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• Optimal parenthesization problem:

- Definition: Given a string of n items $(v_1, v_2, ..., v_n)$, find an optimal parenthesization of the string.
- Cost c(i,j):
 - The cost of a parenthesis pair is the sum of the enclosed numbers.
 - The cost of a parenthesization is the sum of the individual costs.
- Example: $(1, 2, 3, 4) \rightarrow (((1, 2), 3), 4)$
- Recurrence: $c^*(i,j) = \min_{i \le k \le j} \{c^*(i,k) + c^*(k+1,j)\} + \sum_{k=i}^{j} v_k$
- Complexity: $O(n^3)$

• Longest common subsequence (LCS) problem:

- Definition: Given two strings $A = a_1 a_2 \dots a_n$ and $B = b_1 b_2 \dots b_m$, find their longest common subsequence.
- Example: $abadc \times adcb \rightarrow adc$
- Recurrence: $L(i,j) = \max\{L(i-1,j), L(i,j-1), l_{ij} + L(i-1,j-1)\}$
- Complexity: O(nm)

• 0/1 knapsack problem:

- Definition: $\max \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i$ subject to $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \le M$, $x_i \in \{0,1\}, i=1,2,\ldots,n$
- Recurrence: $f(k, g) = \max\{f(k-1, g), p_k + f(k-1, g-w_k)\}$
- Complexity: O(nM)