# グラフ写像の強推移性について

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this résumé is to describe (strong) transitivity properties for graph self-maps in my recent works. W. Parry [7] pointed out a sufficient condition for the existence of a special measure on a symbolic dynamics, which has a close relation to a linearization of the dynamics on intervals. Then, as an application, he introduced the concept of strong transitivity that is one of conditions under which an interval map is conjugate to a uniformly piecewise linear map [7, §5, §6]. E. Coven and I. Mulvey [6, Theorem B and C] stated the relation between transitivity and strong transitivity properties for interval (or circle) self-maps.

We extend the above relation to graph self-maps (see §3). A motivation for studying graph maps is that higher-dimensional dynamics can often be reduced to one-dimensional dynamics.

Throughout this paper, by a graph, we mean a connected compact one-dimensional polyhedron, and a tree is a graph which contains no loops. We also assume that any graph G is endowed with a metric d; we define  $\mathbb{B}(x;\varepsilon), x \in G, \varepsilon > 0$  to be the set of points of G whose distance from x is less than  $\varepsilon$ . B(G) and E(G) denote the sets of branch points and of endpoints of G, respectively. A map f is a continuous function from a space X to itself;  $f^0$  is the identity map, and for every  $n \ge 0$ ,  $f^{n+1} = f^n \circ f$ . We denote by Fix(f) and Per(f) the sets of fixed points and of periodic points of f, respectively. For a subset K of X, Int K and Cl K denote the interior and closure of K in X.

## 2. Strong transitivity

An onto map  $f: X \to X$  is called (*topologically*) transitive if any of the following equivalent conditions holds.

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- (1) There exists a point with dense orbit.
- (2) Whenever U, V are non-empty open sets, there exists an  $n \ge 1$  such that  $f^{-n}(U) \cap V \neq \emptyset$ .
- (3) The only closed invariant set K with  $\operatorname{Int} K \neq \emptyset$  is K = X.

*Remark.* We note that, in the case of a graph map  $f: G \to G$ , f is transitive if and only if for every pair of non-empty open sets U and V in G, there exists a  $k \ge 1$  such that  $U \cap \text{Int } f^k(V) \ne \emptyset$ .

In the study of transitive maps, the subclass of those maps having all iterates transitive plays a significant role. A map f is totally transitive if  $f^n$  is transitive for all  $n \ge 1$  (see [1]); note that a transitive map is not always totally transitive.

A map  $f: X \to X$  is called *strongly transitive* if for every non-empty open set J of X, there exists an n such that  $\bigcup_{k=0}^{n} f^{k}(J) = X$ .

We first call a useful proposition which shows a backward structure of a strongly transitive map for each point.

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $f : X \to X$  be a map of X to itself. Then the following are equivalent.

(1) For each  $x \in X$ ,  $\operatorname{Cl} \bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} f^{-n}(x) = X$ .

(2) For every non-empty open set U of X,  $\bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} f^n(U) = X$ .

Furthermore, if f is open, then (1) and (2) are equivalent to

(3) If  $E \subseteq X$  is a closed set with  $f^{-1}(E) \subseteq E$ , then  $E = \emptyset$  or X.

The examples below clarify the difference between transitivity and strong transitivity properties.

**Example 1.** There exists a transitive map of the interval which is not strongly transitive. This example appears in [3, Example 3] to illustrate another property. For completeness, we give a construction of the map here.

Let  $\{p_n \mid n \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  be a two-sided sequence of real numbers in [0, 1] such that

$$\cdot < p_{-2} < p_{-1} < p_0 < p_1 < p_2 < \cdots,$$

and  $p_n \to 1$  and  $p_{-n} \to 0$  when  $n \to \infty$ . For  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  put  $I_n = [p_n, p_{n+1}]$ . Define the map  $f_n : I_n \to I_{n-1} \cup I_n \cup I_{n+1}$  by  $f_n(p_n) = p_n$ ,  $f_n(p_{n+1}) = p_{n+1}$ ,  $f_n(\frac{2p_n+p_{n+1}}{3}) = p_{n+2}$ ,  $f_n(\frac{p_n+2p_{n+1}}{3}) = p_{n-1}$ , and  $f_n$  is linear on the intervals complementary to these points.  $f: [0,1] \to [0,1]$  is given by f(0) = 0, f(1) = 1, and  $f(x) = f_n(x)$  if  $x \in I_n$  (see Figure 2 in [3]). By Example 1 taken mod 1, we also have

**Example 2.** There exists a transitive map of the circle which is not strongly transitive.

Let  $B_n$  be the bouquet with *n*-petals generated by *n* copies of the unit circle, where  $n \ge 1$ . Using Example 1 taken mod 1 and a rotation among petals with respect to the origin, we can easily have an example on  $B_n$ .

**Example 3.** There exists a transitive map of  $B_n$  which is not strongly transitive.

**Example 4.** Since the map f in Example 1 is actually totally transitive as stated in [3, Example 3], we have a totally transitive interval map which is not strongly transitive. On the other hand, the interval map g below is strongly transitive, but not totally transitive.  $g(x) = 2x + 1/2, (0 \le x \le 1/4); -2x + 3/2, (1/4 \le x \le 3/4); 2x - 3/2, (3/4 \le x \le 1).$ 

#### 3. MAIN RESULTS

Here is our main result.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $f : G \to G$  be a graph map with  $\# \operatorname{Fix}(f^k) < \infty$  for each  $k \geq 1$ . If f is transitive, then it is strongly transitive.

A map f on a graph G is *piecewise monotone* if there is a finite set A in G such that f is monotone on each component of  $G \setminus A$ .

**Corollary 3.2.** Let  $f : G \to G$  be a piecewise monotone graph map. If f is transitive, then it is strongly transitive.

*Remark.* The interval case of the corollary above was proved by Coven-Mulvey [6].

**Example 5.** Let  $f : [0,1] \to [0,1]$  be the map whose graph appears below. Then f is transitive and the set of fixed points of  $f^k$  is finite for each  $k \ge 1$ . Therefore f is strongly transitive, in fact, for each non-degenerate subinterval J of [0,1], there exists an n such that  $f^n(J) = [0,1]$ .



**Proposition 3.3.** Let  $f : T \to T$  be a totally transitive tree map. Then f is strongly transitive if and only if for every non-degenerate connected set J of T, there exists an M such that for any  $m \ge M$ ,  $f^m(J) = T$ .

The following generalizes the result for interval maps of Coven-Mulvey [6] to one for tree maps.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $f : T \to T$  be an onto tree map. Let v(T) be the maximum order of any branch point in T and  $N_{v(T)}$  the least common multiple of  $\{2, \ldots, v(T)\}$ . Then the following are equivalent.

(1) f is transitive and has a point of period which is prime to  $2, \ldots, v(T)$ .

(2)  $f^{N_{\mathbf{v}(T)}}$  is transitive.

(3) f is totally transitive.

(4) f is topologically mixing.

Furthermore, if  $\# \operatorname{Fix}(f^k)$  is finite for each  $k \geq 1$ , then the following is equivalent to

(5) for every non-degenerate connected set J of T, there exists an M such that for any  $m \ge M$ ,  $f^m(J) = T$ .

*Remark.* The equivalences  $(1) \Leftrightarrow (2) \Leftrightarrow (3) \Leftrightarrow (4)$  are well-known [8, Theorem 4.1], [1].

#### 4. Remarks

(I): It is useful to investigate the relation between the dynamics of a graph map and the dynamics of the induced self-homeomorphism of the inverse limit space [2], [3].

Let  $f: X \to X$  be an onto map. Associated with f is the inverse limit space  $(X, f) = \{(x_0, x_1, \ldots) \mid x_i \in X, \text{ and } f(x_{i+1}) = x_i\}$ , and

the induced homeomorphism  $\hat{f}: (X, f) \to (X, f)$  (which is called the shift homeomorphism), given by  $\hat{f}((x_0, x_1, \ldots)) = (f(x_0), x_0, x_1, \ldots)$ .

**Proposition 4.1.** Let  $f : X \to X$  be an onto map of a metrizable compact space X. If the shift homeomorphism  $\hat{f} : (X, f) \to (X, f)$  is strongly transitive, then f is strongly transitive.

Unfortunately, the shift homeomorphism of a strongly transitive graph map is not always strongly transitive. In fact, we have the following.

**Proposition 4.2.** Let G be a non-degenerate graph and  $f: G \to G$  be an onto map. Then the shift homeomorphism  $\hat{f}: (G, f) \to (G, f)$  is strongly transitive if and only if G is the circle and f is conjugate to an irrational rotation.

(II): We note that statement (2) in Proposition 2.1, which was introduced by Parry [7], implies strong transitivity for *tree* maps.

**Proposition 4.3.** Let  $f: T \to T$  be an onto tree map. Then f is strongly transitive if and only if for every non-empty open set U of T,  $\bigcup_{n=0}^{\infty} f^n(U) = T$ .

However, it is not always true for a general graph map.

**Example 6.** Let  $f : [0,1] \to [0,1]$  be the map whose graph appears below. Using this map f, we define the circle map  $g : S^1 \to S^1$  by  $g(e^{2\pi i\theta}) = e^{2\pi i f(\theta)}$ , where  $0 \le \theta \le 1$ . Then the map g is transitive and satisfies statement (2) in Proposition 2.1, but is not strongly transitive.



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