

Problem type 1:

Please answer the question below. Any algorithms given should be computationally efficient (please no brute-forcing). If needed, you may refer to the *Explore* algorithm (below) from lecture as a black box:

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EXPLORE( $G, u$ ):
    Visited[1.. $n$ ]  $\leftarrow$  false
    Add  $u$  to ToExplore and to  $S$ 
    Visited[ $u$ ]  $\leftarrow$  true
    While (ToExplore is non-empty)
        Remove node  $x$  from ToExplore
        for each edge  $xy$  in  $Adj(x)$ 
            if (Visited[ $y$ ] = false)
                Visited[ $y$ ]  $\leftarrow$  true
                Add  $y$  to ToExplore
                Add  $y$  to  $S$ 
    return  $S$ 
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(See variants below)

a. BYG

G is a directed graph and I want to know if node u can reach node v .

Solution:

- $S = \text{EXPLORE}(G, u)$
- Check if $v \in S$



b. BYD

G is a directed graph and I want to find all nodes that u can reach.

Solution:

- $S = \text{EXPLORE}(G, u)$



c. BYA

G is a directed graph and I want to find all nodes that can reach u .

Solution:

- Calculate the reverse graph of G^{rev}
- $S = \text{EXPLORE}(G^{rev}, u)$

d. BYH

G is a directed graph and I want to find all nodes in u 's strong connected component.

Solution:

- Calculate the reverse graph of G^{rev}
- $\text{EXPLORE}(G, u) \cap \text{EXPLORE}(G^{rev}, u)$

Problem type 2:

Answer the following problem:

(See variants below)

a. BYC

What type of *directed*-graph has only one strongly connected component?

Solution: Two solutions I'd accept:

- A fully connected graph.
- A graph that is one large cycle

b. BYF

Assuming a directed graph with n nodes, how many edges do you need to make the graph have a single strongly connected component.

Solution: A directed graph that has the minimal number of edges but is still strongly connected is a cycle. So n edges. (Technically if $n = 1$ then you don't need any edges. Thank you TA Owen for pointing this out)

c. BYE

Assuming a *undirected* graph with n nodes, how many edges do you need to make the graph connected.

Solution: You'd need $n - 1$ edges to connect all the nodes in a undirected graph together.

d. BYB

Assuming a *directed* graph with n nodes, what type of graph would have the most number of cycles of size n . How many cycles would this graph have.

Solution: Assuming a fully connected graph, you can construct $n!$ cycles of size n (you have n choices for the first node, $n - 1$ for the second node in the cycle, etc.). ■