

SOME PROPERTIES OF CAYLEY GRAPHS OF FULL TRANSFORMATION SEMIGROUPS

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ABSTRACT

Let G be a finite group and let S be a non-empty subset of G . The Cayley graph $\text{Cay}(G, S)$ of G relative to S is defined as the graph with vertex set G and edge set $\{(x, y) : sx = y \text{ for some } s \in S, x \neq y\}$. A Full Transformation semigroup T_X on a set X is the set of all mappings of a set X onto itself with composition of transformations as semigroup operation. It is also named as Symmetric semigroup of X . T_X is unit regular monoid. In this paper, we study the Cayley graphs of Full transformation semigroup T_X relative to the set of idempotents $E(T_X)$ and the existence of Hamiltonian cycles in it.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Cayley graph of groups was introduced by Arthur Cayley in 1878 and the Cayley graphs of groups have received serious attention since then. The Cayley graphs of semigroups are generalizations of Cayley graphs of groups. The whole section 2.4 of the book [7] is devoted to Cayley graphs of semigroups. In 1964, Bosak [2] and in 1981, Zelinka [10] studied certain graphs over semigroups. The description of generators and factorizations of transformation semigroup has been given Howie and Nikola Ruskuc in [5]. The Green's relations play an important role in the theory of semigroups. In this paper, we study the Cayley graphs of Full transformation semigroup T_X relative to the set of idempotents $E(T_X)$.

2. PRELIMINARIES

In this section we describe some basic definitions and results in Semigroup theory and Graph theory which are needed in the sequel.

Definition 2.1: A pair (S, \cdot) consisting of a non-empty set S and an associative binary operation \cdot on S is called a semigroup. A semigroup with identity is called a monoid.

Definition 2.2: If S is a monoid with 1 as the identity, then $G(S) = \{u \in S : \text{there is } v \in S \text{ with } uv = 1 = vu\}$ is called the group of units of S . Here and elsewhere we denote $u \cdot v$ as uv .

Definition 2.3: An element x in S is said to be an idempotent if $x^2 = x$ and the set of all idempotents in S is denoted as $E(S)$.

Definition 2.4: (c.f. [6]) Let S be a semigroup. We define $a L b$ ($a, b \in S$) if and only if a and b generates the same principal left ideal, that is, if and only if $S^1 a = S^1 b$. Similarly we define $a R b$ if and only if a and b generates the same principal right ideal, that is, if and only if $a S^1 = b S^1$. We define $a H b$ if and only if $a L b$ and $a R b$.

Lemma 2.5: (c. f. [6]) Let a, b be elements of a semigroup S . Then $a L b$ if and only if there exist $x, y \in S^1$ such that $x a = b$, $y b = a$ and $a R b$ if and only if $u, v \in S^1$ such that $a u = b$, $b v = a$.

Notation 2.6: The L -class (R -class, H -class) containing an element a in a semigroup S will be written as L_a (R_a, H_a).

Definition 2.7: An element a of a semigroup S is said to be regular if there exists $x \in S$ such that $a x a = a$. The semigroup S is called regular if all its elements are regular.

Theorem 2.8: (c.f. [3]) Let S be a semigroup, G be a subgroup of S and $E = E(S)$. Then the following conditions are equivalent

- (i) $S = GE$
- (ii) $L_e = Ge$ for every $e \in E$.
- (iii) $R_e = eG$ for every $e \in E$.

Definition 2.9: A regular monoid S is said to be unit regular if for each element $s \in S$ there exists an element u in the group of units $G(S) = G$ of S such that $s = s u s$.

Lemma 2.10: (c.f.[8]) Equivalence relations R_G, L_G and H_G are defined on S as

- (i) $x R_G y$ if and only if $x = y u$ for some $u \in G$
- (ii) $x R_G y$ if and only if $x = u y$ for some $u \in G$
- (iii) $x H_G y$ if and only if $x R_G y$ and $x R_G y$.

Evidently $R_G \subseteq R, L_G \subseteq L$ and $H_G \subseteq H$, where R, L and H are Green's equivalences on S .

Definition 2.11: A unit regular monoid S is said to be L -strongly unit regular if $L = L_G$ and R -strongly unit regular if $R = R_G$ on S .

Theorem 2.12: (c.f. [9]) Let S be a unit regular monoid. Then S is L -strongly unit regular if $L_e = Ge = \{ue; u \in G\}$ and R -strongly unit regular if $R_e = eG = \{eu; u \in G\}$ for every $e \in E(S)$.

Definition 2.13: A graph G^* is a pair (V, E) where V is a non-empty set whose elements are called vertices of G^* and E is a subset of $V \times V$ whose elements are called edges of G^* . The vertex set of a graph G^* is denoted by $V(G^*)$ and edge set is denoted by $E(G^*)$.

Definition 2.14: A subgraph $H^* = (U, F)$ of a graph $G^* = (V, E)$ is said to be vertex induced subgraph if F consists of all the edges of G^* joining pairs of vertices of U .

Definition 2.15: A Hamiltonian path is a path in G^* which goes through all the vertices in G^* exactly once. A Hamiltonian cycle is a closed Hamiltonian path. A graph G^* is said to be Hamiltonian if it possesses a Hamiltonian cycle.

Definition 2.16: A bipartite graph G^* is a graph whose vertex set V can be partitioned into two disjoint subsets V_1 and V_2 such that every line of G^* joins V_1 and V_2 .

Definition 2.17: Let S be a finite semigroup and let T be a non-empty subset of S . The Cayley graph $Cay(S, T)$ of S relative to T is defined as the graph with vertex set S and edge set $\{(x, y) : tx = y \text{ for some } t \in T, x \neq y\}$.

3. MAIN RESULTS

To determine the global structure of a regular semigroup, we must first determine the structure of its idempotents and for this way introduce the concept of a biordered set. In general, a biordered set is a structure (X, w^r, w^l, T) consisting of a set X together with two quasiorders w^r and w^l and a family T of partial transformations of X satisfying certain axioms.

By a partial algebra X , we mean a set X together with a partial binary operation on X . The domain of the partial binary operation will be denoted by D_x . Then D_x is a relation on X and $(x, y) \in D_x$ if and only if the product xy exists in the partial algebra X . On X we define:

$$w^r = \{(x, y) : yx = y\}, w^l = \{(x, y) : xy = x\} \text{ and } R = w^r \cap (w^r)^{-1}, L = w^l \cap (w^l)^{-1} \text{ and } w = w^r \cap w^l.$$

Throughout this paper X is considered as a finite set.

Proposition 3.1: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and set of idempotents $E(T_x)$. Then for $x, y \in E(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$, there is an edge from x to y in the Cayley graph $Cay(E(T_x), E(T_x))$ if and only if $yw^l x$.

Proof: Let $x, y \in E(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$. Suppose that there is an edge from x to y in the Cayley graph $Cay(E(T_x), E(T_x))$. Then by Definition 2.17, there exist an $e \in E(T_x)$ such that $ex = y$. Therefore $yx = ex^2 = y$. Hence we have $yw^l x$.

Conversely assume that $yw^l x$. Then by Definition of w^l , we have $yx = y$. Since $y \in E(T_x)$, we get an edge from x to y in $Cay(E(T_x), E(T_x))$.

Proposition 3.2: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and set of idempotents $E(T_x)$. Then for $x \in G, y \in E(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$, there is an edge from x to y in the Cayley graph $Cay(E(T_x), E(T_x))$ if and only if $yw^r x$.

Proof: Let $x \in G, y \in E(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$. Suppose that there is an edge from x to y in the Cayley graph $Cay(E(T_x), E(T_x))$. Then by Definition 2.17, there exist an $e' \in E(T_x)$ such that $e'x = y$. Thus $xy = (xe')x$. Since $x \in G$ and $x \in E(T_x)$, we have $x = e$, the identity of G . Therefore $xy = y$. Hence we have $yw^r x$.

Conversely assume that $yw^r x$. Then by Definition of w^r , we have $xy = y$. Thus $yx = x(yx)$. Since $x = e \in G$, we have $yx = y$. Since $y \in E(T_x)$, we get an edge from x to y in $Cay(E(T_x), E(T_x))$.

Proposition 3.3: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and set of idempotents $E(T_x)$. Then for $x, y \in E(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$, there is an edge between x and y in the Cayley graph $Cay(E(T_x), E(T_x))$ if and only if xLy .

Proof: Let $x, y \in E(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$. Suppose that there is an edge between x and y in the Cayley graph $\text{Cay}(E(T_x), E(T_x))$. Then by Definition 2.17, there exist an $e, e' \in E(T_x)$ such that $ex = y$ and $e'y = x$. By Proposition 3.1, we have $yw'x$. Also we have $xy = (e'y)y = e'y = x$. Thus $xw'y$. Hence xLy , where $L = w' \cap (w')^{-1}$.

Conversely assume that xLy . Then we have $xw'y$ and $yw'x$. Therefore we get $xy = x$ and $yx = y$. Since $x, y \in E(T_x)$, there exist an edge between x and y in $\text{Cay}(E(T_x), E(T_x))$.

Remark 3.4: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and set of idempotents $E(T_x)$. Then for $x \in G, y \in E(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$, there is an edge from x to y in the induced subgraph with vertex set $E(T_x)$ of the Cayley graph $\text{Cay}(T_x, E(T_x))$ if and only if ywx .

Remark 3.5: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and set of idempotents $E(T_x)$. Then for $x, y \in E(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$, there is an edge between x and y in the induced subgraph with vertex set $E(T_x)$ of the Cayley graph $\text{Cay}(T_x, E(T_x))$ if and only if xLy .

Proposition 3.6: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and set of idempotents $E(T_x)$. Then for $x \in G, y \in E(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$, there is an edge from x to y in the induced subgraph with vertex set $xE(T_x)$ of the Cayley graph $\text{Cay}(T_x, E(T_x))$ if and only if $yxRy$.

Proof: Let $x \in G$ and $y \in T_x$ with $x \neq y$. Suppose that there is an edge from x to y in $\text{Cay}(T_x, E(T_x))$. Then by Definition 2.17, there exist an $e \in E(T_x)$ such that $ex = y$. Now $yx = (ex)x = ex'$ where $x' = x^2 \in G$. By Proposition 2.12, we have $ex' \in R_e$. Thus yxR_e . Also by Definition 2.10, we have $yR_e e$. Thus $yxR_e y$. Since T_x is R -strongly unit regular monoid, we have $R = R_G$ on T_x . Hence $yxRy$.

Conversely assume that $yxRy$. Since $y \in T_x$ and $x \in G$, we have $yx \in R_e$ and so yRe . Since $R = R_G$ on T_x , we have $yR_e e$. Thus $y = ex$ for some $x \in G$. Therefore there is an edge from x to y in the induced subgraph with vertex set $xE(T_x)$ of the Cayley graph $\text{Cay}(T_x, E(T_x))$.

Proposition 3.7: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G . Then there is a path from $x \in G$ to any elements in the induced subgraph with vertex set $xE(T_x)$ of the Cayley graph $\text{Cay}(T_x, E(T_x))$, where $E(T_x)$ is the set of all idempotents in T_x .

Proof: Let $x \in G$ and $y \in E(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$. Then we have $y = xe$ for some $e \in E(T_x)$. Thus $yx = (xe)e$ for some $x \in G$. Hence $yxR_e xe$. Since $R = R_G$ on T_x , we have $yxRy$. Then by Proposition 3.6, there is an edge from x to y in the induced subgraph with vertex set $xE(T_x)$ of the Cayley graph $\text{Cay}(T_x, E(T_x))$.

Proposition 3.8: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and set of idempotents $E(T_x)$. Then for $x, y \in gE(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$ and $g \in G$, there is an edge between x and y in the induced subgraph with vertex set $gE(T_x)$ of the Cayley graph $\text{Cay}(T_x, E(T_x))$ if and only if xLy .

Proof: Let $x, y \in gE(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$ and $g \in G$. Suppose that there is an edge between x and y in the induced subgraph with vertex set $gE(T_x)$ of the Cayley graph $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$, then by Definition 2.17, there exist some $e, e' \in E(T_x)$ such that $ex = y$ and $e'y = x$. Hence by Lemma 2.5, we have xLy .

Conversely assume that xLy . Then by Lemma 2.5, there exist $u, v \in T_x$ such that $ux = y$ and $vy = x$. As $x, y \in gE(T_x)$ with $x \neq y$, we have $x = ge, y = ge'$ for some $e, e' \in E(T_x)$. Hence by Definition 2.10, we see that $xL_g e$ and $yL_g e'$. xLy implies eLe' which in turn implies $ee' = e$ and $e'e = e'$. Since eLe' , we can find some $f, f' \in E(T_x)$ with fLf', fRy and $f'Rx$. We know $R = R_g$ on T_x , hence by Definition 2.10, we have $fg_1 = y$ and $f'g_2 = x$ for some $g_1, g_2 \in G$. Also fLf' gives $fg = y$ and $f'g = x$ for $g \in G$. Thus $fx = (fg)e = ye = g(e'e) = g'e = y$ and $f'y = (f'g)e' = xe' = g(ee') = ge = x$. Hence by Definition 2.17 there is an edge between x and y in the induced subgraph with vertex set $gE(T_x)$ of the Cayley graph $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$.

Proposition 3.9: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and set of idempotents $E(T_x)$. Then $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$ is the union of induced subgraphs with vertex set $gE(T_x)$ of $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$, $g \in G$.

Proof: Since T_x is a semigroup and G is a subgroup of T_x and $E(T_x)$ is the set of idempotents of T_x by Theorem 2.8 we have $T_x = GE(T_x)$. Hence the Cayley graph $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$ is the union of induced subgraphs with vertex set $gE(T_x)$ of $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$.

Proposition 3.10: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and set of idempotents $E(T_x)$. Then for $x, y \in T_x$ with $x \neq y$, there is an edge between x and y in the Cayley graph $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$ if and only if xLy provided $x = ge$ and $y = ge'$ for some $e, e' \in E(T_x)$.

Proof: Let $x, y \in T_x$ with $x = ge$ and $y = ge'$ for some $e, e' \in E(T_x)$. Then by Proposition 3.8, there is an edge between x and y in the induced subgraph with vertex set $gE(T_x)$ of the Cayley graph $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$ if and only if xLy . Also by Proposition 3.9, we have the Cayley graph $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$ is the union of induced subgraphs with vertex set $gE(T_x)$ of $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$. Hence there is an edge between x and y in the Cayley graph $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$ if and only if xLy .

Proposition 3.11: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and L be any L -classes of T_x . Then the induced subgraph with vertex set L other than G of the Cayley graph $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$ is Hamiltonian.

Proof: Since L be any L -classes of T_x other than G , we have either $L = \{e\}$ or $L = Ge \cup Ge'$ for some $e, e' \in E(T_x)$. If $L = \{e\}$, it is trivial. Let $x, y \in L$ with $x \neq y$. Then xLy . Suppose $x = ge$ and $y = ge'$ for some $g \in G$. Then by Proposition 3.10, there exist an edge between x and y in the Cayley graph $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$. Therefore there is an edge between x and y in the induced subgraph with vertex set L . Since $Ge \cap Ge' = \emptyset$ and $g \in G$ is arbitrary, it follows that there exist an edge between any $x = ge \in Ge$ to $y = ge' \in Ge'$.

Let $G = G_1 \cup G_2$ where $G_1 = \langle g \rangle$. Then we have $G_1 e = \{e, g e g^2 e, g^3 e, \dots, g^{n-2} e, g^{n-1} e\}$ and $G_1 e' = \{e', g e g^2 e', g^3 e', \dots, g^{n-2} e', g^{n-1} e'\}$. Therefore we get n distinct edges in the induced subgraph with vertex set L of $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$ in which one end vertex in $G_1 e$ and other in $G_1 e'$ as $e \rightarrow e', g e \rightarrow g e g^2 e', g^2 e \rightarrow g^3 e', \dots, g^{n-1} e \rightarrow g^{n-1} e'$. Also we have $G_2 e = \{e, g e g^2 e, g^3 e, \dots, g^{n-2} e, g^{n-1} e\}$ and $G_2 e' = \{g e g^2 e', g^3 e', g^4 e', \dots, g^{n-1} e', e'\}$.

As above we get n distinct edges in the induced subgraph with vertex set L of $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$ in which one end vertex in $G_2 e$ and other in $G_2 e'$ as $e \leftrightarrow g e', g e \leftrightarrow g e g^2 e', g^2 e \leftrightarrow g^3 e', \dots, g^{n-1} e \leftrightarrow e'$. Thus we get a Hamiltonian cycle $e \rightarrow g e' \rightarrow g e \rightarrow g^2 e' \rightarrow g^2 e \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow g^{n-1} e \rightarrow e' \rightarrow e$ in the induced subgraph with vertex set L of $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$.

Remark 3.12: Let T_x be the full transformation semigroup on a set X with group of units G and L be any L - classes of T_x . Then the induced subgraph with vertex set L other than G of the Cayley graph $Cay(T_x, E(T_x))$ is bipartite.

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