

Gossiping and routing in second-kind Frobenius graphs

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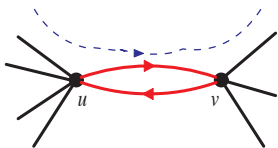
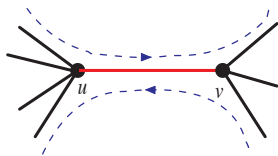
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 - minimum gossiping time
 - minimum edge-congestion for all-to-all routing
- What are the 'most efficient' graphs (of small valency) with respect to these measures?

Routing

Design a transmission route (oriented path) for each ordered pair of vertices in a given network $\Gamma = (V, E)$.

- A set \mathcal{R} of such oriented paths is called an all-to-all **routing**
- **Load of an edge** = number of paths traversing the edge in either direction
- **Load of an arc** = number of paths traversing the arc in its direction, an **arc** being an ordered pair of adjacent vertices



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- In general,

$$\pi_m(\Gamma) \neq \pi(\Gamma), \vec{\pi}_m(\Gamma) \neq \vec{\pi}(\Gamma)$$
$$\pi(\Gamma) \neq 2\vec{\pi}(\Gamma), \pi_m(\Gamma) \neq 2\vec{\pi}_m(\Gamma)$$

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Gossiping

Every vertex has a distinct message to be sent to all other vertices. Carry out this in minimum number of time steps. Define

$$t(\Gamma) = \text{minimum time steps}$$

under the **store-and-forward, all-port and full-duplex** model:

- a vertex must receive a message wholly before transmitting it to other vertices ('store-and-forward');
- 'all-neighbour transmission' at the same time step ('all-port');
- bidirectional transmission on each edge ('full-duplex');
- it takes one time step to transmit any message over an arc;
- no two messages over the same arc at the same time

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Frobenius groups

- A **Frobenius group** is a non-regular transitive group such that only the identity element can fix two points.
- (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 .

- We may think of G as acting on K in such a way that K acts on K by right multiplication and H acts on K by conjugation.

Frobenius graphs

Definition

(Solé 94, Fang-Li-Praeger 98) Let $G = K.H$ be a finite Frobenius group. Call $\text{Cay}(K, S)$ a G -Frobenius graph if

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

for some $a \in K$ such that $\langle a^H \rangle = K$.

Partial answer

Theorem

(Solé, Fang, Li and Praeger) Let $\Gamma = \text{Cay}(K, S)$ be a Frobenius graph. Then

$$\pi(\Gamma) = \frac{\sum_{(u,v) \in V \times V} d(u,v)}{|E|} = \begin{cases} 2 \sum_{i=1}^d in_i, & [\text{first-kind}] \\ \sum_{i=1}^d in_i, & [\text{second-kind}] \end{cases}$$

d : diameter of $\text{Cay}(K, S)$

n_i : number of H -orbits of vertices at distance i from 1 in $\text{Cay}(K, S)$, $i = 1, \dots, d$

Theorem

(Z, 06) Let $\Gamma = \text{Cay}(K, S)$ be a *first-kind Frobenius graph*. Then

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

and

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

Moreover, there exist routing and gossiping schemes with 'nice' properties.

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- $G = K.H$ is Frobenius such that $|H|$ is odd, $S = a^H \cup (a^{-1})^H$ for some $a \in K$ with $|a| \neq 2$ and $\langle a^H \rangle = K$.

Gossiping in second-kind F-graphs

Theorem

(Fang and Z, 2010)

$$\frac{|K| - 1}{2|H|} \leq t(\Gamma) \leq \frac{|K| - 1}{|H|}.$$

If K is abelian, then

$$t(\Gamma) \leq \frac{|K| - 1 + |I(K)|}{2|H|}$$

where $I(K)$ is the set of involutions of K . In particular, if K is abelian of odd order, then

$$t(\Gamma) = \frac{|K| - 1}{2|H|}.$$

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(cont'd) Moreover, if K is abelian of odd order, then we construct an optimal, shortest-path gossiping scheme for Γ such that the following hold at any time $t = 1, 2, \dots, (|K| - 1)/2|H|$:

- (a) each arc of Γ is used exactly once for data transmission;*
- (b) for every $x \in K$ exactly $|S|$ arcs are used to transmit messages with source x , and for $t \geq 2$ the set $A_t(x)$ of such arcs is a matching of Γ ;*
- (c) K is transitive on the partition $\{A_t(x) : x \in K\}$ of $A(\Gamma)$.*

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- The proof comes with a gossiping scheme which is optimal when K is abelian of odd order.

Routing in second-kind F-graphs

Theorem

(Fang and Z, 2010) If K is abelian, then there exists a shortest-path routing which is G -edge-transitive, edge-uniform and optimal for $\pi(\Gamma) = \pi_m(\Gamma)$ simultaneously. If in addition $|K|$ is odd, then $\vec{\pi}(\Gamma) = \vec{\pi}_m(\Gamma) = \pi(\Gamma)/2$ and this routing is arc-uniform and optimal for $\vec{\pi}$ and $\vec{\pi}_m$ as well.

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Let $(F, +, \cdot)$ be a finite near field of odd order. Let $\beta \in F^$ and let $H \neq 1$ be a subgroup of (F^*, \cdot) of odd order.*

If the left coset βH of H in (F^, \cdot) is a generating set of $(F, +)$, then $\text{Cay}((F, +), \beta H \cup (-\beta H))$ is a second-kind Frobenius graph.*

Corollary

Let $\Gamma = \text{Cay}((F, +), \beta H \cup (-\beta H))$ be as above. Then

$$t(\Gamma) = (p^n - 1)/2|H|$$

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Corollary

For connected Lim-Praeger graphs $\text{GPaley}(q, (q - 1)/k)$, we have

$$t(\text{GPaley}(q, (q - 1)/k)) = k$$

and there exists an optimal gossiping scheme having properties (a)-(c) in the previous corollary.

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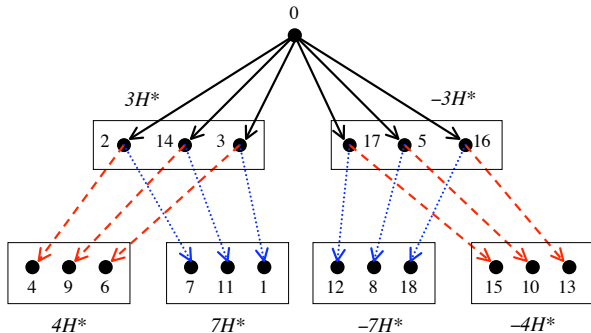
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A routing and gossiping tree for $\text{Cay}(\mathbb{Z}_{19}, \{2, 14, 3, 17, 5, 16\})$ at root 0.

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Summary: second-kind Frobenius graphs

Properties	Any $K.H$	K abelian	K abelian & $ K $ odd
Hamiltonian?	Conjecture	Yes M	Yes M
π	Best possible FLP	?	?
π_m	Best possible FLP	?	?
Optimal routing for π and π_m ?	Unknown	FZ	FZ
$\vec{\pi}$	Unknown	Unknown	Best possible FZ
$\vec{\pi}_m$	Unknown	Unknown	Best possible FZ
Optimal routing for $\vec{\pi}$ and $\vec{\pi}_m$?	Unknown	Unknown	FZ
Gossiping time	$\leq 2 \cdot$ (trivial bound)	–	Best possible FZ
Gossiping algorithm	2-Factor approximation FZ	–	Exact algorithm Nice properties FZ