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## Exact Algorithms

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Lecture 11 Tree Decomposition
Based on: [Parameterized Algorithms: §7.2, 7.3.1]
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Thm. Given an $n$-vertex series-parallel graph $G$ with its SP-tree, Independent Set on $G$ can be solved in $O(n)$ time.

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