

# Learning Fullerene Structures by Graph Grammars

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, some infinite classes of fullerene graphs are generated using hyperedge replacement graph grammars and a learning algorithm is discussed to learn some infinite classes of fullerene graphs. This paper is an impact of Jeltsch and Kreowski work on Grammatical Inference based on Hyperedge replacement, to study some infinite classes of fullerene graphs.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Graphs are used in various fields of science especially in computer mathematics, mathematical chemistry, and artificial intelligence. Graph grammars consists of rewriting rules that are called as production rules which replaces a part of graph with some other graph structure. Generation and manipulations of graphs are used by graph grammars.<sup>1,5</sup>

Fullerenes are made up of carbon atoms. Fullerenes graphs are graphs with vertex set is set of atoms and edge set is the set of bonds between the atoms. polyhedral molecules made entirely of carbon atoms. Researchers around the world are exploring applications of fullerene. In 1996 the Nobel prize in Chemistry was awarded for the discovery of fullerene. Fullerenes find wide application in different fields of science since their discovery in 1985. There are many applications of practical importance of fullerene such as IT devices, diagnostics, pharmaceuticals, environmental, energy industries and especially in cancer treatment<sup>7,6</sup>.

Learning automata and grammar from strings was dealt with by researchers. D. Angulin,<sup>3</sup> used language learning as a central problem for computational learning theory which led to defining and studying different learning paradigms as learning with the help of oracles. Thus, the field of grammatical inference has applications in a number of research areas including machine learning, formal language theory, syntactic and structural pattern recognition, computational linguistics, computational biology and speech recognition.<sup>2</sup>

In this paper, we define hyperedge replacement graph grammars to generate some infinite classes of fullerene graphs and we give a learning algorithm to learn some infinite classes of fullerene graphs.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

**Definition 2.1:**<sup>5</sup> Let  $C$  be an arbitrary but finite set of labels and let  $\text{type}: C \rightarrow N$  be a typing function. A Hypergraph  $H$  over  $C$  is a tuple  $(V, E, \text{att}, \text{lab}, \text{ext})$  Where  $V$  is a finite set of nodes,  $E$  is a finite set of hyperedges,  $\text{att}: E \rightarrow V^*$  is a mapping assigning a sequence of pair wise distinct attachment node  $\text{att}(e)$  to each  $e \in E$ ,  $\text{lab}: E \rightarrow C$  is a mapping that labels each hyperedge such that  $\text{type}(\text{lab}(e)) = |\text{att}(e)|$ ,  $\text{ext} \in V^*$  is a sequence of pair wise distinct external nodes. The Classes of all hypergraphs over  $C$  is denoted by  $H_C$ .

**Definition 2.2:**<sup>5</sup> A *hyperedge replacement grammar* is a system  $\text{HRG} = (N, T, P, S)$ , Where  $N \subseteq C$  is a set of non-terminals.  $T \subseteq C$  with  $T \cap N = \emptyset$  is a set of terminals,  $P$  is a finite set of productions. A production over  $N$  is an ordered pair  $P = (A, R)$  with  $A \in N$ ,  $R \in H_C$  and  $\text{type}(A) = \text{type}(R)$ .  $A$  is called the left-hand side of  $P$  and is denoted by  $\text{lhs}(P)$ .  $R$  is called the right-hand side and is denoted  $\text{rhs}(P)$ .  $S \in N$  is a start symbol. We denote the classes of all hyperedge replacement grammars by  $\text{HRG}$ .

**Definition 2.3:**<sup>5</sup> A *m-hypergraph* is defined as a hypergraph with  $m$  external nodes and a handle  $e$  (single hyperedge) with attach  $H(e) = \text{ext } H$ . If labelling  $H(e) = A$ , then  $H$  is said to be handle induced by  $A$  and is denoted by  $A \bullet$ .

**Definition 2.4:**<sup>5</sup> The *hypergraph language*  $L(\text{HRG})$  generated by  $\text{HRG}$  is  $L_{\subseteq}(\text{HRG})$  where for all  $A \in N$ .  $L_A(\text{HRG})$  consists of all hypergraphs in  $H_T$  derivable from  $A^*$  by applying productions of  $P: L_A(\text{HRG}) = \{H \in H_T / A^* \xrightarrow{*} H\}$  We denote the classes of all hyperedge replacement grammars by  $\text{HRL}$ .

**Definition 2.5:**<sup>6</sup> A *Fullerene graph* is a 3-regular planar simple finite graph with pentagon or hexagon faces. In these graphs the number of pentagon faces is 12. Therefore, any fullerene graph can be characterized by number of its hexagon faces. If the number of 5-cycles (pentagons) in a given fullerene  $F$  is  $p$  and number of 6-cycles (hexagons) is  $h$ . Since each vertex lies in exactly 3 faces and each edge lies in 2 faces, then the number of vertices is

$V = (5p+6h)/3$ , number of edges is  $e = (5p+6h)/2$  and the number of faces is  $f = p + h$ . By the Euler's formula  $v - e + f = 2$ , one can deduce  $p = 12$ ,  $v = 2h + 20$ ,  $e = 3h + 30$ . For  $h = 0$ , the unique fullerene is a dodecahedron with  $v=20$ ,  $e = 30$  is given in Figure 1. There is no fullerene with  $h=1$ . The basic fullerene graphs with  $h=2,3,4,5,6,7$  are given in figure 2.

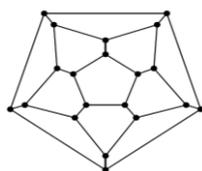


Figure 1 Fullerene  $h=0$

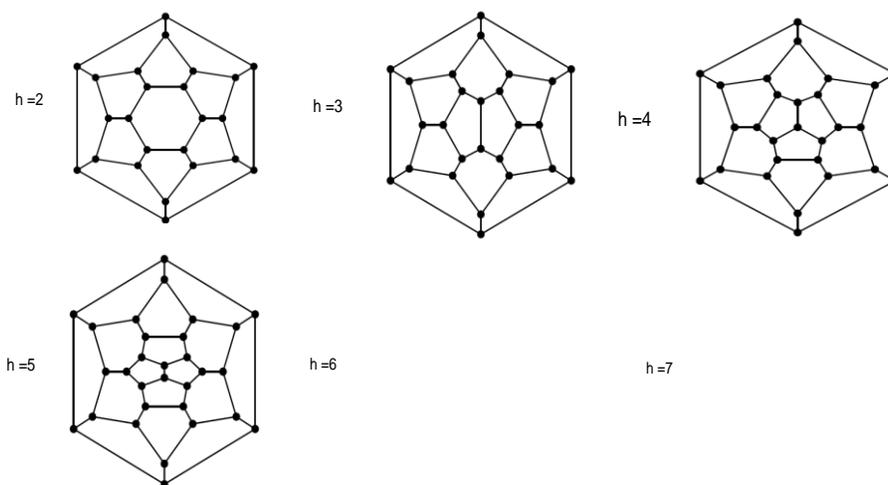


Figure 2 The Basic fullerene graphs<sup>5</sup>

### Extending process:<sup>6</sup>

Let  $F$  be a fullerene with a hexagon face neighbored by pentagons only, as the above  $h = 2,3,4,5,7$ . Add a vertex to each edge of the hexagon to make all 6 neighboring pentagons, hexagon and add an edge to each new vertex, finally join the ends of new edges to make a new hexagon. With this process, we get a new fullerene with 6 more hexagons. The new fullerene has the same property and we may do the process again to get new fullerenes. We can construct fullerenes with  $h = i + 6k$  hexagons, for  $i = 2,3,4,5,6,7$  and  $k = 1,2, 3...$  These numbers cover all-natural numbers except multiples of 6. But, the same process which is done for  $h = 5$  to get  $h = 6$  in Figure 2, can be done for any fullerene with  $h= 6k - 1$  hexagons to get a fullerene with  $h = 6k$  hexagons.

### 3. GENERATION OF SOME INFINITE CLASS OF FULLERENE USING HYPEREDGE REPLACEMENT GRAPH GRAMMAR

The hyperedge replacement graph grammar for some infinite classes of fullerene graphs with  $h=i+6k$ , where  $i=2,3,4,5,6,7$  is HRG= (S, D, D', E, E', P, S) where S is the start symbol, D, D', E, E' are non -terminals and P is the productions rules that are given in Figure 3.

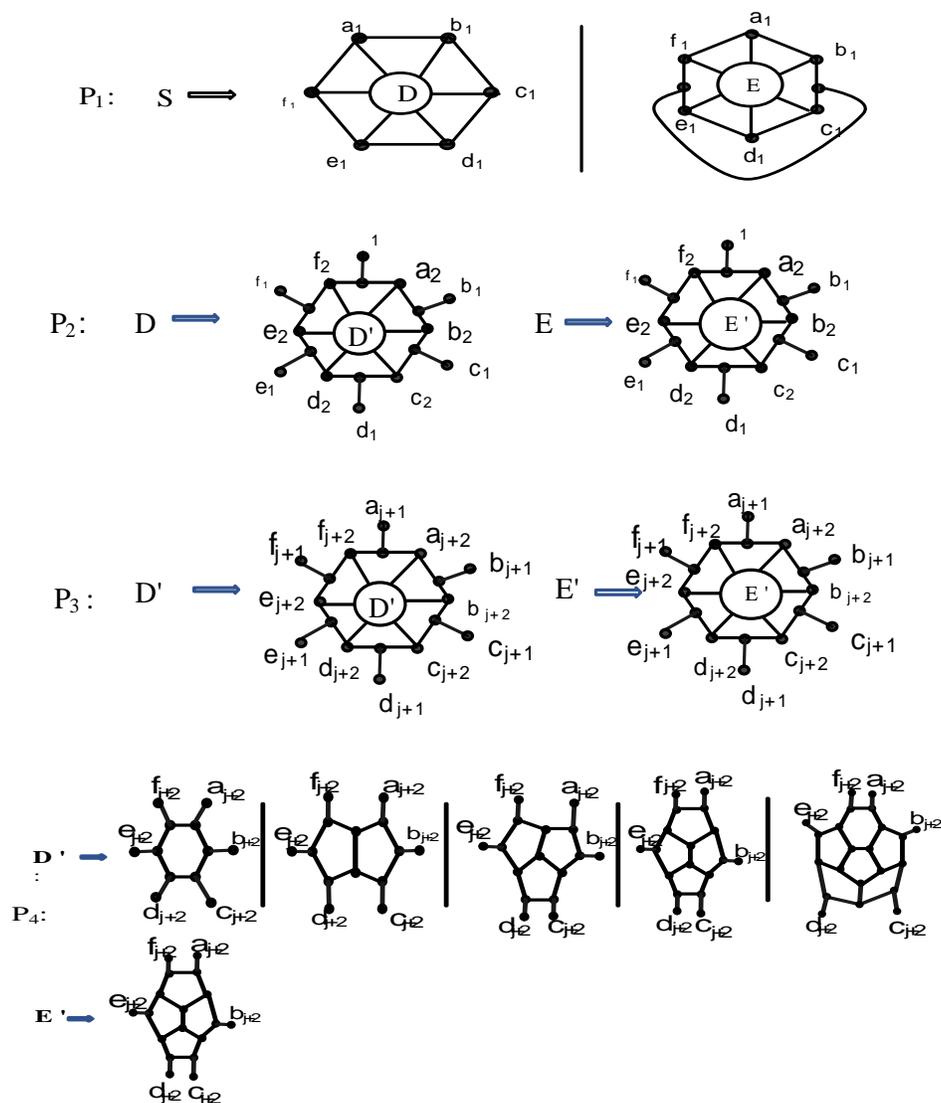


Figure 3 Production Rules that generate the infinite classes of fullerene graphs

The generation of fullerene graph with  $i=2$  and  $k=1$ , where  $h=2+6.1=18$  and  $p=12$  are given in Figure 4. In this way one can generate some infinite classes of fullerene of the form  $h=i+6k$  with  $i=2,3,4,5,6,7$  and  $k=1,2,\dots$

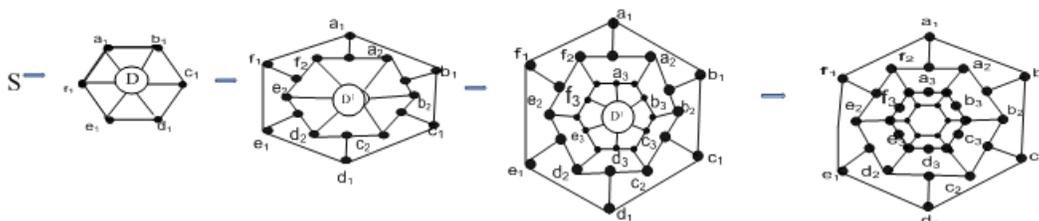


Figure 4 Generation of fullerene of the form  $h=i+6k$ , where  $i=2$  and  $k=1$

#### 4. LEARNING SOME INFINITE CLASSES OF FULLERENE GRAPHS USING HYPEREDGE REPLACEMENT GRAPH GRAMMARS

**Definition 4.1: Inner core of the Fullerene** is obtained by removing the vertices from the outermost cycle of the basic fullerene and their corresponding adjacent vertices. There are 6 Basic Fullerene for  $i=2,3,4,5,6,7$ . They are denoted by  $IC(i)$ , where  $i=2,3,4,5,6,7$  as shown in Figure 5.

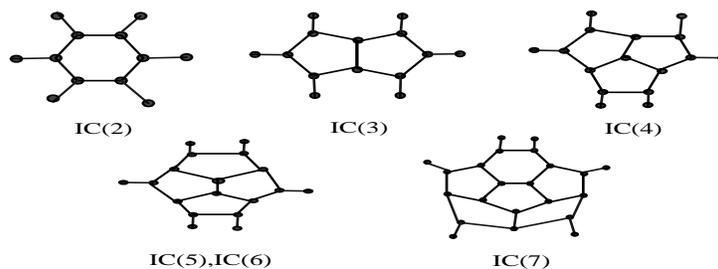


Figure 5  $IC(i)$  where  $i=2,3,4,5,6,7$

#### 4.1 ALGORITHM TO LEARN SOME INFINITE CLASSES OF FULLERENE GRAPHS

This learning algorithm is the impact of Jeltsch and Kreowski work on Grammatical Inference based on Hyperedge replacement.<sup>4</sup>

An algorithm is given in which different classes of fullerene graphs are given as input (at least one member from each classes) along with the inner core of the fullerene. The characteristic sample is a graph with  $k=1$  and  $i = 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7$ . Once the Characteristic sample is taken for decomposition, the rules that generate that class is obtained.

##### 4.1.1 ALGORITHM:

###### INPUT:

1. Fullerene graphs with hexagons of the form  $h=i+6k$ , where  $i=2,3,4,5,6,7$  and  $k=1,2,\dots$
2. Inner core of the fullerene  $IC(i)$   $i=2,3,4,5,6,7$  should be initialized.

**OUTPUT:**

1. Production rules that generate input samples and the infinite classes of fullerene graphs of the form  $h=i+6k$ , where  $i=2,3,4,5,6,7$  and  $k=1,2,3\dots$

**PROCEDURE:**

Initialize Grammar  $Gr = \{\{S\}, \{IC(i)\} (S, F_L) / L=1 \text{ to } n, n \geq 6, (S,0)'\}$

Initialize  $IC(i) = \{IC(2), IC(3), IC(4), IC(5), IC(6), IC(7)\}$

Initialize  $Newprod = \emptyset$ .

**Begin**

For each  $F_L$ , **do**

Introduce a new non-terminal  $D^j$  for each  $F_L$  not occurring before,  $j$  is any natural number such that **Decompose  $F_L$**  Such that

**Decompose:1 Decompose( $F_L$ ) =  $(S, F_L^j) \cup (D^j, F_L^{j+1}) - (S, F_L)$**

$Newprod = Decompose(F_L)$

**Decompose:2, Decompose ( $F_L^{j+1}$ )**, Introduce a new non-terminal  $D^{j+1}$  not occurring before such that

**Decompose ( $F_L^{j+1}$ ) =  $(D^j, F_L^{j+2}) \cup (D^{j+1}, F_L^{j+3}) - (D^j, F_L^{j+1})$**

$Newprod = Newprod \cup Decompose(F_L^{j+1})$

**Begin**

**If  $F_L^{j+3}$  is equal to any of the  $IC(i)$ ,  $i=2$  or  $3$  or  $4$  or  $5$  or  $6$  or  $7$**

**then**

$Newprod = Newprod$

**Else**

Repeat **Decompose 2:** until  $F_L^{j+3}$  is equal to any of  $IC(i)$ ,

**End**

**Begin**

**If  $F_L^1$  is cycle of length 6,**

**then**

**Rename  $NT(D^j) = \{S=S, D^1=D, D^2=D^3=\dots=D^1\}$**

$Gr = Gr \cup Newprod \cup RenameNT$

**Else**

**Rename  $NT(D^j) = \{D^1=E, D^2=D^3=\dots=E^1\}$**

$Gr = Gr \cup Newprod \cup RenameNT$

**End**

**End**

**Reduce** is where Repeated and Redundant productions are identified and removed.

$Gr = Gr - Reduce$ . The Grammar produced is given by

$Gr = \{S, D, D^1, E, E^1, IC(i), NewProd, S\}$

**4.1.2 Example:** Input data must contain graphs from each fullerene graph classes, For  $L=6$ , there are six input graphs given in Figure 6. The Inner Core of the basic fullerene are given as

Inputs. When DECOMPOSE 2 is applied for the first-time  $j = 1$  and for second time  $j= 2$  and so on.

Initialize Grammar  $Gr = \{ \{S\}, \{IC(i)\} (S, F_L) / L=1 \text{ to } 6 \text{ and } i=2,3,4,5,6,7 (S,0)^* \}$   
 $(S, F_1)$

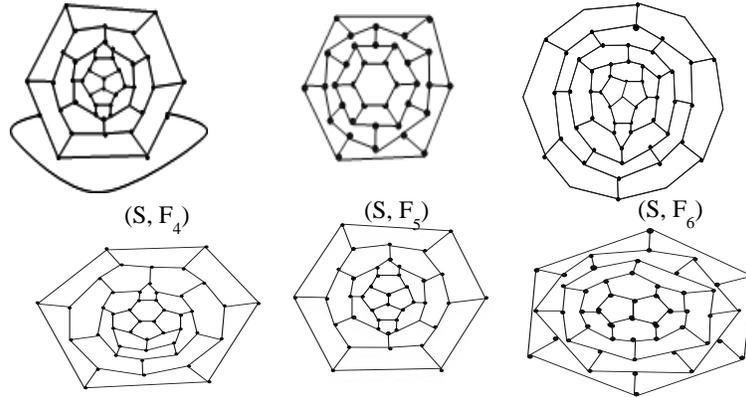
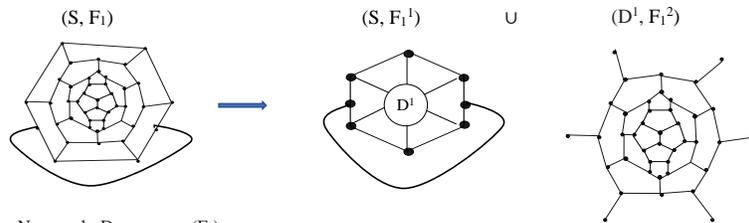


Figure 6 {  $(S, F_L) / L=1 \text{ to } 6$  }

Initialize  $IC(i) = \{IC(2), IC(3), IC(4), IC(5), IC(6), IC(7)\}$

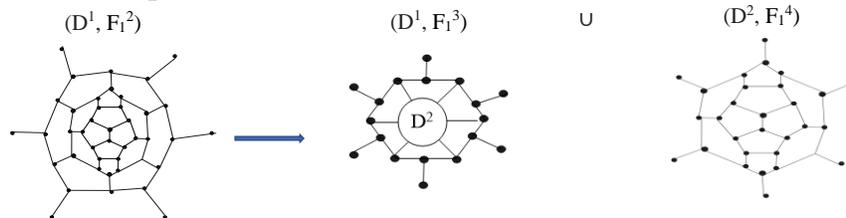
Initialize Newprod =  $\emptyset$ .

For  $F_1$ , **Decompose:1**  $Decompose(F_1) = (S, F_1^1) \cup (D^1, F_1^2) - (S, F_1)$



Newprod =  $Decompose(F_1)$

**Decompose:2**  $Decompose(F_1^2) = (D^1, F_1^3) \cup (D^2, F_1^4) - (D^1, F_1^2)$

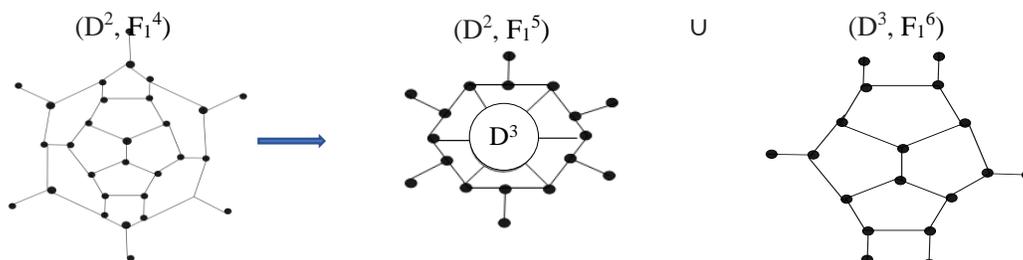


NewProd =  $Decompose(F_1) \cup Decompose(F_1^2)$

$F_1^4$  is not equal to  $IC(i)$ . Repeat, **Decompose:2**

$Decompose(F_1^4) = (D^2, F_1^5) \cup (D^3, F_1^6) - (D^2, F_1^4)$

NewProd = Decompose ( $F_1$ )  $\cup$  Decompose ( $F_1^2$ )  $\cup$  Decompose( $F_1^4$ ) and  $F_1^6$  is similar IC (5) =IC (6). Therefore NewProd=NewProd



$F_1^1$  is a not cycle of length six, **Rename NT**( $D^i$ )= { $D^1=E$ ,  $D^2=D^3=E^1$ }

$Gr=Gr \cup$  Newprod  $\cup$  RenameNT

Similarly, For  $F_2, F_3, F_4, F_5, F_6$  **Decompose 1, Decompose 2, Rename NT** are applied and the rules are obtained. Then **Reduce** is applied from which repeated and redundant rules are identified and removed.  $Gr = Gr$ -**Reduce**

The required grammar  $Gr= \{S, D, D^1, E, E^1, NewProd, S\}$  is obtained.

## 5. CORRECTNESS OF THE ALGORITHM<sup>4</sup>

1. Each sample can be derived from the axiom of an inferred grammar.
2. Each production either being an initial one or one obtained by decompositions and renaming can be used for deriving one of the samples.
3. The axiom of an inferred grammar is  $(S, 0)^*$  or some renaming of it because the axiom has this form initially and the RENAME operation is the only one affecting the axiom. A grammar with the above properties is called samples composing. Hence our grammar is samples composing as it satisfies the above conditions.

Since the HRG of infinite classes of fullerene graphs is a subclass of the classes of hyperedge replacement grammars in<sup>4</sup>, it is decidable, that some infinite classes of fullerene graphs can be inferred.

## 6. CONCLUSION

We have generated some infinite classes of fullerene graphs using hyperedge replacement graph grammars and a learning algorithm is discussed. It can be extended to other allotropes of carbon, which has wide applications in medical field.

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