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All Kinds of Mathematics Remind me of You
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- Homogeneity
 - Problem 1: Metrically Homogeneous Graphs
 - Problem 2: Twisted automorphisms; splitting and the PC-property
- Twisted automorphisms of metrically homogeneous graphs
 - Classification
 - Splitting
 - The PC-property

Homogeneity (Klein 1872, Cantor 1895, Urysohn 1924, Fraïssé 1953)

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Examples

1. Some **homogeneous graphs**:

- C_n for $n \leq 5$;
- The random graph (Erdős-Rényi 1963)

2. Some **metrically homogeneous graphs**:

- C_n for all n ;
- The random graph of diameter n (the integral Urysohn sphere).

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Definition

A metrically homogeneous graph Γ is of **generic type** if

- The induced graph Γ_1 on a neighborhood is primitive; and
- The common neighbors of two points at distance 2 contain an infinite independent set.

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Conjecture

*The metrically homogeneous graphs of **generic type** are of the form $\Gamma_{K_1, K_2; C_0, C_1; S}^\delta$ where δ is the diameter and*

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Examples

An isomorphism of C_5 with its complement; an isomorphism of C_7 as a metric space with distances 1, 2, 3, to the twist by the cycle (1, 2, 3).

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Remark (Cameron, Tarzi)

If Γ is homogeneous for the language L_k then the twisted automorphism group is

$$N_{\text{Sym}(\Gamma)}(\text{Aut } \Gamma)$$

$$1 \rightarrow \text{Aut}(\Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Aut}^*(\Gamma) \rightarrow \text{Aut}(L/\Gamma) \rightarrow 1$$

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Theorem (Cameron, Tarzi)

$\text{Aut}^*(\Gamma_{\text{random}}^{(m)})$ *splits over* $\text{Aut}(\Gamma)$ *iff* m *is odd*.

Non-splitting: as for $m = 2$, because there is an involution in $\text{Aut}(L/\Gamma)$ without fixed points.

Splitting: more delicate.

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All $\Gamma_{\text{random}}^{(m)}$ are PC, hence PC⁺.

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Γ : homogeneous for a binary language with symmetric relations (self-paired orbits)

Again:

- When does Aut^* split?
- When is Aut PC?

Specifically: for the known metrically homogeneous graphs (mainly, of generic type)?

Twist of Metrically Homogeneous Graphs

Theorem (Rebecca Coulson)

The possible twists of a metrically homogeneous graph of generic type are the permutations $\rho, \rho^{-1}, \tau_0, \tau_1$, where τ_ϵ is the involution $(1, [\delta + \epsilon] - 1)(3, [\delta + \epsilon] - 3) \cdots$, and

$$\rho(i) = \begin{cases} 2i & i \leq \delta/2 \\ 2(\delta - i) + 1 & i > \delta/2 \end{cases}$$

The map ρ is a twisted isomorphism between

$$\Gamma_{C=2\delta+2}^\delta \text{ and } \Gamma_{K_1=\delta}^\delta$$

The τ_ϵ can act as twisted automorphisms, notably when

$$K_1 = \left\lfloor \frac{\delta + \epsilon}{2} \right\rfloor \quad K_2 = \left\lceil \frac{\delta + \epsilon}{2} \right\rceil \quad C = 2(\delta + \epsilon) + 1 \quad C' = C + 1$$

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Theorem

For any *known* metrically homogeneous graph of generic type and diameter δ which allows a twist by τ_ϵ the twisted automorphism group splits over the automorphism group iff

$$\delta + \epsilon \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$



τ_ϵ has lots of fixed points

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The splitting part may be stated more precisely.

Theorem

For any known metrically homogeneous graph of generic type and diameter δ which allows a twist by τ_ϵ , if $k, \delta + \epsilon - k$ are fixed points for τ_ϵ differing by at most 1, then there is a twisted automorphism α of order 2 affording τ_ϵ which satisfies

$$d(x, x^\alpha) \in \{k, \delta + \epsilon - k\} \text{ for all } x.$$

The PC-property

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Obstruction: Central automorphisms

Theorem

Let Γ be a metrically homogeneous graph and $\alpha \in \text{Aut}^(\Gamma)$ a non-trivially twisted automorphism α of Γ inducing a non-trivial central automorphism of Γ . Then Γ is of antipodal type, bipartite, and of even diameter; if Γ is not an n -cycle, then α is $(1, \pi)$ or $(\pi, 1)$ with π the antipodal map.*

But in the primitive case the situation is very similar to

$\Gamma_{\text{random}}^{(m)}$.

The primitive case

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Theorem(ish)

Let Γ be a *known primitive* metrically homogeneous graph of generic type.

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Ingredients as in Cameron and Tarzi—but we haven't actually said what they were . . .

Ingredients

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- Identify open subgroups (R. Coulson; Aranda, Bradley-Williams, Hubička, Karamanlis, Kompatscher, Konečný, Pawliuk 2017) ;
- Identify setwise stabilizers (Cameron 2005)
- Identify vertex stabilizers (Method of Cameron/Tarzi 2007)

or in terms of methodology

- Finiteness of forbidden partial substructures;
- Strong primitivity;
- Double cosets of $G_{\{A\}}$ count isomorphism types of pairs (A_1, A_2) with $A_i \simeq A$; for vertex stabilizers there are $\delta + 1$ such.

And just one more thing

Problem (Cameron 2002)

Classify the homogeneous structures for a language with finitely many linear relations.

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Conjecture (Sam Braunfeld, Rutgers, 2017)

Built generically from “sub-quotient orders,” over a generalized ultrametric space with values in a distributive lattice. In particular there are only finitely many for a specified finite language, and they have the Ramsey property.

(Also, the isometry group of the g.u.m. has metrizable minimal flow when the lattice is distributive.)

Theorem(ish)

True for 3 orders.

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The splitting problem for symmetric binary languages.

Problems

- When do involutions in $\text{Aut}(L/\Gamma)$ lift to involutions in $\text{Aut}^*(\Gamma)$?
- If all involutions in $\text{Aut}(L/\Gamma)$ lift to involutions, does Aut^* split?