

CS 3100

Data Structures and Algorithms 2

Lecture 17: Matrix Chaining, Seam Carving

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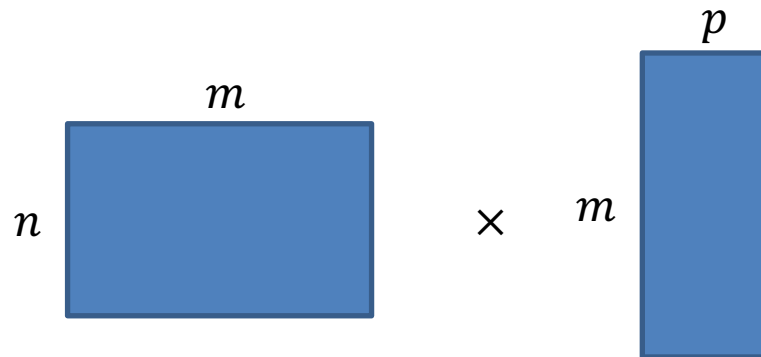
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Readings in CLRS 4th edition:

- Chapter 14

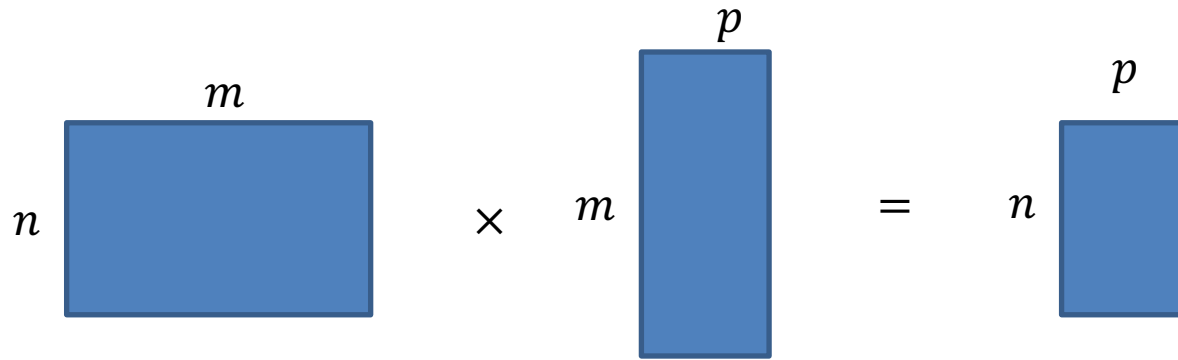
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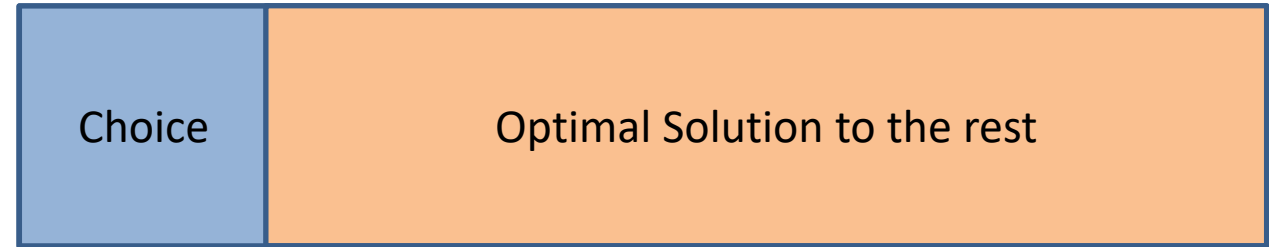
- m multiplications and $m - 1$ additions per element
- $n \cdot p$ elements to compute
- Total cost: $O(m \cdot n \cdot p)$

Announcements

- PS7 due tomorrow
- PA4 now available!
- Office hours
 - Prof Hott Office Hours: Mondays 11a-12p, Fridays 10-11a and 2-3p
 - Prof Pettit Office Hours: Mondays and Fridays 2:30-4:00p
 - TA office hours posted on our website
 - Office hours are not for "checking solutions"

Greedy Algorithms

Optimal Solution to big problem



- Require two things:
 - Optimal Substructure
 - Greedy Choice Function
- Optimal Substructure:
 - If A is an optimal solution to a problem, then the components of A are optimal solutions to subproblems
- Greedy Choice Function
 - The rule for how to choose an item guaranteed be in the optimal solution
- Greedy Algorithm Procedure:
 - Apply the Greedy Choice Function to pick an item
 - Identify your subproblem, then solve it

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Generic Divide and Conquer Solution

```
def myDCalgo(problem):  
  
    if baseCase(problem):  
        solution = solve(problem)  
  
        return solution  
    for subproblem of problem: # After dividing  
        subsolutions.append(myDCalgo(subproblem))  
    solution = Combine(subsolutions)  
  
    return solution
```

Generic Top-Down Dynamic Programming Soln

```
mem = {}  
def myDPalgo(problem):  
    if mem[problem] not blank:  
        return mem[problem]  
    if baseCase(problem):  
        solution = solve(problem)  
        mem[problem] = solution  
        return solution  
    for subproblem of problem:  
        subsolutions.append(myDPalgo(subproblem))  
    solution = OptimalSubstructure(solutions)  
    mem[problem] = solution  
    return solution
```


Log Cutting

Given a log of length n

A list (of length n) of prices P ($P[i]$ is the price of a cut of size i)

Find the best way to cut the log

Price:	1	5	8	9	10	17	17	20	24	30
Length:	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10



Select a list of lengths ℓ_1, \dots, ℓ_k such that:

$$\sum \ell_i = n$$

to maximize $\sum P[\ell_i]$

Brute Force: $O(2^n)$

Greedy Algorithm

- **Greedy algorithms** build a solution by picking the best option “right now”
 - Select the most profitable cut first

Price:

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Length: 1 2 3 4 5 6



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Profit: 51

Better: Lengths: 2, 4
Profit: 54

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 - Select the “most bang for your buck”
 - (best price / length ratio)

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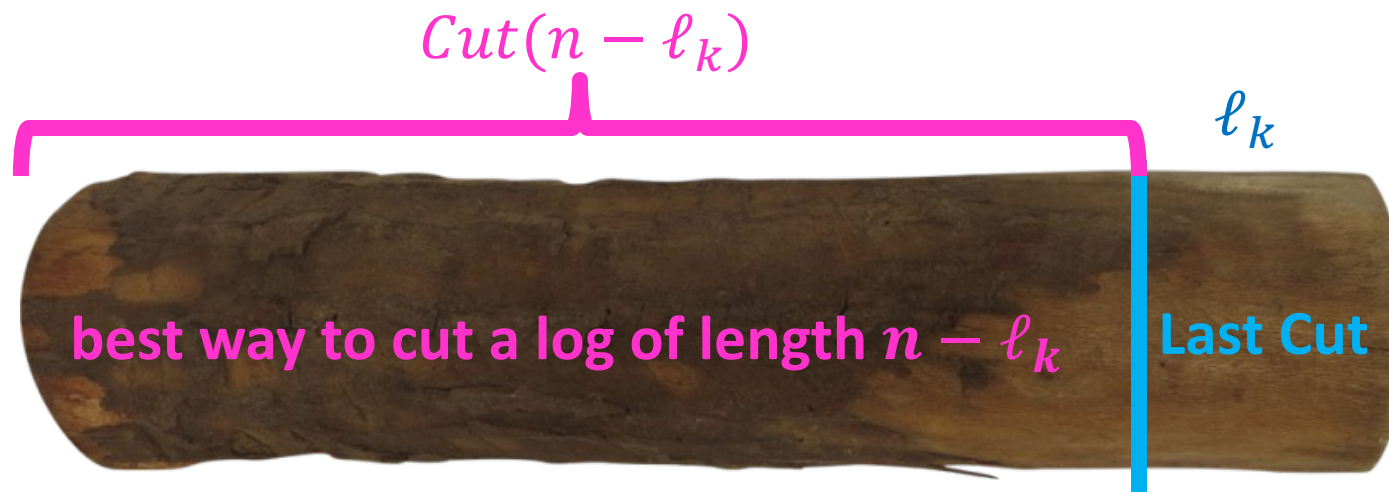
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$P[i]$ = value of a cut of length i

$Cut(n)$ = value of best way to cut a log of length n

$$Cut(n) = \max \begin{cases} Cut(n-1) + P[1] \\ Cut(n-2) + P[2] \\ \dots \\ Cut(0) + P[n] \end{cases}$$

2. Save sub-solutions to memory!



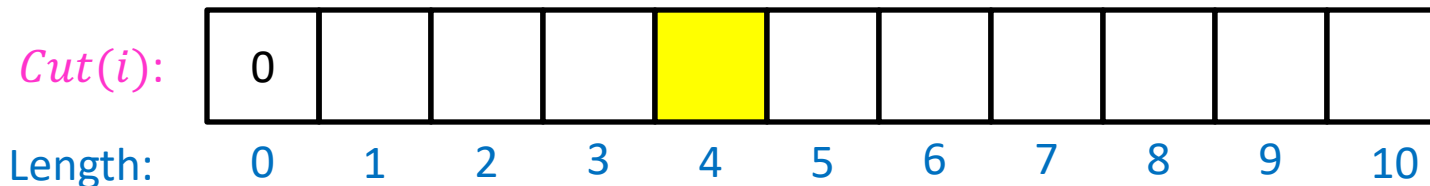
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3. Select a Good Order for Solving Subproblems

Solve Smallest subproblem first

$$Cut(4) = \max \begin{cases} Cut(3) + P[1] \\ Cut(2) + P[2] \\ Cut(1) + P[3] \\ Cut(0) + P[4] \end{cases}$$



Log Cutting Pseudocode

Initialize Memory C

Cut(n):

 C[0] = 0

 for i=1 to n: // log size

 best = 0

 for j = 1 to i: // last cut

 best = max(best, C[i-j] + P[j])

 C[i] = best

 return C[n]

Run Time: $O(n^2)$

How to find the cuts?

- This procedure told us the profit, but not the cuts themselves
- Idea: **remember** the choice that you made, then **backtrack**

Remember the choice made

Initialize Memory C, Choices

Cut(n):

$C[0] = 0$

for $i=1$ to n :

$best = 0$

 for $j = 1$ to i :

 if $best < C[i-j] + P[j]$:

$best = C[i-j] + P[j]$

 Choices[i]=j

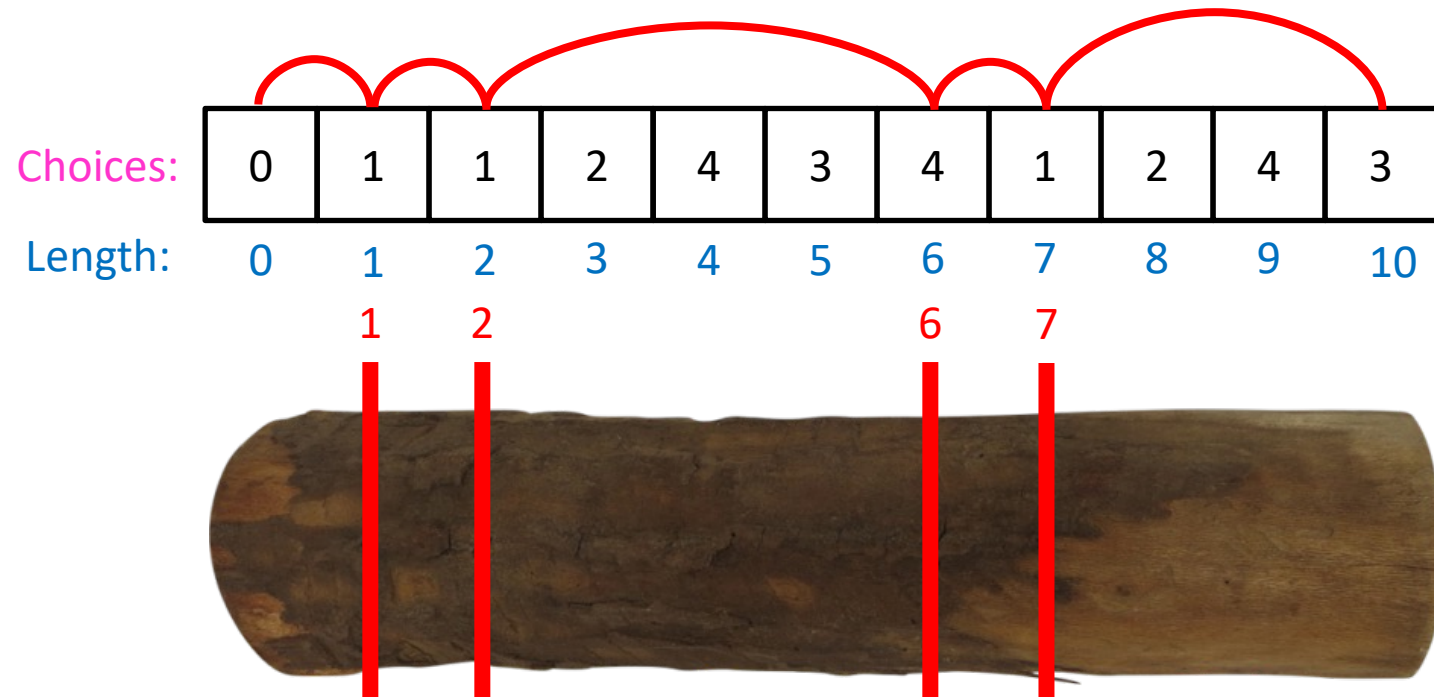
Gives the size
of the last cut

$C[i] = best$

return $C[n]$

Reconstruct the Cuts

- Backtrack through the choices



Example to demo Choices[] only. Profit of 20 is not optimal!

Backtracking Pseudocode

```
i = n
```

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while i > 0:
```

```
    print Choices[i]
```

```
    i = i - Choices[i]
```

Our Example: Getting Optimal Solution

i	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
C[i]	0	1	5	8	10	13	17	18	22	25	30
Choice[i]	0	1	2	3	2	2	6	1	2	3	10

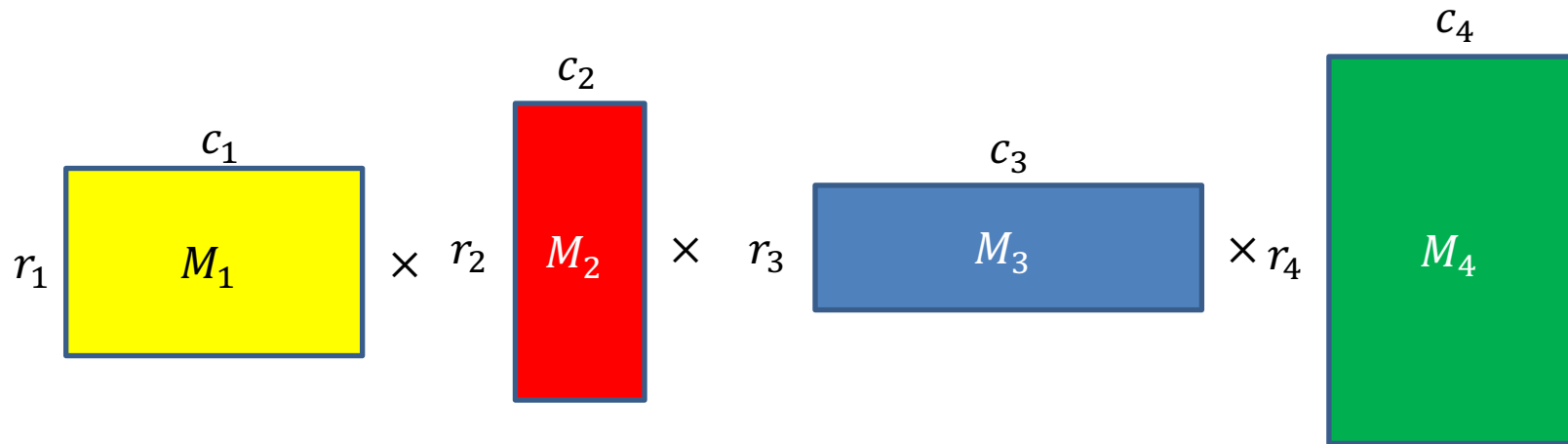
- If n were 5
 - Best score is 13
 - Cut Choice[n]=2, then cut
Choice[n-Choice[n]]= Choice[5-2]= Choice[3]=3
- If n were 7
 - Best score is 18
 - Cut 1, then cut 6

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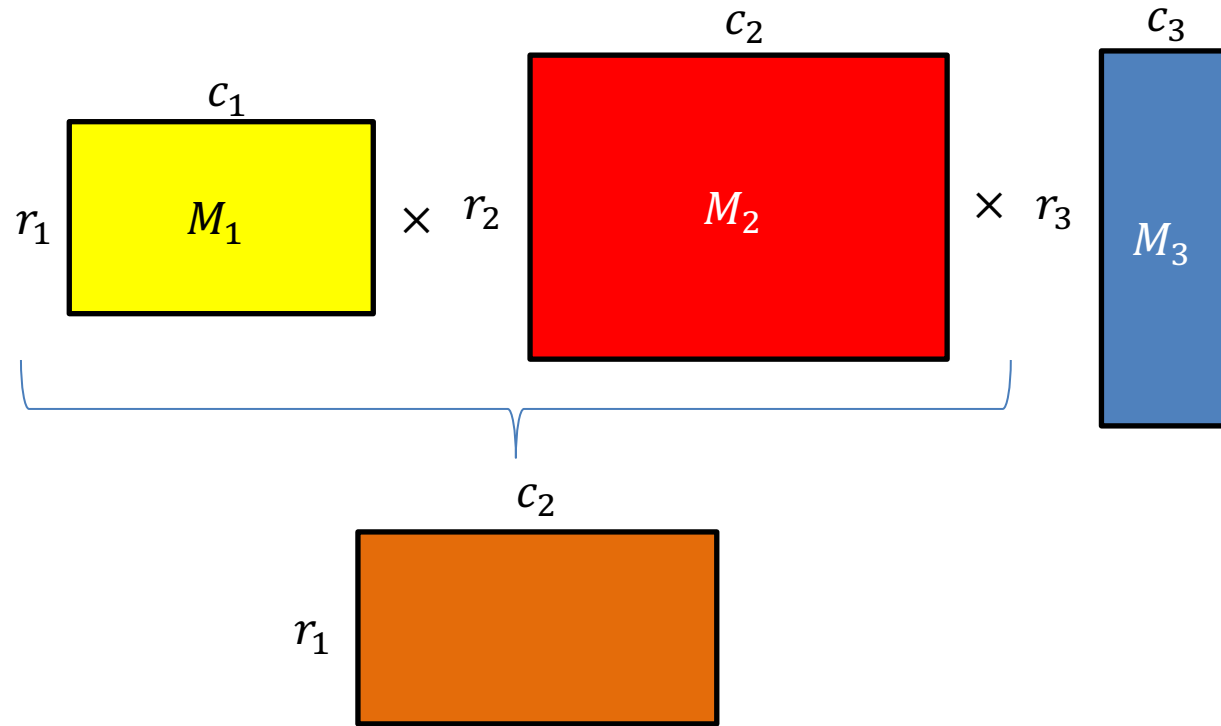
- Given a sequence of Matrices (M_1, \dots, M_n) , what is the most efficient way to multiply them?



Order Matters!

$$c_1 = r_2$$

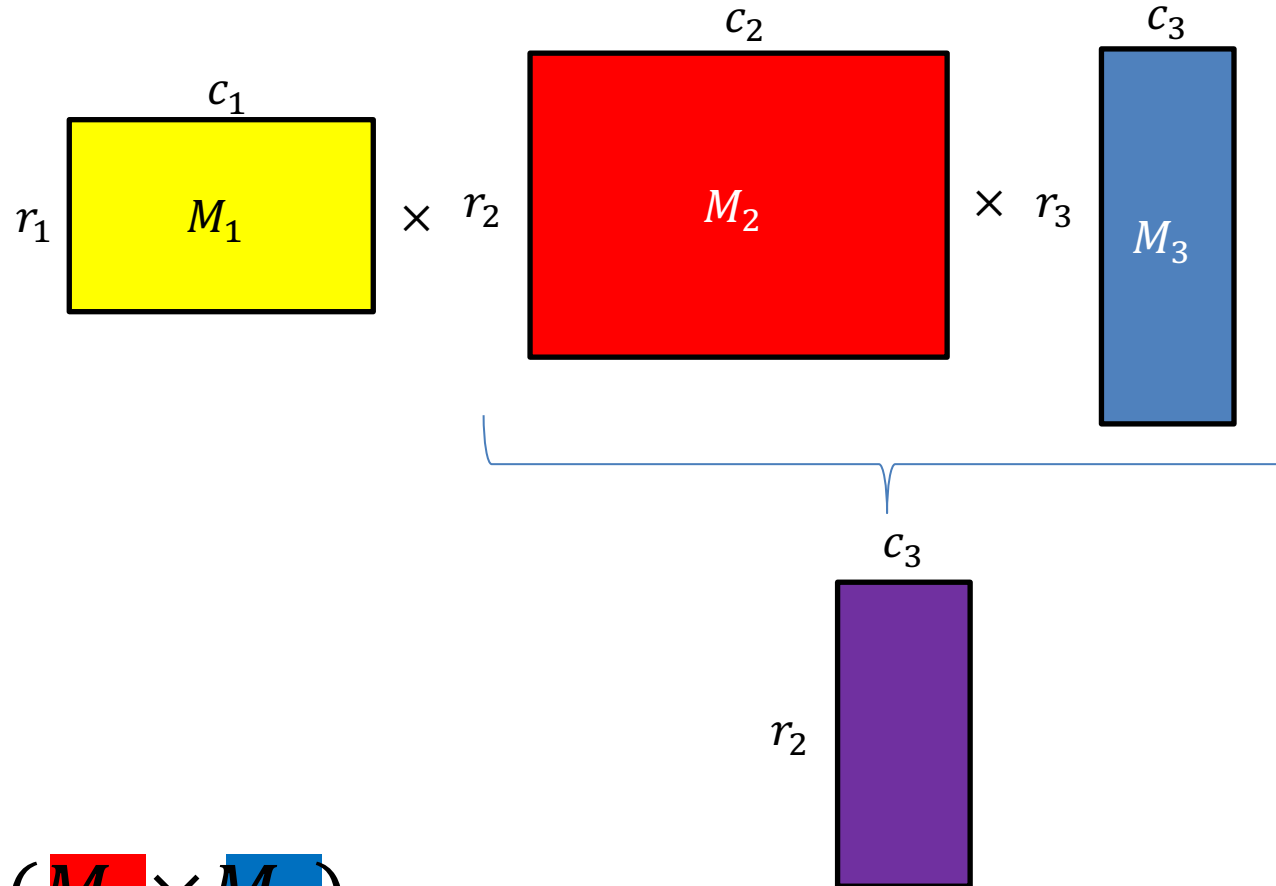
$$c_2 = r_3$$



- $(M_1 \times M_2) \times M_3$
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- $(10 \cdot 7 \cdot 20) + 20 \cdot 7 \cdot 8 = 2520$

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- uses $c_1 \cdot r_1 \cdot c_3 + (c_2 \cdot r_2 \cdot c_3)$ multiplications

- $10 \cdot 7 \cdot 8 + (20 \cdot 10 \cdot 8) = 2160$

$$M_1 = 7 \times 10$$
$$M_2 = 10 \times 20$$
$$M_3 = 20 \times 8$$

$$c_1 = 10$$

$$c_2 = 20$$

$$c_3 = 8$$

$$r_1 = 7$$

$$r_2 = 10$$

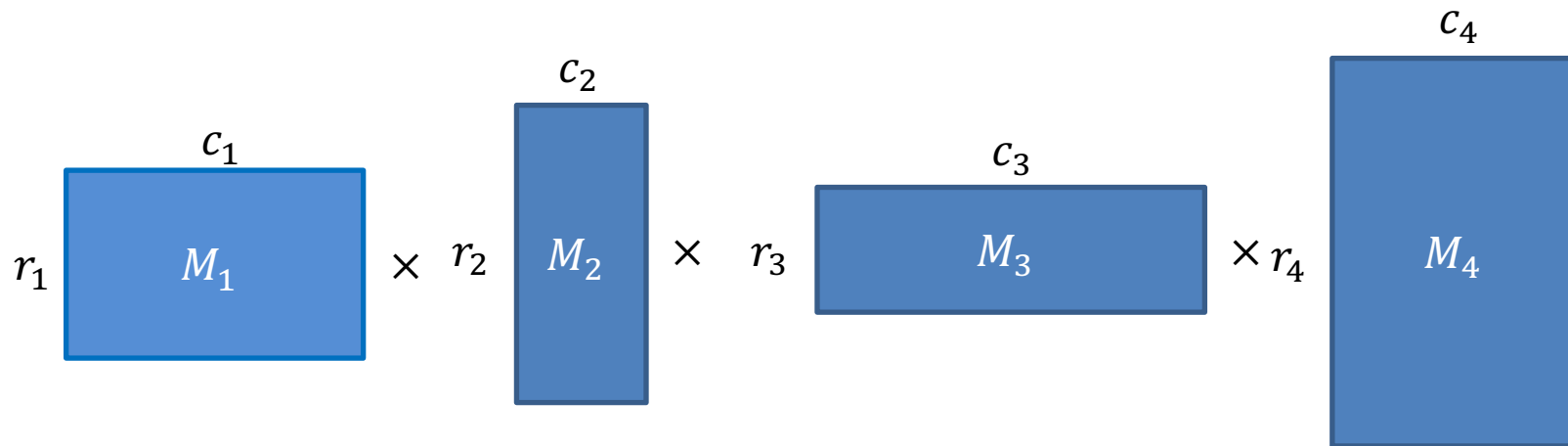
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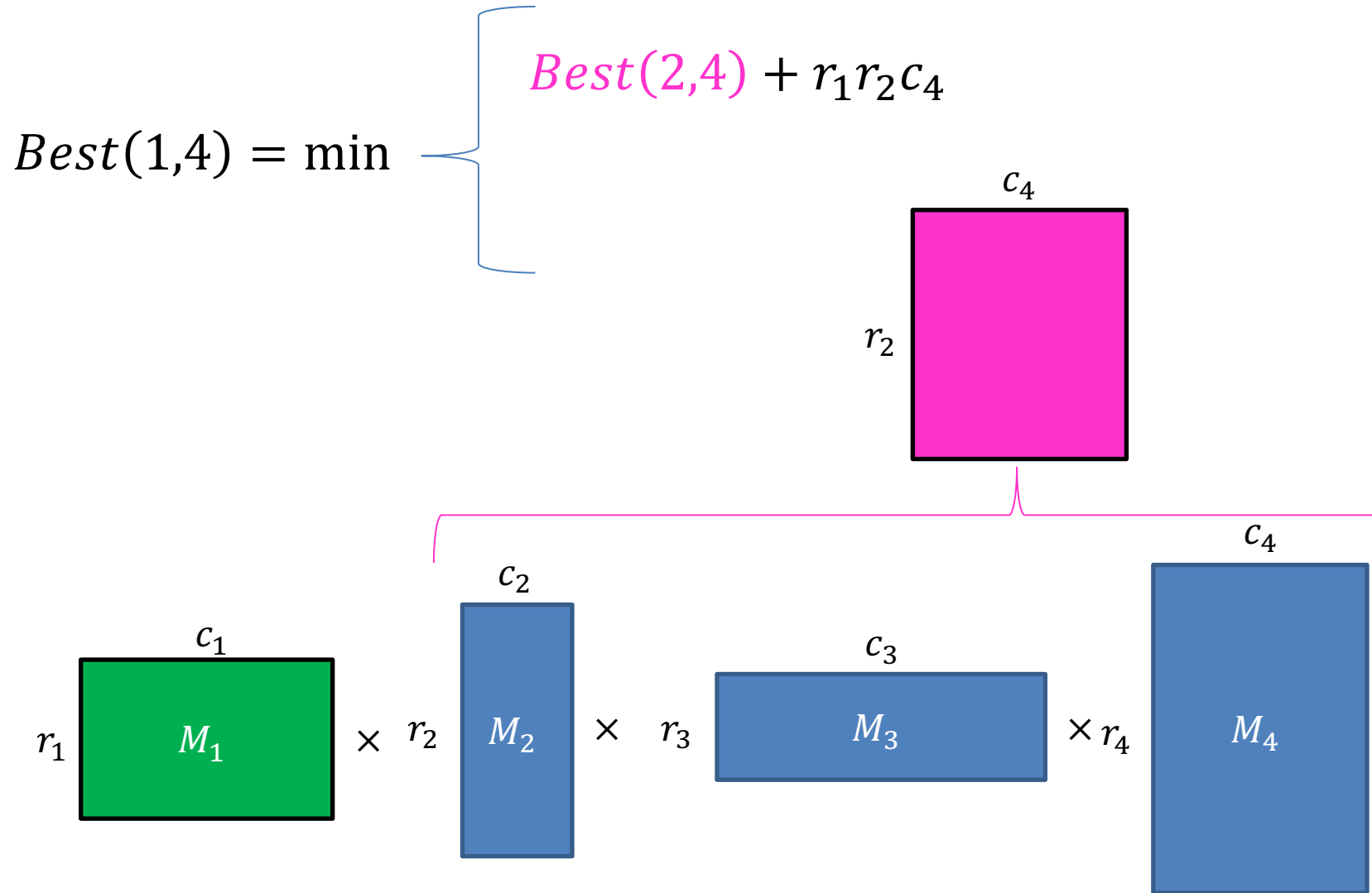
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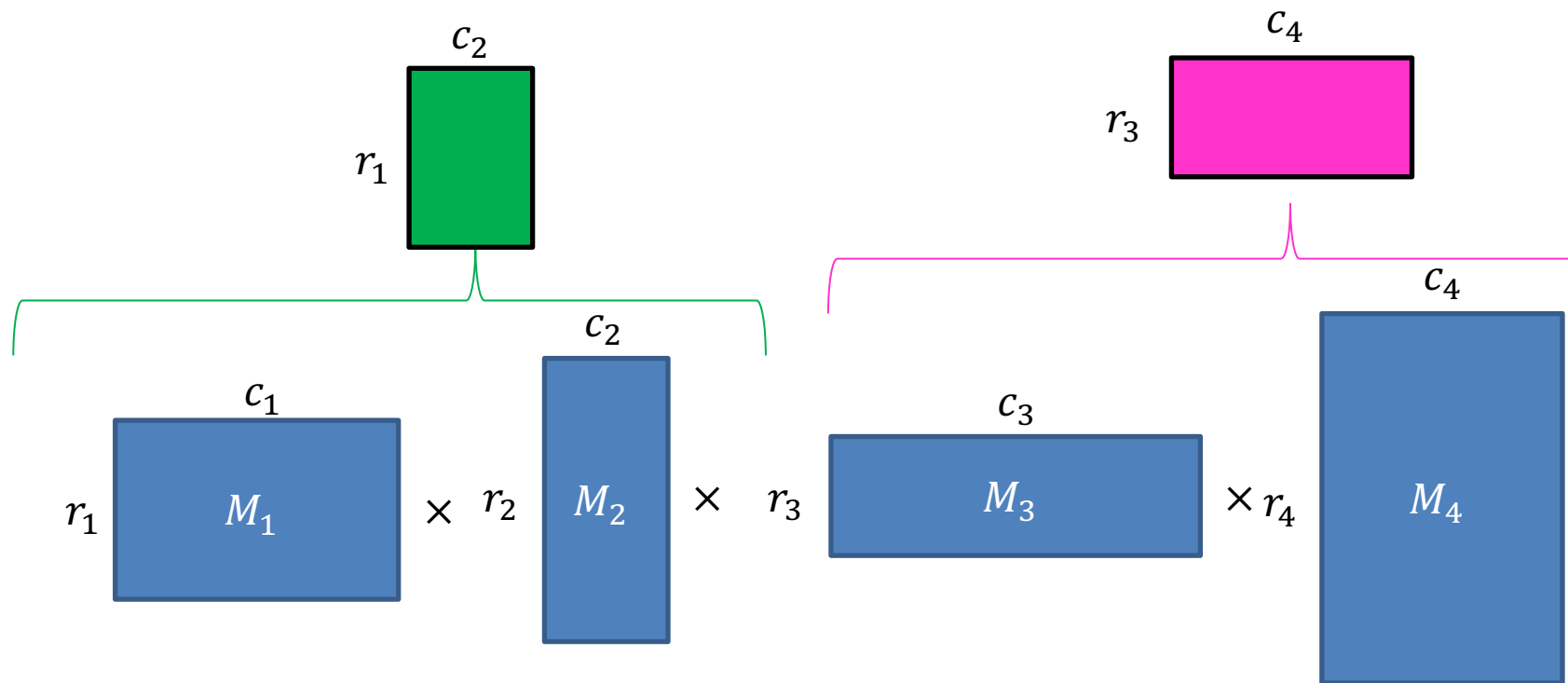
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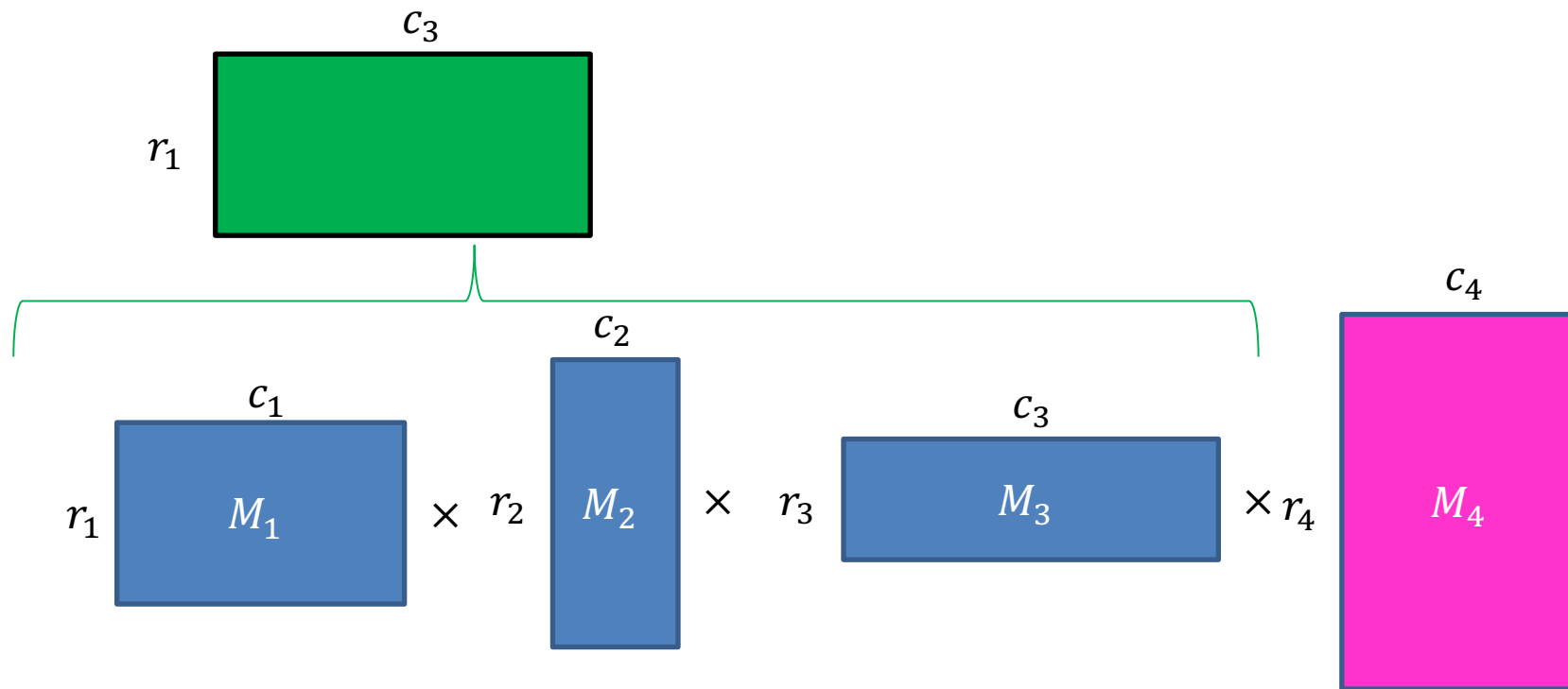
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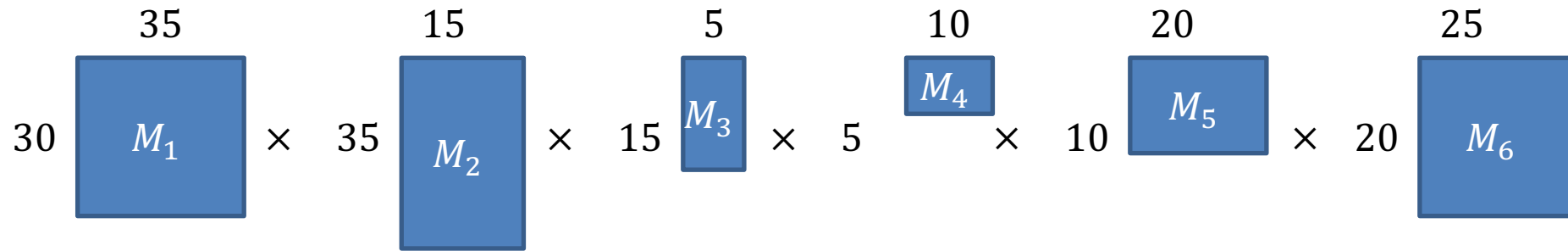
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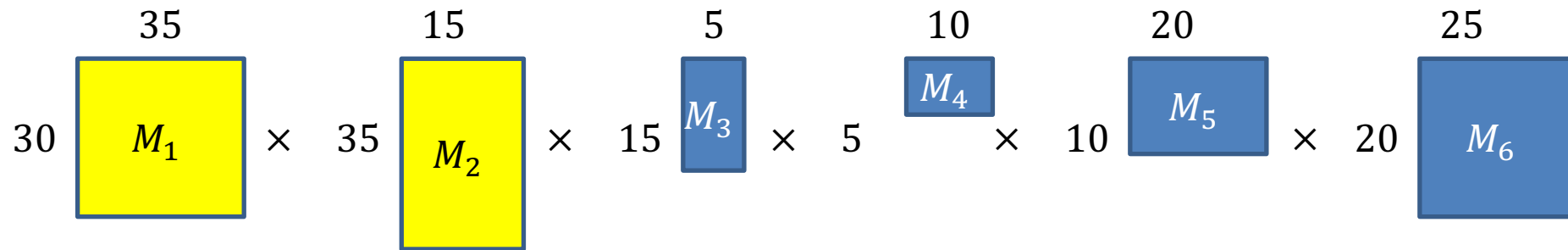


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	$j = 1$	2	3	4	5	6	$i =$
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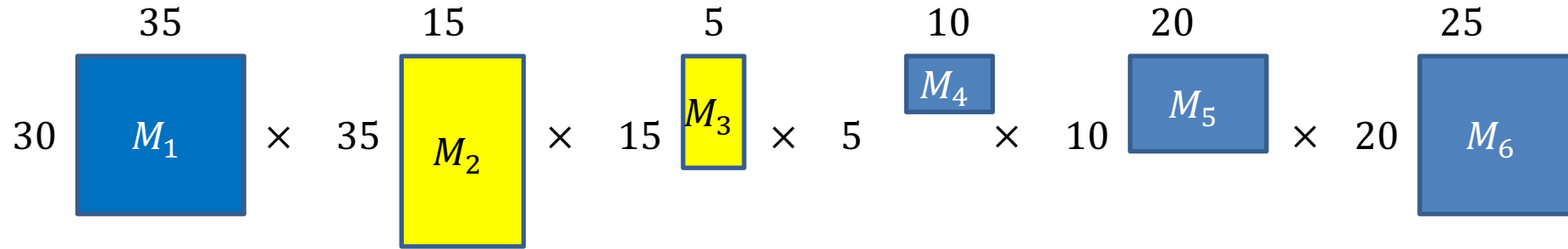
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$j =$	1	2	3	4	5	6	$= i$
	0	15750					1
		0					2
			0				3
				0			4
					0		5
						0	6

$$Best(1, 2) = \min \left\{ Best(1, 1) + Best(2, 2) + r_1 r_2 c_2 \right\}$$

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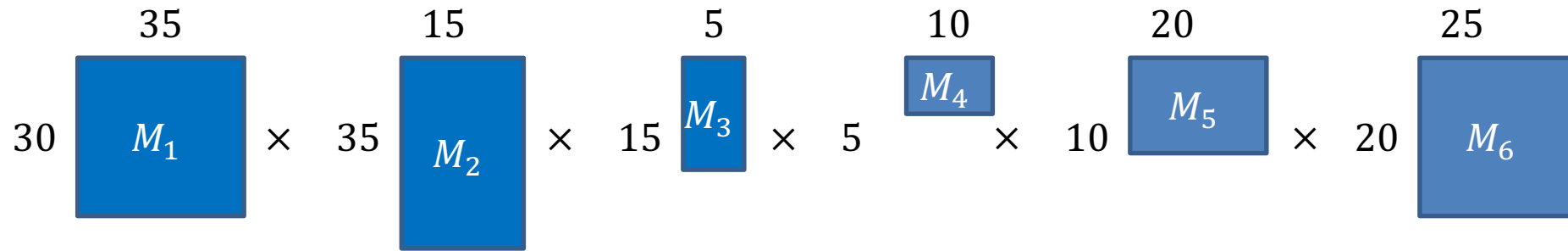
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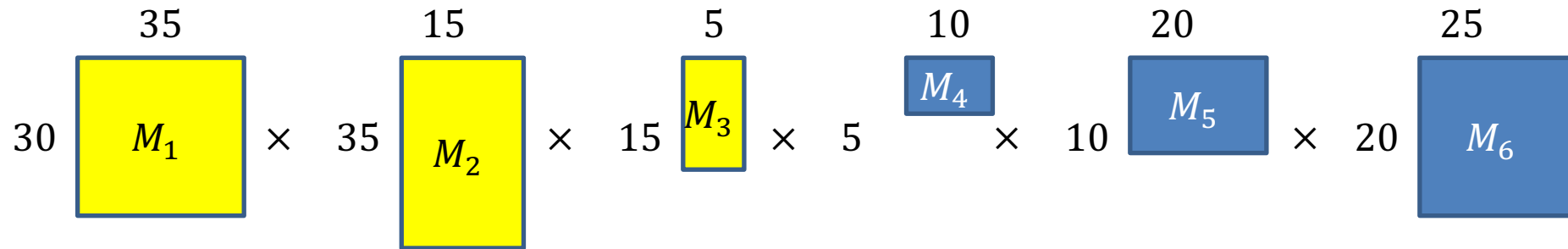


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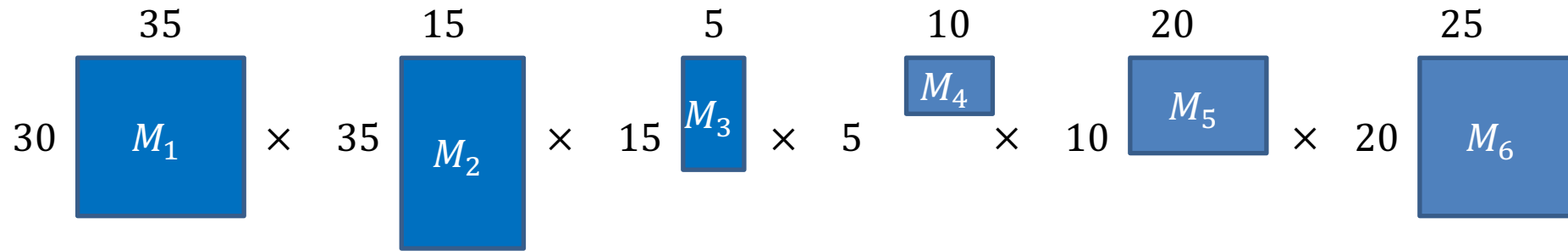
$$r_1 r_2 c_3 = 30 \cdot 35 \cdot 5 = 5250$$

$$r_1 r_3 c_3 = 30 \cdot 15 \cdot 5 = 2250$$

$$Best(1,3) = \min \begin{cases} 0 & 2625 \\ Best(1,1) + Best(2,3) + r_1 r_2 c_3 \\ Best(1,2) + Best(3,3) + r_1 r_3 c_3 \\ 15750 & 0 \end{cases}$$

$j =$	1	2	3	4	5	6	$= i$
	0	15750	7875				1
		0	2625				2
			0	750			3
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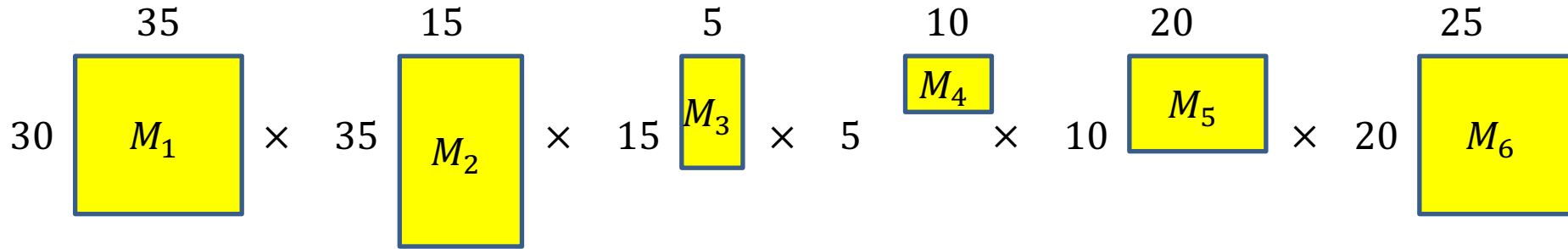
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To find $Best(i, j)$: Need all preceding terms of row i and column j

Conclusion: solve in order of diagonal

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$Best(1,6) = \min$

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- $Best(1,4) + Best(5,6) + r_1 r_5 c_6$
- $Best(1,5) + Best(6,6) + r_1 r_6 c_6$

Run Time

1. Initialize $Best[i, i]$ to be all 0s $\Theta(n^2)$ cells in the Array
2. Starting at the main diagonal, working to the upper-right, fill in each cell using:

1. $Best[i, i] = 0$

$\Theta(n)$ options for each cell

2. $Best[i, j] = \min_{k=i}^{j-1} (Best(i, k) + Best(k + 1, j) + r_i r_{k+1} c_j)$

Each "call" to Best() is a $O(1)$ memory lookup

$\Theta(n^3)$ overall run time

Backtrack to find the best order

“remember” which choice of k was the minimum at each cell

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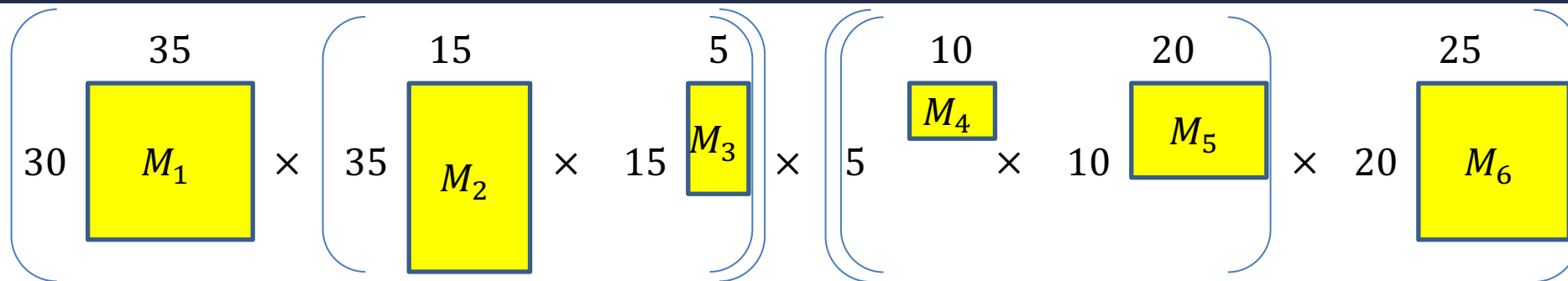
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- $Best(1, 4) + Best(5, 6) + r_1 r_5 c_6$
- $Best(1, 5) + Best(6, 6) + r_1 r_6 c_6$

Storing and Recovering Optimal Solution

- Maintain table **Choice**[i,j] in addition to **Best** table
 - **Choice**[i,j] = k means the best “split” was right after M_k
 - Work backwards from value for whole problem, **Choice**[1,n]
 - Note: **Choice**[i,i+1] = i because there are just 2 matrices
- From our example:
 - **Choice**[1,6] = 3. So $[M_1 M_2 M_3] [M_4 M_5 M_6]$
 - We then need **Choice**[1,3] = 1. So $[(M_1) (M_2 M_3)]$
 - Also need **Choice**[4,6] = 5. So $[(M_4 M_5) M_6]$
 - Overall: $[(M_1) (M_2 M_3)] [(M_4 M_5) M_6]$

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Movie Time!

In Season 9 Episode 7 “The Slicer” of the hit 90s TV show *Seinfeld*, George discovers that, years prior, he had a heated argument with his new boss, Mr. Kruger. This argument ended in George throwing Mr. Kruger’s boombox into the ocean. How did George make this discovery?





Seam Carving

- Method for image resizing that doesn't scale/crop the image

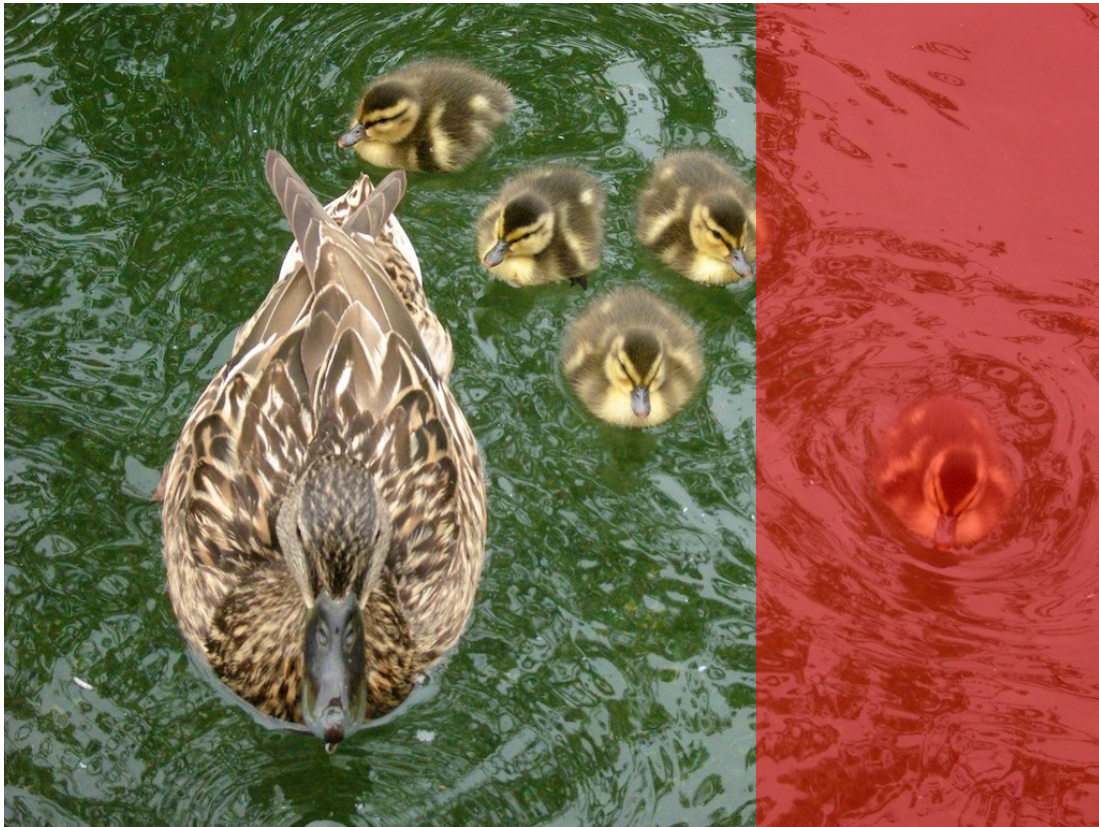
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Cropping

- Removes a “block” of pixels

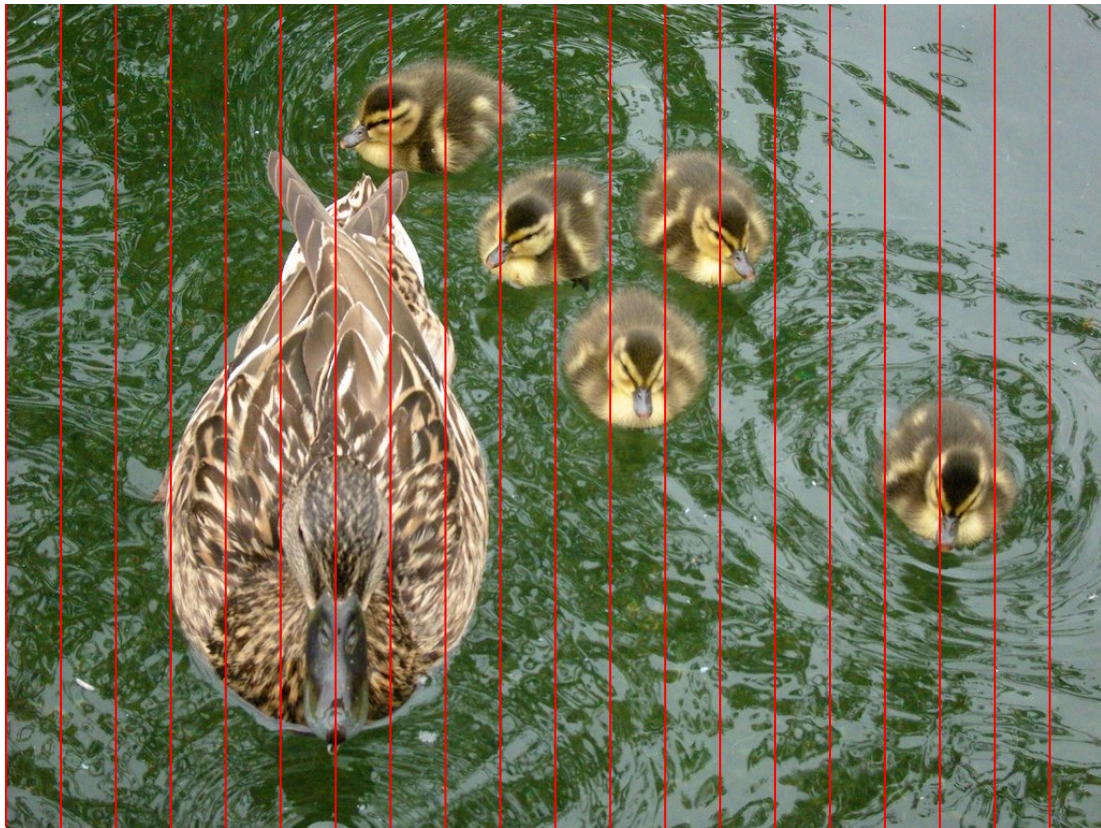


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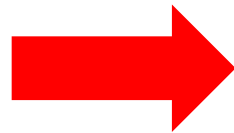


Scaling

- Removes “stripes” of pixels

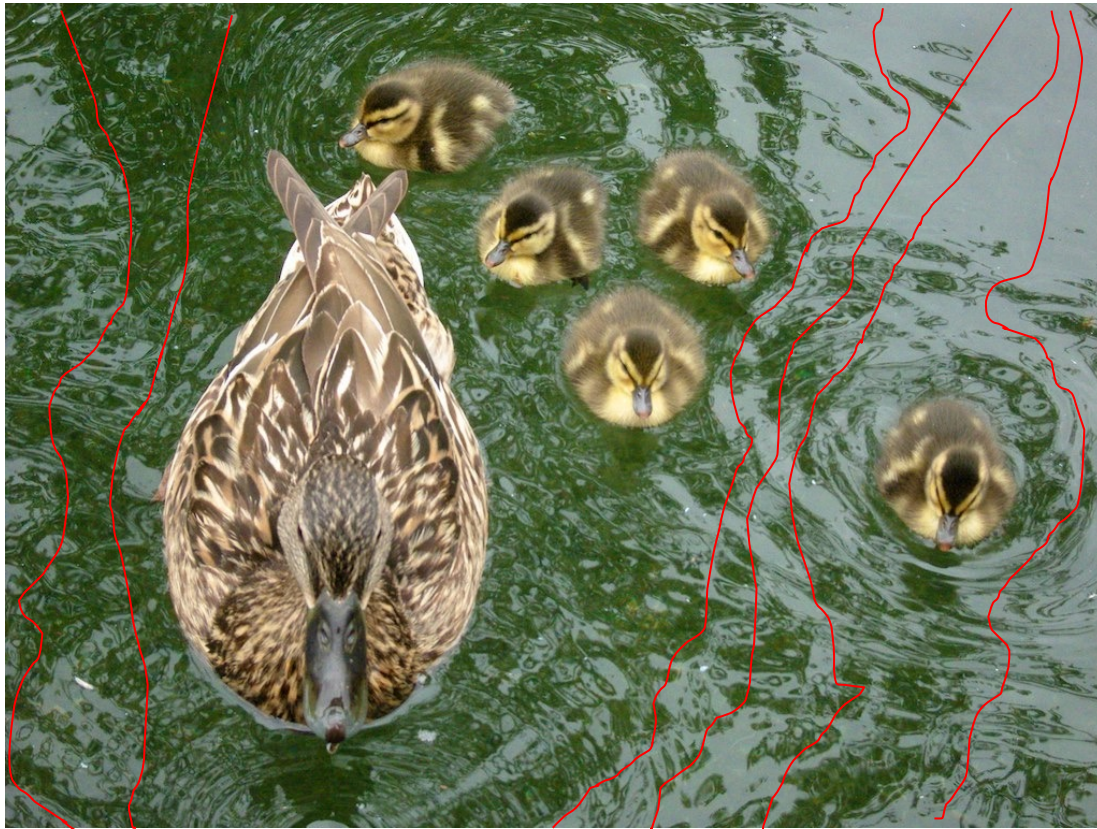


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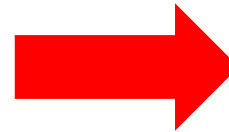


Seam Carving

- Removes “least energy seam” of pixels
- <https://trekhleb.dev/js-image-carver/>



Carved



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Seattle Skyline



Energy of a Seam

- Sum of the energies of each pixel

$$e(p) = \text{energy of pixel } p$$

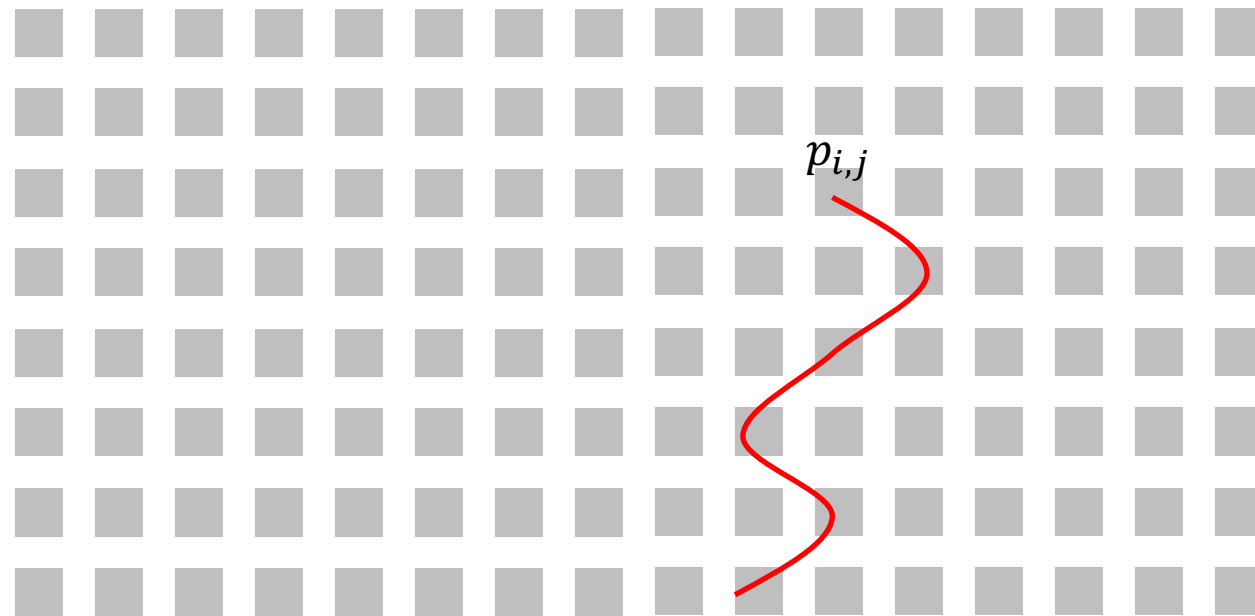
- Many choices for pixel energy
 - E.g.: change of gradient (how much the color of this pixel differs from its neighbors)
 - Particular choice doesn't matter, we use it as a “black box”
- Goal: find least-energy seam to remove

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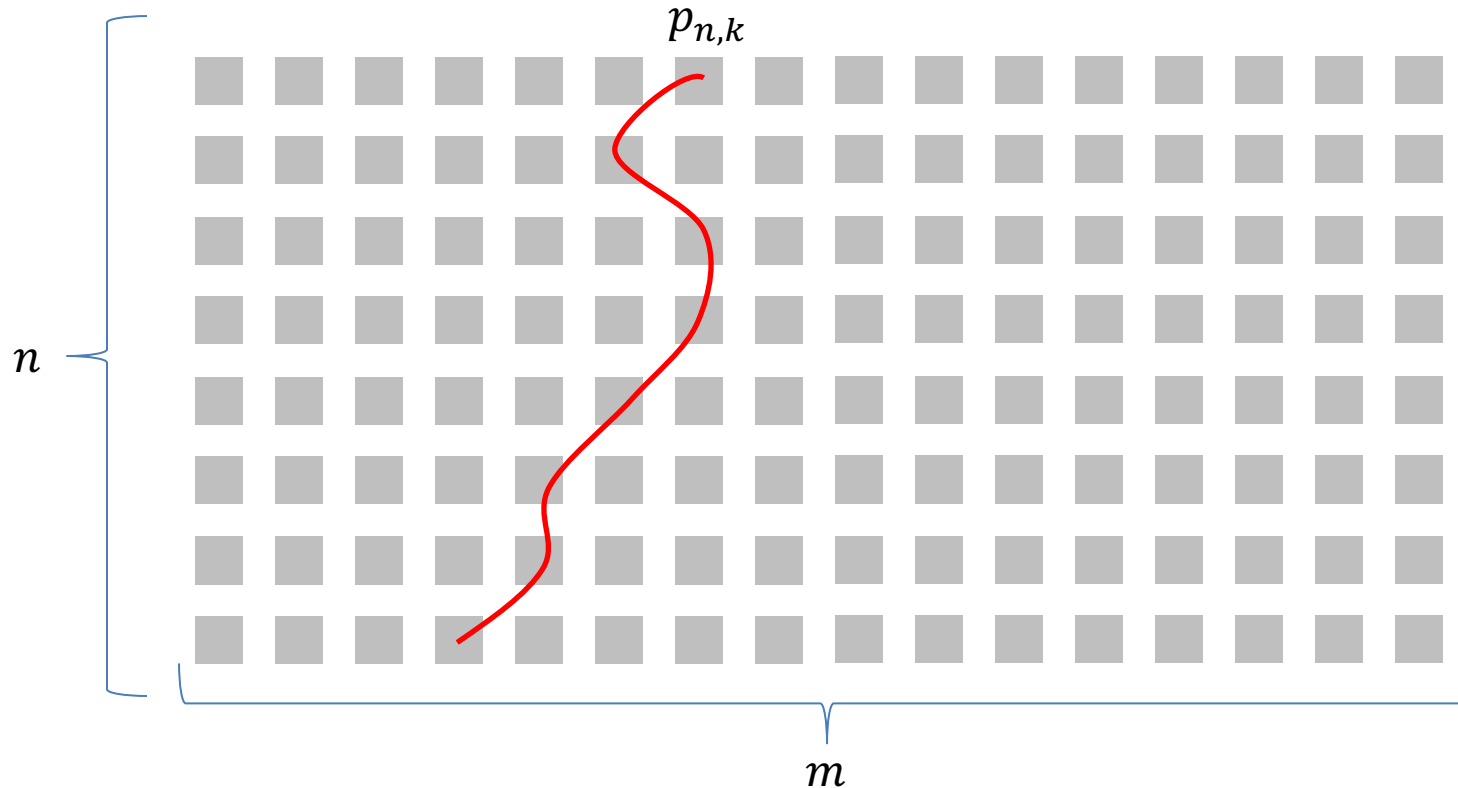
Let $S(i, j)$ = least energy seam from the bottom of the image up to pixel $p_{i,j}$



Finding the Least Energy Seam

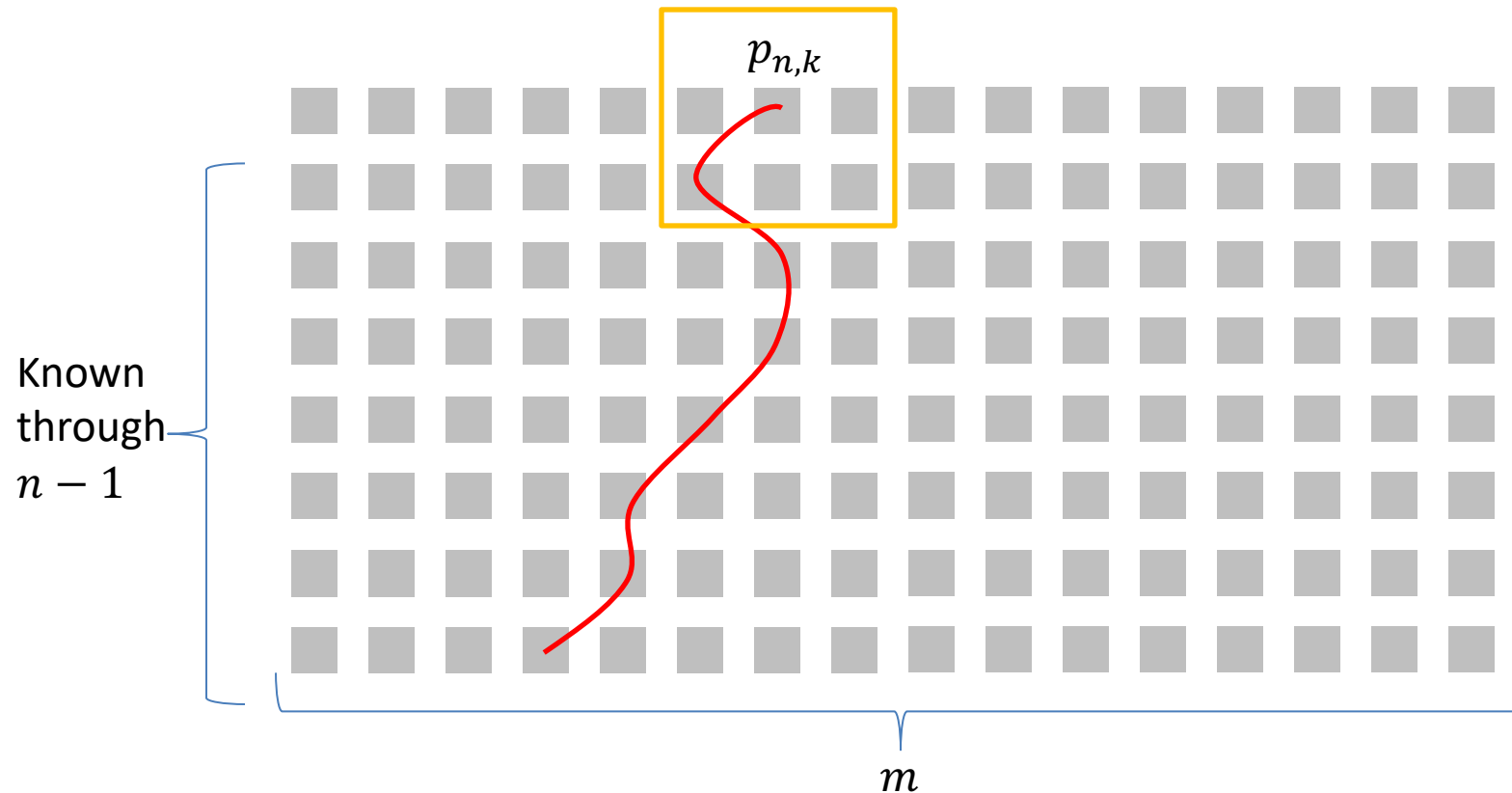
Want to delete the least energy seam going from bottom to top, so delete:

$$\min_{k=1}^m (S(n, k))$$



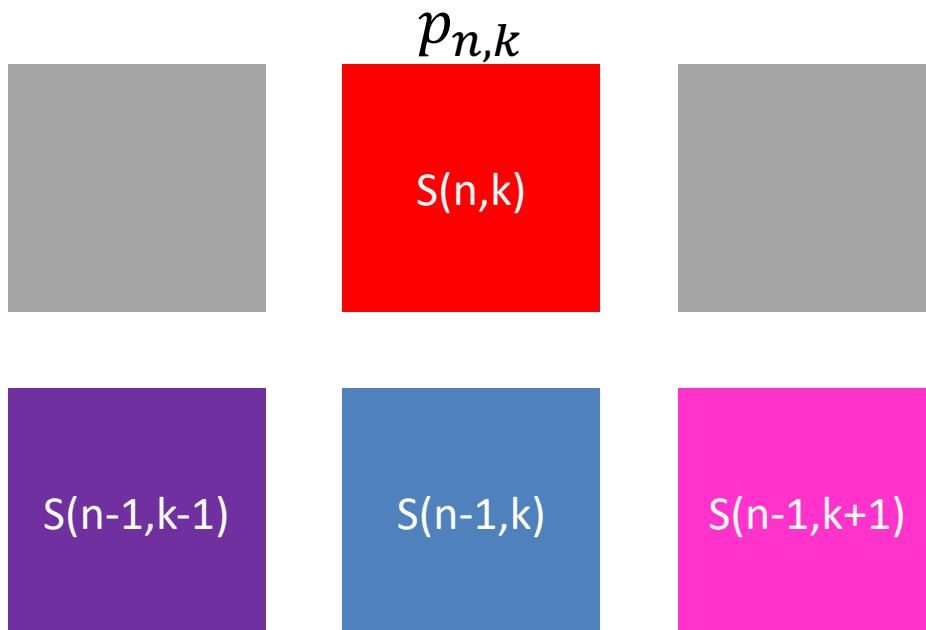
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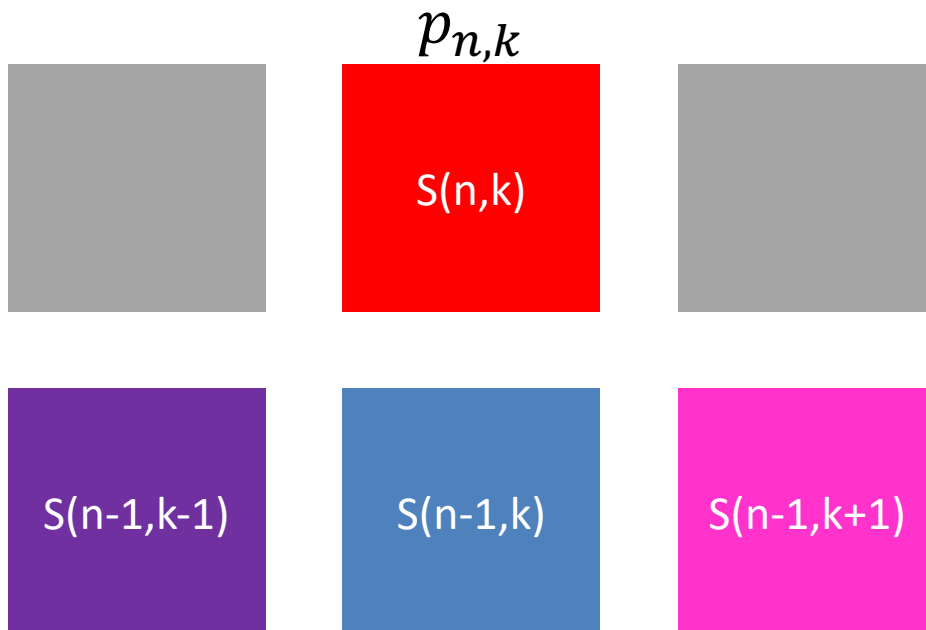
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$$S(n, k) = \min$$

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$$S(n - 1, k) + e(p_{n,k})$$

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Longest Common Subsequence

Given two sequences X and Y ,
find the length of their longest
common subsequence

Example:

$X = ATCTGAT$

$Y = TGCATA$

$LCS = TCTA$

Brute force: Compare every
subsequence of X with Y
 $\Omega(2^n)$



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↑ Save to $M[i, j]$
↖ Read from $M[i, j]$ if present

X = "alkjdflaksjdf"

Y = "lakjsdfllkasjdlfs"

M = 2d array of len(X) rows and len(Y) columns, initialized to -1

def LCS(int i, int j):

 # returns the length of the LCS shared between the length-i prefix of X and length-j prefix of Y

 # memoization

 if M[i,j] > -1:

 return M[i,j]

 #base case:

 if i == 0 or j == 0:

 ans = 0

 elif X[i] == Y[j]:

 ans = LCS(i-1, j-1) + 1

 else:

 ans = max(LCS(i, j-1), LCS(i-1, j))

 M[i,j] = ans

 return ans

print(LCS(len(X)+1, len(Y)+1)) # the answer for the entirety of X and Y

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3. Solve in a Good Order

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		X =							
		0	A	T	C	T	G	A	T
Y =	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	T	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1
	G	2	0	0	1	1	1	2	2
	C	3	0	0	1	2	2	2	2
	A	4	0	1	1	2	2	2	3
	T	5	0	1	2	2	3	3	4
	A	6	0	1	2	2	3	3	4

To fill in cell (i, j) we need cells $(i - 1, j - 1)$, $(i - 1, j)$, $(i, j - 1)$
 Fill from Top->Bottom, Left->Right (with any preference)

Run Time?

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		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
T	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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Run Time: $\Theta(n \cdot m)$ (for $|X| = n, |Y| = m$)

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