

On felicitous labelings of $P_{r,2m+1}$, P_r^{2m+1} and $C_n \times P_m$

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Abstract

A simple graph G is called felicitous if there exists a one-to-one function $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2, \dots, q\}$ such that the set of induced edge labels $f^*(uv) = (f(u) + f(v)) \pmod{q}$ are all distinct. In this paper we show that $P_{r,2m+1}$, P_r^{2m+1} and $C_n \times P_m$ are felicitous graphs.

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1 Introduction

In this paper we consider only simple graphs. For notation and terminology, we refer to [2]. Lee, Schmeichel and Shee [7] introduced the concept of a felicitous graph as a generalization of a harmonious graph. A graph G with q edges is called *harmonious* if there is an injection $f: V(G) \rightarrow Z_q$, the additive group of integers modulo q such that when each edge xy of G is assigned the label $(f(x) + f(y)) \pmod{q}$, the resulting edge labels are all distinct. A *felicitous* labeling of a graph G , with q edges is an injection $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2, \dots, q\}$ so that the induced edge labels $f^*(xy) = (f(x) + f(y)) \pmod{q}$ are distinct. Clearly, a harmonious graph is felicitous. An example of a felicitous graph which is not harmonious is the graph $K_{m,n}$, where $m, n > 1$.

Throughout this paper, f denotes a 1-1 function from $V(G)$ to a subset of the set of non-negative integers and for any edge $e = xy \in E(G)$, $f^*(e) = f(x) + f(y)$.

In [4, 5, 6], Kathiresan introduced new classes of graphs denoted by $P_{a,b}$ and P_a^b and discussed the magic labeling of $P_{a,b}$ [5]. In [8], the gracefulness of $P_{a,b}$ was discussed. It motivates us to discuss the felicitousness of the graphs $P_{a,b}$ and P_a^b .

2 Definitions and basic results

Definition 2.1. Let u and v be two fixed vertices. We connect u and v by means of $b \geq 2$ internally disjoint paths of length $a \geq 2$ each. The resulting graph embedded in a plane is denoted by $P_{a,b}$. Let $v_o^i, v_1^i, v_2^i, \dots, v_a^i$ be the vertices of the i^{th} copy of the path of length a , where $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, b$. $v_o^i = u$ and $v_a^i = v$ for all i .

We observe that the graph $P_{a,b}$ has $(a-1)b + 2$ vertices and ab edges.

Definition 2.2. Let a and b be integers such that $a \geq 2$ and $b \geq 2$. Let y_1, y_2, \dots, y_a be the fixed vertices. We connect the vertices y_i and y_{i+1} by means of b internally disjoint paths P_i^j of length $i+1$

each, $1 \leq i \leq a-1$ and $1 \leq j \leq b$. Let $y_i, x_{i,j,1}, x_{i,j,2}, \dots, x_{i,j,b}, y_{i+1}$ be the vertices of the path P_i^j , $1 \leq i \leq a-1$ and $1 \leq j \leq b$. The resulting graph embedded in a plane is denoted by P_a^b , where $V(P_a^b) = \{y_i : 1 \leq i \leq a\} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{a-1} \bigcup_{j=1}^b \{x_{i,j,k} : 1 \leq k \leq i\}$ and $E(P_a^b) = \bigcup_{i=1}^{a-1} \{y_i x_{i,j,1} : 1 \leq j \leq b\} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{a-1} \bigcup_{j=1}^b \{x_{i,j,k} x_{i,j,k+1} : 1 \leq k \leq i-1\} \cup \bigcup_{i=1}^{a-1} \{x_{i,j,i} y_{i+1} : 1 \leq j \leq b\}$.

We observe that the number of vertices of the graph P_a^b is $\frac{ba(a-1)}{2} + a$ and the number of edges is $\frac{b(a-1)(a+2)}{2}$.

Definition 2.3. A subgraph H of a graph G is said to be an even subgraph of G , if the degree of every vertex of H is even in H .

Result 2.4. [1] An even subgraph of a felicitous graph with an even number of edges contains an even number of odd labelled edges.

Result 2.5. [1] No even graph with $4n + 2$ edges is felicitous.

Lemma 2.6. [1] Let G be a graph with an odd number of edges and let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, q\}$ be an odd edge labeling of G . Then, f is a felicitous labeling for G .

Proof. As f is an odd edge labeling of a graph G with odd number of edges, $f(E(G)) = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2q-1\}$. After taking mod q , $f(E(G)) = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, q\}$. So, f becomes felicitous labeling of G .

Remark 2.7. It is observed that as in Result 2.5, most of the even graphs are not felicitous. So, finding felicitous graphs with even number of edges are very difficult.

3 Main Results

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Theorem 3.1. $P_{r, 2m+1}$ is a felicitous graph for all values of m and for odd values of r .

Proof : Let u and v be the origin and the terminal vertices of the $(2m+1)$ internally disjoint paths of length r in $P_{r, 2m+1}$. Let $v_0^i, v_1^i, v_2^i, \dots, v_r^i$ be the vertices of the i^{th} copy of the path, where $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, 2m+1$, $v_0^i = u$ and $v_r^i = v$ for all i . The number of vertices of the graph $P_{r, 2m+1}$ is $(r-1)(2m+1)+2$ and the number of edges is $(2m+1)r$.

It is enough to show that $P_{r, 2m+1}$ admits odd edge labeling.

Define f on the vertex set of $P_{r, 2m+1}$ as follows:

$$f(u) = 0 \quad f(v) = (2m+1)r$$

$$\text{For } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{r-1}{2},$$

$$f(v_{2j-1}^i) = (4m+2)(j-1) + (2i-1), \quad 1 \leq i \leq 2m+1,$$

$$f(v_{2j}^i) = \begin{cases} (6m+2) + (4m+2)(j-1) - 4(i-1), & 1 \leq i \leq m+1 \\ 6m + (4m+2)(j-1) - 4(i-(m+2)), & m+2 \leq i \leq 2m+1 \end{cases}$$

Let $E_1 = \{v_0^i v_1^i : 1 \leq i \leq 2m + 1\}$.

$E_2 = \{v_j^{m+1} v_{j+1}^{m+1}, v_j^m v_{j+1}^m, \dots, v_j^1 v_{j+1}^1, v_j^{2m+1} v_{j+1}^{2m+1}, v_j^{2m} v_{j+1}^{2m}, \dots, v_j^{m+2} v_{j+1}^{m+2} : 1 \leq j \leq r - 2\}$.

$E_3 = \{v_{r-1}^{m+1} v_r^{m+1}, v_{r-1}^{2m+1} v_r^{2m+1}, v_{r-1}^m v_r^m, v_{r-1}^{2m} v_r^{2m}, \dots, v_{r-1}^2 v_r^2, v_{r-1}^{m+2} v_r^{m+2}, v_{r-1}^1 v_r^1\}$.

The labels of the edges in E_1 are $2i - 1, 1 \leq i \leq 2m + 1$.

For $1 \leq j \leq r - 2$, the labels of the edges in E_2 are $2j(2m + 1) + 1, 2j(2m + 1) + 3, \dots, 2(j + 1)(2m + 1) - (2m - 1), 2(j + 1)(2m + 1) - (2m - 3), \dots, 2(j + 1)(2m + 1) - 1$.

The labels of the edges in E_3 are $2(r - 1)(2m + 1) + 1, 2(r - 1)(2m + 1) + 3, \dots, 2r(2m + 1) - 1$.

$$f(E_1) = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2(2m + 1) - 1\} = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 4m + 1\}.$$

$$f(E_2) = \{2(2m + 1) + 1, 2(2m + 1) + 3, \dots, 4(2m + 1) - (2m - 1), 4(2m + 1) - (2m - 3), \dots, 4(2m + 1) - 1, \dots, 2(r - 2)(2m + 1) + 1, 2(r - 2)(2m + 1) + 3, \dots, (2(r - 2) + 2)(2m + 1) - 1\} = \{4m + 3, 4m + 5, \dots, 6m + 5, 6m + 7, \dots, 8m + 3, \dots, 2(r - 2)(2m + 1) + 1, 2(r - 2)(2m + 1) + 3, \dots, 2(r - 1)(2m + 1) - 1\}.$$

$$f(E_3) = \{2(r - 1)(2m + 1) + 1, 2(r - 1)(2m + 1) + 3, \dots, 2r(2m + 1) - 1\}.$$

Now, $f(E(G)) = f(E_1) \cup f(E_2) \cup f(E_3)$.

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Clearly, the above edge labelings are distinct and odd and hence G admits odd edge labeling. Therefore, by Lemma 2.6, $P_{r, 2m+1}$ is a felicitous graph for all the values of m and for odd values of r .

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Example 3.2. A felicitous labeling of $P_{7,5}$ is shown in Figure 1.

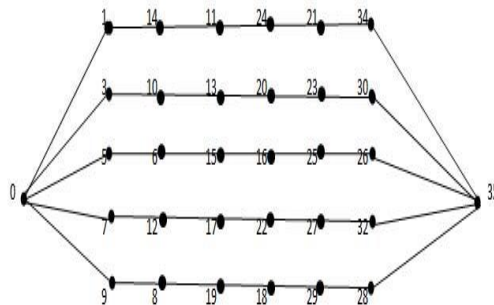


Figure 1: A felicitous labeling of $P_{7,5}$.

Corollary 3.3. $P_{a,b}$ is not a felicitous graph when $a \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ and $b \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. The number of edges of $P_{a,b} = ab = (2k+1)(4m+2) = (8km+4k+4m+2) = 4(2km+k+m) + 2 = 4l+2$ where $l = 2km+k+m$ and $l \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. Further, the graph $P_{a,b}$ is even. Hence, $P_{a,b}$ is not a felicitous graph when $a \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and $b \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. ■

Theorem 3.4. P_r^{2m+1} is a felicitous graph for all values of m and $r \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. Let y_1, y_2, \dots, y_r be the fixed vertices. We connect the vertices y_i and y_{i+1} by means of $2m+1$ internally disjoint paths P_i^j of length $i+1$ each, $1 \leq i \leq r-1$ and $1 \leq j \leq 2m+1$. Let $y_i, x_{i,j,1}, x_{i,j,2}, \dots, x_{i,j,i}, y_{i+1}$ be the vertices of the path P_i^j , $1 \leq i \leq r-1$ and $1 \leq j \leq 2m+1$. We observe that the number of vertices of the graph P_r^{2m+1} is $\frac{(2m+1)r(r-1)}{2} + r$ and the number of edges is

$$\frac{(2m+1)(r-1)(r+2)}{2}.$$

It is enough to show that P_r^{2m+1} admits odd edge labeling.

Define f on $V(P_r^{2m+1})$ as follows :

$$f(y_i) = \left(\frac{i(i+1)}{2} - 1 \right) (2m+1), \quad 1 \leq i \leq r,$$

$$f(x_{1,j,1}) = 2j-1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq 2m+1,$$

$$f(x_{2,j,2}) = \begin{cases} 5(2m+1) - 1 - 4(j-1), & 1 \leq j \leq m+1 \\ 5(2m+1) - 3 - 4(j - (m+2)), & m+2 \leq j \leq 2m+1 \end{cases}$$

For $1 \leq j \leq 2m+1$,

$$f(x_{i,j,k}) = \begin{cases} f(x_{i-1,j,k}) + (2m+1)i & \text{if } k = 1, 2 \text{ and } k+1 \leq i \leq r-1; \\ f(x_{i,j,1}) + (k-1)(2m+1) & \text{if } k \text{ is odd, } 3 \leq k \leq r-1 \text{ and } k \leq i \leq r-1; \\ f(x_{i,j,2}) + (k-2)(2m+1) & \text{if } k \text{ is even, } 4 \leq k \leq r-1 \text{ and } k \leq i \leq r-1. \end{cases}$$

Let $E_1 = \{y_i x_{i,1,1}, y_i x_{i,2,1}, y_i x_{i,3,1}, \dots, y_i x_{i,2m+1,1} : 1 \leq i \leq r-1\}$, $E_2 = \{x_{i,m+1,k} x_{i,m+1,k+1}, x_{i,m,k} x_{i,m,k+1}, \dots, x_{i,1,k} x_{i,1,k+1}, x_{i,2m+1,k} x_{i,2m+1,k+1}, x_{i,2m,k} x_{i,2m,k+1}, \dots, x_{i,m+2,k} x_{i,m+2,k+1} : 2 \leq i \leq r-1 \text{ and } 1 \leq k \leq i-1\}$,

$E_3 = \{x_{i,1,i} y_{i+1}, x_{i,2,i} y_{i+1}, x_{i,3,i} y_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i,2m+1,i} y_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq r-1\}$ and $E_4 = \{x_{i,m+1,i} y_{i+1}, x_{i,2m+1,i} y_{i+1}, x_{i,m,i} y_{i+1}, x_{i,2m,i} y_{i+1}, \dots, x_{i,2,i} y_{i+1}, x_{i,m+2,i} y_{i+1}, x_{i,1,i} y_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq r-1\}$.

The edge labels of P_r^{2m+1} are as follows:

For $1 \leq i \leq r-1$, the labels of the edges in E_1 are $(i(i+1)-2)(2m+1)+1, (i(i+1)-2)(2m+1)+3, \dots, (i(i+1)-2)(2m+1)+2(2m+1)-1$.

For $2 \leq i \leq r-1$ and $1 \leq k \leq i-1$, the labels of the edges in E_2 are $(i(i+1)-2+2k)(2m+1)+1, (i(i+1)-2+2k)(2m+1)+3, \dots, (i(i+1)+2k-1)(2m+1), (i(i+1)+2k-1)(2m+1)+2, \dots, (i(i+1)+2k)(2m+1)-1$.

For $1 \leq i \leq r-1$ and $i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$, the labels of the edges in E_3 are $(i(i+3)-2)(2m+1)+1, (i(i+3)-2)(2m+1)+3, \dots, (i(i+3)-2)(2m+1)+2(2m+1)-1$.

For $1 \leq i \leq r-1$ and $i \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$, the labels of the edges in E_4 are $(i(i+3)-2)(2m+1)+1, (i(i+3)-2)(2m+1)+3, \dots, (i(i+3)-2)(2m+1)+2(2m+1)-1$ respectively.

Now, $f(E(G)) = f(E_1) \cup f(E_2) \cup f(E_3) \cup f(E_4) = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2(2m+1)-1, 4(2m+1)+1, 4(2m+1)+3, \dots, 4(2m+1)+2(2m+1)-1, \dots, (r(r-1)-2)(2m+1)+1, (r(r-1)-2)(2m+1)+3, \dots, (r(r-1)-2)(2m+1)+2(2m+1)-1\} \cup \{6(2m+1)+1, 6(2m+1)+3, \dots, 7(2m+1), 7(2m+1)+2, \dots, ((r(r-1)-2)+2(r-2))(2m+1)+1, ((r(r-1)-2)+2(r-2))(2m+1)+3, \dots, (r(r-1)+2(r-2))(2m+1)-1\} \cup \{2(2m+1)+1, 2(2m+1)+3, \dots, 2(2m+1)+2(2m+1)-1, \dots, ((r-1)(r+2)-2)(2m+1)+1, ((r-1)(r+2)-2)(2m+1)+3, \dots, ((r-1)(r+2)-2)(2m+1)+2(2m+1)-1\}$.

That is, $f(E(G)) = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2(2m+1)-1, 2(2m+1)+1, 2(2m+1)+3, \dots, 4((2m+1)-1), 4(2m+1)+1, 4(2m+1)+3, \dots, 6(2m+1)-1, 6(2m+1)+1, 6(2m+1)+3, \dots, 7(2m+1), 7(2m+1)+2, \dots, ((r(r-1)-2)+2(r-2))(2m+1)+1, ((r(r-1)-2)+2(r-2))(2m+1)+3, \dots, (r(r-1)+2(r-2))(2m+1)-1, \dots, ((r-1)(r+2)-2)(2m+1)+1, ((r-1)(r+2)-2)(2m+1)+3, \dots, (r-1)(r+2)(2m+1)-1\}$
 $= \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2q-1\}$.

Clearly, the above edge labelings are distinct and odd and hence G admits odd edge labeling. Therefore, P_r^{2m+1} is a felicitous graph for all values of m and $r \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{4}$. ■

Example 3.5. A felicitous labeling of P_4^5 is shown in Figure 2.

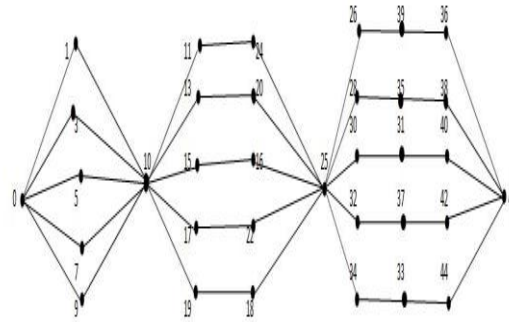


Figure 2: A felicitous labeling of P_4^5 .

Corollary 3.6. P_a^b is not felicitous when $b \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ and (i) $a \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ or (ii) $a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. (i) Let $a \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ and $b \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The number of edges of } P_a^b &= \frac{b(a-1)(a+2)}{2} = \frac{(4k+2)(4m-1)(4m+2)}{2} \\ &= \frac{2(2k+1)(4m-1)(4m+2)}{2} \\ &= 2(8m^2+2m-1)(2k+1) \\ &= 2(16m^2k+8m^2+4mk+2m-2k-1) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 4(8m^2k + 4m^2 + 2mk + m - k - 1) + 2 = 4l + 2 \text{ where } l = 8m^2k + 4m^2 + 2mk + m - k - 1 \text{ and } l \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

(ii) Let $a \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ and $b \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

$$\text{The number of edges of } P_a^b = \frac{b(a-1)(a+2)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{(4k+2)(4m+3-1)(4m+3+2)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{2(2k+1)(4m+2)(4m+5)}{2}$$

$$= 2(2k+1)(2m+1)(4m+5)$$

$$= 2(2k+1)(8m^2+14m+5)$$

$$= 2(16m^2k+28km+10k+8m^2+14m+5)$$

$$= 4(8m^2k+4m^2+14mk+7m+5k+2) + 2 = 4l + 2 \text{ where } l = 8m^2k + 4m^2 + 14mk + 7m + 5k + 2 \text{ and } l \in \mathbb{Z}^+. \quad \blacksquare$$

Remark 3.7. Let G be a (p, q) graph. Let f be a felicitous labeling. Define $f_l(uv) = f(u) + f(v)$ for every $uv \in E(G)$. Then $f^*(uv) = f_l(uv) \pmod{q}$.

Theorem 3.8. $C_n \times P_m$ is felicitous for $m \geq 1$ and $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$.

Proof. Case (i): when $n = 3$.

$$\text{Let } V(C_3 \times P_m) = \{u_{ij} : 1 \leq i \leq 3 \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq m\}.$$

Define $f: V(C_3 \times P_m) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, q = 6m - 3\}$ by

$$f(u_{1i}) = i - 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 3;$$

$$f(u_{2i}) = 3 + i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 2 \quad \text{and} \quad f(u_{23}) = 3;$$

$$f(u_{3i}) = 5 + i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 3.$$

$$f(u_{ij}) = \begin{cases} f(u_{1(j-1)}) + i & , \quad 5 \leq j \leq m \text{ and } j \equiv 1 \pmod{2}; \\ f(u_{3(j-1)}) + \sigma_1(i), & 4 \leq j \leq m \text{ and } j \equiv 0 \pmod{2}; \end{cases} \text{ where } \sigma_1 = (1 \ 3 \ 2).$$

$$\text{Let } E_1 = \{(u_{2j}u_{1j}), (u_{1j}u_{3j}), (u_{3j}u_{2j}) : 1 \leq j \leq m \text{ and } j \equiv 1 \pmod{2}\},$$

$$E_2 = \{(u_{12}u_{32}), (u_{32}u_{22}), (u_{22}u_{12}), (u_{3j}u_{2j}), (u_{2j}u_{1j}), (u_{1j}u_{3j}) : 4 \leq j \leq m \text{ and } j \equiv 0 \pmod{2}\} \text{ and}$$

$$E_3 = \{(u_{11}u_{12}), (u_{31}u_{32}), (u_{21}u_{22}), (u_{12}u_{13}), (u_{32}u_{33}), (u_{22}u_{23}), (u_{2j}u_{2(j+1)}), (u_{1j}u_{1(j+1)}), (u_{3j}u_{3(j+1)}) : 3 \leq j \leq m - 1\}.$$

$$\text{Now, } E = E_1 \cup E_2 \cup E_3.$$

$$\text{The labels of the edges in } E_1 \text{ and } E_2 \text{ are } f_l(E_1) \cup f_l(E_2) = \{6j - 5, 6j - 4, 6j - 3 : 1 \leq j \leq m\}.$$

$$\text{The labels of the edges in } E_3 \text{ are } f_l(E_3) = \{6j - 2, 6j - 1, 6j : 1 \leq j \leq m - 1\}.$$

$$\text{Clearly, } f^*(E(G)) = f_l(E_1) \cup f_l(E_2) \cup f_l(E_3) = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 6m - 6, 6m - 5, 6m - 4, 6m - 3\}.$$

$$\text{After taking } \pmod{q}, f^*(E(G)) = f_l(E(G)) \pmod{q} = \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 6m - 5, 6m - 4\}.$$

Case (ii): when $n \geq 5$.

Let $V(C_n \times P_m) = \{u_{ij} : 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq m\}$.

Define $f : V(C_n \times P_m) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, q = (2m-1)n\}$ by

$$f(u_{i1}) = i - 1, 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Throughout this proof, addition being taken modulo n with residues $1, 2, 3, \dots, n$.

$$\text{Let } \sigma_j = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & \dots & n \\ n-j+2 & n-j+3 & n-j+4 & \dots & n-j+1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$f(u_{\sigma_j(i),j}) = n(j-2) + (n-1) + i, 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } 2 \leq j \leq m.$$

The labels of the edges are,

For $1 \leq j \leq m$,

$$f_1(u_{\sigma_j(i),j}u_{\sigma_j(i+1),j}) = \begin{cases} n(2j-2) + (2i-1), & 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ n(2j-2) + (n-1), & i = n \end{cases}$$

For $2 \leq j \leq m-1$,

$$f_1(u_{\sigma_j(i),j}u_{\sigma_j(i),j+1}) = f(u_{\sigma_j(i),j})f(u_{\sigma_j(i),j+1}) = f(u_{\sigma_j(i),j})f(u_{\sigma_{j+1}(i+1),j+1}) \text{ by the definition of } \sigma_j.$$

$$\text{Therefore, } f_1(u_{\sigma_j(i),j}u_{\sigma_j(i),j+1}) = \begin{cases} n(2j-1) + (2i-1), & 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ n(2j-1) + (n-1), & i = n \end{cases}$$

Let $E_1 = \{f_1(u_{\sigma_j(i),j}u_{\sigma_j(i+1),j}) : 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq m\} \cup \{f_1(u_{\sigma_j(n),j}u_{\sigma_j(1),j}) : 1 \leq j \leq m\}$ and

$$E_2 = \{f_1(u_{i,1}u_{i,2}) : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{f_1(u_{\sigma_j(i),j}u_{\sigma_j(i),j+1}) : 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \text{ and } 2 \leq j \leq m-1\}.$$

The labels of the edges in E_1 are,

$$f_1(E_1) = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, \dots, 2(n-1)-1, n-1, 2n+1, 2n+3, \dots, 2n+2(n-1)-1, 2n+n-1, \dots, 2n(m-1)+1, 2n(m-1)+3, \dots, 2n(m-1)+2(n-2)-1, 2n(m-1)+2(n-1)-1, 2n(m-1)+(n-1)\}.$$

That is, $f_1(E_1) = \{1, 3, 5, 7, 9, \dots, 2n-3, n-1, 2n+1, 2n+3, \dots, 3n-1, \dots, 4n-3, \dots, 2mn-2n+1, 2mn-2n+3, \dots, 2mn-5, 2mn-3, 2mn-n-1\}$.

The labels of the edges in E_2 are,

$$f_1(E_2) = \{8, 10, 12, 14, 16, \dots, 2(n-1)+6, 2n-1, 3n+1, 3n+3, \dots, 3n+2(n-1)-1, 3n+n-1, \dots, n(2(m-1)-1)+1, n(2(m-1)-1)+2(n-2)-1, n(2(m-1)-1)+2(n-1)-1, n(2(m-1)-1)+(n-1)\} = \{8, 10, 12, 14, 16, \dots, 2n-1, 2n+4, 3n+1, 3n+3, \dots, 4n-1, \dots, 5n-3, 2mn-3n+1, 2mn-3n+3, \dots, 2mn-n-5, 2mn-n-3, 2mn-2n-1\}.$$

$$f_1(E_1) \cup f_1(E_2) = \{1, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, \dots, 2n-3, 2n-2, 2n-1, 2n, 2n+1, 2n+2, 2n+3, 2n+4, \dots, 3n-1, 3n, 3n+1, 3n+2, \dots, 4n-3, 4n-2, 4n-1, \dots, 2mn-3n+1, 2mn-3n+2, 2mn-3n+3,$$

$\dots, 2mn - 2n - 1, 2mn - 2n, 2mn - 2n + 1, \dots, 2mn - n - 3, 2mn - n - 2, 2mn - n - 1, 2mn - n, 2mn - 5, 2mn - 3\}$.

After taking $(\text{mod } q)$, $f^*(E(G)) = f_1(E(G)) \pmod q = \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n - 3, n - 2, n - 1, n, n + 1, n + 2, \dots, 2n - 1, 2n, 2n + 1, 2n + 3, \dots, 3n - 1, 3n, 3n + 1, \dots, 4n - 2, 4n - 1, n(2m - 3) + 1, n(2m - 3) + 2, \dots, 2n(m - 1), 2n(m - 1) + 1, \dots, n(2m - 1) - 1, n(2m - 1)\}$.

Hence, $C_n \times P_m$ is a felicitous graph for $m \geq 1, n \geq 5$ and $n \equiv 1 \pmod 2$. ■

Example 3.9. A felicitous labeling of $C_3 \times P_4$ is shown in Figure 3.

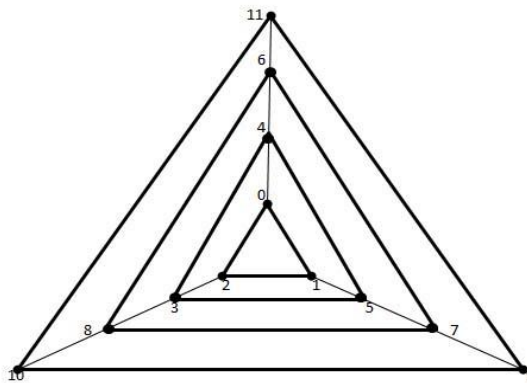


Figure 3: A felicitous labeling of $C_3 \times P_4$.

Example 3.10. A felicitous labeling of $C_7 \times P_4$ is shown in Figure 4.

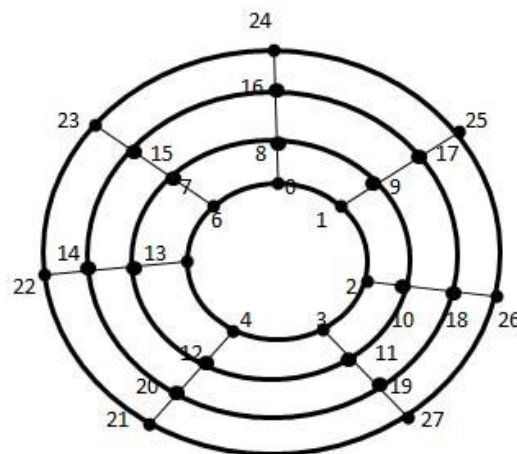


Figure 4: A felicitous labeling of $C_7 \times P_4$.

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