# Algorithmic Aspects of Telecommunication Networks

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# 1 Introduction

- In this project, we try to implement the Exhaustive Enumeration algorithm for finding the reliability of a network
- Give an input network with n nodes , m edges, and component reliability p, our program outputs the reliability of the network
- We do this for range of values of p
- We can also flip the system condition for k states
- We also analyze how the reliability varies with the value of k when the value of p is fixed
- We discuss the possible reasons for the above characteristics.

# 2 Design Decisions

- We implement the solution in the Java programming language
- We use the **Eclipse** IDE since it has a lot of help for debugging
- The program modules were run on a Mac operating system

# 3 Solution Approach

# 3.1 Generating Input Examples

We first generate input graphs for simulating the algorithm. These graphs are then passed on to  $Module\ 2$  which runs the Exhaustive Enumeration algorithm on them. The graphs are generated as follows.

- For all examples, we set the number of nodes in the network to 5 i.e n=5
- The topology of the graph for all examples is a complete graph, hence the number of edges m=10

## 3.2 Exhaustive Enumeration Algorithm

Module 2 receives input parameters from the first module (graph). It has the following functions.

• The **n** nodes in our network are always up

- We have m links each of which may fail
- The minimum number of links that may fail in a particular state is **zero**, while the maximum number is **m**
- We can generate  $2^m$  possible states, each of which may contain some links which fail and some links do not
- We proceed step by step, generating states with **k** failures, k=0,1,2,...m and store them

Module 2 passes the generated states it on to Module 3, which computes the raliability for the network.

### 3.3 Reliability

Module 3 takes the output parameters of Module 2 i.e. the **generated states** for an input network

- We iterate through the states received
- For each state we check if the network is connected using a depth first search
- $\bullet$  If it is connected, then the system condition is **up**, else the system condition is down
- We compute the **probability** of the state s using the formula

$$prob(s) = p * u + (1 - p) * d$$
 (1)

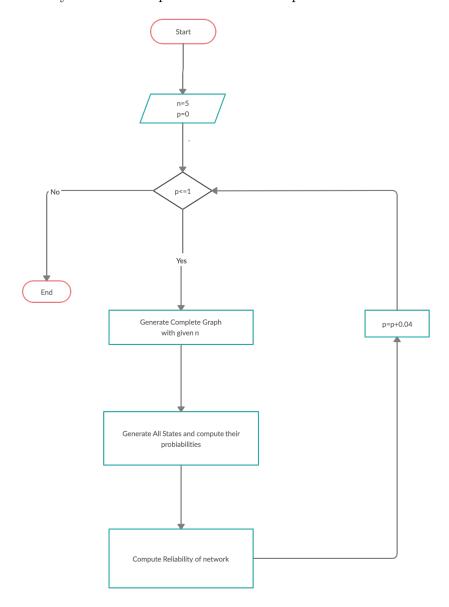
where  $\mathbf{u}$  is the number of links which are up and  $\mathbf{d}$  is the number of links which are down

• The **reliability** of the network is the sum of probabilities of the **up** states

### 3.4 Presentation of Results

- We use a value **p** to denote the reliability of a component (link)
- $\bullet$  We also use a parameter **k** which denotes the number of states (randomly chosen) whose condition is flipped i.e. from up to down or vice versa
- $Task\ 1$  consists of varying the value of **p** and seeing how the reliability of the network changes

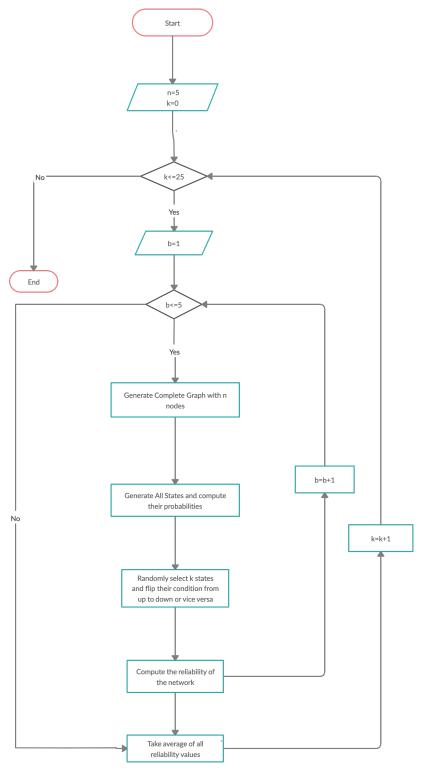
 $\bullet$  We vary the value of p from 0 to 1 in steps of 0.04



- $Task\ 2$  consists of fixing the value of  $\mathbf{p}$ , varying  $\mathbf{k}$  and seeing how the reliability of the network varies
- We fix the value of p to 0.87 and vary the value of k from 0 to 25 in steps of 1

• We take 5 trials for each value of k and take the average of the reliabilities

The flowchart for Task 2 is shown below.



# 4 Exhaustive Enumeration Algorithm - Explanation

- The goal is to find the *reliability* of a network where nodes are always up but links may fail
- We generate all possible states for the network where each component may be up or down
- For each state, we check if the network is **connected**
- If it is connected we compute its probability using the formula

$$prob(s) = p * u + (1 - p) * d$$
 (2)

where  $\mathbf{u}$  is the number of links which are up and  $\mathbf{d}$  is the number of links which are down

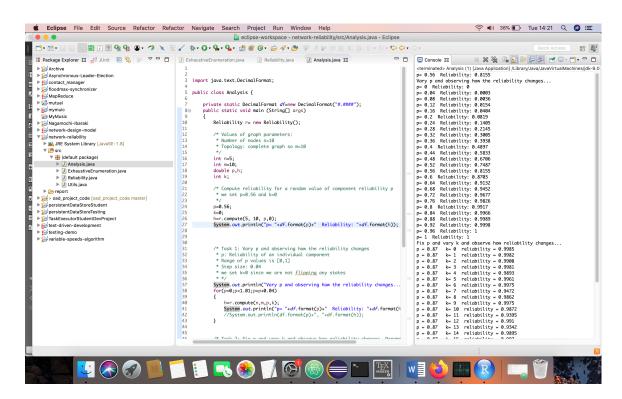
 $\bullet$  The **reliability** of the network is the sum of probabilities of all up states

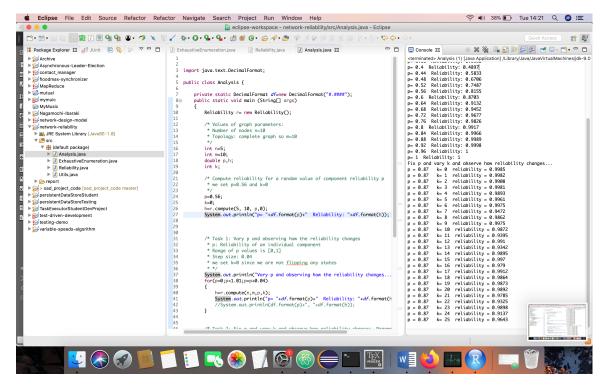
#### Algorithm 1 ExhaustiveEnumeration

```
1: procedure EXHAUSTIVEENUMERATION(V, E, p)
 2:
       m = \mid E \mid
       states[][] = qenerateStates(m)
 3:
       t = 2^m
 4:
       reliability = 0
 5:
       for i = 1 to t do
 6:
           s = states[i]
 7:
           fail = 0
 8:
           for j = 1 to m do
 9:
              if s[j] = 1 then
10:
                  fail = fail + 1
11:
              end if
12:
           end for
13:
           prob = p * (m - fail) + (1 - p) * fail
14:
           G' = transform(V, E, s)
15:
           if isConnected(G') then
16:
              reliability = reliability + prob
17:
           end if
18:
       end for
19:
        return reliability
20: end procedure
```

# 5 Observations and Analysis

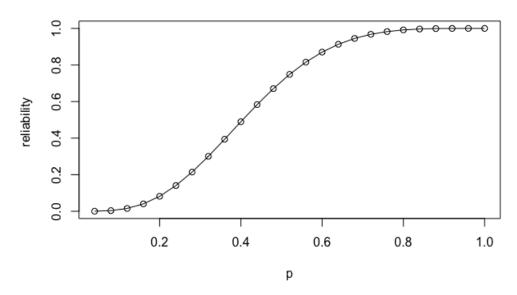
• The program produces outputs as shown in the figures below.



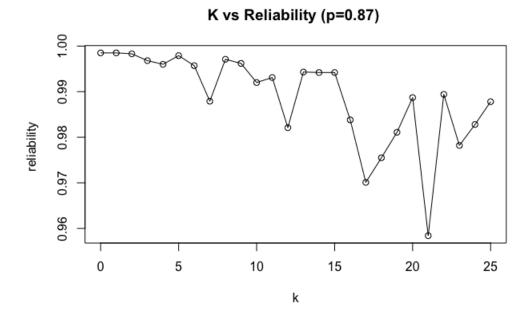


- The output results are stored in a csv file. The graphs are generated in  $\mathbf{R}$ .
- We plot the graph of the component reliability p vs. the network reliability.

### Link Reliability vs Network Reliability



- $\bullet$  We can clearly see that the reliability of the network **increases** with increase in the value of p
- We plot the graph of k values against network reliabilities.



• We can clearly see that the reliability of a network shows **no distinct behaviour** with respect to the k values

### 6 Discussion

- As the component reliability **p** in the graph increases, the probabilities contribution of the *up* states to the network reliability tends to increase, hence the reliability of the graph also **increases**
- When we fix the value of p to **0.87** and **vary k**, the reliability of the network shows no distinct behavior. Most of the reliability values are close to the reliability value without flipping any states i.e. **k**=0
- The reason is that flipping a few states (in our case, a maximum of 25 states out of 1024) does not affect the reliability of the network. This shows that the Exhaustive Enumeration algorithm gives us an accurate estimate of the network reliability even if some states are wrongly assigned system condition.

# 7 ReadMe File

This section shows how to run the project files.

- Downloads the project files and store them in a folder
- Open the project folder in Eclipse

- Open the file Analysis.java
- Right Click -> Run as -> Java Application
- Alternatively, navigate to the folder in **terminal** and run the following commands
  - javac Analysis.java
  - java Analysis

### 8 Code

#### Module 1: ExhaustiveEnumeration.java

```
3 import java.util.ArrayList;
4 import java.util.Collections;
  public class ExhaustiveEnumeration {
    public int numStates=0;
    private ArrayList<ArrayList<Integer>> states;
    /* Generates all possible states for a graph. Parameters
     * m: number of links
    public ArrayList<ArrayList<Integer>> generateStates(int m)
      ArrayList<Integer> arr=new ArrayList<Integer>(Collections.nCopies(10, 1));
      this.states=new ArrayList<ArrayList<Integer>>();
17
      states.add(arr);
      for(int i=1;i<=m;i++)
19
20
        //System.out.println("Generating states with "+i+" link failures...");
        getStatesWithKFails(i,arr);
        //System.out.println();
23
        }
24
25
      //System.out.println("Total States Generated: "+states.size());
      return this.states;
27
    }
28
29
    /* Generates states with k link failures */
30
    public void getStatesWithKFails(int k,ArrayList<Integer> arr)
31
      for(int i=0;i<arr.size();i++)</pre>
33
34
        getStates(arr,k,0,i);
```

```
}
36
    }
37
38
39
40
    /* recursive function to generate states */
41
    public void getStates(ArrayList<Integer> arr, int maxFail,int curFail, int i
      )
    {
43
       arr.set(i,0);
44
       if(curFail+1==maxFail)
       {
         numStates++;
         ArrayList<Integer> a = new ArrayList<Integer>(arr);
         this.states.add(a);
         //Utils.printList(arr);
         arr.set(i, 1);
         return;
52
       }
53
54
       for(int j=i+1; j<arr.size(); j++)</pre>
55
56
         getStates(arr, maxFail, curFail+1, j);
57
         arr.set(j, 1);
58
       }
59
       arr.set(i, 1);
60
    }
61
62
63
    /* generates a complete graph with n nodes */
64
    public int[][] getCompleteGraph(int n)
65
66
       int arr[][] = new int[n][n];
67
       for(int i=0;i<n;i++)</pre>
68
69
         for(int j=0; j< n; j++)
70
         {
71
           if(i!=j)
72
           {
73
             arr[i][j]=1;
74
           }
75
         }
76
77
       //Utils.printMatrix(arr, n, "input graph");
78
       return arr;
79
80
81
    }
82 }
```

### Module 2: Reliability.java

```
3 import java.util.ArrayList;
5 public class Reliability {
    /* storing the reference to the 10 edges in our graph */
    public static final int[] aSet={0,0,0,0,1,1,1,2,2,3};
    private static final int [] bSet={1,2,3,4,2,3,4,3,4,4};
10
    /* computes the reliability of a network with
     * n : number of nodes
     * m: number of edges:
     * p: probability that a link does not fail
     * k: number of states that must be flipped
     */
17
    public double compute(int n,int m,double p, int k)
19
      ExhaustiveEnumeration e=new ExhaustiveEnumeration();
20
21
      ArrayList<ArrayList<Integer>>res=e.generateStates(10);
22
      int[][] graph;
23
24
25
      double reliability=0.00;
26
      int fail;
27
      /* select k random states to flip */
29
      ArrayList<Integer> flipSet=new ArrayList<Integer>();
30
      double range=Math.pow((int)2, (int)m);
31
      while(flipSet.size()!=k)
32
      {
33
        int v = (int)(Math.random() * (range-1));
34
        if(!flipSet.contains(v))
35
        {
36
           flipSet.add(v);
37
        }
38
39
40
      //System.out.print("Flipset: ");
41
      //Utils.printList(flipSet);
42
43
      for(int i=0;i<res.size();i++)</pre>
44
45
46
47
        fail=0;
        ArrayList<Integer> a =res.get(i);
```

```
49
         graph=e.getCompleteGraph(n);
50
         for(int j=0; j < m; j++)
51
52
         {
           if(a.get(j)==0)
             graph[aSet[j]][bSet[j]]=0;
             graph[bSet[j]][aSet[j]]=0;
             fail++;
           }
        }
         if(isConnected(graph,n) && !flipSet.contains(i) ||
             !isConnected(graph,n) && flipSet.contains(i))
        {
           //System.out.println("Connected");
           reliability+=Math.pow(p, m-fail)*Math.pow(1-p, fail);
           continue;
        }
68
69
      }
70
71
      return reliability;
72
    }
73
74
75
    /* checks if a graph is connected */
76
    public static boolean isConnected(int graph[][],int n) {
           ArrayList<Integer>nodes = new ArrayList < Integer > ();
78
79
80
           DFS(0,graph,n,nodes);
81
           if (nodes.size() != n) {
82
               return false;
83
84
           return true;
85
86
      }
87
88
89
    /* runs a recursive dfs traversal on a graph */
90
    public static void DFS(int v,int[][] graph, int n,ArrayList<Integer> nodes)
91
      {
           nodes.add(v);
92
           for (int i = 0; i < n; i++) {
93
               if (graph[v][i] != 0 && !nodes.contains(i)) {
94
                   DFS(i,graph,n,nodes);
95
96
```

#### Module 3: Presentation.java

```
3 import java.text.DecimalFormat;
5 public class Analysis {
    private static DecimalFormat df=new DecimalFormat("#.###");
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
9
      Reliability r= new Reliability();
10
11
      /* Values of graph parameters:
       * Number of nodes n=10
       * Topology: complete graph so m=10
       */
      int n=5;
      int m=10;
17
      double p,h;
      int k;
19
20
      /* Compute reliability for a random value of component reliability p
21
       * we set p=0.56 and k=0
       */
      p = 0.56;
24
      k=0;
25
      h=r.compute(5, 10, p, 0);
26
      System.out.println("p= "+df.format(p)+" Reliability: "+df.format(h));
27
29
30
      /* Task 1: Vary p and observing how the reliability changes
31
       * p: Reliability of an individual component
32
       * Range of p values is [0,1]
33
       * Step size: 0.04
34
       \star we set k=0 since we are not flipping any states
35
       * */
36
      System.out.println("Vary p and observing how the reliability changes...");
37
      for (p=0; p<1.01; p=p+0.04)
38
39
        h=r.compute(n,m,p,k);
40
        System.out.println("p= "+df.format(p)+" Reliability: "+df.format(h));
41
        //System.out.println(df.format(p)+", "+df.format(h));
42
43
44
45
      /* Task 2: Fix p and vary k and observe how reliability changes.
      Parameters:
       * k: number of flipped states
47
```

```
\star b: Number of trials for a given value of k to minimize randomness
48
       * Fixing the value of p to 0.87
49
       * Range of k is [0,25]
       * Step size=1
51
      System.out.println("Fix p and vary k and observe how reliability changes
      ...");
      p = 0.87;
      int b=5;
      for(k=0; k<=25; k++)
        double sum=0;
        for(int i=0;i<b;i++) {
        sum+=r.compute(n, m, p, k);
        }
        System.out.println("p = "+df.format(p)+" k = "+k+" reliability = "+df.
     format(sum/b));
        //System.out.println(k+","+df.format(sum/b));
64
      }
65
    }
66
67 }
```

### Utils.java

```
3 import java.util.ArrayList;
  public class Utils {
    public static void printMatrix(int[][] arr, int n, String s)
       System.out.println(s);
      for(int i=0;i<n;i++)
10
11
         System.out.print("row "+i+" : ");
         for(int j=0; j< n; j++)
           System.out.print(arr[i][j]+" ");
15
         }
         System.out.println("\n");
      }
    }
19
20
    public static void printList(ArrayList<Integer> arr)
21
22
      int n=arr.size();
23
24
      for(int i=0;i<n;i++)</pre>
25
26
         System.out.print(arr.get(i)+" ");
27
28
         System.out.println("");
29
30
    }
31
32
33
34
35
36
37 }
```

### Visualization.R.java

```
plot(p,r,xlab="p",ylab="reliability ",main="Link Reliability vs Network
    Reliability")

lines(r~p)

data <- read.csv(file="/users/psprao/eclipse-workspace/network-reliability/
    kVsR.csv")

# Getting K, cost and density data
k<-data[,1]
r<-data[,2]

# Scatterplot of K vs Cost of Network
plot(k,r,xlab="k",ylab="reliability ",main="K vs Reliability (p=0.87) ")
lines(r~k)</pre>
```