- 1. You are given n items with non-negative integer weights w(i) and a positive integer W. You have to find a subset  $S \subseteq \{1, ..., n\}$  of indices such that  $\sum_{i \in S} w(i)$  is maximised subject to  $\sum_{i \in S} w(i) \leq W$ .
- 2. You need to drive your electric car a total of M miles. It will need to stop along the way to recharge: there are n recharging stations on the road, at distances  $m[1] < m[2] < m[3] < \cdots < m[n]$  from the starting point. The cost for recharging varies from station to station; it is c[i] at the  $i^{\text{th}}$  station. The car can travel at most D miles on a single charge. Your goal is to find which charging stations you should stop to reach the destination while paying as little as possible. Assume that you begin with a full charge (at no cost). You may also assume that there is a solution: that is, the distance between consecutive charging stations is at most D and  $m[1] \leq D$  and  $M - m[n] \leq D$ .

(For example, suppose M = 100, D = 40, and there are n = 6 stations at distances m[1:6] = [10, 20, 30, 50, 60, 80] with costs c[1:6] = [5, 20, 30, 5, 10, 10]. Then the optimal solution is to stop at stations 1, 4, 6, for a total cost of 20.)

Here is a subproblem that can be used for a Dynamic Programming solution: for  $1 \le i \le n$ , define

T[i] =optimal cost starting at position m[i] on a full charge.

(For instance, in the example above, T[5] = 0 since if you begin at position m[5] = 60, then you don't need to recharge before getting to the destination.)

For convenience, define T[0] as the minimum cost from the starting point.

- (a) Give the full array T[0:6] for the example above.
- (b) Give a rule by which the answer to any subproblem T[i] can be determined once answers are known for "smaller" subproblems.
- (c) For a general instance with n stations, in what order should the subproblems  $T[0], T[1], \ldots, T[n]$  be solved?
- (d) Write down a dynamic programming algorithm that implements this rule and returns the optimal cost. (You do not need to return the chosen locations.)
- (e) What is the running time of your algorithm?
- 3. A subsequence is *palindromic* if it is the same whether read left to right or right to left. For instance, the sequence

$$A, C, G, T, G, T, C, A, A, A, A, T, C, G$$

has many palindromic subsequences, including A, C, G, C, A and A, A, A, A (on the other hand, the subsequence A, C, T is not palindromic). Devise an algorithm that takes a sequence x[1...n] and returns the (length of the) longest palindromic subsequence. Its running time should be  $O(n^2)$ .