

***k*–Super Harmonic Mean Labeling of Certain Snake Graphs**

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Abstract. Harmonic mean labeling was introduced by Sandhya et al. We extend this notion to k-super harmonic mean labeling. In this paper, we investigate k-Super harmonic mean labeling of some snake graphs.

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1. Introduction

By a graph $G = (V(G), E(G))$ with p vertices and q edges we mean a simple, connected and undirected graph. In this paper a brief summary of definitions and other information is given in order to maintain compactness. The term not defined here are used in the sense of Harary [3].

A graph labeling is an assignment of integers to the vertices or edges or both subject to certain conditions. A useful survey on graph labeling by Gallian (2016) can be found in [1]. Somasundaram and Ponraj [12] have introduced the notion of mean labeling of graphs. Ponraj and Ramya introduced Super mean labeling of graphs in [5]. Somasundaram and Sandhya introduced the concept of Harmonic mean labeling in [6] and studied their behavior in [7,8,9]. Sandhya and David Raj introduced Super harmonic labeling in [9]. k-super harmonic mean labeling was introduced by Tamilselvi and Revathi in [14]. In this paper, we investigate k-Super harmonic mean labeling of some snake related graphs.

2. Preliminaries

Definition 2.1. Let G be a (p, q) graph and $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p + q\}$ be an injection. For each edge $e = uv$, let $f^*(e) = \left\lceil \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u)+f(v)} \right\rceil$ or $\left\lfloor \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u)+f(v)} \right\rfloor$, then f is called *Super harmonic mean labeling* if $f(V) \cup \{f^*(e) : e \in E(G)\} = \{1, 2, \dots, p + q\}$. A graph that admits a *Super harmonic mean labeling* is called *Super harmonic mean graph*.

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Definition 2.2. Let G be a (p, q) graph and $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, p+q+k-1\}$ be an injection. For each edge $e = uv$, let $f^*(e) = \left\lceil \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u)+f(v)} \right\rceil$ or $\left\lfloor \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u)+f(v)} \right\rfloor$, then f is called k -Super harmonic mean labeling if $f(V) \cup \{f^*(e) : e \in E(G)\} = \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, p+q+k-1\}$. A graph that admits a k -Super harmonic mean labeling is called k -Super harmonic mean graph.

Definition 2.3. A *Triangular snake* T_n is obtained from a path u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n by joining u_i and u_{i+1} to a new vertex v_i for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$.

Definition 2.4. An *Alternate Triangular snake* $A(T_n)$ is obtained from a path u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n by joining u_i and u_{i+1} alternatively to a new vertex v_i .

Definition 2.5. A *Quadrilateral snake* Q_n is obtained from a path u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n by joining u_i and u_{i+1} to new vertices v_i and w_i for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ respectively and then joining v_i and w_i .

Definition 2.6. An *Alternate Quadrilateral snake* $A(Q_n)$ is obtained from a path u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n by joining u_i and u_{i+1} alternatively to new vertices v_i and w_i respectively and then joining v_i and w_i .

3. Main results

Theorem 3.1. A Triangular snake T_n ($n \geq 2$) is k - super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 2$.

Proof: Let $V(T_n) = \{u_i ; 1 \leq i \leq n, v_i ; 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$

$E(T_n) = \{u_i u_{i+1} ; 1 \leq i \leq n-1, u_i v_i ; 1 \leq i \leq n-1, u_{i+1} v_i ; 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ be denoted as in the following figure

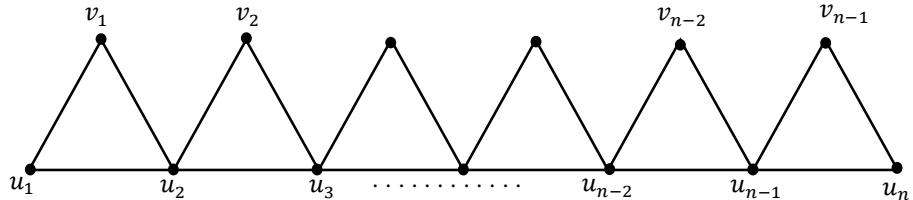


Figure 1:

First we label the vertices as follows

Define a function $f: V(T_n) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$ by

$$f(u_1) = k+3$$

$$f(u_i) = k+5i-5, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_1) = k$$

$$f(v_i) = k+5i-2, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1.$$

Then the induced edge labels are

$$f^*(u_1 u_2) = k+4$$

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = k+5i-3, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f^*(u_i v_i) = k+5i-4, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

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$$f^*(v_1u_2) = k + 2$$

$$f^*(v_iu_{i+1}) = k + 5i - 1, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1.$$

Thus $f(V) \cup \{f^*(e): e \in E(G)\} = \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$.

Hence T_n is a k -Super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 2$.

Example 3.1.

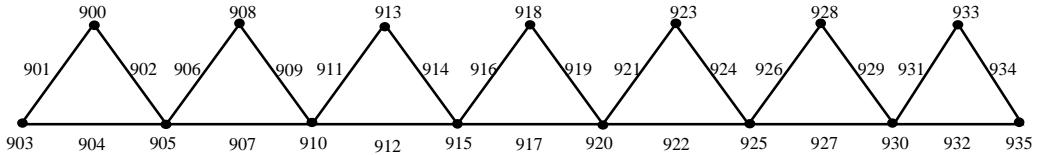


Figure 2: 900-Super harmonic mean labeling of T_8

Theorem 3.2. An alternate Triangular snake $A(T_n)$ ($n \geq 3$) is k - super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 2$, if the triangle starts from the first vertex of $A(T_n)$.

Proof: Consider a path u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n .

To construct alternate triangular snake join u_i and u_{i+1} alternatively with a new vertex v_i .

The ordinary labeling is

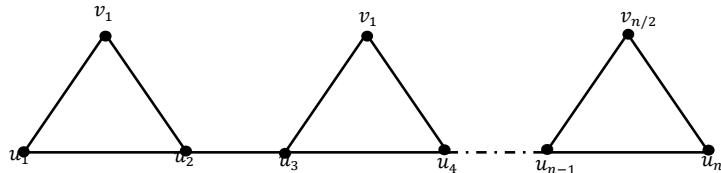


Figure 3:

Here we consider two cases

Case (i): If n is even

Define a function $f: V(A(T_n)) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$ by

$$f(u_1) = k + 3$$

$$f(u_{2i-1}) = k + 7(i-1), \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n/2$$

$$f(u_{2i}) = k + 7i - 2, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n/2$$

$$f(v_1) = k$$

$$f(v_i) = k + 7i - 4, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n/2.$$

Then the induced edge labels are

$$f^*(u_1u_2) = k + 4$$

$$f^*(u_{2i}u_{2i+1}) = k + 7i - 1, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1$$

$$f^*(u_{2i-1}u_{2i}) = k + 7i - 5, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n/2$$

$$f^*(u_{2i-1}v_i) = k + 7i - 6, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n/2$$

$$f^*(u_2v_1) = k + 2$$

$$f^*(u_{2i}v_i) = k + 7i - 3, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n/2.$$

Case (ii) : If n is odd

Define a function $f: V(A(T_n)) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$ by

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$$\begin{aligned}
 f(u_1) &= k + 3 \\
 f(u_{2i-1}) &= k + 7(i - 1), \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n+1}{2} \\
 f(u_{2i}) &= k + 7i - 2, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\
 f(v_1) &= k \\
 f(v_i) &= k + 7i - 4, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

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 f^*(u_{2i-1} u_{2i}) &= k + 7i - 5, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\
 f^*(u_{2i-1} v_i) &= k + 7i - 6, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\
 f^*(u_2 v_1) &= k + 2 \\
 f^*(u_{2i} v_i) &= k + 7i - 3, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $f(V) \cup \{f^*(e) : e \in E(G)\} = \{k, k + 1, k + 2, \dots, k + p + q - 1\}$.

Hence $A(T_n)$, is a k -Super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 2$, if the triangle starts from the first vertex of $A(T_n)$.

Example 3.2.

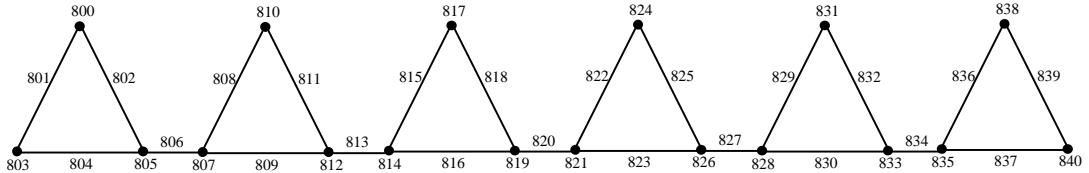


Figure 4: 800 – Super harmonic mean labeling of $A(T_{12})$

Theorem 3.3. An Alternate Triangular snake $A(T_n)$ ($n \geq 3$) is k - super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 1$, if the triangle starts from the second vertex of $A(T_n)$.

Proof: The ordinary labeling is

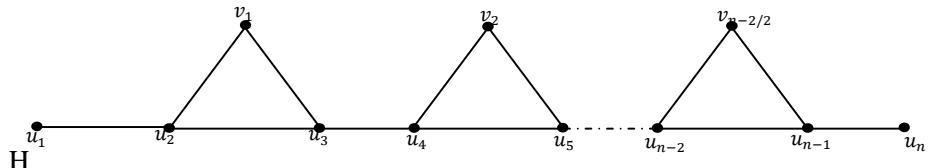


Figure 5:

Here we consider two cases

Case (i): If n is even

Define a function $f: V(A(T_n)) \rightarrow \{k, k + 1, k + 2, \dots, k + p + q - 1\}$ by

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(u_{2i-1}) &= k + 7(i - 1), \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n/2 \\
 f(u_{2i}) &= k + 7i - 5, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n/2
 \end{aligned}$$

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$$f(v_i) = k + 7i - 2, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}.$$

Then the induced edge labels are

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(u_{2i-1}u_{2i}) &= k + 7i - 6, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n/2 \\ f^*(u_{2i}u_{2i+1}) &= k + 7i - 3, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2} \\ f^*(u_{2i}v_i) &= k + 7i - 4, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2} \\ f^*(u_{2i+1}v_i) &= k + 7i - 1, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Case (ii) : If n is odd

Define a function $f: V(A(T_n)) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$ by

$$\begin{aligned} f(u_{2i-1}) &= k + 7(i-1), \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+1}{2} \\ f(u_{2i}) &= k + 7i - 5, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\ f(v_i) &= k + 7i - 2, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

Then the induced edge labels are

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(u_{2i-1}u_{2i}) &= k + 7i - 6, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\ f^*(u_{2i}u_{2i+1}) &= k + 7i - 3, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\ f^*(u_{2i}v_i) &= k + 7i - 4, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\ f^*(u_{2i+1}v_i) &= k + 7i - 1, \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Thus $f(V) \cup \{f^*(e): e \in E(G)\} = \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$.

Hence $A(T_n)$ is a k-Super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 1$, if the triangle starts from the second vertex of $A(T_n)$.

Example 3.3.

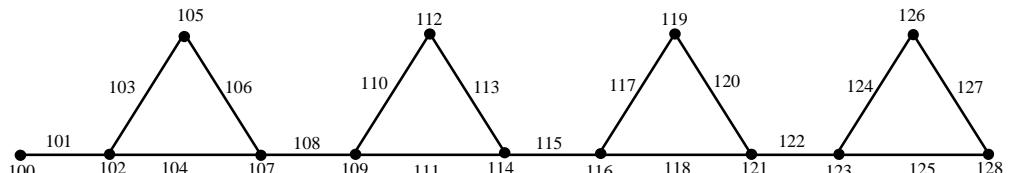


Figure 6: 100 – Super harmonic mean labeling of $A(T_9)$

Theorem 3.4. A Quadrilateral snake Q_n ($n \geq 2$) is k - super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 2$.

Proof: Let $V(Q_n) = \{u_i : 1 \leq i \leq n, v_i, w_i : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$

$$E(Q_n) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, u_i v_i, v_i w_i, w_i u_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$$

be denoted as in the following figure

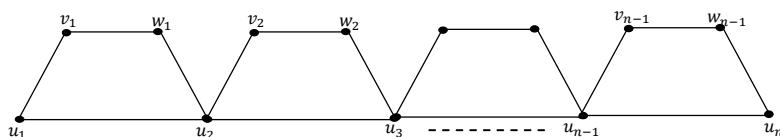


Figure7:

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First we label the vertices as follows

Define a function $f: V(Q_n) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$ by

$$\begin{aligned} f(u_1) &= \begin{cases} k+5 & \text{if } k=2 \\ k+4 & \text{if } k \geq 3 \end{cases} \\ f(u_i) &= k+7i-7, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n \\ f(v_1) &= k \\ f(v_i) &= k+7i-5, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f(w_1) &= k+3 \\ f(w_i) &= k+7i-2, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1. \end{aligned}$$

Then the induced edge labels are

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(u_1u_2) &= k+6 \\ f^*(u_iu_{i+1}) &= k+7i-4, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f^*(u_1v_1) &= k+2 \\ f^*(u_iv_i) &= k+7i-6, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f^*(w_1u_2) &= \begin{cases} k+4 & \text{if } k=2 \\ k+5 & \text{if } k \geq 3 \end{cases} \\ f^*(w_iu_{i+1}) &= k+7i-1, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ f^*(v_1w_1) &= k+1 \\ f^*(v_iv_i) &= k+7i-3, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $f(V) \cup \{f^*(e): e \in E(G)\} = \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$.

Hence Q_n is a k -Super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 2$.

Example 3.4.

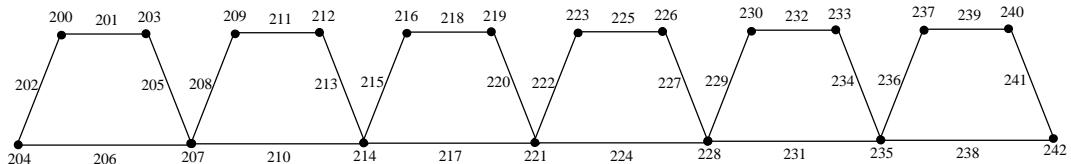


Figure 8: 200 – super harmonic mean labeling of Q_7

Theorem 3.5. An alternate Quadrilateral snake $A(Q_n)$ ($n \geq 3$) is k - super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 2$, if the quadrilateral starts from the first vertex of $A(Q_n)$.

Proof: Consider a path u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n .

To construct alternate quadrilateral snake join u_i and u_{i+1} alternatively to new vertices v_i, w_i respectively and then joining v_i and w_i

The ordinary labeling is

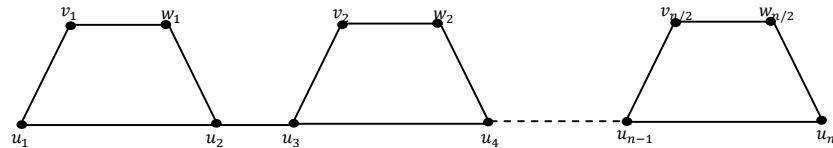


Figure 9:

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Here we consider two cases

Case (i): If n is even

Define a function $f: V(A(Q_n)) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$ by

$$\begin{aligned} f(u_1) &= \begin{cases} k+5 & \text{if } k=2 \\ k+4 & \text{if } k \geq 3 \end{cases} \\ f(u_{2i}) &= k+9i-2, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n/2 \\ f(u_{2i-1}) &= k+9i-9, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n/2 \\ f(v_1) &= k \\ f(v_i) &= k+9i-7, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n/2 \\ f(w_1) &= k+3 \\ f(w_i) &= k+9i-4, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n/2. \end{aligned}$$

Then the induced edge labels are

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(u_1u_2) &= k+6 \\ f^*(u_{2i}u_{2i+1}) &= k+9i-1, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}-1 \\ f^*(u_{2i-1}u_{2i}) &= k+9i-6, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} \\ f^*(u_1v_1) &= k+2 \\ f^*(u_{2i-1}v_i) &= k+9i-6, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n/2 \\ f^*(w_1u_2) &= \begin{cases} k+4 & \text{if } k=2 \\ k+5 & \text{if } k \geq 3 \end{cases} \\ f^*(w_iu_{2i}) &= k+9i-3, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n/2 \\ f^*(v_1w_1) &= k+1 \\ f^*(v_iw_i) &= k+9i-5, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1. \end{aligned}$$

Case (ii) :If n is odd

$$\begin{aligned} f(u_1) &= \begin{cases} k+5 & \text{if } k=2 \\ k+4 & \text{if } k \geq 3 \end{cases} \\ f(u_{2i}) &= k+9i-2, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\ f(u_{2i-1}) &= k+9i-9, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n+1}{2} \\ f(v_1) &= k \\ f(v_i) &= k+9i-7, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\ f(w_1) &= k+3 \\ f(w_i) &= k+9i-4, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

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$$f^*(v_i w_i) = k + 9i - 5, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}.$$

Thus $f(V) \cup \{f^*(e): e \in E(G)\} = \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$.

Hence $A(Q_n)$ is a k -Super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 2$, if the quadrilateral starts from the first vertex of $A(Q_n)$

Example 3.5.

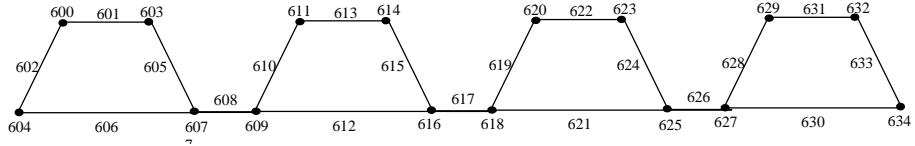


Figure 10: 600-Super harmonic mean labeling of $A(Q_8)$

Theorem 3.6. An alternate Quadrilateral snake $A(Q_n)$ ($n \geq 3$) is k - super harmonic mean graph for all $k \geq 2$, if the quadrilateral starts from the second vertex of $A(Q_n)$.

Proof: The ordinary labeling is

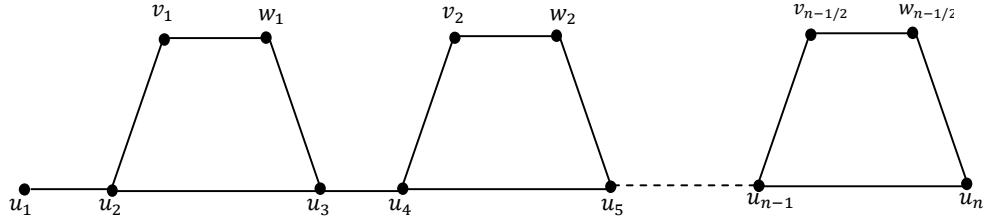


Figure 11:

Here we consider two cases

Case (i): If n is even

Define a function $f: V(AQ_n) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$ by

$$f(u_{2i}) = k + 9i - 7, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n/2$$

$$f(u_{2i-1}) = k + 9i - 9, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n/2$$

$$f(v_1) = \begin{cases} k+5 & \text{if } k=2 \\ k+4 & \text{if } k \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = k + 9i - 5, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1$$

$$f(w_i) = k + 9i - 2, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1.$$

Then the induced edge labels are

$$f^*(u_2 u_3) = \begin{cases} k+4 & \text{if } k=2 \\ k+5 & \text{if } k \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(u_{2i} u_{2i+1}) = k + 9i - 4, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1$$

$$f^*(u_{2i-1} u_{2i}) = k + 9i - 8, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$$

$$f^*(u_{2i} v_i) = k + 9i - 6, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1$$

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$$f^*(v_i w_i) = k + 9i - 3, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1.$$

$$f^*(w_i u_{2i+1}) = k + 9i - 1, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} - 1$$

Case (ii) : If n is odd

Define a function $f: V(AQ_n) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, \dots, k+p+q-1\}$ by

$$f(u_{2i}) = k + 9i - 7, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

$$f(u_{2i-1}) = k + 9i - 9, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$f(v_1) = \begin{cases} k+5 & \text{if } k=2 \\ k+4 & \text{if } k \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = k + 9i - 5, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

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$$f^*(u_{2i} u_{2i+1}) = k + 9i - 4, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

$$f^*(u_{2i-1} u_{2i}) = k + 9i - 8, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

$$f^*(u_{2i} v_i) = k + 9i - 6, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

$$f^*(v_i w_i) = k + 9i - 3, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

$$f^*(w_i u_{2i+1}) = k + 9i - 1, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

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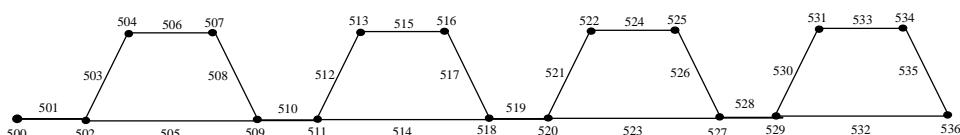


Figure 12: 500-Super harmonic mean labeling of $A(Q_9)$

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