Lecture 10
Dynamic Programming

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Introduction

• An algorithm design paradigm like divide-and-conquer
• “Programming”: A tabular method (not writing computer code)
  Older sense of planning or scheduling, typically by filling in a table
• Divide-and-Conquer (DAC): subproblems are independent
• Dynamic Programming (DP): subproblems are not independent
• Overlapping subproblems: subproblems share sub-subproblems
  – In solving problems with overlapping subproblems
    • A DAC algorithm does redundant work
      – Repeatedly solves common subproblems
    • A DP algorithm solves each problem just once
      – Saves its result in a table
Example: Fibonacci Numbers (Recursive Solution)

**Reminder:**

F(0) = 0 and F(1) = 1
F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)

**REC-FIBO(n)**

if n < 2
    return n
else
    return REC-FIBO(n-1) + REC-FIBO(n-2)

Overlapping subproblems in different recursive calls. Repeated work!
Example: Fibonacci Numbers (Recursive Solution)

Recurrence:

\[ T(n) = T(n-1) + T(n-2) + 1 \]

\( \Rightarrow \) exponential runtime

Recursive algorithm inefficient because it recomputes the same \( F(i) \) repeatedly in different branches of the recursion tree.
Example: Fibonacci Numbers (Bottom-up Computation)

**Reminder:**

- $F(0) = 0$ and $F(1) = 1$
- $F(n) = F(n-1) + F(n-2)$

**ITER-FIBO(n)**

- $F[0] = 0$
- $F[1] = 1$
- for $i = 2$ to $n$ do
  - $F[i] = F[i-1] + F[i-2]$
- return $F[n]$

Runtime: $\Theta(n)$
Optimization Problems

- DP typically applied to optimization problems
- In an optimization problem
  - There are many possible solutions (feasible solutions)
  - Each solution has a value
  - Want to find an optimal solution to the problem
    - A solution with the optimal value (min or max value)
    - Wrong to say “the” optimal solution to the problem
      - There may be several solutions with the same optimal value
Development of a DP Algorithm

1. Characterize the structure of an optimal solution
2. Recursively define the value of an optimal solution
3. Compute the value of an optimal solution in a bottom-up fashion
4. Construct an optimal solution from the information computed in Step 3
Example: Matrix-chain Multiplication

• **Input**: a sequence (chain) $\langle A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n \rangle$ of $n$ matrices
• **Aim**: compute the product $A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot \ldots \cdot A_n$
• A product of matrices is fully parenthesized if
  – It is either a single matrix
  – Or, the product of two fully parenthesized matrix products surrounded by a pair of parentheses.

\[
(A_i(A_{i+1}A_{i+2} \ldots A_j))
\]
\[
((A_iA_{i+1}A_{i+2} \ldots A_{j-1})A_j)
\]
\[
((A_iA_{i+1}A_{i+2} \ldots A_k)(A_{k+1}A_{k+2} \ldots A_j)) \quad \text{for } i \leq k < j
\]
  – All parenthesizations yield the same product; matrix product is associative
Matrix-chain Multiplication: An Example Parenthesization

• **Input**: \( \langle A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 \rangle \)

• 5 distinct ways of full parenthesization

\[
\begin{align*}
(A_1(A_2(A_3A_4))) \\
(A_1((A_2A_3)A_4)) \\
((A_1A_2)(A_3A_4)) \\
((A_1(A_2A_3))A_4) \\
(((A_1A_2)A_3)A_4)
\end{align*}
\]

• The way we parenthesize a chain of matrices can have a dramatic effect on the cost of computing the product
Reminder: Matrix Multiplication

MATRIX-MULTIPLY(A, B)

if cols[A]≠rows[B] then
    error(“incompatible dimensions”)
for i ← 1 to rows[A] do
    for j ← 1 to cols[B] do
        C[i,j] ← 0
        for k ← 1 to cols[A] do
            C[i,j] ← C[i,j]+A[i,k]·B[k,j]
return C

rows(A) = p
cols(A) = q
rows(B) = q
cols(B) = r
rows(C) = p
cols(C) = r
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return C

A: p x q  C: p x r
B: q x r

# of mult-add ops = rows[A] x cols[B] x cols[A]

# of mult-add ops = p x q x r
Matrix Chain Multiplication: Example

$A_1$: 10x100  
$A_2$: 100x5  
$A_3$: 5x50

Which paranthesization is better? $(A_1A_2)A_3$ or $A_1(A_2A_3)$?

$10 \begin{bmatrix} 100 \\ A_1 \end{bmatrix} \times 100 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix} = 10 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ A_1A_2 \end{bmatrix}$  
\# of ops: $10 \cdot 100 \cdot 5 = 5000$

$10 \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ A_1A_2 \end{bmatrix} \times 5 \begin{bmatrix} 50 \\ A_3 \end{bmatrix} = 10 \begin{bmatrix} 50 \\ A_1A_2A_3 \end{bmatrix}$  
\# of ops: $10 \cdot 5 \cdot 50 = 2500$

Total \# of ops: 7500
Matrix Chain Multiplication: Example

$A_1$: 10x100  $A_2$: 100x5  $A_3$: 5x50

Which paranthesization is better? $(A_1A_2)A_3$ or $A_1(A_2A_3)$?

\[
\begin{align*}
A_1 \times (A_2A_3) &= 10 \times 100 \times 50 = 50000 \\
A_1(A_2A_3) &= 5 \times 100 \times 100 = 50000 \\
\end{align*}
\]

# of ops: 50000

\[
\begin{align*}
(A_1A_2)A_3 &= 100 \times 5 \times 50 = 25000 \\
A_1A_2A_3 &= 10 \times 100 \times 50 = 50000 \\
\end{align*}
\]

Total # of ops: 75000
Matrix Chain Multiplication: Example

\( A_1: 10 \times 100 \quad A_2: 100 \times 5 \quad A_3: 5 \times 50 \)

Which paranthesization is better? \((A_1A_2)A_3\) or \(A_1(A_2A_3)\)?

\textit{In summary:} \quad (A_1A_2)A_3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \# \text{ of multiply-add ops: 7500}

\quad A_1(A_2A_3) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \# \text{ of multiple-add ops: 75000}

\Rightarrow \text{First parenthesization yields 10x faster computation}
Matrix-chain Multiplication Problem

**Input:** A chain \( \langle A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n \rangle \) of \( n \) matrices, where \( A_i \) is a \( p_{i-1} \times p_i \) matrix.

**Objective:** Fully parenthesize the product

\[ A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot \ldots \cdot A_n \]

such that the number of scalar mult-adds is minimized.
Counting the Number of Parenthesizations

- **Brute force approach**: exhaustively check all parenthesizations
- \( P(n) \): # of parenthesizations of a sequence of \( n \) matrices
- We can split sequence between \( k^{th} \) and \((k+1)^{st}\) matrices for any \( k=1, 2, \ldots, n-1 \), then parenthesize the two resulting sequences independently, i.e.,
  \[
  (A_1A_2A_3 \ldots A_k)(A_{k+1}A_{k+2} \ldots A_n)
  \]

- We obtain the recurrence
  \[
  P(1) = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad P(n) = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P(k)P(n-k)
  \]
Number of Parenthesizations: \[ \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} P(k) P(n-k) \]

- The recurrence generates the sequence of **Catalan Numbers**
- Solution is \( P(n) = C(n-1) \) where
  \[
  C(n) = \frac{1}{n+1} \binom{2n}{n} = \Omega\left(\frac{4^n}{n^{3/2}}\right)
  \]
- The number of solutions is **exponential** in \( n \)
- Therefore, brute force approach is a poor strategy
The Structure of Optimal Parenthesization

**Notation**: $A_{i..j}$: The matrix that results from evaluation of the product: $A_i A_{i+1} A_{i+2} \ldots A_j$

**Observation**: Consider the last multiplication operation in any parenthesization: $(A_1 A_2 \ldots A_k) \cdot (A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \ldots A_n)$

There is a $k$ value ($1 \leq k < n$) such that:

- First, the product $A_{1..k}$ is computed
- Then, the product $A_{k+1..n}$ is computed
- Finally, the matrices $A_{1..k}$ and $A_{k+1..n}$ are multiplied
**Step 1**: Characterize the structure of an optimal solution

- An optimal parenthesization of product $A_1A_2\ldots A_n$ will be:
  $$(A_1 A_2 \ldots A_k) \cdot (A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \ldots A_n)$$
  for some $k$ value

- The cost of this optimal parenthesization will be:
  
  Cost of computing $A_{1..k}$
  
  + Cost of computing $A_{k+1..n}$
  
  + Cost of multiplying $A_{1..k} \cdot A_{k+1..n}$
Step 1: Characterize the Structure of an Optimal Solution

• **Key observation**: Given optimal parenthesization

\[
(A_1A_2A_3 \ldots A_k) \cdot (A_{k+1}A_{k+2} \ldots A_n)
\]

– Parenthesization of the subchain \(A_1A_2A_3 \ldots A_k\)
– Parenthesization of the subchain \(A_{k+1}A_{k+2} \ldots A_n\)

should both be optimal

Thus, optimal solution to an instance of the problem contains optimal solutions to subproblem instances

i.e., **optimal substructure** within an optimal solution exists.
Step 2: A Recursive Solution

**Step 2:** Define the value of an optimal solution recursively in terms of optimal solutions to the subproblems

Assume we are trying to determine the min cost of computing $A_{i..j}$

$m_{i..j}$: min # of scalar multiply-add opns needed to compute $A_{i..j}$

*Note: The optimal cost of the original problem: $m_{1..n}$*

How to compute $m_{i..j}$ recursively?
Step 2: A recursive Solution

Base case: $m_{i,i} = 0$ (single matrix, no multiplication)

Let the size of matrix $A_i$ be $(p_{i-1} \times p_i)$

Consider an optimal parenthesization of chain $A_i \ldots A_j$:

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

The optimal cost:

$$m_{i,j} = m_{i,k} + m_{k+1,j} + p_{i-1} \times p_k \times p_j$$

where:

- $m_{i,k}$: Optimal cost of computing $A_{i..k}$
- $m_{k+1,j}$: Optimal cost of computing $A_{k+1..j}$
- $p_{i-1} \times p_k \times p_j$: Cost of multiplying $A_{i..k}$ and $A_{k+1..j}$
Step 2: A Recursive Solution

In an optimal parenthesization:

$$k$$ must be chosen to minimize $$m_{ij}$$

The recursive formulation for $$m_{ij}$$:

$$m_{ij} = \begin{cases} 
0 & \text{if } i = j \\
\min_{i \leq k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_{i-1}p_k p_j \} & \text{if } i < j 
\end{cases}$$
Step 2: A Recursive Solution

• The $m_{ij}$ values give the costs of optimal solutions to subproblems

• In order to keep track of how to construct an optimal solution
  – Define $s_{ij}$ to be the value of $k$ which yields the optimal split of the subchain $A_{i..j}$

That is, $s_{ij} = k$ such that

$$m_{ij} = m_{ik} + m_{k+1, j} + p_{i-1} p_k p_j$$
holds
Direct Recursion: Inefficient!

Recursive matrix-chain order

\[ \text{RMC}(p, i, j) \]

if \( i = j \) then
  return 0

\( m[i, j] \leftarrow \infty \)

for \( k \leftarrow i \) to \( j - 1 \) do
  \( q \leftarrow \text{RMC}(p, i, k) + \text{RMC}(p, k+1, j) + p_{i-1} p_k p_j \)
  if \( q < m[i, j] \) then
    \( m[i, j] \leftarrow q \)

return \( m[i, j] \)
Direct Recursion: Inefficient!

Recursion tree for RMC(\(p, 1, 4\))

Nodes are labeled with \(i\) and \(j\) values

Redundant calls are filled
Computing the Optimal Cost (Matrix-Chain Multiplication)

An important observation:

- We have relatively few subproblems
  - one problem for each choice of \(i\) and \(j\) satisfying \(1 \leq i \leq j \leq n\)
  - total \(n + (n-1) + \ldots + 2 + 1 = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} = \Theta(n^2)\) subproblems
- We can write a **recursive** algorithm based on recurrence.
- However, a recursive algorithm may encounter each subproblem many times in different branches of the recursion tree
- This property, **overlapping subproblems**, is the **second important feature** for applicability of **dynamic programming**
Computing the Optimal Cost (Matrix-Chain Multiplication)

Compute the value of an optimal solution in a bottom-up fashion

- matrix $A_i$ has dimensions $p_{i-1} \times p_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$
- the input is a sequence $\langle p_0, p_1, \ldots, p_n \rangle$ where $\text{length}[p] = n + 1$

Procedure uses the following auxiliary tables:

- $m[1\ldots n, 1\ldots n]$: for storing the $m[i, j]$ costs
- $s[1\ldots n, 1\ldots n]$: records which index of $k$ achieved the optimal
cost in computing $m[i, j]$


Bottom-up computation

\[ m_{ij} = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_i \cdot 1p_kp_j \} \]

How to choose the order in which we process \( m_{ij} \) values?

Before computing \( m_{ij} \), we have to make sure that the values for \( m_{ik} \) and \( m_{k+1,j} \) have been computed for all \( k \).
\[ m_{ij} = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_i \cdot 1_{p_k p_j} \} \]

\textbf{Reminder:} \( m_{ij} \) computed only for \( j > i \)

\( m_{ij} \) must be processed after \( m_{ik} \) and \( m_{j,k+1} \)
\[ m_{ij} = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_i \cdot p_k \cdot p_j \} \]

How to set up the iterations over \( i \) and \( j \) to compute \( m_{ij} \)?

\( m_{ij} \) must be processed after \( m_{ik} \) and \( m_{j,k+1} \)
If the entries $m_{ij}$ are computed in the shown order, then $m_{ik}$ and $m_{k+1,j}$ values are guaranteed to be computed before $m_{ij}$. 

$$m_{ij} = \min_{i \ k<j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_i \ l_p k p_j \}$$
\[ m_{ij} = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_i \cdot p_k \cdot p_j \} \]
\[ m_{ij} = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_i \cdot p_{kj} \} \]

**Diagram:**

- For \( \ell = 2 \) to \( n \)
- For \( i = 1 \) to \( n - \ell + 1 \)
  - \( j = i + \ell - 1 \)
  - \( m_{ij} = \ldots \)
  - \( \ldots \)
Algorithm for Computing the Optimal Costs

MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER($p$)

$n \leftarrow \text{length}[p] - 1$
for $i \leftarrow 1$ to $n$ do
    $m[i, i] \leftarrow 0$
for $\ell \leftarrow 2$ to $n$ do
    for $i \leftarrow 1$ to $n - \ell + 1$ do
        $j \leftarrow i + \ell - 1$
        $m[i, j] \leftarrow \infty$
        for $k \leftarrow i$ to $j-1$ do
            $q \leftarrow m[i, k] + m[k+1, j] + p_{i-1} p_k p_j$
            if $q < m[i, j]$ then
                $m[i, j] \leftarrow q$
                $s[i, j] \leftarrow k$
return $m$ and $s$
Algorithm for Computing the Optimal Costs

- The algorithm \textbf{first} computes
  \[ m[i, i] \leftarrow 0 \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \ldots, n \] min costs for all chains of length 1

- Then, for \( \ell = 2, 3, \ldots, n \) computes
  \[ m[i, i+\ell-1] \text{ for } i = 1, \ldots, n-\ell+1 \] min costs for all chains of length \( \ell \)

- For each value of \( \ell = 2, 3, \ldots, n \),
  \[ m[i, i+\ell-1] \] depends only on table entries \( m[i, k] \text{ & } m[k+1, i+\ell-1] \) for \( i \leq k < i+\ell-1 \), which are already computed
Algorithm for Computing the Optimal Costs

\[ \ell = 2 \]
for \( i = 1 \) to \( n - 1 \)
\[ m[i, i+1] = \infty \]
for \( k = i \) to \( i \) do
\[
\cdot
\]
\[ \ell = 3 \]
for \( i = 1 \) to \( n - 2 \)
\[ m[i, i+2] = \infty \]
for \( k = i \) to \( i+1 \) do
\[
\cdot
\]
\[ \ell = 4 \]
for \( i = 1 \) to \( n - 3 \)
\[ m[i, i+3] = \infty \]
for \( k = i \) to \( i+2 \) do
\[
\cdot
\]
Table access pattern in computing $m[i, j]$s for $\ell = j - i + 1$

for $k \leftarrow i$ to $j - 1$ do

$q \leftarrow m[i, k] + m[k+1, j] + p_{i-1} p_k p_j$

- Table entries currently computed
- Table entries already computed
- Table entries referenced
Table access pattern in computing $m[i, j]$s for $\ell=j-i+1$

$$((A_i) (A_{i+1} A_{i+2} \ldots A_j))$$

for $k \leftarrow i$ to $j-1$ do

$$q \leftarrow m[i, k] + m[k+1, j] + p_{i-1} p_k p_j$$

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$$((A_i A_{i+1} A_{i+2}) (A_{i+3} \ldots A_j))$$

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Table access pattern in computing $m[i, j]$s for $\ell=j-i+1$

\[
((A_iA_{i+1} \ldots A_{j-1}) (A_j))
\]

for $k \leftarrow i$ to $j-1$ do

\[
q \leftarrow m[i, k] + m[k+1, j] + p_{i-1}p_kp_j
\]

Table entries currently computed

Table entries already computed

Table entries referenced
Example

\[ m_{ij} = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_i \cdot p_k \cdot p_j \} \]

### A1: (30x35)
### A2: (35x15)
### A3: (15x5)
### A4: (5x10)
### A5: (10x20)
### A6: (20x25)

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#### Compute \( m_{25} \)

- \( k = 2 \)

\( \text{(A}_2\text{) (A}_3\text{A}_4\text{A}_5\text{)} \)

\[
\text{cost} = m_{22} + m_{35} + p_1 p_2 p_5 \\
= 0 + 2500 + 35 \times 15 \times 20 \\
= 13000
\]

Choose the \( k \) value that leads to min cost.
Example

\[ m_{ij} = \min_{i, k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_i \ p_k \ p_j \} \]

A1: (30x35)
A2: (35x15)
A3: (15x5)
A4: (5x10)
A5: (10x20)
A6: (20x25)

Compute \( m_{25} \)

\( k = 3 \)

\((A_2 A_3) (A_4 A_5)\)

\[ \text{cost} = m_{23} + m_{45} + p_1 p_3 p_5 \]
\[ = 2625 + 1000 + 35 \times 5 \times 20 \]
\[ = 7125 \]

Choose the \( k \) value that leads to min cost.
Example

\[ m_{ij} = \min_{i \leq k < j} \left\{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_i p_k p_j \right\} \]

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Compute \( m_{25} \)

\( k = 4 \)

\((A_2 A_3 A_4) (A_5)\)

Cost = \( m_{24} + m_{55} + p_1 p_4 p_5 \)

= 4375 + 0 + 35 \times 10 \times 20

= 11375

Choose the \( k \) value that leads to min cost
Example

\[ m_{ij} = \min_{i < k < j} \{ m_{ik} + m_{k+1,j} + p_i p_k p_j \} \]

\begin{align*}
A_1: & \ (30 \times 35) \\
A_2: & \ (35 \times 15) \\
A_3: & \ (15 \times 5) \\
A_4: & \ (5 \times 10) \\
A_5: & \ (10 \times 20) \\
A_6: & \ (20 \times 25)
\end{align*}

\[ (A_2A_3) (A_4A_5) \]

Compute \( m_{25} \)

Choose \( k=3 \)

\begin{align*}
\text{Choose } k=3 & \\
& \\
\end{align*}

\begin{tabular}{cccccc}
1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\
\hline
0 & 15750 & 7875 & 9375 & 1 & 1 \\
0 & 2625 & 4375 & 7125 & 2 & 2 \\
0 & 750 & 2500 & 3 & 3 \\
0 & 1000 & 3500 & 4 & 4 \\
0 & 5000 & 5 & 5 \\
0 & 6 & 6 & 6 \\
\end{tabular}

\[ m_{25} = 7125 \]

\[ s_{25} = 3 \]
Constructing an Optimal Solution

- **MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER** determines the optimal # of scalar mults/adds
  - needed to compute a matrix-chain product
  - it does not directly show how to multiply the matrices

- That is,
  - it determines the cost of the optimal solution(s)
  - it does not show how to obtain an optimal solution

- Each entry $s[i,j]$ records the value of $k$ such that
  optimal parenthesization of $A_i \ldots A_j$ splits the product between $A_k & A_{k+1}$

- We know that the final matrix multiplication in computing $A_1\ldots n$ optimally is $A_{1\ldots s[1,n]} \times A_{s[1,n]+1,n}$
Example: Constructing an Optimal Solution

Reminder: \( s_{ij} \) is the optimal top-level split of \( A_i \ldots A_j \)

What is the optimal top-level split for:

\[ A_1A_2A_3A_4A_5A_6 \]

\[ s_{16} = 3 \]
Example: Constructing an Optimal Solution

Reminder: $s_{ij}$ is the optimal top-level split of $A_i \ldots A_j$

$k=3$

$(A_1A_2A_3) (A_4A_5A_6)$

What is the optimal split for $A_1 \ldots A_3$? $s_{13} = 1$

What is the optimal split for $A_4 \ldots A_6$? $s_{46} = 5$
Example: Constructing an Optimal Solution

**Reminder:** $s_{ij}$ is the optimal top-level split of $A_i \ldots A_j$

$k=1$ \hspace{1cm} $k=5$

$$((A_1) (A_2 A_3)) ((A_4 A_5) (A_6))$$

What is the optimal split for $A_1 \ldots A_3$? $s_{13} = 1$

What is the optimal split for $A_4 \ldots A_6$? $s_{46} = 5$
Example: Constructing an Optimal Solution

Reminder: $s_{ij}$ is the optimal top-level split of $A_i\ldots A_j$

$$(((A_1) (A_2 A_3)) ((A_4 A_5) (A_6)))$$

What is the optimal split for $A_2 A_3$?  $s_{23} = 2$

What is the optimal split for $A_4 A_5$?  $s_{45} = 4$
Example: Constructing an Optimal Solution

**Reminder:** $s_{ij}$ is the optimal top-level split of $A_i \ldots A_j$

\[
((A_1) ((A_2) (A_3))) \ (((A_4) (A_5)) (A_6))
\]

What is the optimal split for $A_2 A_3$? $s_{23} = 2$

What is the optimal split for $A_4 A_5$? $s_{45} = 4$
Constructing an Optimal Solution

Earlier optimal matrix multiplications can be computed recursively

Given:

– the chain of matrices $A = \langle A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n \rangle$
– the $s$ table computed by MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER

The following recursive procedure computes the matrix-chain product $A_{i \ldots j}$

$\text{MATRIX-CHAIN-MULTIPLY}(A, s, i, j)$

if $j > i$ then

$X \leftarrow \text{MATRIX-CHAIN-MULTIPLY}(A, s, i, s[i, j])$
$Y \leftarrow \text{MATRIX-CHAIN-MULTIPLY}(A, s, s[i, j]+1, j)$
return $\text{MATRIX-MULTIPLY}(X, Y)$

else

return $A_i$  

Invocation: $\text{MATRIX-CHAIN-MULTIPLY}(A, s, 1, n)$
Example: Recursive Construction of an Optimal Solution

\[ \text{MCM}(1,6) \]
\[ X \leftarrow \text{MCM}(1,3) = (A_1 A_2 A_3) \]
\[ Y \leftarrow \text{MCM}(4,6) = (A_4 A_5 A_6) \]
return (?)

\[ \text{MCM}(1,3) \]
\[ X \leftarrow \text{MCM}(1,1) = A_1 \]
\[ Y \leftarrow \text{MCM}(2,3) = (A_2 A_3) \]
return (?)

\[ s[1 \ldots 6, 1 \ldots 6] = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 3 \\ 3 & 3 & 3 & 3 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \]
Example: Recursive Construction of an Optimal Solution

\[
\text{MCM(1,6)} \\
X \leftarrow \text{MCM(1,3)} = (A_1(A_2A_3)) \quad \text{MCM(1,3)} \\
Y \leftarrow \text{MCM(4,6)} = (A_4A_5A_6) \\
\text{return (a)} \\
\]

\[
\text{MCM(1,3)} \\
X \leftarrow \text{MCM(1,1)} = A_1 \\
Y \leftarrow \text{MCM(2,3)} = (A_2A_3) \quad \text{MCM(2,3)} \\
\text{return (A_1(A_2A_3))} \\
\]

\[
\text{MCM(2,2)} \quad \text{return (a)} \\
X \leftarrow \text{MCM(2,2)} = A_2 \\
Y \leftarrow \text{MCM(3,3)} = A_3 \quad \text{return (A_2A_3)} \\
\]

\[
\text{MCM(3,3)} \quad \text{return (a)} \\
X \leftarrow \text{MCM(3,3)} = A_3 \\
Y \leftarrow \text{MCM(3,3)} = A_3 \quad \text{return (A_2A_3)} \\
\]

\[
\begin{array}{cccccc}
1 & 1 & 1 & 3 & 3 & 3 \\
2 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 3 & \ \\
3 & 3 & 3 & 3 & \ \\
\end{array}
\]

\[
s_{[1 \ldots 6, 1 \ldots 6]} \\
\begin{array}{cccccc}
2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 5 & \ \\
4 & 4 & 5 & \ \\
5 & 5 & \ \\
\end{array}
\]
Example: Recursive Construction of an Optimal Solution

\[ X \leftarrow \text{MCM}(1,3) = (A_1(A_2A_3)) \]  
\[ Y \leftarrow \text{MCM}(4,6) = ((A_4A_5)A_6) \]  
\[ \text{return } (A_1(A_2A_3))((A_4A_5)A_6) \]

\[ X \leftarrow \text{MCM}(1,1) = A_1 \]  
\[ Y \leftarrow \text{MCM}(2,3) = (A_2A_3) \]  
\[ \text{return } (A_1(A_2A_3)) \]

\[ X \leftarrow \text{MCM}(2,2) = A_2 \]  
\[ Y \leftarrow \text{MCM}(3,3) = A_3 \]  
\[ \text{return } (A_2A_3) \]

\[ X \leftarrow \text{MCM}(4,5) = (A_4A_5) \]  
\[ Y \leftarrow \text{MCM}(6,6) = A_6 \]  
\[ \text{return } ((A_4A_5)A_6) \]

\[ X \leftarrow \text{MCM}(4,4) = A_4 \]  
\[ Y \leftarrow \text{MCM}(5,5) = A_5 \]  
\[ \text{return } (A_4A_5) \]

\[ \text{return } A_6 \]
Table reference pattern for \( m[i, j] \) (\( 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n \))

\( m[i, j] \) is referenced for the computation of
- \( m[i, r] \) for \( j < r \leq n \) \( (n - j) \) times
- \( m[r, j] \) for \( 1 \leq r < i \) \( (i - 1) \) times
Table reference pattern for $m[i, j]$ ($1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$)

$R(i, j) = \#$ of times that $m[i, j]$ is referenced in computing other entries

$$R(i, j) = (n-j) + (i-1) = (n-1) - (j-i)$$

The total # of references for the entire table is

$$R(i, j) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=i}^{n} \frac{n^3}{3}$$
Summary

1. Identification of the optimal substructure property

2. Recursive formulation to compute the cost of the optimal solution

3. Bottom-up computation of the table entries

4. Constructing the optimal solution by backtracing the table entries
Elements of Dynamic Programming

• When should we look for a DP solution to an optimization problem?

• Two key ingredients for the problem
  – Optimal substructure
  – Overlapping subproblems
Optimal Substructure

• A problem exhibits optimal substructure
  – if an optimal solution to a problem contains within it optimal solutions to subproblems

• Example: matrix-chain-multiplication

  Optimal parenthesization of $A_1 A_2 \ldots A_n$ that splits the product between $A_k$ and $A_{k+1}$,
  contains within it optimal soln’s to the problems of parenthesizing $A_1 A_2 \ldots A_k$ and $A_{k+1} A_{k+2} \ldots A_n$
Optimal Substructure

Finding a suitable space of subproblems

• Iterate on subproblem instances

• Example: matrix-chain-multiplication
  – Iterate and look at the structure of optimal soln’s to subproblems, sub-subproblems, and so forth
  – Discover that all subproblems consists of subchains of \( \langle A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n \rangle \)
  – Thus, the set of chains of the form
    \[ \langle A_i, A_{i+1}, \ldots, A_j \rangle \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n \]
  – Makes a natural and reasonable space of subproblems
Overlapping Subproblems

• Total number of distinct subproblems should be *polynomial* in the input size.

• When a *recursive* algorithm revisits the same problem *over and over again*, we say that the optimization problem has overlapping subproblems.
Overlapping Subproblems

- DP algorithms typically take advantage of overlapping subproblems
  - by solving each problem once
  - then storing the solutions in a table where it can be looked up when needed
  - using constant time per lookup
Overlapping Subproblems

Recursive matrix-chain order

\textbf{RMC}(p, i, j)

\begin{align*}
\text{if } i &= j \text{ then} \\
\text{return } 0 \\
\text{ } m[i, j] &\leftarrow \infty \\
\text{for } k &\leftarrow i \text{ to } j - 1 \text{ do} \\
\text{ } q &\leftarrow \text{RMC}(p, i, k) + \text{RMC}(p, k+1, j) + p_{i-1} p_k p_j \\
\text{if } q &< m[i, j] \text{ then} \\
\text{ } m[i, j] &\leftarrow q \\
\text{return } m[i, j]
\end{align*}
Recursive Matrix-chain Order

Recursion tree for RMC\((p,1,4)\)

Nodes are labeled with \(i\) and \(j\) values

Redundant calls are filled
Running Time of RMC

\[ T(1) \geq 1 \]

\[ T(n) \geq 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (T(k) + T(n-k) + 1) \text{ for } n > 1 \]

- For \( i = 1, 2, \ldots, n \) each term \( T(i) \) appears twice
  - Once as \( T(k) \), and once as \( T(n-k) \)
- Collect \( n-1 \) ’s in the summation together with the front 1

\[
T(n) \geq 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} T(i) + n
\]

- Prove that \( T(n) = \Omega(2^n) \) using the substitution method
Running Time of RMC: Prove that $T(n) = \Omega(2^n)$

- Try to show that $T(n) \geq 2^{n-1}$ (by substitution)

**Base case:** $T(1) \geq 1 = 2^0 = 2^{1-1}$ for $n = 1$

**IH:** $T(i) \geq 2^{i-1}$ for all $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n-1$ and $n \geq 2$

\[
T(n) \geq 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} 2^{i-1} + n
\]

\[
= 2 \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} 2^i + n = 2(2^{n-1} - 1) + n
\]

\[
= 2^{n-1} + (2^{n-1} - 2 + n)
\]

\[
\Rightarrow T(n) \geq 2^{n-1}
\]

Q.E.D.
Running Time of RMC: $T(n) \geq 2^{n-1}$

Whenever

– a recursion tree for the natural recursive solution to a problem contains the same subproblem repeatedly

– the total number of different subproblems is small

it is a good idea to see if DP can be applied
Memoization

- Offers the efficiency of the usual DP approach while maintaining top-down strategy
- Idea is to memoize the natural, but inefficient, recursive algorithm
Memoized Recursive Algorithm

- Maintains an entry in a table for the soln to each subproblem
- Each table entry contains a special value to indicate that the entry has yet to be filled in
- When the subproblem is first encountered its solution is computed and then stored in the table
- Each subsequent time that the subproblem encountered the value stored in the table is simply looked up and returned
Memoized Recursive Matrix-chain Order

In the Memoized Recursive Matrix-chain Order, we memoize the results of subproblems to avoid redundant computations.

The `LookupC(p, i, j)` function is defined as follows:

\[
\text{if } m[i, j] = \infty \text{ then}
\]
\[
\text{if } i = j \text{ then}
\]
\[
m[i, j] \leftarrow 0
\]
\[
\text{else}
\]
\[
\text{for } k \leftarrow i \text{ to } j - 1 \text{ do}
\]
\[
q \leftarrow \text{LookupC}(p, i, k) + \text{LookupC}(p, k+1, j) + p_{i-1} p_k p_j
\]
\[
\text{if } q < m[i, j] \text{ then}
\]
\[
m[i, j] \leftarrow q
\]
\[
\text{return } m[i, j]
\]

The `MemoizedMatrixChain(p)` function computes the optimal order for multiplying matrices:

\[
n \leftarrow \text{length}[p] - 1
\]
\[
\text{for } i \leftarrow 1 \text{ to } n \text{ do}
\]
\[
\text{for } j \leftarrow 1 \text{ to } n \text{ do}
\]
\[
m[i, j] \leftarrow \infty
\]
\[
\text{return } \text{LookupC}(p, 1, n)
\]

The shaded subtrees are looked-up rather than recomputing.
Memoized Recursive Algorithm

• The approach assumes that
  – The set of all possible subproblem parameters are known
  – The relation between the table positions and subproblems is established

• Another approach is to memoize
  – by using hashing with subproblem parameters as key

Memoization-based solutions will NOT BE ACCEPTED in the exams!
Dynamic Programming vs Memoization

Summary

• Matrix-chain multiplication can be solved in $O(n^3)$ time
  – by either a top-down memoized recursive algorithm
  – or a bottom-up dynamic programming algorithm

• Both methods exploit the overlapping subproblems property
  – There are only $\Theta(n^2)$ different subproblems in total
  – Both methods compute the soln to each problem once

• Without memoization the natural recursive algorithm runs in exponential time since subproblems are solved repeatedly
Dynamic Programming vs Memoization Summary

In general practice

- If all subproblems must be solved at once
  - a bottom-up **DP algorithm always outperforms** a top-down memoized algorithm by a constant factor

because, bottom-up **DP algorithm**
  - Has no overhead for recursion
  - Less overhead for maintaining the table

- **DP**: Regular pattern of **table accesses** can be exploited to reduce the time and/or space requirements even further

- **Memoized**: If some problems need not be solved at all, it has the advantage of avoiding solutions to those subproblems
Problem 2:
Longest Common Subsequence
Definitions

- A *subsequence* of a given sequence is just the *given sequence* with *some elements* (possibly none) *left out.*

- Example:
  
  \[ X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A, B \rangle \]
  \[ Z = \langle B, C, D, B \rangle \]

  \[ \Rightarrow Z \text{ is a subsequence of } X \]
Definitions

**Formal definition:** Given a sequence \( X = \langle x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_m \rangle \), sequence \( Z = \langle z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_k \rangle \) is a subsequence of \( X \)

if \( \exists \) a strictly increasing sequence \( \langle i_1, i_2, \ldots, i_k \rangle \) of indices of \( X \) such that \( x_{i_j} = z_j \) for all \( j = 1, 2, \ldots, k \), where \( 1 \leq k \leq m \)

**Example:** \( Z = \langle B, C, D, B \rangle \) is a subsequence of \( X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A, B \rangle \) with the index sequence \( \langle i_1, i_2, i_3, i_4 \rangle = \langle 2, 3, 5, 7 \rangle \)
Definitions

If \( Z \) is a subsequence of both \( X \) and \( Y \), we denote \( Z \) as a common subsequence of \( X \) and \( Y \).

*Example*: \( X = \langle A, B, C, B, D, A, B \rangle \) and \( Y = \langle B, D, C, A, B, A \rangle \)

Sequence \( Z = \langle B, C, A \rangle \) is a common subsequence of \( X \) and \( Y \).

What is a longest common subsequence (LCS) of \( X \) and \( Y \)?

\( \langle B, C, B, A \rangle \)
Longest Common Subsequence (LCS) Problem

- **LCS problem**: Given two sequences $X = <x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_m>$ and $Y = <y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n>$, find the LCS of $X$ & $Y$

- **Brute force approach**:
  - Enumerate all subsequences of $X$
  - Check if each subsequence is also a subsequence of $Y$
  - Keep track of the LCS
  - What is the complexity?
    - There are $2^m$ subsequences of $X$
    - Exponential runtime
Notation: Let $X_i$ denote the $i^{th}$ prefix of $X$

i.e. $X_i = <x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_i>$

Example: $X = <A, B, C, B, D, A, B>$

$X_4 = <A, B, C, B>$, $X_0 = <$
Optimal Substructure of an LCS

Let $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_m \rangle$ and $Y = \langle y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n \rangle$ are given
Let $Z = \langle z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_k \rangle$ be an LCS of $X$ and $Y$

**Question 1**: If $x_m = y_n$, how to define the optimal substructure?

We must have $z_k = x_m = y_n$ and $Z_{k-1} = \text{LCS}(X_{m-1}, Y_{n-1})$
Optimal Substructure of an LCS

Let $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_m \rangle$ and $Y = \langle y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n \rangle$ are given

Let $Z = \langle z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_k \rangle$ be an LCS of $X$ and $Y$

**Question 2**: If $x_m \neq y_n$ and $z_k \neq x_m$, how to define the optimal substructure?

We must have $Z = \text{LCS}(X_{m-1}, Y)$
Optimal Substructure of an LCS

Let $X = <x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_m>$ and $Y = <y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n>$ are given.

Let $Z = <z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_k>$ be an LCS of $X$ and $Y$.

**Question 3**: If $x_m \neq y_n$ and $z_k \neq y_n$, how to define the optimal substructure?

We must have $Z = \text{LCS}(X, Y_{n-1})$.
Theorem: Optimal Substructure of an LCS

Let $X = \langle x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_m \rangle$ and $Y = \langle y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n \rangle$ are given

Let $Z = \langle z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_k \rangle$ be an LCS of $X$ and $Y$

**Theorem**: Optimal substructure of an LCS:

1. **If** $x_m = y_n$
   
   then $z_k = x_m = y_n$ and $Z_{k-1}$ is an LCS of $X_{m-1}$ and $Y_{n-1}$

2. **If** $x_m \neq y_n$ and $z_k \neq x_m$
   
   then $Z$ is an LCS of $X_{m-1}$ and $Y$

3. **If** $x_m \neq y_n$ and $z_k \neq y_n$
   
   then $Z$ is an LCS of $X$ and $Y_{n-1}$
Optimal Substructure Theorem (case 1)

If $x_m = y_n$ then $z_k = x_m = y_n$ and $Z_{k-1}$ is an LCS of $X_{m-1}$ and $Y_{n-1}$
Optimal Substructure Theorem (case 2)

If $x_m \neq y_n$ and $z_k \neq x_m$ then $Z$ is an LCS of $X_{m-1}$ and $Y$
Optimal Substructure Theorem (case 3)

If $x_m \neq y_n$ and $z_k \neq y_n$ then $Z$ is an LCS of $X$ and $Y_{n-1}$

$X = \begin{array}{ll}
1 & 2 \\
\end{array}$

$Y = \begin{array}{ll}
1 & 2 \\
\end{array}$

$Z = \begin{array}{ll}
1 & 2 \\
\end{array}$
Proof of Optimal Substructure Theorem (case 1)

If \( x_m = y_n \) then \( z_k = x_m = y_n \) and \( Z_{k-1} \) is an LCS of \( X_{m-1} \) and \( Y_{n-1} \)

Proof: If \( z_k \neq x_m = y_n \) then

we can append \( x_m = y_n \) to \( Z \) to obtain a common subsequence of length \( k+1 \) \( \Rightarrow \) contradiction

Thus, we must have \( z_k = x_m = y_n \)

Hence, the prefix \( Z_{k-1} \) is a length-(\( k-1 \)) CS of \( X_{m-1} \) and \( Y_{n-1} \)

We have to show that \( Z_{k-1} \) is in fact an LCS of \( X_{m-1} \) and \( Y_{n-1} \)

Proof by contradiction:

Assume that \( \exists \) a CS \( W \) of \( X_{m-1} \) and \( Y_{n-1} \) with \( |W| = k \)

Then appending \( x_m = y_n \) to \( W \) produces a CS of length \( k+1 \)
Proof of Optimal Substructure Theorem (case 2)

If \( x_m \neq y_n \) and \( z_k \neq x_m \) then \( Z \) is an LCS of \( X_{m-1} \) and \( Y \)

Proof: If \( z_k \neq x_m \) then \( Z \) is a CS of \( X_{m-1} \) and \( Y_n \)

We have to show that \( Z \) is in fact an LCS of \( X_{m-1} \) and \( Y_n \)

(Proof by contradiction)

Assume that \( \exists \) a CS \( W \) of \( X_{m-1} \) and \( Y_n \) with \( |W| > k \)

Then \( W \) would also be a CS of \( X \) and \( Y \)

Contradiction to the assumption that

\( Z \) is an LCS of \( X \) and \( Y \) with \( |Z| = k \)

Case 3: Dual of the proof for (case 2)
A Recursive Solution to Subproblems

Theorem implies that there are one or two subproblems to examine

if \( x_m = y_n \) then

we must solve the subproblem of finding an LCS of \( X_{m-1} & Y_{n-1} \)

appending \( x_m = y_n \) to this LCS yields an LCS of \( X & Y \)

else

we must solve two subproblems

– finding an LCS of \( X_{m-1} & Y \)
– finding an LCS of \( X & Y_{n-1} \)

longer of these two LCSs is an LCS of \( X & Y \)

endif
Recursive Algorithm (Inefficient!!!)

\[ \text{LCS}(X, Y) \]

\[
m \leftarrow \text{length}[X]
\]

\[
n \leftarrow \text{length}[Y]
\]

\[
\text{if } x_m = y_n \text{ then}
\]

\[
Z \leftarrow \text{LCS}(X_{m-1}, Y_{n-1}) \quad \triangleright \text{solve one subproblem}
\]

\[
\text{return } <Z, x_m = y_n> \quad \triangleright \text{append } x_m = y_n \text{ to } Z
\]

\[
\text{else}
\]

\[
Z' \leftarrow \text{LCS}(X_{m-1}, Y) \quad \triangleright \text{solve two subproblems}
\]

\[
Z'' \leftarrow \text{LCS}(X, Y_{n-1})
\]

\[
\text{return longer of } Z' \text{ and } Z''
\]
A Recursive Solution

c[i, j]: length of an LCS of \( X_i \) and \( Y_j \)

\[
c[i, j] = \begin{cases} 
0 & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } j = 0 \\
 c[i-1, j-1] + 1 & \text{if } i, j > 0 \text{ and } x_i = y_j \\
 \max\{ c[i, j-1], c[i-1, j] \} & \text{if } i, j > 0 \text{ and } x_i \neq y_j 
\end{cases}
\]
Computing the Length of an LCS

- We can easily write an **exponential-time recursive algorithm** based on the given recurrence. ➔ **Inefficient!**

- How many distinct subproblems to solve?

  $$
  \Theta(mn)
  $$

- **Overlapping subproblems property**: Many subproblems share the same sub-subproblems.

  e.g. Finding an LCS to \( X_{m-1} \) & \( Y \) and an LCS to \( X \) & \( Y_{n-1} \) has the sub-subproblem of finding an LCS to \( X_{m-1} \) & \( Y_{n-1} \)

- Therefore, we can use **dynamic programming**.
Data Structures

Let:

\( c[i, j] \): length of an LCS of \( X_i \) and \( Y_j \)

\( b[i, j] \): direction towards the table entry corresponding to the optimal subproblem solution chosen when computing \( c[i, j] \). Used to simplify the construction of an optimal solution at the end.

Maintain the following tables:

\( c[0\ldots m, 0\ldots n] \)

\( b[1\ldots m, 1\ldots n] \)
Bottom-up Computation

**Reminder:**

\[
c[i, j] = \begin{cases} 
0 & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } j = 0 \\
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How to choose the order in which we process \(c[i, j]\) values?

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Need to process: 
\[ c[i, j] \]
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\end{cases} \]
Computing the Length of an LCS

**LCS-LENGTH**(*X*, *Y*)

\[ m \leftarrow \text{length}[X]; \ n \leftarrow \text{length}[Y] \]

for \( i \leftarrow 0 \) to \( m \) do \( c[i, 0] \leftarrow 0 \)

for \( j \leftarrow 0 \) to \( n \) do \( c[0, j] \leftarrow 0 \)

for \( i \leftarrow 1 \) to \( m \) do

for \( j \leftarrow 1 \) to \( n \) do

if \( x_i = y_j \) then

\[ c[i, j] \leftarrow c[i-1, j-1]+1 \]

\[ b[i, j] \leftarrow "\downarrow" \]

else if \( c[i-1, j] \geq c[i, j-1] \)

\[ c[i, j] \leftarrow c[i-1, j] \]

\[ b[i, j] \leftarrow "\uparrow" \]

else

\[ c[i, j] \leftarrow c[i, j-1] \]

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Total runtime = \( \Theta(mn) \)

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Operation of **LCS-LENGTH**
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LCS of **X** & **Y** = \(<B, C, B, A>\)
Constructing an LCS

The $b$ table returned by LCS-LENGTH can be used to quickly construct an LCS of $X$ & $Y$

Begin at $b[m, n]$ and trace through the table following arrows

Whenever you encounter a “↖” in entry $b[i, j]$ it implies that $x_i = y_j$ is an element of LCS

The elements of LCS are encountered in reverse order
Constructing an LCS

PRINT-LCS(b, X, i, j)
    if i = 0 or j = 0 then
        return
    if b[i, j] = “↖” then
        PRINT-LCS(b, X, i−1, j−1)
        print x_i
    else if b[i, j] = “↑” then
        PRINT-LCS(b, X, i−1, j)
    else
        PRINT-LCS(b, X, i, j−1)

The recursive procedure PRINT-LCS prints out LCS in proper order.

This procedure takes O(m+n) time since at least one of i and j is decremented in each stage of the recursion.

The initial invocation:
PRINT-LCS(b, X, length[X], length[Y])
Do we really need the b table (back-pointers)?

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**Answer:** Upper-left neighbor, because \( X[i] = Y[j] \).
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*(See pseudo-code to see how ties are handled.)*
Improving the Space Requirements

We can eliminate the $b$ table altogether

- each $c[i, j]$ entry depends only on 3 other $c$ table entries: $c[i-1, j-1]$, $c[i-1, j]$ and $c[i, j-1]$

Given the value of $c[i, j]$:  
- We can determine in $O(1)$ time which of these 3 values was used to compute $c[i, j]$ without inspecting table $b$ 
- We save $\Theta(mn)$ space by this method 
- However, space requirement is still $\Theta(mn)$ since we need $\Theta(mn)$ space for the $c$ table anyway
What if we store the last 2 rows only?

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We cannot construct the optimal solution because we cannot backtrace anymore.

This approach works if we only need the length of an LCS, not the actual LCS.