

Homogeneity in graphs and digraphs

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*This graph is called **Rado graph**.*

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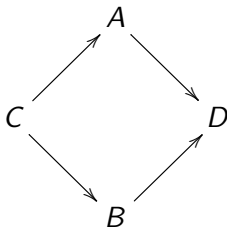
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Theorem (Cameron&Johnson 1987, Cameron 2000, Cherlin 2014)

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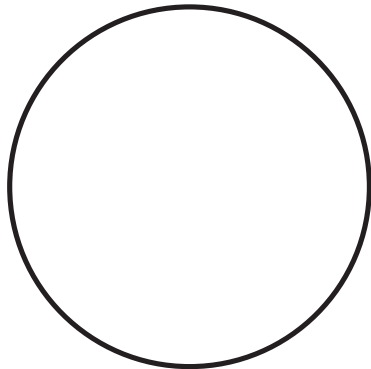
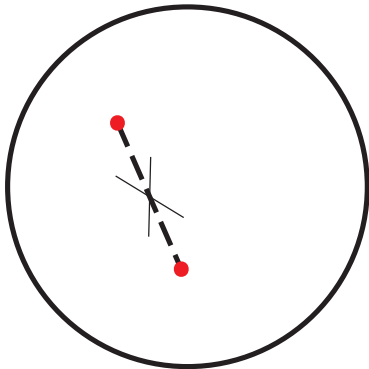
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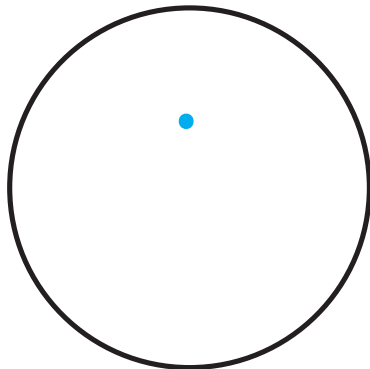
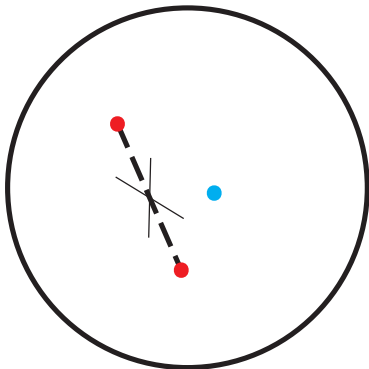
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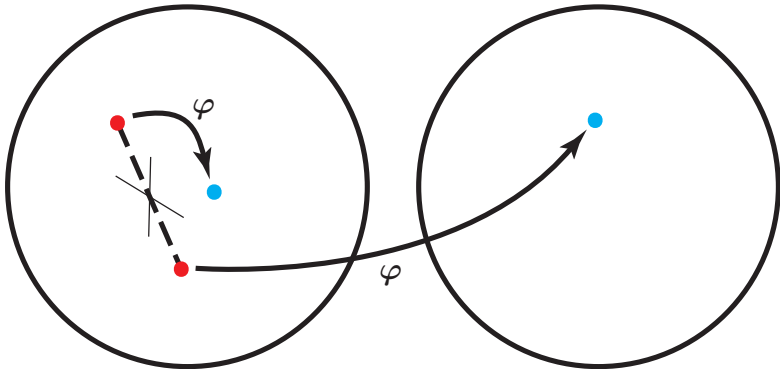
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- The notion of C-homogeneity carries over verbatim to digraphs, where a digraph is connected if its underlying undirected graph is.

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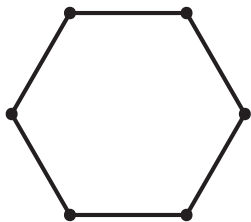
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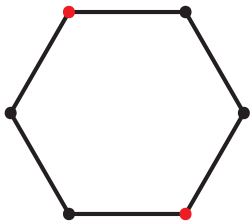
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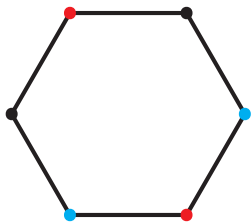
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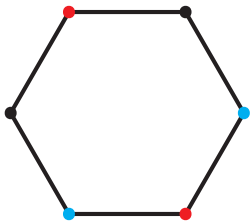
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- countable C -homogeneous digraphs:
 - connected with precisely two ends: Gray&Möller 2011,
 - connected with at least two ends: H&Hundertmark 2012,
 - finite and locally finite: H '15⁺, and
 - all: H '15⁺⁺

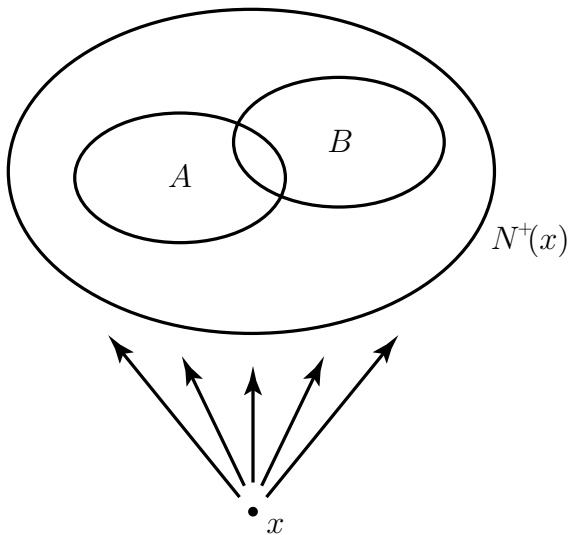
Question

How can we obtain structural facts from the property 'C-homogeneous' that will help us in the proof?

Lemma

- ① *The out-neighbourhood of some (and hence every) vertex of a C -homogeneous digraphs induces a homogeneous digraph.*
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First structural fact (proof)



Theorem

For every countable C -homogeneous digraph D one of the following statements is true:

- 1 *D is a blow-up of a homogeneous digraph;*
- 2 *D has more than one end;*
- 3 *every vertex of D has an independent out- and an independent in-neighbourhood.*

2nd result

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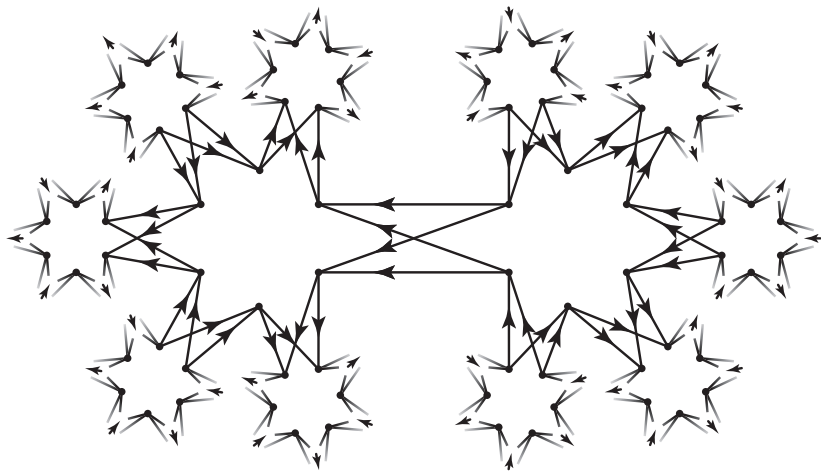
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Connected C -homogeneous digraphs with at least two ends have connectivity 1 or 2 and are tree-like.

There are five classes of such digraphs.

An infinitely ended C-homogeneous digraph

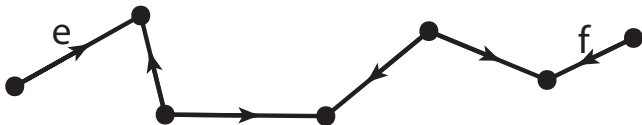


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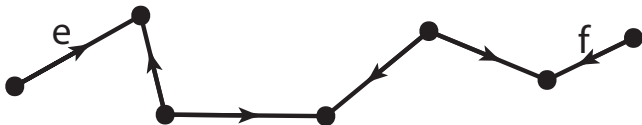


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Lemma (Cameron&Praeger&Wormald 1993)

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Lemma (Gray&Möller 2011)

In C-homogeneous digraphs whose reachability relation is not universal and with independent out- and in-neighbourhood for every vertex, the equivalence classes of the reachability relation form C-homogeneous bipartite digraphs.

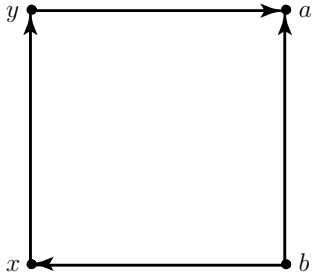
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For every countable C -homogeneous digraph with at most end whose reachability relation is not universal and with independent out- and in-neighbourhood for every vertex one of the following statements is true:

- 1 *essentially, the digraph is a blow-up of a directed cycles or double ray.*
- 2 *it is a quotient digraph of D^* .*

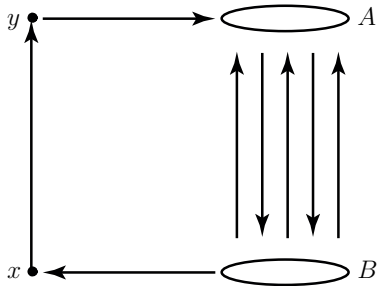
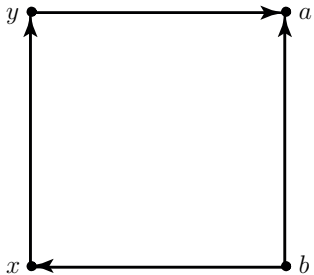
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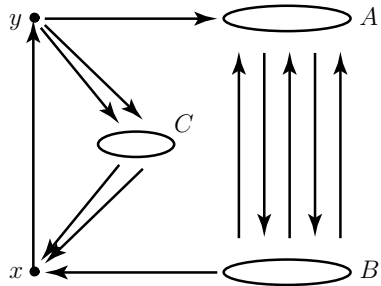
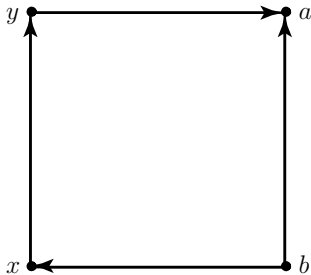
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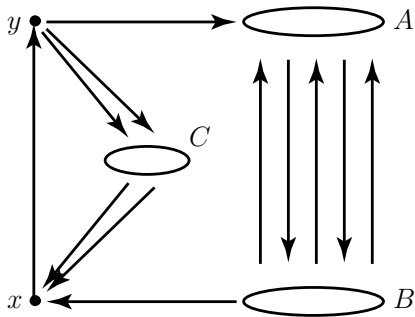
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$A := N^+(y) \setminus N^-(x)$ and

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for $xy \in E(D)$ the digraph induced by $A \cup B$ is a non-empty homogeneous 2-partite digraph.



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A countable C -homogeneous digraph with universal reachability relation and with independent out- and in-neighbourhood for every vertex is either

- ① *homogeneous or*
- ② *the generic orientation of the generic bipartite graph.*

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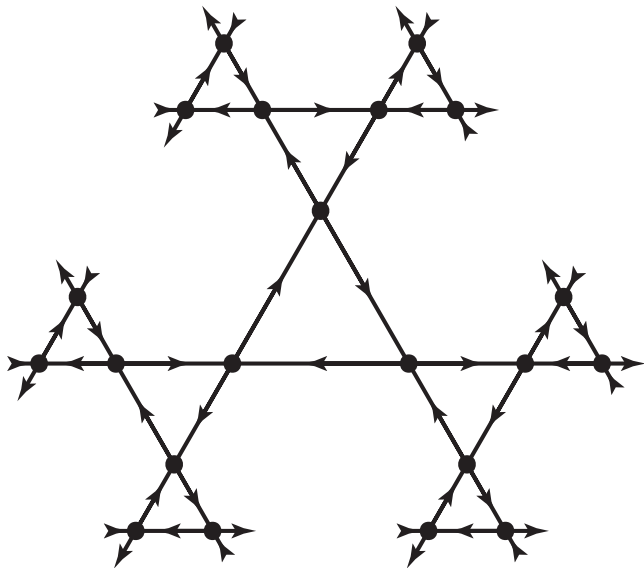
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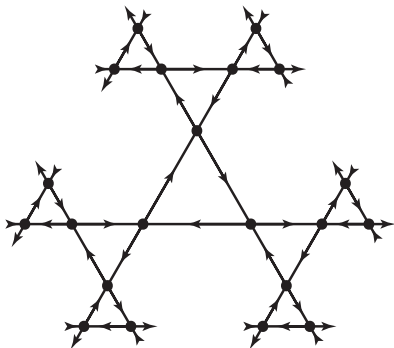
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A C-homogeneous digraph: D^*



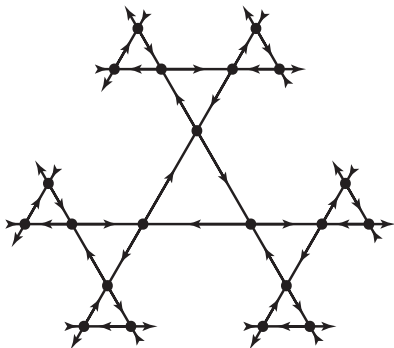
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*There is a canonical bijection from this class of C -homogeneous digraphs to those subgroups of the modular group $C_2 * C_3$ that contain a fixed involution.*



Theorem

A countable digraph is C -homogeneous if and only if it is a disjoint union of countably many copies of one of the following digraphs:

- (i) a countable homogeneous digraph;
- (ii) $H[I_n]$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}^\infty$ and with either $H = S(3)$ or $H = T^\wedge$ for some countable homogeneous tournament $T \neq S(2)$;
- (iii) $X_\lambda(T)$ for some countable homogeneous tournament T and $\lambda \in \mathbb{N}^\infty$;
- (iv) a regular tree;
- (v) $DL(\Delta)$, where Δ is a bipartite digraph such that $G(\Delta)$ is one of
 - C_{2m} for some integer $m \geq 2$,
 - CP_k for some $k \in \mathbb{N}^\infty$ with $k \geq 3$,
 - $K_{k,l}$ for $k, l \in \mathbb{N}^\infty$, $k, l \geq 2$, or
 - the countable generic bipartite graph;
- (vi) $M(k, m)$ for some $k \in \mathbb{N}^\infty$ with $k \geq 3$ and some integer $m \geq 2$;
- (vii) $M'(2m)$ for some integer $m \geq 2$;
- (viii) Y_k for some $k \in \mathbb{N}^\infty$ with $k \geq 3$;
- (ix) $C_m[I_k]$ for some $k, m \in \mathbb{N}^\infty$ with $m \geq 3$;
- (x) \mathcal{R}_m for some $m \in \mathbb{N}^\infty$ with $m \geq 3$;
- (xi) $X_2(C_3)_\sim$, where \sim is a non-universal $\text{Aut}(X_2(C_3))$ -invariant equivalence relation on $V(X_2(C_3))$; or
- (xii) the generic orientation of the countable generic bipartite graph.