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6-Valent Arc-Transitive Cayley Graphs on Abelian Groups

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Abstract. Let G be a finite group and S be a subset of G such that $1_G \notin S$ and $S^{-1} = S$. The Cayley graph $\Sigma = Cay(G, S)$ on G with respect to S is the graph with the vertex set G such that, for $\S, \dagger \in G$, the pair (\S, \dagger) is an arc in Cay(G, S) if and only if $\dagger \S^{-1} \in S$. The graph Σ is said to be arc-transitive if its full automorphism group $Aut(\Sigma)$ is transitive on its arc set. In this paper we give a classification for arc-transitive Cayley graphs with valency six on finite abelian groups which are non-normal. Moreover, we classify all normal Cayley graphs on non-cyclic abelian groups with valency 6.

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1 Introduction

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In this paper, the vertex set, edge set and the full automorphism group of a finite, simple and undirected graph Σ are denoted by $V(\Sigma)$, $E(\Sigma)$, and $\operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma)$, respectively. A graph Σ is said to be *vertex-transitive* and *edgetransitive* if $\operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma)$ acts transitively on $V(\Sigma)$ and $E(\Sigma)$, respectively. For a positive integer s, an s-arc of Σ is an (s + 1)-tuple (v_0, v_1, \ldots, v_s) of vertices such that $\{v_{i-1}, v_i\} \in E(\Sigma)$ for $1 \leq i \leq s$ and if $s \geq 2$, then $v_{i-1} \neq v_{i+1}$ for $1 \leq i \leq s - 1$. A graph Σ is called *s-arc-transitive* if $\operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma)$ acts transitively on $V(\Sigma)$ and on the set of *s*-arcs and also it is called *s-transitive* graph if Σ is an *s*-arc-transitive but not (s + 1)-arctransitive. Note that for s = 1, we simply use $A(\Sigma)$ to denote its 1-arc set and 1-arc-transitive graph is called *arc-transitive*. An arc-transitive graph Σ is said to be *s-regular* if for any two *s*-arcs in Σ , there is a unique automorphism of Σ mapping one to the other. Also, an arc-transitive graph Σ is said to be *one regular* if $|\operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma)| = |A(\Sigma)|$.

Let G be a finite group and $S \subset G$ such that $1_G \notin S$. The Cayley digraph $\mathcal{CD} = Cay_{\mathcal{D}}(G, S)$ on G with respect to S is defined by $V(\mathcal{CD}) = G$ and $E(\mathcal{CD}) = \{(g, sg) | g \in G, s \in S\}$. The three obvious results follow immediately from this definition: (1) The automorphism group of \mathcal{CD} , $\operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{CD})$, contains the right regular representation G_R of G, and so \mathcal{CD} is vertex-transitive; (2) \mathcal{CD} is connected if and only if $G = \langle S \rangle$; (3) \mathcal{CD} is undirected if and only if $S^{-1} = S$. In this case, we denote $\mathcal{CD} = Cay_{\mathcal{D}}(G,S)$ by $\Sigma = Cay(G,S)$.

A Cayley graph $\Sigma = Cay(G, \mathcal{S})$ (digraph $\mathcal{CD} = Cay_{\mathcal{D}}(G, \mathcal{S})$) is called normal if $G \trianglelefteq \operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma)$ ($G \trianglelefteq \operatorname{Aut}(\mathcal{CD})$).

in [13], Xu and Xu classified all arc-transitive Cayley graphs of valency at most four on abelian groups, and in [14] Xu classified all oneregular circulant graphs of valency four. Xu et al. [15] classified all arc-transitive circulant graphs and digraphs of order p^m , where p is an odd prime. Chao [6], classified symmetric graphs of order a prime number p, and Berggren [5] simplified Chao's proof and then Chao and Wells [7] gave a classification of symmetric digraphs of order a prime number p. A generalization of [14], is the classification of 2-arc-transitive circulant graphs, which was given by Alspach et. al [3]. In [1] the first author classified all arc-transitive Cayley graphs with valency 5 of abelian groups. The aim of this paper is to investigate the arc-transitive Cayley graphs with valency six on abelian groups. Recent research has classified Cayley graphs of valency 6 and edge-transitive Cayley graphs in [9, 10] and [8], respectively.

The group- and graph-theoretic notations and terminologies are standard; see [3, 4, 12] for example. We will denote the semi-directed product of group H by K with $H \cdot K$.

Theorem 1.1. Let G be an abelian group and let S be a subset of G such that $1_G \notin S$ and $S = S^{-1}$. Suppose that $\Sigma = Cay(G, S)$ is a connected Cayley graph with valency six on group G with respect to S. Then we have:

(a) If Σ is non-normal, then all arc-transitive Σ are as follows:

- 1. $G = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle \times \langle \varrho \rangle$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \varrho\}, \Sigma = C_4 \times Q_4 = Q_6, \operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma) = S_2 wr S_6.$
- $\begin{array}{ll} 2. \ \ G = \mathbb{Z}_4^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^2 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \varrho \rangle, \ \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \sigma, \theta\}, \\ \Sigma = C_4 \times Q_4 = Q_6, \ \mathrm{Aut}(\Sigma) = S_2 wr S_6. \end{array}$
- 3. $G = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^3 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \lambda^2 \mu \sigma \theta\}, \ \Sigma = Q_5^{\theta}, \operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma) = S_2^5.S_6.$
- $\begin{array}{ll} 4. \ \ G = \mathbb{Z}_4^3 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle, \\ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \\ \Sigma = C_4 \times C_4 \times C_4 = Q_6, \quad \mathrm{Aut}(\Sigma) = S_2 wr S_6. \end{array}$
- 5. $G = \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle, \ S = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \lambda \mu^{-1}, \lambda^{-1} \mu\}, \Sigma = K_{3,3,3}.$
- 6. $G = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle, \ \mathcal{S}_1 = \{\mu, \lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda \mu, \lambda^2 \mu, \lambda^3 \mu\},$ $\mathcal{S}_2 = \{\mu, \lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda \mu, \lambda^2, \lambda^3 \mu\}, \ \mathcal{S}_3 = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda \mu, \lambda^2, \lambda^2 \mu, \lambda^3 \mu\},$ $\Sigma = K_8 - 8K_2.$
- 7. $G = \mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle, \ \mathcal{S}_1 = \{\mu, \lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^3, \lambda \mu, \lambda^2 \mu, \lambda^4 \mu\},$ $\mathcal{S}_2 = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^3, \lambda \mu, \lambda^3 \mu, \lambda^5 \mu\}, \ \Sigma = K_{6,6}, \operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma) = S_6 wrS_2.$
- 8. $G = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_2^2 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^2, \mu, \sigma, \mu\sigma\}, \Sigma = K_4 \times K_4, \operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma) = S_4 \times S_2.$
- 9. $G = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^2, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^2\},$ $\Sigma = K_4 \times K_4, \operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma) = S_4 \times S_2.$

- 10. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^3 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle, \ S = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \lambda \mu, \lambda \sigma, \lambda \mu \sigma\}, \Sigma = K_8 8K_2.$
- 11. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \lambda \mu \sigma, \lambda \mu \theta\}.$

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- 12. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{14} = \langle \lambda \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^3, \lambda^5, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^{-3}, \lambda^{-5}\},\$ $\Sigma = K_{7,7} - 7K_2, \operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma) = S_7 \times S_2.$
- 13. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{12} = \langle \lambda \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^2, \lambda^5, \lambda^7, \lambda^{10}, \lambda^{11}\}, \Sigma = K_{4,4,4} 12K_2.$
- 14. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{12} = \langle \lambda \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^3, \lambda^5, \lambda^7, \lambda^9, \lambda^{11}\},$ $\Sigma = K_{6,6}, \operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma) = S_6 wr S_2.$
- 15. $G = \mathbb{Z}_9 = \langle \lambda \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^2, \lambda^4, \lambda^5, \lambda^7, \lambda^8\}, \ \Sigma = K_{3,3,3}.$
- 16. $G = \mathbb{Z}_8 = \langle \lambda \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^2, \lambda^3, \lambda^5, \lambda^6, \lambda^7\}, \ \Sigma = K_8 8K_2.$
- 17. $G = \mathbb{Z}_7 = \langle \lambda \rangle, \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^2, \lambda^3, \lambda^4, \lambda^5, \lambda^6\},$ $\Sigma = K_7, \operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma) = S_7.$

(b) If G is a non-cyclic abelian group and Σ is normal, then Σ is arctransitive if one of the following happens:

- 1. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^6 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle \times \langle \varrho \rangle \times \langle \xi \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \varrho, \xi\}, \Sigma = Q_6.$
- 2. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^5 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle \times \langle \varrho \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \varrho, \lambda \mu \sigma \theta \varrho\}, \Sigma = Q_5^+.$
- 3. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle, \ S = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \lambda \mu, \sigma \theta\},$ $\Sigma = K_4 \times K_4.$
- 4. $\Sigma = Ac(n, n, n, 0, 0)$ for $n \ge 3$ and $n \ne 4$.
- 5. $\Sigma = Ac(2m, m, m, 1, 0)$ for $m \ge 3$.
- 6. $\Sigma = Ac(2m, m, m, 1, 1)$ for $m \ge 3$.
- 7. $\Sigma = Ac(2m, 2m, m, 0, 1)$ for $m \ge 3$.

- 8. $\Sigma = Ac(2m, 2m, m, 1, 1)$ for $m \ge 3$.
- 9. $\Sigma = Ac(2m, 2m, p, 1, w')$ with $k' \ge 3$ and $(w')^2 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{k'}$.
- 10. $\Sigma = Ac(m, m, p, 0, w')$ with $k' \ge 3$ and $(w')^2 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{k'}$.
- 11. $\Sigma = Ac(n, m, p, w, w')$ with $k' \ge 3$, $k \ge 3$, $(w)^2 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{k}$ and $(w')^2 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{k'}$.

2 Primary Analysis

Let $\Sigma = Cay(G, S)$ be a Cayley graph on G with respect to S and let $Aut(G, S) = \{\alpha \in Aut(G) | S^{\alpha} = S\}$. Clearly, $G \cdot Aut(G, S) \leq Aut(\Sigma)$. Also, we have the following:

Proposition 2.1. [13, 15] Let G be a finite group, S be a subset of G non containing 1_G and $\Sigma = Cay(G, S)$ be a Cayley graph on G with respect to S.

(1) $N_A(G) = G.Aut(G, \mathcal{S}).$

(2) A = G.Aut(G, S) is equivalent to $G \triangleleft A$.

Proposition 2.2. [14] A graph Σ is arc-transitive if and only if it is vertex-transitive and the stabilizer G_u of a vertex u acts transitively on the neighborhood $\Sigma_1(u)$ of u in Σ .

Proposition 2.3. Let $\Sigma = Cay(G, S)$ be a normal Cayley graph on G with relative to S. Then Σ is arc-transitive if and only if Aut(G, S) acts transitively on the neighborhood $\Sigma_1(1)$ of 1 in Σ .

Now we introduce some graph products which are used in the paper. Let \mathcal{X} and \mathcal{Y} be two graphs. The *direct product* $\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}$ is defined as the graph with vertex set $V(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}) = V(\mathcal{X}) \times V(\mathcal{Y})$. Two vertices $u = [\S_1, \dagger_1]$ and $v = [\S_2, \dagger_2]$ are adjacent whenever $\S_1 = \S_2$ and $[\dagger_1, \dagger_2] \in E(\mathcal{Y})$ or $\dagger_1 = \dagger_2$ and $[\S_1, \S_2] \in E(\mathcal{X})$. Two graphs are called *relatively prime* if they have no nontrivial common direct factor. Another graph with vertex set $V(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y})$ is the *lexicographic product* $\mathcal{X}[\mathcal{Y}]$. Two vertices $u = [\S_1, \dagger_1]$ and $v = [\S_2, \dagger_2]$ in $V(\mathcal{X}[\mathcal{Y}])$, are adjacent, if either $[\S_1, \S_2] \in E(\mathcal{X})$ or $\S_1 = \S_2$ and $[\dagger_1, \dagger_2] \in E(\mathcal{Y})$. Let $\mathcal{V}(Y) = \{\dagger_1, \dagger_2, \ldots, \dagger_n\}$. Then there is a natural embedding of $n\mathcal{X}$ in $\mathcal{X}[\mathcal{Y}]$, where for $1 \leq i \leq n$, the *i*th copy of \mathcal{X} is the subgraph induced on the vertex subset $\{(\S, \dagger_i) | \S \in V(\mathcal{X})\}$ in $\mathcal{X}[\mathcal{Y}]$. The *deleted lexicographic product* $\mathcal{X}[\mathcal{Y}] - n\mathcal{X}$ is the graph obtained by deleting all the edges of (this natural embedding of) $n\mathcal{X}$ from $\mathcal{X}[\mathcal{Y}]$.

Let \mathcal{X} be a graph, α be a permutation on $V(\mathcal{X})$ and C_n be a circuit of length n. The *twisted product* $\mathcal{X} \times_{\alpha} C_n$ of \mathcal{X} by C_n with respect to α is defined as follows:

$$\begin{split} V(\mathcal{X} \times_{\alpha} C_{n}) &= V(\mathcal{X}) \times V(C_{n}) = \{ (\S, i) \mid \S \in V(\mathcal{X}), \\ & i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \}, \\ E(\mathcal{X} \times_{\alpha} C_{n}) &= \{ [(\S, i), (\S, i+1)] \mid \S \in V(\mathcal{X}), \ i = 0, 1, \dots, n-2 \} \\ & \cup \{ [(\S, n-1), \ (\S^{\alpha}, 0)] \mid \S \in V(\mathcal{X}) \} \\ & \cup \{ [(\S, i), (y, i)] \mid [\S, \dagger] \in E(\mathcal{X}), \ i = 0, 1, \dots, n-1 \}. \end{split}$$

Finally, we introduce some new graphs used in this paper. A circulant graph $C(n; n_1, \ldots, n_d)$ is a graph with vertex set $VC = \{0, 1, \ldots, n-1\}$ and edge set $EC = \{(i, j) \mid |j - i| = n_1, \ldots, n_{d-1} \text{ or } n_d \pmod{n}\}$, which has order n and valency 2d or 2d - 1. Thus $C_n = C(n; 1)$. If n is even then the graph C(n; 1, n/2) is of valency 3, denoted by M_n . The graph Q_d^+ for d = 4, 5, denotes the graph obtained by connecting all the long diagonal of d-cube Q_d , that is connecting all vertices u and v in Q_d such that d(u, v) = d. The graph $K_{m,m} \times_c C_n$ is the twisted product of $K_{m,m}$ by C_n such that c is a cycle permutation on each part of the complete bipartite graph $K_{m,m}$. The graph $Q_3 \times_d C_n$ is the twisted product of Q_3 by C_n such that d transposes each pair of elements on the long diagonals of Q_3 . The graph $C_{2m}^d[2K_1]$ is defined as the following:

$$V(C_{2m}^d[2K_1]) = V(C_{2m}[2K_1]),$$

$$E(C_{2m}^d[2K_1]) = E(C_{2m}[2K_1]) \cup \{[(\S_i, \dagger_j), (\S_{i+m}, \dagger_j)] |$$

$$i = 0, 1, \dots, m-1, \ j = 1, 2\}$$

where $V(C_{2m}) = \{\S_0, \S_1, \dots, \S_{2m-1}\}$ and $V(2K_1) = \{\dagger_1, \dagger_2\}.$

In the following theorem, all the non-normal Cayley graphs of valency six on abelian groups are classified.

Theorem 2.4. [2] Let G be an abelian group and $\Sigma = Cay(G, S)$ be a connected Cayley graph on G with respect to S of degree 6. Then Σ is normal unless one of the following cases holds:

- 1. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_m = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \varrho \rangle \ (m \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \lambda \mu \sigma \theta, \theta^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_{4,4} \times C_m.$
- 2. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^5 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle \times \langle \varrho \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \lambda \mu \sigma, \theta, \varrho\}, \Sigma = C_4 \times K_{4,4}.$
- 3. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \lambda \mu, \sigma^2, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_4 \times K_4.$
- 4. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle \times \langle \varrho \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \varrho, \varrho^{-1}\}, \Sigma = C_4 \times Q_4 = Q_6.$
- 5. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle, \ \mathcal{S}_1 = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta^2, \theta, \theta^{-1}\},$ $\Sigma = Q_3 \times K_4; \ \mathcal{S}_2 = \{\lambda, \mu, \lambda \mu, \sigma, \theta, \theta^{-1}\}, \ \Sigma = K_4 \times K_2 \times C_4;$ $\mathcal{S}_3 = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \lambda \theta^2, \theta, \theta^{-1}\}, \ \Sigma = K_{4,4} \times C_4.$
- 6. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_6 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \lambda \mu, \sigma^3, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_4 \times K_{3,3}.$

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$$G = \mathbb{Z}_2^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_6 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle,$$

 $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta^3, \theta, \theta^{-1}\}, \Sigma = Q_3 \times K_{3,3}$

- 8. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_m = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu^3, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_2 \times K_{3,3} \times C_m.$
- 9. $G = \mathbb{Z}_6 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda^3, \mu^m, \lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_{3,3} \times M_{2m}.$
- 10. $G = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^2, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^m\}, \Sigma = K_4 \times M_{2m}.$
- 11. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_m = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S}_1 = \{\lambda, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^2, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_2 \times K_4 \times C_m;$ $\mathcal{S}_2 = \{\lambda, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \lambda \mu^2, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_{4,4} \times C_m.$
- 12. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}, \sigma^m\}, \Sigma = K_2 \times C_4 \times M_{2m}.$
- 13. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_m = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle \ (m \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}, \theta, \theta^{-1}\}, \ C_4 \times C_4 \times C_m = Q_4 \times C_m.$

14. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_m = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle \ (m \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma\theta, \sigma\theta^{-1}, \theta, \theta^{-1}\}, \Sigma = C_4 \times C_m[2K_1].$

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- 15. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_m = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m = 5, 10),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}, \sigma^3, \sigma^{-3}\}, \Sigma = C_4 \times K_5 \ if \ m = 5 \ and$ $\Sigma = C_4 \times K_{5,5} - 5K_2 \ if \ m = 10.$
- 16. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{4m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}, \sigma^{2m+1}, \sigma^{2m-1}\}, \Sigma = C_4 \times C_m[2K_1].$
- 17. $G = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 3, \ m \ is \ odd),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^3, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^{m+1}, \mu^{m-1}\}, \Sigma = C_4 \times C_m[2K_1].$
- 18. $G = \mathbb{Z}_4^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_m = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^3, \mu, \mu^3, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \Sigma = C_4 \times C_4 \times C_m = Q_4 \times C_m.$
- 19. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 3, n \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda \mu, \lambda \mu^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \ \Sigma = C_m[2K_1].$
- 20. $G = \mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_n = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m = 5, 10, \ n \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^3, \lambda^{-3}, \mu, \mu^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_5 \times C_n \ if \ m = 5$ and $\Sigma = K_{5,5} - 5K_2 \times C_n \ if \ m = 10.$
- 21. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{4m} \times \mathbb{Z}_n = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 2, n \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^{2m+1}, \lambda^{2m-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}\}, \Sigma = C_{2m}[2K_1] \times C_n.$
- 22. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle, S = \{\lambda, \mu, \lambda \mu, \sigma, \lambda \mu \sigma, \theta\},$ $\Sigma = K_2 \times K_2[2K_2].$
- 23. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \lambda \sigma^2, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}, \sigma^2\}, \Sigma = K_2 \times K_2[2K_2].$
- 24. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \theta^{-1}, \lambda \mu \theta^2\}, \Sigma = K_2 \times Q_4^+.$
- 25. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{3m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 1),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \lambda \sigma^m, \lambda \sigma^{2m}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}.$
- 26. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{10} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \mu^3, \mu^5, \mu^7, \mu^9\},$ $\Sigma = K_2 \times K_{5,5}.$

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- 27. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda \sigma, \lambda \sigma^{-1}, \mu, \sigma^m, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \Sigma = C_{2m}^d [2K_1] \times K_2.$
- 28. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu^2 \sigma^m, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_2 \times Q_3 \times C_m = Q_4 \times C_m.$
- 29. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu^m, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^{m+1}, \mu^{m-1}\}, \Sigma = K_2 \times C_m[K_2].$
- 30. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \lambda\sigma, \lambda\sigma^{-1}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_2 \times C_{2m}[K_2].$
- 31. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{6m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 3, m \text{ is odd}),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu^2, \mu^{-2}, \mu^m, \mu^{5m}, \mu^{3m}\}, \Sigma = K_2 \times K_{3,3} \times_c C_m.$
- 32. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{6m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu \sigma^m, \mu \sigma^{3m}, \mu \sigma^{5m}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \Sigma = K_2 \times K_{3,3} \times_c C_{2m}.$
- 33. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^3 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \lambda \mu, \lambda \sigma, \lambda \mu \sigma\}, \Sigma = K_8 8K_2.$
- 34. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \lambda \mu \sigma, \lambda \mu \theta\}.$
- 35. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \lambda \sigma^m, \mu \sigma^m, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}.$
- 36. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S}_1 = \{\lambda, \mu, \lambda \mu, \lambda \sigma^2, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}, \mathcal{S}_2 = \{a, b, ac^2, abc^2, c, c^{-1}\}.$
- 37. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2^3 \times \mathbb{Z}_4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle,$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \theta^{-1}, \lambda \mu \sigma \theta^2\}, \Sigma = Q_5^+.$
- 38. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{6m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu^{3m}, \lambda \mu^{2m}, \lambda \mu^{4m}, \mu, \mu^{-1}\}.$
- 39. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_{4m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 1),$ $S = \{\lambda, \lambda \mu^m, \lambda \mu^{2m}, \lambda \mu^{3m}, \mu, \mu^{-1}\}.$
- 40. $G = \mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \mu^m, \lambda^2 \mu^m, \mu, \mu^{-1}\}.$

$$41. \quad G = \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{4m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 1), \\ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda \sigma^{2m}, \mu \sigma^{m}, \mu \sigma^{3m}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\}.$$

$$42. \quad G = \mathbb{Z}_{2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{10} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle, \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda \mu^{5}, \mu, \mu^{9}, \mu^{3}, \mu^{7}\}.$$

$$43. \quad G = \mathbb{Z}_{2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle, \\ \mathcal{S}_{1} = \{\lambda, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^{m}, \lambda \mu, \lambda \mu^{-1}\} \ (m \ge 2), \\ \mathcal{S}_{2} = \{\lambda, \lambda \mu^{m}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \lambda \mu, \lambda \mu^{-1}\} \ (m \ge 2), \\ \mathcal{S}_{3} = \{\lambda \mu^{m}, \mu^{m}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \lambda \mu, \lambda \mu^{-1}\} \ (m \ge 2), \\ \mathcal{S}_{4} = \{\lambda, \lambda \mu^{m}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^{m+1}, \mu^{m-1}\} \ (m \ge 3), \\ \mathcal{S}_{5} = \{\lambda, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^{m}, \lambda \mu^{m+1}, \lambda \mu^{m-1}\} \ (m \ge 3), \\ \mathcal{S}_{6} = \{\lambda, \lambda \mu^{m}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^{m}, \lambda \mu^{m+1}, \lambda \mu^{m-1}\} \ (m \ge 3).$$

$$44. \quad G = \mathbb{Z}_{2}^{2} \times \mathbb{Z}_{m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle,$$

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$$S_{1} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}, \lambda \mu \sigma, \lambda \mu \sigma^{-1}\} (m \ge 3),$$

$$S_{2} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}, \lambda \sigma^{k+1}, \lambda \sigma^{k-1}\} (m = 2k, k \ge 3),$$

$$S_{3} = \{\lambda, \mu \sigma, \mu \sigma^{-1}, \lambda \mu \sigma^{k+1}, \lambda \mu \sigma^{k-1}\} (m = 2k, k \ge 3),$$

$$S_{4} = \{\lambda, \mu \sigma, \mu \sigma^{-1}, \lambda \sigma^{k}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\} (m = 2k, k \ge 2),$$

$$S_{5} = \{\lambda, \mu \sigma^{k+1}, \mu \sigma^{k-1}, \sigma^{k}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\} (m = 2k, k \ge 3),$$

$$S_{6} = \{\lambda, \mu \sigma^{k+1}, \mu \sigma^{k-1}, \lambda \sigma^{k}, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}\} (m = 2k, k \ge 3),$$

$$S_{7} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \sigma^{-1}, \lambda \sigma, \lambda \sigma^{-1}\} (m = 2k - 1, k \ge 2).$$

$$45. \ G = \mathbb{Z}_{4m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \ (m \ge 2), \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^m, \lambda^{-m}, \lambda^{2m+1}, \lambda^{2m-1}\}.$$

- 46. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{2m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \ (m \ge 4),$ $S = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^{m+1}, \lambda^{m-1}, \lambda^k, \lambda^{-k}\} \ (2 \le k \le m-2), \ (m,k) = l, \ if$ $l > 2 \ or \ l = 2 \ for \ m = 4i + 2; \ (k = 2i, \ with \ i \ odd \ or \ k = 2i + 2,$ with $i \ even$).
- 47. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_m = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 5),$ $S_1 = \{\lambda \mu, \lambda \mu^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^j, \mu^{-j}\} (2 \le j < \frac{m}{2}), \ (m, j) = p > 2,$ m = (t+1)p, $S_2 = \{\lambda \mu, \lambda \mu^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \lambda \mu^j, \lambda \mu^{-j}\} (2 \le j < \frac{m}{2}), \ (m, j) = p > 2,$ m = (t+1)p.
- 48. $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_8 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle, \ \mathcal{S}_1 = \{\lambda \mu, \lambda \mu^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \mu^3, \mu^{-3}\},\$ $\mathcal{S}_2 = \{\lambda \mu, \lambda \mu^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \lambda \mu^3, \lambda \mu^{-3}\}.$

- 49. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{2m} \times \mathbb{Z}_n = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 2, \ n \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^m \mu, \lambda^m \mu^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}\}.$
- 50. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{2m} \times \mathbb{Z}_{2n} = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \ (m \ge 3, \ n \ge 2),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^{m+1} \mu^n, \lambda^{m-1} \mu^n, \mu, \mu^{-1}\}.$
- 51. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{6m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \ (m \ge 2), \ \mathcal{S}_1 = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^3, \lambda^{-3}, \lambda^{3m+1}, \lambda^{3m-1}\},$ $\mathcal{S}_2 = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^{3m+1}, \lambda^{3m-1}, \lambda^{3m+3}, \lambda^{3m-3}\}.$
- 52. $G = \mathbb{Z}_m = \langle \lambda \rangle \ (m = 7, 14), \ \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^3, \lambda^{-3}, \lambda^5, \lambda^{-5}\},$ $\Sigma = K_7 \ if \ m = 7 \ and \ \Sigma = K_{7,7} - 7K_2 \ if \ m = 14.$
- 53. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{3m} = \langle \lambda \rangle \ (m \ge 3),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^{m-1}, \lambda^{m+1}, \lambda^{2m-1}, \lambda^{2m+1}\}.$
- 54. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{16m-4} = \langle \lambda \rangle \ (m \ge 1),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^{4m-2}, \lambda^{12m-2}, \lambda^{8m-3}, \lambda^{8m-1}\}.$
- 55. $G = \mathbb{Z}_{16m+4} = \langle \lambda \rangle \ (m \ge 1),$ $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^{4m+2}, \lambda^{12m+2}, \lambda^{8m+1}, \lambda^{8m+3}\}.$
- 56. $G = \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle, \ S = \{\lambda, \lambda^2, \mu, \mu^2, \lambda^2 \mu, \lambda \mu^2\}, \Sigma = K_{3,3,3}.$

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$$G = \mathbb{Z}_4^2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \ (m \ge 3),$$

 $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \mu, \mu^{-1}, \sigma, \lambda^2 \mu^2 c\}.$

3 The Proof of Theorem 1.1

Here, we will give all non-normal arc-transitive Cayley graphs on abelian groups of degree six. Moreover, we will characterize all normal arc-transitive Cayley graphs on the non-cyclic abelian groups. First, we will introduce a family of graphs of valency 6, the Cayley graph $Cay(G, \mathcal{S}_{ww'})$, on a non-cyclic abelian group G.

Lemma 3.1. Let n, m, p, k, k', w and w' be positive integers with $m|n, n = mk, p|m, m = pk', n \ge 3, m \ge 3, p \ge 1, \gcd(w, k) = 1, \gcd(w', k') = 1, 0 \le w \le k - 1 \text{ and } 0 \le w' \le k' - 1.$ Let $G = \mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_p = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle$, and $\mathcal{S}_{ww'} = \{\lambda, \lambda^{-1}, \lambda^w \mu, \lambda^{-w} \mu^{-1}, \lambda^w \mu^{w'} \sigma$,

 $\lambda^{-w}\mu^{-w'}\sigma^{-1}$. The Cayley graph $Cay(G, \mathcal{S}_{ww'}) := Ac(n, m, p, w, w')$ is a regular graph of degree 6 and we have:

(1) Ac(n, m, p, w, w') is non-normal if and only if one of the following happens:

- (i) (n, m, p, w, w') = (4, 4, 4, 0, 0).
- (ii) $n, m(\geq 4)$ are even, p = 2 and $w' = \pm 1$.

(2) Suppose that Ac(n, m, p, w, w') is normal. Then, Ac(n, m, p, w, w') is arc-transitive if and only if one of the following holds:

- (i) $k \le 2$ and $k' \le 2$.
- (ii) $k \le 2, k' \ge 3$ and $(w')^2 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{k'}$.
- (iii) $k \ge 3, k' \ge 3, w^2 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{k}$ and $(w')^2 \equiv \pm 1 \pmod{k}$.

Proof. (1) This is a straightforward result of Theorem 2.4.

(2) Since $G = \langle \lambda, \lambda^w \mu, \lambda^w \mu^{w'} \sigma \rangle$, $\operatorname{Aut}(G, \mathcal{S}_{ww'})$ acts on $\mathcal{S}_{ww'}$ faithfully. Thus $\operatorname{Aut}(G, \mathcal{S}_{ww'})$ is isomorphic to a subgroup of S_6 . Now by Proposition 2.3, Ac(n, m, p, w, w') is arc-transitive if and only if $\operatorname{Aut}(G, \mathcal{S}_{ww'})$ acts transitively on $\mathcal{S}_{ww'}$. So, all elements of $\mathcal{S}_{ww'}$ have the same order. \Box

Now we are ready to prove the Theorem 1.1. Set $A = \operatorname{Aut}(\Sigma)$.

Proof. (a) All non-normal Cayley graphs with valency six are classified in Theorem 2.4 Now we investigate which of them are arc-transitive. In the cases (1), (2), (5) for $S = S_3$ and (11) for $S = S_2$, we have

 $\Sigma = C_m \times K_{4,4}$. Let $V(C_m) = \{1, \ldots, m\}$ and

 $V(K_{4,4}) = \{\S_1, \S_2, \S_3, \S_4, \S'_1, \S'_2, \S'_3, \S'_4\}$ such that $(\S_i, \S'_j) \in E(K_{4,4})$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq 4$. One can see that there is no $f \in A_{(1,\S_1)}$ such that $f(1, \S'_1) = (4, \S_1)$, which implies that Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (5) for $S = S_1$, let $V(K_4) = \{\dagger_1, \dagger_2, \dagger_3, \dagger_4\}$ and Q_3 contain two circuits C_4, C'_4 with $V(C_4) = \{\S_1, \S_2, \S_3, \S_4\}$ and $V(C'_4) = \{\S'_1, \S'_2, \S'_3, \S'_4\}$ such that $(\S_i, \S'_i) \in E(Q_3)$ for $1 \le i \le 4$. Note that the edge $[(\S_i, \dagger_j)(\S_i, \dagger_{j+1})]$ is contained in a cycle of length 3 in Σ , but the edge $[(\S_i, \dagger_j)(\S_{i+1}, \dagger_j)]$ is not contained in any cycle, for $1 \le i, j \le 3$. Therefore, Σ is not edge transitive and then is not

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arc-transitive. In (6), let $V(K_4) = \{\dagger_1, \dagger_2, \dagger_3, \dagger_4\}$ and $V(K_{3,3}) = \{\S_1, \S_2, \S_3, \S'_1, \S'_2, \S'_3\}$ such that $(\S_i, \S'_i) \in E(K_{3,3})$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq 3$. Note that the edge $[(\dagger_j, \S_i)(\dagger_{j+1}, \S_i)]$ is contained in any cycle of length 3 in Σ , but $[(\dagger_j, \S_i)(\dagger_j, \S'_k)]$ is not contained in any cycle, for $1 \leq j \leq 3$ and for any $1 \leq i, k \leq 4$. Therefore, Σ is not edge transitive and then is not arc-transitive. In (7), let Q_3 contain two circuits C_4, C'_4 respectively with the set of vertices $V(C_4) = \{\S_1, \S_2, \S_3, \S_4\}$ and $V(C'_4) = \{\S_1, \S_2, \S_3, \S_4\}$ $\{\S'_1, \S'_2, \S'_3, \S'_4\}$ such that $(\S_i, \S'_i) \in E(Q_3)$ for $1 \le i \le 4$ and $V(K_{3,3}) =$ $\{\dagger_1, \dagger_2, \dagger_3, \dagger'_1, \dagger'_2, \dagger'_3\}$ such that $(\dagger_i, \dagger'_j) \in E(K_{3,3})$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq 3$. One can see that there is no $f \in A_{(\S_1, \dagger_1)}$ such that $f(\S_1, \dagger'_1) = (\S_2, \dagger_1)$. Thus Σ is not arc-transitive. In (8), let $V(K_{3,3}) = \{\S_1, \S_2, \S_3, \S'_1, \S'_2, \S'_3\}$ such that $(\S_i, \S'_i) \in E(K_{3,3})$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq 3$ and $V(M_{2m}) = \{1, \ldots, 2m\}$. One can see that there is no $f \in A_{(\S_1,1)}$ such that $f(\S'_1,1) = (\S_1,2)$. So, Σ is not arc-transitive. In (9), let $V(K_2) = \{\S_1, \S_2\}, V(K_{3,3}) = \{\dagger_1, \dagger_2, \dagger_3, \dagger'_1, \dagger'_2, \dagger'_3\}$ such that $(\dagger_i, \dagger'_j) \in E(K_{3,3})$ for $1 \le i, j \le 3$ and $V(C_m) = \{1, \ldots, m\}$. One can see that there is no $f \in A_{(\S_1, \dagger_1, 1)}$ such that $f(\S_1, \dagger_1', 1) = (\S_2, \dagger_1, 1)$. Thus from Proposition 2.2, we conclude that Σ is not arc-transitive. In (10), let $V(K_4) = \{\dagger_1, \dagger_2, \dagger_3, \dagger_4\}$ and $V(M_{2m}) = \{1, \ldots, 2m\}$ for $m \neq 2$. Note that the edge $[(\dagger_i, j)(\dagger_{i+1}, j)]$ is contained in a cycle of length 3 in Σ , but the edge $[(\dagger_i, j)(\dagger_i, j+m)]$ is not contained in any cycle, for $1 \leq i \leq 4$ and $1 \leq j \leq 2m - 1$. Therefore, Σ is not edge transitive and then is not arc-transitive. In (11) for $S = S_1$ and (5) for $S = S_2$, we have $\Sigma = K_2 \times K_4 \times C_n$. Let $V(K_2) = \{\S_1, \S_2\}, V(K_4) = \{\dagger_1, \dagger_2, \dagger_3, \dagger_4\}$ and $V(C_n) = \{1, \ldots, n\}$. Note that the edge $[(\S_i, \dagger_j, k)(\S_i, \dagger_{j+1}, k)]$ is contained in a cycle of length 3 but the edge $[(\S_i, \dagger_j, k)(\S_i, \dagger_j, k+1)]$ is not, for $i = \{1, 2\}, 1 \le j \le 4$ and $1 \le k \le n, n \ne 4$. Now, if n = 4, the edge $[(\S_1, \dagger_j, k)(\S_2, \dagger_j, k)]$ is contained in a cycle of length 3 but the edge $[(\S_i, \dagger_i, k)(\S_i, \dagger_i, k+1)]$ is not contained in any cycle, for $i = \{1, 2\}, 1 \leq j \leq 4$ and $1 \leq k \leq 4$. Then, in both cases, Σ is not arc-transitive. In (12), let $V(K_2) = \{\S_1, \S_2\}, V(C_4) = \{\dagger_1, \dots, \dagger_4\}$ and $V(M_{2m}) = \{1, 2, \ldots, 2m\}$ for $m \geq 3$. One can see that there is no $f \in A_{(\S_1, \dagger_1, 1)}$ such that $f(\S_1, \dagger_1', 1) = (\S_2, \dagger_1, 1)$, which implies that Σ is not arc-transitive. In (13), (18) for $m \neq 4$ and (28), let Q_4 contain two

graphs Q_3, Q'_3 with set of vertices

 $V(Q_3) = \{\S_1, \dots, \S_4, \S'_1, \dots, \S'_4\}$ such that $(\S_i, \S'_i) \in E(Q_3)$ for

 $1 \leq i \leq 4$ and $V(Q'_3) = \{\dagger_1, \ldots, \dagger_4, \dagger'_1, \ldots, \dagger'_1\}$ such that $(\dagger_i, \dagger'_i) \in E(Q'_3)$ for $1 \leq i \leq 4$. One can see that there is no $f \in A_{(\S_1,1)}$ such that $f(\S_2, 1) = (\S_1, m)$. So, by Proposition 2.2, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (14), (16), (17), (19) and (20), we have $\Sigma = C_n \times C_m[2k1]$. Let $V(C_n) = \{1, \ldots, n\}, V(C_m) = \{1, \ldots, m\}$ and $V(2k1) = \{\dagger_1, \dagger_2\}$ such that $[(\S_i, \dagger_j)(\S_{i+1}, \dagger_k)] \in E(C_m[2k1])$ for $k, j = \{1, 2\}$ and $1 \le i \le m$. Note that there is no $f \in A_{(1,\S_1,\dagger_1)}$ such that $f(2,\S_1, \dagger_1) = (1,\S_2, y_2)$. So by the note on Proposition 2.2, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (15) for m = 10 and (21) for $[m = 10, n \ge 4]$, let $V(C_n) = \{1, \ldots, n\}$ and $V(K_{5,5} - 5K_2) = \{\S_1, \S_2, \ldots, \S_5, \S'_1, \S'_2, \ldots, \S'_5\}$ such that $(\S_i, \S'_j) \in E(K_{5,5} - 5K_2)$ for $i \ne j, 1 \le i, j \le 5$. One can see that there is no $f \in A_{(1,\S_1)}$ such that $f(2,\S_1) = (1, y_2)$, which means Σ is not arctransitive. Now suppose that [m = 10 and n = 3]. Note that the edge $[(i, \S_j)(i + 1, \S_j)]$ is contained in a cycle of length 3 in Σ , but the edge $[(i, \S_j)(i, \S'_k)]$ is not, for $1 \le i \le 3$ and $1 \le j, k \le 5$. Therefore, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (15) for m = 5 and (21) for $[m = 5, n \ge 4]$, we have $\Sigma = C_n \times K_5$. Let $V(C_n) = \{1, \ldots, n\}$ and $V(K_5) = \{\S_1, \ldots, \S_5\}$. Note that the edge $[(i, \S_j)(i, \S_{j+1})]$ is contained in a cycle of length 3 in Σ , but the edge $[(i, \S_j)(i+1, \S_j)]$ is not, for $1 \le i \le 4$ and $1 \le j \le 5$. Therefore, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (22), the edge $(\lambda, \lambda\mu)$ is contained in a cycle of length 3, but the edge $(\lambda, \lambda\mu)$ is not. Therefore, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (23), the edge (λ, σ^2) is contained in a cycle of length 3, but the edge $(\lambda, \lambda \mu)$ is not. Therefore, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (25), one can see there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that $f(\lambda \mu) = (\sigma^m)$. So, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (26), let $V(K_2) = \{\S_1, \S_2\}$ and

 $V(K_{5,5}) = \{\S_1, \S_2, \dots, \S_5, \S_1', \S_2', \dots, \S_5'\}$, such that $(\S_i, \S_j') \in E(K_{5,5})$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq 5$. One can see that there is no $f \in A_{(\S_1, \dagger_1)}$ such that $f(\S_1, \dagger_1') = (\S_2, \dagger_1)$. It follows that Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (27), we have $\Sigma = C_{2m}^d [2k_1] \times K_2$. Let $V(C_{2m}) = \{1, ..., 2m\}$, $V(2K_1) = \{\S_1, \S_2\}$ and $V(K_2) = \{\dagger_1, \dagger_2\}$. One can see that there is no $f \in A_{1,\S_1,\dagger_1}$ such that $f(1,\S_1,\dagger_2) = (2m,\S_2,\dagger_1)$. So, by Proposition 2.2, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (29), note that the edge (μ^m, μ^{m+1}) is contained in a cycle of length

3, but the edge $(1, \lambda)$ is not. Then, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (30) and (43) for $S = S_7$, note that the edge (λ, σ) is contained in a cycle of length 3, but the edge $(\lambda, \lambda \mu)$ is not. Then Σ is not arctransitive.

In (31) and (32), one can see that there is no $f \in A_{\mu_2}$ such that $f(\lambda \mu_2) = (\mu^{m+2})$. Hence Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (34), Γ is a bipartite graph of diameter three and girth four. Therefore by [4, Proposition 17.2], Γ is at most 3-transitive. Hence by [11], there are 4 symmetric graphs of order 16.

In (35), one can see that there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that $f(\lambda \mu) = (\lambda \sigma)$. So, by Proposition 2.2, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (36) for $[S = S_1, S_2]$, note that the edge (λ, μ) is contained in a cycle of length 3, but the edges $(\lambda, \lambda \mu)$ and (σ, σ_2) are not contained in a cycle of length 3. Then Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (38) and (39), one can see that there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that

 $f(\lambda\mu) = (\mu^{2m})$ and also in the cases (40), (41) and (42), one can see that there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that $f(\lambda^2) = (\lambda\mu)$, $f(\lambda\sigma) = (\sigma^{2m})$ and $f(\lambda\mu) = (\mu^5)$, respectively. So, by Proposition 2.2, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (43) for $[S = S_1, m \ge 3]$ and $[S = S_5, m \ge 4]$, one can see that there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that $f(\lambda \mu) = (\lambda \mu^m)$. For $[S = S_2, m \ge 4]$ and $[S = S_4, S_3, m \ge 3]$, there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that $f(\lambda \mu) = (\mu^m)$. Also, for $[S = S_3, m \ge 4]$ there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that $f(\lambda) = (\mu^{m+1})$. Finally, for $[S = S_7, m \ge 3]$ there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that $f(\lambda \mu^{m+1}) = (\mu^{m+1})$. So, by Proposition 2.2, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (44) for $[S = S_1, S_2, S_3, m \ge 3]$, one can see that there is no $f \in A_\lambda$ such that $f(\lambda \mu) = (\lambda \sigma)$. Also, for $[S = S_4, m \ge 2]$ there is no $f \in A_\lambda$ such that $f(\lambda \mu) = (\mu \sigma)$. For $[S = S_5, m \ge 3, m = 2k]$, there is no $f \in A_\lambda$ such that $f(\lambda \mu \sigma^{k+1}) = (\lambda \sigma^k)$. Finally, for $[S = S_6, m \ge 3, m = 2k]$, there is no $f \in G_\lambda$ such that $f(\lambda \mu \sigma^{k+1}) = (\sigma^k)$. So, by Proposition 2.2, Σ is not arc-transitive. In (45), one can see that there is no $f \in G_\lambda$ such that $f(\lambda^2) = (\lambda^{m+1})$. Thus, by Proposition 2.2, Σ is not arc-transitive. In (46), there is no $f \in A_\lambda$ such that $f(\lambda^m) = (\lambda^{m+2})$. So, Proposition 2.2 implies that Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (47), for $S = S_1$, there is no $f \in A_{\mu}$ such that $f(\mu) = (\lambda \mu^j)$ and for $S = S_2$, $f \notin A_{\mu}$ such that $f(\mu) = (\mu^j)$. Therefore, by Proposition 2.2 Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (48) for $S = S_1$ and $S = S_2$, there is no $f \in A_\lambda$ such that $f(\mu) = (\lambda \mu^3)$ and $f(\mu) = (\lambda \mu)$, respectively, which implies Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (49) and (50), there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that $f(\lambda^2) = (\lambda \mu)$. So, by Proposition 2.2, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (51), (53), (54) and (55), for $[\mathcal{S} = S_1, S_2]$, there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that $f(\lambda^2) = (\lambda^{3m}), (\lambda^{2m}), (\lambda^{4m-1})$ and (λ^{4m+3}) , repectively. So Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (57), since there is no $f \in A_{\lambda}$ such that $f(\lambda \mu) = (\lambda \sigma)$, Σ is not arc-transitive.

In (4), we have $\Sigma = K_2 \times Q_5 \simeq C_4 \times Q_4$. Since Q_4 is arc-transitive, Σ is arc-transitive.

The cases (13) and (18) for m = 4 are similarly as the case (4).

In (24), we have $\Sigma = K_2 \times Q_4^+$. Note that [4, Proposition 17.2] tells us that the Cayley graph is at most 3-transitive. Let $[\alpha]$ be a 3-arc in Σ . Then there are automorphisms g_1, \ldots, g_5 such that $g_i[\alpha] = [\beta^{(i)}]$ $(1 \le i \le 5)$, so that each $[\beta^{(i)}]$ is a successor of $[\alpha]$. Then Aut (Σ) is transitive on 3-arcs and Σ is vertex-transitive. So, Σ is 2-transitive and 1-transitive. Therefore, the graph $\Sigma = K_2 \times Q_4^+$ is arc-transitive.

In (37), we have the graph $\Sigma = Q_5^+$, which is arc-transitive.

In (52) for m = 7 and m = 14, we have $\Sigma = K_7$ and $\Sigma = K_{7,7} - 7K_2$ respectively, which are arc-transitive.

In (51) for m = 2, (53) for m = 4, (54) for m = 1, (45) for m = 3 and (43) for $[S = S_3, m = 3]$ and $[S = S_5, m = 3]$, we have $\Sigma = K_{6,6}$, which is arc-transitive.

In (45) for m = 2, (46) for m = 4, (39) for m = 1, (33) and (43) for $[\mathcal{S} = S_1, S_2, S_3, m = 2]$, we have $\Sigma = K_8 - 8K_2$, which is arc-transitive. In (53) for m = 3 and (56), we have $\Sigma = K_{3,3,3}$, which is arc-transitive. Now the proof of Theorem 1.1 (a) is completed.

(b) Assume G is a non-cyclic group, and $\Sigma = Cay(G, S)$ is a normal Cayley graph of valency six. Since the order of all elements of S is equal to n, we investigate two deferent cases n = 2 and n > 2. If n = 2, then S contains six involutions and up to an isomorphism, one of the following cases happens:

1.
$$G = \mathbb{Z}_2^3 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle, \mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \lambda \mu, \lambda \sigma, \lambda \mu \sigma\}, \Sigma = K_8 - 8K_2$$

2.
$$G = \mathbb{Z}_2^4 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle$$
,

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{S}_{1} &= \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \lambda\mu, \lambda\mu\sigma\}, \Sigma = K_{2} \times K_{2}[2K_{2}], \\ \mathcal{S}_{2} &= \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \lambda\mu, \sigma\theta\}, \ \Sigma = K_{4} \times K_{4}, \\ \mathcal{S}_{3} &= \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \lambda\mu\sigma, \lambda\mu\theta\}, \ \mathcal{S}_{4} &= \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \lambda\mu, \lambda\mu\sigma\theta\} \\ \mathcal{S}_{5} &= \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \lambda\mu\sigma, \lambda\mu\sigma\theta\}, \ \mathcal{S}_{6} &= \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \lambda\theta, \lambda\mu\sigma\} \end{split}$$

3.
$$G = \mathbb{Z}_2^5 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle \times \langle \varrho \rangle,$$

 $S_1 = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \varrho, \lambda\mu\}, \ \Sigma = K_4 \times Q_3,$
 $S_2 = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \varrho, \lambda\mu\sigma\}, \ \Sigma = C_4 \times Q_3^+,$
 $S_3 = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \varrho, \lambda\mu\sigma\theta\}, \ \Sigma = K_2 \times Q_4^+,$
 $S_4 = \{lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \varrho, \lambda\mu\sigma\theta\varrho\}, \ \Sigma = Q_5^+.$

4.
$$G = \mathbb{Z}_2^6 = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle \times \langle \theta \rangle \times \langle \varrho \rangle \times \langle \xi \rangle,$$

 $\mathcal{S} = \{\lambda, \mu, \sigma, \theta, \varrho, \xi\}, \Sigma = Q_6.$

Note that by part (a) of Theorem 1.1, the graphs of the cases (1), (2) for $[S = S_1, S_3]$, (3) for $[S = S_1, S_2, S_3]$ are non-normal. Also, the graphs Q_6 , $K_4 \times K_4$ and Q_5^+ are arc-transitive.

If n > 2, we suppose that $S = \{\S, \S^{-1}, \dagger, \dagger^{-1}, \ddagger, \ddagger^{-1}\}$, where $o(\S) = o(\dagger) = o(\ddagger) = n \ge 3$. Then, G is an abelian group generated by \S, \dagger and \ddagger , so $G \cong \mathbb{Z}_n \times \mathbb{Z}_m \times \mathbb{Z}_p = \langle \lambda \rangle \times \langle \mu \rangle \times \langle \sigma \rangle$, where m|n and p|m (i.e., n = mk, m = pk'). Note that Aut(G) acts transitively on the set of elements of G with the highest order. So, we can take $\S = \lambda, \dagger = \lambda^w \mu^j$, and $\ddagger = \lambda^w \mu^{w'} \sigma^i$ such that $\mu \in \langle \mu^j \rangle$ and $\sigma \in \langle \sigma^i \rangle$. One can see that the orders of $\lambda^w \mu^j$ and $\lambda^w \mu^{w'} \sigma^i$ are n. Therefore, $\gcd(j,m) = 1$ and $\gcd(p,i) = 1$. So, we may also take $\dagger = \lambda^w \mu$ and $\ddagger = \lambda^w \mu^{w'} \sigma$, under the action of a suitable automorphism of G. Since the mapping $\lambda \mapsto \lambda, \mu \mapsto \lambda^k \mu$ and $\sigma \mapsto \lambda^k \mu^{k'} \sigma$ is an automorphism of G, without loss of generality, we can assume that $0 \le w \le k - 1$ and $\gcd(w', k') = 1$. However, G is not cyclic and then $m \ge 2$ and $p \ge 2$. Thus $\Sigma \cong Ac(n, m, p, w, w')$. Now, by Lemma 3.1, the proof of Theorem 1.1 (b) is complete.

4 Conclusion

In this paper, we have studied the arc-transitive Cayley graphs with valency six on finite abelian groups. We have shown that there are only finitely many such graphs that are non-normal, and we have classified them completely. We have also classified all normal Cayley graphs on non-cyclic abelian groups with valency six, and we have given some examples of such graphs. Our results extend and generalize some previous works on arc-transitive Cayley graphs of low valency.

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