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# PATH RELATED MEAN CORDIAL GRAPHS

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*Abstract*: Let G = (V, E) be a simple graph. G is said to be a mean cordial graph if  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2\}$  such that for each edge uv the induced map f\* defined by  $f^*(uv) = \left\lfloor \frac{f(u) + f(v)}{2} \right\rfloor$  where  $\lfloor x \rfloor$  denote the least integer which is  $\leq x$  and  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$  where  $e_f(0)$  is no.of edges with zero label.  $e_f(1)$  is no.of edges with one label.

The graph that admits a mean cordial labeling is called a mean cordial graph(MCG). In this paper , we proved that  $P_n \circ K_1$ ,  $(P_n + K_1)$ ,  $P_n \times P_n$ ,  $(P_n : C_3)$ ,  $(P_n : S_1)$ ,  $P_n \times P_2$ ,  $P_n + 2K_1$ 

Z-(P<sub>n</sub>) are mean cordial graphs.

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## **1. INTRODUCTION:**

A graph G is a finite non-empty set of objects called vertices together with a set of unordered pairs of distinct vertices of G which is called edges. Each  $e = \{uv\}$  of vertices in E is called an edge or a line of G. For graph theoretical Terminology we follow

#### 2. PRELIMINARIES:

We define the concept of mean cordial labeling as follows. Let G = (V, E) be a simple graph. G is said to be a mean cordial graph if  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2\}$ 

Such that for each edge uv the induced map f\* defined by  $f^*(uv) = \left\lfloor \frac{f(u) + f(v)}{2} \right\rfloor$  where  $\lfloor x \rfloor$  denote the

least integer which is  $\leq x$  and  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$  where  $e_f(0)$  is no.of edges with zero label.  $e_f(1)$  is no.of edges with one label.

A graph that admits a mean cordial labeling is called a mean cordial graph. We proved that  $P_n \odot K_1$ ,  $(P_n + K_1)$ ,  $P_n \times P_n$ ,  $(P_n : C_3)$ ,  $(P_n : S_1)$ ,  $P_n \times P_2$ ,  $P_n + 2K_1$ , Z- $(P_n)$  are mean cordial graphs.

## **Definition 2.1(Comb)**

The *Corona*  $G_1 \odot G_2$  of two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is defined as the graph G obtained by taking one copy of  $G_1$  (which has  $p_1$  points) and  $p_1$  copies of  $G_2$  and then joining the i<sup>th</sup> point of  $G_1$  to every point in the i<sup>th</sup> copy of  $G_2$ . The graph  $P_n \odot K_1$  is called a *comb*.

### **Definition 2.2(Fan)**

The *join*  $G_1 + G_2$  of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  consists of  $G_1 \cup G_2$  and all lines joining  $V_1$  with  $V_2$  as vertex set  $V(G_1 \cup G_2) = V(G_1) \cup V(G_2)$  and edge set  $E(G_1 \cup G_2) = E(G_1) \cup E(G_2) \cup [uv : u \in V(G_1) \text{ and } v \in V(G_2)]$ . The graph  $P_n + K_1$  is called a *Fan*.

### **Definition 2.3(Grid)**

To define the *product*  $G_1 \times G_2$ , consider any two vertices  $u = (u_1, u_2)$  and  $v = (v_1, v_2)$  in  $V_1 \times V_2$ . Then u and v are adjacent in  $G_1 \times G_2$  whenever  $(u_1 = v_1 \text{ and } u_2 \text{ adj } v_2)$  or  $(u_2 = v_2 \text{ and } u_1 \text{ adj } v_1)$ . The product  $P_m \times P_n$  is called *planar grids*.

#### **Definition 2.4**(P<sub>n</sub> : C<sub>3</sub>)

A vertex of cycle  $C_3$  attached and every vertex of a path  $P_n$  is denoted by  $[P_n: C_3]$ .

#### Definition 2.5(Pn : S1)

Star of length one is joined with every vertex of a path P<sub>n</sub> through an edge.

It is denoted by  $[P_n : S_1]$ .

### Definition 2.6[(Z-(Pn)]

In a pair of path  $P_n$  i<sup>th</sup> vertex of a path  $P_1$  is joined with i+1<sup>th</sup> vertex of a path  $P_2$ . It is denoted by Z-( $P_n$ ).

#### **Definition 2.7(Double fan)**

The *join*  $G_1 + G_2$  of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  consists of  $G_1 \cup G_2$  and all lines joining  $V_1$  with  $V_2$  as vertex set  $V(G_1 \cup G_2) = V(G_1) \cup V(G_2)$  and edge set  $E(G_1 \cup G_2) = E(G_1) \cup E(G_2) \cup [uv : u \in V(G_1) \text{ and } v \in V(G_2)]$ . The graph  $P_n + 2K_1$  is called the *Doublefan*.

To define the *product*G<sub>1</sub> x G<sub>2</sub>, consider any two vertices  $u = (u_1, u_2)$  and  $v = (v_1, v_2)$  in  $V_1 \times V_2$ . Then u and v are adjacent in G<sub>1</sub>× G<sub>2</sub> whenever ( $u_1 = v_1$  and  $u_2$  adj  $v_2$ ) or ( $u_2 = v_2$  and  $u_1$  adj  $v_1$ ). The product K<sub>2</sub>× P<sub>n</sub> is called *Laddar*.

#### 3. Main Results on Path Related Mean Cordial Graphs

### Theorem 3.1

Graph  $P_n \odot K_1$  is a Mean Cordial Graph.

#### **Proof:**

Let G = (V, E)Let G be  $P_n \odot K_1$ Let  $V[P_n \odot K_1] = \{(u_i, v_i): 1 \le i \le n\}$ Let  $E[Pn \odot K1] = \{[(u_i u_{i+1}): 1 \le i \le n-1] \Box [(u_i v_i): 1 \le i \le n]\}$ Define  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2\}$  by  $f(u_i) = 1$   $f(v_i) = 0$ The induced edge labeling are  $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 1$   $f^*(u_i v_i) = 0$ Hence the graph satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ .

Therefore the graph  $P_n \odot K_1$  is a mean cordial graph.

For example, the graph  $P_{4\odot}$  K<sub>1</sub> is shown in the figure.



# Theorem 3.2

Fan  $(P_n + K_1)$  is a Mean Cordial Graph.

## **Proof:**

Let G = (V, E)Let G be  $(P_n + K_1)$ Let  $V[P_n + K_1] = \{u, u_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$ Let  $E[P_n + K_1] = \{[(u \ u_i) : 1 \le i \le n] \square [(u_i \ u_{i+1}) : 1 \le i \le n-1]\}$ Define  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2\}$  by f(u) = 2  $f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 1 \ if \ i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \\ 0 \ if \ i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases}, 1 \le i \le n$ The induced edge labeling are  $f^*(u \ u_i) = 1$ 

 $f^{*}(u_{i}\;u_{i+1})=0$ 

Hence the graph satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ .

Therefore the graph  $(P_n + K_1)$  is a mean cordial graph.

For example the graph  $(P_2 + K_1)$  is shown in the figure



## Theorem 3.3

Grid  $P_n \times P_n$  is a Mean Cordial Graph.

## **Proof:**

Let G = (V, E)

Let G be  $P_n \times P_n$ 

Let  $V[G] = {u_{ij} : 1 \le i \le n}$ 

Let  $E[G] = \{[(u_{ij} \ u_{i(j+1)}): 1 \le i \le n, 1 \le j \le n-1] \square [(u_{ij} \ u_{(i+1)j}): 1 \le i \le n-1, 1 \le i \le n]$ 

Define f : V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2} by

The vertex labeling are

When  $i \equiv 1 \mod 2$ 

 $f(u_{ij}) = 1$  ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  ,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ 

When  $i \equiv 0 \mod 2$ 

$$f(u_{ij}) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ if } j \equiv 1 \mod 2 \text{ , } 1 \leq i \leq n \\ 1 \text{ if } j \equiv 0 \mod 2 \text{ , } 1 \leq j \leq n \end{cases}$$

The induced edge labelling are

$$f^{*}(u_{ij} u_{i(j+1)}) = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } i \equiv 1 \mod 2, 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n-1 \\ 0 \text{ if } i \equiv 0 \mod 2, 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n-1 \end{cases}$$
$$f^{*}(u_{ij} u_{(i+1)j}) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ if } i \equiv 1 \mod 2, 1 \leq i \leq n-1, 1 \leq j \leq n \\ 1 \text{ if } i \equiv 0 \mod 2, 1 \leq i \leq n-1, 1 \leq j \leq n \end{cases}$$

Here the graph satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ .

Hence ,  $P_n \times P_n$  is a mean cordial graph.

For example, the graph  $P_4 \times P_4$  is shown in the figure.



## Theorem 3.4

Graph  $(P_n : C_3)$  is a Mean Cordial Graph.

# **Proof:**

Let G = (V, E) Let G be (P<sub>n</sub> :C<sub>3</sub>) Let V[G] = {u<sub>i</sub> :1≤ i ≤ n , u<sub>ij</sub> :1≤ i ≤ n , 1≤ j ≤ 2} Let E[G] = {[(u<sub>i</sub> u<sub>i+1</sub>):1≤ i ≤ n-1]  $\Box$  [(u<sub>i</sub> u<sub>i1</sub>):1≤ i ≤ n]  $\Box$  [(u<sub>i</sub> u<sub>i2</sub>):1≤ i ≤ n]  $\Box$  [(u<sub>i1</sub> u<sub>i2</sub>):1≤ i ≤ n] Define f : V(G)→{0,1,2} by f(u<sub>i</sub>) = {1 *if i* ≡ 1*mod*2 0 *if i* ≡ 0*mod*2 ,1≤ i ≤ n f(u<sub>i1</sub>) = 2 , 1≤ i ≤ n f(u<sub>i2</sub>) = 0 , 1≤ i ≤ n The induced edge labelling are f\*(u<sub>i</sub> u<sub>i1</sub>) = 1 ,1 ≤ i ≤ n f\*(u<sub>i</sub> u<sub>i2</sub>) = 0 ,1≤ i ≤ n  $f^*(u_{i1}\;u_{i2}) = 1, 1 \le i \le n$ 

 $f^*(u_i \ u_{i+1}) = 0, 1 \le i \le n$ 

Hence,  $e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1)$ 

It satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ .

Hence, the graph  $(P_n : C_3)$  is a mean cordial graph.

For example, the graph  $(P_2:C_3)$  is shown in the figure.



### **Theorem 3.5**

Graph  $[P_n : S_1]$  is a Mean Cordial Graph.

## **Proof:**

Let G = (V, E)

Let G be  $[P_n : S_1]$ 

Let  $V[P_n : S_1] = \{u_i : 1 \le i \le n ; (u_{ij}) : 1 \le i \le n , 1 \le j \le 2\}$ 

Let  $E[P_n : S_1] = \{[(u_i \ u_{i+1}) : 1 \le i \le n-1] \ \Box \ [(u_i \ u_{i1}) \ \Box \ (u_{i1} \ u_{i2}) : 1 \le i \le n]\}$ 

Define  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2\}$  by

 $f(u_i u_{i1}) = 1$ ,  $1 \le i \le n$ 

 $f(u_{i1}) = 0 , 1 \le i \le n$ 

 $f(u_{i2}) = \begin{cases} 2 \text{ if } i \equiv 1 \text{mod} 2\\ 0 \text{ if } i \equiv 0 \text{mod} 2 \end{cases}, \ 1 \leq i \leq n$ 

The induced edge labeling are

 $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 1, 1 \le i \le n-1$ 

 $f^*(u_i u_{i1}) = 0, 1 \le i \le n$ 

$$f^*(u_{i1} u_{i2}) = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } i \equiv 1 \mod 2\\ 0 \text{ if } i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases}, \ 1 \le i \le n$$

Here,  $e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(0)$ , if n is even

 $e_f(1) = e_f(0)$ , if n is odd

It satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ .

Hence,  $[P_n : S_1]$  is a mean cordial graph.

For example  $[P_2: S_1]$  and  $[P_3: S_1]$  are mean cordial graphs as shown in the

figure.





### Theorem 3.6

Ladder  $[P_n \times P_2]$  is a Mean Cordial Graph.

## **Proof:**

Let G = (V, E) Let G be  $[P_n \times P_2]$ Let V[ $P_n \times P_2$ ] = {(u<sub>ij</sub>) :  $1 \le i \le n$ ,  $1 \le j \le 2$ } Let E[ $P_n \times P_2$ ] = {[(u<sub>i1</sub> u<sub>i2</sub>) :  $1 \le i \le n$ ]  $\Box$  [(u<sub>ij</sub> u<sub>(i+1)j</sub>):  $1 \le i \le n-1, 1 \le j \le 2$ ]} Define f : V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2} by f(u<sub>i1</sub>) = {1 *if i* = 1*mod2* 2 *if i* = 0*mod2*,  $1 \le i \le n$ f(u<sub>i2</sub>) = 0,  $1 \le i \le n$ The induced edge labeling are

 $f^*(u_{i1} u_{i2}) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ if } i \equiv 1 \mod 2\\ 1 \text{ if } i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases}, \ 1 \leq i \leq n$ 

 $f^*(u_{i1} u_{(i+1)1}) = 1, 1 \le i \le n-1$ 

 $f^*(u_{i2} u_{(i+1)2}) = 0, 1 \le i \le n-1$ 

Hence , the graph satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ .

Therefore ,  $\left[P_n \times P_2\right]$  is a mean cordial graph.

For example , the graph  $\left[P_3 \times P_2\right]$  is shown in the figure.



### Theorem 3.7

 $Z - (P_n)$  is a Mean Cordial Graph.

### **Proof:**

Let G = (V, E) Let G be Z - P<sub>n</sub> Let V[Z - P<sub>n</sub>] = {u<sub>i</sub>, v<sub>i</sub> :  $1 \le i \le n$ } Let E[Z - P<sub>n</sub>] = {[(u<sub>i</sub> u<sub>i+1</sub>)  $\Box$  (v<sub>i</sub> v<sub>i+1</sub>)  $\Box$  (v<sub>i</sub> v<sub>i+1</sub>) :  $1 \le i \le n$ -1]} Define f : V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2} by f(u<sub>i</sub>) = {1 if i \equiv 1mod2 0 if i \equiv 0mod2}, 1 \le i \le n f(v<sub>i</sub>) = {2 if i \equiv 1mod2 0 if i \equiv 0mod2}, 1 \le i \le n

The induced edge labeling are

 $f^*(u_i \ u_{i+1}) = 0 \ , \ 1 \le i \le n\text{-}1$ 

 $f^*\!\left(v_i \; v_{i+1}\right) = 1$  ,  $1 \!\leq\! i \!\leq\! n \text{--} 1$ 

$$f^*(v_i u_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if } i \equiv 1 \mod 2\\ 0 \text{ if } i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases}, \ 1 \le i \le n-1$$

Here,  $e_f(0) = e_f(1)$  when n is odd.

 $e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1)$  when n is even.

It satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ .

Hence ,  $Z - (P_n)$  is a mean cordial graph.

For example the graphs  $Z - (P_4)$  and  $Z - (P_3)$  are shown in the figure.



# Theorem 3.8

Double Fan  $P_n + 2K_1$  is a Mean Cordial Graph.

# **Proof:**

Let G = (V, E) Let G be  $P_n + 2K_1$ Let V[ $P_n + 2K_1$ ] = {u, v,  $u_i : 1 \le i \le n$ } Let E[ $P_n + 2K_1$ ] = {[(u u<sub>i</sub>)  $\Box$  (v u<sub>i</sub>) :  $1 \le i \le n$ ]  $\Box$  [(u<sub>i</sub> u<sub>i+1</sub>) :  $1 \le i \le n-1$ ] Define f : V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2} by f(u) = 1 f(v) = 2

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ if } i \equiv 1 \mod 2\\ 1 \text{ if } i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases}, \ 1 \le i \le n$$

The induced edge labeling are

$$f^*(u\ u_i) = \begin{cases} 0 \ if \ i \equiv 1mod2 \\ 1 \ if \ i \equiv 0mod2 \end{cases}, \ l \leq i \leq n$$

$$f^*(v u_i) = 1, 1 \le i \le n$$

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 0, 1 \le i \le n-1$$

Here  $e_f(0) = e_f(1)$  when n is odd.

 $e_{f}(0) + 1 = e_{f}(1)$  when n is even.

Hence it satisfies the condition  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ .

Therefore the graph  $P_n + 2K_1$  is a mean cordial graph.

For example  $P_2 + 2K_1$  and  $P_3 + 3K_1$  are shown in the figure.



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