

6. **10 marks** (Take Home Question.) A graph G is a *split graph* if $V(G)$ can be partitioned into set C and I such that C is a clique and I is an independent set in G .¹ In the **SPLIT VERTEX DELETION** problem, given a graph G and an integer k , the task is to check if one can delete at most k vertices from G to obtain a split graph.
Design a $2^k |V(G)|^{O(1)}$ algorithm for SPLIT VERTEX DELETION, using iterative compression.

Lemma I: Let I, C be a partition of a split graph G s.t. I is an ind. set & C is a clique. Likewise, let I', C' be another distinct partition of G s.t. I' is ind. set & C' is a clique. At most one vertex in I not in I' .

Proof: Let $u, v \in I$, $u, v \notin I'$, $u \neq v$

Now, since $u, v \notin I'$, $\Rightarrow u, v \in C'$, $uv \in E(G)$. But this is a contradiction, and thus

Lemma II: There are at most n^2 partitions of G , and there exists a polytime algorithm to enumerate these.

Proof: Consider a partition I, C of G , I is an ind. set & C is a clique. In any other partition (I', C') of G s.t. I' is ind. set & C' is a clique, there is only one vertex in I not in I' , & there are at most $n-1$ such vertices. Also, there are at most n vertices in I' not in I . Thus, there are a total of $(n-1)n + 1 \leq n^2$ partitions of G . It is trivial to find these given an initial partition - we can just enumerate over all possibilities for the " n^2 " vertices described previously.

Solving DISJOINT SPLIT VERTEX DELETION in poly time

Input: Graph G , set W s.t. $G \setminus W$ is split graph, $|W| \leq k+1$

Output: Vertex set $S \subseteq V(W)$, s.t. $|S| \leq k$, $G \setminus S$ is split graph or conclude no such set exists.

Algorithm: 1. If $G[W]$ is not split graph, return No.

2. For each partition (C, I) of $G[W]$, C is clique, I is ind set

3. For each partition (C', I') of $G[V(W) \setminus W]$, C' is clique, I' is ind set

4. Let $X \subseteq C'$ be set of all vertices in C' which are not incident on every vertex on C

5. Let $Y \subseteq I'$ be set of all vertices in I' which are incident on at least one vertex in I

6. If $|X \cup Y| \leq k$

Return $X \cup Y$

7. Return No.

Proof of correctness } Line 1 is correct since if $G[W]$ is not a split graph, $\Rightarrow \exists S \subseteq V(W) \setminus W$ s.t. $G \setminus S$ is split graph, so it is a No instance

Let the instance be a YES instance. Now, $\Rightarrow \exists$ set $S \subseteq V(W) \setminus W$ s.t. $G \setminus S$ is a split graph, and in $G \setminus S$, let C'' be the clique component & I'' be the ind set component. Now, $C'' \cap W$ and $I'' \cap W$ is a valid partition of $G[W]$, as $C'' \cap W$ is a clique & $I'' \cap W$ is a ind set.

In line 2, we iterate over all partitions of $G[W]$, so this will be considered. Let $C = C'' \cap W$ & $I = I'' \cap W$. Note that $\bar{C} = C'' \cap (V(W) \setminus W)$ is also a clique in $G[W \cup S]$ & $\bar{I} = I'' \cap (V(W) \setminus W)$ is also a ind set in $G \setminus (W \cup S)$.

Since $G \setminus W$ itself is a split graph, there would exist a partition of $G \setminus W$, say (C', I') , C' clique & I' ind set, such that $\bar{C} \subseteq C'$, $\bar{I} \subseteq I'$. Note that we would have found such a (C', I') in line 3.

For the partition C' in line 4 we remove all vertices which "prevent" $C' \cup C$ from being a clique. Note that we find the minimal such set X s.t. $G[(C' \cup C) \setminus X]$ is a clique.

Likewise in line 5, we find minimal Y s.t. $G[(I' \cup I) \setminus Y]$ is an ind-set.

$$\text{Now, } |C' \setminus \hat{C}| + |I' \setminus I| \leq k \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Since it is} \\ \text{Yes instance} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\Rightarrow |X| + |Y| \leq k \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Since } X \text{ \& } Y \text{ are the minimal sets we} \\ \text{remove} \end{array} \right]$$

Thus, $(X \cup Y)$ is also a valid (Disjoint Split Vertex Deletion) solution.

Runtime

By Lemma 4, line 2 takes n^2 iterations & line 3 takes n^2 iterations, while line 4, 5, 6 can be done in $O(n^2)$ time. Thus, the DISJOINT SPLIT VERTEX DELETION can be solved in $O(n^6) \approx n^{O(1)}$ time. \square

SPLIT VERTEX DELETION

We know that using iterative compression, if the DISJOINT VERSION of the problem I can be solved in $2^k n^{O(1)}$ problem, the problem II can be solved in $(1+2)^k n^{O(1)}$ time [Taught in class and in book]

\Rightarrow We can solve SPLIT VERTEX DELETION in $2^k n^{O(1)}$ time, using the algorithm for the disjoint version described above.

7. (Take Home Question.) A directed graph T with a special vertex $r \in V(T)$ is an r -broadcast tree if for each $u \in V(T)$, there is a directed path from r to u in T and $|A(T)| = |V(T)| - 1$. \rightarrow AHC cardinality requirement.

In the BROADCAST DELETION problem we are given a directed graph D , a special vertex $r \in V(D)$ and an integer k , and the objective is to check if there is $S \subseteq V(D) \setminus \{r\}$ of size at most k , such that $D - S$ is an r -broadcast tree.

Design a $3^k \cdot |V(D)|^{O(1)}$ -time algorithm for BROADCAST DELETION.

We will solve using iterative compression.

DISJOINT BROADCAST DELETION

Input: Given directed graph D , $r \in V(D)$, $W \subseteq V(D) \setminus \{r\}$ s.t. $D \setminus W$ is a r -broadcast tree, $|W| \leq k+1$. Let $X = V(D) \setminus (\{r\} \cup W)$

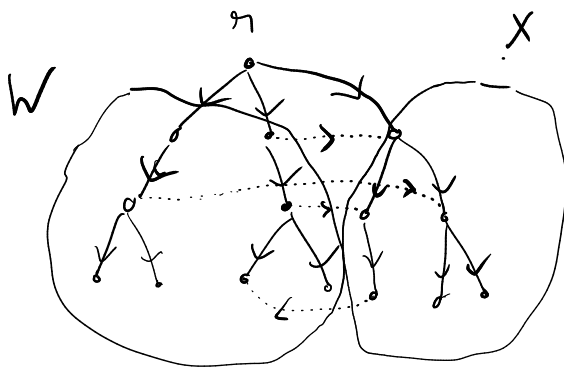
Output: Vertex set $S \subseteq X$, $|S| \leq k$, $D \setminus S$ is a r -broadcast tree, or correctly conclude \nexists exist such a set S .

Req: If $D[W \cup X]$ is not a r -broadcast tree, return "No".

Solves: If $D[W \cup X]$ is not a r -broadcast tree, \exists a set $S \subseteq X$ s.t. $D[W \cup X]$ is a broadcast tree.

Observation:

Property 1 [Note that any r -broadcast tree has a tree as its underlying undirected graph, & the direction of the arcs in the r -broadcast is away from the root r . \rightarrow This is the only way to maintain connectivity]



We have 2 separate r -broadcast trees $D[X \cup \{r\}]$ & $D[W \cup \{r\}]$.
The "problem" is arcs going across the two trees.

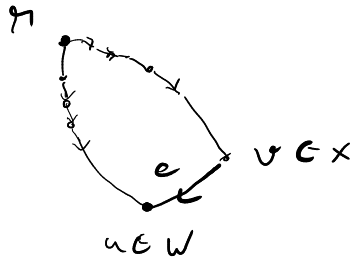
Let (D, W, k) be the DISJOINT BROADCAST DELETION instance.

Note: We are solving the deterministic version of DISJOINT BROADCAST DELETION hereon, but it is trivial to return the solution S itself from this.

RR1: If $\exists e \in A(T)$ s.t. e is from a vertex $u \in X$ to a vertex in W , return $(D \setminus \{u\}, W, k-1)$.

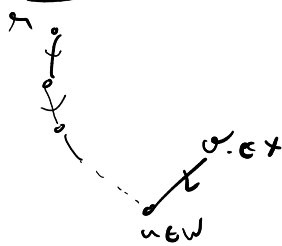
Safety: Let by contradiction $u \notin S$, i.e. u is not deleted.

Case 1: None of u 's ancestors in $D[\{u\} \cup X]$ is deleted.



\Rightarrow we have an undirected cycle in the underlying undirected graph of D . However, this is a contradiction since the underlying undirected graph is a tree. This violates property 1.

Case 2

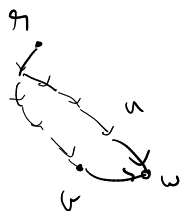


In this case, u is not reachable from r , & this is a contradiction.

Thus in both cases we have a contradiction. Thus, RR1 is safe.

RR2: Assume RR1 cannot be applied anymore. If $\exists u, w, vw \in A(D)$, s.t. $u, v \in W, w \in X$, return $(D \setminus \{w\}, W, k-1)$.

Safety:



By contradiction let w be not deleted, i.e. $w \in S$.

The path from $(r-u)$, uw , wv , and the path from v to w all form an undirected cycle in the underlying undirected graph of the solution. This violates property 1.

Note that $D[X]$ is not a directed tree anymore but a directed forest.

Now, consider the subset $M \subseteq X$, $M = \{v \in X : v \text{ has a directed edge from a vertex in } \{u, w\}\}$

This set M is the set of "marked" vertices

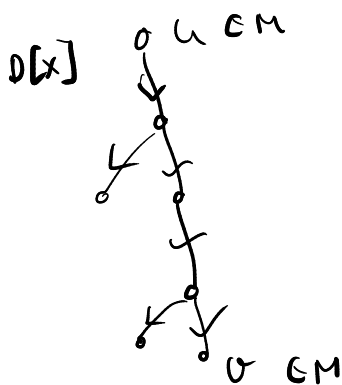
Component refers to a component in the underlying undirected graph

RP3: In any component of the $D[X]$, remove all vertices which do not have an ancestor in M .

Solness: Consider a vertex v s.t. it does not have an ancestor in M . Note that the vertices in M are reachable from " u " in D . Since $D[X]$ is a directed forest, descendants of M are also reachable from " u ". However, since v does not have an ancestor in M , it is unreachable from u and hence has to be removed.

Observation 2

After $RP0, RP1, RP2, RP3$, \forall vertex $v \in M$, we have a unique vertex $w(v) \in W$ s.t. $w(v) - v$ is an arc in D . Also note that the root of each component of the directed tree is a marked vertex [by $RP3$].



Branching Rule

Assume R_0, R_1, R_2, R_3 are not applicable

Consider two vertices $u \neq v$, $u, v \in M$, u is the youngest ancestor of v . Let the parent of v in $D[X]$ be v' . Branch on $(M \setminus \{u\}, W, k-1)$, $(M' \setminus \{v\}, W, k-1)$.

Corollaries:

Note the full undirected cycle: the path from q to $f(u)$, $f(u) - u$, the path from u to v , $v - f(v)$, the path from $f(v)$ to q . Since we have an undirected cycle in the underlying graph of D , at least one vertex in the path from u to v has to be deleted.

If u or v' is deleted, we are done.

Else, say some other vertex $z \in X$, was deleted in S (the sol).
 $\Rightarrow v'$ does not have a marked ancestor, and thus v' is deleted anyways. Thus, $v' \in S$.

R₄: If $k < 0$, return "No". Otherwise continue applying the branching rule until we obtain a valid solution $S \subseteq X$ [It can be checked in polytime if $S \subseteq X$ is a valid soln.]

Subproof: If $k < 0$, clearly we removed $(k+1)$ or more vertices, and our solution cannot be a valid solution.

Lemma: R_0, R_1, R_2, R_3 , Branching Rule, R_4 all generate a solution " S " of the DISTANT BROADCAST DELETION, or correctly conclude \nexists exist such a solution.

Proof: Assume we did conclude "Yes" at the end of the algo, but our set " S " is wrong. By contradiction, let there be a vertex u unreachable from r . If u is marked, u is reachable from q . Thus, u is unmarked.
 \rightarrow If u has a marked ancestor, it is reachable from $q \rightarrow$ a contradiction
 \rightarrow If u does not have a marked ancestor, we would have deleted it by R_3
— a contradiction.

Now, assume that the arc cardinality requirement is not met. Clearly since every vertex is reachable from x , there are some undirected cycles. Since there are no undirected cycles in $D[Lx \cup X]$ and $D[Lx \cup UW]$, the undirected cycle must be across the two sets $Lx \cup UW$ and X . There must be at most 2 arcs across $Lx \cup UW$ and X , and the direction must be from $Lx \cup UW$ to X for both the arcs [otherwise we would've applied $RR1$]. But now we can apply $RR3$ on the vertices of this cycle, clearly a contradiction.

Routine : $RR0, RR1, RR2, RR3$, Branching Rule, $RR4$ together form a bounded search tree of size at most 2^{k+1} , and thus the DISTANT BROADCAST DELETION can be solved in $2^k n^{O(1)}$ time.

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\Rightarrow We can solve BROADCAST DELETION in $3^k n^{O(1)}$ time, using the algorithm for the distant version described above.