

# Near Difference Cordial Labeling Of Some Graphs

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**Abstract-** Let  $G$  be a  $(p, q)$  graph. Let  $f$  be a map from  $V(G)$  to  $\{1, 2, \dots, p - 1, p + 1\}$ . For each edge  $uv$ , assign the label  $|f(u) - f(v)|$ .  $f$  is called “near difference cordial labeling”, if  $f$  is 1-1 and  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$  where  $e_f(1)$  and  $e_f(0)$  denote the number of edges labeled with 1 and not labeled with 1 respectively. A graph with a near difference cordial labeling is called a “near difference cordial graph”.

**Keywords-** Near difference cordial graph, Near difference cordial labeling.

## I. INTRODUCTION

A graph  $G$  is a finite nonempty set of objects called vertices together with a set of unordered pairs of distinct vertices of  $G$  called edges. Each pair  $e = \{u, v\}$  of vertices in  $E$  is called edges or a line of  $G$ . In this paper, we proved that the graphs Path ( $P_n$ ), Fan ( $F_n$ ), H-graph ( $H_n$ ),  $C_n^+$ , Ladder  $L_n$  are Near difference cordial graphs.

## II. PRELIMINARIES

Let  $G$  be a  $(p, q)$  graph. Let  $f$  be a map from  $V(G)$  to  $\{1, 2, \dots, p - 1, p + 1\}$ . For each edge  $uv$ , assign the label  $|f(u) - f(v)|$ .  $f$  is called “near difference cordial labeling”, if  $f$  is 1-1 and  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$  where  $e_f(1)$  and  $e_f(0)$  denote the number of edges labeled with 1 and not labeled with 1 respectively. A graph with a near difference cordial labeling is called a “near difference cordial graph”. In this paper, we proved that the graphs path ( $P_n$ ), Fan ( $F_n$ ), H-graph ( $H_n$ ),  $C_n^+$ , Ladder  $L_n$  are Near difference cordial graphs.

### DEFINITION 2.1:

Path is a graph whose vertices can be listed in the order  $(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$  such that the edges are  $\{u_i u_{i+1}\}$  where  $i=1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1$ .

### DEFINITION 2.2:

The join of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is the graph  $G = G_1 + G_2$  with vertex set  $V = V_1 \cup V_2$  and edge set  $E = E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \{uv : u \in V_1, v \in V_2\}$ . The graph  $P_n + K_1$  is called a Fan.

### DEFINITION 2.3:

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

### DEFINITION 2.4:

$C_n^+$  is a graph obtained from cycle of length  $n$  by attaching a pendant vertex from each vertex of the cycle.

### DEFINITION 2.4:

The ladder graph  $L_n$  is a planar undirected graph with  $2n$  vertices and  $3n-2$  edges. The ladder graph can be obtained as the Cartesian product of two path graphs, one of which has only one edge:  $L_{n,1} = P_n \times P_2$

## III. MAIN RESULT

**Theorem 3.1:**  $P_n$  is a near difference cordial graph

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be  $P_n$ .

Let  $V(G) = \{u_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ .

Define,

$$f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, p-1, p+1\}$$

**Case 1:** When  $n$  is odd

**Subcase 1:**  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

Define  $f(u_i) = i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$   
 $f\left(u_{\frac{n+1}{2}+i}\right) = \frac{n+1}{2} + 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-5}{4}$   
 $f(u_{n+1-i}) = \frac{n-1}{2} + 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+3}{4}$

**Subcase 2:**  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

Define  $f(u_i) = i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$   
 $f\left(u_{\frac{n+1}{2}+i}\right) = \frac{n+1}{2} + 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+1}{4}$   
 $f(u_{n+1-i}) = \frac{n-1}{2} + 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-3}{4}$

The edge  $uv$ , assign the label  $|f(u) - f(v)|$ .

Here,  $e_f(0) = \frac{n-1}{2}, e_f(1) = \frac{n-1}{2}$ .

Therefore, the graph  $G$  satisfies the conditions  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence  $P_n$  is a near difference cordial graph.

**Case 2:** When  $n$  is even

**Subcase 1:**  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

Define  $f(u_i) = i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+2}{2}$

$$f\left(u_{\frac{n+2}{2}+i}\right) = \frac{n+2}{2} + 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{4}$$

$$f(u_{n+1-i}) = \frac{n}{2} + 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-4}{4}$$

**Subcase 2:**  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

Define  $f(u_i) = i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+2}{2}$   
 $f\left(u_{\frac{n+2}{2}+i}\right) = \frac{n+2}{2} + 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-6}{4}$   
 $f(u_{n+1-i}) = \frac{n}{2} + 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+2}{4}$

The edge  $uv$ , assign the label  $|f(u) - f(v)|$ .

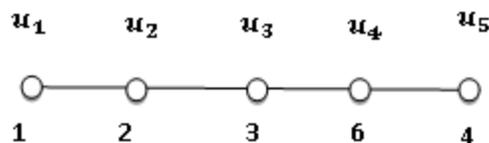
Here,  $e_f(0) = \frac{n-2}{2}$  and  $e_f(1) = \frac{n}{2}$ .

Therefore, the graph  $G$  satisfies the conditions  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence  $P_n$  is a near difference cordial graph.

**Example:** When  $n$  is odd

The near difference cordial labeling of  $P_5$  with  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  as shown in Figure 1



**Fig.1**

The near difference cordial labeling of  $P_7$  with  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  as shown in Figure 2

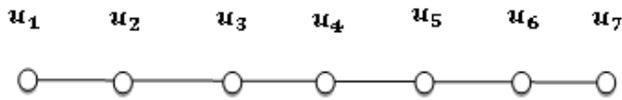


Fig.2

When  $n$  is even

The near difference cordial labeling of  $P_4$  with  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$  as shown in Figure 3



Fig.3

The near difference cordial labeling of  $P_6$  with  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  as shown in Figure 4

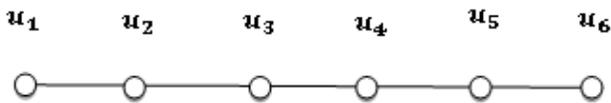


Fig.4

**Theorem 3.2:**The Fan  $F_n$  is near difference cordial graph for all  $n$ .

**Proof:**Let  $F_n = P_n + k_1$

Where,  $P_n$  is the path  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  and  $V(k_1) = \{u\}$ .

Define,

$$f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, p - 1, p + 1\}$$

**Case 1:**When  $n$  is odd

The vertex labels are,

$$\begin{aligned} f(u) &= 1 \\ f(u_i) &= i + 1, 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \\ f(u_n) &= n + 2 \end{aligned}$$

The induced edge labels are,

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(uu_i) &= i, 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \\ f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) &= 1, 1 \leq i \leq n - 2 \\ f^*(u_{n-1} u_n) &= 2 \\ f^*(uu_n) &= n + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $e_f(0) = n$  and  $e_f(1) = n - 1$ .

Therefore, the graph  $F_n$  satisfies the conditions  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence  $F_n$  is near difference cordial graph.

**Case 2:**When  $n$  is even

The vertex labels are,

$$\begin{aligned} f(u) &= 1 \\ f(u_i) &= i + 1, 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \\ f(u_n) &= n + 2 \end{aligned}$$

The induced edge labels are,

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(uu_i) &= i, 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \\ f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) &= 1, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n + 2}{2} \\ f^*(u_{n-1} u_n) &= 2 \\ f^*(uu_n) &= n + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $e_f(0) = n$  and  $e_f(1) = n - 1$

Therefore, the graph  $F_n$  satisfies the conditions  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence,  $F_n$  is near difference cordial graph.

**Example:**The near difference cordial labeling of  $F_7$  and  $F_6$  are shown in Figure 5 & 6

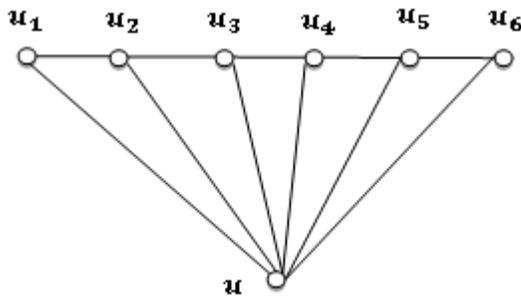


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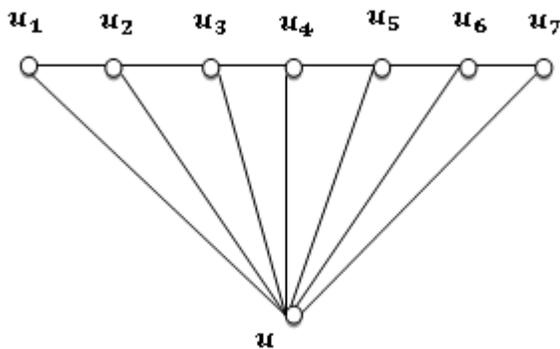


Fig.6

**Theorem 3.3:**The  $H$ -graph  $G$  is a near difference cordial graph.

**Proof:**Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  and  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  be the vertices of the graph  $G$ .

We define a labeling,

$$f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, p-1, p+1\}$$

**Case 1:**When  $n$  is odd

The vertex labels are,

$$f(u_i) = i, 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_i) = n + 2i, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$$

$$f\left(u_{\frac{n+1}{2}+i}\right) = 2n - 2i, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

The induced edge labels are,

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

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

$$\frac{n+3}{2} \leq i \leq n-1 f^*\left(u_{\frac{n+1}{2}} u_{\frac{n+3}{2}}\right) = 3,$$

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

Here,  $e_f(0) = n$  and  $e_f(1) = n-1$ .

Therefore, the graph  $G$  satisfies the conditions  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence  $H$ -graph  $G$  is a near difference cordial graph.

**Case 2:**When  $n$  is even

The vertex labels are,

$$f(v_i) = i, 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_i) = n + 2i - 1, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+2}{2}$$

$$f\left(u_{\frac{n+2}{2}+i}\right) = 2n - 2i, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}$$

The induced edge labels are,

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

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

$$\frac{n+4}{2} \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f^*\left(u_{\frac{n+2}{2}} u_{\frac{n+4}{2}}\right) = 3$$

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

Here,  $e_f(0) = n$  and  $e_f(1) = n - 1$

Therefore, the graph  $G$  satisfies the conditions  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence,  $H$ -graph  $G$  is near difference cordial graph.

**Example:** The near difference cordial labeling of  $H_5$  &  $H_6$  are shown in Figure 7 & 8

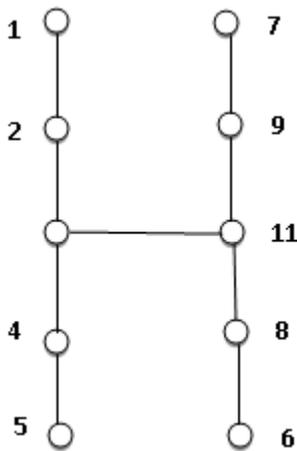


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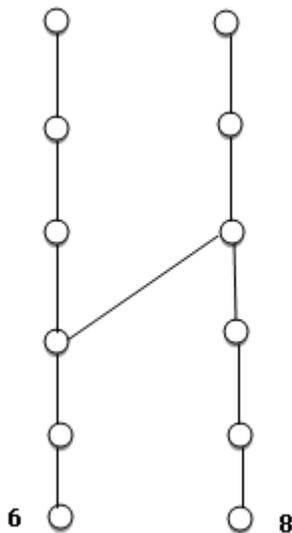


Fig.8

**Theorem 3.4:**  $C_n^+$  is a near difference cordial graph for all  $n$ .

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be a graph.

Let

$$V(G) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$$

$$E(G) \rightarrow \{u_i u_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\} \cup \{u_i v_{n-i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{u_n u_1\}$$

Define,

$$f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, p - 1, p + 1\}$$

When  $n$  is odd, even

The vertex labels are,

$$f(u_i) = i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_i) = n + i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

$$f(v_n) = 2n + 1$$

The induced edge labels are,

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

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

$$f^*(u_n u_1) = n - 1$$

$$f^*(v_1 u_n) = 1$$

$$f^*(v_n u_1) = 2n$$

Here,  $e_f(0) = n$  and  $e_f(1) = n$ .

Therefore, the graph  $C_n^+$  satisfies the conditions  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence  $C_n^+$  is near difference cordial graph.

**Example:** The near difference cordial labeling of  $C_7^+$  &  $C_6^+$  are shown in Figure 9 & 10.

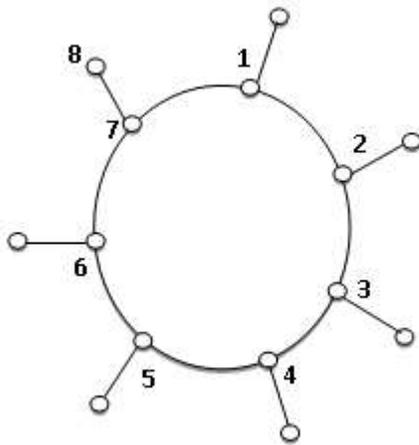


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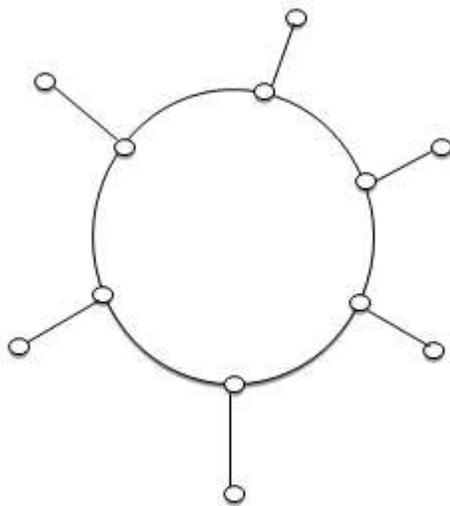


Fig.10

**Theorem 3.5:** Ladder  $L_n$  is a near difference cordial graph.

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be a graph.

Let

$$V(G) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$$

$$E(G) \rightarrow \{u_i u_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{v_i v_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{u_i v_i \mid 2 \leq i \leq n-1\}$$

Define,

$$f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, p-1, p+1\}$$

**Case 1:** When  $n$  is odd

$$\text{Define } f(u_i) = i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_i) = n + i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \quad f(v_{n-3}) = 2n-2$$

$$f(v_{n-i+1}) = \frac{3n-3}{2} + 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$$

The edge  $uv$ , assign the label  $|f(u) - f(v)|$ .

$$\text{Here, } e_f(0) = \frac{3n-3}{2} \text{ and } e_f(1) = \frac{3n-5}{2}.$$

Therefore the graph  $L_n$  satisfies the conditions  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence  $L_n$  is near difference cordial graph.

**Case 2:** When  $n$  is even

$$\text{Define } f(u_i) = i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_i) = n + i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$$

$$f(v_{n-3}) = 2n-2$$

$$f(v_{n-i+1}) = \frac{3n}{2} + 2i - 1,$$

$$1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}$$

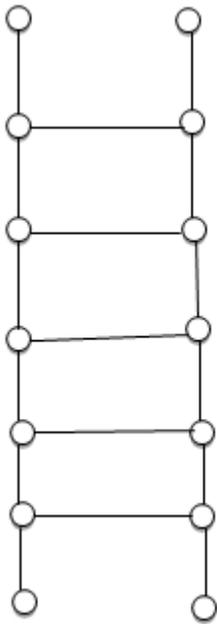
The edge  $uv$ , assign the label  $|f(u) - f(v)|$ .

$$\text{Here, } e_f(0) = \frac{3n-4}{2} \text{ and } e_f(1) = \frac{3n-4}{2}.$$

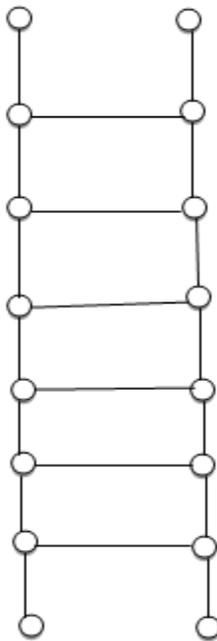
Therefore the graph  $L_n$  satisfies the conditions  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence  $L_n$  is near difference cordial graph.

**Example:** The near difference cordial labeling of  $L_7$  &  $L_8$  are shown in Figure 11 & 12.



**Fig.11**



**Fig.12**

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