# 20. Dynamic Programming I

Memoization, Optimal Substructure, Overlapping Sub-Problems, Dependencies, General Procedure. Examples: Fibonacci, Rod Cutting, Longest Ascending Subsequence, Longest Common Subsequence, Edit Distance, Matrix Chain Multiplication (Strassen)

[Ottman/Widmayer, Kap. 1.2.3, 7.1, 7.4, Cormen et al, Kap. 15]

#### Fibonacci Numbers



$$F_n := \begin{cases} n & \text{if } n < 2 \\ F_{n-1} + F_{n-2} & \text{if } n \ge 2. \end{cases}$$

Analysis: why ist the recursive algorithm so slow?

#### Algorithm FibonacciRecursive(n)

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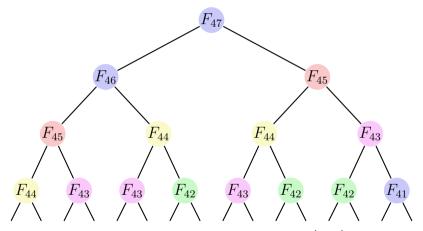
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Algorithm is **exponential** in n.

#### Reason (visual)



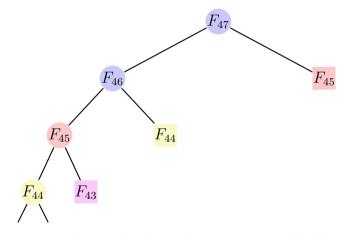
Nodes with same values are evaluated (too) often.

#### Memoization

#### **Memoization** (sic) saving intermediate results.

- Before a subproblem is solved, the existence of the corresponding intermediate result is checked.
- If an intermediate result exists then it is used.
- Otherwise the algorithm is executed and the result is saved accordingly.

#### Memoization with Fibonacci



Rectangular nodes have been computed before.

## Algorithm FibonacciMemoization(n)

```
Input: n > 0
Output: n-th Fibonacci number
if n < 2 then
    f \leftarrow 1
else if \exists memo[n] then
    f \leftarrow \mathsf{memo}[n]
else
     f \leftarrow \mathsf{FibonacciMemoization}(n-1) + \mathsf{FibonacciMemoization}(n-2)
     \mathsf{memo}[n] \leftarrow f
return f
```

Computational complexity:

$$T(n) = T(n-1) + c = \dots = \mathcal{O}(n).$$

because after the call to f(n-1), f(n-2) has already been computed. A different argument: f(n) is computed exactly once recursively for each n. Runtime costs: n calls with  $\Theta(1)$  costs per call  $n \cdot c \in \Theta(n)$ . The recursion vanishes from the running time computation.

Algorithm requires  $\Theta(n)$  memory.<sup>29</sup>

 $<sup>^{29}</sup>$ But the naive recursive algorithm also requires  $\Theta(n)$  memory implicitly.

#### Looking closer ...

... the algorithm computes the values of  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$ ,  $F_3$ ,...in the **top-down** approach of the recursion.

Can write the algorithm **bottom-up**. This is characteristic for **dynamic programming**.

#### Algorithm FibonacciBottomUp(n)

#### Dynamic Programming: Idea

- Divide a complex problem into a reasonable number of sub-problems
- The solution of the sub-problems will be used to solve the more complex problem
- Identical problems will be computed only once

#### Dynamic Programming Consequence

Identical problems will be computed only once

⇒ Results are saved



We trade speed against memory consumption

#### Dynamic Programming = Divide-And-Conquer?

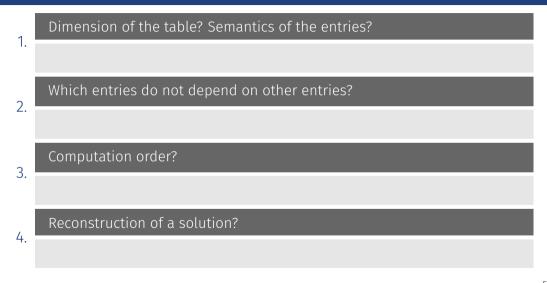
- In both cases the original problem can be solved (more easily) by utilizing the solutions of sub-problems. The problem provides **optimal** substructure.
- Classical Divide-And-Conquer algorithms (such as Mergesort): sub-problems are independent; their solutions are required only once in the algorithm.
- DP: sub-problems are dependent. The problem is said to have overlapping sub-problems that are required multiple-times in the algorithm.
- In order to avoid redundant computations, results are tabulated. For sub-problems there must not be any circular dependencies.

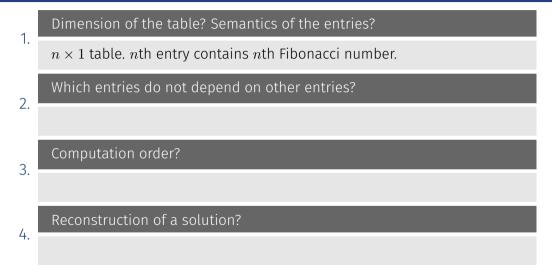
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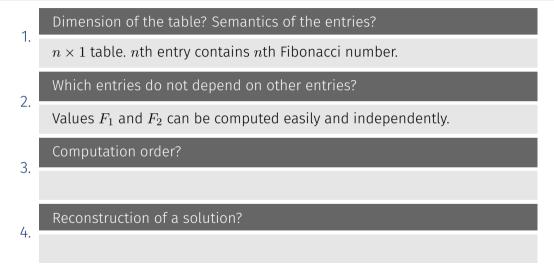
- 1. Use a **DP-table** with information to the subproblems. Dimension of the table? Semantics of the entries?
- 2. Computation of the base cases.
  Which entries do not depend on others?
- 3. Determine **computation order**.

  In which order can the entries be computed such that dependencies are fulfilled?
- 4. Read-out the **solution**How can the solution be read out from the table?

Runtime (typical) = number entries of the table times required operations per entry.







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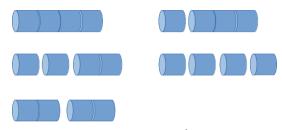
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#### **Rod Cutting**

- Rods (metal sticks) are cut and sold.
- $\blacksquare$  Rods of length  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  are available. A cut does not provide any costs.
- lacksquare For each length  $l\in\mathbb{N}$ ,  $l\leq n$  known is the value  $v_l\in\mathbb{R}^+$
- Goal: cut the rods such (into  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  pieces) that

$$\sum_{i=1}^k v_{l_i}$$
 is maximized subject to  $\sum_{i=1}^k l_i = n$ .

## Rod Cutting: Example



Possibilities to cut a rod of length 4 (without permutations)

Length	0	1	2	3	4	⇒ Best cut: 3 + 1 with value 10
Price	0	2	3	8	9	

#### How to Find the DP Algorithm.

- 0. Exact formulation of the wanted solution
- 1. Define sub-problems, reformulate (0.) as sub-problem
- 2. Recursion: relate subproblems by enumerating of local properties
- 3. Determine the dependencies of the sub-problems
- 4. Solve the problem Running time = #sub-problems × time/sub-problem

#### Structure of the problem

- 0. **Wanted:**  $r_n$  = maximal value of rod (cut or as a whole) with length n.
- 1. **sub-problems**: maximal value  $r_k$  for each  $0 \le k < n$
- 2. Local property: length of the first piece **Recursion**

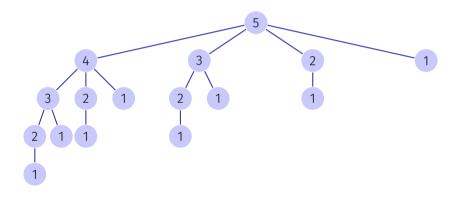
$$r_k = \max\{v_i + r_{k-i} : 0 < i \le k\}, \quad k > 0$$
  
 $r_0 = 0$ 

- 3. **Dependency:**  $r_k$  depends (only) on values  $v_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$  and the optimal cuts  $r_i$ , i < k.
- 4. **Solution** in  $r_n$ . DP running time:  $\Theta(n^2)$

#### Algorithm RodCut(v,n) (without memoization)

$$^{30}T(n) = T(n-1) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-2} T(i) + c = T(n-1) + (T(n-1) - c) + c = 2T(n-1) \quad (n > 0)$$

#### Recursion Tree

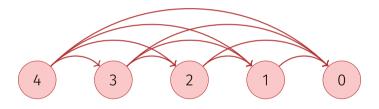


## Algorithm RodCutMemoized(m, v, n)

```
Input: n \ge 0. Prices v. Memoization Table m
Output: best value
a \leftarrow 0
if n > 0 then
   if \exists m[n] then
    a \leftarrow m[n]
   else
    return q
Running time \sum_{i=1}^{n} i = \Theta(n^2)
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#### Subproblem-Graph

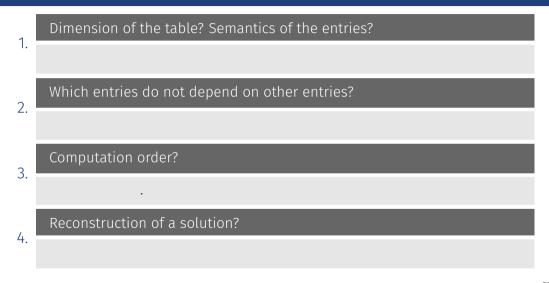
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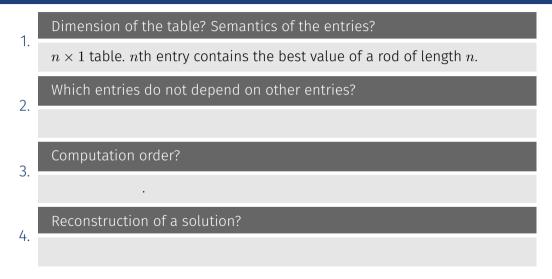


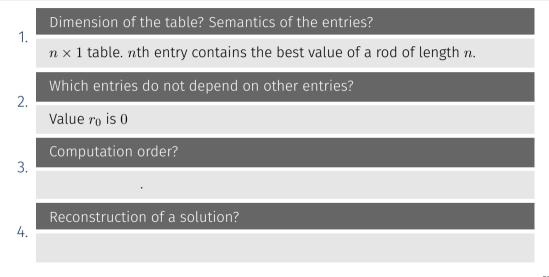
and must not contain cycles

#### Construction of the Optimal Cut

- During the (recursive) computation of the optimal solution for each  $k \le n$  the recursive algorithm determines the optimal length of the first rod
- lacktriangle Store the length of the first rod in a separate table of length n







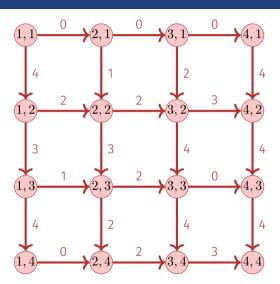
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#### Rabbit!

A rabbit sits on cite (1,1) of an  $n \times n$  grid. It can only move to east or south. On each pathway there is a number of carrots. How many carrots does the rabbit collect maximally?

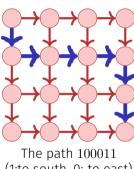


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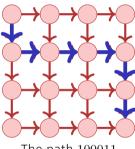
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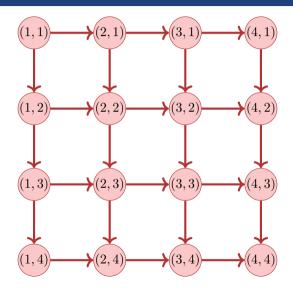
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#### Recursion

Wanted:  $T_{1,1}$  = maximal number carrots from (1,1) to (n,n). Let  $w_{(i,j)-(i',j')}$  number of carrots on egde from (i,j) to (i',j'). Recursion (maximal number of carrots from (i,j) to (n,n)

$$T_{ij} = \begin{cases} \max\{w_{(i,j)-(i,j+1)} + T_{i,j+1}, w_{(i,j)-(i+1,j)} + T_{i+1,j}\}, & i < n, j < n \\ w_{(i,j)-(i,j+1)} + T_{i,j+1}, & i = n, j < n \\ w_{(i,j)-(i+1,j)} + T_{i+1,j}, & i < n, j = n \\ 0 & i = j = n \end{cases}$$

# Graph of Subproblem Dependencies



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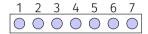
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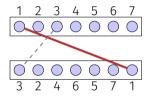
- 3.  $T_{i,j}$  with  $i=n\searrow 1$  and for each  $i:j=n\searrow 1$ , (or vice-versa:  $j=n\searrow 1$  and for each  $j:i=n\searrow 1$ ).
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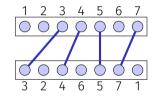
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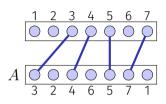






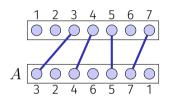
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**Generalization:** allow any numbers, even with duplicates (still only strictly increasing subsequences permitted). Example: (2,3,3,3,5,1) with increasing subsequence (2,3,5).

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$$L_1 = (1), L_2 = (1, 2), L_3 = (1, 2, 5), L_4 = (1, 2, 3), L_5 = (1, 2, 3, 4).$$

This works with running time  $n^2$  (and requires access to all sequences  $L_i$ .

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Example: 
$$A = (1, 1000, 1001, 4, 5, 2, 6, 7)$$

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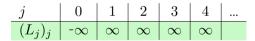
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$(L_j)_j$	-∞	11	14	16	$\infty$	

## Dynamic Programming Algorithm LAS

#### Table dimension? Semantics?

Two tables  $T[0,\ldots,n]$  and  $V[1,\ldots,n]$ . T[j]: last Element of the increasing subequence  $M_{n,j}$ 

V[j]: Value of the predecessor of  $a_j$ .

Start with  $T[0] \leftarrow -\infty$ ,  $T[i] \leftarrow \infty \ \forall i > 1$ 

#### Computation of an entry

Entries in T sorted in ascending order. For each new entry  $a_k$  binary search for l, such that  $T[l] < a_k < T[l+1]$ . Set  $T[l+1] \leftarrow a_k$ . Set V[k] = T[l].

## Dynamic Programming algorithm LAS

#### Computation order

3. Traverse the list anc compute T[k] and V[k] with ascending k

#### Reconstruction of a solution?

4. Search the largest l with  $T[l] < \infty$ . l is the last index of the LAS. Starting at l search for the index i < l such that  $V[l] = a_i$ , i is the predecessor of l. Repeat with  $l \leftarrow i$  until  $T[l] = -\infty$ 

## Analysis

- Computation of the table:
  - Initialization:  $\Theta(n)$  Operations
  - Computation of the kth entry: binary search on positions  $\{1, \ldots, k\}$  plus constant number of assignments.

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} (\log k + \mathcal{O}(1)) = \mathcal{O}(n) + \sum_{k=1}^{n} \log(k) = \Theta(n \log n).$$

■ Reconstruction: traverse A from right to left:  $\mathcal{O}(n)$ .

Overal runtime:

$$\Theta(n \log n)$$
.

# 20.7 Editing Distance

## Minimal Editing Distance

Editing distance of two sequences  $A_n = (a_1, \ldots, a_n)$ ,  $B_m = (b_1, \ldots, b_m)$ . **Editing operations**:

- Insertion of a character
- Deletion of a character
- Replacement of a character

Question: how many editing operations at least required in order to transform string A into string B.

$$TIGER \rightarrow ZIGER \rightarrow ZIEGER \rightarrow ZIEGE$$

# Minimal Editing Distance

Wanted: cheapest character-wise transformation  $A_n \to B_m$  with costs

operation	Levenshtein	LCS <sup>31</sup>	general
Insert $c$	1	1	ins(c)
Delete $c$	1	1	del(c)
Replace $c \to c'$	$\mathbb{1}(c \neq c')$	$\infty \cdot \mathbb{1}(c \neq c')$	repl(c,c')

#### Beispiel

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup>Longest common subsequence – A special case of an editing problem

#### Idea

$$Z I E G E \rightarrow T I G E R$$

#### Possibilities

1.

$$c(\text{'ZIEG'} \rightarrow \text{'TIGE'}) + c(\text{'E'} \rightarrow \text{'R'})$$
 Z | E G **E**  $\rightarrow$  T | G E **R**

2

$$c(\texttt{'ZIEGE'} \to \texttt{'TIGE'}) + c(\mathsf{ins}(\texttt{'R'}))$$
 
$$\mathsf{Z} \mid \mathsf{E} \; \mathsf{G} \; \mathsf{E} \to \mathsf{T} \mid \mathsf{G} \; \mathsf{E} + \mathbf{R}$$

3.

$$c('ZIEG' \rightarrow 'TIGER') + c(del('E'))$$
  
Z | E G E - E  $\rightarrow$  T | G E R

#### DP

- 0. E(n,m) = mimimum number edit operations (ED cost)  $a_{1...n} \rightarrow b_{1...m}$
- 1. Subproblems E(i,j) = ED of  $a_{1...i}$ ,  $b_{1...j}$ . #SP =  $n \cdot m$ 2. Guess Costs $\Theta(1)$ 
  - $\blacksquare a_{1..i} \rightarrow a_{1...i-1}$  (delete)
  - $\blacksquare \ a_{1..i} \rightarrow a_{1...i}b_j \ (insert)$
  - $\blacksquare \ a_{1..i} \rightarrow a_{1...i-1}b_j$  (replace)
- 3. Rekursion

$$E(i,j) = \min \begin{cases} \operatorname{del}(a_i) + E(i-1,j), \\ \operatorname{ins}(b_j) + E(i,j-1), \\ \operatorname{repl}(a_i,b_j) + E(i-1,j-1) \end{cases}$$

#### DP

4. Dependencies



- ⇒ Computation from left top to bottom right. Row- or column-wise.
- 5. Solution in E(n, m)

## Example (Levenshtein Distance)

$$E[i,j] \leftarrow \min \left\{ E[i-1,j] + 1, E[i,j-1] + 1, E[i-1,j-1] + \mathbb{1}(a_i \neq b_j) \right\}$$

Editing steps: from bottom right to top left, following the recursion.

### Bottom-Up DP algorithm ED

#### Dimension of the table? Semantics?

Table  $E[0,\ldots,m][0,\ldots,n]$ . E[i,j]: minimal edit distance of the strings  $(a_1,\ldots,a_i)$  and  $(b_1,\ldots,b_j)$ 

#### Computation of an entry

2.  $E[0,i] \leftarrow i \ \forall 0 \leq i \leq m, \ E[j,0] \leftarrow i \ \forall 0 \leq j \leq n.$  Computation of E[i,j] otherwise via  $E[i,j] = \min\{ \operatorname{del}(a_i) + E(i-1,j), \operatorname{ins}(b_j) + E(i,j-1), \operatorname{repl}(a_i,b_j) + E(i-1,j-1) \}$ 

### Bottom-Up DP algorithm ED

#### Computation order

3.

Rows increasing and within columns increasing (or the other way round).

#### Reconstruction of a solution?

Start with j=m, i=n. If  $E[i,j]=\operatorname{repl}(a_i,b_j)+E(i-1,j-1)$  then output  $a_i\to b_j$  and continue with  $(j,i)\leftarrow (j-1,i-1)$ ; otherwise, if  $E[i,j]=\operatorname{del}(a_i)+E(i-1,j)$  output  $\operatorname{del}(a_i)$  and continue with  $j\leftarrow j-1$  otherwise, if  $E[i,j]=\operatorname{ins}(b_j)+E(i,j-1)$ , continue with  $i\leftarrow i-1$ . Terminate for i=0 and j=0.

### Analysis ED

- Number table entries:  $(m+1) \cdot (n+1)$ .
- Constant number of assignments and comparisons each. Number steps:  $\mathcal{O}(mn)$
- Determination of solition: decrease i or j. Maximally  $\mathcal{O}(n+m)$  steps.

Runtime overal:

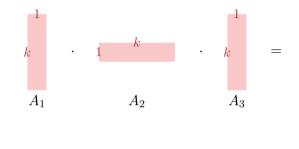
$$\mathcal{O}(mn)$$
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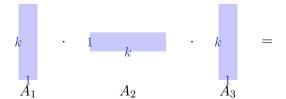
### Matrix-Chain-Multiplication

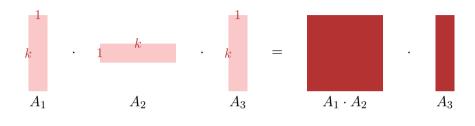
Task: Computation of the product  $A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot ... \cdot A_n$  of matrices  $A_1, ..., A_n$ . Matrix multiplication is associative, i.e. the order of evaluation can be chosen arbitrarily

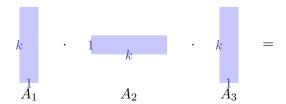
Goal: efficient computation of the product.

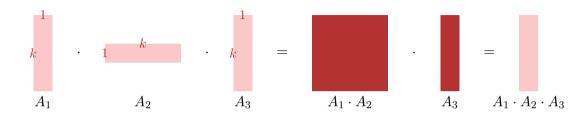
Assumption: multiplication of an  $(r \times s)$ -matrix with an  $(s \times u)$ -matrix provides costs  $r \cdot s \cdot u$ .

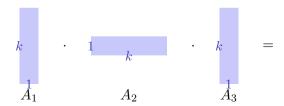


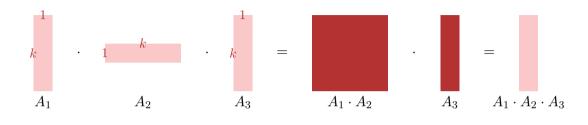


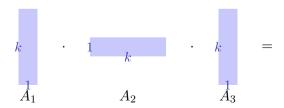


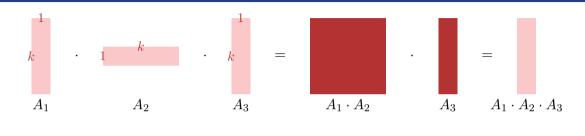


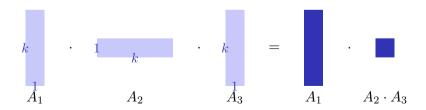


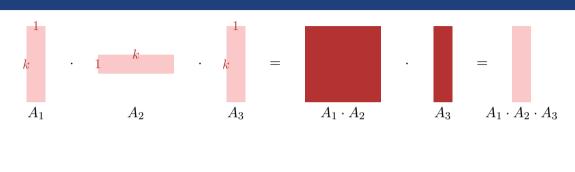


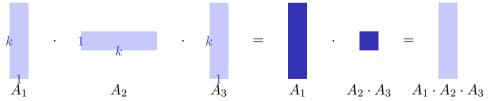


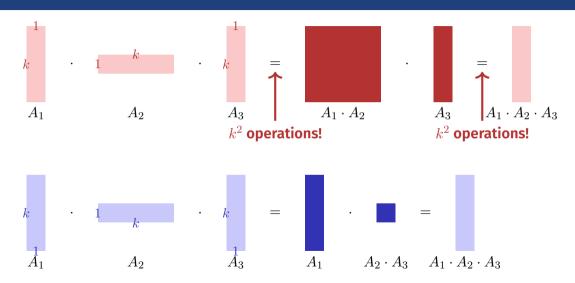


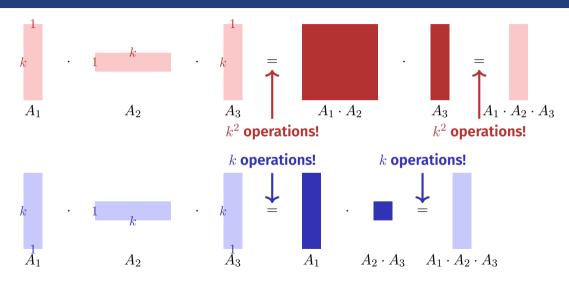












#### Recursion

- Assume that the best possible computation of  $(A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdots A_i)$  and  $(A_{i+1} \cdot A_{i+2} \cdots A_n)$  is known for each i.
- Compute best *i*, done.

 $n \times n$ -table M. entry M[p,q] provides costs of the best possible bracketing  $(A_p \cdot A_{p+1} \cdot \cdot \cdot A_q)$ .

$$M[p,q] \leftarrow \min_{p \leq i < q} (M[p,i] + M[i+1,q] + \text{costs of the last multiplication})$$

## Computation of the DP-table

- Base cases  $M[p,p] \leftarrow 0$  for all  $1 \le p \le n$ .
- Computation of M[p,q] depends on M[i,j] with  $p \le i \le j \le q$ ,  $(i,j) \ne (p,q)$ .

In particular M[p,q] depends at most from entries M[i,j] with i-j < q-p.

Consequence: fill the table from the diagonal.

## Analysis

DP-table has  $n^2$  entries. Computation of an entry requires considering up to n-1 other entries.

Overal runtime  $\mathcal{O}(n^3)$ .

Readout the order from M: exercise!

# Digression: matrix multiplication

Consider the multiplication of two  $n \times n$  matrices. Let

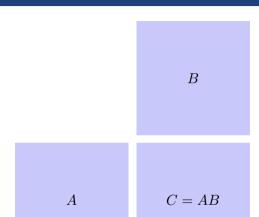
$$A = (a_{ij})_{1 \le i,j \le n}, B = (b_{ij})_{1 \le i,j \le n}, C = (c_{ij})_{1 \le i,j \le n}, C = A \cdot B$$

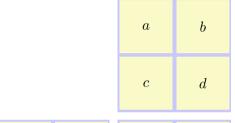
then

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{ik} b_{kj}.$$

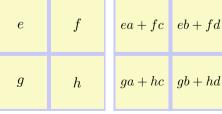
Naive algorithm requires  $\Theta(n^3)$  elementary multiplications.

# Divide and Conquer









# Divide and Conquer

- Assumption  $n=2^k$ .
- Number of elementary multiplications: M(n) = 8M(n/2), M(1) = 1.
- yields  $M(n) = 8^{\log_2 n} = n^{\log_2 8} = n^3$ . No advantage



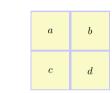
e	f	ea + fc	eb + fd
g	h	ga + hc	gb + hd

## Strassen's Matrix Multiplication

■ Nontrivial observation by Strassen (1969): It suffices to compute the seven products

$$A = (e + h) \cdot (a + d), B = (g + h) \cdot a, C = e \cdot (b - d),$$
  
 $D = h \cdot (c - a), E = (e + f) \cdot d, F = (g - e) \cdot (a + b),$   
 $G = (f - h) \cdot (c + d).$  Because:  
 $ea + fc = A + D - E + G, eb + fd = C + E,$   
 $aa + hc = B + D, ab + hd = A - B + C + F.$ 

- This yields M'(n) = 7M(n/2), M'(1) = 1. Thus  $M'(n) = 7^{\log_2 n} = n^{\log_2 7} \approx n^{2.807}$ .
- Fastest currently known algorithm:  $\mathcal{O}(n^{2.37})$



e	f	ea + fc	eb + fd
g	h	ga + hc	gb + hd