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On extremal mixed graphs

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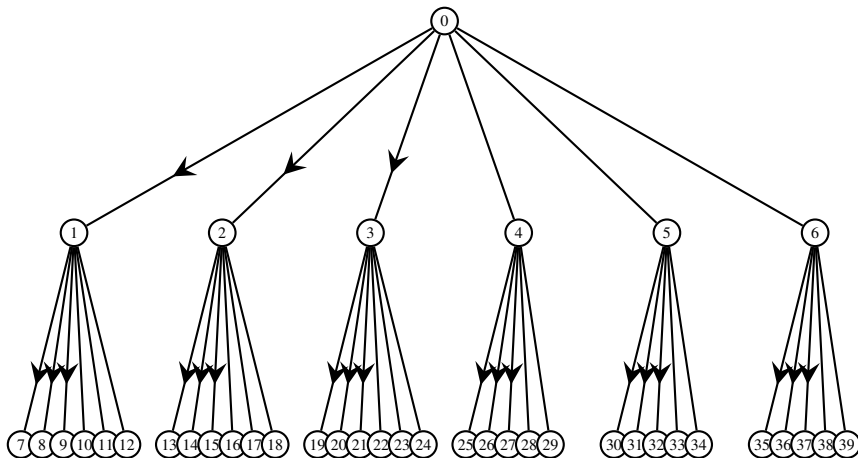


Figure: The labelled Moore tree for $z = 3, r = 3, k = 2$

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Solving the resulting recurrence relations yields

$$|G| \leq M(r, z, k) = A \frac{u_1^{k+1} - 1}{u_1 - 1} + B \frac{u_2^{k+1} - 1}{u_2 - 1},$$

where $v = (z + r)^2 + 2(z - r) + 1$ and

$$u_1 = \frac{z + r - 1 - \sqrt{v}}{2}, u_2 = \frac{z + r - 1 + \sqrt{v}}{2}$$

$$A = \frac{\sqrt{v} - (z + r + 1)}{2\sqrt{v}}, B = \frac{\sqrt{v} + (z + r + 1)}{2\sqrt{v}}$$

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Theorem [Nguyen, Miller, Gimbert, 2007](#)

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Theorem Bosák 1979

If G is a non-trivial mixed Moore graphs with diameter $k = 2$, then there exists an odd integer c such that $c \mid (4z - 3)(4z + 5)$ and $r = \frac{1}{4}(c^2 + 3)$.

Open cases



Undirected degree r	Directed degree z	Order n
1	any	$r^2 + 2r + 3$
3	1	18
	3	40
	4	54
	6	88
	7	108

7	2	84
	5	150
	7	204

13	4	294
	6	368

21	1	486

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Theorem Gimbert

There is a unique Moore graph with diameter $k = 2$, undirected degree $r = 1$ and any value of z .

Kautz graphs: example

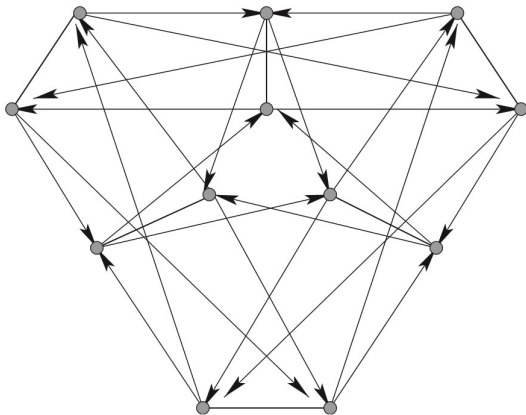


Figure: A mixed Moore graph with $r = 1, z = 2$

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Theorem Erskine

There are no further Cayley mixed Moore graphs with order ≤ 485 .

Theorem López, Miret and Fernández

There are no mixed Moore graphs with orders 40, 54 or 84.

Degree/diameter for mixed graphs

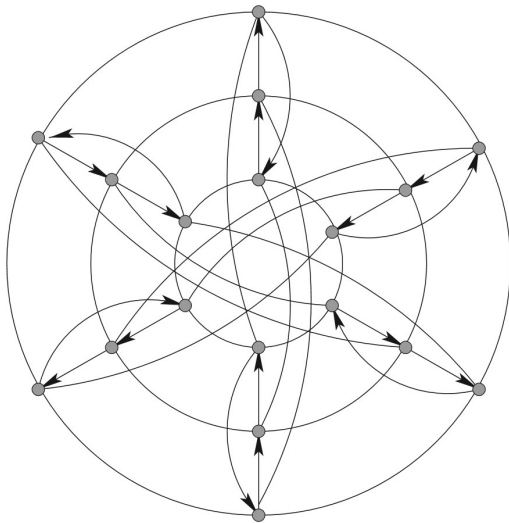


Figure: The Bosák graph

Totally regular almost mixed Moore graphs



A mixed graph with defect one is an **almost mixed Moore graph**.

Theorem López, Miret

If G is an almost mixed Moore graph, then r is even. If G is a totally regular almost mixed Moore graph with $r > 2$, $z \geq 1$ and diameter $k = 2$, then either

There exists odd $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $4r + 1 = c^2$ and $c \mid (4z + 1)(4z - 7)$ or there exists odd $c \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that $4r - 7 = c^2$ and $c \mid (16z^2 + 40z - 23)$.

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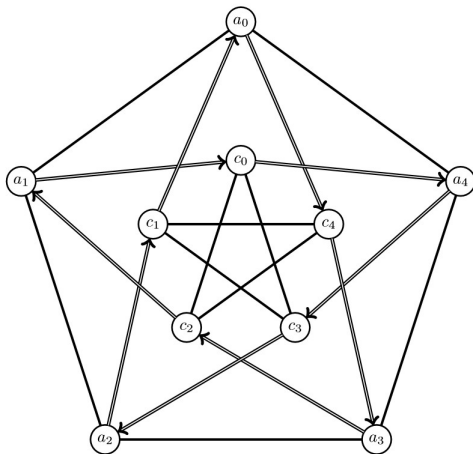


Figure: A mixed graph with defect $\delta = 1$, diameter $k = 2$, $r = 2$, $z = 1$.

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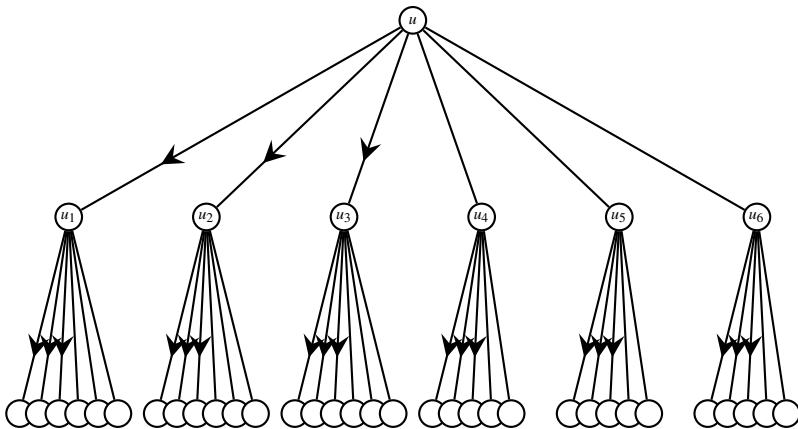
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$$|V(G)| \leq 1 + r + (z - 1) + r(r + z - 1) + (z - 1)(r + z) + |S|.$$

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It follows that $S = N^+(r(u))$ for all $u \in V(G)$.

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Lemma

$$r \neq 1$$

Proof

If $r = 1$, then G contains a perfect matching, so that G must have even order, whereas $|V(G)| = z^2 + 3z + 1$ is odd.

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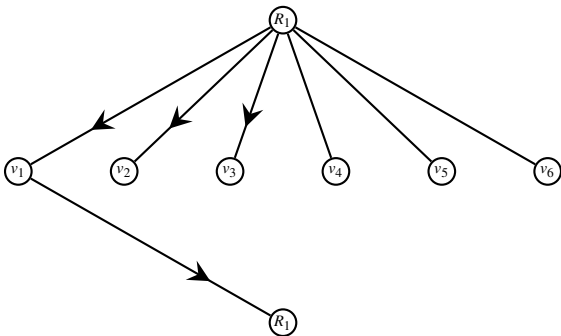


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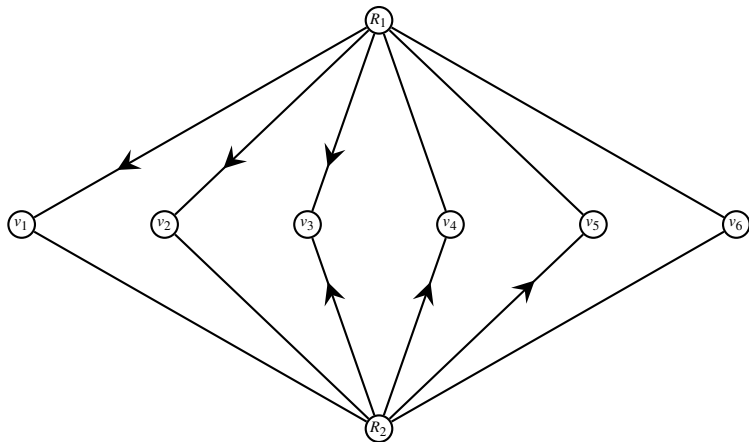


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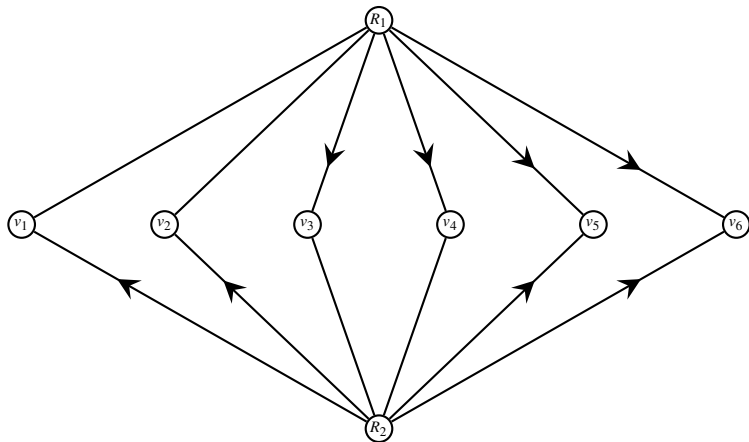


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Suppose that there are m_1 vertices with repeat R_1 and m_2 vertices with repeat R_2 . Label the vertices of G u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n , so that $u_1 = R_1, u_2 = R_2, r(u_{2+j}) = R_2$ for $1 \leq j \leq m_2 - 1$ and $r(u_{1+m_2+s}) = R_1$ for $1 \leq s \leq m_1 - 1$. If A is the adjacency matrix of G , then

$$I + A + A^2 = J + 2I + P,$$

where I is the $n \times n$ identity matrix, J is the $n \times n$ all-one matrix and P is the matrix with entries given by

$$P_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } r(u_i) = u_j. \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

All non-zero entries of P occur in the first two columns.

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Inspection shows that the matrix $J + P$ has the following eigenvalues:

i) eigenvalue $n + 1$ with multiplicity one.

Corresponding eigenvector: all-one vector of length n

ii) eigenvalue -1 with multiplicity one.

Corresponding eigenvector:

$$f(u) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } r(u) = R_1. \\ -(m_2 + 1)/(m_1 + 1), & \text{if } r(u) = R_2. \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

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iii) eigenvalue 0 with multiplicity $n - 2$.

Corresponding eigenvectors:

$$f_i(u_j) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } j = i + 2, \\ -1, & \text{if } j = n, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

for $1 \leq i \leq n - 3$ and

$$g(u_i) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } i = 1 \text{ or } 2, \\ -3/(n - 2), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

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It follows that $I + A + A^2$ has spectrum $\{n + 3, 1, 2^{(n-2)}\}$, so that G must have spectrum $\sigma(G) = \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}$, where

λ_1 is a solution of $\lambda^2 + \lambda - (n + 2) = 0$

λ_2 is a solution of $\lambda^2 + \lambda = 0$

λ_i is a solution of $\lambda^2 + \lambda - 1 = 0$ for $3 \leq i \leq n$.

The solutions of the first equation are $\lambda_1 = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{4n+9}}{2}$. As $r = 2$, the order of G is $n = z^2 + 5z + 4$, so $4n + 9 = 4z^2 + 20z + 25 = (2z + 5)^2$, yielding $\lambda_1 = z + 2$ or $-z - 3$.

Trivially $\lambda_2 = 0$ or -1 .

The third equation has solutions $\frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{5}}{2}$.

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Theorem [Dalfó](#), [M. A. Fiol](#), [N. López](#)

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A totally regular mixed graph with undirected degree r , directed out-degree $z = 1$ and diameter k has defect

$$\delta \geq \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{k-3} Z_i \right) - \text{Down}(k-4) - \text{Down}(k-3) \right] + Z_{k-2} + Z_{k-1},$$

where Z_t is the number of vertices in undirected branches of a Moore tree that arise as end-points of arcs and Down is the solution of recurrence relations.....

The 'Fiol bound' on totally regular mixed graphs



The numbers $Up(t)$ and $Down(t)$ satisfy the relations

$$Up(t) + Down(t) = Z_t$$

and

$$Up(t+2) = Down(t)$$

for $1 \leq t \leq k-3$.

For $k \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$, we have

$$Down(k-3) = \frac{r}{\sqrt{r^2+4}} \left[\frac{\lambda_1^2(\lambda_1^{k-4}-1)}{\lambda_1^2+1} - \frac{\lambda_2^2(\lambda_2^{k-4}-1)}{\lambda_2^2+1} \right],$$

where

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}(r + \sqrt{r^2+4})$$

and

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2}(r - \sqrt{r^2+4}).$$

The 'Fiol bound' is tight

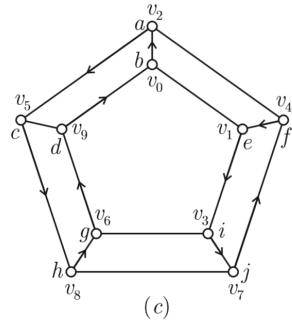
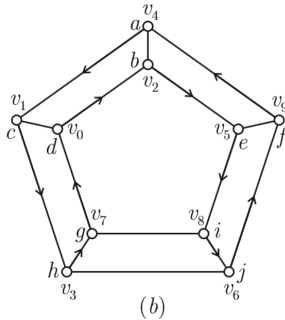
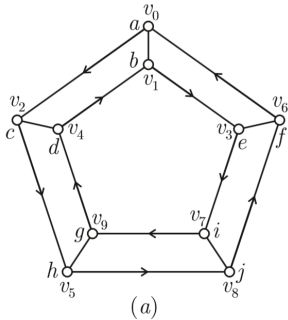


Figure: Three $(1, 1, k; -1)$ -graphs



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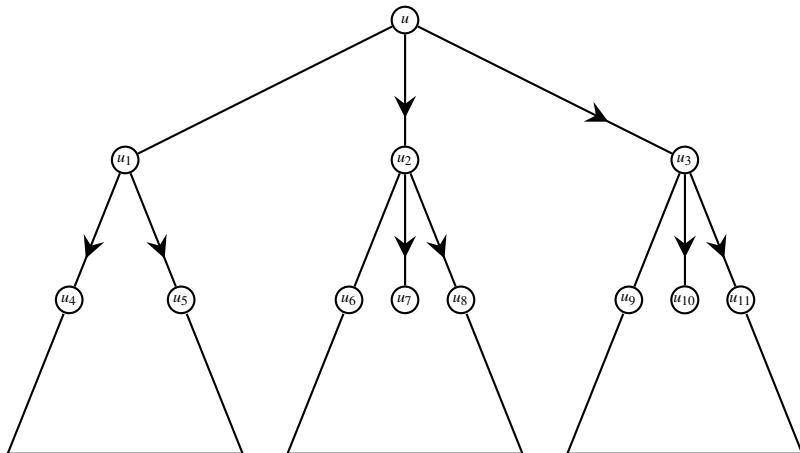
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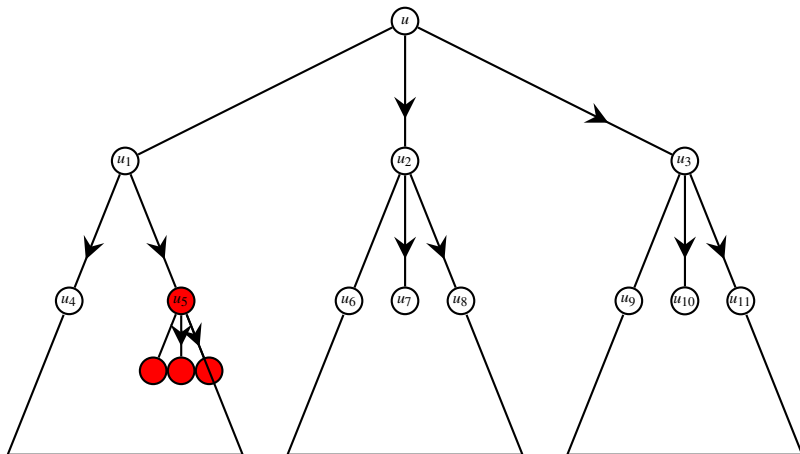
$$k \geq 4 \text{ and } z = 1.$$

A mixed graph with $\epsilon = 1$ is totally regular if and only if ϕ is an automorphism.

Bounds on totally regular graphs



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Z_t (respectively U_t) is the number of vertices in the undirected branches at level t in the Moore tree based at u that are end-points of arcs (edges) emanating from level $t - 1$.

$U_1 = r, Z_1 = 0$ and $Z_2 = rz$. These numbers satisfy the recurrence relations

$$U_{t+1} = (r - 1)U_t + rZ_t, Z_{t+1} = zU_t + zZ_t$$

for $t \geq 1$. It follows that

$$Z_{t+2} = zU_{t+1} + zZ_{t+1} = z((r - 1)U_t + rZ_t) + zZ_{t+1}.$$

Substituting using the second relation,

$$Z_{t+2} = zZ_{t+1} + rzZ_t + z(r - 1)(1/z)(Z_{t+1} - zZ_t) = (r + z - 1)Z_{t+1} + zZ_t.$$

Bounds on totally regular graphs



This second-order recurrence relation has characteristic equation

$$\lambda^2 - (r + z - 1)\lambda - z = 0,$$

with solutions

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}(r + z - 1 + \phi)$$

and

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2}(r + z - 1 - \phi),$$

where

$$\phi = \sqrt{(r + z - 1)^2 + 4z}.$$

The discriminant $\phi^2 = (r + z - 1)^2 + 4z$ is strictly positive, so λ_1, λ_2 are real and distinct. It follows that

$$Z_t = A\lambda_1^t + B\lambda_2^t$$

for $t \geq 1$ and some constants A and B .

Bounds on totally regular graphs



Substituting $Z_1 = 0, Z_2 = rz$, we obtain

$$Z_t = \frac{rz}{\phi}(\lambda_1^{t-1} - \lambda_2^{t-1})$$

for $t \geq 1$. Summing, we find that there are

$$\sum_{i=0}^{k-2} \frac{rz}{\phi}(\lambda_1^i - \lambda_2^i) = \frac{rz}{\phi} \left[\frac{\lambda_1^{k-1} - 1}{\lambda_1 - 1} - \frac{\lambda_2^{k-1} - 1}{\lambda_2 - 1} \right]$$

such vertices. As the union of the outlier sets of the vertices in $Z(u)$ contain a maximum of $z\epsilon$ distinct vertices between them, it follows that

$$z\epsilon \geq \frac{rz}{\phi} \left[\frac{\lambda_1^{k-1} - 1}{\lambda_1 - 1} - \frac{\lambda_2^{k-1} - 1}{\lambda_2 - 1} \right].$$



Theorem Tuite

For $k \geq 3$, the excess ϵ of a totally regular k -geodetic mixed graph with undirected degree r , directed degree z satisfies

$$\epsilon \geq \frac{r}{\phi} \left[\frac{\lambda_1^{k-1} - 1}{\lambda_1 - 1} - \frac{\lambda_2^{k-1} - 1}{\lambda_2 - 1} \right],$$

where

$$\phi = \sqrt{(r + z - 1)^2 + 4z},$$

$$\lambda_1 = \frac{1}{2}(r + z - 1 + \phi)$$

and

$$\lambda_2 = \frac{1}{2}(r + z - 1 - \phi).$$

Bounds for $k = 4$



r/z	1	2	3	4	5	6
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
2	6	8	10	12	14	16
3	12	15	18	21	24	27
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Challenge: find a tight bound!

A graph with excess one

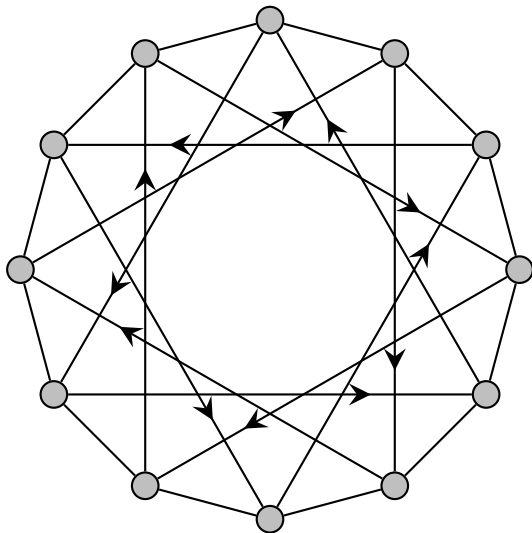


Figure: The unique mixed graph with $k = 2, r = 2, z = 1$ and excess $\epsilon = 1$.



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Let G be a totally regular $(r, z, 2, +1)$ -graph. Then either

$$r = 2$$

$4r + 1$ is square and $c | (16z^2 - 24z + 25)$ or

$4r - 7$ is square and $c | (16z^2 + 40z + 9)$.

Spectral theory of mixed graphs with excess one



Let G be a totally regular $(r, z, 2, +1)$ -graph with adjacency matrix A and outlier function o , where $r > 2$. We have

$$I + A + A^2 = J + rI - P,$$

where P is a permutation matrix. P is similar to a matrix in block diagonal form, where each block P_n is a cyclic permutation matrix. The characteristic polynomial of $J - P_n$ is

$$(x - (n - 1))(x + 1)^{-1}(x^n - (-1)^n),$$

Suppose that o has permutation cycle structure (m_1, m_2, \dots, m_n) . Let $m'(n) = \sum_{n|(2i+1)} m_{2i+1}$, $m''(n) = \sum_{n|2i} m_{2i}$ and $m(n) = m'(n) + m''(n)$. The characteristic polynomial of $J - P$ is

$$(x - (n - 1))(x - 1)^{m''(1)}(x + 1)^{m(2)+m'(1)-1} \prod_{i=3, i \text{ odd}}^n \Phi_i(x)^{m''(i)} \Phi_{2i}(x)^{m'(i)} \prod_{i=4, i \text{ even}}^n \Phi_i(x)^{m(i)}$$



Hence $\det((x - r)I - (J - P))$ is

$$(x - r - (n - 1))(x - r - 1)^{m''(1)}(x + 1 - r)^{m(2)+m'(1)-1} \\ \times \prod_{i=3, i \text{ odd}}^n \Phi_i(x - r)^{m''(i)} \Phi_{2i}(x - r)^{m'(i)} \prod_{i=4, i \text{ even}}^n \Phi_i(x - r)^{m(i)}$$



Therefore $\sigma(A)$ contains:

1 solution of $1 + x + x^2 = n + r - 1$

$m''(1)$ solutions of $1 + x + x^2 = r + 1$

$m(2) + m'(1) - 1$ solutions of $1 + x + x^2 = r - 1$

$m''(i)$ solutions of $\Phi_i(1 + x + x^2 - r) = 0$, $3 \leq i \leq n$, i odd

$m'(i)$ solutions of $\Phi_{2i}(1 + x + x^2 - r) = 0$, $3 \leq i \leq n$, i odd

$m(i)$ solutions of $\Phi_i(1 + x + x^2 - r) = 0$, $4 \leq i \leq n$, i even.

Theorem López, Miret

The polynomials $\Phi_i(1 + x + x^2 - r)$ are irreducible for $r \geq 1$.

We have $n + r - 1 = (r + z)^2 + (r + z) + 1$, so the first eigenvalue is $d = r + z$. The discriminant of $x^2 + x - r$ is $\Delta = 4r + 1$ and the discriminant of $x^2 + x - r + 2$ is $\Delta = 4r - 7$.

If neither $4r + 1$ nor $4r - 7$ is square



In this case $x^2 + x - r$ and $x^2 + x - r + 2$ are irreducible, so

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_G(x) &= (x - d)(x^2 + x - r)^{m''(1)/2}(x^2 + x + 2 - r)^{\frac{m(2)+m'(1)-1}{2}} \\ &\times \prod_{i=3, i \text{ odd}}^n \Phi_i(1 + x + x^2 - r)^{m''(i)/2} \Phi_{2i}(1 + x + x^2 - r)^{m'(i)/2} \\ &\times \prod_{i=4, i \text{ even}}^n \Phi_i(1 + x + x^2 - r)^{m(i)/2}\end{aligned}$$

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G has no loops, so $\text{Tr}(A) = 0$. Summing the eigenvalues, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= d + (-1) \left[\frac{m''(1) + m(2) + m'(1) - 1}{2} \right] - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=3, i \text{ odd}}^n m''(i) \psi(i) \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=3, i \text{ odd}}^n m'(i) \psi(2i) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=4, i \text{ even}}^n m(i) \psi(i) \\ &= d + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n m(i) \psi(i) \end{aligned}$$

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Lemma

$$\sum_{i=1}^n m(i)\psi(i) = n$$

Thus

$$n = 2d + 1,$$

yielding $d = r = 1$.

If $4r + 1$ is square, but $4r - 7$ not



$x^2 + x - r + 2$ is irreducible. Let $4r + 1 = c^2$, c odd. Then $x^2 + x - r = 0$ has roots α, β with respective multiplicities a, b , where $a + b = m''(1)$.

We have

$$\alpha = \frac{-1 + c}{2}, \beta = \frac{-1 - c}{2}.$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tr}(A) = 0 &= d + a\alpha + b\beta - \frac{m(2) + m'(1) - 1}{2} - \frac{n}{2} + \frac{m(1) + m(2)}{2} \\ &= d + a\frac{(-1 + c)}{2} + b\frac{(-1 - c)}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{m''(1)}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $n = 2d + 1 + c(a - b)$. Substituting for n and c , we obtain

$$c^4 + (8z - 10)c^2 - 16(a - b)c + 16z^2 - 24z + 25 = 0.$$



Theorem Tuite

Let G be a $(r, z, 2; +1)$ -graph and $\psi \in \text{Aut}(G)$. Then the subgraph induced by the fixed points of ψ is isomorphic to one of:

K_1

$2K_2$

A $(r', z', +1)$ -graph with $r' \leq r, z' \leq z$.

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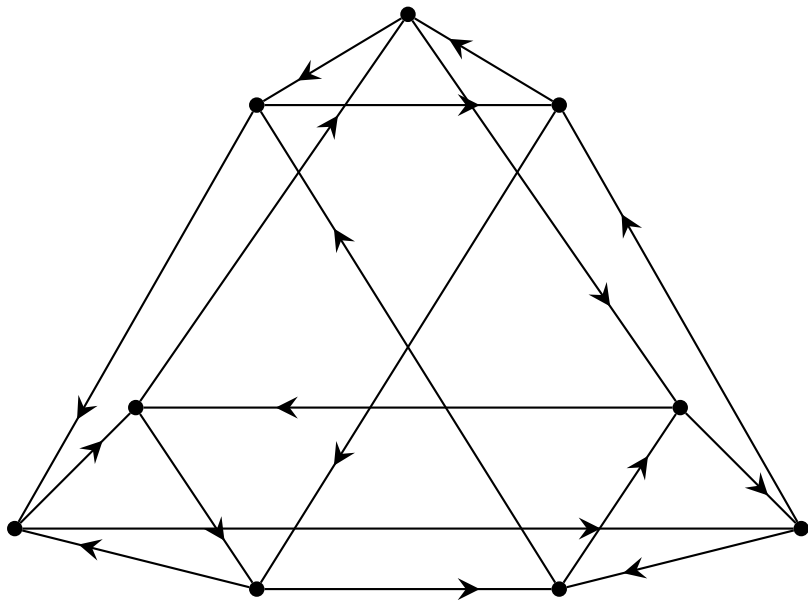
Mixed geodetic cages exist for all r, z and k .

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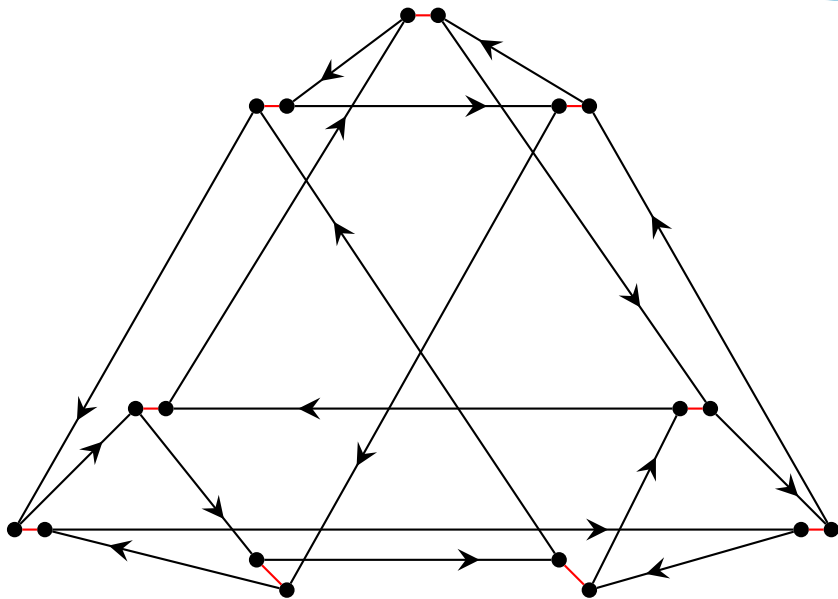


Let G be a cage with degree r , girth $g = 2k + 1$ and order n . Let G' be a directed geodetic cage with geodetic girth k and directed out-degree nz . Identify each vertex of G' with a copy of G and connect the vertices of copies of G together in accordance with the topology of G' .

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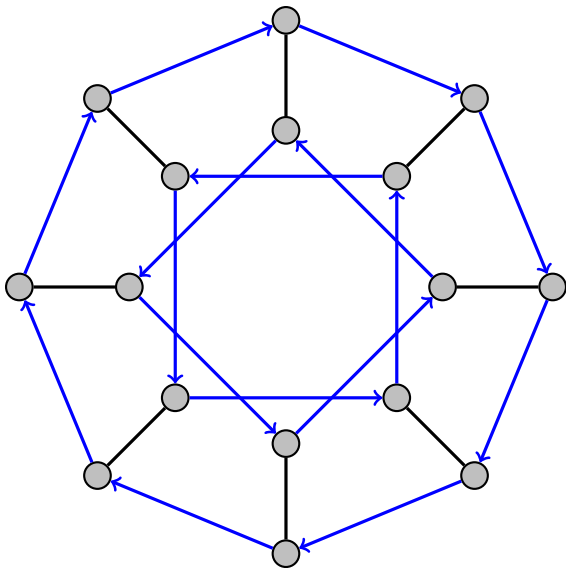
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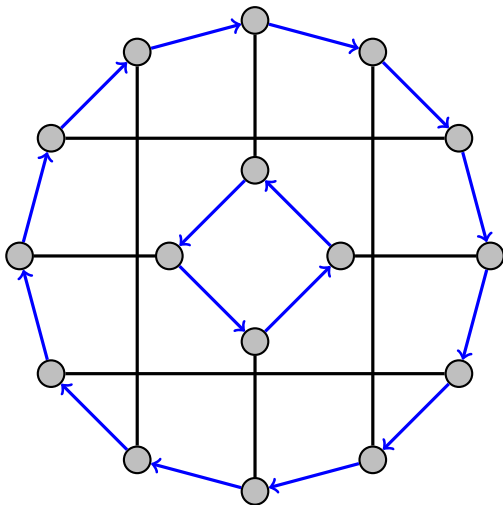
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Totally regular $(1, 1, 3; +\epsilon)$ -graphs have excess at least 5.

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Cayley graph search



k	z	r	n	ϵ	G
1	1	2	6	0	S_3
1	1	3	20	9	$AGL(1, 5)$
1	1	4	32	13	$(\mathbb{Z}_8 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$
1	1	5	54	22	$(\mathbb{Z}_9 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$
1	1	6	120	67	$S_3 \times AGL(1, 5)$
1	2	2	12	1	D_{12}
1	2	3	48	20	$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times S_4$
1	3	2	18	0	$\mathbb{Z}_3 \times S_3$
1	3	3	128	67	$(\mathbb{Z}_8 \times \mathbb{Z}_4) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_4$
1	4	2	30	3	$\mathbb{Z}_5 \times S_3$
1	5	2	48	10	D_{48}
1	6	2	70	19	$\mathbb{Z}_5 \times D_{14}$
1	7	2	96	30	$\mathbb{Z}_{48} \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$

Cayley graph search



k	z	r	n	ϵ	G
2	1	2	12	0	A_4
2	1	3	64	30	$((\mathbb{Z}_8 \times \mathbb{Z}_2) \times \mathbb{Z}_2) \times \mathbb{Z}_2$
2	2	2	24	5	$SL(2, 3)$
2	3	2	42	14	$\mathbb{Z}_7 \times S_3$
2	4	2	48	9	$D_8 \times S_3$
2	5	2	80	28	$D_8 \times D_{10}$
2	6	2	108	41	$S_3 \times D_{18}$
3	1	2	20	0	$AGL(1, 5)$
3	2	2	39	10	$\mathbb{Z}_{13} \times \mathbb{Z}_3$
3	3	2	52	12	$\mathbb{Z}_{13} \times \mathbb{Z}_4$
3	4	2	80	27	$\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_{16}$
3	5	2	100	32	$\mathbb{Z}_5 \times (\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_4)$

Cayley graph search



k	z	r	n	ϵ	G
4	1	2	42	12	$(\mathbb{Z}_7 \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$
4	2	2	54	13	$((\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$
4	3	2	72	18	$\mathbb{Z}_3 \times S_4$
4	4	2	96	27	$(SL(2, 3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$
5	1	2	42	0	$AGL(1, 7)$
5	2	2	75	20	$(\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_3$
5	3	2	96	26	$((\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$
5	4	2	120	33	$\mathbb{Z}_2 \times A_5$
6	1	2	56	0	$AGL(1, 8)$
6	2	2	96	25	$((\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_2$
6	3	2	108	20	$((\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_4$
7	1	2	72	0	$AGL(1, 9)$
7	2	2	108	19	$((\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_4$
7	3	2	108	0	$((\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_4$
8	1	2	108	18	$((\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_3) \rtimes \mathbb{Z}_4$
9	1	2	110	0	$AGL(1, 11)$



- Are all mixed graphs with order one away from the Moore bound totally regular?
- Are mixed cages totally regular? What are their connectivity properties?
- Find a tight bound on totally regular mixed graphs with small excess
- Identify cages and largest possible graphs for small r, z and k
- Search for Cayley and voltage graphs with order close to the Moore bound

Thank you!

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