CMPS 102 — Fall 2018 — Homework 3

"I have read and agree to the collaboration policy." - ***Kevin Wang***

Solution to Problem 4: Cakes

Given N dollars to spend in a shop that offers m varieties of cakes with distinct prices $S = \{S_1, \cdots, S_m\}$, find the possible combinations of cakes given that all money must be spent and that there are unlimited cakes of each variety.

Algorithm 1 Returns the number of cake combinations possible

CAKE-COMBO $(S[S_1, \cdots, S_m], m, N)$:
Initialize $Table[0, \cdots, N][1, \cdots, m]$ // modified indexes
for $cost = 0$ and $variety = 1$ to m **do**
  $Table[cost][variety] = 1$
end for
for $cost = 1$ to N **do**
  for $variety = 1$ to m **do**
    Let c_i be the count of combinations including $S_{variety}$
    Let c_e be the count of combinations excluding $S_{variety}$
    $Table[cost][variety] = c_i + c_e$
  end for
end for
$Table[N][m]$ contains the total count of combinations possible when spending N dollars on a selection of m varieties

The for-loops take time $O(m) + O(N) \cdot O(m)$. Thus the time complexity of this dynamic programming algorithm has time complexity: $O(mN)$.

The $Table$ takes $O(N) \cdot O(m)$. Thus the time complexity of this dynamic programming algorithm has space complexity: $O(mN)$.