

3–equitable labeling in context of the barycentric subdivision of some special graphs

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Abstract

A function from the vertex set of a graph G to the set $\{0,1,2\}$ is called 3–equitable labeling if the induced edge labels are produced by the absolute difference of labels of end vertices such that the absolute difference of number of vertices of G labeled with 0, 1 and 2 differ by at most 1 and similarly the absolute difference of number of edges of G labeled with 0, 1 and 2 differ by at most 1. In this paper we discuss 3–equitable labeling in context of barycentric subdivision of cycle with one chord, cycle with twin chords, cycle with triangle, shell graph and wheel graph.

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1 Introduction

We consider simple, finite, undirected graph. If the vertices of the graph are assigned values subject to certain conditions then it is known as *graph labeling*. A survey on graph labeling is given by Gallian[2].

Let G be a graph. The vertex set and the edge set of graph G are denoted by $V(G)$ and $E(G)$ respectively. A mapping f from $V(G)$ to $\{0,1,2\}$ is called *ternary vertex labeling* of G . A ternary vertex labeling of a graph G is called 3–equitable labeling if the induced edge labeling function f^* from $E(G)$ to the set $\{0, 1, 2\}$ is defined as $f^*(e = uv) = |f(u) - f(v)|$ such that the absolute difference of number of vertices of G with label 0, 1 and 2 differ by at most 1 and similarly absolute difference of number of edges of G with label 0, 1 and 2 differ by at most 1. A graph which admits 3–equitable labeling is called a 3–equitable graph. We follow Gross and Yellen[3] for the graph theoretical terminology and notations.

Definition 1.1. A chord of a cycle C_n , $n \geq 4$ is an edge joining two non-adjacent vertices of the cycle C_n .

Definition 1.2. Two chords of a cycle $C_n, n \geq 5$ are said to be twin chords if they form a triangle with an edge of cycle C_n .

For positive integers n and p with $3 \leq p \leq (n - 2)$, $C_{n,p}$ is the graph consisting of a cycle C_n with a pair of twin chords with which the edges of C_n form cycles C_p, C_3 and C_{n+1-p} without chords.

Definition 1.3. The cycle with triangle is a cycle with three chords which by themselves form a triangle.

For positive integers p, q, r and $n \geq 6$ with $p + q + r + 3 = n$, $C_n(p, q, r)$ denotes the cycle with triangle whose edges form the edges of cycles C_{p+2}, C_{q+2} and C_{r+2} without chords.

Definition 1.4. The shell S_n is the graph obtained by taking $n - 3$ concurrent chords in a cycle C_n . The vertex at which all the chords are concurrent is called the apex vertex.

Definition 1.5. The wheel W_n is the join of the graphs C_n and K_1 . That is, $W_n = C_n + K_1$. Here, the vertices corresponding to C_n are called rim vertices and C_n is called rim of W_n while the vertex corresponding to K_1 is called *apex* vertex.

Definition 1.6. Let $e = uv$ be an edge of a graph G and w is not a vertex of G . Then edge e is said to be subdivided when it is replaced by edges $e' = uw$ and $e'' = wv$.

Definition 1.7. If every edge of a graph G is subdivided, then the resulting graph is called barycentric subdivision of the graph G . It is denoted by $S(G)$.

Vaidya et al.[4] proved that cycle with twin chords is cordial as well as 3–equitable. In [5] Vaidya et al. proved that the barycentric subdivision of cycle with one chord, cycle with twin chords and cycle with triangle are cordial. Youssef[6] proved that W_n is 3–equitable for all $n \leq 4$. In this paper we prove that the barycentric subdivision of cycle with one chord, cycle with twin chords, cycle with triangle, shell and wheel are 3–equitable graphs.

2 Main Results

Theorem 2.1. The barycentric subdivision of cycle C_n with one chord is 3–equitable for all n , where chord forms a triangle with two edges of C_n .

Proof: Let G be the cycle C_n with one chord and let $S(G)$ be the barycentric subdivision of G . Note that $|V(S(G))| = 2n + 1$ and $|E(S(G))| = 2n + 2$. Let $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n+1}$ be the successive vertices of $S(G)$. Let $e_1 = v_1v_5$ be the chord of C_n . Here v_2, v_4, \dots, v_{2n} are the vertices inserted due to the barycentric subdivision of edges of C_n and v_{2n+1} is the vertex inserted due to the barycentric subdivision of the chord e_1 . That is, v_{2n+1} is adjacent to v_1 and v_5 , edge e_1 is subdivided into two edges $e'_1 = v_1v_{2n+1}$ and $e''_1 = v_{2n+1}v_5$. Note that $d(v_1) = 3, d(v_5) = 3$ and $d(v_i) = 2, 2 \leq i \leq 2n + 1, i \neq 5$. To define labeling function $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$, we consider the following cases.

Case 1: $n \equiv 0, 2, 3, 5(\text{mod}6)$.

$f(v_i) = 0$; if $i \equiv 2, 5(\text{mod}6)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 3, 4(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 1(\text{mod}6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n + 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Case 2: $n \equiv 1(\text{mod}6)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{2n+1}) &= 1, \\
 f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 4(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 5(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 3(\text{mod}6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Case 3: $n \equiv 4(\text{mod}6)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{2n+1}) &= 2, \\
 f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 4(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 3(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 5(\text{mod}6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Above defined labeling pattern satisfies the conditions of 3–equitable labeling as shown in Table 1.

Table 1: Vertex and edge conditions for the barycentric subdivision of cycle C_n , where $n = 6a + b, n \in N$.

b	Vertex Conditions	Edge Conditions
0,3	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(2)$
2,5	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2) + 1$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$
1	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(2)$
4	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1) = e_f(2) + 1$

Hence the barycentric subdivision of cycle with one chord is 3–equitable. ■

Example 2.2. 3–equitable labeling of the graph obtained by the barycentric subdivision of cycle C_4 with one chord is shown in Figure 1.

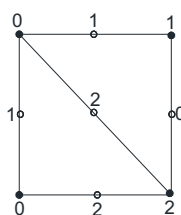


Figure 1: 3–equitable labeling of the barycentric subdivision of cycle C_4 with one chord.

Theorem 2.3. The barycentric subdivision of cycle with twin chords $(C_{n,3})$ is 3–equitable.

Proof: Let G be cycle C_n with twin chords and $S(G)$ denote the barycentric subdivision of G . Note that $|V(S(G))| = 2n + 2$ and $|E(S(G))| = 2n + 4$. Let $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n+2}$ be the successive vertices of $S(G)$. Let $e_1 = v_1v_5$ and $e_2 = v_1v_7$ be two chords of C_n . Here v_2, v_4, \dots, v_{2n} are the vertices inserted due to the barycentric subdivision of edges of C_n , v_{2n+1} and v_{2n+2} be the vertices inserted due to the barycentric subdivision of the chords e_1 and e_2 respectively. v_{2n+1} is adjacent to vertices v_1

and v_5, v_{2n+2} is adjacent to vertices v_1 and v_7 . Edge e_1 is subdivided into two edges $e'_1 = v_1v_{2n+1}$ and $e''_1 = v_{2n+1}v_5$, edge e_2 is subdivided into two edges $e'_2 = v_1v_{2n+2}$ and $e''_2 = v_{2n+2}v_7$. Note that $d(v_1) = 4, d(v_5) = d(v_7) = 3$ and $d(v_i) = 2, 2 \leq i \leq 2n + 2, i \neq 5, i \neq 7$.

To define labeling function $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$, we consider the following cases.

Case 1: $n \equiv 0, 2, 3, 5(mod6)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 4(mod6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 5(mod6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 3(mod6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n + 2. \end{aligned}$$

Case 2: $n \equiv 1, 4(mod6)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_{2n+2}) &= 2, \\ f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 5(mod6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 3, 4(mod6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 1(mod6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n + 1. \end{aligned}$$

Above defined labeling pattern satisfies the conditions of 3–equitable labeling as shown in Table 2.

Table 2: Vertex and edge conditions for the barycentric subdivision of cycle with twin chords $(C_{n,3})$, where $n = 6a + b, n \in N$.

b	Vertex Conditions	Edge Conditions
0,3	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(2)$
1,4	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$
2,5	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2) + 1$

Hence the barycentric subdivision of cycle with twin chords is 3–equitable. ■

Example 2.4. 3–equitable labeling of the graph obtained by the barycentric subdivision of cycle C_7 with twin chords is shown in Figure 2.

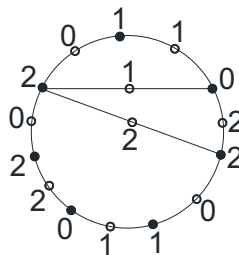


Figure 2: 3–equitable labeling of the barycentric subdivision of cycle C_7 with twin chords.

Theorem 2.5. The barycentric subdivision of cycle with triangle $C_n(1, 1, n - 5)$ is 3–equitable.

Proof: Let G be cycle with triangle $C_n(1, 1, n - 5)$. Let $S(G)$ be the barycentric subdivision of G and $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n+3}$ be the successive vertices of $S(G)$. Let $e_1 = v_1v_5, e_2 = v_5v_9$ and $e_3 = v_1v_9$ be three chords of C_n . Here v_2, v_4, \dots, v_{2n} are the vertices inserted due to the barycentric subdivision of the edges of C_n, v_{2n+1}, v_{2n+2} and v_{2n+3} be the vertices inserted due to the barycentric subdivision of

the chords e_1, e_2 and e_3 respectively. v_{2n+1} is adjacent to v_1 and v_5 , v_{2n+2} is adjacent to v_5 and v_9 , v_{2n+3} is adjacent to v_1 and v_9 . Edge e_1 is subdivided into two edges $e'_1 = v_1v_{2n+1}$ and $e''_1 = v_{2n+1}v_5$, e_2 is subdivided into two edges $e'_2 = v_5v_{2n+2}$ and $e''_2 = v_{2n+2}v_9$, e_3 is subdivided into two edges $e'_3 = v_1v_{2n+3}$ and $e''_3 = v_{2n+3}v_9$. Note that $d(v_1) = d(v_5) = d(v_9) = 4$ and $d(v_i) = 2, 2 \leq i \leq 2n + 3, i \neq 5, i \neq 9$. Here $|V(S(G))| = 2n + 3$ and $|E(S(G))| = 2n + 6$.

To define labeling function $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$, we consider the following cases.

Case 1: $n \equiv 0, 3(mod6)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_{2n+1}) &= 1, \\ f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 3(mod6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 4, 5(mod6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 2(mod6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n + 3, i \neq 2n + 1. \end{aligned}$$

Case 2: $n \equiv 2, 5(mod6)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 5(mod6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 3, 4(mod6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 1(mod6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n + 3. \end{aligned}$$

Case 3: $n \equiv 1, 4(mod6)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 3(mod6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 2(mod6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 4, 5(mod6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n + 3. \end{aligned}$$

Above defined labeling pattern satisfies the conditions of 3–equitable labeling as shown in Table 3.

Table 3: Vertex and edge conditions for the barycentric subdivision of cycle with triangle $C_n(1, 1, n - 5)$, where $n = 6a + b, n \in N$.

b	Vertex Conditions	Edge Conditions
0,3	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$
1,4	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(2)$
2,5	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1) = e_f(2) + 1$

Hence the barycentric subdivision of cycle with triangle $C_n(1, 1, n - 5)$ is 3–equitable. ■

Example 2.6. 3–equitable labeling of the graph obtained by the barycentric subdivision of cycle C_6 with triangle is shown in Figure 3. It is the case related to $n \equiv 0(mod6)$.

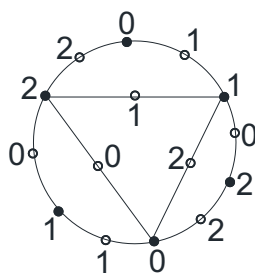


Figure 3: 3–equitable labeling of the barycentric subdivision of cycle C_6 with triangle.

Theorem 2.7. The barycentric subdivision of shell S_n is 3–equitable.

Proof: Let $S(S_n)$ be the barycentric subdivision of shell S_n . Let v_0 be the apex vertex, $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n-1}\}$ be the external vertices and $\{v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_{n-3}\}$ be the internal vertices in $S(S_n)$. Here the vertices $\{v_1, v_3, \dots, v_{2n-1}, v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_{n-3}\}$ are formed by the barycentric subdivision of shell graph S_n , where v'_j is the vertex which makes subdivision of the edge joining $v_{2(n-j-1)}$ and v_0 , $j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n - 3$. Note that $|V(S(S_n))| = 3(n - 1)$ and $|E(S(S_n))| = 4n - 6$.

To define labeling function $f : V(S(S_n)) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$, we consider the following cases.

Case 1: $n \equiv 0(\text{mod}6)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 5(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 1(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 3, 4(\text{mod}6), 0 \leq i \leq 2n - 1 \\ f(v'_j) &= 0; \text{ if } j \equiv 1, 4(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } j \equiv 2, 5(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } j \equiv 0, 3(\text{mod}6), 1 \leq j \leq n - 3 \end{aligned}$$

Case 2: $n \equiv 1(\text{mod}6)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 4(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 5(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 3(\text{mod}6), 0 \leq i \leq 2n - 1 \\ f(v'_j) &= 0; \text{ if } j \equiv 1, 5(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } j \equiv 3, 4(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } j \equiv 0, 2(\text{mod}6), 1 \leq j \leq n - 3 \end{aligned}$$

Case 3: $n \equiv 2(\text{mod}6)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 5(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 3, 4(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 1(\text{mod}6), 0 \leq i \leq 2n - 1 \\ f(v'_j) &= 0; \text{ if } j \equiv 3, 4(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } j \equiv 0, 5(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } j \equiv 1, 2(\text{mod}6), 1 \leq j \leq n - 3 \end{aligned}$$

Case 4: $n \equiv 3(\text{mod}6)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 4(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 5(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 3(\text{mod}6), 0 \leq i \leq 2n - 1 \\ f(v'_j) &= 0; \text{ if } j \equiv 1, 5(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 1; \text{ if } j \equiv 3, 4(\text{mod}6) \\ &= 2; \text{ if } j \equiv 0, 2(\text{mod}6), 1 \leq j \leq n - 3 \end{aligned}$$

Case 5: $n \equiv 4(\text{mod}6)$.

$$f(v_i) = 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 4(\text{mod}6)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 5(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 3(\text{mod}6), 0 \leq i \leq 2n - 1 \\
 f(v'_j) &= 0; \text{ if } j \equiv 0, 5(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 1; \text{ if } j \equiv 1, 2(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 2; \text{ if } j \equiv 3, 4(\text{mod}6), 1 \leq j \leq n - 3
 \end{aligned}$$

Case 6: $n \equiv 5(\text{mod}6)$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 4(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 5(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 3(\text{mod}6), 0 \leq i \leq 2n - 1 \\
 f(v'_j) &= 0; \text{ if } j \equiv 0, 5(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 1; \text{ if } j \equiv 1, 2(\text{mod}6) \\
 &= 2; \text{ if } j \equiv 3, 4(\text{mod}6), 1 \leq j \leq n - 3
 \end{aligned}$$

Above defined labeling pattern satisfies the conditions of 3–equitable labeling as shown in Table 4.

Table 4: Vertex and edge conditions for the barycentric subdivision of shell graph S_n , where $n = 6a + b, n \in N$.

b	Vertex Conditions	Edge Conditions
0,3	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$
1		$e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1) = e_f(2) + 1$
2		$e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$
4		$e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(2)$
5		$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2) + 1$

Hence the barycentric subdivision of shell S_n is 3–equitable. ■

Example 2.8. 3–equitable labeling of the graph obtained by the barycentric subdivision of shell S_9 is shown in Figure 4. It is the case related to $n \equiv 3(\text{mod}6)$.

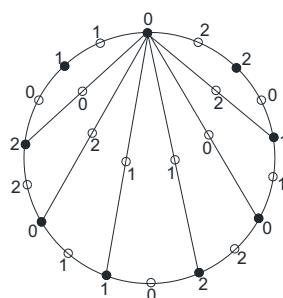


Figure 4: 3–equitable labeling of the barycentric subdivision of the shell S_9 .

Theorem 2.9. The barycentric subdivision of wheel W_n is 3–equitable.

Proof: Let $S(W_n)$ be the barycentric subdivision of wheel W_n . Let $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}\}$ be the rim vertices of G . Let $\{v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n\}$ be the internal vertices of $S(W_n)$ and v_0 be the apex vertex of G . Here, v_2, v_4, \dots, v_{2n} are the vertices inserted due to the barycentric subdivision of edges of C_n , where

v_j is the vertex which makes the subdivision of edge joining (v_{j-1}, v_{j+1}) , $j = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2n - 2$, v_{2n} is adjacent to v_{2n-1} and v_i . v'_i is the vertex which makes the subdivision of edge joining (v_{2i-1}, v_0) , $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$. Note that $|V(S(W_n))| = 3n + 1$ and $|E(S(W_n))| = 4n$.

To define labeling function $f : V(S(W_n)) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$ we consider the following cases.

Case 1: $n \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$.

$$f(v_0) = 2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 5 \pmod{6} \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{6} \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 3, 4 \pmod{6}, 1 \leq i \leq 2n. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(v'_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{6} \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 3, 4 \pmod{6} \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 5 \pmod{6}, 1 \leq i \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

Case 2: $n \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$.

$$f(v_0) = 2.$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{6} \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{6} \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 4, 5 \pmod{6}, 1 \leq i \leq 2n. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(v'_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{6} \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 4, 5 \pmod{6} \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{6}, 1 \leq i \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

Case 3: $n \equiv 2 \pmod{6}$.

$$f(v_0) = 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 5 \pmod{6} \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{6} \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 3, 4 \pmod{6}, 1 \leq i \leq 2n. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(v'_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 4, 5 \pmod{6} \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{6} \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{6}, 1 \leq i \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

Case 4: $n \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$.

$$f(v_0) = 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{6} \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 4, 5 \pmod{6} \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{6}, 1 \leq i \leq 2n. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(v'_i) &= 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 4 \pmod{6} \\ &= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{6} \\ &= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 5 \pmod{6}, 1 \leq i \leq n. \end{aligned}$$

Case 5: $n \equiv 4(mod6)$.

$$f(v_0) = 2.$$

$$f(v_i) = 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 4(mod6)$$

$$= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 3(mod6)$$

$$= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 5(mod6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n.$$

$$f(v'_i) = 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 3, 4(mod6)$$

$$= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 2(mod6)$$

$$= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 5(mod6), 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Case 6: $n \equiv 5(mod6)$.

$$f(v_0) = 0.$$

$$f(v_i) = 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 3(mod6)$$

$$= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 1, 2(mod6)$$

$$= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 4, 5(mod6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n.$$

$$f(v'_i) = 0; \text{ if } i \equiv 3, 5(mod6)$$

$$= 1; \text{ if } i \equiv 0, 1(mod6)$$

$$= 2; \text{ if } i \equiv 2, 4(mod6), 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Above defined labeling pattern satisfies the conditions of 3–equitable labeling which is shown in Table 5.

Table 5: Vertex and edge conditions for the barycentric subdivision of the wheel W_n , where $n = 6a + b, n \in N$.

b	Vertex Conditions	Edge Conditions
0	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$
1	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) = v_f(2) + 1$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(2) + 1$
2	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2) + 1$
3	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) = v_f(2) + 1$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$
4	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2) + 1$	$e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(2)$
5	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2) + 1$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(2)$

Hence the barycentric subdivision of the wheel W_n is 3–equitable. ■

Example 2.10. 3–equitable labeling of the graph obtained by the barycentric subdivision of wheel W_6 is shown in Figure 5.

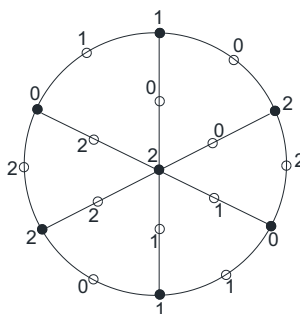


Figure 5: 3–equitable labeling of the barycentric subdivision of the wheel W_6 .

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