

# Dynamic Programming Overview And 1-Dimensional Example

When There's No Greedy Choice Property, We Have To Evaluate All Possible Subproblem Divisions And Pick The Optimal Division

# Dynamic Programming

- Applied to optimization problems
- There should still be the optimal substructure property.
  - Just like in greedy algorithms
- Doesn't require the greedy choice property.
  - Have to evaluate all possible divisions into different sub-problems
  - This means dynamic programming can be also applied to the optimization problems we solved using greedy algorithms (but usually less efficient).
- “Programming” in that we complete a table of solutions of sub-problems, not meaning coding in a programming language.

# 1-Dimensional Dynamic Programming Example

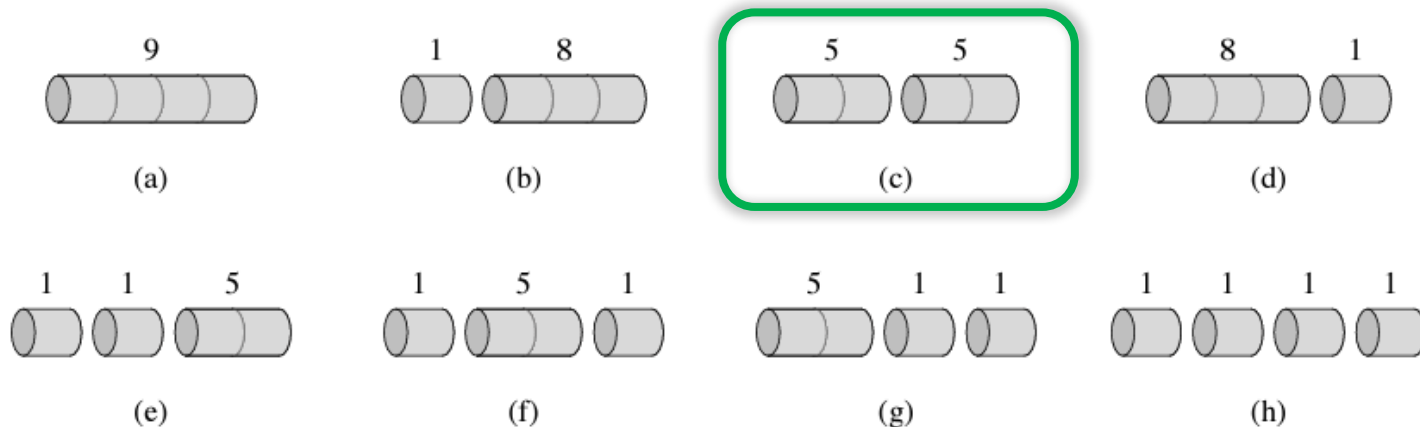
- Rod-cutting problem

- Rod pieces of different lengths are sold at different prices (table of prices)
- Given a rod of original length  $n$  (probably quite long), what would be the maximum revenue obtainable by cutting up the rod and selling the pieces?

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

Sample price table (CLRS Fig. 15.1)

Optimal: Max revenue 10, compared to 9 (a, b, d), 7 (e, f, g), 4 (h)



All possible cuts of a rod of length 4  
(CLRS Fig. 15.2)

# How To Solve Rod-Cutting Problem

- Brute-force?
  - $2^{n-1}$  ways to cut an  $n$ -inch rod w/ duplicates (e.g., 1/1/2, 1/2/1, 2/1/1)
  - Eliminating duplicates, it's still huge:  $\cong e^{\pi\sqrt{\frac{2n}{3}}} / 4n\sqrt{3}$  (CLRS pp.361 footnote)
- Optimal subproblem structure property
  - Given an  $n$ -inch rod, assume an optimal solution is to cut the rod into  $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k$  inches ( $n = i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_k$  for some  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ), revenue  $r_n$ .
  - Then, no matter what  $i_1$ 's value is, the remaining cuts ( $i_2, i_3, \dots, i_k$ ) must be an optimal solution of cutting an  $(n - i_1)$ -inch rod!
  - Sounds simple and obvious, but needs proof.
    - Proof by contradiction, using “cut-and-paste” technique.

# Proving Optimal Subproblem Structure

## Property: Proof By Contradiction

- Hypothesis: Suppose  $(i_2, i_3, \dots, i_k)$  is not an optimal solution of cutting an  $(n - i_1)$ -inch rod. Let's call its revenue  $r_{n-i_1}$  ( $= p_{i_2} + p_{i_3} + \dots + p_{i_k}$ ).
- Then there must be a different cut of an  $(n - i_1)$ -inch rod that gives a higher revenue than  $r_{n-i_1}$ .
  - Let's call such a cut  $(i'_1, i'_2, \dots, i'_{k'})$  and its revenue  $r'_{n-i_1}$  (we know  $r'_{n-i_1} > r_{n-i_1}$ ).

# Cut-And-Paste Technique

- Then consider the cut  $(i_1, i'_1, i'_2, \dots, i'_k)$  of an  $n$ -inch rod.
  - Its revenue is now:
    - $p_{i_1} + r'_{n-i_1}$
    - $> p_{i_1} + r_{n-i_1}$  (Use  $r'_{n-i_1} > r_{n-i_1}$ )
    - $= r_n$  (the revenue of the originally assumed optimal solution).
  - This is a contradiction!
    - There's a revenue bigger than the optimal (maximum) revenue.
  - This means the hypothesis must be wrong.
  - Therefore,  $(i_2, i_3, \dots, i_k)$  must be an optimal solution of cutting an  $(n - i_1)$ -inch rod. Q.E.D.

# Cut-And-Paste Explained

- We “cut” the solution to the sub-problem and assume it’s not optimal.
- Then we “pasted” another solution that’s optimal, and derive a contradiction, leading us to conclude that the “cut” solution must be optimal.
- A typical pattern of optimal subproblem structure property proof
- Will omit the cut-and-paste proofs on future problems.
  - But everyone is expected to correctly write this kind of proof for any optimization problem that can be solved using either dynamic programming or greedy method.

# Optimal Subproblem Structure of Rod-Cutting

- Maximum revenue  $r_n$  of cutting an  $n$ -inch rod is the maximum of:
  - $p_1 + r_{n-1}$  (first cut is at 1-inch)
  - $p_2 + r_{n-2}$  (first cut is at 2-inch)
  - ...
  - $p_{n-1} + r_1$  (first cut is at  $(n - 1)$ -inch)
  - $p_n$  (no cut, or first cut is at  $n$ -inch)
- In other words, the solution is equivalent to build a table of  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_{n-1}$  systematically (“programming”) and apply the following equation:

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



# Naïve/Inefficient Implementation

- Directly translate the recursive equation into recursive code:

CUT-ROD( $p, n$ )

1   **if**  $n == 0$

2       **return** 0

3    $q = -\infty$

4   **for**  $i = 1$  **to**  $n$

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

6   **return**  $q$

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

- Very inefficient, duplicate computations:  $2^n$  calls to CUT-ROD()!
  - Solve  $T(n) = 1 + \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} T(j)$  &  $T(0) = 0$  ( $T(n)$  is the number of calls to CUT-ROD()), and you get  $T(n) = 2^n$ .

# Why So Inefficient: Call Graph

- Draw all CUT-ROD() calls in a tree and see how many duplicates.

CUT-ROD( $p, n$ )

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1  if  $n == 0$ 
2      return 0
3   $q = -\infty$ 
4  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
5       $q = \max(q, p[i] + \text{CUT-ROD}(p, n - i))$ 
6  return  $q$ 
```

- Very similar to recursive Fibonacci code.

# Memoization: Avoid Unnecessary Duplicate Computations By Remembering

- Set up a space (table) for remembering (memoizing) subproblem solutions
- Fill in a blank entry of the table as soon as the solution for that entry is found.
- Look it up first before making any further recursive calls on any other CUT-ROD() call.

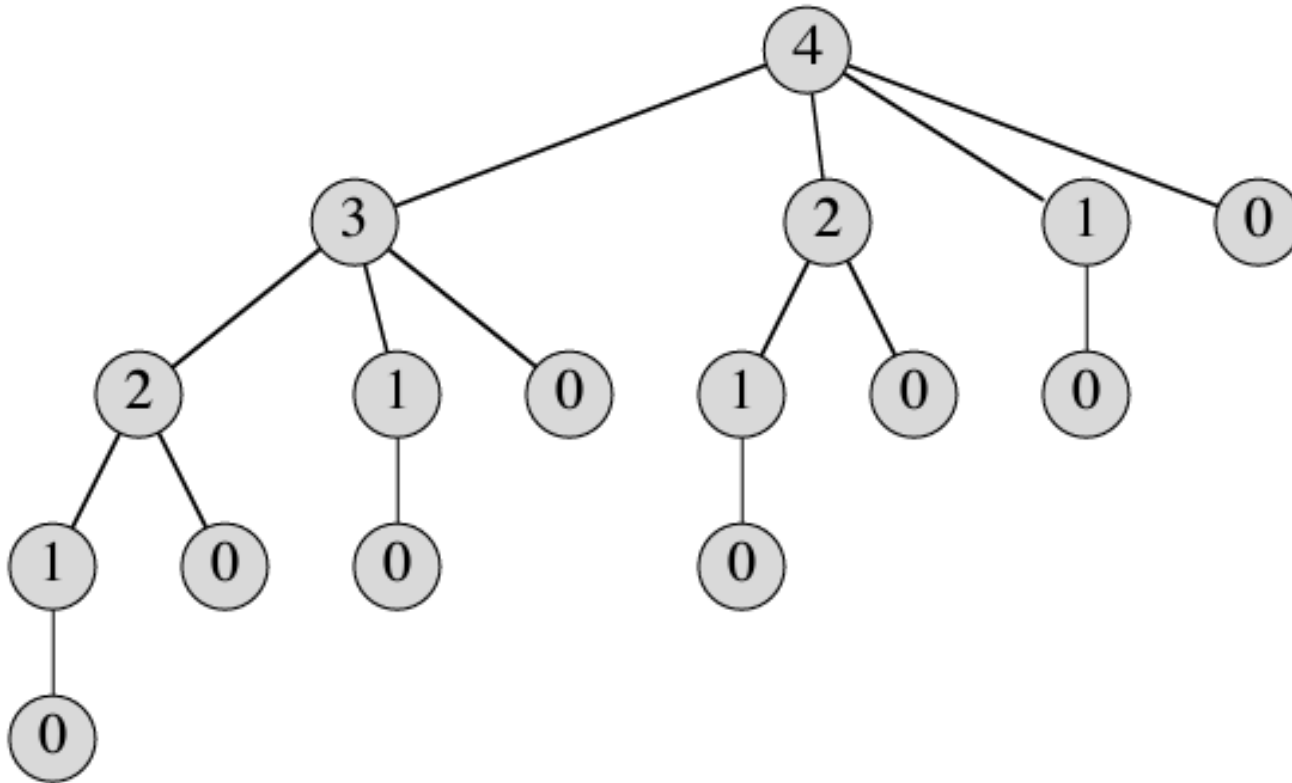
MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD( $p, n$ )

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

MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD-AUX( $p, n, r$ )

```
1  if  $r[n] \geq 0$ 
2      return  $r[n]$ 
3  if  $n == 0$ 
4       $q = 0$ 
5  else  $q = -\infty$ 
6      for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
7           $q = \max(q, p[i] + \text{MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD-AUX}(p, n - i, r))$ 
8   $r[n] = q$ 
9  return  $q$ 
```

# How Memoization Saves the Recursive Algorithm

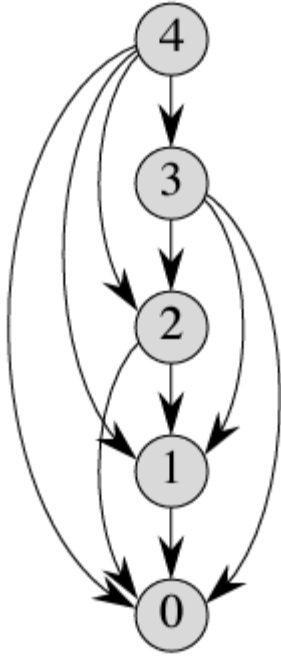


r[0]	r[1]	r[2]	r[3]	r[4]

# Top-Down (Recursive) vs. Bottom-Up (Iterative)

- Recursive code is a direct translation of the optimal subproblem structure property equation that we must establish anyway.
- It's "top-down" in that we start from top ( $CUT(n)$ ), getting down to the bottom ( $CUT(0)$ ) and rolling up back to top.
- Care (memoization) must be taken to avoid unnecessary duplicate computation while rolling up back to top.
- Noticing that the actual solutions are filled in the order of  $r[0]$ ,  $r[1]$ ,  $r[2]$ ,  $r[3]$ ,  $r[4]$ , and that to find  $r[j]$ , we just need to know  $r[0]$ ,  $r[1]$ , ...,  $r[j-1]$ ,
  - Why not just immediately start from bottom ( $r[0]$ ) and solving up to top?

# Bottom-Up Iterative Algorithm and Insight



Subproblem graph (CLRS Fig. 15.4)

**BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD**( $p, n$ )

```
1  let  $r[0..n]$  be a new array
2   $r[0] = 0$ 
3  for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
4       $q = -\infty$ 
5      for  $i = 1$  to  $j$ 
6           $q = \max(q, p[i] + r[j - i])$ 
7       $r[j] = q$ 
8  return  $r[n]$ 
```

# Time/Space Complexities

- Time

- BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD():  $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + (n - 1) + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \Theta(n^2)$
- MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD(): Same as above.  $\Theta(n^2)$

- Space

- BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD():  $\Theta(n)$  – The array  $r[0..n]$
- MEMOIZED-CUT-ROD():  $\Theta(n)$  – The array  $r[0..n]$  and the maximum recursion depth
  - Not worse than iterative code as before, because of the array needed.
- Still, iterative code performs better with smaller constant factors

# Reconstructing a Solution: The Actual Cut

- Here, the “solution” means not the maximum revenue value, but the cut itself that gives us the maximum revenue (the actual optimal cut).
- Our code so far didn’t consider the actual optimal cut.
- Not much more work, though:
  - Whenever we update the max-so-far ( $q$ ), we also update the index number that gives that max-so-far value.
    - Meaning we need extra space to store those index numbers.

EXTENDED-BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD( $p, n$ )

```
1  let  $r[0..n]$  and  $s[1..n]$  be new arrays
2   $r[0] = 0$ 
3  for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
4       $q = -\infty$ 
5      for  $i = 1$  to  $j$ 
6          if  $q < p[i] + r[j - i]$ 
7               $q = p[i] + r[j - i]$ 
8               $s[j] = i$ 
9       $r[j] = q$ 
10 return  $r$  and  $s$ 
```



# Actual Reconstruction of the Cut

$i$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$r[i]$	0	1	5	8	10	13	17	18	22	25	30
$s[i]$		1	2	3	2	2	6	1	2	3	10

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

```

1  ( $r, s$ ) = EXTENDED-BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD( $p, n$ )
2  while  $n > 0$ 
3      print  $s[n]$ 
4       $n = n - s[n]$ 

```

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

# Solution To The Modified 10-Inch Rod Cutting

$i$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$r[i]$	0	1	5	8	10	13	17	18	22	25	?
$s[i]$		1	2	3	2	2	6	1	2	3	?

EXTENDED-BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD( $p, n$ )

```

1  let  $r[0..n]$  and  $s[1..n]$  be new arrays
2   $r[0] = 0$ 
3  for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
4       $q = -\infty$ 
5      for  $i = 1$  to  $j$ 
6          if  $q < p[i] + r[j - i]$ 
7               $q = p[i] + r[j - i]$ 
8               $s[j] = i$ 
9       $r[j] = q$ 
10 return  $r$  and  $s$ 
```

length $i$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
price $p_i$	1	5	8	9	10	17	17	20	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>

# Matrix-Chain Multiplication Problem: A 2-Dimensional Dynamic Programming Example

When The Table We Need To Build Is 2-Dimensional

# Matrix Multiplication

- Given a  $p \times q$  matrix  $A$  and a  $q \times r$  matrix  $B$ ,
  - Their product  $C = AB$  is a  $p \times r$  matrix.
  - And it takes  $pqr$  scalar multiplications.
- For example, consider a chain of three matrices  $\langle X, Y, X \rangle$ 
  - Where  $X$  is  $10 \times 100$ ,  $Y$  is  $100 \times 5$ , and  $Z$  is  $5 \times 50$ .
  - To compute  $XYZ$ , there are two ways:  $(XY)Z$  and  $X(YZ)$ 
    - $(XY)Z$ :  $10 \cdot 100 \cdot 5 + 10 \cdot 5 \cdot 50 = 7500$  multiplications
    - $X(YZ)$ :  $100 \cdot 5 \cdot 50 + 10 \cdot 100 \cdot 50 = 75000$  multiplications!!!
- It does matter how to decide the order of matrix multiplications!

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  $C$ 
```

# Matrix-Chain Multiplication Problem

- Given a chain  $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \rangle$  of  $n$  matrices
  - Where for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , matrix  $A_i$  has dimension  $p_{i-1} \times p_i$
  - Find a way to compute the product  $A_1 A_2 \cdots A_n$  (we call it fully parenthesizing) which requires the minimum number of scalar multiplications.
  - “Parenthesizing” because that determines how the matrix product is computed:
    - For  $A_1 A_2 A_3$ , we have  $(A_1 A_2) A_3$  and  $A_1 (A_2 A_3)$  and these are parenthesizations of the chain.
  - Brute-force search doesn’t work, because # parenthesizations  $P(n)$  is:
    - 1 if  $n = 1$ ,  $\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P(k)P(n-k)$  if  $n \geq 2$ .
    - It’s at least  $\Omega(2^n)$  (Exercise 15.2-3 in CLRS)

# Dynamic Programming To The Rescue

- Because there's the following optimal subproblem structure property:
- For matrix multiplication  $A_i A_{i+1} \cdots A_j$  (we denote this as  $A_{i..j}$ ) with  $i \leq j$ ,
  - An optimal parenthesization of this chain must be split into 2 chains at a certain point between  $A_k$  and  $A_{k+1}$  ( $i \leq k < j$ ).
  - And the two subchains corresponding to  $A_{i..k}$  and  $A_{k+1..j}$  must be optimal!
    - Why? Simple cut-and-paste technique application will do the proof.
    - We get these subproblems with arbitrary ranges.
      - So that's why we started with  $i$  and  $j$ , not with 1 and  $n$ .
  - The original problem is for  $A_{1..n}$ , finding optimal  $k$ , which results in two subproblems  $A_{1..k}$  and  $A_{k+1..n}$ , finding optimal  $k'$  and  $k''$ , continuing.

# Establishing Cost Function Recurrence

- Let  $m[i, j]$  be the minimum number of scalar multiplications needed to compute  $A_{i..j}$ .
- Observe that:
  - $m[i, j] = 0$  if  $i = j$  (no matrix multiplication in range)
  - If  $i < j$ ,  $m[i, j]$  is the minimum of the following:
    - $m[i, i + 1] + m[i + 2, j] + p_{i-1}p_{i+1}p_j$  (Compute  $A_{i..j}$  as  $A_{i..i+1}A_{i+2..j}$ )
    - $m[i, i + 2] + m[i + 3, j] + p_{i-1}p_{i+2}p_j$  (Compute  $A_{i..j}$  as  $A_{i..i+2}A_{i+3..j}$ )
    - ...
    - $m[i, k] + m[k + 1, j] + p_{i-1}p_kp_j$  (Compute  $A_{i..j}$  as  $A_{i..k}A_{k+1..j}$ )
    - ...
    - $m[i, j - 1] + m[j, j] + p_{i-1}p_{j-1}p_j$  (Compute  $A_{i..j}$  as  $A_{i..j-1}A_{j..j}$ )
    - $\min_{i \leq k < j} \{m[i, k] + m[k + 1, j] + p_{i-1}p_kp_j\}$

# Top-Down Recursive Implementation

- Direct translation of the recurrence equations into code
- Overlapping subproblems
  - E.g.,  $A_{i..j}$  will show up in  $A_{1..j}$  and  $A_{i..n}$
  - In fact, there'll be many repeated duplicate calls with same  $i$  and  $j$ .
    - Can prove that it's  $\Omega(2^n)$ . See pp.386.
  - Thus, naïve top-down recursive code doesn't work.
  - Memoization w/ lookup helps

MEMOIZED-MATRIX-CHAIN( $p$ )

```
1   $n = p.length - 1$ 
2  let  $m[1..n, 1..n]$  be a new table
3  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
4      for  $j = i$  to  $n$ 
5           $m[i, j] = \infty$ 
6  return LOOKUP-CHAIN( $m, p, 1, n$ )
```

RECURSIVE-MATRIX-CHAIN( $p, i, j$ )

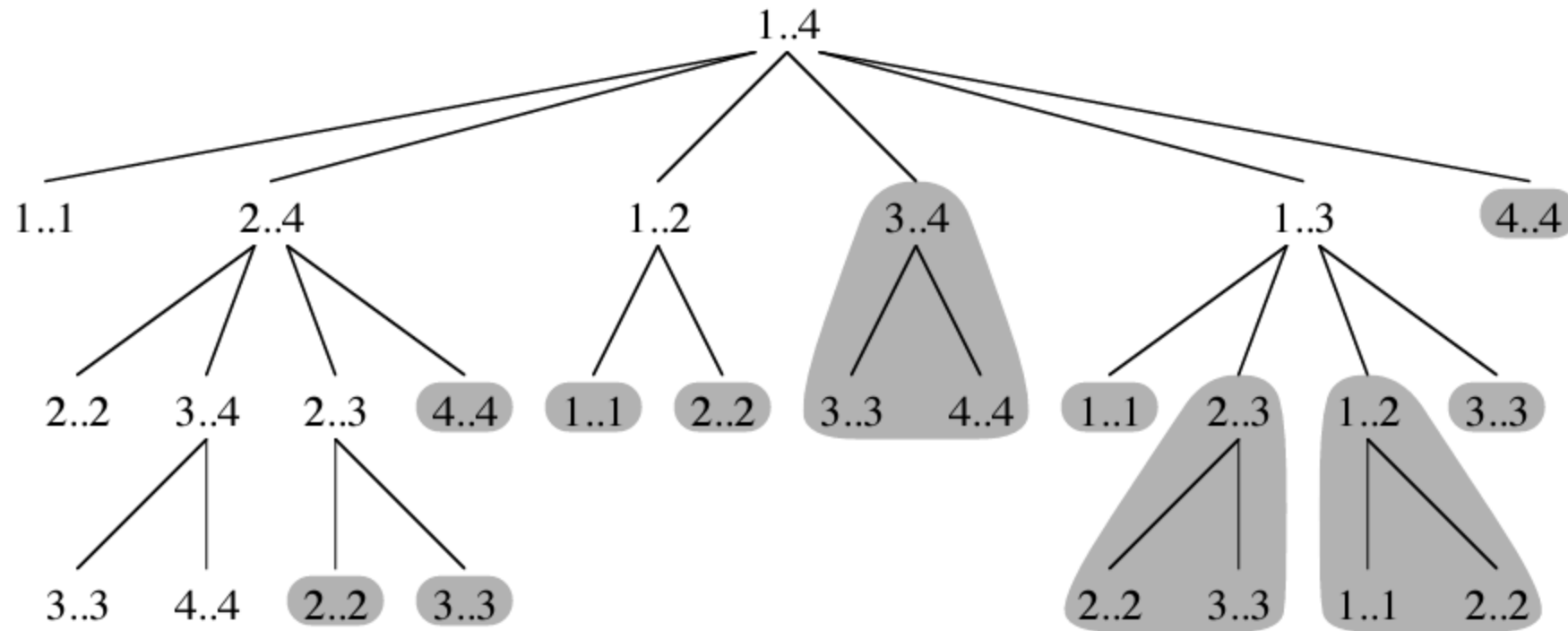
```
1  if  $i == j$ 
2      return 0
3   $m[i, j] = \infty$ 
4  for  $k = i$  to  $j - 1$ 
5       $q = \text{RECURSIVE-MATRIX-CHAIN}(p, i, k)$ 
           +  $\text{RECURSIVE-MATRIX-CHAIN}(p, k + 1, j)$ 
           +  $p_{i-1}p_kp_j$ 
6      if  $q < m[i, j]$ 
7           $m[i, j] = q$ 
8  return  $m[i, j]$ 
```

LOOKUP-CHAIN( $m, p, i, j$ )

```
1  if  $m[i, j] < \infty$ 
2      return  $m[i, j]$ 
3  if  $i == j$ 
4       $m[i, j] = 0$ 
5  else for  $k = i$  to  $j - 1$ 
6       $q = \text{LOOKUP-CHAIN}(m, p, i, k)$ 
           +  $\text{LOOKUP-CHAIN}(m, p, k + 1, j)$  +  $p_{i-1}p_kp_j$ 
7      if  $q < m[i, j]$ 
8           $m[i, j] = q$ 
9  return  $m[i, j]$ 
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# Recursion Tree With Or Without Memoization



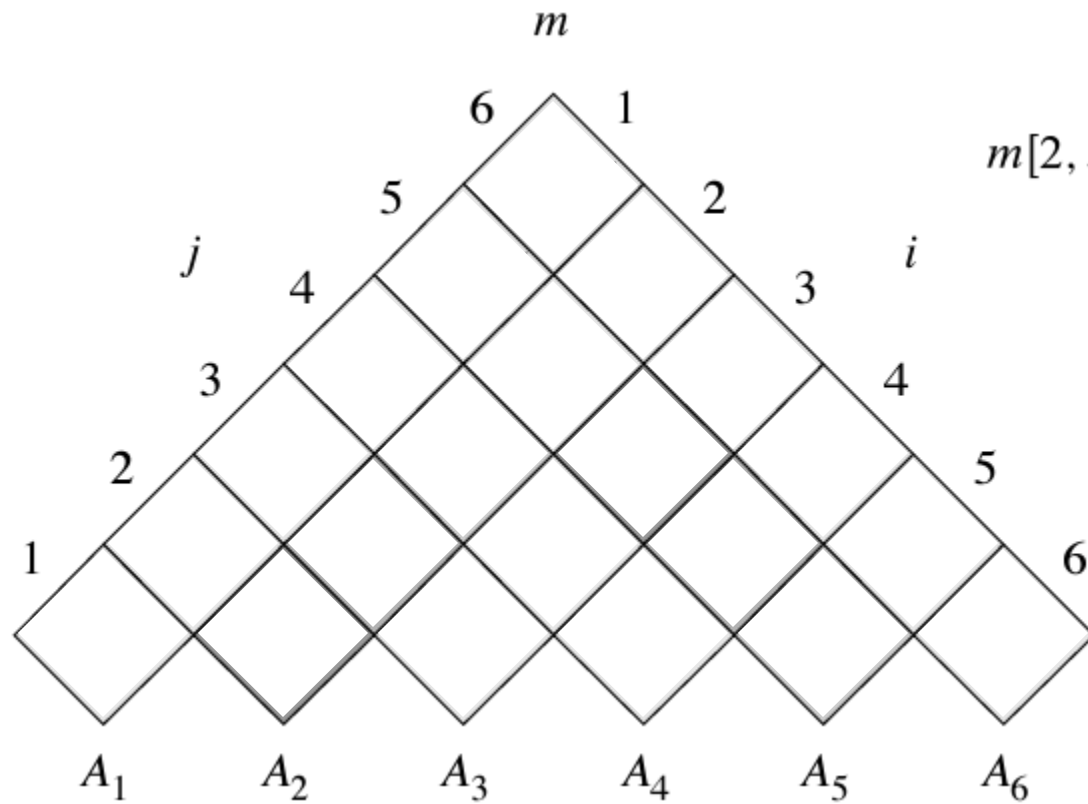
CLRS Figure 15.7

# Bottom-Up Iterative Implementation

- Observe that to compute  $m[i, j]$  for the chain  $A_{i..j}$  where chain length  $l = j - i + 1$ ,
  - We need to know  $m[i', j']$  for all chains of lengths  $(j' - i' + 1)$  up to  $l - 1$ .
  - This gives us the “bottom-up” approach:
    - Compute  $m[i, j]$  for all chains of lengths 1. There are  $n$  such chains.
      - $m[1,1], m[2,2], \dots, m[n,n]$
    - Using the previous results, compute  $m[i, j]$  for all chains of lengths 2. There are  $n - 1$  such chains.
      - $m[1,2], m[2,3], \dots, m[n-1, n]$
    - ...
    - Using the previous results, compute  $m[i, j]$  for all chains of length  $n$ 
      - Of course there's only 1 such chain for  $m[1, n]$ .

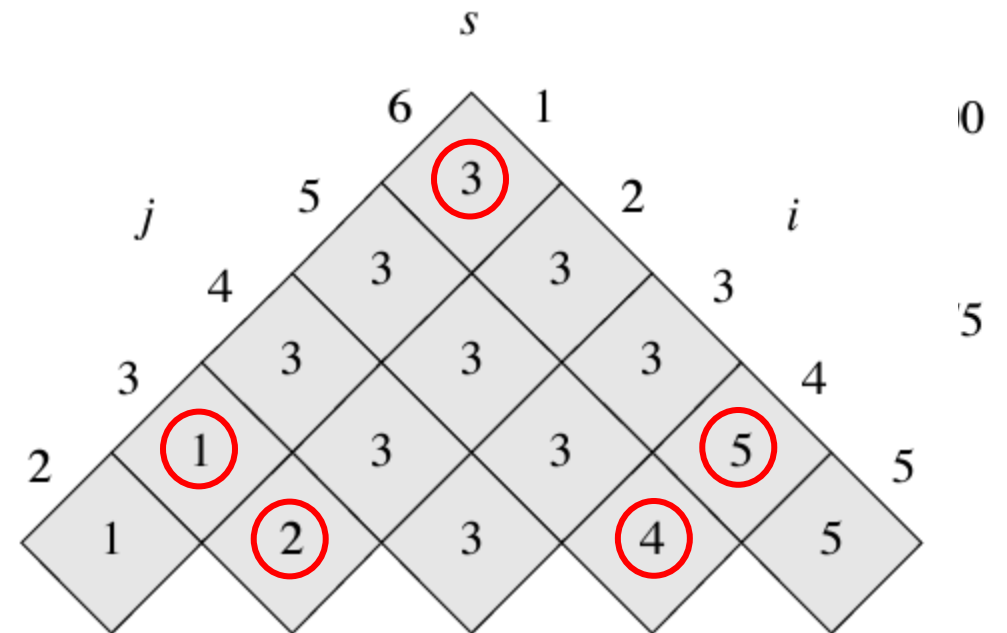
# Example (Figure 15.5, CLRS pp.376)

matrix	$A_1$	$A_2$	$A_3$	$A_4$	$A_5$	$A_6$
dimension	$30 \times 35$	$35 \times 15$	$15 \times 5$	$5 \times 10$	$10 \times 20$	$20 \times 25$



$m[2, 5] =$

$=$



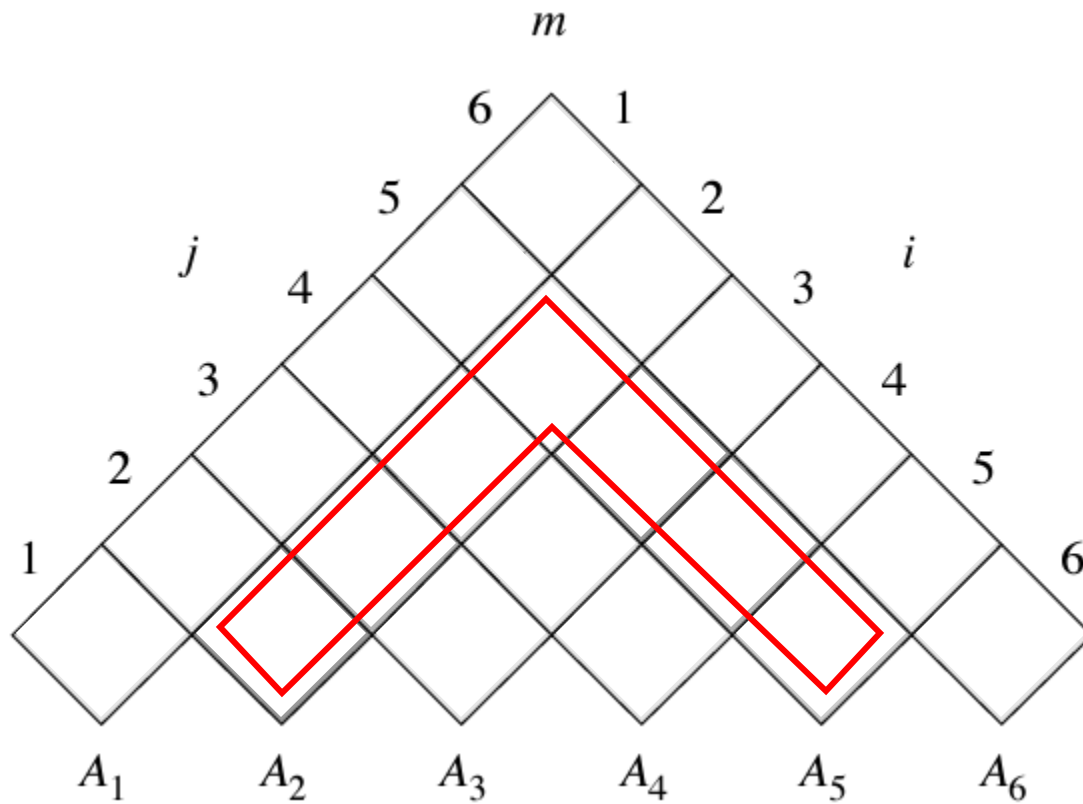
$((A_1 A_2 A_3)(A_4 A_5 A_6))$

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Simplified (as in PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS()):  $((A_1(A_2 A_3))((A_4 A_5)A_6))$

# Actual Code



## MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER( $p$ )

```

1   $n = p.length - 1$ 
2  let  $m[1..n, 1..n]$  and  $s[1..n - 1, 2..n]$  be new tables
3  for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ 
4       $m[i, i] = 0$ 
5  for  $l = 2$  to  $n$            //  $l$  is the chain length
6      for  $i = 1$  to  $n - l + 1$ 
7           $j = i + l - 1$ 
8           $m[i, j] = \infty$ 
9          for  $k = i$  to  $j - 1$ 
10              $q = m[i, k] + m[k + 1, j] + p_{i-1}p_kp_j$ 
11             if  $q < m[i, j]$ 
12                  $m[i, j] = q$ 
13                  $s[i, j] = k$ 
14  return  $m$  and  $s$ 
    
```

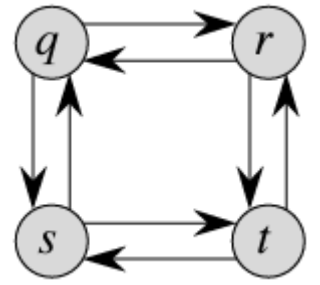
# Time/Space Complexity Analysis

- MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER() time:
  - Loops nested three deep, each with up to  $n - 1$  values  $\rightarrow O(n^3)$
  - In fact, it's also  $\Omega(n^3)$ , therefore  $\Theta(n^3)$
- Space:  $m$  and  $s$  tables taking  $\Theta(n^2)$
- Same time/space complexities for MEMOIZED-MATRIX-CHAIN()
  - Recursion call stack overhead for space complexity dominated by  $m$  and  $s$  tables.
  - Still, slower in constant factors, so use iterative MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER() in production.

# Insights Into Dynamic Programming

What Makes Dynamic Programming Possible

# Optimal Substructure



- A hallmark property of an optimization problem that allows dynamic programming solution
- An optimal solution to the problem contains within it optimal solutions to sub-problems.
- Proof is possible using the “cut-and-paste” technique we’ve used so far.
- Not all optimization problems exhibit optimal substructure. See the graph on upper-right corner.
  - Shortest path: Yes. If  $u \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow w \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v$  is shortest from  $u$  to  $v$ , then  $u \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow w$  and  $w \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v$  must be shortest for each of  $(u, w)$  and  $(w, v)$ .
  - Longest simple path: No.  $q \rightarrow r \rightarrow t$  is simply longest from  $q$  to  $t$ , but  $q \rightarrow r$  is not for  $q$  to  $r$  and  $r \rightarrow t$  is not for  $r$  to  $t$ .

# Factors Affecting Running Time Of Dynamic Programming Algorithms

- Two factors:
  - Number of sub-problems overall
  - How many choices we should look at for each subproblem
- E.g., Rod-cutting:
  - $\Theta(n)$  sub-problems overall, at most  $n$  choices to examine for each subproblem
  - Giving us an  $O(n^2)$  running time.
- E.g., Matrix-chain multiplication:
  - $\Theta(n^2)$  sub-problems overall ( $m[i, j]$  for  $A_{i..j}$ ), at most  $n - 1$  choices to examine for each subproblem
  - Giving us an  $O(n^3)$  running time.



# Overlapping Sub-problems

- A subproblem appearing multiple times when solving other sub-problems
  - E.g.,  $A_{i..j}$  in matrix-chain problem could show up in  $A_{1..j}$ ,  $A_{i..n}$ ,  $A_{i..j+1}$ , ... .
- Naïve recursive top-down code (that directly translates the cost (or benefit) function's recursive definition) would perform unnecessarily repeated duplicate computations. (Memoization helps.)
- Bottom-up iterative code solves smallest sub-problems first, then proceeds to solving next smallest sub-problems using the previous results, all the way up to the original problem.

# Longest Common Subsequence Problem

Another 2-Dimensional Dynamic Programming Algorithm Example

# Longest Common Subsequence (LCS)

- Given a sequence  $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$ ,
  - Another sequence  $Z = \langle z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k \rangle$  is a subsequence of  $X$  if each element in  $Z$  corresponds to a distinct element in  $X$ , and their ordering is the same as in  $X$ .
  - E.g., Given  $X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A, B \rangle$ ,  $Z = \langle B, C, D, B \rangle$  is a subsequence of  $X$ .
  - Note that a subsequence is NOT a substring!
    - No need for elements in  $Z$  to appear in  $X$  consecutively.
- Longest-common-subsequence problem
  - Given two sequences  $X$  and  $Y$ , find a maximum length common subsequence of them.
  - E.g., For  $X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A, B \rangle$  and  $Y = \langle B, D, C, A, B, A \rangle$ ,
    - $\langle B, C, A \rangle$  is a common sequence, but not a longest.
    - $\langle B, C, B, A \rangle$  is a longest common subsequence (there's no common subsequence of length 5)
- Motivating example: Two DNA sequences and finding their similarity (CLRS)

# Optimal Substructure Of LCS (Theorem 15.1)

- Let  $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m \rangle$  and  $Y = \langle y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \rangle$  be two sequences, and let  $Z = \langle z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k \rangle$  be any LCS of  $X$  and  $Y$ . Then the following three properties must hold:
  - 1) If  $x_m = y_n$ , then  $z_k$  must be equal to  $x_m$  and  $y_n$ , and  $Z_{k-1}$  is an LCS of  $X_{m-1}$  and  $Y_{n-1}$ .
    - $S_i$  is a prefix subsequence  $\langle s_1, s_2, \dots, s_i \rangle$  for a sequence  $S = \langle s_1, s_2, \dots, s_l \rangle$  (with  $i \leq l$ )
    - Obvious to see, prove by contradiction using cut-and-paste technique.
  - 2) If  $x_m \neq y_n$  and  $z_k \neq x_m$ , then  $Z$  must be an LCS of  $X_{m-1}$  and  $Y$ .
    - Also obvious to see, also prove by contradiction using cut-and-paste.
  - 3) If  $x_m \neq y_n$  and  $z_k \neq y_n$ , then  $Z$  must be an LCS of  $X$  and  $Y_{n-1}$ .
    - Symmetric to 2).

# Recursive Definition Of Value Function To Maximize

- Let  $c[i, j]$  be the length of an LCS of the prefix sequences  $X_i$  and  $Y_j$ .
- Base case definition:  $c[i, j] = 0$  if  $i = 0$  or  $j = 0$ .
  - One of the sequences is empty, so no common subsequence.
- And according to the theorem,
  - $c[i, j] = c[i - 1, j - 1] + 1$  if  $i, j > 0$  and  $x_i = y_j$ .
  - $c[i, j] = \max(c[i, j - 1], c[i - 1, j])$  if  $i, j > 0$  and  $x_i \neq y_j$ .
- Note some subproblems are ruled out based on conditions.
- Direct recursive top-down code possible, with exponential time.
  - Memoization would always help, but we prefer bottom-up/iterative code.

# LCS Dynamic Programming Example (Manual)

- Manually computing the  $c[i, j]$  table for  $X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A, B \rangle$  and  $Y = \langle B, D, C, A, B, A \rangle$ :
  - Fill in 0 for row 0 and column 0.
  - Filling in other blanks row-major, left-to-right.
    - Row 1, row 2, row 3, ...
    - For each row, column 1, column 2, ...
  - Trace back from  $c[7,6]$  to recover an actual LCS from the table.
    - We can annotate each entry with arrows, just like in textbook, to help this process.

	$j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
$i$		$y_j$	B	D	C	A	B	A
0	$x_i$							
1	A							
2	B							
3	C							
4	B							
5	D							
6	A							
7	B							

# LCS Dynamic Programming Code (Bottom-Up)

LCS-LENGTH( $X, Y$ )

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1   $m = X.length$ 
2   $n = Y.length$ 
3  let  $b[1..m, 1..n]$  and  $c[0..m, 0..n]$  be new tables
4  for  $i = 1$  to  $m$ 
5       $c[i, 0] = 0$ 
6  for  $j = 0$  to  $n$ 
7       $c[0, j] = 0$ 
8  for  $i = 1$  to  $m$ 
9      for  $j = 1$  to  $n$ 
10         if  $x_i == y_j$ 
11              $c[i, j] = c[i - 1, j - 1] + 1$ 
12              $b[i, j] = "\nwarrow"$ 
13         elseif  $c[i - 1, j] \geq c[i, j - 1]$ 
14              $c[i, j] = c[i - 1, j]$ 
15              $b[i, j] = "\uparrow"$ 
16         else  $c[i, j] = c[i, j - 1]$ 
17              $b[i, j] = "\leftarrow"$ 
18  return  $c$  and  $b$ 
    
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		$j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
		$y_j$		B	D	C	A	B	A
$i$	$x_i$								
0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	$\uparrow$ 0	$\uparrow$ 0	$\uparrow$ 0	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\leftarrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 1
2	B		0	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 2	$\leftarrow$ 2
3	C		0	$\uparrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 2	$\nwarrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2
4	B		0	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\nwarrow$ 3	$\leftarrow$ 3
5	D		0	$\uparrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\nwarrow$ 3	$\uparrow$ 3
6	A		0	$\uparrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\nwarrow$ 3	$\uparrow$ 3	$\nwarrow$ 4
7	B		0	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 3	$\nwarrow$ 4	$\nwarrow$ 4

# Reconstructing Actual LCS

PRINT-LCS( $b, X, i, j$ )

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1  if  $i == 0$  or  $j == 0$ 
2      return
3  if  $b[i, j] == \nwarrow$ 
4      PRINT-LCS( $b, X, i - 1, j - 1$ )
5      print  $x_i$ 
6  elseif  $b[i, j] == \uparrow$ 
7      PRINT-LCS( $b, X, i - 1, j$ )
8  else PRINT-LCS( $b, X, i, j - 1$ )
    
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		$j$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
			$y_j$	<b>B</b>	D	<b>C</b>	A	<b>B</b>	<b>A</b>
$i$	$x_i$								
0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1	A		0	$\uparrow$ 0	$\uparrow$ 0	$\uparrow$ 0	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\leftarrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 1
2	<b>B</b>		0	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\leftarrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 2	$\leftarrow$ 2
3	<b>C</b>		0	$\uparrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 2	$\nwarrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2
4	<b>B</b>		0	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\nwarrow$ 3	$\leftarrow$ 3
5	D		0	$\uparrow$ 1	$\nwarrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\nwarrow$ 3	$\uparrow$ 3
6	<b>A</b>		0	$\uparrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\nwarrow$ 3	$\uparrow$ 3	$\nwarrow$ 4
7	B		0	$\nwarrow$ 1	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 2	$\uparrow$ 3	$\nwarrow$ 4	$\uparrow$ 4



# Performance Analysis and Improvement

- Time:  $\Theta(mn)$  – Obvious from the nested loop structure
  - This could be improved by a memoized recursive code for this problem:
    - Because some sub-problems may never need to be evaluated.
    - Best case of memoized recursive code would be  $\Theta(\min(m, n))$  if one is a suffix of the other.
    - Whereas, there's no such best case on iterative bottom-up implementation.
- PRINT-LCS() time:  $O(m + n)$  – # shaded squares in the table
- Space:  $\Theta(mn)$  – Obvious from the  $c[i, j]$  table.
  - We don't really need the  $b[i, j]$  table, because the arrow information can be derived from  $c[i, j]$  table just fine.
    - Still this doesn't decrease the asymptotic space complexity.
  - This could be improved to  $\Theta(n)$ , however, if only for LCS length.
    - Because only 2 rows are needed at any time, not the entire table.
    - But this won't work for reconstructing an actual LCS.
      - Because reconstructing an actual LCS does require the entire table.

# Optimal Binary Search Tree

Yet Another 2D Dynamic Programming Example, Very Similar To Matrix-Chain Multiplication, Thus Just Overview

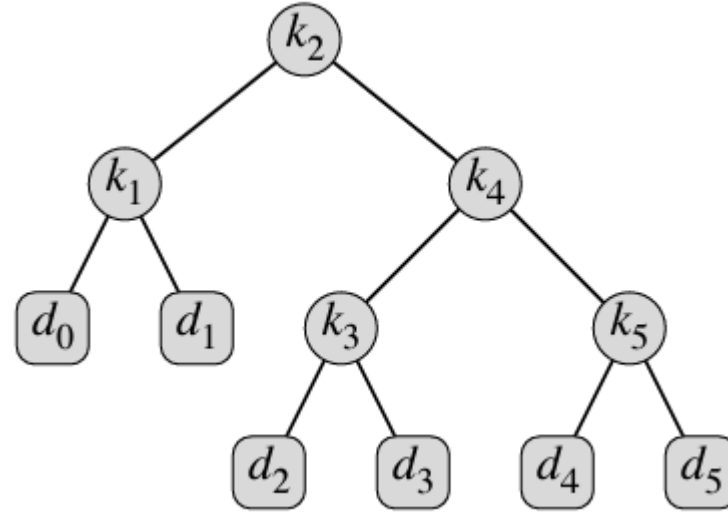
# Optimal Binary Search Tree (BST)

- Non-equally likely lookup of values for a specific set of keys
  - Different probabilities for successful searches on existing keys
    - Keys  $k_1, k_2, \dots, k_n$  with probabilities  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$
  - Different probabilities for unsuccessful searches on non-existing values
    - Dummy keys (for non-matches)  $d_0, d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$  with probabilities  $q_0, q_1, q_2, \dots, q_n$
    - $d_0 < k_1 < d_1 < k_2 < \dots < d_{n-1} < k_n < d_n$
- Exponentially many different BSTs for the  $k_i$ 's and  $d_j$ 's.
- What is the BST that gives the minimum expected search cost?

# Search Cost Computation and Example

$$\sum_{i=1}^n p_i + \sum_{i=0}^n q_i = 1$$

$i$	0	1	2	3	4	5
$p_i$		0.15	0.10	0.05	0.10	0.20
$q_i$	0.05	0.10	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.10



node	depth	probability	contribution
$k_1$	1	0.15	0.30
$k_2$	0	0.10	0.10
$k_3$	2	0.05	0.15
$k_4$	1	0.10	0.20
$k_5$	2	0.20	0.60
$d_0$	2	0.05	0.15
$d_1$	2	0.10	0.30
$d_2$	3	0.05	0.20
$d_3$	3	0.05	0.20
$d_4$	3	0.05	0.20
$d_5$	3	0.10	0.40
Total			2.80

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[\text{search cost in } T] &= \sum_{i=1}^n (\text{depth}_T(k_i) + 1) \cdot p_i + \sum_{i=0}^n (\text{depth}_T(d_i) + 1) \cdot q_i \\
 &= 1 + \sum_{i=1}^n \text{depth}_T(k_i) \cdot p_i + \sum_{i=0}^n \text{depth}_T(d_i) \cdot q_i
 \end{aligned}$$

# Optimal Substructure of Min. Cost BST

- Given keys  $k_i, \dots, k_j$ ,
  - Say one of these keys  $k_r$  ( $i \leq r \leq j$ ) is the root of an optimal BST containing  $k_i, \dots, k_j$ .
  - Then the left subtree of the root  $k_r$  must be an optimal BST for keys  $k_i, \dots, k_{r-1}$  (together with dummy keys  $d_{i-1}, \dots, d_{r-1}$ )
  - And the right subtree of the root  $k_r$  must be an optimal BST for keys  $k_{r+1}, \dots, k_j$  (together with dummy keys  $d_r, \dots, d_j$ )
  - Empty subtrees: Empty in the sense that there's no actual (matching) keys.
    - If  $r = i$ , then  $k_r$ 's left subtree contains no actual keys, but only one dummy key  $d_{i-1}$ .
    - If  $r = j$ , then  $k_r$ 's right subtree contains no actual keys, but only one dummy key  $d_j$ .

# Recursive Definition of Cost Function

- Let  $e[i, j]$  be the expected cost of searching an optimal BST containing keys  $k_i, \dots, k_j$ . Ultimately we want to compute  $e[1, n]$ .
- Empty subtree case is easy:  $e[i, i - 1] = q_{i-1}$  (prob. dummy key  $d_{i-1}$ )
- Otherwise, we need to pick root  $k_r$  with two subtrees.
  - The expected cost of BST for  $k_i, \dots, k_j$  will be sum of:
    - Expected cost of BST for  $k_i, \dots, k_{r-1}$
    - Expected cost of BST for  $k_{r+1}, \dots, k_j$
    - And sum of all probabilities for  $d_{i-1}, k_i, d_i, \dots, k_j, d_j$  (call this sum  $w(i, j)$ )
      - Because the expected cost of the two subtrees are increased by each node's probability.
  - Thus  $e[i, j] = e[i, r - 1] + e[r + 1, j] + w(i, j)$  for an optimal root  $k_r$ .
  - To find  $k_r$ , we need to try all  $r$  for  $i \leq r \leq j$  and pick  $r$  that gives the min cost:

$$e[i, j] = \begin{cases} q_{i-1} & \text{if } j = i - 1, \\ \min_{i \leq r \leq j} \{e[i, r - 1] + e[r + 1, j] + w(i, j)\} & \text{if } i \leq j. \end{cases} \quad (15.14)$$

# Conclusion

- Very similar to matrix-chain multiplication, except:
  - Different indexing due to 3 parts (left subtree, root, right subtree) instead of 2 parts (left product, right product)
  - $w(i, j)$  computation.
- Other than these, absolutely same algorithm structure.
  - See OPTIMAL-BST() and Figure 15.10 in CLRS.
- Time/space complexities are the same as MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER()
  - $\Theta(n^3)$  time,  $\Theta(n^2)$  space