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# k- Harmonic Mean Labeling of Some Cycle Related Graphs

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Abstract: Somasundaram and Ponraj [12] have introduced the notion of mean labeling of graphs. R. Ponraj and D. Ramya introduced Super mean labeling of graphs in [5]. S. Somasundaram and S.S. Sandhya introduced the concept of Harmonic mean labeling in [6] and studied their behavior in [7–9]. In this paper, we investigate k-harmonic mean labeling of some 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 J.A. Gallian (2016) can be found in [1]. If the domain of the mapping is the set of vertices (or edges) then the labeling is called a vertex labeling (or an edge labeling). Somasundaram and Ponraj [12] have introduced the notion of mean labeling of graphs. R. Ponraj and D. Ramya introduced Super mean labeling of graphs in [5]. S. Somasundaram and S.S. Sandhya introduced the concept of Harmonic mean labeling in [6] and studied their behavior in [7–9]. In this paper, we investigate k-harmonic mean labeling of some graphs.

### 1.1. Basic Definitions

**Definition 1.1.** Let G be a (p,q) graph. A function f is called a harmonic mean labeling of a graph G if  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ..., q+1\}$  is injection and the induced edge function  $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, ..., q\}$  defined as

$$f^*(e = uv) = \left\lceil \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u) + f(v)} \right\rceil or \left\lfloor \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u) + f(v)} \right\rfloor$$

is bijective. The graph which admits harmonic mean labeling is called harmonic mean graph.

**Definition 1.2.** Let G be a (p,q) graph. A function f is called a k-harmonic mean labeling of a graph G if  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, ..., k+q\}$  is injection and the induced edge function  $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, ..., k+q-1\}$  defined as

$$f^*(e = uv) = \left\lceil \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u) + f(v)} \right\rceil or \left\lfloor \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u) + f(v)} \right\rfloor$$

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is bijective. The graph which admits k-harmonic mean labeling is called k-harmonic mean graph.

**Definition 1.3.** The product  $P_2 \times P_n$  is called a Ladder and it is denoted by  $L_n$ .

**Definition 1.4.** A Triangular ladder  $TL_n$ ,  $n \ge 2$  is a graph obtained from a ladder  $L_n$  by adding the edges  $u_i v_{i+1}$  for  $1 \le i \le n-1$ , where  $u_i$  and  $v_i$   $1 \le i \le n-1$ , are the vertices of  $L_n$  such that  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  and  $v_1, v_2, ..., v_n$  are two paths of length n in  $L_n$ 

**Definition 1.5.** A Triangular snake  $T_n$  is obtained from a path  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  by joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  to a new vertex  $v_i$  for  $1 \le i \le n-1$ .

**Definition 1.6.** A Quadrilateral snake  $Q_n$  is obtained from a path  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  by joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  to new vertices  $v_i$  and  $w_i$  for  $1 \le i \le n-1$  respectively and then joining  $v_i$  and  $w_i$ .

**Definition 1.7.** If G has order n, the corona of G with H,  $G \odot H$  is the graph obtained by taking one copy of G and n copies of H and joining the  $i^{th}$  vertex of G with an edge to every vertex in the  $i^{th}$  copy of H.

## 2. Main Results

**Theorem 2.1.**  $T_n \odot K_1, (n \ge 2)$  is k-harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V(T_n \odot K_1) = \{u_i, x_i; 1 \le i \le n, v_i, y_i; 1 \le i \le n\}; E(T_n \odot K_1) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, u_i v_i, u_{i+1} v_i, v_i y_i; 1 \le i \le n-1; u_i x_i, 1 \le i \le n\}$  be denoted as in the following figure



First we label the vertices as follows. Define a function  $f: V(T_n \odot K_1) \to \{k, k+1, k+2, ..., k+q\}$  by

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

$$f(v_i) = k + 5i - 3, \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n - 1$$
  

$$f(x_1) = k$$
  

$$f(x_2) = k + 4$$
  

$$f(x_i) = k + 5i - 5, \text{ for } 3 \le i \le n$$
  

$$f(y_i) = k + 5i - 2, \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n - 1$$

Then the induced edge labels are

 $f^*(u_1u_2) = k+3$ 

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

$$f^{*}(u_{i}x_{i}) = k + 5i - 5, \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n$$
  

$$f^{*}(u_{i}v_{i}) = k + 5i - 4, \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n - 1$$
  

$$f^{*}(u_{i+1}v_{i}) = k + 5i - 1, \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n - 1$$
  

$$f^{*}(v_{1}y_{1}) = k + 2$$
  

$$f^{*}(v_{i}y_{i}) = k + 5i - 3, \text{ for } 2 \le i \le n - 1.$$

The above defined function f provides k-harmonic mean labeling of the graph. Hence  $T_n \odot K_1$ ,  $(n \ge 2)$  is k-harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

**Example 2.2.** 500-harmonic mean labeling of  $T_6 \odot K_1$  is as follows:



Figure 1. 500-harmonic mean labeling of  $T_6 \odot K_1$ .

**Theorem 2.3.**  $Q_n \odot K_1, (n \ge 2)$  is k - harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V(Q_n \odot K_1) = \{u_i, x_i; 1 \le i \le n, v_i, w_i, y_i, z_i; 1 \le i \le n-1\}; E(Q_n \odot K_1) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, u_i v_i, w_i z_i, v_i y_i, u_{i+1} w_i; 1 \le i \le n-1; u_i x_i, 1 \le i \le n\}$  be denoted as in the following figure



First we label the vertices as follows. Define a function  $f: V(Q_n \odot K_1) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, ..., k+q\}$  by

$$f(u_1) = k + 2$$
  

$$f(u_i) = k + 7i - 6, \text{ for } 2 \le i \le n$$
  

$$f(v_1) = k + 1$$
  

$$f(v_i) = k + 7i - 5, \text{ for } 2 \le i \le n - 1$$
  

$$f(x_1) = k + 3$$

$$f(x_i) = k + 7i - 8, \text{ for } 2 \le i \le n$$
  

$$f(y_1) = k$$
  

$$f(y_i) = k + 7i - 4, \text{ for } 2 \le i \le n - 1$$
  

$$f(w_i) = k + 7i - 3, \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n - 1$$
  

$$f(z_i) = k + 7i - 2, \text{ for } 1 \le i \le n - 1$$

$$f^{*}(u_{1}u_{2}) = \begin{cases} k+4 \text{ if } k \leq 5\\ k+5 \text{ if } k \geq 6 \end{cases}$$

$$f^{*}(u_{i}u_{i+1}) = k+7i-3, \quad \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f^{*}(u_{1}x_{1}) = k+3$$

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

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

$$f^{*}(v_{1}y_{1}) = k$$

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

$$f^{*}(v_{1}w_{1}) = k+2$$

$$f^{*}(v_{i}w_{i}) = k+7i-4, \quad \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq n-1$$

The above defined function f provides k-harmonic mean labeling of the graph. Hence  $Q_n \odot K_1$ ,  $(n \ge 2)$  is k-harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

**Example 2.4.** 550 harmonic mean labeling of  $Q_6 \odot K_1$  is as follows:



Figure 2. 550 harmonic mean labeling of  $Q_6 \odot K_1$ .

**Theorem 2.5.**  $TL_n \odot K_1, (n \ge 2)$  is k - harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V(TL_n \odot K_1) = \{u_i, v_i, x_i, y_i; 1 \le i \le n\}; E(TL_n \odot K_1) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, v_i v_{i+1}, u_i v_{i+1}; 1 \le i \le n - 1, u_i v_i, x_i u_i, y_i v_i; 1 \le i \le n\}$  be denoted as in the following figure



First we label the vertices as follows. Define a function  $f: V(TL_n \odot K_1) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, ..., k+q\}$  by

$$f(u_{1}) = \begin{cases} k+3 \ if \ k \leq 2 \\ k+2 \ if \ k \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$f(u_{i}) = k+6i-3, \qquad for \ 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_{1}) = k+1$$

$$f(v_{i}) = k+6i-6, \qquad for \ 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(x_{1}) = \begin{cases} k+2 \ if \ k \leq 2 \\ k+3 \ if \ k \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$f(x_{i}) = k+6i-4, \qquad for \ 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(y_{1}) = k$$

$$f(y_{1}) = k$$

$$f(y_{i}) = k+6i-7, \qquad for \ 2 \leq i \leq n$$

Then the induced edge labels are

$$f^{*}(u_{1}u_{2}) = k + 5$$

$$f^{*}(u_{i}u_{i+1}) = k + 6i, \quad for \ 2 \le i \le n - 1$$

$$f^{*}(v_{i}v_{i+1}) = k + 6i - 3, \quad for \ 1 \le i \le n$$

$$f^{*}(u_{i}v_{i+1}) = k + 6i - 2, \quad for \ 1 \le i \le n - 1$$

$$f^{*}(u_{i}v_{i}) = k + 6i - 5, \quad for \ 1 \le i \le n$$

$$f^{*}(u_{i}x_{i}) = k + 6i - 4, \quad for \ 1 \le i \le n$$

$$f^{*}(v_{1}y_{1}) = k$$

$$f^{*}(v_{1}y_{2}) = k + 6$$

$$f^{*}(v_{i}y_{i}) = k + 6i - 7, \quad for \ 3 \le i \le n$$

The above defined function f provides k-harmonic mean labeling of the graph. Hence  $TL_n \odot K_1$ ,  $(n \ge 2)$  is k - harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

**Example 2.6.** 300 harmonic mean labeling of  $TL_8 \odot K_1$  is as follows:

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Figure 3. 300 harmonic mean labeling of  $TL_8 \odot K_1$ .

**Theorem 2.7.**  $L_n \odot \overline{k_2} (n \ge 2)$  is k - harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V(L_n \odot \overline{k_2}) = \{u_i, v_i, s_i, t_i, x_i, y_i; 1 \leq i \leq n\}; \quad E(L_n \odot \overline{k_2}) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, v_i v_{i+1}; 1 \leq i \leq n - 1, s_i u_i, t_i u_i, u_i v_i, v_i x_i, v_i y_i; 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  be denoted as in the following figure



First we label the vertices as follows. Define a function  $f: V(L_n \odot \overline{k_2}) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, ..., k+q\}$  by

$f(u_i) = k + 7i - 6,$	for $1 \leq i \leq n$
$f(v_1) = k + 4$	
$f(v_2) = k + 9$	
$f(v_3) = k + 18$	
$f(v_i) = k + 7i - 5,$	for $4 \le i \le n$
$f(x_i) = k + 7i - 4,$	for $1 \leq i \leq n$
$f(y_1) = k + 5$	
$f(y_2) = k + 16$	
$f(y_i) = k + 7i - 2,$	for $3 \le i \le n$
$f(s_1) = k$	
$f(s_i) = k + 7i - 8,$	for $2 \leq i \leq n$
$f(t_1) = k + 2$	
$f(t_i) = k + 7i - 7$ , for $2 \le i \le$	n

$$f^{*}(u_{1}u_{2}) = \begin{cases} k+3 \ if \ k \leq 3 \\ k+4 \ if \ k \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

$$f^{*}(u_{2}u_{3}) = k+11$$

$$f^{*}(u_{3}u_{4}) = k+18$$

$$f^{*}(u_{i}u_{i+1}) = k+7i-2, \qquad for \ 4 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f^{*}(v_{i}v_{i+1}) = k+7i-1, \qquad for \ 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f^{*}(v_{1}x_{1}) = \begin{cases} k+4 \ if \ k \leq 3 \\ k+3 \ if \ k \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

$$f^{*}(v_{1}x_{1}) = \begin{cases} k+4 \ if \ k \leq 3 \\ k+3 \ if \ k \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

$$f^{*}(v_{1}y_{1}) = k+7i-4, \qquad for \ 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f^{*}(v_{2}y_{2}) = k+12$$

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$$f^{*}(v_{3}y_{3}) = k+19$$

$$f^{*}(v_{i}y_{i}) = k+7i-3, \qquad for \ 4 \leq i \leq n$$

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

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

$$f^{*}(u_{i}t_{i}) = k+7i-6, \qquad for \ 1 \leq i \leq n$$

The above defined function f provides k-harmonic mean labeling of the graph. Hence  $L_n \odot \overline{k_2}$ ,  $(n \ge 2)$  is k - harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

**Example 2.8.** 800 harmonic mean labeling of  $L_6 \odot \overline{k_2}$  is as follows:



Figure 4. 800 harmonic mean labeling of  $L_6 \odot \overline{k_2}$ .

**Theorem 2.9.**  $C_{2n+1} \odot K_1, (n \ge 1)$  is k - harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V(C_{2n+1} \odot K_1) = \{v_i, u_i; 1 \le i \le 2n+1\}; E(C_{2n+1} \odot K_1) = \{e_i = (v_i v_{i+1}); 1 \le i \le 2n\} \cup e_{2n+1} = (v_{2n+1}, v_1) \cup \{e'_i = (v_i, u_i); 1 \le i \le 2n+1\}$  be denoted as in the following figure



First we label the vertices as follows. Define a function  $f: V(C_{2n+1} \odot K_1) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, ..., k+q\}$  by

$$f(v_{1}) = k + 1$$

$$f(v_{i}) = k + 4i - 6, \quad for \ 2 \le i \le n + 2$$

$$f(v_{n+i}) = k + 4n - 4i + 9, \quad for \ 3 \le i \le n + 1$$

$$f(u_{1}) = k$$

$$f(u_{i}) = k + 4i - 5, \quad for \ 2 \le i \le n + 1$$

$$f(u_{n+2}) = k + 4n + 1$$

$$f(u_{n+i}) = k + 4n - 4i + 8, \quad for \ 3 \le i \le n + 1$$

$$f^{*}(e_{1}) = k + 1$$

$$f^{*}(e_{i}) = k + 4i - 4, \quad for \ 2 \le i \le n + 1$$

$$f^{*}(e_{n+i}) = k + 4n - 4i + 7, \quad for \ 2 \le i \le n$$

$$f^{*}(u_{i}v_{i}) = k + 5i - 4, \quad for \ 1 \le i \le n - 1$$

$$f^{*}(u_{i+1}v_{i}) = k + 5i - 1, \quad for \ 1 \le i \le n - 1$$

$$f^{*}(e_{1}') = k$$

$$f^{*}(e_{2}') = \begin{cases} k + 3 \ if \ k = 1 \\ k + 2 \ if \ k \ge 2 \end{cases}$$

$$f^{*}(e_{i}') = k + 4i - 6, \quad for \ 3 \le i \le n + 1$$

$$f^{*}(e_{n+i}') = k + 4n - 4i + 9, \quad for \ 2 \le i \le 2n + 1$$

The above defined function f provides k-harmonic mean labeling of the graph. Hence  $C_{2n+1} \odot K_1$ ,  $(n \ge 1)$  is k - harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .





Figure 5. 200 harmonic mean labeling of  $C_{19} \odot K_1$ .

**Theorem 2.11.**  $C_{2n} \odot K_1, (n \ge 2)$  is k - harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V(C_{2n} \odot K_1) = \{v_i, u_i; 1 \le i \le 2n\}; E(C_{2n} \odot K_1) = \{e_i = (v_i v_{i+1}); 1 \le i \le 2n-1\} \cup e_{2n} = (v_{2n}, v_1) \cup \{e_i' = (v_i, u_i); 1 \le i \le 2n\}$  be denoted as in the following figure



Figure 6. 200 harmonic mean labeling of  $C_{19} \odot K_1$ .

First we label the vertices as follows. Define a function  $f: V(C_{2n} \odot K_1) \rightarrow \{k, k+1, k+2, ..., k+q\}$  by

$$f(v_1) = k + 1$$
  

$$f(v_i) = k + 4i - 6, \quad for \ 2 \le i \le n + 1$$
  

$$f(v_{n+i}) = k + 4n - 4i + 5, \ for \ 2 \le i \le n$$
  

$$f(u_1) = k$$
  

$$f(u_i) = k + 4i - 5, \quad for \ 2 \le i \le n + 1$$

$$f(u_{n+2}) = k + 4n + 1$$
  
$$f(u_{n+i}) = k + 4n - 4i + 4, \text{ for } 3 \le i \le n$$

$$f^{*}(e_{1}) = k + 1$$

$$f^{*}(e_{i}) = k + 4i - 4, \quad for \ 2 \le i \le n$$

$$f^{*}(e_{n+1}) = k + 4n - 3$$

$$f^{*}(e_{n+i}) = k + 4n - 4i + 3, \quad for \ 2 \le i \le n - 1$$

$$f^{*}(e_{1}') = k$$

$$f^{*}(e_{1}') = k$$

$$f^{*}(e_{2}') = \begin{cases} k + 3 \ if \ k = 1 \\ k + 2 \ if \ k \ge 2 \end{cases}$$

$$f^{*}(e_{i}') = k + 4i - 6, \quad for \ 3 \le i \le n$$

$$f^{*}(e_{n+1}') = k + 4n - 1$$

$$f^{*}(e_{n+2}') = k + 4n - 2$$

$$f^{*}(e_{n+i}') = k + 4n - 4i + 5, \quad for \ 3 \le i \le n - 1$$

$$f^{*}(e_{2}') = \begin{cases} k + 2 \ if \ k = 1 \\ k + 3 \ if \ k \ge 2 \end{cases}$$

The above defined function f provides k-harmonic mean labeling of the graph. Hence  $C_{2n} \odot K_1$ ,  $(n \ge 2)$  is k - harmonic mean graph for all  $k \ge 1$ .

**Example 2.12.** 100 harmonic mean labeling of  $C_{16} \odot K_1$  is as follows:



Figure 7. 100 harmonic mean labeling of  $C_{16} \odot K_1$ .

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