## 4. Homework

Due 10/11/16 at the beginning of class

## 1. Christmas (8 points)

For Christmas, I only had so much money to spend on gifts for n people, and I did not allocate my resources very well. Now, I want to be ready for next Christmas. Naturally, I want a dynamic programming solution for my problem.

For each person, I can choose either a good, expensive gift or a bad, cheap gift. I want to maximize the happiness of the people I am giving the gifts to. I have four arrays of size n containing positive integers between 1 and n: Cgood, Cbad, Hgood, Hbad.

- Cgood[i] indicates the cost of a good gift for person i.
- Cbad[i] indicates the cost of a bad gift for person i.
- Hgood[i] indicates the happiness of person i getting a good gift.
- Hbad[i] indicates the happiness of person i getting a bad gift.

You can assume Cgood[i] > Cbad[i] and Hgood[i] > Hbad[i]. I want to maximize the sum of the happiness over all n people, but I only have a total of C money to spend.

(a) (2 points) Suppose the following are the arrays for n=4 and C=10:

Cgood: [2, 3, 4, 3] Cbad: [1, 2, 2, 2] Hgood: [4, 3, 3, 4] Hbad: [2, 2, 2, 2]

What gift selection maximizes happiness while not exceeding cost? What is the solution for C = 9?

- (b) (3 points) Let h(i, c) be the maximum happiness for the first i people with a cost equal or less than c. For example, h(2, 4) = 6 in the previous example by choosing a good gift for person 1 (cost 2, happiness 4) and a bad gift for person 2 (cost 2, happiness 2). Provide a recursive definition for h(i, c). That is, show how to calculate h for i people from the values for i-1 people.
- (c) (2 points) Write a dynamic programing algorithm to compute h.
- (d) (1 point) What are the runtime and the space complexity of your algorithm? Explain your answer.

## 2. Matrix Chain Multiplication (6 points)

- (a) (3 points) The dynamic programming approach for the matrix chain multiplication problem makes many recursive calls by trying out all possible k with  $i \leq k \leq j$  in order to split  $A_{ij} = A_i A_{i+1}, \ldots, A_j$ . Now, consider the greedy approach which selects the k that simply minimizes the quantity  $p_{i-1}p_kp_j$ , and then simply recursive for this one choice of k only. Give a counter-example which shows that this greedy approach yields a suboptimal solution.
- (b) (3 points) Show how to perform the traceback in order to construct an optimal parenthesization for the matrix chain multiplication problem *without* using the auxiliary s-table. How much time does this traceback algorithm need? Justify your answer.

## 3. Intervals (9 points)

Let A[1..n] be an array of n integers (which can be positive, negative, or zero). An *interval* with start-point i and end-point j,  $i \leq j$ , consists of the numbers  $A[i], \ldots, A[j]$  and the *weight* of this interval is the sum of all elements  $A[i] + \ldots + A[j]$ .

The problem is: Find the interval in A with maximum weight.

- (a) (2 points) Describe an algorithm for this problem that is based on the following idea: Try out all combinations of i, j with  $1 \le i < j \le n$ . What is the runtime of this algorithm?
- (b) Describe a dynamic programming algorithm for this problem. Proceed in the following steps:
  - i. (2 points) Develop a recurrence for the following entity: S(j) = maximum of the weights of all intervals with end-point j.
  - ii. (2 point) Based on this recurrence describe an algorithm that computes all S(j) in a dynamic programming fashion, and afterwards determines the end-point  $j^*$  of an optimal interval.
  - iii. (2 points) Given the end-point  $j^*$  describe how to find the start-point  $i^*$  of an optimal interval by backtracking.
  - iv. (1 point) What are the runtime and the space complexity of your algorithm? Explain your answer.