Total possible marks: 100. Homeworks must be solved individually. This set covers chapters 15–16 of the textbook *Introduction to Algorithms*, 3rd. ed., by Cormen et al.

Exercise 1: matrix-chain multiplication (25 points).

- 1. (15 points) Find an optimal parenthesization of a matrix-chain product whose sequence of dimensions is (5, 10, 3, 50, 6). Fill in the *m* and *s* tables as in fig. 15.3 in the textbook.
- 2. (10 points) Give the result obtained using a greedy algorithm that picks the smallest local cost $p_{i-1}p_kp_j$ over $i \leq k < j$. Comment on whether this greedy algorithm always solves correctly the matrix-chain multiplication problem or not.

Exercise 2: coin changing problem (25 points). (This is based on problem 16-1 in the textbook.) Consider the problem of making change for n cents using the fewest number of coins.

- 1. (5 points) Describe in English a greedy algorithm to make change consisting of quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies.
- 2. (7 points) Write it in pseudocode, specifically a procedure GREEDY-CHANGE(n) that returns the number of quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. Try it on n = 89 cents.
- 3. (7 points) Prove that it satisfies the greedy-choice property.
- 4. (6 points) Now we want to make change consisting only of quarters, dimes and pennies (nickels are not allowed). Apply the greedy algorithm to n = 30 cents and explain what happens. What kind of algorithm would you use to solve this coin changing problem? (you don't need to solve the problem itself).

Exercise 3: Huffman codes (25 points). The following table gives the frequencies of each character in a file with 1 000 characters.

- 1. (3 points) How many bits do we need to store the file if using a fixed-length code?
- 2. (8 points) Show the code built by the Huffman algorithm, both as a tree and as a list (character, codeword).
- 3. (3 points) How many bits do we need to store the file with this Huffman code?

Assume now that all the the characters have the same frequency (= 125).

- 4. (8 points) Show the code built by the Huffman algorithm, both as a tree and as a list (character,codeword).
- 5. (3 points) How many bits do we need to store the file with this Huffman code?

Exercise 4: 0–1 knapsack problem (25 points). Write the pseudocode for a dynamic programming algorithm that solves the 0–1 knapsack problem (either top-down with memoization, or bottom-up).

Bonus exercise 1: matrix-chain multiplication (15 points). (Exercise 15.2-2 in the textbook.) Give a recursive algorithm MATRIX-CHAIN-MULTIPLY(A, s, i, j) that actually performs the optimal matrix-chain multiplication, given the sequence of matrices $\langle A_1, A_2, \ldots, A_n \rangle$, the *s* table computed by procedure MATRIX-CHAIN-ORDER, and the indices *i* and *j*. (The initial call would be MATRIX-CHAIN-MULTIPLY(A, s, 1, n).)

Bonus exercise 2: longest common subsequence (15 points). Construct the matrices c and b as in fig. 15.8 in the textbook for the words SPANKING and AMPUTATION.