

The existence of regular and quasi-regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraphs

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Abstract

A hypergraph H with vertex set V and edge set E is called bipartite if V can be partitioned into two subsets V_1 and V_2 such that $e \cap V_1 \neq \phi$ and $e \cap V_2 \neq \phi$ for any $e \in E$. A bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph H with partition (V_1, V_2) of a vertex set V such that $|V_1| = m$ and $|V_2| = n$ exists if and only if either (i) $m = n$ or (ii) $m \neq n$ and either m or n is congruent to 0 modulo 4 or (iii) $m \neq n$ and both m and n are congruent to 1 or 2 modulo 4.

In this paper we prove that, there exists a regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph $H(V_1, V_2)$ with $|V_1| = m, |V_2| = n, m + n > 3$ if and only if $m = n$ and n is congruent to 0 or 1 modulo 4. Further we prove that, there exists a quasi-regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph $H(V_1, V_2)$ with $|V_1| = m, |V_2| = n, m + n > 3$ if and only if either $m = 3, n = 4$ or $m = n$ and n is congruent to 2 or 3 modulo 4.

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1. Introduction

A. Symański, A. P. Wojda ([7],[8],[9]) and S. Gosselin [2], independently characterized n and k for which there exist k -uniform self-complementary hypergraphs of order n and gave the structure of corresponding complementing permutations. P. Potočník and M. Šajana [6] proved the existence

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of regular self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraphs. S. Gosselin [3] has characterized all n and k for which there exists a regular k -uniform self-complementary hypergraph of order n . T. Gangopadhyay and S. P. Rao Hebbare [1] studied bipartite self-complementary graphs. They characterized structural properties of r -partite complementing permutations.

In [5] a bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph H with partition (V_1, V_2) of a vertex set V such that $|V_1| = m$ and $|V_2| = n$ is defined. And characterized m and n for a bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph $H^3(V_1, V_2)$ to be self-complementary. Structure of complementing permutation of bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraphs is also analyzed.

In this paper we find conditions on m and n for a bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph $H^3(V_1, V_2)$ to be regular and quasi-regular.

2. Preliminary definitions and results

Definition 2.1. (Bipartite Hypergraph) A hypergraph H with vertex set V and edge set E is called bipartite if V can be partitioned into two subsets V_1 and V_2 such that $e \cap V_1 \neq \phi$ and $e \cap V_2 \neq \phi$ for any $e \in E$.

Furthermore if $|e| = k$ for every $e \in E$ then we call H , a bipartite k -uniform hypergraph, and denote it as $H^k(V_1, V_2)$. If $|V_1| = m$ and $|V_2| = n$ then $H^k(V_1, V_2) = H_{(m,n)}^k$.

If $H^3(V_1, V_2)$ is a bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph then every edge of $H^3(V_1, V_2)$ contains one vertex from one part and two vertices from the other part of the partition V_1 and V_2 of V . Thus any triple of vertices $\{x, y, z\}$ such that x, y, z belong to a single part of the partition of V is not an edge of $H^3(V_1, V_2)$.

Definition 2.2. (Complete Bipartite 3-uniform Hypergraph) A 3-uniform hypergraph H with the vertex set $V = V_1 \cup V_2, V_1 \cap V_2 = \phi$ and the edge set $E = \{e : e \subset V, |e| = 3 \text{ and } e \cap V_i \neq \phi, \text{ for } i = 1, 2\}$ is called the complete bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph. It is denoted as $K^3(V_1, V_2)$ or $K_{(m,n)}^3$.

Clearly, the total number of edges in $K_{(m,n)}^3$ is $m \binom{n}{2} + n \binom{m}{2} = \frac{mn(m+n-2)}{2}$.

Definition 2.3. (Complement of bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph) Given a bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph $H = H^3(V_1, V_2)$, we define its bipartite complement to be the 3-uniform hypergraph $\bar{H} = \bar{H}^3(V_1, V_2)$ where $V(\bar{H}) = V(H)$ and $E(\bar{H}) = E(K^3(V_1, V_2)) - E(H)$.

Definition 2.4. (Bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph) A bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph $H = H^3(V_1, V_2)$ is said to be self-complementary

if it is isomorphic to its bipartite complement $\bar{H} = \bar{H}^3(V_1, V_2)$, that is there exists a bijection $\sigma : V \rightarrow V$ such that e is an edge in H if and only if $\sigma(e)$ is an edge in \bar{H} .

That is there exists a bijection $\sigma : V \rightarrow V$ such that $e = \{x, y, z\}$ is an edge in H if and only if $\sigma(e) = \{\sigma(x), \sigma(y), \sigma(z)\}$ is an edge of \bar{H} . Such a σ is called as a complementing permutation.

Definition 2.5. (Regular hypergraph) A hypergraph H is said to be regular if all vertices have the same degree.

Definition 2.6. (Quasi-regular hypergraph) A hypergraph H is said to be quasi-regular if the degree of each vertex is either r or $r - 1$ for some positive integer r .

Following theorem gives necessary and sufficient condition on the order of bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph $H_{(m,n)}^3$ to be self-complementary which is proved in [5].

Theorem 2.7. There exists a bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph $H_{(m,n)}^3$ if and only if

either (i) $m = n$

or (ii) $m \neq n$ and either m or n is congruent to 0 modulo 4

or (iii) $m \neq n$ and both m and n are congruent to 1 or 2 modulo 4.

3. Existence of regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraphs

It is known that [6] a regular self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph exists if and only if n is congruent to 1 or 2 modulo 4. In this section we find necessary and sufficient condition on order of bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph to be regular.

Observe that for any $u \in V_1$ and $v \in V_2$, in $K^3(V_1, V_2) = K_{(m,n)}^3$, the degree of u is $n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2}$ and the degree of v is $m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2}$.

Following theorem gives necessary and sufficient condition on order of bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph to be regular.

Theorem 3.1. There exists a regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph $H(V_1, V_2)$ with $|V_1| = m, |V_2| = n, m + n > 3$ if and only if $m = n$ and n is congruent to 0 or 1 modulo 4.

Proof. Suppose there exists a regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph $H(V_1, V_2)$ such that $|V_1| = m, |V_2| = n, m + n > 3$ with complementing permutation σ . Let r be its regular degree.

For any vertex $u \in V_1$,
 $d_H(u) + d_H(\sigma(u)) = n(m-1) + \binom{n}{2}$. That is $r+r = n(m-1) + \binom{n}{2}$. That
is $2r = \frac{2n(m-1)+n(n-1)}{2}$
Similarly, for $v \in V_2$,
 $d_H(v) + d_H(\sigma(v)) = m(n-1) + \binom{m}{2}$. That is $r+r = m(n-1) + \binom{m}{2}$. That
is $2r = \frac{2m(n-1)+m(m-1)}{2}$.
Hence, $2n(m-1) + n(n-1) = 2m(n-1) + m(m-1)$. That is $m^2 - n^2 = 3(m-n)$. That is $(m-n)(m+n-3) = 0$. That is either $m-n = 0$ or $m+n-3 = 0$ which is not possible as $m+n > 3$. Hence $m = n$. Further,
 $2r = \frac{3n(n-1)}{2}$ that is $r = \frac{3n(n-1)}{4}$.
Since r is an integer we must have either 4 divides n or 4 divides $n-1$.
Hence n is congruent to 0 or 1 modulo 4.

Conversely, suppose $m = n$ is congruent to 0 or 1 modulo 4. We prove there exists a regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph $H(V_1, V_2)$ such that $|V_1| = |V_2| = n$. To prove this we construct a regular self-complementary bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph $H(V_1, V_2)$ such that $|V_1| = |V_2| = n$.

Case i) Suppose n is congruent to 0 modulo 4. Therefore $n = 4k$ for some positive integer k .

Let $V_1 = A_0 \cup A_1 \cup A_2 \cup A_3$ where $A_i = \{u_j^i | j \in \mathbb{Z}_k\}$ for all $i \in \mathbb{Z}_4$ and $V_2 = B_0 \cup B_1 \cup B_2 \cup B_3$ where $B_i = \{v_j^i | j \in \mathbb{Z}_k\}$ for all $i \in \mathbb{Z}_4$.

We construct the quasi-regular self-complementary graphs G_1 and G_2 with vertex sets V_1 and V_2 respectively as follows.

For pairwise distinct $i, i' \in \mathbb{Z}_4$ define the following subsets of $V_1^{(2)}$ where $V_1^{(2)}$ denotes the set of all 2-subsets of V_1 .

$$\begin{aligned} E_i &= A_i^{(2)} \\ E_{(i,i')} &= \{\{u_{j_1}^i, u_{j_2}^{i'}\} : j_1, j_2 \in \mathbb{Z}_k\} \\ E_{G_1} &= \bigcup_{i=0,1} (E_i) \cup E_{(0,3)} \cup E_{(2,3)} \cup E_{(1,2)} \end{aligned}$$

Let G_1 be a graph with vertex set V_1 and edge set E_{G_1} as defined above having $n = 4k$ vertices.

First we show that G_1 is quasi-regular. Take any vertex u_j^i . Then, for fixed i , the vertex u_j^i lies in $k-1$ subsets of E_i and k subsets of $E_{(i,i')}$. Hence, for every vertex u_j^i in G_1 with $i \in \{0, 1\}$, we have

$$\deg(u_j^i) = k-1 + k = 2k-1,$$

and for every vertex u_j^i in G_1 with $i \in \{2, 3\}$, we have

$$\deg(u_j^i) = k + k = 2k.$$

Therefore there are $2k$ vertices having degree $2k-1$ and $2k$ vertices of degree $2k$. We conclude that G_1 is quasi-regular.

To prove G_1 is self-complementary we define a bijection $\sigma : V \rightarrow V$ by $\sigma(u_j^0) = u_j^3, \sigma(u_j^1) = u_j^2, \sigma(u_j^2) = u_j^0$, and $\sigma(u_j^3) = u_j^1$, for all $j \in \mathbb{Z}_k$.

Similarly, we construct a quasi-regular self-complementary graph G_2 with vertex set V_2 with complementing permutation $\sigma_2 = \prod_{j=1}^k (v_j^0 v_j^3 v_j^1 v_j^2)$.

Observe that, $d_{G_1}(u_j^0) = d_{G_1}(u_j^1) = d_{G_2}(v_j^0) = d_{G_2}(v_j^1) = 2k - 1$ and $d_{G_1}(u_j^2) = d_{G_1}(u_j^3) = d_{G_2}(v_j^2) = d_{G_2}(v_j^3) = 2k$ for $j \in \mathbb{Z}_k$.

Consider a bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph $H_1(V_1, V_2)$ with edge set $E_1 = \{e \cup \{v_j^i\} | i \in \mathbb{Z}_4, j \in \mathbb{Z}_k, \text{ and } e \text{ is an edge in } G_1\}$

$\cup \{e' \cup \{u_j^i\} | i \in \mathbb{Z}_4, j \in \mathbb{Z}_k, \text{ and } e' \text{ is an edge in } G_2\}$.

Clearly, H_1 is self-complementary with complementing permutation $\sigma = \sigma_1 \sigma_2$.

Observe that, for $i = 0, 1$ and for $j \in \mathbb{Z}_k$,

$$d_{H_1}(u_j^i) = 4k(2k - 1) + k(4k - 1) = 8k^2 - 4k + 4k^2 - k = 12k^2 - 5k$$

$d_{H_2}(v_j^i) = 4k(2k - 1) + k(4k - 1) = 8k^2 - 4k + 4k^2 - k = 12k^2 - 5k$. Similarly, for $i = 2, 3$ and for $j \in \mathbb{Z}_k$,

$$d_{H_1}(u_j^i) = 4k(2k) + k(4k - 1) = 8k^2 + 4k^2 - k = 12k^2 - k$$

$$d_{H_1}(v_j^i) = 4k(2k) + k(4k - 1) = 8k^2 + 4k^2 - k = 12k^2 - k.$$

To obtain a regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph we reduce the degrees of u_j^i and v_j^i for $i = 2, 3$ and $j \in \mathbb{Z}_k$ by $2k$ and increase degrees of u_j^i and v_j^i for $i = 0, 1$ and $j \in \mathbb{Z}_k$ by $2k$ by using the process of edge exchange as explained below.

We have, for each $j \in \mathbb{Z}_k$, $\{v_j^0, v_j^1\}$ is not an edge in G_2 and hence $\{v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0\}$ is not an edge in H_1 for each $j' \in \mathbb{Z}_k$. Therefore $\sigma\{v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0\}$ is an edge in H_1 , $\sigma^2\{v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0\}$ is not an edge in H_1 and $\sigma^3\{v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0\}$ is an edge in H_1 .

We exchange the edges $\sigma\{v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0\}$ and $\sigma^3\{v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0\}$ by the nonedges $\sigma^2\{v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0\}$ and $\sigma^4\{v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0\} = \{v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0\}$ respectively. That is we exchange the edge $\{v_j^3, v_j^2, u_j^3\}$ with the edge $\{v_j^1, v_j^0, u_j^1\}$ and the edge $\{v_j^2, v_j^3, u_j^2\}$ with the edge $\{v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0\}$ for $j, j' \in \mathbb{Z}_k$. Similarly, we exchange the edge $\{v_j^2, v_j^1, u_j^3\}$ with $\{v_j^0, v_j^2, u_j^1\}$ and exchange the edge $\{v_j^3, v_j^0, u_j^2\}$ with $\{v_j^1, v_j^3, u_j^3\}$ for $j, j' \in \mathbb{Z}_k$. Call this new hypergraph as H .

In this process of edge exchange, for fixed j and j' , the degrees of v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0 , and u_j^1 , are increased by 2 while the degrees of v_j^2, v_j^3, u_j^2 , and u_j^3 , are decreased by 2.

Thus after k such exchanges, degrees of v_j^0, v_j^1, u_j^0 , and u_j^1 , are increased by $2k$ and the degrees of v_j^2, v_j^3, u_j^2 , and u_j^3 , are decreased by $2k$ for $j, j' \in \mathbb{Z}_k$.

Thus, for $i = 0, 1, 2, 3$ and for $j \in \mathbb{Z}_k$,

$$d_H(u_j^i) = d_H(v_j^i) = 12k^2 - 3k = 3k(4k - 1).$$

Clearly H is bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph with complementing permutation $\sigma = \sigma_1 \sigma_2 = \prod_{j=1}^k (u_j^0 u_j^3 u_j^1 u_j^2)(v_j^0 v_j^3 v_j^1 v_j^2)$ and is $3k(4k - 1)$ regular.

Case ii) Suppose n is congruent to 1 modulo 4. That is $n = 4k + 1$ for some positive integer k .

Let $V_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{4k+1}\}$ and $V_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{4k+1}\}$. Let G_1 and G_2 be any regular self-complementary graphs with vertex set V_1 and V_2 respectively. Let σ_1 and σ_2 be complementing permutation of G_1 and G_2 respectively. Observe further that degree of every vertex in G_1 and G_2 is $2k$.

Let H be the 3-uniform hypergraph with the vertex set V and the edge set $E = \{e \cup \{v_i\}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n \mid e \text{ is an edge in } G_1\}$

$$\cup \{e' \cup \{u_i\}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n \mid e' \text{ is an edge in } G_2\}$$

For any $u_i \in V_1$. The degree of u_i in graph G_1 is $2k$, since G_1 is a regular self-complementary graph on $4k + 1$ vertices having $k(4k + 1)$ edges. Therefore the degree of u_i in H is $2k(4k + 1) + k(4k + 1) = 12k^2 + 3k$. Similarly, for any $v_i \in V_2$ the degree of v_i in H is $2k(4k + 1) + k(4k + 1) = 12k^2 + 3k$. Hence H is a regular bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph.

It can be easily checked that H is self-complementary with complementing permutation $\sigma = \sigma_1\sigma_2$. Therefore H is a regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph. \square

4. Existence of a quasi-regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph

In [4] following result about existence of quasi-regular self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph is proved.

Theorem 4.1. *There exists a quasi-regular self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph of order n if and only if $n \geq 4$ and $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.*

The following theorem gives necessary and sufficient conditions on the order of a bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph to be quasi-regular.

Theorem 4.2. *There exists a quasi-regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph $H(V_1, V_2)$ with $|V_1| = m$, $|V_2| = n$, $m + n > 3$ if and only if either $m = 3, n = 4$ or $m = n$ and n is congruent to 2 or 3 modulo 4.*

Proof. Suppose that there exists a quasi-regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph $H(V_1, V_2)$ with $|V_1| = m$, $|V_2| = n$. Let r and $r - 1$ be degrees of vertices of H . Let σ be a complementing permutation of $H(V_1, V_2)$.

For any $u \in V_1$ and for any $v \in V_2$, we have

$$d_H(u) + d_H(\sigma(u)) = n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2} \quad (1)$$

$$d_H(v) + d_H(\sigma(v)) = m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2} \quad (2)$$

As H is quasi-regular, there exist $u, v \in V = V_1 \cup V_2$ such that $d_H(u) = r$ and $d_H(v) = r - 1$.

Note that $d_H(\sigma(u))$ and $d_H(\sigma(v))$ is either r or $r - 1$. As u is in either V_1 or V_2 , $d_H(u)$ and $d_H(\sigma(u))$ satisfy either equation 1 or 2. Similarly, $d_H(v)$ and $d_H(\sigma(v))$ satisfy either equation 1 or 2. That is

$$d_H(u) + d_H(\sigma(u)) = n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2} \text{ or } m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2} \quad (3)$$

$$d_H(v) + d_H(\sigma(v)) = n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2} \text{ or } m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2} \quad (4)$$

By considering all possible values of $d_H(\sigma(u))$ and $d_H(\sigma(v))$ we have the following cases.

Case i) If $d_H(\sigma(u)) = r - 1$ and $d_H(\sigma(v)) = r$. From equations 3 and 4 we get that

$$r + r - 1 = n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2} \text{ or } m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2} \text{ and}$$

$$r - 1 + r = n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2} \text{ or } m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2}.$$

This implies that $n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2} = m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2}$. Solving this equation we get, $(m - n)(m + n - 3) = 0$. As $m + n > 3$, we get, $m = n$. Hence $2r - 1 = n(n - 1) + \binom{n}{2}$ that is $r = \frac{3n(n-1)+2}{4}$.

Since r is an integer we must have, $3n(n - 1) + 2 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. That is $3n(n - 1) \equiv -2 \pmod{4}$. That is $n(n - 1) \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. That is $n^2 - n - 2$ is a multiple of 4. That is $(n - 2)(n + 1)$ is a multiple of 4. Since both $(n - 2)$ and $(n + 1)$ cannot be even simultaneously, either $(n - 2)$ or $(n + 1)$ must be a multiple of 4. That is either $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ or $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Case ii) If $d_H(\sigma(u)) = r$ and $d_H(\sigma(v)) = r$ then from equations 3 and 4 we get that

$$r + r = n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2} \text{ or } m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2} \text{ and}$$

$$r - 1 + r = n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2} \text{ or } m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2}.$$

That is, $|(n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2}) - (m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2})| = 1$. Solving this absolute value equation we get that either $m = 3, n = 1$ (or vice versa) or $m = 3, n = 2$ (or vice versa). For both these pairs of values of m and n there clearly does not exist a bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph 3-uniform hypergraph.

Case iii) If $d_H(\sigma(u)) = r$ and $d_H(\sigma(v)) = r - 1$, then from equations 3 and 4 we get that,

$r + r = n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2}$ or $m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2}$ and
 $r - 1 + r - 1 = n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2}$ or $m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2}$.

That is, $|(n(m - 1) + \binom{n}{2}) - (m(n - 1) + \binom{m}{2})| = 2$. Solving this absolute value equation we get that $m = 4, n = 3$.

Case iv) If $d_H(\sigma(u)) = r - 1$ and $d_H(\sigma(v)) = r - 1$. Then this case is same as Case ii).

From all the above cases we conclude the following.

If there exists a quasi-regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph $H(V_1, V_2)$ with $|V_1| = m, |V_2| = n, m + n > 3$ then either $m = 3, n = 4$ or $m = n$ and n is congruent to 2 or 3 modulo 4.

We prove the converse by constructing a quasi-regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph for each possible pair (m, n) .

Case i) Let $m = 3$ and $n = 4$. Consider a hypergraph H with vertex set $V = V_1 \cup V_2$ where $V_1 = \{u_1, u_2, u_3\}, V_2 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ and edge set
 $E = \{\{v_1, v_2, u_1\}, \{v_1, v_2, u_2\}, \{v_1, v_2, u_3\}, \{v_1, v_3, u_1\}, \{v_1, v_3, u_2\},$
 $\{v_1, v_3, u_3\}, \{v_3, v_4, u_1\}, \{v_3, v_4, u_2\}, \{v_3, v_4, u_3\}, \{u_1, u_2, v_2\},$
 $\{u_1, u_2, v_4\}, \{u_1, u_3, v_2\}, \{u_1, u_3, v_4\}, \{u_2, u_3, v_2\}, \{u_2, u_3, v_4\}\}$

Observe that, $d_H(v_1) = d_H(v_2) = d_H(v_3) = d_H(v_4) = 6$ and $d_H(u_1) = d_H(u_2) = d_H(u_3) = 7$. Hence H is quasi-regular. To prove that H is self-complementary, define a bijection $\sigma : V(H) \rightarrow V(H)$ as $\sigma = (u_1 u_2 u_3)(v_1 v_2 v_3 v_4)$. σ is a complementing permutation of H . Hence H is quasi-regular bipartite self-complementary 3-uniform hypergraph.

Case ii) Suppose $m = n$ and n is congruent to 2 modulo 4, that is $n = 4k + 2$ for some positive integer k .

Let $V_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{4k+1}, x\}$. Let G be a regular self-complementary graph with vertex set $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{4k+1}\}$. Let \bar{G} be its complement. Denote the vertices $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{4k+1}$ of \bar{G} by $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{4k+1}$ respectively. Observe that both G and \bar{G} have $k(4k + 1)$ edges such that degree of each vertex is $2k$ and $\{u_i, u_j\}$ is an edge in G if and only if $\{v_i, v_j\}$ is not an edge in \bar{G} .

Let $V_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{4k+1}, y\}$. For $l, s = 1, 2, \dots, 4k + 1$, consider the following partition of the edge set of $K_{(m,n)}^3$.

$$E_1 = \{e \cup \{v\}, v \in V_2 \mid e \text{ is an edge in } G\}$$

$$\bar{E}_1 = \{e \cup \{v\}, v \in V_2 \mid e \text{ is not an edge in } G\}$$

$$E_2 = \{e' \cup \{u\}, u \in V_1 \mid e' \text{ is an edge in } \bar{G}\}$$

$$\bar{E}_2 = \{e' \cup \{u\}, u \in V_1 \mid e' \text{ is not an edge in } \bar{G}\}$$

$$E_x = \{\{x, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{both } l \text{ and } s \text{ are either odd or even}\}$$

$$\bar{E}_x = \{\{x, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{exactly one of } l \text{ and } s \text{ is odd}\}$$

$$E_y = \{\{y, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{exactly one of } l \text{ and } s \text{ is odd}\}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{E}_y &= \{ \{y, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{both } l \text{ and } s \text{ are either odd or even} \} \\ E_{(x,y)} &= \{ \{x, y, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is even} \} \cup \{ \{x, y, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is odd} \} \\ \bar{E}_{(x,y)} &= \{ \{x, y, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is odd} \} \cup \{ \{x, y, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is even} \}. \end{aligned}$$

Let H be a 3-uniform hypergraph with vertex set $V = V_1 \cup V_2$ and edge set $E = E_1 \cup E_2 \cup E_x \cup E_y \cup E_{(x,y)}$ so that \bar{H} will have the edge set $\bar{E} = \bar{E}_1 \cup \bar{E}_2 \cup \bar{E}_x \cup \bar{E}_y \cup \bar{E}_{(x,y)}$. Clearly, H is a bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph.

To prove that H is self-complementary, we define a bijection $\sigma : V(H) \rightarrow V(H)$ as $\sigma = \left(\prod_{i=1}^{4k+1} (u_i v_i) \right) (x y)$. σ is clearly a complementing permutation.

Finally, we show that H is quasi-regular by counting the degree of each vertex of H .

For any $u_i \in V_1$ where $i = 1, 3, \dots, 4k+1$, u_i is in $2k(4k+2)$ triples of E_1 , $k(4k+1)$ triples of E_2 , $2k+1$ triples of E_x and $2k$ triples of E_y . Hence, $d_H(u_i) = 2k(4k+2) + k(4k+1) + 2k + 2k + 1 = 12k^2 + 9k + 1$.

For any $u_i \in V_1$ where $i = 2, 4, \dots, 4k+2$, u_i is in $2k(4k+2)$ triples of E_1 , $k(4k+1)$ triples of E_2 , $2k$ triples of E_x and $2k$ triples of E_y and 1 triple of $E_{(x,y)}$. Hence, $d_H(u_i) = 2k(4k+2) + k(4k+1) + 2k + 1 + 2k + 1 = 12k^2 + 9k + 2$.

For any $v_i \in V_2$ where $i = 1, 3, \dots, 4k+1$, v_i is in $k(4k+1)$ triples of E_1 , $2k(4k+2)$ triples of E_2 , $2k+1$ triples of E_x and $2k+1$ triples of E_y and 1 triple of $E_{(x,y)}$. Hence, $d_H(v_i) = 2k(4k+2) + k(4k+1) + 2k + 1 + 2k + 1 = 12k^2 + 9k + 2$.

For any $v_i \in V_2$ where $i = 2, 4, \dots, 4k+2$, v_i is in $k(4k+1)$ triples of E_1 , $2k(4k+2)$ triples of E_2 , $2k$ triples of E_x and $2k+1$ triples of E_y . Hence, $d_H(v_i) = k(4k+1) + 2k(4k+2) + 2k + 2k + 1 = 12k^2 + 9k + 1$.

Lastly, $d_H(x) = k(4k+1) + (2k+1)(2k+1) + 2k(2k) + 2k + 2k + 1 = 12k^2 + 9k + 2$

and $d_H(y) = k(4k+1) + 2k(2k+1) + 2k(2k+1) + 2k + 2k + 1 = 12k^2 + 9k + 1$.

Case (iii) Suppose $m = n$ and n is congruent to 3 modulo 4, that is $n = 4k+3$ for some positive integer k .

Let $V_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{4k+1}, x_1, x_2\}$. Let G be a regular self-complementary graph with vertex set $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{4k+1}\}$. Let \bar{G} be its complement. Denote the vertices $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{4k+1}$ of \bar{G} as $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{4k+1}$ respectively. Observe that both G and \bar{G} have $k(4k+1)$ edges such that degree of each vertex is $2k$ and $\{u_i, u_j\}$ is an edge in G if and only if $\{v_i, v_j\}$ is not an edge in \bar{G} . Let $V_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{4k+1}, y_1, y_2\}$.

For $l, s = 1, 2, \dots, 4k+1$, consider the following partition of the edge set of $K_{(m,n)}^3$.

$$E_1 = \{e \cup \{v\}, v \in V_2 \mid e \text{ is an edge in } G\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{E}_1 &= \{e \cup \{v\}, v \in V_2 \mid e \text{ is not an edge in } G\} \\
E_2 &= \{e' \cup \{u\}, u \in V_1 \mid e' \text{ is an edge in } \bar{G}\} \\
\bar{E}_2 &= \{e' \cup \{u\}, u \in V_1 \mid e' \text{ is not an edge in } \bar{G}\} \\
E_{x_1} &= \{\{x_1, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{both } l \text{ and } s \text{ are either odd or even}\}, \\
\bar{E}_{x_1} &= \{\{x_1, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{exactly one of } l \text{ and } s \text{ is odd}\} \\
E_{x_2} &= \{\{x_2, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{both } l \text{ and } s \text{ are either odd or even}\}, \\
\bar{E}_{x_2} &= \{\{x_2, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{exactly one of } l \text{ and } s \text{ is odd}\} \\
E_{y_1} &= \{\{y_1, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{exactly one of } l \text{ and } s \text{ is odd}\}, \\
\bar{E}_{y_1} &= \{\{y_1, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{both } l \text{ and } s \text{ are either odd or even}\} \\
E_{y_2} &= \{\{y_2, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{exactly one of } l \text{ and } s \text{ is odd}\}, \\
\bar{E}_{y_2} &= \{\{y_2, u_l, v_s\} \mid \text{both } l \text{ and } s \text{ are either odd or even}\} \\
E_{(x_1, y_1)} &= \{\{x_1, y_1, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is even}\} \cup \{\{x_1, y_1, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is odd}\} \\
\bar{E}_{(x_1, y_1)} &= \{\{x_1, y_1, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is even}\} \cup \{\{x_1, y_1, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is odd}\} \\
E_{(x_1, y_2)} &= \{\{x_1, y_2, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is odd}\} \cup \{\{x_1, y_2, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is odd}\} \\
\bar{E}_{(x_1, y_2)} &= \{\{x_2, y_1, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is odd}\} \cup \{\{x_2, y_1, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is odd}\} \\
E_{(x_2, y_1)} &= \{\{x_2, y_1, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is even}\} \cup \{\{x_2, y_1, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is even}\} \\
\bar{E}_{(x_2, y_1)} &= \{\{x_1, y_2, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is even}\} \cup \{\{x_1, y_2, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is even}\} \\
E_{(x_2, y_2)} &= \{\{x_2, y_2, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is odd}\} \cup \{\{x_2, y_2, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is even}\} \\
\bar{E}_{(x_2, y_2)} &= \{\{x_2, y_2, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is odd}\} \cup \{\{x_2, y_2, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is odd}\} \\
E_{(x_1, x_2)} &= \{\{x_1, x_2, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is even}\} \cup \{x_1, x_2, y_1\} \\
\bar{E}_{(x_1, x_2)} &= \{\{y_1, y_2, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is even}\} \cup \{y_1, y_2, x_1\} \\
E_{(y_1, y_2)} &= \{\{y_1, y_2, u_l\} \mid l \text{ is odd}\} \cup \{y_1, y_2, x_2\} \\
\bar{E}_{(y_1, y_2)} &= \{\{x_1, x_2, v_s\} \mid s \text{ is even}\} \cup \{x_1, x_2, y_2\}
\end{aligned}$$

Let H be a 3-uniform hypergraph whose vertex set is $V = V_1 \cup V_2$ and edge set is

$$\begin{aligned}
E &= E_1 \cup E_2 \cup E_{x_1} \cup E_{x_2} \cup E_{y_1} \cup E_{y_2} \cup E_{(x_1, y_1)} \cup E_{(x_1, y_2)} \cup E_{(x_2, y_1)} \\
&\quad \cup E_{(x_2, y_2)} \cup E_{(x_1, x_2)} \cup E_{(y_1, y_2)}
\end{aligned}$$

so that \bar{H} have the edge set

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{E} &= \bar{E}_1 \cup \bar{E}_2 \cup \bar{E}_{x_1} \cup \bar{E}_{x_2} \cup \bar{E}_{y_1} \cup \bar{E}_{y_2} \cup \bar{E}_{(x_1, y_1)} \cup \bar{E}_{(x_1, y_2)} \cup \bar{E}_{(x_2, y_1)} \\
&\quad \cup \bar{E}_{(x_2, y_2)} \cup \bar{E}_{(x_1, x_2)} \cup \bar{E}_{(y_1, y_2)}
\end{aligned}$$

Clearly, H is bipartite 3-uniform hypergraph. To prove that H is self-complementary, we define a bijection $\sigma : V(H) \rightarrow V(H)$ as

$$\sigma = \left(\prod_{i=1}^{4k+1} (u_i \ v_i) \right) (x_1 \ y_1) (x_2 \ y_2).$$

Finally we show that H is quasi-regular by counting the degree of each vertex of H .

For any $u_i \in V_1$ where $i = 1, 3, \dots, 4k+1$, u_i is in $2k(4k+3)$ triples of E_1 , $k(4k+1)$ triples of E_2 , $2k+1$ triples of E_{x_1} , $2k+1$ triples of E_{x_2} , $2k$ triples of E_{y_1} and $2k$ triples of E_{y_2} , 1 triple of $E_{(x_1, y_2)}$, 1 triple of $E_{(x_2, y_2)}$, and 1 triple of $E_{(y_1, y_2)}$. Hence,

$$d_H(u_i) = 2k(4k + 3) + k(4k + 1) + 2(2k + 1) + 4k + 3 = 12k^2 + 15k + 5.$$

For any $u_i \in V_1$ where $i = 2, 4, \dots, 4k$, u_i is in $2k(4k + 3)$ triples of E_1 , $k(4k + 1)$ triples of E_2 , $2k$ triples of E_{x_1} , $2k$ triples of E_{x_2} , $2k + 1$ triples of E_{y_1} and $2k + 1$ triples of E_{y_2} , 1 triple of $E_{(x_1, y_1)}$, 1 triple of $E_{(x_2, y_1)}$.

Hence,

$$d_H(u_i) = 2k(4k + 3) + k(4k + 1) + 2(2k) + 2(2k + 1) + 2 = 12k^2 + 15k + 4.$$

Similarly, it can be checked that,

$$d_H(v_i) = 12k^2 + 15k + 4 \text{ for } i = 1, 3, \dots, 4k + 1.$$

$$d_H(v_i) = 12k^2 + 15k + 5 \text{ for } i = 2, 4, \dots, 4k.$$

$$d_H(x_1) = 12k^2 + 15k + 5.$$

$$d_H(x_2) = 12k^2 + 15k + 4.$$

$$d_H(y_1) = 12k^2 + 15k + 4.$$

$$d_H(y_2) = 12k^2 + 15k + 5.$$

Hence H is quasi-regular. □

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