

6-regular Frobenius circulants and Eisenstein-Jacobi networks

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- In general,

$$\pi_m(\Gamma) \neq \pi(\Gamma), \vec{\pi}_m(\Gamma) \neq \vec{\pi}(\Gamma)$$

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Definition

Let G be a group, and let $S \subset G$ be such that $1 \notin S$ and $s^{-1} \in S$ for all $s \in S$.

The **Cayley graph** $\text{Cay}(G, S)$ is defined to have vertex set G such that $x, y \in G$ adjacent if and only if $xy^{-1} \in S$.

A **circulant graph** is a Cayley graph on a cyclic group.

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Equivalently, if G is a group and

$$K \trianglelefteq G, H \leq G, G = HK, H \cap K = 1,$$

then $G = K.H$.

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(Thompson 1959) A finite Frobenius group G on V has a nilpotent normal subgroup K (**Frobenius kernel**) which is regular on V . Thus

$$G = K.H \text{ (semidirect product),}$$

where H is the stabiliser of a point of V .

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Definition

(Solé 94, Fang-Li-Praeger 98)

Let $G = K.H$ be a finite Frobenius group. Let

$$S = \begin{cases} a^H, & |H| \text{ even or } |a| = 2 \quad \text{[first-kind]} \\ a^H \cup (a^{-1})^H, & |H| \text{ odd and } |a| \neq 2 \quad \text{[second-kind]} \end{cases}$$

for some $a \in K$ satisfying $\langle a^H \rangle = K$, where a^H is the H -orbit on K containing a .

Call $\text{Cay}(K, S)$ a **G -Frobenius graph**.

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Partial answer to Question A

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Let $\Gamma = \text{Cay}(K, S)$ be a *first-kind* G -Frobenius graph. Then there exists a routing which is

- (a) a shortest path routing;
- (b) G -arc transitive;
- (c) both edge- and arc-uniform;
- (d) optimal for $\pi, \vec{\pi}, \vec{\pi}_m, \pi_m$ simultaneously.

Moreover, if the H -orbits on K are known, we can construct such routings in polynomial time. Furthermore, we have

$$\pi(\Gamma) = 2\vec{\pi}(\Gamma) = 2\vec{\pi}_m(\Gamma) = \pi_m(\Gamma) = 2 \sum_{i=1}^d in_i.$$

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- The formula for $\vec{\pi}_m$ and a result of Diaconis-Stroock imply the following:

Corollary

Let Γ, d, n_i be as above. Then the *spectral gap* of Γ satisfies

$$|H| - \lambda_2(\Gamma) \geq \frac{|K|}{d \sum_{i=1}^d in_i},$$

where λ_2 is the second largest eigenvalue.

Partial answer to Question B

Theorem

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Let $\Gamma = \text{Cay}(K, S)$ be a *first-kind* G -Frobenius graph. Then

$$t(\Gamma) = \frac{|K| - 1}{|S|}.$$

Moreover, there exist optimal gossiping schemes such that

- (a) messages are always transmitted along shortest paths;
- (b) at any time every arc is used exactly once for message transmission;
- (c) at any time ≥ 2 and for any vertex g , the set $A(g)$ of arcs transmitting the message originated from g is a matching of Γ , and $\{A(g) : g \in K\}$ is a partition of the arcs of Γ .

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- Let $n \geq 7$ and a, b, c be integers such that $1 \leq a, b, c \leq n - 1$ and $a, b, c, n - a, n - b, n - c$ are pairwise distinct.
- The 'triple-loop' network $TL_n(a, b, c)$ is defined to have vertex set \mathbb{Z}_n such that

$$x \sim x \pm a, x \sim x \pm b, x \sim x \pm c \pmod{n}.$$

- We consider $TL_n(a, b, 1)$ only.

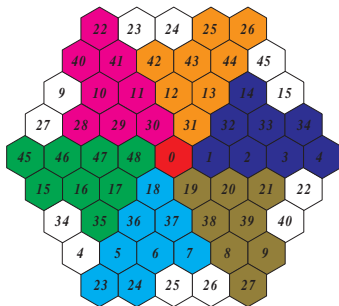
Geometric triple-loop network

Definition

(Yebara, Fiol, Morillo and Alegre 85) $TL_n(a, b, c)$ is **geometric** if

$$a' + b' + c' \equiv 0 \pmod{n}$$

for some $a' \in \{a, n - a\}$, $b' \in \{b, n - b\}$, $c' \in \{c, n - c\}$.



Hexagonal tessellation of $TL_{49}(31, 1, 30)$

Rotational Cayley graphs

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Definition

(Bermond, Kodate and Pérennes 96)

A **complete rotation** of $\text{Cay}(K, S)$ is an automorphism of K which fixes S setwise and induces a cyclic permutation on S .

$\text{Cay}(K, S)$ is **rotational** if it admits a complete rotation.

Theorem

(Thomson and Zhou 08-12+)

Let $n \geq 7$ be an integer.

Then there exists a 6-regular first kind Frobenius circulant $TL_n(a, b, 1)$ of order n (with cyclic kernel) if and only if $n \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ and

$$x^2 - x + 1 \equiv 0 \pmod{n} \quad (1)$$

has a solution.

Theorem

(cont'd)

Moreover, if this condition holds, then

- (a) each prime factor of n is congruent to 1 modulo 6;
- (b) each solution a to the equation above gives rise to a 6-regular first kind Frobenius circulant $TL_n(a, b, 1)$, and vice versa, with $b \equiv a - 1 \pmod{n}$; $TL_n(a, a - 1, 1)$ is a *rotational, geometric*, $\mathbb{Z}_n.H$ -arc-transitive and first-kind $\mathbb{Z}_n.H$ -Frobenius graph admitting $[a]$ and $-[a^2]$ as complete rotations, where

$$H = \langle [a] \rangle = \{ \pm[1], \pm[a], \pm[a - 1] \}; \quad (2)$$

- (c) there are exactly 2^{l-1} pairwise non-isomorphic 6-regular first kind Frobenius circulants of order n , where l is the number of distinct prime factors of n .

Optimal routing, gossiping and broadcasting

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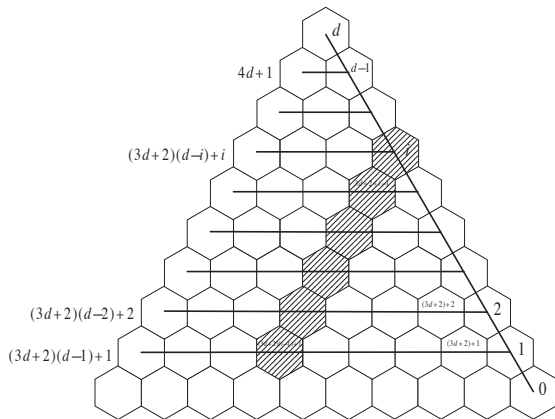
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- We gave optimal routing and gossiping schemes for $TL_n(a, a - 1, 1)$ by specifying our general theory and using knowledge of H -orbits on \mathbb{Z}_n .
- Such knowledge was obtained through a link with Eisenstein-Jacobi networks.
- Formula for edge-forwarding index is messy.
- Gossiping time = $(n - 1)/6$
- Broadcasting time = diameter + (2 or 3)



An illustration of optimal routing and gossiping: Constructing the 'canonical' spanning tree T_0 for $TL_{n_d}(3d + 1, 1, -(3d + 2))$, where $n_d = 3d^2 + 3d + 1$.

HARTS (hexagonal meshes)

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- A distributed real-time computing system [Chen, Shin and Kandlur, *IEEE Trans. Computers* 39 (1) (1990) 10-18].
- Physically built at the Real-Time Computing Laboratory, The University of Michigan.
- Properties studied in [Dolter, Ramanathan and Shin, *IEEE Trans. Computers*, 40 (6) (1991) 669-680] and [Albader, Bose and Flahive, *IEEE Trans. Parallel Distrib. Syst.* 23 (1) (2012) 69-77]
- It belongs to the family of 6-regular first-kind Frobenius circulants.
- Actually it is not new.

- Denote $n_k = 3k^2 + 3k + 1$, where $k \geq 2$.
- (Yebra, Fiol, Morillo and Alegre 85)
 $TL_{n_k} = TL_{n_k}(3k + 2, 3k + 1, 1)$ has the maximum possible order among all 6-regular geometric circulants of diameter k .
- (Thomson and Zhou 10) TL_{n_k} is a first-kind Frobenius graph.
- The HARTS H_k of size k has diameter $k - 1$ and n_{k-1} vertices [CSK], and is isomorphic [CSK, ABF] to the circulant $\text{Cay}(\mathbb{Z}_{n_{k-1}}, S)$, where

$$S = \{\pm[k - 1], \pm[k], \pm[2k - 1]\}.$$

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We do not know whether non-Frobenius EJ networks also admit 'perfect' routing, gossiping and broadcasting schemes.

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Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{Z}[\rho]$ be nonzero such that $N(\alpha) \geq 7$.

Then $EJ_{\alpha\beta}$ is an $N(\beta)$ -fold cover of EJ_{α} and can be constructed from EJ_{α} .

Corollary

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Let $\alpha = c + d\rho \in \mathbb{Z}[\rho]$ with $7 \leq N(\alpha) \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$ that is not an associate of any real integer. Denote

$$\ell = \gcd(c, d), \quad c' = c/\ell, \quad d' = d/\ell, \quad \alpha' = c' + d'\rho.$$

Then EJ_{α} is an ℓ^2 -fold cover of a 6-regular first-kind Frobenius circulant that is isomorphic to $EJ_{\alpha'}$.

Theorem

(Thomson and Zhou 08-12+)

Let $n \geq 7$ be an integer all of whose prime factors are congruent to 1 modulo 6.

Let m be a proper divisor of n .

Then any first-kind Frobenius $TL_n(a, a - 1, 1)$ is an n/m -fold cover of a smaller first-kind Frobenius $TL_m(a_m, a_m - 1, 1)$.

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Theorem

(Bermond, Kodate and Pérennes 1996)

If $\text{Cay}(K, S)$ admits a complete rotation whose fixed point set is an independent set and not a vertex-cut, then

$$t(\text{Cay}(K, S)) = \left\lceil \frac{|K| - 1}{|S|} \right\rceil.$$

Theorem

(Zhou 2009)

Let $\text{Cay}(K, S)$ be a connected Cayley graph. Suppose that there exists $H \leq \text{Aut}(K)$ that

- H fixes S setwise and is regular on S ;
- $K \setminus (\{x \in K : H_x = 1\} \cup \{1\})$ is an independent set and not a vertex-cut of Γ .

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Classification of rotational first-kind Frobenius circulants

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Theorem

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Let $n = p_1^{e_1} \dots p_l^{e_l}$ and $D = \gcd(p_1 - 1, \dots, p_l - 1)$.

- (a) \exists a rotational first-kind Frobenius circulant with kernel \mathbb{Z}_n and degree d *iff* n is odd and d is an even divisor of D .
- (b) $\varphi(d)^{l-1}$ such circulants (pairwise non-isomorphic)
- (c) Each is isomorphic to $\text{Cay}(\mathbb{Z}_n, \langle [h] \rangle)$, where $h = \sum_{i=1}^l \frac{n}{p_i^{e_i}} b_i h_i$, with $b_i(n/p_i^{e_i}) \equiv 1 \pmod{p_i^{e_i}}$ and $h_i \equiv \eta_i^{m_i \varphi(p_i^{e_i})/d} \pmod{p_i^{e_i}}$ for a fixed primitive root η_i modulo $p_i^{e_i}$ and an integer m_i coprime to d .

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We know exactly when a first-kind Frobenius circulant can be embedded on a closed orientable surface as a **balanced regular Cayley map**.

Mendelsohn through Frobenius

Definition

- (a) A (v, k, λ) -Mendelsohn design, (v, k, λ) -MD, consists of a set X of v points and a collection \mathcal{B} of cyclically ordered k -subsets (blocks) of X such that every ordered pair of points are consecutive in exactly λ blocks.
- (b) A (v, k, λ) -MD (X, \mathcal{B}) is ℓ -fold perfect if, for $t = 1, \dots, \ell$, every ordered pair of elements of X appears t -apart in exactly λ blocks. A (v, k, λ) -MD is perfect, (v, k, λ) -PMD, if it is $(k - 1)$ -fold perfect.
- (c) A (v, k, λ) -MD is resolvable, (v, k, λ) -RMD, if $v \equiv 0 \pmod k$ and the set of blocks can be partitioned into $\lambda(v - 1)$ parts each containing v/k pairwise disjoint blocks, or $v \equiv 1 \pmod k$ and the set of blocks can be partitioned into λv parts each containing $(v - 1)/k$ pairwise disjoint blocks.

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- (a) A $(v, k, 1)$ -RMD exists for all integers $v \geq 3, k \geq 2$ with $v \equiv 1 \pmod k$ such that there exist a finite Frobenius group $K.H$ with order $|K| = v$ and an element ϕ of H with order k .
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Let $v = p_1^{e_1} \dots p_t^{e_t} \geq 3$. A $(v, k, 1)$ -RPMD exists for every prime factor k of $\gcd(p_1^{e_1} - 1, \dots, p_t^{e_t} - 1)$.

Corollary

(F. D. Hsu and S. Zhou 2013+)

Let k be a fixed prime.

For any primes $p_1, \dots, p_t \equiv 1 \pmod k$ and any integers $e_1, \dots, e_t \geq 1$, there exists a $(p_1^{e_1} \dots p_t^{e_t}, k, 1)$ -RPMD.

By the well known Dirichlet prime number theorem, there are infinitely many primes congruent to 1 modulo k .

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