

90. Graphs with Given Countable Infinite Group

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§ 1. Introduction. In this note we shall prove the following

Theorem. *Let Δ be any graph which is a constant link of a finite graph and which has at least one isolated vertex and at least three vertices. Then for any countable group G there are infinitely many connected graphs Γ with constant link Δ and $\text{Aut } \Gamma \cong G$.*

Since nK_1 is the constant link of $K_{n,n}$, we have the following

Corollary. *For any countable group G and any integer $n \geq 3$ there are infinitely many connected n -regular graphs Γ with $\text{Aut } \Gamma \cong G$.*

The case $n=3$ and with finite group G of this corollary was proved by Frucht [1] and this result was extended to general $n \geq 3$ by Sabidussi [2]. The case with finite group G of our theorem was proved by Vogler [4]. Our proof is an extension of [4]. We shall use the same notations as in [4].

§ 2. Proof of Theorem. First we refer to the following lemma without proof, whose proof is similar to that in [4; Theorem 1].

Lemma 1. *Let G be a countable group, Δ a constant link of a finite graph with at least three vertices and at least one isolated vertex. If for each $k=3, 4, 5$ there are infinitely many connected k -regular prime graphs Π_k with $\text{Aut } \Pi_k \cong G$ and a stable k -coloring, then there are infinitely many connected graphs Γ with constant link Δ and $\text{Aut } \Gamma \cong G$.*

Thus it is sufficient to prove the next lemma to prove our theorem.

Lemma 2. *Let G be a countable group. Then for each $k=3, 4, 5$ there are infinitely many connected k -regular prime graphs Π_k with $\text{Aut } \Pi_k \cong G$ and a stable k -coloring.*

Proof. First we show that for each $k=3, 4, 5$ there is a connected k -regular prime graph Γ_k with $\text{Aut } \Gamma_k \cong G$ and a stable k -coloring. If G is generated by a finite number of its elements, we see the existence of such a graph Γ_k for each $k=3, 4, 5$ by graphs similarly constructed to those in [1; Theorem 4.1], [2; Theorem 3.7] and [4; Lemma 5]. So we assume for a while that G is not generated by any finite subset. Let $S=\{x_i: i \in N\}$ be an infinite subset of G satisfying $S \ni 1$ and $\langle S \rangle = G$. Let us set $G_i = \langle x_i, x_2, \dots, x_i \rangle$. Now for every integer $i \geq 2$ if x_i is contained in G_{i-1} , we remove x_i from S . Consequently, $G = \langle S \rangle$ holds and there is no finite subset $\{s_i: i=1, 2, \dots, t\}$ of S satisfying $s_1^{\varepsilon_1} s_2^{\varepsilon_2} \dots s_t^{\varepsilon_t} = 1$ with $\varepsilon_j = \pm 1$. Hereafter we set

$S = \{y_i: i \in N\}$. Let us define graphs Γ_3, Γ_4 and Γ_5 as follows:

$$V(\Gamma_3) = V(\Gamma_4) = V(\Gamma_5) = \{(j, g): j \in N, g \in G\},$$

$$E(\Gamma_3) = \{[(1, g), (2, g)], [(1, g), (3, g)], [(1, g), (4, g)], [(2, g), (5, g)],$$