

Prime Labeling of Some Special Class of graphs

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Abstract

Prime labeling originated with Entringer and was introduced by Tout, Dabboucy and Howalla⁵. A Graph $G(V, E)$ is said to have a **prime labeling** if its vertices are labeled with distinct integers $1, 2, 3, \dots, |V(G)|$ such that for each edge xy , the labels assigned to x and y are relatively prime. A graph admits a prime labeling is called a prime graph. In this paper, we prove that $K_n^c + K_2$, $(K_n^c + K_2) \odot K_1$, $F_m^{(n)}$, $F_m @ 2P_n$, $C_m @ 2P_n$ and $P_{n(m)}$ are prime graphs.

1. Introduction

A simple graph $G(V, E)$ is said to have a prime labeling (or called prime) if its vertices are labeled with distinct integers $1, 2, 3, \dots, |V(G)|$, such that for each edge $xy \in E(G)$, the labels assigned to x and y are relatively prime².

We begin with listing a few definitions/notations that are used.

- A graph $G = (V, E)$ is said to have order $|V|$ and size $|E|$.
- A vertex $v \in V(G)$ of degree 1 is called pendant vertex.
- P_n is a path of length $n-1$.
- 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^{th} point of G_1 to every point in the i^{th} copy of G_2 [2].

- The graph $P_{n(m)} = G(V, E)$ such that
 $V(G) = \{v_{ij} / 1 \leq i \leq m \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n\}$
 $E(G) = \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} / 1 \leq i \leq m \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n-1\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} / 1 \leq i \leq m-1\}$
- The graph $G^{(t)}$ denotes the one point union of t copies of the graph G .
- $G_1 @ G_2$ is the one point union of G_1 and G_2 .

2. Main Results

Theorem-2.1

$K_n^c + K_2$ is prime

Proof:

$$\text{Let } G = K_n^c + K_2$$

Let u and w be the vertices of K_2 and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n be the vertices of K_n^c .

$$\text{Let } V(G) = \{u, w, v_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$$

$$\text{Let } E(G) = \{uw, uv_i, wv_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$$

There are $n+2$ vertices and $2n+1$ edges.

Define $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n+2\}$ by

$$f(u) = 1$$

$$f(v_i) = i+1, i=1, 2, 3, \dots, n$$

Suppose $n+2$ is a prime number then $f(w) = n+2$

Suppose $n+2$ is not a prime

Let j be the greatest prime number less than $n+2$.

Then there exists a k such that $f(v_k) = j, 1 \leq k \leq n$

$$f(v_i) = i+1, i=1, 2, 3, \dots, k-1$$

$$f(v_k) = n+2$$

$$f(v_i) = i+1, i= k+1, k+2, \dots, n$$

$$f(w) = j$$

If $n+2$ is a prime, then $\gcd(f(w), f(v_i)) = \gcd(n+2, i+1) = 1$

If $n+2$ is not a prime, then $\gcd(f(w), f(v_i)) = \gcd(j, i+1) = 1$

Hence, $K_n^c + K_2$ is prime graph.

Example 2.2

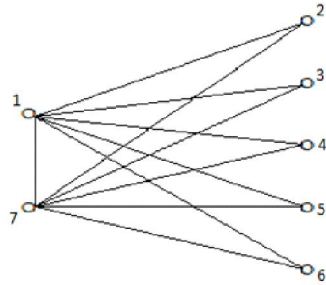


Fig 1: $K_5^c + K_2$

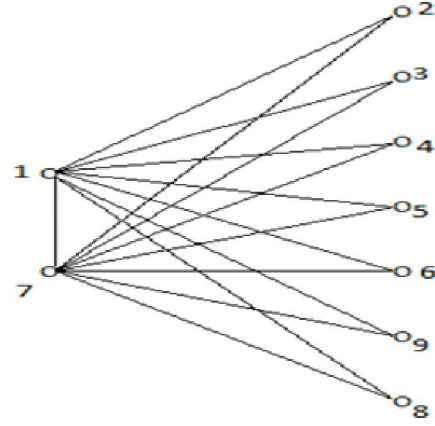


Fig 2: $K_7^c + K_2$

Theorem-2.3

$(K_n^c + K_2) \odot K_1$ is a prime (or) $K_{2,n} \odot K_1$ is a prime.

Proof:

$$\text{Let } G = (K_n^c + K_2) \odot K_1$$

Let u, w be the vertices of K_2 and u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of K_n^c . Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n+2} be the pendant vertices.

Let $V(G) = \{u, w, u_i, v_j / i=1, 2, \dots, n \text{ and } j=1, 2, \dots, n+2\}$

$$\text{Let } E(G) = \{uw, uu_i, wu_i / i=1, 2, \dots, n\} \cup \{u_i v_j / i=1, 2, \dots, n\} \cup \{w v_{n+1}, u v_{n+2}\}$$

There are $2n+4$ vertices and $3n+3$ edges.

Define $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n+4\}$ as follows

Case 1: If $2n+3$ is a prime

$$f(u) = 1$$

$$f(u_i) = 2i+1, i=1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(w) &= 2n+3 \\
 f(v_j) &= 2j, j=1,2,\dots,n \\
 f(v_{n+1}) &= 2n+2 \\
 f(v_{n+2}) &= 2n+4 \\
 \gcd(f(w), f(v_{n+1})) &= \gcd(2n+3, 2n+2) = 1 \\
 \gcd(f(w), f(u_i)) &= \gcd(2n+3, 2i+1) = 1, i=1,2,\dots,n \\
 \gcd(f(u_i), f(v_i)) &= \gcd(2i+1, 2i) = 1, i=1,2,\dots,n
 \end{aligned}$$

Case 2: If $2n+3$ is not a prime

Let j be the greatest prime number less than $2n+3$.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(u_i) &= 2i+1, i=1,2,3,\dots,k-1 \\
 f(u_k) &= 2n+3 \\
 f(u_i) &= 2i+1, i=k+1, k+2,\dots,n \\
 f(v_i) &= 2i, i=1,2,\dots,k-1, k+1, k+2,\dots,n \\
 f(v_k) &= 2n+2 \\
 f(w) &= j \\
 f(v_{n+1}) &= j-1. \\
 \gcd(f(w), f(v_{n+1})) &= \gcd(j, j-1) = 1 \\
 \gcd(f(w), f(u_i)) &= \gcd(j, 2i+1) = 1, i=1,2,\dots,k-1 \\
 \gcd(f(w), f(u_k)) &= \gcd(j, 2n+3) = 1 \\
 \gcd(f(w), f(u_i)) &= \gcd(j, 2i+1) = 1, i=k+1, k+2,\dots,n \\
 \gcd(f(u_i), f(v_i)) &= \gcd(2i+1, 2i) = 1, i=1,2,\dots, \\
 &\quad k-1, k+1, k+2,\dots,n \\
 \gcd(f(u_k), f(v_k)) &= \gcd(2n+3, 2n+2) = 1 \\
 \text{Hence, } (K_n^c + K_2) \odot K_1 &\text{ is a prime graph.}
 \end{aligned}$$

Example 2.4

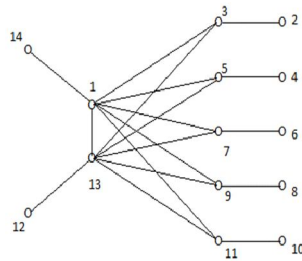


Fig 3 Case 1: $(K_5^c + K_2) \odot K_1$

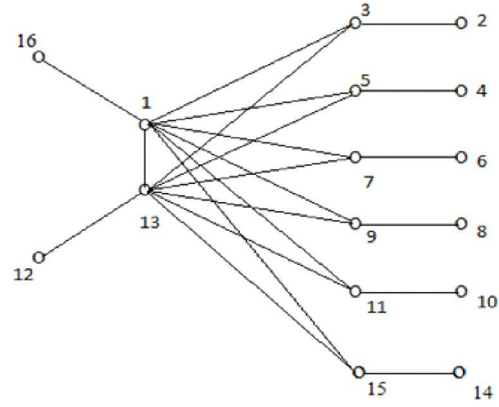


Fig 4 Case 2: $(K_6^c + K_2) \odot K_1$

Theorem-2.5

$F_m^{(n)}$ is a prime

Proof:

Let $G = F_m^{(n)}$

Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{mn} be the vertices of the fan. Let w be the central vertex.

Let $V(G) = \{v_i, w | i = 1, 2, \dots, mn\}$

Let $E(G) = \{wv_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, mn\}$

There are $mn+1$ vertices and $9n$ edges.

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

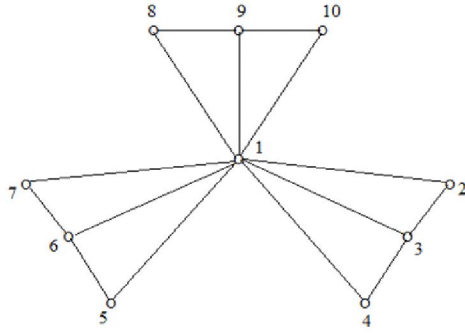
$f(w) = 1$

$f(v_i) = i+1, i = 1, 2, \dots, mn$

$\gcd(f(w), f(v_i)) = \gcd(1, i+1) = 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, mn$

$\gcd(f(v_i), f(v_{i+1})) = \gcd(i+1, i+2) = 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$

Hence, $F_m^{(n)}$ is a prime graph.

Example 2.6**Fig 5:** $F_m @ 2P_n$ **Theorem-2.7**

$F_m @ 2P_n$ is a prime

Proof:

Let $G = F_m @ 2P_n$

Let $V(G) = \{u, v_i, u_j, w_j / 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n-1\}$

Let $E(G) = \{uv_i, v_m u_1, u_j u_{j+1}, u w_1, w_j w_{j+1} / 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n-2\}$

There are $m+2n-1$ vertices and $2m+2n-3$ edges.

Define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, m+2n-1\}$ by
 $f(u) = 1$

$f(v_i) = i+1, i = 1, 2, \dots, m$

$f(u_j) = m+j+1, j = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

$f(w_j) = m+n+j, j = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

$\gcd(f(u), f(v_i)) = \gcd(1, i+1) = 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, m$

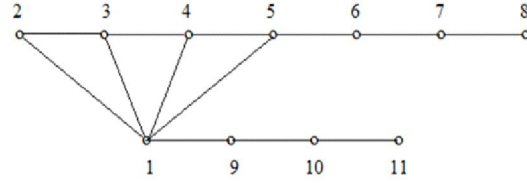
$\gcd(f(v_m), f(u_1)) = \gcd(m+1, m+2) = 1$

$\gcd(f(u_j), f(u_{j+1})) = \gcd(m+j+1, m+j+2) = 1, j = 1, 2, \dots, n-2$

$\gcd(f(u), f(w_1)) = \gcd(1, m+n+1) = 1$

$\gcd(f(w_j), f(w_{j+1})) = \gcd(m+n+j, m+n+j+1) = 1, j = 1, 2, \dots, n-2$

Hence, $F_m @ 2P_n$ is a prime graph.

Example 2.8**Fig 6:** $F_4 @ 2P_4$ **Theorem-2.9**

$C_m @ 2P_n$ is a prime graph.

Proof:

Let $G = C_m @ 2P_n$

Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m be the vertices of the cycle C_m . Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1} and w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{n-1} be the path vertices.

Let $V(G) = \{u_i, v_j, w_j / 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n-1\}$

Let $E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, u_m u_1, u_m v_1, u_1 w_1, v_j v_{j+1}, w_j w_{j+1} / 1 \leq i \leq m-1, 1 \leq j \leq n-2\}$

There are $m+2n-2$ vertices and $m+2n-2$ edges.

Define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, m+2n-2\}$ by

$f(u_i) = i, i = 1, 2, \dots, m$

$f(v_j) = m+j, j = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

$f(w_j) = m+n+j-1, j = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

$\gcd(f(u_i), f(u_{i+1})) = \gcd(i, i+1) = 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$

$\gcd(f(u_m), f(u_1)) = \gcd(m, 1) = 1$

$\gcd(f(u_m), f(v_1)) = \gcd(m, m+1) = 1$

$\gcd(f(u_1), f(w_1)) = \gcd(1, m+n) = 1$

$\gcd(f(v_j), f(v_{j+1})) = \gcd(m+j, m+j+1) = 1, j = 1, 2, \dots, n-2$

$$\gcd(f(w_j), f(w_{j+1})) = \gcd(m+n+j-1, m+n+j) = 1, j=1, 2, \dots, n-2$$

Hence, $C_m @ 2P_n$ is a prime graph.

Example 2.10

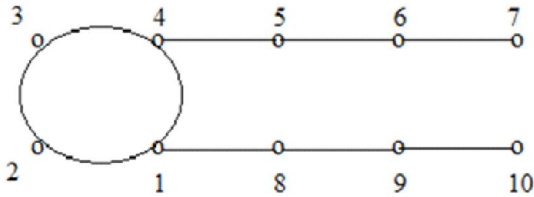


Fig 7: $C_4 @ 2P_4$

Theorem-2.11

The graph $P_{n(m)}$ is a prime for all $n, m \geq 2$.

Proof:

Let G be the graph $P_{n(m)}$.

$$\text{Let } V(G) = \{v_{ij} / 1 \leq i \leq m \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n\}$$

$$E(G) = \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} / 1 \leq i \leq m \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n-1\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} / 1 \leq i \leq m-1\}$$

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

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

$$f(v_{ij}) = n(i-1) + j, 1 \leq i \leq m \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$\gcd(f(v_{ij}), f(v_{i(j+1)})) = \gcd(n(i-1) + j, n(i-1) + j + 1) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq m \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n-1$$

$$\gcd(f(v_{i(n-1)}), f(v_{(i+1)(n-1)})) = \gcd(n(i-1) + n-1, n(i+1-1) + n-1), 1 \leq i \leq m-1$$

$$= \gcd(n(i-1) + n-1, ni + n-1)$$

$$= \gcd(ni-1, ni + n-1)$$

$$= \gcd(ni-1, n(i+1)-1)$$

Hence, the graph $P_{n(m)}$ is a prime for all $n, m \geq 2$.

Example 2.12

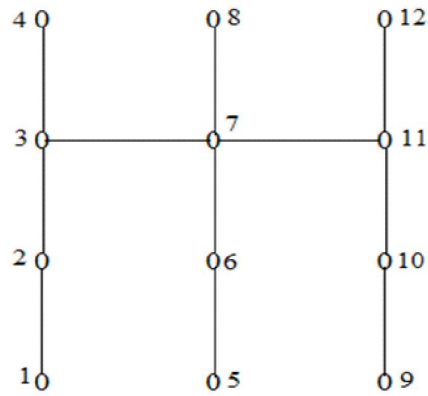


Fig 8: $P_{4(3)}$

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