Network Dynamics Winter 2014/15

# Assignment 1

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## **Problem 1: Policy routing**

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Consider the following graph G = (V, E) together with total orderings of all path sets:



One stably confluent configuration  $\pi: V \to V: u \mapsto \pi(u)$  is

$$\pi(0) = 0, \quad \pi(1) = 0, \quad \pi(2) = 1, \quad \pi(3) = 1$$

- (a) Find another stably confluent configuration, if there is any.
- (b) How many stably confluent configurations exist in total?

### **Problem 2: Policy routing**

Suppose the graph G = (V, E) your are given is the complete graph  $K^3$  on three vertices, i.e., G consists of vertex set  $V = \{0, 1, 2\}$  and edge set  $E = \{\{0, 1\}, \{0, 2\}, \{1, 2\}\}$ .

- (a) Is there a total ordering of all path sets  $P^0$ ,  $P^1$ , and  $P^2$  such that there is no stably confluent configuration?
- (b) How many total orderings of the path sets exist such that there is no stably confluent configuration?

## **Problem 3: Routing hierarchy**

An important aspect of Internet inter-domain routing is the reduction of the number of possible paths that can be selected for routing. For that, we make a distinction between the

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Internet at the *router level* and the Internet at the AS level, where AS is an abbreviation for Autonomous Systems, i.e., subnets within the Internet.

More formally, suppose we are given an undirected graph G = (V, E) (which represents the Internet at the router level). Let  $\mathcal{X} = \{X_1, \ldots, X_r\}$  be any partition of the vertex set V. Then, the AS graph  $H(G, \mathcal{X})$  is defined to consist of vertex set  $\mathcal{X}$  and the edge set

$$\mathcal{A} =_{\text{def}} \{ \{X_i, X_j\} \mid \text{there exist } x \in X_i \text{ and } y \in X_j \text{ such that } \{x, y\} \in E \}.$$

We say that a path  $p = (u_0, u_1, \ldots, u_k)$  in G is a valid AS path (with respect to  $H(G, \mathcal{X})$ ) if and only if the sequence  $(U_0, U_1, \ldots, U_k)$  of sets  $U_i \in \mathcal{X}$  such that  $u_i \in U_i$  for all  $i \in \{0, 1, \ldots, k\}$ satisfies the following property for all  $i < \ell < j$ : if  $U_i = U_j$  then  $U_i = U_\ell$ .

Consider the following undirected graph G = (V, E) which represent a possible, small portion of the Internet (at the router level):



Furthermore, the following partition of the vertex set  $\{0, 1, \ldots, 7\}$  of the graph G is given:

$$A = \{6,7\}, \quad B = \{2,4\}, \quad C = \{3,5\}, \quad D = \{1,0\}$$

The sets A, B, C, and D are Autonomous Systems.

- (a) Determine the number of (7, 0)-paths in G.
- (b) Determine the AS graph given by the partition of the vertex set of G above.
- (c) Determine the number of valid AS paths between nodes 7 and 0.
- (d) Which partition of the vertex set V gives the maximum number of valid AS paths?
- (e) Which partition of the vertex set V gives the minimum number of valid AS paths?