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21-393 Operations Research II  
Test 1

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Problem	Points	Score
1	35	
2	35	
3	30	
Total	100	

**Q1: (35pts)**

(a) Fill in the last column of the table below for solving the following knapsack problem and produce an optimal solution:

$$\begin{aligned} &\text{maximise} && 3x_1 + 7x_2 + 16x_3 \\ &\text{subject to} && 2x_1 + 3x_2 + 6x_3 \leq 12 \\ &&& x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0 \text{ and integer.} \end{aligned}$$

$w$	$f_1(x_1)$	$b_1$	$f_2(x_2)$	$b_2$	$f_3(x_3)$	$b_3$
0	0	0	0	0		
1	0	0	0	0		
2	3	1	3	0		
3	3	1	7	1		
4	6	1	7	1		
5	6	1	10	1		
6	9	1	14	1		
7	9	1	14	1		
8	12	1	17	1		
9	12	1	21	1		
10	15	1	21	1		
11	15	1	24	1		
12	18	1	28	1		

(b) Solve the problem

minimise  $2x_1 + 3x_2 + 6x_3$

subject to

$$3x_1 + 7x_2 + 16x_3 \geq 20$$

$x_1, x_2, x_3 \geq 0$  and integer.

**Q2: (35pts)**

A scout has to pack their knapsack. The knapsack has weight capacity  $W$  and there are  $n$  types of item that can be packed. Each item of type  $j$  selected provides  $v_j$  in value to the scout. The weight of an item of type  $j$  is a random variable and the scout only finds out this weight after deciding how many items of type  $j$  to take. Each item of type  $j$  does weigh the same amount. The scout does know the weight distribution for items of type  $j$ . Thus  $P(w, j)$  is the probability that an item of type  $j$  weighs  $w$ . Set up a recurrence to maximise the expected value of the items that the scout can carry.

**Q3: (30pts)** Woody the woodcutter will cut a given log of wood of length  $\ell$ , at any place you choose, for a price equal of  $f(\ell)$ , for some function  $f > 0$ . Suppose you have a log of length  $L$ , marked to be cut in  $n$  different locations labeled  $1, 2, \dots, n$ . For simplicity, let indices  $0$  and  $n + 1$  denote the left and right endpoints of the original log of length  $L$ . Let  $d_i$  denote the distance of mark  $i$  from the left end of the log, and assume that  $0 = d_0 < d_1 < d_2 < \dots < d_n < d_{n+1} = L$ . The wood-cutting problem is the problem of determining the sequence of cuts to the log that will cut the log at all the marked places and minimize your total payment. Give a dynamic programming formulation to solve this problem. Estimate the number of arithmetic operations needed by your algorithm.