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# Embedding Algorithms for Bubble-Sort, Macro-Star, and Transposition Graphs

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**Abstract.** Bubble-sort, macro-star, and transposition graphs are interconnection networks with the advantages of star graphs in terms of improving the network cost of a hypercube. These graphs contain a star graph as their sub-graph, and have node symmetry, maximum fault tolerance, and recursive partition properties. This study proposes embedding methods for these graphs based on graph definitions, and shows that a bubble-sort graph  $B_n$  can be embedded in a transposition graph  $T_n$  with dilation 1 and expansion 1. In contrast, a macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$  can be embedded in a transposition graph with dilation  $n$ , but with an average dilation of 2 or under.

**Keywords:** Interconnection network, Embedding, Dilation

## 1 Introduction

Applications in engineering and scientific fields such as artificial intelligence, CAD/CAM (Computer-Aided Design and Computer-Aided Manufacturing), and fluid mechanics require hundreds of operations for data processing, which has led to increased interest in high-performance computers with a large number of processors. Consequently, interest in parallel processing, in which more than one processor simultaneously executes multiple tasks or a part of one program, has risen dramatically. However, it has proven challenging to design effective parallel algorithms. Parallel algorithms are usually designed for a particular parallel computer architecture, so to optimize algorithm design it is necessary to understand parallel computer architectures. There are a number of major architectures, and several methods exist for classifying them. One of the most well-known methods is Flynn's taxonomy, which categorizes architectures into four groups based on the number of instruction and data streams available in the architecture. Of the four types, MIMD

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(Multiple Instruction, Multiple Data streams) is the most common and it can simultaneously execute multiple instruction and data streams within one system.

MIMD parallel computers can be classified into two types based on memory architecture: multi-processor systems with shared memory and multi-computer systems with distributed memory. In a multi-computer system, each process has its own memory and is connected to other processors via an interconnection network. In a multi-processor system, each process has its own memory and is connected to other processors via an interconnection network. Inter-processor communication is achieved by sending messages among computers through the network, and a data-driven system is used for computations [1], [2]. The performance of the multi-computer system depends on the performance of each processor as well as the structure of the interconnection network and the applied algorithms. The characteristics of the interconnection network greatly influence overall performance and scalability of a multi-computer system. The most well-known topologies of interconnection networks are the mesh, hypercube, and star graph. The commonly used parameters for evaluating the performance of interconnection networks are degree, diameter, symmetry, scalability, fault tolerance, and embedding.

The embedding of interconnection networks is intended to analyze the interrelationship between graphs to observe whether a certain graph  $G$  is included in or interrelated with another graph  $H$ . The evaluation of embedding is significant: if graph  $G$  can be efficiently embedded in graph  $H$  with less cost, then the method developed in the interconnection network with graph  $G$  can be used in the interconnection network with graph  $H$  at less cost [3], [4]. In previous works [5], [6], we analyzed embedding methods for some star variations such as star, matrix-star, Rotator-Faber-Moore, and pancake graphs. In this paper we analyzed embedding methods for bubble-sort, macro-star, and transposition graphs, which are well-known as variations of the star graph. This work extended earlier work to develop a method for embedding between bubble-sort and transposition graphs [7].

## 2 Related Work

An interconnection network can be represented as an undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$ , with each processor presented as a node (vertex)  $v$  of  $G$ , and the communication channel between those processors presented as an edge  $(v, w)$ .  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$  represent the set of nodes and edges of graph  $G$ , respectively. That is,  $V(G) = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  and  $E(G)$  consists of pairs of distinct nodes from  $V(G)$ . There exists an edge  $(v, w)$  between two nodes  $v$  and  $w$  of  $G$  if and only if a communication channel between  $v$  and  $w$  exists [8]. If we classify the interconnection networks proposed up to now, we can divide them into the mesh variation with  $n \times k$  nodes [9], the hypercube variation with  $2^n$  nodes [2], [3], [10], the star graph variation with  $n!$  nodes [8], and the odd graph variation with combination  ${}_{2n}C_n$  nodes [4]. A variation of the star graph represents nodes using  $n$  distinct symbols, and the number of nodes is approximately  $n!$  nodes. Star [8], [11], bubble-sort [12], pancake [11], transposition [13], macro-star [14], rotator [15], and Faber-Moore [16] graphs have been proposed as variations of the star graph. The graphs have a smaller node degree and diameter than a hypercube with a similar number of nodes.

A macro-star graph  $MS$  [14] is an interconnection network that improves the network cost of a star graph by generalizing the star graph. The size and degree of  $MS$  are determined by parameters  $l$  and  $n$ . A macro-star graph  $MS(l, n)$  has  $(n!+1)!$  nodes,  $(n!+1)$  degree, and  $(n!+1)! * (n!+1)$  edges. The address of each node is represented as a permutation of  $k (=n!+1)$  distinct symbols. In other words, a node corresponds to a permutation. An edge exists between nodes  $u$  and  $v$  in  $MS(l, n)$  if and only if the permutation of node  $v$  can be obtained from that of node  $u$  by applying each of, as defined below, two edge generators  $T_j$  and  $S_i$  where  $2 \leq j \leq n!+1$  and  $2 \leq i \leq l$ . A macro-star graph  $MS(l, n)$  can be defined as shown in Eq. (1), where  $k$  distinct symbols  $\langle K \rangle = \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ , and a permutation of  $\langle K \rangle$ ,  $U = u_{1:k} = u_1 u_2 \dots u_i \dots u_k$ ,  $u_i \in \langle K \rangle$ .

$$V(MS(l, n)) = \{U = u_{1:k} \mid u_i, u_j \in \langle K \rangle, u_i \neq u_j, i \neq j, 1 \leq i, j \leq k\},$$

$$E(MS(l, n)) = \{(U, V) \mid U, V \in V(MS(l, n)) \text{ satisfying } U = T_j(V) \text{ or } U = S_i(V), 2 \leq j \leq n!+1, 2 \leq i \leq l\}. \quad (1)$$

Two edge generators  $T_j$  and  $S_{n,i}$  are defined in the macro-star graph  $MS(l, n)$  to formulate a link (edge) from a node to another node. The edge generator  $T_j$  is defined to create a permutation by interchanging the first symbol  $u_1$  with the  $j^{\text{th}}$  symbol ( $u_j$ ) of a given node. With a given node  $U = u_{1:k} = u_1 u_2 \dots u_i \dots u_k$ , the permutation of the node generated by  $T_j$  will be  $T_j(U) = u_j u_{2:j-1} u_1 u_{j+1:k}$ . Another edge generator  $S_{n,i}$  is defined to create a permutation by interchanging the sequence of symbols  $u_{(i-1)n+2:i n+1}$  with the sequence of symbols  $u_{2:n+1}$  in a given node. With a given node  $U = u_{1:k}$ , the permutation of the node generated by edge  $S_{n,i}$  will be  $S_{n,i}(u_{1:k}) = u_1 u_{(i-1)n+2:i n+1} u_{n+2:(i-1)n+1} u_{2:n+1} u_{i n+2:k}$ . The edge generator  $S_{n,i}$  is represented simply as  $S_i$ . Here, the symbol sequence  $u_{(i-1)n+2:i n+1}$  is referred to as a cluster [14].

Fig. 1a shows a top view of an  $MS(2, 2)$  graph, while Fig. 1b presents the details of the level 2 cluster '23'. Each circle corresponds to a cluster. The smaller circles in the internal domain of the inclusive circle in Fig. 1b are nodes whose second clusters consist of '23'; that is, the full permutation of node 145 is 14523, that of 541 is 54123, and so on. The permutation generated by the edge generator  $T_2$  is 41523 in node 14523; that is,  $T_2(14523) = 41523$  and  $T_3(14523) = 54123$ . When the edge generators  $T_j$  and  $S_i$  are sequentially applied to the permutation of a certain node  $U$ , they are represented as  $S_i(T_j(U))$ , and simply  $S_i T_j(U)$ . For example, the sequence of generators  $S_2(T_2(14523))$  will create the permutation 42315 in 14523. First,  $T_2$  generates 41523 and then  $S_2$  provides 42315 [5].

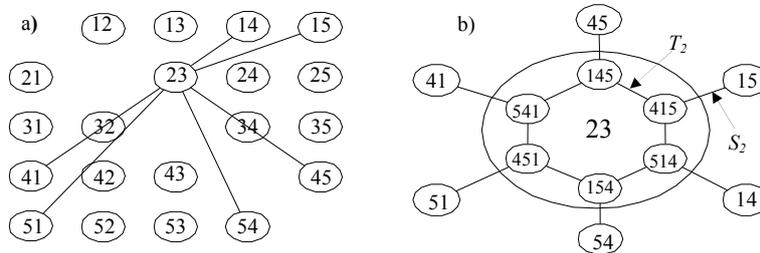


Fig. 1. Example of a macro-star graph  $MS(2, 2)$

An  $n$ -dimensional bubble-sort graph  $B_n$  [12] consists of  $n!$  nodes and  $n(n-1)!/2$  edges. The address of each node is represented as a permutation of  $n$  symbols  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ . An edge exists between two arbitrary nodes  $v$  and  $w$  if and only if the corresponding permutation of the node  $w$  can be obtained from that of  $v$  by interchanging two adjacent symbols  $v$  and  $w$  in the permutation. The bubble-sort graph  $B_n$  can thus be defined as shown in Eq. (2), where  $n$  distinct symbol sets  $\langle N \rangle = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , and a permutation of  $\langle N \rangle$ ,  $B = b_1 b_2 \dots b_n$ ,  $b_i \in \langle N \rangle$ . As the number of  $i$ -dimensional edges adjacent to  $B$  is equal to  $n-1$ , the bubble-sort graph  $B_n$  is a regular graph of degree  $n-1$  and has a diameter of  $n(n-1)/2$ . It is also a hierarchical interconnection network because it can partition the graph with the edge as the center. It is node- and edge-symmetric as well as bipartite and includes Hamiltonian cycles.

$$\begin{aligned} V(B_n) &= \{(b_1 b_2 \dots b_n) \mid b_i \in \langle N \rangle, i \neq j, b_i \neq b_j\} \\ E(B_n) &= \{(b_1 b_2 \dots b_i b_{i+1} \dots b_n)(b_1 b_2 \dots b_{i+1} b_i \dots b_n) \mid (b_1 b_2 \dots b_i \dots b_n) \in V(B_n), 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}. \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

An  $n$ -dimensional transposition graph  $T_n$  [13] consists of  $n!$  nodes and  $n(n-1)n!/4$  edges. The address of each node is represented as a permutation of  $n$  distinct symbols, and an edge exists between two nodes  $v$  and  $w$  if and only if the corresponding permutation of the node  $w$  can be obtained from that of  $v$  by interchanging the positions of any two arbitrary symbols from  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  in  $v$ . A transposition graph  $T_n$  can be defined by Eq. (3) with  $n$  distinct symbols  $\langle N \rangle = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , and a permutation of  $\langle N \rangle$ ,  $P = p_1 p_2 \dots p_n$ ,  $p_i \in \langle N \rangle$ . The transposition graph  $T_n$  is a regular node symmetric graph with  $n(n-1)/2$  degree, because an edge exists between the permutation that consists of  $n$  symbols and that in which two arbitrary different symbols are interchanged. It has maximum fault tolerance with a diameter of  $n-1$  and a fault diameter of  $n$ . It also includes Hamiltonian cycles.

$$\begin{aligned} V(T_n) &= \{(p_1 p_2 \dots p_i \dots p_j \dots p_n) \mid p_i \in \langle N \rangle, i \neq j, p_i \neq p_j\} \\ E(T_n) &= \{(p_1 p_2 \dots p_i \dots p_j \dots p_n)(p_1 p_2 \dots p_j \dots p_i \dots p_n) \mid (p_1 p_2 \dots p_i \dots p_j \dots p_n) \in V(T_n), 1 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j\}. \end{aligned} \quad (3)$$

### 3 Embedding Analysis

The embedding of one graph  $G$  into another graph  $H$  is a mapping mechanism for examining whether graph  $G$  is included in the structure of graph  $H$ , and how they are interrelated. This can be interpreted as simulating one interconnection topology using another. The embedding of graph  $G$  into a graph  $H$  is defined as a function  $f = (\vartheta, \rho)$  where  $\vartheta$  maps the set of vertices in  $G$ ,  $V(G)$  one-to-one into the set of vertices in  $H$ ,  $V(H)$ , and  $\rho$  corresponds to each edge  $(v, w)$  in  $G$  to a path in  $H$  that connects nodes  $\vartheta(v)$  and  $\vartheta(w)$ . Parameters for evaluating the efficiency of an embedding method include dilation, congestion, and expansion. The dilation of edge  $e$  in  $G$  is the length of the path  $\rho(e)$  in  $H$ , and the dilation of embedding  $f$  is the maximum value of all dilations in  $G$ . The congestion of edge  $e'$  in  $H$  is the number of  $\rho(e)$  included in  $e'$ , and the congestion of embedding  $f$  is the maximum number of all edge congestions in  $H$ . The expansion of embedding  $f$  is the ratio of the number of vertices in  $H$  to the number in  $G$  [6].

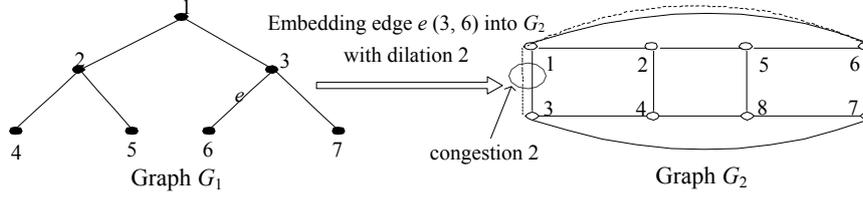


Fig. 2. Mapping example of  $G_1$  into  $G_2$

For instance, let each node (vertex) in the set  $V(G_1)$  be mapped onto the corresponding same node number in the set  $V(G_2)$  in Fig. 4. Then, edge  $e(3, 6)$  in  $G_1$  can be mapped onto edges  $(3, 1)$  and  $(1, 6)$  or edges  $(3, 7)$  and  $(7, 6)$  in  $G_2$  (i.e., to the path from 3 to 6 in  $G_2$ ). Let us assume that edge  $e(3, 6)$  in  $G_1$  is mapped onto edges  $(3, 1)$  and  $(1, 6)$  in  $G_2$ . Here, the dilation of this embedding is 2 because the length of the path  $\rho(e)$  in  $G_2$  is 2. As well, we can see that the congestion is 2 because edge  $e(1, 3)$  in  $G_2$  is routed by two edges  $(1, 3)$  and  $(3, 6)$  in  $G_1$ , and the expansion is  $8/7$  [6].

When we assume that  $R(=r_1r_2\dots r_i\dots r_j\dots r_n)$  is a node in an arbitrary graph and  $V$  is adjacent from  $R$  via dimensional edge  $J$  in the graph, it is represented as  $V = J(R)$ . And when we assume that node  $V$  is reached from node  $R$  by applying dimensional edges  $J$  and  $K$  in sequence, we denote the edge sequence as  $\langle J, K \rangle$  and  $V = K(J(R))$ . Sequentially applying edge sequence  $\langle J, K \rangle$  to node  $R$  means that at the first time unit, the permutation of node  $J(R)$  is generated from node  $R$  via dimensional edge  $J$ , and at the second time unit, the permutation of  $K(J(R))$  is created from node  $J(R)$  via dimensional edge  $K$  (i.e.,  $V = K(J(R))$ ). The basic principles of embedding applied in this study are as follows. Node mapping to bubble-sort, transposition, and macro-star graphs is based on one-to-one mapping with identical node numbers. When mapping two adjacent nodes  $(U, V)$  of a source graph to a target graph, the dimensional edge sequence is defined using the edge definition of the target graph. This sequence is formulated with dimensional edges of the target graph used for the shortest path from  $\emptyset(U)$  to  $\emptyset(V)$ . The dilation of embedding is represented as the number of dimensional edges required for the shortest path.

**Theorem 1.** A bubble-sort graph  $B_n$  can be embedded into a transposition graph  $T_n$  with dilation 1 and expansion 1.

**Proof.** In the bubble-sort graph  $B_n$ , if the permutation of a node  $B$  is  $b_1b_2b_3\dots b_i\dots b_{i+1}\dots b_n$ , then the permutation of node  $B'$  adjacent from node  $B$  is  $b_1b_2\dots b_{i+1}b_ib_{i-1}\dots b_n$ . The edge that connects nodes  $B$  and  $B'$  is called the  $i$ -dimensional edge ( $2 \leq i \leq n$ ). There exist  $(n-1)$  edges of dimension  $i$  in  $B_n$ . When mapping nodes  $B$  and  $B'$  ( $=b_1b_2\dots b_{i+1}b_ib_{i-1}\dots b_n$ ) in  $B_n$  onto nodes  $T(=t_1t_2\dots t_it_{i+1}\dots t_n)$  and  $T'(=t_1t_2\dots t_{i+1}t_i\dots t_n)$ , respectively, in  $T_n$ , we analyze the dilation of this mapping by referring to the length of the shortest path routing from node  $T$  to node  $T'$  in  $T_n$ . In the transposition graph  $T_n$ , there exists an edge between nodes  $V$  and  $W$  if the corresponding permutation to the node  $W$  can be obtained from that of  $V$  by interchanging the positions of any two arbitrary symbols from  $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  in  $V$ . Here, we can see that the nodes  $T(t_1t_2\dots t_it_{i+1}\dots t_n)$  and  $T'(t_1t_2\dots t_{i+1}t_i\dots t_n)$  in  $T_n$  are adjacent to each other by the edge

definition of transposition graph  $T_n$ . Therefore, a bubble-sort graph  $B_n$  can be embedded into a transposition graph  $T_n$  with dilation 1 and expansion 1.

**Corollary 2.** A bubble-sort graph  $B_n$  is a sub-graph of a transposition graph  $T_n$ .

**Theorem 3.** The dilation cost of embedding a transposition graph  $T_n$  into a bubble-sort graph  $B_n$  is  $O(n)$ .

**Proof.** The transposition graph  $T_n$  and bubble-sort graph  $B_n$  are both node-symmetric. When mapping the transposition graph  $T_n$  and the bubble-sort graph  $B_n$ , node  $T(=t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_j\dots t_n)$  in  $T_n$  maps onto node  $B(=b_1b_2b_3\dots b_i\dots b_j\dots b_n)$  in  $B_n$ , and each node  $T'$  of  $n(n-1)/2$  nodes, which are adjacent to node  $T$  via edge  $T(i, j)$ , maps onto  $B'$ , whose address is the same as that of each corresponding node  $T'(i < j)$ . We prove Theorem 3 using the mapping case of two nodes  $T(=t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_j\dots t_n)$  and  $T'(=t_n t_2 t_3 \dots t_i \dots t_j \dots t_1)$ , adjacent to each other via edge  $T(1, n)$ , onto a bubble-sort graph. The node  $T'$ , which is adjacent to node  $T$  via edge  $T(1, n)$ , is the permutation  $t_n t_2 t_3 \dots t_i \dots t_j \dots t_1$  in which the first symbol and the  $n^{\text{th}}$  symbol are interchanged with each other from the permutation of node  $T$ . Let us map nodes  $T(=t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_j\dots t_n)$  and  $T'(=t_n t_2 t_3 \dots t_i \dots t_j \dots t_1)$  in  $T_n$  onto nodes  $B(=b_1b_2b_3\dots b_i\dots b_j\dots b_n)$  and  $B'(=b_n b_2 b_3 \dots b_i \dots b_j \dots b_1)$  in  $B_n$ . Here, nodes  $T$  and  $T'$  are adjacent to each other, but nodes  $B$  and  $B'$  in  $B_n$  are not. Thus, we analyze dilation based on the length of the shortest path routing from  $B$  and  $B'$  in  $B_n$ . In the bubble-sort graph  $B_n$ , the dimensional edge sequence required for the shortest path routing from node  $B$  to node  $B'$  is  $\langle 1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1, n-2, n-3, \dots, 3, 2, 1 \rangle$ . First, the first symbol  $b_1$  of node  $B$  can be moved to the last position ( $n^{\text{th}}$  position) using the dimensional edge sequence  $\langle 1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1 \rangle$ , since only an edge exists between two nodes in which two adjacent symbols are interchanged with each other. That is, by sequentially applying the dimensional edge sequence  $\langle 1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1 \rangle$  to node  $B(=b_1b_2b_3\dots b_i\dots b_j\dots b_n)$ , we can obtain the permutation  $b_2b_3\dots b_i\dots b_j\dots b_n b_1$ . Next, the permutation  $b_n b_2 b_3 \dots b_i \dots b_j \dots b_{n-1} b_1$  (i.e., the permutation of destination node  $B'$ ) is obtained by orderly applying the edge sequence  $\langle n-2, n-3, \dots, 3, 2, 1 \rangle$  to the node of the permutation  $b_2b_3\dots b_i\dots b_j\dots b_n b_1$ . Here, the number of dimensional edges applied for routing from  $B$  to  $B'$  in  $B_n$  is equal to  $2n-3$ . Therefore, we can say that the dilation cost for this embedding process is  $O(n)$ .

**Theorem 4.** A macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$  can be embedded into a transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$  with dilation  $n$ .

**Proof.** We prove Theorem 4 by dividing it into two edges,  $T_i$  and  $S_j$ , which connect two arbitrary nodes in the macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$ .

**Case 1.** Edge  $T_i$ ,  $2 \leq i \leq n+1$

In the macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$ , the node adjacent to node  $U(=u_1u_2u_3\dots u_i\dots u_{n+i}\dots u_{2n+1})$  via edge  $T_i$  is  $T_i(U)(=u_i u_2 u_3 \dots u_1 \dots u_{n+i} \dots u_{2n+1})$  and it is denoted as  $U'$ . When we map nodes  $U(=u_1u_2u_3\dots u_i\dots u_{n+i}\dots u_{2n+1})$  and  $U'(=u_i u_2 u_3 \dots u_1 \dots u_{n+i} \dots u_{2n+1})$  in  $MS(2, n)$  onto nodes  $T(=t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_{n+i}\dots t_{2n+1})$  and  $T'(=t_i t_2 t_3 \dots t_1 \dots t_{n+i} \dots t_{2n+1})$  in  $T_{2n+1}$ , we can see that the nodes  $T$  and  $T'$  in  $T_{2n+1}$  are adjacent to each other through edge  $T(i, i)$  according to the edge definition of the transposition graph. Hence, a macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$  can be embedded into a transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$  with dilation 1.

**Case 2.** Edge  $S_j, j = 2$ 

Edge  $S_j$ , which is incident on node  $U(=u_1u_2u_3\dots u_i\dots u_{n+i}\dots u_{2n+1})$ , can exist only where  $j = 2$ , because the macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$  consists of two modules. In  $MS(2, n)$ , the node adjacent from  $U(u_1u_2u_3\dots u_i\dots u_{n+i}\dots u_{2n+1})$  via edge  $S_2$  is  $S_2(U)(=u_1u_{n+1}u_{n+2}u_{n+3}\dots u_{n+i}\dots u_{2n+1}u_2u_3u_4\dots u_i\dots u_{n+1})$ , and it is denoted as  $U'$ . When mapping nodes  $U$  and  $U'$  ( $=u_1u_{n+1}u_{n+2}u_{n+3}\dots u_{n+i}\dots u_{2n+1}u_2u_3u_4\dots u_i\dots u_{n+1}$ ) in  $MS(2, n)$  onto nodes  $T(=t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_{n+i}\dots t_{2n+1})$  and  $T'(=t_1t_{n+1}t_{n+2}t_{n+3}\dots t_{n+i}\dots t_{2n+1}t_2t_3t_4\dots t_i\dots t_{n+1})$  in  $T_{2n+1}$ , it can be seen that the nodes  $T$  and  $T'$  in  $T_{2n+1}$  are not adjacent to each other by the edge definition of the transposition graph. Thus, we analyze the dilation of this mapping using the number of edges used for the shortest path routing from node  $T$  to node  $T'$  in  $T_{2n+1}$ . The dimensional edge sequence required for routing from node  $T(t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_{n+i}\dots t_{2n+1})$  to node  $T'(t_1t_2t_3\dots t_1\dots t_{n+i}\dots t_{2n+1})$  in  $T_{2n+1}$  is  $\langle T(2, n+2), T(3, n+3), T(4, n+4), \dots, T(i, n+i), \dots, T(n+1, 2n+1) \rangle$ . In other words, edge  $T(i, n+i)$ , which interchanges the symbols  $t_i$  and  $t_{n+i}$ , which are in the same position of the first and second modules in the permutation of node  $T(t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_{n+i}\dots t_{2n+1})$ , is used  $n$  times, so the permutation identical to node  $T'(t_1t_2t_3\dots t_1\dots t_{n+i}\dots t_{2n+1})$  is generated. Therefore, its dilation is  $n$ . When we map a macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$  onto a transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$ , the worst dilation of this embedding is  $n$ , but most edges are mapped by dilation 1. Accordingly, it may be advisable to prove that the average dilation reaches to the smallest constant.

**Theorem 5.** A transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$  can be embedded into a macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$  with dilation 5.

**Proof.** In this embedding, we map node  $T(t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_j\dots t_{2n+1})$  in the transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$  onto node  $U(u_1u_2u_3\dots u_i\dots u_j\dots u_{2n+1})$  in the macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$ , and node  $T'$  onto node  $U'$ , which has the same permutation with  $T'$  among the nodes in  $MS(2, n)$ . The permutation of the node adjacent to node  $T(t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_j\dots t_{2n+1})$  via edge  $T(i, j)$  in  $T_{2n+1}$  is  $T'(=t_1t_2t_3\dots t_j\dots t_i\dots t_{2n+1})$ . Here, nodes  $U(u_1u_2u_3\dots u_i\dots u_{n+i}\dots u_{2n+1})$  and  $U'(u_1u_2u_3\dots u_j\dots u_i\dots u_{2n+1})$  in graph  $MS(2, n)$  are not adjacent to each other, thus we analyze dilation using the number of edges used for the shortest path routing from node  $U$  to node  $U'$  in  $MS(2, n)$ . We prove Theorem 6 by dividing it into three cases depending on the values of  $i$  and  $j$  in  $T(i, j)$ .

**Case 1.**  $i, j \leq n-1, i < j$ 

In the edge  $T(i, j)$ , which connects nodes  $T(t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_j\dots t_{2n+1})$  and  $T'$  in the transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$ , values of  $i$  and  $j$  smaller than  $(n+2)$  mean that the two symbols can be interchanged only from the first symbol to  $(n+1)^{th}$  symbols. The occurrence of the interchange only from the first symbol to the  $(n+1)^{th}$  symbol in node  $U(u_1u_2u_3\dots u_i\dots u_j\dots u_{2n+1})$  of  $MS(2, n)$ , in which node  $T(t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_j\dots t_{2n+1})$  of  $T_{2n+1}$  is mapped, means that a symbol interchange occurs among the symbols that consist of the first cluster of node  $U$ . Therefore, the edge sequence required for the shortest path routing from node  $U$  to node  $U'$  is  $\langle T_i, T_j, T_i \rangle$ , because the permutation of node  $U'$  is  $u_1u_2u_3\dots u_j\dots u_i\dots u_{n+2}u_{n+3}\dots u_{2n+1}$ , and nodes  $U$  and  $U'$  are not adjacent to each other. The routing process from  $U$  to  $U'$  using this edge sequence  $\langle T_i, T_j, T_i \rangle$  is as follows.

First, node  $T_i(U)(=u_i u_2 u_3 \dots u_1 \dots u_j \dots u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_{2n+1})$  is reached from node  $U(u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_i \dots u_j \dots u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_{2n+1})$  via edge  $T_i$ , which interchanges the first symbol with the  $i^{\text{th}}$  symbol  $u_i$  in node  $U$ ; that is, the node  $T_i(U)$  is adjacent to node  $U$  through edge  $T_i$ . We then get to node  $T_j T_i(U)(=u_j u_2 u_3 \dots u_1 \dots u_i \dots u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_{2n+1})$  from node  $T_i(U)$  via edge  $T_j$ , which interchanges the  $i^{\text{th}}$  and  $j^{\text{th}}$  symbols in node  $T_i(U)$ . Next, we reach node  $T_i T_j T_i(U)(=u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_j \dots u_i \dots u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_{2n+1})$  from  $T_j T_i(U)$  via edge  $T_i$ , which interchanges symbols  $u_j$  and  $u_1$  in node  $T_j T_i(U)$ . Now, we can see that the permutation of node  $T_i T_j T_i(U)$ , which is obtained by sequentially applying the edge sequence  $\langle T_i, T_j, T_i \rangle$  to node  $U$ , is the same as the permutation of node  $U'$ . Therefore, two nodes  $T(t_1 t_2 t_3 \dots t_i \dots t_j \dots t_{2n+1})$  and  $T'$  adjacent via edge  $T(i, j)$  in the transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$  can be embedded into a macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$  with dilation 3.

**Case 2.**  $i \leq n+1, j \geq n+2$

In the edge  $T(i, j)$  which connects nodes  $T(t_1 t_2 t_3 \dots t_i \dots t_j \dots t_{2n+1})$  and  $T'$  in  $T_{2n+1}$ ,  $i \leq n+1$  and  $j \geq n+2$  mean that two symbols are interchanged with each other, and of these two, the one based on the  $(n+1)^{\text{th}}$  position is positioned before it, and the other locates next to it. The occurrence of the interchange based on the  $(n+1)^{\text{th}}$  position of a symbol in node  $U(u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_i \dots u_j \dots u_{2n+1})$  of  $MS(2, n)$ , in which node  $T(t_1 t_2 t_3 \dots t_i \dots t_j \dots t_{2n+1})$  of  $T_{2n+1}$  is mapped, means that an interchange occurs between one symbol of the first cluster and one symbol of the second cluster in node  $U$ . Since the permutation of node  $U'$  is  $u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_i \dots u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_j \dots u_{2n+1}$ , and nodes  $U$  and  $U'$  are not adjacent to each other, the edge sequence required for the shortest path routing from node  $U$  to node  $U'$  is  $\langle T_i, S_2, T_j, S_2, T_i \rangle$ . The routing process from  $U(u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_i \dots u_{n+1} u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_j \dots u_{2n+1})$  to  $U'(u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_i \dots u_{n+1} u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_j \dots u_{2n+1})$  using this edge sequence  $\langle T_i, S_2, T_j, S_2, T_i \rangle$  is as follows. First, node  $T_i(U)(=u_i u_2 u_3 \dots u_1 \dots u_{n+1} u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_j \dots u_{2n+1})$  is adjacent to node  $U(u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_i \dots u_{n+1} u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_j \dots u_{2n+1})$  via edge  $T_i$ , which interchanges the first with the  $i^{\text{th}}$  symbol  $u_i$  in node  $U$ ; then node  $S_2 T_i(U)(=u_i u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_j \dots u_{2n+1} u_2 u_3 \dots u_1 \dots u_{n+1})$  is adjacent to node  $T_i(U)$  through edge  $S_2$ , which swaps the first and the  $j^{\text{th}}$  cluster  $u_j$  in  $T_i(U)$ . Next, node  $T_j S_2 T_i(U)(=u_j u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_i \dots u_{2n+1} u_2 u_3 \dots u_1 \dots u_{n+1})$  is adjacent to node  $S_2 T_i(U)$  through edge  $T_j$ , which interchanges the first symbol  $u_i$  with the symbol  $u_j$  in the first cluster in  $S_2 T_i(U)$ . After that, node  $S_2 T_j S_2 T_i(U)(=u_j u_2 u_3 \dots u_1 \dots u_{n+1} u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_i \dots u_{2n+1})$  is reached from  $T_j S_2 T_i(U)$  via edge  $S_2$ , which exchanges the first cluster in which the symbol  $u_i$  exists with the second cluster in node  $T_j S_2 T_i(U)$ . Then, we get to node  $T_i S_2 T_j S_2 T_i(U)(=u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_j \dots u_{n+1} u_{n+2} u_{n+3} \dots u_i \dots u_{2n+1})$  from node  $S_2 T_j S_2 T_i(U)$  via edge  $T_i$ , which interchanges the symbols  $u_j$  and  $u_1$  in node  $S_2 T_j S_2 T_i(U)$ . Because the permutation of node  $T_i S_2 T_j S_2 T_i(U)$ , which is obtained by sequentially applying the edge sequence  $\langle T_i, S_2, T_j, S_2, T_i \rangle$  to node  $U$ , is identical to the permutation of node  $U'$ , we can see that two nodes  $T$  and  $T'$  adjacent via edge  $T(i, j)$  in the transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$  can be embedded into a macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$  with dilation 5.

**Case 3.**  $i, j \geq n+2$

In edge  $T(i, j)$ , which connects nodes  $T(t_1 t_2 t_3 \dots t_i \dots t_j \dots t_{2n+1})$  and  $T'$  of the transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$ , because the values  $i$  and  $j$  are larger than  $(n+1)$ , the two symbols can be interchanged with each other only from the  $(n+2)^{\text{th}}$  symbol to the  $(2n+1)^{\text{th}}$  symbols. The interchanges from the  $(n+2)^{\text{th}}$  symbol to the  $(2n+1)^{\text{th}}$  symbols in node  $U(u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_i \dots u_j \dots u_{2n+1})$  of  $MS(2, n)$ , in which node  $T(t_1 t_2 t_3 \dots t_i \dots t_j \dots t_{2n+1})$  of  $T_{2n+1}$  is mapped,

represent the interchanges that occur among the symbols that consist of the second cluster of  $U$ . Because the permutation of node  $U'$  is  $u_1u_2u_3\dots u_{n+1}u_{n+2}\dots u_j\dots u_i\dots u_{2n+1}$ , and nodes  $U(u_1u_2u_3\dots u_{n+1}u_{n+2}\dots u_i\dots u_j\dots u_{2n+1})$  and  $U'$  are not adjacent to each other, the edge sequence required for the shortest path routing from node  $U$  to node  $U'$  is  $\langle S_2, T_i, T_j, T_i, S_2 \rangle$ . The routing process from node  $U$  and node  $U'$  is as follows.

We first use edge generator  $S_2$  to exchange the first and second clusters in which symbols  $u_i$  and  $u_j$  exist, because the interchange between the symbols in node  $U$  occurs only between the symbols positioned in the first column and the symbols positioned in the first cluster. Thus, node  $S_2(U)(=u_1u_{n+2}\dots u_i\dots u_j\dots u_{2n+1}u_2u_3\dots u_{n+1})$  is adjacent to node  $U(u_1u_2u_3\dots u_{n+1}u_{n+2}\dots u_i\dots u_j\dots u_{2n+1})$  via edge  $S_2$ , and node  $T_iS_2(U)(=u_iu_{n+2}\dots u_1\dots u_j\dots u_{2n+1}u_2u_3\dots u_{n+1})$  is adjacent to node  $S_2(U)$  via edge  $T_i$ , which places symbol  $u_i$  of  $S_2(U)$  at the first position. Following this, node  $T_jT_iS_2(U)(=u_ju_{n+2}\dots u_1\dots u_i\dots u_{2n+1}u_2u_3\dots u_{n+1})$  is reached from node  $T_iS_2(U)$  via edge  $T_j$ , which interchanges the first symbol  $u_i$  with symbol  $u_j$  in the first cluster in  $S_2T_i(U)$ . Next, node  $T_iT_jT_iS_2(U)(=u_1u_{n+2}\dots u_j\dots u_i\dots u_{2n+1}u_2u_3\dots u_{n+1})$  is connected to  $T_jT_iS_2(U)$  by edge  $T_i$ , which interchanges the first symbol  $u_j$  with  $u_i$  in node  $T_jT_iS_2(U)$ . Then, we use edge  $S_2$  to swap the first and second clusters in node  $T_iT_jT_iS_2(U)$ , and reach node  $S_2T_iT_jT_iS_2(U)(=u_1u_2u_3\dots u_{n+1}u_{n+2}\dots u_j\dots u_i\dots u_{2n+1})$  from node  $T_iT_jT_iS_2(U)$  through edge  $S_2$ . Here, we can see that the permutation of node  $S_2T_iT_jT_iS_2(U)$ , which is obtained by sequentially applying the edge sequence  $\langle S_2, T_i, T_j, T_i, S_2 \rangle$  to node  $U$ , is identical to the permutation of node  $U'$ . Therefore, the edge  $T(i, j)$  that connects nodes  $T(t_1t_2t_3\dots t_i\dots t_j\dots t_{2n+1})$  and  $T'$  in the transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$  can be embedded into a macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$  with dilation 5.

Consequently, all nodes in a transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$  can be mapped one-to-one onto a macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$ , and an edge in  $T_{2n+1}$  can be embedded into  $MS(2, n)$  with dilation of 5 or under.

## 4 Conclusion

The star graph, a well-known topology of MIMD multi-computer systems with distributed memory, is a small diameter, node-symmetric, hierarchical, and maximum fault-tolerant interconnection network. The transposition graph not only improves the fault tolerance of multi-computer systems, but also shares the advantages of a star graph. It also contains a star graph as its sub-graph. The bubble-sort and macro-star graphs also share the advantages of the star graph. In this paper, we proposed methods for embedding bubble-sort, transposition, and macro-star graphs into one another, which have been introduced as variations of the star graph. These graphs have the same number of nodes and also the same number of symbols in a node.

The proposed embedding methods are based on one-to-one mapping of two arbitrary nodes  $U$  and  $U'$  of a source graph  $G$  onto two nodes in a target graph  $G'$ . We assumed that two mapped nodes in  $G'$  are connected with a minimum of edges based on the edge definition of target graph  $G'$ . Then, we analyzed dilation by the number of edges used for the shortest path routing between two mapped nodes in  $G'$ . Embedding analysis using the edge definition of graphs is possible because the bubble-sort, transposition, and macro-star graphs are all node-symmetric. The results of this study indicate that bubble-sort graph  $B_n$  can be embedded into transposition  $T_n$  with dilation

1 and expansion 1. In addition, macro-star graph  $MS(2, n)$  can be embedded into transposition graph  $T_{2n+1}$  with dilation  $n$ , but with an average dilation of 2 or less.

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