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## $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$ - factorization algorithm of symmetric complete tripartite digraphs

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Let  $K_{n_1, n_2, n_3}^*$  denote the symmetric complete tripartite digraph with partite sets  $V_1, V_2, V_3$  of  $n_1, n_2, n_3$  vertices each, and let  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  denote the evenly partite directed bigraph from  $p$  start-vertices to  $2q$  end-vertices such that the start-vertices are in  $V_i$  and  $q$  end-vertices are in  $V_j$  and  $q$  end-vertices are in  $V_k$  with  $\{i, j, k\} = \{1, 2, 3\}$ . A spanning subgraph  $F$  of  $K_{n_1, n_2, n_3}^*$  is called a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  - factor if each component of  $F$  is  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$ . If  $K_{n_1, n_2, n_3}^*$  is expressed as an arc-disjoint sum of  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  - factors, then this sum is called a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  - factorization of  $K_{n_1, n_2, n_3}^*$ .

**Theorem 1.** If  $K_{n_1, n_2, n_3}^*$  has a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  - factorization, then (i)  $n_1 = n_2 = n_3 \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$  for  $p = q$ , (ii)  $n_1 = n_2 = n_3 \equiv 0 \pmod{dp'q'(p' + 2q')}$  for  $p \neq q$  and  $p'$  odd, (iii)  $n_1 = n_2 = n_3 \equiv 0 \pmod{dp'q'(p' + 2q')/2}$  for  $p \neq q$  and  $p'$  even, where  $(p, q) = d$ ,  $p = dp'$ ,  $q = dq'$ ,  $(p', q') = 1$ .

**Theorem 2.** If  $K_{n, n, n}^*$  has a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  - factorization, then  $K_{sn, sn, sn}^*$  has a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  - factorization.

**Theorem 3.** When  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{p}$ ,  $K_{n, n, n}^*$  has a  $\bar{K}_{p,2p}$  - factorization.

**Proof.(Algorithm 1)** Put  $n = sp$ . When  $s = 1$ , let  $V_1 = \{1, 2, \dots, p\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{1', 2', \dots, p'\}$ , and  $V_3 = \{1'', 2'', \dots, p''\}$ . Construct  $\bar{K}_{p,2p}$  - factors  $F_1 = (V_1; V_2, V_3)$ ,  $F_2 = (V_2; V_1, V_3)$ ,  $F_3 = (V_3; V_1, V_2)$ . Then they comprise a  $\bar{K}_{p,2p}$  - factorization of  $K_{p, p, p}^*$ . Applying Theorem 2,  $K_{n, n, n}^*$  has a  $\bar{K}_{p,2p}$  - factorization.

**Theorem 4.** Let  $(p, q) = d$ ,  $p = dp'$ ,  $q = dq'$ ,  $(p', q') = 1$  for  $p \neq q$ . When  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{dp'q'(p' + 2q')}$  and  $p'$  odd,  $K_{n, n, n}^*$  has a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  - factorization.

**Proof.(Algorithm 2)** Put  $n = sdp'q'(p' + 2q')$  and  $N = dp'q'(p' + 2q')$ . When  $s = 1$ , let  $V_1 = \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{1', 2', \dots, N'\}$ , and  $V_3 = \{1'', 2'', \dots, N''\}$ . Construct  $(p' + 2q')^2$   $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  - factors  $F_{ij}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, p' + 2q'$ ;  $j = 1, 2, \dots, p' + 2q'$ ) as following:

$$F_{ij} = \{ ((A + 1, \dots, A + p); (B + f + 1, \dots, B + f + q), (C + g + 1, \dots, C + g + q)) \\ ((A + p + 1, \dots, A + 2p); (B + f + q + 1, \dots, B + f + 2q), (C + g + q + 1, \dots, C + g + 2q))$$

$$\dots \\ ((A + (p'q' - 1)p + 1, \dots, A + p'q'p); (B + f + (p'q' - 1)q + 1, \dots, B + f + p'q'q), (C + g + (p'q' - 1)q + 1, \dots, C + g + p'q'q))$$

$$((B + 1, \dots, B + p); (C + f + 1, \dots, C + f + q), (A + g + 1, \dots, A + g + q))$$

$$((B + p + 1, \dots, B + 2p); (C + f + q + 1, \dots, C + f + 2q), (A + g + q + 1, \dots, A + g + 2q))$$

$$\dots \\ ((B + (p'q' - 1)p + 1, \dots, B + p'q'p); (C + f + (p'q' - 1)q + 1, \dots, C + f + p'q'q), (A + g + (p'q' - 1)q + 1, \dots, A + g + p'q'q))$$

$$((C + 1, \dots, C + p); (A + f + 1, \dots, A + f + q), (B + g + 1, \dots, B + g + q))$$

$$((C + p + 1, \dots, C + 2p); (A + f + q + 1, \dots, A + f + 2q), (B + g + q + 1, \dots, B + g + 2q))$$

$$\dots \\ ((C + (p'q' - 1)p + 1, \dots, C + p'q'p); (A + f + (p'q' - 1)q + 1, \dots, A + f + p'q'q), (B + g + (p'q' - 1)q + 1, \dots, B + g + p'q'q)) \},$$

where  $f = p'dp'q'$ ,  $g = (p' + q')dp'q'$ ,  $A = (i - 1)dp'q'$ ,  $B = (j - 1)dp'q'$ ,  $C = (i + j - 2)dp'q'$ , and the additions are taken modulo  $N$  with residues  $1, 2, \dots, N$ , and  $(A + x)$ ,  $(B + x)$ ,  $(C + x)$  means  $(A + x)$ ,  $(B + x)'$ ,  $(C + x)''$ , respectively. Then they comprise a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  - factorization of  $K_{N, N, N}^*$ . Applying Theorem 2,  $K_{n, n, n}^*$  has a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$  - factorization.

**Theorem 5.** Let  $(p, q) = d$ ,  $p = dp'$ ,  $q = dq'$ ,  $(p', q') = 1$  for  $p \neq q$ . When  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{dp'q'(p' + 2q')/2}$  and  $p'$  even,  $K_{n,n,n}^*$  has a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$ -factorization.

**Proof.(Algorithm 3)** Put  $n = sd p'q'(p' + 2q')/2$  and  $N = dp'q'(p' + 2q')/2$ . When  $s = 1$ , let  $V_1 = \{1, 2, \dots, N\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{1', 2', \dots, N'\}$ , and  $V_3 = \{1'', 2'', \dots, N''\}$ . Construct  $(p' + 2q')^2/2$   $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$ -factors  $F_{ij}^{(1)}$ ,  $F_{ij}^{(2)}$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, (p' + 2q')/2$ ;  $j = 1, 2, \dots, (p' + 2q')/2$ ) as following:

$$F_{ij}^{(1)} = \{ ((A + 1, \dots, A + p); (B + f + 1, \dots, B + f + q), (C + g + 1, \dots, C + g + q)) \\ ((A + p + 1, \dots, A + 2p); (B + f + q + 1, \dots, B + f + 2q), (C + g + q + 1, \dots, C + g + 2q)) \}$$

$$\dots \\ ((A + (p'q'/2 - 1)p + 1, \dots, A + (p'q'/2)p); (B + f + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, B + f + (p'q'/2)q), (C + g + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, C + g + (p'q'/2)q))$$

$$((B + 1, \dots, B + p); (C + f + 1, \dots, C + f + q), (A + g + 1, \dots, A + g + q))$$

$$((B + p + 1, \dots, B + 2p); (C + f + q + 1, \dots, C + f + 2q), (A + g + q + 1, \dots, A + g + 2q))$$

$$\dots \\ ((B + (p'q'/2 - 1)p + 1, \dots, B + (p'q'/2)p); (C + f + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, C + f + (p'q'/2)q), (A + g + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, A + g + (p'q'/2)q))$$

$$((C + 1, \dots, C + p); (A + f + 1, \dots, A + f + q), (B + g + 1, \dots, B + g + q))$$

$$((C + p + 1, \dots, C + 2p); (A + f + q + 1, \dots, A + f + 2q), (B + g + q + 1, \dots, B + g + 2q))$$

$$\dots \\ ((C + (p'q'/2 - 1)p + 1, \dots, C + (p'q'/2)p); (A + f + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, A + f + (p'q'/2)q), (B + g + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, B + g + (p'q'/2)q)) \},$$

$$F_{ij}^{(2)} = \{ ((A + 1, \dots, A + p); (C + f + 1, \dots, C + f + q), (B + g + 1, \dots, B + g + q))$$

$$((A + p + 1, \dots, A + 2p); (C + f + q + 1, \dots, C + f + 2q), (B + g + q + 1, \dots, B + g + 2q))$$

$$\dots \\ ((A + (p'q'/2 - 1)p + 1, \dots, A + (p'q'/2)p); (C + f + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, C + f + (p'q'/2)q), (B + g + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, B + g + (p'q'/2)q))$$

$$((B + 1, \dots, B + p); (A + f + 1, \dots, A + f + q), (C + g + 1, \dots, C + g + q))$$

$$((B + p + 1, \dots, B + 2p); (A + f + q + 1, \dots, A + f + 2q), (C + g + q + 1, \dots, C + g + 2q))$$

$$\dots \\ ((B + (p'q'/2 - 1)p + 1, \dots, B + (p'q'/2)p); (A + f + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, A + f + (p'q'/2)q), (C + g + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, C + g + (p'q'/2)q))$$

$$((C + 1, \dots, C + p); (B + f + 1, \dots, B + f + q), (A + g + 1, \dots, A + g + q))$$

$$((C + p + 1, \dots, C + 2p); (B + f + q + 1, \dots, B + f + 2q), (A + g + q + 1, \dots, A + g + 2q))$$

$$\dots \\ ((C + (p'q'/2 - 1)p + 1, \dots, C + (p'q'/2)p); (B + f + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, B + f + (p'q'/2)q), (A + g + (p'q'/2 - 1)q + 1, \dots, A + g + (p'q'/2)q)) \},$$

where  $f = (p'/2)dp'q'$ ,  $g = ((p' + q')/2)dp'q'$ ,  $A = (i - 1)dp'q'$ ,  $B = (j - 1)dp'q'$ ,  $C = (i + j - 2)dp'q'$ , and the additions are taken modulo  $N$  with residues  $1, 2, \dots, N$ , and  $(A + x)$ ,  $(B + x)$ ,  $(C + x)$  means  $(A + x)$ ,  $(B + x)'$ ,  $(C + x)''$ , respectively. Then they comprise a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$ -factorization of  $K_{N,N,N}^*$ . Applying Theorem 2,  $K_{n,n,n}^*$  has a  $\bar{K}_{p,2q}$ -factorization.

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