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Pancyclic Properties of the WK-Recursive Networks

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Abstract

In this paper, we study the pancyclic properties of the WK-Recursive networks. We show that a WK-Recursive network with amplitude W and level Lis vertex-pancyclic for $W \ge 6$. That is, each vertex on them resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 3 to N, where N is the size of the interconnection network. On the other hand, we also investigate the *m*-edge-pancyclicity of the WK-Recursive network. We show that the WK-Recursive network is strictly $3 \times 2^{L-1}$ -edge-pancyclic for $W \ge 7$ and $L \ge 1$. That is, each edge on them resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from $3 \times 2^{L-1}$ to N; and the value $3 \times 2^{L-1}$ reaches the lower bound of the problem.

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1. Introduction

In massively parallel MIMD systems, the topology plays a crucial role in issues such as performance, communication hardware cost. potentialities for efficient applications and fault tolerant capabilities [9, 16]. A topology named WK-Recursive network has been proposed [24]. The topology has many attractive properties, such as high degree of regularity, symmetry and efficient communication. Particularly, for any specified number of degree, it can be expanded to an arbitrary size level without reconfiguring the edges. Because it demonstrates many attractive properties, researchers have devoted themselves to various issues of the WK-Recursive networks, such as broadcasting

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algorithms [12], topological properties [18, 14] and communication [8].

Paths and cycles are popular interconnection networks owing to their simple structures and low degree. Moreover, many parallel algorithms have been devised on them [16, 17, 19]. Many literatures have discussed how to embed cycles and paths into various topologies [3, 5, 16]. A cycle with length s is denoted by C_s , where $s \ge 3$. A graph is *Hamiltonian* if it embeds a Hamiltonian cvcle that contains each vertex exactly once [7]. In other words, that a graph is Hamiltonian implies that it embeds the maximal cycle. However, in the resource-allocated systems, each vertex may be allocated with or without a resource [4, 10]. Thus, it makes sense to discuss how to join a specific pair of vertices with a Hamiltonian *path* in such systems. For example, let X and Y be two vertices in a resource-allocated system, where the former and the latter are assigned with an input device and an output device, respectively. If we find a Hamiltonian path joining the pair of vertices, we can utilize the whole system to perform the systolic algorithm on a linear array [19]. A graph is Hamiltonian-connected if there is a Hamiltonian path joining each pair of vertices. No wonder that there are discussing manv researchers the Hamiltonian-connectivity of various interconnection networks [6, 20].

On the other hand, to execute a parallel program efficiently, the size of the allocated cycle must accord with the problem size of the program. Thus, many researchers study the problem of how to embed cycles of different sizes into an interconnection network. A graph is *pancyclic* if it embeds cycles of every length ranging from 3 to N, where N is the size of the graph [2]. A graph is *m*-pancyclic if it embeds cycles of every length ranging from m to N, where $3 \le m \le N$. Clearly, an *m*-pancyclic graph must be Hamiltonian. In a

heterogeneous computing system, each vertex and each edge may be assigned with distinct computing power and distinct bandwidth, respectively [22]. Thus, it is meaningful to extend the pancyclicity to the *vertex-pancyclicity* and the *edge-pancyclicity* [1, 11, 15]. A graph is vertex-pancyclic (edge-pancyclic) if each vertex (edge) lies on cycles of every length ranging from 3 to N. Clearly, each edge-pancyclic graph must be vertex-pancyclic.

The concepts of the vertex-pancyclicity and the generalized edge-pancyclicity are to the *m*-vertex-pancyclicity and the *m*-edge-pancyclicity [21]. A graph is said to be *m*-vertex-pancyclic (m-edge-pancyclic) if each vertex (edge) lies on cycles of all lengths ranging from m to N. Obviously, every m_1 -vertex-pancyclic (m_1 -edge-pancyclic) graph must be m_2 -vertex-pancyclic (m_2 -edge-pancyclic), where $N \ge m_2 \ge m_1$. A graph is strictly m-vertex-pancyclic (m-edge-pancyclic) if it is not (m-1)-vertex-pancyclic ((m-1)-edge-pancyclic) but *m*-vertex-pancyclic (*m*-edge-pancyclic); that is, the value *m* reaches the lower bound of the problem. every *m*-edge-pancyclic Clearly, graph is *m*-vertex-pancyclic. A graph G with N vertices is panconnected if for each pair of distinct vertices X, Y and for any integer $d(X, Y) \le l \le N-1$, there exists a path of length l in G connecting X and Y, where d(X, X)Y) is the distance between X and Y in G [6].

A WK-Recursive network with amplitude Wand level L is denoted by a WK(W, L). Vecchia and Sanges have shown that a WK(W, L) is Hamiltonian for $W \ge 3$ [24]. Fernandes et al. have shown that a WK(W, L) is pancyclic for $W \ge 5$ [13]. However, to the best of our knowledge, there exists no article addressing the *m*-vertex-pancyclicity and the *m*-edge-pancyclicity of the WK(W, L). In this paper, we show that a WK(W, L) is vertex-pancyclic for $W \ge$ 6. The WK(W, L) network is strictly 7-vertex-pancyclic, for $5 \ge W \ge 4$ and $L \ge 2$. On the other hand, we also prove that the WK(W, L) is strictly $3 \times 2^{L-1}$ -edge-pancyclic for $W \ge 7$ and $L \ge 1$.

The rest of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we present some notations and background that will be used throughout this paper. In Section 3, we study the pancyclicity and the *m*-vertex-pancyclicity of the WK-Recursive network. In Section 4, we investigate the *m*-edge-pancyclicity of the WK-Recursive network. Conclusions are given in Section 5.

2. Notations and background

A WK(W, L) can be recursively constructed. A WK(W, 0) is a vertex with W free edges. A WK(W, 1) is a W-vertex complete graph that is denoted by a K_W . Each vertex has one free edge and W-1 edges that are used for connecting to the other vertices. Clearly, a

WK(W, 1) has W vertices and W free edges. A WK(W, H) consists of W copies of WK(W, H-1) as supervertices and the W supervertices are connected as a K_W , where $2 \le H \le L$. By induction, it is easy to see that a WK(W, L) has W^L vertices and W free edges. Consequently, for any given amplitude W, WK-Recursive networks can be expanded to any arbitrary level L without reconfiguring the edges. In Figure 1, the structures of a WK(4, 0), a WK(4, 1), a WK(4, 2) and a WK(4, 3) are illustrated.

The following addressing scheme for a WK(W,L) is described in [23]. After fixing an origin and an orientation (clockwise or counterclockwise), for each WK(W, 1) subnetwork, every vertex is labeled with an index digit $d_1 \in \{0, 1, ..., W-1\}$. Likewise, for each WK(W, H) subnetwork, every WK(W, H-1) subnetwork is labeled with an index $d_H \in \{0, 1, ..., n\}$ *W*-1}, where $2 \le H \le L$. Hence, each vertex of a WK(W, L) is labeled with an unique address $d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_2 d_1$ as illustrated in Figure 1. Likewise, a subnetwork of a WK(W, L) can be represented by a string of *L* symbols over set $\{0, 1, ..., W-1\} \cup \{*\},\$ where * is a "don't care" symbol. That is, each WK(W, H) subnetwork of a WK(W, L) can be denoted by $d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_{H+1}(*)^H$, where $(*)^H$ represents H consecutive *'s. For example, in a WK(4, 3), 0** is the subnetwork $\{0d_2d_1 \mid 0 \le d_2 \le 3 \text{ and } 0 \le d_1 \le 3\}$.

For a subnetwork $d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_{H+1}(*)^H$ in a WK(W, L), a vertex with address $d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_{H+1}(d_H)^H$ is called a *corner vertex* of $d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_{H+1}(*)^H$. For example, in a WK(4, 3), 000, 011, 022 and 033 are corner vertices of 0**. Specifically, the vertex $d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_{H+1}(d_H)^H$ is called the d_H -corner of $d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_{H+1}(*)^H$. For example, in a WK(4, 3), 033 is called 3-corner of 0**. In this paper, an edge within a WK(W, 1) subnetwork is called an *inner-cluster edge*.

Definition 1. The inner-cluster edges of vertex $d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_2 d_1$ are defined as $(d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_2 d_1, d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_2 d_1)$, where $0 \le h \le W$ -1 and $d_1 \ne h$.

For example, in a WK(5, 3), (002, 000), (002, 001), (002, 003) and (002, 004) are inner-cluster edges of the vertex 002. Clearly, each vertex has *W*-1 inner-cluster edges in a WK(*W*, *L*). An edge connecting two WK(*W*, *H*) subnetworks, where $1 \le H \le L$ -1, is called an *inter-cluster edge* and specifically a *level-H edge*.

Definition 2. The level-*H* inter-cluster edge of vertex $d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_{H+1} (d_H)^H$, where $d_{H+1} \neq d_H$, is defined as $(d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_{H+1} (d_H)^H, d_L d_{L-1} \dots d_H (d_{H+1})^H)$.

For example, in a WK(4, 3), (022, 200) is a level-2 edge. Observe that each vertex except the corner vertices $(d_L)^L$ has exactly one inter-cluster edge in a WK(W, L). Each corner vertex $(d_L)^L$ of a WK(W, L) has no inter-cluster edge but a free edge.

In this paper, the *outline graph* of a WK(W, L), denoted by an OG(WK(W, L)), is to take each WK(W, 1) subnetwork as a supervertex. As stated before, a

WK(W, L) can be constructed recursively. If each WK(W, 1) subnetwork of a WK(W, L) is taken as a supervertex, the WK(W, L) will be transformed to a WK(W, L-1). Moreover, each original level-1 inter-cluster edge will be an inner-cluster edge in the WK(W, L-1); and each original level-J inter-cluster edge will be a level-(J-1) inter-cluster edge in the WK(W, L-1), where L-1 $\geq J \geq 2$. We have the following proposition.

Proposition 1. An OG(WK(W, L)) is a WK(W, L-1).

As illustrated in Figure 2, the OG(WK(4, 3)) is a WK(4, 2). Because an OG(WK(W, L)) is a WK(W, L-1); and each vertex of the WK(W, L-1) has W-1 inner-cluster edges, thus we have

Proposition 2. In each WK(W, 1) subnetwork of a WK(W, L), there exist W-1 level-1 edges and at most one higher level edge.

3. The Pancyclicity and the Vertex-Pancyclicity of a WK-Recursive Network

In this section, we will discuss the pancyclicity and the vertex-pancyclicity of the WK-Recursive network. Suppose that vertices U_1, U_2, \ldots, U_W locate in a common WK(W, 1) subnetwork. Because a WK(W, 1) subnetwork is a K_W , (U_1, U_W) forms a path of length 1. The vertex U_j is called an *appending vertex*, where $2 \le j \le W$ -1. Clearly, appending vertices can be appended one by one to the path. That is, $(U_1,$ U_2, \ldots, U_i, U_w forms a path of length *i*, where $1 \le i$ \leq W-1. Recall that OG(WK(W, L)) is obtained from WK(W, L) by taking each WK(W, 1) subnetwork as a supervertex. Suppose that there is a cycle of length l, denoted by $(V_0^*, V_1^*, V_2^*, \dots, V_{l-1}^*)$, in the OG(WK(W, L)) as illustrated in Figure 3. Clearly, there exists an inter-cluster edge connecting consecutive two WK(W, 1) supervertices in the cycle.

Since each vertex has one inter-cluster edge at most, we can find two vertices S_i and D_i in each supervertex V_i^* , where $0 \le i \le l-1$, such that they are incident to the inter-cluster edges connecting to $V_{(i-1) \mod l}^*$ and $V_{(i+1) \mod l}^*$, respectively. Obviously, $(S_0, D_0, S_1, D_1, \dots, S_{l-1}, D_{l-1})$ forms a cycle of length 2l. In each supervertex V_i^* , there are W-2 appending vertices. Totally, there exist (W-2)l appending vertices. Thus, we have the following lemma.

Lemma 1. If there exists a cycle of length l in the OG(WK(W, L)), a WK(W, L) embeds cycles of all lengths ranging from 2l to Wl.

Theorem 2. A WK(W, L) is pancyclic for $W \ge 5$.

Proof. We will prove the theorem by induction on *L*.

For L = 1, a WK(W, 1) is a K_W . Clearly, it embeds cycles of all lengths ranging from 3 to W, where $W \ge 5$.

Hypothesis: Suppose that a WK(W, k) is pancyclic.

Induction Step: Recall that OG(WK(W, k+1)) is a WK(W, k) network. By the hypothesis, we know that a WK(W, k) embeds cycles of all lengths ranging from 3 to W^k . Thus, by Lemma 1, a WK(W, k+1) can embed

{ C_s } 6 ≤ s ≤ 3 W } (for 3 WK(W, 1) supervertices) \cup { C_s } 8 ≤ s ≤ 4 W } (for 4 WK(W, 1) supervertices)

 $\cup \{C_s | 2n \le s \le n W\} \text{ (for } n \text{ WK}(W, 1) \text{ supervertices)}$ $\cup \{C_s | 2(n+1) \le s \le (n+1) W\} \text{ (for } n+1 \text{ WK}(W, 1) \text{ supervertices)}$

 $\cup \{C_s \mid 2W^k \le s \le W^k W = W^{k+1}\} \text{ (for } W^k \text{ WK}(W, 1) \text{ supervertices).}$

Clearly, *nW* is always greater than 2(n+1) for $W \ge 5$ and $n \ge 3$. Thus, a WK(W, k+1) can embed $\{C_s| 6 \le s \le W^{k+1}\}$. By the recursive structure of the WK-Recursive Network, the WK(W, 1) is a subgraph of a WK(W, k+1) for $k \ge 1$. Thus, we know that a WK(W, k+1) can embed $\{C_s| 3 \le s \le W\} \cup \{C_s| 6 \le s \le W^{k+1}\} = \{C_s| 3 \le s \le W^{k+1}\}$, where $W \ge 5$.

This extends the induction and completes the proof. $Q. \ E. \ D.$

Although, in fact, the above theorem has been shown by Fernandes et al. [13], our proof is much easier and clearer. Moreover, we will discuss the *m*-vertex-pancyclicity and the *m*-edge-pancyclicity of a WK(W, L) upon the above discussion.

In the following, we investigate the *m*-pancyclicity of a WK(4, *L*). Obviously, a WK(4, 1) embeds C_3 and C_4 . By Lemma 1, a WK(4, 2) can embed $\{C_s| 6 \le s \le 12 \} \cup \{C_s| 8 \le s \le 16 \} = \{C_s| 6 \le s \le 16 \}$. Suppose that a WK(4, *k*) can embed $\{C_s| 6 \le s \le 4^k\}$ for $k \ge 3$. Likewise, a WK(4, *k*+1) can embed $\{C_s| 12 \le s \le 24 \} \cup \{C_s| 14 \le s \le 28 \} \cup \ldots \cup \{C_s| 2(4^k-1) \le s \le 4(4^k-1) \} \cup \{C_s| 2\times 4^k \le s \le 4\times 4^k = 4^{k+1} \} = \{C_s| 12 \le s \le 4^{k+1}\}$. By the recursive structure of a WK(*W*, *L*), the WK(4, 2) is a subgraph of a WK(4, *L*) for *L* > 2. Thus, a WK(4, *k*+1) can embed $\{C_s| 6 \le s \le 16\} \cup \{C_s| 12 \le s \le 4^{k+1}\} = \{C_s| 6 \le s \le 4^{k+1}\}$. Thus, we have

Lemma 3. A WK(4, *L*) is 6-pancyclic, where $L \ge 2$.

Then, the *m*-pancyclicity of a WK(3, *L*) is studied. Because a WK(3, 1) is nothing but a C_3 , a WK(3, 2) can embed $\{C_s | 6 \le s \le 9\}$ by Lemma 1. We have

Corollary 4. A WK(3, 2) is 6-pancyclic.

A WK(3, 3) can embed $\{C_s | 12 \le s \le 27\}$. Similarly, if a WK(3, k) can embed $\{C_s | 12 \le s \le 3^k\}$, where $k \ge 3$, a WK(3, k+1) can embed $\{C_s | 12 \le s \le 27\} \cup \{C_s | 24 \le s \le 3^{k+1}\} = \{C_s | 12 \le s \le 3^{k+1}\}$. Thus, we have

Lemma 5. A WK(3, L) is 12-pancyclic for $L \ge 3$.

In the following, we investigate the vertex-pancyclicity and the *m*-vertex-pancyclicity of a WK(W, L).

Lemma 6. If each WK(W, 1) supervertex resides in a cycle of length l in the OG(WK(W, L)), each vertex of a WK(W, L) resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 2l+1 to Wl.

Proof. Suppose that an arbitrary vertex X of a WK(W, L) reside in the supervertex V_0^* of the OG(WK(W, L)). By the hypothesis, there exists a cycle, denoted by $(V_0^*, V_1^*, V_2^*, ..., V_{l-1}^*)$, of length l containing V_0^* in the OG(WK(W, L)). As illustrated in Figure 3, there exists an inter-cluster edge connecting consecutive two WK(W, 1) supervertices in the cycle.

Since each vertex has one inter-cluster edge at most, we can find two vertices S_i and D_i in each supervertex V_i^* , where $0 \le i \le l$ -1, such that they are incident to the inter-cluster edges connecting to $V_{(i-1) \mod l}^*$ and $V_{(i+1) \mod l}^*$, respectively. Obviously, $(S_0, D_0, S_1, D_1, \dots, S_{l-1}, D_{l-1})$ forms a cycle of length 2l.

Case 1: X is not S_0 and X is not D_0 . Clearly, $(S_0, X, D_0, S_1, D_1, \dots, S_{l-1}, D_{l-1})$ forms a cycle of length 2l+1. Totally, there are (W-2)l-1 appending vertices. Thus, X resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 2l+1 to Wl.

Case 2: X is S_0 or X is D_0 . Clearly, X resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 2l to Wl. Q. E. D

Theorem 7. A WK(W, L) is vertex-pancyclic for $W \ge 6$.

Proof. We will prove the theorem by induction on *L*.

For L = 1, a WK(W, 1) is a K_W . Clearly, it's vertex-pancyclic.

Hypothesis: Suppose that a WK(W, k) is vertex-pancyclic, where $W \ge 6$.

Induction Step: Because the OG(WK(W, k+1)) is a WK(W, k). By the hypothesis, we know that each supervertex of the OG(WK(W, k+1)) resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 3 to W^k . From the Lemma 6, we know that each vertex of a WK(W, k+1) resides in

 $\{C_s | 7 \le s \le 3 W\}$ (for 3 WK(W, 1) supervertices) $\cup \{C_s | 9 \le s \le 4 W\}$ (for 4 WK(W, 1) supervertices)

 $\cup \{C_s \mid 2n+1 \le s \le n \ W\}$ (for $n \ WK(W, 1)$ supervertices)

 $\cup \{C_s | 2n+3 \le s \le (n+1) W \} \text{ (for } n+1 \text{ WK}(W, 1) \text{ supervertices)}$

 $\cup \{C_s \mid 2W^{k+1} \le s \le W^k W = W^{k+1}\} \text{ (for } W^k \text{ WK}(W, 1) \text{ supervertices).}$

For $W \ge 6$ and $n \ge 3$, nW is always greater than 2n+3. Thus, each vertex of a WK(W, k+1) resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 7 to W^{k+1} . By the recursive structure of the WK-Recursive Network, each vertex of a WK(W, k+1) must reside in a WK(W,

1) subnetwork. Thus, each vertex of a WK(W, k+1) resides in $\{C_s | 3 \le s \le W\} \cup \{C_s | 7 \le s \le W^{k+1}\} = \{C_s | 3 \le s \le W^{k+1}\}$ for $W \ge 6$. Q. E. D.

Then, we investigate the vertex-pancyclicity of a WK(4, L) and a WK(5, L). Clearly, a WK(4, 1) and a WK(5, 1) are vertex-pancyclic for L = 1. That is, each vertex of a WK(4, 1) (WK(5, 1)) resides in $\{C_s\}$ $3 \le s \le 4$ ({ C_s | $3 \le s \le 5$ }). From Lemma 6, we know that each vertex of a WK(4, 2) (WK(5, 2)) resides in $\{C_s | 7 \le s \le 16\}$ ($\{C_s | 7 \le s \le 25\}$). Thus, a WK(4, 2) and a WK(5, 2) are 7-vertex-pancyclic. Suppose that a WK(4, k) and a WK(5, k) are 7-vertex-pancyclic for $k \ge 2$. By the recursive structure of the WK(W, L), each vertex of a WK(W, k+1) must reside in a WK(W, 2) subnetwork for k > 2. According to Lemma 6, each vertex of a WK(4, k+1) (WK(5, k+1)) resides in $\{C_s\}$ $7 \le s \le 16\} \cup \{C_s \mid 15 \le s \le 4^{k+1}\} = \{C_s \mid 7 \le s \le 4^{k+1}\}$ $(\{C_s | 7 \le s \le 25\} \cup \{C_s | 15 \le s \le 5^{k+1}\} = \{C_s | 7 \le s \le 5\}$ 1}). Thus, we have

Lemma 8. A WK(4, *L*) and a WK(5, *L*) are 7-vertex-pancyclic, where $L \ge 2$.

In a WK(4, *L*) (WK(5, *L*)), a corner vertex $(d_L)^L$ has no inter-cluster edge, where $0 \le d_L \le 3$ ($0 \le d_L \le 4$) and $L \ge 2$. Thus, the corner vertex cannot reside in a C_6 .

Corollary 9. A WK(4, *L*) and a WK(5, *L*) are strictly 7-vertex-pancyclic, where $L \ge 2$.

A WK(3, 1) is nothing but a C_3 . From Lemma 6, each vertex of a WK(3, 2) resides in $\{C_s | 7 \le s \le 9\}$. Each vertex of a WK(3, 3) resides in $\{C_s | 15 \le s \le 27\}$. Each vertex of a WK(3, 4) resides in $\{C_s | 31 \le s \le 81\}$. If each vertex of a WK(3, k) resides in $\{C_s | 31 \le s \le 3^k\}$ for $k \ge 4$, each vertex of a WK(3, k+1) resides in $\{C_s | 63 \le s \le 3^{k+1}\}$. By the recursive structure of the WK-Recursive Network, each vertex of a WK(W, k+1) must reside in a WK(W, k) subnetwork. Clearly, 3^k is always greater than 63 for $k \ge 4$. Thus, each vertex of a WK(3, k+1) resides in $\{C_s | 31 \le s \le 3^k\} \cup \{C_s | 63 \le s \le 3^{k+1}\} = \{C_s | 31 \le s \le 3^{k+1}\}$ for $k \ge 4$. Thus we have

Lemma 10. A WK(3, L) is 31-vertex-pancyclic for $L \ge 4$.

4. The Edge-Pancyclicity of a WK-Recursive Network

In this section, we investigate the edge-pancyclicity of the WK-Recursive network. To study the edge-pancyclicity of a WK-Recursive network, the following lemmas are required.

Lemma 11. If each inner-cluster edge of the OG(WK(W, L)) resides in a cycle of length l, each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, L) resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 2l+2 to Wl, where $W \ge 4$.

Proof. In a WK(W, L), let (X, Y) be an arbitrary inner-cluster edge residing in an arbitrary WK(W, 1) supervertex V_1^* . By Proposition 2, because $W \ge 4$, there exists a vertex S_1 residing in the V_1^* such that $S_1 \ne X$ and $S_1 \ne Y$; and S_1 is incident to a level-1 edge (V_0^* , V_1^*) of the WK(W, L). By the hypothesis, we know that the inner-cluster edge (V_0^* , V_1^*) of the OG(WK(W, L)) resides in a cycle (V_0^* , V_1^* , ..., V_{l-1}^*) of length l, where $3 \le l \le W^{L-1}$, as illustrated in Figure 3. Let D_1 be the vertex that resides in V_1^* and is incident to the next edge (V_1^* , V_2^*) of the cycle.

Case 1: $X \neq D_1$ and $Y \neq D_1$. Clearly, $(S_0, D_0, S_1, X, Y, D_1, S_2, D_2, ..., S_{l-1}, D_{l-1})$ forms a cycle of length 2l+2. Totally, there are (W-2)l-2 appending vertices. Thus, (X, Y) resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 2l+2 to Wl.

Case 2: $X = D_1$ or $Y = D_1$. Without loss of generality, let $Y = D_1$. Clearly, $(S_0, D_0, S_1, X, Y \quad (i.e., D_1), S_2, D_2, ..., S_{l-1}, D_{l-1})$ forms a cycle of length 2l+1. Totally, there are (W-2)l-1 appending vertices. Thus, (X, Y)resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 2l+1 to Wl. Q. E. D.

Lemma 12. Each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, L), where $W \ge 7$, resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 3 to W^{L} .

Proof. We will prove the lemma by induction on *L*.

For L = 1, a WK(W, 1) is a K_W . Clearly, the lemma is true.

Hypothesis: Suppose that each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, k), where $W \ge 7$, resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 3 to W^k .

Induction Step: The OG(WK(W, k+1)) is a WK(W, k). By the hypothesis and Lemma 11, we know that each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, k+1) resides in

{ C_s | 8 ≤ s ≤ 3 W } (for 3 WK(W, 1) supervertices) \cup { C_s | 10 ≤ s ≤ 4 W } (for 4 WK(W, 1) supervertices) ...,

 $\cup \{C_s | 2n+2 \le s \le n W\} \text{ (for } n \text{ WK}(W, 1) \text{ supervertices)}$ $\cup \{C_s | 2n+4 \le s \le (n+1) W\} \text{ (for } n+1 \text{ WK}(W, 1) \text{ supervertices)}$

 $\cup \{C_s \mid 2W^k + 2 \le s \le W^k W = W^{k+1}\} \text{ (for } W^k WK(W, 1) \text{ supervertices).}$

For $W \ge 7$ and $n \ge 3$, nW is always greater than 2n+4. Thus, each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, k+1) resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 8 to W^{k+1} . By the recursive structure of the WK-Recursive Network, each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, k+1) must reside in a WK(W, 1) subnetwork for $k \ge 1$. Thus, each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, k+1) resides in $\{C_s \mid 3 \le s \le 7\} \cup \{C_s \mid 8 \le s \le W^{k+1}\} = \{C_s \mid 3 \le s \le W^{k+1}\}$, where $W \ge 7$. This extends the induction and completes the proof. Q. E. D.

Clearly, each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, 1),

where $5 \le W \le 6$, resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 3 to W. By Lemma 11, each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, 2), where $5 \le W \le$ 6, resides in $\{C_s| \ 3 \le s \le W \text{ or } 8 \le s \le W^2\}$. Suppose that each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, k), where $5 \le$ $W \le 6$, resides in $\{C_s| \ 3 \le s \le W \text{ or } 8 \le s \le W^k\}$. By Lemma 11, we know that each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, k+1), where $5 \le W \le 6$, resides in $\{C_s| \ 3 \le s \le$ W or $8 \le s \le W^2$ or $18 \le s \le W^{k+1}\}$. For $5 \le W \le 6$, W^2 is always greater than 18. Thus, we have

Corollary 13. Each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, L), where $5 \le W \le 6$, resides in

 $\{C_s|\ 3\leq s\leq W \text{ or } 8\leq s\leq W^L\}.$

Likewise, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 14. Each inner-cluster edge of a WK(4, 2) resides in $\{C_s | 3 \le s \le 4 \text{ or } 8 \le s \le 16\}$.

Each inner-cluster edge of a WK(4, 3) resides in $\{C_s| 3 \le s \le 4 \text{ or } 8 \le s \le 16 \text{ or } 18 \le s \le 64\}$. Suppose that each inner-cluster edge of a WK(4, k) resides in $\{C_s| 3 \le s \le 4 \text{ or } 8 \le s \le 16 \text{ or } 18 \le s \le 4^k\}$ for $k \ge 3$. By Lemma 11, each inner-cluster edge of a WK(4, k+1) resides in $\{C_s| 3 \le s \le 4 \text{ or } 8 \le s \le 16 \text{ or } 18 \le s \le 4^k \text{ or } 38 \le s \le 4^{k+1}\}$. Clearly, for $k \ge 3$, 4^k is always greater than 38. Thus, we have

Corollary 15. Each inner-cluster edge of a WK(4, *L*) resides in $\{C_s | 3 \le s \le 4 \text{ or } 8 \le s \le 16 \text{ or } 18 \le s \le 4^L \}$ for $L \ge 3$.

Lemma 16. There exist paths of all lengths ranging from 2^{L} -1 to W^{L} -1, between each pair of corner vertices of a WK(W, L), where $W \ge 4$.

Proof. We will prove the lemma by induction on *L*.

For L = 1, a WK(W, 1) is a K_W . Clearly, there exist paths of all lengths ranging from 2^L -1(i.e., 1) to W^L -1 (i.e., W-1), between each pair of corner vertices of a WK(W, 1).

Hypothesis: Suppose that there exist paths of all lengths ranging from 2^{k} -1 to W^{k} -1, between each pair of corner vertices of a WK(W, k), where $W \ge 4$.

Induction Step: The OG(WK(W, k+1)) is a WK(W, k). Let (P, Q) be a pair of corner vertices of a WK(W, k). Let (P, Q) be a pair of corner vertices of a WK(W, k+1). The WK(W, 1) supervertex that P(Q) resides in is denoted by $V_P^*(V_Q^*)$. By the hypothesis, we know that there exist a path $(V_0^*, V_1^*, ..., V_{l-1}^*)$ of length l-1, where $2^k \le l \le W^k$, $V_0^* = V_P^*$ and $V_{l-1}^* = V_Q^*$. There exist paths of all lengths ranging from $2 \times 2^k - 1 = 2^{k+1} - 1$ to $W \times W^* - 1 = W^{k+1} - 1$, between P and Q. This extends the induction and completes the proof. Q. E. D.

If each WK(W, 1) subnetwork of a WK(W, L) is taken as a supervertex, the WK(W, L) will be transformed to a WK(W, L-1). Moreover, each original level-1 inter-cluster edge will be an inner-cluster edge in the WK(W, L-1); and each original level-J inter-cluster edge will be a level-(J-1)

inter-cluster edge in the WK(W, L-1), where L-1 $\ge J \ge$ 2. As stated before, a WK(W, L) can be constructed recursively. By induction, it is easy to see that if each WK(W, H) subnetwork of a WK(W, L) is taken as a supervertex, the WK(W, L) will be transformed to a WK(W, L-H); the original level-H inter-cluster edge of the WK(W, L) will be transformed as an inner-cluster edge of the WK(W, L) will be transformed as an inner-cluster edge of the WK(W, L) will be transformed as an inner-cluster edge of the WK(W, L) will be transformed as a level-(J-H); inter-cluster edge of the WK(W, L) will be transformed as a level-(J-H) inter-cluster edge of the WK(W, L-H), where L-1 $\ge J > H$.

Lemma 17. If each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, *L*-H) resides in a cycle of length l, each level-H inter-cluster edge of a WK(W, L) resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from $2^{H} \times l$ to $W^{H} \times l$. Q. E. D

Proof: By hypothesis, we know that each inner-cluster edge of a WK(W, L-H) resides in a cycle of length l. Thus, in the corresponding WK(W, L), each level-H inter-cluster edge resides in the cycles through l WK(W, H) subnetworks and l level-H inter-cluster edges. From Lemma 16, we know that each level-H inter-cluster edge of a WK(W, L) resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from $(2^{H}-1)\times l + l = 2^{H}\times l$ to $(W^{H}-1)\times l + l = W^{H}\times l$. Q. E. D.

Lemma 18. A level-*H* inter-cluster edge of a WK(*W*, *L*), where $W \ge 7$ and $H \ge 1$, resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 3×2^{H} to W^{L} .

Proof. By Lemma 12, each inner-cluster edge of the WK(*W*, *L*-*H*) resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 3 to *W*^{*L*-*H*}, where *W* ≥ 7. From Lemma 17, we know that each level-*H* inter-cluster edge of a WK(*W*, *L*) resides in {*C_s*| 3×2^{*H*} ≤ *s* ≤ 3×*W*^{*H*} } ∪ {*C_s*| 4×2^{*H*} ≤ *s* ≤ 4×*W*^{*H*} } ∪...∪ {*C_s*| (*W*^{*L*-*H*} −1)×2^{*H*} ≤ *s* ≤ (*W*^{*L*-*H*} −1)×*W*^{*H*} } ∪ {*C_s*| *W*^{*L*-*H*} ×2^{*H*} ≤ *s* ≤ *W*^{*L*-*H*} ×*W*^{*H*} = *W*^{*L*}} = {*C_s*| 3×2^{*H*} ≤ *s* ≤ *W*^{*L*}}. That is, each level-*H* inter-cluster edge of a WK(*W*, *L*) resides in cycles of all lengths ranging from 3×2^{*H*} to *W*^{*L*}, where *W* ≥ 7 and *H* ≥ 1. Q. E. D.

In this paper, the shortest path between X and Y is denoted by $X \Rightarrow^{S} Y$; and an edge connecting U and V is denoted by $U \rightarrow V$. The highest level of the inter-cluster edges of a WK(W, L) is L-1. Consider an level-(L-1) inter-cluster edge $(d_a(d_b)^{L-1}, d_b(d_a)^{L-1})$ of a WK(W, L), where $d_a \neq d_b$. By the structure of a WK(W, L), $d_a(*)^{L-1}$ and $d_b(*)^{L-1}$ are connected by only one edge $(d_a(d_b)^{L-1}, d_b(d_a)^{L-1})$. Thus, the shortest cycle embedding $(d_a(d_b)^{L-1}, d_b(d_a)^{L-1})$ is $(d_a(d_b)^{L-1} \rightarrow d_b(d_a)^{L-1})$ $\Rightarrow^{S} d_b(d_c)^{L-1} \rightarrow d_c(d_b)^{L-1} \Rightarrow^{S} d_c(d_a)^{L-1} \rightarrow d_a(d_c)^{L-1} \Rightarrow^{S} d_a(d_b)^{L-1}$ where d_a, d_b and d_c are distinct digits. The distance between $d_b(d_a)^{L-1}$ and $d_b(d_c)^{L-1}$ $(d_c(d_b)^{L-1}$ and $d_c(d_a)^{L-1}, d_a(d_c)^{L-1}$ and $d_a(d_b)^{L-1}$) is $2^{L-1}-1$ [8]. The total length of the cycle is $3(2^{L-1}-1)+3 = 3 \times 2^{L-1}$. Thus, we have

Lemma 19. The length of the shortest cycle containing a level-(*L*-1) inter-cluster edge of a WK(W, L) is $3 \times 2^{L-1}$.

Combining Lemma 12, Lemma 18 and Lemma 19, we have

Theorem 20. A WK(W, L) is strictly

 $3 \times 2^{L-1}$ -edge-pancyclic, where $W \ge 7$ and $L \ge 1$.

Then, we investigate the *m*-edge-pancyclicity of a WK(5, *L*) and a WK(6, *L*). According to Corollary 13 and Lemma 17, we can derive that each level-*H* inter-cluster edge of a WK(5, *L*) resides in $\{C_s| 3 \times 2^H \le s \le 5^L\}$ for $L \ge 3$. Clearly, the highest level of the inter-cluster edges of a WK(5, *L*) is *L*-1. From Corollary 13 and Lemma 19, we have the following lemmas:

Lemma 21. A WK(5, 2) is 8-edge-pancyclic.

Lemma 22. A WK(5, *L*) is strictly $3 \times 2^{L-1}$ -edge-pancyclic for $L \ge 3$.

Like the above discussion, we can derive the following lemmas:

Lemma 23. A WK(6, 2) is 8-edge-pancyclic.

Lemma 24. A WK(6, L) is strictly

 $3 \times 2^{L-1}$ -edge-pancyclic for $L \ge 3$.

Then, we investigate the *m*-edge-pancyclicity of a WK(4, *L*). By Corollary 15 and Lemma 17, we can derive that each level-*H* inter-cluster edge of a WK(4, *L*) resides in $\{C_s| 3 \times 2^H \le s \le 4^L\}$ for $L \ge 4$. Clearly, the highest level of the inter-cluster edges of a WK(4, *L*) is *L*-1. From Corollary 14, Corollary 15 and Lemma 19, we have the following lemmas:

Lemma 25. A WK(4, 2) is 8-edge-pancyclic.

Lemma 26. A WK(4, 3) is 18-edge-pancyclic.

Lemma 27. A WK(4, *L*) is strictly $3 \times 2^{L-1}$ -edgepancyclic for $L \ge 4$.

Consider the edge $((0)^{L-1}1, (0)^{L-1}2)$ of a WK(3, L), where $L \ge 2$. Clearly, the edge cannot be contained in a Hamiltonian cycle. As illustrated in Figure 4, edge (01, 02) cannot reside in a Hamiltonian cycle of a WK(3, 2). Thus, a WK(3, L) is not *m*-edge-pancyclic for $L \ge 2$.

5. Conclusions

In this paper, we have shown that a WK-Recursive network with amplitude W and level Lis vertex-pancyclic for $W \ge 6$. The WK-Recursive network is proved to be strictly 7-vertex-pancyclic, where $5 \le W \le 6$ and $L \ge 2$. On the other hand, we also investigate the *m*-edge-pancyclicity of the WK-Recursive network. We show that the WK-Recursive network is strictly $3 \times 2^{L-1}$ -edge-pancyclic for $W \ge 7$ and $L \ge 1$. However, the panconnected problem of the WK-Recursive network is still open.

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Figure 1. The structures of a WK(4, 0), a WK(4, 1), a WK(4, 2) and a WK(4, 3).



Figure 2. The outline graph of WK(4, 3).



Figure 3. A cycle of length l in an OG(WK(W, L)).



Figure 4. The edge (02, 01) cannot reside in a Hamiltonian cycle of a WK(3, 2).