

DESIGN & ANALYSIS of ALGORITHMS

unit - 5

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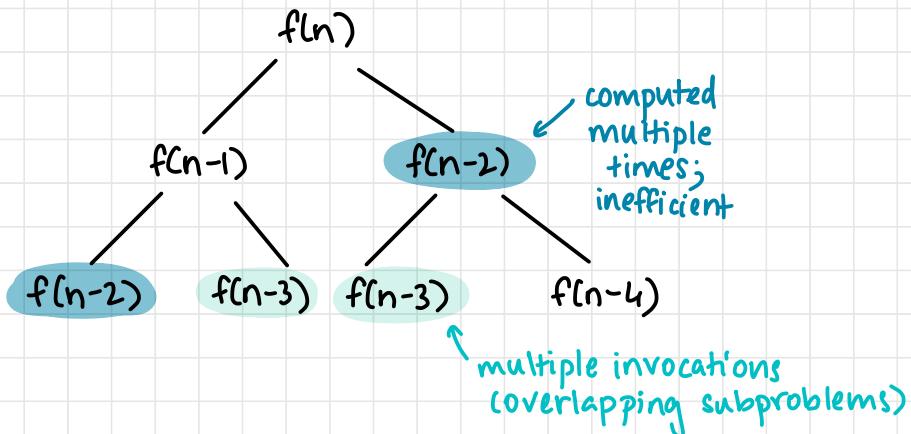
DYNAMIC PROGRAMMING

- 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

— I. FIBONACCI NUMBERS —

$$\begin{aligned}f(n) &= f(n-1) + f(n-2) \\f(0) &= 0 \\f(1) &= 1\end{aligned}$$

Recursion tree



eg: $f(0) = 0$

$f(1) = 1$

$f(2) = 0 + 1 = 1$

$f(3) = 1 + 1 = 2$

$f(4) = 2 + 1$

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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 $n \geq k$, 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		1					
2			2				
3				3	3		
:							
$n-1$				$n-1$...	$C(n-1, k-1)$	$C(n-1, k)$
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?

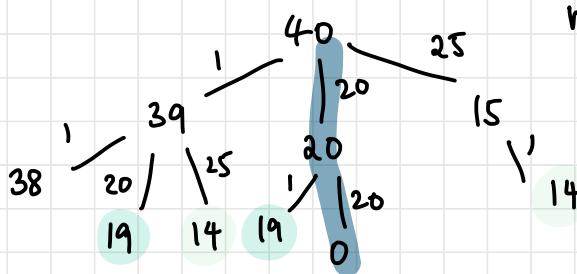
- recursive trees
 - algorithm same, only computations reduced due to storing of values

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

e.g.: 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:



maintain DP array?

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
no of items ↘ *capacity* ↘
- Consider knapsack (n, w) and a subproblem knapsack (i, j) where $i \leq n$ and $j \leq w$

Recurrence

$$F(i, j) = \begin{cases} \max (\underline{F(i-1, j)}, \underline{v_i + F(i-1, j-w_i)}) & \text{if } j - w_i \geq 0 \\ F(i-1, j) & \text{if } j - w_i < 0 \end{cases}$$

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	1	2	3	j	4	5
2	12	1	0	12	12	12	12	12
1	10	2	10	12	22	22	22	22
3	20	3	10	12	22	30	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 $j - W[i] \geq 0$:

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

 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 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 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), $V[i] + MFKnapsack(i-1, j - w[i])$)

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

return $F[i, j]$

eg:	Item i	Weight w _i	Value v _i
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	4	2	15

knapsack(4, 5) where capacity = 5

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

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

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

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

⋮

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

9 values not computed and filled

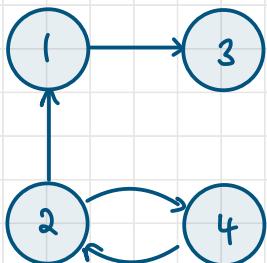
Complexity

- 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

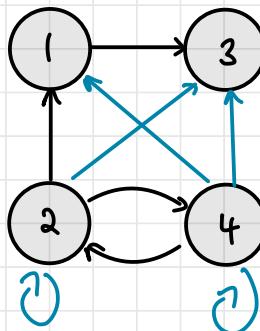
- From source 1:

path from 1 to 1 — NO			
path from 1 to 2 — NO			
path from 1 to 3 — YES		1 → 3	
path from 1 to 4 — NO			

- From source 2:

path from 2 to 1 — YES	2 → 1
path from 2 to 2 — YES	2 → 4 → 2
path from 2 to 3 — YES	2 → 1 → 3
path from 2 to 4 — YES	2 → 4

- And so on
- Transitive closure:



$$\begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \end{matrix} & \left[\begin{matrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{matrix} \right] \end{matrix}$$

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×n}
 // Output: Transitive closure T_{n×n}

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

for k=1 to n

 for i=1 to n

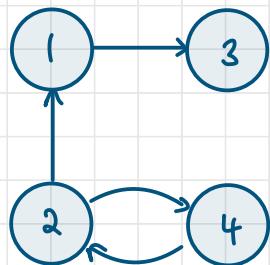
 for j=1 to n

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

return R⁽ⁿ⁾

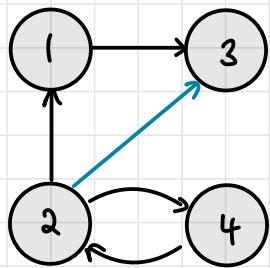
Example:

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) $R^{(1)}$

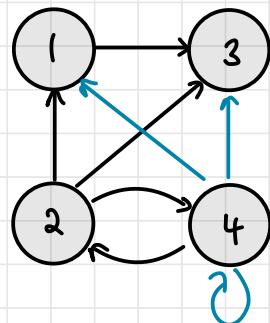


	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	1	0
2	1	0	1	1
3	0	0	0	0
4	0	1	0	0

outgoing

↑ incoming

2) $R^{(2)}$

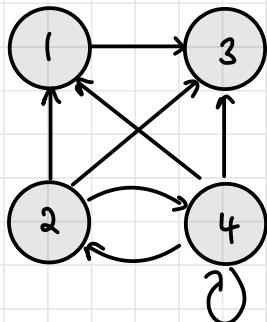


	1	2	3	4
1	0	0	1	0
2	1	0	1	1
3	0	0	0	0
4	1	1	1	1

outgoing

↑ incoming

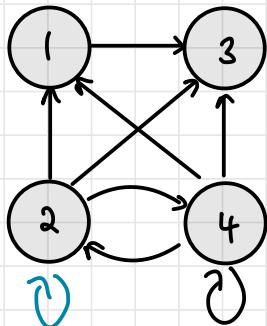
2) $R^{(3)}$



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

→ outgoing
↑ incoming

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

→ outgoing
↑ incoming

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?

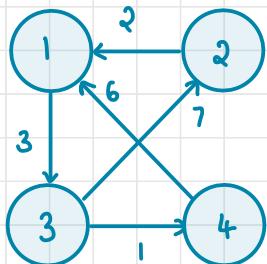
Q: Can Warshall's algorithm be used to determine if a graph is a DAG (directed acyclic graph)?

- Yes; path from node to itself - cyclic

S. FLOYD'S ALGORITHM

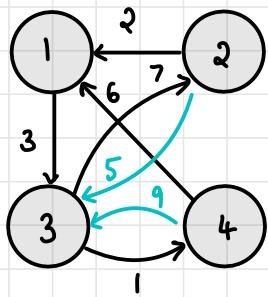
- shortest path between every pair of vertices
- Dijkstra's: path from vertex to n-1 remaining vertices - $\Theta(n)$ paths
- Current problem: $\Theta(n^2)$ path
- Compute all pairs of shortest paths via sequence of $n \times n$ matrices $D^{(0)}, \dots, D^{(k)}, \dots, D^{(n)}$ where $D^{(k)}[i,j]$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

eg:



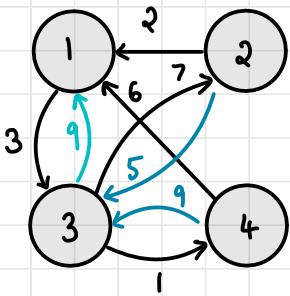
$$D^{(0)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 0 & \infty & 3 & \infty \\ 2 & 0 & \infty & \infty \\ 3 & \infty & 7 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 6 & \infty & \infty & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

via 1



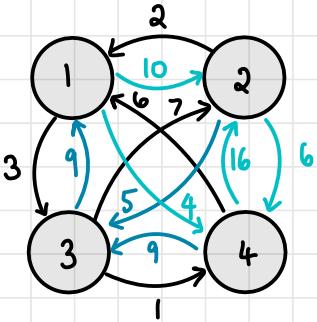
$$D^{(1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & \infty & 3 & \infty \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 5 & \infty \\ 3 & \infty & 7 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 6 & \infty & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

via 2



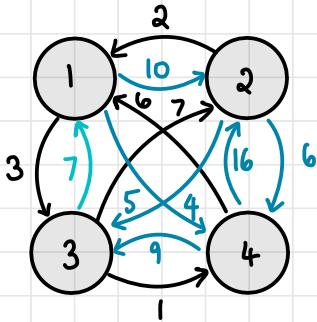
$$D^{(2)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & \infty & 3 & \infty \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 5 & \infty \\ 3 & 9 & 7 & 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 6 & \infty & 9 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

via 3



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

via 4



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

→ 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: $\Theta(n^2)$

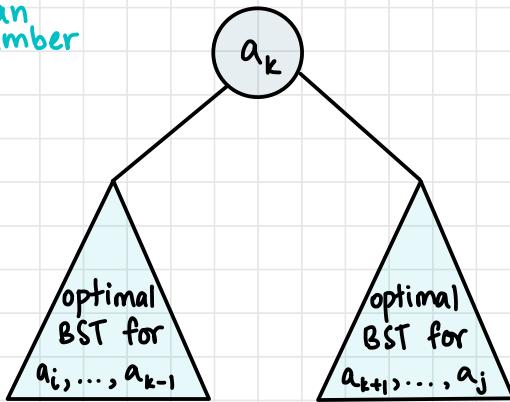
Q: Enhance Floyd's algorithm so that shortest paths themselves and not just their lengths are found

Have a second matrix PREV that stores the previous vertex 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 $C(2n, n)$, brute force is pointless (exponential)

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Catalan
number



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

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

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

Eg: key probability

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

$n=4$

initial tables T_0^4

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

main table

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

root table

compute $C[1,2] = \min$

$i=1$

$j=2$

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

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

root

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

main table

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

root table

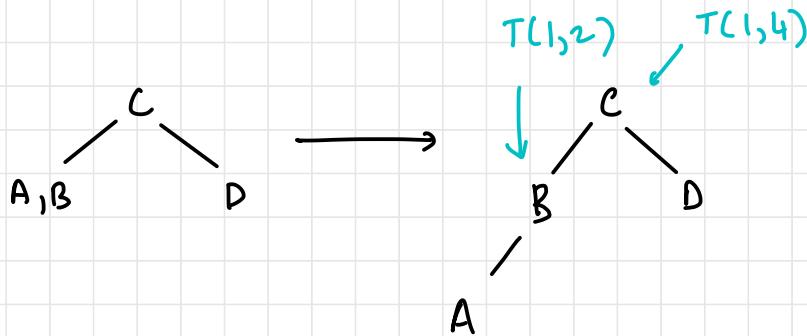
And so on,

avg no of
comparisons

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

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

Reconstruction



root obtained from root table, recursively

Algorithm

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

//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 $C[1, n], R$

avg
comps.

root table

initialise comparisons
and root tables

loop to find
minval

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

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

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Strassen's $n^{2.37}$

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

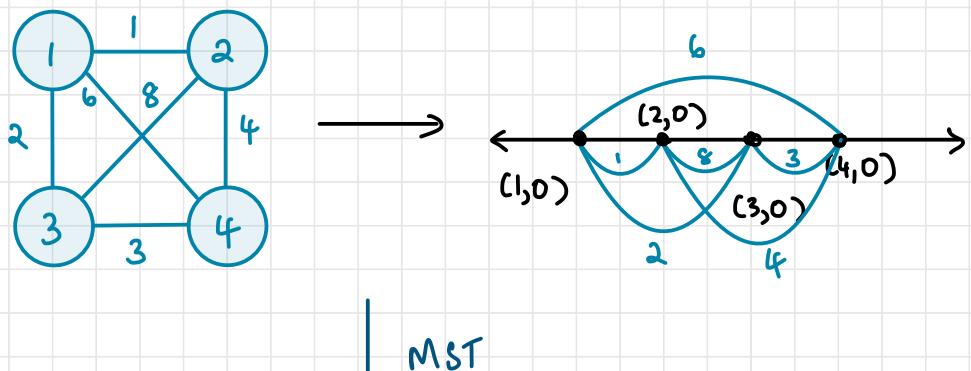
(a) P: MST for n points in Cartesian plane, Q: element uniqueness problem ($S_2(n \log n)$)

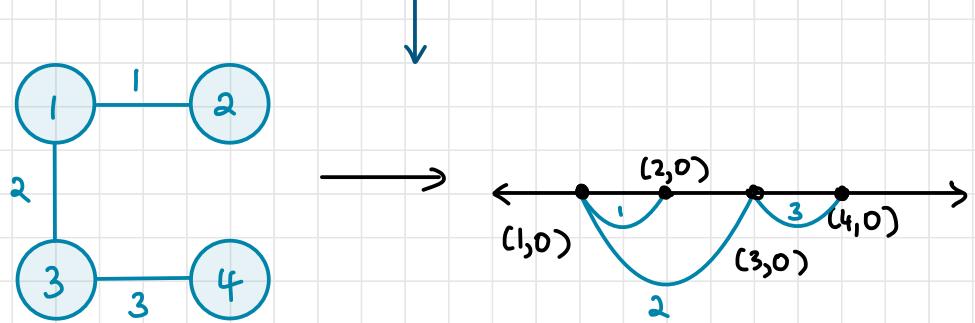
Reduce element uniqueness problem to minimum spanning tree problem (Euclidean MST problem)

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





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>

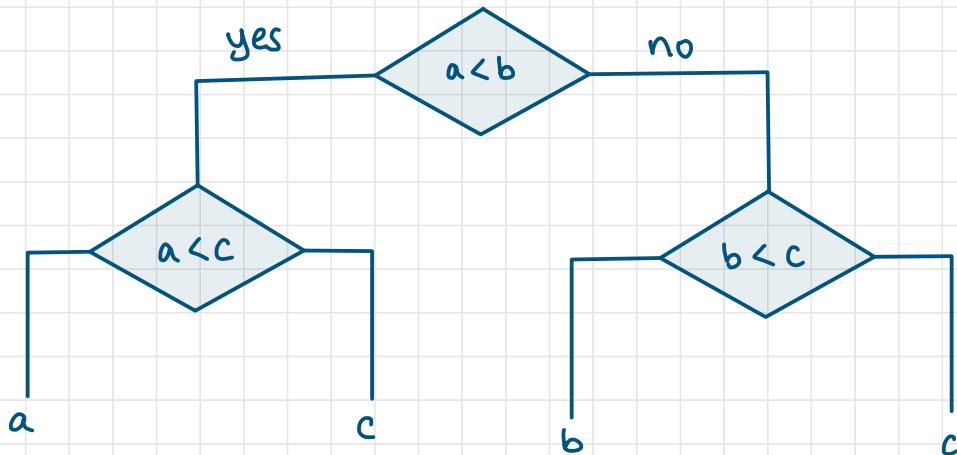
<http://towersofhanoi.info/Tech.aspx>

- 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

$$l \leq 2^h$$

- Height must be at least $\log_2(\text{leaves})$

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

— I. 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

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

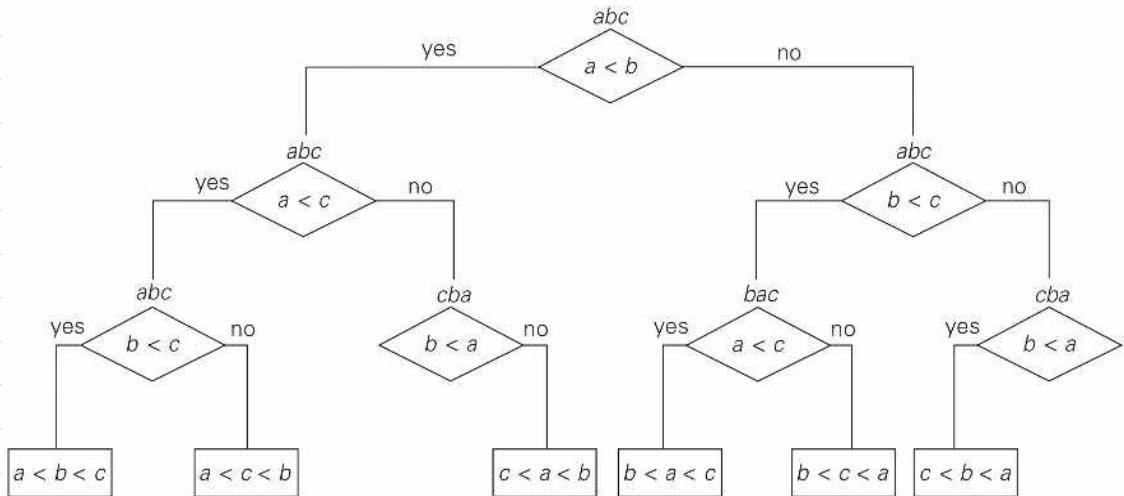
Stirling's formula

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

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

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

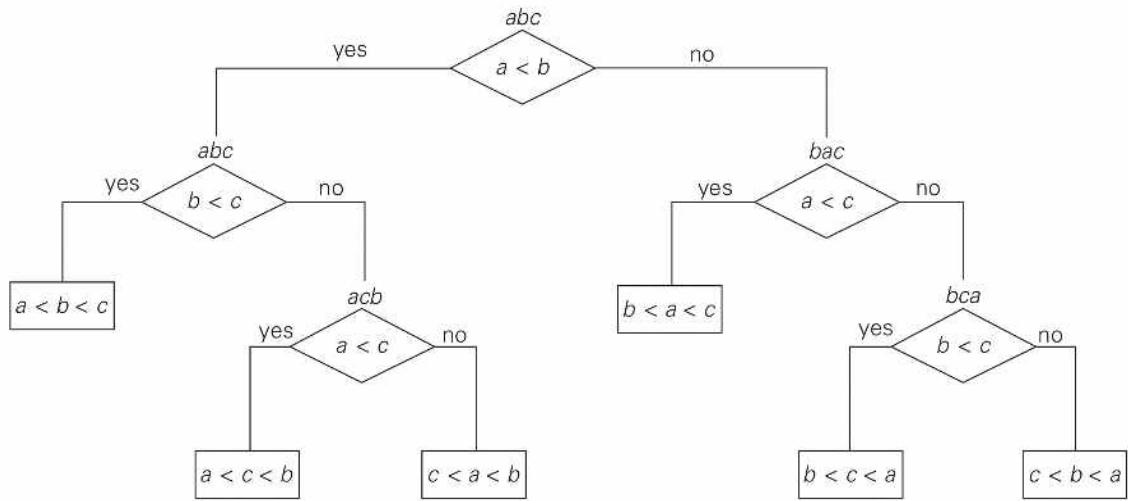
Decision Tree for 3-element Selection Sort



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}

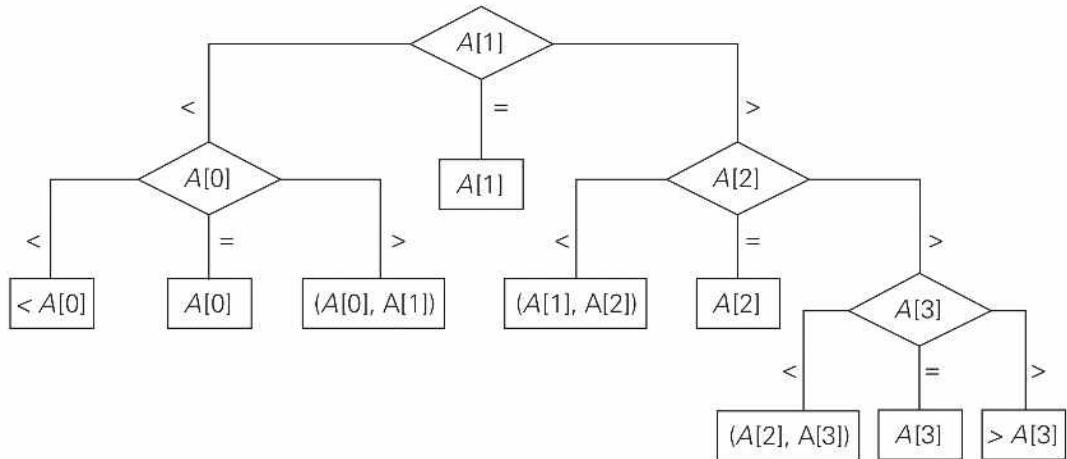
$$C_{avg}(n) \geq \log_2(n!)$$

—2. Decision Trees for Searching Algorithms—

- key comparisons of array of n keys

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

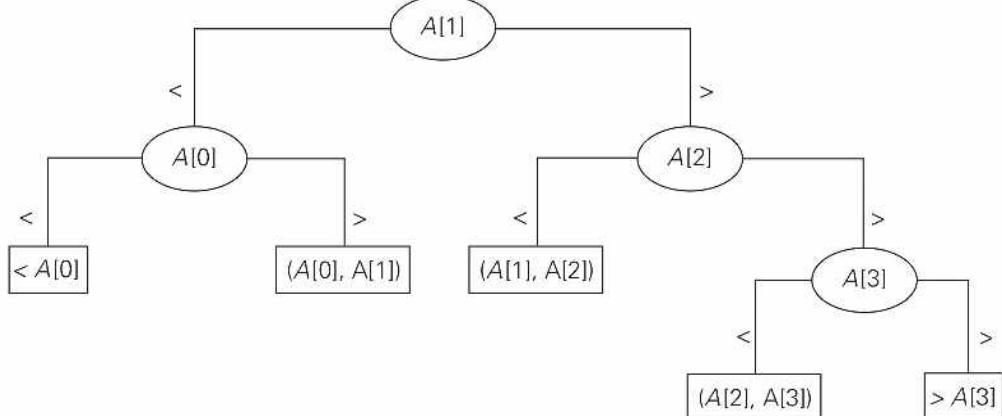
Four element Tree



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

- 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

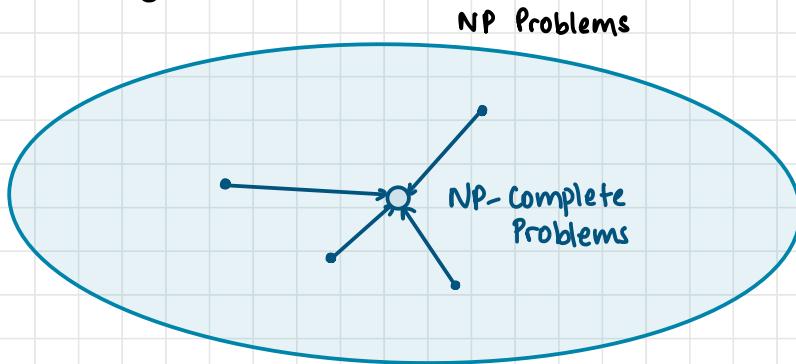
- **Hamiltonian circuit existence:** visit every node and come back to starting vertex
- **Partition problem:** possible to partition set of n integers into two disjoint subsets with same sum
- Decision variants of MST, KP, graph colouring and other combinatorial optimisation problems
- All class P problems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

$$P \subseteq NP$$

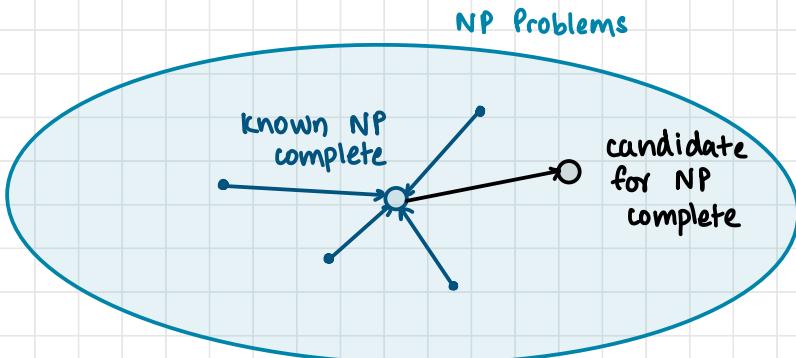
- Is $P = NP$ - fundamental question in CS

— 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

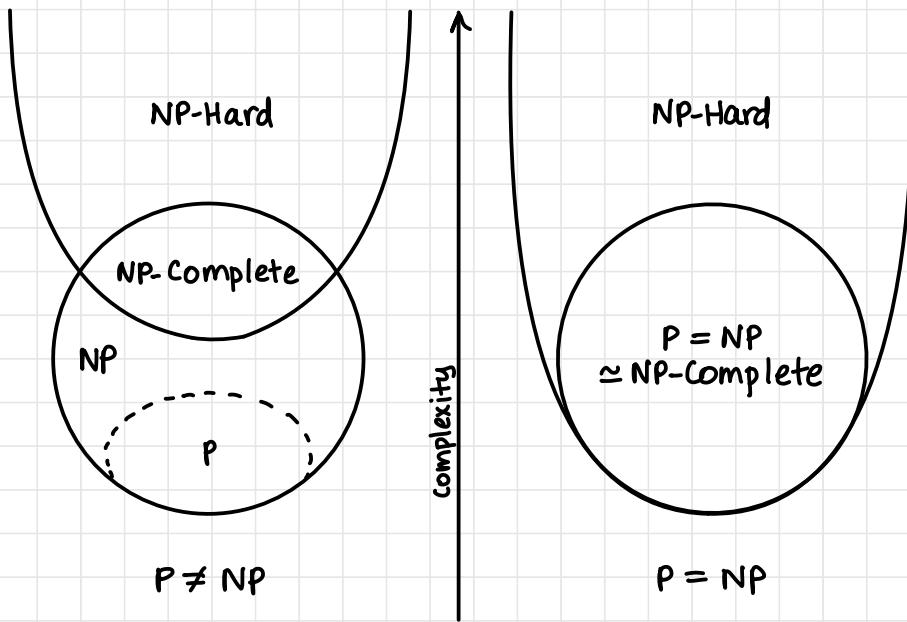


- All NP problems can be reduced to D in polynomial time
- Boolean satisfiability, Hamiltonian circuit, graph colouring, travelling salesman, subset sum are interconvertible/reducible
- Currently do not have polynomial time algorithm for even one of them
- Prove that no polynomial time solution exists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

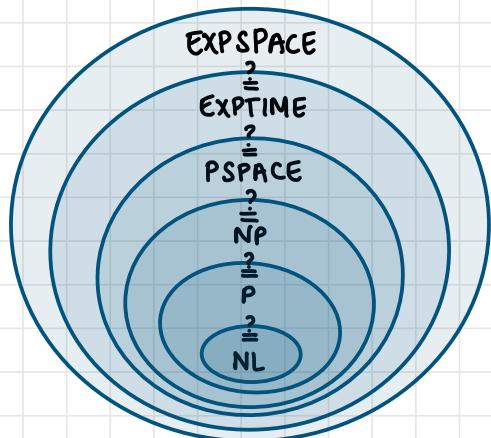


— class NP-hard —

- 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)

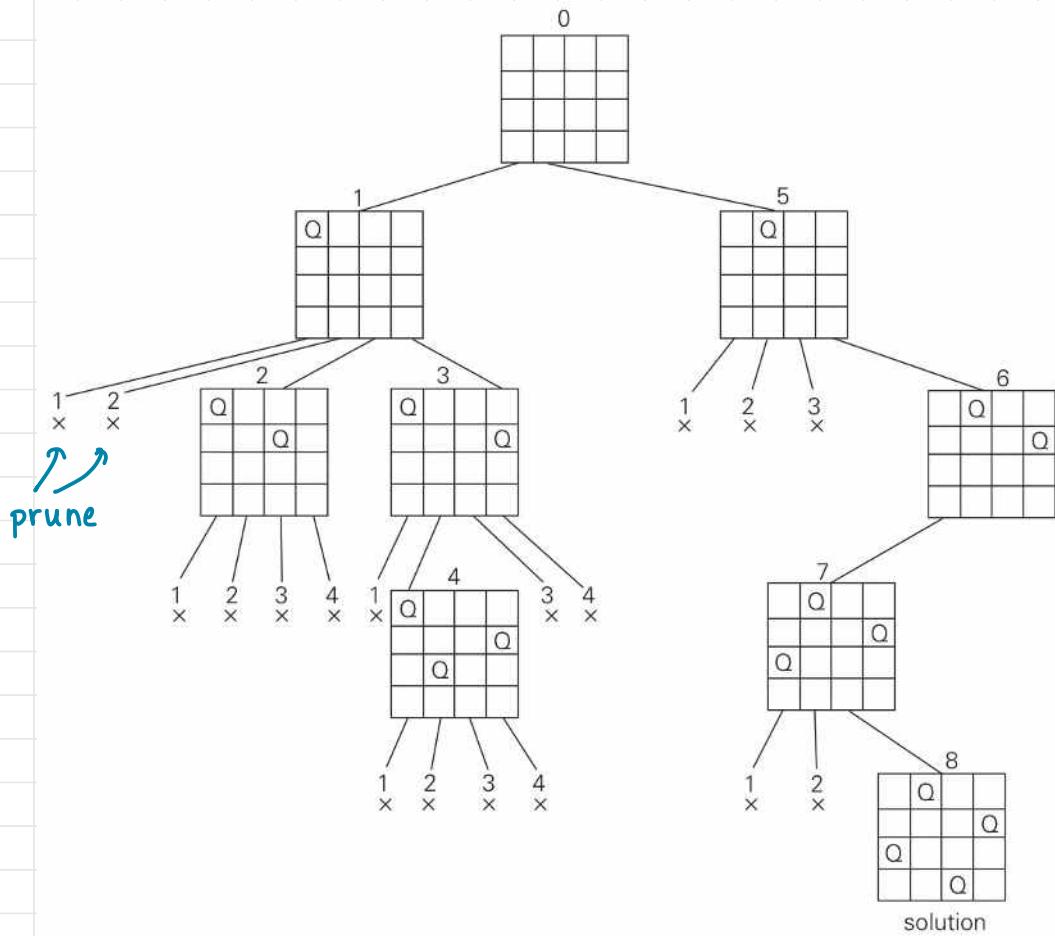
N - Queens Problem

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

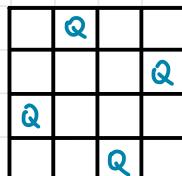
	0	1	2	3
0				
1				
2				
3				

← queen 1
← queen 2
← queen 3
← queen 4

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

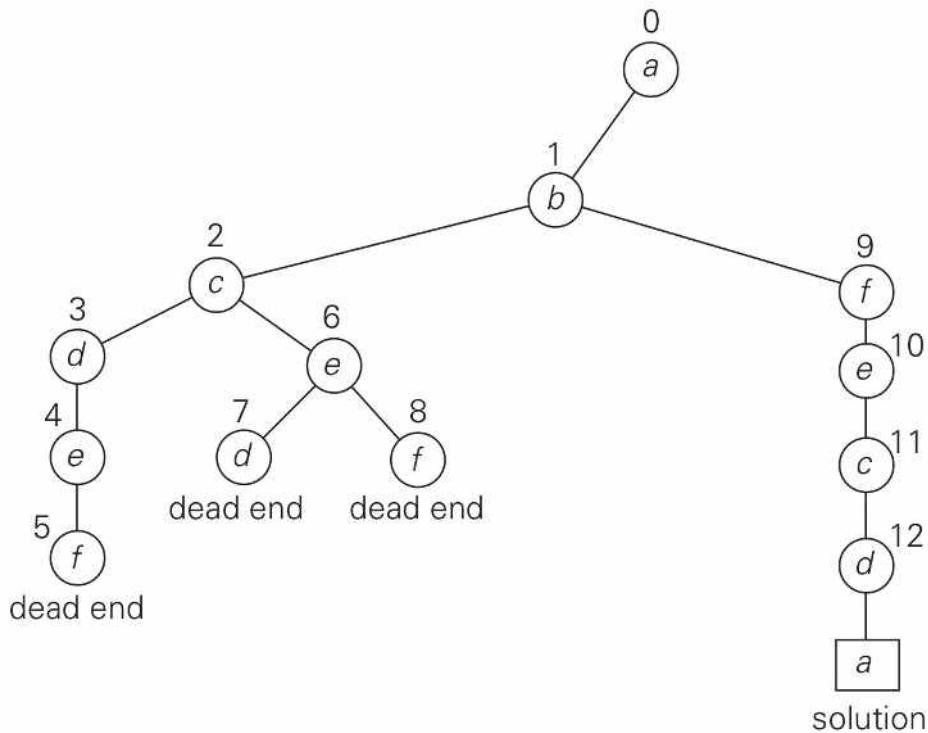
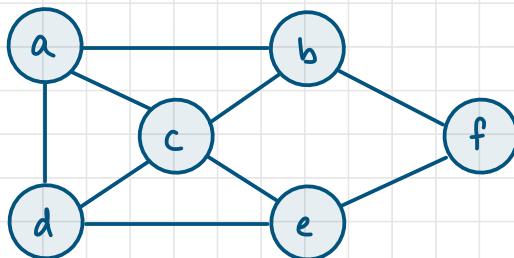


- Stop if columns equal or diagonals equal



Hamiltonian Circuit

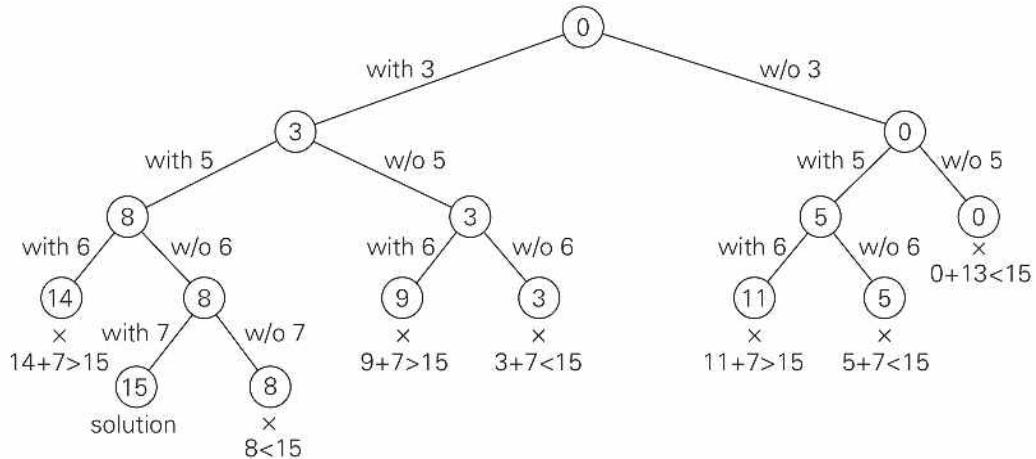
- cycle in a graph that passes through all vertices of graph exactly once
- Source node does not matter



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 Backtrack($X[1\dots i]$)

// Input: first i promising components of solution

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

if $X[1\dots i]$ is solution

 Write $X[1\dots i]$

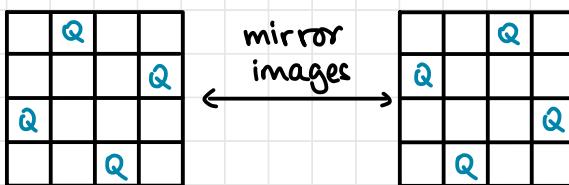
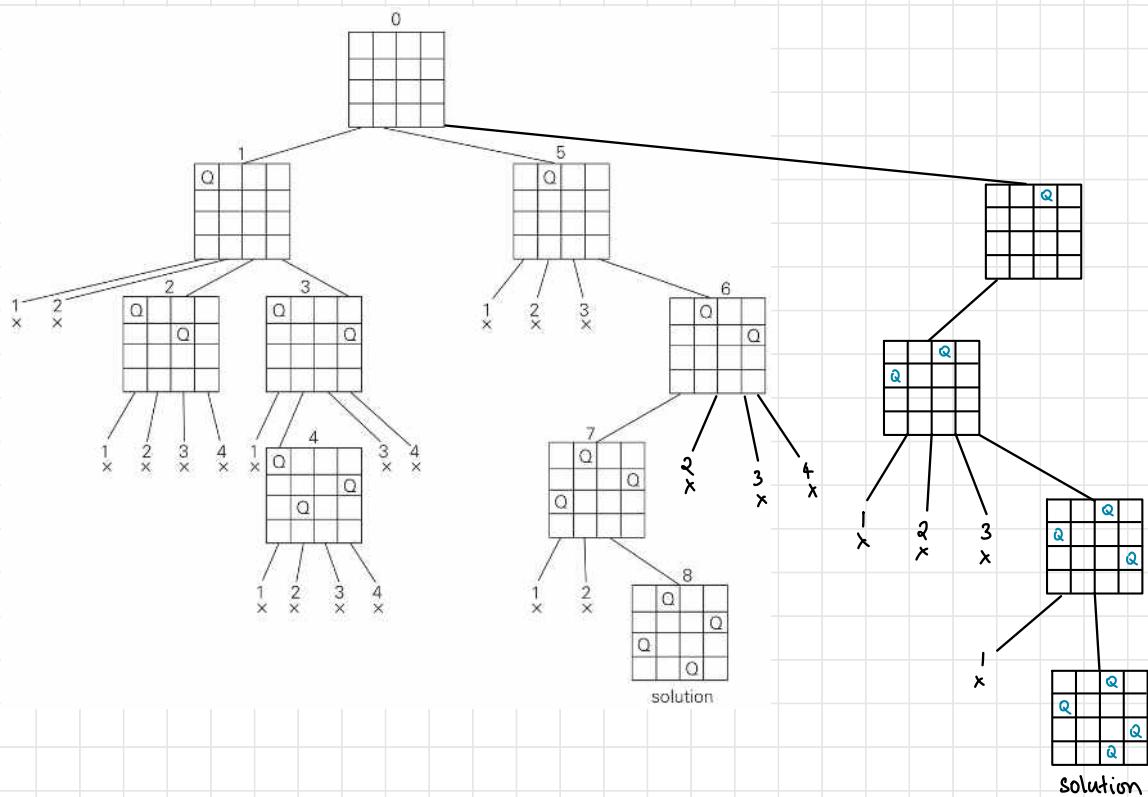
else

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

$X[i+1] = x$

 Backtrack($X[1\dots i+1]$)

- 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

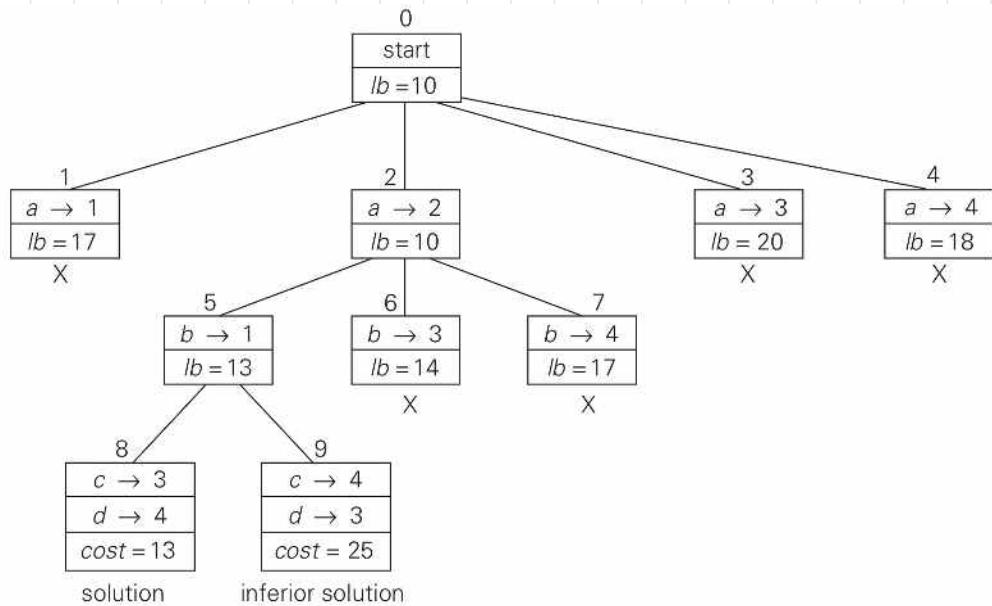
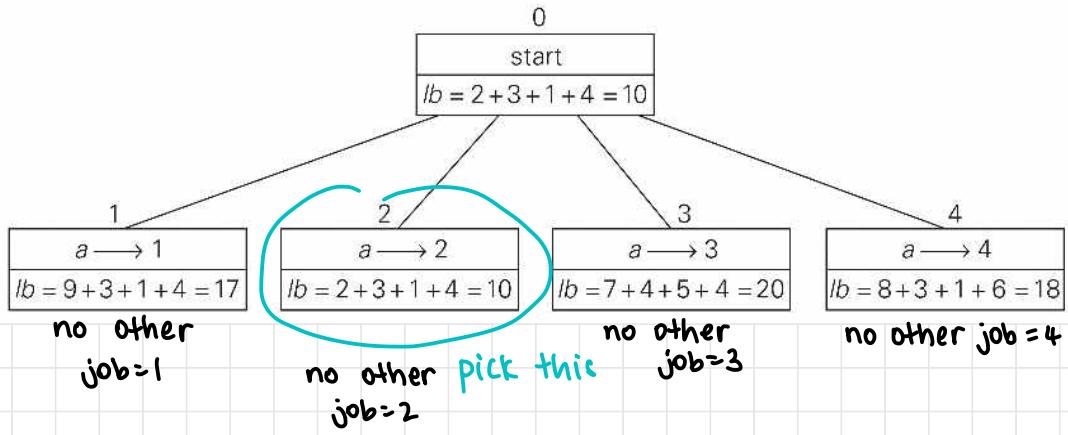
- Cost minimised ; lower bound
- Lower bound: sum of each person's lowest cost jobs (usually not a solution; acts as lower bound)

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 2 & 7 & 8 \\ 6 & 4 & 3 & 7 \\ 5 & 8 & 1 & 8 \\ 7 & 6 & 9 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \begin{array}{l} \text{person } a \\ \text{person } b \\ \text{person } c \\ \text{person } d \end{array}$$

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

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	<u>value</u> <u>weight</u>
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

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

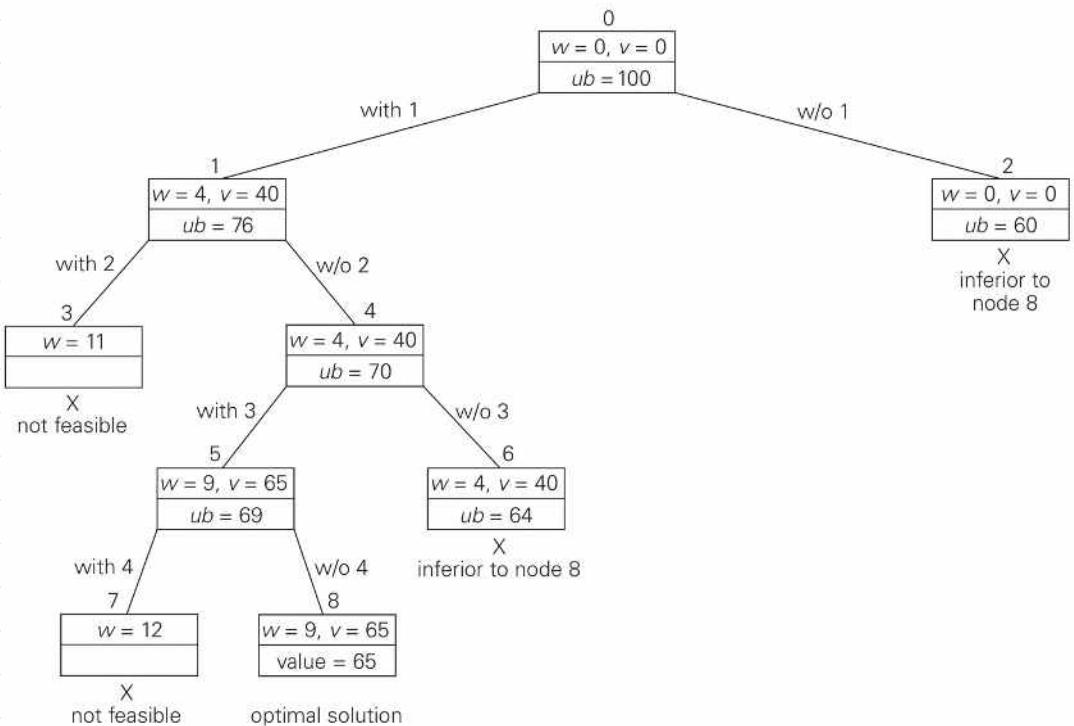
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↑ current value of items 1 to i

↑ v/w of next item

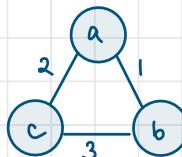
Descending Order

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Travelling Salesman Problem

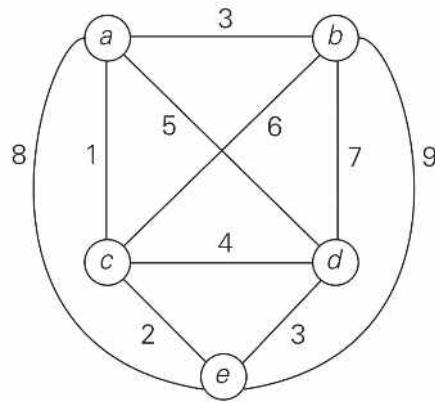
- start in a city , complete Hamiltonian circuit on weighted graph
- Lower bound: sum of costs of 2 lowest edges at a node and then divide by 2



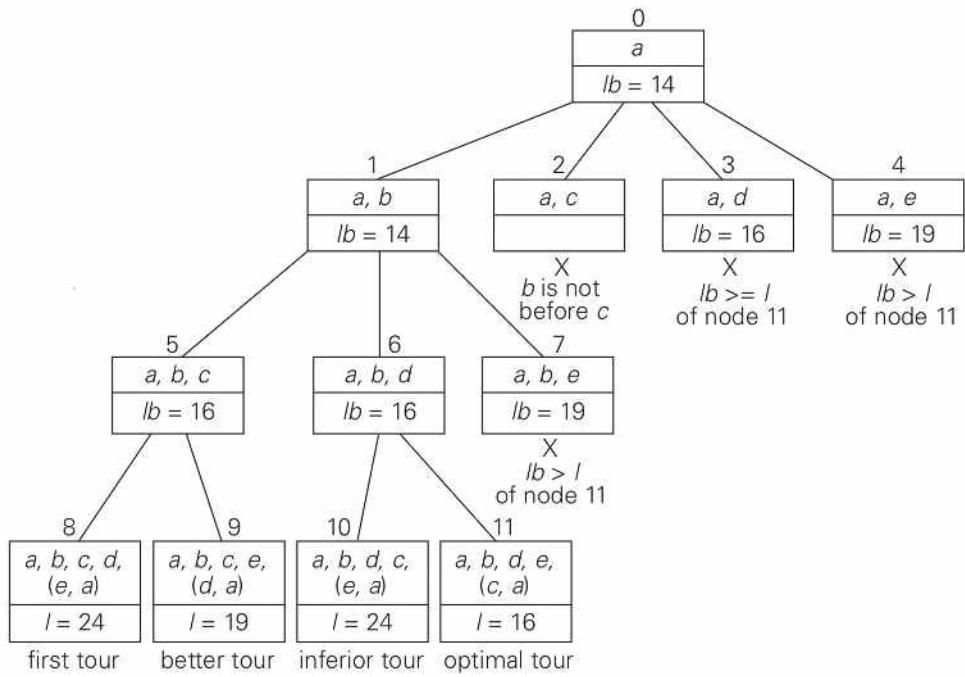
$$S = (2+1) + (1+3) + (2+3) = 12$$

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

Graph



Tree



- mirror image: same cost