Dynamic Programming - Theory and Applications

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Why are Recurrence (1) and Recurrence (2) equivalent?

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