# Directed graphs and Maltsev conditions

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# DIGRAPHS, HOMOMORPHISMS AND POLYMORPHISMS

## Definition

A **digraph** is a pair  $\mathbb{G} = (G; \rightarrow)$ , where G is the set of **vertices** and  $\rightarrow \subseteq G^2$  is the set of **edges**.

### Definition

A **homomorphism** from  $\mathbb{G}$  to  $\mathbb{H}$  is a map  $f : G \to H$  that preserves edges:

$$a \rightarrow b$$
 in  $\mathbb{G} \implies f(a) \rightarrow f(b)$  in  $\mathbb{H}$ .

## Definition

A **polymorphism** of  $\mathbb{G}$  is a homomorphism  $p : \mathbb{G}^n \to \mathbb{G}$ , that is, it preserves edges:

$$a_1 \rightarrow b_1, \ldots, a_n \rightarrow b_n \implies p(a_1, \ldots, a_n) \rightarrow p(b_1, \ldots, b_n).$$

 $\operatorname{Pol}(\mathbb{G}) = \{ p \mid p : \mathbb{G}^n \to \mathbb{G} \}$  is the clone of polymorphisms.

## Theorem (A. Kazda)

If a finite digraph has Maltsev polymorphism p(x, y, y) = p(y, y, x) = x, then it has a majority polymorphism m(y, x, x) = m(x, y, x) = m(x, x, y) = x.

Not true for finite relational structures.

Theorem (E. Aichinger, R. McKenzie, P. Mayer)

Every algebra with an edge-term is finitely related

$$p(y, y, x, x, \dots, x) \approx x,$$
  

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## Theorem (L. Barto)

If a finite relational structure has Jónsson polymorphisms

$$\begin{aligned} x &= d_0(x, y, z), \\ d_i(x, y, x) &= x \text{ for all } i, \\ d_i(x, y, y) &= d_{i+1}(x, y, y) \text{ for even } i, \\ d_i(x, x, y) &= d_{i+1}(x, x, y) \text{ for odd } i, \\ d_n(x, y, z) &= z, \end{aligned}$$

then it has a near-unanimity polymorphism

$$t(y,x,\ldots,x)=t(x,\ldots,x,y)=x.$$

#### Valeriote's Conjecture

If a finite relational structure has Gumm polymorphisms, then it has an edge polymorphism.

# STRUCTURE AND MALTSEV CONDITIONS

## Theorem (L. Barto, M. Kozik)

If  $\mathbb{G} = (G; E)$  is connected,  $E \leq G^2$  is subdirect (smooth digraph), the algebraic length of  $\mathbb{G}$  is 1, and it has a weak near-unanimity polymorphism, then  $\mathbb{G}$  contains a loop.

## Theorem (B. Larose, L. Zádori)

If a finite poset has Gumm polymorphisms

$$x = d_0(x, y, z),$$
  
 $d_i(x, y, x) = x$  for all  $i,$   
 $d_i(x, y, y) = d_{i+1}(x, y, y)$  for even  $i,$   
 $d_i(x, x, y) = d_{i+1}(x, x, y)$  for odd  $i,$   
 $d_n(x, y, y) = p(x, y, y),$  and  
 $p(x, x, y) = y,$ 

then it has a near-unanimity polymorphism.

## Theorem (B. Larose, C. Loten, L. Zádori)

If a finite symmetric reflexive digraph has Gumm polymorphisms, then it has a near-unanimity polymorphism.

#### Theorem

If a finite reflexive digraph  $\mathbb G$  has Gumm polymorphisms then it has Jónsson (and near-unanimity) polymorphisms, and totally symmetric polymorphisms

$$\{a_1,\ldots,a_n\}=\{b_1,\ldots,b_n\}\implies t(a_1,\ldots,a_n)=t(b_1,\ldots,b_n)$$

of all arities.

#### Theorem

If a finite symmetric digraph  $\mathbb G$  has Gumm polymorphisms then it has Jónsson (and near-unanimity) polymorphisms.

# Structure on $\mathbb{G}^{\mathbb{H}}$

## Definition

Let  $\mathbb{G}$ ,  $\mathbb{H}$  be digraphs and  $f,g\in H^{\mathcal{G}}$  be maps. We write f
ightarrow g iff

$$a \rightarrow b$$
 in  $\mathbb{G} \implies f(a) \rightarrow g(b)$  in  $\mathbb{H}$ .

#### Lemma

 $\bullet$  The set of homomorphisms from  $\mathbb G$  to  $\mathbb H$  is

$$\mathbb{H}^{\mathbb{G}} = \{ f \in H^{\mathsf{G}} \mid f \to f \}.$$

• If G is reflexive, then the Cartesian power of  $\mathbb G$  is

$$\mathbb{G}^n = \mathbb{G}^{\{\circlearrowleft \ \circlearrowright \ \cdots \ \circlearrowright\}}.$$

• If 
$$f \to g$$
 in  $\mathbb{H}^{\mathbb{G}^n}$  and  $f_1 \to g_1, \dots, f_n \to g_n$  in  $\mathbb{G}^{\mathbb{F}}$ , then  
 $f(f_1, \dots, f_n) \to g(g_1, \dots g_n)$  in  $\mathbb{H}^{\mathbb{F}}$ .

#### Theorem

Let  $\mathbb{G}$  be a finite reflexive digraph admitting Gumm operations. If  $\mathbb{G}$  is [strongly] connected, then so is  $\mathbb{G}^{\mathbb{G}}$ .

## Proof.

- Take a minimal counterexample G.
- $\{id\}$  is a [strong] component of  $\mathbb{G}^{\mathbb{G}}$ .
- If  $\mathbb{G}$  admits a ternary operation d satisfying
  - $d(x, y, y) \approx x$ , or
  - $d(x, y, x) \approx d(x, x, y) \approx x$ ,

then d(x, y, z) is the first projection.

Use the Gumm identities (or Hobby-McKenzie operations for omitting types 1 and 5) to show that G satisfies x ≈ y.

## Example

The following digraph has Maltsev, join and meet semilattice polymorphisms.



It has only four endomorphisms: id, 0, 1 and inversion, they are all isolated. However, id is connected to 0 among all maps from G to G:

$$\mathrm{id} = x \wedge 1 \to x \wedge a \to x \wedge 0 = 0.$$

# Twin polynomials and connectedness on $G^{G}$

## Definition

Let **A** be an algebra. Two unary polynomials  $p, q \in \text{Pol}_1(\mathbf{A})$  are **twins** if there exist a term t of arity n + 1 and constants  $\bar{a}, \bar{b} \in A^n$  such that

$$p = t(x, \overline{a})$$
 and  $q = t(x, \overline{b})$ .

Let  $\sim$  denote the congruence relation on  ${\rm Pol}_1(\textbf{A})$  that is the transitive closure of twin polynomials.

#### Theorem

If a finite algebra **A** has Jónsson terms, then  $\mathrm{id} \sim \mathsf{a}$  for  $\mathsf{a} \in \mathsf{A}$ .

### Corollary

If a strongly connected [connected and smooth] finite digraph  $\mathbb{G}$  has algebraic length 1 and has Jónsson polymorphisms, then  $G^G$  is strongly connected [connected].

# Algebraic length 1 and Gumm polymorphisms

#### Lemma

If  $\mathbb{G}$  is a digraph and  $G^G$  is strongly connected, then  $\mathbb{G}$  has a loop.

## Proof.

Take  $\operatorname{id} \to f_1 \to \cdots \to f_k = c \to \cdots \to f_n \to \operatorname{id}$ , then  $\operatorname{id} \circ f_1 \circ \cdots \circ f_n \to f_1 \circ \cdots \circ f_n \circ \operatorname{id}$ , thus  $g = f_1 \circ \cdots \circ f_n$  is a constant endomorphism of  $\mathbb{G}$ .

#### Theorem

If a strongly connected finite digraph  $\mathbb{G}$  has algebraic length 1 and has Gumm polymorphisms, then  $G^G$  is strongly connected.

### Conjecture

If a connected and smooth finite digraph has algebraic length 1 and has Gumm polymorphisms, then it has a near-unanimity polymorphism.

Thank you!