

# G-Design of Complete Multipartite Graph Where G Is Five Points-Six Edges

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, we construct  $G$ -designs of complete multipartite graph, where  $G$  is five points-six edges.

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $K_v$  be a complete graph with  $v$  vertices, and  $G$  be a simple graph with no isolated vertex. A  $G$ -design (or  $G$ -decomposition) is a pair  $(X, \mathcal{B})$ , where  $X$  is the vertex set of  $K_v$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  is a collection of subgraphs of  $K_v$ , called blocks, such that each block is isomorphic to  $G$  and any edge of  $K_v$  occurs in exactly a blocks of  $\mathcal{B}$ . For simplicity, such a  $G$ -design is denoted by  $G$ - $GD(v)$ . Obviously, the necessary conditions for the existence of a  $G$ - $GD(v)$  are

$$\begin{aligned} v &\geq |V(G)| \\ v(v-1) &\equiv 0 \pmod{2|E(G)|}, \\ v-1 &\equiv 0 \pmod{d} \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where  $d$  is the greatest common divisor of the degrees of the vertices in  $V(G)$ .

Let  $K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m}$  be a complete multipartite graph with vertex set  $X = \bigcup_{i=1}^m X_i$ , where these  $X_i$  are disjoint and  $|X_i| = n_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ . For a given graph  $G$ , a holey  $G$ -design, denoted by  $(X, \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{B})$ , where  $X$  is the vertex set of  $K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m}$ ,  $\mathcal{G} = \{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_m\}$  ( $X_i$  called hole) and  $\mathcal{B}$  is a collection of subgraphs of  $K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m}$  called blocks, such that each block is isomorphic to  $G$  and any edge of  $K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_m}$  occurs in exactly a blocks of  $\mathcal{B}$ . When the multipartite graph has  $k_i$  partite of size  $n_i$   $1 \leq i \leq r$ , the holey  $G$ -design is denoted by  $G$ - $HD(n_1^{k_1} n_2^{k_2} \dots n_r^{k_r})$ .

When  $n_1 = n_2 = \dots = n_m = n$ , the holey  $G$ -design is denoted by  $G$ - $HD(n^m)$  (also known as  $G$ -decomposition of complete multipartite graph  $K_n(t)$ ).

On the  $G$ -design of existence has a lot of research. Let  $k$  be the vertex number of  $G$ , When  $k \leq 4$ , J. C. Bermond proved that condition (1) is also sufficient in [1]; When  $k$

$= 5$ , J. C. Bermond gives a complete solution in [2]. When  $G = S_k, P_k$  and  $C_k$ , K. Ushio investigated the existence of  $G$ -design of complete multipartite graph in [3]. In this paper,  $G$ -designs of complete multipartite graph, where  $G$  is five points-six edges is studied. Necessary and sufficient conditions are given for the  $G$ -designs of complete multipartite graph  $K_n(t)$ . For graph theoretical term, see [4].

## 2. Fundamental Theorem and Some Direct Construction

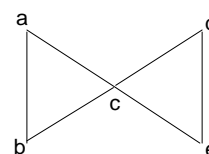
Let  $G$  be a simple graph with five points-six edges (see **Graph 1**).  $G$  is denoted by  $(a, b, c)-(c, d, e)$ .

The lexicographic product  $G_1 \otimes G_2$  of the graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is the graph with vertex set  $V(G_1) \times V(G_2)$  and an edge joining  $(u_1, u_2)$  to  $(v_1, v_2)$  if and only if either  $u_1$  is adjacent to  $v_1$  in  $G_1$  or  $u_1 = v_1$  and  $u_2$  and  $v_2$  are adjacent in  $G_2$ . We are only concered with a particular kind of lexicographic product,  $G \times \bar{K}_n$  ( $\bar{K}_n$  be a empty graph with  $n$  vertices). Observe that

$$K_n(lt) = K_n(t) \otimes \bar{K}_l.$$

**Lemma 2.1.** If there exists a  $G$ - $HD(t^n)$ , then there exists a  $G$ - $HD((lt)^n)$  for any integer  $l$ .

**Proof.** Let  $V(\bar{K}_l) = \{1, 2, \dots, l\}$ , Take any  $l \times l$  latin square and consider each element in the form  $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$  where  $\alpha$  denotes the row,  $\beta$  the column and  $\gamma$  the entry, with  $1 \leq \alpha, \beta, \gamma \leq l$ . We can construct  $l^2$  graphs  $G$ .



**Graph 1.** Let  $G$  be a simple graph with five points-six edges.

$$((a, i), (b, j), (c, k)) - ((c, k), (d, i), (e, j)) (1 \leq i, j, k \leq l)$$

Let  $K$  be a subset of positive integers. A *pairwise balanced design* ( $PBD(v, K)$ ) of order  $v$  with block sizes from  $K$  is a pair  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{B})$ , where  $\mathcal{Y}$  is a finite set (*the point set*) of cardinality  $v$  and  $\mathcal{B}$  is a family of subsets (*blocks*) of  $\mathcal{Y}$  which satisfy the properties:

- 1) If  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ , then  $|B| \in K$ .
- 2) Every pair of distinct elements of  $\mathcal{Y}$  occurs in exactly a blocks of  $\mathcal{B}$ .

Let  $K$  be a set of positive integers and

$$B(K) = \{v \in N \mid \exists PBD(v, K)\},$$

then  $B(K)$  is the *PBD-closure* of  $K$ .

**Lemma 2.2** [5] If  $K = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 8\}$ , then

$$B(K) = \{n \in N \mid n \geq 3\}.$$

**Lemma 2.3** [5] If  $K = \{3, 4, 6\}$ , then

$$B(K) = \{v \in N \mid n > 3, n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{3}\}$$

**Lemma 2.4** [5] If  $K = \{5, 9, 13, 17, 29, 33\}$ , then

$$B(K) = \{v \in N \mid n > 4, n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}\}$$

**Lemma 2.5** If there exists a  $G\text{-}HD(t^k)$  where  $k \in \{3, 4, 5, 6, 8\}$ , then there exists a  $G\text{-}HD(t^n)$  where  $n \geq 3$ .

**Proof.** Let  $X$  be  $n(n \geq 3)$  element set and  $Z_t$  be a modulo  $t$  residual additive group. For  $K = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 8\}$ , take  $Y = X \times Z_t$ , by applying Lemma 2.2, we assume that  $(X, \mathcal{A})$  be a  $PBD(n, k)$ . In the  $A$ , we take a block  $A$ , for  $|A| = k \in K$ , as there exists a  $G\text{-}HD(t^k)$ , let  $A \times Z_t$  be the vertex set of  $G\text{-}HD(t^k)$  and block set be  $\mathcal{B}_A$ . be a  $\mathcal{B} = \bigcup \mathcal{B}_A (A \in \mathcal{A})$ , so  $(Y, \mathcal{B})$  be a  $G\text{-}HD(tn)$ .

Similar to the proof of lemma 2.5, We have the following conclusions.

**Lemma 2.6** If there exists a  $G\text{-}HD(t^k)$  for  $k \in \{3, 4, 6\}$ , then there exists a  $G\text{-}HD(t^n)$  for  $n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{3}$  and  $n > 3$ .

**Lemma 2.7** If there exists a  $G\text{-}HD(t^k)$  for  $k \in \{5, 9, 13, 17, 29, 33\}$ , then there exists a  $G\text{-}HD(t^n)$  for  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $n > 4$ .

**Lemma 2.8** [2] For  $n \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{12}$ , there exists a  $(n, G, 1)\text{-}GD$ .

**Lemma 2.9** There exists a  $G\text{-}HD(2^3)$ .

**Proof.** Take  $X = \{a, b, c, d, e, f\}$  and  $G = \{\{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{e, f\}\}$ , we list vertex set and blocks below.

$$\mathcal{B} : (a, d, f) - (f, c, b)(c, a, e) - (e, b, d)$$

**Lemma 2.10** There exists a  $G\text{-}HD(2^4)$ .

**Proof.** Take  $X = Z_8$  and  $G = \{\{0, 4\}, \{1, 5\}, \{2, 6\}, \{3, 7\}\}$ , we list vertex set and blocks below

$$\mathcal{B} : (3, 0, 1) - (1, 2, 4) + 2 \pmod{4}$$

**Lemma 2.11** There exists a  $G\text{-}HD(2^6)$ .

**Proof.** Take  $X = Z_{12}$ , and  $G = \{\{0, 5\}, \{1, 6\}, \{2, 7\}, \{3, 8\}, \{4, 9\}, \{\infty_1, \infty_2\}\}$ , we list vertex set and blocks below

$$\mathcal{B} : (1+i, 3+i, i) - (i, 4+i, \infty_1) (i=0, 1, 2, 3, 4) \\ (1+i, 3+i, i) - (i, 4+i, \infty_2) (i=5, 6, 7, 8, 9)$$

**Lemma 2.12** There exists a  $G\text{-}HD(3^5)$ .

**Proof.** Take  $X = \{a_i, b_i, c_i, d_i, e_i\}$ ,  $X_1 = \{a_i\}$   $X_2 = \{b_i\}$   $X_3 = \{c_i\}$   $X_4 = \{d_i\}$   $X_5 = \{e_i\}$  ( $i = 1, 2, 3$ ), and  $G = \{X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5\}$ , we list vertex set and blocks below

$$\mathcal{B} : (b_1, c_1, a_1) - (a_1, b_3, c_3) \\ (a_1, c_2, b_2) - (b_2, a_2, e_2) \\ (b_1, e_1, a_2) - (a_2, b_3, e_3) \\ (e_2, d_2, a_1) - (a_1, e_3, d_3) \\ (c_2, e_2, a_3) - (a_3, c_3, e_3) \\ (a_3, c_1, e_1) - (e_1, a_1, d_1) \\ (b_1, d_1, a_3) - (a_3, b_2, d_2) \\ (c_1, d_1, a_2) - (a_2, c_2, d_2) \\ (a_2, c_3, d_3) - (d_3, a_3, b_3) \\ (e_3, d_2, b_1) - (b_1, c_2, d_3) \\ (e_1, d_3, b_2) - (b_2, c_3, d_1) \\ (e_2, d_1, b_3) - (b_3, c_1, d_2) \\ (d_3, e_2, c_1) - (c_1, e_3, b_2) \\ (d_1, e_3, c_2) - (c_2, e_1, b_3) \\ (d_2, e_1, c_3) - (c_3, e_2, b_1)$$

**Lemma 2.13** There exists a  $G\text{-}HD(3^8)$ .

**Proof.** Take  $X = Z_{24}$  and  $G = \{\{i, i+8, i+16\}, i \in Z_8\}$ , we list vertex set and blocks below

$$\mathcal{B} : (5, 9, 2) - (2, 11, 13) + 4 \pmod{24} \\ (6, 10, 3) - (3, 12, 14) + 4 \pmod{24} \\ (3, 21, 2) - (2, 20, 1) + 4 \pmod{24} \\ (3, 7, 1) - (1, 9, 23) + 4 \pmod{24} \\ (23, 5, 18) - (18, 6, 16) + 4 \pmod{24} \\ (4, 8, 1) - (1, 10, 0) + 4 \pmod{24} \\ (0, 6, 19) - (19, 7, 17) + 4 \pmod{24}$$

**Lemma 2.14** There exists a  $G\text{-}HD(3^9)$ .

**Proof.** Take  $X = Z_{27}$  and  $G = \{\{i, i+9, i+18\}, i \in Z_9\}$ , we list vertex set and blocks below

$$\mathcal{B} : (2, 13, 0) - (0, 4, 12) \pmod{27} \\ (16, 23, 26) - (26, 25, 20) \pmod{27}$$

**Lemma 2.15** There exists a  $G\text{-}HD(3^{17})$ .

**Proof.** Take  $X = Z_{51}$  and  $G = \{\{i, i+17, i+34\}, i \in Z_{51}\}$ , we list vertex set and blocks below

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$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}: & (2, 16, 0) - (0, 23, 30) \pmod{51} \\ & (3, 15, 0) - (0, 25, 29) \pmod{51} \\ & (5, 11, 0) - (0, 24, 32) \pmod{51} \\ & (1, 10, 0) - (0, 20, 33) \pmod{51} \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 2.16** There exists a  $G$ - $HD(3^{29})$ .

**Proof.** Take  $X = Z_{87}$  and  $G = \{\{i, i + 29, i + 58\}, i \in Z_{29}\}$ , we list vertex set and blocks below

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{B}: & (43, 52, 0) - (0, 1, 4) \pmod{87} \\ & (42, 53, 0) - (0, 2, 27) \pmod{87} \\ & (41, 54, 0) - (0, 5, 23) \pmod{87} \\ & (40, 55, 0) - (0, 6, 26) \pmod{87} \\ & (39, 70, 0) - (0, 7, 28) \pmod{87} \\ & (38, 68, 0) - (0, 8, 24) \pmod{87} \\ & (37, 73, 0) - (0, 10, 22) \pmod{87} \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 2.17** There exists a  $G$ - $HD(6^k)$ , for  $k \in \{3, 4, 5, 6, 8\}$ .

**Proof.** By applying Lemma 2.9, 2.10, 2.11, 2.12, 2.13 and 2.1, we can obtain the result.

**Lemma 2.18** There exists a  $G$ - $HD(3^k)$ , for  $k \in \{13, 33\}$ .

**Proof.** By applying Lemma 2.8 and 2.1, we can obtain the result.

### 3. $G$ -Designs of Complete Multipartite Graph

**Theorem 3.1** The necessary conditions for the existence of a  $G$ - $HD(t^n)$  are sufficient for the following  $n$  and  $t$ :

- 1)  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$  and  $n \geq 3$ ;
- 2)  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  and  $n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{3}$ ,
- 3)  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ ,  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,
- 4)  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  and  $n \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{12}$ .

**Proof.** Necessary conditions are obviously, we prove the sufficient conditions.

1) For  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$  and  $n \geq 3$ , by applying Lemma 2.17 and 2.5.,

2) For  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  and  $n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{3}$  by applying Lemma 2.9, 2.10, 2.11 and 2.6.

3) For  $t \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ ,  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  by applying Lemma 2.12, 2.14, 2.15, 2.16, 2.18 and 2.7.

4) For  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $t \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  and  $n \equiv 1, 9 \pmod{12}$ , by applying Lemma 2.1 and 2.8.

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