Deadline: 24-JUL, 5:00pm

## **Dynamic Programming: Rod Cutting**

**Description** In this assignment you are asked to implement a dynamic programming algorithm for the Rod Cutting Problem (chapter 15.1). In the Rod Cutting problem, you are given an integer  $n \geq 1$ , along with a sequence of positive prices,  $p_1, p_2, ..., p_n$ , where  $p_i$  is the market price of a rod of length i. The goal is to figure out a best way of cutting the given rod of length n to generate the maximum revenue. You can assume that the given prices  $p_1, p_2, ..., p_n$  are all integers.

**Input** The input has the following format. The input starts with n. Then,  $p_1, p_2, ..., p_n$  follow, one per each line.

**Output** In the first line, output the maximum revenue  $(r_n)$ , followed by an enter key. In the second line, sequentially output the length of each piece in your optimal cutting, followed by a space key. The second line must end by -1 and an enter key.

## Examples of input and output

The following is the output with white characters shown.

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18(enter)
1(space)6(space)-1(enter)
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Alternatively, the second line can be replaced with "6 1 -1", "2 2 3 -1", "2 3 2 -1", or "3 2 2 -1". That is, any sequence of piece lengths giving the maximum revenue will be considered to be correct.

See the lab guidelines for submission/grading, etc., which can be found in Files/Labs.