

Improving some bounds and whatnot.

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Abstract

Part I

Introduction

1 Introduction

Let Γ be a finite group with a subset S . The *Cayley digraph*, denoted $\text{Cay}(\Gamma, A)$, is a digraph with vertex set Γ , such that (x, y) is a directed edge if and only if $yx^{-1} \in A$. In this paper we will be working with \mathbb{Z}_m as our vertex set, and will denote these Cayley graphs as $\text{Cay}(m, A)$.

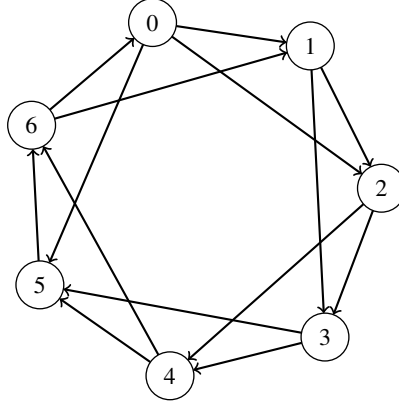


Fig. 1: $\text{Cay}(\mathbb{Z}_7, \{1, 2\})$.

For any positive integer d we define

$$m(d, A) = \max \{ m \mid d(m, A) \leq d \},$$

the largest positive integer m such that the diameter, $d(m, A)$, of the Cayley digraph $\text{Cay}(m, A)$ is less than or equal to d . For positive integers d and k ,

$$m(d, k) = \max \{ m(d, A) \mid \text{there exists a set } A \text{ with } |A| = k \},$$

the maximum modulus m such that there exists a generating set with cardinality equal to k and the diameter of the Cayley digraph is less than or equal to d .

Current known bounds include

$$m(1, k) = k + 1,$$

$$m(d, 1) = d + 1, \text{ and}$$

$$m(d, 2) = \lfloor \frac{d(d+4)}{3} \rfloor + 1 \text{ for } d \geq 2.$$

In this paper we will examine the case when $k = 3$. A current lower bound for this case is

$$m(d, 3) \geq \frac{176}{2197} d^3 + O(d^3).$$

Part II

Results

2 What else?