

# CSE 21 HW 8

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**1. Given  $n$  cords, each with an innie connector type and outie connector type, determine if it possible to string them all together in such a way so that you can plug your outie USB into the innie power outlet.**

*a) Describe how to create a graph out of this problem such that the solution to the problem involves finding a Hamiltonian path*

- This graph will be directed. Plugging cable A into cable B does not imply you can plug cable B into cable A
- The set of all vertices:  $V$  = the set of all cables
- An edge  $(v, w)$  exists if the cable  $v$  can be plugged into the cable  $w$ . (The outie connector of  $v$  = the innie connector of  $w$ .)
- Finding a Hamiltonian path from a cable with a USB innie connector to a cable with power outie connector represents connecting cables from the phone to the wall outlet using every vertex (cable)

If there exists a Hamiltonian path you can determine that it is possible to connect your phone to the wall using every cable.

If there is not a Hamiltonian path you can determine that it is not possible to connect your phone to the wall using every cable.

*b) Describe how to create a graph out of this problem such that the solution to the problem involves finding an Eulerian path.*

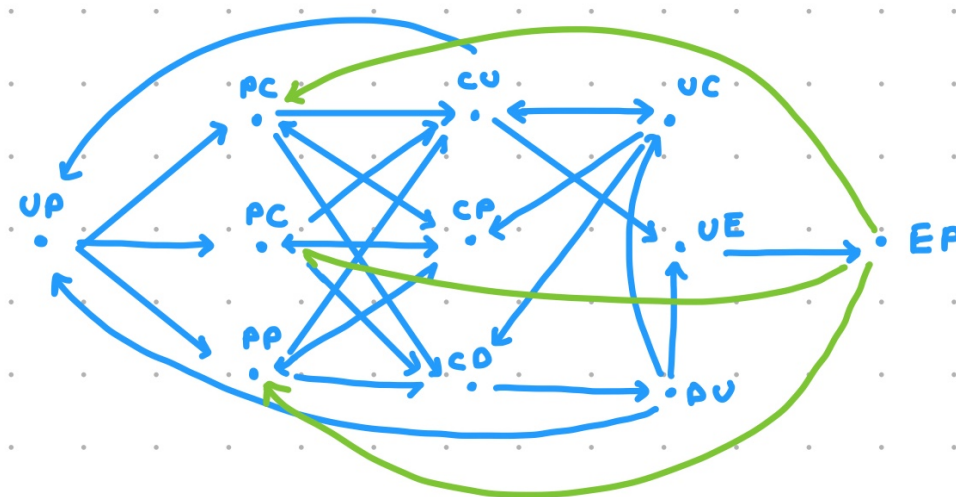
- This graph will be directed. If there is a cable with innie connector A and outie connector B does not imply there is a cable with innie connector B and outie connector A
- The set of all vertices:  $V$  = the set of all connection types
- An edge  $(v, w)$  exists if there is a cable with innie part  $v$  and outie part  $w$ .
- Finding an Eulerian path from the USB vertex to the power outlet vertex represents connecting the phone to the wall outlet using every edge (cable)

If there exists a Eulerian path you can determine that it is possible to connect your phone to the wall using every cable

If there is not a Eulerian path you can determine that it is not possible to connect your phone to the wall using every cable.

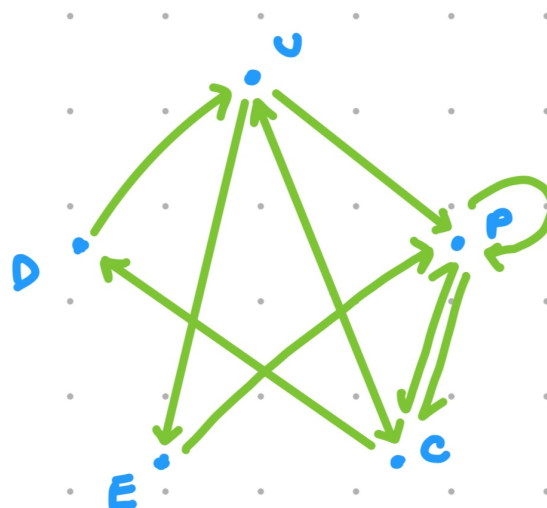
c) Draw your graph model for parts a and b on the particular set of cables described.

Graph for part a, using Hamiltonian Path to solve



Note: The first letter of a vertex is the innie connector, the second is the outtie connector

Graph for part b, using Eulerian Path to solve



**2. A binomial Tree is a special kind of rooted tree used for various data structures in computer science. A level  $d$  binomial tree can be defined recursively.**

*a) What is the height of a degree  $d$  binomial tree? Prove your result by induction on  $d$ .*

$$D(d) = 1 + D(d - 1); D(0) = 0$$

$$D(d) = d$$

- Base Case:

$D(0) = 0$ . A single node has height 0.

- Induction Step. For some  $t > 0$ , assume  $D(t) = t$ . Show  $D(t) = t + 1$

$$D(t + 1) = 1 + D(t + 1 - 1) = t + 1$$

*b) Write a recurrence relation for the number of nodes  $N(d)$  in a binomial tree of degree  $d$ .*

$$N(d) = 1 + \sum_{i=1}^d N(d - i); N(0) = 1$$

*c) Use the guess-and-check method to guess a formula for  $N(d)$ . Prove that your formula holds by induction on  $d$ .*

$$\begin{aligned} N(d) &= \{1, 2, 4, 8, \dots\} \\ &= 2^d \end{aligned}$$

Proof by Induction:

- Base Case:

$$N(0) = 1 = 2^0 = \text{Number of nodes on a zero tree}$$

- Induction Step (using Strong Induction):

$$\forall t > 0 \text{ assume } N(t) = 2^t. \text{ Show } N(t + 1) = 2^{t+1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} N(t + 1) &= 1 + N(t) + N(t - 1) + \dots \\ &= 1 + \sum_{i=0}^t 2^i \\ &= 1 + \frac{2^{t+1} - 1}{2 - 1} \\ &= 2^{t+1} \end{aligned}$$

**3. Prove that for any integer  $n \geq 1$  any tournament graph on  $n$  vertices has a hamiltonian path.**

- Base Case:

If the tournament has 1 player then the graph with only 1 vertex has a trivial hamiltonian path.

- Inductive Step:

Let  $n$  be an arbitrary integer such that  $n > 1$ . Assume that for any tournament with  $n - 1$  players, the corresponding graph has a hamiltonian path.

Consider an arbitrary tournament  $T$  with  $n$  players  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ . Then if you consider the tournament  $T'$  involving only  $\{1, \dots, n - 1\}$ , then by the inductive hypothesis, there is a hamiltonian path  $(a_1, \dots, a_{n-1})$  in the corresponding graph.

- Case 1: Player  $n$  wins against player  $a_1$ . Then  $T$  has the hamiltonian path  $(n, a_1, \dots, a_{n-1})$
- Case 2: Player  $a_{n-1}$  wins against player  $n$ . Then  $T$  has the hamiltonian path  $(a_1, \dots, a_{n-1}, n)$
- Case 3: Player  $n$  loses against player  $a_1$  and player  $n$  wins against player  $a_{n-1}$ . Then  $T$  has the hamiltonian path  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{i-1}, n, a_i, \dots, a_{n-1})$

*Where  $a_i$  is the first in  $(a_2, \dots, a_{n-1})$  that  $n$  wins against.*

4. Recall that adjacency matrices of simple directed graphs are matrices consisting of 0s and 1s such that there are no 1s down the diagonal. For the questions below suppose  $A$  is the adjacency matrix of a simple directed graph  $G$  with  $n$  vertices.

a) Consider the graph and its adjacency matrix  $M$ . Compute  $M^2$  and  $M^3$

$$M^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad M^3 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

b) Let  $A$  be an adjacency matrix of a simple directed graph. What does it mean to have non-zero entries in the diagonal of  $M^3$ .

If position  $(i, i)$  in an adjacency matrix is non zero it means there is a circuit of length 3, starting and ending at vertex  $i$ .

c) Provide a justification for the following statement: Suppose that  $A$  is the adjacency matrix of a DAG. There exists some  $t \geq 2$  such that  $A^t$  is the zero matrix.

If there are no cycles in the graph, then every path in the graph must be finite. Let  $L$  be the longest path in the graph. Then there are no length  $t > L$  paths between any two vertices. Thus the adjacency matrix will be the zero matrix.