

## Some new even harmonious graphs

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### Abstract

Let  $G(V, E)$  be a graph with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges. A function  $f$  is called even harmonious labeling of a graph  $G(V, E)$  if  $f : V \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2q\}$  is injective and the induced function  $f^* : E \rightarrow \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2(q-1)\}$  defined as  $f^*(uv) = (f(u) + f(v)) \pmod{2q}$  is bijective. In this paper we establish an even harmonious labeling for the graphs  $C_n \odot mK_1$  ( $n$  is odd),  $P_n \odot mK_1$  ( $n$  is odd),  $C_n \otimes K_1$  ( $n$  is even),  $P_n$  ( $n$  is even) with  $n-1$  copies of  $mK_1$ , the shadow graph  $D_2(K_1, n)$  and the splitting graph  $spl(K_1, n)$ .

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## 1 Introduction

Graph labeling is an assignment of integers to the vertices or edges or both subject to certain conditions. Labeled graphs serves as useful mathematical models for a broad range of applications including coding theory. Throughout this paper we use modular arithmetic which has been used in cryptography.

A finite undirected simple graph will be considered in this paper. The notations and terminology are taken from Bondy and Murthy [1]. Let  $G(V, E)$  be a  $(p, q)$  graph with  $p = |V|$  vertices and  $q = |E|$  edges. Harmonious graphs arose in the study by Graham and Sloane [3] of modular versions of additive base problems stemming from error - correcting codes. Zhi - He Liang, Zhan - Li Bai [4] and S.K.Vaidya, N H Shah [6] discussed odd harmonious graphs with applications. The results about graph labeling are collected and updated regularly in a survey by Gallian [2].

A function  $f$  is called even harmonious labeling [5] of a graph  $G(V, E)$  if  $f : V \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2q\}$  is injective and the induced function  $f^* : E \rightarrow \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2(q-1)\}$  defined as  $f^*(uv) = (f(u) + f(v)) \pmod{2q}$  is bijective, the resulting edge labels are distinct. A graph which admits even harmonious labeling is called an even harmonious graph. A corona graph  $G \odot H$  is obtained from two graphs  $G$  and  $H$  taking one copy of  $G$ , which is supposed to have  $p$  vertices and  $p$  copied of the graph  $H$  and joining by an edge the  $k^{th}$  vertex of  $G$  to every vertex in the  $k^{th}$  copy of  $H$ . In other words, given two graphs  $G$  and  $H$ , the corona of  $G$  with  $H$  denoted by  $G \odot H$  is the graph with vertex set  $V(G) \cup \{\cup_{i \in G} V(H_i)\}$  and the edge set  $E(G) \cup_{(i \in V(G))} \{(i, u_i) : i \in V(G) \text{ and } u_i \in V(H_i)\}$ . The

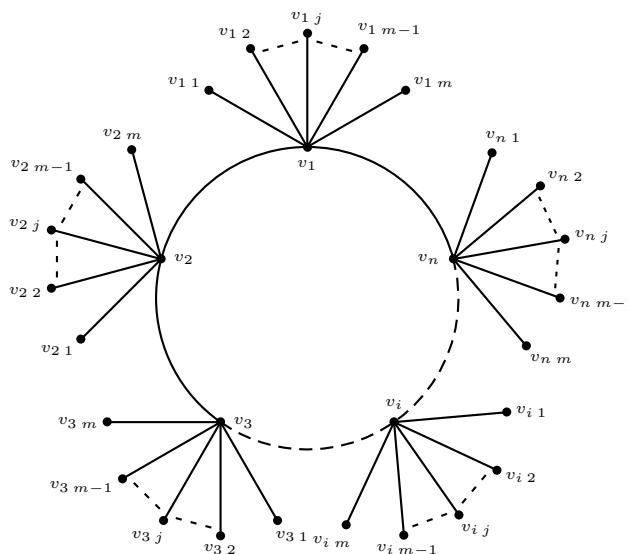
shadow graph  $D_2(G)$  of a connected graph  $G$  is constructed by taking two copies of  $G$  say  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  and join each vertex  $v_i$  in  $G_1$  to the adjacent vertices of the corresponding vertex  $u_i$  in  $G_2$ . The splitting graph  $Spl(G)$  is obtained from the graph  $G$  by adding to each vertex  $v$  of  $G$  a new vertex  $u$  such that  $u$  is adjacent to every vertex that is adjacent to  $v$  in  $G$ . The graph  $G_1 @ G_2$  is nothing but one point union of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , that is any two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are connected by a single edge between any one of the vertex of  $G_1$  and any one of the vertex of  $G_2$ .

In this paper we establish an even harmonious labeling for the graphs  $C_n \odot mK_1$  ( $n$  is odd),  $P_n \odot mK_1$  ( $n$  is odd),  $C_n @ K_1$  ( $n$  is even),  $P_n$  ( $n$  is even) with  $n - 1$  copies of  $mK_1$ , the shadow graph  $D_2(K_{1,n})$  and the splitting graph  $Spl(K_{1,n})$ .

### 2 Main results

**Theorem 2.1.** The corona graph  $C_n \odot mK_1$  is an even harmonious graph, where  $n$  is an odd integer and  $m$  is any positive integer.

**Proof:** Let  $n$  be an odd number and  $G(V, E)$  be the corona graph  $C_n \odot mK_1$  (Figure 1) with  $p = q = n(m + 1)$ .



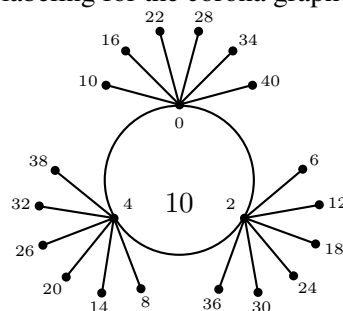
**Figure 1:** The corona graph  $C_n \odot mK_1$ .

Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be the vertices of the cycle  $C_n$  and  $v_{i1}, v_{i2}, \dots, v_{im}$  be the vertices of the  $i^{th}$  copy of  $mK_1$  incident with the vertex  $v_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Then the edges of the corona graph  $C_n \odot mK_1$  are given by  $v_1v_2, v_2v_3, \dots, v_nv_1$  and  $v_iv_{i+1}, \dots, v_nv_1$  and  $v_iv_j$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m$ .

We define the function  $f$  from  $V$  to  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2q\}$  and assign the numbers  $0, 2, 4, \dots, 2(n - 1)$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  of the cycle  $C_n$ , the numbers  $2(2n - 1), 2(3n - 1), \dots, 2[n(m + 1) - 1]$  to the vertices  $v_{11}, v_{12}, \dots, v_{1m}$  of the first copy of  $mK_1$  incident with  $v_1$  and the numbers  $2(n + i - 2), 2(2n + i - 2), \dots, 2(mn + i - 2)$  to the vertices  $v_{i1}, v_{i2}, \dots, v_{im}$  of the  $i^{th}$  copy of  $mK_1$ , where  $2 \leq i \leq n$ .

Then  $f$  induces a bijection  $f^* : E \rightarrow \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2(nm + n - 1)\}$ . That is  $f$  admits an even harmonious labeling for the corona graph  $C_n \odot mK_1$ . Hence the corona graph  $C_n \odot mK_1$  is an even harmonious graph. ■

**Example 2.2.** An even harmonious labeling for the corona graph  $C_3 \odot 6K_1$  is given in Figure 2.



**Figure 2:** An even harmonious labeling of the corona graph  $C_3 \odot 6K_1$ .

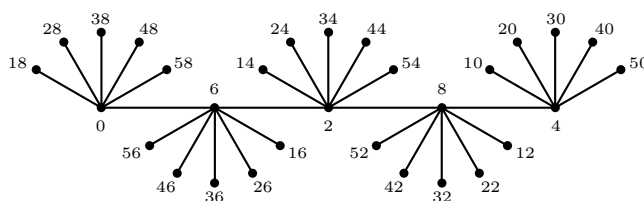
**Theorem 2.3.** The corona graph  $P_n \odot mK_1$  is an even harmonious graph where  $n \geq 3$  is an odd integer and  $m$  is any positive integer.

**Proof:** Let  $G(V, E)$  be the corona graph  $P_n \odot mK_1$  with  $p = n(m + 1)$  vertices and  $q = n(m + 1) - 1$  edges. Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be the vertices of the path  $P_n$  ( $n$  is odd) and  $v_{i1}, v_{i2}, \dots, v_{im}$  be the vertices of the  $i^{th}$  copy of  $mK_1$  incident with the vertex  $v_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Then the edges of the corona graph  $P_n \odot mK_1$  are given by  $v_i v_{i+1}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $v_i v_{ij}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m$ .

We define the function  $f$  from  $V$  to  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2q\}$  and assign the numbers  $0, 2, 4, \dots, n - 1$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_3, \dots, v_n$  of the path  $P_n$ , the numbers  $n + 1, n + 3, \dots, 2(n - 1)$  to the vertices  $v_2, v_4, \dots, v_{n-1}$  and the numbers  $2(2n - i), 2(3n - i), \dots, 2[n(m + 1) - i]$  to the vertices  $v_{i1}, v_{i2}, \dots, v_{im}$  of the  $i^{th}$  copy of  $mK_1$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

From the above construction pattern  $f$  induces a bijection  $f^* : E \rightarrow \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2(nm + n - 2)\}$ . Hence  $f$  admits an even harmonious labeling for the corona graph  $P_n \odot mK_1$ . Hence the corona graph  $P_n \odot mK_1$  is an even harmonious graph. ■

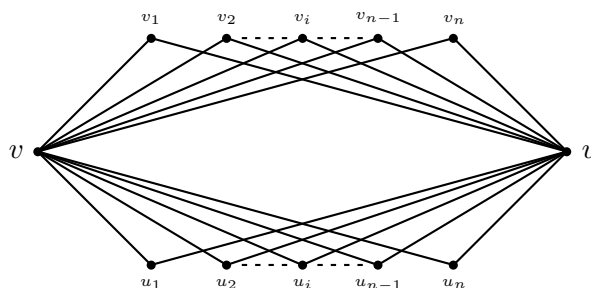
**Example 2.4.** Figure 3 illustrates the even harmonious labeling for the corona graph  $P_5 \odot 6K_1$ .



**Figure 3:** An even harmonious labeling of  $P_5 \odot 5K_1$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** The shadow graph  $D_2(K_1, n)$  is an even harmonious graph.

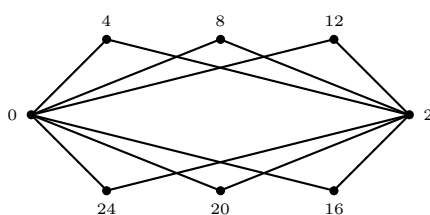
**Proof:** Let  $G(V, E)$  be the shadow graph  $D_2(K_{1,n})$  (Figure 4) with two copies of the star graph  $K_{1,n}$ . Let  $v$  be the apex vertex and  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  be the pendant vertices of the first copy of the star graph  $K_{1,n}$ ,  $u$  be the apex vertex and  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n$  be the pendant vertices of the second copy of the star graph  $K_{1,n}$ . Hence the edges of the shadow graph  $D_2(K_{1,n})$  are  $vv_1, vv_2, vv_3, \dots, vv_n, vu_1, vu_2, vu_3, \dots, vu_n, uv_1, uv_2, uv_3, \dots, uv_n$  and  $uu_1, uu_2, uu_3, \dots, uu_n$ . Therefore  $p = 2n + 2$  and  $q = 4n$ .



**Figure 4:** The shadow graph  $D_2(K_{1,n})$ .

Define the mapping  $f$  from the vertex set  $V$  of  $G$  to the integer set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2q\}$  as follows. Assign 0 to the apex vertex  $v$  and the numbers  $4, 8, 12, \dots, 4n$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  of the first copy of the star graph  $K_{1,n}$ , assign the number 2 to the apex vertex  $u$  and the numbers  $4(n + 1), 4(n + 2), \dots, 8n$  to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  of the second copy of the star graph  $K_{1,n}$ .

That is  $f(v) = 0, f(v_i) = 4i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n, f(u) = 2$  and  $f(u_i) = 4(n + i)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . From the above construction pattern  $f$  induces a bijection  $f^* : E \rightarrow \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2(4n - 1)\}$ . Thus  $f$  admits an even harmonious labeling for the shadow graph  $D_2(K_{1,n})$ . Hence the shadow graph  $D_2(K_{1,n})$  is an even harmonious graph. Even harmonious labeling of the shadow graph is  $D_2(K_{1,3})$  given in Figure 5. ■

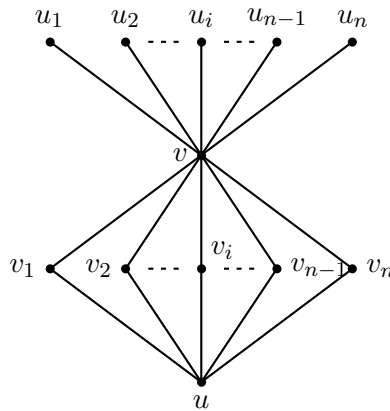


**Figure 5:** An even harmonious labeling of the shadow graph  $D_2(K_{1,3})$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** The splitting graph  $Spl(K_{1,n})$  is an even harmonious graph.

**Proof:** Let  $G(V, E)$  be the splitting graph  $Spl(K_{1,n})$  (Figure 6) and  $v$  be the apex vertex and  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  be the pendant vertices of the star graph  $K_{1,n}$  then  $u, u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n$  are the added vertices corresponding to  $v, v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  respectively. Thus the edges of the splitting graph  $Spl(K_{1,n})$  are  $vv_i, vu_i, uv_i$  where  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Hence  $p = 2n + 2$  and  $q = 3n$ .

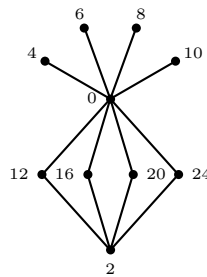
Define the mapping  $f$  from the vertex set  $V$  of  $G$  to the integer set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2q\}$  as follows. Assign 0 to the apex vertex  $v$  and the numbers  $2(n + 2), 2(n + 4), \dots, 6n$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ ,



**Figure 6:** The splitting graph  $Spl(K_{1,n})$ .

assign 2 to the vertex  $u$  and  $4, 6, 8, \dots, 2(n+1)$  to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  respectively of the splitting graph  $Spl(K_{1,n})$ .

That is  $f(v) = 0, f(u) = 2, f(v_i) = 2(n + 2i)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $f(u_i) = 2(i + 1)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Then  $f$  induces a bijective function  $f^* : E \rightarrow \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2(3n - 1)\}$ . Hence the splitting graph  $Spl(K_{1,n})$  is an even harmonious graph. Figure 7 illustrates the even harmonious labeling for the splitting graph  $Spl(K_{1,4})$ . ■



**Figure 7:** An even harmonious labeling of the splitting graph  $Spl(K_{1,4})$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** The graph  $G$  obtained from the path graph  $P_n$  ( $n$  is even) with  $n - 1$  copies of  $\overline{K_m}$  ( $m \geq 1$ ) incident with first  $n - 1$  vertices of  $P_n$  is an even harmonious graph

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be a graph obtained from the path graph  $P_n$  ( $n$  is even) with  $n - 1$  copies of  $\overline{K_m}$  incident with first  $n - 1$  vertices of  $P_n$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i, \dots, v_n$  be the vertices of  $P_n$  and  $v_{i1}, v_{i2}, \dots, v_{ij}, \dots, v_{im}$  be the vertices of the  $i^{th}$  copy of  $\overline{K_m}$  incident with  $v_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$ .

Then the edges are  $v_i v_{i+1}$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$  and  $v_i v_{ij}$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n - 1, 1 \leq j \leq m$ . Then the graph  $G$  has  $n(m + 1) - m$  vertices and  $(n - 1)(m + 1)$  edges as shown in Figure 8.

We construct a vertex labeling of  $G$  as follows. Define the mapping  $f$  from the vertex set  $V(G)$  to

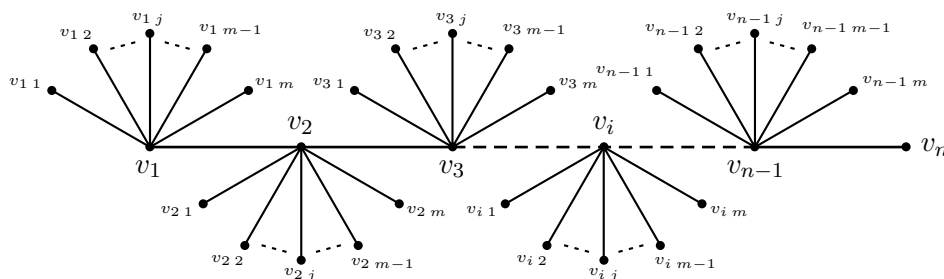


Figure 8

the integer set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2q\}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{2i-1}) &= 2(i - 1) \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n/2, \\
 f(v_{2i}) &= n + 2(i - 1) \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n/2 \text{ and} \\
 f(v_{ij}) &= 2[n(j + 1) - (i + j)] \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq m, 1 \leq i \leq n - 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $f$  is an injection mapping and  $f$  induces a bijective mapping  $f^* : E \rightarrow \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2[(n - 1)(m + 1) - 1]\}$ . From the foregoing discussion, we obtain that the graph  $G$  is an even harmonious graph. ■

**Example 2.8.** Figure 9 shows an even harmonious labeling for the path graph  $P_4$  with 3 copies of  $\overline{K_3}$  incident with first 3 vertices of  $P_4$ .

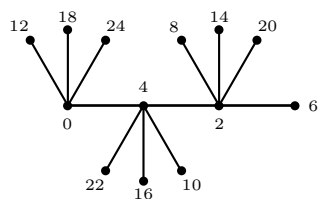
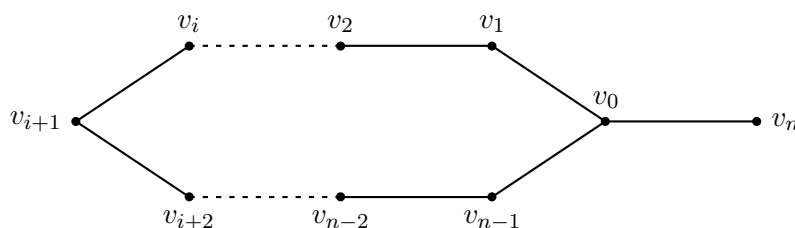


Figure 9

**Theorem 2.9.** The graph  $C_n @ K_1$  ( $n$  is even) is an even harmonious graph.

**Proof:** Let  $G(V, E)$  be an one point union of the graphs  $C_n$  ( $n$  is even) and  $K_1$  (Figure 10), that is  $C_n @ K_1$  ( $n$  is even) . Let  $v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1}$  be the vertices of  $C_n$  and  $v_n$  be the vertex of  $K_1$ , which is adjacent with the vertex  $v_0$ .

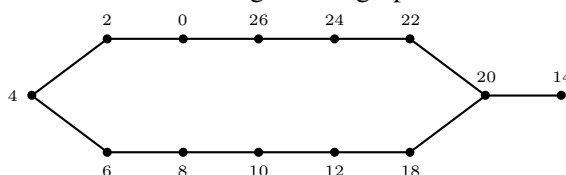
Define the mapping  $f$  from the vertex set  $V(G)$  to the integer set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2q\}$  as follows. When  $n = 4$ ,  $f(v_i) = 2i$  for  $0 \leq i \leq 2$ ,  $f(v_3) = 10$  and  $f(v_4) = 8$ , when  $n = 6$ ,  $f(v_0) = 14$ ,  $f(v_1) = 0$ ,  $f(v_5) = 12$ ,  $f(v_6) = 8$  and  $f(v_i) = f(v_{i-1}) + 2$  for  $\frac{n-2}{2} \leq i \leq n - 2$ . When  $n > 6$ ,  $f(v_0) = n + 8$ ,  $f(v_n) = n + 2$ ,  $f(v_{n-1}) = n + 6$ ,  $f(v_{\frac{n-4}{2}}) = 0$ ,  $f(v_i) = f(v_{i-1}) + 2$  for  $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-6}{2}$  and  $\frac{n-2}{2} \leq i \leq n - 2$ . Therefore  $f$  is an injection mapping. This implies that  $f$  induces the bijective



**Figure 10:** The graph  $C_n @ K_1$ .

function  $f^*$  from  $E(G)$  to  $\{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2n\}$ . From the foregoing discussion, we obtain that the graph  $G$  is an even harmonious graph. ■

**Example 2.10.** An even harmonious labeling for the graph  $C_{12} @ K_1$  is given in Figure 11.



**Figure 11:** The graph  $C_{12} @ K_1$ .

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