

**(4, 5)-CYCLE SYSTEMS OF COMPLETE MULTIPARTITE GRAPHS**

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**Abstract.** In 1981, Alspach conjectured that if  $3 \leq m_i \leq v$ ,  $v$  is odd and  $v(v-1)/2 = m_1 + m_2 + \cdots + m_t$ , then the complete graph  $K_v$  can be decomposed into  $t$  cycles of lengths  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t$  respectively; if  $v$  is even,  $v(v-2)/2 = m_1 + m_2 + \cdots + m_t$ , then the complete graph minus a one-factor  $K_v - F$  can be decomposed into  $t$  cycles of lengths  $m_1, m_2, \dots, m_t$  respectively. In this paper, we extend the study to the decomposition of the complete equipartite graph  $K_{m(n)}$ . For  $m_i \in \{4, 5\}$ , we prove that the trivial necessary conditions are also sufficient.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

An  $\mathcal{H}$ -decomposition of the graph  $G$  is a partition of  $E(G)$  such that each element of the partition induces a subgraph isomorphic to a graph in  $\mathcal{H}$ . If  $\mathcal{H}$  just contains a cycle  $C_k$ , such a decomposition is referred to as an  $k$ -cycle decomposition of  $G$ .  $k$ -cycle decomposition of various graph have been considered by many authors. Necessary and sufficient conditions for a complete graph of odd order, or for a complete graph of even order minus a one-factor, to have decomposition into cycles of some fixed length are now known; see [1,2,4,6,8,9,10,11,13] and references therein. Now, we extend the decomposition of  $K_n$  to that of the complete equipartite graph  $K_{m(n)}$ , with  $m$  parts of size  $n$ .

The obvious necessary conditions for the existence of a decomposition of the complete equipartite graph  $K_{m(n)}$  into cycles  $\mathbb{C}_1, \mathbb{C}_2, \mathbb{C}_3, \dots, \mathbb{C}_t$ , of lengths  $m_1, m_2, m_3, \dots, m_t$ , whose edges partition the edge set of  $K_{m(n)}$  are

- $3 \leq m_i \leq mn$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, t$ ;
- the degree of every vertex in  $K_{m(n)}$  is even;
- $m_1 + m_2 + \cdots + m_t = \frac{m(m-1)n^2}{2}$ .

Here we prove that the above necessary conditions are sufficient when  $m_i \in \{4, 5\}$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, t$ .

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We start with some notations which will be used in what follows. A subgraph of graph  $G$  is a graph  $H$  such that  $V(H) \subseteq V(G)$  and  $E(H) \subseteq E(G)$ ; an induced subgraph  $H$  of  $G$  is a subgraph of  $G$  such  $E(H)$  consists of all edges of  $G$  whose end points belong to  $V(H)$ . If  $S$  is a nonempty set of vertices of  $G$ , then the subgraph of  $G$  induced by  $S$  is the induced subgraph of  $G$  with vertex set  $S$ . This induced subgraph of  $G$  is denoted by  $G[S]$ . Similarly, if  $S_i, S_j, S_k$  are three disjoint subsets of  $V(G)$ , then the subgraph of  $G$  with vertex sets  $S_i \cup S_j \cup S_k$  and the edge set contains all edges which are among the vertices in  $S_i, S_j$  and  $S_k$ , respectively is denoted by  $G[S_i, S_j, S_k]$ . An  $(m^r, n^s)$ -cycle system of a graph  $G$  is a set consisting of  $r$   $m$ -cycles and  $s$   $n$ -cycles whose edges partition  $E(G)$ . For any non-negative integer  $v$ , define  $S_{m,n}(v) = \{(s, r) | ms + nr = v \text{ and } r, s \geq 0\}$  and for a given graph  $G$ , define  $T_{m,n}(G) = \{(r, s) | \text{there exists an } (m^r, n^s)\text{-cycle system of } G\}$ .

Let  $S$  be an  $n$ -element set. A *latin square* of order  $n$  based on  $S$  is an  $n \times n$  array in which each cell contains a single element from  $S$ , such that each element occurs exactly once in each row and each column.

Before we consider  $(4^r, 5^s)$ -cycle system of  $K_{m(n)}$ , we need some 5-cycle packings of complete graphs and complete multipartite graphs.

**Theorem 1.1.** ([12]). *The minimum leaves of the maximum packings of  $K_v$  with 5-cycles are as follows in Table 1. Here,  $F$  is a 1-factor,  $C_i$  is a cycle of length  $i$ ,  $2C_3$  is a bowtie,  $F_i$  is a graph with  $v/2 + i$  edges and each vertex has odd degree.*

Table 1. The minimum leaves of the maximum packings of  $K_v$  with 5-cycles

$v \pmod{10}$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
L (leave)	F	$\emptyset$	F	$C_3$	$F_4$	$\emptyset$	$F_2$	$2C_3$	$F_4$	$2C_3$

**Theorem 1.2.** ([5]). *If  $v$  is odd then  $T_{m,n}(K_v) = S_{m,n}(|E(K_v)|)$ , and if  $v$  is even then  $T_{m,n}(K_v - F) = S_{m,n}(|E(K_v - F)|)$ , where  $F$  is a 1-factor of  $K_v$ .*

**Theorem 1.3.** ([7]). *Let  $m$  be an odd integer. Then the minimum leaves of the maximum packings of  $K_{m(n)}$  with 5-cycles are as follows:  $m$  is taken to be the number modulo 10,  $n$  is considered to be modulo 5.*

Table 2. The minimum leaves of the maximum packings of  $K_{m(n)}$  with 5-cycles

$m / n$	0	1	2	3	4
1	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$
3	$\emptyset$	$C_3$	$C_3 \cup C_4$	$C_3 \cup C_4$	$C_3$
5	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$
7	$\emptyset$	$2C_3$	$C_4$	$C_4$	$2C_3$
9	$\emptyset$	$2C_3$	$C_4$	$C_4$	$2C_3$

**Lemma 1.4.** ([7]). *Let  $n \geq 2$ , and  $C_{5(n)}$  denote the graph with vertex set  $Z_n \times Z_5$  and edge set  $E(C_{5(n)})$ , where  $\{(i_1, j_1), (i_2, j_2)\} \in E(C_{5(n)})$  if and only if  $j_2 \equiv j_1 + 1 \pmod{5}$ . Then  $C_{5(n)}$  can be decomposed into 5-cycles.*

It is easy to see that  $C_{5(2)}$  can be decomposed into  $5C_4$  or  $4C_5$ , and  $C_{5(3)}$  can be decomposed into  $9C_5$  or  $5C_4 \cup 5C_5$  or  $10C_4 \cup C_5$ , i.e.  $T_{4,5}(C_{5(n)}) = S_{4,5}(|E(C_{5(n)})|)$ , when  $n = 2, 3$ .

**Lemma 1.5.** ([7]). *There is a 5-cycle packing of  $K_{n,n,n}$  with leave (i)  $\emptyset$  when  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$  (ii)  $C_3$  when  $n \equiv 1$  or  $4 \pmod{5}$  and (iii)  $C_3 \cup C_4$  when  $n \equiv 2$  or  $3 \pmod{5}$ .*

By the same technique, we have

**Lemma 1.6.** *There is a 5-cycle packing of  $K_{n,n,n}$  with leave (i)  $C_3$  when  $n \equiv 1$  or  $4 \pmod{5}$  and (ii)  $4C_3$  when  $n \equiv 2$  or  $3 \pmod{5}$ .*

**Theorem 1.7.** ([3]).

*Let  $H_1, H_2$  and  $H_3$  be the graphs of  $\begin{smallmatrix} \star & \star & \star \\ \star & \star & \star \\ \star & \star & \star \end{smallmatrix}$  respectively. Then (1)  $H_1|K_m$  if and only if  $n \equiv 0$  or  $1 \pmod{5}$ , (2)  $H_2|K_m$  if and only if  $n \equiv 0$  or  $1 \pmod{5}$ ,  $n > 6$ , and (3)  $H_3|K_m$  if and only if  $n \equiv 0$  or  $1 \pmod{5}$ ,  $n \neq 5$ .*

For convenience, let  $(v_0; v_1, v_3; v_2, v_4)$  denote the graph  $H_1$ , where  $\{v_i | i \in Z_5\}$  is the vertex set of  $H_1$  and  $v_0, v_1, v_2$  adjacent to each other,  $v_3, v_4$  adjacent to  $v_1, v_2$ , respectively; let  $(v_0, v_1, v_2; v_3, v_4)$  denote the graph  $H_2$ , where  $\{v_i | i \in Z_5\}$  is the vertex set of  $H_2$  and  $v_0, v_1, v_2$  adjacent to each other,  $v_3, v_4$  adjacent to  $v_2$ , together; finally, let  $(v_0; v_1, v_3; v_2, v_3)$  denote the graph  $H_3$ , where  $\{v_i | i \in Z_4\}$  is the vertex set of  $H_3$  and  $v_0, v_1, v_2$  adjacent to each other,  $v_3$  adjacent to  $v_1, v_2$ . Let  $\mathcal{H} = \{H_1, H_2, H_3, H_4(= C_5)\}$ . Before we consider the 5-cycle packing of complete equipartite graph  $K_{m(n)}$ , we first study an  $\mathcal{H}$ -packing of complete graph  $K_m$ .

## 2. $\mathcal{H}$ -PACKING OF COMPLETE GRAPH $K_m$

Let  $H_{1(n)}$  and  $H_{2(n)}$  be the 5-partite graphs with vertex set  $Z_n \times Z_5$  and  $\{(i_1, j_1), (i_2, j_2)\} \in E(H_{i(n)})$  if and only if  $\{j_1, j_2\} \in E(H_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Similarly, let  $H_{3(n)}$  be the 4-partite graph with vertex set  $Z_n \times Z_4$  and  $(i_1, j_1), (i_2, j_2)$  are adjoined if and only if  $j_1, j_2$  are adjoined in  $H_3$ . By the following lemmas,  $H_{i(2n)}$  can be decomposed into a combination of 5-cycles and 4-cycles, for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ .

**Lemma 2.1.**  $H_{1(t)}, H_{2(t)}$ , and  $H_{3(t)}$  can be decomposed into  $t^2H_1, t^2H_2, t^2H_3$  respectively.

*Proof.* Let  $Z_t \times Z_5$  be the vertex set of  $H_{1(t)}$  and  $H_{2(t)}$ , and  $Z_t \times Z_4$  be the vertex set of  $H_{3(t)}$ . Let  $M$  be a latin square of order  $t$  base on  $Z_t$ . For  $(i, j, M(i, j)), 0 \leq i, j \leq t-1$ ,

$H_{1(t)}$  can be decomposed into  $t^2 H_1$  as  $((i, 0); (j, 1), (M(i, j), 3); (M(i, j), 2), (j, 4))$ ,  $H_{2(t)}$  can be decomposed into  $t^2 H_2$  as  $((i, 0), (j, 1), (M(i, j), 2); (j, 3), (j, 4))$ , and  $H_{3(t)}$  can be decomposed into  $t^2 H_3$  as  $((i, 0); (j, 1), (i, 3); (M(i, j), 2), (i, 3))$ . ■

**Lemma 2.2.**  $H_{i(2)}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, 3$  can be decomposed into  $4C_5$ 's.

*Proof.*  $H_{1(2)}$  can be decomposed into four 5-cycles as:  $((0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 3), (1, 1), (0, 2))$ ,  $((0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 3), (0, 1), (1, 2))$ ,  $((1, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (0, 4), (1, 2))$ ,  $((1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 4), (0, 2))$ ,  $H_{2(2)}$  can be decomposed into four 5-cycles as:  $((0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (0, 3), (1, 2))$ ,  $((0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (0, 2))$ ,  $((1, 0), (0, 1), (1, 2), (0, 4), (0, 2))$ ,  $((1, 0), (1, 1), (0, 2), (1, 4), (1, 2))$ , and  $H_{3(2)}$  can be decomposed into four 5-cycles:  $((0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 3), (1, 1), (0, 2))$ ,  $((0, 0), (1, 1), (1, 3), (0, 1), (1, 2))$ ,  $((1, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2), (0, 3), (1, 2))$ ,  $((1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2), (1, 3), (0, 2))$ . ■

**Lemma 2.3.**  $K_{12}$ ,  $K_{14}$  can be packed with graphs in  $\mathcal{H}$  which has leave a bowtie.

*Proof.* (1) Let  $Z_{12}$  be the vertex set of  $K_{12}$ . Then  $K_{12}$  can be packed with  $K_6 \cup 6H_2 \cup 3H_3$  as the following:  $K_6 = K_{12}[\{0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}]$ ,  $6H_2 : (7, 11, 2; 6, 9), (3, 7, 8; 2, 11), (6, 11, 3; 9, 10), (7, 9, 4; 6, 10), (4, 8, 10; 2, 9), (5, 8, 6; 9, 10)$ ,  $3H_3 : (1; 6, 0; 7, 0), (1; 8, 0; 9, 0), (1; 10, 0; 11, 0)$ , which has leave a bowtie:  $(5, 7, 10), (5, 9, 11)$ . By theorem 1.7,  $K_6$  can be decomposed into  $3H_2$ , and  $K_{12}$  can be packed with  $H_2$  and  $H_3$  which has leave a bowtie. (2) Let  $Z_{14}$  be the vertex set of  $K_{14}$ . Then  $K_{14}$  can be packed with  $2H_1 \cup 9H_2 \cup 6H_3$  as following:  $2H_1 : (2; 6, 11; 10, 9), (3; 6, 9; 1, 12)$ ,  $9H_2 : (1, 9, 5; 8, 0), (3, 8, 2; 5, 11), (3, 7, 4; 2, 5), (7, 10, 5; 6, 11), (6, 7, 12; 5, 8), (7, 11, 8; 6, 9), (11, 12, 3; 9, 10), (12, 4, 9; 2, 11), (4, 11, 10; 1, 12)$ ,  $6H_3 : (5; 3, 0; 13, 0), (13; 7, 0; 9, 0), (13; 1, 0; 11, 0), (13; 4, 0; 6, 0), (13; 8, 0; 10, 0), (13; 2, 0; 12, 0)$  which has leave a bowtie:  $(1, 2, 7), (1, 4, 8)$ . ■

**Lemma 2.4.**  $K_8$  can be packing with  $\mathcal{H}$  which has leave a 3-cycle.

*Proof.* Let  $Z_8$  be the vertex set of  $K_8$ . Then  $K_8$  can be decomposed into  $5H_1 \cup C_3$  as following:  $5H_1 : (2; 3, 4; 7, 5), (2; 6, 4; 1, 7), (4; 0, 3; 7, 6), (5; 3, 1; 6, 0), (5; 4, 1; 2, 0)$ , and  $C_3 : (0, 1, 5)$ . ■

**Lemma 2.5.**  $K_{5,5,t}$  has an  $\mathcal{H}$ -decomposition for  $t = 2, 4$  or  $8$ .

*Proof.* (1) Let  $(Z_2 \times \{0\}) \cup (Z_5 \times \{1, 2\})$  be the vertex set of  $K_{2,5,5}$ . Then  $K_{2,5,5}$  can be decomposed into  $4H_1 \cup 5H_2$  as the following:  $4H_1 : ((4, 2); (0, 1), (1, 2); (1, 0), (3, 2)), ((0, 2); (1, 1), (2, 2); (1, 0), (4, 1)), ((1, 0); (2, 1), (3, 2); (1, 2), (4, 1)), ((1, 0); (3, 1), (4, 2); (2, 2), (4, 1))$ , and  $5H_2 : ((0, 0), (0, 2), (0, 1); (2, 2), (3, 2)), ((0, 0), (1, 2), (1, 1); (3, 2), (4, 2)), ((0, 0), (2, 2), (2, 1); (4, 2), (0, 2)), ((0, 0), (3, 2), (3, 1); (1, 2), (0, 2)), ((0, 0), (4, 2), (4, 1); (3, 2), (0, 2))$ .

(2) Let  $(Z_4 \times \{0\}) \cup (Z_5 \times \{1, 2\})$  be the vertex set of  $K_{4,5,5}$ . Then  $K_{4,5,5}$  can be decomposed into  $6H_1 \cup 7H_2$  as the following:  $6H_1 : ((2, 2); (2, 1), (3, 2); (0, 0),$

$(0, 2)$ ,  $((3, 2); (3, 1), (4, 2); (0, 0), (1, 2))$ ,  $((3, 2); (0, 1), (1, 2); (2, 0), (0, 2))$ ,  $((4, 2); (1, 1), (2, 2); (2, 0), (1, 2))$ ,  $((1, 2); (4, 1), (0, 2); (3, 0), (0, 2))$ ,  $((2, 2); (0, 1), (0, 2); (3, 0), (3, 1))$ , and  $7H_2 : ((4, 1), (4, 2), (0, 0); (0, 1), (1, 1)), ((0, 1), (4, 2), (1, 0); (0, 2), (1, 2))$ ,  $((1, 0), (2, 2), (3, 1); (1, 2), (0, 2))$ ,  $((4, 1), (3, 2), (1, 0); (1, 1), (2, 1))$ ,  $((4, 1), (2, 2), (2, 0); (2, 1), (3, 1))$ ,  $((3, 0), (3, 2), (1, 1); (1, 2), (0, 2))$ ,  $((3, 0), (4, 2), (2, 1); (0, 2), (1, 2))$ .

(3) Let  $(Z_5 \times Z_2) \cup (Z_8 \times \{2\})$  be the vertex set of  $K_{5,5,8}$ . Then  $K_{5,5,8}$  can be decomposed into  $9H_1 \cup 6H_2 \cup 6H_3$  as the following :  $9H_1 : ((1, 2); (1, 1), (5, 2); (0, 0), (6, 2))$ ,  $((2, 2); (2, 1), (5, 2); (0, 0), (7, 2))$ ,  $((4, 2); (0, 1), (6, 2); (1, 0), (5, 2))$ ,  $((2, 2); (3, 1), (6, 2); (1, 0), (7, 2))$ ,  $((3, 2); (4, 1), (6, 2); (1, 0), (0, 2))$ ,  $((3, 2); (0, 1), (7, 2); (2, 0), (5, 2))$ ,  $((2, 2); (4, 1), (7, 2); (2, 0), (0, 2))$ ,  $((1, 2); (4, 1), (4, 0); (3, 0), (0, 2))$ ,  $((2, 2); (2, 1), (1, 0); (4, 0), (6, 2))$ ,  $6H_2 : ((0, 0), (3, 2), (3, 1); (3, 0), (5, 2))$ ,  $((0, 0), (4, 2), (4, 1); (0, 2), (5, 2))$ ,  $((0, 1), (2, 2), (3, 0); (5, 2), (6, 2))$ ,  $((3, 0), (3, 2), (1, 1); (0, 2), (7, 2))$ ,  $((0, 1), (1, 2), (4, 0); (5, 2), (7, 2))$ ,  $((4, 0), (3, 2), (2, 1); (0, 2), (2, 0))$ , and  $6H_3 : ((0, 2); (0, 1), (5, 2); (0, 0), (5, 2))$ ,  $((1, 2); (2, 1), (6, 2); (1, 0), (6, 2))$ ,  $((4, 2); (1, 1), (6, 2); (2, 0), (6, 2))$ ,  $((1, 2); (3, 1), (7, 2); (2, 0), (7, 2))$ ,  $((4, 2); (2, 1), (7, 2); (3, 0), (7, 2))$ ,  $((4, 2); (3, 1), (0, 2); (4, 0), (0, 2))$ . ■

Now, we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.6.** *The minimum leaves of the maximum packings of  $K_v$  with  $\mathcal{H}$ -set are as follows:*

Table 3. The minimum leaves of the maximum packings of  $K_v$  with  $\mathcal{H}$ -set

$v \pmod{10}$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
L (leave)	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$e$	$C_3$	$e$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$e$	$C_3$	$e$

*Proof.* (i) If the order  $v \equiv 0, 1, 5, 6 \pmod{10}$ , by theorem 1.8,  $K_v$  can be decomposed into  $H_1$ . (ii) If  $v \equiv 3, 7, \text{ or } 9 \pmod{10}$ , by theorem 1.2,  $K_v$  can be packed with  $H_4 (= C_5)$  which has leave  $C_3, 2C_3$ , and  $2C_3$ , respectively.  $2C_3 = H_2 \cup \{e\}$ . So we can get the above results. (iii) If  $v \equiv 2, 4, \text{ or } 8 \pmod{10}$ , let  $G = K_{10s+t}$ ,  $t = 2, 4, \text{ or } 8$ ,  $G$  can be viewed as a graph which contains  $2s$  parts of  $K_5$  and one part of  $K_t$ , and every parts join to the other part. Then if  $s = 3p$ ,  $G$  can be decomposed into  $6pK_5, 1K_2, 3pK_{5,5,t}$  and  $p(6p - 2)K_{5,5,5}$ . If  $s = 3p + 1$ , then  $G$  can be decomposed into  $(6p + 2)K_5, 1K_t, (3p + 1)K_{5,5,t}$  and  $2p(3p + 1)K_{5,5,5}$ . If  $s = 3p + 2$  (i.e.  $G$  contains  $6p + 4$  parts of  $K_5$  and one part of  $K_t$  and every parts join to the other parts),  $p \geq 1$ ,  $G$  can be decomposed into  $(6p + 4)K_5, 1K_t, (3p + 2)K_{5,5,t}, (6p(p + 1) - 2)K_{5,5,5}$ , and  $K_{5,5,5,5,5}$ . By the above lemmas, we know that the minimum leaves of the maximum packings of  $K_{10s+t}$  with  $\mathcal{H}$ -set are the same as the minimum leaves of the maximum packings of  $K_t$  with  $\mathcal{H}$ -set. So, there exists an  $\mathcal{H}$ -packing of  $K_v$  which has the leave as the above table. ■

By the above discussion, we have the following proposition:

**Proposition 2.7.** *There exists an  $\mathcal{H}$ -packings of  $K_v$  with the following leaves.*

Table 4. The leaves of an  $\mathcal{H}$ -packing of  $K_v$

$v \pmod{10}$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
L (leave)	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$2C_3$	$C_3$	$2C_3$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$2C_3$	$C_3$	$2C_3$

Combine proposition 2.7 and Lemma 1.4, we have

**Theorem 2.8.** *The minimum leaves of the maximum packings of  $K_{m(n)}$  with  $\mathcal{H}$ -set are as follows:  $m, n$  are considered to be the number modulo 10, 5 respectively;  $e$  is one edge,  $C_i$  is a cycle of length  $i$ .*

Table 5. The minimum leaves of the maximum packings of  $K_{m(n)}$  with  $\mathcal{H}$ -set

$n \setminus m$	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$
1	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$e$	$C_3$	$e$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$e$	$C_3$	$e$
2	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$4e$	$2e$	$4e$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$4e$	$2e$	$4e$
3	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$4e$	$2e$	$4e$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$4e$	$2e$	$4e$
4	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$e$	$C_3$	$e$	$\emptyset$	$\emptyset$	$e$	$C_3$	$e$

**Theorem 2.9.**  $T_{4,5}(K_{m(n)}) = S_{4,5}(|E(K_{m(n)})|)$ .

*Proof.* If a complete equipartite graph  $K_{m(n)}$  is (4,5)-sufficient then  $n$  is even or  $m, n$  are both odd. (i) If  $n$  is even, say  $n = 2s$ . View two vertices in the same partite set of  $K_{m(2s)}$  as a point, then  $K_{m(2s)}$  can be viewed as a complete multipartite graph  $K'_{m(s)}$ , and each edge  $e'$  in  $K'_{m(s)}$  is a  $C_4$  in  $K_{m(2s)}$ . By the theorem 2.8,  $K'_{m(s)}$  can be decomposed into  $\beta_1 H'_1, \beta_2 H'_2, \beta_3 H'_3, \beta_4 H'_4$ , and a leave  $L'$  with  $|E(L')| = \alpha < 4$ . This implies that  $K_{m(2s)}$  can be decomposed into  $\beta_1 H_{1(2)}, \beta_2 H_{2(2)}, \beta_3 H_{3(2)}, \beta_4 H_{4(2)}$ , and  $\alpha C_4$ . Because  $H_{i(2)}, i = 1, 2, 3, 4$  can be decomposed into  $5C_4$ 's or  $4C_5$ 's, discretionarily, in the other word, if the size of a complete equipartite graph  $K_{m(2s)}$  is equal to  $4r+5s$ , then the graph can be decomposed into  $r$  4-cycles and  $s$  5-cycles.

(ii) Let  $m, n$  are both odd, say  $m = 2s + 1, n = 2t + 1$ . Let  $V(K_{m(n)}) = (\{\infty\} \cup Z_{2t}) \times Z_m$  then  $K_{m(n)} - (\{\infty\} \times Z_m)$  is isomorphic to  $K_{m(2t)}$ . By Theorem 1.1, if  $m \equiv 1$  or  $5 \pmod{10}$ ,  $K_{m(2t)}$  can be decomposed into  $C_{5(2t)}$ 's; if  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{10}$ ,  $K_{m(2t)}$  can be packing with  $C_{5(2t)}$ 's which has leave a  $C_{3(2t)}$ ; if  $m \equiv 7$  or  $9 \pmod{10}$ ,  $K_{m(2t)}$  can be packing with  $C_{5(2t)}$ 's which has leave  $2C_{3(2t)}$ 's.  $C_{5(2t)}$  can be decomposed into  $t^2 C_{5(2)}$ 's. W.L.O.G. assume the five partite sets of  $C_{5(2)}$  are  $\{j_i | i \in Z_5\}$ . Let  $\bar{G}$  be the graph with vertex set  $V(C_{5(2)}) \cup \{(\infty, j_i) | i \in Z_5\}$  and edge set  $E(\bar{G}) = E(C_{5(2)}) \cup \{((l, j_i), (\infty, j_{i+1})) | l = \infty, 0, 1; i \in Z_5\}$ .

Then  $\bar{G}$  is isomorphic to  $C_{5(3)}$ . Because  $T_{4,5}(C_{5(3)} - C_5) = S_{4,5}(|E(C_{5(3)} - C_5)|)$ , where  $C_5 = ((\infty, j_0), (\infty, j_1), (\infty, j_2), (\infty, j_3), (\infty, j_4))$ . Then  $T_{4,5}(K_{m(n)} - K_m) = S_{4,5}(|E(K_{m(n)} - K_m)|)$ , where  $V(K_m) = \{(\infty, j) | j \in Z_m\}$ . By theorem 1.3,  $T_{4,5}(K_{m(n)}) = S_{4,5}(|E(K_{m(n)})|)$ , when  $m \equiv 1$ , or  $5 \pmod{10}$ . Similarly,  $T_{4,5}(C_{3(3)} - C_3) = S_{4,5}(|E(C_{3(3)} - C_3)|)$ ,  $T_{4,5}(K_{m(2t+1)} - K_m) = S_{4,5}(|E(K_{m(2t+1)} - K_m)|)$ , where  $V(K_m) = \{(\infty, j) | j \in Z_m\}$ ,  $m \equiv 3, 7$  or  $9 \pmod{10}$ . By theorem 1.3,  $T_{4,5}(K_{m(n)}) = S_{4,5}(|E(K_{m(n)})|)$ , when  $m, n$  are odd. ■

**Corollary 2.10.** *Alspach's conjecture is true if the cycle set just contains only 4-cycle and 5-cycle.*

*Proof.* Let  $n = 1$  and  $2$ , respectively. ■

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