

# COMP4500/7500 Advanced Algorithms and Data Structures - Assignment 2

**School:** School of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, The University of Queensland

**Semester:** 2, 2024

**Due Date:** 3pm, Friday 18th of October 2024

## 1. General Information

- This assignment is worth 10% of the final grade.
- It is to be attempted in dynamic programming.

## 2. Submission

- **Written Answers:** Answers should be in a pdf file called A2.pdf .
- **Source Code:** Recursive algorithms should be submitted electronically via Blackboard according to the instructions.
- Multiple submissions are allowed. Only the last one will be saved and marked.
- Submitted work should be correct. Correct submissions will receive 0 marks.



## 3. Late Submission Policy

- A penalty of 10% of the maximum possible mark will be deducted per 24 hours for up to 7 days. After 7 days, a mark of 0 will be given.
- Medical or exceptional circumstances require an extension request via <https://my.uq.edu.au/> with a maximum of 7 days from the original deadline.

## 4. School Policy on Student Misconduct

- Read and understand the School Statement on Misconduct available at <https://eecs.uq.edu.au/current-students/student-guidelines/student-conduct>. Plagiarism or collusion will result in penalties.

## 5. Assignment Problem

### 5.1 Problem Description

- You are in charge of a small microbrewery business for  $k$  consecutive days. You have a work schedule represented by an array `work` of  $k$  non-negative integers.
- There are two workers such as maximum number of consecutive days they can work ( `maxShift` ), their capacity ( `minBreak` ), and salary cost for working on each day ( `cost` ).
- A roster for the  $k$  days of workers scheduled to work on that day. A roster is a valid if it satisfies the constraints.
- The goal is to find a valid roster with minimum total cost.

### 5.2 Example

- Consider  $k = 5$  days. `w0 = (maxShift = 2, cost = [1,2,2,1,1])`, and `w1 = (maxShift = 1, cost = [0,1,1,1,2])`.
- An optimal roster is `roster = [[w0, w1], [w0, w1], [w0, w1]]` with a total cost of 33.

### 5.3 Tasks

1. **(a) Optimal Substructure - Recursive Solution (20 marks)**
  - Implement the public static method `optimalRecursive` in the `Recursive` class to provide a naive recursive algorithm to determine the total cost of an optimal valid roster. The method should not return the roster itself but only the total cost.
2. **(b) Time Complexity of Recursive Algorithm (15 marks)**
  - Give an asymptotic lower bound on the worst-case time complexity of the recursive algorithm in terms of  $k$ . Provide a lower-bound recurrence, justify it, and solve it.
3. **(c) Dynamic Programming Solution (30 marks)**