Assignment 3: Dynamic Programming

1. Determine the optimal order and cost for evaluating the product of matrices A1×A2×A3×A4, where:

A1 has dimensions 5×2,

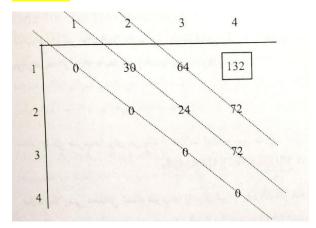
A2 has dimensions 2×3,

A3 has dimensions 3×4,

A4 has dimensions 4x6.

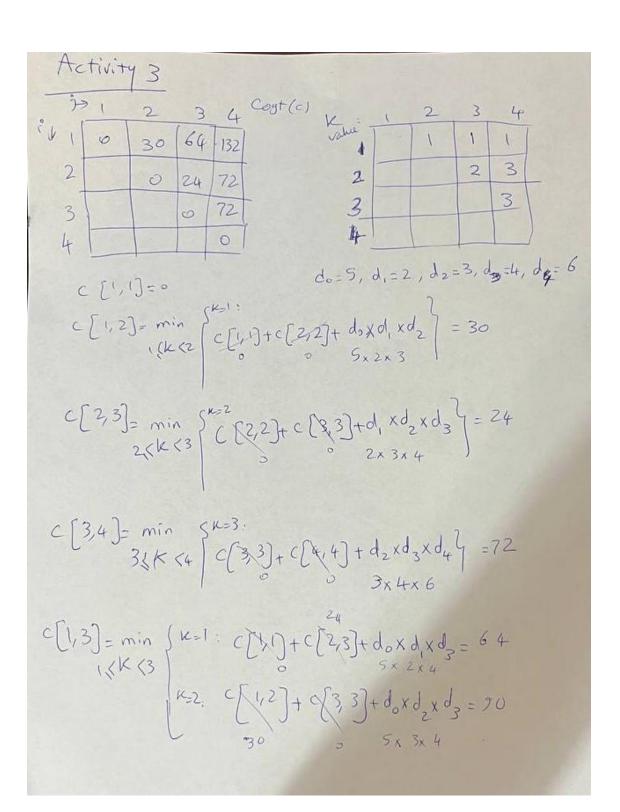
Construct and display the Cost table (used for optimization) and the K table (used for storing the optimal multiplication order). Show all calculations and steps used in the algorithm. (30 points)

Answer:



$$\mathbf{P} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

A1((A2 A3) A4)



$$C(2,4) = \min_{2 \le K \le 4} \begin{cases} k=2 : & c(2,2) + c(3,4) + d_1 \times d_2 \times d_4 = 106 \\ 2 \le K \le 4 \end{cases}$$

$$|x=3: & c(2,3) + c(4,4) + d_1 \times d_3 \times d_4 = 72$$

$$2 \times 4 \times 6$$

$$C(1,4) = \min_{1 \le K \le 4} \begin{cases} K=1 : & c(4,4) + c(2,4) + d_0 \times d_1 \times d_4 = 132 \end{cases}$$

$$|x=2| & c(4,2) + c(3,4) + d_0 \times d_2 \times d_4 = 162$$

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As a skilled house robber, you aim to steal from houses along a street, each containing a certain amount of money. However, robbing two adjacent houses will trigger a security alarm.

Given an array where each element represents the money stored in a house, formulate the dynamic programming recurrence relation to determine the maximum amount you can steal without setting off the alarm and explain your answer. (50 points)

Answer:

Dynamic Programming Recurrence Relation

Define the State:

Let dp[i] represent the maximum money that can be stolen from the first i houses.

Base Cases:

1. If there are no houses (n = 0), the maximum money stolen is 0:

$$dp[0] = 0$$

2. If there is only one house (n = 1), the maximum money stolen is the money in that house:

$$dp[1] = nums[0]$$

Recurrence Relation:

For each house i, you have two choices:

- Skip the current house → The maximum money is the same as dp[i-1].
- Rob the current house → The maximum money is nums[i-1] + dp[i-2] (since you must skip the adjacent house).

Thus, the recurrence relation is:

$$dp[i] = \max(dp[i-1], nums[i-1] + dp[i-2])$$

where:

- dp[i-1] → Skipping the current house.
- nums[i-1] + dp[i-2] → Robbing the current house and adding the best amount from i-2.

Example Walkthrough

Example Input:

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nums = [2, 7, 9, 3, 1]
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Step-by-Step Computation (Using DP Table)

House	Money (nums[i])	Rob (nums[i] + dp[i-2])	Skip (dp[i-1])	dp[i] (Max)
1	2	2	0	2
2	7	7	2	7
3	9	9 + 2 = 11	7	11
4	3	3 + 7 = 10	11	11
5	1	1 + 11 = 12	11	12

Final Output: