

Chapter 15

15.1 Write a LC procedure for the 15 puzzle problem.

Solution:

Algorithm branch-bound-puzzle (page no.551) can be used to solve 15-puzzle as well.

15.2 Write a procedure for the assignment problem.

Solution:

1. Enqueue 'Start' node to priority queue p_a .
2. Generate children.
3. Enqueue the children nodes to p_a .
4. If the goal node is obtained, then all assignments are made.
Report success else go to step2.
5. End

15.3 Write a Branch and Bound procedure for the Knapsack problem.

Solution:

1. Arrange the items such that
2. Construct the binary tree.
3. Compute the lower bound.
4. End

15.4 Write a Branch and Bound procedure for TSP

Solution:

Step 1 : Let C be the reduced cost matrix.

Step 2 : Set $C(1,1)=\infty$.

Step 3 : Reduce the distance matrix for the rows and columns that contains ∞ .

Step 4 : Compute the lower bound.

Step 5 : End.

15.5 Consider the following 8 puzzle game and draw and illustrate a Branch and Bound technique.

1	2	3		1	2	3
4	-	5	→	7	-	5
6	7	8		4	6	8

Solution:

1 2 3

4 - 5

6 7 8

↓

1 2 3

4 7 5

6 - 8

↓

1 2 3

4 7 5

- 6 8

↓

1 2 3

- 7 5

4 6 8

↓

1 2 3

7 - 5

4 6 8

The path to the goal is a shown below.

- 15.6** Solve the following assignment problem using the cost matrix for assigning tasks to workers.

W \ T	1	2	3
A	8	3	2
B	6	5	4
C	3	1	2

Solution:

Step 1: Find the minimum element in each row and subtract it from all elements in that row.

	1	2	3
A	8	3	2
B	6	5	4
C	3	1	2

Step 2: Row Reduction

	1	2	3
A	6	2	0
B	2	1	0
C	2	0	1

Step 3: Col Reduction

	1	2	3
A	4	1	0
B	0	1	0
C	0	0	1

Step 4: Find the minimum element in each column and subtract it from all elements in that column.

	1	2	3
A	4	1	0
B	0	1	0
C	0	0	1

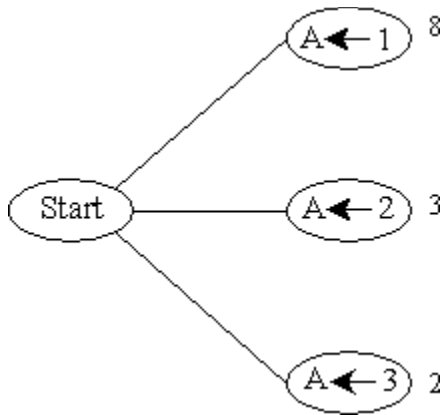
The optimal Assignment, $A=3, B=1, C=2$

$\therefore \text{Min Cost} = 2 + 6 + 1 = 9$

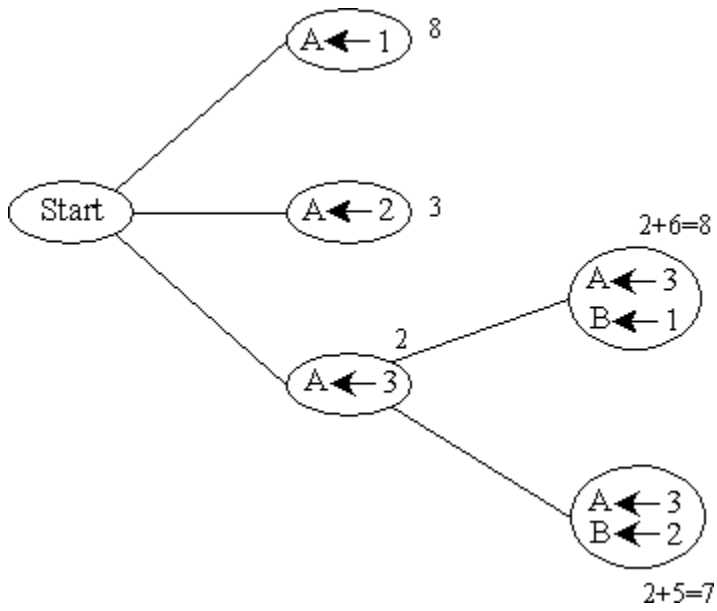
Step 5: Find the minimum element in each row and subtract it from all elements in that row, similarly for column wise.

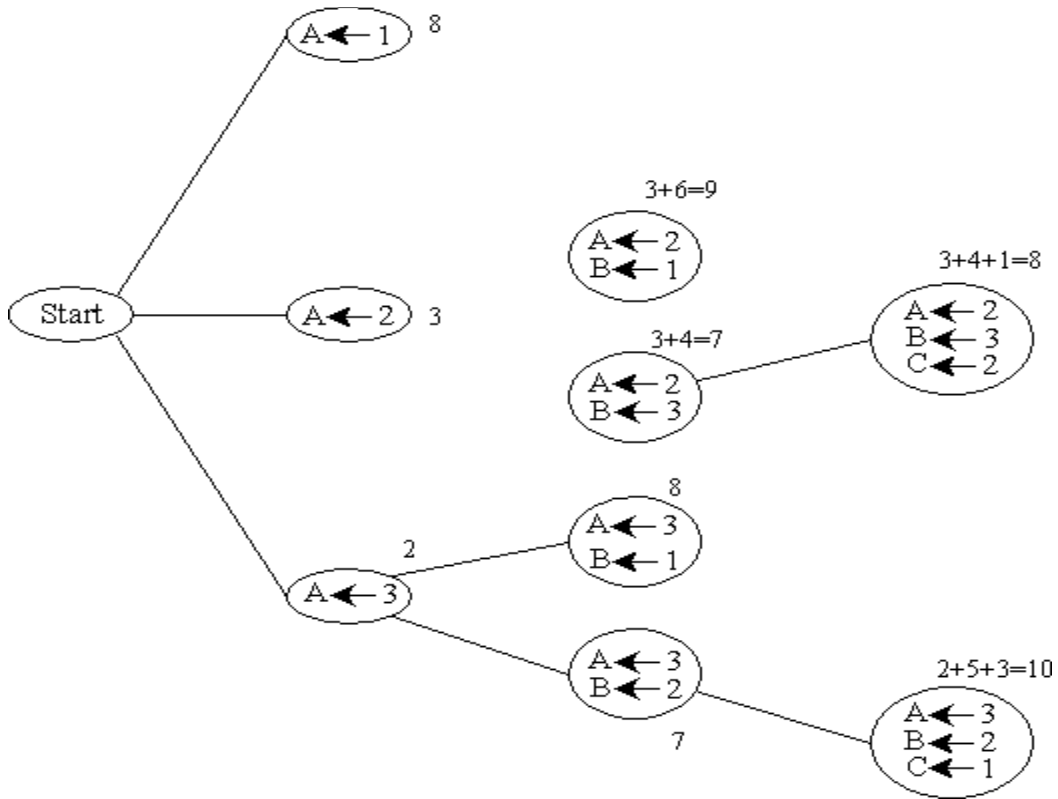
	1	2	3
A	4	1	0
B	0	1	0
C	0	0	1

$A=3$
 $B=1$
 $C=2$



Compute LB as $8+5+2 = 15$





Therefore assign the tasks as follows:

A ← 2

B ← 3

C ← 2 with cost of 8.

15.7 Use the following cost matrix and solve the assignment problem.

Workers \ Tasks	1	2	3	4
A	10	3	7	6
B	5	4	3	2
C	1	3	6	7
D	8	9	5	3

Solution:

	Task			
	1	2	3	4
A	10	3	7	6
B	5	4	3	2
C	1	3	6	7
D	8	9	5	3

Writers

St:1

Row Reduction

	1	2	3	4
A	7	0	4	3
B	3	2	1	0
C	0	2	5	6
D	5	6	2	0

St:2

Col Reduction

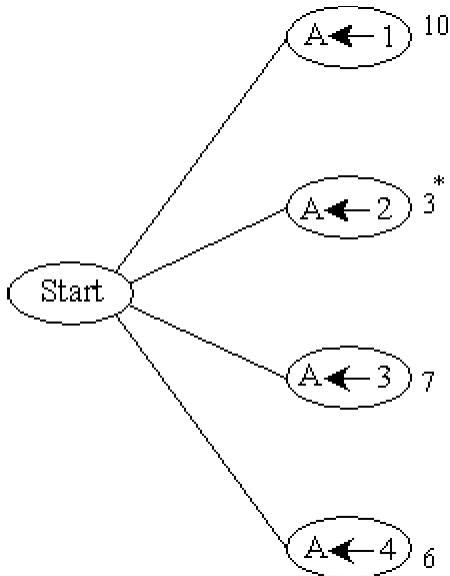
	1	2	3	4
A	7	0	3	3
B	3	2	0	0
C	0	2	4	6
D	5	6	1	0

A=2
B=3
C=1
D=4

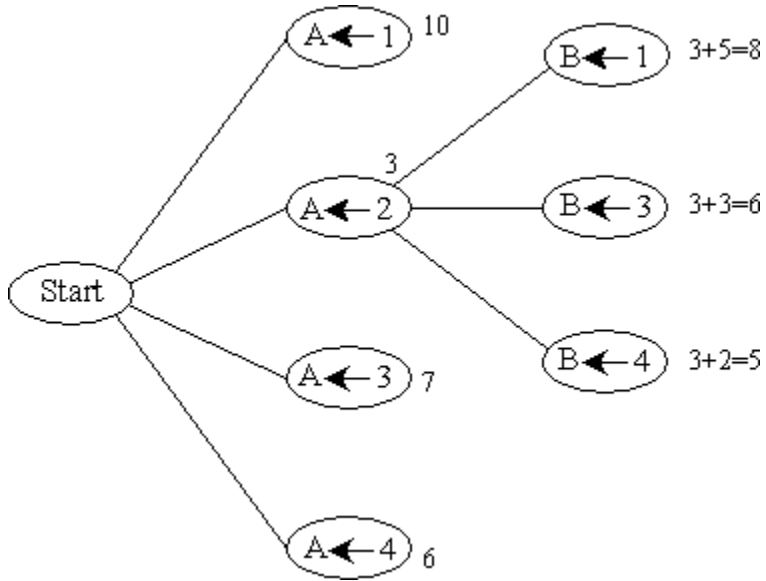
Find row wise single zero and strikeout the respective column. Similarly for column.

∴ Then we get optimal Assignment,
A=2, B=3, C=1, D=4
∴ Min. Cost = 3+3+1+3 ⇒ 10

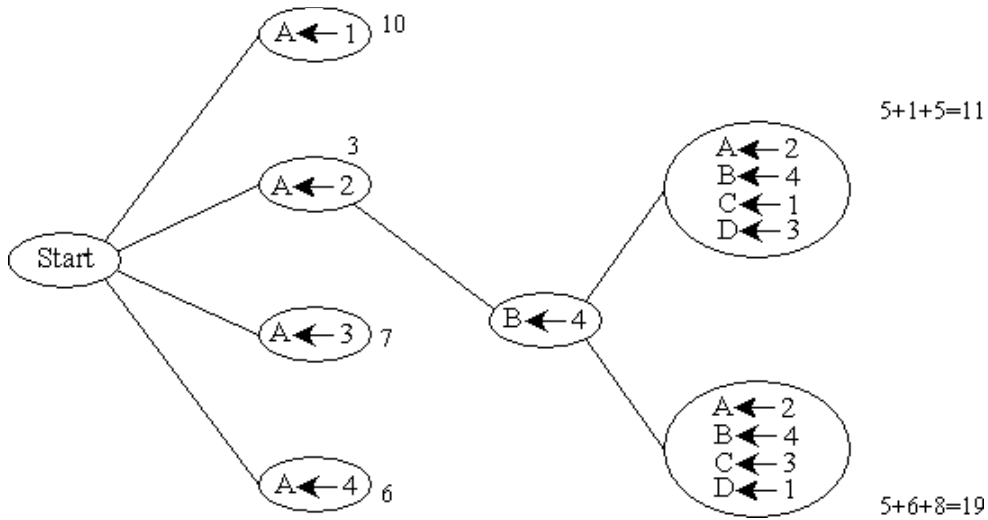
The LB is $10 + 4 + 6 + 3 = 23$



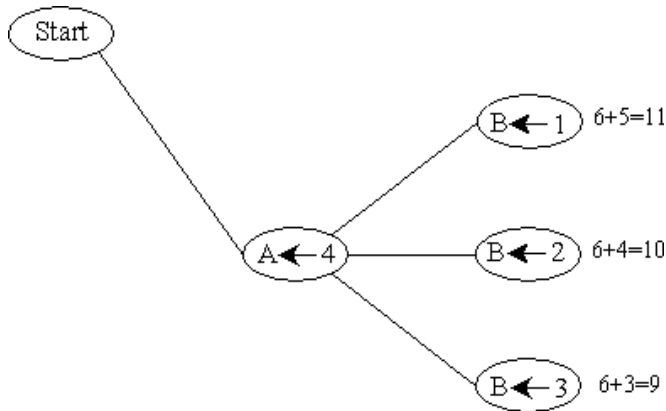
Expand the node further



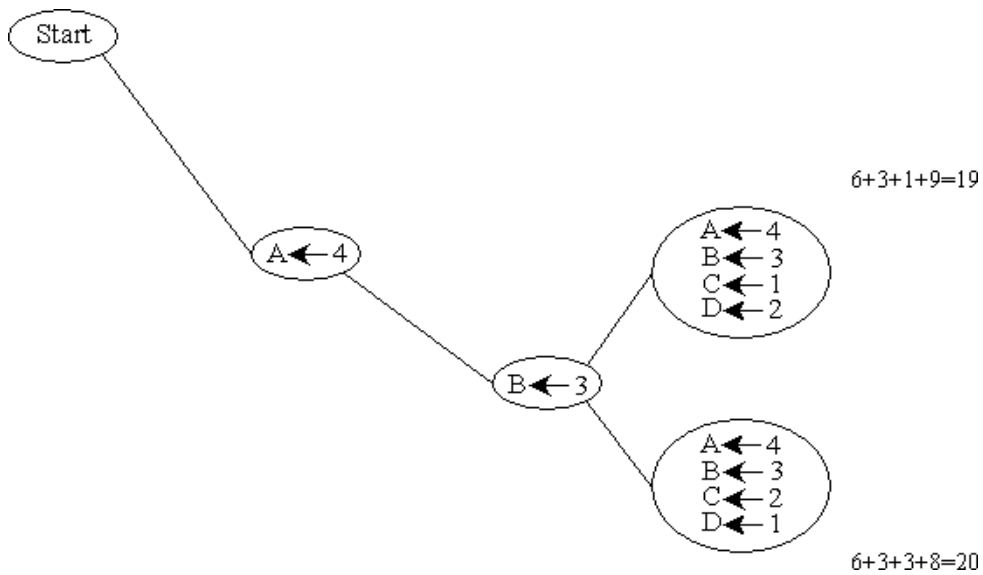
Minimum is 5. So expand it further.



Expand A ← 4 further



Minimum is 9 and expand further



The optimal assignment is

$$A \leftarrow 2, B \leftarrow 4, C \leftarrow 1, D \leftarrow 3$$

with minimum cost of 11.

- 15.8** Solve the following Knapsack problem using the Branch-and-Bound technique. Assume $w = 12$.

Items	w_i	p_i
1	2	16
2	3	20
3	4	24

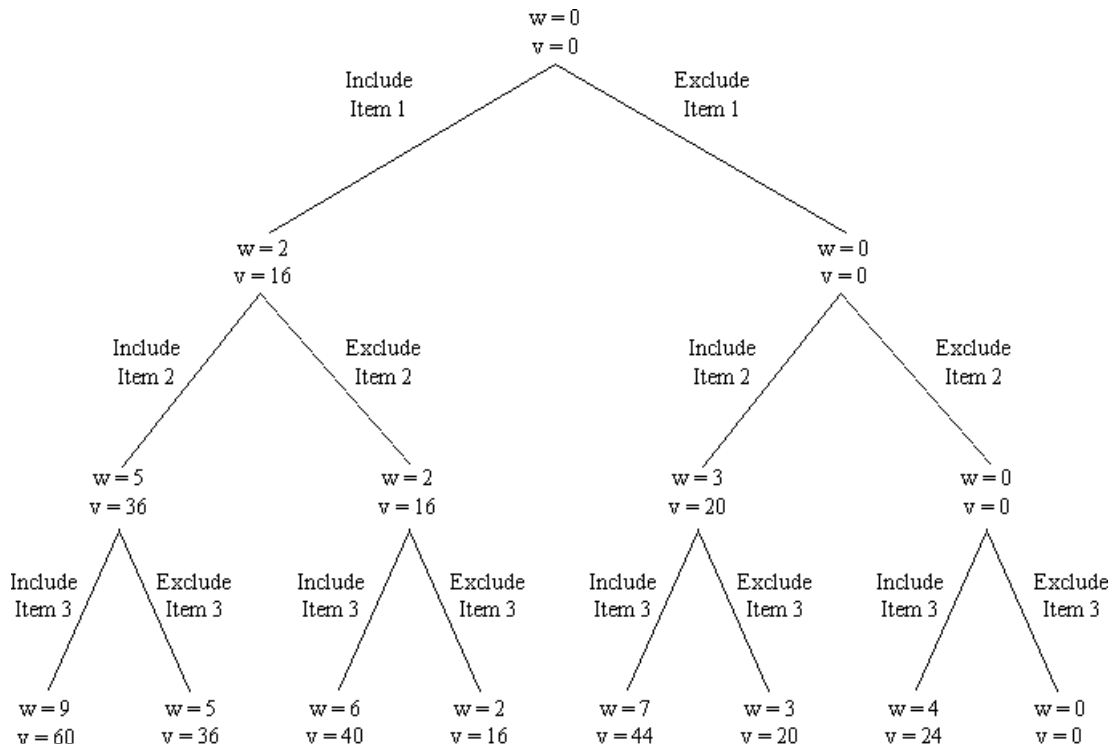
Solution:

$$\frac{v_1}{w_1} = \frac{16}{2} = 8$$

$$\frac{v_2}{w_2} = \frac{20}{3} = 6.6$$

$$\frac{v_3}{w_3} = \frac{24}{4} = 6$$

\therefore The items are already in sorted order.



∴ The goal is $w = 9$ with profit of 60.

15.9 Solve the following Knapsack problem using the Branch-and-Bound technique. Assume Knapsack capacity $w = 12$.

Items	w_i	p_i
1	2	10
2	3	12
3	4	20
4	5	25

Solution:

$$\frac{v_1}{w_1} = \frac{10}{2} = 5$$

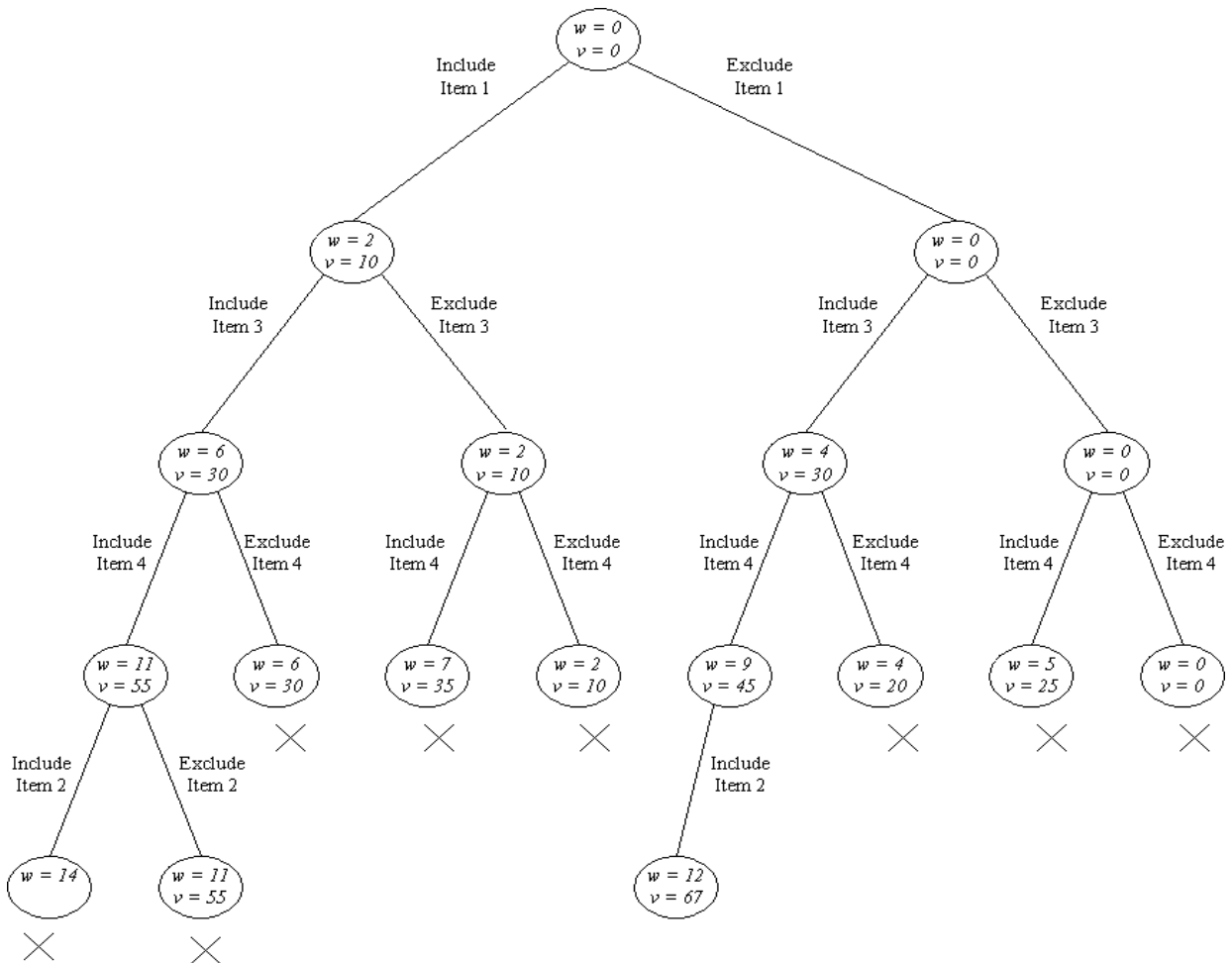
$$\frac{v_2}{w_2} = \frac{12}{3} = 4$$

$$\frac{v_3}{w_3} = \frac{20}{4} = 5$$

$$\frac{v_4}{w_4} = \frac{25}{5} = 5$$

∴ Arrange items and rearrange it to get as follows:

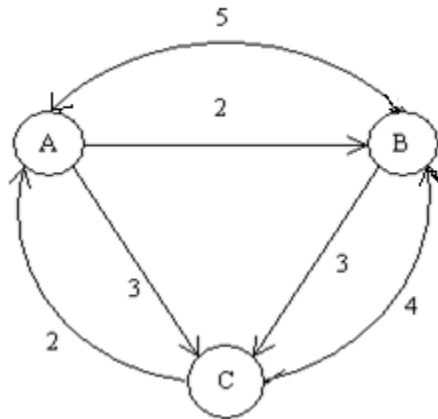
Items	w_i	p_i
1	2	10
3	4	20
4	5	25
2	3	12



∴ It can be observed that the best combination is Include item 3, 4 and 2 with profit 67.

15.10 Solve the following TSP using Branch-and-Bound technique.

Graph direction mistake changed



Items	A	B	C
A	∞	2	3
B	5	∞	3
C	2	4	∞

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{row real} \\ \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \infty & 2 & 3 & 2 \\ 5 & \infty & 3 & 3 \\ 2 & 4 & \infty & 2 \end{array} \right) \end{array} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{row reduction} \\ \left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \infty & 0 & 1 & \\ 2 & \infty & 0 & \\ 0 & 2 & \infty & \end{array} \right) \end{array}$$

Total reduction is $2 + 3 + 2 = 7$. This is the lower bound.

Path (A,B)

Set 1st row and 1st column $\infty \ \infty$ and Set A(2,1) as ∞ . This gives.

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc|c} \infty & \infty & \infty & \\ \infty & \infty & 0 & \\ \infty & \mathbf{7} & \infty & \end{array} \right)$$

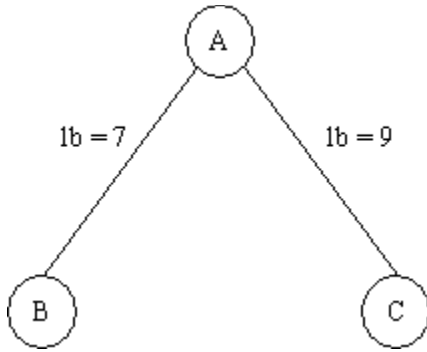
This gives reduction as $7 + 0 = 7$

Path (A,C)

$$\begin{pmatrix} \infty & 0 & \infty \\ 2 & 0 & \infty \\ \infty & 2 & \infty \end{pmatrix}$$

This gives reduction $7 + 2 = 9$

So the tree would be



So the vertex B is selected. Only the left out node is C.

\therefore The TSP tour is $A \rightarrow B \rightarrow C \rightarrow A$.

15.11 Solve the following TSP using Hungarian technique.

	A	B	C	D
A	∞	2	3	4
B	1	∞	4	3
C	2	3	∞	4
D	4	3	2	∞

Solution:

Perform row reduction as follows.

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} \infty & 2 & 3 & 4 & 2 \\ 1 & \infty & 4 & 3 & 1 \\ 2 & 3 & \infty & 4 & 2 \\ 4 & 3 & 2 & \infty & 2 \end{array} \right)$$

To get

$$\left(\begin{array}{cccc|c} \infty & 0 & 1 & 2 & \\ 0 & \infty & 3 & 2 & \\ 0 & 1 & \infty & 2 & \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & \infty & \end{array} \right)$$

Perform column reduction to get

$$\begin{array}{c} \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \infty & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & \infty & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & \infty & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & \infty \end{array} \right) \Rightarrow \left(\begin{array}{cccc} \infty & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \infty & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \infty & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & \infty \end{array} \right) \\ \hline 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 2 \end{array}$$

One can choose 'O' to prick the next vertex. By carefully selecting and excluding that row and column we get the path as

$$A \rightarrow B \rightarrow D \rightarrow C \rightarrow A$$

This is with the cost 9.