



# Küme ailelerinin kümülatif graf temsilleri üzerine

## On cumulative graph representations of set-families

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**Özet.** Bu makalede, önce kümülatif graf tanımını tanıtlıyoruz. Ardından, bir küme ailesinden başlayarak, o küme ailesini temsil eden kümülatif grafi elde etmek için izlenecek adımları veriyoruz. Ayrıca, bu adımların örnek bir uygulamasını gösteriyoruz.

**Anahtar Kelimeler:** kümülatif graf, küme ailesi, graf temsili.

**Abstract.** In this paper, we first introduce the definition of cumulative graph. Then, starting from a set-family, we give the steps to follow to obtain the cumulative graph representing that set-family. Also, we show an example implementation of these steps.

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### 1. Introduction

We denote the sets of all endpoints, all tails and all heads of a digraph  $G$  by  $V(G)$ ,  $V_t(G)$  and  $V_h(G)$ , respectively, which implies  $V(G) = V_t(G) \cup V_h(G)$  for any digraph  $G$ . A subgraph  $H$  of  $G$  is denoted by  $G[H]$ . A vertex-induced subgraph by  $W \subseteq V$  of a graph  $G = (V, A)$  is denoted by  $G[W, \cdot]$  while an edge-induced subgraph by  $B \subseteq A$  of  $G$  is denoted by  $G[\cdot, B]$  (see [1–5] for detailed information).

Let  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  represent the power set of a set  $X$ . We also denote the power set of  $\mathcal{P}(X)$  by  $\mathcal{P}^2(X)$ . In general, a  $n$ -set-family on  $X$ , denoted by  $\mathcal{F}_X^{(n)}$  or shortly  $\mathcal{F}^{(n)}$ , is a subfamily of  $n$ -iterated power set operation  $P^n(X)$  on  $X$ , that is, a subfamily of  $n$ -times repeated composition of the power set operation on  $X$  with itself. In particular, it is our convention that a 0-set-family  $\mathcal{F}^{(0)}$  on  $X$  is a subset of  $X$ . We denote  $k$ -times generalized union of an  $n$ -set-family  $\mathcal{F}^{(n)}$  with  $k \leq n$  by  $\bigsqcup^k \mathcal{F}^{(n)}$ , that is,

$$\bigsqcup^k \mathcal{F}^{(n)} = \underbrace{\bigcup \dots \bigcup}_{k \text{ times}} \mathcal{F}^{(n)}.$$

In particular, we use the conventions  $\bigsqcup^1 \mathcal{F}^{(n)} = \bigcup \mathcal{F}^{(n)}$  and  $\bigsqcup^0 \mathcal{F}^{(n)} = \mathcal{F}^{(n)}$ .

The motivation for this paper is to show that there is a special class of graphs, which we will call cumulative graphs, representing any  $n$ -set family with  $n > 0$ , and to obtain its some basic properties.

## 2. Cumulative graphs

We now introduce the concept of cumulative graph, which corresponds to a special class of acyclic digraphs. Notice that in the next definition we bend the rule that each member of a partition of a set is non-empty.

**Definition 1.** An acyclic digraph  $G = (V, A)$  is called a cumulative graph if there exists a partition  $\mathcal{V} = \{\emptyset = V_0, V_1, \dots, V_n\}$  of  $V$ , and a partition  $\mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B}$  of  $A$  where  $\mathcal{A} = \{\emptyset = A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \{\emptyset = B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n\}$  such that

- (1)  $V_i$  consists of all endpoints in  $A_i$ , all tails in  $B_i$  and all heads in  $B_{i+1}$ , that is, it holds that  $V_i = V(G[\cdot, A_i]) \cup V_t(G[\cdot, B_i]) \cup V_h(G[\cdot, B_{i+1}])$  for every  $1 \leq i < n$ . Also,  $V_n = V(G[\cdot, A_i]) \cup V_t(G[\cdot, B_i])$ .
- (2)  $uv \in A_i$  and  $vw \in A_i$  implies  $uw \notin A_i$  for every  $1 \leq i \leq n$  (antitransitivity).
- (3)  $uv \in A_i$  and  $vw \in B_i$  implies  $uw \notin B_i$  for every  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

We denote a cumulative graph by  $G = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$ .

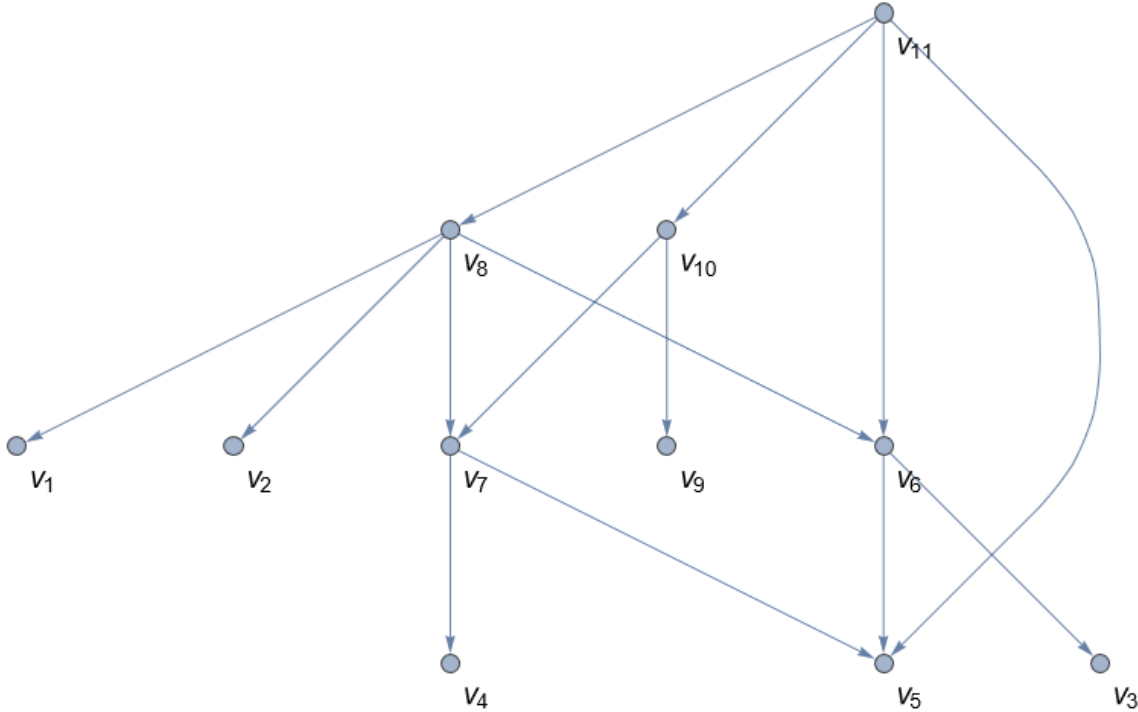


Figure 1. An example of a cumulative graph

**Example 1.** Let  $G = (V, A)$  be an acyclic digraph with  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{11}\}$  and

$$A = \{v_{11} \rightarrow v_5, v_{11} \rightarrow v_6, v_{11} \rightarrow v_8, v_{11} \rightarrow v_{10}, v_{10} \rightarrow v_7, v_{10} \rightarrow v_9, v_8 \rightarrow v_1, v_8 \rightarrow v_2, v_8 \rightarrow v_6, v_8 \rightarrow v_7, v_7 \rightarrow v_4, v_7 \rightarrow v_5, v_6 \rightarrow v_3, v_6 \rightarrow v_5\}.$$

as Figure 1. In order to show that  $G$  is a cumulative graph, we set  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_0, V_1, V_2, V_3\}$ ,  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, A_2, A_3\}$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \{B_1, B_2, B_3\}$  where

$$\begin{aligned} V_0 &= \emptyset, V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}, V_2 = \{v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8\}, V_3 = \{v_9, v_{10}, v_{11}\}, \\ A_1 &= \emptyset, A_2 = \{v_8 \rightarrow v_6, v_8 \rightarrow v_7, v_7 \rightarrow v_5, v_6 \rightarrow v_5\}, \\ A_3 &= \{v_{11} \rightarrow v_{10}, v_{10} \rightarrow v_9\}, B_1 = \emptyset, \\ B_2 &= \{v_8 \rightarrow v_1, v_8 \rightarrow v_2, v_7 \rightarrow v_4, v_6 \rightarrow v_3\}, \\ B_3 &= \{v_{11} \rightarrow v_5, v_{11} \rightarrow v_6, v_{11} \rightarrow v_8, v_{10} \rightarrow v_7\}. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to check that  $\mathcal{V}$  is a partition of  $V$  while  $\mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B}$  is a partition of  $A$ . Besides,

$$\begin{aligned} V(G[\cdot, A_1]) \cup V_t(G[\cdot, B_1]) \cup V_h(G[\cdot, B_2]) &= \emptyset \cup \emptyset \cup \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\} = V_1, \\ V(G[\cdot, A_2]) \cup V_t(G[\cdot, B_2]) \cup V_h(G[\cdot, B_3]) &= \{v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8\} \cup \{v_6, v_7, v_8\} \cup \{v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8\} = V_2, \\ V(G[\cdot, A_3]) \cup V_t(G[\cdot, B_3]) &= \{v_9, v_{10}, v_{11}\} \cup \{v_{10}, v_{11}\} = V_3 \end{aligned}$$

which ensure that the first condition is satisfied. It can easily be observed that there exists no arc that does not satisfy the second or third condition. Thus  $G = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  is a cumulative graph.

### 3. A graph representation of a set-family

We claim that a  $n$ -set-family with  $n \geq 0$  can be represented by a cumulative graph. Starting from an  $n$ -set-family  $\mathcal{F}^{(n)}$ , we perform the steps below to obtain the cumulative graph to represent it.

**Step 1:** Set  $\mathcal{V} := \{V_i | i \in \mathbb{Z}, 0 \leq i \leq n+1\}$  where  $V_0 = \emptyset$  and

$$V_i = \{v_j | j \in \mathbb{Z}, \xi_n(i-1) < j \leq \xi_n(i)\}$$

for  $1 \leq i \leq n+1$  where

$$\xi_n(k) = \begin{cases} 0 & k = 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^k |\bigsqcup^{n-i+1} \mathcal{F}^{(n)}| & 0 < k \leq n \end{cases}.$$

**Step 2:** Define a one-to-one correspondence  $f_i$  from  $V_i$  to  $\bigsqcup^{n-i+1} \mathcal{F}^{(n)}$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq n+1$ .

**Step 3:** Set  $\mathcal{A} := \{A_i | 1 \leq i \leq n+1\}$  where  $A_1 = \emptyset$  and

$$uv \in A_i \Leftrightarrow f_i(v) \text{ is a maximal proper subset of } f_i(u) \text{ in } \bigsqcup^{n-i+1} \mathcal{F}^{(n)}$$

for  $2 \leq i \leq n+1$ .

**Step 4:** Set  $\mathcal{B} := \{B_i | 1 \leq i \leq n+1\}$  where  $B_1 = \emptyset$  and

$$uv \in B_i \Leftrightarrow f_i(u) \text{ is a minimal set containing } f_{i-1}(v) \text{ in } \bigsqcup^{n-i+1} \mathcal{F}^{(n)}$$

for  $2 \leq i \leq n+1$ .

We give the following example to perform the steps given above for a  $n$ -set-family.

**Example 2.** Given a 3-set-family

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}^{(3)} &= \{\{\{b\}, \{c, d\}\}, \{\{b\}\}, \{\{a\}, \{c, d\}\}, \\ &\quad \{\{\{a\}, \{b\}\}, \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c, d\}\}, \{a, b, c, d\}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let's get the cumulative graph representing it by performing the above four steps.

In the first step, considering  $\mathcal{F}^{(3)}$ , we get  $\xi_n(k)$  as  $\xi_3(0) = 0$ ,  $\xi_3(1) = 4$ ,  $\xi_3(2) = 8$ ,  $\xi_3(3) = 13$  and  $\xi_3(4) = 16$  since  $\bigsqcup^3 \mathcal{F}^{(3)} = \{a, b, c, d\}$ ,  $\bigsqcup^2 \mathcal{F}^{(3)} = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}\}$ ,

$$\bigsqcup^1 \mathcal{F}^{(3)} = \{\{\{b\}\}, \{\{a\}, \{b\}\}, \{\{a\}, \{c, d\}\}, \{\{b\}, \{c, d\}\}, \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c, d\}\}, \{a, b, c, d\}\}$$

and  $\bigsqcup^0 \mathcal{F}^{(3)} = \mathcal{F}^{(3)}$ . Hence we get  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_0, V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4\}$  where  $V_0 = \emptyset$ ,  $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8\}$ ,  $V_3 = \{v_9, v_{10}, v_{11}, v_{12}, v_{13}\}$  and  $V_4 = \{v_{14}, v_{15}, v_{16}\}$ .

In the next step, if the functions  $f_i$  from  $V_i$  to  $\bigsqcup^{4-i} \mathcal{F}^{(3)}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq 4$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} f_1(v_1) &= a, f_1(v_2) = b, f_1(v_3) = c, f_1(v_4) = d, \\ f_2(v_5) &= \{a\}, f_2(v_6) = \{b\}, f_2(v_7) = \{c, d\}, f_2(v_8) = \{a, b, c, d\}, \\ f_3(v_9) &= \{\{b\}\}, f_3(v_{10}) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}\}, f_3(v_{11}) = \{\{a\}, \{c, d\}\}, \\ f_3(v_{12}) &= \{\{b\}, \{c, d\}\}, f_3(v_{13}) = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}\}, \\ f_4(v_{14}) &= \{\{\{b\}, \{c, d\}\}\}, f_4(v_{15}) = \{\{\{b\}\}, \{\{a\}, \{c, d\}\}\}, \\ f_4(v_{16}) &= \{\{\{a\}, \{b\}\}, \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{c, d\}, \{a, b, c, d\}\}\}, \end{aligned}$$

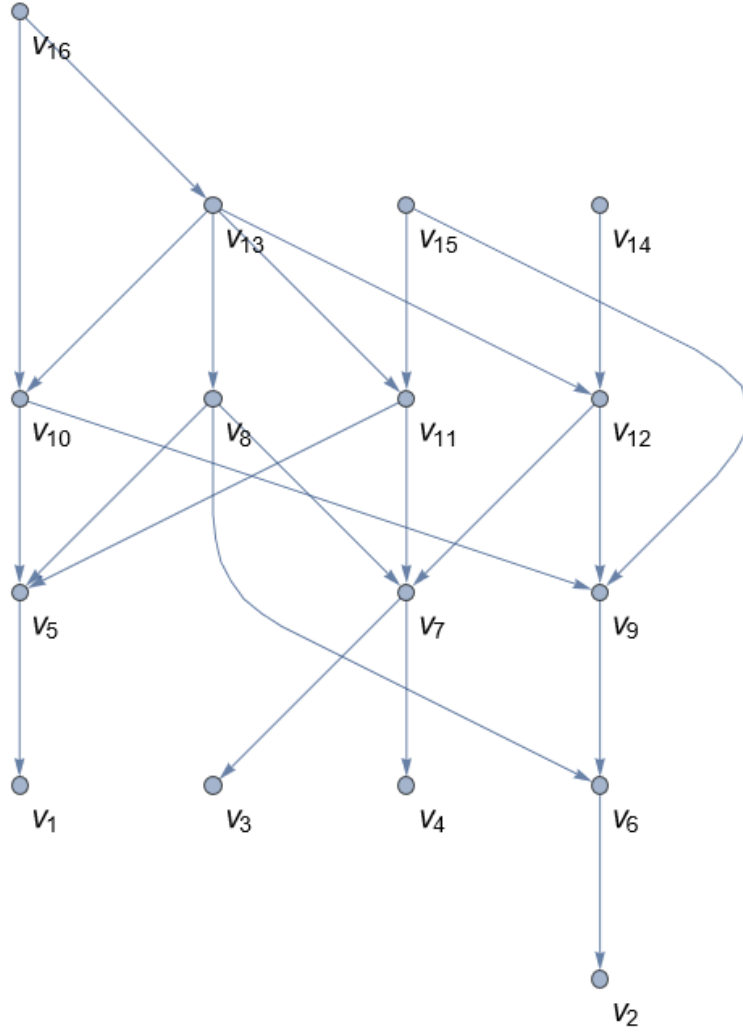
then it is clear that each of them is a one-to-one correspondence.

In the third step, we first take  $A_1$  as the empty set. Then we get

$$A_2 = \{v_8 v_5, v_8 v_6, v_8 v_7\}$$

since  $f_2(v_5)$ ,  $f_2(v_6)$ ,  $f_2(v_7)$  are maximal subsets of  $f_2(v_8)$  and one of any other pair of images of members in  $V_2$  under  $f_2$  is not a maximal subset of the other. By similar reasoning, we have

$$A_3 = \{v_{13} v_{10}, v_{13} v_{11}, v_{13} v_{12}, v_{12} v_9, v_{10} v_9\}$$



**Figure 2.** the cumulative graph representing the 3-set-family  $\mathcal{F}^{(3)}$  in Example 2

and  $A_4 = \emptyset$ .

In the last step, we first take  $B_1 = \emptyset$ . We obtain  $B_2 = \{v_7v_3, v_7v_4, v_6v_2, v_5v_1\}$  because  $f_2(v_5)$  and  $f_2(v_6)$  is a minimal set containing  $f_1(v_1)$  and  $f_1(v_2)$ , respectively; also  $f_2(v_7)$  is a minimal set containing both  $f_1(v_3)$  and  $f_1(v_4)$ . Following similar arguments, we get

$$B_3 = \{v_{13}v_8, v_{12}v_7, v_{11}v_5, v_{11}v_7, v_{10}v_5, v_9v_6\}$$

and

$$B_4 = \{v_{16}v_{10}, v_{16}v_{13}, v_{15}v_9, v_{15}v_{11}, v_{14}v_{12}\}.$$

Thus the cumulative graph representing the 3-set-family  $\mathcal{F}^{(3)}$  is  $G = (\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B})$  with  $\mathcal{V} = \{V_0, V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4\}$ ,  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4\}$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \{B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4\}$  as Figure 2 where  $V_i$ 's,  $A_i$ 's and  $B_i$ 's are taken as above.

#### 4. Conclusion

The cumulative graph introduced in this paper is a special class of graph which represents an arbitrary n-set family, and we have given the steps to be followed to obtain a cumulative graph from an n-set family, with an example implementation.

#### 5. Further work

As a future work, we plan to present the definition of a topological cumulative graph on a set, reconsider some basic concepts of set-theoretic topology on a topological cumulative graph, and obtain some useful results.

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