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## **1-NEAR MEAN CORDIAL LABELING OF GRAPHS**

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#### ABSTRACT

Let G = (V, E) be a simple graph. A surjective function f:  $V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$  is said to be a 1-Near Mean Cordial Labeling *if for each edge uv, the induced map* 

 $f^{*}(uv) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \frac{f(u)+f(v)}{2} \text{ is an integer} \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$ satisfies the condition  $|e_{f}(0) - e_{f}(1)| \le 1$  where  $e_{f}(0)$  is the number of edges with 0 label and  $e_{f}(1)$  is the number of edges with 1 label.

G is said to be a 1-Near Mean Cordial Graph if it has a 1-Near Mean Cordial Labeling. In this paper, we proved that Paths, Combs, Fans and Crowns are 1-Near Mean Cordial Graphs.

Keywords: 1-Near Mean Cordial Labeling, 1-Near Mean Cordial Graph.

#### **1. INTRODUCTION**

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. The cardinality of V(G) and E(G) are respectively called order and size of G. Labeling of graphs has a wide application in various practical problems involved in circuit designing, communication network, astronomy etc. [1]. The concept of mean cordial labeling was introduced by Raja Ponraj, Muthirulan Sivakumar and Murugesan Sundaram in the year 2012 in [3, 4, 5, 6]. Let f be a function from V(G) to  $\{0,1,2\}$ . For each edge uv of G, assign the label  $\left[\frac{f(u)+f(v)}{2}\right]$ . f is called a mean cordial labeling of G if  $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \le 1$  and  $|e_f(i) - e_f(j)| \le 1$ ,  $i, j \ge 1$ ,  $i, j \ge 1$ .  $\in \{0,1,2\}$  where  $v_f(x)$  and  $e_f(x)$  denote the number of vertices and edges labeled with x (x = 0,1,2) respectively. A graph with a mean cordial labeling is called mean cordial graph. Here, we introduce a new concept called 1-Near Mean Cordial Labeling and investigate the 1-Near Mean Cordial Labeling behavior of some standard graphs. Terms not defined here are used in the sense of Harary [2].

#### 2. PRELIMINARIES

We define the concept of 1-Near Mean Cordial Labeling as follows.

Let G = (V, E) be a simple graph. A surjective function f: V(G) $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2} is said to be a 1-Near Mean Cordial Labeling if for each edge *uv*, the induced map

$$f^{*}(uv) = \begin{cases} 0 & if \frac{f(u)+f(v)}{2} & \text{is an integer} \\ 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$  where  $e_f(0)$  is the number of edges with zero label and  $e_f(1)$  is the number of edges with one label.

G is said to be a 1-Near Mean Cordial Graph if it has a 1-Near Mean Cordial Labeling. We proved that Paths, Combs, Fans and Crowns are 1-Near Mean Cordial Graphs.

2.1 Definition: (Path) If all the vertices in a walk are distinct, then it is called a *path* and a path of length k is denoted by  $P_{k+1}$ .

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**2.2 Definition:** (Fan) The join  $G_1+G_2$  of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  consists of  $G_1 \cup G_2$  and all lines joining  $V_1$  with  $V_2$  as vertex set  $V(G_1)\cup V(G_2)$  and edge set  $E[G_1\cup G_2] = E(G_1)\cup E(G_2)\cup [uv: u \in V(G_1) \text{ and } v \in V(G_2)]$ . The graph  $P_n+K_1$  is called a *fan*.

**2.3 Definition:** (Crown) The crown ( $C_n \odot K_1$ ) is obtained by joining a pendant edge to each vertex of  $C_n$ .

**2.4 Definition:** (Comb) The *corona*  $G_1 \odot G_2$  of two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is defined as the graph G obtained by taking one copy of  $G_1$  (which has  $p_1$  points) and  $p_1$  copies of  $G_2$  and then joining the i<sup>th</sup> point of  $G_1$  to every point in the i<sup>th</sup> copy of  $G_2$ . The graph  $P_n \odot K_1$  is called a *comb*.

#### 3. MAIN RESULTS ON 1-NEAR MEAN CORDIAL GRAPH

**3. 1 Theorem:** A path  $P_n$  is a 1- Near Mean Cordial Graph.

**Proof:** Let G = (V, E) be a simple graph

Let G be  $P_n$ 

Let V[G] = { $u_i : 1 \le i \le n$ } and E[G] = { $(u_i u_{i+1}) : 1 \le i \le n-1$ }

Define f: V[G]  $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2} by

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & if \ i \equiv 1 \mod 4 \\ 2 & if \ i \equiv 2 \mod 4 \\ 1 & if \ i \equiv 3 \mod 4 \ (or) \ i \equiv 0 \mod 4 \end{cases}, \ 1 \le i \le n$$

The induced edge labeling are

$$\mathbf{f}^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \equiv 1 \mod 2\\ 1 & \text{if } i \equiv 0 \mod 2, \ 1 \le i \le n-1 \end{cases}$$

Here, 
$$e_{f}(0) = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{n-1}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$
  
 $e_{f}(1) = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} - 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{n-1}{2} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$ 

Hence, the graph satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ 

Therefore, a path  $P_n$  is a 1-Near Mean Cordial Graph (1-NMCG).

#### **Illustration:**

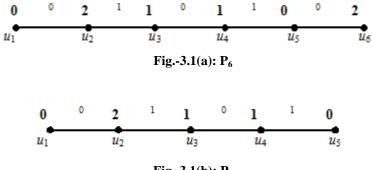


Fig.-3.1(b): P<sub>5</sub>

**3.2 Theorem:** The graph  $P_n + K_1$  is a 1- Near Mean Cordial Graph.

**Proof:** Let G be  $P_n + K_1$ 

Let V[G] =  $\{u_i : 1 \le i \le n, v\}$ 

Let  $E[G] = \{[(u_i u_{i+1}) : 1 \le i \le n-1] \cup [(u_i v) : 1 \le i \le n]\}$ 

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Define f: V[G]  $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2} by

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & if \ i \equiv 1 \mod 2\\ 2 & if \ i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases}, \ 1 \le i \le n$$

 $\mathbf{f}(v) = 1$ 

The induced edge labeling are  $f^*(u_iu_{i+1}) = 0, 1 \le i \le n-1$  $f^*(u_iv) = 1, 1 \le i \le n$ 

Here,  $e_{f}(0) = n-1$  $e_{f}(1) = n$ 

Hence, the graph satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ 

Therefore, the graph  $P_n + K_1$  is a 1- Near Mean Cordial Graph.

#### **Illustration:**

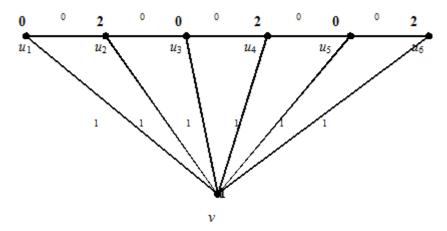


Fig.3.2: P<sub>6</sub>+K<sub>1</sub>

#### **3.3 Theorem:** The graph crown $(C_n \odot K_1)$ is a 1- Near Mean Cordial Graph.

**Proof:** Let G = (V, E) be a simple graph

Let G be  $C_n \odot K_1$ 

Case-(i): when *n* is odd

Let V[G] = { $(u_i, u_{i1}) : 1 \le i \le n$ }

Let  $E[G] = \{[(u_i u_{i+1}): 1 \le i \le n-1] \cup [(u_i u_{i1}): 1 \le i \le n] \cup (u_1 u_n)\}$ 

Define f: V[G] $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2} by

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & if \ i \equiv 1 \mod 2\\ 1 & if \ i \equiv 0 \mod 2, \end{cases} 1 \le i \le n$$
$$f(u_{11}) = 1$$
$$f(u_{11}) = \begin{cases} 1 & if \ i \equiv 0 \mod 2\\ 2 & if \ i \equiv 1 \mod 2, \end{cases} 2 \le i \le n$$

The induced edge labeling are  $f^*(u_iu_{i+1}) = 1, 1 \le i \le n-1$   $f^*(u_1u_n) = 0$   $f^*(u_1u_{11}) = 1$  $f^*(u_iu_{i1}) = 0, 2 \le i \le n$ 

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Here,  $e_f(0) = n$  $e_f(1) = n$ 

Hence the graph satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ 

Therefore, the graph  $C_n \odot K_1$  (*n* : odd) is a 1-Near Mean Cordial Graph.

**Case-(ii):** when *n* is even

Let V[G] = { $u_i : 1 \le i \le n, u_{i1} : 1 \le i \le n$ }

Let  $E[G] = \{[(u_i u_{i+1}) : 1 \le i \le n-1] \cup [(u_i u_{i1}) : 1 \le i \le n] \cup (u_1 u_n)\}$ 

Define f: V[G]  $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2} by

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & if \ i \equiv 1 \mod 2\\ 2 & if \ i \equiv 0 \mod 2, 1 \le i \le n \end{cases}$$
$$f(u_{i1}) = 1, \ 1 \le i \le n$$

The induced edge labeling are  $f^*(u_iu_{i+1}) = 0, 1 \le i \le n-1$  $f^*(u_1u_n) = 0$  $f^*(u_iu_{i1}) = 1, 1 \le i \le n$ 

Here,  $e_f(0) = n$  $e_f(1) = n$ 

Hence, the graph satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ 

Therefore, the graph  $C_n \odot K_1$  (*n*: even) is a 1- Near Mean Cordial Graph.

### **Illustration:**

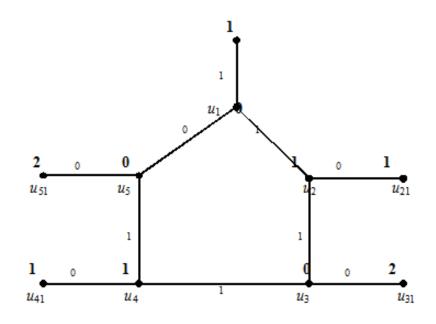


Fig.-3.3(a): C<sub>5</sub>O K<sub>1</sub>

**Illustration:** 

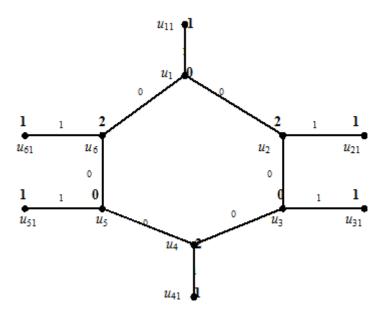


Fig.-3.3(b): C<sub>6</sub>O K<sub>1</sub>

**3.4 Theorem:** The comb  $(P_n \odot K_1)$  is a 1- NMCG.

**Proof:** Let G = (V, E) be a simple graph

Let G be  $P_n \odot K_1$ 

Let V[G] = { $(u_i, v_i) : 1 \le i \le n$ }

Let  $E[G] = \{[(u_i u_{i+1}) : 1 \le i \le n-1] \cup [(u_i v_i) : 1 \le i \le n]\}$ 

Define f: V[G]  $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2} by  $f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & if \ i \equiv 1mod2 \\ 2 & if \ i \equiv 0mod2 \end{cases}, 1 \le i \le n$ 

 $f(v_i) = 1$  for all i

The induced edge labeling are  $f^*(u_iu_{i+1}) = 0, 1 \le i \le n-1$  $f^*(u_iv_i) = 1, 1 \le i \le n$ 

Here,  $e_{f}(0) = n-1$  $e_{f}(1) = n$ 

Hence the graph satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ 

Therefore, the graph comb ( $P_n \odot K_1$ ) is a 1- NMCG.

#### **Illustration:**

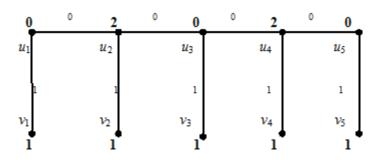


Fig.-3.4: P<sub>5</sub>O K<sub>1</sub>

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