

# CSE 431/531 Analysis of Algorithms

## Project: Random walk on graph with states

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### 1 Problem statement

In this project, we will write code to solve a puzzle. We are given a 2-regular directed graph  $G = (V, E)$  (Recall that every vertex in a 2-regular directed graph has exactly two outgoing edges). On every vertex, there is a switch that has two states: **ON/OFF**. On two outgoing edges of every vertex, one edge has label **a** while the other has label **b**. For this project, self-loop edges  $(v, v)$  that point to the vertex  $v$  itself are also considered.

Initially a robot is put on some vertex. The robot takes our command and moves along the edge. We send the edge label to move the robot. When the robot **enters a vertex through an edge** it toggles the switch on the destination vertex. Here is an illustration:

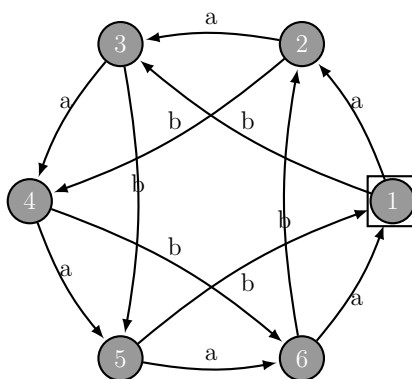


Figure 1: The robot is placed at node 1

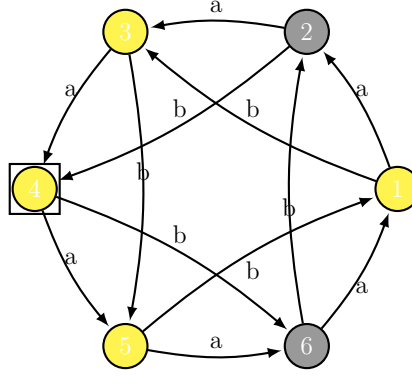


Figure 2: After the input  $aabbab$ , the vertices 1, 3, 4, 5 are ON and 2, 6 are OFF, the robot is at vertex 4

Complete the following programming tasks using C / C++, JAVA, C#, Python, Matlab. The console output is required while the file output is optional. We suggest taking some input from a txt file because some test cases can be huge. The difficulty of the programming tasks are rated with stars:

1. ★ Implement the basic *SGraph* class that contains the label information of the 2-regular digraph and the ON / OFF switches on the vertices. This should include some proper constructors. You can hard-code the instances but constructing from a string is recommended. A reset function is recommended too to reset all switches to OFF states.
2. An enumerator is a class that enumerates elements by some sequence. It typically has two interfaces:
  - (1) SetCurrent(current) – It sets the states inside the enumerator object so that it knows what is the current element.
  - (2) Next() – It returns the next one in the sequence and increment the states by one.

We would like to enumerate all of the 2-regular digraphs that we are interested. For example, we want to study the property on all 2-regular digraph of vertex size  $m$ .

- (a) ★★ Implement an efficient enumerator for all 2-regular digraph with different labels.

- (b) ★★★★★ Implement an efficient enumerator for all **Strongly-Connected** 2-regular digraph with different labels.
  - (c) ★★★★★ Implement an efficient enumerator for all strongly connected 2-regular digraphs with each vertex having in-degree 2 too.
  - (d) ★★★★★ Implement an efficient enumerator for all strongly connected 2-regular digraphs with each vertex having in-degree 2 and one incoming edge marked with  $a$  and the other incoming edge marked with  $b$ .
3. ★★ Implement a public function  $Move(initpos, input)$  in  $SGraph$  class. The  $initpos$  is the starting vertex of the robot. The  $input$  is the string of sequential edge labels. After executing this function the  $SGraph$  object should contain the correct outcome of the movement i.e. the states of the switches. The return value is the final position of the robot.
  4. (a) ★★★ Implement a public function  $Count(initpos, dest, n)$  in  $SGraph$  class. The  $initpos$  is the starting vertex of the robot. The  $dest$  is the destination vertex. We want to count the number of different commands of length  $n$  that move the robot from  $initpos$  to  $dest$ . The return value is that number.
  - (b) ★★★★★ Implement a public function  $SCount(initpos, dest, n, states)$  in  $SGraph$  class. The  $initpos$  is the starting vertex of the robot. The  $dest$  is the destination vertex. The  $states$  is an 0/1 array of specific ON/OFF states that we are interested (size is the number of vertices). We want to count the number of different commands of length  $n$  that move the robot from  $initpos$  to  $dest$  **and** with the final switches equal to the given states exactly. The return value is that number.
  5. ★★★ Implement a public function  $Solve(initpos, states)$  in  $SGraph$  class. The  $initpos$  is the starting vertex of the robot. The  $states$  is the 0/1 array of the interested ON/OFF states of the switches. This function returns one of the shortest commands that move the robot to toggle the switches to match the  $states$ .
  6. ★★★★★ Implement a public function  $FindHardest(m)$  in  $SGraph$  class. It returns the hardest instance of size  $m$  of **2-regular strongly**

**connected di-graph** with a starting vertex and a possible 0/1 assignment of switches such that the **shortest commands** that move the robot to reach that matching switch states is **maximized**.

You can use the enumerator that we have implemented to find the instance. We are curious about the case  $m = 4$ , what is the hardest instance? Output it somewhere in a readable .txt file.

For each numbered tasks we ask you to complete ★★★ and below. While ★★★★★ and above are bonus. Submit your code in .zip file and write an .md/.txt file on how to run your code.