

# Dynamic programming

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- Characterize the structure of an optimal solution. (Define subproblem.)
- Recursively define the value of an optimal solution. (Express solutions to subproblems recursively.)
- Compute the value of an optimal solution (in right order.)
- Construct an optimal solution from computed information.

## Chain matrix multiplication

- Suppose that we want to multiply four matrices,  $A \times B \times C \times D$ , of dimensions  $50 \times 20$ ,  $20 \times 1$ ,  $1 \times 10$ , and  $10 \times 100$ , respectively.
- How many ways can  $\langle A, B, C, D \rangle$  be fully parenthesized?
  - $(A( B(C D )))$
  - $(A((BC )D))$
  - $((AB) (CD))$
  - $((A(BC ))D)$
  - $((((AB)C )D)$

# Matrix multiplication

MATRIX-MULTIPLY(A, B)

if columns[A]  $\neq$  rows[B]

then error “incompatible dimensions”

else for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to rows[A]

do for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to columns[B]

do  $C[i,j] \leftarrow 0$

for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to columns[A]

do  $C[i,j] \leftarrow C[i,j] + A[i,k] \cdot B[k,j]$

return C

A :  $p \times q$  matrix, B :  $q \times r$  matrix,  $C = AB$  :  $p \times r$  matrix

Time to compute C :  $pqr$

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Parenthesization	Cost computation	Cost
$A \times ((B \times C) \times D)$	$20 \cdot 1 \cdot 10 + 20 \cdot 10 \cdot 100 + 50 \cdot 20 \cdot 100$	120,200
$(A \times (B \times C)) \times D$	$20 \cdot 1 \cdot 10 + 50 \cdot 20 \cdot 10 + 50 \cdot 10 \cdot 100$	60,200
$(A \times B) \times (C \times D)$	$50 \cdot 20 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot 10 \cdot 100 + 50 \cdot 1 \cdot 100$	7,000

- The order of multiplications makes a big difference in running time.
- Greedy approach (choose the cheapest multiplication) does not work. (case 2 above)
- Problem : How do we determine the optimal order, if we want to compute  $A_1 \times A_2 \times \dots \times A_n$  where the  $A_i$ 's are matrices with dimensions  $m_0 \times m_1$ ,  $m_1 \times m_2$ , ...,  $m_{n-1} \times m_n$ , respectively?

# Number of parenthesizations

- $P(n)$  = # of alternative parenthesizations of a sequence of  $n$  matrices
- $n = 1 : 1$
- $n > 1 :$ 
  - a fully parenthesized matrix product is the product of two fully parenthesized matrix subproducts
  - the split between the two subproducts may occur between the  $k$ th and  $(k+1)$ th matrices for any  $k=1, 2, \dots, n-1$ .

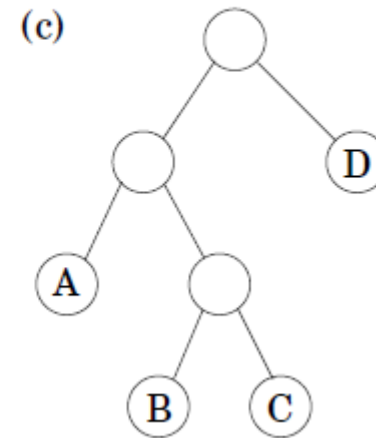
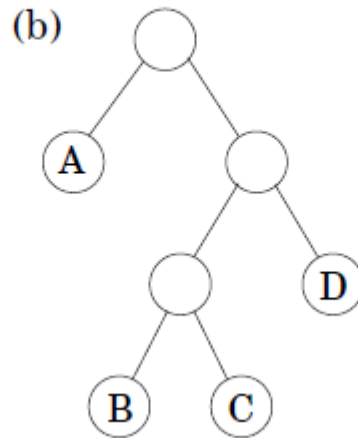
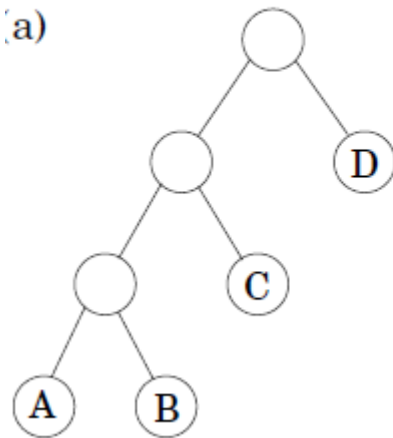
$$P(n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 1 , \\ \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P(k)P(n-k) & \text{if } n \geq 2 . \end{cases}$$

Show that  $P(n)$  is  $\Omega(2^n)$  using substitution method.

- A particular parenthesization can be represented by a *binary tree*
  - the individual matrices correspond to the leaves
  - the root is the final product
  - intermediate nodes are intermediate products.
- The possible orders to do the multiplication = the various full binary trees with  $n$  leaves whose number is *exponential* in  $n$ .

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(a)  $((A \times B) \times C) \times D$ ; (b)  $A \times ((B \times C) \times D)$ ; (c)  $(A \times (B \times C)) \times D$ .



## Optimal substructure

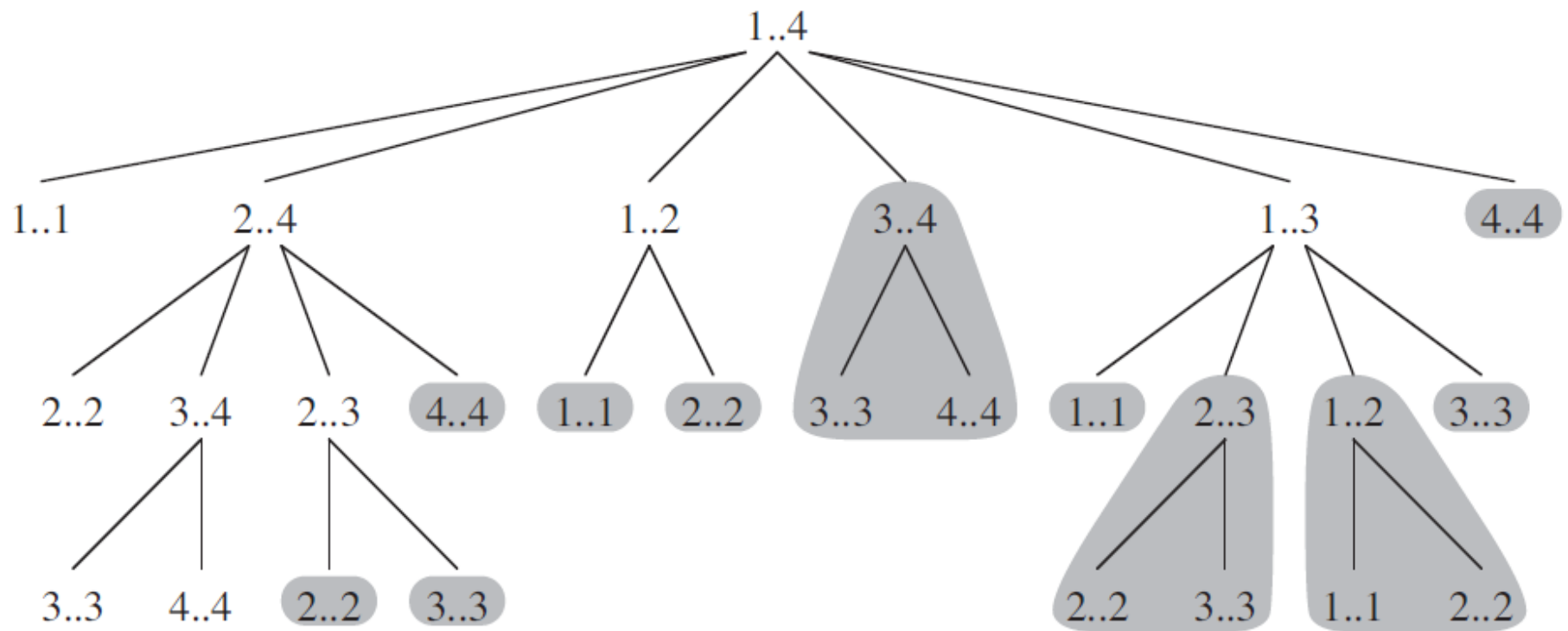
- For a tree to be optimal, its subtrees must also be optimal.
- What are the *subproblems* corresponding to the subtrees? – products of the form  $A_i \times A_{i+1} \times \dots \times A_j$
- Define  $C(i, j)$  = minimum cost of multiplying  $A_i \times A_{i+1} \times \dots \times A_j$  for  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$ .
- The size of the subproblem  $C(i, j)$  = number of matrix multiplications =  $j - i$
- Base case - the smallest subproblem : when  $i = j$ ,  $C(i, j) = 0$ .



## Optimal substructure

- For  $j > i$ , consider the optimal subtree for  $C(i, j)$ .
- Suppose that an optimal subtree of  $A_i A_{i+1} \dots A_j$  splits the product between  $A_k$  and  $A_{k+1}$ . (  $i \leq k < j$  )
- Then the subtrees of  $A_i A_{i+1} \dots A_k$  and  $A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \dots A_j$  within this optimal subtree of  $A_i A_{i+1} \dots A_j$  must be optimal subtrees of  $A_i A_{i+1} \dots A_k$  and  $A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \dots A_j$ , respectively.
- The cost of the subtree is then the cost of these two partial products + the cost of combining them:  $C(i, k) + C(k + 1, j) + m_{i-1} \cdot m_k \cdot m_j$
- Need to find the splitting point  $k$  for which this is smallest:  
$$C(i, j) = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{ C(i, k) + C(k+1, j) + m_{i-1} \cdot m_k \cdot m_j \}$$

## Recursion tree for C(1,4)



# Algorithm

- $s$  : problem size

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for  $i = 1$  to  $n$ :  $C(i, i) = 0$ 
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for  $s = 1$  to  $n - 1$ :
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  for  $i = 1$  to  $n - s$ :
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     $j = i + s$ 
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     $C(i, j) = \min\{C(i, k) + C(k + 1, j) + m_{i-1} \cdot m_k \cdot m_j : i \leq k < j\}$ 
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return  $C(1, n)$ 
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- Two-dimensional table, each entry takes  $O(n)$  time :  $O(n^3)$  overall running time.
- How can we reconstruct the optimal parenthesization?

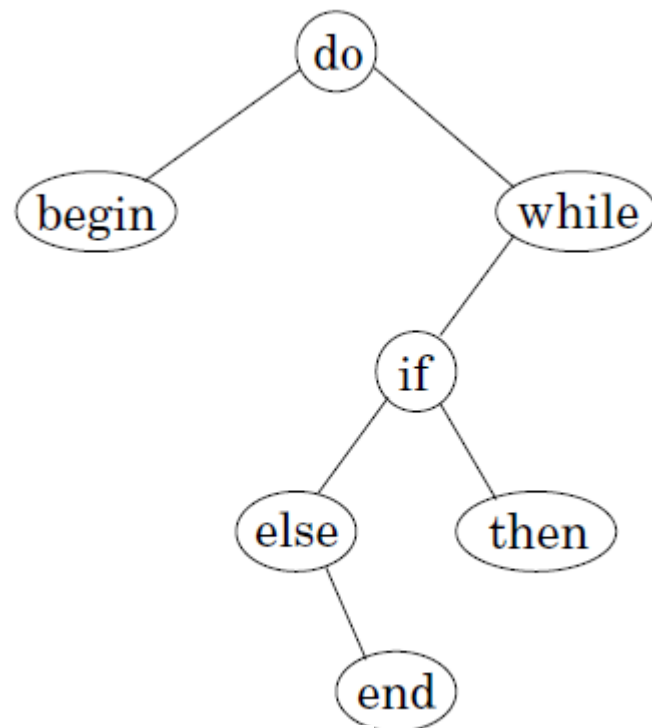
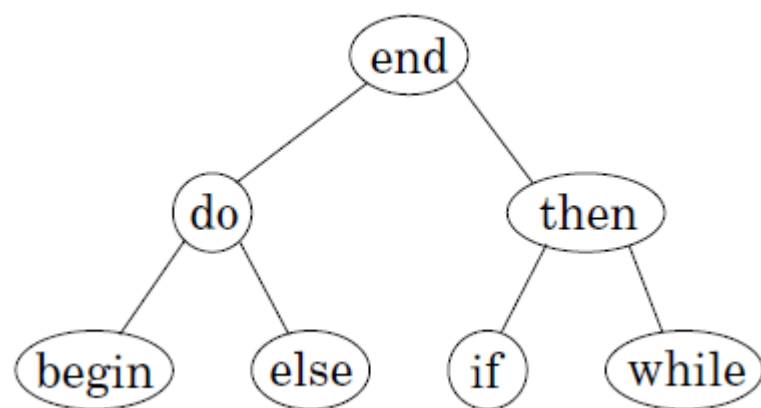
# Optimal binary search trees

- Suppose we know the frequency with which keywords occur in programs of a certain language, for instance:

begin	5%
do	40%
else	8%
end	4%
if	10%
then	10%
while	23%

- We want to organize them in a *binary search tree*, so that the keyword in the root is alphabetically bigger than all the keywords in the left subtree and smaller than all the keywords in the right subtree.

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else	8%
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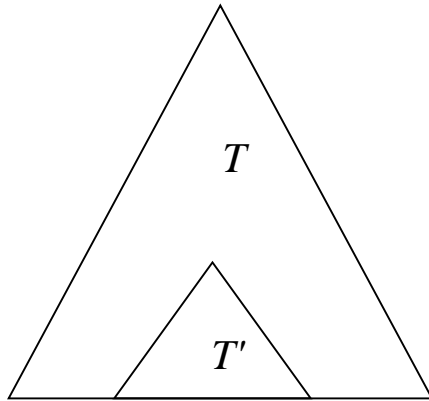
$$\text{cost} = 1(0.04) + 2(0.40 + 0.10) + 3(0.05 + 0.08 + 0.10 + 0.23) = 2.42.$$

# Optimal binary search trees

- Input:  $n$  keys (in sorted order); frequencies of these keys:  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n$ .
- Output: The binary search tree of lowest cost (= the expected number of comparisons in looking up a key).
- Observations :
  - Optimal BST might not have smallest height
  - Optimal BST might not have highest-probability key at root.
- Build by exhaustive checking?
  - Construct each  $n$ -node BST
  - For each, put in keys
  - Then compute expected search cost
  - There are  $\Omega(4^n / n^{3/2})$  different BSTs with  $n$  nodes.

# Optimal substructure

- Consider any subtree of a BST. It contains keys in a contiguous range  $k_i, \dots, k_j$  for some  $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$ .



If  $T$  is an optimal BST and  $T$  contains subtree  $T'$  with keys  $k_i, \dots, k_j$ , then  $T'$  must be an optimal BST for  $k_i, \dots, k_j$ .

Proof : cut and paste.

## Using optimal substructure

- Given keys  $k_i, \dots, k_j$  (the problem)
- One of them,  $k_r$ , where  $i \leq r \leq j$ , must be the root.
- Left subtree of  $k_r$  contains  $k_i, \dots, k_{r-1}$
- Right subtree of  $k_r$  contains  $k_{r+1}, \dots, k_j$

If we

- examine all candidate roots  $k_r$ , for  $i \leq r \leq j$ , and,
- determine all optimal BSTs containing  $k_i, \dots, k_{r-1}$  and containing  $k_{r+1}, \dots, k_j$

then we're guaranteed to find an optimal BST for  $k_i, \dots, k_j$



# Recursive solution

Subproblem domain :

- Find optimal BST for  $k_i, \dots, k_j$ , where  $i \geq 1, i-1 \leq j \leq n$
- When  $j = i-1$ , the tree is empty.

Define  $e[i,j]$  = expected search cost of optimal BST for  $k_i, \dots, k_j$

If  $j = i-1$ , then  $e[i,j] = 0$

If  $j \geq i$ ,

- Select a root  $k_r$ , for some  $i \leq r \leq j$
- make an optimal BST with  $k_i, \dots, k_{r-1}$  as the left subtree.
- make an optimal BST with  $k_{r+1}, \dots, k_j$  as the right subtree.
- When a subtree becomes a subtree of a node :
  - depth of every node in subtree goes up by 1.
  - expected search cost increases by  $w(i, j) = \sum_{l=i}^j p_l$

## Recursive solution

- If  $k_r$  is the root of an optimal BST for  $k_i, \dots, k_j$  :
- $e[i,j] = p_r + (e[i,r-1] + w(i,r-1)) + (e[r+1,j] + w(r+1,j))$
- $w(i,j) = w(i,r-1) + p_r + w(r+1,j)$
- $e[i,j] = e[i,r-1] + e[r+1,j] + w(i,j)$

$$e[i,j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } j = i-1 \\ \min_{i \leq r \leq j} \{ e[i,r-1] + e[r+1,j] + w(i,j) \} & \text{if } i \leq j \end{cases}$$

# Computing an optimal solution

- *Need 3 tables :*
  - $e[1..n+1, 0..n]$
  - $root[i, j]$  : root of subtree with keys  $k_i, \dots, k_j$
  - $w[1..n+1, 0..n]$

OPTIMAL-BST( $p, n$ )

for  $i=1$  to  $n+1$

do  $e[i, i-1] = 0$

$w[i, i-1] = 0$

for  $l = 1$  to  $n$

do for  $i = 1$  to  $n-l+1$

do  $j = i+l-1$

$e[i, j] = \infty$

$w[i, j] = w[i, j-1] + p_j$

for  $r = i$  to  $j$

do  $t = e[i, r-1] + e[r+1, j] + w[i, j]$

if  $t < e[i, j]$

then  $e[i, j] = t$

$root[i, j] = r$

return  $e$  and  $root$