

## On Odd Sum Graphs

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**Abstract:** An injective function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, q\}$  is an odd sum labeling if the induced edge labeling  $f^*$  defined by  $f^*(uv) = f(u) + f(v)$ , for all  $uv \in E(G)$ , is bijective and  $f^*(E(G)) = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2q - 1\}$ . A graph is said to be an odd sum graph if it admits an odd sum labeling. In this paper, we have studied the odd sum property for the graphs paths  $P_p$ , cycles  $C_p$ ,  $C_p \odot K_1$ , the ladder  $P_2 \times P_p$ ,  $P_m \odot nK_1$ , the balloon graph  $P_n(C_p)$ , quadrilateral snake  $Q_n$ ,  $[P_m; C_n]$ ,  $(P_m; Q_3)$ ,  $T_p^{(n)}$ ,  $H_n \odot mK_1$ , bistar graph and cyclic ladder  $P_2 \times C_p$ .

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### §1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, by a graph we mean a finite, undirected simple graph. Let  $G(V, E)$  be a graph with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges. For notations and terminology we follow [1].

Path on  $p$  vertices is denoted by  $P_p$  and a cycle on  $p$  vertices is denoted by  $C_p$  whose length is  $p$ . If  $m$  number of pendant vertices are attached at each vertex of  $G$ , then the resultant graph obtained from  $G$  is the graph  $G \odot mK_1$ . When  $m = 1$ ,  $G \odot K_1$  is the corona of  $G$ . The bistar graph  $B_{m,n}$  is the graph obtained from  $K_2$  by identifying the central vertices of  $K_{1,m}$  and  $K_{1,n}$  at the end vertices of  $K_2$  respectively. The graph  $P_2 \times P_p$  is the ladder and  $P_2 \times C_p$  is the cyclic ladder. The balloon of a graph  $G$ ,  $P_n(G)$  is the graph obtained from  $G$  by identifying an end vertex of  $P_n$  at a vertex of  $G$ . Let  $v$  be a fixed vertex of  $G$ . The graph  $[P_m; G]$  is obtained from  $m$  copies of  $G$  and the path  $P_m : u_1 u_2 \dots u_m$  by identifying  $u_i$  with the vertex  $v$  of the  $i^{th}$  copy of  $G$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq m$ . The graph  $(P_m; G)$  is obtained from  $m$  copies of  $G$  and the path  $P_m : u_1 u_2 \dots u_m$  by joining  $u_i$  with the vertex  $v$  of the  $i^{th}$  copy of  $G$  by means of an edge, for  $1 \leq i \leq m$  [7]. The cube graph  $Q_3$  is  $P_2 \times C_4$ . A quadrilateral snake is obtained from a path by

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identifying each edge of the path with an edge of the cycle  $C_4$ . The graph  $T_p^{(n)}$  is a tree formed from  $n$  copies of path on  $p$  vertices by joining an edge  $uu'$  between every pair of consecutive paths where  $u$  is a vertex in  $i^{th}$  copy of the path and  $u'$  is the corresponding vertex in the  $(i+1)^{th}$  copy of the path.

In [2], an odd edge labeling of a graph is defined as follows: A labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, p-1\}$  is called an odd edge labeling of  $G$  if for the edge labeling  $f^+$  on  $E(G)$  defined by  $f^+(uv) = f(u) + f(v)$  for any edge  $uv \in E(G)$ , for a connected graph  $G$ , the edge labeling is not necessarily injective. In [5], the concept of pair sum labeling was introduced. An injective function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{\pm 1, \pm 2, \dots, \pm p\}$  is said to be a pair sum labeling if the induced edge function  $f_e : E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z} - \{0\}$  defined by  $f_e(uv) = f(u) + f(v)$  is one-one and  $f_e(E(G))$  is either of the form  $\{\pm k_1, \pm k_2, \dots, \pm \frac{k_q}{2}\}$  or  $\{\pm k_1, \pm k_2, \dots, \pm k_{\frac{q-1}{2}}\} \cup \{\frac{k_{q+1}}{2}\}$  according as  $q$  is even or odd. A graph with a pair sum labeling defined on it is called a pair sum graph. In [6], the concept of mean labeling was introduced. An injective function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, q\}$  is said to be a mean labeling if the induced edge labeling  $f^*$  defined by

$$f^*(uv) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(u) + f(v)}{2} & \text{if } f(u) + f(v) \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{f(u) + f(v) + 1}{2} & \text{if } f(u) + f(v) \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

is injective and  $f^*(E(G)) = \{1, 2, \dots, q\}$ . A graph  $G$  is said to be odd mean if there exists an injective function  $f$  from  $V(G)$  to  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, 2q-1\}$  such that the induced map  $f^*$  from  $E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2q-1\}$  defined by

$$f^*(uv) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(u) + f(v)}{2} & \text{if } f(u) + f(v) \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{f(u) + f(v) + 1}{2} & \text{if } f(u) + f(v) \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

is a bijection [6].

Motivated by these, we introduce a new concept called odd sum labeling. An injective function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, q\}$  is an odd sum labeling if the induced edge labeling  $f^*$  defined by  $f^*(uv) = f(u) + f(v)$ , for all  $uv \in E(G)$ , is bijective and  $f^*(E(G)) = \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2q-1\}$ . A graph is said to be an odd sum graph if it admits an odd sum labeling. In this paper, we have studied the odd sum property for the graphs paths  $P_p$ , cycles  $C_p$ ,  $C_p \odot K_1$ , the ladder  $P_2 \times P_p$ ,  $P_m \odot nK_1$ , the balloon graph  $P_n(C_p)$ , quadrilateral snake  $Q_n$ ,  $[P_m; C_n]$ ,  $(P_m; Q_3)$ ,  $T_p^{(n)}$ ,  $H_n \odot mK_1$ , bistar graph and cyclic ladder  $P_2 \times C_p$ .

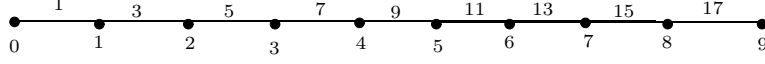
## §2. Main Results

**Observation 2.1** *Every graph having an odd cycle is not an odd sum graph.*

*Proof* If a graph has a cycle of odd length, then at least one edge  $uv$  on the cycle such that  $f(u)$  and  $f(v)$  are of same suit and hence its induced edge label  $f^*(uv)$  is even.  $\square$

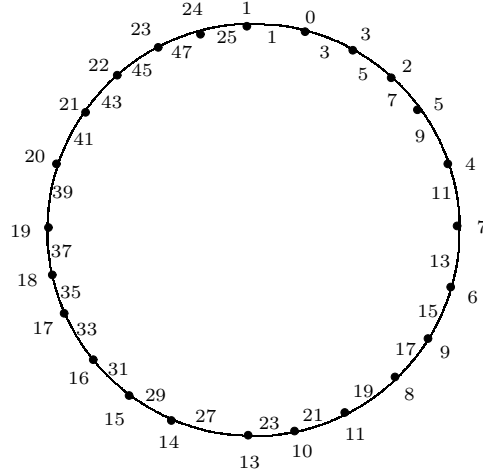
**Proposition 2.2** *Every path  $P_p, p \geq 2$  is an odd sum graph.*

*Proof* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p$  be the vertices of the path  $P_p$ . The labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, q\}$  is defined as  $f(v_i) = i - 1$  for  $1 \leq i \leq p$  and the induced edge label is  $f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = 2i - 1$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq p - 1$ . Then  $f$  is an odd sum labeling and hence  $P_p$  is an odd sum graph.  $\square$



**Figure 1:** An odd sum labeling of  $P_{10}$ .

**Proposition 2.3** *Cycle  $C_p$  is an odd sum graph only when  $p \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .*



**Figure 2:** An odd sum labeling of  $C_{24}$ .

*Proof* By Observation 2.1,  $C_p$  is not an odd sum graph when  $p$  is odd. Suppose  $p = 2m, m \geq 2$  and  $C_p$  admits an odd sum labeling. Then  $\sum_{uv \in E(G)} f^*(uv) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (f(u) + f(v))$ . This implies that  $1 + 3 + \dots + (4m - 1) = 2(0 + 1 + 2 + \dots + 2m) - 2i$  where  $i$  is not a vertex label of  $C_p$ . From this we have,  $i = m$ . If  $m$  is odd, then the number of even values is in excess of 2 that of the number of odd values and they are to be assigned as vertex labels in  $C_p$ . Thus if  $C_p$  admits an odd sum labeling, then  $m$  should be even and hence  $p$  is a multiple of 4.

Suppose  $p = 4m, m \geq 1$ . Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p$  be the vertices of the cycle  $C_p$ . The labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 4m\}$  is defined as follows.

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} i, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m - 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ i - 2, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ i, & 2m + 1 \leq i \leq 4m. \end{cases}$$

The induced edge labels are obtained as follows.

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 2i - 1, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m, \\ 2i + 1, & 2m + 1 \leq i \leq 4m - 1 \text{ and} \\ f^*(v_{4m} v_1) = 4m + 1. \end{cases}$$

Hence  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $C_p$  only when  $p \equiv 0(\text{mod } 4)$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.4** For each even integer  $p \geq 4$ ,  $C_p \odot K_1$  is an odd sum graph.

*Proof* In  $C_p \odot K_1$ , let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p$  be the vertices on the cycle and let  $u_i$  be the pendant vertex of  $v_i$  at each  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq p$ .

**Case 1**  $p = 4m$ , for  $m \geq 1$ .

The labeling  $f : V(C_p \odot K_1) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 8m\}$  is defined as follows.

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 2i - 2, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m - 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 2i, & 2m + 1 \leq i \leq 4m - 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 2i - 1, & 2 \leq i \leq 4m \text{ and } i \text{ is even and} \end{cases}$$

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 2i - 1, & 1 \leq i \leq 4m - 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 2i - 2, & 2 \leq i \leq 2m \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ 2i, & 2m + 2 \leq i \leq 4m \text{ and } i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

The induced edge labels are obtained as follows.

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

$$f^*(v_{4m} v_1) = 8m - 1 \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(u_i v_i) = \begin{cases} 4i - 3, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m, \\ 4i - 1, & 2m + 1 \leq i \leq 4m. \end{cases}$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $C_p \odot K_1$ . Hence  $C_p \odot K_1$  is an odd sum graph when  $p = 4m$ .

**Case 2**  $p = 4m + 2$ , for  $m \geq 1$ .

The labeling  $f : V(C_p \odot K_1) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 8m + 4\}$  is defined as follows.

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 2i - 2, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m + 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 2i, & 2m + 3 \leq i \leq 4m + 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 2i - 1, & 2 \leq i \leq 2m \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ 2i + 1, & i = 2m + 2, \\ 2i - 1, & 2m + 4 \leq i \leq 4m + 2 \text{ and } i \text{ is even and} \end{cases}$$

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 2i - 1, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m + 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 2i - 3, & i = 2m + 3, \\ 2i - 1, & 2m + 5 \leq i \leq 4m + 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 2i - 2, & 2 \leq i \leq 2m + 2 \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ 2i, & 2m + 4 \leq i \leq 4m + 2 \text{ and } i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

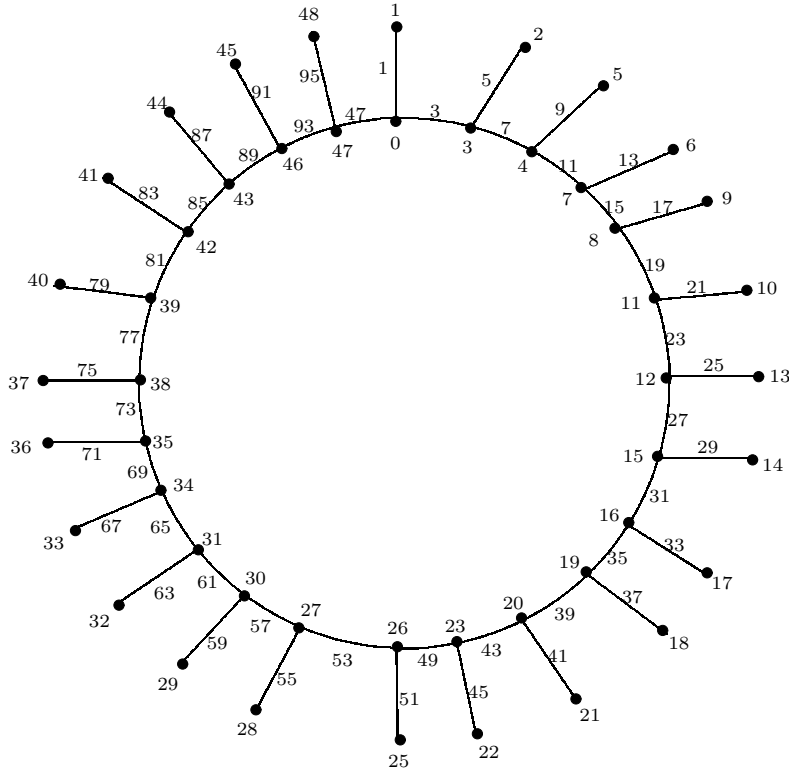
The induced edge labels are obtained as follows.

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 4i - 1, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m, \\ 4i + 1, & i = 2m + 1, \\ 4i + 3, & i = 2m + 2, \\ 4i + 1, & 2m + 3 \leq i \leq 4m + 1, \end{cases}$$

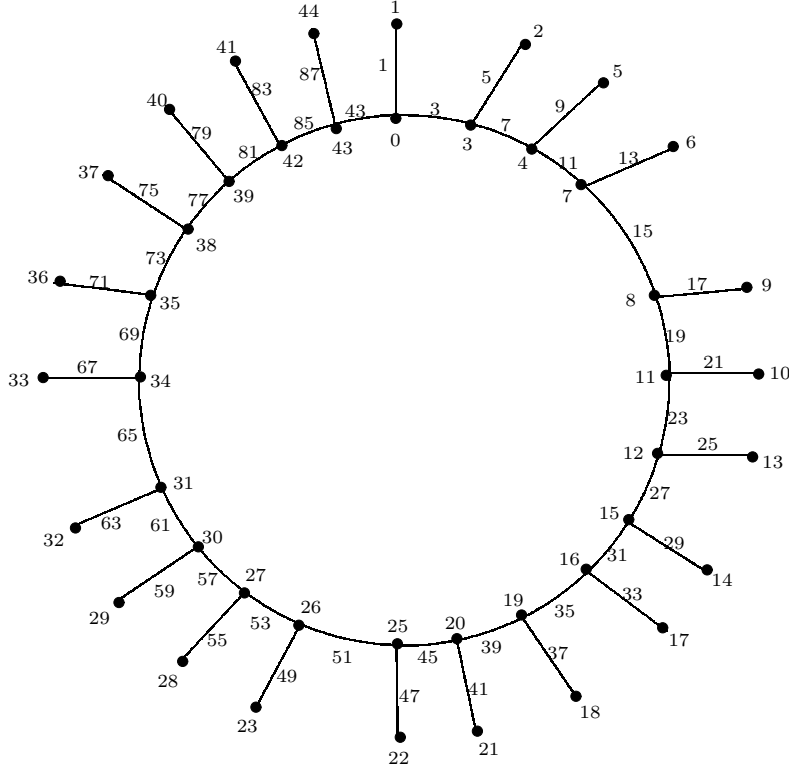
$$f^*(v_{4m+2} v_1) = 8m + 3 \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(u_i v_i) = \begin{cases} 4i - 3, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m + 1, \\ 4i - 1, & i = 2m + 2, \\ 4i - 3, & i = 2m + 3 \\ 4i - 1, & 2m + 4 \leq i \leq 4m + 2. \end{cases}$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $C_p \odot K_1$ . Hence  $C_p \odot K_1$  is an odd sum graph.  $\square$



**Figure 3:** An odd sum labeling of  $C_{24} \odot K_1$ .



**Figure 4:** An odd sum labeling of  $C_{22} \odot K_1$ .

**Proposition 2.5** For every positive integer  $p \geq 2$ , the ladder  $P_2 \times P_p$  is an odd sum graph.

*Proof* Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_p$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p$  be the vertices of the two copies of  $P_p$ . The labeling  $f : V(P_2 \times P_p) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 3p - 2\}$  is defined as follows.

$$f(u_i) = 3i - 3, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq p \text{ and}$$

$$f(v_i) = 3i - 2, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq p.$$

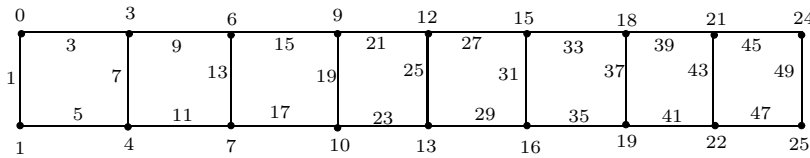
The induced edge labels are obtained as follows.

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 6i - 3, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq p - 1,$$

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = 6i - 1, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq p - 1 \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(u_i v_i) = 6i - 5, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq p.$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $P_2 \times P_p$ . Hence  $P_2 \times P_p$  is an odd sum graph.  $\square$



**Figure 5:** An odd sum labeling of  $P_2 \times P_9$ .

**Proposition 2.6** *The graph  $P_m \odot nK_1$  is an odd sum graph if either  $m$  is an even positive integer and  $n$  is any positive integer or  $m$  is an odd positive integer and  $n = 1, 2$ .*

*Proof* In  $P_m \odot nK_1$ , let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m$  be the vertices on the path and  $\{u_{i,j} : 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  be the pendant vertices attached at  $u_i, 1 \leq i \leq m$ .

**Case 1**  $m$  is even.

The labeling  $f : V(P_m \odot nK_1) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, m(n+1) - 1\}$  is defined as follows.

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} (n+1)(i-1), & i \text{ is odd,} \\ (n+1)i - 1, & i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ,

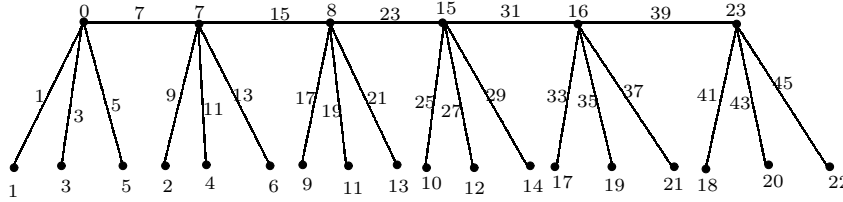
$$f(u_{i,j}) = \begin{cases} (n+1)(i-1) + 2j - 1, & i \text{ is odd,} \\ (n+1)(i-2) + 2j, & i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

The induced edge labels are obtained as follows.

$$f^*(u_i u_{i,j}) = 2(n+1)(i-1) + 2j - 1, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq m \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2(n+1)i - 1, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq m-1.$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $P_m \odot nK_1$ .



**Figure 6:** An odd sum labeling of  $P_6 \odot 3K_1$ .

**Case 2**  $m$  is odd.

If  $P_m \odot nK_1$  has an odd sum labeling  $f$  when  $m$  is odd, then  $f$  is a bijection from  $V(P_m \odot nK_1)$  to the set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, m(n+1) - 1\}$ . Since the number of even integers in this set is either equal to or one excess to the number of odd integers in this set,  $n$  should be less than or equal to 2.

In case of  $m$  is odd and  $n = 1, 2$ , the labeling  $f : V(P_m \odot nK_1) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, m(n+1) - 1\}$  is defined as follows.

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} (n+1)(i-1) + 1, & i \text{ is odd,} \\ (n+1)i - 2, & i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ,

$$f(u_{i,j}) = \begin{cases} (n+1)(i-1) + 2(j-1), & i \text{ is odd,} \\ (n+1)(i-2) + 2j + 1, & i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

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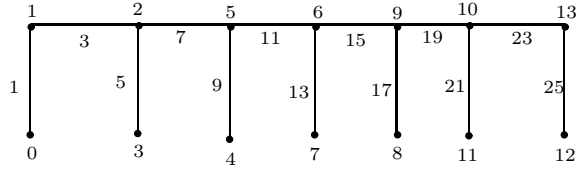
For  $1 \leq i \leq m$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ,

$$f^*(u_i u_{i,j}) = 2(n+1)(i-1) + 2j - 1.$$

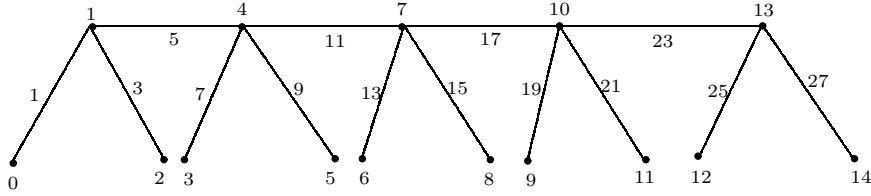
For  $1 \leq i \leq m-1$ ,

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2(n+1)i - 1.$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $P_m \odot nK_1$ . □



**Figure 7:** An odd sum labeling of  $P_7 \odot K_1$ .



**Figure 8:** An odd sum labeling of  $P_5 \odot 2K_1$ .

**Proposition 2.7** *The graph  $P_n(C_p)$  is an odd sum graph if either  $p \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  or  $p \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $n \not\equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ .*

*Proof* Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_p$  be the vertices of  $C_p$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be the vertices of the path  $P_n$  and  $u_p$  be identified with  $v_1$  in  $P_n(C_p)$ .

**Case 1**  $p \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .

Let  $p = 4m, m \geq 1$ . The labeling  $f : V(P_n(C_p)) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 4m + n - 1\}$  is defined as follows.

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i, & 1 \leq i \leq 4m \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ i - 2, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ i, & 2m + 1 \leq i \leq 4m \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = 4m + i - 1, 2 \leq i \leq n.$$



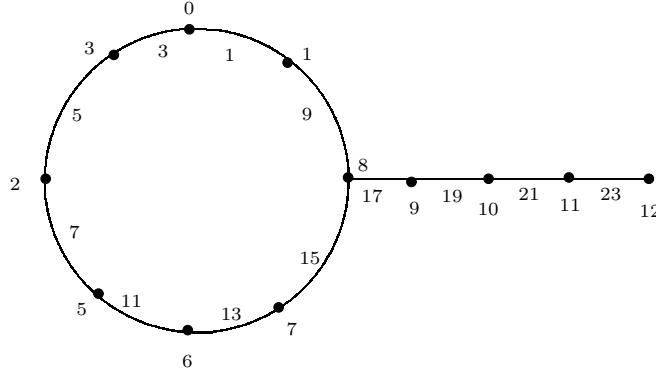
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$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 2i - 1, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m, \\ 2i + 1, & 2m + 1 \leq i \leq 4m - 1. \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(u_1 u_{4m}) = 4m + 1 \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = 8m + 2i - 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n - 1.$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $P_n(C_p)$ .



**Figure 9:** An odd sum labeling of  $P_5(C_8)$ .

**Case 2**  $p \equiv 2(\text{mod } 4)$ .

Let  $p = 4m + 2, m \geq 1$ .

**Subcase 2.1**  $n \equiv 0(\text{mod } 3)$ .

The labeling  $f : V(P_n(C_p)) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 4m + n + 1\}$  is defined as follows.

$$f(u_1) = 4m + 3,$$

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i - 2, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m + 3, \\ i, & 2m + 4 \leq i \leq 4m + 2 \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ i - 2, & 2m + 4 \leq i \leq 4m + 2 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd and} \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 4m + i + 1, & 1 \leq i \leq n - 3 \text{ and } i \equiv 1(\text{mod } 3), \\ 4m + i - 1, & 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \text{ and } i \equiv 2(\text{mod } 3), \\ 4m + i + 3, & 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \text{ and } i \equiv 0(\text{mod } 3), \\ 4m + n + 1, & i = n - 2, \\ 4m + n - 1, & i = n. \end{cases}$$

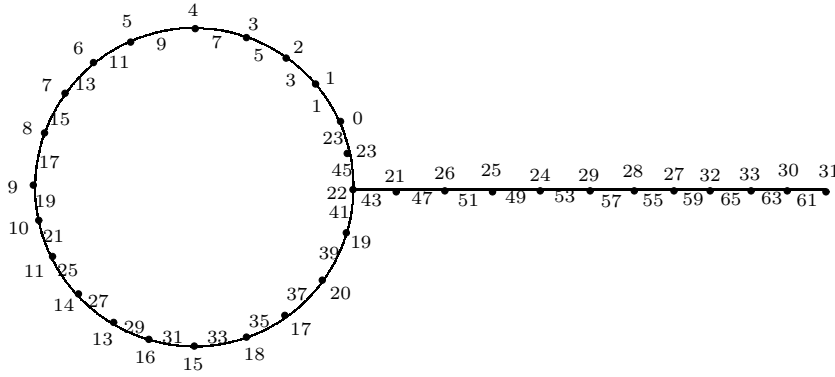
The induced edge labels are obtained as follows.

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 4m+3, & i=1, \\ 2i-3, & 2 \leq i \leq 2m+2, \\ 2i-1, & 2m+3 \leq i \leq 4m+1. \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(u_{4m+2} u_1) = 8m+5 \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 8m+2i+3, & 2 \leq i \leq n-4 \text{ and } i \equiv 2(\text{mod } 3), \\ 8m+2i+5, & 2 \leq i \leq n-4 \text{ and } i \equiv 0(\text{mod } 3), \\ 8m+2i+1, & 2 \leq i \leq n-4 \text{ and } i \equiv 1(\text{mod } 3), \\ 8m+4n-2i-5, & n-3 \leq i \leq n-1. \end{cases}$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $P_n(C_p)$ .



**Figure 10:** An odd sum labeling of  $P_{12}(C_{22})$ .

**Subcase 2.2**  $n \equiv 2(\text{mod } 3)$ .

The labeling  $f : V(P_n(C_p)) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 4m+n+1\}$  is defined as follows.

$$f(u_1) = 4m+3,$$

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i-2, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m+3, \\ i, & 2m+4 \leq i \leq 4m+2 \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ i-2, & 2m+4 \leq i \leq 4m+2 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{and } f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 4m+i+1, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \equiv 1(\text{mod } 3), \\ 4m+i-1, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \equiv 2(\text{mod } 3), \\ 4m+i+3, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \equiv 0(\text{mod } 3). \end{cases}$$

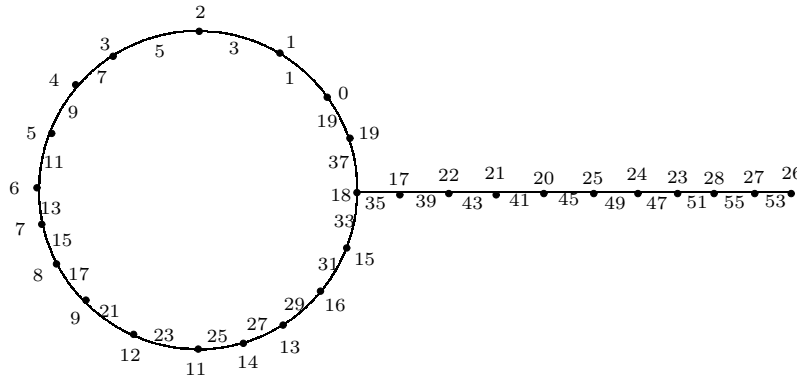
The induced edge labels are obtained as follows.

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 4m+3, & i=1, \\ 2i-3, & 2 \leq i \leq 2m+2, \\ 2i-1, & 2m+3 \leq i \leq 4m+1, \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(u_{4m+2} u_1) = 8m+5 \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 8m+2i+1, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \equiv 1(\text{mod } 3), \\ 8m+2i+3, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \equiv 2(\text{mod } 3), \\ 8m+2i+5, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \equiv 0(\text{mod } 3). \end{cases}$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $P_n(C_p)$ . Hence  $P_n(C_p)$  is an odd sum graph.  $\square$



**Figure 11:** An odd sum labeling of  $P_{11}(C_{18})$ .

**Proposition 2.8**  $[P_m; C_n]$  is an odd sum graph for  $n \equiv 0(\text{mod } 4)$  and any  $m \geq 2$ .

*Proof* In  $[P_m; C_n]$ , let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  be the vertices on the path  $P_m$ ,  $v_{i,1}, v_{i,2}, \dots, v_{i,n}$  be the vertices of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  cycle  $C_n$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq m$  and each vertex  $v_{i,1}$  of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  cycle  $C_n$  is identified with the vertex  $v_i$  of the path  $P_m$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$ .

Suppose  $n = 4t, t \geq 1$ . The labeling  $f : V([P_m; C_n]) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, m(n+1) - 1\}$  is defined as follows.

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,

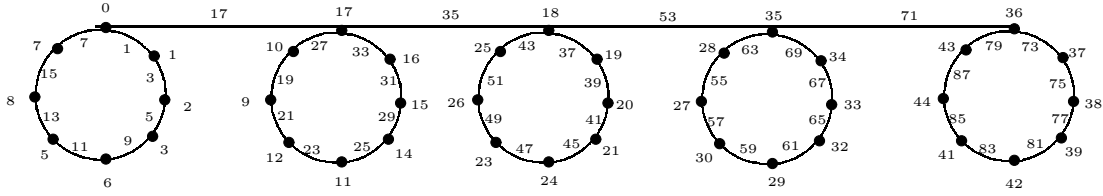
$$f(v_{i,j}) = \begin{cases} (n+1)(i-1) + j - 1, & 1 \leq j \leq 2t, i \text{ and } j \text{ are odd,} \\ (n+1)(i-1) + j + 1, & 2t+1 \leq j \leq 4t, i \text{ and } j \text{ are odd,} \\ (n+1)(i-1) + j - 1, & 1 \leq j \leq 4t, i \text{ is odd and } j \text{ are even,} \\ (n+1)i - j, & 1 \leq j \leq 2t, i \text{ is even and } j \text{ is odd,} \\ (n+1)i - j - 2, & 2t+1 \leq j \leq 4t, i \text{ is even and } j \text{ is odd,} \\ (n+1)i - j, & 1 \leq j \leq 4t, i \text{ is even and } j \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , the induced edge label is obtained as follows.

$$f^*(v_{i,j}v_{i,j+1}) = \begin{cases} 2(n+1)(i-1) + 2j - 1, & 1 \leq j \leq 2t - 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 2(n+1)(i-1) + 2j + 1, & 2t \leq j \leq 4t - 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 2(n+1)(i-1) + 9, & j = 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ 2(n+1)(i-1) + 2j - 3, & 2 \leq j \leq 2t + 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ 2(n+1)(i-1) + 2j - 1, & 2t + 2 \leq j \leq 4t - 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{and } f^*(v_{i,4t}v_{i,1}) = \begin{cases} 2(n+1)(i-1) + 4t - 1, & i \text{ is odd,} \\ 2(n+1)(i-1) + 8t - 1, & i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $[P_m; C_n]$ . Hence  $[P_m; C_n]$  is an odd sum graph.  $\square$



**Figure 12:** An odd sum labeling of  $[P_5; C_8]$ .

**Proposition 2.9** *Quadrilateral snake  $Q_n$  is an odd sum graph for  $n \geq 1$ .*

*Proof* The vertex set and edge set of the Quadrilateral snake  $Q_n$  are  $V(Q_n) = \{u_i, v_j, w_j : 1 \leq i \leq n+1, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  and  $E(Q_n) = \{u_i v_i, v_i w_i, u_i u_{i+1}, u_{i+1} w_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  respectively. The labeling  $f : V(Q_n) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 4n\}$  is defined as follows.

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 4i - 4, & 1 \leq i \leq n+1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 4i - 5, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 4i - 3, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 4i - 2, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{and } f(w_i) = \begin{cases} 4i, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 4i - 1, & 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

The induced edge labels are obtained as follows

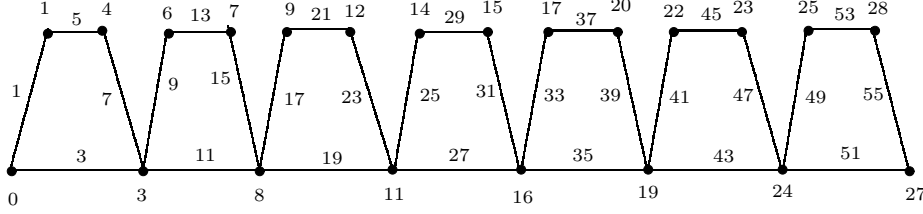
$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 8i - 5, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

$$f^*(u_i v_i) = 8i - 7, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

$$f^*(v_i w_i) = 8i - 3, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

$$f^*(w_i u_{i+1}) = 8i - 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $Q_n$ . Hence the Quadrilateral snake  $Q_n$  is an odd sum graph for  $n \geq 1$ .  $\square$



**Figure 13:** An odd sum labeling of  $Q_7$ .

**Proposition 2.10**  $(P_m; Q_3)$  is an odd sum graph for any positive integer  $m \geq 1$ .

*Proof* Let  $v_{i,j}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq 8$  be the vertices in the  $i^{th}$  copy of  $Q_3$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$  and  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m$  be the vertices on the path  $P_m$ .  $\{u_i u_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq m-1\} \cup \{u_i v_{i,1} : 1 \leq i \leq m\} \cup \{v_{i,1} v_{i,2}, v_{i,1} v_{i,4}, v_{i,1} v_{i,6}, v_{i,2} v_{i,3}, v_{i,2} v_{i,7}, v_{i,3} v_{i,4}, v_{i,3} v_{i,8}, v_{i,4} v_{i,5}, v_{i,5} v_{i,6}, v_{i,5} v_{i,8}, v_{i,6} v_{i,7}, v_{i,7} v_{i,8} : 1 \leq i \leq m\}$  be the edge set of  $(P_m; Q_3)$ .

The labeling  $f : V[(P_m; Q_3)] \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 14m-1\}$  is defined as follows:

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 14(i-1), & i \text{ is odd,} \\ 14i-1, & i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$  and  $i$  is odd,

$$f(v_{i,j}) = \begin{cases} 14i-13, & j=1, \\ 14i-12+j, & 2 \leq j \leq 3, \\ 14i-12, & j=4, \\ 14i-5, & j=5, \\ 14i-8+j, & 6 \leq j \leq 7, \\ 14i-4, & j=8. \end{cases}$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$  and  $i$  is even,

$$f(v_{i,j}) = \begin{cases} 14i-2, & j=1, \\ 14i-j-3, & 2 \leq j \leq 3, \\ 14i-3, & j=4, \\ 14i-10, & j=5, \\ 14i-j-7, & 6 \leq j \leq 7, \\ 14i-11, & j=8. \end{cases}$$

The induced edge label of  $(P_m; Q_3)$  is obtained as follows:

For  $1 \leq i \leq m-1$ ,

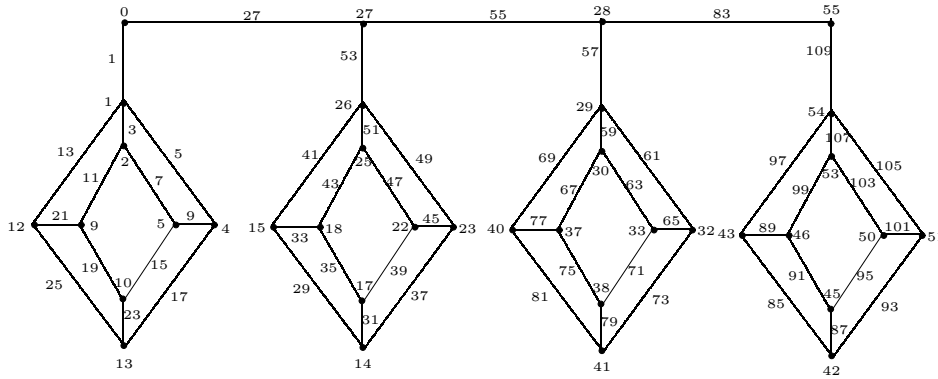
$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 28i - 1.$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$ ,

$$f^*(u_i v_{i,1}) = \begin{cases} 28i - 27, & i \text{ is odd,} \\ 28i - 3, & i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

For $1 \leq i \leq m$ and $i$ is odd	For $1 \leq i \leq m$ and $i$ is even
$f^*(v_{i,1} v_{i,2}) = 28i - 23$	$f^*(v_{i,1} v_{i,2}) = 28i - 7$
$f^*(v_{i,1} v_{i,4}) = 28i - 25,$	$f^*(v_{i,1} v_{i,4}) = 28i - 5$
$f^*(v_{i,1} v_{i,6}) = 28i - 15$	$f^*(v_{i,1} v_{i,6}) = 28i - 15$
$f^*(v_{i,2} v_{i,3}) = 28i - 19$	$f^*(v_{i,2} v_{i,3}) = 28i - 11$
$f^*(v_{i,2} v_{i,7}) = 28i - 11$	$f^*(v_{i,2} v_{i,7}) = 28i - 19$
$f^*(v_{i,3} v_{i,4}) = 28i - 21$	$f^*(v_{i,3} v_{i,4}) = 28i - 9$
$f^*(v_{i,3} v_{i,8}) = 28i - 13$	$f^*(v_{i,3} v_{i,8}) = 28i - 17$
$f^*(v_{i,4} v_{i,5}) = 28i - 17$	$f^*(v_{i,4} v_{i,5}) = 28i - 13$
$f^*(v_{i,5} v_{i,6}) = 28i - 7$	$f^*(v_{i,5} v_{i,6}) = 28i - 23$
$f^*(v_{i,5} v_{i,8}) = 28i - 9$	$f^*(v_{i,5} v_{i,8}) = 28i - 21,$
$f^*(v_{i,6} v_{i,7}) = 28i - 3$	$f^*(v_{i,6} v_{i,7}) = 28i - 27$
$f^*(v_{i,7} v_{i,8}) = 28i - 5$	$f^*(v_{i,7} v_{i,8}) = 28i - 25$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $(P_m; Q_3)$ . Hence  $(P_m; Q_3)$  is an odd sum graph.  $\square$



**Figure 14:** An odd sum labeling of  $(P_4; Q_3)$ .

**Proposition 2.11** For all positive integers  $p$  and  $n$ , the graph  $T_p^{(n)}$  is an odd sum graph.

*Proof* Let  $v_i^{(j)}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq p$  be the vertices of the  $j^{th}$  copy of the path on  $p$  vertices,  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . The graph  $T_p^{(n)}$  is formed by adding an edge  $v_i^{(j)} v_i^{(j+1)}$  between  $j^{th}$  and  $(j+1)^{th}$  copy of the path at some  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq p$ . The labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, np - 1\}$  is defined as follows:

For  $1 \leq j \leq n$  and  $1 \leq i \leq p$ ,

$$f(v_i^{(j)}) = \begin{cases} p(j-1) + i - 1, & j \text{ is odd,} \\ pj - i, & j \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

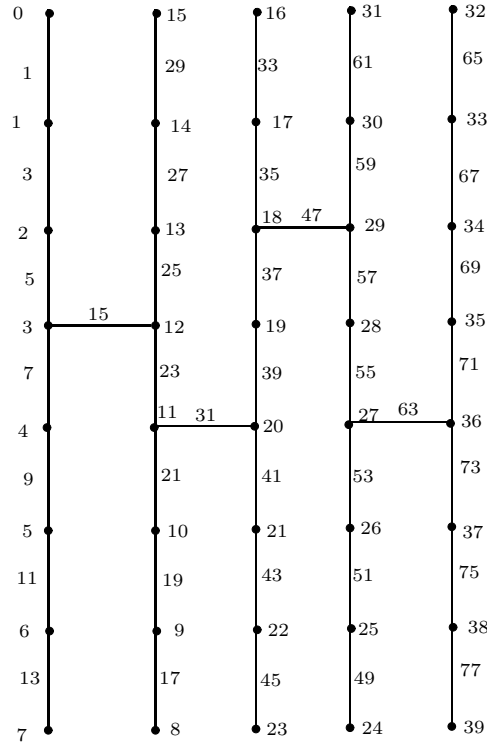
The induced edge labeling is obtained as follows:

For  $1 \leq j \leq n$  and  $1 \leq i \leq p-1$ ,

$$f^*(v_i^{(j)} v_{i+1}^{(j)}) = \begin{cases} 2p(j-1) + 2i - 1, & j \text{ is odd,} \\ 2pj - 2i - 1, & j \text{ is even} \end{cases} \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(v_i^{(j)} v_i^{(j+1)}) = 2pj - 1.$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of the graph  $T_p^{(n)}$ . Hence  $T_p^{(n)}$  is an odd sum graph.  $\square$



**Figure 15:** An odd sum labeling of  $T_8^{(5)}$ .

**Proposition 2.12** *The graph  $H_n \odot mK_1$  is an odd sum graph for all positive integers  $m$  and  $n$ .*

*Proof* Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be the vertices on the path of length  $n-1$ . Let  $x_{i,k}$  and  $y_{i,k}$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq m$ , be the pendant vertices at  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  respectively, for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Define  $f : V(H_n \odot mK_1) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2n(m+1) - 1\}$  as follows:

For  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i + m(i - 1), & i \text{ is odd,} \\ i(m + 1) - 2, & i \text{ is even} \end{cases} \quad \text{and}$$

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} f(u_i) + n(m + 1) + m - 2, & i \text{ is odd and } n \text{ is odd,} \\ f(u_i) + n(m + 1) - m + 2, & i \text{ is even and } n \text{ is odd,} \\ f(u_i) + n(m + 1), & n \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq k \leq m$ ,

$$f(x_{i,k}) = \begin{cases} (m + 1)(i - 1) + 2k - 2, & i \text{ is odd,} \\ (m + 1)(i - 2) + 2k + 1, & i \text{ is even} \end{cases} \quad \text{and}$$

$$f(y_{i,k}) = \begin{cases} f(x_{i,k}) + n(m + 1) - m + 2, & i \text{ is odd and } n \text{ is odd,} \\ f(x_{i,k}) + n(m + 1) + m - 2, & i \text{ is even and } n \text{ is odd,} \\ f(x_{i,k}) + n(m + 1), & n \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

The induced edge labels are obtained as follows:

For  $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$ ,

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2i(m + 1) - 1 \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) + 2n(m + 1).$$

For  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $1 \leq k \leq m$ ,

$$f^*(u_i x_{i,k}) = 2(m + 1)(i - 1) + 2k - 1 \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(v_i y_{i,k}) = f^*(u_i x_{i,k}) + 2n(m + 1).$$

When  $n$  is odd,

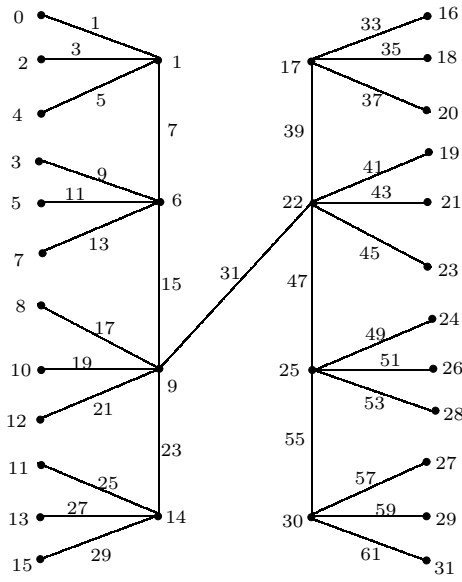
$$f^*\left(u_{\frac{n+1}{2}} v_{\frac{n+1}{2}}\right) = 2n(m + 1) - 1.$$

When  $n$  is even,

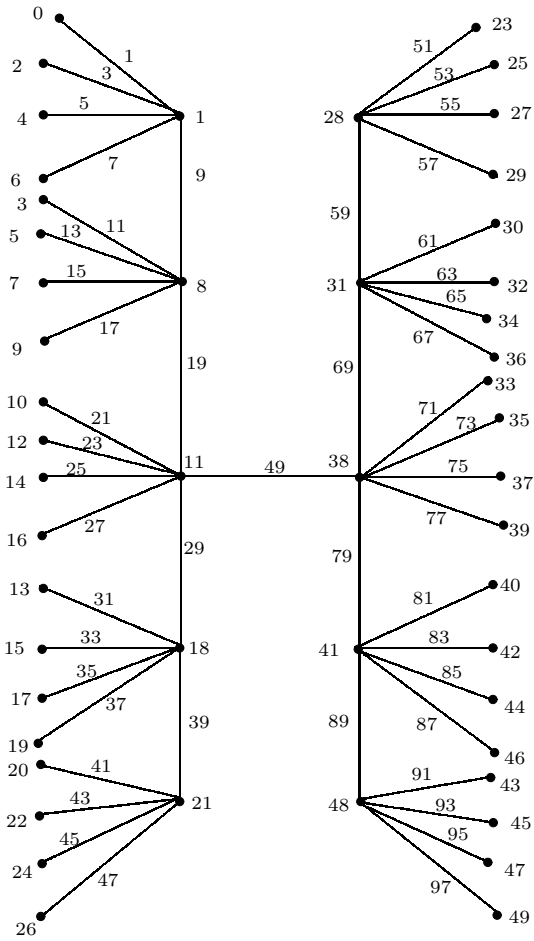
$$f^*\left(u_{\frac{n}{2}+1} v_{\frac{n}{2}}\right) = 2n(m + 1) - 1.$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $H_n \odot mK_1$ . Hence  $H_n \odot mK_1$  is an odd sum graph for all positive integers  $m$  and  $n$ .  $\square$





**Figure 16:** An odd sum labeling of  $H_4 \odot 3K_1$ .



**Figure 17:** An odd sum labeling of  $H_5 \odot 4K_1$ .

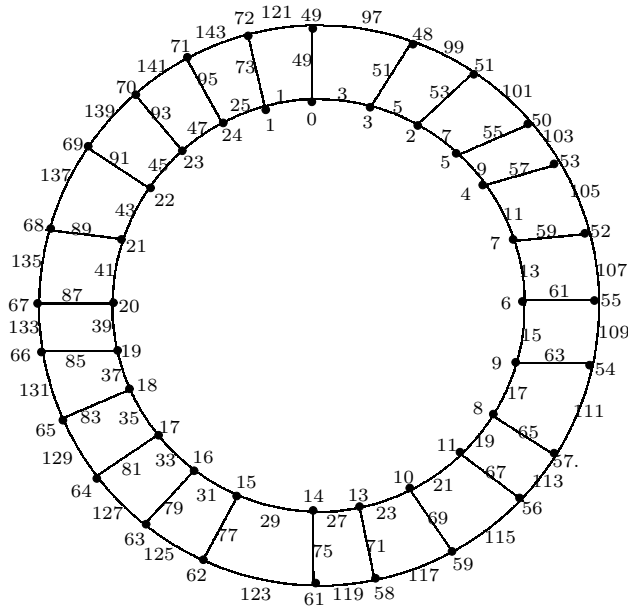
**Corollary 2.13** For any positive integer  $m$ , the bistar graph  $B(m, m)$  is an odd sum graph.

*Proof* By taking  $n = 1$  in Proposition 2.12, the result follows.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.14** For any even integer  $p \geq 4$ , the cyclic ladder  $P_2 \times C_p$  is an odd sum graph.

*Proof* Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_p$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p$  be the vertices of the inner and outer cycle which are joined by the edges  $\{u_i v_i : 1 \leq i \leq p\}$ .

**Case 1**  $p = 4m, m \geq 2$ .



**Figure 18:** An odd sum labeling of  $P_2 \times C_{24}$ .

The labeling  $f : V(P_2 \times C_p) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 12m\}$  is defined as follows:

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i - 1, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m - 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ i + 1, & 2 \leq i \leq 4m - 2 \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ i + 1, & 2m + 1 \leq i \leq 4m - 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

$f(u_{4m}) = 1$  and

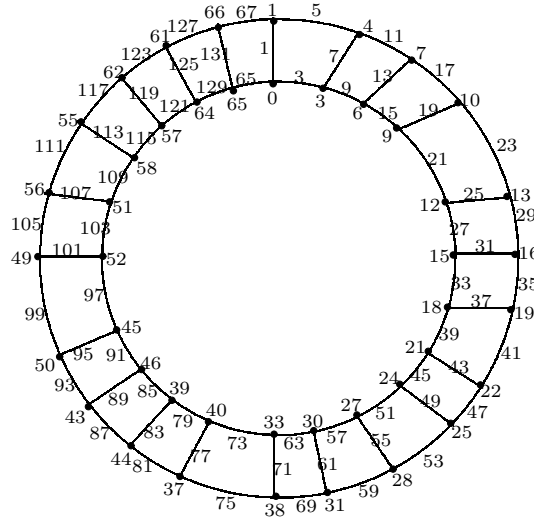
$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 8k + i, & 1 \leq i \leq 4m - 1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \\ 8k + i - 2, & 2 \leq i \leq 2m \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ 8k + i, & 2m + 2 \leq i \leq 4m \text{ and } i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

The induced edge labeling is obtained as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) &= \begin{cases} 2i+1, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m-1, \\ 2i+3, & 2m \leq i \leq 4m-2, \\ i+2, & i = 4m-1, \end{cases} \\
 f^*(u_1 u_{4m}) &= 1, \\
 f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) &= \begin{cases} 16m+2i-1, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m \\ 16m+2i+1, & 2m+1 \leq i \leq 4m-1, \end{cases} \\
 f^*(v_1 v_{4m}) &= 20m+1, \\
 f^*(u_i v_i) &= \begin{cases} 8m+2i-1, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m, \\ 8m+2i+1, & 2m+1 \leq i \leq 4m-1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd} \end{cases} \\
 f^*(u_{4m} v_{4m}) &= 12m+1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $P_2 \times C_p$ . Hence  $P_2 \times C_p$  is an odd sum graph when  $p = 4m$ .

**Case 2**  $p = 4m + 2, m \geq 1$ .



**Figure 19:** An odd sum labeling of  $P_2 \times C_{22}$ .

The labeling  $f : V(P_2 \times C_p) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 12m\}$  is defined as follows:

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 3i-3, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m+2, \\ 3i+1, & 2m+3 \leq i \leq 4m+1 \text{ and } i \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 3i - 3, & 2m + 4 \leq i \leq 4m \text{ and } i \text{ is even,} \\ 3i - 1, & i = 4m + 2 \text{ and} \end{cases}$$

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

The induced edge labels are given as

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 6i - 3, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m + 1, \\ 6i + 1, & 2m + 2 \leq i \leq 4m, \\ 6i + 3, & i = 4m + 1, \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(u_1 u_{4m+2}) = 12m + 5,$$

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 6i - 1, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m, \\ 6i + 3, & 2m + 1 \leq i \leq 4m, \\ 6i + 1, & i = 4m + 1, \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(v_1 v_{4m+2}) = 12m + 7 \text{ and}$$

$$f^*(u_i v_i) = \begin{cases} 6i - 5, & 1 \leq i \leq 2m + 1, \\ 6i - 1, & 2m + 2 \leq i \leq 4m + 2. \end{cases}$$

Thus  $f$  is an odd sum labeling of  $P_2 \times C_p$ . Whence  $P_2 \times C_p$  is an odd sum graph if  $p = 4m + 2$ .  $\square$

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