## 949. Cat and Mouse

# Difficulty: Hard

https://leetcode.com/problems/cat-and-mouse

A game on an **undirected** graph is played by two players, Mouse and Cat, who alternate turns.

The graph is given as follows: graph[a] is a list of all nodes b such that ab is an edge of the graph.

The mouse starts at node 1 and goes first, the cat starts at node 2 and goes second, and there is a hole at node 0.

During each player's turn, they **must** travel along one edge of the graph that meets where they are. For example, if the Mouse is at node 1, it **must** travel to any node in graph[1].

Additionally, it is not allowed for the Cat to travel to the Hole (node 0).

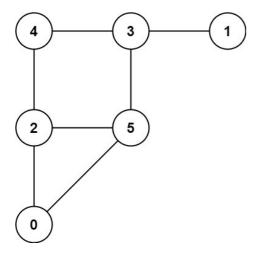
Then, the game can end in three ways:

- If ever the Cat occupies the same node as the Mouse, the Cat wins.
- If ever the Mouse reaches the Hole, the Mouse wins.
- If ever a position is repeated (i.e., the players are in the same position as a previous turn, and it is the same player's turn to move), the game is a draw.

Given a graph, and assuming both players play optimally, return

- 1 if the mouse wins the game,
- 2 if the cat wins the game, or
- o if the game is a draw.

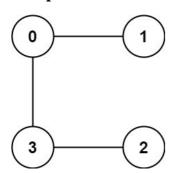
#### **Example 1:**



**Input:** graph = [[2,5],[3],[0,4,5],[1,4,5],[2,3],[0,2,3]]

Output: 0

#### Example 2:



Input: graph = [[1,3],[0],[3],[0,2]]

**Output:** 1

### **Constraints:**

- 3 <= graph.length <= 50
- 1 <= graph[i].length < graph.length
- 0 <= graph[i][j] < graph.length
- graph[i][j] != i
- graph[i] is unique.
- The mouse and the cat can always move.