# 完全2組グラフのSs因子分解 (Ss-FACTORIZATION OF COMPLETE BIPARTITE GRAPHS)

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In this paper, trivial necessary conditions for the existence of an  $S_{\text{\tiny 5}}$ -factorization of  $K_{\text{\tiny m,n}}$  are given. Several types of construction algorithms of  $S_{\text{\tiny 5}}$ -factorization of  $K_{\text{\tiny m,n}}$  are also given.

#### 1. Introduction

Let  $S_5$  be a *star* on 5 vertices and  $K_{m,n}$  be a *complete bipartite graph* with partite sets  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  of m and n vertices each. A spanning subgraph F of  $K_{m,n}$  is called an  $S_5$ -factor if each component of F is isomorphic to  $S_5$ . If  $K_{m,n}$  is expressed as an edge-disjoint sum of  $S_5$ -factors, then this sum is called an  $S_5$ -factorization of  $K_{m,n}$ .

In this paper, trivial necessary conditions for the existence of an  $S_5$ -factorization of  $K_{m,\,n}$  are given. Several types of construction algorithms of  $S_5$ -factorization of  $K_{m,\,n}$  are also given.

#### 2. S<sub>5</sub>-factor of K<sub>m, n</sub>

The following theorem is on the existence of  $S_5$ -factors of  $K_{m,n}$ .

**Theorem 1.**  $K_{m,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factor if and only if (i)  $m+n \equiv 0 \pmod 5$ , (ii)  $4n-m \equiv 0 \pmod 15$ , (iii)  $4m-n \equiv 0 \pmod 15$ , (iv)  $m \le 4n$  and (v)  $n \le 4m$ .

**Proof.** Suppose that  $K_{m,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factor F. Let t be the number of components of F. Then t=(m+n)/5. Hence, Condition (i) is necessary. Among these t components, let x and y be the number of components whose endvertices are in  $V_2$  and  $V_1$ , respectively. Then, since F is a spanning subgraph of  $K_{m,n}$ , we have x+4y=m and 4x+y=n. Hence x=(4n-m)/15 and y=(4m-n)/15. From  $0 \le x \le m$  and  $0 \le y \le n$ , we must have  $m \le 4n$  and  $n \le 4m$ . Conditions (ii)-(v) are, therefore, necessary.

For those parameters m and n satisfying (i)-(v), let x=(4n-m)/15 and y=(4m-n)/15. Then x and y are integers such that  $0 \le x \le m$  and  $0 \le y \le n$ .

Hence, x+4y=m and 4x+y=n. Using x vertices in  $V_1$  and 4x vertices in  $V_2$ , consider x  $S_5$ 's whose endvertices are in  $V_2$ . Using the remaining 4y vertices in  $V_1$  and the remaining y vertices in  $V_2$ , consider y  $S_5$ 's whose endvertices are in  $V_1$ . Then these x+y  $S_5$ 's are edge-disjoint and they form an  $S_5$ -factor of  $K_m$ , n.

Corollary 1.  $K_{n,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factor if and only if  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ .

### 3. S<sub>5</sub>-factorization of K<sub>m, n</sub>

We use the following notations.

Notation 1. r,t,b: number of  $S_5$ -factors, number of  $S_5$ -components of each  $S_5$ -factor, and total number of  $S_5$ -components, respectively, in an  $S_5$ -factorization of  $K_{m,n}$ .

 $t_1$  ( $t_2$ ): number of components whose centers are in  $V_1$  ( $V_2$ ), respectively, among t  $S_5$ -components of each  $S_5$ -factor.

 $r_1(u)$   $(r_2(v))$ : number of components whose centers are all u (v) for any u (v) in  $V_1$   $(V_2)$ , respectively, among b  $S_5$ -components.

## 3.1. Trivial necessary conditions of $S_{\rm s}$ -factorization of $K_{\rm m,\,n}$

We give the following trivial necessary conditions for the existence of  $S_{\text{\tiny 5}}$ -factorization of  $K_{\text{\tiny m, n}}$ .

Theorem 2. If  $K_{m,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization then (i) b=mn/4, (ii) t=(m+n)/5, (iii) r=5mn/4(m+n), (iv) t<sub>1</sub>=(4n-m)/15, (v) t<sub>2</sub>=(4m-n)/15, (vi) r<sub>1</sub>=(4n-m)n/12(m+n), (vii) r<sub>2</sub>=(4m-n)m/12(m+n), (viii) m  $\leq$  4n and (ix) n  $\leq$  4m.

**Proof.** Suppose that  $K_{m,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization. Then it holds that b=mn/4, t=(m+n)/5, r=b/t=5mn/4(m+n),  $t_1=(4n-m)/15$ ,  $t_2=(4m-n)/15$ ,  $m \le 4n$  and  $n \le 4m$ . Let  $s_1(u)$   $(s_2(v))$  be the number of components which have endvertex u (v) for any u (v) in  $V_1$   $(V_2)$ , respectively, among b  $S_5$ -componets. Then it holds that  $r_1(u)+s_1(u)=r$ ,  $4r_1(u)+s_1(u)=n$ ,  $r_2(v)+s_2(v)=r$  and  $4r_2(v)+s_2(v)=m$ . Hence we have  $r_1(u)=(4n-m)n/12(m+n)$  and  $r_2(v)=(4m-n)m/12(m+n)$ .  $r_1(u)$   $(r_2(v))$  doesn't depend on u (v), respectively. Therefore, Conditions (i)-(ix) are necessary.  $\square$ 

Corollary 2. If  $K_{n,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization then  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{40}$ .

#### 3.2. Extension theorem of $S_5$ -factorization of $K_{m,n}$

We prove the following extension theorem, which we use later in this paper.

**Theorem 3.** If  $K_{m,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization, then  $K_{sm,sn}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization for every positive integer s.

Proof. Let  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$  be the independent sets of  $K_{\text{em,en}}$ , where  $|V_1| = \text{sm}$  and  $|V_2| = \text{sn}$ . Divide  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  into s subsets of m and n vertices each, respectively. Construct a new graph G with a vertex set consisting of the subsets which were just constructed. In this graph, two vertices are adjacent if and only if the subsets come from disjoint independent sets of  $K_{\text{em,en}}$ . G is a complete bipartite graph  $K_{\text{e,e}}$ . Noting that the cardinality of each subset identified with a vertex set of G is m or n and that  $K_{\text{e,e}}$  has a 1-factorization, we see that the desired result is obtained. 1-factorization of  $K_{\text{e,e}}$  is discussed in [1,3].  $\square$ 

### 3.3. Sufficient conditions of $S_{\bar{n}}$ -factorization of $K_{m,n}$

We consider the following three cases.

Case (1) m=4n: In this case, from Theorem 3,  $K_{4\,n,\,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization since  $K_{4,\,1}$  is just  $S_5$ .

Case (2) n=4m Obviously,  $K_{m,4m}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization.

Case (3) m<4n and n<4m: In this case, let x=(4n-m)/15 and y=(4m-n)/15. Then from Conditions (iv)-(v), x and y are integers such that 0<x< m and 0<y< n. We have x+4y=m and 4x+y=n. Hence it holds that  $b=(x^2+4xy+y^2)+xy/4$ , t=x+y, r=(x+y)+9xy/4(x+y),  $t_1=x$ ,  $t_2=y$ ,  $r_1=x-3xy/4(x+y)$  and  $r_2=y-3xy/4(x+y)$ . Let z=3xy/4(x+y), which is a positive integer. And let (x,4y)=d, x=dp, 4y=dq, where (p,q)=1. Then dq/4 is an integer and z=3dpq/4(4p+q). The following lemmas can be verified.

**Lemma 1.** (p,q)=1 ===> (pq,p+q)=1.

Lemma 2. (p,q)=1 ===> (pq,4p+q)=1 (q is an odd integer), 2 (q/2 is an odd

## integer) and 4 (q/4 is an integer).

Using these p,q,d, the parameters m and n satisfying Conditions (i)-(ix) are expressed as follows:

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Lemma 3. (p,q)=1 and 3dpq/4(4p+q) is an integer
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===> (I) m=4(p+q)(4p+q)s, n=(16p+q)(4p+q)s ((4p+q)/3:not integer) or m=4(p+q)(4p+q)s/3, n=(16p+q)(4p+q)s/3 ((4p+q)/3:integer) when q is an odd integer,

(II) m=4(p+2q')(2p+q')s, n=2(8p+q')(2p+q')s ((2p+q')/3:not integer) or m=4(p+2q')(2p+q')s/3, n=2(8p+q')(2p+q')s/3 ((2p+q')/3:integer) when q=2q' and q' is an odd integer,

(III) m=4(p+4q")(p+q")s, n=4(4p+q")(p+q")s ((p+q")/3:not integer) or m=4(p+4q")(p+q")s/3, n=4(4p+q")(p+q")s/3 ((p+q")/3:integer) when q=4q",

where s is a positive integer.

We use the following notations for sequences.

Notation 2. Let A and B be two sequences of the same size such as

A: a<sub>1</sub>,a<sub>2</sub>,...,a<sub>u</sub>

B:  $b_1, b_2, ..., b_u$ .

If  $b_i=a_i+c$  (i=1,2,...,u), then we write B=A+c. If  $b_i=((a_i+c) \mod w)$  (i=1,2,...,u), then we write  $B=A+c \mod w$ , where the residuals  $a_i+c \mod w$  are integers in the set {1,2,...,w}.

Lemma 4. (p,q)=1 and q is an odd integer m=4(p+q)(4p+q)s, n=(16p+q)(4p+q)s, where s is a positive integer  $K_{m,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization.

Proof. When s=1, the proof is by construction (Algorithm I). Let x=(4n-m)/15, y=(4m-n)/15, t=(m+n)/5, r=5mn/4(m+n). Then we have x=4p(4p+q), y=q(4p+q),  $t=(4p+q)^2$ , r=(p+q)(16p+q). Let  $r_m=p+q$ ,  $r_n=16p+q$ ,  $m_0=m/r_m=4(4p+q)$ ,  $n_0=n/r_n=4p+q$ . Consider two sequences R and C of the same size 16(4p+q).

R: 1,1,1,1,2,2,2,2,...,4(4p+q),4(4p+q),4(4p+q),4(4p+q)

C: 1,2,...,16(4p+q)-1,16(4p+q).

Construct p sequences  $R_i$  such that  $R_i=R+4(i-1)(4p+q)$  (i=1,2,...,p).

Construct p sequences  $C_i$  such that  $C_i = (C+4(i-1) \mod 16(4p+q))+16(i-1)(4p+q)$ 

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R': r_1, r_2, ..., r_{4(4p+q)}, where r_i = (i-1)p+1 \mod 4(4p+q) (i=1,2,...,4(4p+q))
 C': c_1, c_2, ..., c_{4(4p+q)}, where c_i=n-(i-1)q \mod q(4p+q) (i=1,2,...,4(4p+q)).
Construct q sequences R_i' such that R_i'=R'+4(i-1)(4p+q)+4p(4p+q) (i=1,2,...,q).
Construct q sequences C_i' such that C_i'=(C'-(i-1) \mod q(4p+q))+16p(4p+q)
(i=1,2,...,q). Consider two sequences I and J of the same size.
 I: R_1, R_2, ..., R_p, R_1', R_2', ..., R_q'
 J: C_1, C_2, ..., C_p, C_1', C_2', ..., C_g'.
Then the size of I or J is 4t. Let i_k and j_k be the k-th element of I and J,
respectively (k=1,2,...,4t). Join two vertices i_k in V_1 and j_k in V_2 with an edge
(i_k,j_k) (k=1,2,...,4t). Construct a graph F with two vertex sets \{i_k\} and \{j_k\} and
an edge set \{(i_k, j_k)\}. Then F is an S_5-factor of K_{m,n}. This graph is called an
S_5-factor constructed with two sequences I and J.
Construct r_m sequences I_i such that I_i=I+(i-1)m_0 \mod m (i=1,2,...,r_m).
Construct r_n sequences J_j such that J_j=J+(j-1)n_0 mod n (j=1,2,...,r_n).
Construct r_m r_n S_5-factors F_{ij} with I_i and J_j (i=1,2,...,r_m;j=1,2,...,r_n). Then it is
easy to show that F_{i,j} are edge-disjoint and that their sum is an S_5-factorization
of K_{m,n}. By Theorem 3, K_{m,n} has an S_{\epsilon}-factorization for every positive integer
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Lemma 5. (p,q)=1 and q=2q' (q') is an odd integer
           m=4(p+2q')(2p+q')s, n=2(8p+q')(2p+q')s, where s is a positive integer
           K_{m,n} has an S_5-factorization.
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Proof. When s=1, the proof is by construction (Algorithm II). Let x=(4n-m)/15,
y=(4m-n)/15, t=(m+n)/5, r=5mn/4(m+n). Then we have x=4p(2p+q'), y=2q'(2p+q'),
t=2(2p+q')^2, r=(p+2q')(8p+q'). Let r_m=p+2q', r_n=8p+q', m_0=m/r_m=4(2p+q'),
n_0=n/r_n=2(2p+q'). Consider two sequences R and C of the same size 16(2p+q').
 R: 1,1,1,1,2,2,2,2,...,4(2p+q'),4(2p+q'),4(2p+q'),4(2p+q')
 C: 1,2,...,16(2p+q')-1,16(2p+q').
Construct p sequences R_i such that R_i=R+4(i-1)(2p+q') (i=1,2,...,p).
Construct p sequences C_i such that C_i = (C+4(i-1) \mod 16(2p+q'))+16(i-1)(2p+q')
(i=1,2,...,p). Consider two sequences R' and C' of the same size 4(2p+q').
 R': r_1, r_2, ..., r_{4(2p+q')}, where r_i = (i-1)p+1 \mod 4(2p+q') (i=1,2,...,4(2p+q'))
 C': c_1, c_2, ..., c_{4(2p+q')}, where c_i=n-2(i-1)q' mod 2q'(2p+q') (i=1,2,...,4(2p+q')).
Construct 2q' sequences R_i' such that R_i'=R'+4(i-1)(2p+q')+4p(2p+q')
(i=1,2,...,2q'). Construct 2q' sequences C_i' such that C_i'=(C'-(i-1) mod
2q'(2p+q')+16p(2p+q') (i=1,2,...,2q'). Consider two sequences I and J of the
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same size 4t.
 I: R_1, R_2, ..., R_p, R_1', R_2', ..., R_{2q}
 J: C_1, C_2, ..., C_p, C_1', C_2', ..., C_{2q}.
Construct r_m sequences I_i such that I_i=I+(i-1)m_0 mod m (i=1,2,...,r_m).
Construct r_n sequences J_j such that J_j=J+(j-1)n_0 \mod n (j=1,2,...,r_n).
Construct r_m r_n S_5-factors F_{ij} with I_i and J_j (i=1,2,...,r_m;j=1,2,...,r_n). Then it is
easy to show that F<sub>ij</sub> are edge-disjoint and that their sum is an S<sub>5</sub>-factorization
of K_{m,n}. By Theorem 3, K_{m,n} has an S_5-factorization for every positive integer
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Lemma 6. (p,q)=1 and q=4q"
            m=4(p+4q")(p+q")s, n=4(4p+q")(p+q")s, where s is a positive integer
            K<sub>m, n</sub> has an S<sub>5</sub>-factorization.
Proof. When s=1, the proof is by construction (Algorithm III). Let x=(4n-m)/15,
y=(4m-n)/15, t=(m+n)/5, r=5mn/4(m+n). Then we have x=4p(p+q^*), y=4q^*(p+q^*),
t=4(p+q")^2, r=(p+4q")(4p+q"). Let r_m=p+4q", r_n=4p+q", m_0=m/r_m=4(p+q"),
n_o=n/r_n=4(p+q). Consider two sequences R and C of the same size 16(p+q).
 R: 1,1,1,1,2,2,2,2,...,4(p+q"),4(p+q"),4(p+q"),4(p+q")
 C: 1,2,...,16(p+q'')-1,16(p+q'').
Construct p sequences R_i such that R_i=R+4(i-1)(p+q^*) (i=1,2,...,p).
Construct p sequences C_i such that C_i = (C+4(i-1) \mod 16(p+q^*))+16(i-1)(p+q^*)
(i=1,2,...,p). Consider two sequences R' and C' of the same size 4(p+q").
 R': r_1, r_2, ..., r_{4(p+q^*)}, where r_i = (i-1)p+1 \mod 4(p+q^*) (i=1,2,...,4(p+q^*))
  C': C_1, C_2, ..., C_{4(p+q^*)}, where C_i=n-4q^*(i-1) \mod 4q^*(p+q^*) (i=1,2,...,4(p+q^*)).
                    sequences R_i' such that R_i'=R'+4(i-1)(p+q)+4p(p+q)
Construct 4q"
(i=1,2,...,4q"). Construct 4q" sequences C_i' such that C_i'=(C'-(i-1) \mod 1)
4q"(p+q"))+16p(p+q") (i=1,2,...,4q"). Consider two sequences I and J of the
same size 4t.
 I: R_1, R_2, ..., R_p, R_1', R_2', ..., R_{4q}
  J: C_1, C_2, ..., C_p, C_1', C_2', ..., C_{4q^n}'.
Construct r_m sequences I_i such that I_i=I+(i-1)m_0 mod m (i=1,2,...,r_m).
Construct r_n sequences J_j such that J_j=J+(j-1)n_0 \mod n (j=1,2,...,r_n).
Construct r_m r_n S_5-factors F_{ij} with I_i and J_j (i=1,2,...,r_m;j=1,2,...,r_n). Then it is
easy to show that F_{\rm ij} are edge-disjoint and that their sum is an S_{\rm 5}-factorization
of K_{m,n}. By Theorem 3, K_{m,n} has an S_s-factorization for every positive integer
s. |
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In Lemma 6, put p=1, q=4q"=4. Then we have the following example.

Example 1. K<sub>408,408</sub> has an S<sub>5</sub>-factorization.

By Corollary 2 and Example 1, we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 4.**  $K_{n,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization if and only if  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{40}$ .

- Conjecture 1. (p,q)=1, q is an odd integer and (4p+q)/3 is an integer m=4(p+q)(4p+q)s/3, n=(16p+q)(4p+q)s/3, where s is a positive integer and s/3 is not an integer  $K_{m,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization.
- Conjecture 2. (p,q)=1, q=2q' (q' is an odd integer) and (2p+q)/3 is an integer m=4(p+2q')(2p+q')s/3, n=2(8p+q')(2p+q')s/3, where s is a positive integer and s/3 is not an integer  $K_{m,p}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization.
- Conjecture 3. (p,q)=1, q=4q and (p+q)/3 is an integer m=4(p+4q)(p+q)s/3, n=4(4p+q)(p+q)s/3, where s is a positive integer and s/3 is not an integer  $K_{m,n}$  has an  $S_5$ -factorization.

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