## **Dynamic Programming**

- A powerful paradigm for algorithm design.
- Often leads to elegant and efficient algorithms when greedy or divide-and-conquer don't work.
- DP also breaks a problem into subproblems, but subproblems are not independent.
- DP tabulates solutions of subproblems to avoid solving them again.

## **Dynamic Programming**

- Typically applied to optimization problems: many feasible solutions; find one of optimal value.
- Key is the principle of optimality: solution composed of optimal subproblem solutions.
- Example: Matrix Chain Product.
- A sequence  $\langle M_1, M_2, \dots, M_n \rangle$  of *n* matrices to be multiplied.
- Adjacent matrices must agree on dim.

### **Matrix Product**

Matrix-Multiply (A, B)

- **1.** Let A be  $p \times q$ ; let B be  $q \times r$ .
- **2.** If dim of A and B don't agree, error.
- **3.** for i = 1 to p
- **4.** for j = 1 to r
- **5.** C[i, j] = 0
- **6.** for k = 1 to q
- **7.**  $C[i,j] + = A[i,k] \times B[k,j]$

8. return *C*.

• Cost of multiplying these matrices is  $p \times q \times r$ .

## Matrix Chain

- Consider 4 matrices:  $M_1, M_2, M_3, M_4$ .
- We can compute the product in many different ways, depending on how we parenthesize.

 $(M_1(M_2(M_3M_4)))$  $(M_1((M_2M_3)M_4))$  $((M_1M_2)(M_3M_4))$  $(((M_1M_2)M_3)M_4)$ 

• Different multiplication orders can lead to very different total costs.

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## Matrix Chain

- Example:  $M_1 = 10 \times 100$ ,  $M_2 = 100 \times 5$ ,  $M_3 = 5 \times 50$ .
- Parentheses order  $((M_1M_2)M_3)$  has cost  $10 \cdot 100 \cdot 5 + 10 \cdot 5 \cdot 50 = 7500.$
- Parentheses order  $(M_1(M_2M_3))$  has cost  $100 \cdot 5 \cdot 50 + 10 \cdot 100 \cdot 50 = 75,000!$

## Matrix Chain

- Input: a chain  $\langle M_1, M_2, \ldots, M_n \rangle$  of *n* matrices.
- Matrix  $M_i$  has size  $p_{i-1} \times p_i$ , where  $i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$ .
- Find optimal parentheses order to minimize cost of chain multiplying  $M_i$ 's.
- Checking all possible ways of parenthesizing is infeasible.
- There are roughly  $\binom{2n}{n}$  ways to put parentheses, which is of the order of  $4^n$ !

## **Principle of Optimality**

- Consider computing  $M_1 \times M_2 \ldots \times M_n$ .
- Compute  $M_{1,k} = M_1 \times \ldots \times M_k$ , in some order.
- Compute  $M_{k+1,n} = M_{k+1} \times \ldots \times M_n$ , in some order.
- Finally, compute  $M_{1,n} = M_{1,k} \times M_{k+1,n}$ .
- Principle of Optimality: To optimize  $M_{1,n}$ , we must optimize  $M_{1,k}$  and  $M_{k+1,n}$  too.

#### **Recursive Solution**

- A subproblem is subchain  $M_i, M_{i+1}, \ldots, M_j$ .
- m[i,j] =**optimal cost to multiply**  $M_i, \ldots, M_j$ .
- Use principle of optimality to determine m[i, j] recursively.
- Clearly, m[i,i] = 0, for all i.
- If an algorithm computes  $M_i, M_{i+1} \dots, M_j$  as  $(M_i, \dots, M_k) \times (M_{k+1}, \dots, M_j)$ , then

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

#### **Recursive Solution**

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

- We don't know which k the optimal algorithm will use.
- But k must be between i and j-1.
- Thus, we can write:

 $m[i,j] = \min_{i \le k < j} \{ m[i,k] + m[k+1,j] + p_{i-1}p_k p_j \}$ 

# The DP Approach

• Thus, we wish to solve:

 $m[i,j] = \min_{i \le k < j} \{ m[i,k] + m[k+1,j] + p_{i-1}p_k p_j \}$ 

- A direct recursive solution is exponential: brute force checking of all parentheses orders.
- What is the recurrence? What does it solve to?
- DP's insight: only a small number of subproblems actually occur, one per choice of i, j.

# The DP Approach

- Naive recursion is exponential because it solves the same subproblem over and over again in different branches of recursion.
- DP avoids this wasted computation by organizing the subproblems differently: bottom up.
- Start with m[i, i] = 0, for all i.
- Next, we determine m[i, i+1], and then m[i, i+2], and so on.

# The Algorithm

- Input:  $[p_0, p_1, \ldots, p_n]$  the dimension vector of the matrix chain.
- Output: m[i, j], the optimal cost of multiplying each subchain  $M_i \times \ldots \times M_j$ .
- Array s[i, j] stores the optimal k for each subchain.

## The Algorithm

Matrix-Chain-Multiply (p)

- **1.** Set m[i, i] = 0, for i = 1, 2, ..., n.
- **2.** Set d = 1.
- **3.** For all i, j such that j i = d, compute

$$m[i,j] = \min_{i \le k < j} \{ m[i,k] + m[k+1,j] + p_{i-1}p_k p_j \}$$

Set  $s[i, j] = k^*$ , where  $k^*$  is the choice that gives min value in above expression.

4. If d < n, increment d and repeat Step 3.

#### Illustration



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• Computing m[2,5].

$$\min \begin{cases} m[2,2] + m[3,5] + p_1 p_2 p_5 = 0 + 2500 + 35.15.20 = 13000 \\ m[2,3] + m[4,5] + p_1 p_3 p_5 = 2625 + 1000 + 35.5.20 = 7125 \\ m[2,4] + m[5,5] + p_1 p_4 p_5 = 4375 + 0 + 35.10.20 = 11375 \end{cases}$$

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# **Finishing Up**

- The algorithm clearly takes  $O(n^3)$  time.
- The m matrix only outputs the cost.
- The parentheses order from the *s* matrix.

**Matrix-Chain** (M, s, i, j)

1. if j > i then

- **2.**  $X \leftarrow$ **Matrix-Chain** (A, s, i, s[i, j])
- **3.**  $Y \leftarrow$ **Matrix-Chain** (A, s, s[i, j] + 1, j)
- 4. return X \* Y

### Longest Common Subsequence

- Consider a string of characters: X = ABCBDAB.
- A subsequence is obtained by deleting some (any) characters of X.
- E.g. ABBB is a subsequence of X, as is ABD. But AABB is not a subsequence.
- Let  $X = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m)$  be a sequence.
- $Z = (z_1, z_2, ..., z_k)$  is subseq. of X if there is an index sequence  $(i_1, ..., i_k)$  s.t.  $z_j = x_{i_j}$ , for j = 1, ..., k.
- Index sequence for ABBB is (1, 2, 4, 7).

## Longest Common Subsequence

- Given two sequences X and Y, find their longest common subsequence.
- If X = (A, B, C, B, D, A, B) and Y = (B, D, C, A, B, A), then (B, C, A) is a common sequence, but not LCS.
- (B, D, A, B) is a LCS.
- How do we find an LCS?
- Can some form of Greedy work? Suggestions?

#### **Trial Ideas**

- Greedy-1: Scan X. Find the first letter matching  $y_1$ ; take it and continue.
- Problem: only matches prefix substrings of Y.
- Greedy-2: Find the most frequent letters of X; or sort the letters by their frequency. Try to match in frequency order.
- Problem: Frequency can be irrelevant. E.g. suppose all letters of X are distinct.

#### **Properties**

- $2^m$  subsequences of X.
- LCS obeys the principle of optimality.
- Let  $X_i = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_i)$  be the *i*-long prefix of X.
- Examples: if X = (A, B, C, B, D, A, B), then  $X_2 = (A, B)$ ;  $X_5 = (A, B, C, B, D)$ .

#### **LCS Structure**

• Suppose  $Z = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_k)$  is a LCS of X and Y. Then,

**1. If** 
$$x_m = y_n$$
, then  $z_k = x_m = y_n$  and  $Z_{k-1} = LCS(X_{m-1}, Y_{n-1})$ .

- **2. If**  $x_m \neq y_n$ , then  $z_k \neq x_m$  implies  $Z = LCS(X_{m-1}, Y)$ .
- **3. If**  $x_m \neq y_n$ , then  $z_k \neq y_n$  implies  $Z = LCS(X, Y_{n-1})$ .

#### **Recursive Solution**

- Let  $c[i, j] = |LCS(X_i, Y_j)|$  be the optimal solution for  $X_i, Y_j$ .
- Obviously, c[i, j] = 0 if either i = 0 or j = 0.
- In general, we have the recurrence:

$$c[i,j] = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} 0 & \text{if } i \text{ or } j = 0\\ c[i-1,j-1]+1 & \text{if } x_i = y_j\\ \max\{c[i,j-1], \ c[i-1,j]\} & \text{if } x_i \neq y_j \end{array} \right\}$$

## Algorithm

- A direct recursive solution is exponential: T(n) = 2T(n-1) + 1, which solves to  $2^n$ .
- DP builds a table of subproblem solutions, bottom up.
- Starting from c[i, 0] and c[0, j], we compute c[1, j], c[2, j], etc.

## Algorithm

**LCS-Length** (X, Y) $c[i,0] \leftarrow 0, c[0,j] \leftarrow 0, \text{ for all } i,j;$ for i = 1 to m do for j = 1 to n do if  $x_i = y_i$  then  $c[i,j] \leftarrow c[i-1,j-1] + 1;$   $b[i,j] \leftarrow D$ else if  $c[i-1,j] \ge c[i,j-1]$  then  $c[i,j] \leftarrow c[i-1,j]; \qquad b[i,j] \leftarrow U$ else  $c[i, j] \leftarrow c[i, j-1]; \qquad b[i, j] \leftarrow L$ return b, c

# LCS Algorithm

- LCS-Length (X, Y) only computes the length of the common subsequence.
- By keeping track of matches,  $x_i = y_j$ , the LCS itself can be constructed.

# LCS Algorithm

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\begin{aligned} \mathbf{PRINT-LCS}(b, X, i, j) \\ & \text{if } i = 0 \text{ or } j = 0 \text{ then return} \\ & \text{if } b[i, j] = D \text{ then} \\ & \mathbf{PRINT-LCS}(b, X, i - 1, j - 1) \\ & \text{print } x_i \\ & \text{elseif } b[i, j] = U \text{ then} \\ & \mathbf{PRINT-LCS}(b, X, i - 1, j) \\ & \text{else PRINT-LCS}(b, X, i - 1, j) \end{aligned}
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- Initial call is **PRINT-LCS**(b, X, |X|, |Y|).
- By inspection, the time complexity of the algorithm is O(nm).

## **Optimal Polygon Triangulation**

- Polygon is a piecewise linear closed curve.
- Only consecutive edges intersect, and they do so at vertices.
- *P* is convex if line segment *xy* is inside *P* whenever *x, y* are inside.



## **Optimal Polygon Triangulation**

- Vertices in counter-clockwise order:  $v_0, v_1, \ldots, v_{n-1}$ . Edges are  $v_i v_{i+1}$ , where  $v_n = v_0$ .
- A chord  $v_i v_j$  joins two non-adjacent vertices.
- A triangulation is a set of chords that divide *P* into non-overlapping triangles.



## **Triangulation Problem**

- Given a convex polygon  $P = (v_0, \ldots, v_{n-1})$ , and a weight function w on triangles, find a triangulation minimizing the total weight.
- Every triangulation of a *n*-gon has n-2 triangles and n-3 chords.



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## **Optimal Triangulation**

• One possible weight:

 $w(\Delta v_i v_j v_k) = |v_i v_j| + |v_j v_k| + |v_k v_i|$ 

• But problem well defined for any weight function.

## **Greedy Strategies**

- Greedy 1: Ring Heuristic. Go around each time, skipping one vertex; after logn rounds, done.
- Motivation—joining closeby vertices.
- Not always optmal. Consider a flat, pancake like convex polygon. The optimal will put mostly vertical diagonals. Greedy's cost is roughly O(log n) times the perimeter.

## **Greedy Strategies**

- Greedy 2: Always add shortest diagonal, consistent with previous selections.
- Counter-example by Lloyd. P = (A, B, C, D, E), where A = (0, 0); B = (50, 25); C = (80, 30); D = (125, 25); E = (160, 0).
- Edge lengths are BD = 75; CE < 86; AC < 86; BE > 112; AD > 127.
- Greedy puts *BD*, then forced to use *BE*, for total weight = 187.
- Optimal uses AC, CE, with total weight = 172.

## **Greedy Strategies**

- GT(S) is within a constant factor of MWT(S) for convex polygons.
- For arbitrary point set triangulation, the ratio is  $\Omega(n^{1/2}).$

# The Algorithm

- m[i, j] be the optimal cost of triangulating the subpolygon  $(v_i, v_{i+1}, \ldots, v_j)$ .
- Consider the  $\triangle$  with one side  $v_i v_j$ .
- Suppose the 3rd vertex is k.
- Then, the total cost of the triangulation is:

$$m[i,j] = m[i,k] + m[k,j] + w(\Delta v_i v_j v_k)$$

## The Algorithm

• Since we don't know k, we choose the one that minimizes this cost:



## **All-Pairs Shortest Paths**

- Given G = (V, E), compute shortest path distances between all pairs of nodes.
- Run single-source shortest path algorithm from each node as root. Total complexity is O(nS(n,m)), where S(n,m) is the time for one shortest path iteration.
- If non-negative edges, use Dijkstra's algorithm:  $O(m \log n)$  time per iteration.
- With negative edges, need to use Bellman-Ford algorithm: O(nm) time per iteration.

## **Floyd-Warshall Algorithm**

• G = (V, E) has vertices  $\{1, 2, ..., n\}$ . W is cost matrix. D is output distance matrix.

algorithm Floyd-Warshall

1. D = W; 2. for k = 1 to n3. for i = 1 to n4. for j = 1 to n5.  $d_{ij} = \min\{d_{ij}, d_{ik} + d_{kj}\}$ 6. return D.

#### Correctness

- $P_{ij}^k$ : shortest path whose intermediate nodes are in  $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ .
- Goal is to compute  $P_{ij}^n$ , for all i, j.



- Use Dynamic Programming. Two cases:
  - **1. Vertex** k not on  $P_{ij}^k$ . Then,  $P_{ij}^k = P_{ij}^{k-1}$ .
  - 2. Vertex k is on  $P_{ij}^k$ . Then, neither  $P_1$  nor  $P_2$  uses k as an intermediate node. in its interior. (Simplicity of  $P_{ij}^k$ .) Thus,  $P_{ij}^k = P_{ik}^{k-1} + P_{kj}^{k-1}$

#### Correctness

- Recursive formula for  $P_{ij}^k$ :
  - 1. If k = 0,  $P_{ij}^k = c_{ij}$ . 2. If k > 0,  $d_{ij}^k = \min\{d_{ij}^{k-1}, d_{ik}^{k-1} + d_{kj}^{k-1}\}$

#### Example



• Matrices  $D_0$  and  $D_1$ :

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 8 & \infty & -4 \\ \infty & 0 & \infty & 1 & 7 \\ \infty & 4 & 0 & \infty & \infty \\ 2 & \infty & -5 & 0 & \infty \\ \infty & \infty & \infty & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 8 & \infty & -4 \\ \infty & 0 & \infty & 1 & 7 \\ \infty & 4 & 0 & \infty & \infty \\ 2 & 5 & -5 & 0 & -2 \\ \infty & \infty & \infty & 6 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Example



