

$\Gamma_{3,4}$ IS A STRONGLY REGULAR GRAPH WITH $\mu = 4, 6$ ¹

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Abstract: We consider antipodal graphs Γ of diameter 4 for which $\Gamma_{1,2}$ is a strongly regular graph. A.A. Makhnev and D.V. Paduchikh noticed that, in this case, $\Delta = \Gamma_{3,4}$ is a strongly regular graph without triangles. It is known that in the cases $\mu = \mu(\Delta) \in \{2, 4, 6\}$ there are infinite series of admissible parameters of strongly regular graphs with $k(\Delta) = \mu(r+1) + r^2$, where r and $s = -(\mu+r)$ are nonprincipal eigenvalues of Δ . This paper studies graphs with $\mu(\Delta) = 4$ and 6. In these cases, Γ has intersection arrays $\{r^2 + 4r + 3, r^2 + 4r, 4, 1; 1, 4, r^2 + 4r, r^2 + 4r + 3\}$ and $\{r^2 + 6r + 5, r^2 + 6r, 6, 1; 1, 6, r^2 + 6r, r^2 + 6r + 5\}$, respectively. It is proved that graphs with such intersection arrays do not exist.

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1. Introduction

We consider undirected graphs without loops or multiple edges.

Let Γ be a connected graph. The *distance* $d(a, b)$ between two vertices a and b of Γ is the length of a shortest path between a and b in Γ . Given a vertex a in a graph Γ , we denote by $\Gamma_i(a)$ the subgraph induced by Γ on the set of all vertices that are at distance i from a . The subgraph $[a] = \Gamma_1(a)$ is called the *neighbourhood of the vertex* a .

Let Γ be a graph and $a, b \in \Gamma$. Then the number of vertices in $[a] \cap [b]$ is denoted by $\mu(a, b)$ (by $\lambda(a, b)$) if a and b are at distance 2 (are adjacent) in Γ . Further, a subgraph induced by $[a] \cap [b]$ is called a μ -*subgraph* (a λ -*subgraph*). Let Γ be a graph of diameter d and $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, d\}$. A graph Γ_i has the same set of vertices as Γ and vertices u and w are adjacent in Γ_i if $d_\Gamma(u, w) = i$. A graph $\Gamma_{i,j}$ has the same set of vertices as Γ and vertices u and w are adjacent in Γ_i if $d_\Gamma(u, w) \in \{i, j\}$.

If vertices u and w are at distance i in Γ , then we denote by $b_i(u, w)$ (by $c_i(u, w)$) the number of vertices in the intersection $\Gamma_{i+1}(u) (\Gamma_{i-1}(u))$ with $[w]$. A graph Γ of diameter d is called *distance-regular with intersection array* $\{b_0, b_1, \dots, b_{d-1}; c_1, \dots, c_d\}$ if the values $b_i(u, w)$ and $c_i(u, w)$ are

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independent of the choice of vertices u and w at distance i in Γ for any $i = 0, \dots, d$ [1]. Let $a_i = k_i - b_i - c_i$. Note that, for a distance-regular graph, b_0 is the degree of the graph and $c_1 = 1$.

Let Γ be a graph of diameter d , and let x and y be vertices of Γ . Denote by $p_{ij}^l(x, y)$ the number of vertices in the subgraph $\Gamma_i(x) \cap \Gamma_j(y)$ if $d(x, y) = l$ in Γ . In a distance-regular graph, the numbers $p_{ij}^l(x, y)$ are independent of the choice of vertices x and y , are denoted by p_{ij}^l and are called the *intersection numbers* of the graph Γ (see [1]).

Let Γ be a distance-regular graph of diameter $d \geq 3$. If Γ is an antipodal graph of diameter 4 with antipodality index r , then, by [1, Proposition 4.2.2], Γ has intersection array $\{k, k - a_1 - 1, (r - 1)c_2, 1; 1, c_2, k - a_1 - 1, k\}$.

Consider an antipodal distance-regular graph Γ of diameter 4 for which $\Gamma_{1,2}$ is a strongly regular graph. Makhnev and Paduchikh noticed in [3] that, in this case, $\Delta = \Gamma_{3,4}$ is a strongly regular graph without triangles and the antipodality index of Γ equals 2. It is known that in the cases $\mu = \mu(\Delta) \in \{2, 4, 6\}$ there arise infinite series of admissible parameters of strongly regular graphs with $k(\Delta) = \mu(r + 1) + r^2$, where r and $s = -(\mu + r)$ are nonprincipal eigenvalues of Δ .

In the present paper, we consider graphs with $\mu(\Delta) = 4$ and 6. In these cases, Γ has intersection arrays

$$\{r^2 + 4r + 3, r^2 + 4r, 4, 1; 1, 4, r^2 + 4r, r^2 + 4r + 3\}$$

and

$$\{r^2 + 6r + 5, r^2 + 6r, 6, 1; 1, 6, r^2 + 6r, r^2 + 6r + 5\},$$

respectively.

If $\mu(\Delta) = 4$, then Δ has parameters $(v, r^2 + 4r + 4, 0, 4)$, where

$$v = 1 + (r^2 + 4r + 4) + \frac{(r^2 + 4r + 4)(r^2 + 4r + 3)}{4}.$$

Further, Δ has nonprincipal eigenvalues r and $-(r + 4)$, and the multiplicity of r is equal to $(r + 3)(r + 2)(r^2 + 5r + 8)/8$.

Theorem 1. *A distance-regular graph with intersection array*

$$\{r^2 + 4r + 3, r^2 + 4r, 4, 1; 1, 4, r^2 + 4r, r^2 + 4r + 3\}$$

does not exist.

If $\mu(\Delta) = 6$, then Δ has parameters $(v, r^2 + 6r + 6, 0, 6)$, where

$$v = 1 + (r^2 + 6r + 6) + (r^2 + 6r + 6)(r^2 + 6r + 5)/6.$$

Further, Δ has nonprincipal eigenvalues r and $-(r + 6)$, and the multiplicity of r is equal to $(r + 5)(r^2 + 6r + 6)(r + 4)/12$. Therefore, r is even or congruent to 3 modulo 4.

Theorem 2. *A distance-regular graph with intersection array*

$$\{r^2 + 6r + 5, r^2 + 6r, 6, 1; 1, 6, r^2 + 6r, r^2 + 6r + 5\}$$

does not exist.

Corollary 1. *Distance-regular graphs with intersection arrays*

$$\{32, 27, 6, 1; 1, 6, 27, 32\}, \quad \{45, 40, 6, 1; 1, 6, 40, 45\}, \quad \{77, 72, 6, 1; 1, 6, 72, 77\}, \\ \{96, 91, 6, 1; 1, 6, 91, 96\}, \quad \{117, 112, 6, 1; 1, 6, 112, 117\}$$

do not exist.

2. Triple intersection numbers

Let Γ be a distance-regular graph of diameter d . If u_1, u_2 , and u_3 are vertices of the graph Γ and r_1, r_2 , and r_3 are nonnegative integers not greater than d , then $\left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} u_1 u_2 u_3 \\ r_1 r_2 r_3 \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$ is the set of vertices $w \in \Gamma$ such that

$$d(w, u_i) = r_i, \quad \left[\begin{smallmatrix} u_1 u_2 u_3 \\ r_1 r_2 r_3 \end{smallmatrix} \right] = \left| \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} u_1 u_2 u_3 \\ r_1 r_2 r_3 \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \right|.$$

The numbers $\left[\begin{smallmatrix} u_1 u_2 u_3 \\ r_1 r_2 r_3 \end{smallmatrix} \right]$ are called triple intersection numbers. For a fixed triple u_1, u_2, u_3 of vertices, we will write $[r_1 r_2 r_3]$ instead of $\left[\begin{smallmatrix} u_1 u_2 u_3 \\ r_1 r_2 r_3 \end{smallmatrix} \right]$.

Unfortunately, there are no general formulas for numbers $[r_1 r_2 r_3]$. However, [2] suggests a method for calculating some numbers $[r_1 r_2 r_3]$.

Assume that u, v , and w are vertices of the graph Γ , $W = d(u, v)$, $U = d(v, w)$, and $V = d(u, w)$. Since there is exactly one vertex $x = u$ such that $d(x, u) = 0$, then the number $[0jh]$ is 0 or 1. Hence, $[0jh] = \delta_{jW} \delta_{hV}$. Similarly, $[i0h] = \delta_{iW} \delta_{hU}$ and $[ij0] = \delta_{iU} \delta_{jV}$.

Another set of equations can be obtained by fixing the distance between two vertices from $\{u, v, w\}$ and counting the number of vertices located at all possible distances from the third. Then, we get

$$\sum_{l=1}^d [ljh] = p_{jh}^U - [0jh], \quad \sum_{l=1}^d [ilh] = p_{ih}^V - [i0h], \quad \sum_{l=1}^d [ijl] = p_{ij}^W - [ij0]. \quad (2.1)$$

At the same time, some triples disappear. If $|i - j| > W$ or $i + j < W$, then $p_{ij}^W = 0$; therefore, $[ijh] = 0$ for all $h \in \{0, \dots, d\}$. Define

$$S_{ijh}(u, v, w) = \sum_{r,s,t=0}^d Q_{ri} Q_{sj} Q_{th} \left[\begin{smallmatrix} uvw \\ rst \end{smallmatrix} \right].$$

If Krein's parameter q_{ij}^h is 0, then $S_{ijh}(u, v, w) = 0$.

3. A distance-regular graph with intersection array

$$\{r^2 + 4r + 3, r^2 + 4r, 4, 1; 1, 4, r^2 + 4r, r^2 + 4r + 3\}$$

In this section, Γ is a distance-regular graph with intersection array

$$\{r^2 + 4r + 3, r^2 + 4r, 4, 1; 1, 4, r^2 + 4r, r^2 + 4r + 3\}.$$

Then, Γ has

$$1 + (r^2 + 4r + 3) + (r^2 + 4r + 3)(r^2 + 4r)/4 + (r^2 + 4r + 3) + 1$$

vertices and the spectrum

$$\begin{aligned} (r+3)(r+1) & \text{ of multiplicity } 1, \\ r+3 & \text{ of multiplicity } \frac{(r^2 + 5r + 8)(r^2 + 3r + 4)(r+1)}{16(r+2)}, \\ r-1 & \text{ of multiplicity } \frac{(r^2 + 5r + 8)(r+4)(r+3)(r+1)}{16(r+2)}, \\ -(r+1) & \text{ of multiplicity } \frac{(r^2 + 5r + 8)(r^2 + 3r + 4)(r+3)}{16(r+2)}, \\ -(r+5) & \text{ of multiplicity } \frac{(r^2 + 3r + 4)(r+3)(r+1)r}{16(r+2)}. \end{aligned}$$

The multiplicity of $r + 3$ is equal to

$$\frac{(r^2 + 5r + 8)(r^2 + 3r + 4)(r + 1)}{16(r + 2)}.$$

Further,

$$(r^2 + 5r + 8, r + 2) = (3r + 8, r + 2)$$

divides 2 and $(r + 2, r^2 + 3r + 4) = (r + 2, r + 4)$ divides 2; therefore $r + 2$ divides 4. Consequently, $r = 2$, a contradiction with the fact that the multiplicity of $r + 3$ is equal to

$$(r^2 + 5r + 8)(r^2 + 3r + 4)(r + 1)/(16(r + 2)) = 22 \times 14 \times 3/64.$$

Theorem 1 is proved.

4. A distance-regular graph with intersection array

$$\{r^2 + 6r + 5, r^2 + 6r, 6, 1; 1, 6, r^2 + 6r, r^2 + 6r + 5\}$$

In this section, Γ is a distance-regular graph with intersection array

$$\{r^2 + 6r + 5, r^2 + 6r, 6, 1; 1, 6, r^2 + 6r, r^2 + 6r + 5\}.$$

Then, Γ has

$$1 + (r^2 + 6r + 5) + (r^2 + 6r + 5)(r^2 + 6r)/6 + (r^2 + 6r + 5) + 1$$

vertices, the spectrum

$$\begin{aligned} (r + 5)(r + 1) & \text{ of multiplicity } 1, \\ r + 5 & \text{ of multiplicity } f = (r + 4)(r + 3)(r + 2)(r + 1)/24, \\ r - 1 & \text{ of multiplicity } (r + 6)(r + 5)(r + 4)(r + 1)/24, \\ -(r + 1) & \text{ of multiplicity } (r + 5)(r + 4)(r + 3)(r + 2)/24, \\ -(r + 7) & \text{ of multiplicity } (r + 5)(r + 2)(r + 1)r/24, \end{aligned}$$

and the matrix Q (see [1]) of dual eigenvalues

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & f & \frac{f(r+6)(r+5)}{(r+2)(r+3)} & \frac{f(r+5)}{r+1} & \frac{f(r+5)r}{(r+4)(r+3)} \\ 1 & \frac{f}{r+1} & \frac{f(r+6)(r-1)}{(r+2)(r+3)(r+1)} & -\frac{f}{r+1} & -\frac{f(r+7)r}{(r+4)(r+3)(r+1)} \\ 1 & 0 & -r/2 - 2 & 0 & r/2 + 1 \\ 1 & -\frac{f}{r+1} & \frac{f(r+6)(r-1)}{(r+2)(r+3)(r+1)} & \frac{f}{r+1} & -\frac{f(r+7)r}{(r+4)(r+3)(r+1)} \\ 1 & -f & \frac{f(r+6)(r+5)}{(r+2)(r+3)} & -\frac{f(r+5)}{r+1} & \frac{f(r+5)r}{(r+4)(r+3)} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Lemma 1. *The intersection numbers are*

$$\begin{aligned} p_{11}^1 &= 4, & p_{21}^1 &= r^2 + 6r, & p_{32}^1 &= r^2 + 6r, & p_{22}^1 &= r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r, & p_{33}^1 &= 0, & p_{34}^1 &= 1; \\ p_{11}^2 &= 6, & p_{12}^2 &= r^2 + 6r - 7, & p_{13}^2 &= 6, & p_{22}^2 &= r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12, \\ p_{23}^2 &= r^2 + 6r - 7, & p_{24}^2 &= 1, & p_{33}^2 &= 2; \\ p_{12}^3 &= r^2 + 6r, & p_{13}^3 &= 4, & p_{14}^3 &= 1, & p_{22}^3 &= r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r, & p_{23}^3 &= r^2 + 6r, & p_{33}^3 &= 0; \\ p_{13}^4 &= r^2 + 6r + 5, & p_{22}^4 &= r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 41r^2/6 + 5r. \end{aligned}$$

P r o o f. Direct calculations using formulas from [1, Lemma 4.1.7]. \square

Fix vertices u, v , and w of the graph Γ and define

$$\{ijh\} = \left\{ \begin{matrix} uvw \\ ijh \end{matrix} \right\}, \quad [ijh] = \left[\begin{matrix} uvw \\ ijh \end{matrix} \right].$$

Let $\Delta = \Gamma_2(u)$, and let Λ be a graph with vertices from Δ in which two vertices are adjacent if they are at distance 2 in Γ . Then Λ is a regular graph of degree

$$p_{22}^2 = r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12$$

on

$$k_2 = (r^2 + 6r + 5)(r^2 + 6r)/6 = r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 41r^2/6 + 5r$$

vertices.

Lemma 2. *Let $d(u, v) = d(u, w) = 2$ and $d(v, w) = 1$. Then, the triple intersection numbers are*

$$\begin{aligned} [111] &= r_4, & [112] &= [121] = -r_4 + 6, & [122] &= r_3 + r_4 + r^2 + 6r - 19, & [123] &= [132] = -r_3 + 6; \\ [211] &= -r_3 - r_4 + 4, & [212] &= [221] = r_3 + r_4 + r^2 + 6r - 12, \\ [222] &= r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 36, \\ [223] &= [232] = r_3 + r_4 + r^2 + 6r - 12, & [233] &= -r_3 - r_4 + 4, & [234] &= [243] = 1; \\ [311] &= r_3, & [312] &= [321] = -r_3 + 6, & [322] &= r_3 + r_4 + r^2 + 6r - 19, & [323] &= [332] = -r_4 + 6; \\ [333] &= r_4, & [422] &= 1, \end{aligned}$$

where $r_3 + r_4 \leq 4$.

P r o o f. Simplification of formulas (2.1). \square

By Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 28 \\ \leq [222] &= -2r_3 - 2r_4 + r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 36 \leq r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 36. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 3. *Let $d(u, v) = d(u, w) = 2$ and $d(v, w) = 3$. Then, the triple intersection numbers are*

$$\begin{aligned} [112] &= -r_{11} + 6, & [113] &= r_{11}, \\ [121] &= -r_{12} + 6, & [122] &= r_{11} + r_{12} + r^2 + 6r - 19, & [123] &= -r_{11} + 6, & [132] &= -r_{12} + 6; \\ [212] &= [221] = r_{11} + r_{12} + r^2 + 6r - 12, & [213] &= [231] = -r_{11} - r_{12} + 4, & [214] &= [241] = 1, \\ [222] &= -2r_3 - 2r_4 + r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 36, & [223] &= [232] = r_{11} + r_{12} + r^2 + 6r - 12; \\ [312] &= -r_{12} + 6, & [313] &= r_{12}, & [321] &= -r_{11} + 6, & [322] &= r_{11} + r_{12} + r^2 + 6r - 19, \\ [323] &= -r_{12} + 6, & [331] &= r_{11}, & [332] &= -r_{11} + 6; & [422] &= 1, \end{aligned}$$

where $r_{11} + r_{12} \leq 4$.

P r o o f. Simplification of formulas (2.1). □

By Lemma 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 28 \\ \leq [222] &= -2r_3 - 2r_4 + r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 36 \leq r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 36. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4. Let $d(u, v) = d(u, w) = 2$ and $d(v, w) = 4$. Then, the triple intersection numbers are

$$\begin{aligned} [113] &= [131] = 6, & [122] &= r^2 + 6r - 7; \\ [213] &= [231] = r^2 + 6r - 7, & [222] &= r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12; \\ [313] &= [331] = 6, & [322] &= r^2 + 6r - 7; \\ [422] &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

P r o o f. Simplification of formulas (2.1). □

By Lemma 4, we have

$$[222] = r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12.$$

Recall that

$$p_{12}^2 = r^2 + 6r - 7, \quad p_{22}^2 = r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12, \quad p_{23}^2 = r^2 + 6r - 7, \quad p_{24}^2 = 1.$$

Let v and w be vertices from Λ . Then the number d of edges between $\Lambda(v)$ and $\Lambda - (\{v\} \cup \Lambda(v))$ is

$$d = p_{12}^2 \begin{bmatrix} uvx \\ 221 \end{bmatrix} + p_{32}^2 \begin{bmatrix} uvy \\ 223 \end{bmatrix} + p_{42}^2 \begin{bmatrix} uvz \\ 224 \end{bmatrix},$$

where x, y , and z are vertices from $\{\frac{uv}{2i}\}$ for $i = 1, 3$, and 4 , respectively. Now, d satisfies the inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} & (r^2 + 6r - 7)(r^4/3 + 4r^3 + 17r^2/3 - 38r + 56) + r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12 \leq d \\ & \leq (r^2 + 6r - 7)(r^4/3 + 4r^3 + 17r^2/3 - 38r + 72) + r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$d = \sum_{w \in \Lambda(v)} (p_{22}^2 - 1 - \lambda_{\Lambda}(v, w)) = k_{\Lambda} \left(p_{22}^2 - 1 - \frac{\sum_{w \in \Lambda(v)} \lambda_{\Lambda}(v, w)}{k_{\Lambda}} \right).$$

So,

$$d = (r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12)(r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 11 - \lambda),$$

where λ is the average value of degree of the vertex w in the graph Λ . Consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(r^2 + 6r - 7)(r^4/3 + 4r^3 + 17r^2/3 - 38r + 56)}{r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12} + 1 \leq \frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{29r^2}{6} - 7r + 11 - \lambda \\ & \leq \frac{(r^2 + 6r - 7)(r^4/3 + 4r^3 + 17r^2/3 - 38r + 72)}{r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12} + 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{29r^2}{6} - 7r + 10 - \frac{(r^2 + 6r - 7)(r^4/3 + 4r^3 + 17r^2/3 - 38r + 72)}{r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12} \leq \lambda \\ & \leq \frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{29r^2}{6} - 7r + 10 - \frac{(r^2 + 6r - 7)(r^4/3 + 4r^3 + 17r^2/3 - 38r + 56)}{r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 29r^2/6 - 7r + 12}. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 5. *Let $d(u, v) = d(u, w) = d(v, w) = 2$. Then, the triple intersection numbers are*

$$\begin{aligned}
[111] &= r_9, & [112] &= -r_7 - r_9 + 6, & [113] &= r_7, & [121] &= -r_{10} - r_9 + 6, \\
[122] &= r_7 + r_8 + r_9 + r_{10} + r^2 + 6r - 19, & [123] &= -r_7 - r_8 + 6, \\
[131] &= r_{10}, & [132] &= -r_{10} - r_8 + 6, & [133] &= r_8; \\
[211] &= -r_8 - r_9 + 6, & [212] &= [221] = r_7 + r_8 + r_9 + r_{10} + r^2 + 6r - 19, \\
[213] &= [231] = -r_{10} - r_7 + 6, & [222] &= -2r_7 - 2r_8 - 2r_9 - 2r_{10} + r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 48, \\
[223] &= [232] = r_7 + r_8 + r_9 + r_{10} + r^2 + 6r - 19, & [224] &= [242] = 1, & [233] &= -r_8 - r_8 + 6; \\
[311] &= r_8, & [312] &= -r_{10} - r_8 + 6, & [313] &= r_{10}, & [321] &= -r_7 - r_8 + 6, \\
[322] &= r_7 + r_8 + r_9 + r_{10} + r^2 + 6r - 19, & [323] &= -r_{10} - r_9 + 6, \\
[331] &= r_7, & [332] &= -r_7 - r_9 + 6, & [333] &= r_9; & [422] &= 1,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$r_9 + r_7, r_9 + r_{10}, r_7 + r_8, r_{10} + r_8, r_8 + r_9, r_7 + r_{10} \leq 6.$$

P r o o f. Simplification of formulas (2.1). □

By Lemma 5, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{17r^2}{6} - 19r + 24 &\leq [222] = -2r_7 - 2r_8 - 2r_9 - 2r_{10} + \frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{17r^2}{6} - 19r + 48 \\
&\leq \frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{17r^2}{6} - 19r + 48.
\end{aligned}$$

Let $d(u, v) = 2$.

Let us count the number e_2 of pairs of vertices (s, t) at distance 2, where $s \in \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} uv \\ 21 \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$ and $t \in \left\{ \begin{smallmatrix} uv \\ 22 \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$. On the one hand, by Lemma 2, we have

$$r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 28 \leq [222] \leq r^4/6 + 2r^3 + 17r^2/6 - 19r + 36,$$

so,

$$(r^2 + 6r - 7) \left(\frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{17r^2}{6} - 19r + 28 \right) \leq e_2 \leq (r^2 + 6r - 7) \left(\frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{17r^2}{6} - 19r + 36 \right).$$

On the other hand, by Lemma 5, we have

$$[212] = r_7 + r_8 + r_9 + r_{10} + r^2 + 6r - 19$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
&(r^2 + 6r - 7) \left(\frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{17r^2}{6} - 19r + 28 \right) \leq e_2 \\
&= - \sum_i (r_7^i + r_8^i + r_9^i + r_{10}^i) + (r^2 + 6r - 19) \left(\frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{29r^2}{6} - 7r + 12 \right) \\
&\leq (r^2 + 6r - 7) \left(\frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{17r^2}{6} - 19r + 36 \right).
\end{aligned}$$

In this way,

$$\begin{aligned} & (r^2 + 6r - 19)\left(\frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{29r^2}{6} - 7r + 12\right) - (r^2 + 6r - 7)\left(\frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{17r^2}{6} - 19r + 36\right) \\ & \qquad \qquad \qquad \leq (r_7^i + r_8^i + r_9^i + r_{10}^i) \\ & \leq (r^2 + 6r - 19)\left(\frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{29r^2}{6} - 7r + 12\right) - (r^2 + 6r - 7)\left(\frac{r^4}{6} + 2r^3 + \frac{17r^2}{6} - 19r + 28\right). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$(r_7^i + r_8^i + r_9^i + r_{10}^i) \leq -145r^3/6 - 16r^2 - 96r - 12,$$

a contradiction.

Theorem 2 is proved. □

The corollary follows from Theorems 1 and 2.

So, we have shown the nonexistence of graphs with intersection arrays

$$\{r^2 + 4r + 3, r^2 + 4r, 4, 1; 1, 4, r^2 + 4r, r^2 + 4r + 3\}$$

and

$$\{r^2 + 6r + 5, r^2 + 6r, 6, 1; 1, 6, r^2 + 6r, r^2 + 6r + 5\}.$$

In particular, distance-regular graphs with intersection arrays

$$\begin{aligned} & \{32, 27, 6, 1; 1, 6, 27, 32\}, \quad \{45, 40, 6, 1; 1, 6, 40, 45\}, \quad \{77, 72, 6, 1; 1, 6, 72, 77\}, \\ & \{96, 91, 6, 1; 1, 6, 91, 96\}, \quad \{117, 112, 6, 1; 1, 6, 112, 117\} \end{aligned}$$

do not exist.

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