// *numChild* = number of children
// *numClothes* = number of clothes
// *childSizes* = child sizes array of length numChild
// *clothesSizes* = cloth sizes array of length numClothes,
// *clothSeasons* = cloth seasons array of length numClothes,
// *rByN* = the fair share of each child
// CandidateSolution = The base data structure for a candidate solution that contains the D-value for the distribution and the corresponding price matrix
// INITIALIZE-PRICE-MATRIX (*numChild,numClothes*) = Initializes the 2D array that maps children to all eligible clothes.

- *P[i,j]* - If a *cloth[j]* is eligible to be mapped to a *child[i]*, then the cloth *price [j]* is mapped in the cell *P[i,j]* otherwise price value of 0 is mapped.
- Note that one cloth can be eligible to be mapped to more than one child.

// INITIALIZE-2D-ARRAY-WITH-ZEROS (*rowSize, colSize*) = Initializes and returns a 2D array with values set to 0
// SET-SOLUTION-OF-OUT-OF-BOUNDS () = set an out of bound solution for the ineligible candidate solutions
// COMPUTE-DISTRIBUTION-SUM () = Computes the overall distribution absolute value for a candidate solution

MAIN ()

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1  let assignment[1…numChild, 1....numClothes] be an 2D matrix used to finally assign the clothes to children
2  P[1…numChild, 1....numClothes] = INITIALIZE-PRICE-MATRIX(numChild, numClothes)
3  CandidateSolution optimalGlobalMinimumSolution =
            MINIMUM-FAIR-PRICE-DIFFERENCE (P, numChild, numClothes, rByN, clothSeasons)
4  for i = 0 to numChild
       for j = 0 to numClothes
              // assign a value either 0 or 1 based on final solutions's price matrix
              assignment[i][j] = min (1, optimalGlobalMinimumSolution.priceMatrix[i][j])
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MINIMUM-FAIR-PRICE-DIFFERENCE(*P, numChild, numClothes, rByN, clothSeasons*)

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1  CandidateSolution globalMinimumSolution
2  globalMinimumSolution.Dvalue = ∞
3  for childIx = 0 to numChild
4       baseMatrixPath[1…numChild, 1...numClothes] =
                        INITIALIZE-2D-ARRAY-WITH- ZEROS (numChild, numClothes)
5       solutionFromRecursion = GET-MAIN-FAIR-PRICE-RECURSION-FN-HELPER (P, numChild, numClothes,
                  childIx, clothJx, baseMatrixPath, rByN, globalMinimumSolution, clothSeasons)
6            if solutionFromRecursion.Dvalue < globalMinimumSolution.Dvalue
7                 globalMinimumSolution.priceMatrix = solutionFromRecursion.priceMatrix
8                 globalMinimumSolution.Dvalue = solutionFromRecursion.Dvalue
   // return only after exploring all candidate solutions in for loop
9  return globalMinimumSolution    // global optimal minimum distribution
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GET-FAIR-PRICE-RECURSION-FN-HELPER(P, numChild, numClothes,
                                   currIx, currJx, currMatrixPath, rByN, globalMinimumSolution, clothSeasons)
1   if (currIx < 0) or (currIx > (numChild) - 1) or (currJx < 0)
2       return SET-SOLUTION-OF-OUT-OF-BOUNDS()
3   else if (currJx <= numClothes - 1)
4       if (currPriceMatrix[currIx][currJx] == 0)
5               return SET-SOLUTION-OF-OUT-OF-BOUNDS()
6       for i = 0 to numChild
7               newMatrixPath = INITIALIZE-2D-ARRAY-WITH-ZEROS (numChild, numClothes)
                // carryforward current matrix path to next recursion step
8               copiedNewMatrixPath = copyMatrixToMatrix(currMatrixPath,newMatrixPath,numChild,numClothes)
9               minTopBottomSolution =
                    MINIMUM (GET-MAIN-FAIR-PRICE-RECURSION-FN-HELPER (currPriceMatrix,
                                numChild,numClothes, currIx + idx,currJx + 1, copiedNewMatrixPath,
                                rByNRatio, currGlobalOptimum, clothSeasons),
                    GET-MAIN-FAIR-PRICE-RECURSION-FN-HELPER (currPriceMatrix, numChild,numClothes,
                                currIx - idx - 1, currJx + 1,  copiedNewMatrixPath, rByNRatio,
                                currGlobalOptimum, clothSeasons))
10      if minTopBottomSolution.Dvalue >=0 and minTopBottomSolution.Dvalue < globalMinimumSolution.Dvalue
11              globalMinimumSolution.Dvalue = minTopBottomSolution.Dvalue
12              globalMinimumSolution.priceMatrix = minTopBottomSolution.priceMatrix
13      else
        // full path explored
14  return BUILD-SOLUTION-FROM-ELIGIBLE-PATH(currMatrixPath, numChild,
                                             numClothes, rByN, clothSeasons)

BUILD-SOLUTION-FROM-ELIGIBLE-PATH(matrixSolutionPath, numChild, numClothes, rByN, clothSeasons)
1   for i = 0 to numChild
2       atleastWinter = false
3       atleastSummer = false
4       for j = 0 to numClothes
5               if matrixSolutionPath[i][j] > 0
6                       if clothSeasons[j] = 'w'
7                               atleastWinter = True
8                       if clothSeasons[j] == 's'
9                               atleastSummer = True
10      if atleastWinter = True and atleastSummer = False
                // atleast one winter cloth or summer cloth constraint failed
11              return SET-SOLUTION-OF-OUT-OF-BOUNDS()
12      CandidateSolution eligibleSolution
13      eligibleSolution.Dvalue =
                        COMPUTE-DISTRIBUTION-SUM(matrixSolutionPath,numChild, numClothes, rByN)
14      eligibleSolution.priceMatrix = matrixSolutionPath
15  return eligibleSolution
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