

# Dynamic Programming

# Outline and Reading

- Matrix Chain-Product (5.3.1)
- Dynamic Programming: The General Technique (5.3.2)
- 0-1 Knapsack Problem (5.3.3)

# Matrix Chain Product

**Dynamic Programming** is a general algorithm design paradigm.

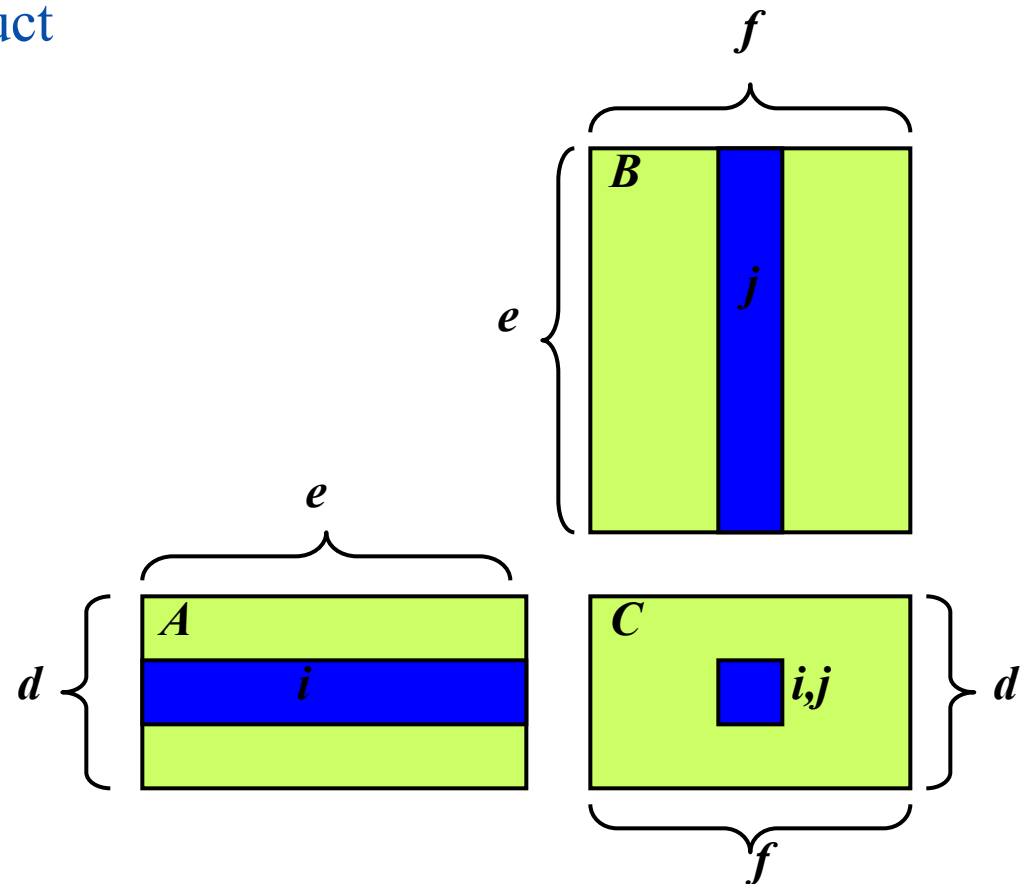
- Rather than give the general structure, we first give a motivating example: **Matrix Chain-Product**

**Review:** Matrix Multiplication

- $C = A * B$
- $A$  is  $d \times e$  and  $B$  is  $e \times f$

$$C[i, j] = \sum_{k=0}^{e-1} A[i, k] * B[k, j]$$

- $O(d \cdot e \cdot f)$  time



# Matrix Chain Product

## Matrix Chain-Product:

- Compute  $A = A_0 * A_1 * \dots * A_{n-1}$
- $A_i$  is  $d_i \times d_{i+1}$
- **Problem:** How to parenthesize in such a way that **minimizes the total number of scalar multiplications?**

## Example:

- B is  $3 \times 100$
- C is  $100 \times 5$
- D is  $5 \times 5$
- $(B * C) * D$  takes  $1500 + 75 = 1575$  ops
- $B * (C * D)$  takes  $1500 + 2500 = 4000$  ops

# Another Approach: Greedy (v1)

Idea: Repeatedly select the product that uses (up) the most operations.

## Counter-example:

- A is  $10 \times 5$
- B is  $5 \times 10$
- C is  $10 \times 5$
- D is  $5 \times 10$

This greedy approach gives  $(A * B) * (C * D)$

- takes  $500 + 1000 + 500 = 2000$  ops

A better solution:  $A * ((B * C) * D)$

- takes  $500 + 250 + 250 = 1000$  ops

# Another Approach: Greedy (v2)

Idea: Repeatedly select the product that uses the fewest operations.

## Counter-example:

- A is  $101 \times 11$
- B is  $11 \times 9$
- C is  $9 \times 100$
- D is  $100 \times 99$

This greedy approach gives  $A * ((B * C) * D)$

- takes  $109989 + 9900 + 108900 = 228789$  ops

A better solution is  $(A * B) * (C * D)$

- takes  $9999 + 89991 + 89100 = 189090$  ops

The greedy approach is not giving us the optimal value.

# “Recursive” Approach

Define **subproblems**:

- Find the best parenthesization of  $A_i * A_{i+1} * \dots * A_j$ .
- Let  $N_{i,j}$  denote the number of operations done by this subproblem.
- The optimal solution for the whole problem is  $N_{0,n-1}$ .

**Subproblem optimality**: The optimal solution can be defined in terms of optimal subproblems

- There has to be a final multiplication (root of the expression tree) for the optimal solution.
- Say, the final multiply is at index  $i$ :  $(A_0 * \dots * A_i) * (A_{i+1} * \dots * A_{n-1})$ .
- Then the optimal solution  $N_{0,n-1}$  is the sum of two optimal subproblems,  $N_{0,i}$  and  $N_{i+1,n-1}$  plus the time for the last multiply.
- If the global optimum did not have these optimal subproblems, we could define an even better “optimal” solution.

# Characterizing Equation

- The global optimal has to be defined in terms of optimal subproblems, depending on where the final multiply is at.
- Consider all possible places for that final multiply:
  - Recall that  $A_i$  is a  $d_i \times d_{i+1}$  dimensional matrix.
  - So, a characterizing equation for  $N_{i,j}$  is the following:

$$N_{i,j} = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{ N_{i,k} + N_{k+1,j} + d_i d_{k+1} d_{j+1} \}$$

- Note that subproblems are not independent – meaning **subproblems overlap**.



# Dynamic Programming Algorithm Visualization

The bottom-up construction fills in the N array by diagonals

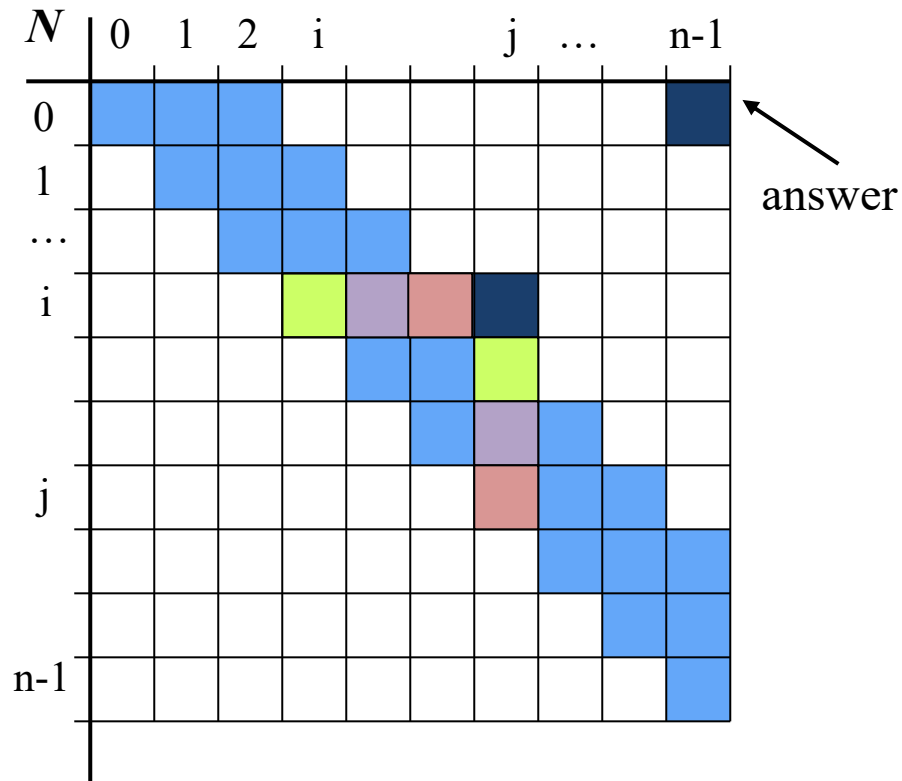
$$N_{i,j} = \min_{i \leq k < j} \{N_{i,k} + N_{k+1,j} + d_i d_{k+1} d_{j+1}\}$$

$N_{i,j}$  gets values from previous entries in  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column

Filling in each entry in the N table takes  $O(n)$  time.

- Total run time:  $O(n^3)$

Getting actual parenthesization can be done by remembering “k” for each N entry in a separate table



# Dynamic Programming Algorithm

Since subproblems overlap, we don't use recursion.

Instead, we construct optimal subproblems "bottom-up."

$N_{i,i}$ 's are easy, so start with them

Then do problems of "length" 2,3,... subproblems, and so on.

Running time:  $O(n^3)$

**Algorithm** *matrixChain*( $S$ ):

**Input:** sequence  $S$  of  $n$  matrices to be multiplied

**Output:** number of operations in an optimal parenthesization of  $S$

**for**  $i \leftarrow 0$  **to**  $n - 1$  **do**

$N_{i,i} \leftarrow 0$

**for**  $length \leftarrow 1$  **to**  $n - 1$  **do**

{  $length = j - i$  is the length of the chain }

**for**  $i \leftarrow 0$  **to**  $n - 1 - length$  **do**

$j \leftarrow i + length$

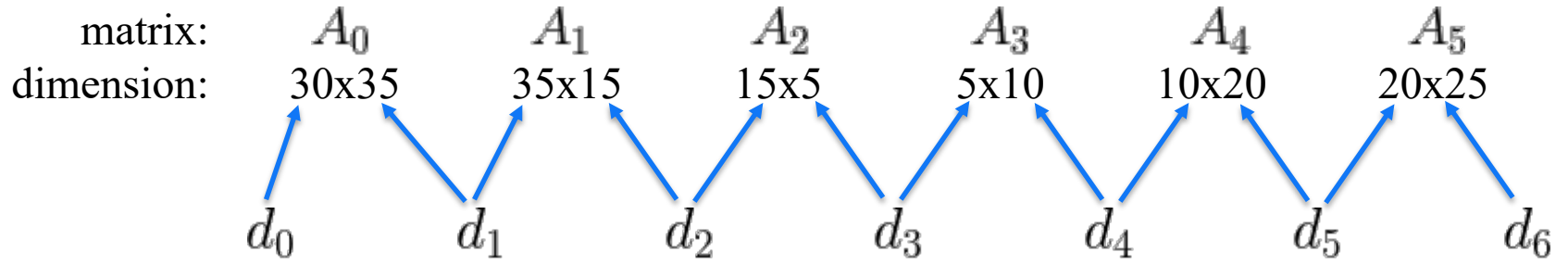
$N_{i,j} \leftarrow +\infty$

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

$N_{i,j} \leftarrow \min \{ N_{i,j}, N_{i,k} + N_{k+1,j} + d_i d_{k+1} d_{j+1} \}$

record  $k$  that produces minimum  $N_{i,j}$

**return**  $N_{0,n-1}$



matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension: 30x35 35x15 15x5 5x10 10x20 20x25  
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0					
1		0				
2			0			
3				0		
4					0	
5						0

start  $i$

number of scalar operations required to multiply  
 $A_i \cdot A_{i+1} \cdot A_{i+2} \cdot \dots \cdot A_{j-1} \cdot A_j$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0						
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						

matrix index where final  
multiplication occurred to obtain  
optimal solution given in  $N[i][j]$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
 dimension: 30x35 35x15 15x5 5x10 10x20 20x25  
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750				
1		0				
2			0			
3				0		
4					0	
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0				
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						

number of scalar operations required to multiply

$$A_i \cdot A_{i+1} \cdot A_{i+2} \cdot \dots \cdot A_{j-1} \cdot A_j$$

$$A_0 \cdot A_1 \quad N[0][1] = 0 + 0 + 30 \cdot 35 \cdot 15 = 15750$$

matrix index where final multiplication occurred to obtain optimal solution given in  $N[i][j]$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension: 30x35 35x15 15x5 5x10 10x20 20x25  
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750				
1		0	2625			
2			0			
3				0		
4					0	
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0				
1			1			
2						
3						
4						
5						

number of scalar operations required to multiply

$$A_i \cdot A_{i+1} \cdot A_{i+2} \cdot \dots \cdot A_{j-1} \cdot A_j$$

$$A_0 \cdot A_1 \quad N[0][1] = 0 + 0 + 30 \cdot 35 \cdot 15 = 15750$$

$$A_1 \cdot A_2 \quad N[1][2] = 0 + 0 + 35 \cdot 15 \cdot 5 = 2626$$

matrix index where final multiplication occurred to obtain optimal solution given in  $N[i][j]$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension: 30x35 35x15 15x5 5x10 10x20 20x25  
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750				
1		0	2625			
2			0	750		
3				0		
4					0	
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0				
1			1			
2				2		
3						
4						
5						

number of scalar operations required to multiply

$$A_i \cdot A_{i+1} \cdot A_{i+2} \cdot \dots \cdot A_{j-1} \cdot A_j$$

$$A_0 \cdot A_1 \quad N[0][1] = 0 + 0 + 30 \cdot 35 \cdot 15 = 15750$$

$$A_1 \cdot A_2 \quad N[1][2] = 0 + 0 + 35 \cdot 15 \cdot 5 = 2626$$

$$A_2 \cdot A_3 \quad N[2][3] = 0 + 0 + 15 \cdot 5 \cdot 10 = 750$$

matrix index where final multiplication occurred to obtain optimal solution given in  $N[i][j]$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension: 30x35 35x15 15x5 5x10 10x20 20x25  
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750				
1		0	2625			
2			0	750		
3				0	1000	
4					0	
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0				
1			1			
2				2		
3					3	
4						
5						

number of scalar operations required to multiply

$$A_i \cdot A_{i+1} \cdot A_{i+2} \cdot \dots \cdot A_{j-1} \cdot A_j$$

$$A_0 \cdot A_1 \quad N[0][1] = 0 + 0 + 30 \cdot 35 \cdot 15 = 15750$$

$$A_1 \cdot A_2 \quad N[1][2] = 0 + 0 + 35 \cdot 15 \cdot 5 = 2626$$

$$A_2 \cdot A_3 \quad N[2][3] = 0 + 0 + 15 \cdot 5 \cdot 10 = 750$$

$$A_3 \cdot A_4 \quad N[3][4] = 0 + 0 + 5 \cdot 10 \cdot 20 = 1000$$

matrix index where final multiplication occurred to obtain optimal solution given in  $N[i][j]$



matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension: 30x35 35x15 15x5 5x10 10x20 20x25  
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750				
1		0	2625			
2			0	750		
3				0	1000	
4					0	5000
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0				
1			1			
2				2		
3					3	
4						4
5						

number of scalar operations required to multiply

$$A_i \cdot A_{i+1} \cdot A_{i+2} \cdot \dots \cdot A_{j-1} \cdot A_j$$

$$A_0 \cdot A_1 \quad N[0][1] = 0 + 0 + 30 \cdot 35 \cdot 15 = 15750$$

$$A_1 \cdot A_2 \quad N[1][2] = 0 + 0 + 35 \cdot 15 \cdot 5 = 2626$$

$$A_2 \cdot A_3 \quad N[2][3] = 0 + 0 + 15 \cdot 5 \cdot 10 = 750$$

$$A_3 \cdot A_4 \quad N[3][4] = 0 + 0 + 5 \cdot 10 \cdot 20 = 1000$$

$$A_4 \cdot A_5 \quad N[4][5] = 0 + 0 + 10 \cdot 20 \cdot 25 = 5000$$

matrix index where final multiplication occurred to obtain optimal solution given in  $N[i][j]$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension:  $30 \times 35$   $35 \times 15$   $15 \times 5$   $5 \times 10$   $10 \times 20$   $20 \times 25$   
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875			
1		0	2625			
2			0	750		
3				0	1000	
4					0	5000
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0			
1			1			
2				2		
3					3	
4						4
5						

$$(A_0) \cdot (A_1 \cdot A_2) = 0 + 2625 + 30 \cdot 35 \cdot 5 = 7875$$

$$(A_0 \cdot A_1) \cdot (A_2) = 15750 + 0 + 30 \cdot 15 \cdot 5 = 18000$$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension:  $30 \times 35$   $35 \times 15$   $15 \times 5$   $5 \times 10$   $10 \times 20$   $20 \times 25$   
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875			
1		0	2625	4375		
2			0	750		
3				0	1000	
4					0	5000
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0			
1			1	2		
2				2		
3					3	
4						4
5						

$$(A_1) \cdot (A_2 \cdot A_3) = 0 + 750 + 35 \cdot 15 \cdot 10 = 6000$$

$$(A_1 \cdot A_2) \cdot (A_3) = 2625 + 0 + 35 \cdot 5 \cdot 10 = 4375$$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension:  $30 \times 35$   $35 \times 15$   $15 \times 5$   $5 \times 10$   $10 \times 20$   $20 \times 25$   
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875			
1		0	2625	4375		
2			0	750	2500	
3				0	1000	
4					0	5000
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0			
1			1	2		
2				2	2	
3					3	
4						4
5						

$$(A_2) \cdot (A_3 \cdot A_4) = 0 + 1000 + 15 \cdot 5 \cdot 20 = 2500$$

$$(A_2 \cdot A_3) \cdot (A_4) = 750 + 0 + 15 \cdot 10 \cdot 20 = 3750$$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension:  $30 \times 35$   $35 \times 15$   $15 \times 5$   $5 \times 10$   $10 \times 20$   $20 \times 25$   
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

start  $i$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875			
1		0	2625	4375		
2			0	750	2500	
3				0	1000	3500
4					0	5000
5						0

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0			
1			1	2		
2				2	2	
3					3	4
4						4
5						

$$(A_3) \cdot (A_4 \cdot A_5) = 0 + 5000 + 5 \cdot 10 \cdot 25 = 6250$$

$$(A_3 \cdot A_4) \cdot (A_5) = 1000 + 0 + 5 \cdot 20 \cdot 25 = 3500$$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension:  $30 \times 35$   $35 \times 15$   $15 \times 5$   $5 \times 10$   $10 \times 20$   $20 \times 25$   
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875	9375		
1		0	2625	4375		
2			0	750	2500	
3				0	1000	3500
4					0	5000
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0	2		
1			1	2		
2				2	2	
3					3	4
4						4
5						

$$(A_0) \cdot (A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3) = 0 + 4375 + 30 \cdot 35 \cdot 10 = 14875$$

$$(A_0 \cdot A_1) \cdot (A_2 \cdot A_3) = 15750 + 750 + 30 \cdot 15 \cdot 10 = 21000$$

$$(A_0 \cdot A_1 \cdot A_2) \cdot (A_3) = 7875 + 0 + 30 \cdot 5 \cdot 10 = 9375$$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension: 30x35 35x15 15x5 5x10 10x20 20x25  
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875	9375		
1		0	2625	4375	7125	
2			0	750	2500	
3				0	1000	3500
4					0	5000
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0	2		
1			1	2	2	
2				2	2	
3					3	4
4						4
5						

$$(A_1) \cdot (A_2 \cdot A_3 \cdot A_4) = 0 + 2500 + 35 \cdot 15 \cdot 20 = 13000$$

$$(A_1 \cdot A_2) \cdot (A_3 \cdot A_4) = 2625 + 1000 + 35 \cdot 5 \cdot 20 = 7125$$

$$(A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3) \cdot (A_4) = 4375 + 0 + 35 \cdot 10 \cdot 20 = 11375$$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension:  $30 \times 35$   $35 \times 15$   $15 \times 5$   $5 \times 10$   $10 \times 20$   $20 \times 25$   
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875	9375		
1		0	2625	4375	7125	
2			0	750	2500	5375
3				0	1000	3500
4					0	5000
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0	2		
1			1	2	2	
2				2	2	2
3					3	4
4						4
5						

$$(A_2) \cdot (A_3 \cdot A_4 \cdot A_5) = 0 + 3500 + 15 \cdot 5 \cdot 25 = 5375$$

$$(A_2 \cdot A_3) \cdot (A_4 \cdot A_5) = 750 + 5000 + 15 \cdot 10 \cdot 25 = 9500$$

$$(A_2 \cdot A_3 \cdot A_4) \cdot (A_5) = 2500 + 0 + 15 \cdot 20 \cdot 25 = 10000$$



matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension: 30x35 35x15 15x5 5x10 10x20 20x25  
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875	9375	11875	
1		0	2625	4375	7125	
2			0	750	2500	5375
3				0	1000	3500
4					0	5000
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0	2	2	
1			1	2	2	
2				2	2	2
3					3	4
4						4
5						

$$(A_0) \cdot (A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3 \cdot A_4) = 0 + 7125 + 30 \cdot 35 \cdot 20 = 28125$$

$$(A_0 \cdot A_1) \cdot (A_2 \cdot A_3 \cdot A_4) = 15750 + 2500 + 30 \cdot 15 \cdot 20 = 27250$$

$$(A_0 \cdot A_1 \cdot A_2) \cdot (A_3 \cdot A_4) = 7875 + 1000 + 30 \cdot 5 \cdot 20 = 11875$$

$$(A_0 \cdot A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3) \cdot (A_4) = 9375 + 0 + 30 \cdot 10 \cdot 20 = 15375$$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension:  $30 \times 35$   $35 \times 15$   $15 \times 5$   $5 \times 10$   $10 \times 20$   $20 \times 25$   
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875	9375	11875	
1		0	2625	4375	7125	10500
2			0	750	2500	5375
3				0	1000	3500
4					0	5000
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0	2	2	
1			1	2	2	2
2				2	2	2
3					3	4
4						4
5						

$$\begin{aligned}
 (A_1) \cdot (A_2 \cdot A_3 \cdot A_4 \cdot A_5) &= 0 + 5375 + 35 \cdot 15 \cdot 25 = 18500 \\
 (A_1 \cdot A_2) \cdot (A_3 \cdot A_4 \cdot A_5) &= 2625 + 3500 + 35 \cdot 5 \cdot 25 = 10500 \\
 (A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3) \cdot (A_4 \cdot A_5) &= 4375 + 5000 + 35 \cdot 10 \cdot 25 = 18125 \\
 (A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3 \cdot A_4) \cdot (A_5) &= 7125 + 0 + 35 \cdot 20 \cdot 25 = 24625
 \end{aligned}$$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
dimension: 30x35 35x15 15x5 5x10 10x20 20x25  
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875	9375	11875	15125
1		0	2625	4375	7125	10500
2			0	750	2500	5375
3				0	1000	3500
4					0	5000
5						0

start  $i$

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0	2	2	2
1			1	2	2	2
2				2	2	2
3					3	4
4						4
5						

$$(A_0) \cdot (A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3 \cdot A_4 \cdot A_5) = 0 + 10500 + 30 \cdot 35 \cdot 25 = 36750$$

$$(A_0 \cdot A_1) \cdot (A_2 \cdot A_3 \cdot A_4 \cdot A_5) = 15750 + 5375 + 30 \cdot 15 \cdot 25 = 32375$$

$$(A_0 \cdot A_1 \cdot A_2) \cdot (A_3 \cdot A_4 \cdot A_5) = 7875 + 3500 + 30 \cdot 5 \cdot 25 = 15125$$

$$(A_0 \cdot A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3) \cdot (A_4 \cdot A_5) = 9375 + 5000 + 30 \cdot 10 \cdot 25 = 21875$$

$$(A_0 \cdot A_1 \cdot A_2 \cdot A_3 \cdot A_4) \cdot (A_5) = 11875 + 0 + 30 \cdot 20 \cdot 25 = 26875$$

matrix:  $A_0$   $A_1$   $A_2$   $A_3$   $A_4$   $A_5$   
 dimension:  $30 \times 35$   $35 \times 15$   $15 \times 5$   $5 \times 10$   $10 \times 20$   $20 \times 25$   
 $d_0$   $d_1$   $d_2$   $d_3$   $d_4$   $d_5$   $d_6$

end  $j$

start  $i$

N	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0	15750	7875	9375	11875	15125
1		0	2625	4375	7125	10500
2			0	750	2500	5375
3				0	1000	3500
4					0	5000
5						0

k	0	1	2	3	4	5
0		0	0	2	2	2
1			1	2	2	2
2				2	2	2
3					3	4
4						4
5						

optimal order in which the following matrices should be multiplied:

$$[(A_0) \cdot (A_1 \cdot A_2)] \cdot [(A_3 \cdot A_4) \cdot (A_5)]$$

# General

## Dynamic Programming Technique

Applies to an optimization problem that at first seems to require a lot of time (possibly exponential), provided we have:

- **Simple subproblems:** the subproblems can be defined in terms of a few variables, such as  $j$ ,  $k$ ,  $l$ ,  $m$ , and so on.
- **Subproblem overlap:** the subproblems are not independent, but instead they overlap (hence, should be constructed bottom-up).
- **Subproblem optimality:** the global optimum value can be defined in terms of optimal subproblems

# 0/1 Knapsack Problem



Given: A set  $S$  of  $n$  items, with each item  $i$  having

- $w_i$  - a positive weight
- $b_i$  - a positive benefit

Goal: Choose items with maximum total benefit but with weight at most  $W$ .

If we are **not** allowed to take fractional amounts, then this is the **0/1 knapsack problem**.

- In this case, we let  $T$  denote the set of items we take
- Objective: maximize
- Constraint:

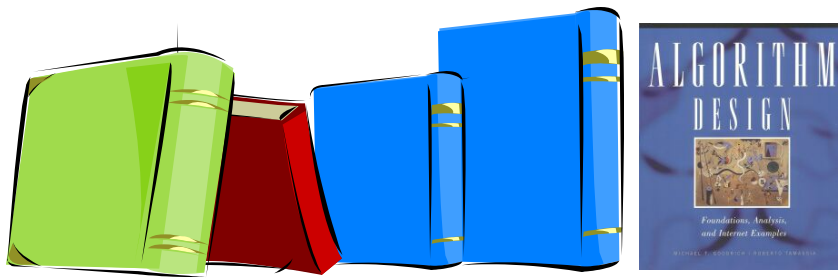
$$\sum_{i \in T} b_i$$

$$\sum_{i \in T} w_i \leq W$$

# Example

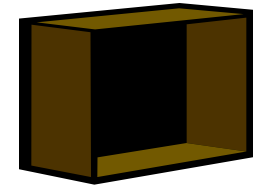
- Given: A set  $S$  of  $n$  items, with each item  $i$  having
  - $b_i$  - a positive “benefit”
  - $w_i$  - a positive “weight”
- Goal: Choose items with maximum total benefit but with weight at most  $W$ .

Items:



	1	2	3	4	5
Weight:	4 in	2 in	2 in	6 in	2 in
Benefit:	\$20	\$3	\$6	\$25	\$80

“knapsack”



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Solution:

- item 5 (\$80, 2 in)
- item 3 (\$6, 2in)
- item 1 (\$20, 4in)

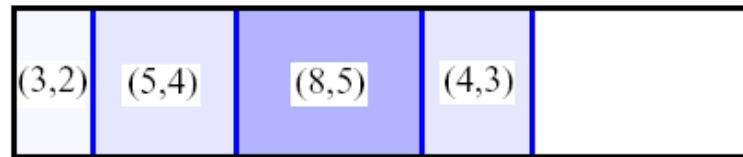
# A 0/1 Knapsack Algorithm: First Attempt



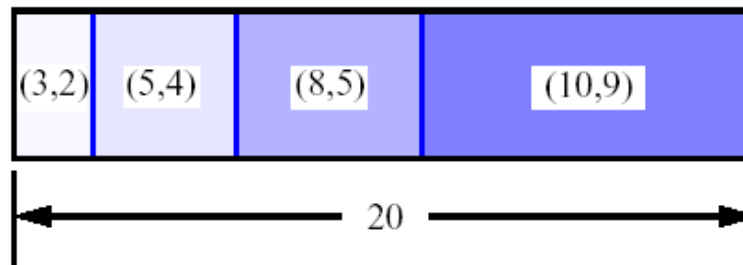
$S_k$ : Set of items numbered 1 to  $k$ .

- Idea: Define  $B[k]$  = best selection from  $S_k$ .
- Problem: does **not** have subproblem optimality.
  - Consider set  $S = \{(3,2), (5,4), (8,5), (4,3), (10,9)\}$  of (benefit, weight) pairs and total weight  $W = 20$

Best for  $S_4$ :



Best for  $S_5$ :





# A 0/1 Knapsack Algorithm: Second Attempt



$S_k$ : Set of items numbered 1 to  $k$ .

- Idea: Define  $B[k, w]$  to be the best selection from  $S_k$  with weight at most  $w$
- Good news: this does have subproblem optimality.

$$B[k, w] = \begin{cases} B[k-1, w] & \text{if } w_k > w \\ \max \{B[k-1, w], B[k-1, w - w_k] + b_k\} & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

That is, the best subset of  $S_k$  with weight at most  $w$  is either

- the best subset of  $S_{k-1}$  with weight at most  $w$  or
- the best subset of  $S_{k-1}$  with weight at most  $w - w_k$  plus item  $k$

# 0/1 Knapsack Algorithm



$$B[k, w] = \begin{cases} B[k-1, w] & \text{if } w_k > w \\ \max \{B[k-1, w], B[k-1, w-w_k] + b_k\} & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

- Recall the definition of  $B[k, w]$
- Since  $B[k, w]$  is defined in terms of  $B[k-1, *]$ , we can use two arrays of instead of a matrix
- Running time:  $O(nW)$ .
- Not a polynomial-time algorithm since  $W$  may be large
- This is a pseudo-polynomial time algorithm

**Algorithm *01Knapsack*( $S, W$ ):**

**Input:** set  $S$  of  $n$  items with benefit  $b_i$  and weight  $w_i$ ; maximum weight  $W$

**Output:** benefit of best subset of  $S$  with weight at most  $W$

let  $A$  and  $B$  be arrays of length  $W + 1$

for  $w \leftarrow 0$  to  $W$  do

$B[w] \leftarrow 0$

for  $k \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do

    copy array  $B$  into array  $A$

    for  $w \leftarrow w_k$  to  $W$  do

        if  $A[w-w_k] + b_k > A[w]$  then

$B[w] \leftarrow A[w-w_k] + b_k$

return  $B[W]$