Automorphisms of strongly regular graph with parameters (1197,156,15,21)

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We consider nondirected graphs without loops and multiple edges. For vertex a of a graph Γ the subgraph $\Omega_i(a) = \{b \mid d(a, b) = i\}$ is called *i*-neighboorhood of a in Γ . We set $[a] = \Gamma_1(a), a^{\perp} = \{a\} \cup [a]$.

Degree of an vertex a of Γ is the number of vertices in [a]. Graph Γ is called regular of degree k, if the degree of any vertex is equal k. The graph Γ is called amply regular with parameters (v, k, λ, μ) if Γ is regular of degree k on v vertices, and $|[u] \cap [w]|$ is equal λ , if u adjacent to w, is equal μ , if d(u, w) = 2. Amply regular graph of diameter 2 is called strongly regular.

A partial geometry $pG_{\alpha}(s,t)$ is a geometry of points and lines such that every line has exactly s + 1points, every point is on t + 1 lines (with s > 0, t > 0) and for any antiflag (P, y) there are exactly α lines z_i containing P and intersecting y. In the case $\alpha = 1$ we have generalized quadrangle GQ(s,t). The incidence system (X, \mathcal{B}) with a point-set X and block-set \mathcal{B} is called t- (V, K, Λ) design, if |X| = V, each block contains exactly K points and any t points belong to exactly Λ blocks. Every 2-design is (V, B, R, K, Λ) design, where $B = |\mathcal{B}|$, each point belong to exactly R blocks, and we have equalities VR = BK, $(V - 1)\Lambda = R(K - 1)$. Design is symmetric, if B = V. Design is called quasi-symmetric, if for every two blocks $B, C \in \mathcal{B}$ we have $|B \cap C| \in \{x, y\}$. Numbers x, y are called intersection numbers of quasi-symmetric design, and it is suggested that x < y.

Block-graph of quasi-symmetric design (X, \mathcal{B}) have as a vertex set \mathcal{B} and two blocks $B, C \in \mathcal{B}$ are adjacent, if $|B \cap C| = y$.

Proposition 1 ([1], theorem 5.3). Block-graph of quasi-symmetric (V, B, R, K, Λ) design is strongly regular with spectrum $((R-1)K - xB + x)/(y-x)^1$, $(R-K-\Lambda+x)/(y-x)^{V-1}$, $-(K-x)/(y-x)^{B-V}$.

Derived design for t- (V, K, Λ) design $\mathcal{D} = (X, \mathcal{B})$ at $x \in X$ is design \mathcal{D}_x with the point-set $X_x = X - \{x\}$ and block-set $\mathcal{B}_x = \{B - \{x\} \mid x \in B \in \mathcal{B}\}$. Designe \mathcal{E} is called an extension of \mathcal{D} , if derived design of \mathcal{E} at each point is isomorphic to \mathcal{D} . Residual design of \mathcal{D} at a block B is the design \mathcal{D}^B with the point-set $X^B = X - B$ and block-set $\mathcal{B}^B = \{C \in \mathcal{B}\} \mid |B \cap C| = 0\}$.

It is known that projective plane is extenable if and only if its order is 2 or 4. P. Cameron ([1], theorem 1.35) classified extensions of symmetric 2-designs.

Proposition 2. Let 3- (V, K, Λ) design $\mathcal{E} = (X, \mathcal{B})$ is an extension of symmetric 2-design. Then one of the following holds:

(1) \mathcal{E} is the Hadamard 3- $(4\Lambda + 4, 2\Lambda + 2, \Lambda)$ design;

(2) $V = (\Lambda + 1)(\Lambda^2 + 5\Lambda + 5)$ and $K = (\Lambda + 1)(\Lambda + 2);$

(3) V = 496, K = 40 and $\Lambda = 3$.

In the case (3) we have R = V - 1 = 495, $B = VR/K = 496 \cdot 495/40 = 6138$ and the complement to block-graph has parameters (6138,1197,156,252) and spectrum $1197^1, 9^{5642}, -105^{495}$. Hence maximal order of coclique is at most $vm/(k + m) = 6138 \cdot 105/1302 = 495$. In particular, the Hoffman bound is equal to Cvetkovich bound. The complement graph to block-graph of 3-(496,40,3) design is called Cameron monster. In [2] it is proved

Proposition 3. For Cameron monster Γ the following hold:

(1) neighborhood of every vertex of Γ is strongly regular graph with parameters (1197, 156, 15, 21) and spectrum 156^{1} , 9^{741} , -15^{455} , and the order of coclique in this graph is at most 105;

(2) the set of blocks C_x containing apoint x of designe \mathcal{E} is 495-coclique of Γ , for which the equality holds in Hoffman bound and Cvetkovich bound;

(3) subgraph $\Gamma - C_x$ is strongly regular graph with parameters (5643, 1092, 141, 228) and spectrum $1092^1, 9^{5148}, -96^{494};$

(4) for distinct points x, y of design \mathcal{E} we have $|C_x \cap C_y| = 39$, and for coclique $C_x - C_y$ of graph $\Gamma - C_y$ the equality holds in Hoffman bound.

In this paper automorphisms of strongly regular graph with parameters (1197, 156, 15, 21) are founded.

Theorem. Let Γ be a strongly regular graph with parameters (1197, 156, 15, 21), $G = \text{Aut}(\Gamma)$, g an element of prime order p of G and $\Omega = \text{Fix}(g)$. Then $|\Omega| \leq 171$, $\pi(G) \subseteq \{2, 3, 5, 7, 11, 13, 19\}$ and one of the following holds:

(1) Ω is empty graph, either p = 3 and $\alpha_1(g) = 72l$, or p = 7 and $\alpha_1(g) = 168l - 21$, or p = 19 and $\alpha_1(g) = 456l + 171$;

- (2) Ω is n-clique, end either
 - (i) p = 13, n = 1 and $\alpha_1(g) = 312l + 156$, or
 - (*ii*) p = 2, n = 9 and $\alpha_1(g) = 48l + 12$ or n = 11 and $\alpha_1(g) = 32l 12$, or
 - (*iii*) p = 5, n = 2 and $\alpha_1(g) = 120l + 45$ or n = 7 and $\alpha_1(g) = 120l 30$;
- (3) Ω is 3t + 1-coclique, p = 3 and $\alpha_1(g) = 72l + 12 45t$;
- (4) Ω contains geodesic 2-way and $p \leq 13$.

Corollary. Strongly regular graph with parameters (1197, 156, 15, 21) is not vertex-symmetric.

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