

Square Graceful Labeling of Some Graphs

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ABSTRACT: A (p, q) graph $G = (V, E)$ is said to be a square graceful graph if there exists an injective function $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, q^2\}$ such that the induced mapping $f_p: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 4, 9, \dots, q^2\}$ defined by $f_p(uv) = |f(u) - f(v)|$ is an injection. The function f is called a square graceful labeling of G . In this paper the square graceful labeling of the caterpillar $S(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$, the graphs $P_{n-1}(1, 2, \dots, n)$, $mK_{1,n} \cup sK_{1,t}$, $\bigcup_{i=1}^n K_{1,i}$, $P_n \odot K_1 - e$, H graph and some other graphs are studied. A new parameter called star square graceful deficiency number of a graph is defined and the star square graceful deficiency number of the cycle C_3 is determined. Two new definitions namely, odd square graceful labeling and even square graceful labeling of a graph are defined with example.

KEYWORDS: Square graceful graph, odd square graceful graph, even square graceful graph, Star square graceful deficiency number of a graph

I. INTRODUCTION

The graphs considered in this paper are finite, undirected and without loops or multiple edges. Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph with p vertices and q edges. Terms not defined here are used in the sense of Harary [2]. For number theoretic terminology [1] is followed.

A graph labeling is an assignment of integers to the vertices or edges or both subject to certain conditions. If the domain of the mapping is the set of vertices (edges / both) then the labeling is called a vertex (edge / Total) labeling. There are several types of graph labeling and a detailed survey is found in [4].

Rosa [6] introduced β -valuation of a graph and Golomb [5] called it as graceful labeling. Several authors worked on graceful labeling, odd graceful labeling, even graceful labeling, super graceful labeling and skolem-graceful labeling.

Recently the concept of square graceful labeling was introduced by T.Tharmaraj and P.B.Sarasija in the year 2014. They studied the square graceful labeling of various graphs in [7, 8].

The following definitions are necessary for the present study.

1.1 Definition

The path on n vertices is denoted by P_n .

1.2 Definition [8]

A complete bipartite graph $K_{1,n}$ is called a star and it has $n + 1$ vertices and n edges

1.3 Definition

The Corona $G_1 \odot G_2$ of two graphs G_1 and G_2 is defined as the graph G by taking one copy of G_1 (which has p_1 points) and p_1 copies of G_2 and then joining the i^{th} point of G_1 to every point in the i^{th} copy of G_2 .

1.4 Definition

Let the graphs G_1 and G_2 have disjoint vertex sets V_1 and V_2 and edge sets E_1 and E_2 respectively. Then their union $G = G_1 \cup G_2$ is a graph with vertex set $V = V_1 \cup V_2$ and edge set $E = E_1 \cup E_2$. Clearly $G_1 \cup G_2$ has $p_1 + p_2$ vertices and $q_1 + q_2$ edges.

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1.5 Definition

The graph $P_m @ P_n$ is obtained from P_m and m copies of P_n by identifying one pendant vertex of the i^{th} copy of P_n with i^{th} vertex of P_m where P_m is a path of length $m-1$.

II.SQUARE GRACEFUL GRAPHS

2.1 Definition[7]

A (p, q) graph $G = (V, E)$ is said to be a square graceful graph if there exists an injective function $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, q^2\}$ such that the induced mapping $f_p: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 4, 9, \dots, q^2\}$ defined by $f_p(uv) = |f(u) - f(v)|$ is an injection. The function f is called a square graceful labeling of G .

2.2 Example

The square graceful labeling of the kite graph is given in figure a

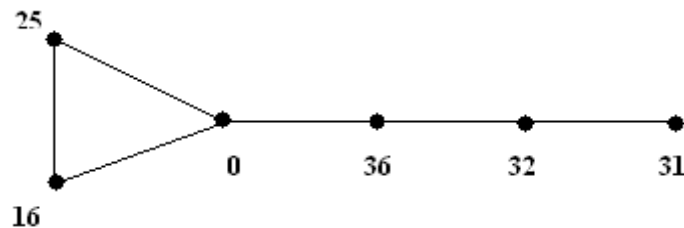


Figure a

2.3 Observation

The cycles C_3 and C_4 are not square graceful graphs.

2.4 SOME KNOWN RESULTS [7]

2.4.1 Theorem

The star $K_{1,n}$ is square graceful for all n

2.4.2 Theorem

The graph obtained by the subdivision of the edges of the star $K_{1,n}$ is a square graceful graph

2.4.3 Theorem

Every path P_n is a square graceful graph.

2.4.4 Theorem

The graph $P_n \odot nK_1$, $n \geq 2$ is a square graceful graph.

2.4.5 Corollary

The comb $P_n \odot K_1$ is a square graceful graph.

III.MAIN RESULTS

3.1. Definition

Let $X_i \in N$. Then the caterpillar $S(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ is obtained from the path P_n by joining X_i vertices to each of the i^{th} vertex of P_n ($1 \leq i \leq n$)

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3.2 Theorem

The caterpillar $S(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$ is square graceful for all $n > 1$

Proof

Let G be the caterpillar $S(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n)$.

Let $V(G) = \{v_i; 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v_{ij}; 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq X_i\}$ and

$E(G) = \{v_i v_{i+1}; 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{v_i v_{ij}; 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq X_i\}$

Then $|V(G)| = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n + n$ and $|E(G)| = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n + n - 1$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n + n - 1)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v_i) = \frac{i(i-1)(2i-1)}{6}; 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_{ij}) = [X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n + n - 1 - (j-1)]^2; 1 \leq j \leq X_i$$

$$f(v_{ij}) = [X_i + X_{i+1} + \dots + X_n + n - j]^2 + \frac{i(i-1)(2i-1)}{6}; 2 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq X_i$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then we have

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = i^2; 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f^*(v_i v_{ij}) = [X_i + X_{i+1} + \dots + X_n + n - j]^2; 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq X_i$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, [X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n + n - 1]^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.3 Definition[5]

The graph $P_{n-1}(1, 2, 3, \dots, n)$ is a graph obtained from a path of vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n having the path length $n-1$ by joining i pendant vertices at each of its vertices.

3.4 Corollary

The graph $P_{n-1}(1, 2, 3, \dots, n)$ is square graceful for all $n > 2$

3.5 Corollary

Theorem 2.4.4 and corollary 2.4.5 follows immediately from theorem 3.2

3.6 Theorem

The graph $P_n \odot K_1 - e$ is square graceful for all $n > 1$.

Proof

Let G be the graph $P_n \odot K_1 - e$.

Let $V(G) = \{v_i, u_j; 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n-1\}$ and

$E(G) = \{v_i v_{i+1}, v_j u_j; 1 \leq i \leq n-1, 1 \leq j \leq n-1\}$

Then $|V(G)| = 2n-1$ and $|E(G)| = 2n-2$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (2n-2)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v_i) = \frac{i(i-1)(2i-1)}{6}; 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_j) = [2n-1-i]^2 + \frac{i(i-1)(2i-1)}{6}; 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = i^2; 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f^*(v_j u_j) = (2n-1-j)^2; 1 \leq j \leq n-1$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (2n-2)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.7 Theorem

Let P_n be the path on n vertices. Then the twig graph G obtained from the path P_n by attaching exactly two pendant edges to each internal vertex of the path is square graceful.

Proof

Let G be the twig graph.

Let $V(G) = \{v_i, u_j, w_j; 1 \leq i \leq n, 2 \leq j \leq n-1\}$ and

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$$E(G) = \{v_i v_{i+1}, v_j u_j, v_j w_j; 1 \leq i \leq n-1, 2 \leq j \leq n-1\}$$

Then $|V(G)| = 3n - 4$ and $|E(G)| = 3n - 5$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, (3n - 5)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v_1) = 0$$

$$f(v_i) = \sum_{j=2}^i (-1)^j (3n - 3 - j)^2; 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_i) = f(v_i) + (-1)^{1+i} (2n - 2i)^2; 2 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

$$f(w_i) = f(v_i) + (-1)^{1+i} (2n - 1 - 2i)^2; 2 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = (3n - 4 - i)^2; 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

$$f^*(v_i u_i) = (2n - 2i)^2; 2 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

$$f^*(v_i w_i) = (2n - 1 - 2i)^2; 2 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (3n - 5)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.8 Theorem

The graph $P_n @ P_m$ is square graceful for all $n, m \geq 2$.

Proof

Let G be the given graph.

Let $V(G) = \{v_i, v_{ij}; 1 \leq i \leq n, 2 \leq j \leq m\}$ and

$$E(G) = \{v_i v_{i+1}, v_j v_{j+2}, v_{kl} v_{kl+1}; 1 \leq i \leq n-1, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq k \leq n, 2 \leq l \leq m\}$$

Then $|V(G)| = nm$ and $|E(G)| = nm - 1$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (nm - 1)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v_1) = 0$$

$$f(v_i) = \sum_{j=2}^i (-1)^j [nm - (j - 1)]^2; \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_{1j}) = \sum_{i=2}^j (-1)^i [nm - n - (i - 2)]^2; 2 \leq j \leq m$$

$$f(v_{ij}) = f(v_i) + \sum_{k=2}^j (-1)^k \{[n - (i - 1)](m - 1) - (k - 2)\}^2; 2 \leq i \leq n, 2 \leq j \leq m \text{ if } i \text{ is odd}$$

$$= f(v_i) + \sum_{k=2}^j (-1)^{k+1} \{[n - (i - 1)](m - 1) - (k - 2)\}^2; 2 \leq i \leq n, 2 \leq j \leq m \text{ if } i \text{ is even}$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = (nm - i)^2; 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

$$f^*(v_j v_{j+2}) = [nm - n + 3 - (m - 1)j]^2; \quad 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f^*(v_{kl} v_{kl+1}) = (nm - n + m - l - 3k)^2; \quad 2 \leq l \leq m - 1, 1 \leq k \leq n - 1$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (nm - 1)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.9 Definition[9]

The H-graph of a path P_n is the graph obtained from two copies of P_n with vertices $v_1, v_2 \dots v_n$ and $u_1, u_2 \dots u_n$ by joining the vertices $v_{\frac{n+1}{2}}$ and $u_{\frac{n+1}{2}}$ if n is odd and the vertices $v_{\frac{n}{2}+1}$ and $u_{\frac{n}{2}}$ if n is even.

3.10 Theorem

The H-graph G is square graceful for all $n > 2$.

Proof

Let $V(G) = \{v_i, u_i; 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and

$$E(G) = \left\{ v_i v_{i+1}, u_i u_{i+1}, v_{\frac{n+1}{2}} u_{\frac{n+1}{2}} \text{ if } n \text{ is odd } v_{\frac{n}{2}+1} u_{\frac{n}{2}} \text{ if } n \text{ is even}; 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \right\}$$

Then $|V(G)| = 2n$ and $|E(G)| = 2n - 1$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (2n - 1)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

Case (i): when n is odd

$$f(v_1) = 0$$

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$$f(v_j) = \sum_{i=2}^j (-1)^i (2n + 1 - i)^2; 2 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f\left(\frac{u_{n+1}}{2}\right) = f\left(\frac{v_{n+1}}{2}\right) - n^2 \text{ if } n = 2k + 1 \text{ where } k \text{ is odd}$$

$$= f\left(\frac{v_{n+1}}{2}\right) + n^2 \text{ if } n = 2k + 1 \text{ where } k \text{ is even}$$

$$f\left(\frac{u_{n+1}}{2} - j\right) = f\left(\frac{u_{n+1}}{2}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{i+1} \left[\frac{n + (2i - 1)}{2}\right]^2; 1 \leq j \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

$$f\left(\frac{u_{n+1}}{2} + j\right) = f\left(\frac{u_{n+1}}{2}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{i+1} \left[\frac{n - (2i - 1)}{2}\right]^2; 1 \leq j \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

Case (ii): when n is even

$$f(v_1) = 0$$

$$f(v_j) = \sum_{i=2}^j (-1)^i (2n + 1 - i)^2; 2 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f\left(\frac{u_{n+1}}{2}\right) = f\left(\frac{v_n}{2}\right) + n^2 \text{ if } n = 2k \text{ where } k \text{ is odd}$$

$$= f\left(\frac{v_n}{2}\right) - n^2 \text{ if } n = 2k \text{ where } k \text{ is even}$$

$$f\left(\frac{u_{n+1}}{2} - j\right) = f\left(\frac{u_{n+1}}{2}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{i+1} \left[\frac{n}{2} + i - 1\right]^2; 1 \leq j \leq \frac{n}{2}$$

$$f\left(\frac{u_{n+1}}{2} + j\right) = f\left(\frac{u_{n+1}}{2}\right) + \sum_{i=1}^j (-1)^{i+1} \left[\frac{n}{2} - i\right]^2; 1 \leq j \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = (2n - i)^2; 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

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

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

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (2n - 1)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.11 Theorem

Let G be a graph with fixed vertex v and let $(P_m; G)$ be the graph 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 $1 \leq i \leq m$. Then G is square graceful.

Proof

Let G be the given graph.

$$\text{Let } V(G) = \{v_i, u_i; 1 \leq i \leq n\} \text{ and}$$

$$E(G) = \{v_i v_{i+1}, u_i u_{i+1}, v_i u_i; 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\}$$

$$\text{Then } |V(G)| = 2n \text{ and } |E(G)| = 2n - 1$$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (2n - 1)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v_1) = 0$$

$$f(v_i) = \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} (-1)^{j+1} [2n - j]^2; 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_2) = f(v_2) - n^2$$

$$f(u_1) = f(v_2) - n^2 - (n - 1)^2$$

$$f(u_i) = f(u_2) + \sum_{j=3}^i (-1)^j [n - (j - 1)]^2; 3 \leq i \leq n$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = (2n - i)^2; 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

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$$f^*(v_2u_2) = n^2$$

$$f^*(u_iu_{i+1}) = (n - i)^2; 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (2n - 1)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.12 Theorem

The graph $mK_{1,n} \cup sK_{1,t}$ is square graceful for $m, n, s, t \geq 1$.

Proof

Let G be the graph $mK_{1,n} \cup sK_{1,t}$

Let $V(G) = \{v_i, v_{ij}, u_k, u_{kl}; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq k \leq s, 1 \leq l \leq t\}$ and

$E(G) = \{v_iv_{ij}, u_ku_{kl}; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq k \leq s, 1 \leq l \leq t\}$

Then $|V(G)| = m(1 + n) + s(1 + t)$ and $|E(G)| = mn + st$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (mn + st)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v_i) = i - 1; 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$f(v_{1j}) = [mn + st + 1 - j]^2; 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f(v_{ij}) = [mn + st - (i - 1)n + 1 - j]^2 + i - 1; 2 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f(u_i) = m - 1 + i; 1 \leq i \leq s$$

$$f(u_{ij}) = [st - (i - 1)t + 1 - j]^2 + m - 1 + i; 1 \leq i \leq s, 1 \leq j \leq t$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(v_iv_{ij}) = [mn + st - (i - 1)n + 1 - j]^2; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f^*(u_iu_{ij}) = [st - (i - 1)t + 1 - j]^2; 1 \leq i \leq s, 1 \leq j \leq t$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (mn + st)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.13 Theorem

The graph $\bigcup_{i=1}^n K_{1,i}$ is square graceful for all $n \geq 1$.

Proof

Let G be the graph $\bigcup_{i=1}^n K_{1,i}$.

Let $V(K_{1,n}) = \{u_i, u_{ij}; 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq i\}$ and

$E(K_{1,n}) = \{u_iu_{ij}, 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq i\}$

Then $|V(G)| = \frac{n^2 + 3n}{2}$ and $|E(G)| = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$

Let the function $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(u_i) = i - 1; 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_{11}) = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2$$

$$f(u_{ij}) = \left\{ \frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \left[\sum_{k=0}^{i-1} k - j + 1 \right] \right\}^2; 2 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq i$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(u_iu_{ij}) = \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2} - \left[\sum_{k=0}^{i-1} k + j - 1 \right] \right]^2; 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq i$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right]^2$. Hence the graph $\bigcup_{i=1}^n K_{1,i}$ is square graceful for all $n \geq 1$.

3.14 Theorem

Let $G_i = K_{1,n}$ for $1 \leq i \leq m$ with vertex set $V(G_i) = \{v_i, v_{ij}; 1 \leq j \leq n\}$. Let G be the graph obtained by identifying v_m with $v_{(i+1)1}$ for $1 \leq i \leq m - 1$ then G is square graceful for all n and m .

Proof

Let G be the given graph.

Let $V(G) = \{v_i, v_{ij}; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{v_iv_{ij}; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$

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Then $|V(G)| = nm + 1$ and $|E(G)| = nm$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (nm)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v_1) = 0$$

$$f(v_i) = f(v_{(i-1)n}) - \{[m - (i - 1)]n\}^2; 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_{1j}) = [nm - (j - 1)]^2; 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f(v_{ij}) = f(v_i) + \{[m - (i - 1)]n - (j - 1)\}^2; 2 \leq j \leq n, 2 \leq i \leq m$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(v_i v_{ij}) = \{nm - (i - 1)n + 1 - j\}^2; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (nm)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.15 Theorem

The graph $\langle K_{1,m}, K_{1,n}, K_{1,s}, K_{1,t} \rangle$ obtained by joining the central vertices of $K_{1,m}, K_{1,n}, K_{1,s}$ and $K_{1,t}$ to a new vertex is square graceful for all $m, n, s, t \geq 1$

Proof

Let G be the graph $\langle K_{1,m}, K_{1,n}, K_{1,s}, K_{1,t} \rangle$.

$$\text{Let } V(G) = \left\{ v, v_l, v_{1i}, v_{2j}, v_{3k}, v_{4z}; 1 \leq l \leq 4, 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq k \leq s, \right. \\ \left. 1 \leq z \leq t \right\} \text{ and}$$

$$E(G) = \left\{ vv_l, v_1 v_{1i}, v_2 v_{2j}, v_3 v_{3k}, v_4 v_{4z}; 1 \leq l \leq 4, 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq k \leq s, \right. \\ \left. 1 \leq z \leq t \right\}$$

Then $|V(G)| = m + n + s + t + 5$ and $|E(G)| = m + n + s + t + 4$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (m + n + s + t + 4)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v) = 0$$

$$f(v_l) = (m + n + s + t + 5 - l)^2; \quad 1 \leq l \leq 4$$

$$f(v_{1i}) = (m + n + s + t + 4)^2 - (m + n + s + t - (i - 1))^2; \quad 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$f(v_{2j}) = (m + n + s + t + 3)^2 - (n + s + t - (j - 1))^2; \quad 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f(v_{3k}) = (m + n + s + t + 2)^2 - (s + t - (k - 1))^2; \quad 1 \leq k \leq s$$

$$f(v_{4z}) = (m + n + s + t + 1)^2 - (t - (z - 1))^2; \quad 1 \leq z \leq t$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(vv_l) = (m + n + s + t + 5 - l)^2; \quad 1 \leq l \leq 4$$

$$f^*(v_1 v_{1i}) = (m + n + s + t + 1 - i)^2; \quad 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$f^*(v_2 v_{2j}) = (n + s + t + 1 - j)^2; \quad 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f^*(v_3 v_{3k}) = (s + t + 1 - k)^2; \quad 1 \leq k \leq s$$

$$f^*(v_4 v_{4z}) = (t + 1 - z)^2; \quad 1 \leq z \leq t$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (m + n + s + t + 4)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.16 Theorem

Let G be the graph obtained by identifying the pendant vertices of $K_{1,m}$ by $K_{1,n}$. Then G is square graceful for all $m, n \geq 1$

Proof

$$\text{Let } V(G) = \{v, v_i, u_{ij}; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\} \text{ and}$$

$$E(G) = \{vv_i, v_i u_{ij}; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$$

Then $|V(G)| = m + mn + 1$ and $|E(G)| = m + mn$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (m + mn)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v) = 0$$

$$f(v_i) = [m + mn - (i - 1)]^2; 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$f(u_{ij}) = [m + mn - (i - 1)]^2 - [(i - 1)n + j]^2; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

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$$f^*(vv_i) = [mn + m + 1 - i]^2; 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$f^*(v_i u_{ij}) = [(i - 1)n + j]^2; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (m + mn)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.17 Theorem

The graph $K_{1,m} \odot K_{1,n}$ is square graceful for all $m, n \geq 1$.

Proof

Let G be the graph $K_{1,m} \odot K_{1,n}$.

Let $V(G) = \{v, v_i, u_{ij}, w_j; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$ and

$E(G) = \{vv_i, v_i u_{ij}, vw_j; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$

Then $|V(G)| = m + n + mn + 1$ and $|E(G)| = m + n + mn$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (m + n + mn)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v) = 0$$

$$f(w_j) = [m + n + mn - (j - 1)]^2; 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f(v_i) = [m + mn - (i - 1)]^2; 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$f(u_{ij}) = [m + mn - (i - 1)]^2 - [(i - 1)n + j]^2; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(vw_j) = [m + n + mn + 1 - j]^2; 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f^*(vv_i) = [m + mn + 1 - i]^2; 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$f^*(v_i u_{ij}) = [(i - 1)n + j]^2; 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (m + n + mn)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.18 Definition

The coconut tree graph is obtained by identifying the central vertex of $K_{1,n}$ with a pendant vertex of the path P_m .

3.19 Theorem

The coconut tree graph is square graceful for all $n \geq 1$ and $m > 1$.

Proof

Let G be the coconut tree graph.

Let $V(G) = \{v, v_i, u_j; 1 \leq i \leq n, 2 \leq j \leq m\}$ and

$E(G) = \{vv_i, vu_2, u_j u_{j+1}; 1 \leq i \leq n, 2 \leq j \leq m - 1\}$

Then $|V(G)| = n + m$ and $|E(G)| = n + m - 1$

Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, (n + m - 1)^2\}$ be defined as follows.

$$f(v) = 0$$

$$f(v_i) = (n + m - i)^2; 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_2) = (m - 1)^2$$

$$f(u_i) = \sum_{j=2}^i (-1)^j [m - (j - 1)]^2; 3 \leq i \leq m$$

Let f^* be the induced edge labeling of f . Then

$$f^*(vv_i) = (n + m - i)^2; 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f^*(vu_2) = (m - 1)^2$$

$$f^*(u_j u_{j+1}) = (m - j)^2; 2 \leq j \leq m - 1$$

The induced edge labels are distinct and are $1^2, 2^2, 3^2, \dots, (n + m - 1)^2$. Hence the theorem.

3.20 Definition

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph with p vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p . In G , every vertex v_i is identified to the central vertex of the star S_{m_i} for some $m_i \geq 0, 1 \leq i \leq p$ where $S_0 = K_1$ and this graph is denoted by $G(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_p)$.

Let $M(G) = \{(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_p); G(m_1, m_2, \dots, m_p) \text{ is a square graceful graph}\}$. The star square graceful deficiency number of the graph G , denoted by $S_\mu(G)$ is defined as

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$$S_{\mu}(G) = \begin{cases} \min(m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_p) & \text{if } M(G) \neq \emptyset \\ \infty & \text{if } M(G) = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

3.21 Example

The star square graceful deficiency number of the cycle $C_3(2,0,0)$ is given in figure b .

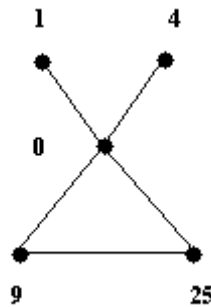


Figure b

$$S_{\mu}(C_3) = 2$$

3.22 Definition

A (p, q) graph $G = (V, E)$ is said to be an odd square graceful graph if there exists an injective function $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, (2q-1)^2\}$ such that the induced mapping $f_p: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 9, 25, \dots, (2q-1)^2\}$ defined by $f_p(uv) = |f(u) - f(v)|$ is an injection. The function f is called an odd square graceful labeling of G .

3.23 Example

The odd graceful labeling of the path P_4 is given in figure c.

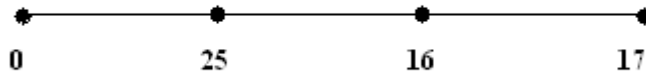


Figure c

3.24 Definition

A (p, q) graph $G = (V, E)$ is said to be an even square graceful graph if there exists an injective function $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, (2q)^2\}$ such that the induced mapping $f_p: E(G) \rightarrow \{4, 16, 36, \dots, (2q)^2\}$ defined by $f_p(uv) = |f(u) - f(v)|$ is an injection. The function f is called an even square graceful labeling of G .

3.25 Example

The even graceful labeling of the path P_4 is given in figure d.

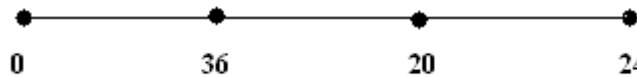


Figure d

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IV.CONCLUSION

In this paper, the square graceful labeling of some graphs is studied. Examples of some non-square graceful graphs are observed. Star square graceful deficiency number of a graph is determined and the Star square graceful deficiency number of the cycle C_3 is determined. Odd square graceful labeling and even square graceful labeling are introduced.

SCOPE FOR FURTHER STUDY

The Star square graceful deficiency number of the cycle C_n where $n > 3$, the wheel W_n , where $n > 3$, Odd square graceful labeling and even square graceful labeling of various graphs maybe studied.

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