

Recapture Dynamic programming

Chapter 6 in Kleinberg & Tardos

- Independent Set on Trees

Dynamic Programming Summary

Recipe.

1. Characterize structure of problem.
2. Recursively define *value* of optimal solution.
3. Compute and store *values* of optimal solution iteratively.
4. Construct optimal solution itself from computed information.

Dynamic programming techniques.

- Binary choice: weighted interval scheduling
- Multi-way choice: segmented least squares.
- Adding a new variable: knapsack.
- Dynamic programming over intervals (more subproblems): RNA secondary structure.

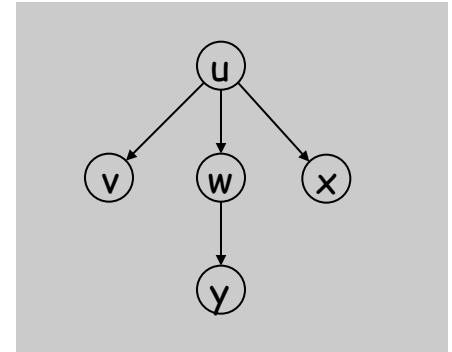
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Brute Force. $O(2^n)$

With dynamic programming... efficiently solvable!



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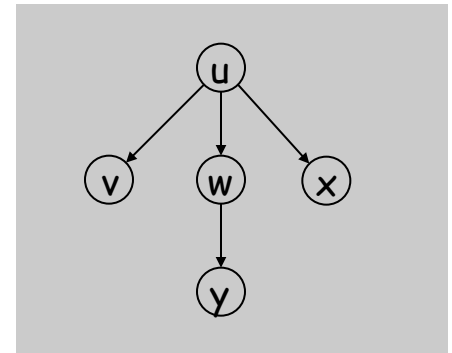
Idea. Use dynamic programming to optimize sum of weights $\text{OPT}(u)$ for a tree with root u .

Start with defining a search tree:

Q. Starting at root u , what are the options?

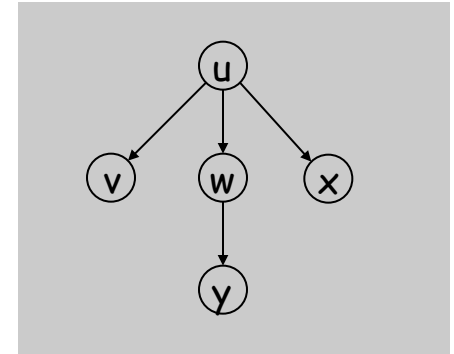
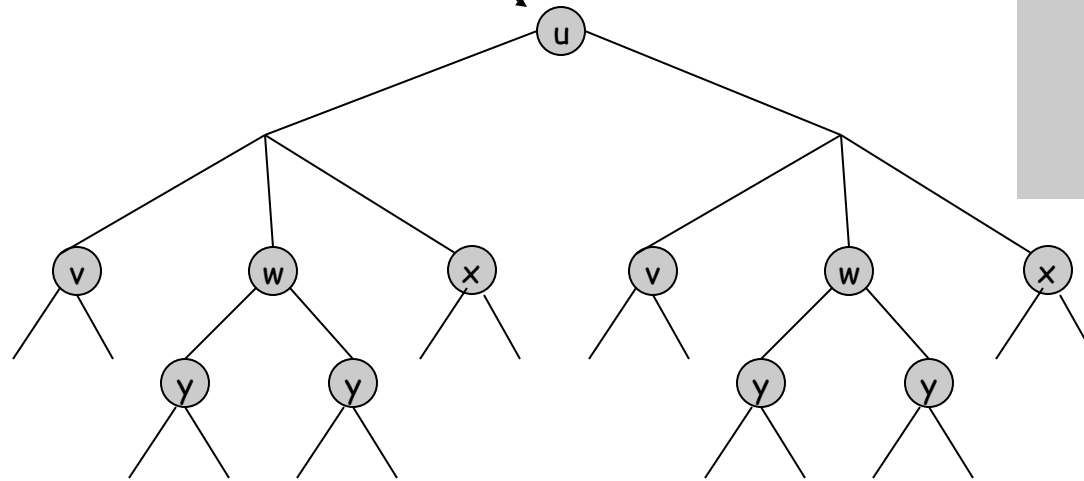
A.

1. include u , or
2. don't include u



Independent Set: Brute Force Search Tree

include u? yes (right) or no (left)?



Observation. Number of nodes grows exponentially with problem size.

Observation. Search tree may contain redundant sub-problems (e.g. y).

Two types of subproblems y: where y may be chosen, or not.

Idea. Dynamic programming:

1. **Store** and **reuse** solutions to subproblems.
2. Compute these **bottom-up**.

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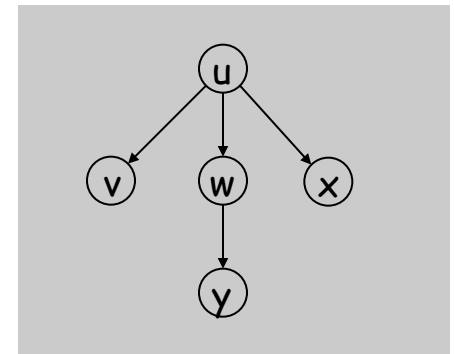
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A.

1. include u (and thus don't include children of u), or
2. don't include u (and possibly include all children of u).



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Q. How to express the value of an optimal solution in these cases?

A.

1. $= w_u + \text{sum over optimal solution of children, excluding children}$
2. $= \text{sum over optimal solution of children}$

Idea. Use different notation for optimal solution with and without u .

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Idea. Use different notation for OPT with and without u .

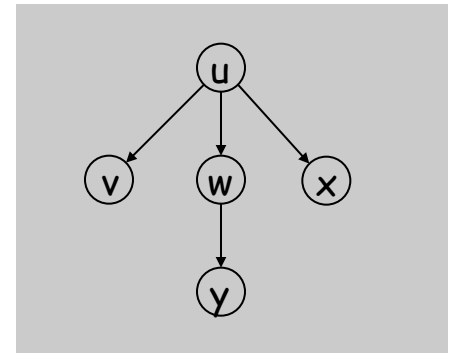
- $OPT_{in}(u)$ = max weight independent set rooted at u , containing u .
- $OPT_{out}(u)$ = max weight independent set rooted at u , not containing u .

$$OPT(u) = \max \{OPT_{in}(u), OPT_{out}(u)\}$$

The two subcases are:

1. include u and don't include children of u , or
2. don't include u and possibly include all children of u .

Give recursive formulas for OPT_{in} and OPT_{out} .



$children(u) = \{v, w, x\}$

$$OPT_{in}(u) = w_u + \sum_{v \in children(u)} OPT_{out}(v)$$

$$OPT_{out}(u) = \sum_{v \in children(u)} \max \{OPT_{in}(v), OPT_{out}(v)\}$$

Independent Set on Trees: DP Algorithm

Claim. The following dynamic programming algorithm efficiently finds a maximum weighted independent set in trees.

```
Weighted-Independent-Set-In-A-Tree (T) {  
  Root the tree at a node r  
  foreach (node u of T in postorder) {  
    if (u is a leaf) {  
       $M_{in}[u] = w_u$   
       $M_{out}[u] = 0$   
    }  
    else {  
       $M_{in}[u] = \sum_{v \in \text{children}(u)} M_{out}[v] + w_u$   
       $M_{out}[u] = \sum_{v \in \text{children}(u)} \max(M_{out}[v], M_{in}[v])$   
    }  
  }  
  return  $\max(M_{in}[r], M_{out}[r])$   
}
```

↑
start from bottom:
ensures a node is visited after
all its children

Q. What is the run time of this algorithm?

A. Takes $O(n)$ time since we visit nodes in postorder and examine each edge exactly once. ▀