

Logic & Algorithms in DB & AI – 2023

Variable Elimination and Tensor Decomposition

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Outline

Worst-Case Optimality is Insufficient

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Worst-Case Optimality is Insufficient for Queries with Aggregations

4-cycle detection

- $Q() \leftarrow \exists A, B, C, D \ E(A, B) \wedge E(B, C) \wedge E(C, D) \wedge E(D, A)$
- Worst-case size bound on $|Q|$ is 1, on the conjunction is $|E|^2$
- Answerable in $O(|E|^{\frac{3}{2}})$ -time [AYZ 97]

k -cycle detection

- Worst-case size bound on the conjunction is $O(|E|^{\lceil k/2 \rceil})$
- k -cycle detection can be done in $O(|E|^{2 - \frac{1}{\lceil k/2 \rceil}})$ -time [AYZ 97]

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k-walk counting (or any sub-trees in general)

- $Q = \text{count}[X_1, \dots, X_{k+1} : E_1(X_1, X_2) \wedge \dots \wedge E(X_k, X_{k+1})]$
- Worst-case size bound on $|Q|$ is 1, on the conjunction is $|E|^{\lceil k/2 \rceil}$
- But, we can answer this in $\tilde{O}(k|E|)$ -time.

Conjunctive query with negation

- $Q() \leftarrow R(X, Y) \wedge S(Y, Z) \wedge T(Z, U) \wedge X \neq U$
- Worst-case size bound on $|Q|$ is 1, on the conjunction is $O(N^2)$
- But, we can answer this in $\tilde{O}(N)$ -time.

Need Two New Ideas in Our Framework

Idea 1: an abstraction to capture aggregation queries.

- max, min, \sum , \exists , etc.

Idea 2: a better notion of “optimality”

- Fine-grained complexity, parameterized complexity.

Given a semiring $(D, \oplus, \otimes, \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{1})$, a Sum-Product-query is

$$\varphi(\mathbf{X}_F) := \sum_{\mathbf{X}_{V-F}} \prod_{S \in \mathcal{E}} \psi_S(\mathbf{X}_S)$$

Example 1: $(\{\text{true}, \text{false}\}, \vee, \wedge, \text{false}, \text{true})$ is the Boolean semiring.

$$Q() = \bigvee_{A,B,C} E(A, B) \wedge E(A, C) \wedge E(B, C)$$

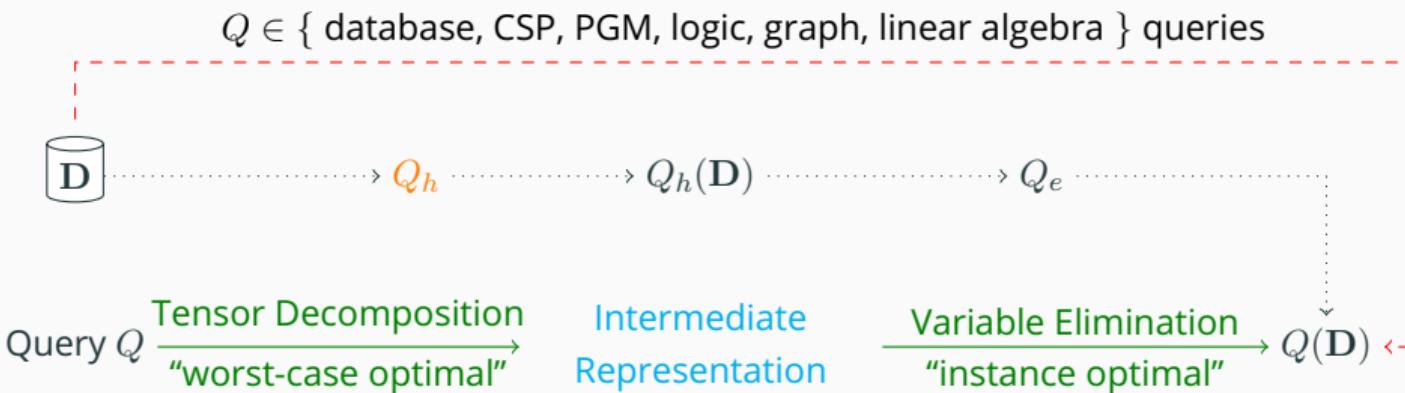
Example 2: $(\mathbb{R}, +, \times, 0, 1)$ is the sum-product semiring.

$$Q(A) = \sum_{B,C,D} E(A, B) \times E(B, C) \times E(C, D) \times \mathbf{1}_{A \neq D}$$

Idea 2: Better Notion of Optimality

$$\tilde{O} \left(|D| + \sup_{D' \models s(D)} |Q(D')| \right) \Rightarrow \tilde{O} \left(|D| + \sup_{D' \models s(D)} f(Q, D') + |Q(D)| \right)$$

Accompanied by a **meta algorithm**



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$$Q = \text{count}[A, B, C, D : R(A, B) \wedge S(B, C) \wedge T(C, D)]$$

Overloading notation

$$R(a, b) := \mathbf{1}_{(a,b) \in R}$$

$$S(b, c) := \mathbf{1}_{(b,c) \in S}$$

$$T(c, d) := \mathbf{1}_{(c,d) \in T}$$

Variable elimination [ZP 94]

Works for any semi-ring!

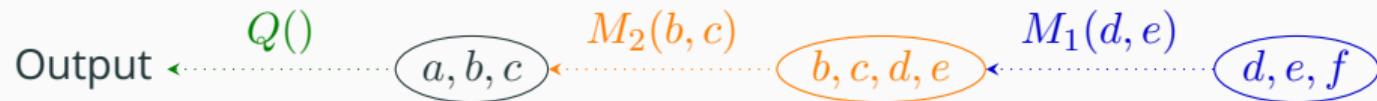
$$\begin{aligned} Q() &= \sum_a \sum_b \sum_c \sum_d R(a, b) \cdot S(b, c) \cdot T(c, d) \\ &= \sum_a \sum_b \sum_c R(a, b) \cdot S(b, c) \cdot \sum_d T(c, d) = \sum_a \sum_b \sum_c R(a, b) \cdot S(b, c) \cdot W(c) \\ &= \sum_a \sum_b R(a, b) \cdot \sum_c S(b, c) \cdot W(c) = \sum_a \sum_b R(a, b) \cdot V(b) \end{aligned}$$

Database jargon: (aggregation | projection | predicate) pushdowns

$$\begin{aligned}
Q &= \sum_{a,b,c,d,e,f} R(a,b)S(a,c)T(b,c,d,e)W(e,f)V(d,f) \\
&= \sum_{a,b,c,d,e} R(a,b)S(a,c)T(b,c,d,e) \underbrace{\sum_f \pi_{de} T(d,e)}_{\tilde{O}(N^{3/2}), \text{ WCOJ}} W(e,f)V(d,f) \\
&= \sum_{a,b,c,d,e} R(a,b)S(a,c)T(b,c,d,e) M_1(d,e) \\
&= \sum_{a,b,c} R(a,b)S(a,c) \sum_{d,e} \pi_b R(b) \pi_S(c) T(b,c,d,e) M_1(d,e) \\
&= \sum_{a,b,c} R(a,b)S(a,c) M_2(b,c) \quad = \underbrace{\sum_{a,b,c} R(a,b)S(a,c) M_2(b,c)}_{\tilde{O}(N^{3/2}), \text{ WCOJ}}
\end{aligned}$$

Variable Elimination, Message Passing, Belief Propagation, Yannakakis

$$Q = \sum_{a,b,c,d,e,f} R(a,b)S(a,c)T(b,c,d,e)W(e,f)V(d,f)$$



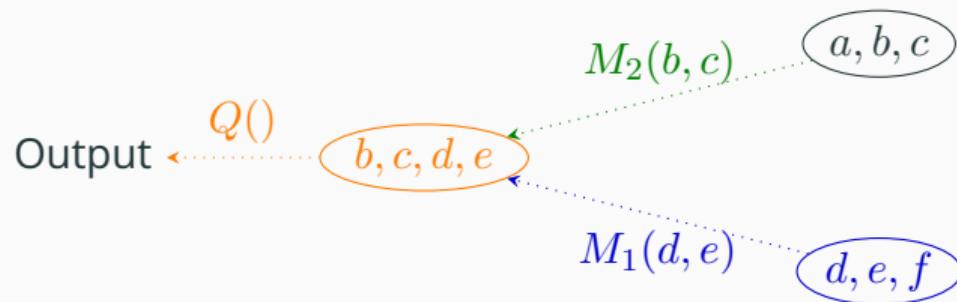
- Yannakakis algorithm [Yannakakis 81]
- Belief propagation [Pearl 82]

Indicator Projection, and Fractional Hypertree Width

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= \sum_{a,b,c,d,e,f} R(a,b)S(a,c)T(b,c,d,e)W(e,f)V(d,f) \\ &= \sum_{a,b,c,d,e} R(a,b)S(a,c)T(b,c,d,e) \underbrace{\sum_f \pi_{de} T(d,e)}_{M_1(d,e) \text{ in } \tilde{O}(N^{3/2}), \text{ WCOJ}} W(e,f)V(d,f) \\ &= \sum_{b,c,d,e} T(b,c,d,e) M_1(d,e) \underbrace{\sum_a \pi_{bc} T(b,c) R(a,b) S(a,c)}_{M_2(b,c) \text{ in } O(N^{3/2}), \text{ WCOJ}} \\ &= \sum_{b,c,d,e} M_1(d,e) T(b,c,d,e) M_2(b,c) \end{aligned}$$

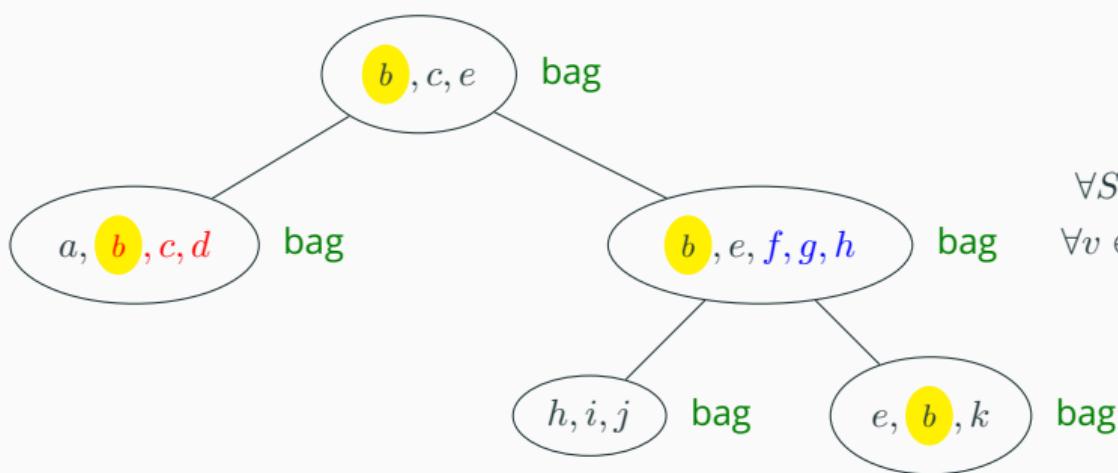
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$$Q = \sum_{a,b,c,d,e,f} R(a,b)S(a,c)T(b,c,d,e)W(e,f)V(d,f)$$



Detour: Tree Decompositions

$$\begin{aligned} S() \leftarrow & R(a, b, d) \wedge c < d \wedge T(c, b, d) \wedge U(b, e) \wedge V(c, e) \\ & \wedge b + e = f \wedge W(b, e, g) \wedge g/f = h \wedge X(i, j, h) \wedge e - b = k. \end{aligned}$$



Hypergraph $\mathcal{H} = (V, \mathcal{E})$

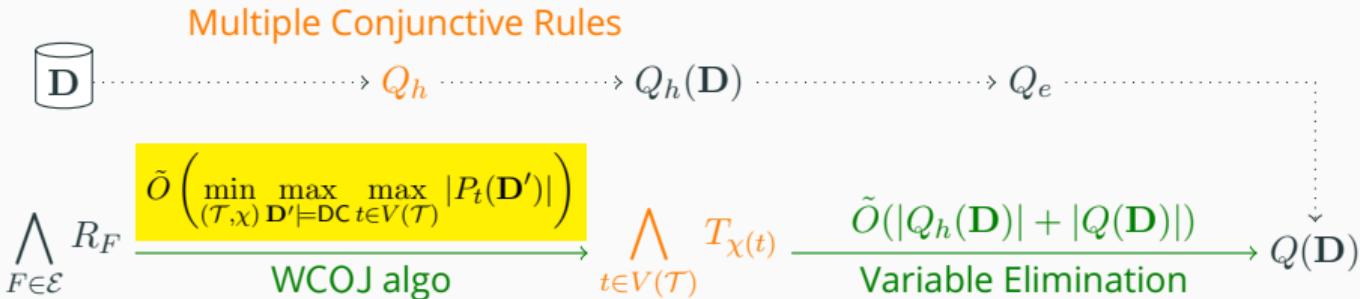
Tree $\mathcal{T} = (V(\mathcal{T}), E(\mathcal{T}))$

$\forall S \in \mathcal{E}, \exists t \in V(\mathcal{T}) \text{ s.t. } S \subseteq \chi(t)$

$\forall v \in V, \{t \mid v \in \chi(t)\}$ is a subtree

Dynamic Programming over a Single Tree Decomposition

Fix (\mathcal{T}, χ)



$$P_t : T_{\chi(t)} \leftarrow \bigwedge_{F \in \mathcal{E}} R_F$$

Recall the polymatroid bound:

$$\log \min_{(\mathcal{T}, \chi)} \max_{\mathbf{D}' \models \text{DC}} \max_{t \in V(\mathcal{T})} |P_t(\mathbf{D}')| \leq \min_{(\mathcal{T}, \chi)} \max_{t \in V(\mathcal{T})} \max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap \text{DC}} h(\chi(t))$$

$$\tilde{O} \left(|\mathcal{D}| + \sup_{\mathcal{D}' \models s(\mathcal{D})} f(Q, \mathcal{D}') + |Q(\mathcal{D})| \right)$$

Becomes:

$$\tilde{O} \left(|\mathcal{D}| + 2^{\min_{\mathcal{T}, \chi} \max_{t \in V(\mathcal{T})} \max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap \text{DC}} h(\chi(t))} + |Q(\mathcal{D})| \right)$$

Corollaries when the input has only cardinality constraints:

- $\tilde{O}(|\mathcal{D}| + |Q(\mathcal{D})|)$ if Q is acyclic [Y 81]
- $\tilde{O}(|\mathcal{D}| + |\mathcal{D}|^{\text{fhtw}(Q)} + |Q(\mathcal{D})|)$ $\text{fhtw} = \text{fractional hypertree width}$, [GM 06]

Other Variations

- Using algorithms other than WCOJ, we get (*generalized*) *hypertree width* bounds or *tree-width* bounds. See [GGLS 16] for more.

$$\text{subw} \leq \text{fhtw} \leq \text{ghtw} \leq \text{tw} + 1.$$

- Sum-Product-Queries With Free Variables $F \subset V$

faqw

$$\tilde{O} \left(|D| + 2^{\min_{(\mathcal{T}, \chi) \in \text{TD}(F)} \max_{t \in V(\mathcal{T})} \max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap \text{DC}} h(\chi(t))} + |Q(D)| \right)$$

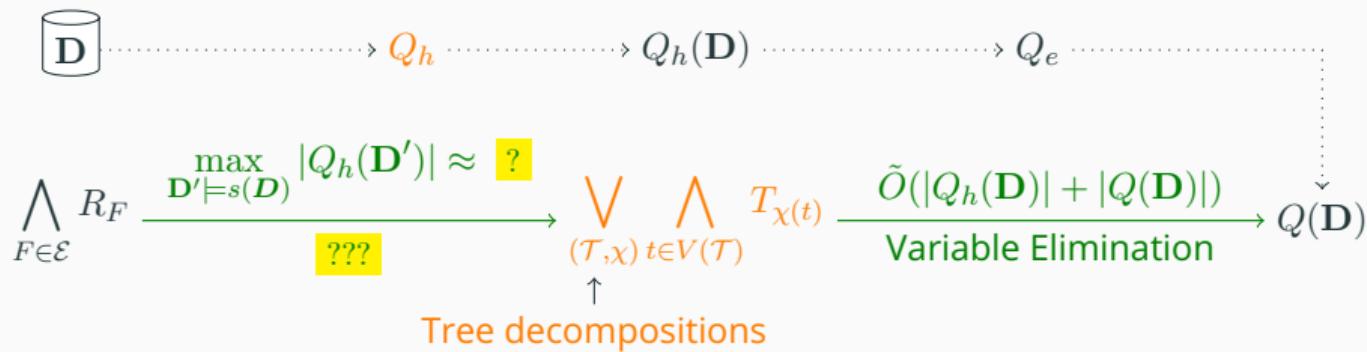
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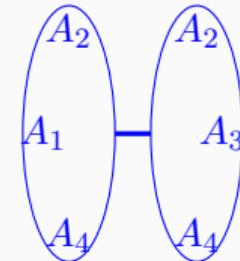
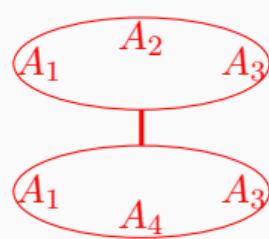
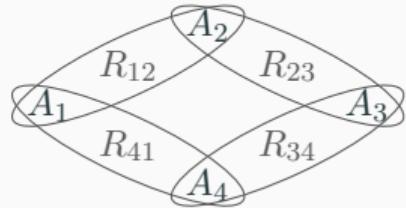
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Assuming Boolean conjunctive query for now

Example: $Q : S() \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$



$$(T_{123} \wedge T_{134}) \vee (T_{124} \wedge T_{234}) \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$$

By distributivity, rewrite the head:

$$(T_{123} \vee T_{124}) \wedge (T_{123} \vee T_{234}) \wedge (T_{134} \vee T_{124}) \wedge (T_{134} \vee T_{234}) \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$$

(Each “clause” has one bag per TD)

Example: $Q : S() \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$

$$(T_{123} \vee T_{124}) \wedge (T_{123} \vee T_{234}) \wedge (T_{134} \vee T_{124}) \wedge (T_{134} \vee T_{234}) \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$$

Is the same as evaluating 4 **disjunctive datalog** rules:

$$T_{123} \vee T_{124} \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$$

$$T_{123} \vee T_{234} \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$$

$$T_{134} \vee T_{124} \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$$

$$T_{134} \vee T_{234} \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$$

Semantics of a Disjunctive Datalog Query

$$P : \quad T_{123} \vee T_{124} \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$$

The model contains two tables $T_{123}(A_1, A_2, A_3)$ and $T_{124}(A_1, A_2, A_4)$, such that:

- if $R_{12}(a_1, a_2)$, $R_{23}(a_2, a_3)$, $R_{34}(a_3, a_4)$, and $R_{41}(a_4, a_1)$
- then $T_{123}(a_1, a_2, a_3)$ OR $T_{124}(a_1, a_2, a_4)$.

Output size

- Write $\mathbf{T} \models P$ if \mathbf{T} is a model $\mathbf{T} = (T_{123}, T_{124})$.
- Define $|\mathbf{T}| = \max\{|T_{123}|, |T_{124}|\}$

Multiple Tree Decompositions

Multiple Disjunctive Datalog Rules!

$$\boxed{\mathbf{D}} \xrightarrow{\quad} Q_h \xrightarrow{\quad} Q_h(\mathbf{D}) \xrightarrow{\quad} Q_e \xrightarrow{\quad} \vdots$$
$$\bigwedge_{F \in \mathcal{E}} R_F \xrightarrow[\text{how?}]{{\max_{\mathbf{D}' \models s(\mathbf{D})} \max_{\mathcal{B}} |P_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{D}')|}} \bigwedge_{\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{B}} \bigvee_{B \in \mathcal{B}} T_B \xrightarrow[\text{Variable elimination}]{{\tilde{O}(|Q_h(\mathbf{D})| + |Q(\mathbf{D})|)}} Q(\mathbf{D})$$

$$P_{\mathcal{B}} : \bigvee_{B \in \mathcal{B}} T_B \leftarrow \bigwedge_{F \in \mathcal{E}} R_F \qquad |P_{\mathcal{B}}| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \min_{\mathbf{T}: \mathbf{T} \models P_{\mathcal{B}}} \max_{B \in \mathcal{B}} |T_B|$$

Each $\mathcal{B} \in \mathcal{B}$ is a collection of bags, one per TD.

New Problem: Polymatroid Bound for Disjunctive Datalog

$$P_{\mathcal{B}} : \bigvee_{B \in \mathcal{B}} T_B \leftarrow \bigwedge_{F \in \mathcal{E}} R_F \quad \text{what is } \max_{\mathbf{D}' \models s(\mathbf{D})} |P_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{D}')|?$$

Theorem (ANS 17)

Define $DC \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \{h \mid h(Y|X) \leq \log N \quad \forall (X, Y, N) \in s(\mathbf{D})\}$, then

$$\log \sup_{\mathbf{D}' \models s(\mathbf{D})} |P_{\mathcal{B}}(\mathbf{D}')| \leq \max_{h \in \bar{\Gamma}_n^* \cap DC} \min_{B \in \mathcal{B}} h(B) \quad \text{Entropic Bound}$$

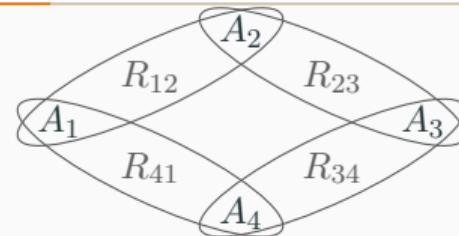
$$\leq \max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap DC} \min_{B \in \mathcal{B}} h(B) \quad \text{Polymatroid Bound}$$

Generalize the entropy argument for conjunctive datalog (fun exercise!)

4-Cycle Example

$$P : \bigvee_{B \in \mathcal{B}} T_B \leftarrow \bigwedge_{F \in \mathcal{E}} R_F$$

$$|P(\mathbf{D})| \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \min_{\mathbf{T} : \mathbf{T} \models P} \max_{B \in \mathcal{B}} |T_B|$$



$$\text{DC} : \quad |R_{12}| \leq N, \quad |R_{23}| \leq N, \quad |R_{34}| \leq N, \quad |R_{41}| \leq N.$$

$$P_{123,234} : \quad \textcolor{red}{T_{123}} \vee \textcolor{blue}{T_{234}} \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41} \quad \mathcal{B} = \{\textcolor{red}{123}, \textcolor{blue}{234}\}$$

$$\sup_{\mathbf{D}' \models \text{DC}} \log |P_{123,234}(\mathbf{D}')| \leq \max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap \text{DC}} \min\{h(A_1 A_2 A_3), h(A_2 A_3 A_4)\}$$

$$\leq \max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap \text{DC}} \frac{1}{2} [h(A_1 A_2 A_3) + h(A_2 A_3 A_4)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} (\text{Shannon-inequality}) &\leq \max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap \text{DC}} \frac{1}{2} [h(A_1 A_2) + h(A_2 A_3) + h(A_3 A_4)] \\ &\leq \frac{3}{2} \log N. \end{aligned}$$

Realization of Idea 2

$$\tilde{O} \left(|D| + \sup_{D' \models s(D)} f(Q, D') + |Q(D)| \right)$$

Becomes:

$$\tilde{O} \left(|D| + 2 \max_{B \in \mathcal{B}} \max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap DC} \min_{B \in \mathcal{B}} h(B) + |Q(D)| \right)$$

Another problem: WCOJ for disjunctive datalog!

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$$P_{\mathcal{B}} : \bigvee_{B \in \mathcal{B}} T_B \leftarrow \bigwedge_{F \in \mathcal{E}} R_F \quad \text{compute a model in worst-case optimal time}$$

Theorem (ANS 17)

Given a collection $s(\mathcal{D})$ of degree constraints, and a disjunctive datalog program $P_{\mathcal{B}}$, PANDA computes a model of $P_{\mathcal{B}}$ in time

$$\left(|\mathcal{D}| + 2^{\max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap DC} \min_{B \in \mathcal{B}} h(B)} \right)$$

But where is the Shannon-flow inequality?

Evaluating a Disjunctive Datalog Program within $\max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap \text{HDC}} \min_{B \in \mathcal{B}} h(B)$

There exists non-negative $\lambda = (\lambda_B)_{B \in \mathcal{B}}$, with $\|\lambda\|_1 = 1$, s.t.

$$\max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap \text{HDC}} \min_{B \in \mathcal{B}} h(B) = \max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap \text{HDC}} \sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}} \lambda_B h(B)$$

Shannon-flow inequality: There exists $\delta \geq \mathbf{0}$ s.t. (Farkas's lemma)

$$2^{\max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap \text{HDC}} \min_{B \in \mathcal{B}} h(B)} = \prod_{(X,Y,N) \in s(\mathcal{D})} N^{\delta_{Y|X}}$$
$$\sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}} \lambda_B \cdot h(B) \leq \sum_{(X,Y,N) \in s(\mathcal{D})} \delta_{Y|X} \cdot h(Y|X), \quad \forall h \in \Gamma_n$$

Proof sequence

Shannon-flow inequality:

$$h(Y|X) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} h(Y) - h(X), X \subseteq Y$$

$$\sum_{B \in \mathcal{B}} \lambda_B \cdot h(B) \leq \sum_{(X,Y,N)} \delta_{Y|X} \cdot h(Y|X)$$

Proof sequence, convert RHS to LHS using following steps

(In)equality

$$h(X) + h(Y|X) = h(Y)$$

$$h(Y) = h(X) + h(Y|X)$$

$$h(Y) \geq h(X)$$

$$h(Y|X) \geq h(Y \cup Z|X \cup Z)$$

Steps ($X \subseteq Y$)

$$h(X) + h(Y|X) \rightarrow h(Y)$$

$$h(Y) \rightarrow h(X) + h(Y|X)$$

$$h(Y) \rightarrow h(X)$$

$$h(Y|X) \rightarrow h(Y \cup Z|X \cup Z)$$

Theorem

There is a proof sequence for every Shannon-flow inequality.

$$\tilde{O} \left(|D| + \sup_{D' \models s(D)} f(Q, D') + |Q(D)| \right)$$

Becomes:

$$\tilde{O} \left(|D| + 2 \max_{B \in \mathcal{B}} \max_{h \in \Gamma_n \cap DC} \min_{B \in \mathcal{B}} h(B) + |Q(D)| \right)$$

Corollaries when the input has only cardinality constraints:

- $\tilde{O} \left(|D| + |D|^{\text{subw}(Q)} + |Q(D)| \right)$ $\text{subw} = \text{submodular-width}$, [Marx 13]
- Detecting k -cycle can be done in $O(N^{2 - \frac{1}{\lceil k/2 \rceil}})$ -time [AYZ 97]

Example: $P : T_{123} \vee T_{234} \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$.

$$|R_{12}|, |R_{23}|, |R_{34}|, |R_{41}| \leq N \Rightarrow |P| \leq N^{3/2}$$

$$\log |P| \leq \min(h(A_1 A_2 A_3), h(A_2 A_3 A_4)) \quad (\text{polymatroid bound})$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} (h(A_1 A_2 A_3) + h(A_2 A_3 A_4)) \quad (\text{linearize})$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} (h(A_1 A_2) + h(A_2 A_3) + h(A_3 A_4)) \quad (\text{Shannon-flow})$$

$$\leq \frac{3}{2} \log N \quad (\text{Cardinality constraints})$$

Proof sequence	Proof Step
$h(A_1 A_2) + h(A_2 A_3) + \textcolor{red}{h(A_3 A_4)}$	$(\textcolor{red}{h(A_3 A_4)} \rightarrow h(A_4 A_3) + h(A_3))$
$h(A_1 A_2) + \textcolor{teal}{h(A_2 A_3)} + \textcolor{blue}{h(A_4 A_3)} + h(A_3)$	$(\textcolor{blue}{h(A_4 A_3)} \rightarrow \textcolor{violet}{h(A_4 A_2 A_3)})$
$h(A_1 A_2) + \textcolor{teal}{h(A_2 A_3)} + \textcolor{purple}{h(A_4 A_2 A_3)} + h(A_3)$	$(\textcolor{purple}{h(A_2 A_3)} + \textcolor{blue}{h(A_4 A_2 A_3)} \rightarrow \textcolor{magenta}{h(A_2 A_3 A_4)})$
$h(A_1 A_2) + \textcolor{red}{h(A_2 A_3 A_4)} + h(A_3)$	$(h(A_1 A_2) \rightarrow h(A_1 A_2 A_3))$
$h(A_1 A_2 A_3) + \textcolor{red}{h(A_2 A_3 A_4)} + h(A_3)$	$(h(A_1 A_2 A_3) + \textcolor{red}{h(A_3)} \rightarrow \textcolor{teal}{h(A_1 A_2 A_3)})$
$\textcolor{red}{h(A_1 A_2 A_3)} + \textcolor{red}{h(A_2 A_3 A_4)}$	

Example: $P : T_{123} \vee T_{234} \leftarrow R_{12} \wedge R_{23} \wedge R_{34} \wedge R_{41}$.

$$|R_{12}|, |R_{23}|, |R_{34}|, |R_{41}| \leq N \quad \Rightarrow \quad |P| \leq N^{3/2}$$

$$h(A_3 A_4) \rightarrow h(A_4 | A_3) + h(A_3)$$

$$R_{34}(A_3, A_4) \rightarrow R_{34}^{(\ell)}(A_3, A_4), R_3^{(h)}(A_3)$$

$$h(A_4 | A_3) \rightarrow h(A_4 | A_2 A_3)$$

$$R_{34}^{(\ell)}(A_3, A_4) \rightarrow R_{34}^{(\ell)}(A_3, A_4)$$

$$h(A_2 A_3) + h(A_4 | A_2 A_3) \rightarrow h(A_2 A_3 A_4)$$

$$R_{23}(A_2, A_3) \bowtie R_{34}^{(\ell)}(A_3, A_4) \rightarrow T_{234}(A_2, A_3, A_4)$$

$$h(A_1 A_2) \rightarrow h(A_1 A_2 | A_3)$$

$$R_{12}(A_1, A_2) \rightarrow R_{12}(A_1, A_2)$$

$$h(A_1 A_2 | A_3) + h(A_3) \rightarrow h(A_1 A_2 A_3)$$

$$R_{12}(A_1, A_2) \bowtie R_3^{(h)}(A_3) \rightarrow T_{123}(A_1, A_2, A_3)$$

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Research Questions

- Reducing the number of tree decompositions to range over
- Sum-Product queries do not capture all problems
 - Extend this abstraction further, with the corresponding meta-algorithm
 - *Functional aggregate queries*
 - Queries with arithmetic circuits, top- k queries, rank-enumeration
- General theory for tensor decompositions
- Removing the poly-log factor from PANDA
- Dealing with operators such as $\neq, <$

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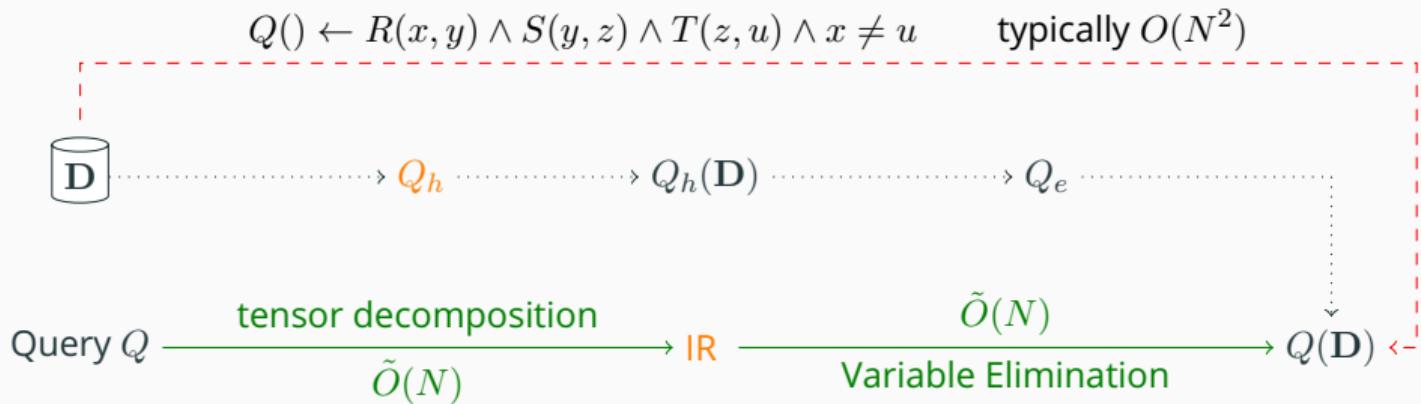
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Outline

Appendix

Example: Conjunctive Query with Negation



$$\text{IR} = \bigvee_{x,y,z,u} R(x, y) \wedge S(y, z) \wedge T(z, u) \wedge \left(\bigvee_{b \in \{0,1\}} \bigvee_{i \in [\log N]} x_i = b \wedge u_i = \neg b \right)$$

where x_i, u_i denote the i th bit of x and u

Variable Elimination

$$\begin{aligned} & \bigvee_{x,y,z,u} \bigvee_{b \in \{0,1\}} \bigvee_{i \in [\log N]} R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z) \wedge T(z,u) \wedge x_i = b \wedge u_i = \neg b \\ = & \bigvee_{b \in \{0,1\}} \bigvee_{i \in [\log N]} \bigvee_{x,y,z} R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z) \wedge x_i = b \wedge \bigvee_u T(z,u) \wedge u_i = \neg b \\ = & \bigvee_{b \in \{0,1\}} \bigvee_{i \in [\log N]} \bigvee_{x,y,z} R(x,y) \wedge S(y,z) \wedge x_i = b \wedge \mu_1(z,i,b) \\ = & \bigvee_{b \in \{0,1\}} \bigvee_{i \in [\log N]} \bigvee_{x,y} R(x,y) \wedge x_i = b \wedge \bigvee_z S(y,z) \wedge \mu_1(z,i,b) \\ = & \bigvee_{b \in \{0,1\}} \bigvee_{i \in [\log N]} \bigvee_{x,y} R(x,y) \wedge x_i = b \wedge \mu_2(y,i,b) \\ = & \bigvee_{b \in \{0,1\}} \bigvee_{i \in [\log N]} \bigvee_x x_i = b \wedge \bigvee_y R(x,y) \wedge \mu_2(y,i,b) \\ = & \bigvee_{b \in \{0,1\}} \bigvee_{i \in [\log N]} \bigvee_x x_i = b \wedge \mu_3(x,i,b) \end{aligned}$$