



Available online at <http://scik.org>

J. Semigroup Theory Appl. 2017, 2017:4

ISSN: 2051-2937

## ON CONSTRUCTION OF SOME NEW TYPES OF SEMIGROUPS

AJMAL ALI<sup>1,\*</sup>, ZAHID RAZA<sup>2,\*</sup>

<sup>1</sup>Department of Mathematics, Nizwa College of Technology, Nizwa, Oman

<sup>2</sup>Department of Mathematics, College of Science, University of Sharjah, UAE

Copyright © 2017 Ajmal Ali and Zahid Raza. This is an open access article distributed under the Creative Commons Attribution License, which permits unrestricted use, distribution, and reproduction in any medium, provided the original work is properly cited.

**Abstract.** This paper is about the classification of the commuting graphs of semigroups to some extent. Let  $S$  be a finite non-commutative semigroup, its commuting graph, denoted by  $G(S)$ , is a simple graph (which has no loops and multiple edges) whose sets of vertices are elements of  $S$  and whose sets of edges are those elements of  $S$  which commute with other elements i.e. for any  $a, b \in S$  such that  $ab = ba$  for  $a \neq b$ . In this paper, we construct some new types of semigroup of cyclic tree type graphs, sunflower like graphs, almost complete type graphs and almost ladder type graphs with the help of Monid package of GAP.

**Keywords:** commuting graph; cyclic tree graph; idempotent transformation; band.

**2010 AMS Subject Classification:** 20M14.

## 1. Introduction

J. Araujo, Kinyon M. and Konieczny give a construction of band (semigroups of idempotents) in which one can find semigroup of any knit degree  $n$ , for some positive integer  $n$ , except  $n = 3$  [1]. The construction of such type of semigroups also helps for finding semigroups for

---

\*Corresponding author

E-mail addresses: [ajmal.ali@nct.edu.om](mailto:ajmal.ali@nct.edu.om) (A. Ali), [zraza@sharjah.ac.ae](mailto:zraza@sharjah.ac.ae) (Z. Raza)

Received May 6, 2016

every  $n \geq 2$  such that the diameter of commuting graph  $G(S)$  is  $n$ . On the other hand, finding out the semigroups from a given graph is very important and difficult task in the theory of semigroups. In our paper, we find the semigroup of complete bipartite graphs, cyclic tree type graphs, sunflower like graphs, almost complete type graphs and almost ladder type graphs which will be the partly answer, to some extent, of problem given in [1].

Let  $S$  be a finite non-commutative semigroup whose centre is defined as  $Z(S) = \{a \in S : ab = ba \ \forall b \in S\}$ . The commuting graph of a finite non-commutative semigroup is a simple graph whose sets of vertices are from  $S - Z(S)$  and whose sets of edges are the elements of  $S$  which commute with other elements i.e. for any  $a, b \in S$  such that  $ab = ba$  for  $a \neq b$ . This paper is actually the construction of band (of course non commutative) from a some given graph of different types. For the construction of such type of semigroups, our main focus will be on semigroup of full transformations  $T(X)$  for a finite set  $X$ .

Suppose that  $G(S)$  is commuting graph of some non-commutative semigroup of  $S$ , then  $G(S) = (V, E)$  where  $V$  is a finite vertex set and  $E$  is a set of edges such that  $E \subseteq \{\{u, v\} : u, v \in V \text{ for } u \neq v\}$ . If  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k$  are the vertices in  $G(S)$  then we write a path  $\lambda$  from  $v_1$  to  $v_k$  as  $\lambda = v_1 - v_2 - \dots - v_k$  of length  $k - 1$ . We say that  $\lambda$  is minimal path if there does not exist any path shorter than  $\lambda$ .

A undirected graph is graph in which for every pair of vertices there is no need of directional character unlike as in directed graphs. A tree is an undirected graph in which any two vertices are connected by exactly one path. Tree has no cycles but we construct such type of semigroups whose graph is a tree with cycles and we name it cyclic tree type graph. Similarly, we construct the semigroups of the graphs of sunflower like, ladder type and almost complete type graphs whose geometry resemblance with the graphs of sunflower, ladder and complete graphs.

Let  $T(X)$  be a semigroup of full transformations for a finite set  $X$  under the composition of function. Actually the semigroups  $T(X)$  is the set of all functions from a finite set  $X$  to  $X$ . In this paper we consider transformations  $a, b \in T(X)$  and define composition of functions as  $(ab)(x) = a(b(x))$  from right instead of left i.e  $(x)(ab) = ((x)a)b$  for  $x \in X$ .

For  $a \in T(X)$  we write image of  $a$  by  $im(a)$  and kernel of  $a$  is defined as

$$ker(a) = \{(x, y) \in X \times X : a(x) = a(y)\}$$

and rank of  $a$  as  $rank(a) = |im(a)|$  Also  $T(X)$  has  $n$  ideals  $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n$  where  $1 \leq r \leq n$

$$I_r = \{a \in T(X) : rank(a) \leq r\}$$

Clearly the ideal  $I_1$  is of rank 1 i.e a constant transformation and hence its commuting graph will be isolated vertices.

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $S$  be a semigroup and  $e \in S$  is an idempotent if  $e^2 = e$ . Also we define the sets of idempotents in  $S$  to be  $E(S) = \{e \in S : e^2 = e\}$  Now,  $E(S)$  may be empty or it may be  $E(S) = S$ . If  $E(S) = S$  then  $S$  is a band. We construct band in our construction in the monoid  $T(X)$ .

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $e \in T(X)$  be an idempotent and  $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k\}$  be a partition of  $X$  and unique elements  $x_1 \in A_1, x_2 \in A_2, \dots, x_k \in A_k$  such that for every  $i$  we have  $A_i e = \{x_i\}$ . Then the set  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k\}$  is the image set of  $e$ . We use the following notation for  $e$ ,

$$e = (A_1, x_1) \langle (A_2, x_2) \dots (A_k, x_k) \rangle$$

If  $e$  is a constant transformation with image set  $\{x\}$  then we write  $(X, x)$  [1].

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $e = (A_1, x_1) \langle (A_2, x_2) \dots (A_k, x_k) \rangle$  an idempotent in  $T(X)$  and let  $b \in T(X)$  then  $b$  commutes with  $e$  if and only if for every  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  there is a  $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  such that  $bx_i = x_j$  and  $bA_i \subseteq A_j$  [1].

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $e, f \in I_r$  be idempotents and suppose there is  $x \in X$  such that  $x \in im(e) \cap im(f)$  then  $e - (X, x) - f$  [1]

**Lemma 1.1.** Let  $c_x, c_y, e \in T(X)$  such that  $e$  is an idempotent, then

(1)  $c_x e = e c_x$  if and only if  $x \in im(e)$

(2)  $c_x e = c_y e$  if and only if  $(x, y) \in ker(e)$

**Proof** (1) Consider  $c_x e = e c_x$ . As  $c_x$  and  $e$  commute with each other, therefore, there should be at least one element common in the images of  $c_x$  and  $e$  but  $c_x$  has only one element in the image set i.e  $x$  in  $im(c_x)$ . So  $x \in im(c_x) \cap im(e)$  or  $x \in \{x\} \cap im(e)$ . This implies that  $x \in im(e)$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $x \in im(e)$ . We can write it as  $x \in \{x\} \cap im(e)$ . This implies that  $x \in im(c_x) \cap im(e)$ . Thus we have  $c_x e = e c_x$ .

(2) Consider  $c_x e = c_y e$ . As  $ker(e)$  is defined as  $ker(e) = \{(x, y) \in X \times X : xe = ye\}$ . Consider  $c_x e = c_z$  and  $c_y e = c_t$  for some  $t$  and  $z$  in  $X$ . Thus  $c_z = c_t \Rightarrow z = t$  and hence  $ze = te$ . Therefore

$(x, y) \in \ker(e)$ . Conversely, let  $(x, y) \in \ker(e)$  then by def. of  $\ker(e)$  we have  $x e = y e$ , implies  $c_x e = c_y e$ .

## 2. Semigroup of a cyclic tree type graphs

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $X = \{y_0, y_1, y_2 \dots y_k, s\}$  be a finite set. For  $i \in \{1, 2, 3 \dots k\}$ , consider the idempotent transformations,  $a_0, a_1, a_2, \dots, a_k$  with  $\text{im}(a_0) = \{y_0\}$  and  $\text{im}(a_i) = \{y_{i-1}, y_i\}$ . Define the kernel classes as;

$\ker(a_0) = X$ , for  $i \geq 1$ ,  $\ker(a_i)$  as

$\text{Class} - 1 = \{y_0, y_1, y_2 \dots y_{i-1}\}$  and  $\text{Class} - 2 = \{y_i, y_{i+1}, y_{i+2} \dots y_k, s\}$

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $1 \leq i < j \leq k$  then

1)  $a_0 a_i = c y_{i-1}$ ,  $a_i a_0 = c y_0$

2)  $a_i a_{i+1} = c y_i$ ,  $a_{i+1} a_i = c y_i$

3)  $a_i a_j = c y_{j-1}$  for  $j > i + 1$

4)  $a_j a_i = c y_i$

**Proof:** 1) Since the 1st kernel class of  $a_i$  is in the  $\text{im}(a_0)$ . Therefore  $a_i$  will map all the elements of class-1 to  $c y_{i-1}$ . Thus  $a_0 a_i = c y_{i-1}$ . Second part is obvious because  $a_0$  is a constant transformation and it will map on some single element of  $X$  say,  $y_0$ . Thus  $a_i a_0 = c y_0$ .

2) Since  $\text{im}(a_i) = \{y_{i-1}, y_i\}$  and  $\text{im}(a_{i+1}) = \{y_i, y_{i+1}\}$

$\ker(a_i)$  is define in def.3.1 as  $\text{Class} - 1 = \{y_0, y_1, y_2 \dots y_{i-1}\}$  and  $\text{Class} - 2 = \{y_i, y_{i+1}, y_{i+2} \dots y_k, s\}$

$\ker(a_{i+1})$  is define as  $\text{Class} - 1 = \{y_0, y_1, y_2 \dots y_i\}$  and  $\text{Class} - 2 = \{y_{i+1}, y_{i+2}, y_{i+2} \dots y_k, s\}$

As  $y_i$  is in class-1 of  $\ker(i + 1)$ . So  $a_{i+1}$  will map all elements of class-1 to  $c y_i$ . Thus  $a_i a_{i+1} = c y_i$ .

Similarly  $y_i$  is in class-2 of  $\ker(a_i)$ . So  $a_i$  will map all elements of class-2 to  $c y_i$ . Thus  $a_{i+1} a_i = c y_i$ . Therefore  $a_{i+1} a_i = a_i a_{i+1} c y_i$ .

3) As  $\text{im}(a_i) = \{y_{i-1}, y_i\}$  and  $\text{im}(a_j) = \{y_{j-1}, y_j\}$ . Since there is no common element in  $\text{im}(a_i)$  and  $\text{im}(a_j)$  and  $\ker(a_j)$  is  $\text{Class} - 1 = \{y_0, y_1, y_2 \dots y_{j-1}\}$

$\text{Class} - 2 = \{y_j, y_{j+1}, y_{i+2} \dots y_k, s\}$ . Since  $\text{im}(a_i) \subseteq \text{Class} - 1$  of  $\text{Ker}(a_j)$ . So  $a_j$  will map all the elements of class-1 to  $c y_{j-1}$ .

Thus  $a_i a_j = c y_{j-1}$  for  $j > i + 1$

4) Since  $\text{im}(a_j) \subseteq \text{Class} - 2$  of  $\text{Ker}(a_i)$ . So  $a_i$  will map all the elements of class-2 to  $c y_i$ .

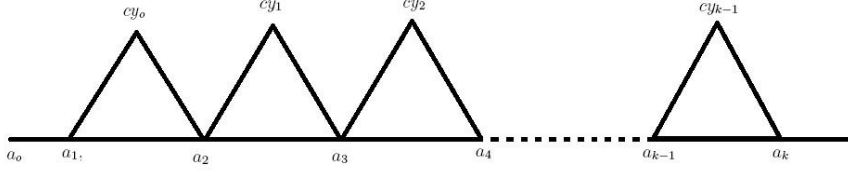


FIGURE 1. Cyclic Tree Type Graph

### 3. Semigroup of sunflower like graphs

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $X = \{y_0, y_1, y_2 \dots y_k, s\}$  be a finite set. Consider the idempotents  $a_0, a_1, a_2 \dots a_k$  transformations with  $im(a_0) = \{y_0, y_1\}$  and for  $i \in \{1, 2, 3 \dots k\}$   $im(a_i) = \{y_{i-1}, y_i, y_{i+1}\}$ .

Now we define the kernel classes of these transformations as;

$ker(a_0)$  as *Class - 1* =  $\{y_0, s\}$  and *Class - 2* =  $\{y_1, y_2, y_3 \dots y_k\}$

For  $i \geq 1$  we define  $ker(a_i)$  as *Class - 1* =  $\{y_0, y_1, y_2 \dots y_{i-1}\}$

*Class - 2* =  $\{y_i, s\}$ , *Class - 1* =  $\{y_{i+1}, y_{i+2}, y_{i+3} \dots y_k\}$

**Lemma 3.1.** Let for  $i < j$  we have

- 1)  $a_i a_{i+2} = cy_{i+1} = a_{i+2} a_i$  for  $i \in \{0, 1, 2 \dots k\}$
- 2)  $a_i a_{i+1} = a_{i+1} a_i = a_{i+2}$  for  $i \in \{1, 2 \dots k\}$
- 3)  $a_i a_j = cy_{j-1}$  for  $j > i + 2$
- 4)  $a_j a_i = cy_{i+1}$  for  $j > i + 2$

**Proof:** 1) For  $i = 0$  since  $im(a_0) = \{y_0, y_1\}$  and  $im(a_2) = \{y_1, y_2, y_3\}$ . As  $y_1 \in im(a_0) \cap im(a_2)$ . Since  $y_1$  lies in class-1 of  $ker(a_2)$ , so  $a_2$  map all elements of  $ker(a_2)$  to  $y_1$ . Therefore,  $a_0 a_2 = cy_1$ , similarly  $a_2 a_0 = cy_1$ .

For  $i \geq 1$ , we have  $im(a_i) = \{y_{i-1}, y_i, y_{i+1}\}$  and  $im(a_{i+2}) = \{y_{i+1}, y_{i+2}, y_{i+3}\}$   $y_{i+1} \in im(a_i) \cap im(a_{i+2})$ . As  $ker(a_{i+2})$  as *Class - 1* =  $\{y_0, y_1, y_2 \dots y_{i+1}\}$  *Class - 2* =  $\{y_{i+2}, s\}$  *Class - 1* =  $\{y_{i+3}, y_{i+4}, y_{i+5} \dots y_k\}$  Since  $y_{i+1}$  is in the class-1 of  $ker(a_{i+2})$  so  $a_{i+2}$  maps all the elements of class-1 to  $cy_{i+1}$ . Thus  $a_i a_{i+2} = cy_{i+1}$  for  $i \in \{0, 1, 2 \dots k\}$ . Now as  $a_{i+1}$  is in class-3 of  $ker(a_i)$ , so  $a_i$  maps all the elements of class-3 to  $cy_{i+1}$ . Thus  $a_{i+2} a_i = cy_{i+1}$  for  $i \in \{0, 1, 2 \dots k\}$ . So  $a_i a_{i+2} = a_{i+2} a_i = cy_{i+1}$ .

2) For  $i = 0$  since  $y_1$  is in class-2 of  $ker(a_1)$  so  $a_1$  will map all elements of class-2 to  $y_2$ .

Thus  $a_0 a_1 = c y_2$ . Similarly,  $a_1 a_0 = c y_2$ . For  $i \geq 1$  we have a new transformation say  $a_{n1}$  with  $im(a_{n1}) = \{y_i, y_{i+1}\}$ . Similarly For  $i \geq 1$  we have another a new transformation say  $a_{n2}$  with  $im(a_{n2}) = \{y_i, y_{i+1}\}$ . Hence  $a_i a_{i+1} \neq a_{i+1} a_i$ .

3) Since class-1 of  $ker(a_j)$  contains  $im(a_i)$ . So  $a_j$  will maps all elements of class-1 to  $y_{j-1}$ . Thus  $a_i a_j = c y_{j-1}$ .

4) Since class-3 of  $ker(a_i)$  contains  $im(a_j)$ . So  $a_i$  will maps all elements of class-3 to  $y_{i+1}$ . Thus  $a_j a_i = c y_{i+1}$ .

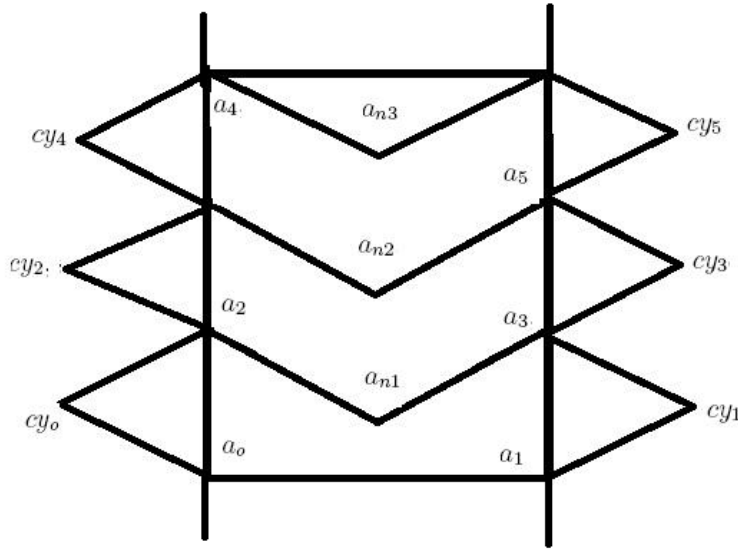


FIGURE 2. Sunflower Like Graph

#### 4. Semigroup of almost complete type graphs

**Definition 4.1.** Let  $X = \{y_0, y_1, y_2 \dots y_k, s\}$  be a finite set. Consider the idempotents  $a_0, a_1, a_2 \dots a_k$  transformations with  $im(a_0) = \{y_0, y_1\}$ ,  $im(a_1) = \{y_1\}$  and  $im(a_2) = \{y_0, y_1, y_2\}$ , for  $i \in \{3, 4, 5 \dots k\}$ ,  $im(a_i) = \{y_0, y_1, y_2 \dots y_i\}$ .

Now we define the kernel classes of these transformations as;  $ker(a_0)$  as  $Class - 1 = \{y_0, y_2, y_3 \dots y_k, s\}$   $Class - 2 = \{y_1\}$ ,  $ker(a_1)$  as  $ker(a_1) = X$ ,  $ker(a_2)$  as  $Class - 1 = \{y_0\}$ ,  $Class - 2 = \{y_1\}$ ,  $Class - 2 = \{y_2, y_3 \dots y_k, s\} \forall i \geq 3$ , we define  $ker(a_i)$  as  $Class - 1 = \{y_0, y_1\}$ ,  $class - 2 = \{y_2\}$ ,  $class - 3 = \{y_3\}$ .....  $Class - k = \{y_i, y_{i+1}, y_{i+2} \dots y_k, s\}$ .

**Lemma 4.1.** The products are defined as,

1)  $a_i a_i = a_i$  ,  $a_o a_1 = cy_1$  ,  $a_1 a_o = cy_1$ ,  $a_o a_2 = a_o$  ,  $a_2 a_o = a_o$ ,  $a_1 a_2 = cy_1$  ,  $a_2 a_1 = cy_1$ .

2) For  $3 \leq i < j < k$ , we have,  $a_i a_j = a_i$  ,  $a_j a_i = a_i$ .

**Proof:**

1) First statement is true because generators are idempotents. Since  $y_1 \in im(a_o) \cap im(a_1)$ . So  $a_o a_1 = cy_1$ , similarly  $a_1 a_o = cy_1$ . Since class-1 and class-2 of  $ker(a_2)$  is in  $im(a_o)$  so  $a_o a_2 = a_o$ , similarly  $a_2 a_o = a_o$ . Finally, since class-2 of  $ker(a_2)$  is in  $im(a_1)$  so  $a_1 a_2 = cy_1$  and as  $a_1$  is constant therefore  $a_2 a_1 = cy_1$ .

2) Since for all  $3 \leq i < j$  the kernel classes of  $ker(a_j)$  are in the  $im(a_i)$  therefore  $a_i a_j = a_i$  similarly,  $a_j a_i = a_i$ .

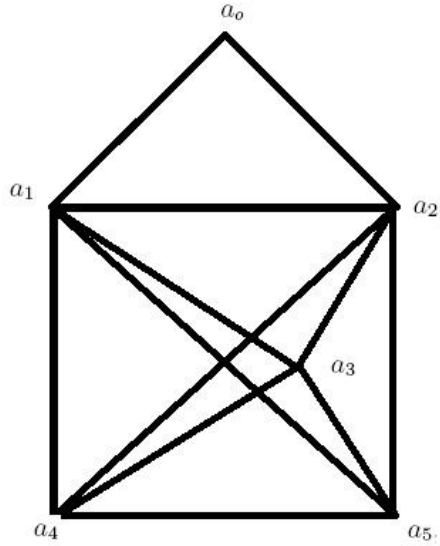


FIGURE 3. Almost Complete Type Graph

### 5. Semigroup of almost ladder type graphs

**Definition 5.1.** Let  $X = \{y_o, y_1, y_2 \dots y_k, s\}$  be a finite set. Consider the idempotents  $a_o, a_1, a_2 \dots a_k$  transformations with  $im(a_o) = \{y_o, y_1\}$ ,  $im(a_1) = \{y_1\}$ .

For  $i \in \{2, 3, 4, 5 \dots k\}$   $im(a_i) = \{y_{i-2}, y_{i-1}, y_i\}$ .

Now we define the kernel classes of these transformations as;

$ker(a_0)$  as  $Class - 1 = \{y_0, y_2, y_3 \dots y_k, s\}$ ,  $Class - 2 = \{y_1\}$ ,  $ker(a_1)$  as  $ker(a_1) = X$

Now  $\forall i \geq 2$ , we define  $ker(a_i)$  as

$$Class - 1 = \{y_0, y_1 \dots y_{i-2}\},$$

$$class - 2 = \{y_{i-1}\},$$

$$Class - 3 = \{y_i, y_{i+1}, y_{i+2} \dots y_{i+k}, s\}.$$

**Lemma 5.1.** The products of the above semigroups are defined as;

- 1)  $a_i a_1 = cy_2$  for  $i \in \{0, 1, 2 \dots k\}$
- 2)  $a_1 a_i = cy_2$  for  $i \in \{0, 2, 3\}$  and  $a_1 a_i = cy_{i-1}$  for  $i \geq 4$
- 3) For  $i \geq 2$ ,  $a_i a_{i-1} = a_{i-1} a_i$  and  $a_i a_{i-2} = a_{i-2} a_i$

**Proof:** 1) First statement is obvious because  $a_1$  is a constant transformation.

2) For  $i \in \{0, 2, 3\}$  the second kernel class of  $a_i$  lie in the  $im(a_1)$ . Therefore all the elements of this class will map on  $cy_2$  and hence all the the elements of  $X$  will map on  $cy_2$ . Thus  $a_1 a_i = cy_2$

Similarly, for  $i \geq 4$ , the first kernel class of  $a_i$  lie in the  $im(a_1)$ . Therefore all the elements of this class will map on  $cy_{i-2}$  and hence all the the elements of  $X$  will map on  $cy_{i-2}$ . Thus  $a_1 a_i = cy_{i-1}$ .

3) For  $i \geq 2$ , The first and third kernel classes of  $a_{i-1}$  contains the first and third kernel classes of  $a_i$ . Therefore the products of  $a_i a_{i-1}$  and  $a_{i-1} a_i$  will be same and thus  $a_i a_{i-1} = a_{i-1} a_i$ . Similarly,  $a_i a_{i-2} = a_{i-2} a_i$ . During the study of this paper, we observe the following Conjecture.

**Conjecture:** There are no semigroups of a circle and straight line.

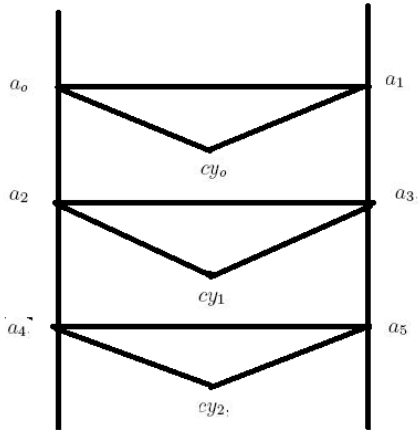


FIGURE 4. Almost Ladder Type Graph



### Conflict of Interests

The authors declare that there is no conflict of interests.

### REFERENCES

- [1] J. Araujo, Kinyon M., Konieczny J., Minimal paths in the commuting graphs of semigroups, *European J. Combin.*, 32 (1) (2011), 178-197.
- [2] J. Araujo, J. Konieczny, Semigroups of transformations preserving an equivalence relation and a cross-section, *C. Algebra*, 32 (2004), 1917-1935.
- [3] B. Bundy, The connectivity of commuting graphs, *J. Comb. Theory Ser. A* 113 (2006), 995-1007.
- [4] The GAP Group, Algorithms, and Programming, Version 4.4.12, 2008, <http://www.gap-system.org>
- [5] M. Howie, Idempotent generators in finite full transformations semigroup, *Proc. Roy. Soc. E. Sect A* 81 (3-4) (1978), 317-323.
- [6] M. Howie, The sun semigroup generated by the idempotents of a full transformation semigroup, *J London Math Soc.* 41 (1966), 707-716.
- [7] M. Howie, *Fundamentals of Semigroup Theory*, London Math. Soc. Monogr, Oxford University Press, New York, 1995
- [8] A. Iranmanesh and A. Jafarzadeh, On the commuting graph associated with the symmetric and alternating groups, *J. Algebra Appl.* 7 (2008), 129-146.
- [9] J. Konieczny, Semigroups of transformations commuting with idempotents, *Algebra Colloq.* 9 (2002), 121-134.
- [10] L.H. Soicher, The GRAPE package for GAP, Version 4.3, 2006, <http://www.maths.qmul.ac.uk/leonard/grape>