## **Aviaroutes in country**

number theory graph theory

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# **RagvaloD**

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There are n>1 cities in the country, some pairs of cities linked two-way through straight flight. For every pair of cities there is exactly one aviaroute (can have interchanges). Major of every city X counted amount of such numberings of all cities from 1 to n, such that on every aviaroute with the beginning in X, numbers of cities are in ascending order. Every

major, except one, noticed that results of counting are multiple of 2016.

Prove, that result of last major is multiple of 2016 too. This post has been edited 1 time. Last edited by RaqvaloD, May 6, 2016, 2:42 pm

# kreegyt

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I'm sorry but I have some (stupid) questions:

-are all the pairs of cities linked two-way? since you wrote that "some" of them are, and then for "every pair" there's one aviaroute

-what is an interchange

-in which order do you visit the cities since you tlak about ascending order. You start from X, you go to one city Y linked to X by an aviaroute, and then?

I'm really sorry if these questions are stupid, and thanks for the translations.

### Misha57

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It should be flight in first sentence not aviaroute. Flight is an edge in graph. Aviaroute is a path in graph.

## **RagvaloD**

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Let A, B, C are some cities and (A, B) and (B, C) - two-way flights.

Then if we want fly from A to C we should fly from A to B , then change airliner (it is interchange, maybe I chose wrong word for it ) and fly from B to C.

PS. I make some changes in problem, maybe problem became more clear.

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**☑**PM #5

Thanks a lot for your two answers, it's really clear now! \@@&

### aleksam

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**PM** #6

I will prove it for prime p instead of 2016, but it can be easily generalized. The solution will be splitted in three parts:two lemmas and their application to this problem. Some notation at the begining: let f(X) be the nubmer of numerations counted by the major of X. Let  $s_X(A)$  be the number of cities in the country such that the A is in the route from X to that

city(maybe as an endpoint, so for example 
$$s_X(X)=n$$
...). Lemma 1:  $f(X)=\frac{(n-1)!}{\prod_{v\neq X}s_X(v)}$ .

Proof:The proof is inductive. Root the tree in X, and let it's childrens be  $A_1,A_2,\cdots,A_n$ . Now, proceed to computing  $f(X)=f(A_1)\cdots f(A_n)\frac{n!}{s_X(A_1)!\cdots s_X(A_n)!}$  and after

the easy computation, we get the desired result.

Lemma 2:
$$v_p(n!) > \sum_{v \in G} v_p(s_X(v))$$
 for  $n > p$ 

Proof: The proof goes again by induction. Base:n=p, is obvious. Then, let again X be the root and A's his children. By a well-known result(multinomial coeficents are integers...)  $v_p((n-1)!)>v_p(s_X(A_i)!)$  >(By summing the inductive hypothesis for all  $A_i$ 's)  $\sum v_p(s_X(v))$ . Done.

By combining these two lemmas we easily get the required result, because n>p from p|f(A), for  $A \neq X$ .

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@PM #7

66 aleksam wrote:

Lemma 1: 
$$f(X) = \frac{(n-1)!}{\prod_{v \neq X} s_X(v)}$$

Proof:The proof is inductive. Root the tree in X, and let it's childrens be  $A_1, A_2, \cdots, A_n$ . Now, proceed to computing

$$f(X) = f(A_1) \cdots f(A_n) \frac{n!}{s_X(A_1)! \cdots s_X(A_n)!}$$
 and after the easy computation,

we get the desired result.

I think there is something wrong about this claim. For example could you explain why:

$$f(X) = f(A_1) \cdots f(A_n) \frac{n!}{s_X(A_1)! \cdots s_X(A_n)!}$$

It would be true if instead of  $f(A_i)$  we put  $f'(A_i)$ , where  $f'(A_i)$  means the number of ways the branch of the tree (a subtree), initiated from  $A_i$  and away from X, can be enumerated. As you see, it's something different than  $f(A_i)$ .

## toto123456...

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There is a very easy solution actually. (2)

Let's color the cities in two colors: white and black so that no two linked cities have the same

Then, we can easily know that the sum of the result of countings for the same colored cities are the same.

Which means that the result of the last city is also a multiple of 2016.  $\bigcirc$ 



dgrozev

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Yes, it was the official solution. The problem was proposed by Fedor Petrov.

toto123456...

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I got a strange result while solving this problem. For adjacent two cities u,v and the number of cities connected to u and v are

x-1,y-1. (I mean the number of cities that we can travel from u without touching vand the same for u. ) Then, I got

$$f(u): f(v) = x: y. \bigcirc$$

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**66** toto1234567890 wrote:

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please let me know how to prove it

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