



# Cyclic-cubes and wrap-around butterflies

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## Abstract

Recently a new family of Cayley graphs of fixed even node degree called the Cyclic-cubes were proposed as interconnection networks by Fu and Chau (1998). We show that these networks are simply wrap-around  $k$ -ary butterflies. © 2000 Elsevier Science B.V. All rights reserved.

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## 1. Introduction

Interconnection networks form the backbone of distributed memory parallel architecture. One of the desirable properties of these networks is their symmetry. Symmetry often implies simpler mapping algorithms as well as better fault tolerance. Since symmetry is an inherent property of Cayley graphs [2], there have been many attempts to base new interconnection networks on Cayley graphs. Fixed node degree is also a desirable property of interconnection networks. It lowers hardware costs as well as allows unbounded size architectures using the same processors.

Fu and Chau have recently proposed a class,  $G_n^k$ , of Cayley graphs with fixed even node degrees [1]. They call these graphs the Cyclic-cubes. We show in this paper that this class of graphs is the same as the wrap-around  $k$ -ary butterflies. This identification will help visualization of these graphs and their mappings. It will also enable porting of results developed for binary butterflies regarding tree mappings [3], search algorithms [4], data selection and broadcast [5], etc.

There are  $nk^n$  nodes in  $G_n^k$ , each labeled with a cyclic permutation of  $n$  symbols  $t_0, t_1, \dots, t_{n-1}$  in that order. In addition, each symbol is attached with a rank between 0 and  $k - 1$  written as the superscript of the symbol. Examples of node labels of  $G_4^3$  are  $(t_1^0 t_2^2 t_3^0 t_0^1)$ ,  $(t_2^1 t_3^1 t_0^2 t_1^2)$  and  $(t_0^1 t_1^2 t_0^0 t_2^2)$ . To specify the edges of the graph, define functions  $f^{(i)}, f^{(-i)} : G_n^k \rightarrow G_n^k$ ,  $0 \leq i < n$  as follows:<sup>1</sup>

$$f^{(i)}(t_e^{j_e} \dots t_{n-1}^{j_{n-1}} t_0^{j_0} t_1^{j_1} \dots t_{e-1}^{j_{e-1}}) = (t_{e+1}^{j_{e+1}} \dots t_{n-1}^{j_{n-1}} t_0^{j_0} t_1^{j_1} \dots t_e^{j_e+i}),$$

$$f^{(-i)}(t_e^{j_e} \dots t_{n-1}^{j_{n-1}} t_0^{j_0} t_1^{j_1} \dots t_{e-1}^{j_{e-1}}) = (t_{e-1}^{j_{e-1}-i} \dots t_{n-1}^{j_{n-1}} t_0^{j_0} t_1^{j_1} \dots t_{e-2}^{j_{e-2}}).$$

(Note that the operations on the rank of a symbol are performed modulo  $k$ .) Then  $u \in G_n^k$  is connected to

$$f^{(0)}(u), f^{(1)}(u), \dots, f^{(k-1)}(u), \\ f^{(0)}(u), f^{(-1)}(u), \dots, f^{(-(k-1))}(u).$$

<sup>1</sup> In [1] authors use ranks 1 through  $k$  and call the functions  $f^{(0)}$  and  $f^{(-0)}$  as  $g$  and  $g^{-1}$ , respectively. Our notation simplifies the representation.

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Clearly each of these edges are bidirectional. In particular, if  $f^{(i)}(u) = v$  then  $f^{(-i)}(v) = u$ . Further, for  $n \geq 3$ , all the destinations of  $u$  are distinct. Therefore the node degree of  $G_n^k$  is  $2k$ .  $G_n^2$  is identical to the graph defined in [6]. It has been shown in [1] that  $G_n^k$  is a Cayley graph and supports Hamilton cycle, and embedding of hypercube and mesh.

### 2. Isomorphism to the wrap-around $k$ -ary butterfly network

Previously Chen and Lau [7] have shown that  $G_n^2$  defined in [6] is identical to a binary butterfly. We will now prove that the graph  $G_n^k$  is the same as the wrap-around  $k$ -ary butterfly  $B_n^k$ . The definition of the  $k$ -ary butterfly network can be found in [8].

**Definition 1.** The  $n$ -dimensional wrap-around  $k$ -ary butterfly,  $n \geq 3, k \geq 2$ , is defined to be a graph with  $nk^n$  nodes labeled  $\langle l, w \rangle$  where  $l \in \mathbb{Z}_n$  and  $w \in \mathbb{Z}_k^n$ , and having edges<sup>2</sup>

$$\langle l, w_0 w_1 \dots w_{n-1} \rangle \rightarrow \langle l-1, w'_0 w'_1 \dots w'_{n-1} \rangle,$$

where  $w'_i = w_i$  for  $i \neq (l-1)$ , and  $w'_{l-1} \in \mathbb{Z}_k$ ,

$$\langle l, w_0 w_1 \dots w_{n-1} \rangle \rightarrow \langle l+1, w'_0 w'_1 \dots w'_{n-1} \rangle,$$

where  $w'_i = w_i$  for  $i \neq l$ , and  $w'_l \in \mathbb{Z}_k$ .

Thus the  $2k$  nodes connected to any node  $\langle l, w \rangle$  are obtained by either decreasing its first index  $l$  by 1 (modulo  $n$ ) and replacing the  $(l-1)$ th component,  $w_{l-1}$ , of the  $k$ -ary representation of  $w$ , by an integer between 0 and  $k-1$  or by increasing  $l$  by 1 (modulo  $n$ ) and replacing  $w_l$  by an integer between 0 and  $k-1$ .

$B_n^k$  can be visualized as a  $k^n \times n$  array of nodes with node  $\langle l, w \rangle$  placed in the  $l$ th column and the  $w$ th row. Clearly, nodes in any column have connections only to the nodes in the neighboring columns (except for the wrap-around links between the  $(n-1)$ th column and the 0th column). To simplify the drawing the wrap-around links, 0th column is redrawn following the  $(n-1)$ th column.  $B_3^3$  is shown in Fig. 1.

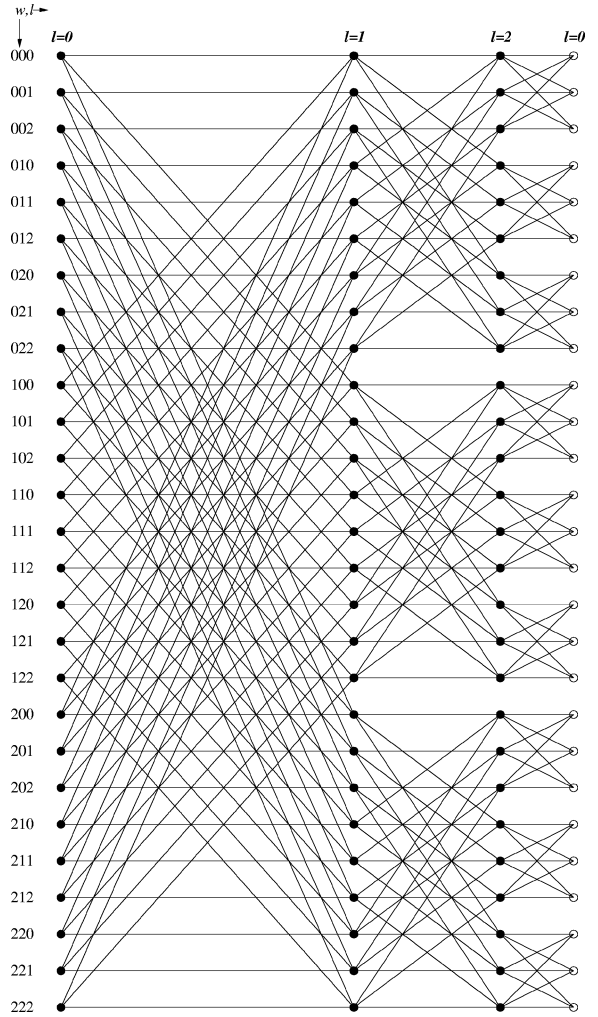


Fig. 1. Wrap-around  $k$ -ary butterfly  $B_3^3$ .

To demonstrate the isomorphism between  $G_n^k$  and  $B_n^k$ , define a function  $\psi : G_n^k \rightarrow B_n^k$  as

$$\psi(t_e^{j_e} \dots t_{n-1}^{j_{n-1}} t_0^{j_0} t_1^{j_1} \dots t_{e-1}^{j_{e-1}}) = \langle e, j_0 j_1 \dots j_{n-1} \rangle. \quad (1)$$

Clearly  $\psi$  is one-one and onto. We now show that it also preserves the graph connectivity. Let

$$u = (t_e^{j_e} \dots t_{n-1}^{j_{n-1}} t_0^{j_0} t_1^{j_1} \dots t_{e-1}^{j_{e-1}}).$$

Its image  $\psi(u)$  is given in (1). The connectivity in  $G_n^k$  shows that  $u$  is connected to  $f^{(i)}(u)$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq (n-1)$ . Now,

<sup>2</sup> Here,  $\mathbb{Z}_n$  denotes integers 0 through  $n-1$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_k^n$  denotes  $n$  copies of  $\mathbb{Z}_k$ . Thus  $w \in \mathbb{Z}_k^n$  may be expressed as  $w_0 w_1 \dots w_{n-1}$  where  $w_i \in \mathbb{Z}_k$ . The string  $w_0 w_1 \dots w_{n-1}$  may be thought of as the representation of integer  $w$  in radix  $k$  system.

$$\begin{aligned}
& \psi(f^{(i)}(u)) \\
&= \psi(f^{(i)}(t_e^{j_e} \dots t_{n-1}^{j_{n-1}} t_0^{j_0} t_1^{j_1} \dots t_{e-1}^{j_{e-1}})) \\
&= \psi(t_{e+1}^{j_{e+1}} \dots t_{n-1}^{j_{n-1}} t_0^{j_0} t_1^{j_1} \dots t_e^{j_{e+i}}) \\
&= \langle e+1, j_0 j_1 \dots j_{e-1} j_e + i j_{e+1} \dots j_{n-1} \rangle. \quad (2)
\end{aligned}$$

By comparing the second indices of  $\psi(u)$  in (1) and  $\psi(f^{(i)}(u))$  in (2), one can see that all their components match, except the  $e$ th component,  $j_e + i$ , which takes a value between 0 and  $(n - 1)$  since the rank operations are always modulo  $n$ . Therefore from the definition of the connectivity of  $B_n^k$ ,  $\psi(u)$  and  $\psi(f^{(i)}(u))$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq (n - 1)$  are connected. Further, since  $f^{(-i)}$  is simply the inverse of  $f^{(i)}$ ,  $\psi(f^{(-i)}(u))$ , and  $\psi(u)$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq (n - 1)$  are also connected.

This proves that the even degree Cayley graph  $G_n^k$  is isomorphic to the wrap-around  $k$ -ary butterfly  $B_n^k$ .

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