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21-393 Operations Research II  
Test 1

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Problem	Points	Score
1	33	
2	33	
3	34	
Total	100	

**Q1: (33pts)**

(a) Solve the following knapsack problem, writing the results of the dynamic programming recursion in a table. You will not score any points for just writing down the answer:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximise} && 3x_1 + 8x_2 + 15x_3 \\ &\text{subject to} && \\ &&& 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 \leq 10 \\ &&& x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0 \text{ and integer.} \end{aligned}$$

Your answer should consist of a table.

(b) Using the answer to part (a), solve the following problem:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{minimise} && 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 5x_3 \\ &\text{subject to} && \\ &&& 3x_1 + 8x_2 + 15x_3 \geq 22 \\ &&& x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0 \text{ and integer.} \end{aligned}$$

(This does not require any new computations!)

**Q2: (33pts)** A system can be in 3 states 1,2,3 and the cost of moving from state  $i$  to state  $j$  in one period is  $c(i, j)$ , where the  $c(i, j)$  are given in the matrix below. The one period discount factor  $\alpha$  is  $1/2$ .

The aim is to find a policy which simultaneously minimises the discounted cost of operating from any starting state. Start with the policy

$$\pi(1) = 1, \pi(2) = 1, \pi(3) = 2.$$

Evaluate this policy. Is it optimal? If not find an improved policy.

**YOU DO NOT NEED TO EVALUATE THIS NEW POLICY OR FIND AN OPTIMAL STRATEGY.**

The matrix of costs is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 6 & 2 & 1 \\ 4 & 2 & 6 \\ 1 & 6 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Q3: (33pts)** Dan Dare is flying his spaceship from Agmon to Zoron along the brand new Inter-Galactic Super Space Highway. The spaceship runs on Sillium fuel and there are  $n$  places along the way to stop and purchase fuel. The price at stop  $i$  is  $\$p_i$  per gallon and has quality  $q_i$ . This means that each gallon will take the spaceship  $q_i$  parsecs along its journey. The spaceship has fuel capacity  $T$  and starts out with a full tank. Each re-fuelling costs  $f$  in terms of fees for entering the fuelling station. The distance from station  $i$  to station  $j$  is  $d_{i,j}$  parsecs. Assume that the start Agmon is at station 0 and the finish Zoron is at station  $n + 1$ . Assume also that the quality of the fuel in the tank at the start is  $q_0$  and that adding  $x$  gallons of fuel with quality  $q$  to a tank with  $y$  gallons of quality  $r$  produces a tank with  $x + y$  gallons of quality  $\frac{xq+yr}{x+y}$ . Dan wishes to minimise the cost of the journey. Formulate the problem as a Dynamic Program.