# Galois coverings of Schreier graphs

of groups generated by bounded automata

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(Joint work with D D'Angeli, H Bhate & D Sheth) June 29, 2018 Let Y = (V, E) be a connected graph and let  $t \in \mathbb{C}$ , with |t| sufficiently small. Then the lhara zeta function  $\zeta_Y(t)$  of graph Y is defined as

$$\zeta_{Y}(t) = \prod_{[C] \text{ prime cycle in } Y} (1 - t^{\nu(C)})^{-1},$$
 (1)

where [C] in Y is an equivalence class of tailless, back-trackless primitive cycles C in Y and length of C is  $\nu(C)$ .

#### Example: Cycle Graph

Let Y be a cycle graph with n vertices. As there are only two primes,

 $\zeta_Y(t)=(1-t^n)^{-2}.$ 

The Ihara-Bass's Theorem establishes the connection between  $\zeta_Y(t)$  and the adjacency matrix A of the graph Y which is given as

#### Theorem (Ihara and Bass)

Let Q be the diagonal matrix with *j*th diagonal entry  $q_j$  such that  $q_j + 1 =$  degree of *j*th vertex of Y and r be the rank of fundamental group of Y, r - 1 = |E| - |V|. Then Ihara determinant formula is

$$\zeta_Y(t)^{-1} = (1-t^2)^{r-1} \det(I - At + Qt^2).$$

- All graphs are connected and undirected.
- An unramified cover of a graph Y is a surjective graph homomorphism

 $\pi:\widetilde{Y}\to Y$ 

which is a local isomorphism.

• The fiber

$$\pi^{-1}(x) = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4\}.$$

Here  $x'_i s$  are representatives of copies of a spanning tree of Y.

## Galois covering of a graph

• The group of automorphisms of  $\pi$  is

 $Aut(\pi) = \{ \sigma : \widetilde{Y} \to \widetilde{Y} \text{ automorphism } | \pi = \pi \circ \sigma \}.$ 

An automorphism  $\sigma$  is determined by its action on the fiber  $\pi^{-1}(x)$  above any vertex x of Y.

- Call π : Ỹ → Y (or Ỹ|Y) a Galois or normal cover if Aut(π) acts transitively on one fiber and hence all fibers. Its Galois group is
   G = G<sub>π</sub> = Aut(π) = G(Ỹ|Y).
- If a fiber π<sup>-1</sup>(x) is a finite set, its cardinality is called the *degree* of π. A finite degree cover *Y* Y is Galois iff

 $|\mathbb{G}| = \deg \pi.$ 

We call  $\sigma$  as Frobenius automorphism.









Suppose *Y* is normal covering of *Y* with Galois group G.
 The adjacency matrix of *Y* can be block diagonalized where the blocks are of the form

$$\mathcal{A}_{
ho} = \sum_{oldsymbol{g} \in \mathbb{G}} \mathcal{A}(oldsymbol{g}) \otimes 
ho(oldsymbol{g}),$$

each taken  $d_{\rho}(= \text{dim irr rep } \rho)$  times and  $m \times m$  matrix A(g) for  $g \in \mathbb{G}$  is the matrix whose i, j entry is

 $A(g)_{i,j}$  = the number of edges in  $\widetilde{Y}$  between (i, id) to (j, g),

where *id* denotes the identity in  $\mathbb{G}$  and *m* is the number of vertices of the graph *Y*.

• By setting  $Q_{\rho} = Q \otimes I_{d_{\rho}}$ , with  $d_{\rho} =$  degree of  $\rho$ , we have the following analogue

$$L(t,\rho,\widetilde{Y}|Y)^{-1} = (1-t^2)^{(r-1)d_{\rho}} \det(I - tA_{\rho} + t^2 Q_{\rho}).$$

Thus we have zeta functions of  $\widetilde{Y}$  factors as follows

$$\zeta_{\widetilde{Y}}(t) = \prod_{\rho \in \widehat{\mathbb{G}}} L(t, \rho, \widetilde{Y} | Y)^{d_{\rho}}.$$

- Let G be a group generated by bounded automaton A with generating set  $S = \{s_1, \dots, s_m\}$ .
- G has level transitive action on the regular rotted tree  $T_d$ .
- Recall for every s ∈ S we have s = (s|<sub>x1</sub>, · · · , s|<sub>xd</sub>)ψ<sub>s</sub>, where ψ<sub>s</sub> ∈ S<sub>d</sub> and s|<sub>x</sub> = the restriction s at x where x ∈ X = {x1, · · · , x<sub>d</sub>}.
- We call  $\psi_s$  as root permutation associated to state s.
- Denote  $\Psi_{G} =$  group generated by root permutations  $\psi_{s}$

$$\Psi_{\mathcal{G}} = \langle \psi_{\boldsymbol{s}} : \boldsymbol{s} \in \boldsymbol{S} \rangle.$$

#### Definition

A left-infinite sequence  $\cdots x_2 x_1$  over X is called post critical if there exists a left-infinite path  $\cdots e_2, e_1$  in the Moore diagram of A avoiding the trivial state labeled by  $\cdots x_2 x_1 | \cdots y_2 y_1$  for some  $y_i \in X$ .

G is a group generated by bounded automaton iff the set of post critical sequences say  $\mathcal{P}_{\mathcal{A}}$  is finite.

Let G be a group generated by bounded automaton A. The levels  $X^r$  of the tree  $X^*$  are invariant under the action of the group G.

#### Definition

The Schreier graph  $\Gamma_r$  of the action of G on  $X^r$ , is a graph with vertex set  $X^r$  and two vertices v and u are adjacent if and only if there exists  $s \in S$  such that s(v) = u.

#### Definition

The tile graph  $\Gamma'_r$  of the action of G on  $X^r$ , is a graph with vertex set  $X^r$  and two vertices v and u are adjacent if and only if there exists  $s \in S$  such that s(v) = u and  $s|_v = 1$ .

The tile graph is therefore a subgraph of the Schreier graph. In our case, tile graphs are always connected.

The Basilica group  $B^1$ :  $a = (b, 1)e, b = (a, 1)\psi_b$  where  $\psi_b = (0, 1)$  and e is the identity in  $S_2$ . а 1|1Post critical sequences: 00 0|1 0|0,1|11  $\mathcal{P} = \{(0)^{-\omega}, (10)^{-\omega}, (01)^{-\omega}\}$ 1|0b

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ R. I. Grigorchuk and A. Żuk, On a torsion-free weakly branch group defined by a three state automaton, *I. J. Algebra and Computation* **12** (2002) 223–246.

## Schreier graphs of Basilica group



**Figure 1:** The graphs  ${}^{B}\Gamma_{1}, {}^{B}\Gamma_{2}$  and  ${}^{B}\Gamma_{3}$  are the Schreier graphs of the Basilica group (B) over  $X, X^{2}$  and  $X^{3}$  respectively.

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## Tile graphs of Basilica group



**Figure 2:** The graphs  ${}^{B}\Gamma'_{1}$ ,  ${}^{B}\Gamma'_{2}$  and  ${}^{B}\Gamma'_{3}$  are the Tile graphs of the Basilica group (B) over  $X, X^{2}$  and  $X^{3}$  respectively.

Gupta-Sidki *p* group<sup>2</sup>:  $a = (b, b^{-1}, 1, \dots, 1, a)e, b = (1, \dots, 1)\psi_b$ , where  $\psi_b = (1, \dots, p)$  and  $e \in S_p$  and  $\mathcal{P} = \{(p)^{-w}, (p)^{-w}1, (p)^{-w}2\}$ .



Schreier graphs of Gupta-Sidki p = 3 group (GS)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>N. Gupta and S. Sidki, On the Burnside problem for periodic groups, *Mathematische Zeitschrift*, **182** (1983) 385–388.



<sup>3</sup>A. Brunner, S. Sidki, and AC Vieira, A just-nonsolvable torsion-free group defined on the binary tree, *Journal of Algebra*, **211** (1999) 99–114.

Tower of Hanoi group  $H_n$  for n = 3a = (1, 1, a)(1, 2), b = (1, b, 1)(1, 3), c = (c, 1, 1)(2, 3) and  $\mathcal{P} = \{(1)^{-w}, (2)^{-w}, (3)^{-w}\}.$ 11 <sup>T</sup>Γ<sub>1</sub><sup>3</sup> 2 31 21 3 32 23 ΤΓ3 Schreier graphs of Tower of hanoi group 12

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If  $e = \{v, v'\}$  is an edge of the *k*-regular graph  $\Gamma$  which has color say *s* near *v* and *s'* near *v'* and if *K* is the set of colors  $K = \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ , then the *rotation map* **Rot**<sub> $\Gamma$ </sub> :  $X^n \times K \to X^n \times K$  is defined by

$$\operatorname{\mathsf{Rot}}_{\Gamma}(v,s)=(v',s'), \ \ ext{for all} \ \ v,v'\in X^n, \ \ s,s'\in {\mathcal K}.$$

#### Definition

The generalized replacement product  $\Gamma_n(\underline{g})\Gamma_r$  is |S|-regular graph with vertex set  $X^{n+r} = X^n \times X^r$ , and whose edges are described by the following rotation map: Let  $(v, u) \in X^n \times X^r$  $Rot((v, u), s) = ((v, s(u)), s^{-1}), \text{ if } s \in S \text{ and } s|_u = \mathbb{1}.$  (1)  $Rot((v, u), s) = ((s|_u(v), s(u)), s^{-1}), s \in S, s|_u \neq \mathbb{1}, s|_{uv} = \mathbb{1}.$  (2)  $Rot((v, u), s) = ((s|_u(v), s(u)), s^{-1}), s \in S, s|_u \neq \mathbb{1}, s|_{uv} \neq \mathbb{1}.$  (3)

# **Proposition** *If* $n, r \ge 1$ *, then the following holds:*

- 1. The graphs  ${}^{G}\Gamma_{n}(\mathfrak{g}){}^{G}\Gamma_{r}$ ,  ${}^{G}\Gamma_{n+r}$  are isomorphic.
- 2.  ${}^{G}\Gamma_{n+r}$  is an unramified,  $d^{n}$  sheeted graph covering of  ${}^{G}\Gamma_{r}$ .

#### Proposition

- 1. The first rotation map gives the |X| disjoint copies of tile graph  ${}^{G}\Gamma'_{r}$  indexed by  $x \in X$ .
- 2. In addition to the first rotation map, the second rotation map adds the edges between the copies of  ${}^{G}\Gamma'_{r}$  and it produces the tile graph  ${}^{G}\Gamma'_{r+1}$ .
- 3. In addition to the first and second rotation maps, the third rotation map adds the edges between the post critical vertices of the tile graph  ${}^{G}\Gamma'_{r+1}$  and it produces the Schreier graph  ${}^{G}\Gamma_{r+1}$ .

Applying the first and second rotation maps to the tile graph  ${}^{G}\Gamma'_{r}$  is identical to the construction of inflation.

#### Proposition

Let  $\Gamma_n$  and  $\Gamma_r$  be Schreier graphs of the group generated by bounded automaton S. Then the first and second rotation maps of generalized replacement product  $\Gamma_n(\mathfrak{g})\Gamma_r$  and the n-th iteration of inflation are equivalent.



 $G^{r}\Gamma_{2}$ 



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Given a group generated by bounded automaton, what can be said about the Galois coverings of the corresponding Schreier graphs?

#### Theorem

If  $|\Psi_G| = d$ , then the Schreier graph  ${}^G\Gamma_{n+1}$  is a Galois covering of  ${}^G\Gamma_n$ with Galois group  $\mathbb{G} = Gal({}^G\Gamma_{n+1}|{}^G\Gamma_n) \simeq \Psi_G$ .

In other words, If  $|\Psi_G| = d$ , then the root permutations  $\psi_s$  are the Frobenius automorphisms associated to  ${}^G\Gamma_{n+1}$  over  ${}^G\Gamma_n$ .

#### Proof Sketch

- Recall that  ${}^{G}\Gamma_{n+r}$  is an unramified *q*-sheeted covering over  ${}^{G}\Gamma_{n}$ . Take r = 1, so we have a covering map  $\pi : {}^{G}\Gamma_{n+1} \rightarrow {}^{G}\Gamma_{n}$  of degree *d*. (Use: Generalized replacement product of Schreier graphs.)
- Look at the lifts of every non-tile edge of the graph <sup>G</sup>Γ<sub>n</sub> which is of the form e<sub>s|u</sub> = {u, s(u)}, where s|<sub>u</sub> ≠ 1.

Define a map  $\sigma_{s|_u}: \ {}^{G}\Gamma_{n+1} \rightarrow \ {}^{G}\Gamma_{n+1}$  such that

$$\sigma_{s|_u}(vx_i) = vs|_u(x_i), \ \forall \ vx_i \in X^{n+1}.$$

• By Self-similarity of G, we have

$$\sigma(e_{s|_u})(x) = \psi_{s|_u}(x), \text{ for all } x \in X.$$

Therefore every such  $\sigma(e_{s|_u})$  is an automorphism and they are finite in number.

• Use the facts :  $|\Psi_G| = d$  and G has level transitive action to show there are exactly d such automorphisms.

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{G} = \langle \psi_{s|_u} \mid s \in S, u \in X^n \text{ with } s|_u \neq \mathbb{1} > = \Psi_G.$$

• Every  $\sigma(e_{s|_u})$  is compatible with the covering map  $\phi$ .

The covering  $\widetilde{Y} = {}^{FG}\Gamma_2$  over the graph  $Y = {}^{FG}\Gamma_1$  is 3-sheeted normal covering. In this case the Galois group is  $\mathbb{G} = \langle g = (1,2,3) \mid g^3 = e \rangle \simeq \frac{\mathbb{Z}}{3\mathbb{Z}}$ . We now write all matrices  $A(g), g \in \mathbb{G}$ .

$$A(e) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A(g) = A(g^2) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

The Artinized adjacency matrices  $A_{\chi_i}$ , where  $\chi_i$  is an irreducible character of  $\mathbb{G}$ .

$$A_{\chi_1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad A_{\chi_2} = A_{\chi_3} = A(e).$$

Reciprocals of *L* functions for  $\widetilde{Y}|Y$  are as follows 1) For  $A_{\chi_1}$ 

$$\zeta_{Y}(t)^{-1} = L(t, A_{\chi_{1}}, \widetilde{Y}|Y)^{-1} = (1 - t^{2})^{3}(t - 1)(3t - 1)(3t^{2} - t + 1)^{2}$$

2) As  $A_{\chi_2} = A_{\chi_3}$   $L(t, A_{\chi_2}, \widetilde{Y}|Y)^{-1} = L(t, A_{\chi_3}, \widetilde{Y}|Y)^{-1}$  $= (1 - t^2)^3 (3t^2 - t + 1)^2 (9t^4 - 6t^3 + t^2 - 2t + 1)^2$ 

We have

$$\zeta_{\widetilde{Y}}(t)^{-1} = \prod_{\chi_i \in \{\chi_1, \chi_2, \chi_3\}} L(t, A_{\chi_i}, \widetilde{Y}|Y)^{-1}$$

$$=(1-t^2)^9(t-1)(3t-1)(3t^2-t+1)^4(9t^4-6t^3+t^2-2t+1)^2.$$

Reciprocals of *L* functions for  $\widetilde{Y}|Y = {}^{B}\Gamma_{3}|^{B}\Gamma_{2}$ : 1) For  $A_{1}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} \zeta_{\Gamma_2}(t)^{-1} &= L(t, A_1, \widetilde{Y} | Y)^{-1} = (1 - t^2)^4 (t - 1)(3t - 1) (3t^2 + 1) (9t^4 - 2t^2 + 1) \,. \end{aligned}$ 2) For  $A_\sigma \ L(t, A_\sigma, \widetilde{Y} | Y)^{-1} &= (1 - t^2)^4 (3t^2 - 2t + 1) \\ &\times (27t^6 - 18t^5 + 3t^4 - 4t^3 + t^2 - 2t + 1) \,. \end{aligned}$ 

As  $\widetilde{Y}|Y$  is normal covering, we have

$$\zeta_{\Gamma_3}(t)^{-1} = L(t, A_1, \widetilde{Y}|Y)^{-1}L(t, A_\sigma, \widetilde{Y}|Y)^{-1}$$

$$= (1 - t^{2})^{8}(t - 1)(3t - 1)(3t^{2} + 1)(3t^{2} - 2t + 1)(9t^{4} - 2t^{2} + 1)$$
$$(27t^{6} - 18t^{5} + 3t^{4} - 4t^{3} + t^{2} - 2t + 1)$$

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