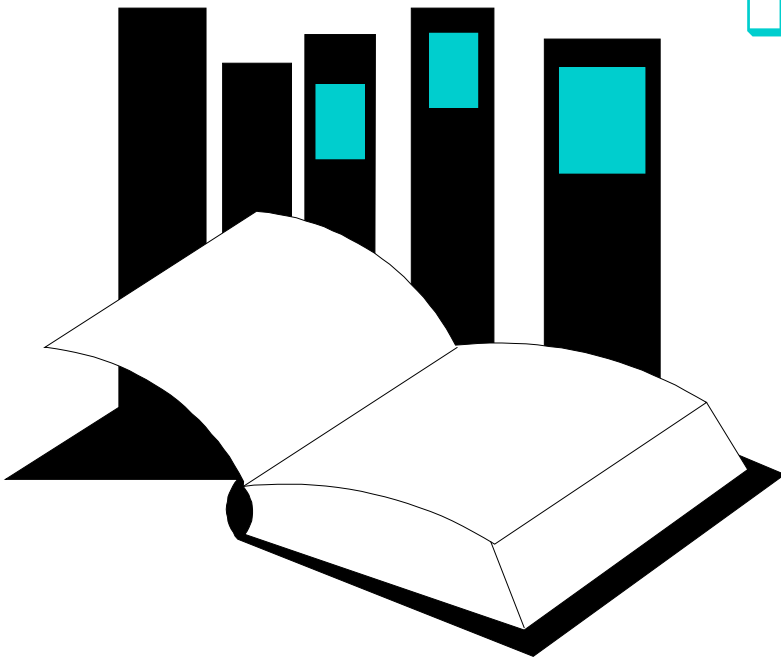


Chapter 6. Branch and Bound



- ❑ Chapter 6 introduces an algorithm design technique called “*Branch and Bound*”.

CHAPTER 6

Foundations of Algorithms

Branch and Bound

- ❑ *Similar* to “Backtracking”
 - a state-space tree is used to solve a problem
- ❑ *Different* from “Backtracking”
 - does not limit us to any particular way of traversing a tree
 - is used *only for optimization problems*

Branch and Bound

□ Step 1:

- computes a number (bound) at a node to determine whether the node is *promising*
(the number is a bound on the value of the solution that could be obtained by expanding beyond the node)

□ Step 2:

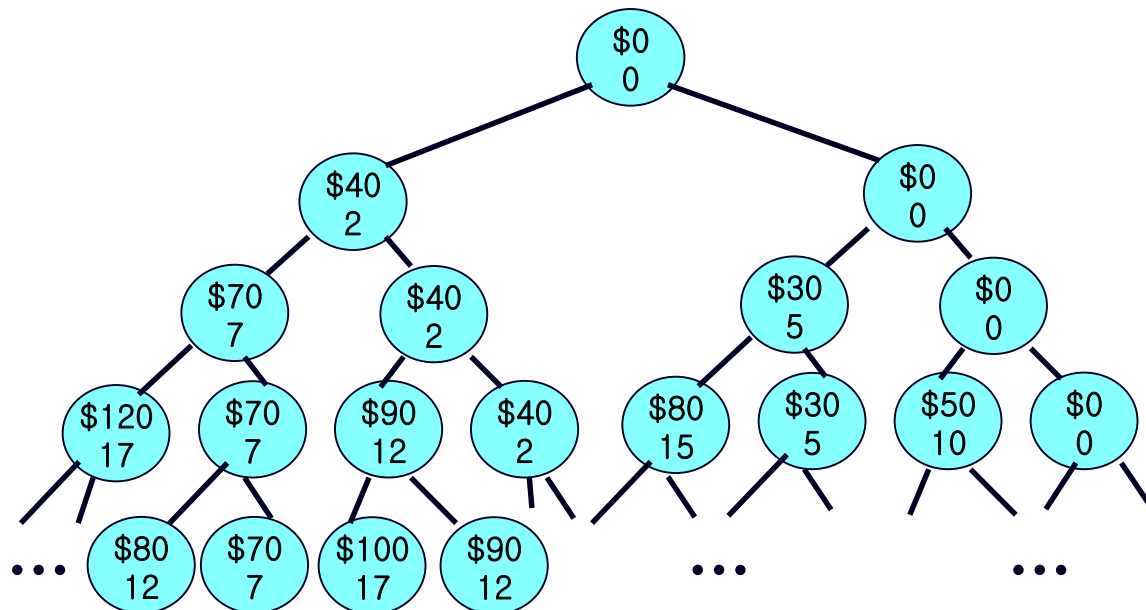
- if the bound is no better than the value of the best solution found so far, the node is *non-promising*.

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ Breadth-First Search with Branch and Bound Pruning

Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			



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	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
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$W = 16$			

➔ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

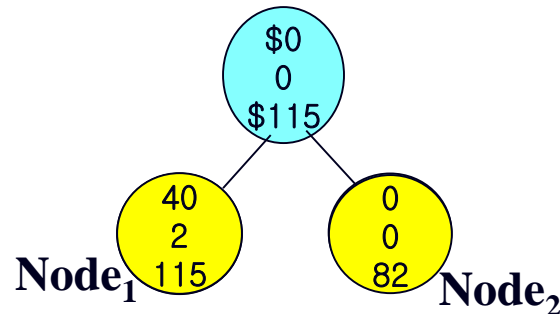
$$\text{Node}_1 : 40 + 30 + (50 * 9/10) = 115$$

➔ Queue: { Node₀ }

➔ Current best solution = 0

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ Breadth-First Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
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$W = 16$			

➔ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

$$\text{Node}_1 : \mathbf{40} + 30 + (50 * 9/10) = 115$$

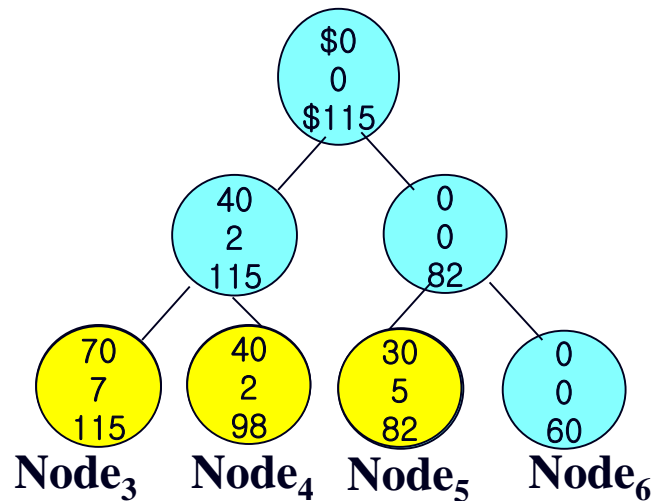
$$\text{Node}_2 : \mathbf{0} + 30 + 50 + (10 * 1/5) = 82$$

➔ Queue: { Node₁ , Node₂ }

➔ Current best solution = 40

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ Breadth-First Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			

→ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

$$\text{Node}_3 : 40 + 30 + (50 * 9/10) = 115$$

$$\text{Node}_4 : 40 + 0 + 50 + (10 * 4/5) = 98$$

$$\text{Node}_5 : 0 + 30 + 50 + (10 * 1/5) = 82$$

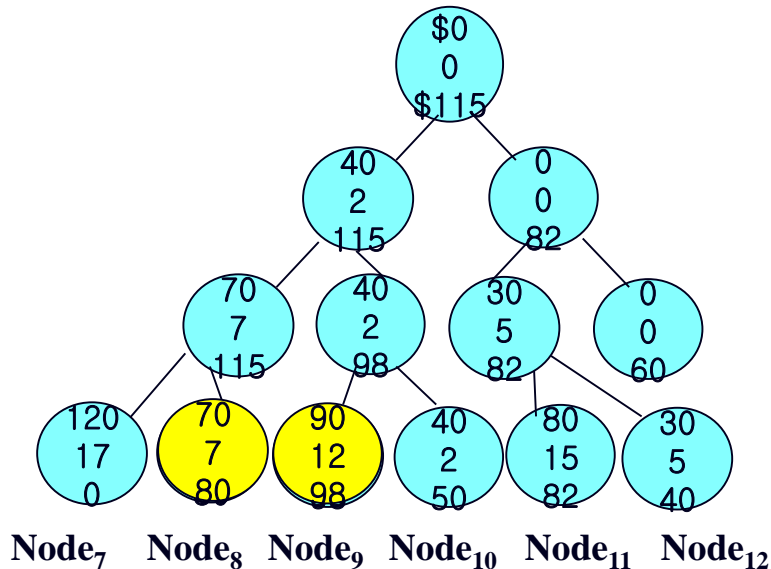
$$\text{Node}_6 : 0 + 0 + 50 + 10 = 60$$

→ Queue: { Node₃ , Node₄ , Node₅ }

→ Current best solution = 70

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ Breadth-First Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



→ Queue: { Node₈, Node₉ }

→ Current best solution = 90

Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			

→ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

Node₇ : **0 (overweight)**

Node₈ : **40** + **30** + **0** + 10 = 80

Node₉ : **40** + **0** + **50** + (10 * 4/5) = 98

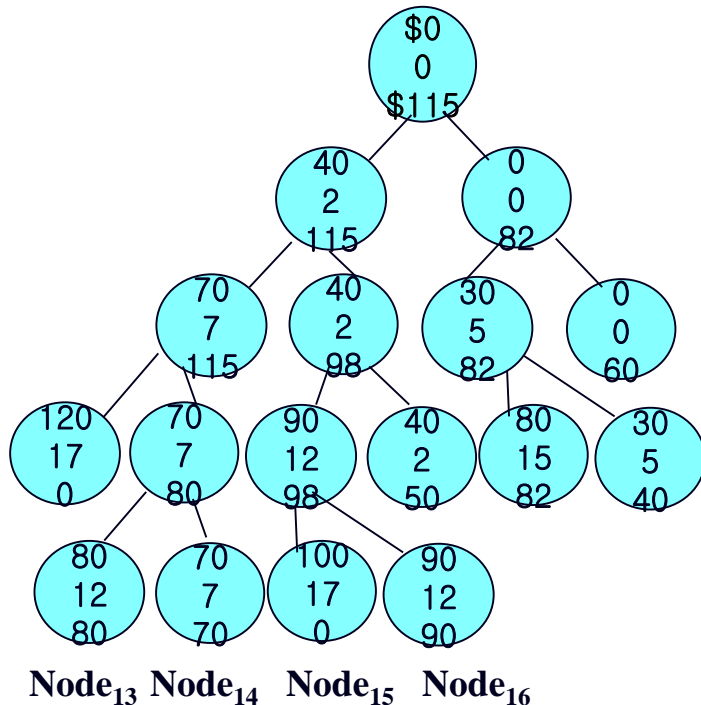
Node₁₀ : **40** + **0** + **0** + 10 = 50

Node₁₁ : **0** + **30** + **50** + (10 * 1/5) = 82

Node₁₂ : **0** + **30** + **0** + 10 = 40

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ Breadth-First Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			

→ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

$$\text{Node}_{13} : 40 + 30 + 0 + 10 = 80$$

$$\text{Node}_{14} : 40 + 30 + 0 + 0 = 70$$

$$\text{Node}_{15} : 0 \text{ (overweight)}$$

$$\text{Node}_{16} : 40 + 0 + 50 + 0 = 90$$

→ Queue: { }

→ Current best solution = 90

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ Breadth-First Search with Branch and Bound

```

public static int knapsack2(int n, int[ ] p, int[ ] w, int W)
{
    queue_of_node Q ; node u, v ; int maxProfit ;

    initialize(Q) ;
    v.level = 0 ; v.profit = 0 ; v.weight=0 ;
    maxProfit = 0 ;
    enqueue(Q,v) ;
    while(! Empty(Q) ){
        dequeue(Q,v) ;
        u.level = v.level + 1 ;
        take care of the left child ;
        take care of the right child ;
    }
    return maxProfit ;
}

```

```

public class node
{
    int level ;
    int profit ;
    int weight ;
}

```

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ Breadth-First Search with Branch and Bound

**Left
Child**

```

u.weight = v.weight + w[u.level] ;
u.profit = v.profit + p[u.level] ;
if (u.weight ≤ W && u.profit > maxProfit)
    maxProfit = u.profit ;
if (bound(u) > maxProfit)
    enqueue(Q, u) ;
  
```

**Right
Child**

```

u.weight = v.weight ;
u.profit = v.profit ;
if (bound(u) > maxProfit)
    enqueue(Q, u) ;
  
```

```

public class node
{
    int level ;
    int profit ;
    int weight ;
}
  
```

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ Best-First Search with Branch and Bound Pruning

□ Basic Idea

- uses *bound* to *select a node to expand next*, rather than just determine whether a node is promising
- uses a *priority queue* of nodes where the priority is determined by the bound value of a node

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ *Best-First* Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			

➔ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

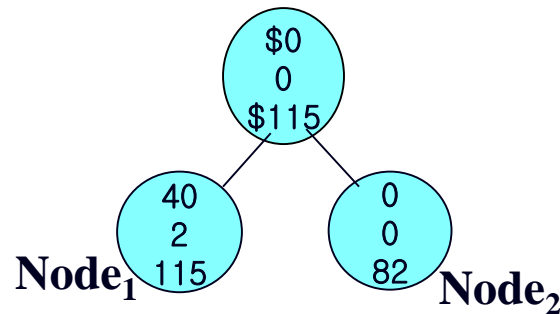
$$\text{Node}_0 : 40 + 30 + (50 * 9/10) = 115$$

➔ Queue: { Node₀ }

➔ Current best solution = 0

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ *Best-First* Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			

➔ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

$$\text{Node}_1 : \mathbf{40} + 30 + (50 * 9/10) = 115$$

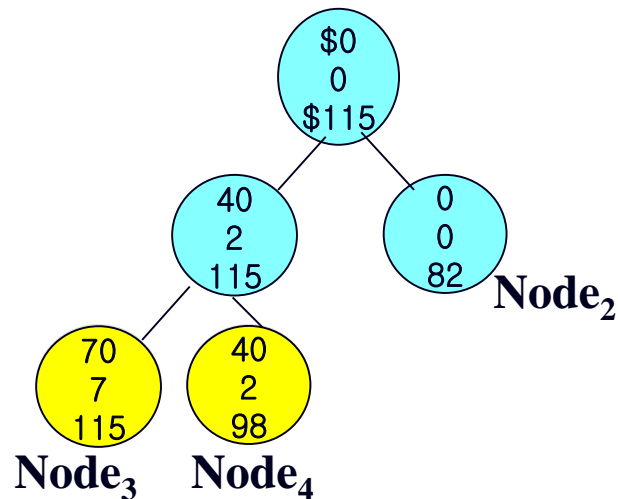
$$\text{Node}_2 : \mathbf{0} + 30 + 50 + (10 * 1/5) = 82$$

➔ Queue: { Node₁ , Node₂ }

➔ Current best solution = 40

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ *Best-First* Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			

→ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

$$\text{Node}_3 : 40 + 30 + (50 * 9/10) = 115$$

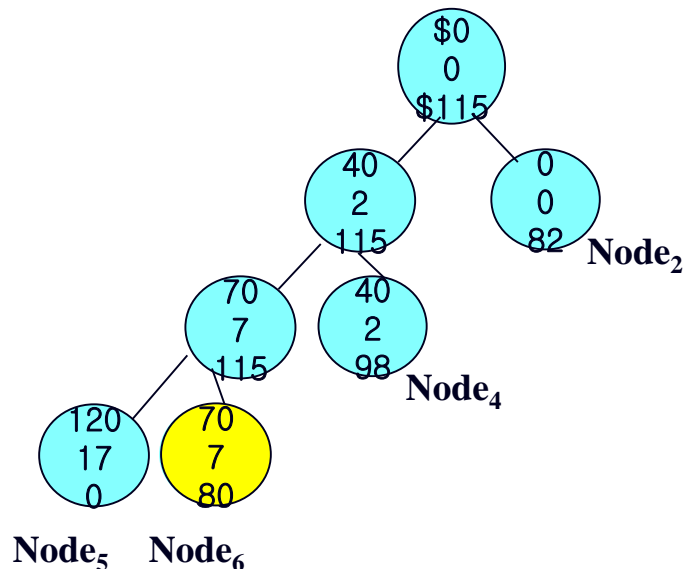
$$\text{Node}_4 : 40 + 0 + 50 + (10 * 4/5) = 98$$

→ Queue: { Node₃ , Node₄ , Node₂ }

→ Current best solution = 70

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ *Best-First* Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			

➔ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

Node₅ : **0 (overweight)**

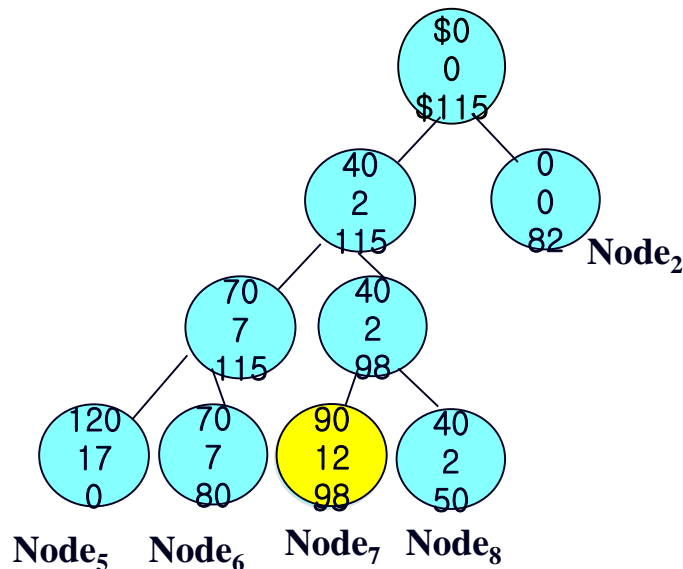
Node₆ : **40** + **30** + **0** + 10 = 80

➔ Queue: { Node₄ , Node₆ , Node₂ }

➔ Current best solution = 70

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ *Best-First* Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			

→ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

$$\text{Node}_7 : 40 + 0 + 50 + (10 * 4/5) = 98$$

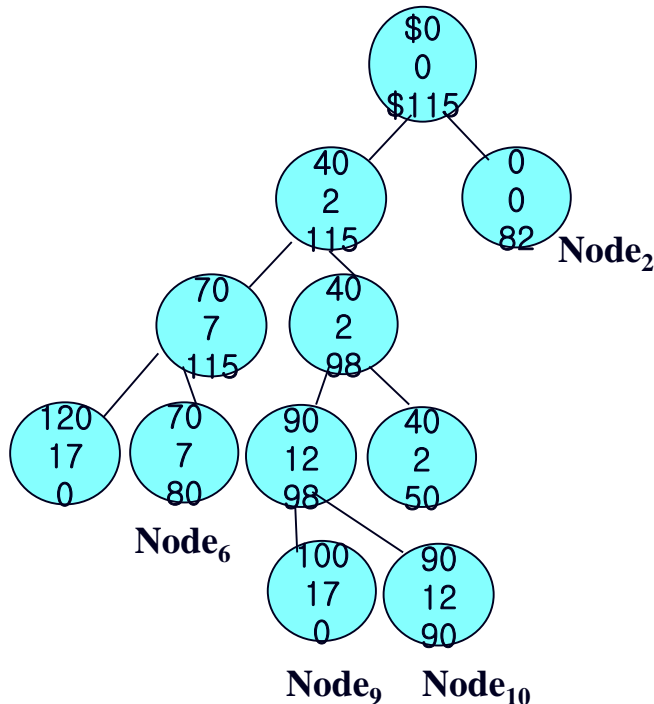
$$\text{Node}_8 : 40 + 0 + 0 + 10 = 50$$

→ Queue: { Node₇ , Node₂ , Node₆ }

→ Current best solution = 90

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ *Best-First* Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			

➔ Bound on Maximum Possible Profit:

Node₉ : **0 (overweight)**

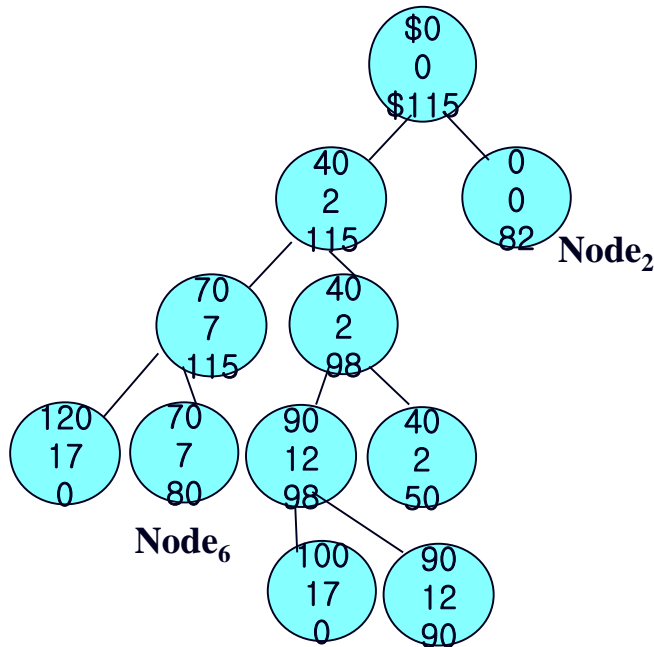
Node₁₀ : **40 + 0 + 50 + 0 = 90**

➔ Queue: { Node₂ , Node₆ }

➔ **Current best solution = 90**

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ *Best-First* Search with Branch and Bound Pruning



Example:

	p_i	w_i	p_i/w_i
item 1 :	40	2	20
item 2 :	30	5	6
item 3 :	50	10	5
item 4 :	10	5	2
$W = 16$			

→ Since both of Node₂ and Node₄ have bound values less than 90, they will *not be expanded further*.

→ Queue: { }

→ **Final best solution = 90**

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ *Best-First* Search with Branch and Bound

```

public static int knapsack3(int n, int[] p, int[] w, int W)
{
    priority_queue_of_node PQ ; node u, v ;
    int maxProfit ;
    v.level = 0 ; v.profit = 0 ; v.weight=0 ; maxProfit = 0 ;
    v.bound = bound(v) ;
    PQ.enqueue(v) ;
    while( ! PQ.Empty() ){
        v = PQ.dequeue() ;
        if (v.bound > maxProfit) {
            u.level = v.level + 1 ;
            take care of the left child ;
            take care of the right child ;
        }
    }
}

```

```

public class node
{
    int level ;
    int profit ;
    int weight ;
    int bound ;
}

```

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ *Best-First* Search with Branch and Bound

**Left
Child**

```

u.weight = v.weight + w[u.level] ;
u.profit = v.profit + p[u.level] ;
if (u.weight ≤ W && u.profit > maxProfit)
    maxProfit = u.profit ;
u.bound = bound(u) ;
if (u.bound > maxProfit)
    PQ.enqueue(u) ;

```

**Right
Child**

```

u.weight = v.weight ;
u.bound = bound(u) ;
u.profit = v.profit ;
if ( u.bound > maxProfit)
    PQ.enqueue(u) ;

```

```

public class node
{
    int level ;
    int profit ;
    int weight ;
    float bound ;
}

```

6.1 The 0-1 Knapsack Problem

□ *Best-First* Search with Branch and Bound

```

public static float bound(node u)
{
    index j,k ; int totWeight ; float result ;
    if (u.weight >= W) return 0 ;
    else {
        result = u.profit ;
        j = u.level + 1 ;
        totWeight = u.weight ;
        while (j<=n && totWeight+w[j] <= W){
            totWeight = totWeight + w[j] ;
            result = result + p[j] ;
            j++ ;
        }
        k = j ;
        if (k <= n)
            result=result+(W-totWeight)*p[k]/w[k];
        return result ;
    }
}

```

```

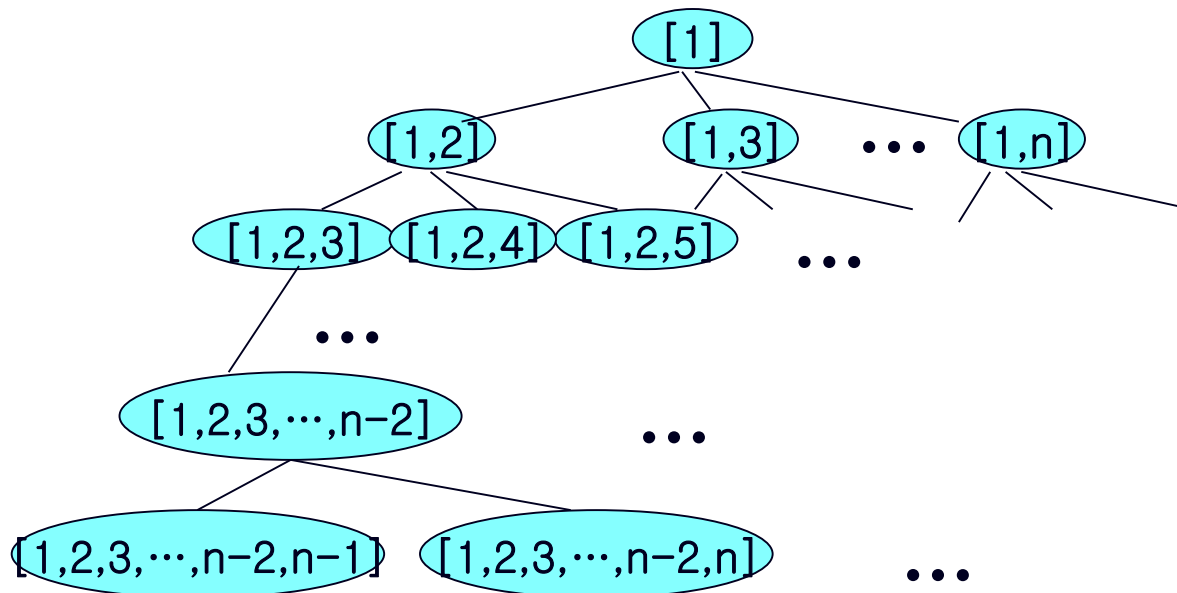
public class node
{
    int level ;
    int profit ;
    int weight ;
    float bound ;
}

```

6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Branch and Bound Approach to T.S.P.

Given a directed graph with n nodes, let $[i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k]$ be a path from i_1 to i_k passing through i_2, i_3, \dots , and i_{k-1}



6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

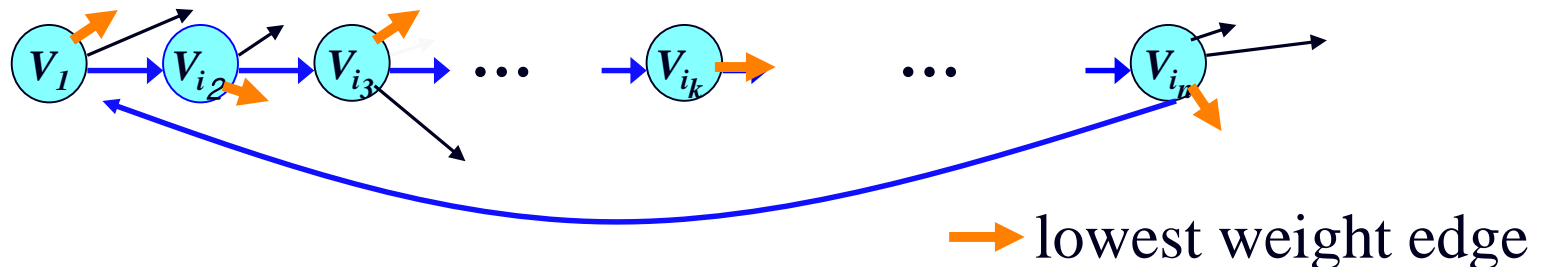
□ The Branch and Bound Approach to T.S.P.

□ How to compute the *bound* on each node?

- At the level k of the state space tree, each node corresponds to a state where $(k+1)$ vertices have been visited.

□ lower bound on the *root* node

$$= \sum_{v_m \in V} (\text{lowest weight of edge leaving } v_m)$$



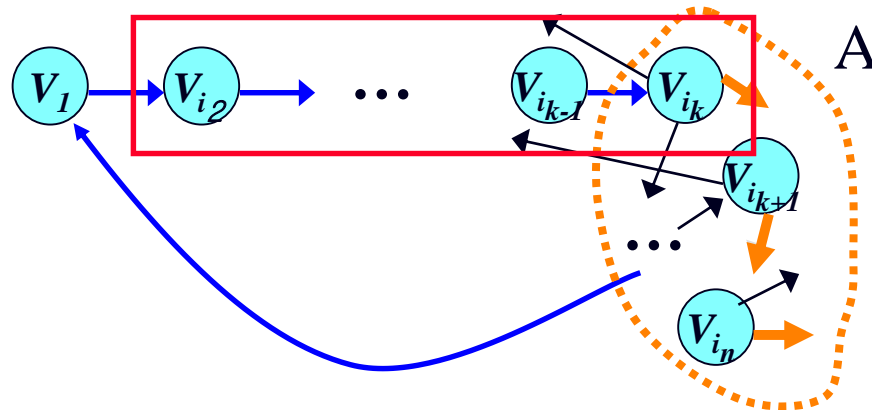
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□ The Branch and Bound Approach to T.S.P.

□ lower bound on node $[1, i_2, \dots, i_k]$ ($1 < k < n$)

= sum of actual weight from V_1 to V_{i_k}
 + $\sum_{V_m \in A} (\text{lowest weight of edge leaving } V_m \text{ excluding those to vertices } i_2, \dots, i_k \text{ and the edge from } V_{i_k} \text{ to } V_1)$

where $A = V - \{V_1, V_{i_2}, \dots, V_{i_{k-1}}\}$



6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Best-First Search with Branch and Bound

□ Example:

$W =$

0	14	4	10	20
14	0	7	8	7
4	5	0	7	16
11	7	9	0	2
18	7	17	4	0

The start node is V_1 .

➔ the lower bound on the *root* node

$$= \sum_{v_m \in V} (\text{lowest weight of edge leaving } v_m) = 4 + 7 + 4 + 2 + 4 = \mathbf{21}$$

6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Best-First Search with Branch and Bound



Example:

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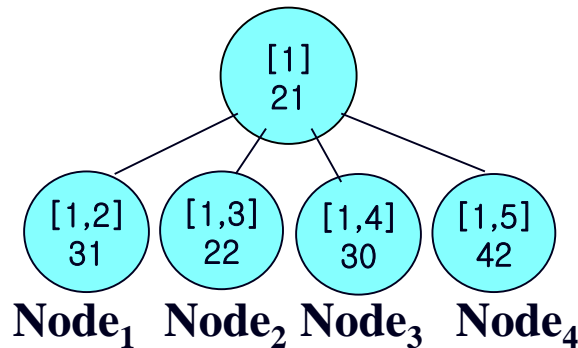
➔ Lower Bound on Minimum Cost Tour

$$\text{Node}_0 : 4 + 7 + 4 + 2 + 4 = 21$$

➔ Queue: { Node₀ }

6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Best-First Search with Branch and Bound



Example:

0	14	4	10	20
14	0	7	8	7
4	5	0	7	16
11	7	9	0	2
18	7	17	4	0

➔ Lower Bound on Minimum Cost Tour

$$\text{Node}_1 : \mathbf{14} + (7 + 4 + 2 + 4) = 31$$

$$\text{Node}_2 : \mathbf{4} + (7 + 5 + 2 + 4) = 22$$

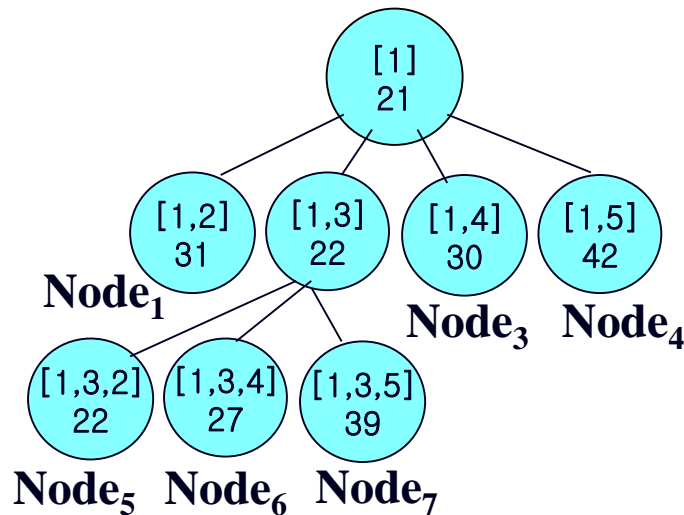
$$\text{Node}_3 : \mathbf{10} + (7 + 4 + 2 + 7) = 30$$

$$\text{Node}_4 : \mathbf{20} + (7 + 4 + 7 + 4) = 42$$

➔ Queue: { Node₂, Node₃, Node₁, Node₄ }

6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Best-First Search with Branch and Bound



Example:

0	14	4	10	20
14	0	7	8	7
4	5	0	7	16
11	7	9	0	2
18	7	17	4	0

➔ Lower Bound on Minimum Cost Tour

$$\text{Node}_5 : 4 + 5 + (7 + 2 + 4) = 22$$

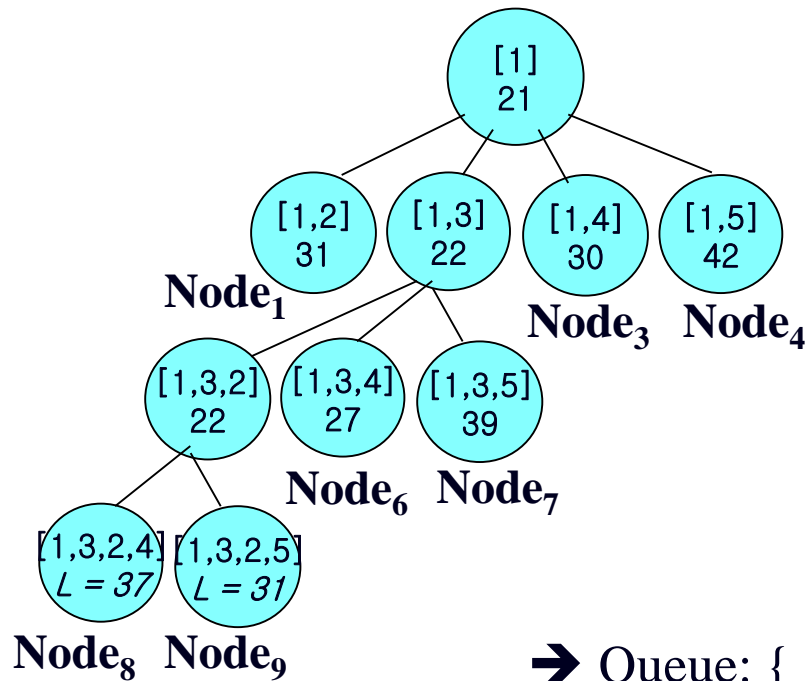
$$\text{Node}_6 : 4 + 7 + (7 + 2 + 7) = 27$$

$$\text{Node}_7 : 4 + 16 + (8 + 7 + 4) = 39$$

➔ Queue: { Node_5 , Node_6 , Node_3 , Node_1 , Node_7 , Node_4 }

6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Best-First Search with Branch and Bound



Example:

0	14	4	10	20
14	0	7	8	7
4	5	0	7	16
11	7	9	0	2
18	7	17	4	0

➔ Lower Bound on Minimum Cost Tour

$$\text{Node}_8 : 4+5+8 + (2+18) = 37$$

$$\text{Node}_9 : 4+5+7 + (4+11) = 31$$

➔ Queue: { Node₆ , Node₃ , Node₁ , Node₇ , Node₄ }

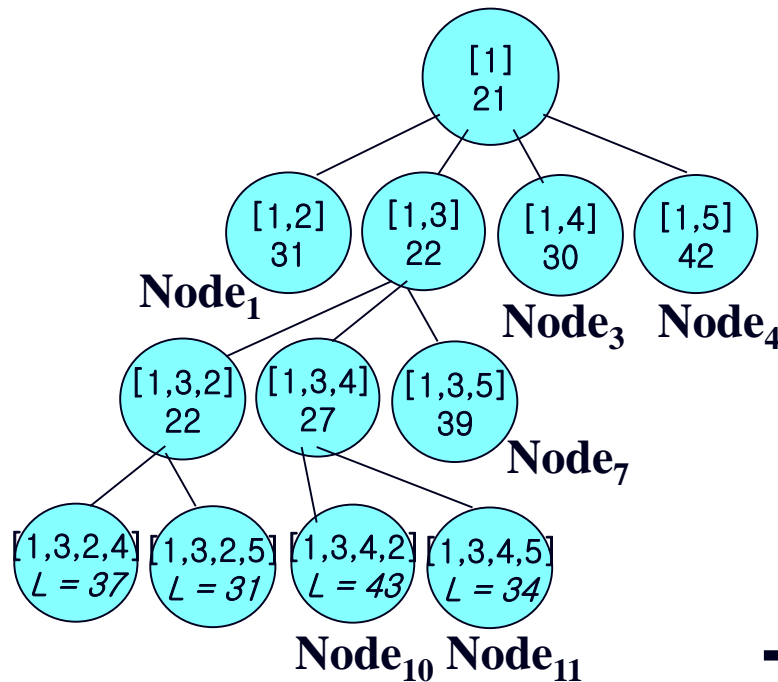
➔ Current best solution = 31

6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Best-First Search with Branch and Bound

Example:

0	14	4	10	20
14	0	7	8	7
4	5	0	7	16
11	7	9	0	2
18	7	17	4	0



➔ Lower Bound on Minimum Cost Tour

$$\text{Node}_{10} : 4+7+7 + (7 + 18) = 43$$

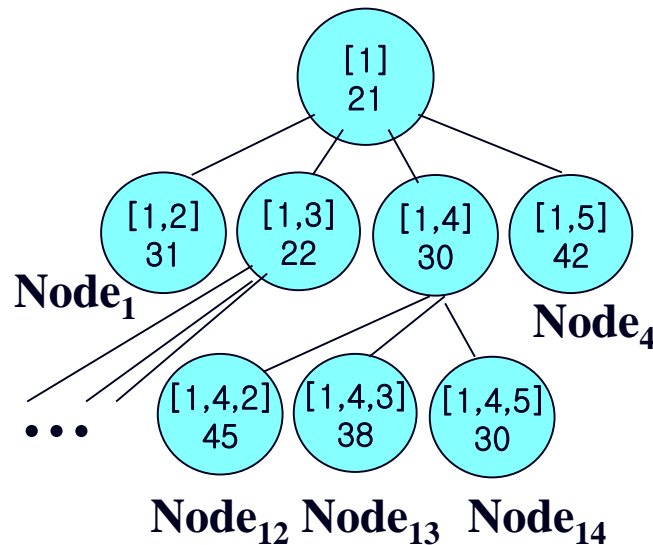
$$\text{Node}_{11} : 4+7+2 + (7 + 14) = 34$$

➔ Queue: { Node₃ , Node₁ , Node₇ , Node₄ }

➔ Current best solution = 31

6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Best-First Search with Branch and Bound



Example:

0	14	4	10	20
14	0	7	8	7
4	5	0	7	16
11	7	9	0	2
18	7	17	4	0

→ Lower Bound on Minimum Cost Tour

$$\text{Node}_{12} : 10 + 7 + (7 + 4 + 17) = 45$$

$$\text{Node}_{13} : 10 + 9 + (7 + 5 + 7) = 38$$

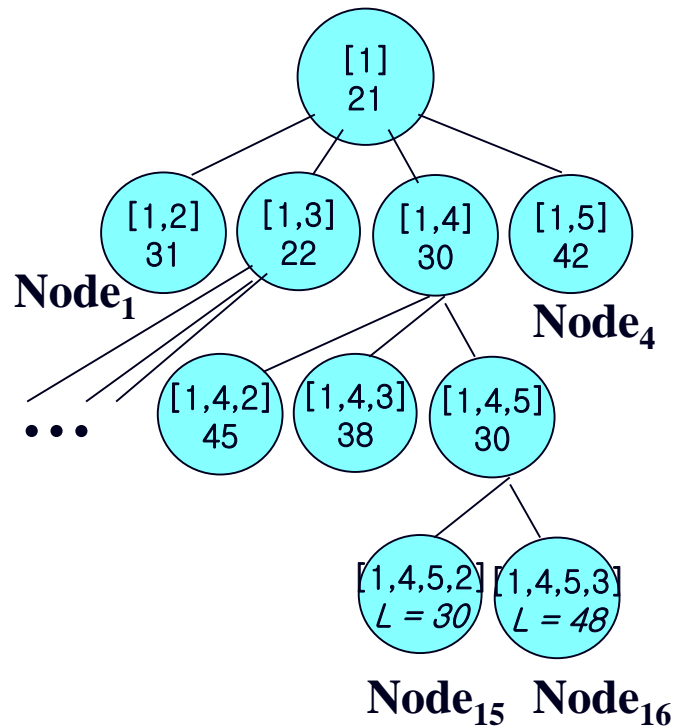
$$\text{Node}_{14} : 10 + 2 + (7 + 4 + 7) = 30$$

→ Queue: { Node₁₄, Node₁, Node₇, Node₄ }

→ Current best solution = 31

6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Best-First Search with Branch and Bound



Example:

0	14	4	10	20
14	0	7	8	7
4	5	0	7	16
11	7	9	0	2
18	7	17	4	0

→ Lower Bound on Minimum Cost Tour

$$\text{Node}_{15} : 10 + 2 + 7 + (7 + 4) = 30$$

$$\text{Node}_{16} : 10 + 2 + 17 + (5 + 14) = 48$$

→ Queue: { Node₁, Node₇, Node₄ }

→ Current best solution = 30

6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Best-First Search with Branch and Bound

```

public static number travel2(int n, number[ ] W,
                             node optTour)
{
    priority_queue_of_node PQ;   node u, v ;
    number minLength ;

    PQ.initialize() ;
    v.level = 0; v.path =[1]; minLength=  $\infty$ ;
    v.bound=bound(v);
    PQ.enqueue(v) ;
    while(! PQ.Empty() ) {
        v = PQ.dequeue() ;
        if v is promising // the bound of v < minLength
            take_care_of_children ;
    }
}

```

```

public class node
{
    int level ;
    ordered_set path;
    number bound ;
}

```

6.2 The Traveling SalesPerson Problem

□ The Best-First Search with Branch and Bound

take_care_of_children

```

u.level = v.level + 1;
for (all i such that  $2 \leq i \leq n$  && i not in v.path) {
    u.path = v.path ; put i at the end of u.path;
    if ( u.level ==  $n-2$  ) {
        put index of only vertex not in u.path at the end of u.path ;
        put 1 at the end of u.path;
        if ( length(u) < minLength ) {
            minLength = length(u) ; optTour = u.path ;
        }
    }
    else {
        u.bound = bound(u) ;
        if ( u.bound < minLength )
            PQ.enqueue(u) ;
    }
}

```