

An Extended Factoring Formula in Computing Two Terminal Reliability of Undirected Network

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Two terminal reliability is the probability that the specific two vertices are connected by working edges in an undirected network. Two terminal reliability computation problem is known to be NP-hard. Several reliability-preserving for this problem are presented. A factoring algorithm solves this problem by using these reductions and pivoting repeatedly. In this paper, reduction incorporated pivoting method is presented for delta-star & star-delta transformations. This method presents the exact formular for star-delta & delta-star transformations. It should be noted that this method does not introduce "artificial unreliable vertex" for delta-star transformation. Consequently, delta-star & star-delta transformations can be easily integrated into the factoring algorithm for computing two terminal reliability.