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# Prime Cordial Labeling of Some Graphs Related to H-Graph

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*Abstract.* A prime cordial labeling of a graph G with vertex set V(G) is a bijection f : V(G) → {1, 2, 3, ..., |V(G)|} such that each edge uv is assigned the label 1 if gcd(f(u), f(v)) = 1 and 0 if gcd(f(u), f(v)) > 1, then the number of edges labeled with 0 and the number of edges labeled with 1 differ by at most 1. A graph which admits prime cordial labeling is called prime cordial graph. In this paper, we prove that the graphs HOK<sub>1</sub>, P(r.H), C(r.H) and S(r.H) are prime cordial.

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#### **1. Introduction**

We consider only simple, finite, undirected and non-trivial graph G = (V(G), E(G)) with the vertex set V(G) and the edge set E(G). The number of elements of V(G), denoted as |V(G)| while the number of elements of E(G), denoted as |E(G)|. For standard terminology and notations we follow Harary [3]. A graph labeling is an assignment of labels to edges, vertices or both. Cahit. I [1] introduced the concept of cordial labeling in 1987. The concept of cordial labeling was extended to divisor cordial labeling, sum divisor cordial labeling, prime cordial labeling, total cordial labeling, etc., A survey of graph labeling, we refer to Gallian [2].

Vaidya and Shah [10] proved that, some star and bistar related graphs are divisor cordial graphs. Duplication of vertices and edges was introduced by Vaidya and Barasara [9] and they applying this concept to the product cordial graphs. Sugumaran and Rajesh [5] have shown that, Swastik graph  $S_n$ , some graph operations related to Swastik graph, Jelly fish J(n, n) and Petersen graph are sum divisor cordial graphs. Sugumaran and Rajesh [6] proved that Theta graphs and some operations of Theta graph are sum divisor cordial graphs. Sundaram et al. [8] introduced the concept of prime cordial labeling. Sugumaran and Prakash [7] proved that one point union of path of Theta graphs, open

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star of Theta graphs and path union of even copies of Theta graph are prime cordial graphs.

Sugumaran and Mohan [4] have proved prime cordial labeling of the graphs such as butterfly graph, W-graph, H-graph and duplication of edges of an H-graph. In section 2, we summarize the necessary definitions and notations which are useful for the present work. In section 3, we proved that the graphs such as  $HOK_1$ , path union of r copies of Hgraph, cycle union of r copies of H-graph and open star of r copies of H-graph are prime cordial graphs. An application of graph labeling is discussed in [11].

#### 2. Definitions

In this section, we will provide a brief summary of definitions, which are necessary for the present investigation.

**Definition 2.1.** A mapping  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is called *binary vertex labeling* of G and f(v) is called the label of the vertex v of G under f.

**Definition 2.2.** A binary vertex labeling f of a graph G is called a *cordial labeling* if  $|v_f(0) - v_f(1)| \le 1$  and  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ , where

 $v_{f}(i) =$  number of vertices of G having label i  $e_{f}(i) =$  number of edges of G having label i

**Definition 2.3.** [8]A *prime cordial labeling* of G with vertex set V(G) is a bijection f : V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {1, 2, 3, ..., |V(G)|} such that each edge uv is assigned the label 1 if gcd (f(u), f(v)) = 1 and 0 if gcd (f(u), f(v)) > 1, then the number of edges labeled with 1 and the number of edges labeled with 0 differ by at most 1. A graph which admits prime cordial labeling is called prime cordial graph.

**Definition 2.4.** The graph  $HOK_1$  is obtained by adding a pendant edge to each vertex of an H-graph.

**Definition 2.5.** The *path union of a graph* G is the graph obtained from a path  $P_n$  ( $n \ge 2$ ) by replacing each vertex of the path by graph G and it is denoted by P(n.G).

**Definition 2.6.** The *cycle union of a graph* G is the graph obtained from a cycle  $C_n$  ( $n \ge 3$ ) by replacing each vertex of the cycle by graph G and it is denoted by C(n.G).

**Definition 2.7.** The *open star of a graph* G is the graph obtained from a star graph  $K_{1,n}$  ( $n \ge 2$ ) by replacing each vertex(except the apex vertex) of the star by graph G and it is denoted by S(n.G).

### 3. Main results

In this section, we proved that some of the graphs related to H-graph are prime cordial graphs.

**Theorem 3. 1.** The graph HOK<sub>1</sub> admits prime cordial labeling.

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**Proof:** Consider an H graph with 2n vertices. Let  $G = HOK_1$ . Let  $V(H) = \{u_i, v_i: 1 \le i \le n\}$ . Let  $u'_1, u'_2, u'_3, \dots, u'_n$ , be the pendant vertices connected to  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n$  respectively and let  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3, \dots, v'_n$ , be the pendant vertices connected to  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  respectively in G. Then |V(G)| = 4n and |E(G)| = 4n - 1. We define the vertex labeling function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 4n\}$  as follows.

 $f(u_i) = 4i - 3$ ;  $1 \le i \le n$ .

 $f(v_i) = 4i - 2$ ;  $1 \le i \le n$ .

 $f(u_i) = 4i - 1$ ;  $1 \le i \le n$ .

f  $(v'_i) = 4i$ ;  $1 \le i \le n$ . In view of the labeling pattern defined above, we have  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ . Hence G is a prime cordial graph.

**Example 3. 1.** Prime cordial labeling of the graph H<sub>5</sub>OK<sub>1</sub> is shown in Figure 1.



Figure 1: Prime cordial labeling of H<sub>5</sub>OK<sub>1</sub>

Theorem 3.2. The Path union of r copies of H-graph is a prime cordial graph.

**Proof:** Consider an H-graph with 2n vertices. Let G = P(r.H) be the Path union of r copies of H-graph. In graph G, |V(G)| = 2nr and |E(G)| = 2nr - 1. We denote  $u_i^k$  and  $v_i^k$  are the  $i^{th}$  vertex in the  $k^{th}$  copy of the first and second path in the H-graph respectively, where i = 1, 2, 3, ..., n and k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r. Notice that the vertices  $v_1^k$  and  $v_1^{k+1}$  are connected by an edge in G, where k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r - 1. To define the vertex labeling function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ..., 2nr\}$  as follows. f  $(u_i^k) = 2i - 1$ ;  $(k - 1)n + 1 \le i \le kn, k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r$ .

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 $f(v_i^k) = 2i$ ;  $(k-1)n + 1 \le i \le kn, k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r.$ 

If n is even, then we interchange the labels of the vertices  $v_{\frac{n}{2}}^{k}$  with  $v_{\frac{n}{2}+1}^{k}$ , k = 1, 2, 3, ...,r. In view of the labeling pattern defined above, we have  $|e_{f}(0) - e_{f}(1)| = 1$ . Hence G is a prime cordial graph.

**Example 3. 2.** Prime cordial labeling of the graph P(3. H<sub>4</sub>) is shown in Figure 2.



Figure 2: Prime cordial labeling of graph P(3. H<sub>4</sub>)

**Theorem 3.3.** The Cycle union of r copies of an H-graph is a prime cordial graph.

**Proof:** Consider an H-graph with 2n vertices. Let G = C(r,H) be the cycle union of r copies of H-graph. In graph G, |V(G)| = 2nr and |E(G)| = 2nr. We denote  $u_i^k$  and  $v_i^k$  are the  $i^{th}$  vertex in the  $k^{th}$  copy of the first and second path in the H-graph respectively, where i = 1, 2, 3, ..., n and k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r. Notice that the vertices  $v_1^k$  and  $v_1^{k+1}$  are connected by an edge and the vertices  $v_1^r$  and  $v_1^1$  are connected by an edge in G, where k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r - 1. To define the vertex labeling function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ..., 2nr\}$  as follows.

f  $(u_i^k) = 2i - 1$ ;  $(k - 1)n + 1 \le i \le kn$ , k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r. f  $(v_i^k) = 2i$ ;  $(k - 1)n + 1 \le i \le kn$ , k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r. If n is even, then we interchange the labels of the vertices  $v_{\frac{n}{2}}^k$  with  $v_{\frac{n}{2}+1}^k$ , k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r. In view of the labeling pattern defined above, we have  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| = 0$ . Hence G is a prime cordial graph.

**Example 3.3.** Prime cordial labeling of the graph  $C(4, H_3)$  is shown in Figure 3.



Figure 3: Prime cordial labeling of C(4. H<sub>3</sub>)

**Theorem 3.4.** The Open star of r copies of an H-graph is a prime cordial graph. **Proof:** Consider an H-graph with 2n vertices. Let G = S(r,H) be the open star of r copies of H-graph. In graph G, |V(G)| = 2nr + 1 and |E(G)| = 2nr. We denote  $u_i^k$  and  $v_i^k$  are the  $i^{th}$  vertex in the  $k^{th}$  copy of the first and second path of the H-graph respectively, where i = 1, 2, 3, ..., n and k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r. Let w be the apex vertex of G. Also we join the

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vertices  $v_1^k$  with w by an edge in G, where k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r. We define the vertex labeling function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ..., 2nr + 1\}$  as follows.  $f(u_i^k) = 2i - 1$ ;  $(k - 1)n + 1 \le i \le kn$ , k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r.  $f(v_i^k) = 2i$ ;  $(k - 1)n + 1 \le i \le kn$ , k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r. f(w) = 2nr + 1.

If n is even, we interchange the labels of the vertices  $v_{\frac{n}{2}}^{k}$  with  $v_{\frac{n}{2}+1}^{k}$ , k = 1, 2, 3, ..., r and further we interchange the labels of the vertices w with  $v_{n}^{r}$ . In view of the labeling pattern defined above, we have  $|e_{f}(0) - e_{f}(1)| = 1$ . Hence G is a prime cordial graph.

**Example 3. 4.** Prime cordial labeling of the graph S(4. H<sub>3</sub>) is shown in Figure 4.



**Figure 4:** Prime cordial labeling of S(4. H<sub>3</sub>)

## 4. Conclusion

H-graph is one of the interesting graphs in graph theory. In this paper we proved that the graphs such as  $HOK_1$ , path union of r copies of H-graph, cycle union of r copies of H-graph and open star of r copies of H-graph are prime cordial graphs. Extending our results to various other graph operations related to H-graph is an interesting open area of research.

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