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# Lucky Edge Labeling of $K_n$ and Special Types of Graphs

**Research Article** 

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Abstract: Let G be a simple graph with vertex set V(G) and edge set E(G) respectively. Vertex set V(G) is labeled arbitrary by positive integers and E(e) denote the edge label such that it is the sum of labels of vertices incident with edge e. The labeling is said to be lucky edge labeling if the edge E(G) is a proper coloring of G, that is, if we have  $E(e_1) \neq E(e_2)$  whenever  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  are adjacent edges. The least integer k for which a graph G has a lucky edge labeling from the set  $\{1, 2, \ldots, k\}$  is the lucky number of G denoted by  $\eta(G)$ . A graph which admits lucky edge labeling is the lucky edge labeled graph. In this paper, we proved that complete graph  $K_n$ , tadpole graph  $T_{m,n}$  and rectangular book  $B_p^4$  are lucky edge labeled graphs.

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## 1. Introduction

In 1967, Rosa [4] introduced the concept of labeling the edges and Golomb [2] gave the name graceful for such labelings. Gallian [1] has given a dynamic survey of graph labeling. Many graphs are constructed from standard graphs by using various operations. Nellai Murugan [3] introduced the concept of lucky edge labeling. In this paper, lucky edge labeling of  $K_n$ ,  $K_{m,n}$ ,  $T_{m,n}$  and  $B_p^4$  are discussed.

## 2. Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1.** Let G be a simple graph with vertex set V(G) and edge set E(G) respectively. Vertex set V(G) is labeled arbitrary by positive integers and E(e) denote the edge label such that it is the sum of labels of vertices incident with edge e. The labeling is said to be lucky edge labeling if the edge E(G) is a proper coloring of G, that is, if we have  $E(e_1) \neq E(e_2)$ whenever  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  are adjacent edges. The least integer k for which a graph G has a lucky edge labeling from the set  $\{1, 2, \ldots, k\}$  is the lucky number of G denoted by  $\eta(G)$ . A graph which admits lucky edge labeling is the lucky edge labeled graph.

**Definition 2.2.** A graph G in which any two distinct vertices are adjacent is called complete graph  $K_n$ . A complete graph with n vertices is denoted by  ${}_nC_2$ .

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**Definition 2.3.** A graph G is called a complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$  with bipartition  $V(G) = V_1 \cup V_2$  where  $V_1 = \{x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_m\}$  and  $V_2 = \{y_1, y_2, \ldots, y_n\}$  and all vertices in  $V_1$  are adjacent to all vertices in  $V_2$  but no vertices in  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ .

**Definition 2.4.** The tadpole graph  $T_{m,n}$  are also called dragon graph is the graph obtained by joining a cycle  $C_m$  to a path  $P_n$  with a bridge.

**Definition 2.5.** One edge union of cycles of same length is called a book. The common edge is called base of the book. If we consider t copies of cycles of length  $n \ge 3$ , the book is denoted by  $B_n^t$ . If n = 4, then the book B is called book with rectangular (or quadrilateral).

## 3. Main Results

**Theorem 3.1.** Lucky number of complete graph  $K_n$  is  $\eta(K_n) = 2n - 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V_1, V_2, \ldots, V_n$  be the vertices of  $K_n$ . Then  $|V(K_n)| = n$  and  $|E(K_n)| = \binom{n}{2}$ . The vertex and edge labeling are defined as follows:

$$f(v_i) = i, \quad 1 \le i \le n.$$
  
$$f * (v_i v_j) = i + j, \quad 1 \le i, j \le n.$$

Therefore, lucky number of  $K_n$  is  $\eta(K_n) = 2n - 1$ .

**Illustration 3.2.** Lucky edge labeling of  $K_5$  is shown in the Figure 1 and  $\eta(K_5) = 9$ .



**Remark 3.3.** Lucky number of complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$  is  $\eta(K_{m,n}) = m + n$ .

**Theorem 3.4.**  $T_{m,n}$  has  $\{a, b, c\}$  lucky edge labeling graph, for any  $a, b, c \in N$ .

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n$  be the vertices of the path  $P_n$  and  $v_{n+1}, v_{n+2}, \ldots, v_{n+m} = v_p$  be the vertices of cycle  $C_m$ . So that the length of tadpole graph  $T_{m,n}$  is p = m + n.

Case(i): Both m and n are even or odd



**Subcase(i):** When  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ ,  $n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $f: V[T_{m,n}] \to \{1, 2, 3\}$  be defined by

$$f(v_{2i}) = \begin{cases} 1 & i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \\ 2 & i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p}{2}\right) - 1 \\ f(v_{2i-1}) = \begin{cases} 1 & i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \\ 2 & i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p}{2}\right) \\ f(v_i) = 3, \quad i = p. \end{cases}$$

Then the induced edge labeling are

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 2 & i \equiv 1 \mod 4 \\ 3 & i \equiv 0, 2 \mod 4 \\ 4 & i \equiv 3 \mod 4 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le p-2$$

 $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 5$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 4$ , when  $m, n \equiv 0 \mod 4$  and  $m \equiv 3 \mod 4$ ,  $n \equiv 1 \mod 4$ .  $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 4$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 5$ , when  $m \equiv 0 \mod 4$ ,  $n \equiv 2 \mod 4$  and  $m, n \equiv 3 \mod 4$ . It is clear that the lucky edge labeling of  $T_{m,n}$  is  $\{2, 3, 4, 5\}$ . Therefore, Lucky number is  $\eta(T_{m,n}) = 5$ . For example, lucky edge labeling of  $T_{8,2}$  is shown in the Figure 2.



Figure 2.

**Subcase(ii):** When  $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $f: V[T_{m,n}] \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3\}$  be defined by

$$f(v_{2i}) = \begin{cases} 1 & i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \\ 2 & i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p}{2}\right) - 1 \\ f(v_{2i-1}) = \begin{cases} 1 & i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \\ 2 & i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p}{2}\right) - 1 \\ f(v_i) = 3, \quad i = p - 1, p. \end{cases}$$

Then the induced edge labeling are

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 2 \ i \equiv 1 \mod 4 \\ 3 \ i \equiv 0, 2 \mod 4 \\ 4 \ i \equiv 3 \mod 4 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le p-3$$

 $f^*(v_{p-2}v_{p-1}) = 5$ ,  $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 6$ , and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 4$ , when  $n \equiv 0 \mod 4$ .  $f^*(v_{p-2}v_{p-1}) = 4$ ,  $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 6$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 5$ , when  $n \equiv 2 \mod 4$ . It is clear that the lucky edge labeling of  $T_{m,n}$  is  $\{2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ . Therefore, Lucky number is  $\eta(T_{m,n}) = 6$ . For example, lucky edge labeling of  $T_{10,2}$  is shown in the Figure 3.

Figure 3.

**Subcase(iii):** When  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  and  $n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $f: V[T_{m,n}] \to \{1,2,3\}$  be defined by

$$f(v_{2i}) = \begin{cases} 1 & i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \\ 2 & i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p}{2}\right) - 1 \\ f(v_{2i-1}) = \begin{cases} 1 & i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \\ 2 & i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p}{2}\right) \\ f(v_i) = 3, \ i = p. \end{cases}$$

Then the induced edge labeling are

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 2 & i \equiv 2 \mod 4 \\ 3 & i \equiv 1, 3 \mod 4 \\ 4 & i \equiv 0 \mod 4 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le p-3$$

 $f^*(v_{p-2}v_{p-1}) = 4$ ,  $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 5$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 4$ , when  $n \equiv 1 \mod 4$ .  $f^*(v_{p-2}v_{p-1}) = 2$ ,  $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 4$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 5$ , when  $n \equiv 3 \mod 4$ . It is clear that the lucky edge labeling of  $T_{m,n}$  is  $\{2,3,4,5\}$ . Therefore, Lucky number is  $\eta(T_{m,n}) = 5$ . For example, Lucky edge labeling of  $T_{5,3}$  is shown in the Figure 4.



Figure 4.

Case(ii): When m-even, n-odd and m-odd, n-even

**Subcase(i):** When  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ ,  $n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $f: V[T_{m,n}] \to \{1, 2, 3\}$  be defined by

$$f(v_{2i}) = \begin{cases} 1 & i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \\ 2 & i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right) \\ f(v_{2i-1}) = \begin{cases} 1 & i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \\ 2 & i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right) \\ f(v_i) = 3, \ i = p. \end{cases}$$

Then the induced edge labeling are

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 2 & i \equiv 1 \mod 4 \\ 3 & i \equiv 0, 2 \mod 4 \\ 4 & i \equiv 3 \mod 4 \end{cases}$$

 $f^*(v_{p-2}v_{p-1}) = 4$ ,  $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 5$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 4$ , when  $m \equiv 0 \mod 4$ ,  $n \equiv 1 \mod 4$  and  $m \equiv 1 \mod 4$ ,  $n \equiv 0 \mod 4$ .  $f^*(v_{p-2}v_{p-1}) = 2$ ,  $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 4$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 5$ , when  $m \equiv 1 \mod 4$ ,  $n \equiv 2 \mod 4$  and  $m \equiv 0 \mod 4$ ,  $n \equiv 3 \mod 4$ . It is clear that the lucky edge labeling of  $T_{m,n}$  is  $\{2,3,4,5\}$ . Therefore, Lucky number is  $\eta(T_{m,n}) = 5$ . For example, lucky edge labeling of  $T_{4,5}$  is shown in the Figure 5.

Figure 5.

Subcase(ii): When  $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $f: V[T_{m,n}] \to \{1, 2, 3\}$  be defined by

$$f(v_{2i}) = \begin{cases} 1 & i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \\ 2 & i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right) - 1$$
$$f(v_{2i-1}) = \begin{cases} 1 & i \equiv 1 \mod 2 \\ 2 & i \equiv 0 \mod 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)$$
$$f(v_i) = 3, \ i = p - 1, \ p.$$

Then the induced edge labeling are

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 2 & i \equiv 1 \mod 4 \\ 3 & i \equiv 0, 2 \mod 4 \\ 4 & i \equiv 3 \mod 4 \end{cases}$$

 $f^*(v_{p-2}v_{p-1}) = 4$ ,  $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 6$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 4$ , when  $n \equiv 1 \mod 4$ ,  $f^*(v_{p-2}v_{p-1}) = 5$ ,  $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 6$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 5$ , when  $n \equiv 3 \mod 4$ . It is clear that the lucky edge labeling of  $T_{m,n}$  is  $\{2,3,4,5,6\}$ . Therefore, Lucky number is  $\eta(T_{m,n}) = 6$ . For example, lucky edge labeling of  $T_{10,1}$  is shown in the Figure 6.



#### Figure 6.

**Subcase(iii):** When  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$ . Let  $f: V[T_{m,n}] \to \{1, 2, 3\}$  be defined by

$$f(v_{2i}) = \begin{cases} 1 \ i \equiv 1 \ mod \ 2 \\ 2 \ i \equiv 0 \ mod \ 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)$$
$$f(v_{2i-1}) = \begin{cases} 1 \ i \equiv 0 \ mod \ 2 \\ 2 \ i \equiv 1 \ mod \ 2 \end{cases} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{p-1}{2}\right)$$
$$f(v_i) = 3, \ i = p.$$

Then the induced edge labeling are

$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 2 & i \equiv 2 \mod 4 \\ 3 & i \equiv 1, 3 \mod 4 \\ 4 & i \equiv 0 \mod 4 \end{cases}$$

 $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 4$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 5$ , when  $n \equiv 0 \mod 4$ .  $f^*(v_{p-1}v_p) = 5$  and  $f^*(v_pv_{n+1}) = 4$ , when  $n \equiv 2 \mod 4$ . It is clear that the lucky edge labeling of  $T_{m,n}$  is  $\{2, 3, 4, 5\}$ . Therefore, Lucky number is  $\eta(T_{m,n}) = 5$ . For example, lucky edge labeling of  $T_{3,8}$  is shown in the Figure 7.



Figure 7.

**Theorem 3.5.** Lucky number of rectangular book is 2p + 2.

*Proof.* Let u and v be the vertices that connecting common edges of rectangular book and  $u_i$  and  $v_i(1 \le i \le p)$  be the vertices of p pages. Then  $|V(B_4^p)| = 2p + 2$  and  $|E(B_4^p)| = 3p + 1$ . Label the vertices u and v with 1 and  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  with i + 1  $(1 \le i \le p)$  respectively. This induces the lucky edge labeling of the graph. Therefore, Lucky number of rectangular book is  $\eta(B_4^p) = 2p + 2$ .

**Illustration 3.6.** Lucky edge labeling of  $B_4^3$  is shown in the Figure 8 and  $\eta(B_4^3) = 8$ .



#### Figure 8.

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