

## 完全対称有向グラフの均衡的 $(C_4, C_6)$ -Bowtie 分解アルゴリズム

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### アブストラクト

グラフ理論において、グラフの分解問題は主要な研究テーマである。 $C_4$ 、 $C_6$  をそれぞれ4点、6点を通る有向サイクルとする。1点を共有する辺素な2個の有向サイクル  $C_4$ 、 $C_6$  からなるグラフを  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie という。本研究では、完全対称有向グラフ  $K_n^*$  を  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie 部分グラフに均衡的に分解する分解アルゴリズムを与える。

キーワード: 均衡的  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie 分解; 完全対称有向グラフ; グラフ理論

## Balanced $(C_4, C_6)$ -Bowtie Decomposition Algorithm of Symmetric Complete Digraphs

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### Abstract

In graph theory, the decomposition problem of graphs is a very important topic. Various types of decompositions of many graphs can be seen in the literature of graph theory. This paper gives a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition algorithm of the symmetric complete digraph  $K_n^*$ .

**Keywords:** Balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition; Symmetric complete digraph; Graph theory

### 1. Introduction

Let  $K_n^*$  denote the symmetric complete digraph of  $n$  vertices. Let  $C_4$  and  $C_6$  be the directed 4-cycle and the directed 6-cycle, respectively. The  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie is a graph of edge-disjoint  $C_4$  and  $C_6$  with a common vertex and the common vertex is called the center of the  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie.

When  $K_n^*$  is decomposed into edge-disjoint sum of  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties, we say that  $K_n^*$  has a  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition. Moreover, when every vertex of  $K_n^*$  appears in the same number of  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties, we say that  $K_n^*$  has a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition and this number is called the replication number.

It is a well-known result that  $K_n$  has a  $C_3$  decomposition if and only if  $n \equiv 1$  or  $3 \pmod{6}$ . This decomposition is known as a *Steiner triple system*. See Colbourn and Rosa[1] and Wallis[3, Chapter 12 : Triple Systems]. Horák and Rosa[2] proved that  $K_n$  has a  $(C_3, C_3)$ -bowtie decomposition if and only if  $n \equiv 1$  or  $9 \pmod{12}$ . This decomposition is known as a *bowtie system*.

In this paper, it is shown that the necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_n^*$  is  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$ .

## 2. Balanced $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of $K_n^*$

We use the following notation for a  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie.

**Notation.** We denote a  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie passing through  $v_1 - v_2 - v_3 - v_4 - v_1 - v_5 - v_6 - v_7 - v_8 - v_9 - v_1$  by  $\{(v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4), (v_1, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9)\}$ .

We have the following theorem.

**Theorem.**  $K_n^*$  has a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition if and only if  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$ .

**Proof. (Necessity)** Suppose that  $K_n^*$  has a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition. Let  $b$  be the number of  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties and  $r$  be the replication number. Then  $b = n(n-1)/10$  and  $r = 9(n-1)/10$ . Among  $r$   $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties having a vertex  $v$  of  $K_n^*$ , let  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  be the numbers of  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties in which  $v$  is the center and  $v$  is not the center, respectively. Then  $r_1 + r_2 = r$ . Counting the number of vertices adjacent to  $v$ ,  $2r_1 + r_2 = n-1$ . From these relations,  $r_1 = (n-1)/10$  and  $r_2 = 4(n-1)/5$ . Therefore,  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{10}$  is necessary.

**(Sufficiency)** We consider 2 cases.

**Case 1.  $n = 11$ .** Construct 11  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties as follows:

$$B_1 = \{(1, 3, 6, 5), (1, 2, 7, 4, 10, 8)\}$$

$$B_2 = \{(2, 4, 7, 6), (2, 3, 8, 5, 11, 9)\}$$

$$B_3 = \{(3, 5, 8, 7), (3, 4, 9, 6, 1, 10)\}$$

$$B_4 = \{(4, 6, 9, 8), (4, 5, 10, 7, 2, 11)\}$$

$$B_5 = \{(5, 7, 10, 9), (5, 6, 11, 8, 3, 1)\}$$

$$B_6 = \{(6, 8, 11, 10), (6, 7, 1, 9, 4, 2)\}$$

$$B_7 = \{(7, 9, 1, 11), (7, 8, 2, 10, 5, 3)\}$$

$$B_8 = \{(8, 10, 2, 1), (8, 9, 3, 11, 6, 4)\}$$

$$B_9 = \{(9, 11, 3, 2), (9, 10, 4, 1, 7, 5)\}$$

$$B_{10} = \{(10, 1, 4, 3), (10, 11, 5, 2, 8, 6)\}$$

$$B_{11} = \{(11, 2, 5, 4), (11, 1, 6, 3, 9, 7)\}.$$

This decomposition can be written as follows:

$$B_i = \{(i, i+2, i+5, i+4), (i, i+1, i+6, i+3, i+9, i+7)\} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, 11),$$

where the additions  $i+x$  are taken modulo 11 with residues  $1, 2, \dots, 11$ .

Then they comprise a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_{11}^*$ .

**Note.** We consider the vertex set  $V$  of  $K_n^*$  as  $V = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

The additions  $i+x$  are taken modulo  $n$  with residues  $1, 2, \dots, n$ .

**Case 2.**  $n = 10t + 1$  and  $t \geq 2$ . Construct  $tn$   $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} B_i^{(1)} &= \{(i, i+t+1, i+1, i+3t+1), (i, i+2, i+4t+4, i+2t+2, i+7t+4, i+6t+2)\} \\ B_i^{(2)} &= \{(i, i+t+2, i+3, i+3t+2), (i, i+1, i+4t+2, i+2t+1, i+7t+2, i+6t+1)\} \\ B_i^{(3)} &= \{(i, i+t+3, i+5, i+3t+3), (i, i+3, i+4t+6, i+2t+3, i+7t+6, i+6t+3)\} \\ B_i^{(4)} &= \{(i, i+t+4, i+7, i+3t+4), (i, i+4, i+4t+8, i+2t+4, i+7t+8, i+6t+4)\} \\ &\dots \\ B_i^{(t-1)} &= \{(i, i+2t-1, i+2t-3, i+4t-1), (i, i+t-1, i+6t-2, i+3t-1, i+9t-2, i+7t-1)\} \\ B_i^{(t)} &= \{(i, i+2t, i+2t-1, i+4t), (i, i+t, i+6t, i+3t, i+9t, i+7t)\} \\ &(i = 1, 2, \dots, n). \end{aligned}$$

Then they comprise a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_n^*$ .

This completes the proof.

**Example 1. A balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_{21}^*$ .**

Construct 42  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} B_i^{(1)} &= \{(i, i+3, i+1, i+7), (i, i+2, i+12, i+6, i+18, i+14)\} \\ B_i^{(2)} &= \{(i, i+4, i+3, i+8), (i, i+1, i+10, i+5, i+16, i+13)\} \\ &(i = 1, 2, \dots, 21). \end{aligned}$$

Then they comprise a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_{21}^*$ .

**Example 2. A balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_{31}^*$ .**

Construct 93  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} B_i^{(1)} &= \{(i, i+4, i+1, i+10), (i, i+2, i+16, i+8, i+25, i+20)\} \\ B_i^{(2)} &= \{(i, i+5, i+3, i+11), (i, i+1, i+14, i+7, i+23, i+19)\} \\ B_i^{(3)} &= \{(i, i+6, i+5, i+12), (i, i+3, i+18, i+9, i+27, i+21)\} \\ &(i = 1, 2, \dots, 31). \end{aligned}$$

Then they comprise a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_{31}^*$ .

**Example 3. A balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_{41}^*$ .**

Construct 164  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} B_i^{(1)} &= \{(i, i+5, i+1, i+13), (i, i+2, i+20, i+10, i+32, i+26)\} \\ B_i^{(2)} &= \{(i, i+6, i+3, i+14), (i, i+1, i+18, i+9, i+30, i+25)\} \\ B_i^{(3)} &= \{(i, i+7, i+5, i+15), (i, i+3, i+22, i+11, i+34, i+27)\} \\ B_i^{(4)} &= \{(i, i+8, i+7, i+16), (i, i+4, i+24, i+12, i+36, i+28)\} \\ &(i = 1, 2, \dots, 41). \end{aligned}$$

Then they comprise a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_{41}^*$ .

**Example 4. A balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_{51}^*$ .**

Construct 255  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowties as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} B_i^{(1)} &= \{(i, i+6, i+1, i+16), (i, i+2, i+24, i+12, i+39, i+32)\} \\ B_i^{(2)} &= \{(i, i+7, i+3, i+17), (i, i+1, i+22, i+11, i+37, i+31)\} \\ B_i^{(3)} &= \{(i, i+8, i+5, i+18), (i, i+3, i+26, i+13, i+41, i+33)\} \\ B_i^{(4)} &= \{(i, i+9, i+7, i+19), (i, i+4, i+28, i+14, i+43, i+34)\} \\ B_i^{(5)} &= \{(i, i+10, i+9, i+20), (i, i+5, i+30, i+15, i+45, i+35)\} \\ &(i = 1, 2, \dots, 51). \end{aligned}$$

Then they comprise a balanced  $(C_4, C_6)$ -bowtie decomposition of  $K_{51}^*$ .

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