# CSCI203 Algorithms and Data Structures

### Dynamic Programming (II)

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# Dynamic Programming

- Previously we saw several "definitions" of Dynamic Programming:
  - Clever Brute Force:
  - Recursion + Memoization:
  - Tabular and bottom-up implementation
- Remember: dynamic programming is not an algorithm; it is a technique for constructing algorithms.
- This lecture we will examine some more problems that can be solved using dynamic programming techniques.

# Dynamic Programming (DP)

Typically applied to optimization problems

#### Main idea:

- set up a recurrence relating a solution to a larger instance to solutions of some smaller instances
- solve smaller instances once
- record solutions in a table
- extract solution to the initial instance from that table

### Matrix Multiplication...

#### An Example

Let A and B be the following Matrices:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \\ 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 2 \\ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Then C is calculated as follows:

$$c(1,1) = 1 \times -1 + 2 \times 2 = 3$$

$$c(1,2) = 1 \times 2 + 2 \times -1 = 0$$

$$c(2,1) = 3 \times -1 + 4 \times 2 = 5$$

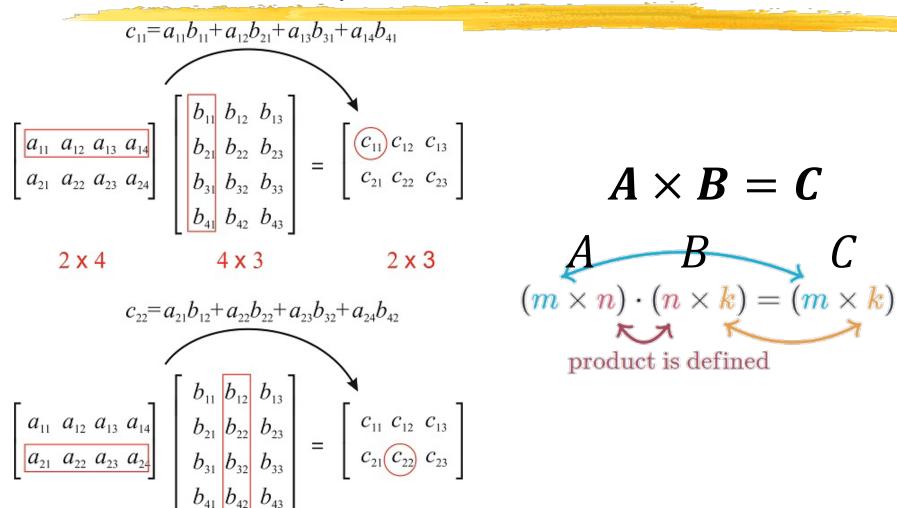
$$c(2,2) = 3 \times 2 + 4 \times -1 = 2$$

$$c(3,1) = 5 \times -1 + 6 \times 2 = 7$$

$$c(3,2) = 5 \times 2 + 6 \times -1 = 4$$

▶ So:

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- If A has m rows and n columns and B has n rows and k columns then C will have m rows and k columns.
- Matrix multiplication is not commutative:  $AB \neq BA$  (BA may not even exist).
- The cost of a matrix multiplication depends on the sizes of A and B
- $A_{m \times n} \times B_{n \times k}$  will take  $m \times n \times k$  multiplications and  $m \times (n-1) \times k$  additions.
- The order in which multiple matrices are multiplied will effect the total cost.

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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

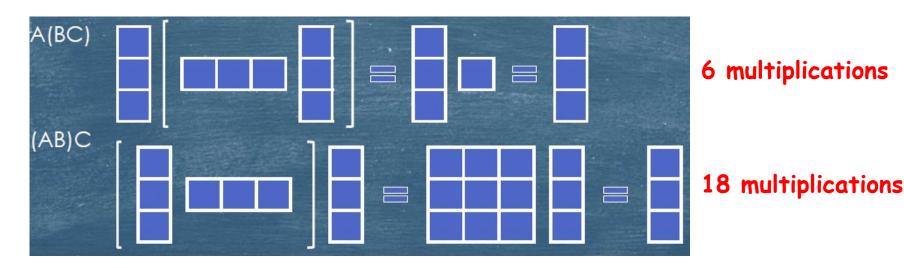
7 for k = 1 to A.columns

8 c_{ij} = c_{ij} + a_{ik} \cdot b_{kj}

9 return C
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### Matrix-chain Multiplication

- Matrix multiplication is associative A(BC)=(AB)C.
- Let A, B and C be three matrices with sizes  $3 \times 1$ ,  $1 \times 3$  and  $3 \times 1$  respectively:
- $\blacktriangleright$  ABC can be computed as A(BC) or (AB)C.



# Matrix-chain multiplication

- Multiplication of four matrices
  - $< A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 >$
- We can define five distinct ways to perform the calculation using parentheses:

$$(A_1(A_2(A_3A_4))), (A_1((A_2A_3)A_4)), ((A_1A_2)(A_3A_4)), ((A_1(A_2A_3))A_4), (((A_1A_2)A_3)A_4)$$

How we parenthesize a chain of matrices can have a dramatic impact on the cost of computing the product.

### Generalization

- $\blacktriangleright$  If we need to evaluate the product of n matrices:
  - $A_1 \times A_2 \times A_3 \times \cdots \times A_n$  or  $A_1 A_2 A_3 \cdots A_n$
- We can perform this in  $O(4^n)$  different ways, each has a potentially different cost.
- What is the minimum cost for the overall computation.
  - What is the optimum sequence of matrix multiplications to perform?
- Once again, we can solve this with dynamic programming.

### DP: Parenthesization

- We can restate the problem as follows:
- Given a sequence of n matrices; find the optimal locations for n-1 pairs of balanced parentheses, such that each pair contains exactly two matrices or parenthesized sets of matrices.
- ▶ E.g. given matrices *ABCD*, possible parenthesizations are:
  - A(B(CD)), A((BC)D), (AB)(CD), (A(BC))D, ((AB)C)D
- Let us approach this problem in the same way as we have used with the other problems.



### Notations

- Given a chain  $< A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n >$  of matrices, where for  $i=1,2,\cdots,n$  matrix  $A_i$  has dimension  $p_{i-1}\times p_i$ , fully parenthesize the product  $A_1A_2\cdots A_n$  in a way that minimizes the number of scalar multiplications
- $ightharpoonup A_{i\cdots j}$  denotes  $A_iA_{i+1}\cdots A_j$ ,  $i\leq j$
- Note: we are not actually multiplying matrices. Our goal is only to determine an order for multiplying matrices that has the lowest cost.

#### Step 1. Structure an optimal parenthesization

- ightharpoonup Suppose to optimally parenthesize  $A_i\cdots A_j$
- Let's say an optimal split is between  $A_k$  and  $A_{k+1}$
- The problem becomes two sub-problems
  - $A_i A_{i+1} \cdots A_k$  and  $A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \cdots A_j$
- We must ensure that we search for the correct place to split the product
  - We have considered all possible places so that we are sure of having examined the optimal one

# Step 2. A recursive solution

- Let m[i,j] be the minimum number of scalar multiplications needed for  $A_{i\cdots j}$ 
  - For the full problem  $A_{1...n}$ , it would be m[1,n]
- Lets' examine m[i,j]

# Step 2. A recursive solution...

- If i=j,  $A_{i\cdots i}=A_i$ , no scalar multiplications, m[i,i]=0, for  $i=1,2,\cdots,n$
- If i < j and optimal split at k, i.e.  $A_{i \cdots k}$  and  $A_{k+1 \cdots j}$ 
  - Scalar multiplications for  $A_{i\cdots k}$  is m[i,k]
  - Scalar multiplication for  $A_{k+1\cdots j}$  is m[k+1,j]
  - The dimension of  $A_{i\cdots k}$  is  $p_{i-1} \times p_k$
  - The dimension of  $A_{k+1\cdots j}$  is  $p_k \times p_j$
  - Scalar multiplications for  $A_{i\cdots k}A_{k+1\cdots j}$  is  $p_{i-1}p_kp_j$

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Thus, we have

$$m[i,j] = m[i,k] + m[k+1,j] + p_{i-1}p_kp_j$$

- This recursive assume we know the value of k, which we do not.
- ▶ There are j i possible values for k, i.e.
  - $k = i, i + 1, \dots, j 1$
- We need to check all of them and find the best

$$m[i,j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = j \ , \\ \min_{i \le k < j} \{m[i,k] + m[k+1,j] + p_{i-1}p_kp_j\} & \text{if } i < j \ . \end{cases}$$

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- m[i,j] values gives the costs of optimal solutions to a subproblems, does not provide the information to construct a optimal solution, i.e. where to split
- s[i,j] to be a value of k which we split the product  $A_iA_{i+1}\cdots A_j$  in an optimal parenthesization, i.e. s[i,j]=k



### Step 3. Computing the optimal costs

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- $\blacktriangleright$  Given the above cost formulae, a recursive algorithm can be written to calculate the minimum cost m[1,n] for  $A_1A_2\cdots A_n$
- $p = \langle p_{i-1}, p_i, \cdots, p_n \rangle$  dimensions of the matrices in the chain

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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)

+ RECURSIVE-MATRIX-CHAIN(p, k + 1, j)

+ p_{i-1}p_kp_j

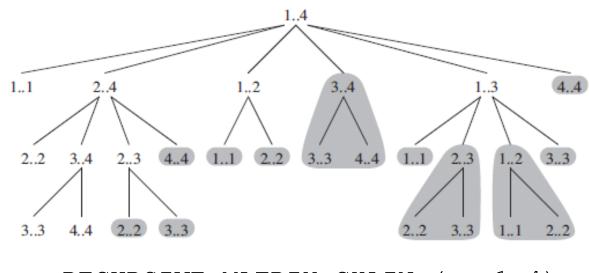
6 if q < m[i, j]

7 m[i, j] = q

8 return m[i, j]
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RECURSIVE-MATRIX-CHAIN (p, 1,4)

- The recursive takes exponential time.
- It is no better than the brute-force method.



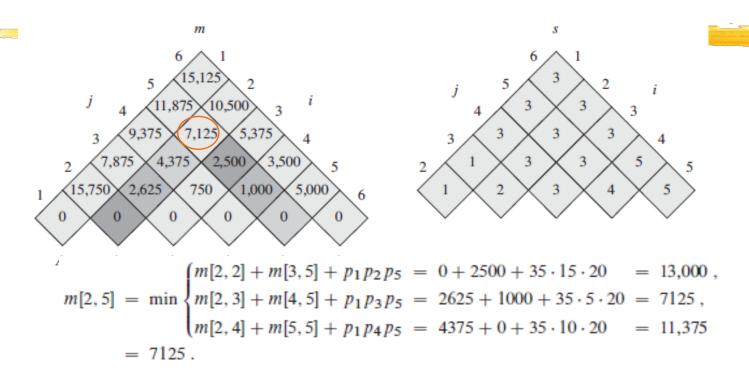
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- Compute the optimal cost by using a tabular, bottom-up approach
  - Dimension of  $A_i$  is  $p_{i-1} \times p_i$ ,
  - $p = \langle p_0, p_1, \dots, p_n \rangle$  and p.length = n + 1

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MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER (p)
 1 \quad 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
        m[i,i] = 0
    for l = 2 to n // l is the chain length
        for i = 1 to n - l + 1
            i = i + l - 1
                                                     Complexity O(n^3)
           m[i,j] = \infty
            for k = i to j - 1
                q = m[i,k] + m[k+1,j] + p_{i-1}p_k p_i
10
               if q < m[i, j]
11
                    m[i,j] = q
12
13
                    s[i,j] = k
    return m and s
```

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



The tables are rotated so that the main diagonal runs horizontally. The m table uses only the main diagonal and upper triangle, and the s table uses only the upper triangle. The minimum number of scalar multiplications to multiply the 6 matrices is m[1,6] = 15,125.

### Step 4. Constructing an optimal solution

- The table s[1 ... n 1, 2 ... n] gives us the information we need to do so.
- Each entry s[i,j] records a value of k such that an optimal parenthesization of  $A_{i...j}$  splits the product between  $A_k$  and  $A_{k+1}$ .
  - $A_{1\cdots n} \to A_{1\cdots s[1,n]}A_{s[1,n]+1,\dots n}$  split at s[1,n]
  - $A_{1...s[1,n]} \to split at s[1,s[1,n]]$
  - $A_{s[1,n]+1...n} \to split \text{ at } s[s[1,n]+1,n]$
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### Step 4. Constructing an optimal solution

▶ An optimal parenthesization of  $A_1A_2 \cdots A_n$  is

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

1 if i == j

2 print "A"<sub>i</sub>

3 else print "("

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

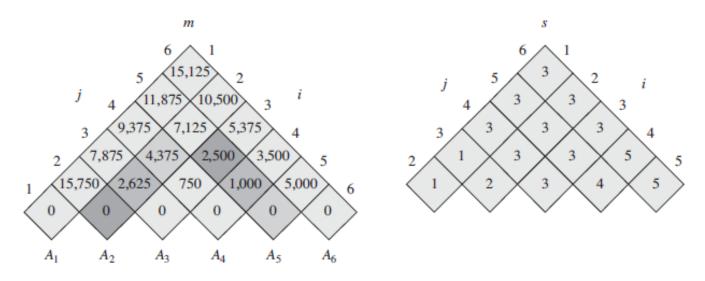
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 $((A_1(A_2A_3))((A_4A_5)A_6)$ 

### Related References

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