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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 $$
f^{*}(u v)=\left\{\begin{array}{cc} 0 & \text { if } \frac{f(u)+f(v)}{2} \text { is an integer } \\ 1 & \text { otherwise } \end{array}\right.
$$ satisfies the condition $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$ 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 $\operatorname{V(G)}$ to $\{0,1,2\}$. For each edge $u v$ of $G$, assign the label $\left[\frac{f(u)+f(v)}{2}\right]$.f is called a mean cordial labeling of G if $\left|v_{f}(i)-v_{f}(j)\right| \leq 1$ and $\left|e_{f}(i)-e_{f}(j)\right| \leq 1, i, j$ $\in\{0,1,2\}$ 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 $\mathrm{G}=(\mathrm{V}, \mathrm{E})$ be a simple graph. A surjective function $\mathrm{f}: \mathrm{V}(\mathrm{G}) \rightarrow\{0,1,2\}$ is said to be a 1 -Near Mean Cordial Labeling if for each edge $u v$, the induced map

$$
\mathrm{f}^{*}(u v)=\left\{\begin{array}{lc}
0 & \text { if } \frac{f(u)+f(v)}{2} \\
1 & \text { otherwise }
\end{array}\right.
$$

satisfies the condition $\left|\mathrm{e}_{f}(0)-\mathrm{e}_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$ where $\mathrm{e}_{f}(0)$ is the number of edges with zero label and $\mathrm{e}_{f}(1)$ 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 $\mathrm{P}_{k+1}$.

[^0]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 $\mathrm{V}\left(\mathrm{G}_{1}\right) \cup V\left(\mathrm{G}_{2}\right)$ and edge set $\mathrm{E}\left[\mathrm{G}_{1} \cup^{2}\right]=\mathrm{E}\left(\mathrm{G}_{1}\right) \cup \mathrm{E}\left(\mathrm{G}_{2}\right) \cup\left[u v: u \in \mathrm{~V}\left(\mathrm{G}_{1}\right)\right.$ and $\left.v \in \mathrm{~V}\left(\mathrm{G}_{2}\right)\right]$. The graph $\mathrm{P}_{n}+\mathrm{K}_{1}$ is called a fan.
2.3 Definition: (Crown) The crown $\left(\mathrm{C}_{n} \odot \mathrm{~K}_{1}\right)$ is obtained by joining a pendant edge to each vertex of $\mathrm{C}_{n}$.
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 $i^{\text {th }}$ point of $G_{1}$ to every point in the $i^{\text {th }}$ copy of $\mathrm{G}_{2}$. The graph $\mathrm{P}_{n} \odot \mathrm{~K}_{1}$ 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 $\mathrm{V}[\mathrm{G}]=\left\{u_{i}: 1 \leq i \leq n\right\}$ and $\mathrm{E}[\mathrm{G}]=\left\{\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}\right): 1 \leq i \leq n-1\right\}$
Define f: V[G] $\rightarrow\{0,1,2\}$ by

$$
\mathrm{f}\left(u_{i}\right)=\left\{\begin{array}{l}
0 \quad \text { if } i \equiv 1 \bmod 4 \\
2 \quad \text { if } i \equiv 2 \bmod 4 \\
1 \quad \text { if } i \equiv 3 \bmod 4(\text { or }) i \equiv 0 \bmod 4
\end{array}, 1 \leq i \leq n\right.
$$

The induced edge labeling are
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}\right)=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}0 & \text { if } i \equiv 1 \bmod 2 \\ 1 & \text { if } i \equiv 0 \bmod 2\end{array}, 1 \leq i \leq n-1\right.$
Here, $\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(0)= \begin{cases}\frac{n}{2} & \text { if } n \text { is even } \\ \frac{n-1}{2} & \text { if } n \text { is odd }\end{cases}$

$$
\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(1)= \begin{cases}\frac{n}{2}-1 & \text { if } n \text { is even } \\ \frac{n-1}{2} & \text { if } n \text { is odd }\end{cases}
$$

Hence, the graph satisfies the condition $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$
Therefore, a path $\mathrm{P}_{n}$ is a 1-Near Mean Cordial Graph (1-NMCG).

## Illustration:



Fig.-3.1(a): $\mathbf{P}_{6}$


Fig.-3.1(b): $\mathbf{P}_{5}$
3.2 Theorem: The graph $P_{n}+K_{1}$ is a 1- Near Mean Cordial Graph.

Proof: Let $G$ be $\mathrm{P}_{n}+\mathrm{K}_{1}$
Let $\mathrm{V}[\mathrm{G}]=\left\{u_{i}: 1 \leq i \leq n, v\right\}$
Let $\mathrm{E}[\mathrm{G}]=\left\{\left[\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}\right): 1 \leq i \leq n-1\right] \mathrm{U}\left[\left(u_{i} v\right): 1 \leq i \leq n\right]\right\}$

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

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{f}\left(u_{i}\right)=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}
0 & \text { if } i \equiv 1 \bmod 2 \\
2 & \text { if } i \equiv 0 \bmod 2
\end{array}, 1 \leq i \leq n\right. \\
& \mathrm{f}(v)=1
\end{aligned}
$$

The induced edge labeling are
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}\right)=0,1 \leq i \leq n-1$
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{i} v\right)=1,1 \leq i \leq n$
Here, $\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(0)=n-1$

$$
\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(1)=n
$$

Hence, the graph satisfies the condition $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$
Therefore, the graph $\mathrm{P}_{n}+\mathrm{K}_{1}$ is a 1- Near Mean Cordial Graph.

## Illustration:



Fig.3.2: $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{6}}+\mathrm{K}_{\mathbf{1}}$
3.3 Theorem: The graph crown $\left(\mathrm{C}_{n} \odot \mathrm{~K}_{1}\right)$ is a 1- Near Mean Cordial Graph.

Proof: Let $G=(V, E)$ be a simple graph
Let G be $\mathrm{C}_{n} \odot \mathrm{~K}_{1}$
Case-(i): when $n$ is odd
Let $\mathrm{V}[\mathrm{G}]=\left\{\left(u_{i}, u_{i 1}\right): 1 \leq i \leq n\right\}$
Let $\mathrm{E}[\mathrm{G}]=\left\{\left[\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}\right): 1 \leq i \leq n-1\right] \mathrm{U}\left[\left(u_{i} u_{i 1}\right): 1 \leq i \leq n\right] \mathrm{U}\left(u_{1} u_{n}\right)\right\}$
Define $\mathrm{f}: \mathrm{V}[\mathrm{G}] \rightarrow\{0,1,2\}$ by

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{f}\left(u_{i}\right)=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}
0 & \text { if } i \equiv 1 \bmod 2 \\
1 & \text { if } i \equiv 0 \bmod 2
\end{array}, 1 \leq i \leq n\right. \\
& \mathrm{f}\left(u_{11}\right)=1 \\
& \mathrm{f}\left(u_{i 1}\right)=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}
1 & \text { if } i \equiv 0 \bmod 2 \\
2 & \text { if } i \equiv 1 \bmod 2
\end{array}, 2 \leq i \leq n\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

The induced edge labeling are
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}\right)=1,1 \leq i \leq n-1$
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{1} u_{n}\right)=0$
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{1} u_{11}\right)=1$
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{i} u_{i 1}\right)=0,2 \leq i \leq n$

Here, $\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(0)=n$

$$
\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(1)=n
$$

Hence the graph satisfies the condition $\left|\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(0)-\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(1)\right| \leq 1$
Therefore, the graph $\mathrm{C}_{n} \odot \mathrm{~K}_{1}$ ( $n$ : odd) is a 1-Near Mean Cordial Graph.
Case-(ii): when $n$ is even
Let $\mathrm{V}[\mathrm{G}]=\left\{u_{i}: 1 \leq i \leq n, u_{i 1}: 1 \leq i \leq n\right\}$
Let $\mathrm{E}[\mathrm{G}]=\left\{\left[\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}\right): 1 \leq i \leq n-1\right] \mathrm{U}\left[\left(u_{i} u_{i 1}\right): 1 \leq i \leq n\right] \mathrm{U}\left(u_{1} u_{n}\right)\right\}$
Define f: V[G] $\rightarrow\{0,1,2\}$ by

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \mathrm{f}\left(u_{i}\right)=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}
0 & \text { if } i \equiv 1 \bmod 2 \\
2 & \text { if } i \equiv 0 \bmod 2
\end{array}, 1 \leq i \leq n\right. \\
& \mathrm{f}\left(u_{i 1}\right)=1,1 \leq i \leq n
\end{aligned}
$$

The induced edge labeling are
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}\right)=0,1 \leq i \leq n-1$
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{1} u_{n}\right)=0$
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{i} u_{i 1}\right)=1,1 \leq i \leq n$
Here, $\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(0)=n$

$$
\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(1)=n
$$

Hence, the graph satisfies the condition $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$
Therefore, the graph $\mathrm{C}_{n} \odot \mathrm{~K}_{1}$ (n: even) is a 1- Near Mean Cordial Graph.

## Illustration:



Fig.-3.3(a): $\mathrm{C}_{5} \odot \mathrm{~K}_{1}$

## Illustration:



Fig.-3.3(b): $\mathrm{C}_{6} \bigcirc \mathrm{~K}_{1}$
3.4 Theorem: The comb $\left(\mathrm{P}_{n} \odot \mathrm{~K}_{1}\right)$ is a 1- NMCG.

Proof: Let $\mathrm{G}=(\mathrm{V}, \mathrm{E})$ be a simple graph
Let G be $\mathrm{P}_{n} \odot \mathrm{~K}_{1}$
Let $\mathrm{V}[\mathrm{G}]=\left\{\left(u_{i}, v_{i}\right): 1 \leq i \leq n\right\}$
Let $\mathrm{E}[\mathrm{G}]=\left\{\left[\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}\right): 1 \leq i \leq n-1\right] \cup\left[\left(u_{i} v_{i}\right): 1 \leq i \leq n\right]\right\}$
Define f: V[G] $\rightarrow\{0,1,2\}$ by

$$
\mathrm{f}\left(u_{i}\right)=\left\{\begin{array}{ll}
1 & \text { if } i \equiv 1 \bmod 2 \\
2 & \text { if } i \equiv 0 \bmod 2
\end{array}, 1 \leq i \leq n\right.
$$

$\mathrm{f}\left(v_{i}\right)=1$ for all i
The induced edge labeling are
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}\right)=0,1 \leq i \leq n-1$
$\mathrm{f}^{*}\left(u_{i} v_{i}\right)=1,1 \leq i \leq n$
Here, $\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(0)=n-1$
$\mathrm{e}_{\mathrm{f}}(1)=n$
Hence the graph satisfies the condition $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$
Therefore, the graph comb $\left(\mathrm{P}_{n} \odot \mathrm{~K}_{1}\right)$ is a 1- NMCG.

## Illustration:



Fig.-3.4: $\mathbf{P}_{5} \bigcirc \mathrm{~K}_{1}$

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