# SCALABLE AND ACCURATE GRAPH REASONING WITH LLM-BASED MULTI-AGENTS

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# ABSTRACT

Recent research has explored the use of Large Language Models (LLMs) for tackling complex graph reasoning tasks. However, due to the intricacies of graph structures and the inherent limitations of LLMs in handling long text, current approaches often fail to deliver satisfactory accuracy, even on small-scale graphs and simple tasks. To address these challenges, we introduce GraphAgent-Reasoner, a fine-tuning-free framework that utilizes a multi-agent collaboration strategy for explicit and precise graph reasoning. Inspired by distributed graph computation theory, our framework decomposes graph problems into smaller, node-centric tasks that are distributed among multiple agents. The agents collaborate to solve the overall problem, significantly reducing the amount of information and complexity handled by a single LLM, thus enhancing the accuracy of graph reasoning. By simply increasing the number of agents, GraphAgent-Reasoner can efficiently scale to accommodate larger graphs with over 1,000 nodes. Evaluated on the GraphInstruct dataset, our framework demonstrates near-perfect accuracy on polynomial-time graph reasoning tasks, significantly outperforming the best available models, both closed-source and fine-tuned open-source variants. Our framework also demonstrates the capability to handle real-world graph reasoning applications such as webpage importance analysis.

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## 1 INTRODUCTION

031 Graphs, as a crucial data structure for modeling complex real-world relationships, are ubiquitous 032 across various scenarios, e.g. citation networks, recommendation networks. Many important ap-033 plications like drug discovery (Stokes et al., 2020), traffic forecasting (Jiang & Luo, 2022), and 034 financial detection (Motie & Raahemi, 2024), require reasoning over graphs to be realized. Noticing the powerful general knowledge and language processing capabilities of Large Language Models (LLMs) (Brown et al., 2020), a significant amount of works have focused on using LLMs to per-036 form various reasoning tasks, such as mathematical formula derivation (Meadows et al., 2023), 037 commonsense reasoning (Madaan et al., 2022), and multi-hop question answering (Creswell et al., 2023). However, most of them primarily involve shallow or sequential reasoning. To bring the LLM reasoning closer to human thinking, it is necessary for LLMs to master deeper and more complex 040 reasoning, such as graph reasoning. 041

Despite significant efforts by researchers to enable LLMs to memorize, comprehend, and perform 042 basic reasoning on graph structures, several issues still persist: 1) The scale of graphs that can be 043 handled is limited. Describing graph structures in natural language inevitably leads to excessively 044 long inputs. Due to context length limitations and the shortcomings of LLMs in handling lengthy 045 text (Liu et al., 2023), previous works (Chai et al., 2023; Fatemi et al., 2024; Perozzi et al., 2024) 046 could only handle graphs of very limited size (e.g. fewer than 20 nodes and 100 edges). 2) The 047 performance on graph reasoning tasks is relatively poor. Unlike text, which can tolerate some 048 degree of semantic deviation, reasoning and computation on graphs must be highly precise. However, current works demonstrate poor accuracy (average 20~60%) in various graph reasoning tasks like connectivity and shortest path. 3) Lacking explicit reasoning paths. Taking the shortest path as an 051 example, the responses of existing models resemble a heuristic search approach to finding the shortest path on a graph, rather than strictly executing an algorithm. This makes it difficult to determine 052 whether LLMs are genuinely deriving the answer through correct reasoning or merely making educated guesses. Although GraphWiz (Chen et al., 2024a) attempts to generate explicit reasoning

paths through fine-tuning, it often fails due to the presence of incomplete or wrong reasoning paths in its training data. Furthermore, GraphWiz exhibits overfitting, where it tends to treat new or unrelated questions as one of the fine-tuned problems, which will be detailed in Section 5.3.

Motivation. The ultimate goal of graph reasoning is to enable LLMs to leverage graph-related knowledge or algorithms to solve real-world graph problems. However, with the development of information science and hardware storage, the scale of graphs and information per node become too large for a single LLM to handle. To address this, a natural idea is to use distributed approaches, where a large graph is stored across multiple LLMs separately and compute collaboratively. Therefore, just as graph algorithms have generally evolved from non-distributed to distributed forms (Meng et al., 2024b)), we hope that LLMs can also learn the concept of distributed processing, thereby harnessing the power of swarm intelligence to solve graph problems in real-world scenarios.



Figure 1: The current situation of LLMs in solving graph problems. Previous methods using a single
 LLM often failed due to the complex graph structures. In contrast, our approach leverages agents
 collaboration to effectively address graph problems.

079 **Our Contribution.** To address the above limitations, in this paper, we propose the GraphAgent-Reasoner(GAR) framework, which leverages the power of swarm intelligence to solve graph reasoning 081 problems, as shown in Figure 1. We follow a node-centric approach, assigning an agent to each 082 node, allowing it to focus on processing its own information and communicate with neighbors. Thus, 083 we can easily scale up the size of graphs that can be processed by simply increasing the number of 084 agents. At the same time, under the direction of a Master LLM, graph problems are decomposed into 085 smaller, node-centric tasks, which are assigned to agents for collaborative resolution. This approach significantly reduces the scale and complexity of information each agent needs to process, thereby greatly improving the overall accuracy. Furthermore, since agents must clearly transmit the processed 087 information to neighboring agents, the reasoning process becomes transparent, demonstrating the 088 framework solves graph reasoning problems through clear and correct reasoning, rather than lucky guessing. In summary, our contributions are as follows: 090

- We propose GraphAgent-Reasoner, the first LLM-based multi-agents framework for graph reasoning, which requires no fine-tuning and can utilize any LLM as the underlying reasoning model. Our framework achieves near-perfect accuracy on various polynomial-time tasks, significantly surpassing the performance of existing methods.
- Our framework expands the scale of graph reasoning tasks handled by LLMs from 100 nodes to 1,000 nodes, demonstrating exceptional scalability. Furthermore, as the graph size increases, our framework does not exhibit the significant performance degradation seen in other methods and maintains robust accuracy.
- We explore the performance of our framework in real-world applications like webpage importance analysis, showcasing its potential for addressing complex graph reasoning problems in real-life situations.
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# 2 PRELIMINARIES AND RELATED WORKS

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**Preliminaries.** In general scenarios, when discussing LLMs solving graph reasoning problems, the input is a  $(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{Q})$  pair.  $\mathcal{G}$  is a graph represented as  $\mathcal{G} = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{E}, \{s_i\}, \{t_i\})$ , where  $\mathcal{V}$  is the node set and  $\mathcal{E}$ , the edge set. For each node  $v_i \in \mathcal{V}$ , a sequential text node feature  $s_i$  is associated; similarly, for each edge  $e_i \in \mathcal{E}$ , a sequential text edge feature  $t_i$  is assigned. The graph  $\mathcal{G}$  is described in natural language, typically using edge or adjacency list representation.  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a task-specific instruction or problem description. LLMs will process the  $(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{Q})$  pair and return an answer string A.

111 Large Language Models for Graph Reasoning. To further enhance the reasoning capabilities of 112 LLMs, many works have attempted to improve the performance of LLMs in graph reasoning. Wang 113 et al. (2023) first introduces the NLGraph Benchmark to evaluate the performance of LLMs on various 114 graph reasoning tasks. Fatemi et al. (2024) explores the impact of different graph encoding methods 115 and graph structure types on the performance of LLMs in graph reasoning tasks. Additionally, it 116 introduces another benchmark called GraphQA. Considering the lengthy nature of describing graph 117 structures in text, Chai et al. (2023) and Perozzi et al. (2024) respectively use Transformers and GNNs to encode graph structures and attempt to align them with LLMs. Inspired by how humans understand 118 structural information through the visual modality, Wei et al. (2024) generates corresponding visual 119 images based on graph structures and provides them to visual LLMs for graph reasoning. Chen et al. 120 (2024a) conducted Supervised Fine-Tuning and Directly Prefered Optimization on LLMs, enhancing 121 the performance of LLMs and encouraging them to output explicit reasoning paths. 122

123 Large Language Model based Multi-Agents. Recent advancements in LLMs have spurred interest 124 in their application within multi-agent systems. LLM-based multi-agent frameworks leverage the 125 natural language understanding and reasoning capabilities of LLMs to enable agents to collaborate, communicate, and solve complex tasks in a distributed manner. Existing multi-agents works for 126 problem solving primarily focuses on applications such as Software Development (Dong et al., 2023; 127 Hong et al., 2024; Qian et al., 2024), Embodied Agents (Zhang et al., 2024; Mandi et al., 2024; Chen 128 et al., 2024b) and Science Debate (Xiong et al., 2023; Chan et al., 2024). However, using LLM-based 129 multi-agents to handle graph data has been less explored, especially in the areas of graph reasoning 130 and graph computation tasks. This may be due to the hallucination issue inherent in LLMs (Huang 131 et al., 2023), where their responses are factually incorrect. This problem becomes more complex 132 in a multi-agent setting, as the hallucinations of a single agent may propagate to other nodes by 133 communication (Guo et al., 2024). This requires the performance of individual agents be sufficiently 134 stable to ensure the correct operation of the entire multi-agent system. 135

3 LIMITATIONS OF SINGLE LLM IN GRAPH REASONING

Although LLMs exhibit strong language processing and logical reasoning capabilities, problems with the Transformer architecture and Attention mechanism (Vaswani et al., 2017) still limit the scale and accuracy when they process graph problems. There are two primary limitations:



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Figure 2: The performance of a single LLM in memorizing first-order neighboring nodes. As the number of nodes increases, all models exhibit significant memory errors.

157 The graph structure is too complex to memorize and understand for a single LLM. Using 158 adjacency or edge lists to describe graph structures in natural language is the most intuitive and direct 159 method, facilitating the processing of graph data by LLMs through text. However, this approach 160 inevitably leads to a lengthy context, as the number of edges can grow quadratically with the number 161 of nodes. As the graph scales up and becomes denser, the graph structure becomes highly complex, 162 requiring a large amount of tokens to describe the edge relationships. When the text becomes too lengthy, it becomes difficult for LLMs to properly allocate attention, and they may even struggle with
 simple tasks such as key-value pair matching Liu et al. (2023). This presents significant challenges
 for LLMs in identifying key information for graph reasoning tasks from the lengthy context. Figure 2
 shows the performance of a single LLM in memorizing one-hop neighbor nodes. We observe that as
 the number of nodes in the graph increases, various LLMs exhibit a significant decline in accuracy. If
 a single LLM cannot even correctly recall basic graph structural information like node neighbors, it
 becomes difficult to proceed with more complex graph reasoning or computation.

Furthermore, the graph structure is described in a sequential manner. LLMs have to identify implicit graph structures from sequential text. Since the processing of LLMs is a black-box operation, it is difficult to assert that they truly construct graph structures implicitly and thereby understand them. Huang et al. (2024) conducted extensive experiments to explore whether LLMs treat the input prompts as graphs or merely as paragraphs with keywords on TAGs. The results show that the performance of LLMs in handling TAGs primarily stems from the context rather than the graph structure. LLMs tend to process the graph description as linearized paragraphs rather than graphs.

176 A single LLM struggles to solve reasoning problems in real-world scenarios. Researchers train 177 LLMs on graph reasoning tasks to empower them to utilize learned graph-related knowledge or algorithms to tackle real-world graph problems. However, in practical scenarios, the amount of 178 information associated with each node can be enormous. Take citation networks as an example: a 179 single node represents a paper, and its node information includes the title, abstract, and references, 180 which could amount to several thousand tokens. In addition to the complexity of graph structures, 181 the need to handle a large amount of node information further exacerbates the burden on a single 182 LLM and highlights its shortcomings in processing long contexts. Moreover, using a single LLM to 183 handle the entire network is inefficient, as it cannot coherently process the entire network's problems. 184 Typically, it is necessary to manually compress or summarize the information for each node and then 185 feed local subgraphs to the LLM for processing (Guo et al., 2023; Chen et al., 2023).

Furthermore, many current works (Chen et al., 2024a; Perozzi et al., 2024) require training GNNs or 187 fine-tuning LLMs on individual or multiple graph reasoning tasks. However, when transferring to 188 other graph tasks, a certain degree of performance degradation occurs, and retraining or fine-tuning 189 for new graph tasks consumes a significant amount of time and resources. Whether LLMs can apply 190 the graph knowledge and algorithms learned during the training process to actual graph reasoning 191 also remains an open question. We explored this question in 5.3 and observed significant overfitting 192 in LLMs fine-tuned on specific graph reasoning tasks. Therefore, the ideal solution would be to 193 leverage the powerful general knowledge acquired during the pre-training phase of LLMs through an 194 appropriate approach, enabling them to handle graph reasoning tasks as naturally as they do with 195 natural language problems.

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# 4 GRAPHAGENT-REASONER

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201 To solve the limitations above, we propose a novel framework based on multi-agent collaboration called GraphAgent-Reasoner as shown in Figure 3, aiming to solve graph reasoning problems 202 explicitly and correctly. The interface of the framework is a Master LLM, which is responsible for 203 processing the textual input of graph problems, constructing the agent network, directing them to 204 collaboratively solve the problem, and finally aggregating the states of all agents to derive the solution. 205 Its implementation is based on the React Agent proposed by Yao et al. (2023), which is capable 206 of reasoning based on the environment and executing corresponding actions, as detailed later. The 207 pipeline of GAR consists of four steps: Graph Construction, Algorithm Establishing, Distributed 208 Execution and Master Summarization.

Graph Construction. Given an input pair (G, Q), the Master LLM first extracts the node and edge
information from the textual description of graph G. It then constructs an agent for each node and
initializes the node's state and neighbor information, forming an interconnected network of agents.
Each agent independently maintains its state and neighbor data, communicates with adjacent agents
based on instructions from the Master LLM, and updates its state in each round.

**Algorithm Establishing.** To accommodate diverse graph tasks and fully exploit the knowledge embedded in LLMs during pre-training, we propose a unified solution approach framed within a



Figure 3: The framework of GraphAgent-Reasoner. Given a graph problem, the Master LLM will first construct agents network according to graph structures. It then sequentially performs Algorithm Establishing, Distributed Execution and Master Summarization, as detailed in this section.

distributed paradigm as shown in Algorithm 1. This approach requires the Master LLM to specify six core components for each problem: State, Message, Initialization, Send, Update, and Termination.

- **State**: The local information maintained by each node, representing its current state. This can include attributes like node features, labels, or any other task-specific data. The states evolve as nodes receive messages and update their information.
- **Message**: The data transmitted between nodes during the communication phase. Messages typically contain information that neighboring nodes need to perform updates, such as feature values, distances, or other task-relevant information.
- **Initialization**: At the start of the execution, each node initializes its state with predefined values, which may be based on node IDs, input features or task-specific requirements. This step ensures that the graph is ready to begin the communication process.
- Send: After initialization, each node generates messages based on its current state and sends them to its neighboring nodes. This step is repeated in each iteration, allowing nodes to continuously exchange information with their neighbors.
- **Update**: Upon receiving messages from its neighbors, each node updates its state by aggregating the incoming messages and combining them with its current state. This iterative process enables nodes to refine their information over time.
- Termination: The algorithm halts when a predefined stopping condition is met, such as reaching a fixed number of iterations, achieving convergence, or satisfying a task-specific criterion. Once the termination condition is reached, each node will send its final state to the Master LLM, and the execution terminates.
- Since LLMs lack prior knowledge of this distributed paradigm, to facilitate the Master LLM's understanding and application of the framework, we develop a distributed algorithm library that adheres to this distributed paradigm, from which the Master LLM can query relevant algorithm templates to generate distributed solutions within this paradigm. Specifically, we selected classic distributed graph algorithms and documented their implementations under this distributed paradigm. Some examples are presented in Appendix A.1. Drawing on prior work (Zheng et al., 2024; Meng et al., 2024a), we endeavor to write detailed reasoning steps of each part in the algorithm to encourage the agent to think step by step as much as possible, which plays an important role in enhancing the success rate of individual agents.
- 269 When receiving a problem input, the Master LLM first retrieves the k algorithms most relevant to the problem description from the distributed algorithm library. If there are algorithms suitable for

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270	Algorithm 1: Distributed Paradigm	
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273	2 <b>Output:</b> Final state $S_a$ for each agent $a \in A$	
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275	<b>a</b> Each agent $a \in A$ initializes its state S, based on <b>Initialization</b> rules	
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01	handling the problem, the Master LLM will adjust the algorithm according to the proble	em description
.91	such as changing the initialization and termination conditions (e.g. the source node $\tau$	in the shortest
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95	some generated examples, see Appendix 11.2.	
96	<b>Distributed Execution.</b> After the distributed algorithm is designed, the Master LLM	will relay the
97	approach to each agent node for execution according to the process outlined in Algo	rithm 1. Each
98	agent will first initialize its state based on node information and algorithm rules and	I then send ar
99	initial message to neighboring agents. Subsequently, each agent will iteratively execute	the operations
00	of receiving messages, updating its state, and sending messages according to the al	gorithm rules
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12	maximum number of iterations is reached or the termination condition is met.	
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11	some of the most exciting results from our analysis here:	
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12	• R1: GAR achieves near-perfect accuracy on polynomial-time graph reasoning pro	blems, signifi
13	cantly surpassing existing closed-source models and open-source models fine-tuned	d on extensive
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16	• <b>R2</b> : GAR maintains high accuracy on larger-scale graphs (up to 1000 nodes), or	lemonstrating

R2: GAR maintains high accuracy on larger-scale graphs (up to 1000 nodes), demonstrating superior scalability. In contrast, as the number of nodes increases, other models exhibit a significant decline in performance or become incapable of handling the problem at all due to the context length limitation.

R3: GAR showcases a robust understanding and application of graph algorithms in real-world graph reasoning scenarios, highlighting its potential for addressing complex graph problems encountered in daily life. In contrast, other open-source models that have undergone extensive fine-tuning on graph reasoning datasets fail to apply the learned graph reasoning knowledge when confronted with rephrased real-world graph problems.

324 Datasets. We conduct our experiments on the graph reasoning tasks proposed in GraphInstruct (Chen 325 et al., 2024a). This dataset contains nine graph reasoning problems with different time complexity, 326 ranging from linear and polynomial complexity to NP-complete.

- 327 • Linear. Cycle Detection (Detect if a given graph  $\mathcal{G}$  contains any cycles), Connectivity (Assess if 328 two nodes u and v in a given graph  $\mathcal{G}$  are connected via a path), Bipartite Graph Check (Judge if 329 a given graph G is bipartite), and Topological Sort (Find a topological ordering of vertices in a 330 directed acyclic graph  $\mathcal{G}$ ). 331
- Polynomial. Shortest Path (Compute the shortest path between two specific nodes u and v in a 332 given graph  $\mathcal{G}$ ), Maximum Triangle Sum (Find the maximum sum of weights for any connected 333 triplet of vertices in a given graph  $\mathcal{G}$ ), and Maximum Flow (Calculate the maximum flow from a 334 source node s to a sink node t in a directed graph  $\mathcal{G}$ ). 335

Due to the complexity of NP-complete problems, there are currently no mature exact distributed algorithms available for their solution. Consequently, the Master LLM is unable to design correct and 338 effective distributed algorithms based on the knowledge acquired during pre-training. Therefore, in 339 our experiments, we only consider linear and polynomial-time problems. Detailed information of the 340 dataset and partial test results for NP-complete problems will be presented in Appendix B.

341 Setting. The underlying reasoning LLM of Agent Node used in our framework is ChatGPT-4o-342 mini-2024-07-18, and the base model of Master LLM is ChatGPT-4-turbo(OpenAI, 2023). The 343 temperature is consistently set to 0. Our framwork is built upon AgentScope (Gao et al. (2024)), an 344 innovative platform to easily build reliable, high-performance multi-agent applications.

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## 5.1 EXPERIMENT 1: PERFORMANCE ON GRAPHINSTRUCT

In this experiment, we evaluate the performance of GAR on polynomial-time tasks of the GraphIn-348 struct dataset. The results are shown in Table 1. We see GAR exhibits near-perfect results on these 349 tasks, significantly outperforming other models. Especially on shortest and triangle tasks with high 350 time complexity, GAR substantially improves the performance of LLMs. Problems that a single 351 LLM struggles to solve have been effectively resolved through collaboration by agents after being 352 decomposed into smaller, node-centric tasks. 353

354 As the number of nodes increases, the graph structures become more complex, making the solution of graph problems increasingly difficult. To investigate how the performance of models varies 355 with increasing problem complexity, we conduct experiments on cycle detection and shortest path 356 problems, gradually increasing the number of nodes from 5 to 100. The results are presented in 357 Figure 4. 358



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We see with the number of nodes increasing, both ChatGPT-4 and Graphwiz exhibit a significant 376 decline in performance. However, the accuracy of GAR remains stable, almost unaffected by the 377 graph size, demonstrating robust scalability. Although the scale of the graph is increasing, the

378 information processed by each agent has not significantly increased. Each agent still only handles its 379 own information and communicates with neighboring agents. We observe that GAR occasionally 380 makes errors in specific cases, likely due to the increasing communication rounds as the number of 381 nodes and edges grows. Even when handling simple node-centric tasks, a single agent still has the 382 potential to make mistakes. Therefore, as the number of agents and communication rounds increases, the overall likelihood of errors also rises. This can be improved by enhancing the capability of individual agents (such as using stronger LLMs as the underlying reasoning model) or by more finely 384 designed prompts. 385

Table 1: Performance of GraphAgent-Reasoner and other models on polynomial-time tasks of GraphInstruct test set. Each task contains 400 test cases, with a maximum of 100 nodes. The first best result for each task is highlighted in bold, and the second best result is highlighted underlined.

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93	Closed-source Models							
94	GPT-4 (zero-shot)	38.75	17.00	65.25	5.00	9.25	5.75	23.50
15	GhatGPT (2-shot)	51.25	43.75	70.75	4.50	3.50	17.25	31.83
96	GPT-4 (2-shot)	52.50	62.75	74.25	25.25	18.25	31.00	44.00
70	Fine-tuned Open-source Models							
	Naive SFT (LLaMA 2-7B)	73.75	83.50	41.25	4.00	9.50	30.00	40.17
8	Naive SFT (Mistral-7B)	73.75	83.50	78.50	1.00	23.00	47.00	51.13
9	GraphWiz (LLaMA 2-7B)	91.50	87.00	74.00	18.00	28.00	38.25	56.13
0	GraphWiz (Mistral-7B)	<u>92.00</u>	<u>89.50</u>	72.00	19.00	<u>31.25</u>	38.75	57.08
)1	GraphWiz-DPO (LLaMA 2-7B)	89.00	82.50	84.75	46.75	24.00	<u>52.75</u>	<u>63.29</u>
12	GraphWiz-DPO (Mistral-7B)	85.50	79.50	<u>85.50</u>	85.25	12.50	29.00	62.88
03	GraphAgent-Reasoner	99.50	100.00	100.00	96.50	99.75	93.25	98.00

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# 5.2 EXPERIMENT 2: PERFORMANCE ON LARGE-SCALE GRAPHS

408 In this experiment, we evaluate the performance of current LLMs on large-scale graphs. The largest 409 graph size handled by existing graph reasoning work is 100 nodes (Chen et al., 2024a), which is still far from sufficient for real-world graph reasoning scenarios. To evaluate the reasoning performance 410 of existing models on larger graphs, we conduct shortest path experiments on graphs with 100, 200, 411 500, and 1000 nodes. Due to the excessively long input text (reaching 16,000 tokens for 1000 nodes) 412 and the money cost, we only create 20 test samples for each graph size. The results are shown in 413 Table 2. 414

Table 2: Performance on large-scale graphs dealing with shortest path problems. x/20 indicates that out of 20 test samples, x samples are correct. NA signifies that testing could not be conducted due to the fact that the context length limit is exceeded.

Graph Size	100	200	500	1000
Graphwiz (LLaMA 2-7B)	0/20	0/20	NA	NA
Graphwiz (LLaMA 2-7B-DPO)	0/20	0/20	NA	NA
Chatgpt-3.5-turbo-16k	0/20	0/20	0/20	0/20
Chatgpt-4-32k	0/20	1/20	0/20	0/20
GraphAgent-Reasoner	20/20	20/20	20/20	18/20

426 We see the two GraphWiz models fine-tuned on the LLaMA2-7B (Touvron et al., 2023) base model 427 are unable to handle graphs with 500 or more nodes due to the context length limitation (the context 428 length limit for Llama2 is 4096 tokens). Although ChatGPT-3.5-turbo-16k and ChatGPT-4-32k can 429 manage longer contexts, they output wrong answers in almost all test samples, with only ChatGPT-4-32k being correct in one 200 nodes test sample. In contrast, GAR maintains a high accuracy 430 in large-scale graph, only failed in two 1000-node test samples, further demonstrating its robust 431 scalability.

#### 432 5.3 EXPERIMENT 3: CASE STUDY 433

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In this experiment, we explore the application of two graph reasoning models, Graphwiz and GAR, 435 in real-world graph reasoning scenarios. We present a case study of webpage importance analysis in Figure 5. 436

437 438 (G,Q): For a webpage network graph, each node represents a webpage, and a directed edge (i->j) means 439 that webpage i has a link to webpage j. Now given a webpage network graph G, you need to <mark>analyze the</mark> importance of each webpage and give the top three webpage ids. G: The nodes are numbered from <mark>1 to 20</mark>, 440 and the edges are: (1->5) (1->9) (2->6) (2->17) (3->8) (3->12) (4->2) (4->19) (5->14) (6->1) (7->10)441 (7->3) (8->13) (9->4) (10->18) (11->7) (12->15) (13->20) (14->11) (15->2) (16->8) (16->5) (17->16) (18->14) (19->6) (20->1) (5->7) (10->12) (15->19) (6->11) (8->2) (12->4) (14->9) (3->20) (7->15) (13->10) (12->1 442 >18) (9->17) (2->13) (11->16) (4->10). 443 444 GraphWiz(LLaMA 2-7B): \n\n### The output is: ### The output is: The graph has 21 nodes and 21 edges, so 445 the number of edges is equal to the number of nodes. Therefore, the graph is connected and there is a path between any two nodes. The graph is not bipartite, so there is no way to divide the nodes into two groups 446 such that no two nodes in the same group are directly connected. GraphWiz(LLaMA 2-7B-DPO): The graph has 21 nodes and 19 edges, and we can use a similar strategy as 447 448 the previous examples to find the top three nodes ... Finally, we can select node 6, which has the lowest 449 degree (one) among the remaining nodes. \nThis way, we obtain a valid topological sorting of the graph that respects the direction of the edges. The top three nodes are 1, 2, and 6. 450 451 GraphAgent-Reasoner: To analyze the importance of each webpage in the given directed graph, we can use a distributed algorithm based on the concept of PageRank. Below is the structured algorithm design: 452 ### State: 453 `rank`: Represents the importance of the webpage, initialized to 1.0. ### Initialization 454 Step 1: Set `rank` to 1.0 for each node (webpage) 455 ### Message: 1. `contribution`: Current rank of the node divided by its number of outgoing links. 456 Distributed\_Algorithm\_Designer: ### Send Step 1: Calculate `contribution` as `rank / out\_degree`, where `out\_degree` is the total number of outgoing 457 links. 458 Step 2: Send `contribution` to each connected neighbor (Node A and Node B). 459 ### Update Step 1: Sum all received `contribution` values from messages. 460 Step 2: Update `rank` using the formula: `new\_rank = damping\_factor \* (sum\_of\_received\_contributions) + (1 - damping\_factor) \* initial\_rank`. 461 Step 3: Set the new `rank` as the current state. 462 <Distributed Execution> 463 464 [RESULT]: Node: 1 State: 1. rank: 1.1194682167142727 Node: 2 State: 1. rank: 1.1624009025870747 465 466 Node: 19 State: 1. rank: 0.662517899831644 Node: 20 State: 1. rank: 0.5902983815488694 467 Master: {'thought': 'The PageRank values for each node have been calculated. The top three important 468 webpages are those with the highest ranks.', 'speak': 'The top three important webpages are 16, 14, and 5 469 based on their PageRank values.'} 470

471 Figure 5: The importance analysis in webpage network. While the GraphWiz fails due to incorrect 472 graph assessments, GAR correctly uses the PageRank algorithm to identify nodes 16, 14, and 5 as the 473 most important. 474

Although GraphWiz performed well on fine-tuned tasks, it exhibits severe overfitting when faced 475 with real-world graph problems, failing to apply the graph reasoning knowledge learned during the 476 fine-tuning phase. Since GraphWiz uses a consistent graph node description, the sentence "The 477 nodes are numbered from 0 to ..." appears across all datasets during the mixed-task instruction tuning. 478 When the actual problem has nodes numbered from 1 to 20, it still assumes the existence of node 479 0. As a result, both GraphWiz models first output that the graph has 21 nodes and an incorrect 480 number of edges. Furthermore, neither of the two GraphWiz models recognizes that this is a problem 481 associated with web page importance ranking. Instead, they approach it as the bipartite graph check 482 or topological sort problems they had been fine-tuned on. Additionally, neither model generates an explicit and correct reasoning path. These observations indicate that there is still a significant gap 483 between excelling in classic graph reasoning tasks and effectively solving real-world graph reasoning 484 problems. In contrast, GAR correctly identifies that the problem should be solved using knowledge 485 related to PageRank (Yang et al., 2024) and designs an algorithm that adhered to the distributed

486 paradigm (Note: the distributed algorithm library does not contain a PageRank algorithm template). 487 GAR then assigns the algorithm to agent nodes for execution, ultimately obtaining the PageRank 488 value for each node and arriving at the correct conclusion. Through the distributed paradigm, GAR 489 effectively bridges the powerful knowledge learned by LLMs with the solving of real-world graph 490 reasoning problems, which enables it to flexibly handle practical issues in a distributed manner. This case study demonstrates the feasibility of using GAR to solve real-world graph reasoning problems, 491 indicating its substantial practical applicability and offering researchers and practitioners a powerful 492 framework to address such tasks. 493

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6 CONCLUSION

497 We first summarize three key issues faced by existing LLMs in graph reasoning tasks: limited graph 498 scale, poor performance, and the lack of explicit reasoning paths. We then reflect on the limitations of a single LLM in addressing graph reasoning problems, such as the graph structures being too complex 499 to memorize and understand and the overwhelming information in real-world graph reasoning 500 scenarios. To address these challenges, we propose GraphAgent-Reasoner, a framework based on 501 multi-agent collaboration to solve graph reasoning problems. This framework demonstrates superior 502 accuracy and scalability, significantly surpassing existing closed-source and fine-tuned open-source models. Our experiments show its robust scalability, maintaining high accuracy on large graphs (up 504 to 1,000 nodes). Our case study on webpage importance analysis further illustrates its capability to 505 handle real-world graph reasoning problems. Future work will focus on designing more accurate and 506 scalable LLM-based multi-agent graph reasoning frameworks, aiming to apply them to larger and 507 more complex real-world reasoning scenarios. 508

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669	A DISTRIBUTED ALGORITHMS UNDER THE DISTRIBUTED PARADIGM
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671	A.1 EXAMPLE OF DISTRIBUTED ALGORITHMS IN DISTRIBUTED ALGORITHM LIBRARY
673	Shortest Path: See Figure 6.
674	Connectivity: See Figure 7.
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676 677	A.2 EXAMPLE OF DISTRIBUTED ALGORITHMS DESIGNED BY THE MASTER LLM
678	PageRank: See Figure 8.
679	Hamilton Path: See Figure 9.
680 681	Subgraph Matching: See Figure 10.
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683 684	B THE GRAPHINSTRUCT DATASET
685 686	The statistics and detailed information of GraphInstruct are shown in Table 3. Hamilton Path and Subgraph Matching are NP-complete problems.
687	Hamilton Path Execution Example.
689	Problem Description:
690	Determine whether or not there is a Hamiltonian path in an undirected graph. In an undirected graph
691	(i,j) means that node i and node j are connected with an undirected edge. Given a graph, you need
692 693	to output Yes or No, indicating whether there is a Hamiltonian path in the graph. Q: The nodes are numbered from 0 to 5, and the edges are: $(0, 3)(0, 1)(0, 2)(0, 4)(1, 5)(1, 4)(1, 2)(2, 4)(2, 5)$
694	(3, 5) (3, 4). Is there a Hamiltonian path in this graph?
695	Execution Process:
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697 698	### State
699	2. 'path length': Integer representing the current length of the path.
700	3. 'max_path_length': Integer tracking the longest path found.

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### Initialization
Step 1: Set `visited = False`, `path\_length = 0`, and `max\_path\_length = 1` for all a

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704	Shortest Path
705	State:
706	1. distance : Known shortest distance from source node
707	For each node, the input is:
708	Node Id: <node_id></node_id>
709	 ### Initialization
710	Step 1: If Node Id is 14, set `distance` to 0; otherwise, set `distance` to infinity.
711	Message:
712	1. `new_distance`: Computed minimum distance from node 2 to the sending node.
713	Send: For each node, the input is:
714	Node Id: <node_id></node_id>
715	State: 1. distance: <distance></distance>
716	Neighbor Information: Connected to:
717	Node A with weight <weight1></weight1>
718	Node B with weight <weight2></weight2>
719	 ### Send
720	<pre>Step 1: For each neighbor node, calculate `new_distance` = <distance> + <weight></weight></distance></pre>
721	Step 2: Construct Message sent to Node xx: 1. new_distance: <new_distance></new_distance>
722	## Input
723	Node Id: 5
724	State: 1. distance: 2 Neighbor Information:
725	Connected to:
726	Node A with weight 3
727	## Process
728	For Node A with weight 3,
729	Step 1: calculate `new_distance` = 2 + 3 = 5
730	For Node B with weight 5,
731	Step 1: calculate `new_distance` = 2 + 5 = 7
732	step 2: construct Message sent to Node B: 1. new_distance: / ## Output
733	Message sent to Node A: 1. new_distance: 5
734	Message sent to Node B: 1. new_distance: 7
735	Opodie. For each node, the input is:
736	Node Id: <node_id></node_id>
737	State: 1. distance: <distance></distance>
738	Message: 1. new distance: <new distance=""></new>
739	Message: 1. new_distance: <new_distance></new_distance>
740	 ### Undate
741	Step 1: For each received message, check if `new_distance` is less than current `distance`.
742	Step 2: If it is, update `distance` to `new_distance`; otherwise, keep `distance` unchanged.
743	### Example ## Input
744	Node Id: 5
745	State: 1. distance: 15 Received Messages:
746	Message: 1. new distance: 12
747	Message: 1. new_distance: 17
748	## Process For Message: 1 new distance: 12
749	Step 1: `new_distance` = 12 is less than current `distance` = 15.
750	Step 2: update `distance` to 12. State: 1. distance: 12
751	For Message: 1. new_distance: 17 Step 1: `new distance` = 17 is not less than current `distance` = 12.
752	Step 2: no update needed. State remains: 1. distance: 12
753	## Output
754	State. 1. UIStante. 12

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Figure 6: Distributed algorithm for shortest path problem under the distributed paradigm.

756 Connectivity 758 State: 1. `Component\_Id`: unique identifier for the connected component. 759 Message: 760 1. `Sender\_Component\_Id`: the current component identifier of the sender node. 761 Initialization: 762 For each node, the input is: 763 Node Id: <node\_id> 764 ### Initialization 765 Step 1: set Component\_Id = <node\_id> 766 Send: 767 For each node, the input is: Node Id: <node\_id> 768 State: 1. Component\_Id: <component\_id> 769 Neighbor Information: 770 Connected to: Node A 771 Node B 772 ### Send 773 Step 1: Construct Message sent to Node xx: 1. Component\_Id: <component\_id> 774 ### Example 775 ## Input For each node, the input is: 776 Node Id: 5 777 State: 1. Component\_Id: 5 Neighbor Information: 778 Connected to: 779 Node A Node B ## Process 781 For Node A, 782 Step 1: Construct Message sent to Node A: 1. Component\_Id: 5 783 For Node B, Step 1: Construct Message sent to Node B: 1. Component\_Id: 5 784 ## Output 785 Message sent to Node A: 1. Component\_Id: 5 Message sent to Node B: 1. Component\_Id: 5 786 Update: 787 For each node, the input is: 788 Node Id: <node\_id> 789 State: 1. Component\_Id: <component\_id> Receive Messages: 790 Message: 1. Sender\_Component\_Id: <sender\_component\_id> 791 Message: 1. Sender\_Component\_Id: <sender\_component\_id> 792 ### Update 793 Step 1: For each received message, check if <sender\_component\_id> is less than current 794 <component\_id> Step 2: If it is, update <component\_id> to <sender\_component\_id>; otherwise, keep 795 <component id> unchanged. 796 ### Example 797 ## Input For each node, the input is: 798 Node Id: 5 799 State: 1. Component\_Id: 5 Receive Messages: 800 Message: 1. Sender\_Component\_Id: 2 801 Message: 1. Sender\_Component\_Id: 7 802 ## Process For Message: 1. Sender\_Component\_Id: 2, 803 Step 1: `Sender\_Component\_Id` = 2 is less than current `Component\_Id` = 5. 804 Step 2: update `Component\_Id` to 2. State: 1. Component\_Id: 2 805 For Message: 1. Sender\_Component\_Id: 7, Step 1: `Sender Component Id` = 7 is not less than current `Component Id` = 2. 806 Step 2: no update needed. State remains: 1. Component\_Id: 2 807 ## Output State: 1. Component\_Id: 2''' 808

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Figure 7: Distributed algorithm for connectivity problem under the distributed paradigm.

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815
                                                    PageRank
816
            State:
817
            1. `rank`: Represents the importance of the webpage, initialized to 1.0.
818
            Initialization:
819
            Step 1: Set `rank` to 1.0 for each node (webpage).
820
            Step 2: (No additional steps required).
821
            Message:
            1. `contribution`: Current rank of the node divided by its number of outgoing links.
822
            Send:
823
            Step 1: Calculate `contribution` as `rank / out_degree`, where `out_degree` is the total
824
            number of outgoing links.
825
            Step 2: Send `contribution` to each connected neighbor (Node A and Node B).
            ### Example
826
            ## Input
827
            Node Id: 1
            State: 1. rank: 2.0
828
            Neighbor Information:
829
            Connected to:
830
            Node A
            Node B
831
            ## Process
832
            1. Calculate `out_degree` for Node 1:
833
                - Outgoing links = 2 (to Node A and Node B).
            2. Calculate `contribution`:
834
                  `contribution = rank / out_degree = 2.0 / 2 = 1.0`.
835
            3. Send `contribution` to neighbors:
               - Message to Node A: `contribution = 1.0`.
836
               - Message to Node B: `contribution = 1.0`.
837
            ## Output
838
            Message sent to Node A: 1. contribution: 1.0
            Message sent to Node B: 1. contribution: 1.0
839
            Update:
840
            Step 1: Sum all received `contribution` values from messages.
841
            Step 2: Update `rank` using the formula:
842
                `new_rank = damping_factor * (sum_of_received_contributions) + (1 - damping_factor) *
            initial_rank`
843
            Step 3: Set the new `rank` as the current state.
844
            ### Example
            ## Input
845
            Node Id: 2
846
            State: 1. rank: 1.5
847
            Received Messages:
            Message: 1. contribution: 0.8
848
            Message: 2. contribution: 1.2
849
            ## Process
            1. Sum all received `contribution` values:
850
                - `sum_of_received_contributions = 0.8 + 1.2 = 2.0`.
851
            2. Update `rank` using the formula:
852
                 `new_rank = damping_factor * (sum_of_received_contributions) + (1 - damping_factor) *
            initial_rank`.
853
               - Assuming `damping_factor = 0.85`:
854
               - `new_rank = 0.85 * 2.0 + 0.15 * 1.5 = 1.7 + 0.225 = 1.925`.
855
            3. Set the new `rank` as the current state:
                `rank = 1.925`.
856
            ## Output
857
            State: 1. rank: 1.925
858
```

Figure 8: Distributed algorithm for pagerank calculation under the distributed paradigm.

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# Hamilton Path

State: 1. 'isInPath': boolean (True if the node is part of the Hamiltonian path, False otherwise); 2. 'pathLength': integer (length of the path ending at this node). Initialization: Step 1: Each node initializes `isInPath` as `False` and `pathLength` as `1`. Step 2: Node 0 initializes `isInPath` as `True` and `pathLength` as `1`. Message: 1. 'pathLength': integer (current length of the path from the sender node); 2. 'isInPath': boolean (True if the sender node is part of the Hamiltonian path). Send: Step 1: For each neighbor (Node A, Node B), if `isInPath` is `True`, send messages containing: `pathLength`: current `pathLength` + 1 `isInPath`: current `isInPath`. Step 2: If `isInPath` is `False`, do not send messages. Update: Step 1: For each received message, check if `isInPath` from the message is `True`. Step 2: If `isInPath` is `True` and the `pathLength` from the message is greater than the current `pathLength`, update the state: - Set `pathLength` to the maximum of the current `pathLength` and the received `pathLength` + 1. - Set `isInPath` to `True` (if not already). Step 3: If no messages resulted in an update, retain the current state.

Figure 9: Distributed algorithm for hamilton path problem under the distributed paradigm.

# Subgraph Matching

## State:

894	
895	<ol> <li>**NodeMatch**: A list of potential matches for nodes in the subgraph G'.</li> <li>**MatchedFlag**: A boolean indicating if the node is currently matched to a node in the</li> </ol>
896	subgraph.
897	Initialization:
898	Step 1: Each node in graph G initializes its **NodeMatch** as an empty list and **MatchedElag** as false
899	Step 2: Each node in subgraph G' initializes its unique identifier and sets **MatchedFlag**
900	as false.
901	Message:
902	1. **Matchinfo**: Contains the identifier of the sending node and its list of current potential matches.
903	2. **EdgeConnection**: Indicates the directed neighbors that the sending node is connected
904	to.
905	Send:
906	step 1: Construct **MatchInto** message containing the node identifier and its list of potential matches.
907	Step 2: Include **EdgeConnection** message detailing connections to both Node A and Node B. Step 3: Send the constructed messages to both connected neighbors.
908	Undate:
909	Step 1: For each received **MatchInfo** message, check if the identifier matches any node in
910	the state of the subgraph G'. If a match is found, update **NodeMatch** to include the new
911	match and set **MatchedFlag** to true.
912	or confirm connectivity with received nodes, ensuring to track relationships needed for
913	further matching.
914	Step 3: If no new matches are found and the **MatchedFlag** remains false, retain the current state while preparing for potential future undates
915	state while preparing for potential fature appares.
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Figure 10: Distributed algorithm for subgraph matching problem under the distributed paradigm.

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Problem	Definition	Node Range	Test Size	
Cycle Detection	Detect if a given graph $\mathcal{G}$ contains any cycles.	[2, 100]	400	
Connectivity	Assess if two nodes $u$ and $v$ in a given graph $\mathcal{G}$ are connected via a path.	[2, 100]	400	
Bipartite Graph Che	ck Judge if a given graph $\mathcal{G}$ is bipartite.	[2, 100]	400	
Topological Sort	Find a topological ordering of vertices in a directed acyclic graph $\mathcal{G}$ .	[2, 50]	400	
Shortest Path	Compute the shortest path between two specific nodes $u$ and $v$ in a given graph $\mathcal{G}$ .	[2, 100]	400	
Maximum Triangle	Sum Find the maximum sum of weights for any connected triplet of vertices in a given graph $\mathcal{G}$ .	[2, 25]	400	
Maximum Flow	Calculate the maximum flow from a source node $s$ to a sink node $t$ in a directed graph $\mathcal{G}$ .	[2, 50]	400	
Hamilton Path	Determine if a given graph $\mathcal{G}$ has a Hamiltonian path that visits each vertex exactly once.	[2, 50]	400	
Subgraph Matching	Verify if there exists a subgraph in $\mathcal{G}$ that is isomorphic to a given graph $\mathcal{G}'$ .	[2, 30]	400	
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# Table 3: The detailed information of GraphInstruct dataset.

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972
     Message sent to Node B:
973
     1. path_length: 3
974
      2. max_path_length: 3
975
      3. visited_flag: False
976
     ### Update
     Step 1: For each received message, check the 'visited_flag'. If it is
977
      'False', proceed to the next steps.
978
      Step 2: Update 'visited' to 'True' for the current node.
979
      Step 3: Update 'path_length' to the maximum of its current value and
980
     the received 'path_length' from the message, incrementing by 1 if the
981
     message indicates a potential continuation of the path.
982
     Step 4: Update 'max_path_length' to the maximum of its current value
983
      and the received 'max_path_length' from the message.
984
      Step 5: If any messages were processed, trigger a re-evaluation of
985
      outgoing messages to neighbors, if applicable.
986
      ### Example
987
     ## Input
988
     Node Id: 1
     State:
989
     1. visited: False
990
     2. path_length: 1
991
     3. max_path_length: 2
992
     Received Messages:
993
     Message 1:
994
     1. path_length: 2
995
     2. max_path_length: 3
996
     3. visited_flag: False
997
     Message 2:
998
     1. path_length: 3
999
     2. max_path_length: 4
     3. visited_flag: True
1000
     ## Process
1001
     Step 1: Process Message 1. Since 'visited_flag' is 'False', proceed:
1002
     - Update 'visited' to 'True'.
1003
      - Update 'path_length': 'max(1, 2) + 1 = 3'.
1004
      - Update 'max_path_length': 'max(2, 3) = 3'.
1005
     Step 2: Process Message 2. Since 'visited_flag' is 'True', ignore this
1006
     message and do not make any changes.
1007
     ## Output
1008
     State:
1009
     1. visited: True
     2. path_length: 3
1010
     3. max_path_length: 3
1011
     ### Termination
1012
     The algorithm continues until:
1013
     - A node reaches a 'path_length' equal to the total number of nodes
1014
     (indicating a Hamiltonian path exists).
1015
     - Or until a predefined number of iterations equal to the total number
1016
     - of nodes ('N') is reached without discovering a Hamiltonian path.
1017
     1018
     Master: {'thought': "The algorithm is designed to check for a
1019
     Hamiltonian path. Now let's execute it to see if such a path exists.",
1020
     'speak': "The algorithm is ready. Let's execute it to determine if there is
     a Hamiltonian path.", 'function': [{'name': 'Distributed_Execution',
1021
     'arguments': {}}]
1022
     1023
     0: State: 1. visited: True 2. path_length: 1 3. max_path_length: 1
1024
     2: State: 1. visited: False 2. path_length: 0 3. max_path_length: 1
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     5: State: 1. visited: False 2. path_length: 0 3. max_path_length: 1
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     3: State: 1. visited: False 2. path_length: 0 3. max_path_length: 1
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     4: State: 1. visited: False 2. path_length: 0 3. max_path_length: 1
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     1: State: 1. visited: False 2. path_length: 0 3. max_path_length: 1
1029
     Node 5 Send Message to Node 1: 1. path_length: 1 2. max_path_length:
1030
     1 3. visited_flag: False
     Node 5 Send Message to Node 2: 1. path_length: 1 2. max_path_length:
1031
     1 3. visited_flag: False
1032
     Node 5 Send Message to Node 3: 1. path_length: 1 2. max_path_length:
1033
     1 3. visited_flag: False
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1035
     All agents' state unchanged, terminating early...
1036
     >>> END
1037
     system: 1. Execute function Distributed_Execution
1038
         [ARGUMENTS]:
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1040
         [STATUS]: SUCCESS
1041
         [RESULT]: Node: 0 State: 1. visited: True 2. path_length: 5 3. max_path_length:
     Node: 1 State: 1. visited: True 2. path_length: 2 3. max_path_length: 1
1042
     Node: 2 State: 1. visited: True 2. path_length: 4 3. max_path_length: 3
1043
     Node: 3 State: 1. visited: True 2. path_length: 5 3. max_path_length: 3
1044
     Node: 4
              State: 1. visited: True 2. path_length: 4 3. max_path_length: 3
1045
     Node: 5
              State: 1. visited: True 2. path_length: 5 3. max_path_length: 3
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     1048
     Master: {'thought': 'Since the maximum path length found is 5, which is
1049
     less than the total number of nodes (6), there is no Hamiltonian path in
1050
     the graph.', 'speak': 'No, there is no Hamiltonian path in this graph.',
1051
     'function': []}
1052
1053
         EXECUTION EXAMPLES OF GRAPHAGENT-REASONER
     С
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1055
     Shortest Path Execution Example.
1056
     Problem Description:
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1058
     Find the shortest distance from a source node to other nodes in an undirected graph. In an undirected
1059
     graph, (i,j,k) means that node i and node j are connected with an undirected edge with weight k. The
     graph has 8 nodes, and the edges are: (0,7,9) (0,1,7) (0,4,9) (1,7,1) (2,7,7) (2,6,5) (2,5,8) (3,5,9)
1061
     (3,4,8) (3,6,1) (4,7,7) (4,5,6) (5,7,6). Give the weight of the shortest distance from node 1 to other
     node.
1062
1063
     Execution Process:
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1065
     Master: {'thought': 'I need to find the shortest distances from node 1 to all
1066
     other nodes in the given undirected graph. First, I will build the graph using
     the provided edges and then design a distributed algorithm to find the
1068
     shortest paths.', 'speak': 'Building the graph and designing the distributed
1069
     algorithm to find the shortest distances from node 1.', 'function': '[{"name":
1070
     "Build_Graph", "arguments": {"Edges": [[0, 7, 9], [0, 1, 7], [0, 4, 9], [1, 7, 1], []
1071
     7, 7], [2, 6, 5], [2, 5, 8], [3, 5, 9], [3, 4, 8], [3, 6, 1], [4, 7, 7], [4, 5, 6],
1072
     "Nodes_Num": 8, "Directed": false}}]'
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     1074
     >>>
              Edges: [[0, 7, 9], [0, 1, 7], [0, 4, 9], [1, 7, 1], [2, 7...
1075
              Nodes_Num: 8
     >>>
1076
     >>>
              Directed: False
1077
     >>> END
     system: 1. Execute function Build_Graph
1078
         [ARGUMENTS]:
1079
            Edges: [[0, 7, 9], [0, 1, 7], [0, 4, 9], [1, 7, 1], [2, 7, 7], [2, 6, 5], [2,
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           5, 9], [3, 4, 8], [3, 6, 1], [4, 7, 7], [4, 5, 6], [5, 7, 6]]
1081
                   Nodes Num: 8
1082
                   Directed: False
1083
        [STATUS]: SUCCESS
     1084
     Master: {'thought': 'The graph has been successfully built. Now, I will design
1085
     a distributed algorithm to find the shortest distances from node 1 to all
1086
     other nodes.', 'speak': 'Designing a distributed algorithm to find the
1087
     shortest distances from node 1.', 'function': '[{"name":
1088
     "Design_Distributed_Algorithm", "arguments": { "Problem_Str": "Find the
1089
     shortest distance from node 1 to all other nodes in an undirected graph
1090
     with 8 nodes and given edges."}}]'
1091
     1092
     >>> END
1093
     1094
     Master: {'thought': 'The distributed algorithm has been successfully
1095
     designed. Now, I will execute the algorithm to find the shortest distances
     from node 1 to all other nodes.', 'speak': 'Executing the distributed
1096
     algorithm to calculate the shortest distances from node 1.', 'function':
1097
     '[{"name": "Distributed_Execution", "arguments": {}}]'}
1098
     1099
     Initialization:
1100
     1: State: 1. distance: 0
1101
     0: State: 1. distance: \infinity
1102
     2: State: 1. distance: \infinity
1103
     4: State: 1. distance: \infinity
1104
     5: State: 1. distance: \infinity
1105
     7: State: 1. distance: \infinity
     3: State: 1. distance: \infinity
1106
     6: State: 1. distance: \infinity
1107
     Node 6 Send Message to Node 2: 1. new_distance: \infinity
1108
     Node 6 Send Message to Node 3: 1. new_distance: \infinity
1109
     Node 1 Send Message to Node 0: 1. new_distance: 7
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     Node 1 Send Message to Node 7: 1. new_distance: 1
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     Node 3 Send Message to Node 5: 1. new_distance: \infinity
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1113
     All agents' state unchanged, terminating early...
1114
     >>> END
1115
     system: 1. Execute function Distributed_Execution
1116
        [ARGUMENTS]:
1117
        [STATUS]: SUCCESS
1118
        [RESULT]: Node: 0 State: 1. distance: 7
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     Node: 1 State: 1. distance: 0
1120
     Node: 2 State: 1. distance: 8
1121
     Node: 3 State: 1. distance: 14
1122
     Node: 4 State: 1. distance: 8
1123
     Node: 5 State: 1. distance: 7
1124
     Node: 6
             State: 1. distance: 13
1125
     Node: 7 State: 1. distance: 1
1126
1127
     The shortest distances from node 1 are as follows: Node 0: 7, Node 1: 0,
1128
     Node 2: 8, Node 3: 14, Node 4: 8, Node 5: 7, Node 6: 13, Node 7: 1.Master:
1129
     {'thought': 'The distributed algorithm has been successfully executed, and I
1130
     have obtained the shortest distances from node 1 to all other nodes.',
1131
     'speak': 'The shortest distances from node 1 are as follows: Node 0: 7, Node
1132
     1: 0, Node 2: 8, Node 3: 14, Node 4: 8, Node 5: 7, Node 6: 13, Node 7: 1.',
1133
     'function': []}
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