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## On Harmonious Graphs

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### Abstract

Let G = (V (G), E(G)) be a graph with q edges. A function f is called harmonious labeling of graph G if  $f:V \rightarrow \{0,1,2,...,q-1\}$  is injective and the induced function  $f^*: E \rightarrow \{0,1,2,...,q\}$  defined as  $f^*(uv) = (f(u) + f(v)) \pmod{q}$  is bijective. A graph which admits harmonious labeling is called harmonious graph. In this paper we prove that the jewel graph, triangular ladder graph, special flower graph, duplicating all the vertex of  $mK_1$ , in  $P_2+mK_1$ ,  $T(P_n) \odot K_m^c$  are harmonious graphs.

**Keywords:** Labeling, Jewel graph, Triangular ladder, Helm, Special flower graph, Harmonious labeling.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

A labeling or valuation or numbering of a simple graph G is a one to one mapping from its vertex (edges) into a set of integers which induces an assignment of labels to the edges (vertices) of G. For all terminology and notations in graph theory we follow Harary [3]. In 1980, Graham and Sloane suggested a new labeling known as Harmonious labeling [6]. In this paper we shall mean a simple finite graph without isolated vertices. Let G be a graph with q edges is said to be Harmonious if there is an injection f from the vertex set of G to  $\{0,1,2,...,q-1\}$  such that each edge (xy) is assigned the label  $(f(x) + f(y)) \pmod{q}$ , the resulting edge labels are distinct.

### Definition: 1.1

The Jewel graph  $J_n$  is a graph with vertex set  $V(J_n) = \{u,x,v,y,u_i/1 \le i \le n\}$  and the edge set  $E(J_n) = \{ux,vx,uy,vy,xy,uu_i,vu_i/1 \le i \le n\}$ 

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### Theorem: 1.1

The Jewel graph  $J_n$  is harmonious for  $n \ge 1$ .

### Proof

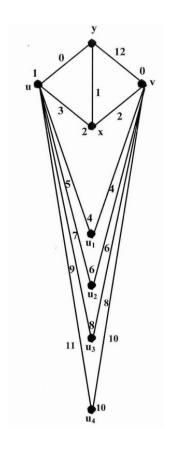
Let  $J_n$  be a (p,q) graph. Let the vertices set of Jewel graph is  $V(J_n)=\{u,x,v,y,u_i/1\leq i\leq n\}$  and the edge set is  $E(J_n)=\{ux,vx,uy,xy,uu_i,vu_i/1\leq i\leq n\}$  Thus  $J_n$  has n+4 vertices and 2n+5 edges. Define  $f:V(J_n)\to\{0,1,2,...,q-1\}$  as follows f(u)=1 f(v)=0 f(y)=q-1 f(x)=2  $f(u_i)=2i+2,1\leq i\leq n$ 

Then the function f induces the function  $f^*$  on  $E(J_n)$  as follows.

 $\begin{array}{ll} f^*(uy) &= 0 \\ f^*(xy) &= 1 \\ f^*(xv) &= 2 \\ f^*(ux) &= 3 \\ f^*(vy) &= q\text{-}1 \\ f^*(uu_i) &= 2i+3, \, 1 \leq i \leq n \\ f^*(vu_i) &= 2i+2, \, 1 \leq i \leq n \\ \text{Thus the edge labels are distinct.} \\ \text{Hence } J_n \text{ is Harmonious, for } n \geq 1 \\ \end{array}$ 

### Illustration: 1.1

J<sub>4</sub> is Harmonious



#### Definition: 1.2

A triangular ladder  $TL_n$ ,  $n \ge 2$  is a graph obtained from a ladder  $L_n$  by adding the edges  $u_iv_{i+1}$  for  $1 \le i \le n-1$ , where  $u_i$  and  $v_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le n$  are the vertices of  $L_n$ , such that  $u_1u_2...u_n$  and  $v_1v_2...v_n$  are two paths of length n.

### Theorem: 1.2

The triangular ladder TL<sub>n</sub> is Harmonious for all n.

#### Proof

Let  $TL_n$  be a (p,q) graph. Let  $u_i,v_i,\ 1 \le i \le n$  be the vertices of  $L_n$ . Join  $u_i$  to  $v_{i+1},\ 1 \le i \le n-1$ . The resultant graph is  $TL_n$ .

The edge set is  $E(TL_n) = \{u_iu_{i+1}, v_iv_{i+1}, u_iv_{i+1}/1 \le i \le n-1\} \cup \{u_iv_i/1 \le i \le n\}$ 

Thus TL<sub>n</sub> has 2n vertices and 4n-3 edges.

Define f:  $V(TL_n) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,...,q-1\}$ as follows.

 $f(u_i) = 2i, 1 \le i \le n$  $f(v_i) = 2i-1, 1 \le i \le n$ .

Then the function f induces the function  $f^*$  on  $E(TL_n)$  as follows.

$$f^*(u_nv_n) = 2$$

 $f^*(u_{n-1}u_n) = 1$ 

 $f^*(u_{n-1}v_n) = 0$ 

 $f^*(u_iu_{i+1}) = 4i+2, 1 \le i \le n-2$ 

 $f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = 4i, 1 \le i \le n-1$ 

 $f^*(u_i v_{i+1}) = 4i+1, 1 \le i \le n-2$ 

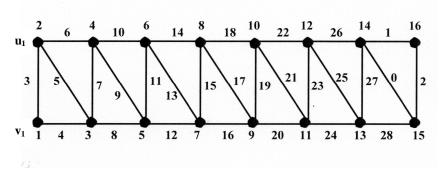
 $f^*(u_iv_i) = 4i-1, 1 \le i \le n-1$ 

Clearly all the edge labels are distinct.

∴ TL<sub>n</sub> is Harmonious.

### Illustration: 1.2

TL<sub>8</sub> is Harmonious



## Definition: 1.3

A special flower ( $F\ell_n$ ) is a graph obtained from a Helm  $H_n$  by joining each pendant vertex to the central vertex of the helm.

### Theorem: 1.3

The special Flower graph  $F\ell_n$  is Harmonious for all odd n.

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### Proof:

Let w be the central vertex of  $H_n$  and  $v_1, v_2, ..., v_n$  be the rim vertices of the cycle. Let  $v_1', v_2', ..., v_n'$  be the pendant vertices attached with  $v_i$ , i = 1, 2, ..., n

Now 
$$v(F\ell_n) = \{w,v_1,v_2,...,v_n,v_1',v_2',...,v_n'\}$$
 and 
$$E(F\ell_n) = \{wv_i/1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{wv_i'/1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{v_iv_i'/1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{v_iv_{i+1}/1 \le i \le n, \text{ where } v_{n+1} = v_1\}$$

Note that  $F\ell_n$  has 2n+1 vertices and 4n edges.

Define 
$$f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,...,q-1\}$$
 as follows  $f(w) = 0$   $f(v_i) = 2i-1, \ 1 \le i \le n$   $f(v_{2'}) = f(v_n)+2$   $f(v_{i+1}') = f(v_i')+2, \ 2 \le i \le n, \ where \ v_{n+1}' = v_1'$ 

Then the function f induces the function  $f^*$  on  $E(F\ell_n)$  as follows.

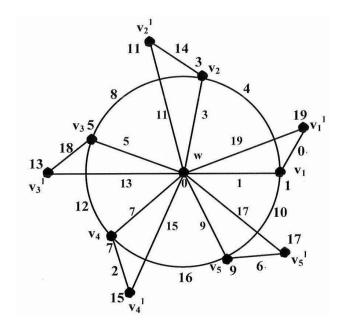
$$\begin{split} f^*(wv_i) &= v_i, \ 1 \leq i \leq n \\ f^*(wv_i') &= v_i', \ 1 \leq i \leq n \\ f^*(v_iv_{i+1}) &= 4i, \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f^*(v_nv_1) &= 2n \\ f^*(v_1v_1') &= 0 \\ f^*(v_2v_2') &= 2n+4 \\ f^*(v_iv_i') &= [f(v_{i-1}v_{i-1}')+4](modq), \ 3 \leq i \leq n \end{split}$$

Clearly all the edge labels are distinct.

 $\therefore$  F $\ell_n$  is Harmonious for all odd n.

# Illustration: 1.3

Fℓ<sub>5</sub> is Harmonious



Theorem: 1.4

The graph  $G^*$  obtained by duplicating all the vertex of  $mK_1$  in  $P_2 + mK_1$  is a Harmonious graph.

### **Proof:**

The vertex set is 
$$V(P_2+mK_1)=\{v_1,\ v_2,\ y_1,\ y_2,\ y_3,\ .....,\ y_m\}$$
, where  $V(P_2)=\{v_1,v_2\}$  and  $V(mK_1)=\{y_1,y_2,...,y_m\}$ 

Now duplicating all the vertex of mK<sub>1</sub> in P<sub>2</sub>+mK<sub>1</sub>

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The resulting graph is G\* and whose vertex set is

$$V(G^*) = \{v_1, v_2, y_1, y_2, ..., y_m, y_1', y_2', ..., y_m'\}$$

The edge set of G\* is

 $E(G^*) = \{ (v_1v_2) \cup (v_1y_i)/1 \le i \le m \} \cup \{ (v_1y_i')/1 \le i \le m \} \cup \{ (v_2y_i)/1 \le i \le m \} \cup \{ (v_2y_i')/1 \le i \le m \}$  Note that  $G^*$  has 2(m+1) vertices and 4m+1 edges.

Define f:  $V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,...,q-1\}$  as follows.

 $f(v_1) = 0$ 

 $f(v_2) = 1$ 

 $f(y_i) = 2i, 1 \le i \le m$ 

 $f(y_i') = 2(m+i), 1 \le i \le m$ 

Then the function f induces the function  $f^*$  on  $E(G^*)$  as follows.

 $f^*(v_1y_i) = 2i$ ,  $1 \le i \le m$ 

 $f^*(v_2y_i) = 2i+1, 1 \le i \le m$ 

 $f^*(v_1y_1') = f(v_1y_m) + 2$ 

 $f^*(v_1y_{i+1}') = f(v_1y_i')+2, 1 \le i \le m-1$ 

 $f^*(v_2y_1') = f(v_2y_m) + 2$ 

 $f^*(v_2y_{i+1}') = f(v_2y_i') + 2, 1 \le i \le m-1$ 

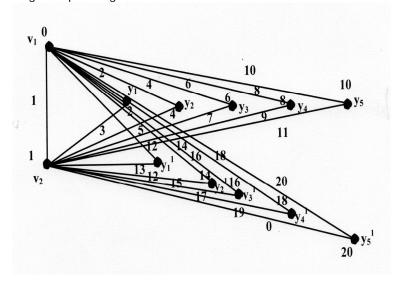
 $f^*(v_1v_2) = 1$ 

Here all the edge labels are distinct.

∴ The graph G\* is Harmonious.

### Illustration: 1.4

Harmonious labeling of duplicating of all the vertices of 5K<sub>1</sub> in P<sub>2</sub> +5K<sub>1</sub>



Theorem: 1.5

The graph  $G = T(P_n) \odot K_m^c$  is a Harmonious graph for all m and n

### Proof:

The vertex set of G is  $V(G) = \{u_i / 1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{v_i / 1 \le i \le n-1\} \cup \{u_{ij} / 1 \le i \le n, 1 \le j \le m\} \cup \{v_{ij} / 1 \le i \le n-1\} \cup \{u_{ij} / 1 \le$ 

The edge set of G is

$$\begin{split} E(G) &= \{ (u_i u_{i+1}) \ / \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \} \ \cup \ \{ (v_i v_{i+1}) \ / \ 1 \leq i \leq n-2 \} \ \cup \ \{ (u_i v_i) \ / \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \} \ \cup \ \{ (v_i u_{i+1}) \ / \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \} \ \cup \ \{ (v_i u_{i+1}) \ / \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \} \ \cup \ \{ (v_i v_i) \ / \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \} \ \cup \ \{ (v$$

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Then 
$$V(G) = 2n(m+1) - m-1$$
  
 $E(G) = 2n(m+2) - m-5$   
Define  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,...,q-1\}$  as follows  $f(v_i) = 2i, \ 1 \le i \le n-1$   
 $f(u_i) = 2i - 1, \ 1 \le i \le n$   
 $f(v_{(i-1)1}) = f(v_{(i-1)}) + n$   
 $f(v_{(i+n-1)1}) = f(v_{(i+n)1}) + 1, \ 1 \le i \le n-2$   
 $f(v_{(i+n)j}) = f(v_{(i+n)(j-1)}) + n-1, \ 1 \le i \le n-1, \ 2 \le j \le m$   
 $f(u_{n1}) = f(V_{1m}) + 1$   
 $f(u_{(i+n)1}) = f(u_{(i+n+1)1}) + 1, \ 1 \le i \le n-1$   
 $f(u_{(i+n+1)(j+1)}) = f(u_{(i+n+1)j}) + n, \ 1 \le i \le n, \ 1 \le j \le m-1$ 

Then the function f induces the function  $f^*$  on E(G) as follows.

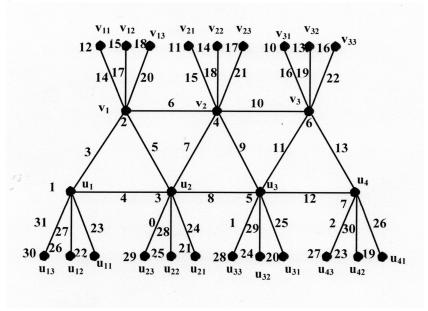
$$\begin{split} f^*(v_iv_{i+1}) &= 4i+2, \ 1 \leq i \leq n-2 \\ f^*(u_iu_{i+1}) &= 4i, \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f^*(u_iv_i) &= 4i-1, \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f^*(u_{i+1}v_i) &= 4i+1, \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f^*(v_1v_{11}) &= f(v_{n-1}u_n)+1 \\ f^*(v_{i+1}v_{(i+1)1}) &= f(v_iv_{i1})+1, \ 1 \leq i \leq n-2 \\ f^*(v_iv_{i(j+1)}) &= f(v_iv_{ij})+(n-1), 1 \leq i \leq n-1, 1 \leq j \leq m-1 \\ f^*(u_1u_{11}) &= f(v_{n-1}v_{(n-1)m})+1 \\ f^*(u_{i+1}u_{(i+1)1}) &= f(u_iu_{i1})+1, \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f^*(u_iv_{i(j+1)}) &= (f(u_iu_{ij})+n) modq, 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m-1 \end{split}$$

Hence the edge labels are distinct.

: The graph is Harmonious.

### Illustration: 1.5

 $T_4 \odot K_3^c$  is Harmonious.



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