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## Cubic Harmonious Labeling Of Certain Star and Bistar Graphs

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#### **Abstract**

A (n,m) graph G = (V,E) is said to be **Cubic Harmonious Graph(CHG)** if there exists an injective function  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{1,2,3,...,m^3+1\}$  such that the induced mapping  $f^*_{chg}: E(G) \rightarrow \{1^3,2^3,3^3,...,m^3\}$  defined by  $f^*_{chg}(uv) = (f(u)+f(v)) \mod (m^3+1)$  is a bijection. we have proved that star and bistar related graphs are cubic harmonious.

**Keywords** Bistar graph, Cubic harmonius labeling, Cubic harmonious graph, Star graph,

#### I. Introduction

The study of graceful graphs and graceful labeling methods was introduced by Rosa[11]. Rosa defined a  $\beta$ -valuation of graph G with m edges as an injection from the vertices of G to the set  $\{0,1,2,3,\ldots,m\}$  such that when each edge xy is assigned the label |f(x)-f(y)|, the resulting edge labels are distinct.  $\beta$ - Valuations are the functions that produce graceful labeling. However, the term graceful labeling was not used until Golomb studied such labeling several years later[5]. Graham and Sloane[4] defined a (n,m)- graph G of order n and size m to be harmonious, if there is an injective function  $f: V(G) \to Z_m$ , where  $Z_m$  is the group of integers modulo m, such that the induced function  $f^*: E(G) \to Z_q$ , defined by  $f^*(uv) = f(u) + f(v)$  for each edge  $uv \in E(G)$  is a bijection. Square harmonious graphs were introduced in [12]. Cubic graceful graphs were introduced in [7]. Cubic harmonious graphs were defined in [8]. Throughout this paper we consider simple, finite, connected and undirected graph.

#### **Definition 1.1**

The path on n vertices is denoted by  $P_n$ .

#### **Definition 1.2**

A complete bipartite graph K<sub>1,n</sub> is called a star and it has (n+1) vertices and n edges

#### Definition 1.3

The bistar graph  $B_{m,n}$  is the graph obtained from a copy of a star  $K_{1,m}$  and a copy of star  $K_{1,n}$  by joining the vertices of maximum degree by an edge

#### II. Main Results

#### Theorem 2.1

The graph obtained by the subdivision of the edges of stars of the bistar  $B_{m,n}$  is a cubic harmonious for all m,  $n \ge 2$ .

#### **Proof**:

The vertex set and the edge set of the bistar  $B_{m,n}$  is defined as follows:

$$V\left(B_{m,n}\right) = v_r u_s \; ; \qquad 1 \leq r \leq m+1 \; , \; 1 \leq s \leq n+1$$
 and 
$$E\left(B_{m,n}\right) = v_r v_{m+1}, v_{m+1} u_{n+1}, u_s u_{n+1}; \qquad 1 \leq r \leq m, 1 \leq s \leq n$$
 Then 
$$|V(B_{m,n})| = m+n+2 \qquad \text{and} \quad |E\left(B_{m,n}\right)| = m+n+1$$

Let G be the graph obtained by the subdivision of the edges of stars of  $B_{m,n}$ . Let  $a_r$  divide  $v_r v_{m+1}$  for  $1 \le r$   $\le m$  and  $b_s$  divide  $u_s u_{n+1}$  for  $1 \le s \le n$ . Then the vertex and edge set of G are given by

$$V(G) = \{ v_r, u_s; 1 \le r \le m+1, 1 \le s \le n+1 \} \quad U \quad \{ a_r, b_s; 1 \le r \le m, 1 \le s \le n \}$$

$$E(G) = \{ a_r v_{m+1}, v_r a_r; 1 \le r \le m \} \quad U \quad \{ v_{m+1} u_{n+1} \} \quad U \quad \{ b_s u_{n+1}, u_s b_s \}; \quad 1 \le s \le n$$

$$|V(G)| = 2m + 2n + 2$$

$$|E(G)| = 2m + 2n + 1$$

For all cases m < n, m = n, m > n, we define an injection  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, (2m + 2n + 1)^3 + 1\}$  by

$$f(v_{m+1}) = (2m+2n+1)^{3}+1;$$

$$f(u_{n+1}) = (2m+2n+1)^{3}$$

$$f(a_{r}) = (2m+2n+1-r)^{3}+(2m+2n+1)^{3}+1-f(v_{m+1});$$

$$f(v_{r}) = (m+n-r+1)^{3}+(2m+2n+1)^{3}+1-f(a_{r});$$

$$f(b_{s}) = (m+2n-s+1)^{3}+(2m+2n+1)^{3}+1-f(u_{n+1});$$

$$f(u_{s}) = (n-s+1)^{3}+(2m+2n+1)^{3}+1-f(b_{s});$$

$$1 \le s \le n$$

$$1 \le s \le n$$

The induced edge mapping are

$$f^{*}(v_{m+1} u_{n+1}) = (2m+2n+1)^{3};$$

$$f^{*}(a_{r}v_{m+1}) = (2m+n+1-r)^{3}; 1 \le r \le m$$

$$f^{*}(v_{r} a_{r}) = (m+n-r+1)^{3}; 1 \le r \le m$$

$$f^{*}(b_{s} u_{n+1}) = (2m+2n-s+1)^{3}; 1 \le s \le n$$

$$f^{*}(u_{s} b_{s}) = (n-s+1)^{3}; 1 \le s \le n$$

The vertex labels are in the set  $\{1,2,3,\ldots,(2m+2n+1)^3+1\}$ . Then the edge labels are arranged in the set  $\{1^3,2^3,3^3,\ldots,(2m+2n+1)^3\}$ . So the vertex labels are and edge labels are also distinct and cubic. So the graph G is cubic harmonious for all m,n  $\geq 2$ .

#### Theorem 2.2

The graph obtained by the subdivision of all edges of the bistar  $B_{m,n}$  is a cubic harmonious for all m, n  $\geq 2$ .

#### **Proof:**

and

The bistar  $B_{m,n}$  contains (m+n+2) vertices and (m+n+1) edges.

So,

$$V\left(B_{m,n}\right) = v_r, u_s \; ; \qquad \qquad 1 \leq r \leq m+1 \\ 1 \leq s \leq n+1$$
 and 
$$E\left(B_{m,n}\right) = v_r v_{m+1}, v_{m+1} u_{n+1}, u_s u_{n+1}; \qquad \qquad 1 \leq r \leq m, 1 \leq s \leq n$$

Let G be the graph obtained by the subdivision of all edges of the bistar  $B_{m,n}$ . Let  $a_r$  divide  $v_r v_{m+1}$  for  $1 \le r$   $\le m$  and  $b_s$  divide  $u_s u_{n+1}$  for  $1 \le s \le n$ . Let 'w' divide  $v_{m+1} u_{n+1}$  Then the vertex and edge set of G are given by

$$V(G) = \{ v_r, u_s; 1 \le r \le m+1, 1 \le s \le n+1 \} U \{ a_r, b_s; 1 \le r \le m, 1 \le s \le n \} U \{ w \}$$
 and 
$$E(G) = \{ a_r v_{m+1}, v_r a_r; 1 \le r \le m \} U \{ w v_{m+1}, w u_{n+1} \} U \{ b_s u_{n+1}, u_s b_s; 1 \le s \le n \}$$
 So, 
$$|V(G)| = 2m + 2n + 3$$
 
$$|E(G)| = 2m + 2n + 2$$

For all cases m < n, m = n, m > n, we define an injection  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, (2m + 2n + 2)^3 + 1\}$  by

$$f(v_{m+1}) = (2m+2n+2)^{3}+1=8(m+n+1)^{3}+1;$$

$$f(w) = 8(m+n+1)^{3}$$

$$f(u_{n+1}) = (2m+2n+1)^{3}+1$$

$$f(a_{r}) = (2m+2n+1-r)^{3}+8(m+n+1)^{3}+1-f(v_{m+1});$$

$$f(v_{r}) = (m+n-r+1)^{3}+8(m+n+1)^{3}+1-f(a_{r});$$

$$f(b_{s}) = (m+2n-s+1)^{3}+8(m+n+1)^{3}+1-f(u_{m+1});$$

$$f(u_{s}) = (n-s+1)^{3}+8(m+n+1)^{3}+1-f(b_{s});$$

$$1 \le s \le n$$

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The induced edge mapping are

$$f^{*}(v_{m+1} w) = 8(m+n+1)^{3};$$

$$f^{*}(wu_{n+1}) = (2m+2n+1)^{3};$$

$$f^{*}(a_{r} v_{m+1}) = (2m+2n-r+1)^{3};$$

$$f^{*}(v_{r}a_{r}) = (m+n-r+1)^{3};$$

$$1 \le r \le m$$

$$f^{*}(v_{r}a_{r}) = (m+2n+1-s)^{3};$$

$$f^{*}(v_{r}a_{r}) = (n+1-s)^{3};$$

$$1 \le s \le n$$

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The vertex labels are in the set  $\{1,2,3,\ldots,(2m+2n+1)^3+1\}$ . Then the edge labels are arranged in the set  $\{1^3,2^3,3^3,\ldots,(2m+2n+1)^3\}$ . So the vertex labels are and edge labels are also distinct and cubic. So the graph G is cubic harmonious for all  $m,n \ge 2$ .

#### Theorem 2.3

The graph obtained by the subdivision of the edges of the path  $P_n$  in comb  $P_n$   $\Theta$   $K_1$  is cubic harmonious for all  $n \ge 2$ 

#### **Proof:**

Let G be the graph obtained by the subdivision of the edges of the path  $P_n$  in comb  $P_n \ \Theta \ K_1$ .

Let 
$$V(G) = \begin{cases} v_r, u_r & l \leq r \leq n, \\ z_s; & l \leq s \leq n-1 \end{cases}$$

and

So

$$E(G) = \begin{cases} v_r z_r, z_r v_{r+1}; & 1 \le r \le n-1 \\ v_s u_s, ; & 1 \le s \le n \end{cases}$$

$$/V(G) / = 3n-1 \quad \text{and} \quad /E(G) / = 3n-2$$

Define an injection  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1,2,3,\dots,(3n-2)^3+1\}$  by

$$f(v_{I}) = (3n-2)^{3}+1$$

$$f(z_{I}) = (3n-2)^{3};$$

$$f(v_{r+1}) = (3n-2r-1)^{3} + (3n-2)^{3}+1-z_{r}; 1 \le r \le n-1$$

$$f(z_{s}) = (3n-2s)^{3} + (3n-2)^{3}+1-f(v_{s}); 1 \le s \le n-1$$

$$f(u_{r}) = r^{3} + (3n-2)^{3}+1-f(v_{s}); 1 \le r \le n$$

Then f induces a bijection  $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \{1^3, 2^3, 3^3, \dots, (3n-2)^3\}$ .

The edge labels are as follows.

$$f^*(v_r z_r) = (3n-2r)^3;$$
  $1 \le n-1$   
 $f^*(z_r v_{r+1}) = (3n-2r-1)^3;$   $1 \le r \le n-1$   
 $f^*(v_r u_r) = (r)^3;$   $1 \le r \le n$ 

The edge labels are distinct and cubic, they are  $\{1^3,2^3,3^3,\dots,(3n-2)^3\}$ . Hence the theorem.

#### Theorem 2.4

The graph  $\langle S_m : n \rangle$  is a cubic harmonious for all  $m, n \geq 1$ .

#### **Proof:**

Let  $\{u, u_{01,\dots,u_{0r}}, u_{11}, u_{12,\dots,u_{1s}}, u_{21,u_{22,\dots,u_{rs}}}, u_{rs}\}$  be the vertices of the  $r^{th}$  copy of the star  $S_m$  in  $\langle S_m : n \rangle$  where  $u_{or}$  is the centre of vertex of the star for  $1 \leq r \leq n$ ,  $1 \leq s \leq m$ 

Let 
$$V(G)=u,u_{or},u_{rs};$$
  $1\leq r\leq n;$   $1\leq s\leq m$  and  $E(G)=\begin{cases} uu_{or}; & 1\leq r\leq n;\\ u_{or}u_{rs}; & 1\leq r\leq n;$   $1\leq s\leq m \end{cases}$  So  $|V(G)|=n(m+1)+1$  and  $|E(G)|=n((m+1)+1)$ 

Define an injection  $f: V(< s_m: n>) \to \{1, 2, ..., n (m+1)^3 + 1\}$  by

$$f(u) = n (m+1)^3 + 1$$

$$f(u_{0r}) = [n(m+1)-r+1]^3;$$
  $1 \le r \le n$ 

$$f(u_{rs}) = [m(n-r+1)-(s-1)]^3 + n(m+1)^3 + 1-f(u_{or});$$
  $1 \le r \le n, \ 1 \le s \le m$ ;

Then f induces a bijection  $f^*$ :  $E(\langle s_m : n \rangle) \rightarrow \{1^3, 2^3, \dots, [n(m+1)]^3 + 1\}$ 

The induced edge labels of the given graph G are as follows:

$$f * (uu_{or}) = [n(m+1)-r+1]^3;$$
  $1 \le r \le n$ 

$$f * (u_{or} u_{rs}) = \left[ m \left( n - r + 1 \right) - (s - 1) \right]^{3};$$
  $1 \le r \le n, 1 \le s \le m$ 

The edge labels are distinct and cubic. Hence the graph  $\langle s_m : n \rangle$  is a cubic harmonious

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