

Some Properties on the Generalized Hierarchical Product of Graphs

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The hierarchical product

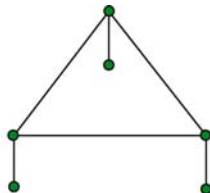
Definition [B, Comellas, Dalfó, Fiol, 2008]

For $i = 1, \dots, N$, G_i graph rooted at 0, $H = G_N \square \dots \square G_2 \square G_1$

- vertices $x_N \dots x_3 x_2 x_1$, $x_i \in V_i$
- if $x_j \sim y_j$ in G_j then
 $x_N \dots x_{j+1} x_j 0 \dots 0 \sim x_N \dots x_{j+1} y_j 0 \dots 0$

Example

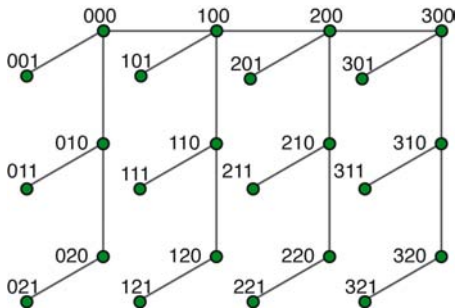
The hierarchical products $K_2 \square K_3$ and $K_3 \square K_2$



$G_N \square \cdots \square G_2 \square G_1$ is a spanning subgraph of $G_N \square \cdots \square G_2 \square G_1$

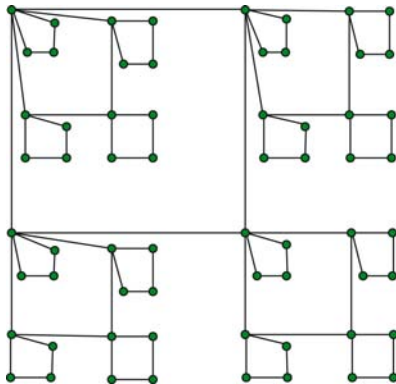
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The hierarchical product $P_4 \square P_3 \square P_2$



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The hierarchical power C_4^3



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The generalized hierarchical product

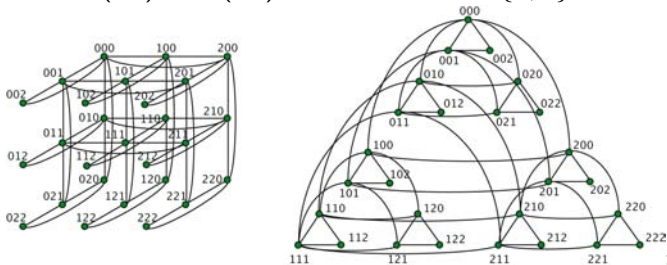
For $i = 1, \dots, N$, G_i graph, and for $i \leq N - 1$, $\emptyset \neq U_i \subseteq V_i$,

$$H = G_N \square \dots \square G_2(U_2) \square G_1(U_1)$$

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Example

$$K_3^3 = K_3 \square K_3(U_2) \square K_3(U_1), \text{ with } U_1 = U_2 = \{0, 1\}$$



Paticular extreme cases

- (Standard) hierarchical product

For all $1 \leq i \leq N - 1$, $U_i = \{v_i\} \Rightarrow$

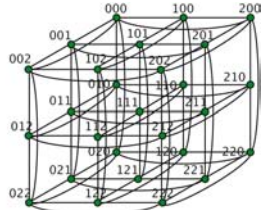
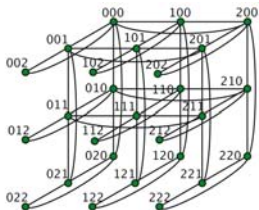
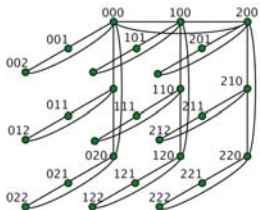
$$H = G_N \sqcap \cdots \sqcap G_2(U_2) \sqcap G_1(U_1) = G_N \sqcap \cdots \sqcap G_2 \sqcap G_1$$

(assuming that v_i is labeled 0)

- Cartesian product

For all $1 \leq i \leq N - 1$, $U_i = V_i \Rightarrow$

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Hierarchy

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- $\mathbf{z} \in V_N \times \cdots \times V_{k+1} \Rightarrow H\langle \mathbf{z}x_k \dots x_1 \rangle$ subgraph of H induced by the set $\{\mathbf{z}x_k \dots x_1 \mid x_i \in V_i, 1 \leq i \leq k\}$
- $\mathbf{z} \in V_{k-1} \times \cdots \times V_1 \Rightarrow H\langle x_N \dots x_k \mathbf{z} \rangle$ subgraph of H induced by the set $\{x_N \dots x_k \mathbf{z} \mid x_i \in V_i, k \leq i \leq N\}$

Lemma

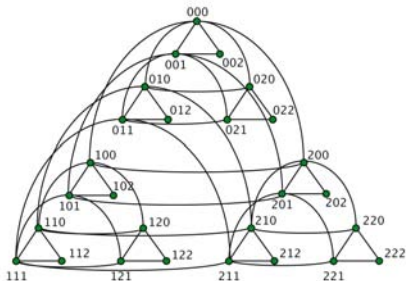
$$(a) \quad H\langle \mathbf{z}x_k \dots x_1 \rangle = G_k \sqcap G_{k-1}(U_{k-1}) \sqcap \cdots \sqcap G_1(U_1)$$

$$(b) \quad \mathbf{z} \in U_{k-1} \times \cdots \times U_1 \Rightarrow \\ H\langle x_N \dots x_k \mathbf{z} \rangle = G_N \sqcap G_{N-1}(U_{N-1}) \sqcap \cdots \sqcap G_k(U_k)$$

$$(c) \quad \mathbf{z} \notin U_{k-1} \times \cdots \times U_1 \Rightarrow H\langle x_N \dots x_k \mathbf{z} \rangle = m K_1, \text{ where} \\ m = n_N \cdots n_k$$

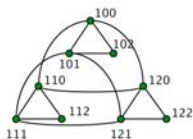
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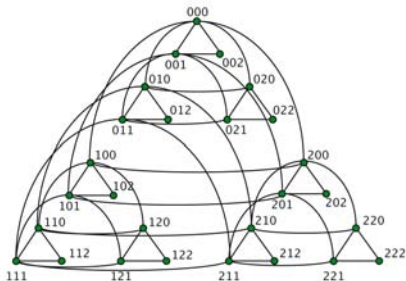
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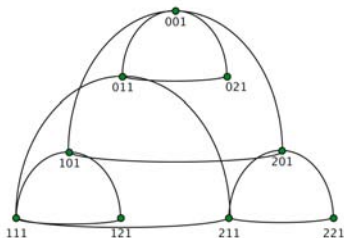
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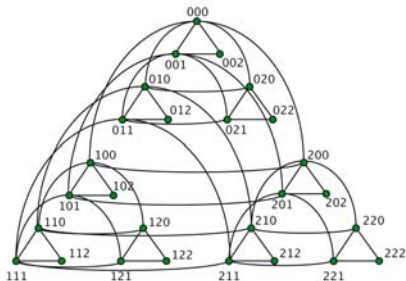
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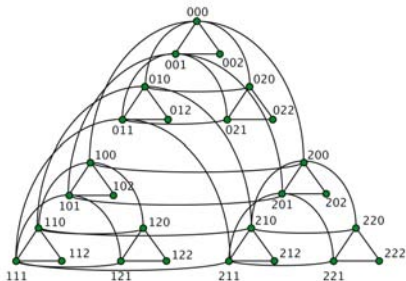
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Degree

- $v = x_N x_{N-1} \dots x_2 x_1 \in H = G_N \square \dots \square G_2(U_2) \square G_1(U_1)$

$$\deg_H(v) = \deg_{G_1}(x_1) + \chi_{U_1}(x_1) \deg_{G_2}(x_2) + \dots + \chi_{U_1}(x_1) \dots \chi_{U_{N-1}}(x_{N-1}) \deg_{G_N}(x_N)$$

- The minimum and maximum degree of H are

$$\delta_H = \min\{\delta_{G_1(\bar{U}_1)}, \delta_{G_1(U_1)} + \delta_{G_2(\bar{U}_2)}, \dots, \delta_{G_1(U_1)} + \dots + \delta_{G_{N-1}(U_{N-1})} + \delta_{G_N}\}$$

$$\Delta_H = \max\{\Delta_{G_1(\bar{U}_1)}, \Delta_{G_1(U_1)} + \Delta_{G_2(\bar{U}_2)}, \dots, \Delta_{G_1(U_1)} + \dots + \Delta_{G_{N-1}(U_{N-1})} + \Delta_{G_N}\}$$

For all $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$, $n_i = |V(G_i)|$

- For all $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$, G_i is δ_i -regular \Rightarrow
 $H = G_N \square \dots \square G_2(U_2) \square G_1(U_1)$ contains exactly
 - $n_N(n_{N-1} - |U_{N-1}|)$ vertices of degree δ_N
 - $n_N|U_{N-1}|(n_{N-2} - |U_{N-2}|)$ vertices of degree $\delta_N + \delta_{N-1}$
 - \vdots
 - $n_N|U_{N-1}||U_{N-2}| \dots |U_2|(n_1 - |U_1|)$ vertices of degree $\delta_N + \dots + \delta_2$
 - $n_N|U_{N-1}||U_{N-2}| \dots |U_1|$ vertices of degree $\delta_N + \dots + \delta_1$

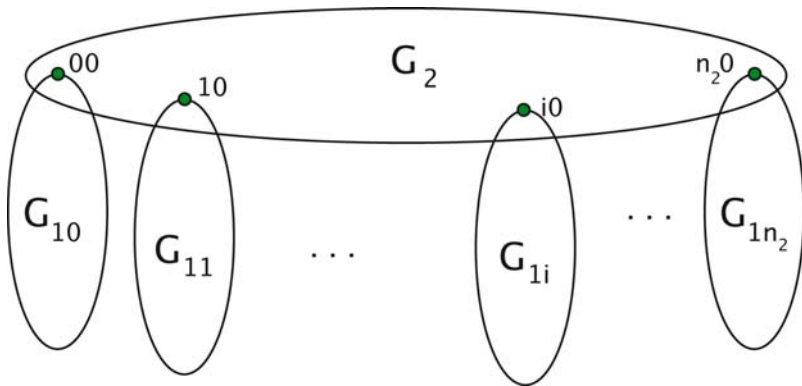
Associativity

Proposition

For $i = 1, 2, 3$, let G_i be a graph and, for $i = 1, 2$, $U_i \subseteq V_i$. The generalized hierarchical product satisfies

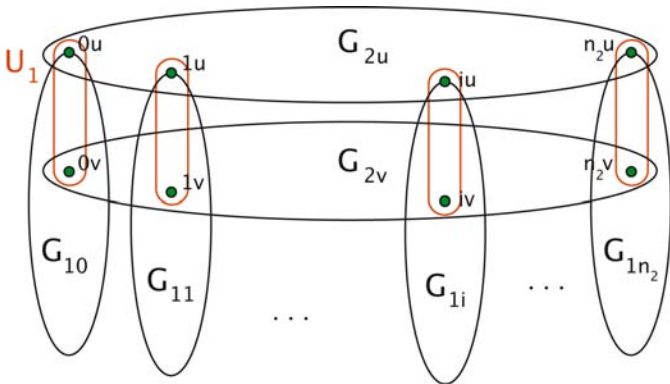
$$\begin{aligned}G_3 \sqcap G_2(U_2) \sqcap G_1(U_1) &= G_3 \sqcap (G_2 \sqcap G_1(U_1))(U_2 \times U_1) \\ &= (G_3 \sqcap G_2(U_2)) \sqcap G_1(U_1)\end{aligned}$$

Can be easily generalized to the case of N factors.



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Metric parameters

Definition (Distance through U)

$$G = (V, E), \emptyset \neq U \subset V$$

- $p_{G(U)}(x, y)$ path from x to y through U , if intersects U
- $\text{dist}_{G(U)}(x, y) = \min \text{length}(p_{G(U)}(x, y))$

Remark $\text{dist}_{G(U)}(x, x) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x \in U$

- Mean distance through U : $d_{G(U)} = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{x, y \in V} \text{dist}_{G(U)}(x, y)$
- Eccentricity through U : $\text{ecc}_{G(U)}(x) = \max_{y \in V} \text{dist}_{G(U)}(x, y)$
- Radius through U : $r_{G(U)} = \min_{x \in V} \text{ecc}_{G(U)}(x)$
- Diameter through U : $D_{G(U)} = \max_{x \in V} \text{ecc}_{G(U)}(x)$

$$\mathbf{x} = (x_2, x_1), \mathbf{y} = (y_2, y_1) \in H = G_2 \square G_1(U_1) \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{dist}_H(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) = \text{dist}_{G_2}(x_2, y_2) + \text{dist}_{G_1(U_1)}(x_1, y_1)$$

Theorem

$$H = G_2 \square G_1(U_1), U_1 \subset V_1, n_2 = |V_2|$$

(a) Mean distance:

$$d_H = d_{G_2} + \frac{1}{n_2} (d_{G_1} + (n_2 - 1)d_{G_1(U_1)})$$

(b) Eccentricity of $\mathbf{x} = (x_2, x_1) \in V$:

$$\text{ecc}_H(\mathbf{x}) = \text{ecc}_{G_2}(x_2) + \text{ecc}_{G_1(U_1)}(x_1)$$

(c) Radius:

$$r_H = r_{G_2} + r_{G_1(U_1)}$$

(d) Diameter:

$$D_H = D_{G_2} + D_{G_1(U_1)}$$

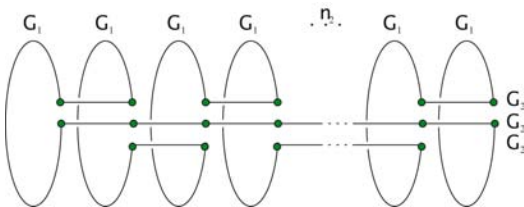
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Hamiltonian cycles: sufficient conditions

Proposition

If G_1 , G_2 Hamiltonian and $G_1[U_1]$ contains two consecutive edges of a Hamiltonian cycle of G_1 , then $H = G_2 \square G_1(U_1)$ is Hamiltonian.

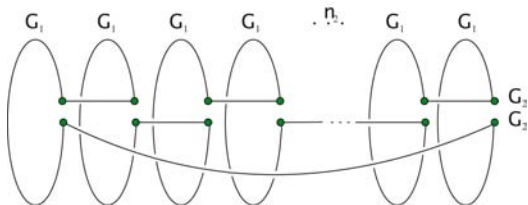
Sketch A Hamiltonian cycle in $G_2 \square G_1(U_1)$ going through three copies of G_2 and n_2 copies of G_1 .



Proposition

If G_1, G_2 Hamiltonian, $n_2 = |V_2|$ is even, and $G_1[U_1]$ contains one edge of a Hamiltonian cycle of G_1 , then $H = G_2 \square G_1(U_1)$ is Hamiltonian.

Sketch A Hamiltonian cycle in $G_2 \square G_1(U_1)$ going through two copies of G_2 and n_2 copies of G_1 when n_2 is even.



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Vertex-coloring

$\chi(G)$ chromatic number of G

- $\chi(G_2 \square G_1) = \max\{\chi(G_2), \chi(G_1)\}$ [Sabidussi, 1957]

Proposition

$$\chi(G_2 \sqcap G_1(U_1)) = \max\{\chi(G_2), \chi(G_1)\}$$

Proof.

$$G_1, G_2 < G_2 \sqcap G_1(U_1) < G_2 \square G_1$$



Edge-coloring

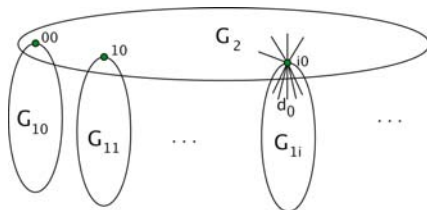
$\chi'(G)$ chromatic index of G

- $\Delta_G \leq \chi'(G) \leq \Delta_G + 1$ [Vizing, 1964]
(G of class 1 if $\chi'(G) = \Delta_G$, G of class 2 if $\chi'(G) = \Delta_G + 1$)
- if one of the graphs G_1 or G_2 is of class 1 then $G_2 \square G_1$ is of class 1 [Mahmoodian, 1981]

Proposition

$$\chi'(G_2 \square G_1) = \max\{\Delta_{G_2} + d_0, \chi'(G_1)\}$$

Proof.



Proposition

$$\max\{\Delta_{G_2} + \Delta_{G_1(U_1)}, \chi'(G_1)\} \leq \chi'(H) \leq \max\{\chi'(G_2) + \Delta_{G_1(U_1)}, \chi'(G_1)\}$$

Corollary

- if G_1 is of class 1 and $\exists u \in U_1$, $\deg_{G_1}(u) = \Delta_{G_1}$, then $\chi'(H) = \Delta_{G_2} + \Delta_{G_1}$
- if G_2 is of class 1 then $\chi'(H) = \max\{\Delta_{G_2} + \Delta_{G_1(U_1)}, \chi'(G_1)\}$

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Vertex connectivity of $H = G_2 \square G_1(U_1)$

Cartesian product: $H = G_2 \square G_1$, i.e., $U_1 = V_1$

$$\kappa(G_2 \square G_1) = \min\{\kappa_1|V_2|, \kappa_2|V_1|, \delta_1 + \delta_2\},$$

$\kappa_i = \kappa(G_i)$ and $\delta_i = \delta(G_i)$ [Špacapan 2007]

Connectivity relative to U

$G = (V, E)$ graph, $U \subsetneq V$

$$\kappa(U|\bar{U}) = \min\{|S| : S \subset V, \exists u \in G - S \text{ s.t. } \nexists \text{ path from } u \text{ to } U\}$$

Proposition

$$U_1 \subsetneq V_1 \Rightarrow \kappa(G_2 \square G_1(U_1)) \leq \min\{\kappa_1|V_2|, \kappa(U_1|\bar{U}_1), \delta_H\},$$

where $\delta_H = \min\{\delta_{G_1(\bar{U}_1)}, \delta_{G_1(U_1)} + \delta_{G_2}\}$.

See the poster on Algebraic properties of the
generalized hierarchical product !!!

Thank you !!!