ON 4-PRODUCT CORDIAL GRAPHS

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Let f be a map from V(G) to {0,1,...k-1} where k is an integer, $2 \le k \le |V(G|)|$.

For each edge uv assign the label $f(u)f(v) \pmod{k}$. f is called a k-Product cordial labeling if $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \le 1$ and $|e_f(i) - e_f(j)| \le 1$, $i, j \in \{0, 1, ..., k-1\}$,

where $v_f(x)$ and $e_f(x)$ denote the number of vertices and edges respectively labelled with x (x=0,1,2,3...k-1). We investigate the 4-Product cordial labeling behaviour of some standard graphs.

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1. INTRODUTION

The graphs considered here are finite, undirected and simple. The vertex set and edge set of a graph *G* are denoted by V(G) and E(G) respectively. Let join of two graphs G_1 and G_2 is a graph G_1+G_2 with $V(G_1+G_2)=V(G_1) \cup V(G_2)$ and $E(G_{1+}G_2)=E(G_1) \cup E(G_2) \cup \{uv : u \in V(G_1)and v \in V(G_2)\}$. The graph obtained subdividing each edge of a graph G by a new vertex is denoted by S(G). Product cordial and EP-cordial behaviour of graphs were studied extensively in [1] and [2]. The notion of k-Product cordial labeling of graphs has been introduced in [3]. In this paper we investigate the 4- Product cordial labeling behaviour of Subdivision star $s(K_{1,n})$, wheel $W_n = C_n + K_1$, $K_2 + mK_1$, $K_{2,n}$ etc. Terms not defined here are used in the sense of Harary [4].

2. K-PRODUCT CORDIAL LABELLING

Definition 2.1: Let *f* be a map from *V* (G) to $\{0,1...,k-1\}$ where *k* is an integer, $1 \le k \le |V(G|)|$. For each edge uv, assign the label $f(u)f(v) \pmod{k}$. *f* is called a *k*-Product cordial labeling of G if

 $|v_{f}(i) - v_{f}(j)| \le 1 \text{ and } |e_{f}(i) - e_{f}(j)| \le 1 \text{ , i,j} \in \{0,1,..k-1\}$

where $v_f(x)$ and $e_f(x)$ respectively denote the number of vertices and edges respectively labelled with x(x=0,1,2...k-1).

3. ON STANDARD GRAPHS

Theorem 3.1: $K_{2,n}$ is 4-Product cordial iff $n \equiv 0,3 \pmod{4}$.

Proof: Let $V(K_{2,n}) = \{u, v, u_i; 1 \le i \le n\}$ and $E(K_{2,n}) = \{uv, uu_i, vv_i; 1 \le i \le n\}$

Clearly $f(u) \neq f(v) \neq 0$

Case (i): $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

Let n=4t.Here $|V(K_{2,n})| = 4t+2$ and $|E(K_{2,n})| = 8t$. Define f(u)=1; f(v)=3 $f(u_i) = 0$, $1 \le i \le t$ $f(u_{t+i}) = 1$, $1 \le i \le t$ $f(u_{2t+i}) = 2$, $1 \le i \le t$ $f(u_{3t+i}) = 3$, $1 \le i \le t$. Here $e_f(0)=2t$, $e_f(1)=2t$, $e_f(2)=2t$ and $e_f(3)=2t$.

Case (ii) : $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

If possible let there be a 4-Product cordial labeling *f*. Let n=4t+1. So that $|V(K_{2,n})|=4t+3$ and $|E(K_{2,n})|=8t+2$.

Clearly $v_f(0)$ =t and $f(u)\neq 0$ and $f(v)\neq 0$

Subcase (i): f(u) = f(v) = 1. Then $e_f(1) = 2t-2$. So that $e_f(2) = 2t+2$, $e_f(2) - e_f(1) = 4$, an impossibility.

Subcase (ii): f(u)=1; f(v)=2. Then $e_f(1) = t$, $e_f(2)=3t+1$, $e_f(2) - e_f(1) = t+1 \ge 2$, an impossibility.

Subcase (iii): f(u)=1; f(v)=3. Then $e_f(1) = 2t$, $e_f(2) = 2t+2$, $e_f(2) - e_f(1) = 2$, an impossibility.

Subcase (iv): f(u) = f(v) = 2. Then $e_f(1) = 0$, $e_f(2) = 4t+4$. So that $e_f(2) - e_f(1) = 4t+4$, an impossibility.

Subcase (v): f(u)=2; f(v)=3. Then $e_f(1) = t$, $e_f(2)=2t+1$, $e_f(2)-e_f(1)=t+1$, an impossibility.

Subc ase (vi): f(u)=f(v)=3. Then $e_f(1)=2t-2$, $e_f(2)=2t+2$. Here $e_f(2)-e_f(1)=4$, an impossibility. Thus there can not exists a 4-Product cordial labeling f.

Case (iii): $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. Let n=4t+2. Here $|V(K_{2,n})|=4t+4$ and $|E(K_{2,n})|=8t+4$.either f(u) nor f(v) is 0.Therefore $v_f(0)=t+1$, $e_f(0)=2t+2$, a contradiction, since the size of $K_{2,n}$ is 8t+4.

Case (iv): $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Let n=4t+3.Sothat $|V(K_{2,n})| = 4t+5$, $|E(K_{2,n})| = 8t+6$. Define f(u)=1, f(v)=3 label the vertices $u_{i}, 1 \le i \le n-3$ as in case (i). Then label the vertices u_{n-2}, u_{n-1}, u_n by 2,0,1 respectively to get a 4-Product cordial labeling.

Illustration 3.2: 4-Product cordial labels' of K_{2,7} is



Theorem 3.3: $S(K_{1,n})$ is 4- Product cordial.

Proof: Let
$$V(K_{1,n}) = \{u, u_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$$
 and $E(K_{1,n}) = \{uu_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$

Let the edge uu_i be subdivided by the vertex v_i .

Case (i): $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

Let n=4t. $f(u_i) = 0, \ 0 \le i \le 2t$ $f(u_{2t+i}) = 2, \ 1 \le i \le 2t$ $f(v_{2i}) = 3, \ 1 \le i \le 2t$ $f(v_{2i+1}) = 1, \ 0 \le i \le 2t - 1$

Define f(u) = 3. Clearly f is a 4-Product cordial labeling since $v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2) = 2t$ and

$$v_{f}(3) = 2t + 1, e_{f}(0) = e_{f}(1) = e_{f}(2) = e_{f}(3) = 2t.$$

Case (ii): $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Assign the label v_i and u_i ($1 \le i \le n-1$) as in case(i) and then assign1 and 0 to v_n and u_n respectively.

Case (iii): $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

Assign the label v_i and $u_i(1 \le i \le n-1)$ as in case(ii) and then assign 3 and 2 to v_n and u_n respectively.

Case (iv): $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Assign the label v_i and u_i (1 $\leq i \leq n-1$) as in case(iii) and then assign1 and 0 to v_n and u_n respectively. Hence $S(K_{l,n})$ is 4-Product cordial.

4. ON JOIN OF GRAPHS

Theorem4.1: $K_2 + mK_1$ is 4-Product cordial iff m= 0,3(mod4).

Proof: Let
$$V(K_2+mK_1) = \{u, v, u_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$$
 and
 $E(K_2+mK_1) = \{uv, uu_i, vu_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$

Case (i): $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

Let m=4t, Define f(u) = 1 and f(v) = 3 $f(u_i) = 0$, $1 \le i \le t$ $f(u_{t+i}) = 1$, $1 \le i \le t$ $f(u_{2t+i}) = 2$, $1 \le i \le t$ $f(u_{3t+i}) = 3$, $1 \le i \le t$. Here $e_f(0) = 2t$, $e_f(1) = 2t$, $e_f(2) = 2t$ and $e_f(3) = 2t + 1$. Therefore f is a 4-Product cordial labeling.

Case (ii): $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Let m=4t+3, Define f(u)=1, f(v)=3 label the vertices u_i , $1 \le i \le m-3$ as in case(i). Then label the vertices u_{m-2}, u_{m-1}, u_m by 0, 2, 1 respectively, Clearly *f* is a 4-Product cordial labeling.

Case (iii) : $m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

If possible let there be a 4-Product cordial labeling. Let m=4t+1, Clearly $f(u) \neq 0$, $f(v)\neq 0$. Also $v_f(0)=t$ Therefore $e_f(0)=2t$.

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Sub case (i): f(u)=f(v)=1 .Then $e_f(1) = 2t-1$, $e_f(2)=2t+2$, $e_f(2)-e_f(1)=3$, an impossibility.

Sub case (ii): f(u)=1; f(v)=3. Then $e_f(1)=2t$, $e_f(2)=2t+2$, $e_f(2)-e_f(1)=2$, an impossibility.

Sub case (iii): f(u) = f(v) = 3. Then $e_f(1) = 2t-1$, $e_f(2) = 2t+2$, $e_f(2)-e_f(1)=3$, an impossibility.

Sub case (iv): f(u)=2; f(v)=3. Then $e_f(1) = t$, $e_f(2)=3t+1$, $e_f(2)-e_f(1)=2t+1$, an impossibility.

Sub case (v): f(u) = f(v) = 2. Then $e_f(1) = 0$, $e_f(2) = 4t + 4$, $e_f(2) - e_f(1) = 4t + 4$, an impossibility.

Sub case (vi): f(u)=1; f(v)=2. Then $e_f(1) = t$, $e_f(2)=3t+1$, $e_f(2)-e_f(1)=2t+1$, an impossibility.

Case (iv): $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

Let m=4t+2, Clearly $f(u) \neq 0$, $f(v)\neq 0$. Clearly $v_f(0)=t$ or t+1. Here $e_f(0)=2t$ or 2t+2, a contradiction Since the size of K_2+mK_1 is 8t+4.

Illustration4.2: 4-Product cordial labels of K_2+8K_1 is



Theorem4.3: Wheel $W_n = C_n + K_1$ is 4-Product Cordial iff n=5 or 9.

Proof: Let C_n be the cycle $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, u_1$ and $V(W_n) = V(C_n) \cup \{u\}$ and $E(W_n) = E(C_n) \cup \{uu_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$

Case (i): n=5 or 9

A 4-Product cordial labeling of W_5 and W_9 are given below.



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Case (ii): $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

Clearly $f(u)\neq 0$, $f(v)\neq 2$. If possible let there be a 4-product cordial labeling. Let n=4t, Hence $|V(W_n)|=4t+1$, $|E(W_n)|=8t$. Then $e_f(0)\geq 2t+1$. This is not possible.

Case (iii): $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Let n=4t+1, Hence $|V(W_n)|=4t+2$, $|E(W_n)|=8t+2$. To get the edge label 3,1and3should be the labels of adjacent vertices.

Sub case (i): *f*(u)=1

Sub case(i)a: $v_f(3) = t$ and $v_f(1) = t + 1$. From the spokes we get t edges with label 3. Then when t is odd to get the edges with label 3 from the rim, at least $\frac{t+1}{2}$ 3's and $\frac{t+1}{2}$ 1's are used alternatively as vertex labels. Therefore remaining $t - \left(\frac{t+1}{2}\right)$ 3's are labelled consecutively. Similarly remaining $t - \left(\frac{t+1}{2}\right)$ 1's are labelled consecutively. $e_f(1) \le \left(\frac{t-1}{2}-1\right) + \left(\frac{t-1}{2}-1\right) + t \le 2\left(\frac{t-1}{2}\right) - 2 + t \le t - 3 + t \le 2t - 3$, a contradiction. Similarly when t is even $a(1) \le 2t - 3$ a contradiction

when t is even $e_f(1) \le 2t - 3$, a contradiction.

Sub case(ii)b: $v_f(3)=t+1$ and $v_f(1)=t+1$. From the spokes we get t+1 edges with label 3. Then when t is odd to get the edges with label 3 from the rim, at least $\frac{t}{2}$ 3's and $\frac{t}{2}$ 1's are used alternatively as vertex labels. Therefore remaining 3's are $t+1-\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)=\left(\frac{t+2}{2}\right)$. Similarly remaining 1's are $\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)$, $e_f(1) \le \left(\frac{t+2}{2}-1\right)+\left(\frac{t}{2}-1\right)+t+1 \le 2t$. Then some 0 appears as a vertex label consecutively. Then a(0) > 2t+2 an impossibility. Similarly we get a contradiction when t is

0 appears as a vertex label consecutively. Then $e_f(0) \ge 2t+2$, an impossibility. Similarly we get a contradiction, when t is even also.

Sub case (iii)c: $v_f(1)$ =t and $v_f(3)$ =t.

From the spokes we get t edges with label 3. Then when t is odd to get the edges with label 3 from the rim, at least $\frac{t+1}{2}$ 3's and $\frac{t+1}{2}$ 1's are used alternatively as vertex labels. Remaining 3's $t - \left(\frac{t+1}{2}\right)$ are labelled consecutively.

Similarly remaining $t - 1 - \left(\frac{t+1}{2}\right)$ 1's are labelled consecutively.

$$e_{f}(1) \leq \left(\frac{t-1}{2} - 1\right) + \left(\frac{t-3}{2} - 1\right) + t \leq \frac{2t-4}{2} - 2 + t \leq 2t - 4, \text{ an impossibility. Similarly when t is even we get a contradiction}$$

contradiction.

Sub case (ii): *f*(u)=3.

Similar to subcase(i), we get a contradiction.

Case (iv): $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. Let n=4t+2, Hence $|V(W_n)|=4t+3$, $|E(W_n)|=8t+4$.Clearly $v_f(0)=t$.

Sub case (i): *f*(u)=1.

Clearly $v_f(1)=t+1$, $v_f(3)=t+1$, as in subcase (i)b, $e_f(0)\geq 2t+2$, again an impossibility.

Case (v): $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. Let n=4t+3, Hence $|V(W_n)|=4t+4$, $|E(W_n)|=8t+6$.Similar to case(ii) an impossibility.

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Theorem4.2: $K_n^c + 2K_2$ is 4-Product Cordial iff n ≤ 2 .

Proof: Let V(
$$K_n^c + 2K_2$$
) = {u_i,u,v,w,z ;1 \le i \le n} and E($K_n^c + 2K_2$) = { $uu_b vu_b wu_b zu_i, uv, wz$; 1 ≤ i ≤ n}.

Case (i): n=1 or 2.

A 4-Product cordial labeling of $K_1^c + 2K_2$ and $K_2^c + 2K_2$ are given below



Case (ii): $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

Let n=4t (t≥1), $|E(K_n^c + 2K_2)| = 4(4t)+2=16t+2$. Clearly f(u), f(v), f(w) and f(z) are not equal to zero, Without loss of generality assume that f(u_i)=0, 1≤ i ≤ t + 1. Then $e_f(0)=4(t+1)=4t+4$, a contradiction.

Case (iii): $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Let n=4t+1(t≥1), $|E(K_n^c + 2K_2)| = 4(4t+1)+2=16t+6$. Here also $e_f(0) \ge 4t+4$, an impossibility.

Case (iv): $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. Let $n = 4t + 2(t \ge 1)$, $|E(K_n^c + 2K_2)| = 4(4t+2) + 2 = 16t + 10$. Here also $e_f(0) \ge 4t+4$, an impossibility.

Case (v): $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Let n= 4t+3(t≥1), $|E(K_n^c + 2K_2)| = 4(4t+3)+2=16t+14$. Here clearly $v_f(0)=t+1$ and $f(u_i)=0, 1\le i\le t+1$ $e_f(0)\ge 4t+4$. Also f(u), f(v), f(w), f(z) are not equal to 2, otherwise $e_f(0)>4t+4$.

Hence all 2's are labelled for the vertices u_i . Therefore $e_t(2)=4(t+2)=4t+8>4t+4$, an impossibility.

5. CONCLUSION

In this paper we have studied 4-Product cordial behaviour of graph obtained from two given graphs using graph operations. The authors are of the opinion that the study of *k*-Product cordial labeling behaviour of graph (where *k* is an integer $5 \le k \le |v|$) will be quiet interesting and also will lead to never results.

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