

# CS 381 – FALL 2019

**Week 6.3, Friday, Sept 27**

Tentative Date for Final Exam: Thursday, December 12  
(7-9PM STEW 130)

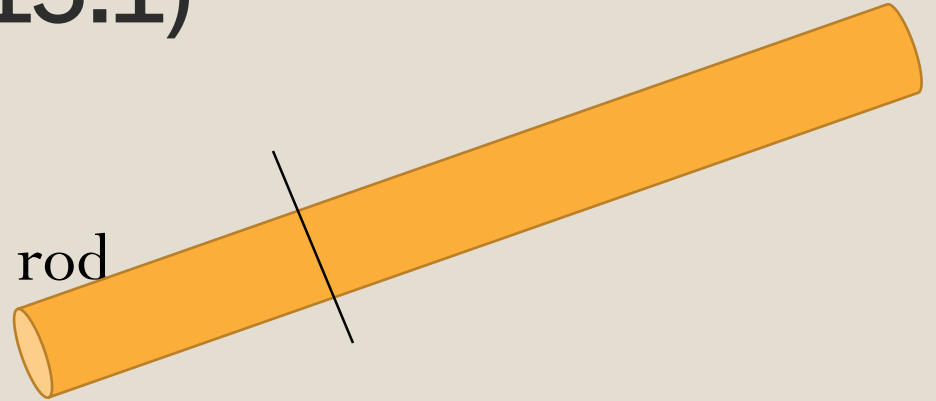
# Announcements

- ▣ No PSOs this week (due to Midterm)
  - PSOs resume next week (as normal)
- ▣ Midterm grading in progress...



# Rod Cutting Problem (15.1)

- Input is
  - $n$ , the length of a steel rod
  - an array  $\mathbf{p}$  of size  $n$



The rod is cut into shorter rods.

- A rod of length  $k$  is sold for profit  $p[k]$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq n$ .

**Cut the rod into pieces that maximize the total profit**

- No cuts can be undone
- Making a cut is “free”

# Example

$$n=5$$

	1	2	3	4	5
p	3	5	10	12	14

Making no cut has a profit of 14

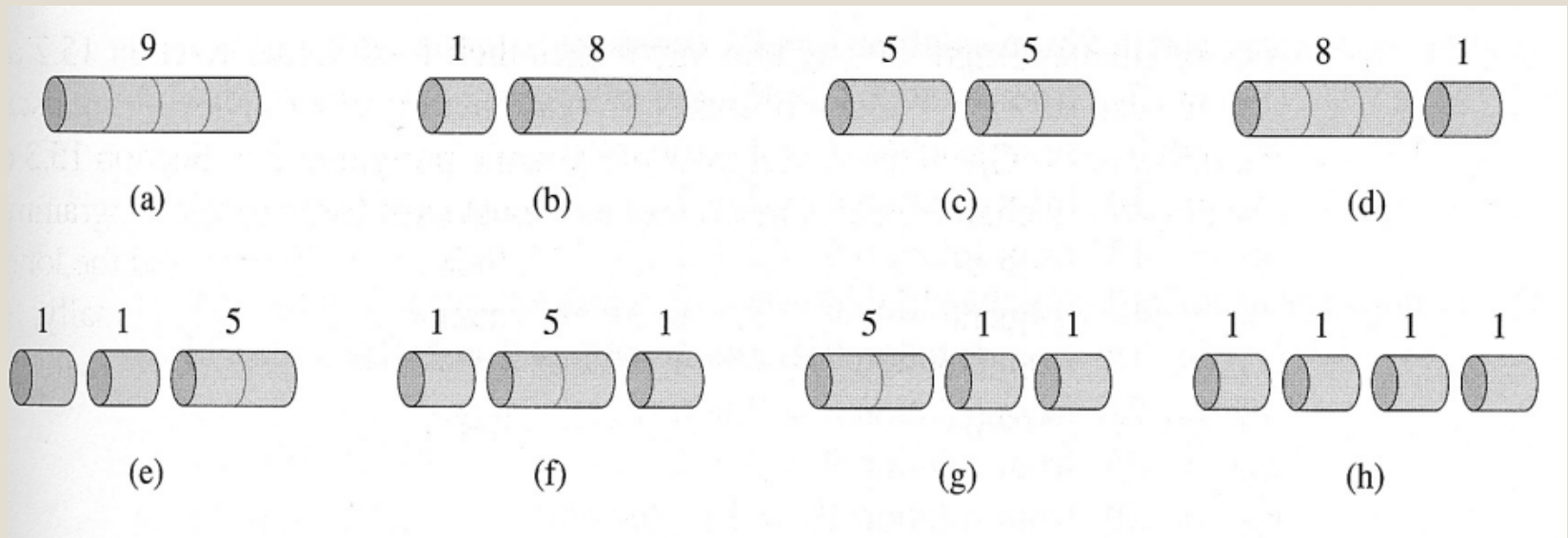
Making one cut creating pieces of length 1 and 4

- profit of  $3 + 13 = 15$

Profit of 16 is possible (two length 1 pieces + one length 3)

- profit of  $p(1)+p(1)+p(3)=3+3+10 = 16$

There are  $2^{n-1}$  ways to cut a rod of length  $n$ .



$$n = 4$$

$$p = [1, 5, 8, 9]$$

# Can we use DP?

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**Goal: Characterize optimal solution in terms of solution(s) to smaller sub-problems**

- DP computes the optimal solution to many optimal subproblems
  - Computed results are stored in a table (entries are never recomputed)
  - A DP algorithm does not know which subsolutions will be used in the optimum solution

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## **How about overlapping subproblems?**



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- E.g., ( $p[n]=2n, p[i] = i$  for all  $i < n$ )
- C.  $\text{Opt}(n) = \max \{p[n], p[1] + \text{Opt}(n-1), p[2] + \text{Opt}(n-2)\}$
- E.g., ( $p[1]=p[2]=1, p[3] = \dots = p[n]=5$ )
- D.  $\text{Opt}(n) \geq p[1] + \text{Opt}(n-1)$**
- **Equality holds if optimal solution includes rod of unit length**
- E. None of the claims are necessarily true!

# How to use DP?

- If we make an optimal cut creating a piece of length  $k$  and one of length  $n-k$ , both pieces are cut in a optimal way.
- Let  $\text{opt}(n)$  be the profit of an optimal solution for a rod of length  $n$ . Then,

$$\text{opt}(n) = \max \{p[n], \text{opt}(1)+\text{opt}(n-1), \\ \text{opt}(2)+\text{opt}(n-2), \\ \dots \\ \text{opt}(n-2)+\text{opt}(2), \\ \text{opt}(n-1)+\text{opt}(1)\}$$

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If a piece of length  $i$  is the leftmost piece cut from the rod, it generates a profit of  $p[i]$ .

The remaining rod of length  $n-i$  is cut in an optimal way maximizing the profit.

New recurrence:

$$\text{opt}(j) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq j} \{p[i] + \text{opt}(j-i)\} \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$r(j) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq j} \{p[i] + r(j-i)\}$  for  $1 \leq j \leq n$  (r stands for opt)

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opt (r)

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How to record where the cuts are made?

Use an array to record which index  $k$  resulted in the maximum for  $\text{opt}(j)$

- Needs some adjusting of indices to generate cut positions

EXTENDED-BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD( $p, n$ )

let  $r[0..n]$  and  $s[0..n]$  be new arrays

$r[0] = 0$

**for**  $j = 1$  **to**  $n$

$q = -\infty$

**for**  $i = 1$  **to**  $j$

**if**  $q < p[i] + r[j - i]$

$q = p[i] + r[j - i]$

$s[j] = i$

$r[j] = q$

**return**  $r$  and  $s$

PRINT-CUT-ROD-SOLUTION( $p, n$ )

$(r, s) = \text{EXTENDED-BOTTOM-UP-CUT-ROD}(p, n)$

**while**  $n > 0$

    print  $s[n]$

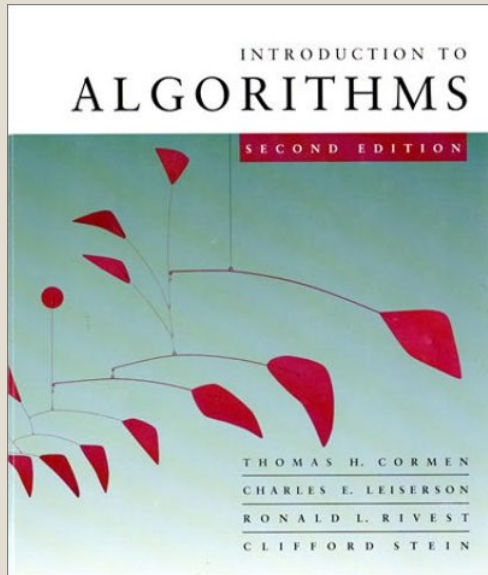
$n = n - s[n]$

# Dynamic Programming Problems

- 1) Non-Adjacent Selection
- 2) Rod Cutting
- 3) Weighted Selection
- 4) Longest Common Subsequence
- 5) Sequence Alignment
- 6) Matrix Chain Multiplication
- 7) 0/1 Knapsack
- 8) Coins in a Line

## Steps taken when designing a DP algorithm

1. Characterize the structure of an optimal solution
- 2. Recursively define the value of an optimal solution in terms of optimum subsolutions**
3. Compute the subsolution entries (never re-compute).
4. Construct an optimal solution from the computed entries and other information.



## Dynamic Programming

- Longest Common Subsequence
- Optimal substructure
- Overlapping subproblems
- Sequence alignment (Edit Dist.)

Based on slides by Erik D. Demaine, Charles E.  
Leiserson and Kevin Wayne

## Problem 4: *Longest Common Subsequence (LCS)*

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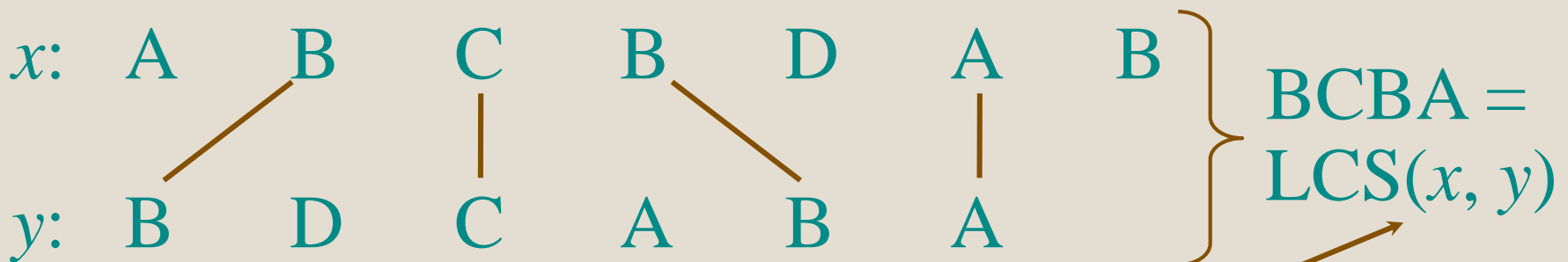


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## Analysis

- Checking =  $O(n)$  time per subsequence.
- $2^m$  subsequences of  $x$  (each bit-vector of length  $m$  determines a distinct subsequence of  $x$ ).

Worst-case running time =  $O(n2^m)$   
= exponential time.

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**Strategy:** Consider *prefixes* of  $x$  and  $y$ .

- Define  $c[i, j] = |\text{LCS}(x[1 \dots i], y[1 \dots j])|$ .
- Then,  $c[m, n] = |\text{LCS}(x, y)|$ .

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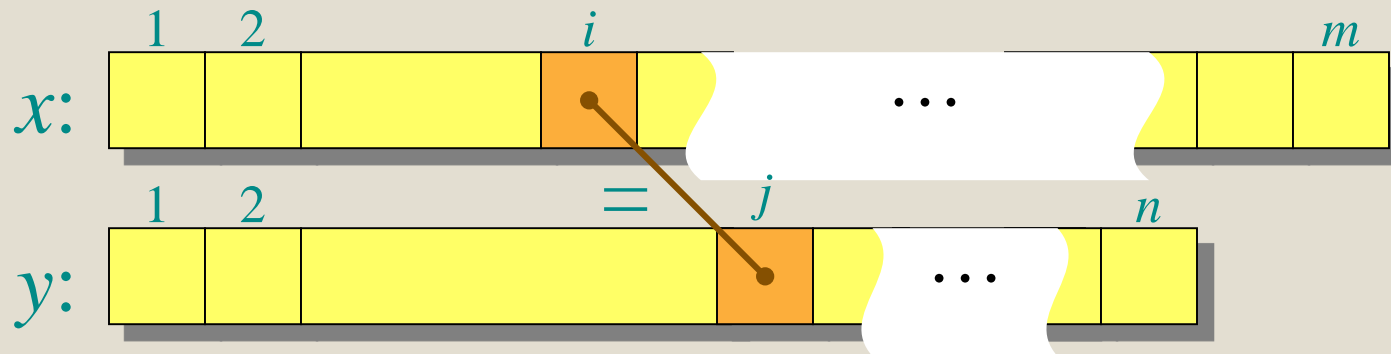
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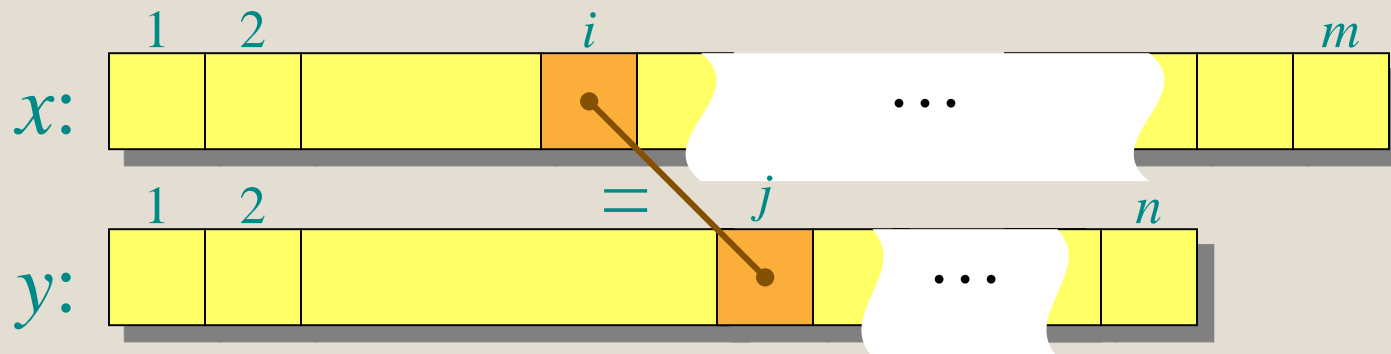


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Let  $z[1 \dots k] = \text{LCS}(x[1 \dots i], y[1 \dots j])$ , where  $c[i, j] = k$ . Then,  $z[k] = x[i]$ , or else  $z$  could be extended. Thus,  $z[1 \dots k-1]$  is CS of  $x[1 \dots i-1]$  and  $y[1 \dots j-1]$ .

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Thus,  $c[i-1, j-1] = k-1$ , which implies that  $c[i, j] = c[i-1, j-1] + 1$ .

Other cases are similar. 

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