

On weight distributions of perfect structures

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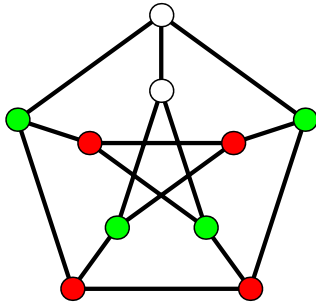
Definition: perfect coloring

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph.

Let f be a function (“coloring”) on V that possesses exactly k different values e_0, \dots, e_{k-1} (“colors”).

f is called a *perfect coloring* with parameter matrix $S = (S_{ij})_{i,j=0}^{k-1}$, or *S -perfect coloring*, iff for any colors e_i, e_j any vertex of color e_i has exactly S_{ij} neighbors of color e_j .

Example: perfect coloring

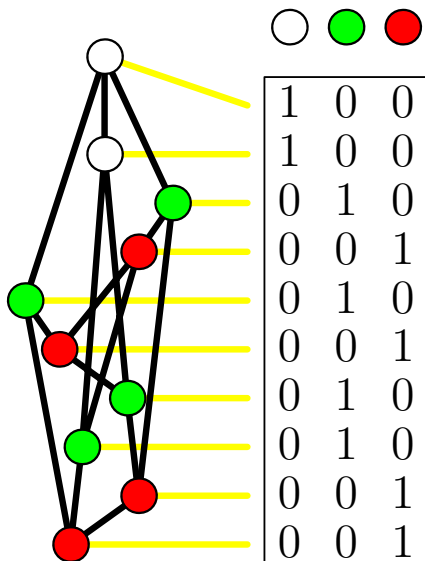


$$S = \begin{matrix} & \begin{matrix} \circ & \bullet & \bullet \end{matrix} \\ \begin{matrix} \circ \\ \bullet \\ \bullet \end{matrix} & \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \end{matrix}$$

Equivalent (almost) concepts: perfect coloring; equitable partition; front divisor of the graph; graph covering

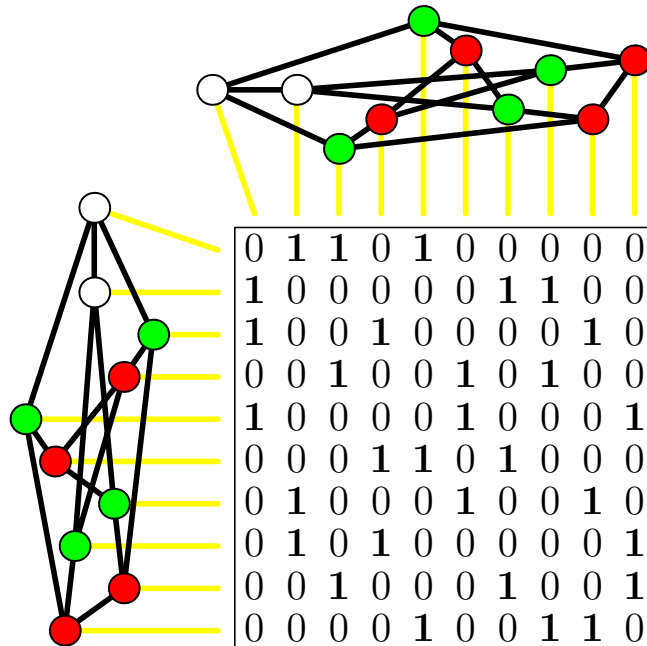
Matrix representation of a perfect coloring

f :



Adjacency matrix

A:



Matrix equation for perfect coloring

A – adjacency matrix of the graph;

f – perfect coloring with parameter matrix

S .

Then

$$Af = fS$$

Definition: perfect structure

If the equation $Af = fS$ holds for some matrices A , S , and f (of size $N \times N$, $k \times k$, and $N \times k$ respectively) over R , then we will say that f is an *S -perfect structure* (or a *perfect structure* with parameters S) over A .

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Def.: distance coloring, completely regular code

C – some set of vertices (code).

The function $f(x) = e_{d(x,C)}$, where $d(\cdot, \cdot)$ is the natural distance in the graph, is a *distance coloring* with respect to C .

If f is a perfect coloring, then C is called a *completely regular code*.

Examples: completely regular codes

The parameter matrix of a completely regular code is three-diagonal.

– 1-Perfect codes: $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & n \\ 1 & n-1 \end{pmatrix}$; extended: $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & n & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & n-1 \\ 0 & n & 0 \end{pmatrix}$

– Preparata-like codes: $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & n & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & n-1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & n-3 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & n & 0 \end{pmatrix}$; extended...

– STS: $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & n \\ 3 & n-3 \end{pmatrix}$; SQS: $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & n \\ 4 & n-4 \end{pmatrix}$.

Examples: (non) completely regular codes

– In a *distance-regular graph*, for any vertex x the set $\{x\}$ is a completely regular code.

New. – Every binary $(n = 2^m - 3, 2^{n-m}, 3)$ code (i.e., a code with parameters of doubly shortened Hamming code) is a first color of a perfect coloring

with parameters $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & n-1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & n-1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & n-4 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & n-1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Exam.: c. r. codes with large covering radius

- r-dimensional face $\{(x_1, \dots, x_r, 0, \dots, 0)\}$ in a Hamming graph
- lattice $\{(x_{11}, \dots, x_{1r}, x_{21}, \dots, x_{pr}) \mid \sum_{i=1}^r x_{ji} = 0 \forall j\}$ in a Hamming graph of dimension pr .
- p-ary subcube $\{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \mid x_i < p\}$ of a q-ary Hamming graph.

Definition: Distribution of one coloring with respect to another

Let f and g be two colorings of the same graph. The matrix $g^T f$ is the *distribution of f with respect to g* . The ij th element is the number of vertices x such that $g(x) = e_i$ and $f(x) = e_j$.

If g is a distance coloring of some C , then $g^T f$ is the *weight distribution of f with respect to C* . The ij th element is the number of vertices x such that $d(x, C) = i$ and $f(x) = e_j$.

Theorem 1 (distribution is a perfect structure)

Let $Af = fS$ and $Ag = gR$ where $A = A^T$. Then

$$R^T(g^T f) = (g^T f)S.$$

I.e., $g^T f$ is an S -perfect structure over R^T .

Proof. $R^T g^T f = (gR)^T f = (A^T g)^T f = g^T Af = g^T fS. \quad \square$

Theorem 2 If the matrix $B = \{b_{i,j}\}_{i,j=0}^{n-1}$ is three-diagonal and $b_{i,i+1} \neq 0$, for any $i = 0, \dots, n-2$. Then any \mathbf{S} -perfect structure \mathbf{h} over B (i.e. $B\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{h}\mathbf{S}$) is uniquely defined by its first row \mathbf{h}_0 . Moreover, the rows \mathbf{h}_i satisfy the recursive relations

$$\mathbf{h}_i = (\mathbf{h}_{i-1}\mathbf{S} - b_{i-1,i-2}\mathbf{h}_{i-2} - b_{i-1,i-1}\mathbf{h}_{i-1})/b_{i-1,i},$$

and, by induction,

$$\mathbf{h}_i = \mathbf{h}_0 \Pi_i^B(\mathbf{S})$$

where $\Pi_i^B(z)$ is a degree- i polynomial in z .

Corollary

If we have: an S -perfect coloring f , a completely regular code C . Then the weight distribution \mathbf{h} of f with respect to C is calculated as

$$h_i = h_0 \Pi_i^C(S).$$

Q: How to compute the polynomials Π_i^C for C with large covering radius (e.g., $C = \{x\}$)?

Let G be a graph and let for every w from 0 to $\text{diameter}(G)$ the matrix $A_w = (a_{ij}^w)_{i,j \in V(G)}$ be the distance- w matrix of G (i.e., $a_{ij}^w = 1$ if the graph distance between i and j is w , and $= 0$ otherwise); put $A := A_1$. The graph G is called *distance regular* iff for every w

$$A_w = \Pi_w(A)$$

for some polynomial Π_w of degree w . The polynomials $\Pi_0, \Pi_1, \dots, \Pi_{\text{diameter}(G)}$ are called *P-polynomials* of G .

$Af = fS$, $A^2f = fS^2$, $A^3f = fS^3$, ..., and so, $P(A)f = fP(S)$ for any polynomial P . In particular,

$$A_wf = f\Pi_w(S).$$

I.e., the color percentage at the distance w from the vertex i is $f_i\Pi_w(S)$ where f_i = the i th row of f = the color of the vertex i . The weight distribution of f with respect to $\{i\}$ is:

$$(\Pi_0(S)f_i, \Pi_1(S)f_i, \Pi_2(S)f_i, \dots)^T;$$

$$\Pi_0(S) = Id, \Pi_1(S) = S.$$

Hamming graph: $\Pi_w(\cdot) = K_w(K_w^{-1}(\cdot))$, Krawtchouk polynomials.

$$K_w(z) = K_w(z; n, q) = \sum_{j=0}^w (-1)^j (q-1)^{w-j} \binom{z}{j} \binom{n-z}{w-j}$$

Johnson graph: $\Pi_w(\cdot) = E_w(E_w^{-1}(\cdot))$, Eberlein polynomials.

Conclusions

We have a universal matrix formula for calculating the weight distribution of a perfect coloring with respect to a completely regular code. In the case of weight distribution with respect to a point in a Hamming or Johnson graph, an explicit form of this formula is given, using Krawtchouk or Eberlein polynomials.

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