

Section Handout #3 Solutions

If you have any questions about the solutions to the problems in this handout, feel free to reach out to your section leader, Aaron, or Chris for more information.

1. Partitionable

```
bool partitionableHelper(Vector<int> &rest, int sum1, int sum2) {
    if (rest.isEmpty()) {
        return sum1 == sum2;
    } else {
        int n = rest[0];
        rest.remove(0); // choose
        // explore putting n in either partition
        bool answer = partitionableHelper(rest, sum1 + n, sum2)
            || partitionableHelper(rest, sum1, sum2 + n);
        rest.insert(0, n); // un-choose
        return answer;
    }
}

bool partitionable(Vector<int>& v) {
    return partitionableHelper(v, 0, 0);
}
```

2. Make Change

```
void makeChangeHelper(int amount, Vector<int> &coins, Vector<int> &chosen) {
    if (coins.isEmpty()) {
        if (amount == 0) {
            cout << chosen << endl;
        }
    } else {
        int coin = coins[0];
        coins.remove(0); // choose a coin
        for (int i = 0; i <= (amount / coin); i++) { // explore all coins of this coin
            chosen += i;
            makeChangeHelper(amount - (i * coin), coins, chosen);
            chosen.remove(chosen.size() - 1);
        }
        coins.insert(0, coin); // un-choose a coin
    }
}

void makeChange(int amount, Vector<int> &coins) {
    Vector<int> chosen;
    makeChangeHelper(amount, coins, chosen);
}
```

3. Print Squares

```
void printSquaresHelper(int n, int min, Set<int> &chosen) {
    if (n == 0) {
        cout << chosen << endl;
    } else {
        int max = (int) sqrt(n); // valid choices go up to sqrt(n)
        for (int i = min; i <= max; i++) {
            chosen.add(i);           // choose
            printSquaresHelper(n - (i * i), i + 1, chosen); // explore
            chosen.remove(i);        // un-choose
        }
    }
}

void printSquares(int n) {
    Set<int> chosen;
    printSquaresHelper(n, 1, chosen);
}
```

4. Longest Common Subsequence

```
string longestCommonSubsequence(string &s1, string &s2) {
    if (s1.length() == 0 || s2.length() == 0) {
        return "";
    } else if (s1[0] == s2[0]) {
        return s1[0] + longestCommonSubsequence(s1.substr(1), s2.substr(1));
    } else {
        string choice1 = longestCommonSubsequence(s1, s2.substr(1));
        string choice2 = longestCommonSubsequence(s1.substr(1), s2);
        if (choice1.length() >= choice2.length()) {
            return choice1;
        } else {
            return choice2;
        }
    }
}
```

5. Ways to Climb

```
void waysToClimbHelper(int stairs, Stack<int> &chosen) {
    if (stairs <= 0) {
        cout << chosen << endl;
    } else {
        chosen.push(1);           // choose 1
        waysToClimbHelper(stairs - 1, chosen); // explore
        chosen.pop();             // un-choose
        if (stairs > 1) {
            chosen.push(2);       // choose 2
            waysToClimbHelper(stairs - 2, chosen); // explore
            chosen.pop();         // un-choose
        }
    }
}

void waysToClimb(int stairs) {
    Stack<int> chosen;
    waysToClimbHelper(stairs, chosen);
}
```

6. Letter Tiles and Words

```
void gatherWordsHelper(string &prefix, Vector<string> &rects,
                      Lexicon &english, Set<string> &words) {
    if (!english.containsPrefix(prefix)) {
        return;
    } else if (english.contains(prefix)) {
        words.add(prefix);
    } else {
        for (int i = 0; i < rects.size(); i++) {
            string rect = rects[i];
            rects.remove(i); // choose
            // explore both orientations of the tile
            gatherWordsHelper(prefix + rect[0] + rect[1], rects, english, words);
            gatherWordsHelper(prefix + rect[1] + rect[0], rects, english, words);
            rects.insert(i, rect); // un-choose
        }
    }
}

void gatherWords(Vector<string> &rects, Lexicon &english, Set<string> &words) {
    Vector<string> copy = rects;
    gatherWordsHelper("", copy, english, words);
}
```

7. Domino Chaining

```
static bool chainExistsHelper(Vector<Vector<int>> &dominoes, int start, int end) {
    if (start == end) {
        return true;
    } else if (dominoes.isEmpty()) {
        return false; // technically optional! know why?
    } else {
        for (int i = 0; i < dominoes.size(); i++) {
            Vector<int> domino = dominoes[i];
            dominoes.remove(i); // choose this domino

            // explore both possible orientations of the domino
            if ((domino[0] == start && chainExistsHelper(dominoes, domino[1], end)) ||
                domino[1] == start && chainExistsHelper(dominoes, domino[0], end)) {
                return true;
            }
            dominoes.insert(i, domino); // un-choose this domino
        }
        return false;
    }
}

static bool chainExists(Vector<Vector<int>> &dominoes, int start, int end) {
    Vector<Vector<int>> copy = dominoes; // we need our own copy so we can modify it return
    chainExistsHelper(copy, start, end);
}
```