

**Abstract**

**Constructing combinatorial structures with prescribed numbers of orbits**

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Given a positive integer  $d$ , for which pairs  $(m, n)$  of integers does there exist a finite regular graph of degree  $d$  whose automorphism group has exactly  $m$  orbits on the set of vertices and  $n$  orbits on the set of edges ? Similar questions may be asked for other combinatorial structures like graphs, hypergraphs, designs, linear spaces, convex polyhedra, etc... The talk will be a survey of known results and open problems related to these questions.