

# 9. Dynamic Programming

# Goals

- Learn elements of dynamic programming.
- Understand when to apply dynamic programming.
- Understand how to apply dynamic programming through several problems

# Background

- Recursive solution
  - There is a subproblem (i.e., identical problem with a smaller size) inside a problem.
- pros
  - Conceptually simple way of solving a problem
- cons
  - There may be an excessive number of recursive calls.

# Pros and Cons of Recursion

- Good cases
  - Mergesort, Quicksort
  - Computing a factorial
  - Depth-first search of a graph
  - ...
- Bad cases
  - Computing Fibonacci numbers
  - Matrix-chain multiplication
  - ...

# Fibonacci Numbers

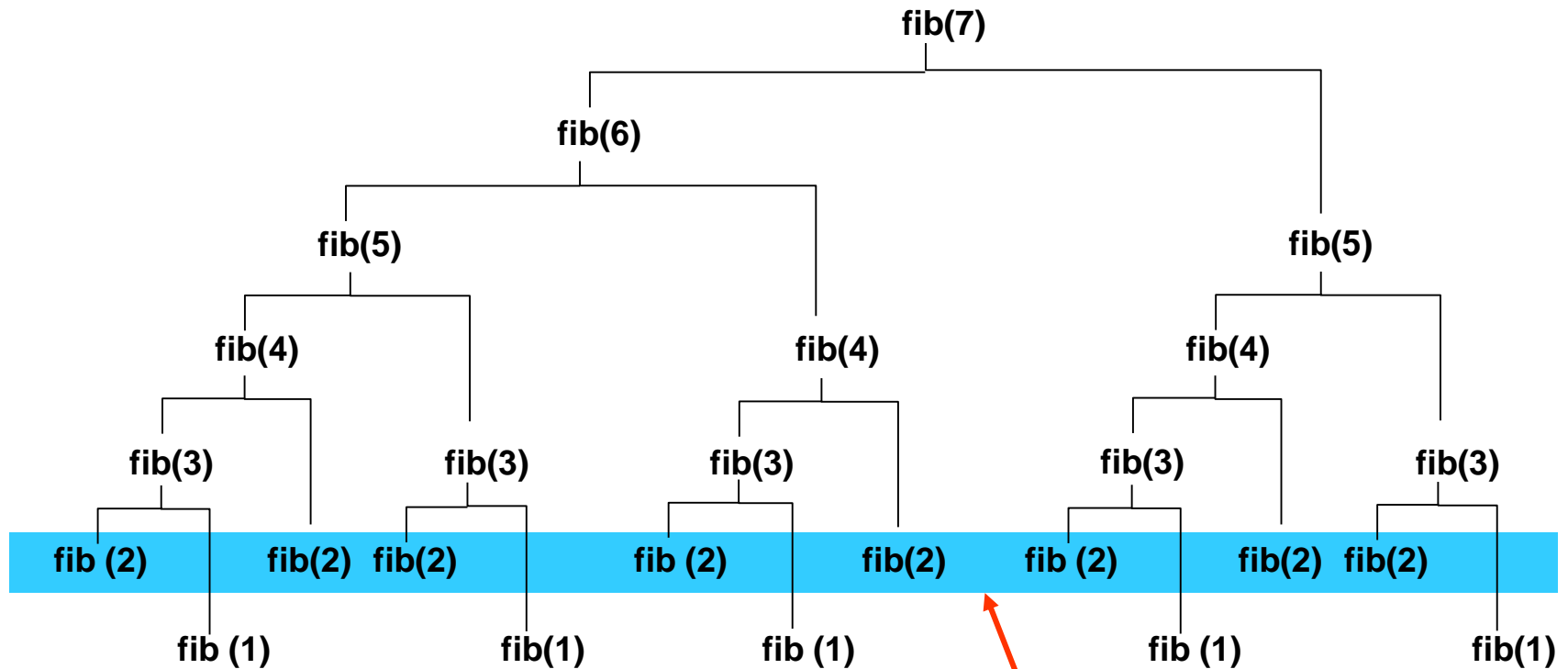
- $f(n) = f(n-1) + f(n-2)$   
 $f(1) = f(2) = 1$
- Simple problem, but it shows the bad case of recursion (which is a motivation for dynamic programming).

# Fibonacci Numbers

```
fib(n)  
{  
    if (n = 1 or n = 2)  
        then return 1;  
    else return (fib(n-1) + fib(n-2));  
}
```

- ✓ There is an excessive number of overlapping recursive calls

## Recursion Tree for Fibonacci Numbers



## Overlapping subproblems (recursive calls)

# Dynamic Programming for Fibonacci Numbers

```
fibonacci( $n$ )  
{  
     $f[1] \leftarrow f[2] \leftarrow 1$ ;  
    for  $i \leftarrow 3$  to  $n$   
         $f[i] \leftarrow f[i-1] + f[i-2]$ ;  
    return  $f[n]$ ;  
}
```

✓  $O(n)$  time



# Elements of Dynamic Programming

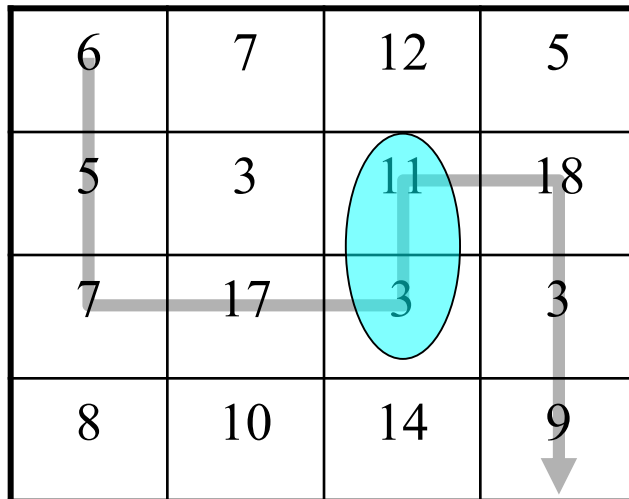
- **Optimal substructure**
    - An optimal solution to the problem contains within it optimal solutions to subproblems.
  - **Overlapping subproblems (recursive calls)**
    - A recursive algorithm for the problem solves the same subproblems over and over.
- ➡ **Dynamic programming is the solution!**

# Problem 1: Matrix Path Problem

- Given an  $n \times n$  matrix of positive numbers, we want to move from the upper-left corner to the lower-right corner.
- Constraints
  - Move only to the right or below
  - (Moving to the left, above, or diagonally is not allowed)
- Goal: maximize the sum of the numbers in the visited entries

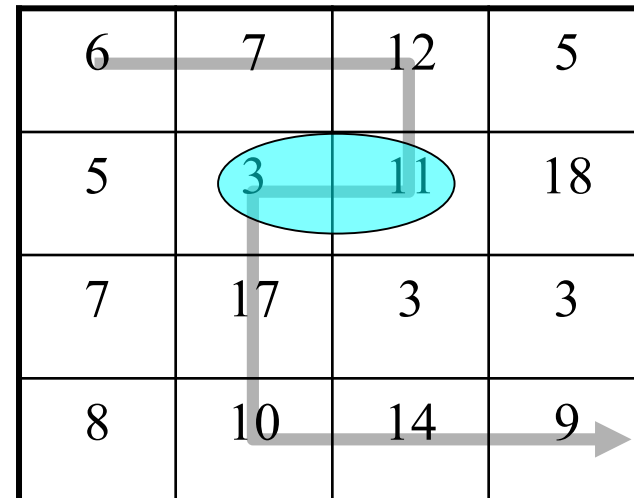
# Move

6	7	12	5
5	3	11	18
7	17	3	3
8	10	14	9



Not allowed

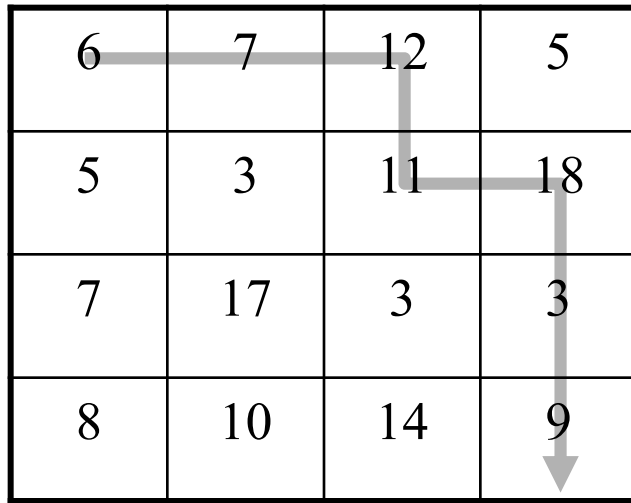
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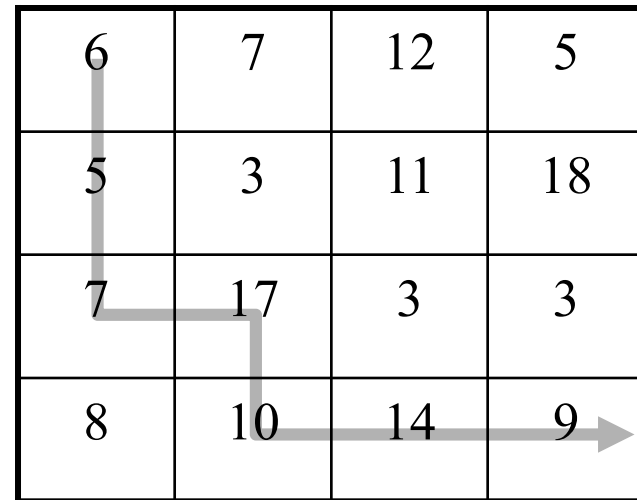
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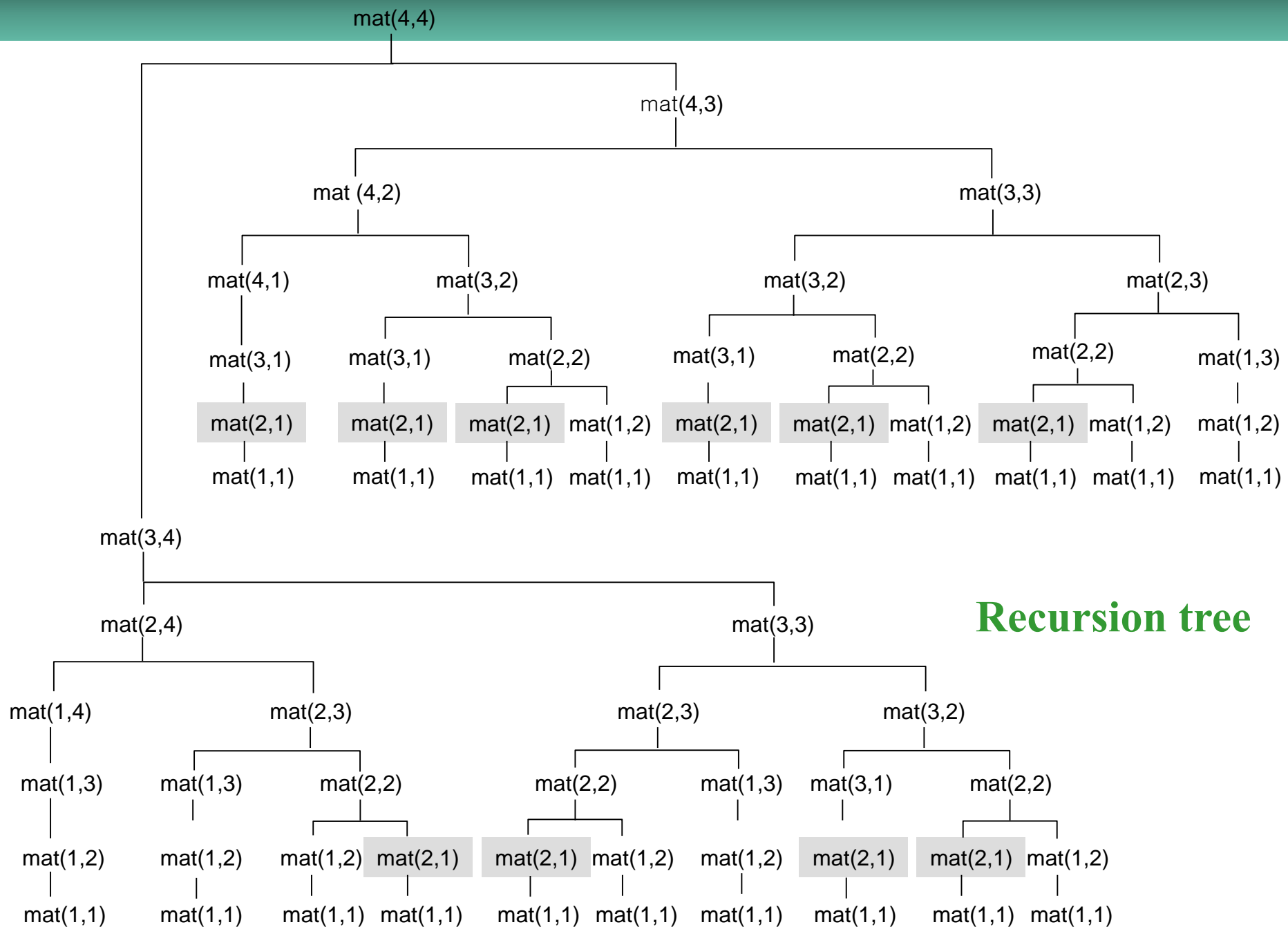


# Recursive Algorithm

matrixPath( $i, j$ )

▷ returns maximum value from (1,1) to ( $i, j$ )

```
{  
    if ( $i = 0$  or  $j = 0$ ) then return 0;  
    else return ( $m_{ij} + (\max(\text{matrixPath}(i-1, j), \text{matrixPath}(i, j-1)))$ );  
}
```



## DP recurrence

$c[i, j]$ : maximum value from (1,1) to  $(i, j)$

$$c[i, j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } j = 0 \\ m_{ij} + \max(c[i-1, j], c[i, j-1]) & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

# DP algorithm

matrixPath( $n$ )

▷ returns maximum value from (1,1) to ( $n$ ,  $n$ )

```
{  
    for  $i \leftarrow 0$  to  $n$   
         $c[i, 0] \leftarrow 0$ ;  
    for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$   
         $c[0, j] \leftarrow 0$ ;  
    for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$   
        for  $j \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$   
             $c[i, j] \leftarrow m_{ij} + \max(c[i-1, j], c[i, j-1])$ ;  
    return  $c[n, n]$ ;  
}
```



## Problem 2: Placing Pebbles

- In each entry of a  $3 \times N$  table, a positive or negative number is written. We want to place pebbles on the entries.
- Constraints
  - Pebbles cannot be placed in two (vertically or horizontally) adjacent entries.
  - In each column, at least one pebble should be placed.
- Goal: maximize the sum of numbers in the entries where pebbles are placed

## Table

6	7	12	-5	5	3	11	3
-8	10	14	9	7	13	8	5
11	12	7	4	8	-2	9	4

## Allowed

6	7	12	-5	5	3	11	3
-8	10	14	9	7	13	8	5
11	12	7	4	8	-2	9	4


## Not allowed


6	7	12	-5	5	3	11	3
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*Violation!*


# Patterns


Pattern 1:




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Pattern 2:




6	7	12	-5	5	3	11	3
-8	10	14		7	13	8	5
11	12	7	4	8	-2	9	4



Pattern 3:



6	7	12	-5	5	3	11	3
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Pattern 4:

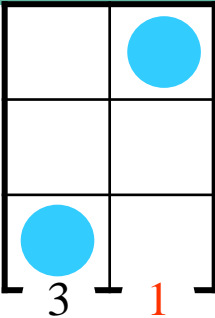
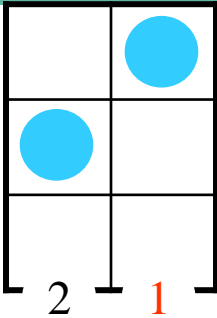
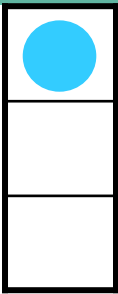



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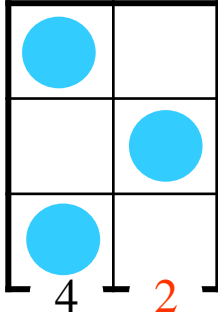
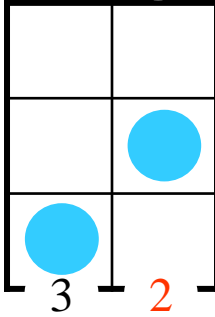
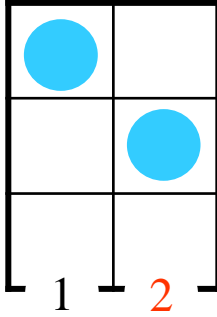
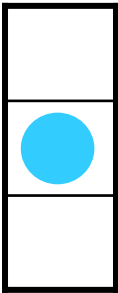
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patterns for each column

# Compatible Patterns

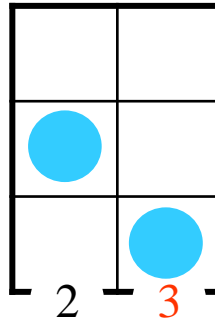
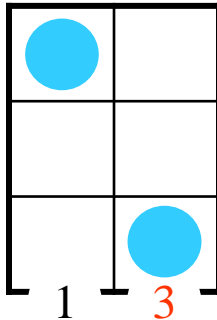
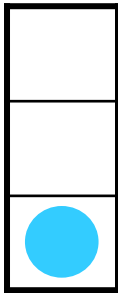
Pattern 1:



Pattern 2:

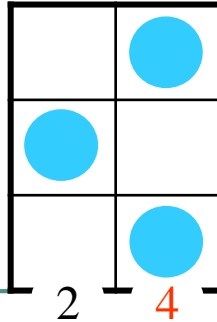
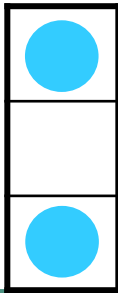


Pattern 3:



Pattern 1 is compatible with patterns 2, 3,  
 pattern 2 with patterns 1, 3, 4,  
 pattern 3 with patterns 1, 2, and  
 pattern 4 with pattern 2.

Pattern 4:



# Recursive Algorithm

**pebble**( $i, p$ )

▷ returns maximum value up to column  $i$  when column  $i$  has pattern  $p$

▷  $w[i, p]$ : sum of numbers at column  $i$  when column  $i$  has pattern  $p$

```
{  
  if ( $i = 1$ )  
    then return  $w[1, p]$  ;  
    else {  
       $\text{max} \leftarrow -\infty$  ;  
      for  $q \leftarrow 1$  to 4 {  
        if (pattern  $q$  compatible with  $p$ )  
        then {  
           $\text{tmp} \leftarrow \text{pebble}(i-1, q)$  ;  
          if ( $\text{tmp} > \text{max}$ ) then  $\text{max} \leftarrow \text{tmp}$  ;  
        }  
      }  
      return ( $\text{max} + w[i, p]$ ) ;  
    }  
}
```

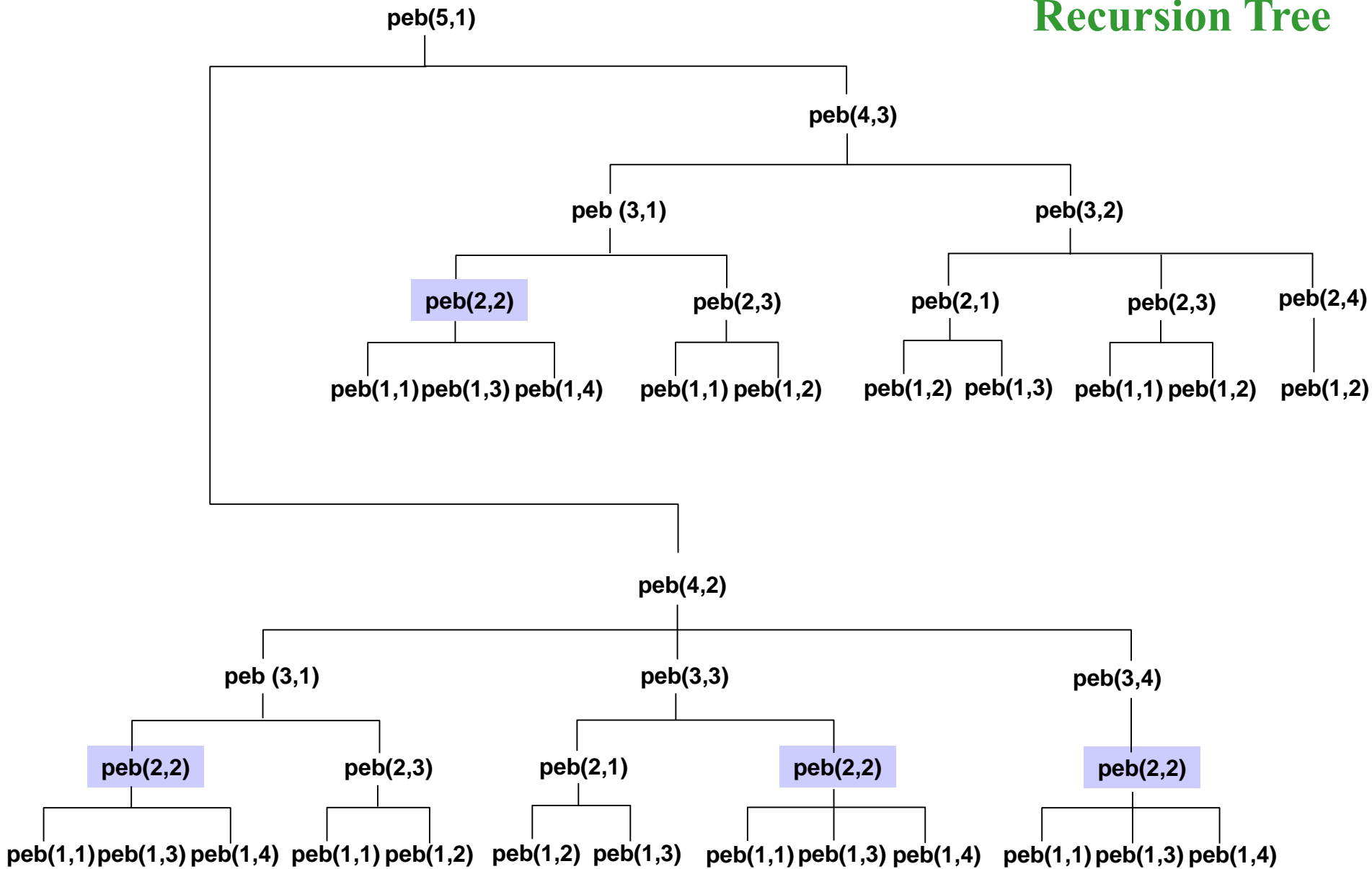
pebbleSum( $n$ )

▷ find maximum value up to column  $n$

```
{  
    return max { pebble( $n, p$ ) } ;  
     $p=1,2,3,4$   
}
```

✓ maximum of pebble( $i, 1$ ), ..., pebble( $i, 4$ ) is the answer

# Recursion Tree





# Dynamic Programming

- Elements of dynamic programming
  - Optimal substructure
    - An optimal solution to the problem contains within it optimal solutions to subproblems.
    - $\text{peb}[i, .]$  contains  $\text{peb}[i-1, .]$
  - Overlapping subproblems
    - A recursive algorithm for the problem solves the same subproblems over and over.

# Dynamic Programming

$w[i, p]$ : sum of numbers at column  $i$  when column  $i$  has pattern  $p$

$peb[i, p]$ : maximum value up to column  $i$  when column  $i$  has pattern  $p$

Recurrence for  $peb[i, p]$ :

$$peb[i, p] = \begin{cases} w[1, p] & \text{if } i = 1 \\ \max_{q \text{ compatible with } p} \{peb[i-1, q]\} + w[i, p] & \text{if } i > 1 \end{cases}$$

Finally, maximum of  $peb[n, 1]$  to  $peb[n, 4]$  is the answer

# Dynamic Programming

```
pebble (n)
{
    for  $p \leftarrow 1$  to 4
        peb[1,  $p$ ]  $\leftarrow$  w[1,  $p$ ]
    for  $i \leftarrow 2$  to  $n$ 
        for  $p \leftarrow 1$  to 4
            peb[ $i$ ,  $p$ ]  $\leftarrow$  max {peb[ $i-1$ ,  $q$ ]} + w[ $i$ ,  $p$ ]
                                    $q$  compatible with  $p$ 
    return max { peb[ $n$ ,  $p$ ] }
                $p=1,2,3,4$ 
}
```

✓ Time Complexity :  $\Theta(n)$

## Problem 3: Matrix-Chain Multiplication

- Matrices A, B, C
  - $(AB)C = A(BC)$
- Dimensions: A:  $10 \times 100$ , B:  $100 \times 5$ , C:  $5 \times 50$ 
  - $(AB)C$ :  $10 \times 100 \times 5 + 10 \times 5 \times 50 = 7,500$  scalar mults
  - $A(BC)$ :  $100 \times 5 \times 50 + 10 \times 100 \times 50 = 75,000$  scalar mults
- Optimal way of multiplying  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$ ?
  - Way of parenthesizing  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$  to minimize scalar multiplications

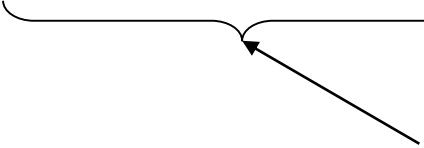
# Optimal Substructure

- Last matrix multiplication
  - $n-1$  possibilities
    - $A_1(A_2 \dots A_n)$
    - $(A_1A_2)(A_3 \dots A_n)$
    - $(A_1A_2A_3)(A_4 \dots A_n)$
    - $\dots$
    - $(A_1 \dots A_{n-2})(A_{n-1}A_n)$
    - $(A_1 \dots A_{n-1})A_n$
  - Which one is the best?

# Recurrence

- ✓ Dimensions of  $A_k$ :  $p_{k-1} \times p_k$
- ✓  $m[i, j]$ : minimum number of scalar multiplications to compute  $A_i \dots A_j$

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



$(A_i \dots A_k) (A_{k+1} \dots A_j)$

# Recursive Algorithm

rMatrixChain( $i, j$ )

▷ returns min number of scalar mults to compute  $A_i \dots A_j$

```
{  
  if ( $i = j$ ) then return 0;    ▷ when there is only one matrix  
   $\text{min} \leftarrow \infty$ ;  
  for  $k \leftarrow i$  to  $j-1$  {  
     $q \leftarrow \text{rMatrixChain}(i, k) + \text{rMatrixChain}(k+1, j) + p_{i-1}p_kp_j$ ;  
    if ( $q < \text{min}$ ) then  $\text{min} \leftarrow q$ ;  
  }  
  return min;  
}
```

✓ excessive number of recursive calls!

# Dynamic Programming

```
matrixChain(i, j)
{
    for i ← 1 to n
        m[i, i] ← 0; ▷ when there is only one matrix
    for r ← 1 to n-1 ▷ r = j - i
        for i ← 1 to n-r {
            j ← i+r;
            m[i, j] ← ∞;
            for k ← i to j-1 {
                q ← min{m[i, k] + m[k+1, j] + pi-1pkpj};
                if (q < m[i, j]) then m[i, j] ← q;
            }
        }
    return m[1, n];
}
```

✓ Time complexity:  $\Theta(n^3)$



# Parenthesizing $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots, A_n$

matrixChain( $i, j$ )

```
{  
    for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$   
         $m[i, i] \leftarrow 0$ ;  $\triangleright$  when there is only one matrix  
        for  $r \leftarrow 1$  to  $n-1$   $\triangleright r = j - i$   
            for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n-r$  {  
                 $j \leftarrow i+r$ ;  
                 $m[i, j] \leftarrow \infty$ ;  
                for  $k \leftarrow i$  to  $j-1$  {  
                     $q \leftarrow \min\{m[i, k] + m[k+1, j] + p_{i-1}p_kp_j\}$ ;  
                    if ( $q < m[i, j]$ ) then { $m[i, j] \leftarrow q$ ;  $s[i, j] \leftarrow k$ ;}  
                }  
            }  
        }  
    return  $m[1, n]$ ;  
}
```

$s[i, j]$ : index  $k$  to get minimum value  $m[i, j]$

# Problem 4: Longest Common Subsequence

- Similarity between two strings
- Subsequence
  - $\langle bcdb \rangle$  is a subsequence of string  $\langle a\textcolor{red}{b}cb\textcolor{red}{d}ab \rangle$
- Common subsequence
  - $\langle bca \rangle$  is a common subsequence of  $\langle a\textcolor{red}{b}cb\textcolor{red}{d}ab \rangle$  and  $\langle \textcolor{red}{b}dc\textcolor{red}{a}ba \rangle$
- Longest common subsequence (LCS)
  - $\langle bcba \rangle$  is a longest common subsequence of  $\langle a\textcolor{red}{b}cb\textcolor{red}{d}ab \rangle$  and  $\langle \textcolor{red}{b}dc\textcolor{red}{a}ba \rangle$ .
  - $\langle bdab \rangle$  is also an LCS of  $\langle abcb\textcolor{red}{d}ab \rangle$  and  $\langle \textcolor{red}{b}dc\textcolor{red}{a}ba \rangle$ .
  - $\text{lcs}(X, Y)$  denotes the length of an LCS of  $X$  and  $Y$

# Optimal Substructure

- For two strings  $X_m = \langle x_1 x_2 \dots x_m \rangle$  and  $Y_n = \langle y_1 y_2 \dots y_n \rangle$

- If  $x_m = y_n$

$$\text{lcs}(X_m, Y_n) = \text{lcs}(X_{m-1}, Y_{n-1}) + 1$$

- If  $x_m \neq y_n$

$$\text{lcs}(X_m, Y_n) = \max(\text{lcs}(X_m, Y_{n-1}), \text{lcs}(X_{m-1}, Y_n))$$

- $$C[i, j] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } j = 0 \\ C[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } i, j > 0 \text{ and } x_i = y_j \\ \max\{C[i-1, j], C[i, j-1]\} & \text{if } i, j > 0 \text{ and } x_i \neq y_j \end{cases}$$

✓  $C[i, j]: \text{lcs}(X_i, Y_j)$ , where  $X_i = \langle x_1 x_2 \dots x_i \rangle$  and  $Y_j = \langle y_1 y_2 \dots y_j \rangle$

# Recursive Algorithm

$\text{LCS}(m, n)$

▷ returns  $\text{lcs}(X_m, Y_n)$

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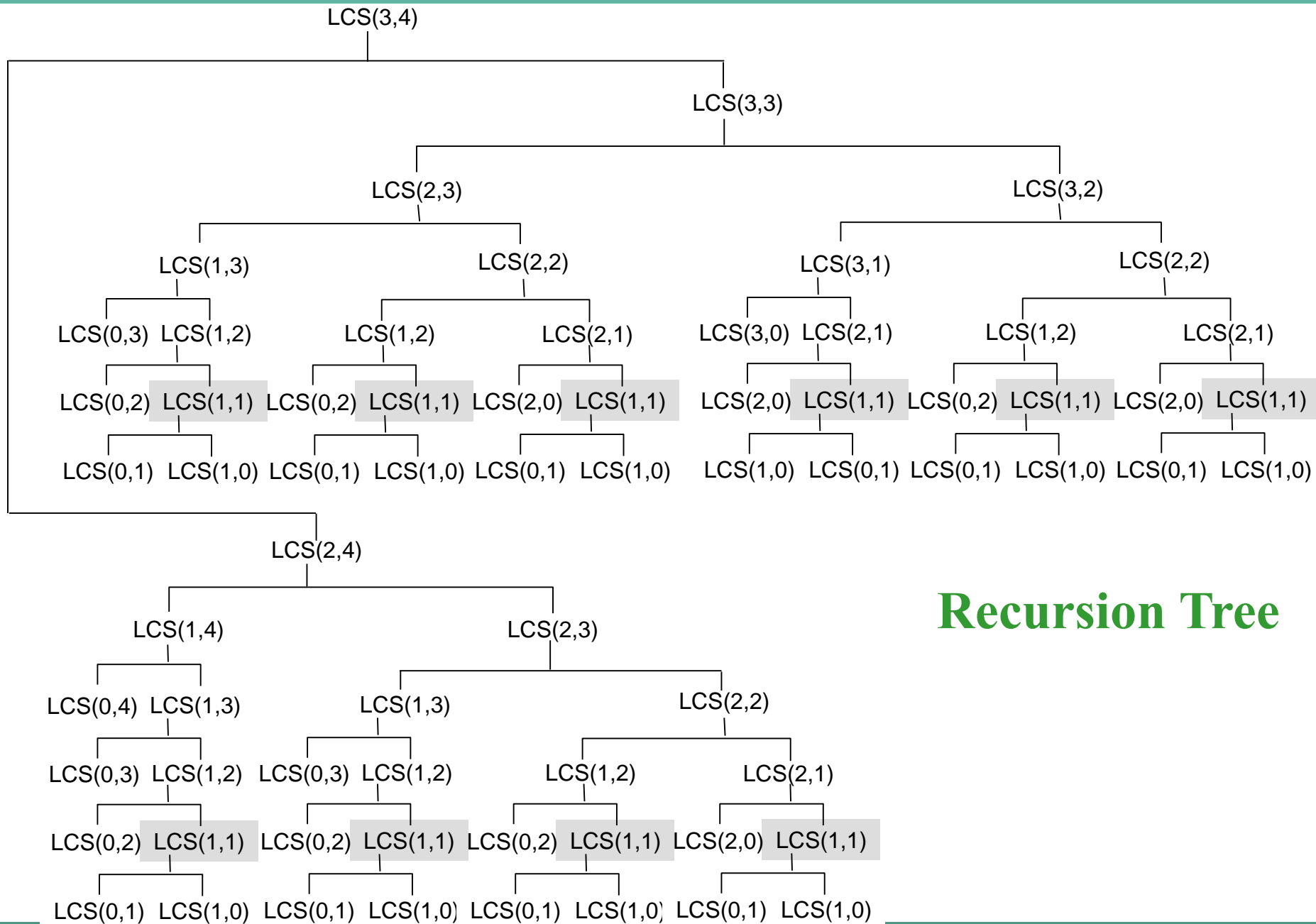
**if** ( $m = 0$  **or**  $n = 0$ ) **then return** 0;

**else if** ( $x_m = y_n$ ) **then return**  $\text{LCS}(m-1, n-1) + 1$ ;

**else return**  $\max(\text{LCS}(m-1, n), \text{LCS}(m, n-1))$ ;

}

✓ excessive number of recursive calls!



## Recursion Tree

# Dynamic Programming

LCS( $m, n$ )

▷ computes an LCS of  $X_m$  and  $Y_n$

{

**for**  $i \leftarrow 0$  **to**  $m$

$C[i, 0] \leftarrow 0$ ;

**for**  $j \leftarrow 0$  **to**  $n$

$C[0, j] \leftarrow 0$ ;

**for**  $i \leftarrow 1$  **to**  $m$

**for**  $j \leftarrow 1$  **to**  $n$

**if** ( $x_i = y_j$ ) **then**  $C[i, j] \leftarrow C[i-1, j-1] + 1$ ;  $B[i, j] \leftarrow 1$

**elseif** ( $C[i-1, j] \geq C[i, j-1]$ ) **then**  $C[i, j] \leftarrow C[i-1, j]$ ;  $B[i, j] \leftarrow 2$

**else**  $C[i, j] \leftarrow C[i, j-1]$ ;  $B[i, j] \leftarrow 4$

**return**  $C, B$ ;

}

✓ Time complexity:  $\Theta(mn)$

# C and B tables

		<b>b</b>	<b>d</b>	<b>c</b>	<b>a</b>	<b>b</b>	<b>a</b>
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>a</b>	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
<b>b</b>	0	1	1	1	1	2	2
<b>c</b>	0	1	1	2	2	2	2
<b>b</b>	0	1	1	2	2	3	3
<b>d</b>	0	1	2	2	2	3	3
<b>a</b>	0	1	2	2	3	3	4
<b>b</b>	0	1	2	2	3	4	4

**C table**

2	2	2	1	4	1
1	4	4	2	1	4
2	2	1	4	2	2
1	2	2	2	1	4
2	1	6	2	2	2
2	2	2	1	2	1
1	2	2	2	1	6

**B table**

LCS  
bcba, bdab, bcab



**Thank you**

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