

# Advanced topics on Algorithms

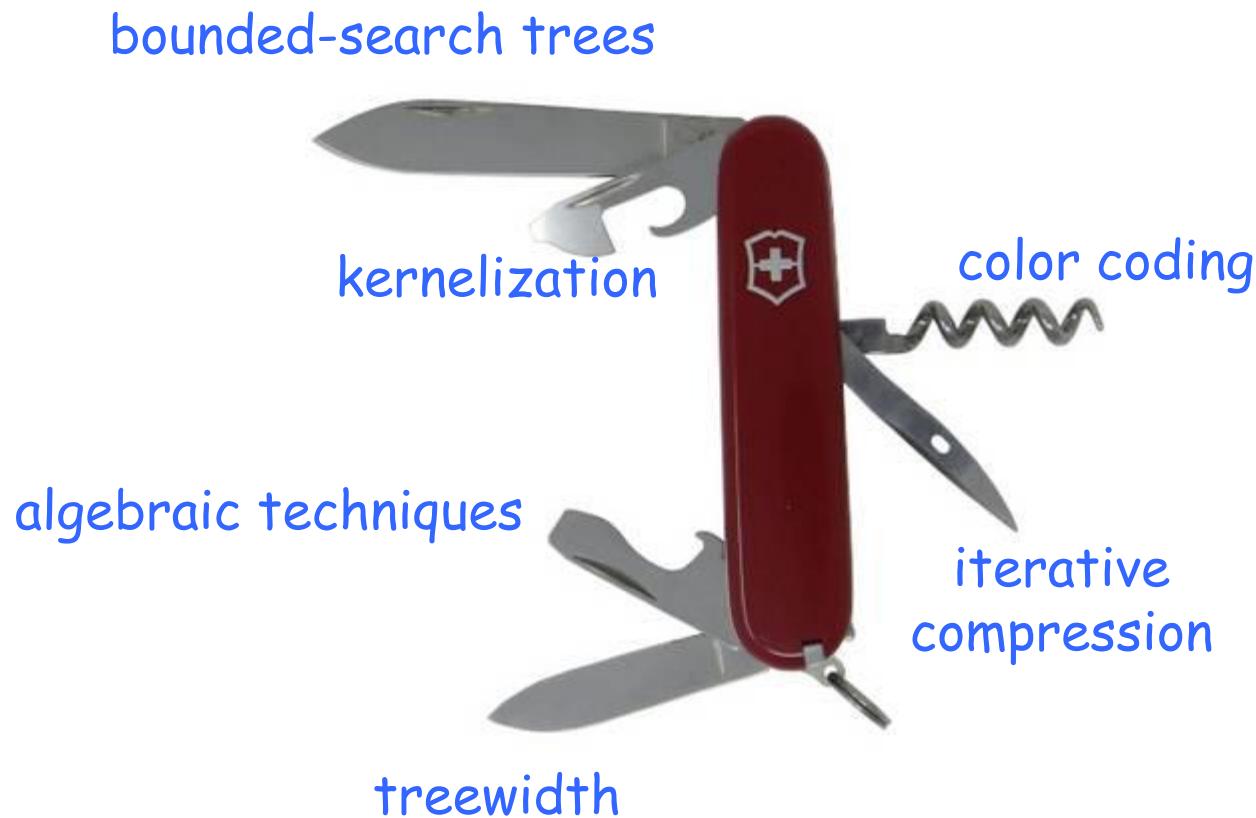
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# Parameterized algorithms

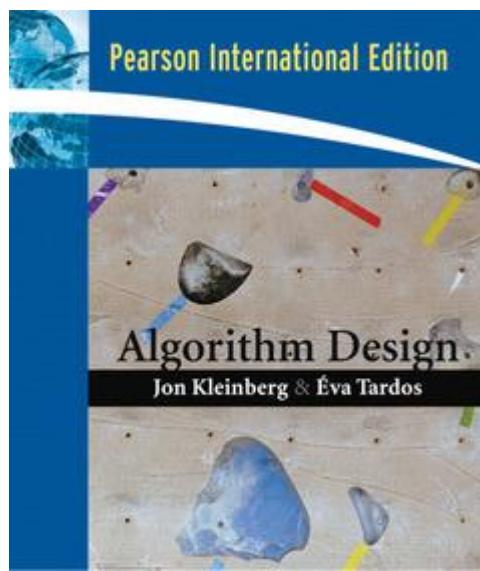
## Episode III

## Toolbox (to show a problem is FPT)



# Treewidth

reference  
(Chapter 10.4)



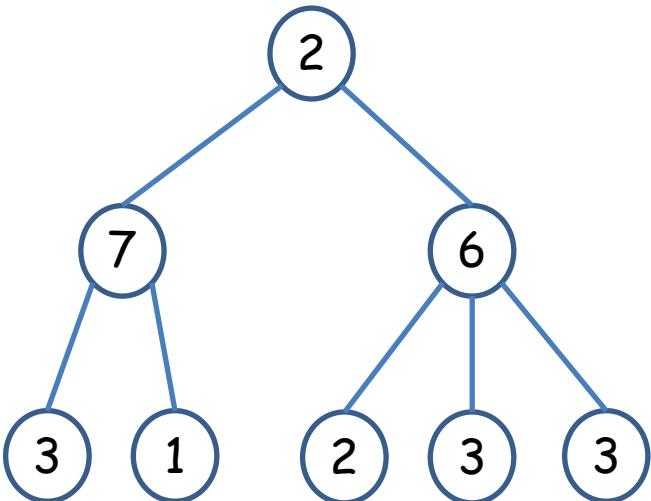
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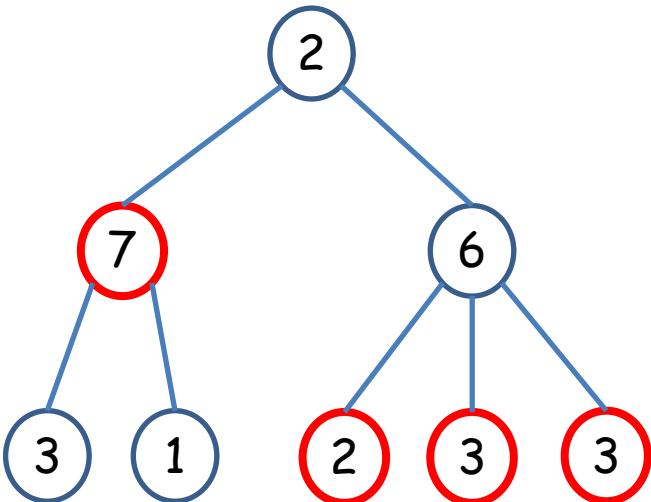
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# weighted independent set on trees: a dynamic programming algorithm

## Subproblems:

For each  $v$  of  $T$ :

- $T_v$ : subtree of  $T$  rooted at  $v$
- $A[v]$ : weight of a maximum weighted IS of  $T_v$
- $B[v]$ : weight of a maximum weighted IS of  $T_v$   
that does not contain  $v$

goal: determine  $A[r]$  for the root  $r$

$v$  leaf:  $A[v] = w_v$   $B[v] = 0$

$v$  internal node with children  $u_1, \dots, u_d$ :

$$B[v] = \sum_{i=1}^d A[u_i]$$

$$A[v] = \max\{ B[v], w_v + \sum_{i=1}^d B[u_i] \}$$

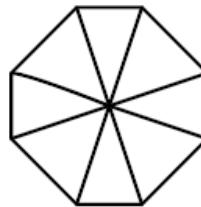
order for the subproblems: bottom up

Generalizing trees: How could we define that a graph is "treelike"?

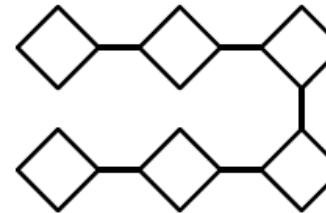
def 1: number of cycles is bounded



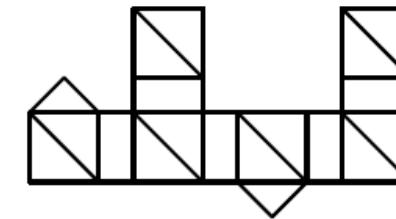
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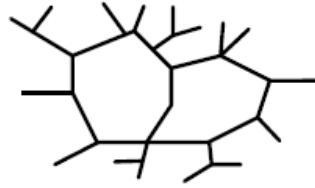


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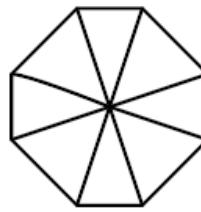


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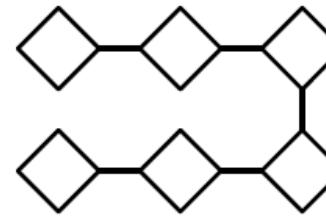
def 2: removing a bounded number of vertices makes it acyclic



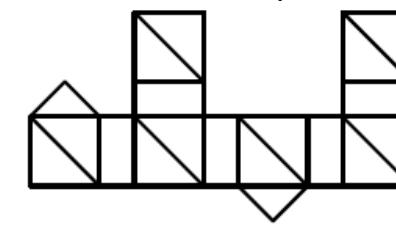
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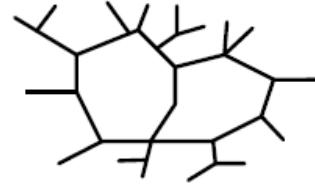


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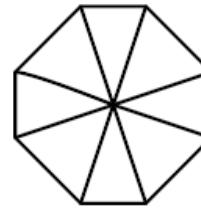


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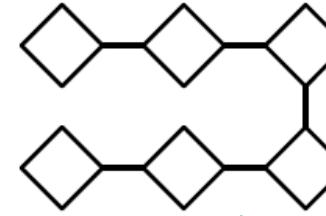
def 3: bounded-size parts connected in a tree-like way



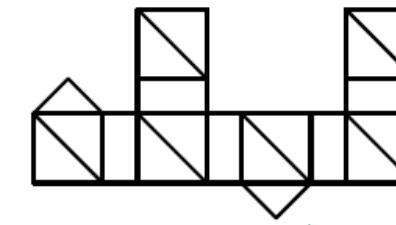
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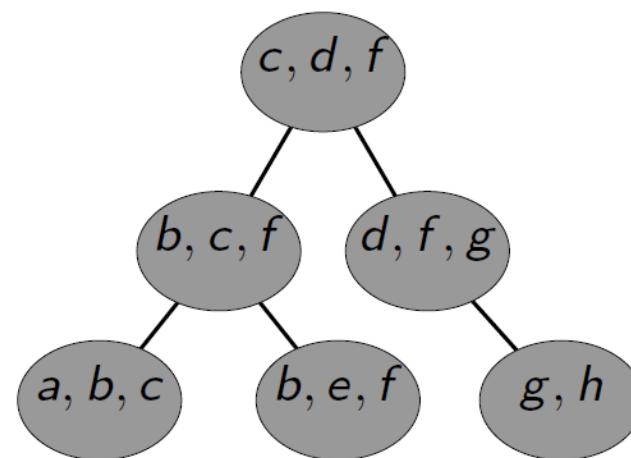
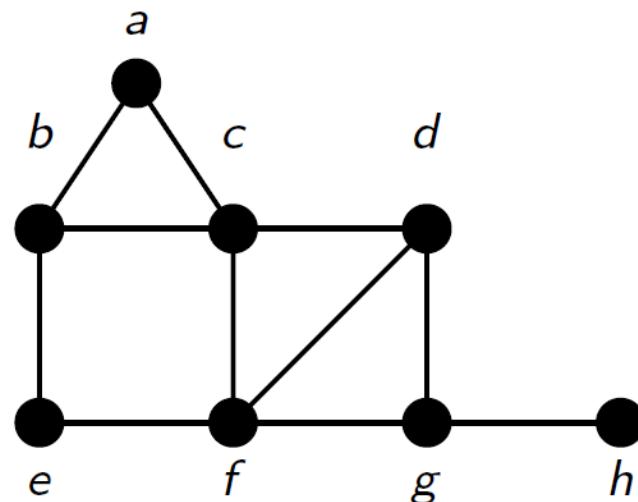


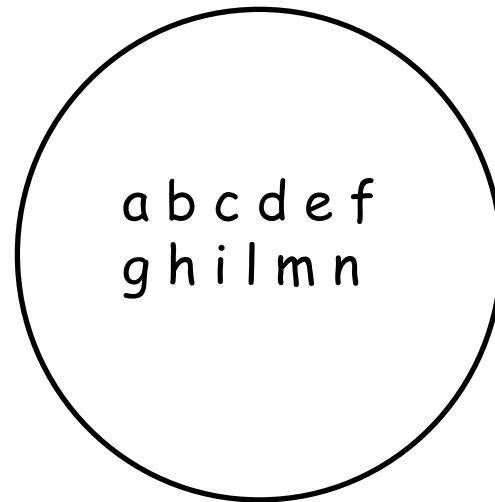
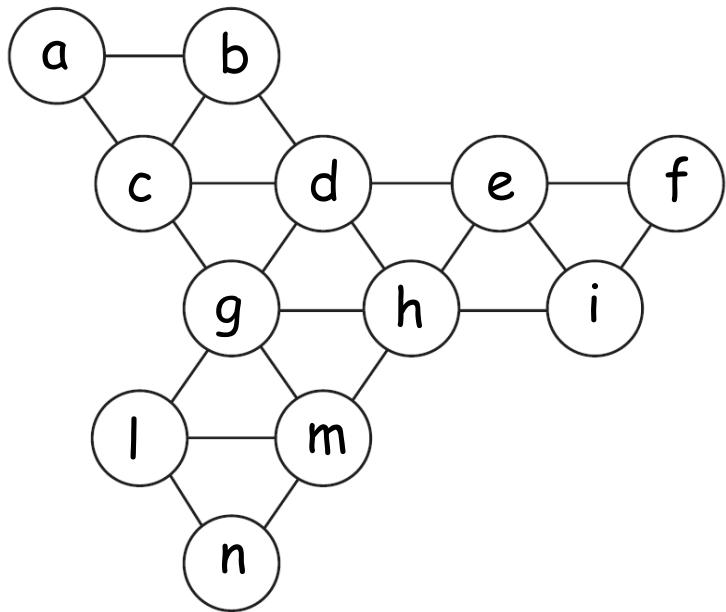
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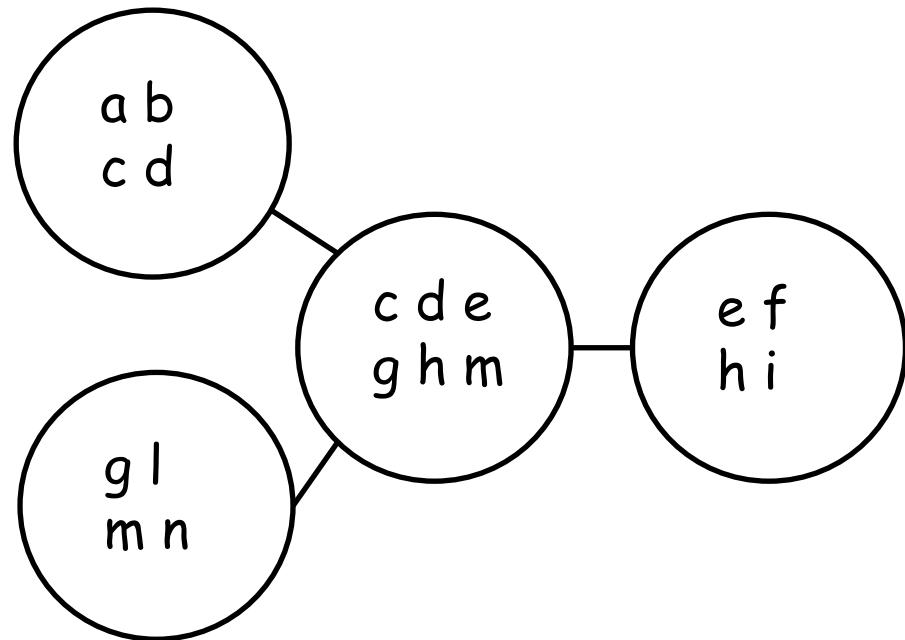
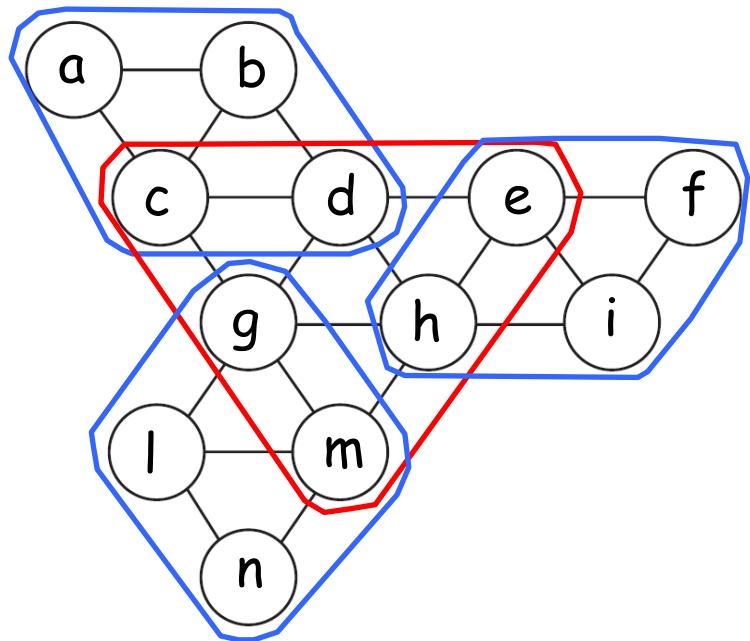
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the **width** of  $(T, \{V_t : t \in T\})$ :  $\max_t |V_t| - 1$

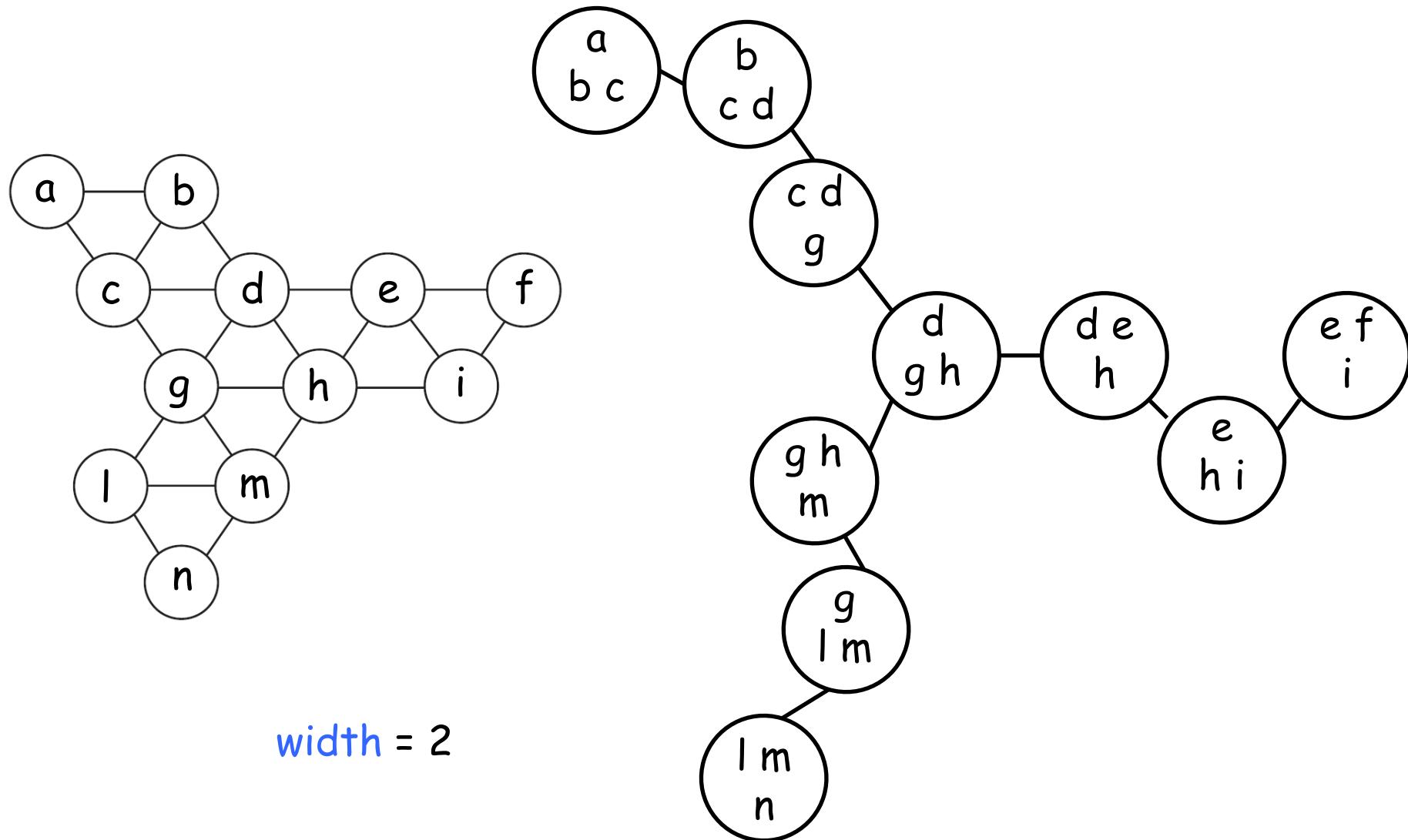




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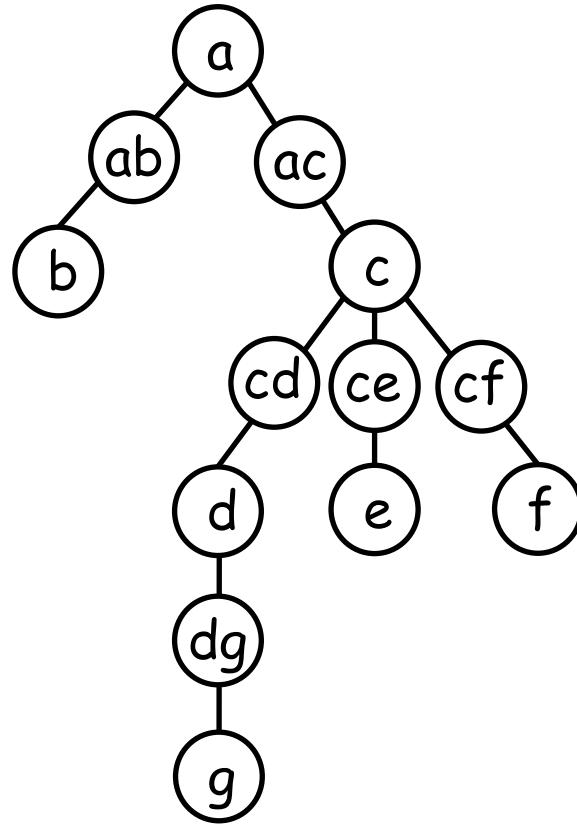
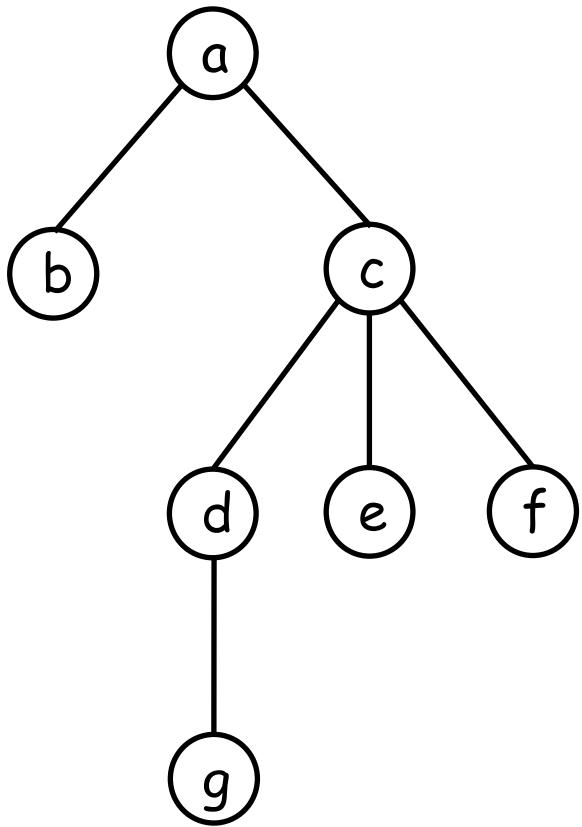


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the **treewidth** of  $G$ : width of the best tree decomposition of  $G$



the **treewidth** of a tree is 1

Let  $T'$  be a subgraph of  $T$ .

$G_{T'}$ : subgraph of  $G$  induced by the nodes in all pieces associated with nodes of  $T'$ , that is, the set  $\cup_{t \in T'} V_t$ .

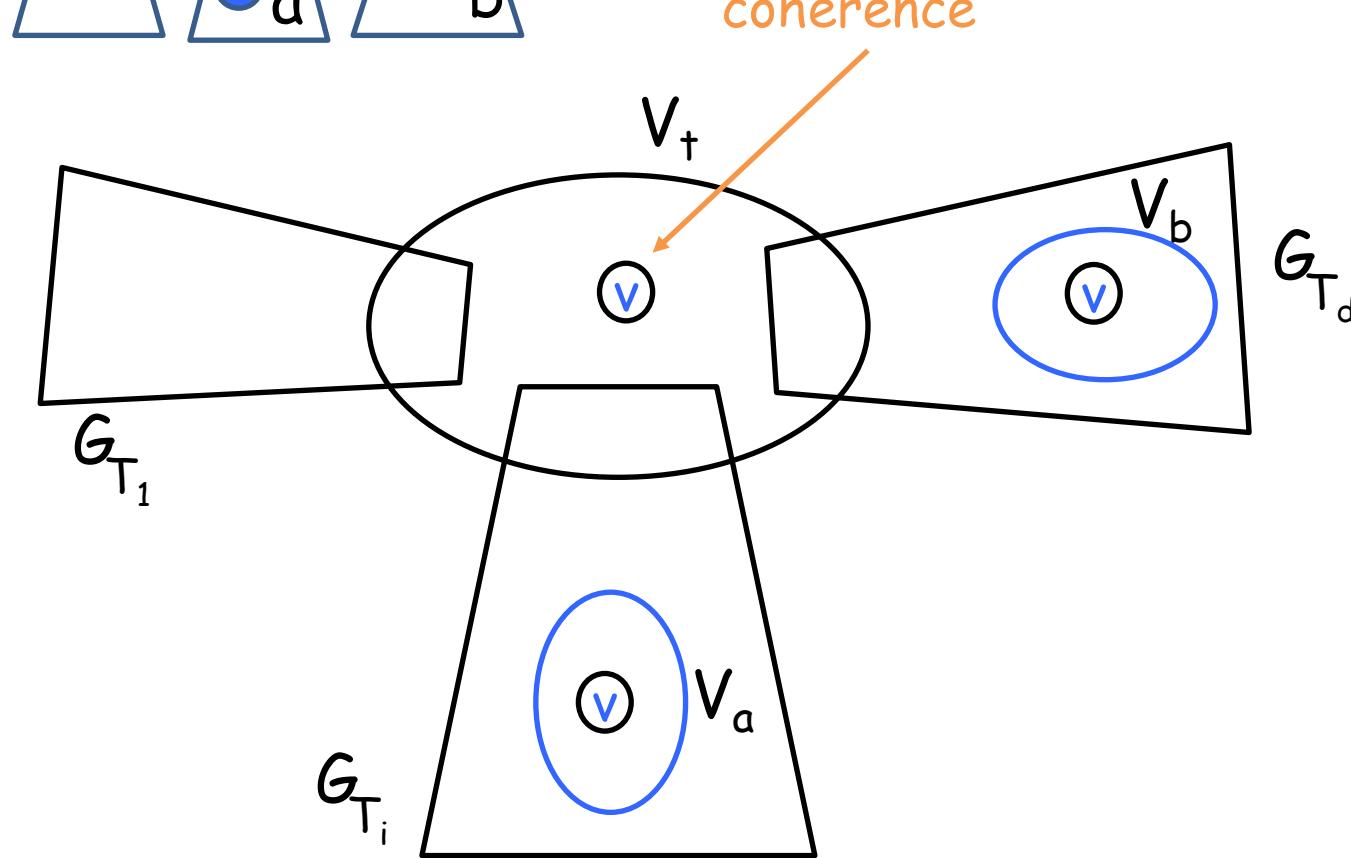
deleting a node  $t$  from  $T$

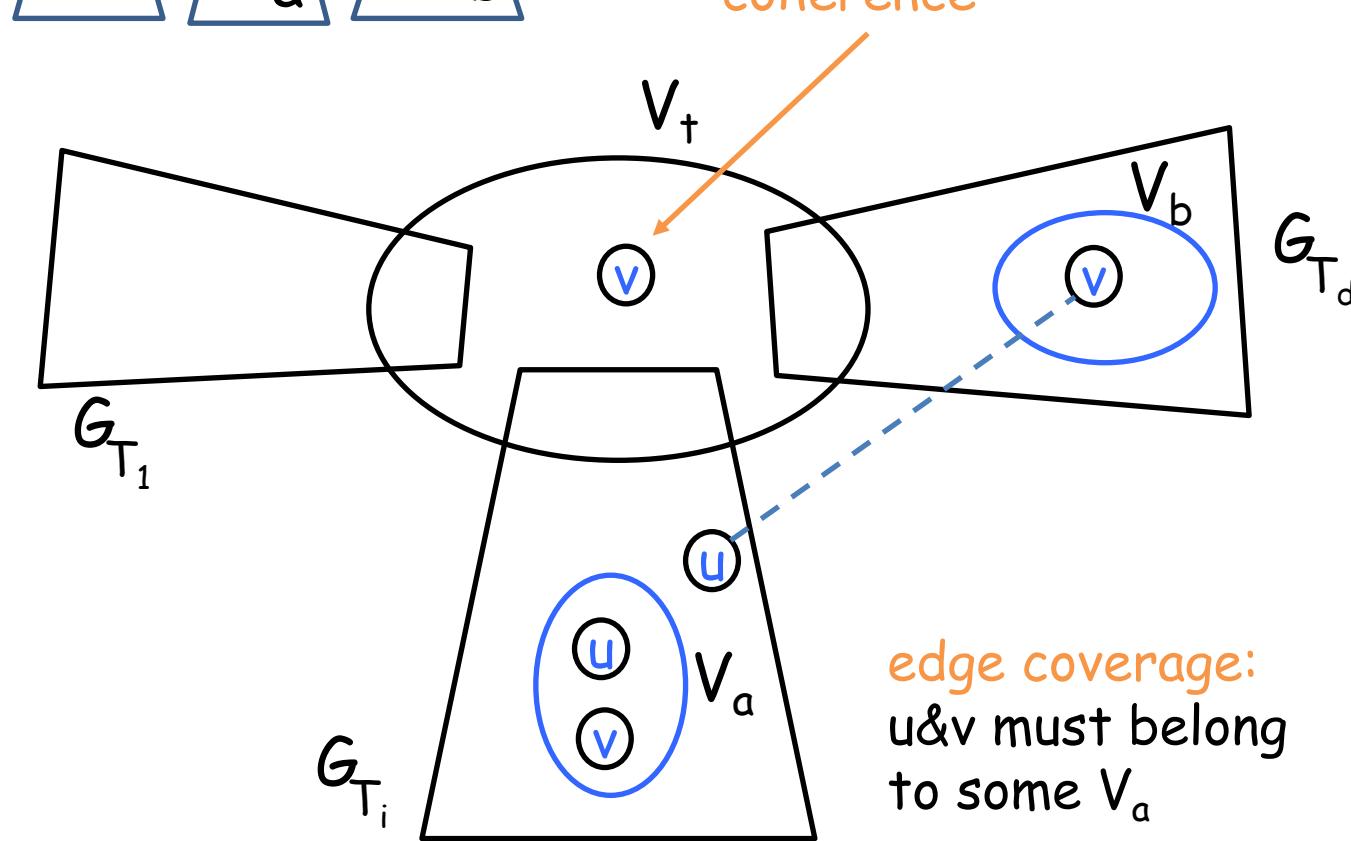
**Lemma**

Suppose that  $T-t$  has components  $T_1, \dots, T_d$ . Then the subgraphs

$$G_{T_1} - V_t, G_{T_2} - V_t, \dots, G_{T_d} - V_t,$$

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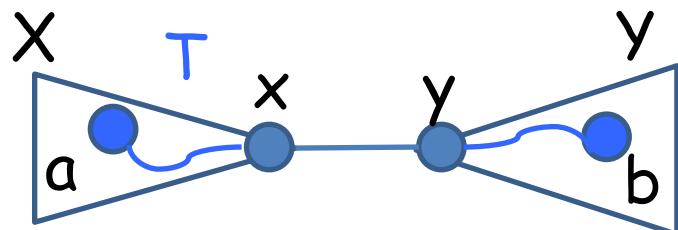
deleting an edge  $(x,y)$  from  $T$

**Lemma**

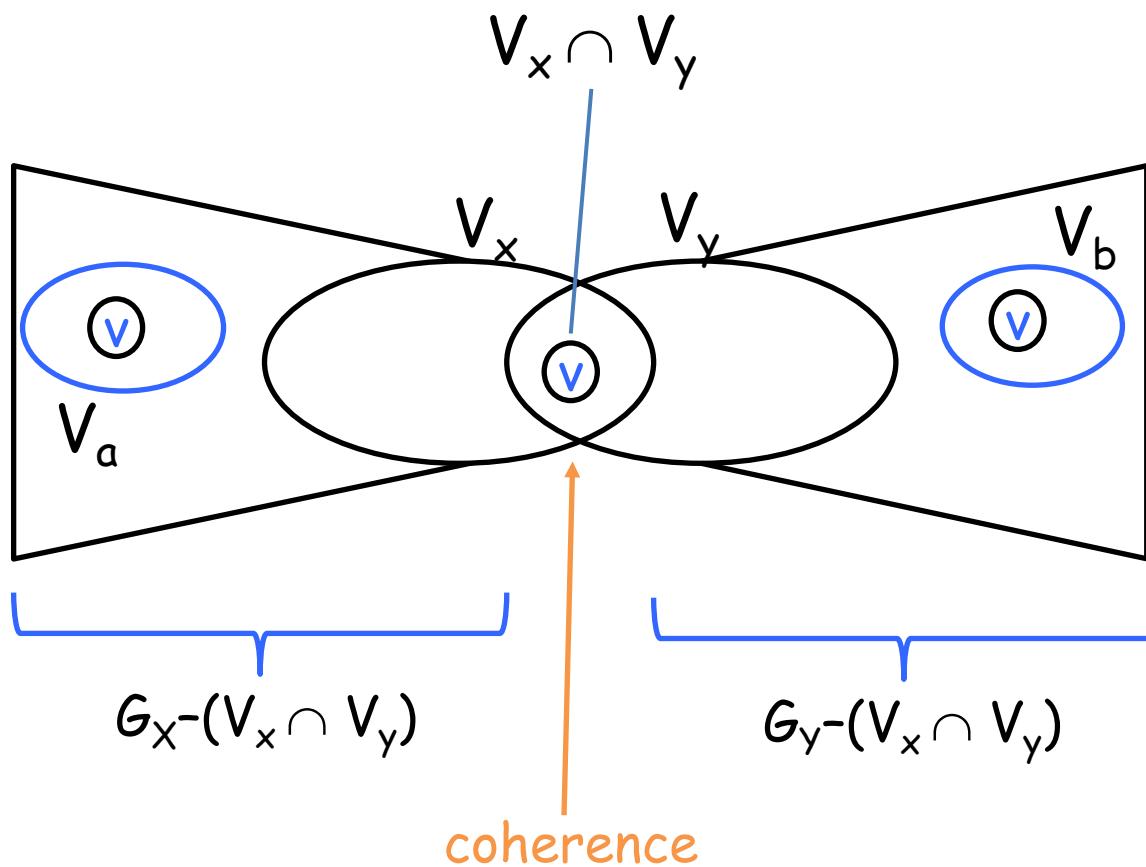
Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be the two components of  $T$  after the deletion of the edge  $(x,y)$ . Then the two subgraphs

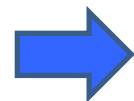
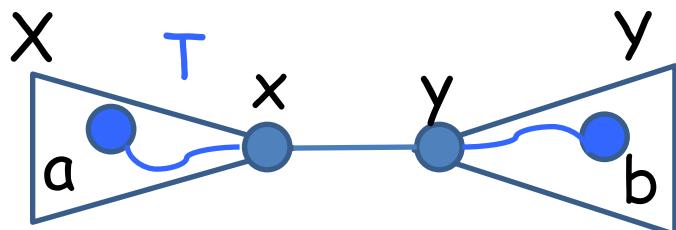
$G_x - (V_x \cap V_y)$  and  $G_y - (V_x \cap V_y)$

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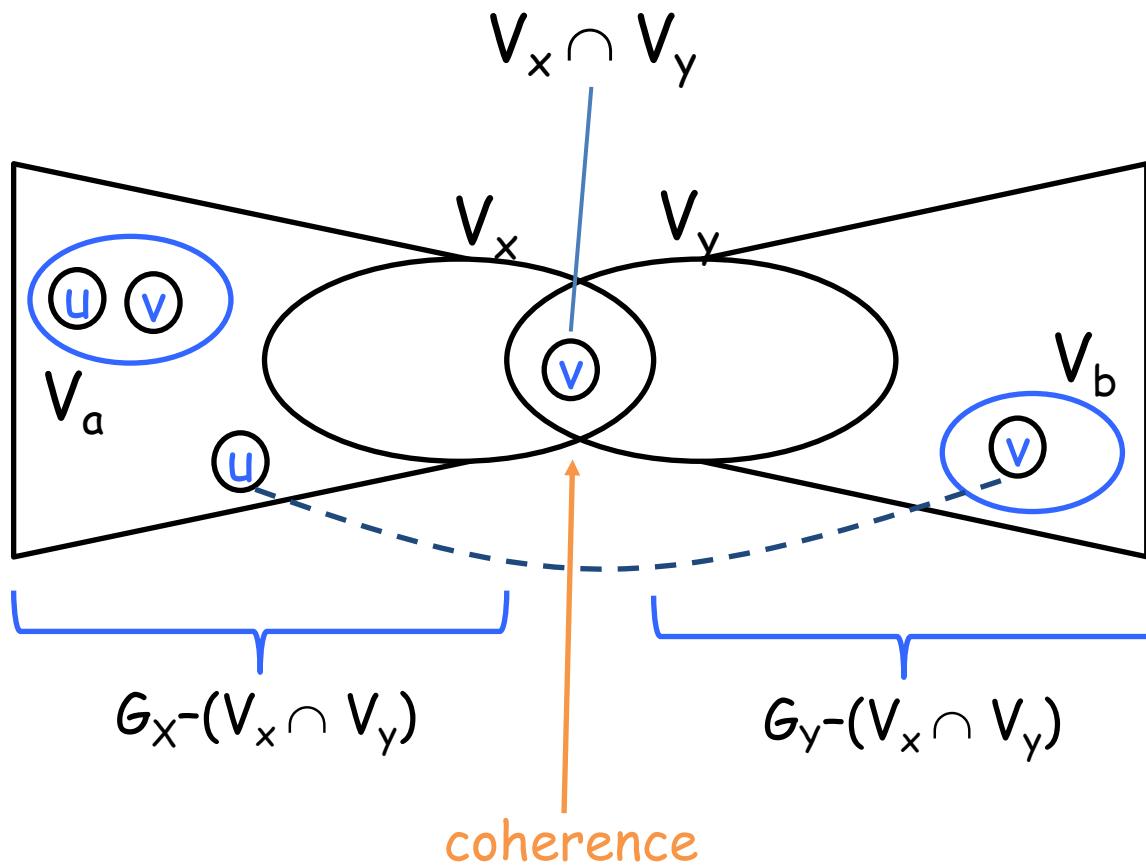
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A tree decomposition  $(T, \{V_t : t \in T\})$  is **redundant** if there is an edge  $(x, y)$  with  $V_x \subseteq V_y$ .

obtaining a **nonredundant** tree decomposition:

- whenever a tree decomposition  $(T, \{V_t : t \in T\})$  is **redundant**:
  - contract the edge  $(x, y)$  by folding the piece  $V_x$  into the piece  $V_y$ .

### Lemma

Any **nonredundant** tree decomposition of an  $n$ -node graph has at most  $n$  pieces.

**proof** (induction on  $n$ .)

$n=1$  is trivial. Let  $n > 1$ .

consider a leaf  $t$  of  $T$  and the corresponding  $V_t$

nonrundancy implies there is at least a node in  $V_t$  not in the piece of  $t$ 's parent (and for coherency in no other piece).

Let  $U$  be the set of such nodes

$T - t$  is a nonredundant tree decomposition of  $G - U$  with at most

$n - |U| \leq n - 1$  pieces   $(T, \{V_t : t \in T\})$  has at most  $n$  pieces



# Dynamic Programming on graph with bounded treewidth $w$

Solving the weighted Independent Set

## defining the subproblems

root  $T$  at a node  $r$

for any node  $t$ ,

- let  $T_t$  be the subtree of  $T$  rooted at  $t$
- let  $G_t$  be the subgraph of  $G$  induced by the nodes of all pieces associated with nodes of  $T_t$

### subproblems:

for each node  $t$ , and each  $U \subseteq V_t$ :

$f_t(U) =$  maximum weight of an independent set  $S$  in  $G_t$ , subject to the requirement that  $S \cap V_t = U$

**obs:**  $f_t(U) = -\infty$  (or undefined) if  $U$  is not an IS

### number of subproblems:

$2^{w+1}$  for each node  $t$

$2^{w+1}n$  overall for nonredundant tree decomposition

### goal:

compute  $\max_{U \subseteq V_r} f_r(U)$

$f_t(U) = \text{maximum weight of an independent set } S \text{ in } G_t, \text{ subject to the requirement that } S \cap V_t = U$

let  $S$  be a maximum-weight IS in  $G_t$  subject to the requirement that  $S \cap V_t = U$ , that is  $w(S) = f_t(U)$

assume that  $t$  has children  $t_1, \dots, t_d$ :

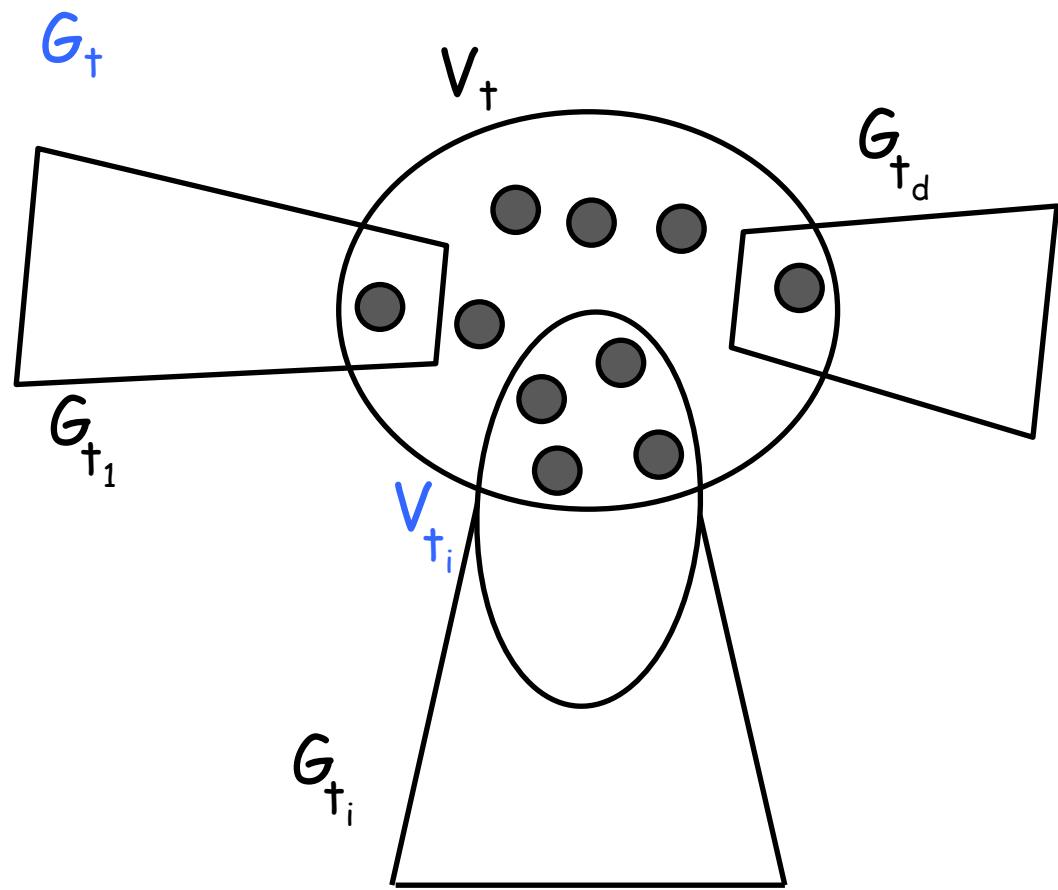
$S_i$  : intersection of  $S$  and the nodes of  $G_{t_i}$

**Lemma**

$S_i$  is a maximum-weight IS of  $G_{t_i}$ , subject to

$$S_i \cap V_t = U \cap V_{t_i}$$

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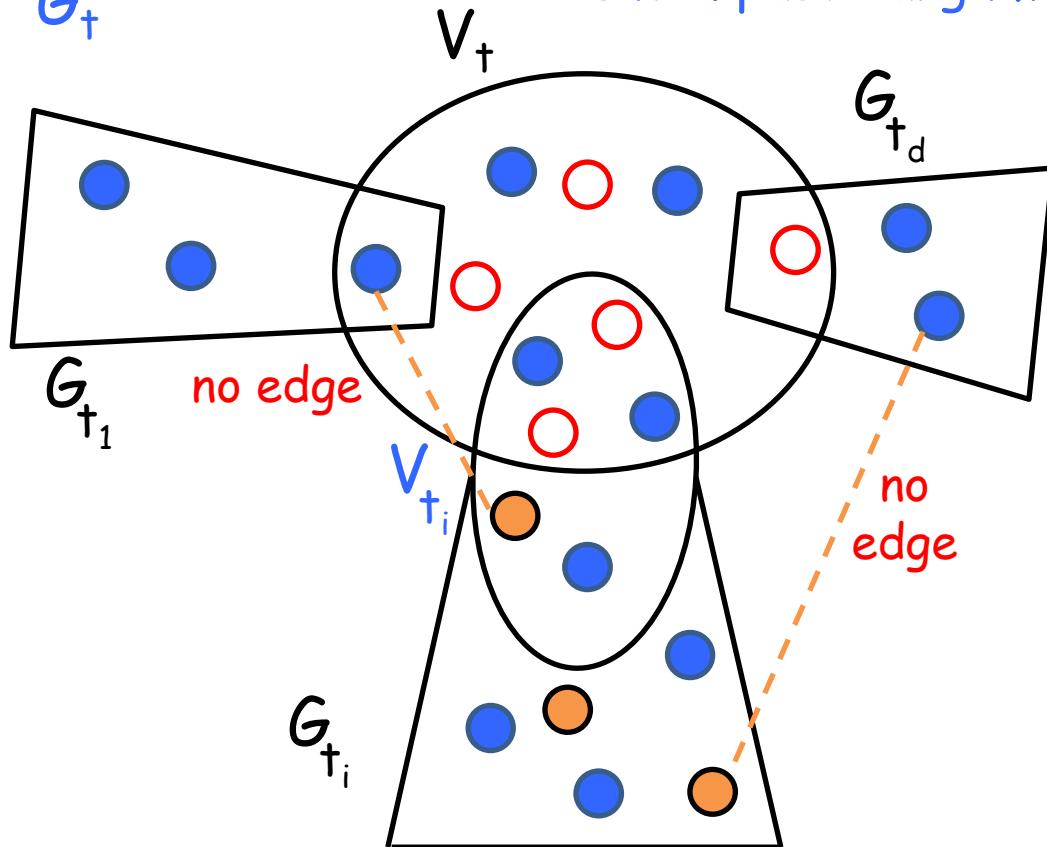
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claim:  $S_i$  is opt for  $G_{t_i}$ , subject to  $S_i \cap V_t = U \cap V_{t_i}$

$G_t$

cut & paste argument: assume  $S'_i$  better than  $S_i$



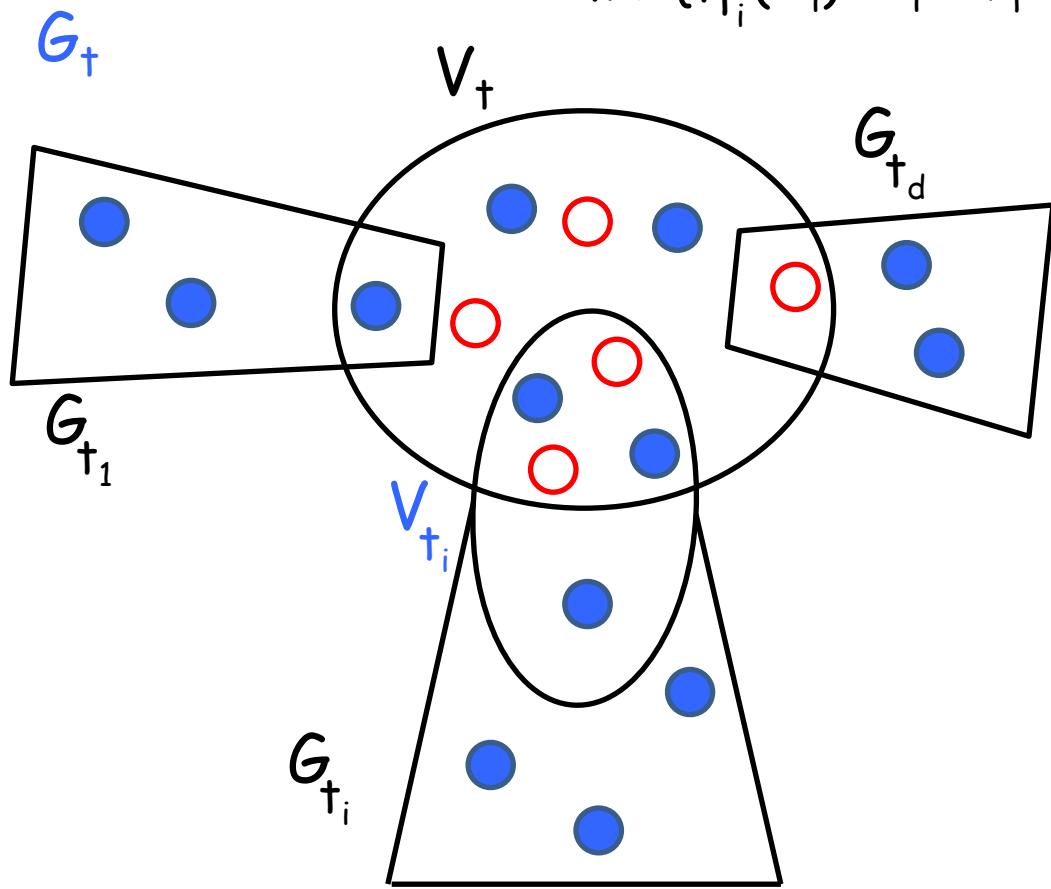
$S' = (S - S_i) \cup S'_i$   
is a better IS  
for  $G_t$

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weight of such an optimal  $S_i$  :

$\max\{f_{t_i}(U_i) : U_i \cap V_t = U \cap V_{t_i} \text{ and } U_i \subseteq V_{t_i} \text{ is an IS}\}$



case:  $t$  leaf in  $T$

$U \subseteq V_t$  independent set

$$f_t(U) = w(U)$$

case:  $t$  has children  $t_1, \dots, t_d$  in  $T$

★  $f_t(U) = w(U) + \sum_{i=1}^d \max\{ f_{t_i}(U_i) - w(U_i \cap U) : U_i \cap V_t = U \cap V_{t_i} \text{ and } U_i \subseteq V_{t_i} \text{ is an IS} \}$

To find a maximum-weight independent set of  $G$ ,  
given a tree decomposition  $(T, \{V_t\})$  of  $G$ :

Modify the tree decomposition if necessary so it is nonredundant

Root  $T$  at a node  $r$

For each node  $t$  of  $T$  in post-order

If  $t$  is a leaf then

For each independent set  $U$  of  $V_t$

$$f_t(U) = w(U)$$

Else

For each independent set  $U$  of  $V_t$

$f_t(U)$  is determined by the recurrence



Endif

Endfor

Return  $\max \{f_r(U) : U \subseteq V_r \text{ is independent}\}$ .

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time to compute  $f_t(U)$ :

for each of the  $d$  children  $t_i$  and each  $U_i \subseteq V_{t_i}$

- check in time  $O(w)$  if  $U_i$  is an IS  
and is consistent with  $V_t$  and  $U$

$$O(2^{w+1} w d)$$

there are  $2^{w+1}$  possible  $U$  for a node  $t$ :

$$O(4^{w+1} w d)$$

summing over all nodes  $t$ :

total running time:

$$O(4^{w+1} w n)$$

## How to compute a tree-decomposition?

Compute the treewidth of a given graph is NP-hard



There is an algorithm that, given a graph with treewidth  $w$ , produce a tree decomposition with width  $4w$  in time  $O(f(w) mn)$

