Inconspicuous Hacking

Handout

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1 Input Format

line 1: n m, where n is the number of contestants and m is the number of judges

line *i*: Votes of judge *i*, where positive numbers *a* are votes for contestant *a*, and negative numbers -a are votes against contestant *a*

Ranges: $2 \le n \le 1000, 1 \le m \le 2000, a \in \{1, ..., n\}$



The input always consists of exactly one test case.

2 Output Format

The literal string yes, or the literal string no

3 Model

For each contestant c, let x_c be a variable which is true if and only if contestant c advances. The vote of a judge for a contestant a can then be expressed as the literal x_a , and against an contestant a as the literal $\overline{x_a}$. Each judge has exactly two votes (v, w), where v and w are each literals. The Problem then reduces to the question whether the following expression is satisfiable:

$$\bigwedge_{(v,w) \in \text{Judges}} (v \lor w)$$

Which is equivalent to the implication form

$$\bigwedge_{(v,w) \in \text{Judges}} (\overline{v} \implies w) \land (\overline{w} \implies v)$$

4 Solution

Construct an implication graph from the input: For each contestant c, create two nodes (for x_c and $\overline{x_c}$). For each judge, insert two edges according to the implications of the judge's votes.

Run Tarjan's algorithm to find the strongly connected components.

Finally, check whether for any *i* both x_i and $\overline{x_i}$ lie in the same scc.

Function Tar jan(G = (V, E)) index $\leftarrow 0$ $S \leftarrow$ new stack for $v \in V$ do v.lowlink $\leftarrow \infty$ v.index $\leftarrow \infty$ for $v \in V$ do if v.index $= \infty$ then \Box Tar janDFS(v, S, G)

Function TarjanDFS(v, S, G = (V, E)) $v.index \leftarrow index$ v.lowlink \leftarrow index S.push(v) $index \leftarrow index + 1$ for each $(v, w) \in E$ do if $w.index = \infty$ then TarjanDFS(w, S, G)v.lowlink $\leftarrow \min(v.$ lowlink, w.lowlink) else if w is on the stack then v.lowlink $\leftarrow min(v.$ lowlink, w.index) if v.lowlink = v.index then start new scc repeat $w \leftarrow \text{S.pop()}$ add w to scc until w = v

end scc

5 Implementation

- Map $-n, \ldots, -1, 1, \ldots, n$ to $0, \ldots, 2n$ to store nodes in array
- Efficient "is on stack" check: store flag for each node
- Find a good format for SCC information (flag or set)