

Symmetric and Permutational Generating Sets of  
 $S_{10k+r}$  and  $A_{10k+r}$  Using the Mathieu Group  $M_{10}$

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ABSTRACT

In this paper, we show how to generate  $S_{10k+r}$  and  $A_{10k+r}$  using the Mathieu Group  $M_{10}$  and an element of order  $k+r$  in  $S_{10k+r}$  and  $A_{10k+r}$  for all positive integers  $k, r > 1$ . We also show how to generate  $S_{10k+r}$  and  $A_{10k+r}$  symmetrically using a symmetric generating set.

**Key words:** Symmetric generator set  $M_{10}$ .

1. INTRODUCTION:

The Mathieu group  $M_{10}$ , of order 720, is one of the well known non-simple groups. Eassa [3] showed that

$$M_{10} = \langle X, Y \mid X^5 = Y^4 = [X, Y]^3 = (XYXYX)^5 = (XY^2)^2 = 1 \rangle.$$

Al-Amri [1], Hammas [2] and Al-Amri and Eassa [3] studied symmetric and permutational generating sets of  $S_{10k+1}$  and  $A_{10k+1}$  using some progenitors.

In this paper, we will show that  $S_{10k+r}$  and  $A_{10k+r}$  can be generated using the Mathieu group  $M_{10}$  and an element of order  $k+r$  in  $S_{10k+r}$  and  $A_{10k+r}$  respectively for all integers  $k, r > 1$ . We will also show that  $S_{10k+r}$  and  $A_{10k+r}$  can be symmetrically generated using a symmetric generating set.

2. PRELIMINARY RESULT:

**Lemma: 2.1** [3] The Mathieu group  $M_{10}$  of order 720 can be generated as follows;

$$M_{10} = \langle (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)(6, 7, 8, 9, 10), (1, 7, 4, 9)(2, 10, 3, 6) \rangle.$$

3. PERMUTATIONAL GENERATING SET OF  $S_{10k+r}$  AND  $A_{10k+r}$

**Theorem: 3.1**  $S_{10k+r}$  and  $A_{10k+r}$  can be generated using the Mathieu group  $M_{10}$  and an element of order  $k+r$  in  $S_{10k+r}$  and  $A_{10k+r}$  respectively.

**Proof:** Let

$X = (1, \dots, 5)(6, \dots, 10) \dots (10(k-1)+1, \dots, 10(k-1)+5)(10(k-1)+6 \dots, 10(k-1)+10)$ ,  $Y = (1, 7, 4, 9)(2, 10, 3, 6) \dots (10(k-1)+1, 10(k-1)+7, 10(k-1)+4, 10(k-1)+9)(10(k-1)+2, 10(k-1)+10, 10(k-1)+3, 10(k-1)+6)$  and  $Z = (5, 15, \dots, 10(k-1)+5, 10k+1, \dots, 10k+r)$ , be three permutations, the first is of order 5, the second is of order 4 and the third is of order  $k+r$ . Let  $H = \langle X, Y \rangle$ . By Lemma 2.1,  $H \cong M_{10}$ . Let  $G = \langle X, Y, Z \rangle$

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Let  $\lambda = ([Z_1, Z_2] * [Z_1, Z_2]^{-1})^2 = (10k + 1, 10k + 2, 10k + 3)$ . We have the following two cases;

**Case (1):** If  $r$  is an odd integer. Let  $\beta = X (XY)^2 ZYZ_1$ . It is not difficult to show that  $\beta = (1, 9, 2, 6, 7, \dots, 10(k-2)+8, 10k+2, \dots, 10k+r, \dots, 10k+1, 10k+3)$  which is a cycle of order  $10k+r$ . Now, if  $k$  is an odd integers,

Then  $G = \langle \beta, \lambda \rangle \cong S_{10k+r}$ . Otherwise,  $G = \langle \beta, \lambda \rangle \cong A_{10k+r}$ .

**Case (2):** If  $r$  is an even integer. Let  $\sigma = X (XY)^2 ZYZ_1Z$ . It is not difficult to show that  $\sigma = (1, 9, 2, 6, 7, \dots, 10(k-2)+8, 10k+1, 10k+3, \dots, 10k+r, 5, \dots, 10k+(r-1))$  which is a cycle of order  $10k+r$ . Now, if  $k$  is an even integers, then  $G = \langle \sigma, \lambda \rangle \cong S_{10k+r}$ . Otherwise,  $G = \langle \sigma, \lambda \rangle \cong A_{10k+r} \cdot \diamond$

**Corollary 3.2:** Let  $G = \langle Y, Z \rangle$ , where  $Y$  and  $Z$  are the elements described in the previous theorem.

Then  $G \cong C_4 \times C_{k+r}$ , for all integers  $k, r > 1$ .

**Proof:** Since  $Y, Z$  are disjoint permutations of orders 4 and  $k+r$  respectively, then, it is clear that,

$$G = \langle Y, Z \rangle \cong C_4 \times C_{k+r} \cdot \diamond$$

**Note:** Since  $T = (5, 15 \dots 10(k-1) + 5, 10k+1 \dots 10k+r)$ , is in  $S_{10k+r}$  or  $A_{10k+r}$  depending on  $r$  then this element is going to be used in the following theorem.

#### 4. SYMMETRIC GENERATING SET OF $S_{10k+r}$ AND $A_{10k+r}$ .

**Theorem: 4.1** Let  $T$  be the element described above. For all integers  $k, r > 1$ ,  $S_{10k+r}$  and  $A_{10k+r}$  can be symmetrically generated using the symmetric generating set  $\Gamma = \{ T_0, T_1, T_2, \dots, T_5 \}$ , where  $T_0 = T$  and  $T_i = T^{X^i}$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq 5$ , where  $X$  be the element described in Theorem 3.1.

**Proof:** Let  $G = \langle \Gamma \rangle$ , let  $\sigma = ([T, T_1] * [T_1, T_2]) * ([T_2, T_3] * [T_3, T_4])^{-1} = (1, 2, 3, 4, 5)$  Conjugating by  $T_i = T^{X^i}$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq 5$ . We can get the element  $\tau = (1, \dots, 5)(6, \dots, 10)(10(k-1)+1, \dots, 10(k-1)+5)$ .

Hence  $\zeta = \tau T_1 = (1, 2, 3, \dots, 10k+r)$ . Let  $\lambda = ([T_1, T_2] * [T_2, T_3])^{-1} = (1, 2, 3)$ .

Now, if both of  $k$  and  $r$  are either even or odd integers, then  $G = \langle \zeta, \lambda \rangle \cong S_{10k+r}$ . Otherwise,  $G = \langle \zeta, \lambda \rangle \cong A_{10k+r}$ .

**Corollary: 4.2** Let  $\Gamma = \{ T_0, T_1, T_2, \dots, T_4 \}$  be the symmetric generating set which has been described in the previous theorem, If we remove  $m$  elements of the set  $\Gamma$  for all  $1 \leq i \leq 3$  then the resulting set generates  $S_{[10-(2-m)]k+r}$  or  $A_{[10-(2-m)]k+r}$ , depending on  $k$  and  $r$ . If we remove 4 elements then the resulting set generates  $C_{2k+r}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\Gamma_1 = \{ T, T_1 \}$ , let  $\alpha_1 = [T, T_1] = (1, 5)(10k+1, 10k+2)$ ,

$$\beta_1 = (T^{-1} [T, T_1]^{-1})^{\alpha_1} T^2 = (5, 10, 15). \text{ Let } \beta_i = (\beta_i^{-1})^{T^2} \text{ for all } 2 \leq i \leq k$$

Let  $\xi = \beta_k \times \beta_{k-1} \times \dots \times \beta_1$ , then;

$$\xi = (5, 10, 15, \dots, 10(k-2)+5, 10(k-1)+5, 10k+1), \text{ of order } 2k+1.$$

$\tau = T_1 \xi = (1, 6, \dots, 10(k-1)+1, \dots, 10k+1, \dots, 10k+r)$ . Let:  $m_1 = [T_1, T_2]$  and  $m_2 = m_1^{T_1}$ . Let  $\delta = m_2 m_1$  and  $\zeta = (\delta^{T_3} \delta)^2$ , then  $\sigma = (\zeta)^{\tau^{-1}} = (5, 10(k-1)+1, 10k+r)$

Now, if both of  $k$  and  $r$  are either even or odd integers, then  $\langle \Gamma_1 \rangle = \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle \cong S_{4k+r}$ . Otherwise, then

$\langle \Gamma_1 \rangle = \langle \tau, \sigma \rangle \cong A_{4k+r}$ . Let  $\Gamma_2 = \{T, T_1, T_2\}$ , let  $\lambda_1 = T T_1^{-1} = (5, 10, \dots, 10(k-1)+5, \dots, 1, \dots, 10k+r)$ ,

which is a cycle of order  $4k+r$  and  $\lambda_2 = \lambda_1 T_2 = (5, 10, \dots, 10(k-1)+5, \dots, 1, \dots, 10k+1, \dots, 10k+r)$ ,

which is a cycle of order  $6k+r$ . Now as in the previous the case,  $\langle \Gamma_2 \rangle \cong S_{6k+r}$  or  $A_{6k+r}$  depending whether  $r$  is an odd or even integers. The rest of the proof goes the same.

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