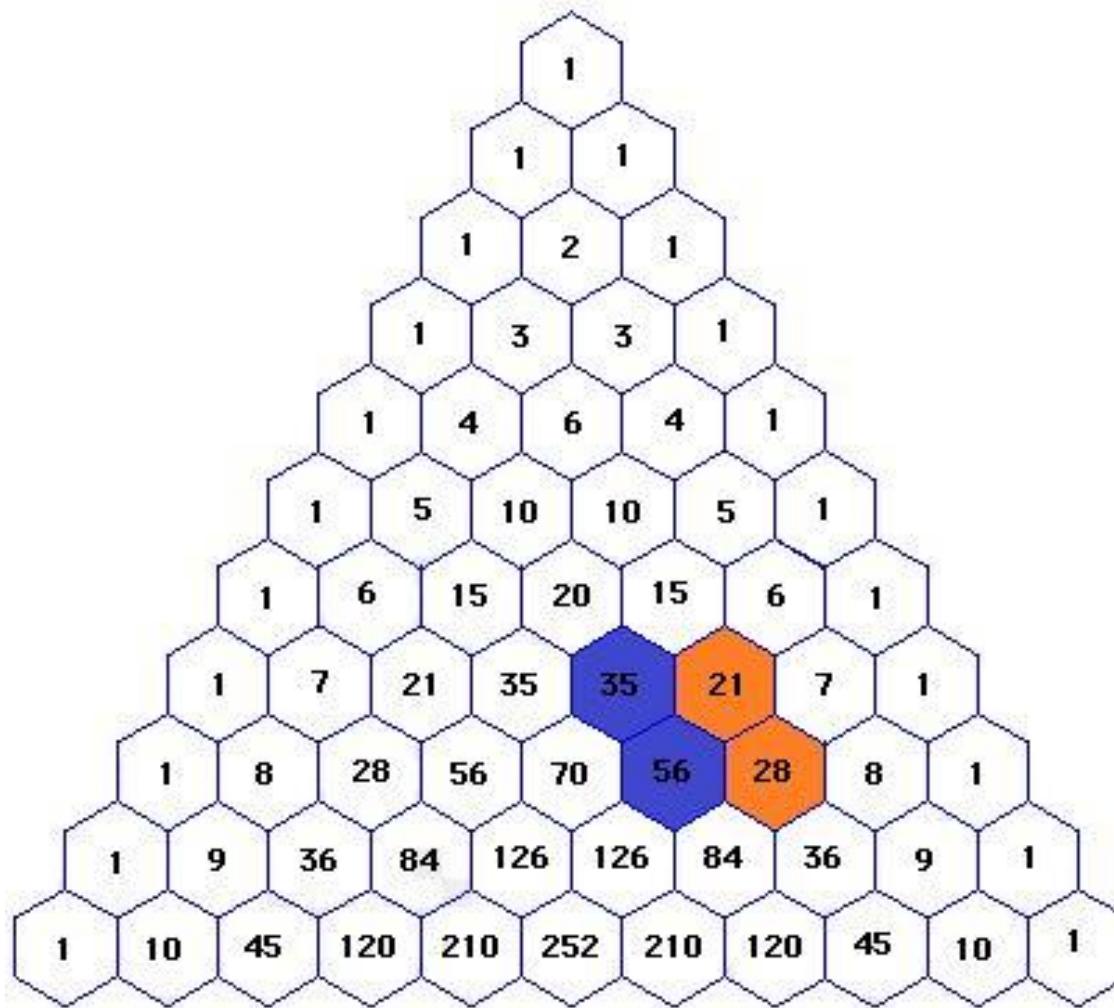
Number of Parenthesizations: $\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P(k)P(n-k)$

- The recurrence generates the sequence of **Catalan Numbers**
- Solution is $P(n) = C(n-1)$ where

$$C(n) = \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n} = \Omega(4^n/n^{3/2})$$

- The number of solutions is exponential in n
 - Therefore, brute force approach is a poor strategy
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Catalan Numbers Example



The Structure of Optimal Parenthesization

Notation: $A_{i..j}$: The matrix that results from evaluation of the product: $A_i A_{i+1} A_{i+2} \dots A_j$

Observation: Consider the last multiplication operation in any parenthesization: $(A_1 A_2 \dots A_k) . (A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \dots A_n)$

There is a k value ($1 \leq k < n$) such that:

First, the product $A_{1..k}$ is computed

Then, the product $A_{k+1..n}$ is computed

Finally, the matrices $A_{1..k}$ and $A_{k+1..n}$ are multiplied

Step 1: Characterize the Structure of an Optimal Solution

- An optimal parenthesization of product $A_1 A_2 \dots A_n$ will be:
$$(A_1 A_2 \dots A_k) . (A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \dots A_n)$$
 for some k value
- The cost of this optimal parenthesization will be:
Cost of computing $A_{1..k}$
 - + Cost of computing $A_{k+1..n}$
 - + Cost of multiplying $A_{1..k} . A_{k+1..n}$

Step 1: Characterize the Structure of an Optimal Solution

- **Key observation**: Given optimal parenthesization

$$(A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots A_k) \cdot (A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \dots A_n)$$

- Parenthesization of the subchain $A_1 A_2 A_3 \dots A_k$
 - Parenthesization of the subchain $A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \dots A_n$
- should both be optimal

Thus, optimal solution to an instance of the problem contains optimal solutions to subproblem instances
i.e., optimal substructure within an optimal solution exists.

Step 2: A Recursive Solution

Step 2: Define the value of an optimal solution recursively in terms of optimal solutions to the subproblems

Assume we are trying to determine the min cost of computing $A_{i..j}$

$m_{i,j}$: min # of scalar multiply-add operations needed to compute $A_{i..j}$

Note: The optimal cost of the original problem: $m_{1,n}$

How to compute $m_{i,j}$ recursively?

Step 2: A recursive Solution

Base case: $m_{i,i} = 0$ (single matrix, no multiplication)

Let the size of matrix A_i be $(p_{i-1} \times p_i)$

Consider an optimal parenthesization of chain $A_i \dots A_j$:

$$(A_i \dots A_k) . (A_{k+1} \dots A_j)$$

The optimal cost:

$$m_{i,j} = m_{i,k} + m_{k+1,j} + p_{i-1} \times p_k \times p_j$$

where:

$m_{i,k}$: Optimal cost of computing $A_{i..k}$

$m_{k+1,j}$: Optimal cost of computing $A_{k+1..j}$

$p_{i-1} \times p_k \times p_j$: Cost of multiplying $A_{i..k}$ and $A_{k+1..j}$

Step 2: A Recursive Solution

In an optimal parenthesization:

k must be chosen to minimize m_{ij}

The recursive formulation for m_{ij} :

$$m_{ij} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i=j \\ \text{MIN}_{i \leq k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1, j} + p_{i-1} p_k p_j \} & \text{if } i < j \end{cases}$$

Step 2: A Recursive Solution

- The m_{ij} values give the costs of optimal solutions to subproblems
- In order to keep track of how to construct an optimal solution
 - Define s_{ij} to be the value of k which yields the optimal split of the subchain $A_{i..j}$
That is, $s_{ij} = k$ such that
$$m_{ij} = m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_{i-1} p_k p_j \quad \text{holds}$$

Direct Recursion: Inefficient!

Recursive matrix-chain order

RMC(p, i, j)

if $i = j$ **then**
 return 0

$m[i, j] \leftarrow \infty$

for $k \leftarrow i$ **to** $j - 1$ **do**

$q \leftarrow \text{RMC}(p, i, k) + \text{RMC}(p, k+1, j) + p_{i-1} p_k p_j$

if $q < m[i, j]$ **then**

$m[i, j] \leftarrow q$

return $m[i, j]$

Computing the Optimal Cost (Matrix-Chain Multiplication)

An important observation:

- We have relatively few subproblems
 - one problem for each choice of i and j satisfying $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$
 - total $n + (n-1) + \dots + 2 + 1 = \frac{1}{2}n(n+1) = \Theta(n^2)$ subproblems
 - We can write a recursive algorithm based on recurrence.
 - However, a recursive algorithm may encounter each subproblem many times in different branches of the recursion tree
 - This property, overlapping subproblems, is the second important feature for applicability of dynamic programming
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Computing the Optimal Cost (Matrix-Chain Multiplication)

Compute the value of an optimal solution in a **bottom-up** fashion

- matrix A_i has dimensions $p_{i-1} \times p_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$
- the input is a sequence $\langle p_0, p_1, \dots, p_n \rangle$ where $\text{length}[p] = n + 1$

Procedure uses the following auxiliary tables:

- $m[1\dots n, 1\dots n]$: for storing the $m[i, j]$ costs
 - $s[1\dots n, 1\dots n]$: records which index of k achieved the optimal cost in computing $m[i, j]$
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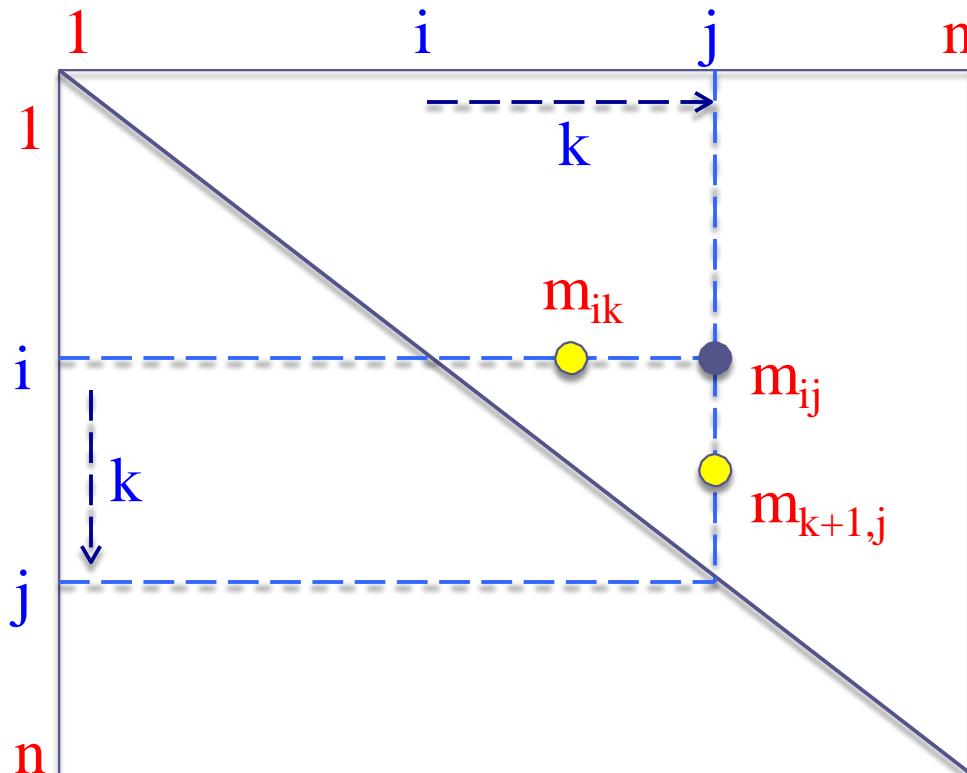
Bottom-up computation

$$m_{ij} = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_{i-1}p_k p_j \}$$

How to choose the order in which we process m_{ij} values?

Before computing m_{ij} , we have to make sure that the values for m_{ik} and $m_{k+1,j}$ have been computed for all k .

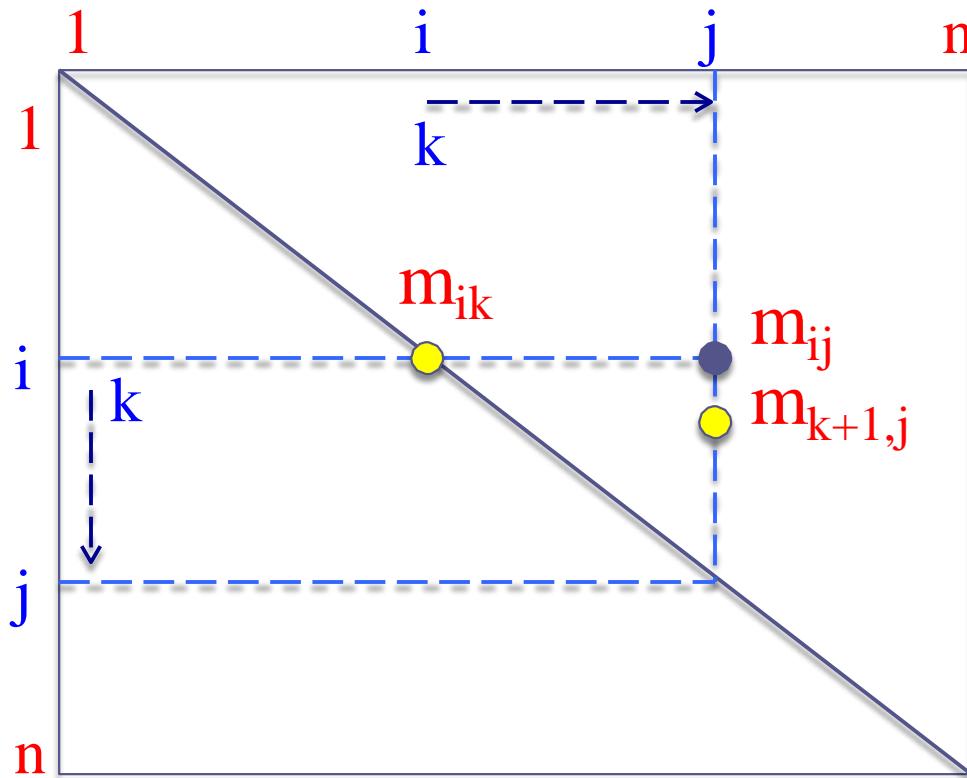
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m_{ij} must be processed after m_{ik} and $m_{j,k+1}$

Reminder: m_{ij} computed only for $j > i$

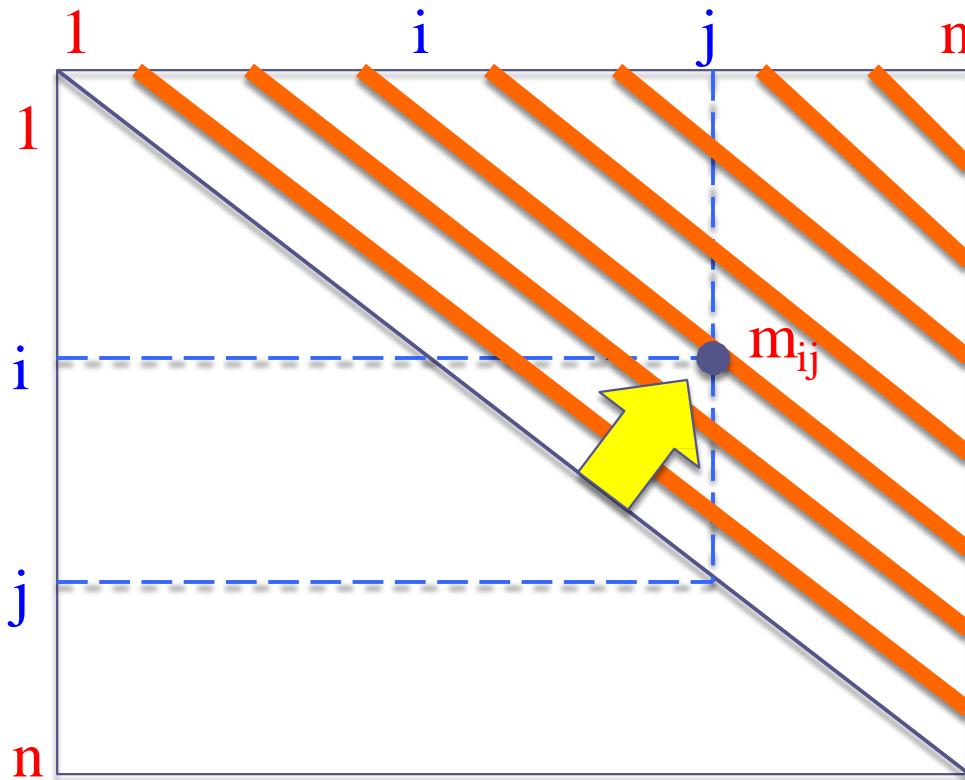
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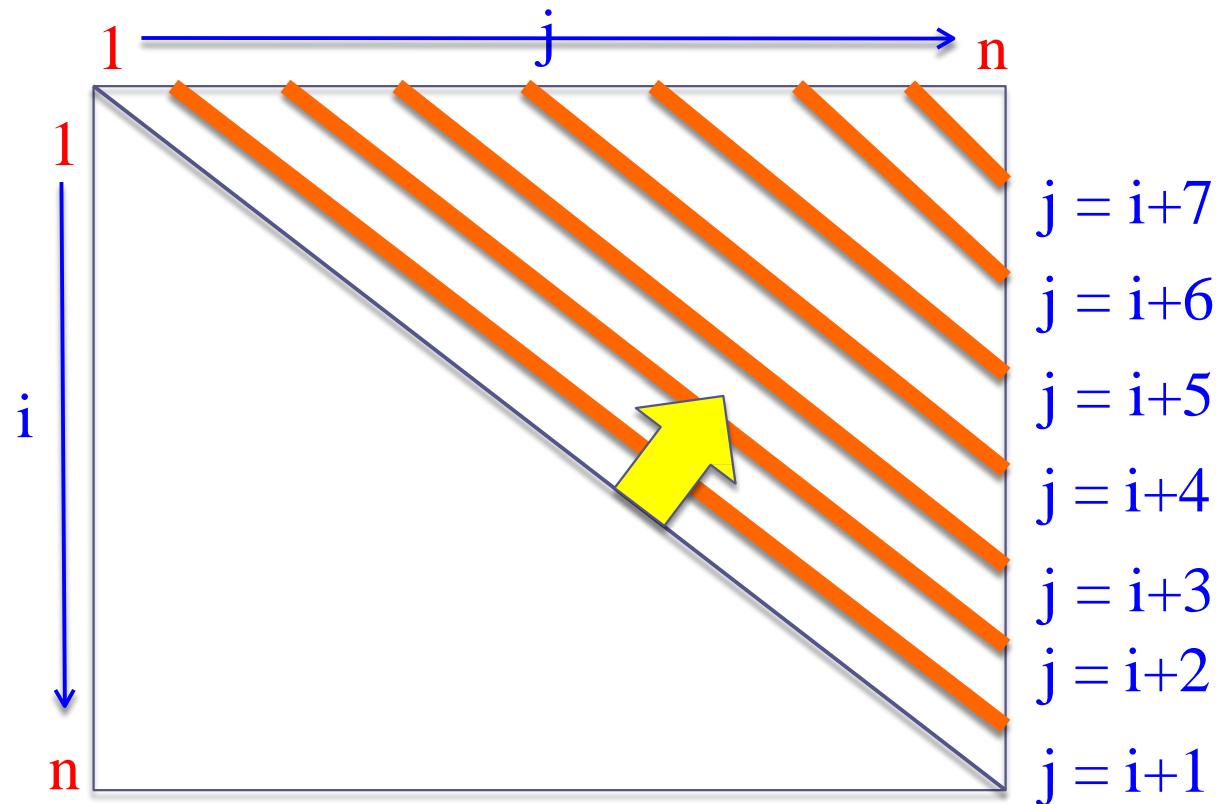
How to set up the iterations over i and j to compute m_{ij} ?

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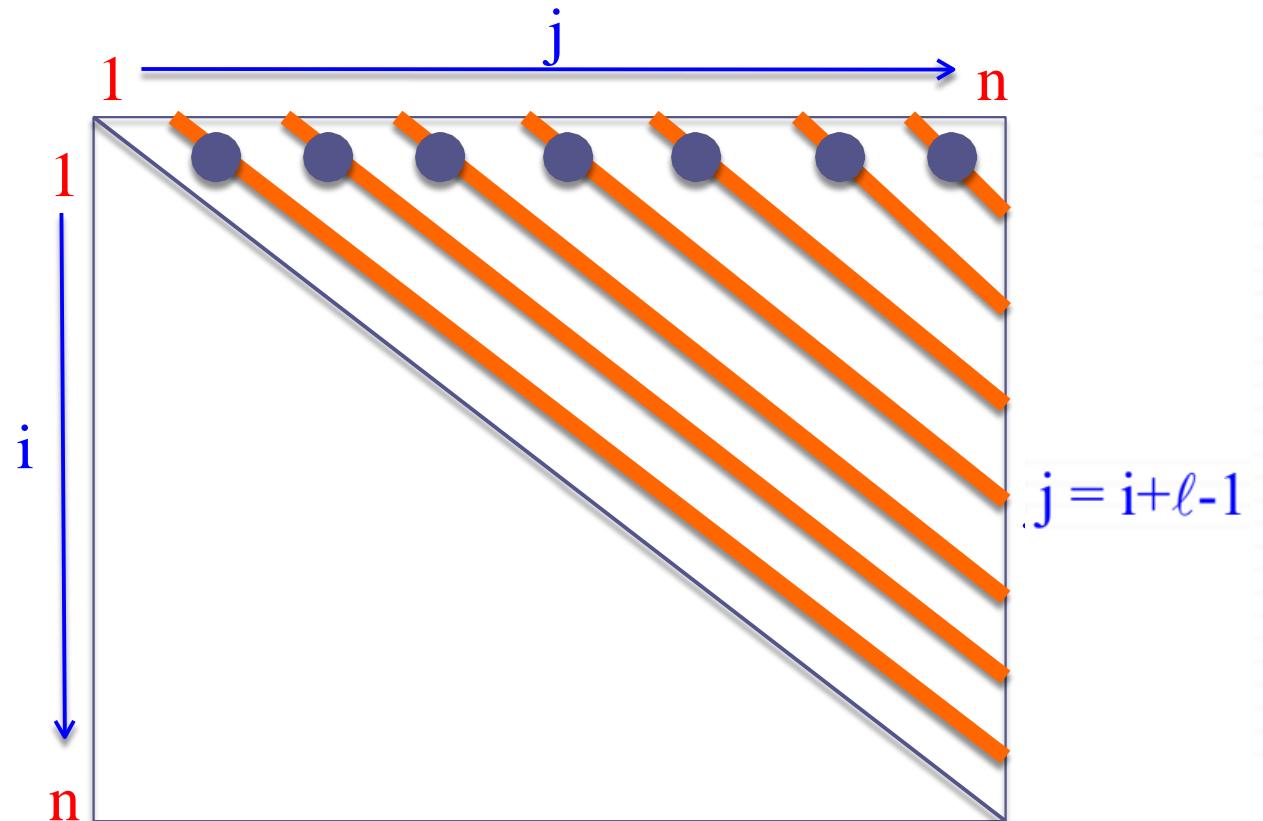


If the entries m_{ij} are computed in the shown order, then m_{ik} and $m_{k+1,j}$ values are guaranteed to be computed before m_{ij} .

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```
for  $\ell=2$  to  $n$ 
  for  $i=1$  to  $n-\ell+1$ 
     $j = i + \ell - 1$ 
    .....
     $m_{ij} = \dots$ 
    .....
```

The Dynamic Programming Algorithm

```
Matrix-Chain( $p, n$ )
{   for ( $i = 1$  to  $n$ )  $m[i, i] = 0$ ;
    for ( $l = 2$  to  $n$ )
    {
        for ( $i = 1$  to  $n - l + 1$ )
        {
             $j = i + l - 1$ ;
             $m[i, j] = \infty$ ;
            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  $s$ ; (Optimum in  $m[1, n]$ )
```

Complexity: The loops are nested three deep.

Each loop index takes on $\leq n$ values.

Hence the **time complexity** is $O(n^3)$. Space complexity $\Theta(n^2)$.

Algorithm for Computing the Optimal Costs

- The algorithm **first** computes
 $m[i, i] \leftarrow 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ min costs for all chains of length 1
 - Then, for $\ell = 2, 3, \dots, n$ computes
 $m[i, i+\ell-1]$ for $i = 1, \dots, n-\ell+1$ min costs for all chains of length ℓ
 - For each value of $\ell = 2, 3, \dots, n$,
 $m[i, i+\ell-1]$ depends only on table entries $m[i, k]$ & $m[k+1, i+\ell-1]$ for $i \leq k < i+\ell-1$, which are already computed
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Algorithm for Computing the Optimal Costs

```
 $\ell = 2$ 
for  $i = 1$  to  $n - 1$ 
   $m[i, i+1] = \infty$ 
  for  $k = i$  to  $i$  do
    .
    .
 $\ell = 3$ 
for  $i = 1$  to  $n - 2$ 
   $m[i, i+2] = \infty$ 
  for  $k = i$  to  $i+1$  do
    .
    .
 $\ell = 4$ 
for  $i = 1$  to  $n - 3$ 
   $m[i, i+3] = \infty$ 
  for  $k = i$  to  $i+2$  do
    .
    .
```

} } }

compute $m[i, i+1]$
 $\{m[1, 2], m[2, 3], \dots, m[n-1, n]\}$
 $(n-1)$ values

compute $m[i, i+2]$
 $\{m[1, 3], m[2, 4], \dots, m[n-2, n]\}$
 $(n-2)$ values

compute $m[i, i+3]$
 $\{m[1, 4], m[2, 5], \dots, m[n-3, n]\}$
 $(n-3)$ values

Constructing an Optimal Solution: Compute $A_{1..n}$

The actual multiplication code uses the $s[i, j]$ value to determine how to split the current sequence. Assume that the matrices are stored in an array of matrices $A[1..n]$, and that $s[i, j]$ is global to this recursive procedure. The procedure returns a matrix.

```
Mult( $A, s, i, j$ )
{
    if ( $i < j$ )
    {
         $X = Mult(A, s, i, s[i, j]);$ 
         $X$  is now  $A_i \cdots A_k$ , where  $k$  is  $s[i, j]$ 
         $Y = Mult(A, s, s[i, j] + 1, j);$ 
         $Y$  is now  $A_{k+1} \cdots A_j$ 
        return  $X * Y$ ; multiply matrices  $X$  and  $Y$ 
    }
    else return  $A[i];$ 
}
```

To compute $A_1 A_2 \cdots A_n$, call $Mult(A, s, 1, n)$.

Compute the value of an optimal solution in a bottom-up fashion.

Our Table: $m[1..n, 1..n]$.

$m[i, j]$ only defined for $i \leq j$.

The important point is that when we use the equation

$$m[i, j] = \min_{i \leq k < j} (m[i, k] + m[k + 1, j] + p_{i-1} p_k p_j)$$

to calculate $m[i, j]$ we must have already evaluated $m[i, k]$ and $m[k + 1, j]$.

Note that $k - i < j - i$ and $j - (k + 1) < j - i$ so, to ensure that $m[i, j]$ is evaluated after $m[i, k]$ and $m[k + 1, j]$ we simply let $\ell = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$ and calculate all the terms of the form $m[i, i + \ell], i = 1, \dots, n - \ell$ before we calculate the terms of the form $m[i, i + \ell + 1], i = 1, \dots, n - \ell - 1$. That is, we calculate in the order

$m[1, 2], m[2, 3], m[3, 4], \dots, m[n - 3, n - 2], m[n - 2, n - 1], m[n - 1, n]$

$m[1, 3], m[2, 4], m[3, 5], \dots, m[n - 3, n - 1], m[n - 2, n]$

$m[1, 4], m[2, 5], m[3, 6], \dots, m[n - 3, n]$

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$m[1, n - 1], m[2, n]$

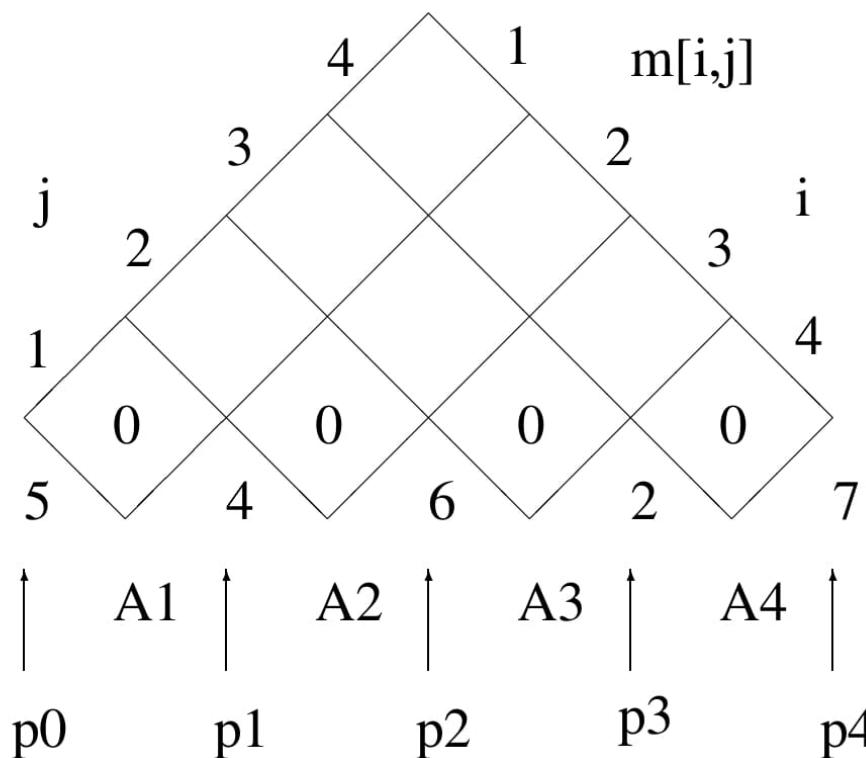
$m[1, n]$

Matrix-chain
Multiplication
Example by
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Example for the Bottom-Up Computation

Example: Given a chain of four matrices A_1, A_2, A_3 and A_4 , with $p_0 = 5, p_1 = 4, p_2 = 6, p_3 = 2$ and $p_4 = 7$. Find $m[1, 4]$.

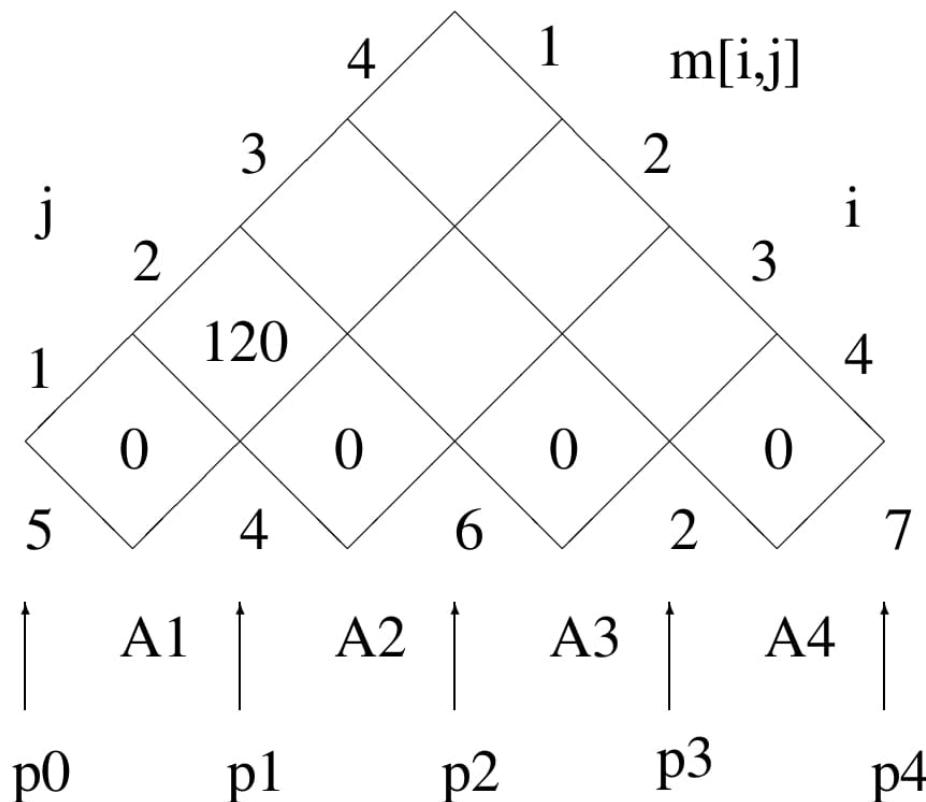
S0: Initialization



Example – Continued

Step 1: Computing $m[1, 2]$ By definition

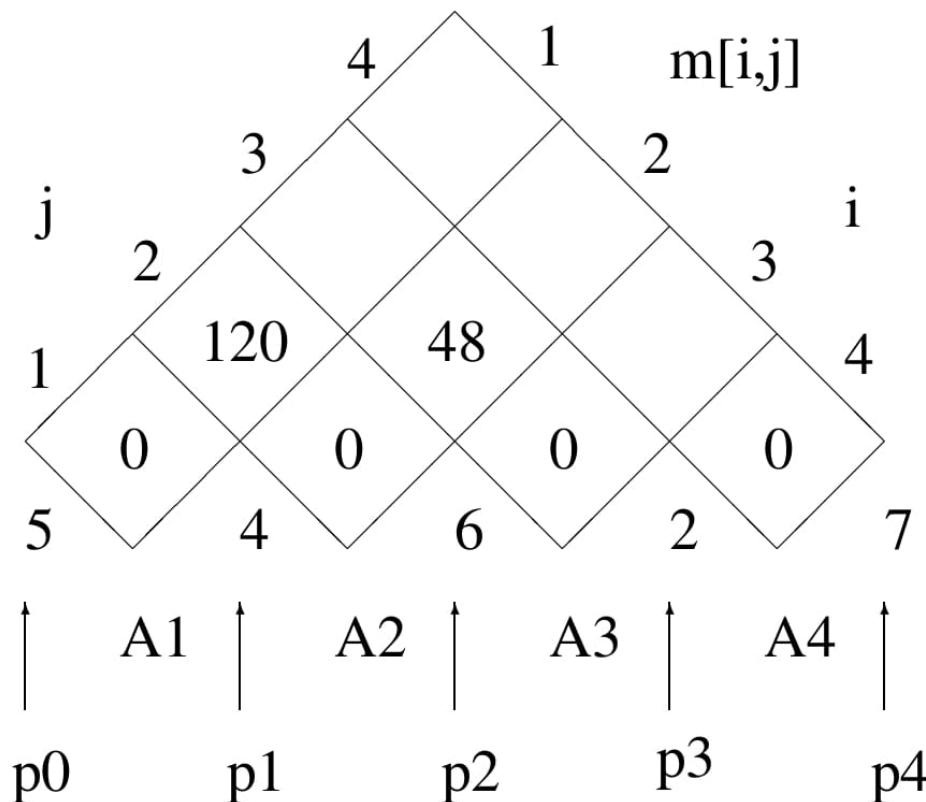
$$\begin{aligned}m[1, 2] &= \min_{1 \leq k < 2} (m[1, k] + m[k + 1, 2] + p_0 p_k p_2) \\&= m[1, 1] + m[2, 2] + p_0 p_1 p_2 = 120.\end{aligned}$$



Example – Continued

Step 2: Computing $m[2, 3]$ By definition

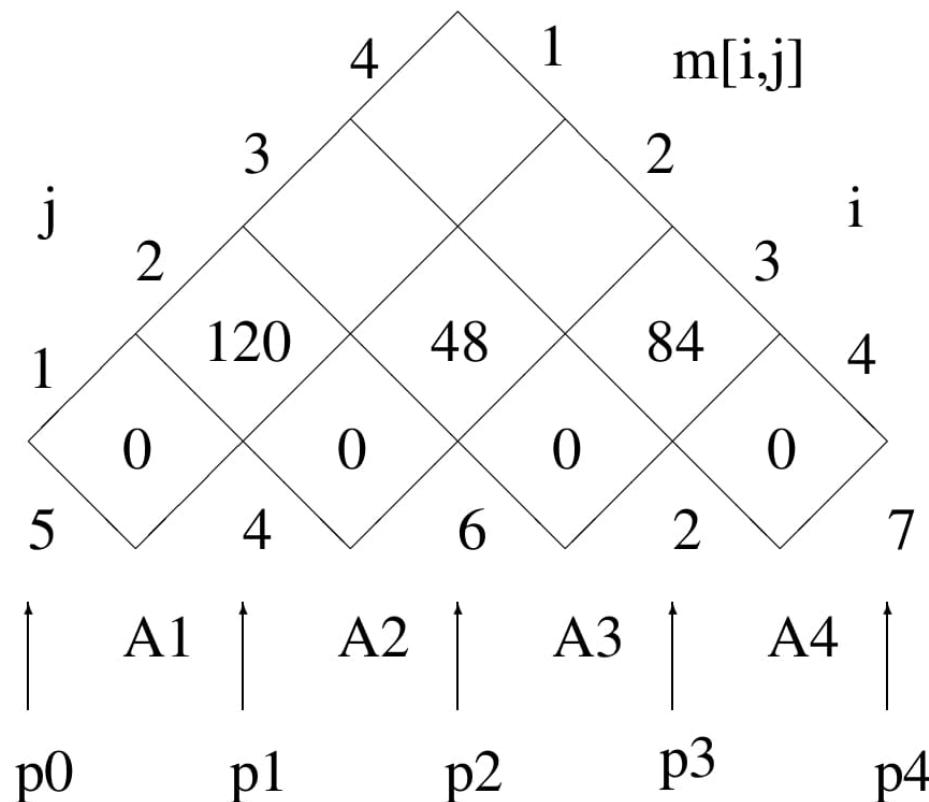
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 m[2, 3] &= \min_{2 \leq k < 3} (m[2, k] + m[k + 1, 3] + p_1 p_k p_3) \\
 &= m[2, 2] + m[3, 3] + p_1 p_2 p_3 = 48.
 \end{aligned}$$



Example – Continued

Step 3: Computing $m[3, 4]$ By definition

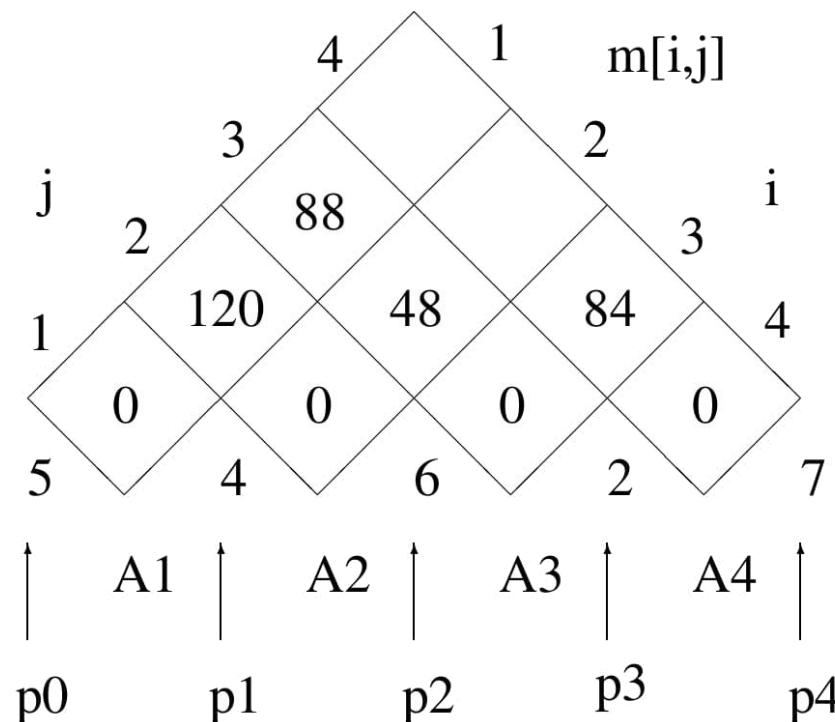
$$\begin{aligned} m[3, 4] &= \min_{3 \leq k < 4} (m[3, k] + m[k + 1, 4] + p_2 p_k p_4) \\ &= m[3, 3] + m[4, 4] + p_2 p_3 p_4 = 84. \end{aligned}$$



Example – Continued

Step 4: Computing $m[1, 3]$ By definition

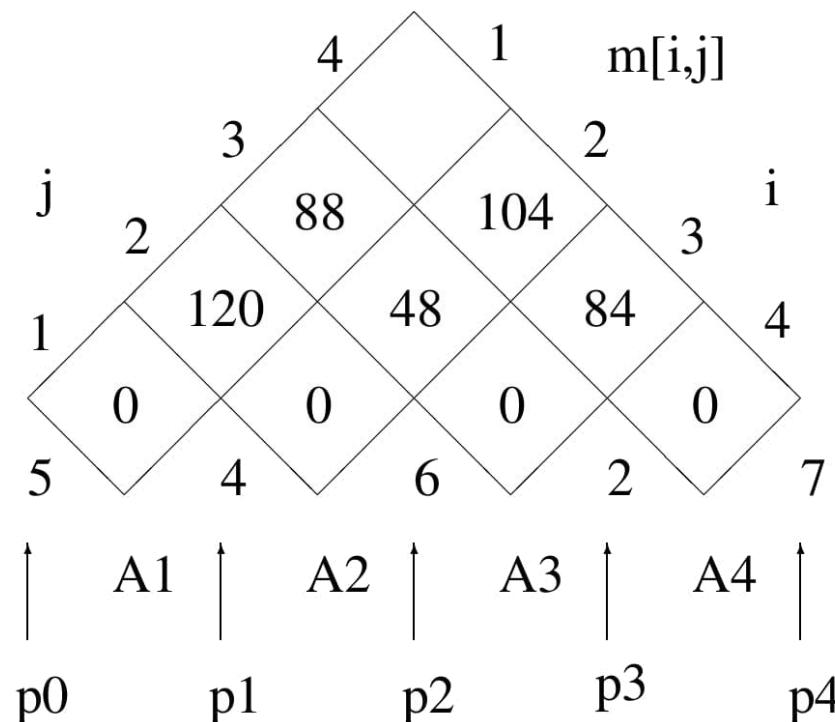
$$\begin{aligned}
 m[1, 3] &= \min_{1 \leq k < 3} (m[1, k] + m[k + 1, 3] + p_0 p_k p_3) \\
 &= \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} m[1, 1] + m[2, 3] + p_0 p_1 p_3 \\ m[1, 2] + m[3, 3] + p_0 p_2 p_3 \end{array} \right\} \\
 &= 88.
 \end{aligned}$$



Example – Continued

Step 5: Computing $m[2, 4]$ By definition

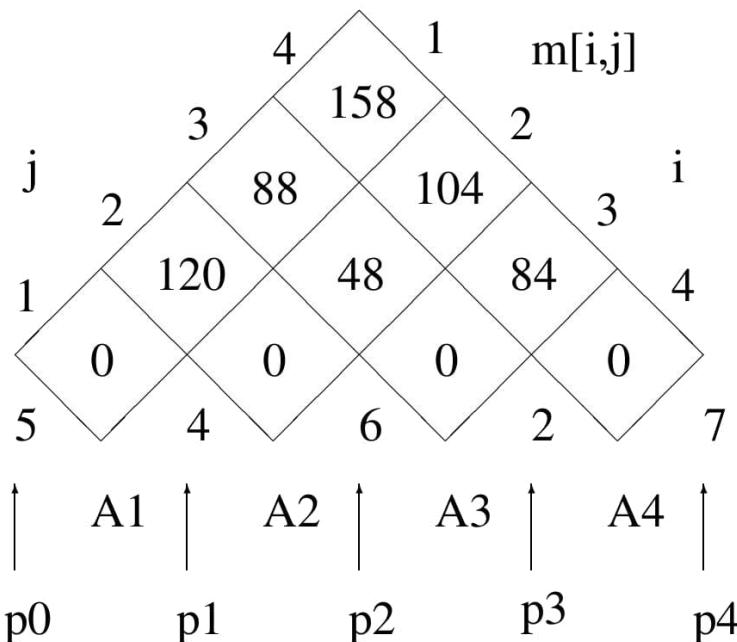
$$\begin{aligned}
 m[2, 4] &= \min_{2 \leq k < 4} (m[2, k] + m[k + 1, 4] + p_1 p_k p_4) \\
 &= \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} m[2, 2] + m[3, 4] + p_1 p_2 p_4 \\ m[2, 3] + m[4, 4] + p_1 p_3 p_4 \end{array} \right\} \\
 &= 104.
 \end{aligned}$$



Example – Continued

St6: Computing $m[1, 4]$ By definition

$$\begin{aligned}
 m[1, 4] &= \min_{1 \leq k < 4} (m[1, k] + m[k + 1, 4] + p_0 p_k p_4) \\
 &= \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} m[1, 1] + m[2, 4] + p_0 p_1 p_4 \\ m[1, 2] + m[3, 4] + p_0 p_2 p_4 \\ m[1, 3] + m[4, 4] + p_0 p_3 p_4 \end{array} \right\} \\
 &= 158.
 \end{aligned}$$



We are done!

Constructing an Optimal Solution: Compute $A_{1..n}$

Example of Constructing an Optimal Solution:

Compute $A_{1..6}$.

Consider the example earlier, where $n = 6$. Assume that the array $s[1..6, 1..6]$ has been computed. The multiplication sequence is recovered as follows.

Mult($A, s, 1, 6$), $s[1, 6] = 3$, $(A_1 A_2 A_3)(A_4 A_5 A_6)$

Mult($A, s, 1, 3$), $s[1, 3] = 1$, $((A_1)(A_2 A_3))(A_4 A_5 A_6)$

Mult($A, s, 4, 6$), $s[4, 6] = 5$, $((A_1)(A_2 A_3))((A_4 A_5)(A_6))$

Mult($A, s, 2, 3$), $s[2, 3] = 2$, $((A_1)((A_2)(A_3)))((A_4 A_5)(A_6))$

Mult($A, s, 4, 5$), $s[4, 5] = 4$, $((A_1)((A_2)(A_3))))(((A_4)(A_5))(A_6))$

Hence the product is computed as follows

$$(A_1(A_2 A_3))((A_4 A_5)A_6).$$

Summary

1. Identification of the optimal substructure property
2. Recursive formulation to compute the cost of the optimal solution
3. Bottom-up computation of the table entries
4. Constructing the optimal solution by backtracing the table entries

Elements of Dynamic Programming

- When should we look for a DP solution to an optimization problem?
- Two key ingredients for the problem
 - Optimal substructure
 - Overlapping subproblems

DP Hallmark #1

Optimal Substructure

- A problem exhibits optimal substructure
 - if an optimal solution to a problem contains within it optimal solutions to subproblems
- Example: matrix-chain-multiplication

Optimal parenthesization of $A_1A_2\dots A_n$ that splits the product between A_k and A_{k+1} , contains within it optimal soln's to the problems of parenthesizing $A_1A_2\dots A_k$ and $A_{k+1}A_{k+2}\dots A_n$

Optimal Substructure

Finding a suitable space of subproblems

- Iterate on subproblem instances
 - Example: matrix-chain-multiplication
 - Iterate and look at the structure of optimal solutions to subproblems, sub-subproblems, and so forth
 - Discover that all subproblems consists of subchains of $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle$
 - Thus, the set of chains of the form
$$\langle A_i, A_{i+1}, \dots, A_j \rangle \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$$
 - Makes a natural and reasonable space of subproblems
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DP Hallmark #2

Overlapping Subproblems

- Total number of distinct subproblems should be **polynomial** in the input size
 - When a **recursive** algorithm revisits the same problem **over and over again** we say that the optimization problem has **overlapping subproblems**
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Overlapping Subproblems

- DP algorithms typically take advantage of overlapping subproblems
 - by solving each problem once
 - then storing the solutions in a table where it can be looked up when needed
 - using constant time per lookup

Overlapping Subproblems

Recursive matrix-chain order

RMC(p, i, j)

if $i = j$ **then**
 return 0

$m[i, j] \leftarrow \infty$

for $k \leftarrow i$ **to** $j - 1$ **do**

$q \leftarrow \text{RMC}(p, i, k) + \text{RMC}(p, k+1, j) + p_{i-1} p_k p_j$

if $q < m[i, j]$ **then**

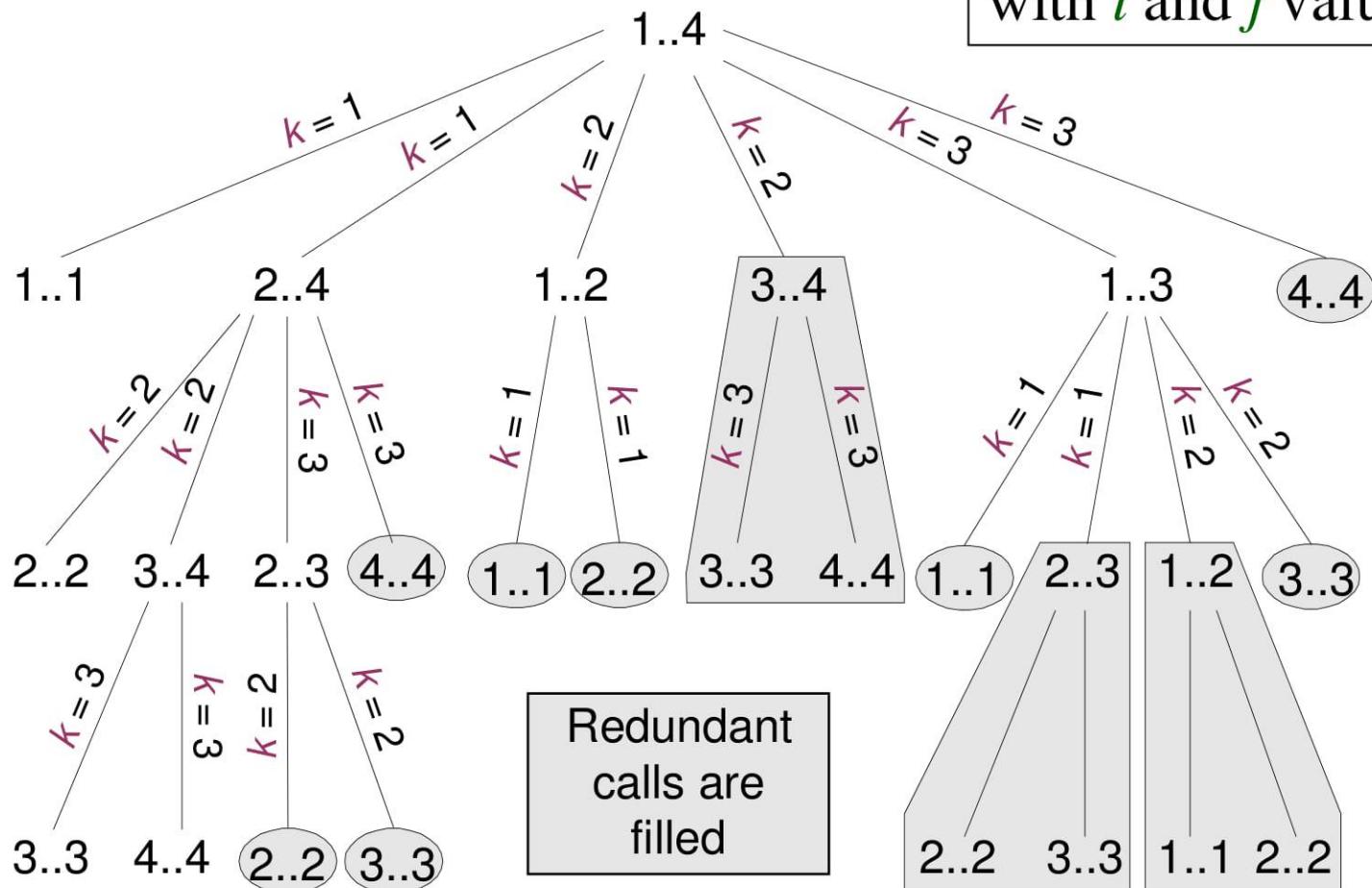
$m[i, j] \leftarrow q$

return $m[i, j]$

Recursive Matrix-chain Order

Recursion tree for $\text{RMC}(p, 1, 4)$

Nodes are labeled
with i and j values



Running Time of RMC

$$T(1) \geq 1$$

$$T(n) \geq 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (T(k) + T(n-k) + 1) \text{ for } n > 1$$

- For $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ each term $T(i)$ appears twice
 - Once as $T(k)$, and once as $T(n-k)$
- Collect $n-1$ 1's in the summation together with the front 1

$$T(n) \geq 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} T(i) + n$$

- Prove that $T(n) = \Omega(2^n)$ using the substitution method
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Running Time of RMC: Prove that $T(n) = \Omega(2^n)$

- Try to show that $T(n) \geq 2^{n-1}$ (by substitution)

Base case: $T(1) \geq 1 = 2^0 = 2^{1-1}$ for $n = 1$

IH: $T(i) \geq 2^{i-1}$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ and $n \geq 2$

$$\begin{aligned} T(n) &\geq 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 2^{i-1} + n \\ &= 2 \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} 2^i + n = 2(2^{n-1} - 1) + n \\ &= 2^{n-1} + (2^{n-1} - 2 + n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow T(n) \geq 2^{n-1}$$

Q.E.D.

$$\text{Running Time of RMC: } T(n) \geq 2^{n-1}$$

Whenever

- a recursion tree for the natural recursive solution to a problem contains the same subproblem repeatedly
 - the total number of different subproblems is small
- it is a good idea to see if **DP** can be applied
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Memoization

- Offers the efficiency of the usual DP approach while maintaining top-down strategy
- Idea is to memoize the natural, but inefficient, recursive algorithm

Memoized Recursive Algorithm

- Maintains an **entry** in a **table** for the solution to each subproblem
 - Each table entry contains **a special value** to indicate that the entry has yet to be filled in
 - When the subproblem is **first encountered** its solution is **computed** and then **stored** in the table
 - Each **subsequent** time that the subproblem encountered the value stored in the table is simply **looked up** and **returned**
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Memoized Recursive Matrix-chain Order

LookupC(p, i, j)

if $m[i, j] = \infty$ **then**

if $i = j$ **then**

$m[i, j] \leftarrow 0$

else

for $k \leftarrow i$ **to** $j - 1$ **do**

$q \leftarrow \text{LookupC}(p, i, k) + \text{LookupC}(p, k+1, j) + p_{i-1} p_k p_j$

if $q < m[i, j]$ **then**

$m[i, j] \leftarrow q$

return $m[i, j]$

MemoizedMatrixChain(p)

$n \leftarrow \text{length}[p] - 1$

for $i \leftarrow 1$ **to** n **do**

for $j \leftarrow 1$ **to** n **do**

$m[i, j] \leftarrow \infty$

return $\text{LookupC}(p, 1, n)$

▷ Shaded subtrees are looked-up rather than recomputing

Memoized Recursive Algorithm

- The approach assumes that
 - The set of **all possible subproblem parameters** are known
 - The relation between the **table positions** and **subproblems** is established
- Another approach is to memoize
 - by using **hashing** with subproblem parameters as **key**

Dynamic Programming vs Memoization Summary

- Matrix-chain multiplication can be solved in $O(\textcolor{violet}{n}^3)$ time
 - by either a top-down memoized recursive algorithm
 - or a bottom-up dynamic programming algorithm
 - Both methods exploit the **overlapping subproblems** property
 - There are only $\Theta(\textcolor{violet}{n}^2)$ different subproblems in total
 - Both methods **compute** the solution to **each problem once**
 - Without memoization the natural **recursive** algorithm runs in **exponential** time since subproblems are solved repeatedly
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Dynamic Programming vs Memoization Summary

In general practice

- If all subproblems must be solved at once
 - a bottom-up DP algorithm always outperforms a top-down memoized algorithm by a constant factor
 - because, bottom-up DP algorithm
 - Has no overhead for recursion
 - Less overhead for maintaining the table
 - **DP:** Regular pattern of table accesses can be exploited to reduce the time and/or space requirements even further
 - **Memoized:** If some problems need not be solved at all, it has the advantage of avoiding solutions to those subproblems
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The Longest Common Subsequence (LCS) Problem

- ◆ Given two strings X and Y, the longest common subsequence (LCS) problem is to find a longest subsequence common to both X and Y
- ◆ Has applications to DNA similarity testing (alphabet is {A,C,G,T})
- ◆ Example: ABCDEFG and XZACKDFWGH have ACDFG as a longest common subsequence

Source: 2004 Goodrich, Tamassia

A Poor Approach to the LCS Problem

◆ A Brute-force solution:

- Enumerate all subsequences of X
- Test which ones are also subsequences of Y
- Pick the longest one.

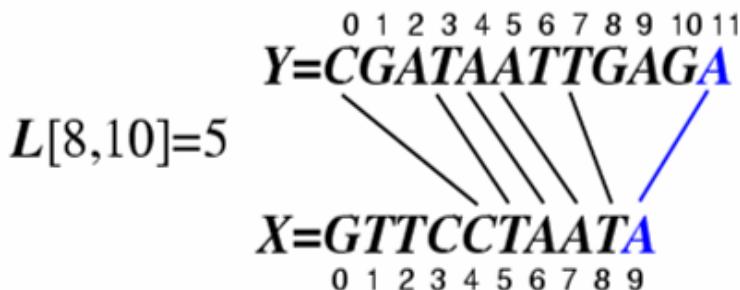
◆ Analysis:

- If X is of length n, then it has 2^n subsequences
 - This is an exponential-time algorithm!
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A Dynamic-Programming Approach to the LCS Problem

- ◆ Define $L[i,j]$ to be the length of the longest common subsequence of $X[0..i]$ and $Y[0..j]$.
- ◆ Allow for -1 as an index, so $L[-1,k] = 0$ and $L[k,-1]=0$, to indicate that the null part of X or Y has no match with the other.
- ◆ Then we can define $L[i,j]$ in the general case as follows:
 1. If $x_i=y_j$, then $L[i,j] = L[i-1,j-1] + 1$ (we can add this match)
 2. If $x_i \neq y_j$, then $L[i,j] = \max\{L[i-1,j], L[i,j-1]\}$ (we have no match here)

Case 1:



Case 2:



An LCS Algorithm

Algorithm LCS(X,Y):

Input: Strings X and Y with n and m elements, respectively

Output: For $i = 0, \dots, n-1, j = 0, \dots, m-1$, the length $L[i, j]$ of a longest string that is a subsequence of both the string $X[0..i] = x_0x_1x_2\dots x_i$ and the string $Y [0.. j] = y_0y_1y_2\dots y_j$

for $i = 1$ to $n-1$ **do**

$L[i,-1] = 0$

for $j = 0$ to $m-1$ **do**

$L[-1,j] = 0$

for $i = 0$ to $n-1$ **do**

for $j = 0$ to $m-1$ **do**

if $x_i = y_j$ **then**

$L[i, j] = L[i-1, j-1] + 1$

else

$L[i, j] = \max\{L[i-1, j], L[i, j-1]\}$

return array L

Visualizing the LCS Algorithm

L	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
1	0	0	1	1	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
2	0	0	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3
3	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3
4	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3
5	0	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	4	4	4	4	4
6	0	1	1	2	2	3	3	3	4	4	5	5	5
7	0	1	1	2	2	3	4	4	4	4	5	5	6
8	0	1	1	2	3	3	4	5	5	5	5	5	6
9	0	1	1	2	3	4	4	5	5	5	6	6	6

$Y = \text{C}G\text{A}\text{T}\text{A}\text{A}\text{T}\text{T}\text{G}\text{A}\text{G}\text{A}$
 $X = \text{G}\text{T}\text{T}\text{C}\text{C}\text{T}\text{A}\text{A}\text{T}\text{A}$
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11

Analysis of LCS Algorithm

- ◆ We have two nested loops
 - The outer one iterates n times
 - The inner one iterates m times
 - A constant amount of work is done inside each iteration of the inner loop
 - Thus, the total running time is $O(nm)$
 - ◆ Answer is contained in $L[n,m]$ (and the subsequence can be recovered from the L table).
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