

Courier Kata

You work for a courier company and have been tasked with creating a code library to calculate the cost of sending an order of parcels.

- The API for the library should be programmatic. There is no need to implement a CLI, HTTP, or any other transport layer
- Try not to peek ahead at future steps and commit your working as you go
- Input can be in any form you choose
- Output should be a collection of items with their individual cost and type, as well as total cost
- In all circumstances the cheapest option for sending each parcel should be selected
- Take no longer than 2 hours! Do what you can and give us a rough outline of what further changes you might consider making.

Implementation Steps

- 1) The initial implementation just needs to take into account a parcel's size. For each size type there is a fixed delivery cost
 - Small parcel: all dimensions < 10cm. Cost \$3
 - Medium parcel: all dimensions < 50cm. Cost \$8
 - Large parcel: all dimensions < 100cm. Cost \$15
 - XL parcel: any dimension >= 100cm. Cost \$25
- **2)** Thanks to logistics improvements we can deliver parcels faster. This means we can charge more money. Speedy shipping can be selected by the user to take advantage of our improvements.
 - This doubles the cost of the entire order
 - Speedy shipping should be listed as a separate item in the output, with its associated cost
 - Speedy shipping should not impact the price of individual parcels, i.e. their individual cost should remain the same as it was before
- 3) There have been complaints from delivery drivers that people are taking advantage of our dimension only shipping costs. A new weight limit has been added for each parcel type, over which a charge per kg of weight applies
- +\$2/kg over weight limit for parcel size:



Small parcel: 1kgMedium parcel: 3kgLarge parcel: 6kgXL parcel: 10kg

4) Some of the extra weight charges for certain goods were excessive. A new parcel type has been added to try and address overweight parcels

Heavy parcel (limit 50kg), \$50. +\$1/kg over

- **5)** In order to award those who send multiple parcels, special discounts have been introduced.
 - Small parcel mania! Every 4th small parcel in an order is free!
 - Medium parcel mania! Every 3rd medium parcel in an order is free!
 - Mixed parcel mania! Every 5th parcel in an order is free!
 - Each parcel can only be used in a discount once
 - Within each discount, the cheapest parcel is the free one
 - The combination of discounts which saves the most money should be selected every time

Example:

6x medium parcel. 3×8 , 3x \$ 10. 1st discount should include all 3 \$ 8 parcels and save \$ 8. 2nd discount should include all 3 \$ 10 parcels and save \$ 10.

- Just like speedy shipping, discounts should be listed as a separate item in the output, with associated saving, e.g. "-2"
- Discounts should not impact the price of individual parcels, i.e. their individual cost should remain the same as it was before
- Speedy shipping applies after discounts are taken into account