

# Matrix Multiplication

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- Multiply two matrices at a time

- Bracket the expression optimally

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in general a problem starts from  $j$   
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- Base case:  $C(j, j) = 0$  for  $0 \leq j < n$   
when sequence consists of only  
one matrix then cost is 0 as no  
multiplication is needed

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- Compute  $C(i,j)$ ,  $0 \leq i,j < n$

	0	...	$i$	...	...	$j$	...	$n-1$
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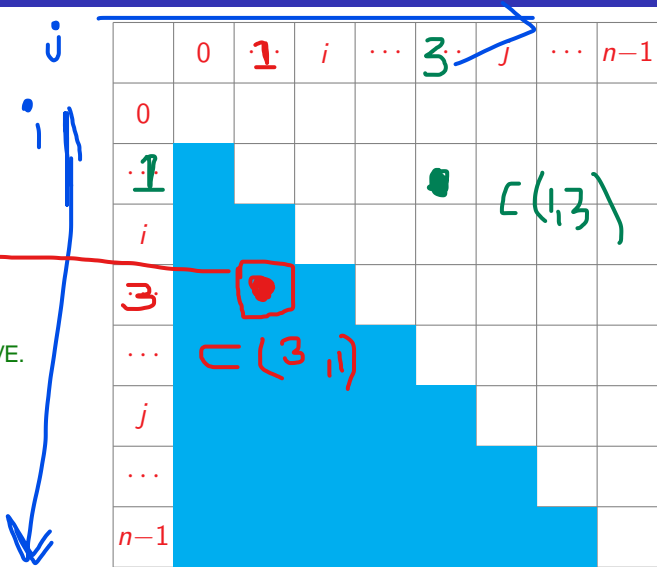
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  - Only for  $i \leq j$
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Why is this not valid? ←

We are given that we can compute product of  $M_0 * M_1$  but this does not mean we can compute  $M_1 * M_0$  as matrix multiplication is not COMMUTATIVE.

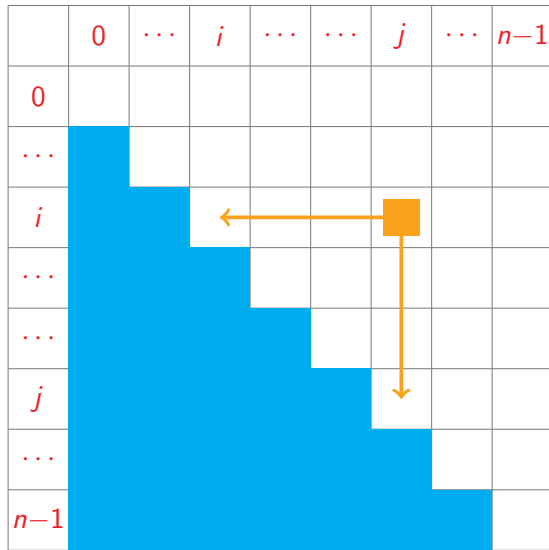
Thus,  $C(3, 1)$  means cost of computing  $M_3 * M_2 * M_1$  which is not possible.

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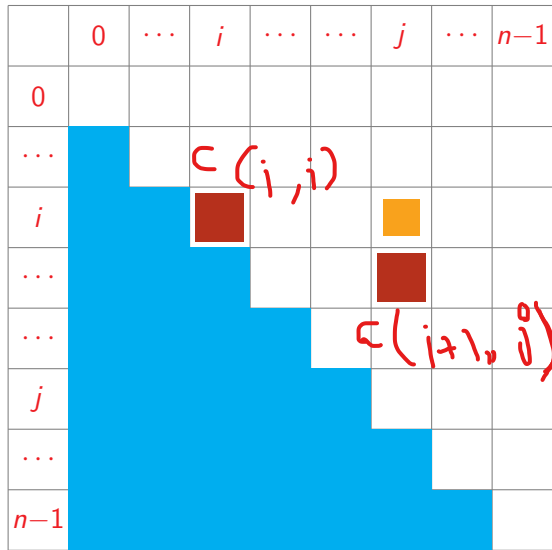
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Diagram illustrating subproblem dependency for matrix multiplication. The grid shows the sequence of subproblems  $C(i, j)$  for  $0 \leq i, j < n$ . The main diagonal (blue) represents the base case  $C(i, i)$ . The upper triangle (yellow) represents the sequence of subproblems  $C(i, j)$  for  $i < j$ . The red squares highlight the dependencies for  $C(i, j)$  when  $k = i + 2$ , showing that  $C(i, j)$  depends on  $C(i, i+1)$  and  $C(i+2, j)$ .

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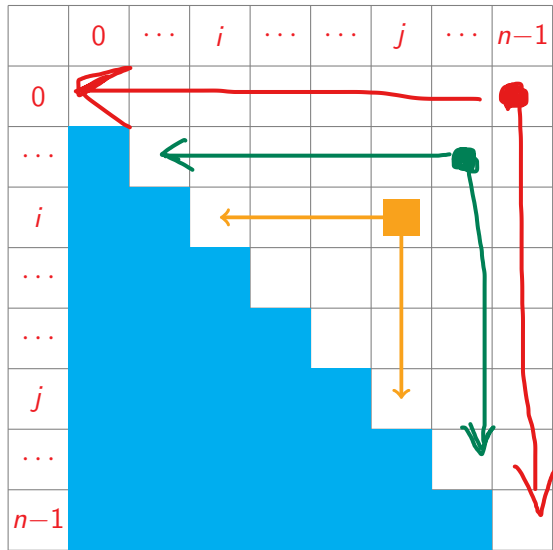
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The number of subproblems to evaluate for a given position is not fixed and it depends on the position  $(i, j)$ .

And in general it could be as bad as of Order  $n$ ,  $O(n)$

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So now as we filled the base case values, what values can we fill?

These values cannot be filled as dependencies are not yet filled

this value can be filled, as dependencies are already filled  
(it has dependencies as base case)

	0	...	$i$	...	...	$j$	...	$n-1$
0	Orange square	Green circle						
...		Orange square	Green circle					
$i$			Orange square	Green circle				
...				Orange square	Green circle		Red circle	
...					Orange square	Green circle		
$j$						Orange square	Green circle	Red circle
...							Orange square	Green circle
$n-1$								Orange square

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This is the answer for finding cost of multiplying  $n$  matrices,  $C(0, n-1)$

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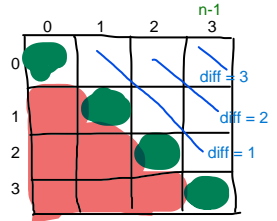


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