

# Designs for forests with seven edges

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## Abstract

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## 1 Introduction

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## 2 Tools

I am putting various theorems and constructions with way too much detail here so we can trim them down.

**Definition 2.1.** [8] A  $\sigma^{+-}$  labeling of  $G$  is an injection  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, 2m - 2\}$  which induces a bijective length function  $\ell : E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$  where  $\ell(uv) = f(b) - f(u)$  for every edge  $uv \in E(G)$  with  $u \in A$  and  $v \in B$ ,  $a < b$  and  $f$  has the additional property that  $f(u) - f(v) \neq m$  for all  $u \in A$  and  $v \in B$ . 10

**Theorem 2.2.** (Freyberg and Tran, [8]). Let  $G$  be a bipartite graph with  $m$  edges and a  $\sigma^{+-}$ -labeling such that the edge of length  $m$  is a pendant edge  $e$ . Then there exists a  $G$ -decomposition of  $K_{2mr}$  and  $K_{2mr+1}$  for every positive integer  $r$ . 15

**Observation 2.3.** Consider  $K_n$  for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\ell$  on it's edges as stated in Definition 2.1. For any edge  $e \in E(K_{21})$ ,  $\ell(e) \in \{1, \dots, \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\}$  and there exist  $n$  edges with each distinct length in  $\{1, \dots, \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\}$ . Equivalently, each vertex  $v \in V(K_{21})$  is a member of exactly two distinct edges  $e_1, e_2$  of each length in  $\{1, \dots, \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\}$ . 20

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**Construction 2.4.** Let  $F$  be a forest on 7 edges and consider  $K_{21}$ . By 2.3, any edge in  $K_{21}$  has a length in  $L = \{1, \dots, 10\}$  via  $\ell$  as stated in Definition 2.1. Next, by Theorem 2.2, if  $F_\sigma$  is a  $\sigma^{+-}$ -labeling of  $F$ , then  $B_\sigma = \langle F_\sigma \rangle$  via  $\phi_1 := v \mapsto v + 1$  contains all edges of  $K_{21}$  with lengths in  $L_\sigma = \{1, \dots, 7\}$  by the union of it's members. Additionally, all  $G \in B_\sigma$  are isomorphic to  $F$ .

Now, clearly each edge in  $K_{21}$  is uniquely determined by it's endpoints. So naturally observe that if we partition the vertices of  $K_{21}$  modulo 7, a singleton edge partition of  $K_{21}$  modulo  $7 \times 7$  is induced. Let  $\ell := ab \mapsto a + b \pmod{7}$ . We now partition the edges of  $K_{21}$  modulo  $\sim$  where  $ab \sim cd$  if  $\ell(ab) = \ell(cd)$  and  $\ell_7(ab) = \ell_7(cd)$ , and specify each partite set  $P_{i,j}$  via  $ab \in P_{i,j}$  if  $\ell \times \ell_7(ab) = (i, j)$ . Each  $P_{i,j}$  contains three edges in the same equivalence class modulo  $\sim$ ; three edges of the same length  $i$  which are in the same endpoint equivalence class modulo  $7 \times 7$ . Lastly, let  $L_i = \{uv \in E(K_{21}) \mid \ell(uv) = i\}, \forall i \in L$ , then  $L_i = \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_7} P_{i,j}$ .

Let  $\phi_7 := v \mapsto v + 7$  and  $H_{i,j} \subseteq K_{21}$  be a subgraph containing some edge  $ab$  such that  $\ell \times \ell_7(ab) = (i, j)$ . Then if  $G_{i,j} = \bigcup_{G \in (H_{i,j})_{\phi_7}} G$ ,  $P_{i,j} \subseteq E(G_{i,j})$ ; each  $G_{i,j}$  contains the partition  $P_{i,j}$ . Then since for any  $(i, j) \in L \times \mathbb{Z}_7$ , such a subgraph  $H_{i,j}$  exists, so does such a  $G_{i,j}$ . Therefore, for any  $i \in L$ ,  $L_i \subseteq E(\bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_7} G_{i,j})$  for such  $G_{i,j}$ . In other words, we can generate all edges of length  $i \in L$  in  $K_{21}$  by finding subgraphs containing edges of length  $i$  from each distinct equivalence class modulo  $7 \times 7$  and applying  $\phi_7$  to their vertices.

So finally, if there exist  $\ell \times \ell_7$ -wise edge-disjoint subgraphs  $F_1, F_2, F_3 \cong F$  of  $K_{21}$  with only edges of lengths in  $L^* = \{8, 9, 10\}$ , let  $B_i = \langle F_i \rangle_{\phi_7}$  for each  $i = 1, 2, 3$ . Then  $\bigcup_{i=1,2,3} B_i$  must contain all edges of  $K_{21}$  with lengths in  $L^*$  by the union of it's members. Let  $B_{21} = B_\sigma \cup B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3$  and recall that  $B_\sigma$  contains all edges of lengths in  $L_\sigma$  by the union of it's members. So then since  $L = L_\sigma \cup L^*$ ,  $K_{21} = \bigcup_{G \in B_{21}} G$ , and all  $G \in B_{21}$  are isomorphic to  $F$  and edge disjoint by definition. Therefore,

the existence of such subgraphs  $F_\sigma, F_1, F_2, F_3$  give  $B_{21} = B_\sigma \cup B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3$ , an  $F$ -decomposition of  $K_{21}$ .

**Construction 2.5.** Let  $F$  be a forest graph on seven edges and consider  $K_{22}$ . For this construction we simply take the 22nd vertex to be  $\infty$ ; we add  $\infty$  to the neighborhood of each vertex in  $K_{21}$ , and let  $\ell(x\infty) = \infty$  for all  $x \in V(K_{22})$ . Next, we let  $B_\sigma$  refer to the same block as previously described in Construction 2.4. Similarly to in the previous construction, if  $F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4 \cong F$  are  $\ell \times \ell_7$ -wise edge-wise disjoint subgraphs of  $K_{21}$  with only edges of lengths in  $L^* = \{8, 9, 10\} \cup \{\infty\}$ , we let  $B_i = \langle F_i \rangle_{\phi_7}$  via  $\phi_7$  as defined in Construction 2.4 with the new condition  $\ell(x\infty) = x \pmod{7}$ . Then  $B_{22} = B_\sigma \cup B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup B_4$  has the same properties as  $B_{21}$  from Construction 2.4 with  $L^*$  as defined in this construction. Therefore,

the existence of such subgraphs  $F_\sigma, F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4$  give  $B_{22} = B_\sigma \cup B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup B_4$ , an  $F$ -decomposition of  $K_{22}$ .

**Construction 2.6.** Let  $F$  be a forest on seven edges and consider  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$  for some  $t > 1 \in \mathbb{N}$ . By Observation 2.3,  $K_{14t+7}$  has edge-lengths in  $L = [1, 7t+3]$ . Let us define the following edge length intervals:  $L_\sigma = [1, 7]$ ,  $I_0 = [8, 10]$  and  $I_j = (I_\sigma + 10) + 7(j-1) = [11+7(j-1), 17+7(j-1)]$  for all  $0 < j \leq t$ . Lastly let  $L_\sigma^* = \bigcup_{0 < j \leq t} I_j$  and  $L^* = [8, 10]$ . 65

Then if there exists a  $\sigma^{+-}$ -labeling  $F_\sigma$  of  $F$ , we let  $B_\sigma$  be defined as in Constructions 2.4 and 2.5, and notice that all edges from  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$  with lengths in  $I_\sigma$  are contained in the union of the members of  $B_\sigma$ . Next, recall the vertex partition of  $F_\sigma$  where all for all  $u \in A$  and  $v \in B$  with  $uv \in E(F_\sigma)$ ,  $u < v$  and additionally  $\ell(uv) = |u - v|$ . 70

Let  $\varphi_j := v \mapsto v + 10(j-1)$  for all  $0 < j \leq t$  and let  $F_\sigma^j$  simply be  $F_\sigma$  with  $\varphi_j$  on  $B$  and subsequently each  $ab \mapsto a\varphi_j(b)$ . Also let  $B_\sigma^j = \langle F_\sigma^j \rangle_{\phi_7}$ , for each  $0 < j \leq t$ . Recall that since  $F_\sigma$  contains no wraparound edges in  $K_{21}$ , for any edge  $ab$  with length  $|a - b| \in I_\sigma$ ,  $|a - \varphi_j(b)| \in I_j$ . So then since  $uv$  is a wraparound edge of  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$  if and only if  $|a - b| > 7t + 3$ , the maximal edge length,  $F_\sigma^j$  must not contain any wraparound edges for each  $0 < j \leq t$ . So then each  $F_\sigma^j$  must contain exactly one edge of each length in  $I_j$ . Therefore for any  $1 < j \leq t$ , since  $|B_\sigma^j| = 14t + 7$ ,  $B_\sigma^j$  must contain all edges  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$  with lengths in  $I_j$ . Therefore  $B_\sigma^* = \bigcup_{0 < j \leq t} B_\sigma^j$  must contain all edges of  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$  lengths in  $L_\sigma^*$  in the union of it's members. 75

Now, if  $\ell \times \ell_7$ -wise edge-disjoint subgraphs isomorphic to  $F$  with the properties defined at end of Constructions 2.4 and 2.5 exist in  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$ , respectively, let  $B_1, B_2, B_3$  be defined as in Construction 2.4 and  $\beta_i = B_i$  from Construction 2.5 for  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ . Finally, let  $B_{14t+7} = B_\sigma \cup B_\sigma^* \cup B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3$  and let  $B_{14t+8} = B_\sigma \cup B_\sigma^* \cup \beta_1 \cup \beta_2 \cup \beta_3 \cup \beta_4$ . Notice that  $B_{14t+7}$  contains all edges in  $K_{14t+7}$  of lengths in  $L = L_\sigma \cup L_\sigma^* \cup L^*$  and  $B_{14t+8}$  contains all edges in  $K_{14t+8}$  of lengths in  $L \cup \{\infty\} = L_\sigma \cup L_\sigma^* \cup L^* \cup \{\infty\}$ . Therefore since all  $G \in B_{14t+7} \cup B_{14t+8}$  are isomorphic to  $F$  and edge-disjoint, 80

the existence of such subgraphs give  $B_{14t+7}$  and  $B_{14t+8}$ ,  $F$ -decompositions of  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$ , respectively. 85

**Theorem 2.7.** In  $K_n$ ,  $uv$  is a wraparound edge if and only if the absolute difference of its endpoints is greater than the maximal length in  $K_n$ ;  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor < |u - v|$ . 95

*Proof.* Let  $uv$  be an edge in  $K_n$  via  $\ell$  defined previously. If  $uv$  is a wraparound edge, then  $n - |u - v| < |u - v|$ . So then  $\frac{n}{2} - \frac{|u-v|}{2} < \frac{|u-v|}{2}$ , and therefore  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \leq \frac{n}{2} < |u - v|$ . If  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \leq \frac{n}{2} < |u - v|$ , note that without loss of generality  $u < v$ . Then necessarily  $n - |u - v| = n - (v - u) < v - u = |u - v|$ , so then  $n < 2(v - u)$  and  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor \leq \frac{n}{2} < (v - u) < |u - v|$ . 100

Thus,

$$\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor < |u - v| \iff uv \text{ is a wraparound edge.}$$

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**Theorem 2.8.** *Let us refer to  $K_n$  whose vertices we take to be  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_n \cup \{\infty\}$  when  $n \equiv 7$  or  $8 \pmod{14}$ , respectively, as simply  $K_n$ . Next let us define the edge operation  $\ell_n := \ell_n(uv) = \min\{|u - v|, n - |u - v|\}$ , and let  $t > 1$ ,  $m > 0$  with  $h = 14(t - 1)$ . For wraparound edge  $ab$  in  $K_{21}$ , without loss of generality  $a < b$  and*

$$\begin{aligned} \ell_{14t+7}[(a - mh) (b - (m - 1)h)] &= \ell_{14t+7}[(a + (m - 1)h (b + mh))] = \ell_{21}[ab], \\ (a - mh) + (b - (m - 1)h) &\equiv (a + (m - 1)h + (b + mh)) \equiv a + b \pmod{7}. \end{aligned}$$

*Note that  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$  share vertex labels with the exception of  $\infty$  in  $K_{14t+8}$  and both come equipped with the  $\ell_{14t+7}$  for all non- $\infty$  edges.*

*Proof.* Consider some wraparound edge  $ab \in K_{21}$  with  $\ell_{21}(ab) = \ell_{ab}$ , without loss of generality  $a < b$  and  $|a - b| = b - a$ . Then by definition,  $\ell_{ab} = 21 - (b - a)$  and  $\ell_{ab} = (21 + a) - b$ . Note that  $a < b < 21 \Rightarrow b < 21 + a$ . Suppose  $a > 13$ , then  $|a - b| = b - a < 21 - 13 = 8 < 10$ , the maximal length in  $K_{21}$ , so by Theorem 2.7,  $ab$  is not a wraparound edge, a contradiction. Therefore,  $a \leq 13$ .

Let  $t > 1$ ,  $h = 14(t - 1)$  and let  $\alpha = a - h, \beta = b \in V(K_{14t+7})$ . Well,  $(14t + 7) - (14(t - 1)) = 14(t - (t - 1)) + 7 = 21$ , so  $21 + a = (14t + 7) - (14(t - 1)) + a = a - h \in V(K_{14t+7})$ . So then since  $a \leq 13$ ,  $21 + a \leq 34 < 14t + 7$ . So,  $|\alpha - \beta| = |(21 + a) - b| = |\ell_{ab}| = \ell_{ab}$ . Now recall that  $\ell_{ab} \leq \lfloor \frac{21}{2} \rfloor = 10$ , the maximal length in  $K_{21}$ . Therefore,  $|\alpha - \beta| \leq 10 = \lfloor \frac{14(1)+7}{2} \rfloor < \lfloor \frac{14t+7}{2} \rfloor$  and so by Theorem 2.7,  $\lfloor \frac{14t+7}{2} \rfloor \nless |\alpha - \beta| \Rightarrow \alpha\beta$  is not a wraparound edge and therefore by definition  $\ell_{14t+7}(\alpha\beta) = |\alpha - \beta| = \ell_{ab} = \ell_{14t+7}[(a - h) b] = \ell_{21}(ab)$ .

Now let  $\alpha' = a, \beta' = b + h \in V(K_{14t+7})$ . Well,  $\alpha' < \beta'$  and so  $|\alpha' - \beta'| = \beta' - \alpha' = b + h - a = (b - a) + h$ . Since,  $ab$  is a wraparound edge in  $K_{21}$ ,  $b - a > 10$ , the maximal length. So  $10 + 14(t - 1) = 14t - 4 < |\alpha' - \beta'|$ .  $(\lfloor \frac{14n+7}{2} \rfloor)$  and  $(\lfloor \frac{28n-8}{2} \rfloor)$  are arithmetic sequences with increments 7 and 14, respectively, which are equal at  $n = 1$ . So for  $t > 1$ ,  $\lfloor \frac{14t+7}{2} \rfloor < \lfloor \frac{28t-8}{2} \rfloor = 14t - 4 < |\alpha' - \beta'|$  and  $\alpha'\beta'$  is a wraparound edge. Therefore,  $\ell_{14t+7}(\alpha'\beta') = 14t + 7 - |\alpha' - \beta'| = 14t + 7 - ((b - a) + h) = (14t + 7) - (14(t - 1)) - (b - a) = 21 - (b - a) = \ell_{ab} = \ell_{21}(ab)$  as well. Now by [8], for any edge  $uv \in E(K_n)$ , edge length via  $\ell_n$  is preserved under the operation  $uv \mapsto (u + 1) (v + 1)$  modulo  $n$ . So then the edge lengths of  $\alpha\beta$  and  $\alpha'\beta'$  are also preserved under  $\theta := uv \mapsto (u - (m - 1)h) (v - (m - 1)h)$  and  $\theta' := uv \mapsto (u + (m - 1)h) (v + (m - 1)h)$ , respectively.

Finally,  $(a - mh) + (b - (m - 1)h) = a + b + ((m - 1) - m)(t - 1)14 \equiv a + b + ((m - 1) + m)(t - 1)14 \equiv (a + (m - 1)h + (b + mh)) \equiv a + b \pmod{7}$ . So then,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha\beta &\xrightarrow{\theta} (\alpha - (m - 1)h) (\beta - (m - 1)h) = (a - mh) (b - (m - 1)h), \\ \alpha'\beta' &\xrightarrow{\theta'} (\alpha' + (m - 1)h) (\beta' + (m - 1)h) = (a + (m - 1)h) (b + mh) \end{aligned}$$

preserves edge length and sum modulo 7 and therefore the statement is proven.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.9.** *Let us refer to  $K_n$  whose vertices we take to be  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_n \cup \{\infty\}$  when  $n \equiv 7$  or  $8 \pmod{14}$ , respectively, as simply  $K_n$ . Next, let  $a, b$  be distinct vertices in  $K_{21}$  with  $a < b$ .*

*If  $t > 1$ ,  $h = 14(t-1)$  and  $\alpha = a - h$ ,  $\beta = b + h \in V(K_{14t+7})$ , then*

$$b - a \neq 7 \text{ or } b \not\equiv a \pmod{7} \Rightarrow \alpha \neq \beta.$$

*Note that since we let  $V(K_{14t+8}) = V(K_{14t+7}) \cup \{\infty\}$  this statement also holds for all non- $\infty$  vertices in  $K_{14t+8}$ .* 140

*Proof.* Recall that since  $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_{21}$ ,  $a < b$ , and they are distinct,  $1 \leq b - a \leq 20$ .

If  $b - a \neq 7$ , suppose  $\alpha = \beta$ . Then in  $\mathbb{Z}_{14t+7}$ :  $a - 14(t-1) = b + 14(t-1)$  and so  $b - a \equiv -28(t-1) \pmod{14t+7}$ . Note that in  $\mathbb{Z}_{14t+7}$ :  $-28 = 14t + 7 - (28) = 14t - 21 = 7(2t - 3) \Rightarrow b - a \equiv 7(2t - 3)(t - 1) \pmod{14t + 7}$ . 145

So if  $t = 2$ , then  $b - a \equiv 7 \pmod{14t+7}$  and so  $b - a = 7$  or  $b - a \geq 35 + 7 = 42$ , both contradictions. If  $t > 2$ , since  $-28 \equiv 21 \pmod{14(3)+7}$  and  $(7(2n-3))_{n>2}$  is strictly increasing,  $b - a \geq 21$ , a contradiction. So  $b - a \neq 7 \Rightarrow \alpha \neq \beta$ .

If  $b \equiv a \pmod{7}$ , then suppose  $\alpha = \beta$ . By the sequence  $(7(2n-3))_{n>1}$ ,  $b - a \equiv 7(2t-3)(t-1) \pmod{14t+7}$  and so  $a - b \equiv 0 \pmod{7}$ , a contradiction. So  $b \not\equiv a \pmod{7} \Rightarrow \alpha \neq \beta$ . Therefore the statement is proven.  $\square$  150

**Corollary 2.10.** *Let  $ab$  be a wraparound edge in  $K_{21}$ ,  $t > 1$  and  $h = 14(t-1)$  such that  $a < b$ . Then in  $K_{14t+7}$ :  $a - h \geq 21$  and  $b + h > 21$ . Next, let  $u, v \in K_{21}$  with  $v \in [u]_7$ . If  $t = 2$ , then  $|u - v| \neq 14 \Rightarrow u \pm h \neq v$  and  $v \pm h \neq u$ . If  $t > 2$ ,  $u \pm h \neq v$  and  $v \pm h \neq u$  in  $K_{14t+7}$ .* 155

*Proof.* In the proof of Theorem 2.9 it is shown that  $a - h = 21 + a$ , so then since  $0 \leq a \leq 13$ ,  $21 \leq 21 + a = a - h$  in  $K_{14t+7}$ . Now, suppose  $b \leq 7$ . Then since  $a < b \leq 7$  and  $|a - b| = b - a$ ,  $1 \leq |a - b| \leq 7 < 10$ , the maximal length in  $K_{21}$ . But then by Theorem 2.7,  $ab$  is not a wraparound edge, a contradiction. So  $b > 7$ . Therefore  $b + h > 7 + h \geq 21$ . 160

Next if  $t = 2$ , then  $h = 14$ . So if  $u + h = v$  or  $u - h = v$ ,  $|u - v| = h$ . On the other hand if  $|u - v| = h$ , then  $u - v = h$  or  $u - v = -h$  so  $u + h = v$  or  $u - h = v$ .

Lastly if  $t > 2$ , then recall that  $14t + 7 = 21 + 14(t-1) = 21 + h$  so then since  $0 < u, v < 21$ ,  $u + h, v + h < 21 + h = 14t + 7$ . So then  $u + h, v + h \notin \mathbb{Z}_{21}$  and so necessarily  $u + h \neq v$  and  $v + h \neq u$ . Now, since  $14t + 7 - h = 21$ ,  $14t + 7 + (v - h) \equiv 21 + v \pmod{14t+7}$  and similarly  $14t + 7 + (u - h) \equiv 21 + u \pmod{14t+7}$ ,  $u - h, v - h$  are simply  $21 + u$  and  $21 + v$  in  $K_{14t+7}$ , respectively. Lastly, Since  $u, v < 20$  and  $49 \leq 14t + 7$  we must have that  $21 \geq 21 + u, 21 + v < 20 + 21 = 41 < 49 \leq 14t + 7$ . So then  $u - h, v - h \notin K_{21}$  and therefore necessarily  $u - h \neq v$  and  $v - h \neq u$ . So the statement is proven.  $\square$  165

### Summary of 2.8 through 2.10

I do everything on an edge to edge basis. Similarly, in the last theorems I am  
175 basically creating pairwise vertex criteria to list for our blocks to say that they  
work.

Theorem 2.8 tells us that the vertex mappings in our general constructions  
preserve edge length and sums modulo 7 from  $K_{21}$  to larger members of the  
family. I prove that for any wraparound edge in  $K_{21}$ , my mapping does this.  
180 Therefore we can extend this to our wraparound edges from  $K_{22}$  as well.

Theorem 2.9 tells us that even if we have mapped vertices in the same equivalence  
class modulo 7, as long as their absolute difference is not 7 they will not  
map to the same vertex. I did not explicitly state that if we add or subtract our  
fixed increment  $h$  uniformly to members in the same equivalence class modulo  
185 7 this won't happen because this is obvious and even should be given via the  
 $v \mapsto v + 1$  being an automorphism.

Corollary 2.10 states that these mappings take wraparound edge incident vertices  
from  $K_{21}$  to 'new' vertices; the mapped vertices will never be elements  
in  $\mathbb{Z}_{21}$ . So for example if we have not touched 0 but then 14 is a member of  
190 a wraparound edge and we send 14 somewhere, it can't be anywhere in  $\mathbb{Z}_{21}$ .  
Additionally it has a weaker statement: if we map a vertex in the same equivalence  
class modulo 7 as one we don't map anywhere, they will not map to the  
same vertex as long as their difference is greater than 14. This is important for  
the case where we are forced to send a vertex somewhere and it must also take  
195 it's non-wraparound neighbors on the journey as well. This entire corollary is  
pretty much to deal with the small size of  $K_{35}$  relative to our increment.

The first part of Corollary 2.10 is to deal with the situation where we have  
a wraparound vertex mapped somewhere, and then another vertex which is  
untouched and both are equivalent modulo 7. The second part ('Next, let...')  
200 is to deal with the situation where we have an untouched vertex, and a vertex  
which is mapped somewhere but which isn't a member of a wraparound edge in  
 $K_{21}$ . It's important to distinguish this case, because wraparound edge vertices  
are necessarily bounded more strictly than just any vertex.

So to summarize the summary, basically if we have representative labelings that  
205 generate the blocks we can put together as outlined in Constructions 2.4 and  
2.5 to get a decomposition for  $K_{21}$  and  $K_{22}$ , respectively, if we can apply my  
algorithm (vertex mappings) such that the above conditions hold: length, sum  
modulo 7, and isomorphism to the specified graph are preserved from our  $K_{21}$   
and  $K_{22}$  designs and therefore we have the decompositions for the whole family.



### 3 Main Results

**Theorem 3.1.** *For any 7-edge forest  $F$ , there exists an  $F$ -decomposition of  $K_{21}$  and  $K_{22}$  as well as  $K_{14t}$  and  $K_{14t+1}$  where  $t$  is a positive integer.*

*Proof.* We direct the reader to Section A of the appendix. Set  $t = 1$ . For each 7-edge forest  $F$ , we present three  $\ell \times \ell_7$ -wise edge-disjoint subgraphs  $F_1, F_2, F_3$  with only edges in  $\{8, 9, 10\}$  and a  $\sigma^{+-}$  labeling  $F_\sigma$  at the bottom. So then by Theorem 2.2 there exists an  $F$ -decomposition of  $K_{2(7)r}$  and  $K_{2(7)r+1}$  for every positive integer  $r$ . Additionally, by Construction 2.4, the existence of these subgraphs gives  $B_{21} = B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup B_\sigma$ , an  $F$ -decomposition of  $K_{21}$  with blocks  $B_i = \langle F_i \rangle_{\phi_7}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  and  $B_\sigma = \langle F_\sigma \rangle_{\phi_1}$ . The same holds for  $t = 1$  in section B of the appendix where we have four  $\ell \times \ell_7$ -wise edge-disjoint subgraphs  $F_1, F_2, F_3, F_4$  with only edges in  $\{8, 9, 10\} \cup \{\infty\}$  and a  $\sigma^{+-}$  labeling  $F_\sigma$  at the bottom. By Construction 2.5,  $B_{22} = B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3 \cup B_4 \cup B_\sigma$  is the  $F$ -decomposition of  $K_{22}$  with blocks  $B_i = \langle F_i \rangle_{\phi_7}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  and  $B_\sigma = \langle F_\sigma \rangle_{\phi_1}$ . So the statement is proven.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *For any 7-edge forest  $F$ , there exists an  $F$ -decomposition of  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$  where  $t$  is a positive integer.*

*Proof.* Notice the following properties of any labeling  $F$  with only lengths in  $\{8, 9, 10\} \cup \{\infty\}$ :

- (i) Any wraparound edge for  $t = 1$  is of the form  $a(b + h)$  or  $(a - h)b$ .
- (ii) For any vertices of the form  $a - h, b + h$  where  $a \in [b]_7$  and  $a < b : a - b \neq 7$ .
- (iii) For any vertices  $u, v \pm h$ ,  $|u - v| \neq 14$ .
- (iv) Any wraparound edge for  $t = 1$  is of the form  $(a - h)b, a(b + h)$  if and only if  $a < b$ .

By (i), (iv) and Theorem 2.8, edge lengths and sums modulo 7 are preserved by the vertex mappings on our blocks from the  $K_{21}$  and  $K_{22}$  construction which is simply our blocks where  $t = 1$ . By (ii) and Theorem 2.9, any two vertices of forms  $a - h, b + h$  are not equal in  $K_{14t+7}$  or  $K_{14t+8}$ . Lastly, by (iii) and Corollary 2.10, no two vertices of the form  $a, b \pm h$  are equal in  $K_{14t+7}$  or  $K_{14t+8}$ . So then we see that edge length and sums modulo 7 from our  $K_{21}$  and  $K_{22}$  constructions are preserved in the blocks for  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$ , respectively. Most importantly, since no two vertices map to the same place in  $14t + 7$  and  $14t + 8$  for  $t > 1$ , the isomorphism between  $F$  and our blocks is also preserved. Note that no infinity edge is a wraparound edge.  $\square$

Therefore, the labelings in the appendix indeed satisfy the properties described in Construction 2.6. Therefore  $B_{14t+7}$  and  $B_{14t+8}$  generated by these labelings in section A and B are  $F$ -decompositions of  $K_{14t+7}$  and  $K_{14t+8}$ , respectively. So the statement is proven.  $\square$



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