



Graph operations on Cayley graphs of semigroups

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Abstract

Lots of large graphs can be constructed from existing smaller graphs by using graph operations, such as the graph products. Many properties of such large graphs are closely related to those of the corresponding smaller ones. In this paper we consider some operations of Cayley graphs on semigroups.

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1. Introduction

Symmetric properties of graphs have been considered by lots of authors in the literature as well as properties of Cayley graphs, see for example [2] and [3]. Cayley graphs of semigroups are also mentioned in some papers such as [5]. Here we discuss about the Cayley graphs of semigroups and talk about some operations such as product of them or complement of it, and finally verify whether the product of Cayley graphs with some special property has the property as well.

Let $\Gamma = (V, E)$ be a simple graph, where V is the set of vertices and E is the set of edges of Γ . An edge joins the vertex u to the vertex v is denoted by (u, v) . The group of automorphisms of Γ is denoted by $Aut(\Gamma)$, which acts on vertices of Γ . Γ is called X -vertex transitive if $X \leq Aut(\Gamma)$ acts transitively on the set of vertices of Γ .

Let G be a semigroup and S be a nonempty subset of G . The Cayley graph of G relative to S is denoted by $\Gamma = Cay(G, S)$ is a graph with vertex set G and (x, y) is an edge of Γ if and only if for some $s \in S$ we have $y = sx$. An automorphism ϕ of the Cayley graph Γ is called colour preserving if $sx = y$ implies $s(x^\phi) = y^\phi$. Denote by $ColAut_S(G)$ the set of all colour preserving automorphism of Γ and Γ is said to be Col-Aut-vertex transitive Cayley graph if it is $ColAut_S(G)$ -vertex transitive [5].

Every semigroup S can be converted to a monoid S^1 which is S if S is a monoid and otherwise is $S \cup \{1\}$ where 1 is an element which is not contained in S with the the extension of definition of multiply by $s.1 = 1.s = s\forall s \in S$ and $1.1 = 1$. [4]

Many large graphs can be constructed by expanding of small graphs, thus it is important to know which properties of small graphs can be transferred to the expanded one, for example Wang in [7] proved that the lexicographic of vertex transitive graphs is also vertex transitive as well as the lexicographic product of edge transitive graphs. Specapan in [6] Found the fewest number of vertices for Cartesian product of two graphs whose removal from the

graph results in a disconnected or trivial graph. Motivated by these we consider five kinds of graph products as the expander graphs which is described below and verify if we can regard the product of them as a Cayley graph of the semigroup which is made by their product underlying semigroup and if the answer is positive does it inherit Col-Aut-vertex property of them.

Definition 1.1. Let $\Gamma_1 = (V_1, E_1)$ and $\Gamma_2 = (V_2, E_2)$ be two graphs. $\Gamma = (V, E)$, the product of them is a graph with vertex set $V = V_1 \times V_2$, and two vertices (u_1, u_2) is adjacent to (v_1, v_2) in Γ if one of the relevant conditions happen depending on the product.

1. Cartesian product. u_1 is adjacent to v_1 in Γ_1 and $u_2 = v_2$ or $u_1 = v_1$ and u_2 is adjacent to v_2 in Γ_2 .
2. Tensor product. u_1 is adjacent to v_1 in Γ_1 and u_2 is adjacent to v_2 in Γ_2 .
3. Strong product. u_1 is adjacent to v_1 in Γ_1 and $u_2 = v_2$ or $u_1 = v_1$ and u_2 is adjacent to v_2 in Γ_2 or u_1 is adjacent to v_1 in Γ_1 and u_2 is adjacent to v_2 in Γ_2 .
4. Lexicographic. u_1 is adjacent to v_1 in Γ_1 or $u_1 = v_1$ and u_2 is adjacent to v_2 in Γ_2 .
5. Co-normal product. u_1 is adjacent to v_1 in Γ_1 or u_2 is adjacent to v_2 in Γ_2 .

and the complement of a graph $\Gamma = (V, E)$ is denoted by Γ^C is a graph with the same vertex set and two vertices are adjacent iff they are not adjacent in the original graph Γ .

2. Cartesian product

Through this section we assume H and K are two semigroups, S and T be the subsets of H and K respectively which does not contain the identity and idempotent, if there exist any. $\Gamma_1 = \text{Cay}(H, S)$ and $\Gamma_2 = \text{Cay}(K, T)$ and $\Gamma = (V, E)$ be the Cartesian product of them and we denote it by $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \square \Gamma_2$.

Theorem 2.1. Γ the Cartesian product of two Cayley graph of semigroups is also a Cayley graph of the monoid $H^1 \times K^1$ with respect to the subset $(\{1_{H^1}\} \times T) \cup (S \times \{1_{K^1}\})$ of $H^1 \times K^1$.

Proof. $((h_1, k_1), (h_2, k_2))$ is an edge of g if and only if $h_1 = h_2$ and $k_2 = tk_1$ for some $t \in T$ or for some $s \in S$ we have $h_2 = sh_1$ and $k_1 = k_2$, i.e. for some $(1_{H^1}, t) \in \{1_{H^1}\} \times T$ we have $(h_2, k_2) = (1_{H^1}, t)(h_1, k_1)$ or for some $(s, 1_{K^1}) \in S \times \{1_{K^1}\}$ we have $(h_2, k_2) = (s, 1_{K^1})(h_1, k_1)$, and equivalently for some $\alpha \in (\{1_{H^1}\} \times T) \cup (S \times \{1_{K^1}\})$, the equation $(h_2, k_2) = \alpha(h_1, k_1)$ holds. \square

Theorem 2.2. Let Γ_1 and Γ_2 be two Col-Aut-vertex transitive Cayley graphs of finite semigroups. Then $\Gamma = (V, E)$ the cartesian product of them is also Col-Aut-vertex transitive Cayley graph.

Proof. Let (h_1, k_1) and (h_2, k_2) be two arbitrary vertices of the graph Γ . Since Γ_1 and Γ_2 are Col-Aut-vertex transitive, there exists $\alpha \in \text{ColAut}_S(H)$ and $\beta \in \text{ColAut}_T(K)$ which sends h_1 to h_2 and k_1 to k_2 respectively, implying (α, β) sends (h_1, k_1) to (h_2, k_2) . Now we have to show that (α, β) is a colour preserving automorphism of the graph Γ .

If $u_1 = v_1$ and u_2 and v_2 are adjacent in Γ_2 , since β is an automorphism of Γ_2 , therefore $(\alpha, \beta)(u_1, v_1)$ is also adjacent to $(\alpha, \beta)(u_2, v_2)$ in Γ . Similar argument can be done if u_1 is adjacent to v_1 in Γ_1 and $u_2 = v_2$ as well, yields that (α, β) is an automorphism of the graph Γ .

Now suppose for some $(s, t) \in (\{1_H\} \times T) \cup (S \times \{1_K\})$ and $(h, k), (h', k') \in H \times K$, we have $(s, t)(h, k) = (h', k')$, then either $s = 1_H, t \in T$ or $s \in S, t = 1_K$. Without loss of generality we assume the first case happens and hence $h = h'$. Since $\beta \in \text{ColAut}_T(K)$ and $tk = k'$, we have $tk^\beta = k'^\beta$, implying $(s, t)(h, k)^{(\alpha, \beta)} = (h^\alpha, k'^\beta) = (h, k')^{(\alpha, \beta)} = (h', k')^{(\alpha, \beta)}$, i.e. (α, β) is colour preserving. \square

3. Tensor product

Through this section we assume H and K are two semigroups, S and T be the subsets of H and K respectively which does not contain the identity and idempotent, if there exist any. $\Gamma_1 = \text{Cay}(H, S)$ and $\Gamma_2 = \text{Cay}(K, T)$ and $\Gamma = (V, E)$ be the tensor product of them and we denote it by $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \times \Gamma_2$. In the [1], authors proved the following theorems.

Theorem 3.1. Γ , tensor product of the graphs Γ_1 and Γ_2 is also a Cayley graph of the semigroup $H \times K$ with respect to the subset $S \times T$ of $H \times K$.

Theorem 3.2. Let Γ_1 and Γ_2 be two Col-Aut-vertex transitive Cayley graphs of finite semigroups. Then $\Gamma = (V, E)$ the tensor product of them is also Col-Aut-vertex transitive Cayley graph.

4. Strong product

Through this section we assume H and K are two semigroups, S and T be the subsets of H and K respectively which does not contain the identity and idempotent, if there exist any. $\Gamma_1 = \text{Cay}(H, S)$ and $\Gamma_2 = \text{Cay}(K, T)$ and $\Gamma = (V, E)$ be the strong product of them and we denote it by $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \boxtimes \Gamma_2$.

By the definition 1.1, theorem 2.1 and theorem 3.1, we conclude the following theorems.

Theorem 4.1. Γ the strong product of two Cayley graph of semigroups is also a Cayley graph of the monoid $H^1 \times K^1$ with respect to the subset $(\{1_{H^1}\} \times T) \cup (S \times \{1_{K^1}\}) \cup (S \times T)$ of $H^1 \times K^1$.

Theorem 4.2. Let Γ_1 and Γ_2 be two Col-Aut-vertex transitive Cayley graphs of finite semigroups. Then $\Gamma = (V, E)$ the strong product of them is also Col-Aut-vertex transitive Cayley graph.

5. Co-normal product

Through this section we assume H and K are two semigroups, S and T be the subsets of H and K respectively which does not contain the identity and idempotent, if there exist any. $\Gamma_1 = \text{Cay}(H, S)$ and $\Gamma_2 = \text{Cay}(K, T)$ and $\Gamma = (V, E)$ be the co-normal product of them and we denote it by $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \odot \Gamma_2$.

Theorem 5.1. Γ the co-normal product of two Cayley graph of groups is also a Cayley graph of the group $H \times K$ with respect to the subset $(H \times T) \cup (S \times K)$ of $H \times K$.

Proof. By definition 1.1, $((h_1, k_1), (h_2, k_2))$ is an edge of Γ if and only if for some $s \in S$ we have $h_2 = sh_1$ or $k_2 = tk_1$ for some $t \in T$. Equivalently for some $\alpha = (s, t) \in (S \times K) \cup (H \times T)$ we have $(h_2, k_2) = \alpha(h_1, k_1)$ \square

In the theorem 5.1, we brought a strong condition that H and K to be groups, because if they did not satisfy the conditions of groups then we can not say the co-normal product of the corresponding Cayley graphs will be a Cayley graph of the product semigroup $H \times K$. with respect to any subset of it. In the following example we bring a evidence of the case.

Example 5.2. Let H be a semigroup and S be a subset of it, K be a monogenic of the semigroup generated by x which satisfies the condition $x^{n+r} = x^r$ for some $n > 2$ and $r > 1$. and $T = \{x\}$.

For aome $v_1 \in H$ and $s \in S$ set $u = sv_1$, $u_2 = x^r$ and $v_2 = x$. By the definition of 1.1, (u_1, v_2) is adjacent to (v_1, v_2) in the graph Γ . If Γ is a Cayley graph of the group $H \times K$ with respect to some subgroup W of it, then we can say there exists $w = (h, k) \in H \times K$ such that the condition $(v_1, x) = (h, k)(u_1, x^r)$ holds, implying for some $k \in K$, we have $x = kx^r$ which is sa contradiction by the definition of the monogenic K .

6. Lexicographic product

Through this section we assume H and K are two semigroups, S and T be the subsets of H and K respectively which does not contain the identity and idempotent, if there exist any. $\Gamma_1 = \text{Cay}(H, S)$ and $\Gamma_2 = \text{Cay}(K, T)$ and $\Gamma = (V, E)$ be the lexicographic product of them and we denote it by $\Gamma = \Gamma_1[\Gamma_2]$.

Theorem 6.1. Γ the lexicographic product of two Cayley graph of groups is also a Cayley graph of the group $H \times K$ with respect to the subset $(\{1_H\} \times T) \cup (S \times K)$ of $H \times K$.

Proof. By definition 1.1, $((h_1, k_1), (h_2, k_2))$ is an edge of Γ if and only if for some $s \in S$ we have $h_2 = sh_1$ or $h_1 = h_2$ and $k_2 = tk_1$ for some $t \in T$. Equivalently for some $\alpha = (s, t) \in (S \times K) \cup (\{1_H\} \times T)$ we have $(h_2, k_2) = \alpha(h_1, k_1)$ \square

The example 5.2 also provide a counter example for the case if we replace semigroup instead of group in the theorem 6.1.

7. Complement

Through this section we assume H is a group and S be the subset of H which does not contain the identity. $\Gamma = \text{Cay}(H, S)$ and $\Gamma^c = (V, E)$ be the complement of it.

Theorem 7.1. Γ^c the complement of the Cayley graph of a group is also a Cayley graph of the group H with respect to the subset $S^c - \{1\}$ of $H \times K$.

Proof. By definition 1.1, (h_1, h_2) is an edge of Γ^c if and only if it is not an edge of Γ and $h_1 \neq h_2$, if and only if $h_2 \neq sh_1$ for all $s \in S$ and $h_2 \neq 1h_1$, thus we can consider Γ^c a Cayley graph of the same vertex set with respect to $S^c - \{1\}$. \square

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