



On c -representability of Permutation Groups

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Abstract

In this paper we study c -representability of permutation groups. We prove that the Dihedral group D_n is a c -representable permutation group. We discuss the c -representability of some cyclic subgroups of the symmetric group $S(X)$. Some properties of c -representable permutation groups are also discussed.

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1. Introduction

The concept of Čech closure spaces was introduced by Edward Čech as a generalisation of topological spaces. Various concepts in Čech closure spaces were studied in [6, 12, 13, 15, 17, 19]. Adjacency in the lattice of closure operators were discussed in [14]. Boonpok C. investigated generalized closed sets in Čech closure spaces and determined some of their characterizations[3].

Ramachandran P. T. discussed the problem of representing permutation groups as the group of homeomorphisms of topological spaces[15, 18]. He proved that if $X = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$, $n \geq 3$, then the permutation group on X generated by the cycle (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) cannot be represented as the group of homeomorphisms of (X, T) for any topology T on X [15]. The t -representability of normal subgroups of the symmetric group $S(X)$ was studied in [15, 18]. Then Sini P. and Ramachandran P. T. defined t -representability of permutation groups and studied t -representability of some subgroups of the symmetric group $S(X)$ [21–23]. A permutation group K on a set X is said to be t -representable if there exists a topology T on X such that the group $H(X, T)$ of homeomorphisms of

(X, T) is K [22]. In [22], it was proved that direct sum of t -representable finite permutation groups is t -representable on X . The t -representability of transitive permutation groups, maximal subgroups of the symmetric group, dihedral groups and cyclic permutation groups etc. were studied in [20–24]. An analogous concept is introduced in Closure spaces in [13]. c -representability permutation groups is defined and it is proved that normal subgroups of $S(X)$ is c -representable if and only if $|X| \neq 3$ [13].

In this paper we investigate some problems related to group of closure isomorphisms of Čech closure spaces. Here we continue the study of c -representability of permutation groups.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we discuss some basic concepts used in this paper. Set theoretical notions are adopted from [9]. Let $P(X)$ denotes the power set of X . A closure operator is defined as follows.

Definition 2.1. [6] A Čech closure operator on a set X is a function $V : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ satisfying $V(\emptyset) = \emptyset$, $A \subseteq V(A)$, and $V(A \cup B) = V(A) \cup V(B)$ for every $A, B \in P(X)$. Simply we call V a closure operator on X and the pair (X, V) a closure space.

A subset A of a closure space (X, V) is said to be closed if $V(A) = A$, and is said to be open if its complement is closed. A subset A of X is said to be dense if $V(A) = X$. The collection of all open sets in a closure space (X, V) is a topology on X , called the topology associated with V . A closure operator V

is said to be topological if and only if $V(V(A)) = V(A)$ for every $A \subseteq X$.

Let $I : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ be given by

$$I(A) = \begin{cases} \emptyset & ; \text{ if } A = \emptyset \\ X & ; \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then I is a closure operator on X . This closure operator is the topological closure operator associated with the indiscrete topology on X and is called the indiscrete closure operator. The closure operator D on X given by $D(A) = A$ for all $A \in P(X)$, is the topological closure operator associated with the discrete topology on X , called the discrete closure operator. A closure space (X, V) is said to be T_1 if $V(\{a\}) = \{a\}$ for each $a \in X$.

Definition 2.2. [7] A permutation of a set X is a function $\phi : X \rightarrow X$ that is both one-one and onto.

The function composition \circ is a binary operation on the collection of all permutations of a set A . This operation is called permutation multiplication. The set of all permutations of a set X forms a group under permutation multiplication, denoted by the symmetric group $S(X)$ [7]. We write S_n to denote the group $S(X)$ when n is a positive integer and $X = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ [7]. A permutation group is a subgroup of the symmetric group $S(X)$. A cycle of length 2 is a transposition. Any cycle is a product of transpositions and any permutation of a finite set of at least two elements is a product of transpositions.

Definition 2.3. [15] Let (X, V) and (Y, V') be two closure spaces. A closure isomorphism from (X, V) to (Y, V') is a bijection $f : X \rightarrow Y$ such that $f(V(A)) = V'(f(A))$ for all $A \in P(X)$.

If (X, V) is a closure space, then the set of all closure isomorphisms from (X, V) onto itself is a group under function composition and is called the group of closure isomorphisms of (X, V) , denoted by $CI(X, V)$. Note that $CI(X, V)$ is a subgroup of the symmetric group $S(X)$.

Definition 2.4. [13] A subgroup H of $S(X)$ is said to be c -representable on X if there exists a closure operator V on X such that $CI(X, V) = H$.

3. Main Results

We determined c -representability of normal subgroups of $S(X)$ in [13]. In this section we study the c -representability of dihedral group and permutation groups generated by product of cycles. We use the following results in [13].

Theorem 3.1. [13] If a permutation group H is t -representable on a set X , then it is c -representable on X .

Theorem 3.2. [13] Let X be a finite set $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ and H be the group of permutations of X generated by the cycle $f = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$. Then H is c -representable on X .

Note that any permutation generated by an infinite cycle on an infinite set is t -representable hence it is c -representable [16]. The following Theorem says that in order to determine the c -representability of a permutation group H on a set X , we have to consider only the c -representability of H on the set of all points which are moved by the permutations of H .

We need the following definition.

Definition 3.3. [5] Let G_1 and G_2 be two permutation groups on X_1 and X_2 respectively. The direct product $G_1 \times G_2$ acts on the disjoint union $X_1 \cup X_2$ by the rule

$$(g_1, g_2)(x) = \begin{cases} g_1(x) & \text{if } x \in X_1 \\ g_2(x) & \text{if } x \in X_2. \end{cases}$$

Theorem 3.4. Let X be any set and $Y \subseteq X$. If H is a c -representable permutation group on Y , then the permutation group $\{I_{X \setminus Y}\} \times H$ is c -representable on X , where $I_{X \setminus Y}$ denotes the identity permutation on $X \setminus Y$.

Proof. Since H is c -representable on Y , there exists a closure operator V_1 on Y such that $CI(Y, V_1) = H$. Let $Z = X \setminus Y$. If $Z = \emptyset$, there is nothing to prove. Suppose $Z \neq \emptyset$. By the well ordering theorem, well order the set Z by the order relation $<$. We can use the ordinals to index the members of Z . Let x_0 be the first element of Z and x_1 be the first element of $Z \setminus \{x_0\}$. In general x_α denotes the first element of $Z \setminus \{x \in Z : x < x_\alpha\}$ provided $\{x \in Z : x < x_\alpha\}$ is non-empty. Now we define a closure operator V_2 on Z as follows.

$V_2(A) = \bigcup_{x_\alpha \in A} V_2(x_\alpha)$ for $A \subseteq Z$ where $V_2(x_\alpha) = Z \setminus \{x \in Z : x < x_\alpha\}$. Then V_2 is a closure operator on Z . Consider X as $X = Y \cup Z$. Let $A \subseteq X$. Then $A = A_1 \cup A_2$ where $A_1 = A \cap Y$ and $A_2 = A \cap Z$. Define $V : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as follows:

$$V(A) = \begin{cases} \emptyset & ; \text{ if } A = \emptyset \\ V_1(A_1) & ; \text{ if } A_2 = \emptyset \\ Y \cup V_2(A_2) & ; \text{ if } A_2 \neq \emptyset. \end{cases}$$

We have to prove that V is a closure operator on X .

Let $A \subseteq X$. If $A = \emptyset$, then there is nothing to prove. Now suppose that $A \neq \emptyset$. We have $A = A_1 \cup A_2$. If $A_2 = \emptyset$, then $V(A) = V_1(A)$ and hence $A \subseteq V(A)$. If $A_2 \neq \emptyset$, $V(A) = Y \cup V_2(A_2)$. Then clearly $A \subseteq V(A)$.

Let $A, B \subseteq X$. $A = A_1 \cup A_2$, $B = B_1 \cup B_2$, where $A_1, B_1 \subseteq Y$ and $A_2, B_2 \subseteq Z$.

Case (i): $A_2 = \emptyset, B_2 = \emptyset$

In this case $A, B \subseteq Y$ and hence $V(A) = V_1(A_1)$ and $V(B) = V_1(B_1)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} V(A \cup B) &= V_1(A_1 \cup B_1) \\ &= V_1(A_1) \cup V_1(B_1) \\ &= V(A) \cup V(B). \end{aligned}$$

Case (ii): $A_2 \neq \emptyset, B_2 = \emptyset$ Then $V(A) = Y \cup V_2(A_2)$, $V(B) = V_1(B_1)$.



Now

$$\begin{aligned} V(A) \cup V(B) &= Y \cup V_2(A_2) \cup V_1(B_1) \\ &= Y \cup V_2(A_2), \text{ since } V_1(B_1) \subseteq Y. \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V(A \cup B) &= V[(A_1 \cup B_1) \cup (A_2 \cup B_2)] \\ &= Y \cup V_2(A_2 \cup B_2) \\ &= Y \cup V_2(A_2) \end{aligned}$$

Hence $V(A \cup B) = V(A) \cup V(B)$.

Case (iii): $A_2 = \emptyset, B_2 \neq \emptyset$.

Similar to Case (ii).

Case (iv): $A_2 \neq \emptyset, B_2 \neq \emptyset$

Here $V(A) = Y \cup V_2(A_2)$ and $V(B) = Y \cup V_2(B_2)$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} V(A \cup B) &= Y \cup V_2(A_2 \cup B_2) \\ &= Y \cup V_2(A_2) \cup V_2(B_2) \\ &= [Y \cup V_2(A_2)] \cup [Y \cup V_2(B_2)] \\ &= V(A) \cup V(B). \end{aligned}$$

Thus V is a closure operator on X .

Next we claim that $CI(X, V) = \{I_Z\} \times Y$.

Let $f = (I_Z, h) \in \{I_Z\} \times H$ and $A \subseteq X$. Then we have to show that $V(f(A)) = f(V(A))$.

Now

$$\begin{aligned} V(f(A)) &= V(f(A_1 \cup A_2)) \\ &= V((I_Z, h)(A_1 \cup h(A_2))) \\ &= V(A_1 \cup h(A_2)). \end{aligned}$$

Since $A = A_1 \cup A_2$, we consider the following cases.

Case (i): $A_2 = \emptyset$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} V(f(A)) &= V(h(A_1)) \\ &= V_1(h(A_1)). \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} f(V(A)) &= f(V_1(A_1)) \\ &= h(V_1(A_1)) \\ &= V_1(h(A_1)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence $V(f(A)) = f(V(A))$.

Case (ii): $A_2 \neq \emptyset$

Then $V(f(A)) = V(h(A_1) \cup A_2) = Y \cup V_2(A_2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now } f(V(A)) &= f(V(A_1 \cup A_2)) \\ &= f(Y \cup V_2(A_2)) \\ &= h(Y) \cup V_2(A_2) \\ &= Y \cup V_2(A_2). \end{aligned}$$

Thus $f(V(A)) = V(f(A))$, for every $A \subseteq X$. It follows that f is a closure isomorphism on (X, V) . Hence

$$\{I_{X \setminus Y}\} \times H \subseteq CI(X, V). \tag{3.1}$$

Now let $f \in CI(X, V)$. We have $V(X \setminus \{x_0\}) = X \setminus \{x_0\}$. Hence $\{x_0\}$ is open in X . Then $f(\{x_0\})$ is open in X . Since the only one point set open in X is $\{x_0\}$, $f(x_0) = x_0$. Also $V(X \setminus \{x_0, x_1\}) = X \setminus \{x_0, x_1\}$. That is $\{x_0, x_1\}$ is open in X . Therefore $f(\{x_0, x_1\})$ is open in X . Since the only two point set which is open in X is $\{x_0, x_1\}$, we have $f(\{x_1\}) = x_1$. Let x_α be any element of Z such that $f(x) = x$ for every $x < x_\alpha$. If x_α has no immediate successor, then x_α is the last element of Z . Since $V(Y) = V_1(Y) = Y$, we have Z is open in X and hence $f(Z)$ is open in X . Thus $f(Z) = (Z \setminus \{x_\alpha\}) \cup \{f(x_\alpha)\}$ which implies that $f(x_\alpha) = x_\alpha$.

If x_α has an immediate successor x_β , then $V(X \setminus \{x \in Z : x < x_\beta\}) = X \setminus \{x \in Z : x < x_\beta\}$. This implies that $U = \{x \in X \setminus Y : x < x_\beta\}$ is an open set. Then $f(U) = \{x \in Z : x < x_\beta\} \cup \{f(x_\alpha)\}$. By the definition of V , $f(U) = U$ and hence $f(x_\alpha) = x_\alpha$. Thus we get $f|_Z = I_Z$.

Since f is a closure isomorphism, $f(V(A)) = V(f(A))$ for every $A \subseteq X$. If $A \subseteq Y$, then $f(V(A)) = f(V_1(A)) = f|_Y(V_1(A))$. Since f is a bijection on X and $f|_Z = I_Z$, we have $f(A) \subseteq Y$ and hence $V(f(A)) = V_1(f(A)) = V_1(f|_Y(A))$. Therefore $f|_Y(V_1(A)) = V_1(f|_Y(A))$. Thus we have $f|_Y \in H$. That is $f = (I_Z, h)$, where $h = f|_Y \in H$. Since $Z = X \setminus Y$ it follows that

$$CI(X, V) \subseteq \{I_{X \setminus Y}\} \times H. \tag{3.2}$$

From 3.1 and 3.2, $CI(X, V) = \{I_{X \setminus Y}\} \times H$ □

Remark 3.5. By Theorem 3.4, in order to determine the c -representability of a non-trivial permutation group H on a set X , we have to consider only the c -representability of H on the set of all points which are moved by the permutations of H .

Theorem 3.6. Let X be a set and f be a cycle on X . Then the permutation group generated by f is c -representable on X .

Proof. Theorem is clear from Theorem 3.2 and Theorem 3.4. □

In [22] it is proved that the Dihedral group D_n is not t -representable for $n \geq 5$. Here we investigate the c -representability of the Dihedral group D_n .

Definition 3.7. [8] For $n \geq 3$, the Dihedral group D_n is defined as the rigid motions of the plane preserving a regular n -gon with the operations being composition. The order of the Dihedral group D_n is $2n$.

Theorem 3.8. The Dihedral group D_n is c -representable.

Proof. Let $X = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$. Define the closure operator $V : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as $V(a_k) = \{a_k, a_{k \oplus 1}, a_{k \oplus (n-1)}\}$, $V(A) = \bigcup_{a_k \in A} V(\{a_k\})$ for each $A \subseteq X$. Recall that the generators of the Dihedral group D_n on $X = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ are the cycle $f = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ and



$$g = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_k & \dots & a_{n-1} & a_n \\ a_1 & a_n & a_{n-1} & \dots & a_{n+2-k} & \dots & a_3 & a_2 \end{pmatrix}. \text{ We have}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(V(a_1)) &= p(\{a_n, a_1, a_2\}) \\ &= \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}. \end{aligned}$$

Also

$$V(f(\{a_1\})) = V(\{a_2\}) = \{a_1, a_2, a_3\}.$$

That is $f(V(a_1)) = V(f(\{a_1\}))$.

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} f(V\{a_k\}) &= f(\{a_k, a_{k\oplus 1}, a_{k\oplus(n-1)}\}) \\ &= \{a_{k\oplus 1}, a_{k\oplus 2}, a_{k\oplus n}\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V(f(\{a_k\})) &= V(\{a_{k\oplus 1}\}) \\ &= \{a_{k\oplus 1}, a_{k\oplus 2}, a_{k\oplus n}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$f(V\{a_k\}) = V(f(\{a_k\}))$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Thus f is a closure isomorphism of (X, V) . Next we prove that g is a closure isomorphism. We have

$$\begin{aligned} g(V(\{a_1\})) &= g(\{a_1, a_2, a_n\}) \\ &= \{a_1, a_n, a_2\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V(g(\{a_1\})) &= V(\{a_1\}) \\ &= \{a_1, a_2, a_n\}. \end{aligned}$$

That is

$$g(V(\{a_1\})) = V(g(\{a_1\})).$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} g(V(\{a_k\})) &= g(\{a_k, a_{k\oplus 1}, a_{k\oplus(n-1)}\}) \\ &= \{a_{n+2-k}, a_{n+2-(k\oplus 1)}, a_{n+2-(k\oplus(n-1))}\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V(g(\{a_k\})) &= V(\{a_{n+2-k}\}) \\ &= \{a_{n+2-k}, a_{n+2-(k\oplus 1)}, a_{n+2-(k\oplus(n-1))}\} \end{aligned}$$

Hence $g \in CI(X, V)$. Then every element of D_n is a closure isomorphism. That is

$$D_n \subseteq CI(X, V) \tag{3.3}$$

Now suppose that $h \in CI(X, V)$. Then $h(V(\{a_1\})) = V(h(\{a_1\}))$. Suppose $h(a_1) = a_k$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} h(V(\{a_1\})) &= h(\{a_1, a_2, a_n\}) \\ &= \{a_k, h(a_2), h(a_k)\}. \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} V(h(\{a_1\})) &= V(\{a_k\}) \\ &= \{a_k, a_{k\oplus 1}, a_{k\oplus(n-1)}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then $h(a_2)$ is either $a_{k\oplus 1}$ or $a_{k\oplus(n-1)}$, and $h(a_n)$ is either $a_{k\oplus 1}$ or $a_{k\oplus(n-1)}$.

Case (i): $h(a_2) = a_{k\oplus 1}$ and $h(a_n) = a_{k\oplus(n-1)}$.

Since h is a closure isomorphism, $V(h(a_2)) = h(V(\{a_2\}))$.

But

$$V(\{a_{k\oplus 1}\}) = \{a_{k\oplus 1}, a_k, a_{k\oplus 2}\} \text{ and } h(V(\{a_2\})) = h(\{a_1, a_2, a_3\}).$$

This implies that $h(a_3) = a_{k\oplus 2}$ and $h(a_{n-1}) = a_{k\oplus(n-2)}$. That is

$$h = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_{n-1} & a_n \\ a_k & a_{k\oplus 1} & a_{k\oplus 2} & \dots & a_{k\oplus(n-2)} & a_{k\oplus(n-1)} \end{pmatrix} = f^{k-1}.$$

Hence $h \in D_n$.

Case (ii): $h(a_2) = a_{k\oplus(n-1)}$ and $h(a_n) = a_{k\oplus 1}$.

In this case $h(a_3) = a_{k\oplus(n-2)}$ and $h(a_{n-1}) = a_{k\oplus 2}$.

Hence $h = (a_1, a_k)(a_2, a_{k\oplus(n-1)}) \cdots (a_n, a_{k\oplus 1})(a_{n-1}, a_{k\oplus 2})$.

Then $h = f^{n-k}g \in D_n$. Hence

$$CI(X, V) \subseteq D_n \tag{3.4}$$

From equations (3.3) and (3.4), $D_n = CI(X, V)$. This completes the proof. \square

Example 3.9. Let $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Consider the dihedral group $D_4 = \{I, (1, 2, 3, 4), (1, 3)(2, 4), (1, 4, 3, 2), (1, 2)(3, 4), (1, 4)(2, 3), (1, 3), (2, 4)\}$. Define $V : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ as in Theorem 3.8. That is $V(\{1\}) = \{1, 2, 4\}$, $V(\{2\}) = \{1, 2, 3\}$, $V(\{3\}) = \{2, 3, 4\}$, $V(\{4\}) = \{3, 4, 1\}$ and $V(A) = \bigcup_{a \in A} V(\{a\})$.

Then the group of closure isomorphisms of (X, V) is equal to D_4 . Also note that the above mentioned closure operator is not a topological closure operator, since $V(V(\{1\})) = V(\{1, 2, 4\}) = \{1, 2, 3, 4\} \neq V(\{1\})$.

Now we can have a topological closure operator whose group of closure isomorphisms is D_4 . Consider $V'(\{1\}) = \{1, 3\} = V'(\{3\})$ and $V'(\{2\}) = \{2, 4\} = V'(\{4\})$ and $V'(A) = \bigcup_{a \in A} V'(\{a\})$. Then the group of closure isomorphisms of (X, V') is equal to D_4 .

Thus in the case of D_4 , we can define a topological closure operator V such that $CI(X, V) = D_4$. But for $n > 4$, there exists no topological closure operator V such that $CI(X, V) = D_n$.

Now we investigate the c -representability of some cyclic subgroups of $S(X)$. Sini P. studied the t -representability of cyclic permutation groups[20, 23].

Theorem 3.10. [23] If f is a permutation on X which is an arbitrary product of more than two disjoint cycles having equal length n , then the group generated by f is t -representable on X .

By Theorem 3.10 and 3.1 we have the group generated by f where f is a permutation on X which is an arbitrary



product of more than two disjoint cycles having equal length n is c -representable on X .

Let f be a permutation on X which is a product of two disjoint cycles having equal length n where $n \geq 3$. Then the cyclic group generated by f is not t -representable on X [23]. Here we show that the cyclic group generated by f is c -representable on X .

Theorem 3.11. *Let X be a set and f be a permutation which is a product of two disjoint finite cycles having equal lengths. Then the cyclic group generated by f is c -representable on X .*

Proof. Let $f = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)(b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)$ be a permutation on X and H be the cyclic group generated by f . If $n < 3$, then the cyclic group generated by f is t -representable and hence c -representable on X . Assume that $n \geq 3$. Suppose that $Y = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$. By Theorem 3.4, it is enough to prove that H is c -representable on Y .

Let $X_1 = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ and $X_2 = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n\}$. Define $V : P(Y) \rightarrow P(Y)$ as $V(\emptyset) = \emptyset$, $V(\{a_j\}) = \{a_j, a_{j \oplus 1}, b_j\}$ and $V(\{b_j\}) = \{b_j, b_{j \oplus 1}\}$, $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and $V(A) = \bigcup_{a \in A} V(\{a\})$, $A \subseteq Y$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} f(V(a_i)) &= f(\{a_i, a_{i \oplus 1}, b_i\}) \\ &= \{a_{i \oplus 1}, a_{i \oplus 2}, b_{i \oplus 1}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Now

$$\begin{aligned} V(f\{a_i\}) &= V(\{a_{i \oplus 1}\}) \\ &= \{a_{i \oplus 1}, a_{i \oplus 2}, b_{i \oplus 1}\} \\ &= f(V(\{a_i\})) \end{aligned}$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Also

$$\begin{aligned} f(V(\{b_i\})) &= f(\{b_i, b_{i \oplus 1}\}) \\ &= \{b_{i \oplus 1}, b_{i \oplus 2}\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V(f(\{b_i\})) &= V(\{b_{i \oplus 1}\}) \\ &= \{b_{i \oplus 1}, b_{i \oplus 2}\}. \end{aligned}$$

That is $f(V(\{b_i\})) = V(f(\{b_i\}))$ for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Thus f is a closure isomorphism on Y .

Now let h be a closure isomorphism of (Y, V) . Then $h(V(A)) = V(h(A))$ for every $A \subseteq Y$. If $h(a_i) = b_k$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} h(V(\{a_i\})) &= V(h(\{a_i\})) \Rightarrow h(\{a_i, a_{i \oplus 1}, b_i\}) = V(b_k) \\ &\Rightarrow \{h(a_i), h(a_{i \oplus 1}), h(b_i)\} = \{b_k, b_{k \oplus 1}\} \end{aligned}$$

This is not possible. Thus $h(a_i) \in X_1$. Now suppose that $h(a_i) = a_k$. This implies that

$$\begin{aligned} V(h(a_i)) &= V(a_k) \\ &= \{a_k, a_{k \oplus 1}, b_k\} \\ &= \{h(a_i), h(a_{i \oplus 1}), h(b_i)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then $h(b_i) = b_k$. Thus $h(X_2) = X_2$. Now let $h(a_1) = a_k$ and $h(b_1) = b_k$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} V(h(b_1)) &= V(b_k) \\ &= \{b_k, b_{k \oplus 1}\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V(h(a_1)) &= V(a_k) \\ &= \{a_k, a_{k \oplus 1}, b_k\}. \end{aligned}$$

We have $h(V(\{b_1\})) = \{h(b_1), h(b_2)\}$ and $h(V(\{a_1\})) = \{h(a_1), h(a_2), h(b_1)\}$. Since h is a closure isomorphism, $h(V(\{a_1\})) = V(h(a_1))$ and $h(V(\{b_1\})) = V(h(b_1))$. This implies that $\{a_k, a_{k \oplus 1}, b_k\} = \{h(a_1), h(a_2), h(b_1)\}$ and $\{b_k, b_{k \oplus 1}\} = \{h(b_1), h(b_2)\}$. Hence $h(a_2) = a_{k \oplus 1}$ and $h(b_2) = b_{k \oplus 1}$. Now suppose that $h(b_m) = b_j$ and $h(a_m) = a_j$ where $1 < m, j < n$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} V(h(b_m)) &= V(b_j) \\ &= \{b_j, b_{j \oplus 1}\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} V(h(a_m)) &= V(a_j) \\ &= \{a_j, a_{j \oplus 1}, b_j\}. \end{aligned}$$

Also we have

$h(V(\{b_m\})) = h(\{b_m, b_{m \oplus 1}\})$ and $h(V(\{a_m\})) = h(\{a_m, a_{m \oplus 1}, b_m\})$. Thus $h(b_{m \oplus 1}) = b_{j \oplus 1}$ and $h(a_{m \oplus 1}) = a_{j \oplus 1}$. Thus $h = f^{j-1}$. Hence $h \in H$. Thus $CI(Y, V) = H$. \square

Example 3.12. *As an illustrative example of Theorem 3.11, we consider the following: Let $X = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ and $p = (1, 2, 3)(4, 5, 6)$, which is a product of two cycles of equal length. Then the group generated by p is $\{(1, 2, 3)(4, 5, 6), (1, 3, 2)(4, 6, 5), I\}$. Now consider a closure operator $V : P(X) \rightarrow P(X)$ such that $V(\{1\}) = \{1, 2, 4\}$, $V(\{2\}) = \{2, 3, 5\}$, $V(\{3\}) = \{3, 1, 6\}$, $V(\{4\}) = \{4, 5\}$, $V(\{5\}) = \{5, 6\}$, $V(\{6\}) = \{6, 4\}$ and $V(A) = \bigcup_{a \in A} V(\{a\})$. Then the group generated by p is same as the group of closure isomorphisms of (X, V) .*

Now we consider the group c -representability of cyclic group generated by an arbitrary product of disjoint cycles having equal length.

Theorem 3.13. *Let X be any set and f be the permutation which is an arbitrary product of disjoint cycles having equal length. Then the cyclic group generated by f is c -representable on X .*

Proof. Proof follows from Theorem 3.2, 3.6, 3.10 and 3.11. \square

Corollary 3.14. *Every permutation group of prime order is c -representable.*



Proof. Let X be any set and H be a permutation group on X having order n , where n is a prime number. Then H is a cyclic group generated by a permutation f which is of order n . This implies that f is a product of disjoint cycles having equal length. So by Theorem 3.13, H is c -representable on X . \square

We proved that direct sum of c -representable finite permutation groups are c -representable on X [13]. From this result we can deduce that the permutation group generated by two disjoint cycles having lengths m and n where $\gcd(m, n) = 1$ is c -representable on X .

Theorem 3.15. [13] Let $\{(X_i, V_i)\}_{i \in I}$ be an arbitrary family of disjoint closure spaces where each X_i is finite and H_i be c -representable subgroup of $S(X_i)$ for $i \in I$. Then $\times_{i \in I} H_i$ is c -representable on $X = \bigcup_{i \in I} X_i$.

Theorem 3.16. A group generated by a permutation on a finite set X which is a product of two disjoint cycles having lengths n and m respectively where $\gcd(n, m) = 1$ is c -representable.

Proof. Let $X = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n, b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m\}$. Let $f = f_1 f_2$ where $f_1 = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$ and $f_2 = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m)$. Let H be the group generated by f . Treat X as $X_1 \cup X_2$ where $X_1 = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$ and $X_2 = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m\}$. By Theorem 3.2, H_1 is c -representable on X_1 and H_2 is c -representable on X_2 . Since m and n are relatively prime, $H = H_1 \times H_2$. Hence H is c -representable on X by Theorem 3.15. \square

4. Conclusion

We were in search of c -representable permutation groups. We observed that in order to prove a permutation group H is c -representable, it is enough to prove that H is c -representable on the set of all points which are moved by the permutations of H . We proved that the dihedral group is c -representable. The c -representability of some cyclic permutation groups are also studied.

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