

DESIGN & ANALYSIS of ALGORITHMS

unit - 5

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DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

- Richard Bellman in 1950s
- Recurrence relation between larger and smaller solutions, solve smaller instances
- Record solutions in a table
- Prevents duplication of effort (subproblem) using a table and bottom-up approach

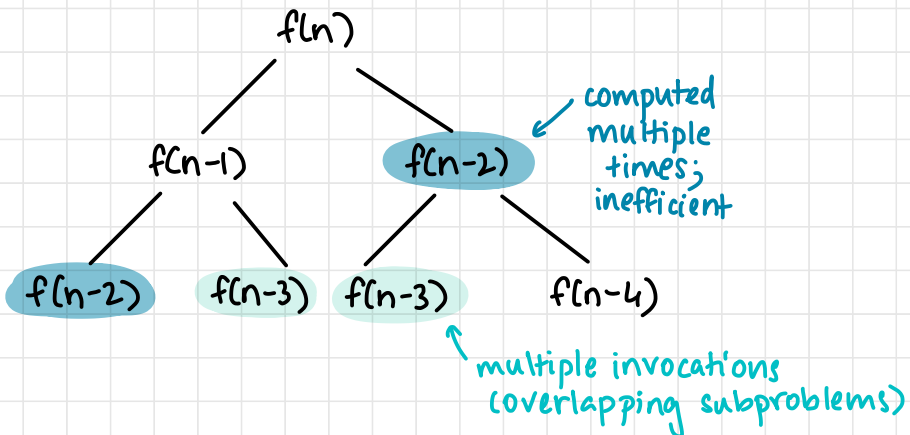
1. FIBONACCI NUMBERS

$$f(n) = f(n-1) + f(n-2)$$

$$f(0) = 0$$

$$f(1) = 1$$

Recursion tree



eg: $f(0) = 0$
 $f(1) = 1$
 $f(2) = 0 + 1 = 1$
 $f(3) = 1 + 1 = 2$
 $f(4) = 2 + 1$
 \vdots

constant amount of work at every step

Complexity

- time: $\Theta(n)$
- space: $\Theta(n)$ if all kept
space: $\Theta(1)$ if only prev 2 entries

2. BINOMIAL COEFFICIENT

$$(a+b)^n = C(n,0) a^n b^0 + \dots + C(n,k) a^{n-k} b^k + \dots + C(n,n) a^0 b^n$$

- Given n & k , compute ${}^n C_k$

Recurrence

$$C(n,k) = C(n-1,k) + C(n-1,k-1) \quad \text{for } n > k > 0$$

$$C(n,0) = 1 \quad \text{for } n \geq 0$$

$$C(n,n) = 1$$

Table

	0	1	2	3	...	k-1	k
0							
1		1					
2		2	1				
3		3	3	1			
⋮		⋮					
n-1		n-1	⋯			$C(n-1, k-1)$	$C(n-1, k)$
n		n	⋯				$C(n, k)$

} pascal's triangle

$$C(n, 0) = 1$$

$$C(n, n) = 1$$

$$C(n, k) = C(n-1, k) + C(n-1, k-1)$$

$$C(2, 1) = C(1, 1) + C(1, 0)$$

Algorithm $C(n, k)$

// input: integers $n \geq 0, k \geq 0$

// output: $C(n, k)$

for $i = 0$ to n
 for $j = 0$ to $\min(i, k)$

 if $j = 0$ or $j = i$
 $C[i, j] = 1$

 else

$$C[i, j] = C[i-1, j] + C[i-1, j-1]$$

return $C[n, k]$

Complexity

- Time: $\Theta(nk)$
- Space: $\Theta(nk)$

Q: What does DP have in common with divide and conquer?
What is the principal difference between them?

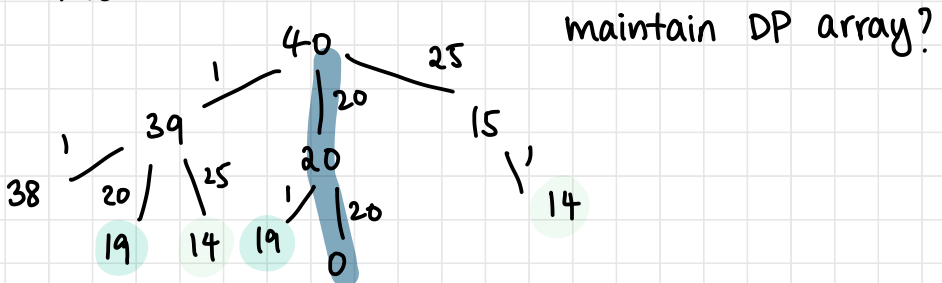
- recursive trees
- algorithm same, only computations reduced due to storing of values

Q: The coin change problem does not have an optimal greedy solution in all cases

eg: coins 1, 20, 25 and amount 40

Is there a DP based algorithm that can solve all cases of the coin change problem?

Brute force:



3. KNAPSACK PROBLEM

- bag with capacity M , objects with weights and values
- 0/1 knapsack; object either picked up or not (no fractions)
- Optimisation: maximise profit due to objects; find most valuable subset of items
- eg: a thief tries to maximise profit with finite bag size (weight and value)
- exhaustive search (all subsets found, value and weight calculated, optimised subset found)
- 2^n subsets

DP Algorithm

- Derive recurrence relation that expresses a solution to an instance of the knapsack problem in terms of solutions to its smaller subinstances
- Consider knapsack (n, W) and a subproblem knapsack (i, j) where $i \leq n$ and $j \leq W$

Recurrence

$$F(i, j) = \begin{cases} \max \left(\underbrace{F(i-1, j)}_{\text{no of items}}, \underbrace{v_i + F(i-1, j-w_i)}_{\text{capacity}} \right) & \text{if } j - w_i \geq 0 \\ F(i-1, j) & \text{if } j - w_i < 0 \end{cases}$$

eg:

Item i	Weight w_i	Value v_i
1	2	12
2	1	10
3	3	20
4	2	15

Knapsack(4,5) where capacity = 5

Solution

w	V	i	capacity j				
			1	2	3	4	5
2	12	1	0	12	12	12	12
1	10	2	10	12	22	22	22
3	20	3	10	12	22	30	32
2	15	4	10	15	25	30	37

Complexity

- Space: $\theta(nw)$
- Time complexity: $\theta(nw)$
- Items in optimal solution: $\theta(n)$

Algorithm Knapsack(n, W)

// Inputs: n - no of items, w - capacity

// Output: optimal subset

// Global table $F[n+1][w+1]$ initialised to -1

// $F[0,0]$ initialised to 0

// $Wt[n]$ and $Val[n]$ global variables

for $i = 0$ to n

for $j = 0$ to W

if $i = 0$ or $j = 0$

$F[i, j] = 0$

else if $j - \text{wt}[i] \geq 0$:

$F[i, j] = \max \{ F[i-1, j], \text{val}[i] + F[i-1, j - \text{wt}[i]] \}$

else

$F[i, j] = F[i-1, j]$

return $F[n, W]$

Q: Is a sequence of values in a row of the DP table for the knapsack problem is always nondecreasing?

Yes, as the capacity increases the value cannot decrease

Q: Is a sequence of values in a column of the DP table for the knapsack problem is always nondecreasing?

Yes, as the number of items increases the value cannot decrease; the previous value can be used

MEMORY FUNCTION KNAPSACK

- Bottom up advantage: each value computed only once
- Not all table entries are useful; wasted computations
- Top down disadvantage: multiple computations
- Solution: combine advantages of top down and bottom up approach

Algorithm MFKnapsack(i, j)

// Inputs: i - no of items, j - capacity

// Output: optimal subset

// Global table $F[n][W]$ initialised to -1

// $F[0,0]$ initialised to 0

// $W[n]$ and $V[n]$ global variables

if $F[i, j] < 0$ // not stored in table

if $j < W[i]$ // item weight exceeds capacity

value = MFKnapsack($i-1, j$)

else

value = max(MFKnapsack($i-1, j$), $V[i] + \text{MFKnapsack}(i-1, j - W[i])$)

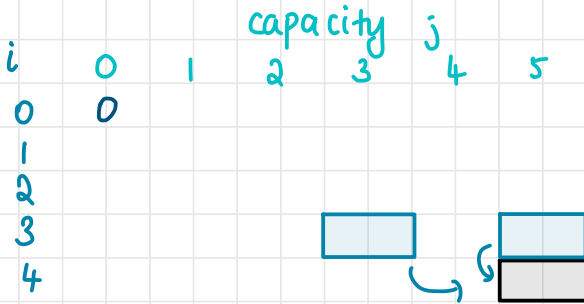
$F[i, j] = \text{value}$

return $F[i, j]$

eg:

Item i	Weight w_i	Value v_i
1	2	12
2	1	10
3	3	20
4	2	15

knapsack(4,5) where capacity = 5



1. $F[4,5] = -1$

$j=5$ $j-w_i = 5-2 = 3$

$\max[F[3,5], 15 + F[3,3]]$

⋮

i	0	1	2	3	4	5
0	0					
1						
2		-			-	
3		-	-		-	
4		-	-	-	-	

9 values not computed and filled

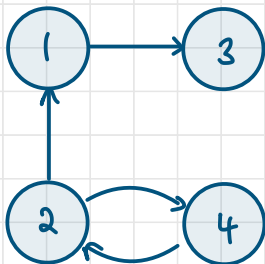
Complexity

- Space: $\Theta(nw)$
- Time complexity: $\Theta(nw)$
- Items in optimal solution: $\Theta(n)$

4. WARSHALL'S ALGORITHM

- Transitive closure of a relation
- Relations can be represented as unweighted directed graphs (edge from A to B represents that A is related to B)
- Transitivity: aRb and $bRc \Rightarrow aRc$
- Apply transitivity as many times as possible: obtain transitive closure
- Existence of all nontrivial paths in a digraph; all paths to be represented by direct edge in transitive closure

eg: Transitive closure



	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	1	0
2	1	0	0	1
3	0	0	0	0
4	0	1	0	0

- From source 1:

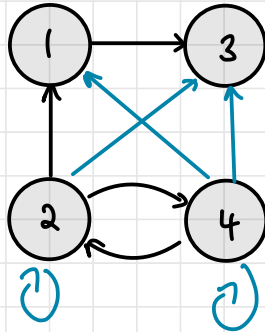
path from 1 to 1 — NO
 path from 1 to 2 — NO
 path from 1 to 3 — YES $1 \rightarrow 3$
 path from 1 to 4 — NO

- From source 2:

path from 2 to 1 — YES $2 \rightarrow 1$
 path from 2 to 2 — YES $2 \rightarrow 4 \rightarrow 2$
 path from 2 to 3 — YES $2 \rightarrow 1 \rightarrow 3$
 path from 2 to 4 — YES $2 \rightarrow 4$

- And so on

- Transitive closure:



	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	1	0
2	1	1	1	1
3	0	0	0	0
4	1	1	1	1

Recurrence

- $R^{(0)} = A$ (adjacency matrix)
- $R^{(n)} = T$ (transitive closure)

- On the k^{th} iteration, the algorithm computes $R^{(k)}$

$$R^{(k)}[i,j] = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if path from } i \text{ to } k \text{ and } k \text{ to } j \\ & \text{or } R^{(k-1)}[i,k] = R^{(k-1)}[k,j] = 1 \\ R^{(k-1)}[i,j] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Logical expression

$$R^{(k)}[i,j] = R^{(k-1)}[i,j] \text{ or } R^{(k-1)}[i,k] \text{ and } R^{(k-1)}[k,j]$$

Algorithm Warshall($A[n,n]$)

// Input: Adjacency matrix $A_{n \times n}$

// Output: Transitive closure $T_{n \times n}$

$$R^{(0)} = A$$

for $k=1$ to n

 for $i=1$ to n

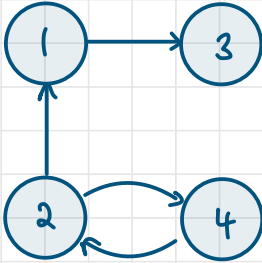
 for $j=1$ to n

$$R^{(k)}[i,j] = R^{(k-1)}[i,j] \text{ or } R^{(k-1)}[i,k] \text{ and } R^{(k-1)}[k,j]$$

return $R^{(n)}$

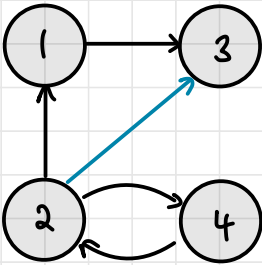
Example:

0) $R^{(0)}$



	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	1	0
2	1	0	0	1
3	0	0	0	0
4	0	1	0	0

1) $R^{(1)}$

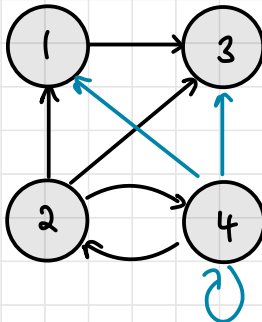


	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	1	0
2	1	0	1	1
3	0	0	0	0
4	0	1	0	0

↑ incoming

→ outgoing

2) $R^{(2)}$

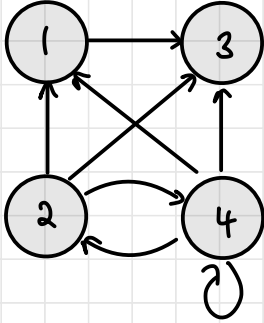


	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	1	0
2	1	0	1	1
3	0	0	0	0
4	1	1	1	1

↑ incoming

→ outgoing

2) $R^{(3)}$

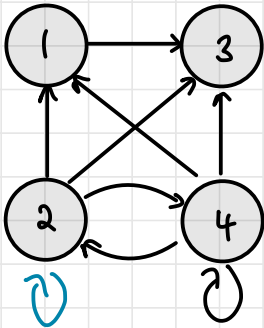


	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	1	0
2	1	0	1	1
3	0	0	0	0
4	1	1	1	1

↑ incoming

→ outgoing

2) $R^{(4)}$



	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	1	0
2	1	1	1	1
3	0	0	0	0
4	1	1	1	1

↑ incoming

→ outgoing

Complexity

- Time: $\Theta(n^3)$
- Space: $\Theta(n^2)$ — only 2 matrices required

Q: Is Warshall's algorithm efficient for sparse graphs?

- If adj list used?

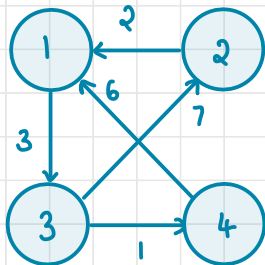
Q: Can Warshall's algorithm be used to determine if a graph is a DAG (directed acyclic graph)?

- Yes ; path from node to itself - cyclic

5. FLOYD'S ALGORITHM

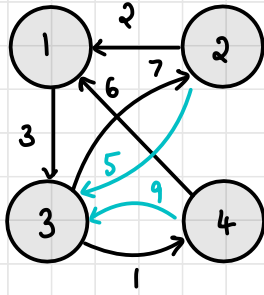
- Shortest path between every pair of vertices
- Dijkstra's: path from vertex to $n-1$ remaining vertices — $\Theta(n)$ paths
- Current problem: $\Theta(n^2)$ path
- Compute all pairs of shortest paths via sequence of $n \times n$ matrices $D^{(0)}, \dots, D^{(k)}, \dots, D^{(n)}$ where $D^{(k)}[i,j]$ is the shortest path from i to j with only first k vertices allowed as intermediate vertices

eg:



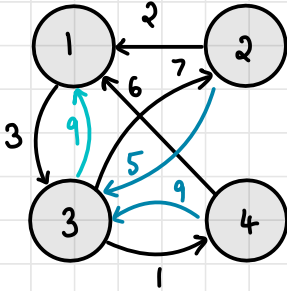
$$D^{(0)} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \infty & 3 & \infty \\ 2 & 0 & \infty & \infty \\ \infty & 7 & 0 & 1 \\ 6 & \infty & \infty & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

via 1



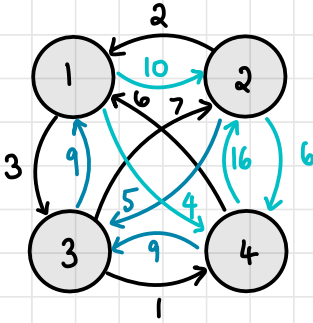
$$D^{(1)} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \infty & 3 & \infty \\ 2 & 0 & 5 & \infty \\ \infty & 7 & 0 & 1 \\ 6 & \infty & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

via 2



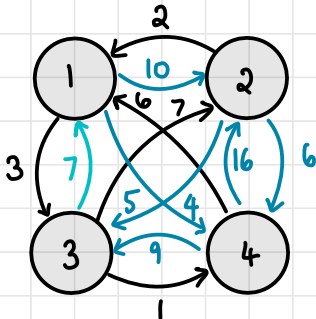
$$D^{(2)} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \infty & 3 & \infty \\ 2 & 0 & 5 & \infty \\ 9 & 7 & 0 & 1 \\ 6 & \infty & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

via 3



$$D^{(3)} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 10 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 & 6 \\ 9 & 7 & 0 & 1 \\ 6 & 16 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

via 4



$$D^{(3)} = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 10 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 0 & 5 & 6 \\ 7 & 7 & 0 & 1 \\ 6 & 16 & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{matrix} \rightarrow \text{final matrix}$$

Algorithm Floyd($A[n][n]$)

// Input: weight matrix A of a graph

// Output: Distance matrix of shortest paths

$D = A$

for $k = 1$ to n

 for $i = 1$ to n

 for $j = 1$ to n

$D[i, j] = \min(D[i, j], D[i, k] + D[k, j])$

return D

Complexity

- Time: $\Theta(n^3)$
- Space: $\Theta(n^2)$

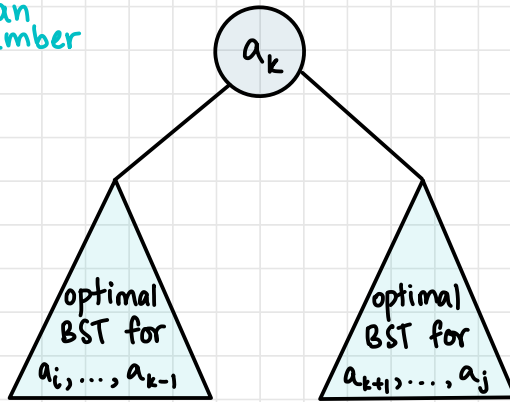
Q: Enhance Floyd's algorithm so that shortest paths themselves and not just their lengths are found

Have a second matrix $PREV$ that stores the previous vertice visited in the path from i to j in $PREV[i, j]$

6. OPTIMAL BINARY SEARCH TREES

- Given n keys $a_1 < \dots < a_n$ and probabilities p_1, \dots, p_n searching for them, find a BST with a minimum number of comparisons in successful search
- Since total number of BSTs with n nodes is given by $\frac{C(2n, n)}{n+1}$, brute force is pointless (exponential)

Catalan number



- $C[i, j]$ — minimum average number of comparisons made in $T[i, j]$ → tree with nodes a_i to a_j — T_i^j
- $T[i, j]$ — optimal BST for keys $a_i < \dots < a_j$ where $1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$

$$C[i, j] = \min_{i \leq k \leq j} \left(\underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{1 access}}}{p_k \cdot 1} + \sum_{s=i}^{k-1} p_s \cdot (\text{level of } a_s \text{ in } T_i^{k-1} + 1) + \sum_{s=k+1}^j p_s \cdot (\text{level of } a_s \text{ in } T_{k+1}^j + 1) \right)$$

root node ↓
root node ↓

$$C[i, j] = \min_{i \leq k \leq j} \left\{ \sum_{s=i}^{k-1} p_s \cdot (\text{level of } a_s \text{ in } T_i^{k-1}) + \sum_{s=k+1}^j p_s \cdot (\text{level of } a_s \text{ in } T_{k+1}^j) + \sum_{s=i}^j p_s \right\}$$

Recurrence

$$C[i, j] = \min_{i \leq k \leq j} \{ C[i, k-1] + C[k+1, j] \} + \sum_{s=i}^j p_s \quad 1 \leq i \leq j \leq n$$

one node tree

$$C[i, i] = p_i \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$C[i, i-1] = 0$$

Table for DP

	0	1					j	n
1	0	p_1						goal
		0	p_2					
i							$C[i, j]$	
								p_n
$n+1$								0

Eg:

key
probability

	1	2	3	4
	A	B	C	D
	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.3

$n=4$

initial tables T_0^4

		j				
		0	1	2	3	4
i	1	0	0.1			
	2		0	0.2		
	3			0	0.4	
	4				0	0.3
	5					0

		j				
		0	1	2	3	4
i	1		1			
	2			2		
	3				3	
	4					4
	5					

main table

root table

compute $C[1,2] = \min$ $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} k=1: C[1,0] + C[2,2] + \sum_{s=1}^2 P_s \\ k=2: C[1,1] + C[3,2] + \sum_{s=2}^2 P_s \end{array} \right.$

$i=1$

$j=2$

$= \min \left\{ \begin{array}{l} k=1: 0 + 0.2 + 0.3 = 0.5 \\ k=2: 0.1 + 0 + 0.3 = 0.4 \end{array} \right.$

root

		j				
		0	1	2	3	4
i	1	0	0.1	0.4		
	2		0	0.2		
	3			0	0.4	
	4				0	0.3
	5					0

		j				
		0	1	2	3	4
i	1		1	2		
	2			2		
	3				3	
	4					4
	5					

main table

root table

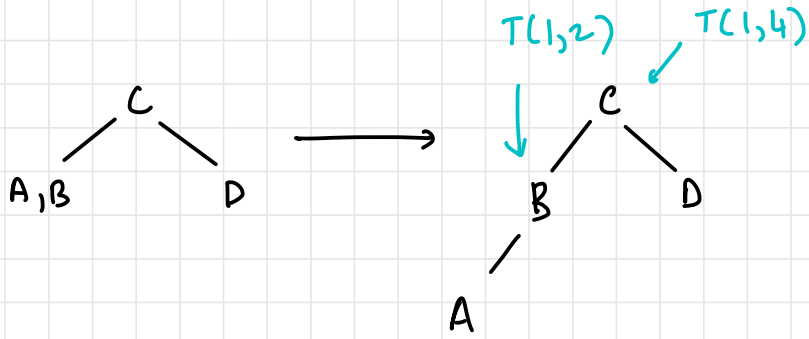
And so on,

avg no of comparisons

		j				
		0	1	2	3	4
i	1	0	0.1	0.4	1.1	1.7
	2		0	0.2	0.8	1.4
	3			0	0.4	1.0
	4				0	0.3
	5					0

		j				
		0	1	2	3	4
i	1					3
	2		1	2	3	3
	3			2	3	3
	4				3	3
	5					4

Reconstruction



root obtained from root table, recursively

Algorithm

ALGORITHM *OptimalBST*($P[1..n]$)

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//Finds an optimal binary search tree by dynamic programming
//Input: An array  $P[1..n]$  of search probabilities for a sorted list of  $n$  keys
//Output: Average number of comparisons in successful searches in the
//      optimal BST and table  $R$  of subtrees' roots in the optimal BST
for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n$  do
     $C[i, i - 1] \leftarrow 0$ 
     $C[i, i] \leftarrow P[i]$ 
     $R[i, i] \leftarrow i$ 
 $C[n + 1, n] \leftarrow 0$ 
for  $d \leftarrow 1$  to  $n - 1$  do //diagonal count
    for  $i \leftarrow 1$  to  $n - d$  do
         $j \leftarrow i + d$ 
         $minval \leftarrow \infty$ 
        for  $k \leftarrow i$  to  $j$  do
            if  $C[i, k - 1] + C[k + 1, j] < minval$ 
                 $minval \leftarrow C[i, k - 1] + C[k + 1, j]; kmin \leftarrow k$ 
             $R[i, j] \leftarrow kmin$ 
         $sum \leftarrow P[i];$  for  $s \leftarrow i + 1$  to  $j$  do  $sum \leftarrow sum + P[s]$ 
         $C[i, j] \leftarrow minval + sum$ 
return  $C[1, n], R$ 
```

initialise comparisons
and root tables

loop to find
minval

avg
comps.

root table

Complexity

- Time: $\Theta(n^3)$ — can reduce to $\Theta(n^2)$
- Space: $\Theta(n^2)$

Limitations of Algorithmic Power

- There are no algorithms to solve some problems (eg: halting problem, acceptance problem)
- Certain problems can be solved in principle, but in non-polynomial time (eg: travelling salesman problem)

LOWER-BOUND ARGUMENTS

- **Lower bound:** an estimate on a minimum amount of work needed to solve a given problem
- Can be an exact count or an efficiency class (Ω)
- **Tight lower bound:** there exists an algorithm with the same efficiency as the lower bound
- Should not be possible to solve at lower complexity than lower bound — should be firm

<u>Problem</u>	<u>Lower Bound</u>	<u>Tightness</u>	<u>(algo exists)</u>
Sorting	$\Omega(n \log n)$	yes	merge
search sorted array	$\Omega(\log n)$	yes	binary
element uniqueness <small>bits</small>	$\Omega(n \log n)$	yes	sort & adj (n)
integer multiplication ($n \times n$)	$\Omega(n)$	unknown	
matrix multiplication ($n \times n$)	$\Omega(n^2)$	unknown	

\uparrow
 Strassen's $n^{2. something}$

1. Trivial Lower Bounds

- Counting no. of items to be processed in input and generated as output

Examples

(a) Max element $\rightarrow \Omega(n)$

(b) Polynomial evaluation $\rightarrow \Omega(n)$ for n terms

(c) Matrix multiplication $\rightarrow \Omega(n^2)$ for each element in $n \times n$

(d) Sorting \rightarrow not best

- Note: may not always be useful

2. Adversary Arguments

- Worst case amount of work
- Imagine adversary working hard to make problem difficult to solve by adjusting input

Examples

(a) Search for element in binary search; adversary puts number in the larger of two subsets (worst case $\log n$ comparisons)

(b) Merging of two sorted list; adversary $a_i < b_j$ iff $i < j$ for a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n and b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n (worst case $2n-1$ comparisons)

3. Problem Reduction

- If problem P at least as hard as problem Q then lower bound for Q is lower bound for P
- Find problem Q with known lower bound, reduce problem Q to problem P

Example

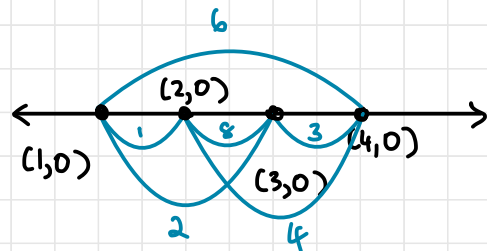
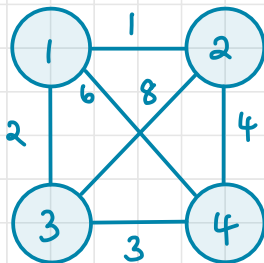
(a) P: MST for n points in Cartesian plane, Q: element uniqueness problem ($\Omega(n \log n)$)

Reduce element uniqueness problem to minimum spanning tree problem (Euclidean MST problem)

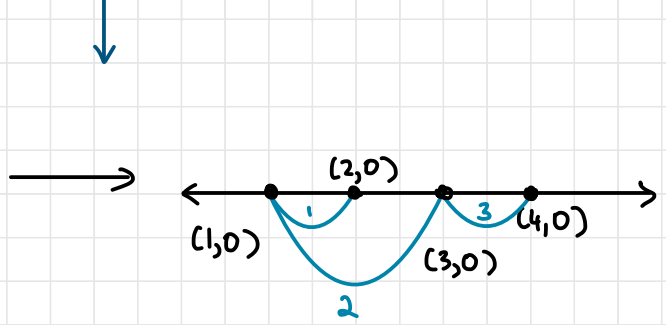
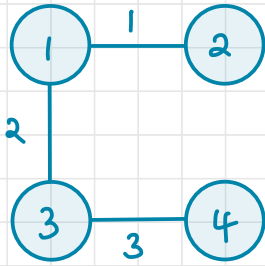
Let n numbers be the n points in Cartesian plane for which MST must be found

Convert n no.s to set of coordinates with $y=0$
 $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\} \rightarrow \{(x_1, 0), (x_2, 0), \dots, (x_n, 0)\}$

Let T be MST of n points



MST



If 0 length edge exists, no uniqueness. Here:
unique

- Prove that the classic recursive algorithm for the Tower of Hanoi puzzle makes the minimum number of disk moves

<https://math.stackexchange.com/questions/2650/how-to-prove-the-optimal-towers-of-hanoi-strategy>

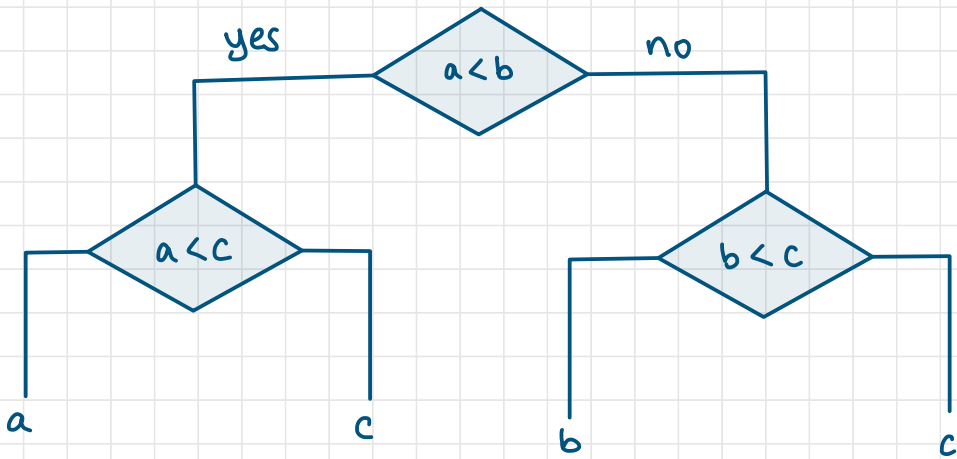
<http://towersofhanoi.info/Tech.aspx>

- Find a trivial lower-bound class and indicate if the bound is tight:
 - ▶ finding the largest element in an array
 - ▶ generating all the subsets of an n -element set
 - ▶ determining whether n given real numbers are all distinct

DECISION TREES

- Problem types: optimisation and decision (true/false)
- Many problems can be framed in either way
- Decision problems more convenient to study complexity
- At each node, algorithm takes decision

Eg: Decision tree for minimum of 3 nos



- Cannot have less no. of leaf nodes than no. of solutions

Central Idea

- Tree must be tall enough for no. of leaves = no. of outcomes
- Largest no. of leaves: all leaves in last level = 2^h
- Height must be at least $\log_2(\text{leaves})$

$$l \leq 2^h$$

$$h \geq \lceil \log_2 l \rceil$$

1. Decision Trees for Sorting Algorithms

- Sorting algorithms comparison-based (compare pairs of elements in list)
- Binary decision tree for comparison-based sorting to derive lower bounds on time efficiency
- Decision tree for sorting array of size n will have $n!$ leaf nodes

$$C_{\text{worst}}(n) \geq \lceil \log_2 n! \rceil$$

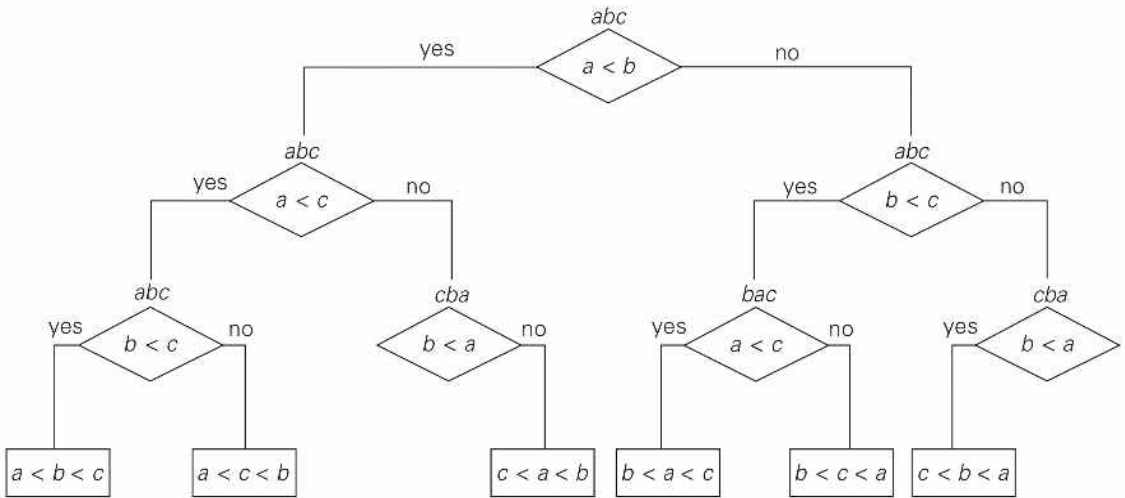
Stirling's formula

$$n! \approx \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$$

$$\left\lceil \log_2 \left[(\sqrt{2\pi n}) \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n \right] \right\rceil = \left\lceil \frac{1}{2} \log_2(2\pi n) + n \log_2\left(\frac{n}{e}\right) \right\rceil$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left\lceil \frac{1}{2} \log_2(2) + \frac{1}{2} \log_2(\pi) + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 n + n \log_2 n - n \log_2 e \right\rceil \\
 &= \left\lceil \frac{1 + \log_2 \pi}{2} + \frac{\log_2 n}{2} - (\log_2 e) n + n \log_2 n \right\rceil \\
 &= \Theta(n \log n)
 \end{aligned}$$

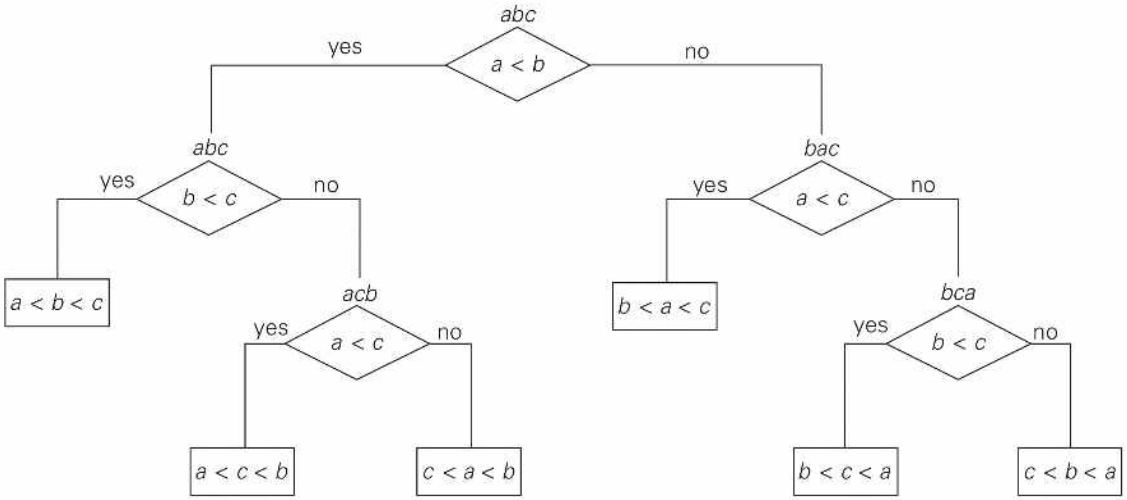
Decision Tree for 3-element Selection Sort



Average-Case Behaviour

- Average depth of leaves ; average path length from root to leaves

Decision Tree for 3-element Insertion Sort



Average case:

$$\frac{2+3+3+2+3+3}{6} = 2\frac{2}{3} \text{ comparisons}$$

Lower Bound on C_{avg}

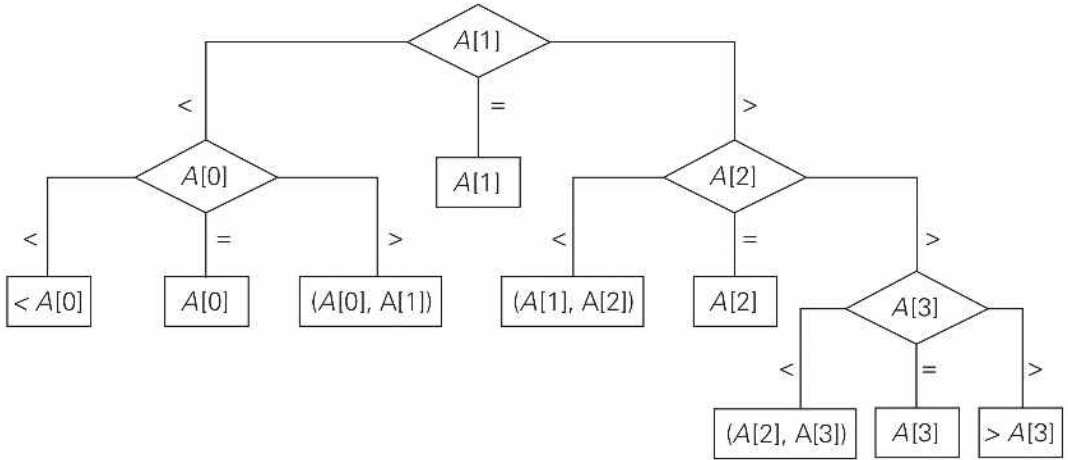
$$C_{avg}(n) \geq \log_2(n!)$$

2. Decision Trees for Searching Algorithms

- key comparisons of array of n keys

$$C_{worst}^{bs}(n) = \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor + 1 = \lceil \log_2(n+1) \rceil$$

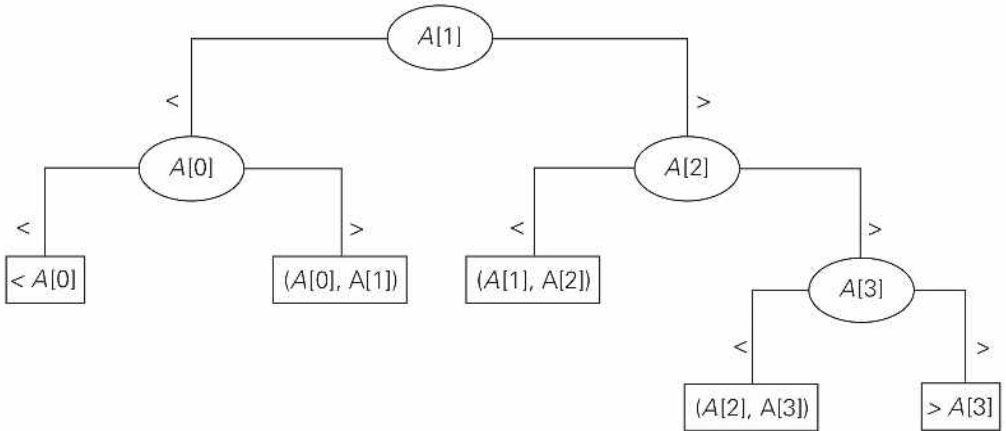
Four element Tree



$$C_{\text{worst}}(n) \geq \lceil \log_3(2n+1) \rceil$$

- Lower than $\lceil \log_2(n+1) \rceil$; tight?

Binary Decision Tree



$$C_{\text{worst}}^{\text{bs}}(n) = \lceil \log_2(n+1) \rceil$$

- Consider the problem of finding the median of a three-element set a, b, c of orderable items
 - ▶ What is the information-theoretic lower bound for comparison-based algorithms solving this problem?
 - ▶ Draw a decision tree for an algorithm solving this problem
 - ▶ Is the above bound tight?

COMPLEXITY CLASSES

- Is a problem tractable ; solvable in polynomial time $O(p(n))$
- Decision problems , not optimisation (for now)

— class P —

- Decision problems solvable in polynomial time $O(p(n))$
- Problems:
 - searching
 - element uniqueness
 - graph connectivity
 - graph acyclicity
 - primality testing - IITK https://www.cse.iitk.ac.in/users/manindra/algebra/primality_v6.pdf
- $\Theta(\log n) \in O(n)$ and $\Theta(n \log n) \in O(n^2)$ — polynomial time in big-O notation

— class NP —

- Nondeterministic Polynomial — Nondeterministic Turing Machine can solve in polynomial time
- Solutions can be verified in polynomial time once obtained
- Abstract two-step procedure
 - generates random string to verify
 - check if solution correct in polynomial time

BOOLEAN/CNF SATISFIABILITY

- Is a boolean function in conjunctive normal form (CNF) satisfiable (values that make the expression evaluate to 1)
- CNF: AND of ORs, i.e., POS form

$$\text{Eg: } (a + \bar{b} + \bar{c})(\bar{a} + b)(\bar{a} + \bar{b} + \bar{c}) = y$$

if $a=1, b=1, c=0$, check if $y=1$

Checking phase: $\theta(n)$

Examples

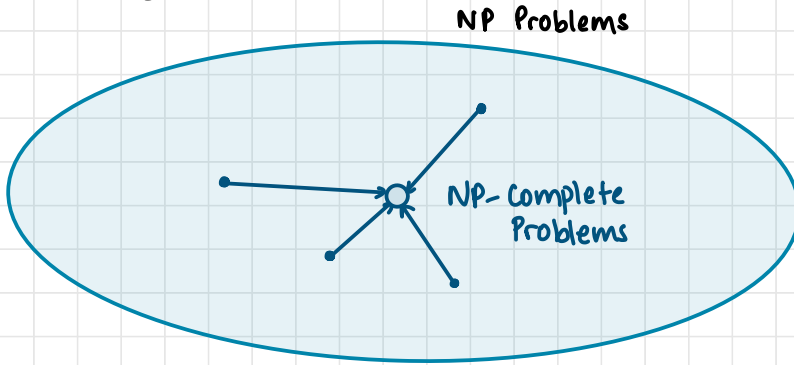
- **Hamiltonian circuit existence:** visit every node and come back to starting vertex
- **Partition problem:** possible to partition set of n integers into two disjoint subsets with same sum
- Decision variants of MST, KP, graph colouring and other combinatorial optimisation problems
- All class P problems can be solved by NP algorithm

$$P \subseteq NP$$

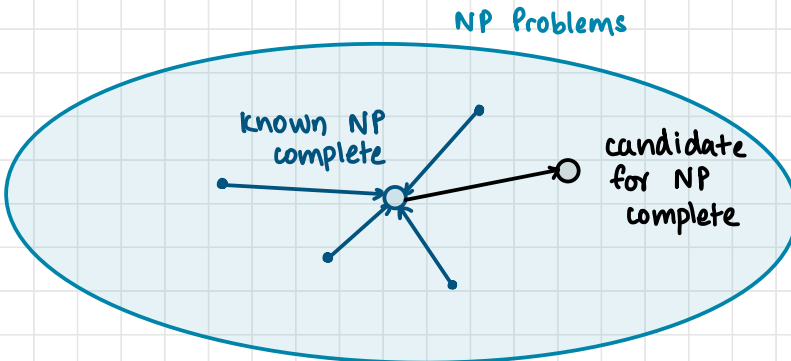
- Is $P = NP$ - fundamental question in CS

class NP-complete

- A decision problem D is NP-complete if it is as hard as any problem in NP and every problem in NP is reducible to D in polynomial time

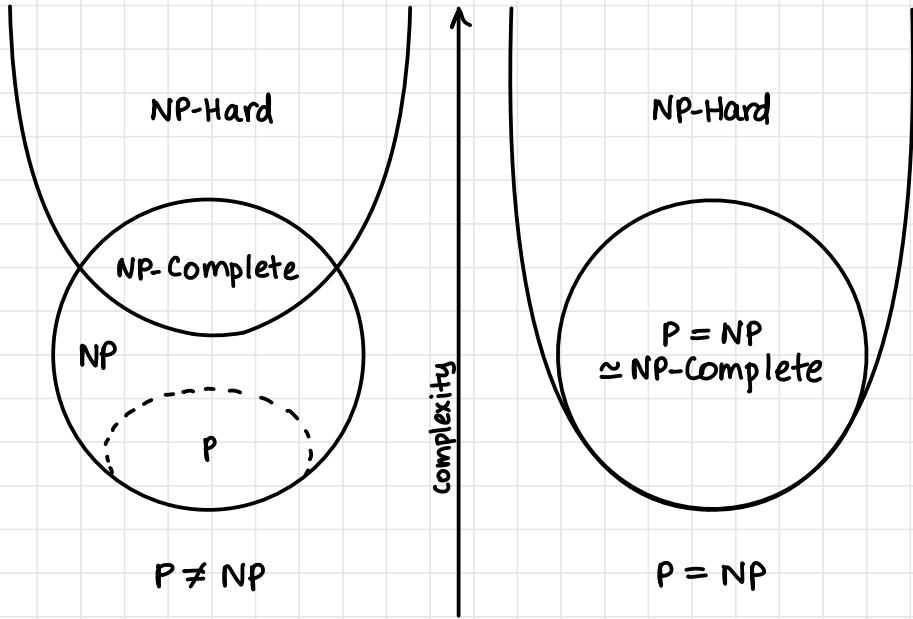


- All NP problems can be reduced to D in polynomial time
- Boolean satisfiability, Hamiltonian circuit, graph colouring, travelling salesman, subset sum are interconvertible / reducible
- Currently do not have polynomial time algorithm for even one of them
- Prove that no polynomial time solution exists for any one, prove for all ; prove $P \neq NP$

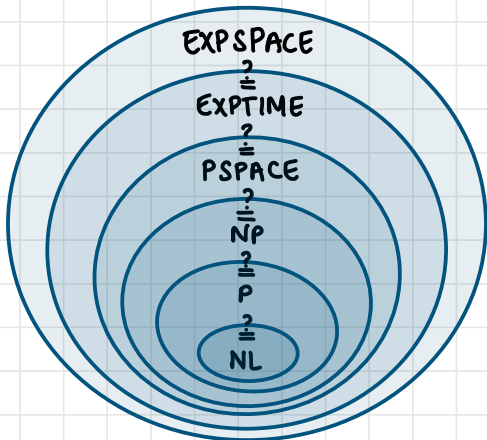


class NP-hard

- D may or may not be in NP
- Every problem in NP polynomial time reducible to D



Complexity Hierarchy



known that at least one is a proper subset of another

? = → unknown

BACKTRACKING

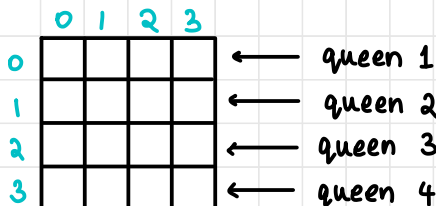
- When polynomial solutions for combinatorial problems do not exist
- Smart ways of exploring solution space (better than exhaustive solution)
- Worst case still exponential ; eliminates unnecessary cases from exhaustive search
- Further: branch and bound

Steps

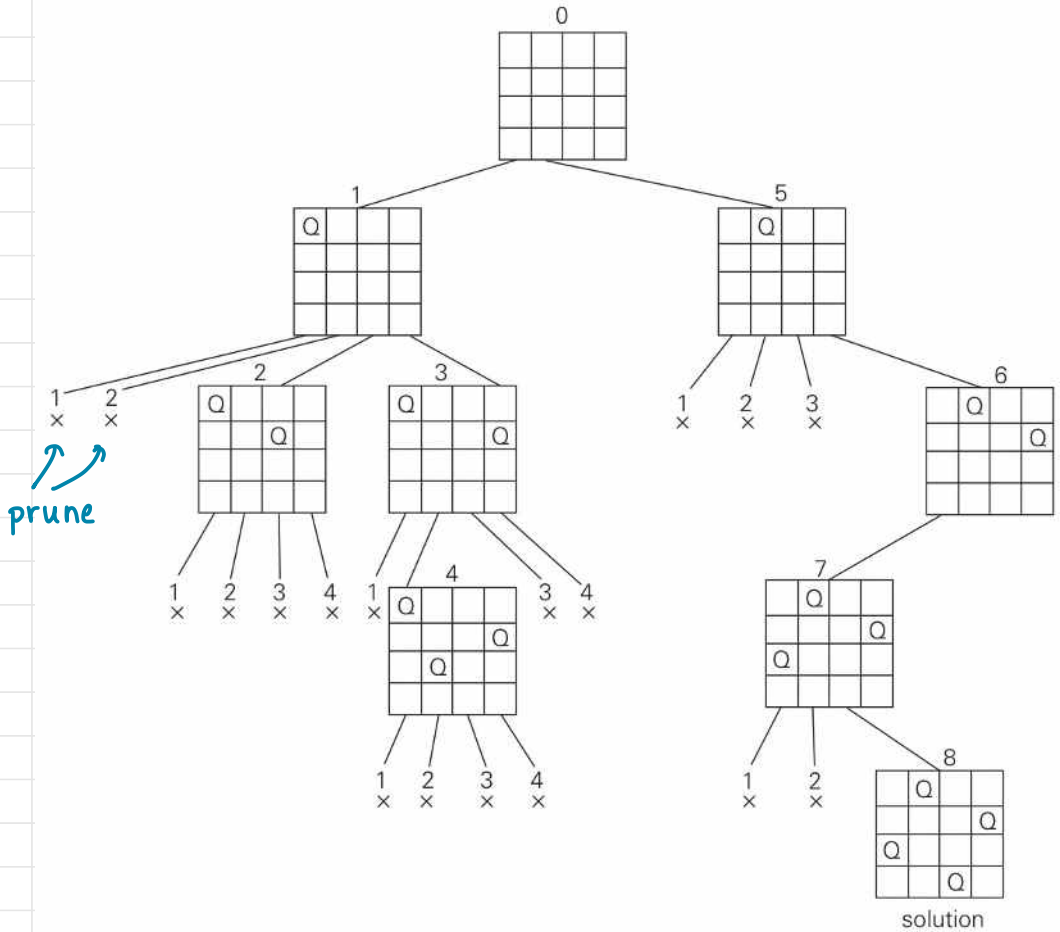
- Construct state-space tree — nodes: partial solutions and edges: choices in extending partial solutions
- Explore using DFS
- Prune nonpromising nodes (DFS stops and backtracks)

N - Queens Problem

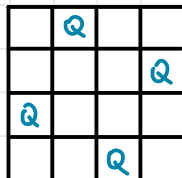
- Place N queens on an $N \times N$ chess board so that no two of them are in the same row, column or diagonal



- Find column numbers for each queen
- No solution for 2×2 , 3×3

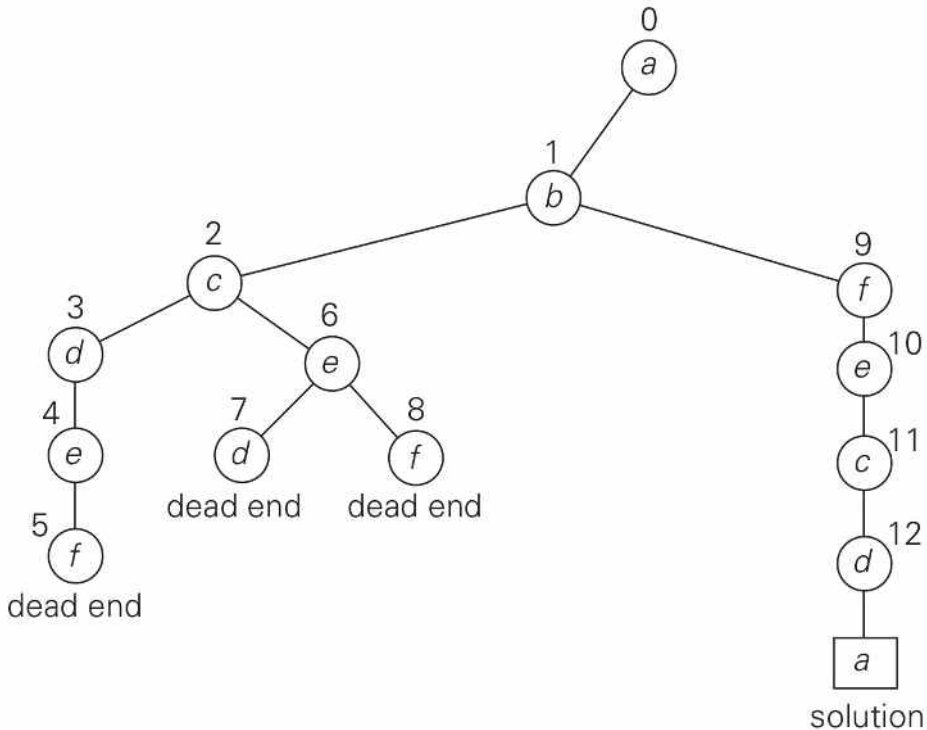
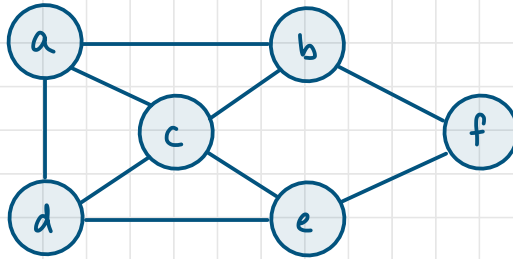


- Stop if columns equal or diagonals equal



Hamiltonian Circuit

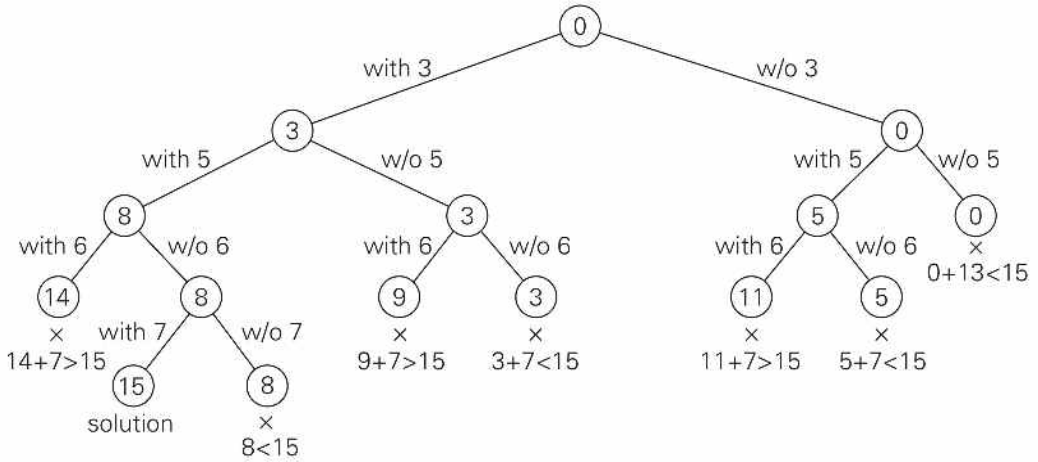
- cycle in a graph that passes through all vertices of graph exactly once
- Source node does not matter



Subset Sum Problem

- Set $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ of n positive integers, find subset whose sum is equal to given positive integer d

Eg: $A = \{3, 5, 6, 7\}$, $d = 15$



GENERAL BACKTRACKING ALGORITHM

Algorithm $\text{Backtrack}(X[1..i])$

// Input: first i promising components of solution

// Output: all tuples in solution (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)

if $X[1..i]$ is solution

write $X[1..i]$

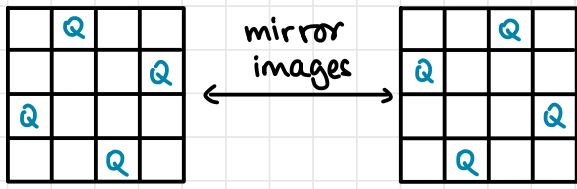
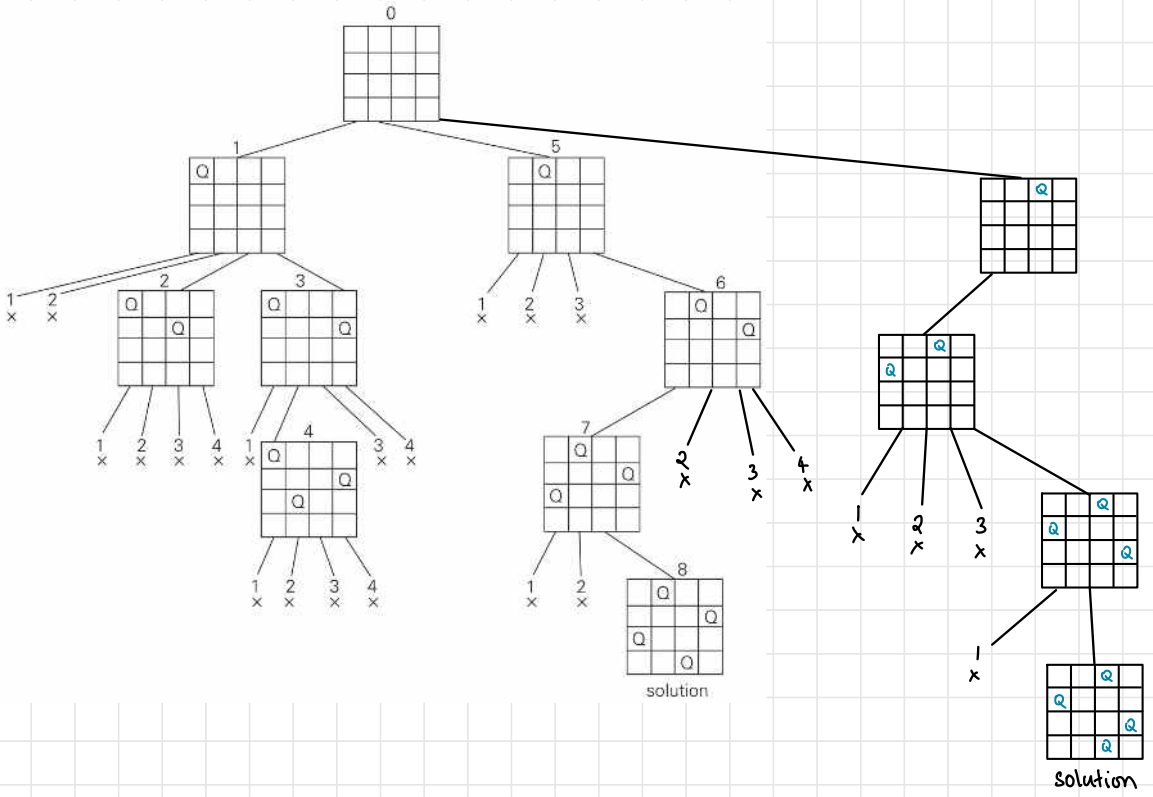
else

for each element $x \in S_{i+1}$ and constraints

$X[i+1] = x$

$\text{Backtrack}(X[1..i+1])$

- Continue the backtracking search for a solution to the four-queens problem, to find the second solution to the problem
- Explain how the board's symmetry can be used to find the second solution to the four-queens problem



BRANCH & BOUND

- Improvement upon backtracking
- Best value of objective function on any solution that can be obtained by adding further components to the partially constructed solution at node

Termination

- Value of bound (upper/lower) of node not better than best solution seen so far
- No feasible solution as constraints already violated
- No further choices - compare

Job Assignment Problem

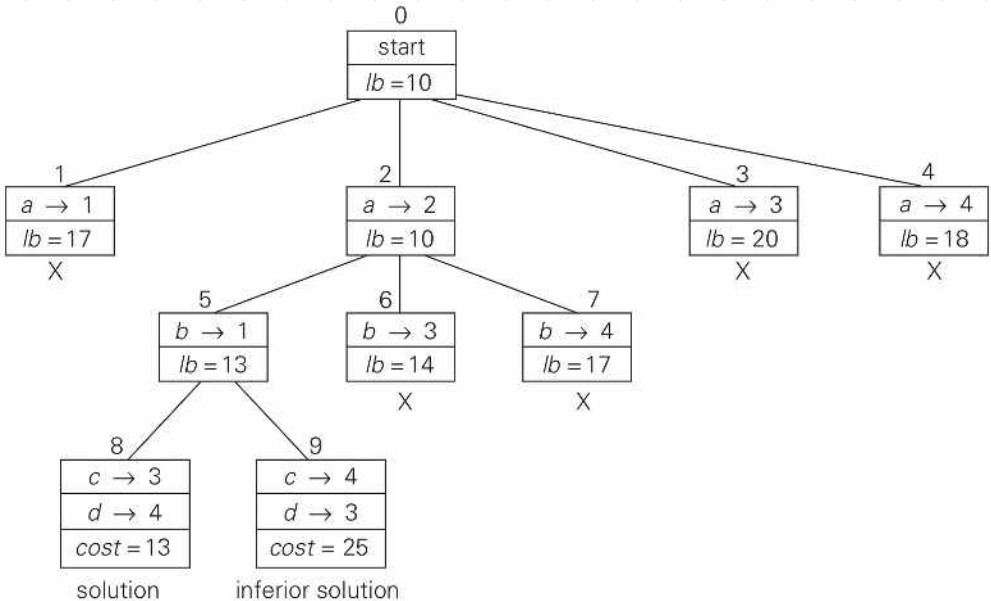
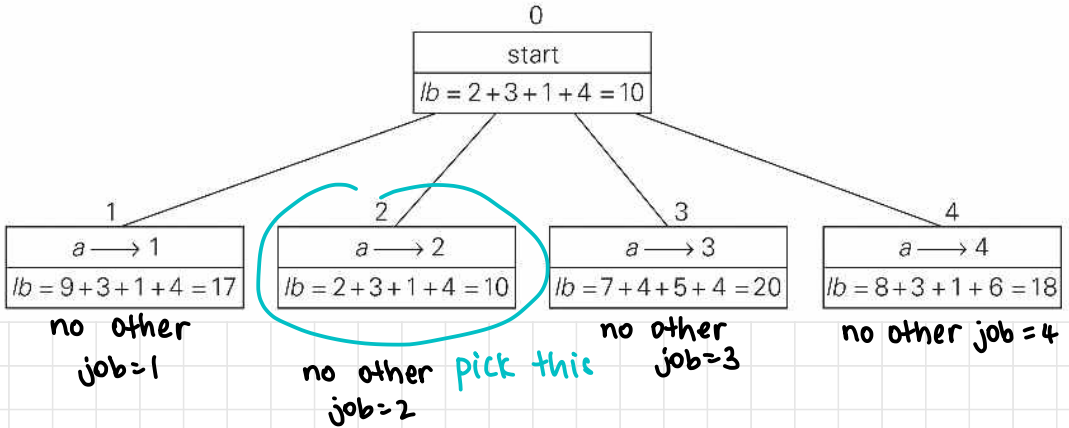
- Cost minimised ; lower bound
- Lower bound: sum of each person's lowest cost jobs (usually not a solution; acts as lower bound)

	job 1	job 2	job 3	job 4	
$C =$	9	2	7	8	person a
	6	4	3	7	person b
	5	8	1	8	person c
	7	6	9	4	person d

$$\text{lower bound} = 2 + 3 + 1 + 4 = 10$$

State Space Tree

- Best-first branch and bound
- Generate all children, go to best child



Knapsack Problem

Item i	Weight w_i	Value v_i	$\frac{\text{value}}{\text{weight}}$
1	4	40	10
2	7	42	6
3	5	25	5
4	3	12	4

Knapsack(4, 10) where capacity = 10

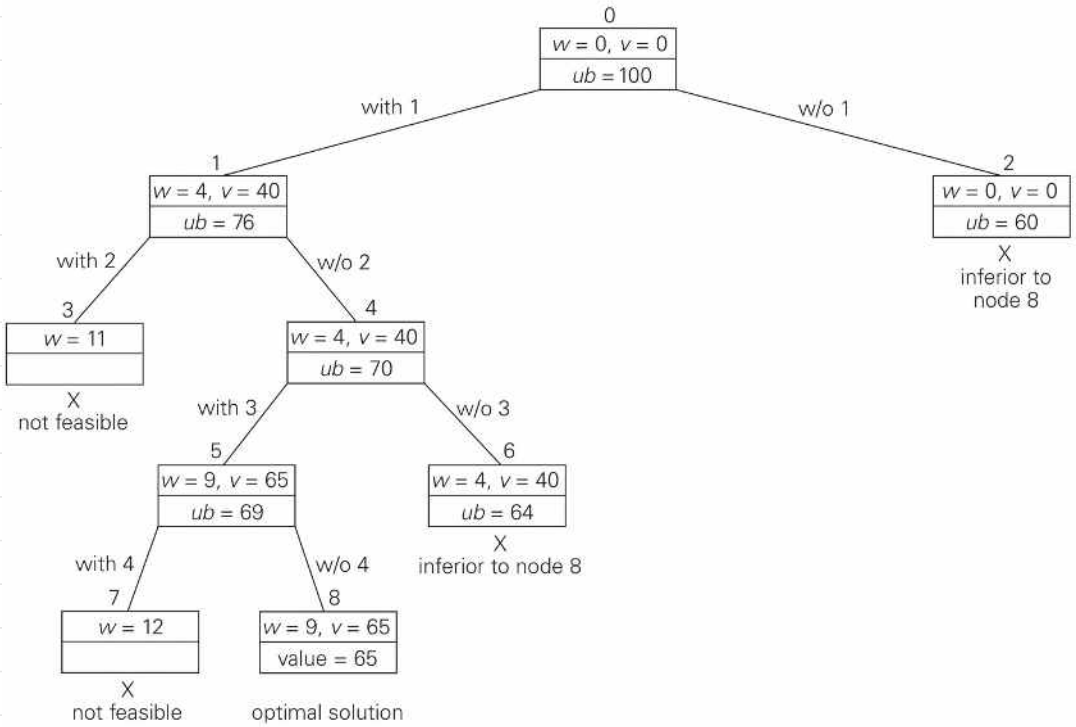
- Desire: max value & min weight $\Rightarrow \frac{\text{value}}{\text{weight}}$
- Arrange in descending order
- Upper bound

$$ub = v + (W - w) \left(\frac{v_{i+1}}{w_{i+1}} \right)$$

Annotations:
- "space left" points to $(W - w)$
- "current value of items 1 to i " points to v
- " v/w of next item" points to $\left(\frac{v_{i+1}}{w_{i+1}} \right)$

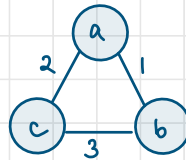
Descending Order

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Travelling Salesman Problem

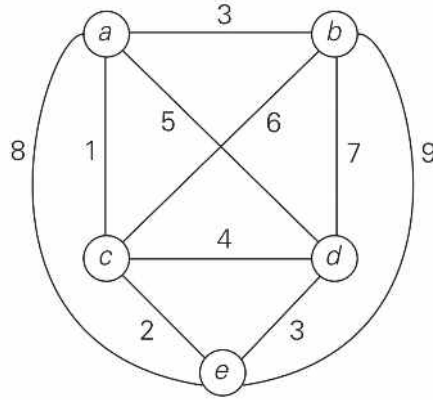
- start in a city, complete Hamiltonian circuit on weighted graph
- Lower bound: sum of costs of 2 lowest edges at a node and then divide by 2



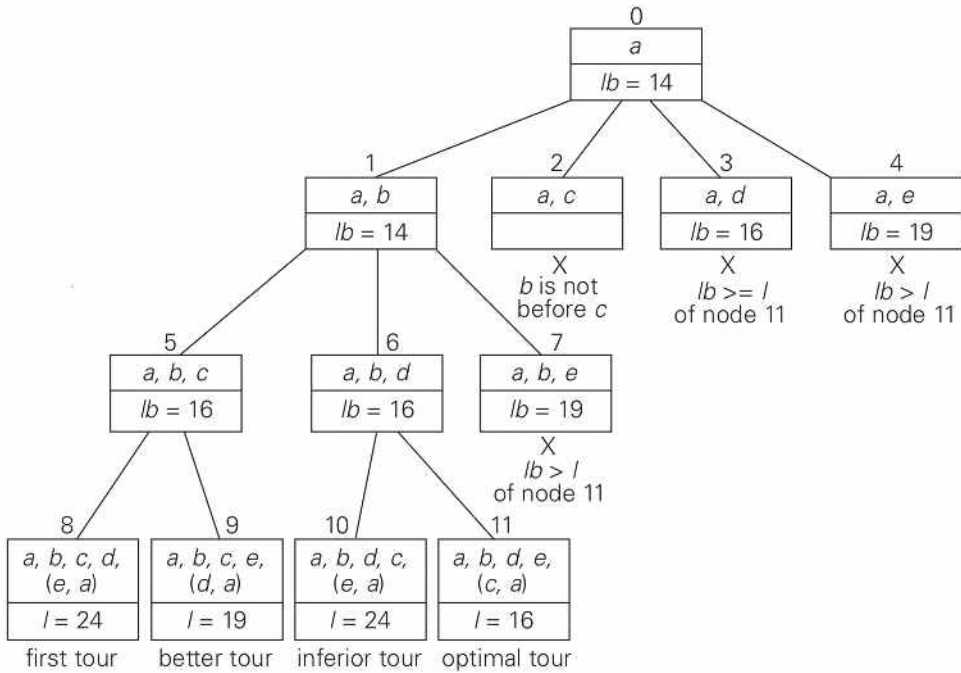
$$s = (2+1) + (1+3) + (2+3) = 12$$

$$lb = \left\lceil \frac{s}{2} \right\rceil$$

Graph



Tree



- mirror image: same cost