# Dynamic Programming - Matrix Chain Parenthesization COMS10018 - Algorithms

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 $\rightarrow$  Modify algorithm to keep track of parameters that give minimum in array  $\emph{s}$ 

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  return m, s
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Algorithm Matrix-Chain-Value(n, p)

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            if q < m[i, j] then
               m[i,i] \leftarrow a
               s[i,j] \leftarrow k
   return
              m
```

Algorithm Matrix-Chain-Order (A, B)

#### Print Optimal Parenthesization

#### Using s to find Optimal Parenthesization

```
Require: Array s, positions i, j

if i = j then

print "A_i"

else

print "("

PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS(s, i, s[i, j])

PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS(s, s[i, j] + 1, j)

print ")"
```

Algorithm PRINT-OPTIMAL-PARENS(s, i, j)

Call Print-Optimal-Parens(s, 1, n) to obtain parenthesization