

Ex : 8

Title: Design, Develop and Implement a Program in C to create N router connections and display the routers by removal of which will disconnect the network completely.

Problem Description: create a data structure to represent the routers and its connections between the routers and display the router numbers on removal which it disconnects the network completely.

Method: choose the best data structure to represent the routers and a function to find the articulation point.

Theory Reference: Module 5**Explanation:**

- **Articulation Point:** A vertex that, when removed, disconnects the graph.
- **DFS:** A traversal technique used to explore nodes and edges of a graph. The `dfnlow` function performs the main DFS operation while tracking discovery and low values.
- **dfn[u]:** Discovery time of vertex u .
- **low[u]:** The lowest discovery time reachable from u .
- **parent[u]:** The parent vertex of u in the DFS tree.
- **Adjacency Matrix:** The graph is represented as an adjacency matrix `adj`, where $\text{adj}[u][v]$ is 1 if there's an edge between routers u and v .

Following Initializations are done:

- Arrays are initialized to keep track of:
 - Discovery times (`dfn`)
 - Low values (`low`)
 - Parent vertices (`parent`)
 - Visited vertices (`visited`)
 - Articulation points (`articulation`)

Algorithm:

Step 1: main Function - To initialize the graph and collect user input for the number of vertices and edges. Update the adjacency matrix to mark the edge between u and v as present (set `adj[u][v]` and `adj[v][u]` to 1).

Step 2: findArticulationPoints Function - To find articulation points in the graph using Depth-First Search (DFS).

1. For $i=0$ to $V-1$:
 - o Initialize `parent[i]` to -1 (indicating no parent).
 - o Initialize `visited[i]` to 0 (indicating not visited).
 - o Initialize `articulation[i]` to 0 (indicating not an articulation point).
2. For $i=0$ to $V-1$:
 - o If `visited[i]` is 0, call `dfnlow(i, adj, v)` to perform DFS from vertex i.
3. Print the articulation points:
 - o For $i=0$ to $V-1$:
 - If `articulation[i]` is 1, print "Router i".

Step 3. dfnlow Function - To perform DFS and update dfn and low values, identifying articulation points.

1. Initialize `children` to 0 (to count child vertices of the current vertex u).
2. Mark u as visited: set `visited[u]` to 1.
3. Set `dfn[u]` and `low[u]` to time (incremented by 1).
4. For each vertex v from 0 to $V-1$:
 - o If there is an edge from u to v (`adj[u][v] == 1`):
 - If v is not visited:
 1. Increment `children` by 1.
 2. Set `parent[v]` to u.
 3. Recursively call `dfnlow(v, adj, v)`.
 4. Update `low[u]`: set `low[u]` to the minimum of `low[u]` and `low[v]`.
 - Check if u is an articulation point:
 - If u is the root of the DFS tree (i.e., `parent[u] == -1`) and has two or more children, mark u as an articulation point.
 - If u is not the root and `low[v] >= dfn[u]`, mark u as an articulation point.
 - Else if v is visited and v is not the parent of u:
 - Update `low[u]`: set `low[u]` to the minimum of `low[u]` and `dfn[v]`.