

Integral Cayley graphs over finite groups

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Suppose that S is a nonempty subset of a finite group G , containing with every element its inverse, i. e. $S = S^{-1} = \{s^{-1} \mid s \in S\}$. The *Cayley graph* $\Gamma = \text{Cay}(G, S)$ of a group G associated with S is an undirected graph with the vertex set identified with G , and vertices $g, h \in G$ are joined by an edge if and only if there exists $s \in S$ such that $s = g^{-1}h$. A graph Γ is said to be *integral*, if all eigenvalues of its adjacency matrix are integers [1].

Integral Cayley graphs over abelian, dihedral and cyclic groups were investigated in [2–4].

In this talk we present new results on integral Cayley graphs over finite groups.

Theorem 1. *Let G be a finite nilpotent group and $S = S^{-1}$ be a nonempty subset of G . If S is normal, i. e. $S^G = S$, and with every element $s \in S$ it contains also all generators of the cyclic group $\langle s \rangle$, then $\Gamma = \text{Cay}(G, S)$ is integral.*

Corollary. *A Cayley graph $\Gamma = \text{Cay}(G, S)$ of a 2-group G generated by a normal set S of involutions is integral.*

Theorem 2. *Let $G = S_n$ be the symmetric group of degree $n \geq 2$ and S be the set of all transpositions of G . Then the graph $\Gamma = \text{Cay}(G, S)$ is integral.*

Theorem 3. *Let $G = A_n$ be the alternating group of degree $n \geq 2$ and $S = \{(1ij) \mid 2 \leq i, j \leq n, i \neq j\}$. Then the graph $\Gamma = \text{Cay}(G, S)$ is integral. Its spectrum coincides with the set*

$$\{-n + 1, 1 - n + 1, 2^2 - n + 1, \dots, (n - 1)^2 - n + 1\}.$$

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