# Star related subset cordial graphs 

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#### Abstract

A subset cordial labeling of a graph G with vertex set $V$ is an injection $f$ from $V$ to the power set of $\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ such that an edge $u v$ is assigned the label 1 if either $f(u)$ is a subset of $f(v)$ or $f(v)$ is a subset of $f(u)$ and 0 otherwise. Then the number of edges labeled 0 and 1 differ by at most 1. If a graph has a subset cordial labeling then it is called a subset cordial graph. In this paper, we prove that some star related graphs such as splitting graph of star, identification of star with a graph are subset cordial.


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## 1 Introduction

By a graph, we mean a finite, undirected graph without loops and multiple edges and for terms not defined here, we refer to Harary [6]. We recall some well known definitions and results which are useful for the present studies. [8].

Let $X=\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ be a set and $\wp(X)$ be the collection of all subsets of $X$, called the power set of $X$. If $A$ is a subset of $B$, we denote it by $A \subset B$, otherwise by $A \not \subset B$. Note that $\wp(X)$ contains $2^{n}$ subsets. Let $e_{f}(0)$ and $e_{f}(1)$ denote the number of edges labeled wih 0 and 1 respectively.

Graph labeling [5] is a strong communication between Algebra [8] and structure of graphs [6]. By combining the set theory concept in algebra and cordial labeling concept in graph labeling, we introduced a new concept called subset cordial labeling [9]. In this paper, we prove some star related graphs such as splitting graph of star, identification of star with a graph and the like are subset cordial[11].

A vertex labeling [5] of a graph $G$ is an assignment $f$ of labels to the vertices of $G$ that induces each edge $u v$ a label depending on the vertex label $f(u)$ and $f(v)$. Graceful and harmonious labeling are two well known labelings. Cordial labeling is a variation of both graceful and harmonious labeling [3].

Definition 1.1. Let $G=(V, E)$ be a graph. A mapping $f: V(G) \rightarrow\{0,1\}$ is called binary vertex labeling of G and $f(v)$ is called the label of the vertex $v$ of $G$ under $f$.

For an edge $e=u v$, the induced edge labeling $f^{*}: E(G) \rightarrow\{0,1\}$ is given by $f^{*}(e)=$ $|f(u)-f(v)|$. Let $v_{f}(0)$ and $v_{f}(1)$ be the number of vertices of $G$ having labels 0 and 1 respectively under $f$. Let $e_{f}(0)$ and $e_{f}(1)$ be the number of edges having labels 0 and 1 respectively under $f^{*}$.

Definition 1.2. A binary vertex labeling of a graph $G$ is called a cordial labeling, if $\left|v_{f}(0)-v_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$ and $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$. A graph $G$ is cordial, if it admits cordial labeling.

## 2 Main Results

Sundaram, Ponraj and Somasundaram [10] have introduced the notion of prime cordial labeling and proved that some graphs are prime cordial. R. Varatharajan, S. Navaneethakrishnan and K. Nagarajan [12] introduced divisor cordial labeling and they have proved that some graphs are divisor cordial[13].

Definition 2.1. [10] A prime cordial labeling of a graph $G$ with vertex set $V$ is a bijection $f: V \longrightarrow$ $\{1,2, \ldots,|V|\}$ such that if each edge $u v$ is assigned the label 1 if $\operatorname{gcd}(f(u), f(v))=1$ and 0 if $\operatorname{gcd}(f(u), f(v))>1$; Then the number of edges labeled 1 and the number of edges labeled 0 differ by at most 1 .

Definition 2.2. Let $G=(V, E)$ be a simple graph and $f: V \rightarrow\{1,2, \ldots|V|\}$ be a bijection. For each edge $u v$, assign the label 1 if either $f(u) \mid f(v)$ or $f(v) \mid f(u)$ and the label 0 if $f(u) \nmid f(v) . f$ is called a divisor cordial labeling if $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$.

A graph with a divisor cordial labeling is called a divisor cordial graph.

Using set theory concepts, some authors have established set sequential graphs[2] and set graceful labeling[7]. Motivated by the concepts of prime cordial labeling and divisor cordial labeling, we introduced a new cordial labeling called subset cordial labeling [9].

Definition 2.3. [9] Let $X=\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ be a set. Let $G=(V, E)$ be a simple $(p, q)$-graph and $f: V \rightarrow \wp(X)$ be an injection. Let $2^{n-1}<p \leq 2^{n}$. For each edge $u v$, assign label 1 if either $f(u) \subset f(v)$ or $f(v) \subset f(u)$ and assign 0 if either $f(u) \not \subset f(v)$ or $f(v) \not \subset f(u) . f$ is called a subset cordial labeling if $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$.

A graph is called a subset cordial graph if it has a subset cordial labeling. Here $\wp(X)$ denotes the power set of $X$.

Example 2.4. Consider the following graph $G$. Take $X=\{1,2,3\}$. Here $e_{f}(0)=5$ and $e_{f}(1)=5$ and so $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=0$. Thus $G$ is subset cordial.


Figure 1: A subset cordial labeling of a given graph $G$.
Remark 2.5. If $2^{n-1}<p<2^{n}$ and $X=\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$, we have more number of subsets than vertices. We can easily label the vertices with $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$.

Example 2.6. In Example 2.4, by removing the vertices labeled $\{3\}$ and $\}$, we get the following subset cordial graph.


Figure 2: A subset cordial labeling of the graph given in Figure 1 by removing the vertices labeled $\{3\}$ and $\}$.

In this paper we prove that some star related graphs such as splitting graph of star, identification of star with a graph and the like are subset cordial.

Theorem 2.7. The star graph $K_{1, q}$ is subset cordial.

Proof: Let $X=\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$. Assume that $p=2^{n}$. Then $q=2^{n}-1$. Let $v_{p}$ be the center of the star and $v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3}, \ldots, v_{p-1}$ be the end vertices. Assign the subset $\{1\}$ to $v_{p}$ and the remaining $2^{n-1}$ subsets to $v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3}, \ldots, v_{p-1}$. All the subsets of $\{2,3, \ldots, n\}$ excluding $\left\}\right.$ contribute 0 to $e_{f}(0)$ and so $e_{f}(0)=2^{n-1}-1$. The remaining subsets of $\{1,2,3, \ldots, n\}$ containing 1 are labeled in the remaining vertices of $v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3} \ldots, v_{p-1}$ contribute 1 to $e_{f}(1)$ and so $e_{f}(1)=2^{n}-1-2^{n-1}+1=2^{n-1}$. Thus $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=1$.

Suppose $2^{n-1}<p \leq 2^{n}$. If $2^{n}-p$ is even, we remove $\left(2^{n}-p\right) / 2$ edges labeled 0 and $\left(2^{n}-p\right) / 2$ edges labeled 1 . If $2^{n}-p$ is odd, we remove $\left(2^{n}-p-1\right) / 2$ edges labeled 1 and $\left(2^{n}-p-1\right) / 2$ edges labeled 0 . In both cases, we see that $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$. Thus the star graph $K_{1, q}$ is subset cordial.

The labeling pattern given in Theorem 2.7 is illustrated below.

Example 2.8. Consider the following star graph $K_{1,7}$. Take $X=\{1,2,3\}$. Here $e_{f}(0)=3$ and $e_{f}(1)=4$ and so $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=1$. Thus the star graph $K_{1,7}$ is subset cordial.


Figure 3: A subset cordial labeling of $K_{1,7}$.
Definition 2.9. Consider the $m$ stars $K_{1, q}^{(1)}, K_{1, q}^{(2)}, K_{1, q}^{(3)}, \ldots, K_{1, q}^{(m)}$. Then $G=\left(K_{1, q}^{(1)}, K_{1, q}^{(2)}, \ldots, K_{1, q}^{(m)}\right)$ is the graph obtained by joining one of the pendant vertices $K_{1, q}^{(i)}$ to any one of the pendant vertices of $K_{1, q}^{(i+1)}$ by an edge for $i=1,2, \ldots, m-1$.

Note that $G$ has $m(n+1)$ vertices and $m(n+1)-1$ edges.
Theorem 2.10. The graph $G=\left(K_{1, q}^{(1)}, K_{1, q}^{(2)}, \ldots, K_{1, q}^{\left(2^{m}\right)}\right)$ is subset cordial.
Proof: Let $v_{1}^{(i)}, v_{2}^{(i)}, \ldots, v_{n}^{(i)}$ be the pendant vertices and $v^{(i)}$ be the central vertex of $K_{1, q}^{(i)}$ for $i=$ $1,2, \ldots, 2^{m}$. Let $X=\{1,2, \ldots, n, n+1, \ldots, n+m-1\}$. Assume that each $K_{1, q}^{(i)}$ contains $2^{n}$ vertices. Then $G$ has $2^{n+m}$ vertices and $2^{n+m}-1$ edges.

Now assign $2^{n}$ subsets of $\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ to the vertices of $K_{1, q}^{(1)}$ as in Theorem 2.7. The number of 1 's contributed to $e_{f}(1)$ is $2^{n-1}$ and the number of 0 's contributed to $e_{f}(0)$ is $2^{n-1}-1$. Next, we construct $2^{n}$ subsets by adding the element $n+1$ to each subset of $\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ and replace 0 by $n+1$.

Then assign these $2^{n}$ subsets to the star $K_{1, q}^{(2)}$ as in $K_{1, q}^{(1)}$. We also join one pendant vertex of $K_{1, q}^{(1)}$ to a pendant vertex of $K_{1, q}^{(2)}$ such that their labels themselves are not subsets. Such vertices exist because singleton sets and disjoint sets are available in $K_{1, q}^{(1)}$ and $K_{1, q}^{(2)}$. Now the number of 1's contributed to $e_{f}(1)$ is $2^{n-1}+2^{n-1}=2^{n}$ and 0 's contributed to $e_{f}(0)$ is $2^{n-1}-1+2^{n-1}-1+1=2^{n}-1$.

Now we construct $2^{n+1}$ subsets by adding the element $n+2$ to each subset of $\{1,2, \ldots, n, n+1\}$ and replace 0 by $n+2$. Of these $2^{n+1}$ subsets, we assign $2^{n}$ subsets to $K_{1, q}^{(3)}$ and $2^{n}$ subsets to $K_{1, q}^{(4)}$ as in $K_{1, q}^{(1)}$ and $K_{1, q}^{(2)}$ respectively. As above, we join one pendant vertex of $K_{1, q}^{(2)}$ to a pendant vertex of $K_{1, q}^{(3)}$ and another pendant vertex $K_{1, q}^{(3)}$ to a pendant vertex $K_{1, q}^{(4)}$ such that their labels are not subsets themselves. Then the number of 1 's contributed to $e_{f}(1)$ is $2^{n+1}$ and 0 's contributed to $e_{f}(0)$ is $2^{n+1}-1$.

Continuing in this way, we label all the vertices of $G$, using the subsets of $\{1,2,3, \ldots, n, n+1$, $\ldots, n+m\}$ to $2^{n+m}$ vertices and also join one pendant vertex of $K_{1, q}^{(i)}$ to the pendant vertex of $K_{1, q}^{(i+1)}$, where $i=1,2, \ldots, m-1$.

Thus, $e_{f(1)}=2^{n+m-1}$ and $e_{f(0)}=2^{n+m-1}-1$ and so $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=1$. Hence, $G$ is subset cordial.

Remark 2.11. We can prove that the subset cordiality remains unchanged for $G=\left(K_{1, q}^{(1)}, K_{1, q}^{(2)}, \ldots, K_{1, q}^{\left(2^{m}\right)}\right)$ for all $m$.

Remark 2.12. We can also prove Theorem 2.10, for any number of edges in $G$, by removing or adding the edges in the stars of $G$. This can be done as follows. If the number of edges to be removed is even, say $k$, then we remove $\frac{k}{2}$ edges labeled with 0 and $\frac{k}{2}$ edges labeled with 1 . If the number of edges to be removed is odd, then we remove $\frac{k-1}{2}$ edges labeled with 0 and $\frac{k+1}{2}$ edges labeled with 1 . Then the subset cordiality remains unchanged.

Example 2.13. A subset cordial labeling of the graph $G=\left(K_{1,7}^{(1)}, K_{1,7}^{(2)}, K_{1,7}^{(3)}, K_{1,7}^{(4)}\right)$ is given in Figure 4. Take $X=\{1,2,3,4,5\}, m=4, p=2^{5}=32$ and $q=31$. Here $e_{f}(0)=16$ and $e_{f}(1)=15$. Thus $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=1$.


Figure 4: A subset cordial labeling of $\left(K_{1,7}^{(1)}, K_{1,7}^{(2)}, K_{1,7}^{(3)}, K_{1,7}^{(4)}\right)$.
Theorem 2.14. Let $X=\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ and $G$ be any subset cordial $\left(2^{n}, q\right)$-graph, where q is even. Then the graph $G * K_{1,2^{n}}$ obtained by identifying the central vertex of $K_{1,2^{n}}$ with that labeled $\{1\}$ in $G$ is also subset cordial.

Proof: Let $q$ be the even size of $G$. Since $G$ is a subset cordial, $e_{f}(0)=e_{f}(1)=\frac{q}{2}$. Already $2^{n}$ subsets of $\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ were labeled to the vertices of $G$. Let $v_{1}, v_{2}, \ldots, v_{2^{n}}$ be the pendant vertices of $K_{1,2^{n}}$. Now, we construct $2^{n}$ subsets by adding a new element $n+1$ to each subset of $X$ and by replacing 0 with $n+1$. Assign these $2^{n}$ subsets to the pendant vertices of $K_{1,2^{n}}$. From Theorem 2.7, it follows that $e_{f}(0)=\frac{q}{2}+2^{n-1}=e_{f}(1)$. Hence $G$ is a subset cordial.

Example 2.15. A subset labeling of $G * K_{1,8}$ where $G$ is as in Example 2.4 is given in Figure 5. We see that $e_{f}(0)=9=e_{f}(1)$. Thus $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=0$.


Figure 5: A subset cordial labeling of $G * K_{1,8}$ for the graph $G$ given in Example 2.4.

Theorem 2.16. Let $X=\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$. Let $G$ be any subset cordial graph of size $q$ and $K_{2,2^{n}}$ be a bipartite graph with the bipartition $V=V_{1} \cup V_{2}$ with $V_{1}=\left\{x_{1}, x_{2}\right\}$ and $V_{2}=\left\{y_{1}, y_{2}, \ldots, y_{2^{n}}\right\}$. Then the graph $G * K_{2,2^{n}}$ obtained by identifying the vertices $x_{1}$ and $x_{2}$ of $K_{2,2^{n}}$ with that labeled $\{1\}$ and $\{2\}$ respectively in $G$ is also a subset cordial.

Proof: Let $G$ be any subset cordial graph of size $q$. Then $e_{f}(0)=e_{f}(1)=\frac{q}{2}$ if $q$ is even. If $q$ is odd, then $e_{f}(0)=\frac{q-1}{2}$ or $\frac{q+1}{2}$ and $e_{f}(1)=\frac{q+1}{2}$ or $\frac{q-1}{2}$. Let $u$ and $v$ be the vertices having the labels $\{1\}$ and $\{2\}$ respectively.

Suppose the vertices of $G$ are labeled by the $2^{n}$ subsets of $\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$.
To obtain $G * K_{1,2^{n}}$, we identify the vertices $x_{1}$ and $x_{2}$ of $K_{2,2^{n}}$ with that labeled $\{1\}$ and $\{2\}$ respectively in $G$. Then we label the remaining $2^{n}$ vertices of $G * K_{1,2^{n}}$ by the $2^{n}$ subsets of $\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ by adding $n+1$ to each subset and by replacing 0 with $n+1$.

We observe that $\{1\}$ is not a subset of the $2^{n-1}$ subsets of $\{2,3, \ldots, n\}$ by adding $n+1$ to each subset and of $n+1$. So it contributes $2^{n-1}, 0$ 's to $e_{f}(0)$ and $2^{n-1}, 1$ 's to $e_{f}(1)$. The same is true for the element $\{2\}$ also. Thus we see that for $G * K_{1,2^{n}}, e_{f}(0)=e_{f}(1)=\frac{q}{2}+2^{n-1}+2^{n-1}=\frac{q}{2}+2^{n}$, if $q$ is even. If $q$ is odd, then $e_{f}(0)=\frac{q-1}{2}+2^{n}$ or $e_{f}(0)=\frac{q+1}{2}+2^{n}$ and $e_{f}(1)=\frac{q+1}{2}+2^{n}$ or $e_{f}(1)=\frac{q-1}{2}+2^{n}$. Hence $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right| \leq 1$. So $G * K_{1,2^{n}}$ is a subset cordial.

Example 2.17. Consider the subset cordial graph $G$ in Example 2.4 and $K_{2,2^{3}}$. Then we identify the vertices labeled $\{1\}$ and $\{2\}$ in $G$ to the vertices with label $\{1\}$ and $\{2\}$ in $K_{2,2^{3}}$. The subset cordiality of $G * K_{2,2^{3}}$ is given below. Here, $e_{f}(0)=13$ and $e_{f}(1)=13$. Thus $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=0$.


Figure 6: A subset cordial labeling of $G * K_{2,2^{3}}$ for the graph $G$ given in Example 2.4.

Definition 2.18. [11] For a graph $G$, the splitting graph $S^{\prime}(G)$ of a graph $G$ is obtained by adding a new vertex $v$ corresponding to each vertex $u$ of $G$ such that $N(u)=N(v)$.

Theorem 2.19. $S^{\prime}\left(K_{1,2^{n}-1}\right)$ is a subset cordial graph.

Proof: Let $u_{1}, u_{2}, \ldots, u_{2^{n}-1}$ be the pendant vertices and $u$ be the central vertex of $K_{1,2^{n}-1}$ and $v, v_{1}, v_{2}, \ldots, v_{2^{n}-1}$ are added vertices corresponding to $u, u_{1}, u_{2}, \ldots, u_{2^{n}-1}$ to obtain $S^{\prime}\left(K_{1,2^{n}-1}\right)$. Note that it has $2^{n}$ vertices and $3\left(2^{n}-1\right)$ edges.

Let $X=\{1,2,3, \ldots, n, n+1\}$. Now consider the star $K_{1,2^{n}-1}$ and label its vertices as in Theorem 2.7 by the subsets of $\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$. From Theorem 2.7, it is clear that the number of 1 's contributed to $e_{f}(1)$ is $2^{n-1}$ and the number of 0 's contributed to $e_{f}(0)$ is $2^{n-1}-1$.

Next, we construct $2^{n}$ subsets by just adding the element $n+1$ to each subset of $\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$ and by replacing 0 with $n+1$. Then we label the vertices $v, v_{1}, v_{2}, \ldots, v_{2^{n}-1}$ by these $2^{n}$ subsets as in $K_{1, n}$. Note that the label of vertices $v, v_{1}, v_{2}, \ldots, v_{2^{n}-1}$ are the same as for the vertices $u, u_{1}, u_{2}, \ldots, u_{2^{n}-1}$, but the only difference is the element $n+1$ has been added.

Thus, the label of vertices $v, v_{1}, v_{2}, \ldots, v_{2^{n}-1}$ are the copies of the labels of $u, u_{1}, u_{2}, \ldots, u_{2^{n}-1}$. Hence, the number of 1 's contributed to $e_{f}(1)$ is $2^{n-1}$ and the number of 0 's contributed to $e_{f}(0)$ is $2^{n-1}-1$.

Now consider the labels of the vertices $v, v_{1}, v_{2}, \ldots, v_{2^{n}-1}$. Here there are $2^{n-1}, 0$ 's contributing to $e_{f}(0)$ and $2^{n-1}-1$, 1 's to $e_{f}(1)$. Since we have replaced the subset $\}$ with $\{n+1\}$ and so $\{1\}$ is not a subset of $\{n+1\}$. Then the label of the edge $u v_{n}$ is 0 .

Thus, $e_{f}(0)=2^{n-1}-1+2^{n-1}-1+2^{n-1}=3.2^{n-1}-2$ and $e_{f}(1)=2^{n-1}+2^{n-1}+2^{n-1}-1=$ $3.2^{n-1}-1$. Hence, $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=1$ and so $S^{\prime}\left(K_{1,2^{n}-1}\right)$ is a subset cordial graph.

Example 2.20. Consider the following graph $S^{\prime}\left(K_{1,7}\right)$. We have, $\left|V\left(S^{\prime}\left(K_{1,7}\right)\right)\right|=16$ and $\left|E\left(S^{\prime}\left(K_{1,7}\right)\right)\right|=$ 21. Here $e_{f}(0)=10$ and $e_{f}(1)=11$. Thus $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=1$.


Figure 7: A subset cordial labeling of $S^{\prime}\left(K_{1,7}\right)$.
Definition 2.21. The bistar $B(m, n)$ is the graph obtained by joining the centres of the stars $K_{1, m}$ and $K_{1, n}$. Note that $B(m, n)$ has $m+n+2$ vertices and $m+n+1$ edges.

Theorem 2.22. $B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)$ is subset cordial.

Proof: Take $X=\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$. Let $V\left(B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)\right)=\left\{u_{i}, v_{j}: 1 \leq i, j \leq 2^{n-1}\right\}$ where $u_{2^{n-1}}$ and $v_{2^{n-1}}$ are central vertices.

Let $E\left(B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)\right)=\left\{u_{2^{n-1}} v_{2^{n-1}}, u_{2^{n-1}} u_{i}, v_{2^{n-1}} v_{j}: 1 \leq i, j \leq 2^{n-1}-1\right\}$. Note that $B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)$ has $2^{n}$ vertices and $2^{n}-1$ edges. Now we label the $2^{n}$ subsets of $X$ to the vertices of $B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)$. First label the central vertex $u_{2^{n-1}}$ of the first star by $\{n\}$ and label the remaining pendent vertices of the star by the subsets of $\{1,2, \ldots, n\}$.

Next label the central vertex of $v_{2^{n-1}}$ of the second star by the empty set $\}$ and label the remaining pendent vertices of the second star by the subsets adding the element $n$ to each subset of $\{1,2, \ldots$, $n-1\}$. We observe that $\{n\}$ is not a subset of any set labeled in the vertices $u_{i}\left(1 \leq i \leq 2^{n-1}-1\right)$ and $\left\}\right.$ is a subset of every set labeled in the vertices of $v_{j}\left(1 \leq j \leq 2^{n-1}-1\right)$ and $u_{2^{n-1}}$.

Hence, $e_{f}(0)=2^{n-1}-1$ and $e_{f}(1)=2^{n-1}$ and $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=1$. Thus $B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)$ is subset cordial.

Example 2.23. Let $X=\{1,2,3,4\}$. The subset cordial labeling of $B(7,7)$ is given below. We see that $e_{f}(0)=7$ and $e_{f}(1)=8$.


Figure 8: $A$ subset cordial labeling of $B(7,7)$.

Next we prove that the splitting graph of bistar $B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)$ is subset cordial.

Theorem 2.24. $S^{\prime}\left(B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)\right)$ is subset cordial.

Proof: Consider $B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)$ with vertex set $\left\{u_{i} v_{j}: 1 \leq i, j \leq 2^{n-1}\right\}$ where $u_{2^{n-1}}$ and $v_{2^{n-1}}$ are central vertices and other vertices are pendant. In order to obtain $S^{\prime}\left(B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)\right)$, add the vertices $u_{i}^{\prime}, v_{j}^{\prime}$ where $1 \leq i, j \leq 2^{n-1}$.

Then $\left|V\left(S^{\prime}\left(B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)\right)\right)\right|=2^{n+1}$ and $\left|E\left(S^{\prime}\left(B\left(2^{n-1}, 2^{n-1}\right)\right)\right)\right|=3\left(2^{n}-1\right)$. Take $X=\{1,2, \ldots, n, n+1\}$. First label the vertices of Bistar $B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)$ as in Theorem 2.22.

Next we label the vertex $u_{2^{n}}^{\prime}$ by $n(n+1)$ and $u_{i}^{\prime}\left(1 \leq i \leq 2^{n}-1\right)$ by the labels as in $u_{i}\left(1 \leq i \leq 2^{n}-1\right)$ and adding the subset $\{n+1\}$ to each label. So the corresponding edges get the label 0 . Then we label the $v_{2^{n}}^{\prime}$ by $n+1$ and $v_{j}^{\prime}\left(1 \leq i \leq 2^{n}-1\right)$ by the labels as in $v_{j}\left(1 \leq i \leq 2^{n}-1\right)$ and adding the subset $\{n+1\}$ to each label. So the corresponding edges get the label 1 . We also note that the edge $u_{2^{n}} v_{2^{n}}^{\prime}$ gets the label 0 and the edge $v_{2^{n}} u_{2^{n}}^{\prime}$ gets the label 1.

Thus we have $e_{f}(0)=2^{n-1}-1+2^{n-1}-1+2^{n-1}-1+1=3.2^{n-1}-2$ and $e_{f}(1)=2^{n-1}-1+$ $2^{n-1}-1+2^{n-1}-1+1=3.2^{n-1}-1$.

Hence $\left|e_{f}(0)-e_{f}(1)\right|=1$ and so $S^{\prime}\left(B\left(2^{n-1}-1,2^{n-1}-1\right)\right)$ is subset cordial.

Example 2.25. Consider the graph $S^{\prime}(B(7,7))$. Take $X=\{1,2,3,4,5\}$. Here $\left|V\left(S^{\prime}(B(7,7))\right)\right|=32$ and $\left|E\left(S^{\prime}(B(7,7))\right)\right|=45$. The subset cordiality is given in Figure 9.


Figure 8: A subset cordial labeling of $S^{\prime}(B(7,7))$.

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