

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

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1 2 3

4 7 5

6 – 8

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4 7 5

– 6 8

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– 7 5

4 6 8

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1 2 3

7 – 5

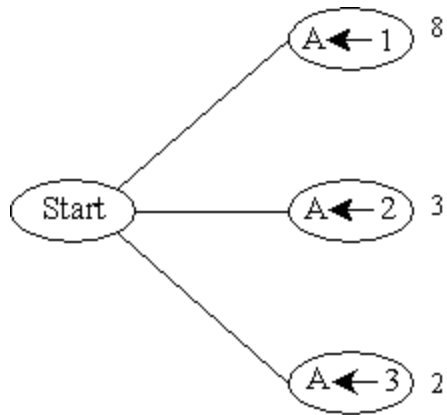
4 6 8

The path to the goal is as shown below.

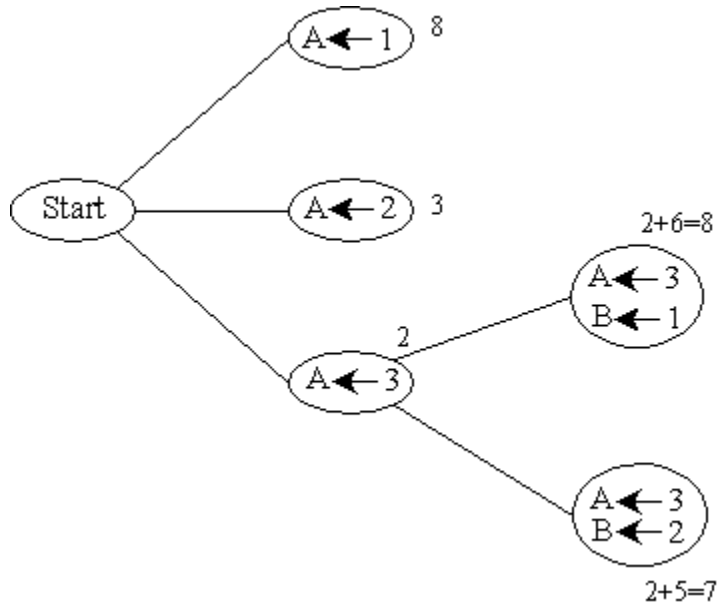
- 15.6** Solve the following assignment problem using the cost matrix for assigning tasks to workers.

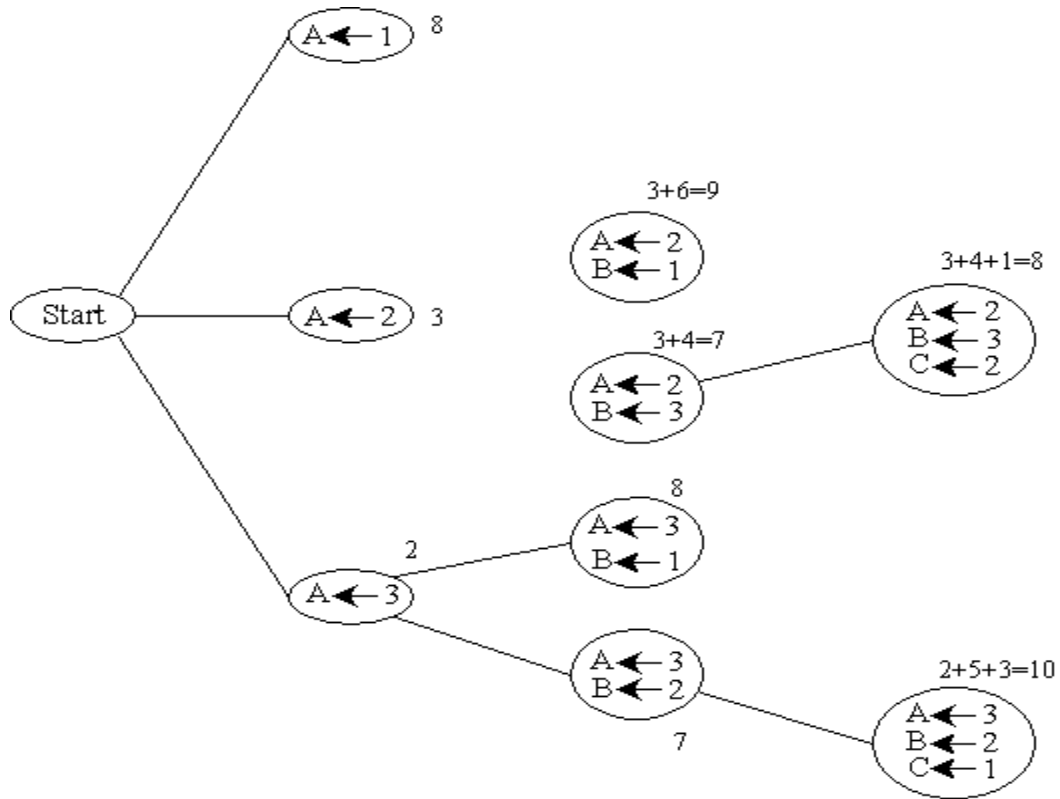
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	1	2	3
A	8	3	2
B	6	5	4
C	3	1	2

Solution:



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





Therefore assign the tasks as follows:

$A \leftarrow 2$

$B \leftarrow 3$

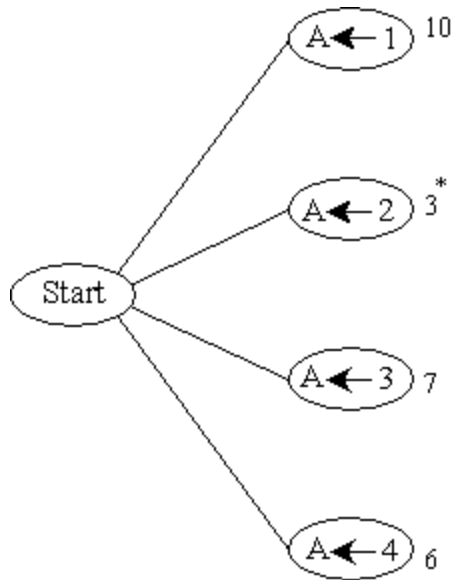
$C \leftarrow 2$ with cost of 8.

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

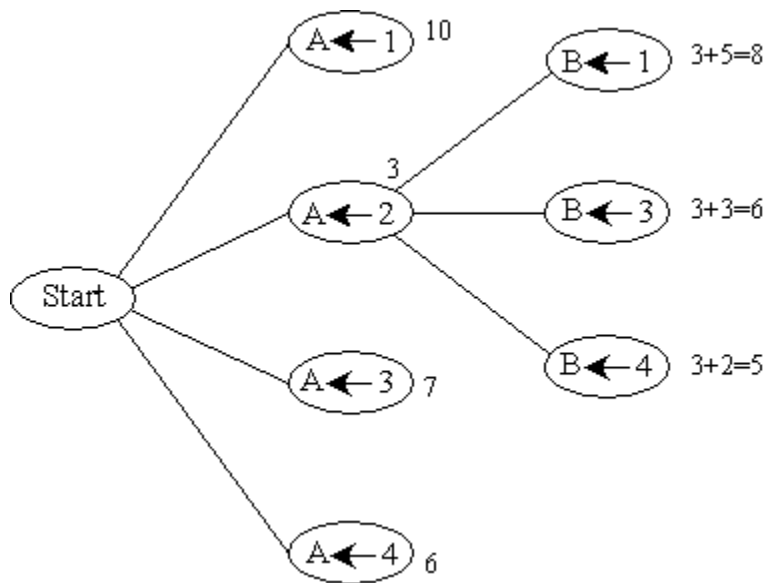
Workers \ Tasks				
	1	2	3	4
A	10	3	7	6
B	5	4	3	2
C	1	3	6	7
D	8	9	5	3

Solution:

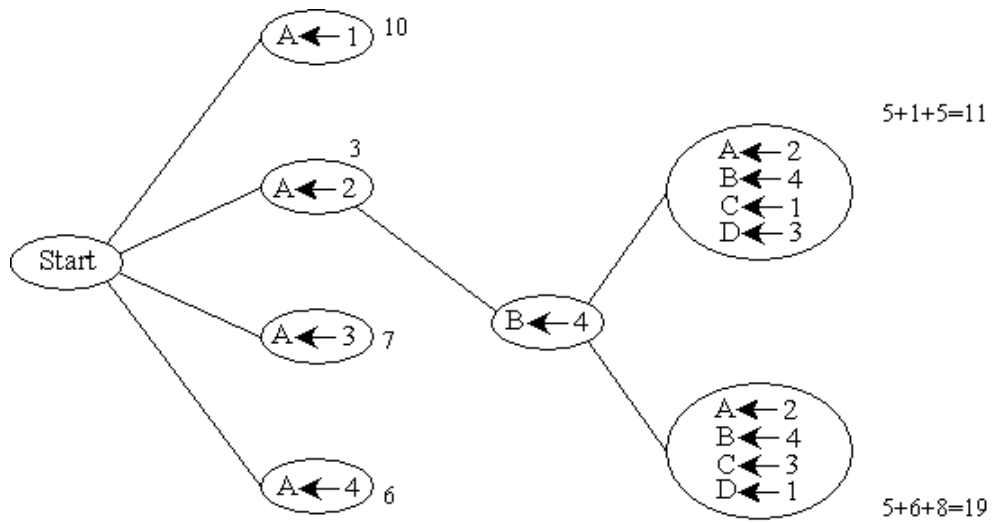
The LB is $10 + 4 + 6 + 3 = 23$



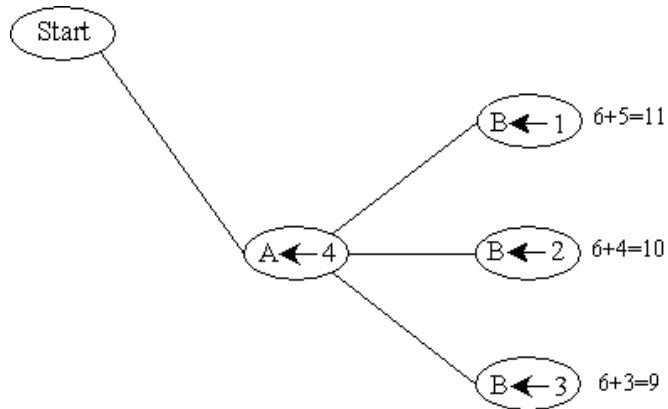
Expand the node further



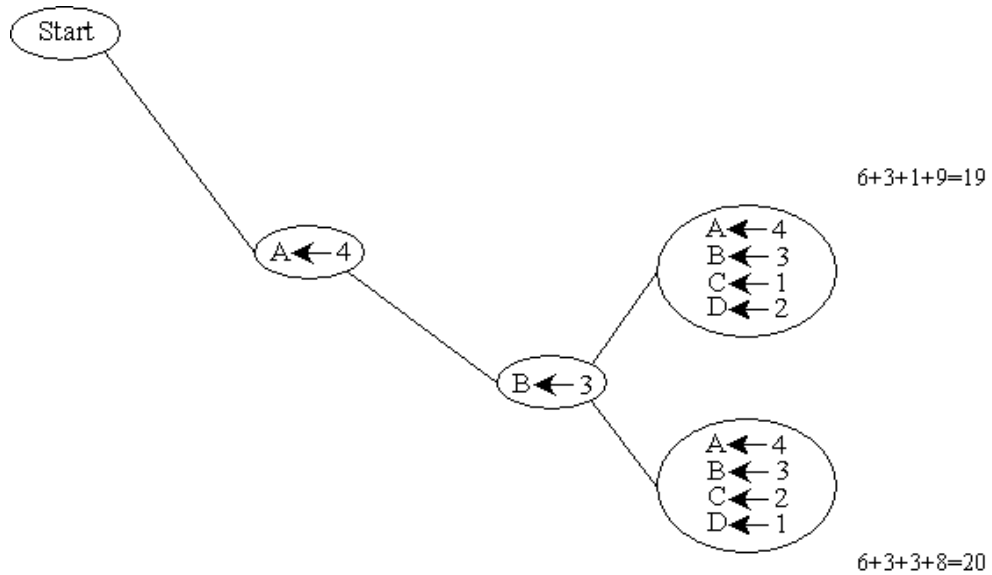
Minimum is 5. So expand it further.



Expand $A \leftarrow 4$ 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

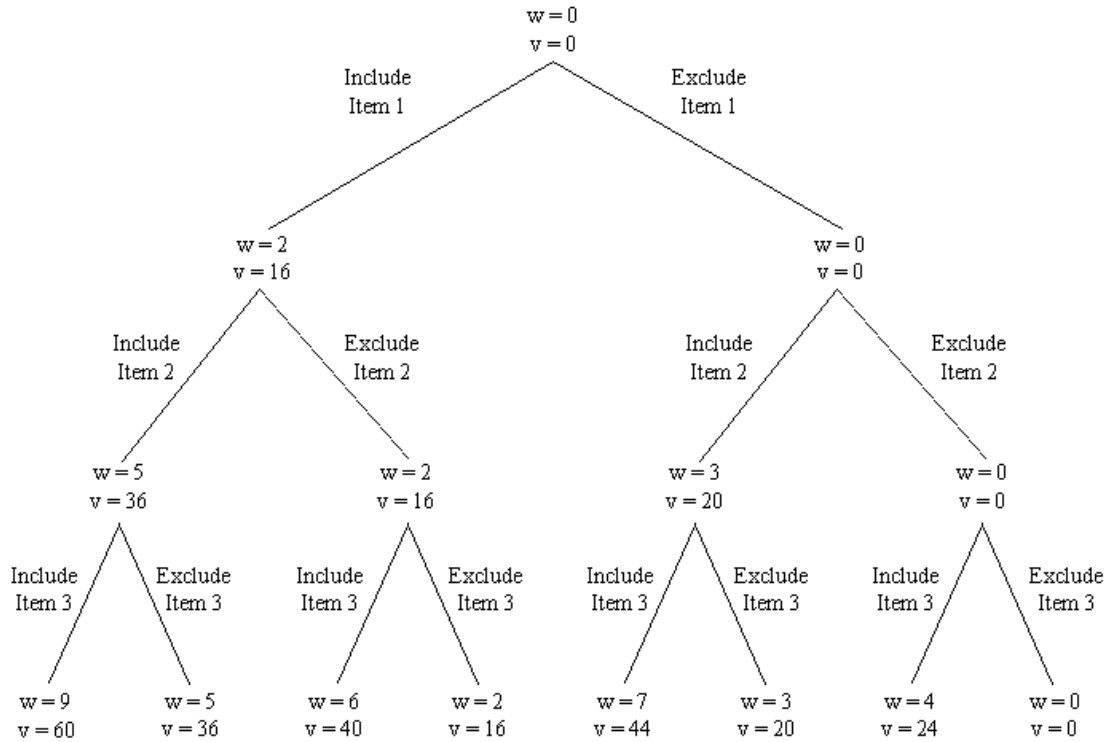
Solution:

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

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

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

$\therefore$ 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:

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

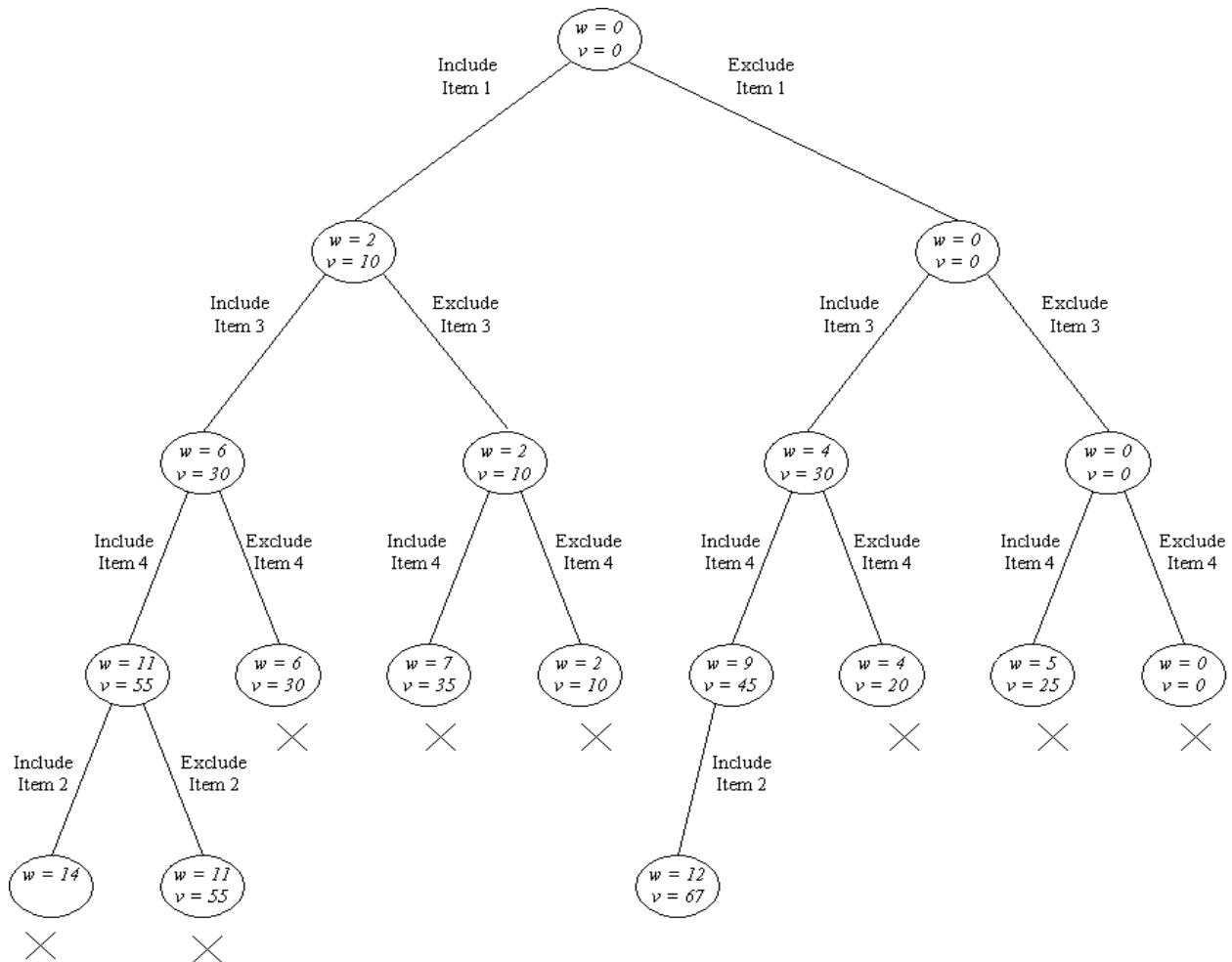
$$\frac{v_2}{w_2} = \frac{12}{3} = 4$$

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

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

∴ Arrange items and rearrange it to get as follows:

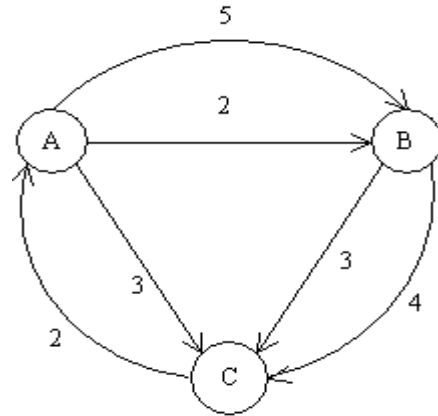
Items	w_i	p_i
1	2	10
3	4	20
4	5	25
2	3	12



∴ 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.

Items	A	B	C
A	∞	2	3
B	5	∞	3
C	2	4	∞



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

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

Path (A,B)

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

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc} \infty & \infty & \infty \\ \infty & \infty & 0 \\ 0 & \infty & \infty \end{array} \right)$$

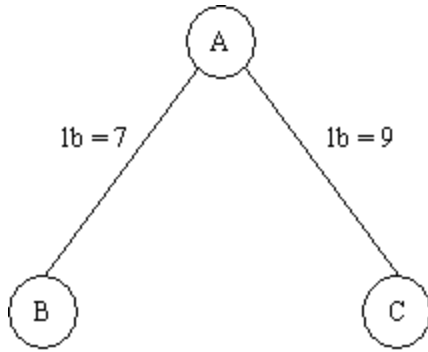
This gives reduction as $7 + 0 = 7$

Path (A,C)

$$\left(\begin{array}{ccc} \infty & 0 & \infty \\ 2 & 0 & \infty \\ \infty & 2 & \infty \end{array} \right)$$

This gives reduction $7 + 2 = 9$

So the tree would be



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

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

15.11 Solve the following TSP using Hungarian technique.

$$\begin{array}{c}
 A \quad B \quad C \quad D \\
 \begin{pmatrix}
 A & \infty & 2 & 3 & 4 \\
 B & 1 & \infty & 4 & 3 \\
 C & 2 & 3 & \infty & 4 \\
 D & 4 & 3 & 2 & \infty
 \end{pmatrix}
 \end{array}$$

Solution:

Perform row reduction as follows.

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 \infty & 2 & 3 & 4 \\
 1 & \infty & 4 & 3 \\
 2 & 3 & \infty & 4 \\
 4 & 3 & 2 & \infty
 \end{pmatrix}
 \begin{array}{l}
 2 \\
 1 \\
 2 \\
 2
 \end{array}$$

To get

$$\begin{pmatrix}
 \infty & 0 & 1 & 2 \\
 0 & \infty & 3 & 2 \\
 0 & 1 & \infty & 2 \\
 2 & 1 & 0 & \infty
 \end{pmatrix}$$

Perform column reduction to get

$$\begin{array}{c}
 \begin{pmatrix} \infty & 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 0 & \infty & 3 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & \infty & 2 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & \infty \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \infty & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \infty & 3 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \infty & 0 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 & \infty \end{pmatrix} \\
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 0 \quad 0 \quad 0 \quad 2
 \end{array}$$

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.