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### Problem 9.1

#### A. Answers

- i. False
- ii. False (= 2 works too)
- iii. True
- iv. False
- v. True

- B. **Slice:** A set of allocated resources **distributed across PlanetLab**.  
**Sliver:** A set of allocated resources on a **single PlanetLab node**.

### Problem 9.2

#### A. Steps:

- i. In the original N-graph, corresponding to each directed edge, say an edge given by  $\text{Edge}(\text{Node}(ABC) \rightarrow \text{Node}(BCD))$ , mark a new node in the new N+1-graph as  $\text{Node}(ABCD)$

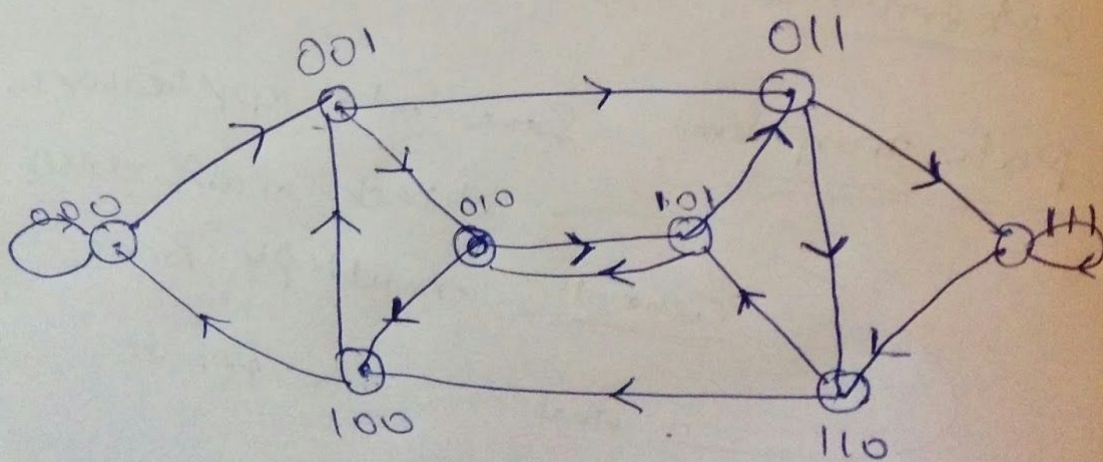
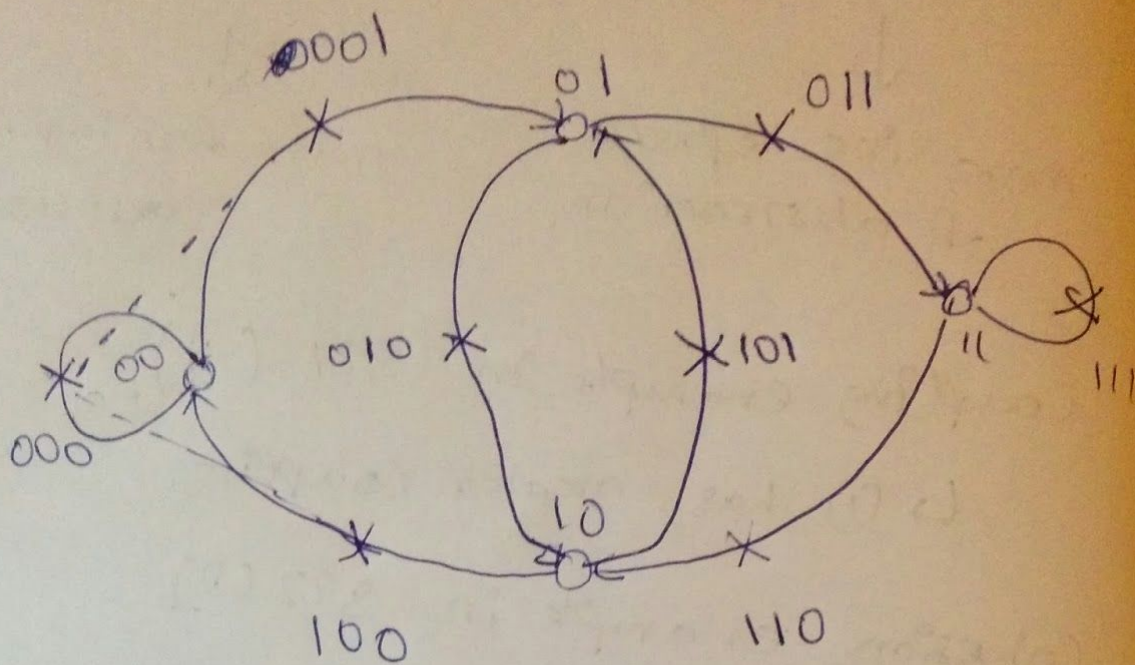
Example:  $00 \rightarrow 01$  gives 001

- ii. Once all the nodes in the N+1-graph are obtained as described in i, we will mark a directed edges for each node, say  $\text{Node}(ABCD)$ , such that they start in  $\text{Node}(ABCD)$  and end in  $\text{Node}(BCD0)$ ,  $\text{Node}(BCD1)$ . This gives two outward edges for each node in the graph and thus completes the N+1-graph.

Example: 000 gives:

- i.  $101 \rightarrow 010$
- ii.  $101 \rightarrow 011$

The resulting graph and construction process:



B. de Bruijn graph for a network of size  $m$  (not a power of 2) such that  $2^{n-1} < m < 2^n$

a. Method 1: Using a de Bruijn of size  $2^{n-1}$

- i. Select  $2^{n-1}$  nodes out of  $m$  and form a de Bruijn graph
- ii. Now each of the remaining  $(m - 2^{n-1})$  nodes can be distributed among the  $2^{n-1}$  vertices of the existing de Bruijn graph
- iii. For vertices with more than one node, depending on the application, the nodes can behave as clones of each other or maintain a small internal address space to identify among themselves.

Pros:

1. Network of any random size be represented as a de Bruijn graph
2. Nodes with relatively lower resources can be combined together and serve in the network with combined resources

Cons:

1. Additional overhead to keep nodes at a vertex in sync with each other
2. Increased delay when using internal address space schema or in general routing and forwarding
3. Schemes have to adopted for management among nodes at a vertex

b. Method 2: Using a de Bruijn graph of size  $2^n$

- i. Select  $m$  nodes and place them at  $m$  different vertices of  $2^n$  de Bruijn graph.
- ii. Allocate the remaining vertices to the nodes closest to them.
- iii. Some of the physical nodes will be assuming more than one vertex in the graph and all the existing methods on a normal de Bruijn network applies.

Pros:

1. Network of any random size be represented as a de Bruijn graph
2. Nodes with higher resources may assume two vertices and contribute more work to the network
3. Delay can be cut down on some requests

Cons:

1. Some nodes have more load than others and this is a drawback when all nodes in the network have almost same amount of resources.