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Algorithms and Datastructures Exercise Sheet 11

Exercise 1: Wood Cutting

(8 Points)

Given a wooden rod of length n and an array p of prices for selling a rod of some certain length, i.e., for $i \in \{1, ..., n\}$ we denote the price of a rod of length i by p[i]. Your task is to determine the maximum value obtainable by cutting up the given rod and selling the pieces according to the prices in p. For example, if the length of the given rod is n = 5 and the prices are as given in the following, then the maximum obtainable value is 26, by cutting the rod into two pieces of lengths 1 and one piece of length 3.

$$p[1] = 5$$
, $p[2] = 8$, $p[3] = 16$, $p[4] = 19$, $p[5] = 25$

- a) Let OPT(n) be the maximal obtainable value for a rod of size n. Give a recursive formular on how to compute OPT(n). (4 Points)
- b) Give an algorithm that solves the problem efficiently. What is the runtime of your algorithm? (4 Points)

Exercise 2: Bitstrings without consecutive ones (12 Points)

Given a positive integer n, we want to compute the number of n-digit bitstrings without consecutive ones (e.g., for n=3 this number is 5, as 000, 001, 010, 100, 101 are the 3-digit bitstrings without consecutive ones).

- (a) Give an algorithm which solves this problem in time $\mathcal{O}(n)$. Explain the runtime. (7 Points)
- (b) Implement your solution. You may use the template DP.py. Run your algorithm on the values 10, 20 und 50 and write your results in erfahrungen.txt. (5 Points) Hint: For n = 25 the correct solution is 196418 and for n = 30 the correct solution is 2178309.