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# Edge Difference Cordial Labeling of Graphs

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# **Abstract:** We put up a dissimilar of difference cordial labeling namely as edge difference cordial labeling. As interchange the roles of vertices and edges in difference cordial labeling. Let G be a (p,q) graph. Let k be an integer with $1 \le k \le q$ and $f: E(G) \to \{1,2,\ldots,k\}$ be a map. For each vertex v, assign the label $\min |(f(e_i) - f(e_j))|$ . The function f is called an edge difference cordial labeling of G if f is one-to-one map and $|v_f(1) - v_f(0)| \le 1$ where $v_f(x)$ denotes the number of vertices labeled with x ( $x \in \{1,2,\ldots,k\}$ ), $e_f(1)$ and $e_f(0)$ respectively denote the number of edges labeled with 1 and not labeled with 1. A graph with an edge difference cordial labeling is called an edge difference cordial graph. In this paper we investigate some results on newly defined idea.

**Keywords:** Cordial labeling, edges in difference, cordial graph.

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#### 1. Introduction

Getting motivated from the concept of difference cordial labeling we define here edge difference cordial labeling which is defined as follows: Let G be a (p,q) graph. Let k be an integer with  $1 \le k \le q$  and  $f: E(G) \to \{1,2,\ldots,k\}$  be a map. For each vertex v, assign the label  $\min|f(e_i) - f(e_j)|$ . The function f is called an edge difference cordial labeling of G if f is one-to-one map and  $|v_f(1) - v_f(0)| \le 1$  where  $e_f(x)$  denotes the number of vertices labelled with x ( $x \in \{1,2,\ldots,k\}$ ),  $e_f(1)$  and  $e_f(0)$  respectively denote the number of edges labelled with 1 and not labelled with 1. A graph with an edge difference cordial labeling is called an edge difference cordial graph. We introduce in this paper edge difference cordial labeling of graphs. We consider simple, finite, undirected graph G = (V, E). For the standard terminology and notations we follow Harary [1].

**Definition 1.1.** Let G be a (p,q) graph. A bijective vertex labeling function  $f:V(G) \to \{1,2,\ldots,p\}$  is called a difference cordial labeling if for each edge uv, assign the label |f(u) - f(v)| then  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \le 1$ , 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 difference cordial labeling is called a difference cordial graph.

**Definition 1.2.** The wheel  $W_n (n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 3)$  is the join of the graphs  $C_n$  and  $K_1$ . i.e.  $W_n = C_n + K_1$ . Here vertices corresponding to  $C_n$  are called rim vertices and  $C_n$  is called rim of  $W_n$ . The vertex corresponding to  $K_1$  is called apex vertex.

**Definition 1.3.** A helm  $H_n(n \ge 3)$  is the graph obtained from the wheel  $W_n$  by adding a pendant edge at each vertex on the rim of  $W_n$ .

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**Definition 1.4.** A gear graph  $G_n(n \ge 3)$  is obtained from the wheel  $W_n$  by adding a vertex between every pair of adjacent vertices on rim of  $W_n$ .

**Definition 1.5.** A one point union  $C_n^{(k)}$  of k copies of cycles is the graph obtained by taking v as a common vertex such that any pair cycles are edge disjoint and do not have any vertex in common except v.

**Definition 1.6.** A closed helm  $CH_n$  is the graph obtained by taking a helm  $H_n$  and adding edges between the pendant vertices.

**Definition 1.7.** The flower  $fl_n$  is the graph obtained from a helm  $H_n$  by joining each pendent vertex to the apex of the  $H_n$ . It contains three types of vertices, an apex of degree 2n, n vertices of degree 4 and n vertices of degree 2.

## 2. Edge Difference Cordial Labeling of Graphs

Here we have prove that cycle, wheel for odd n, helm, gear, closed helm,  $C_n^{(t)}$  and flower graph are edge difference cordial graphs.

**Theorem 2.1.**  $C_n$  admits an edge difference cordial labeling.

Proof. Let  $E(C_n) = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  and  $V(C_n) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ , where  $e_i = v_i v_{i+1}, 1 \le i \le n-1$  and  $e_n = v_n v_1$ . We define labeling function  $f: E(C_n) \to \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  as follows.

Case 1: n is odd.

$$f(e_{2i-1}) = \begin{cases} 4i - 3; \ 1 \le i \le \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{4} \right\rceil. \\ 2(n - 2i) + 5; \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{4} \right\rceil + 1 \le i \le \frac{n+1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

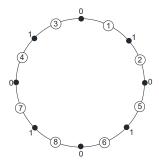
$$f(e_{2i}) = \begin{cases} 4i - 2; \ 1 \le i \le \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{4} \right\rfloor. \\ 2(n - 2i) + 2; \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{4} \right\rfloor + 1 \le i \le \frac{n-1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Case 2: n is even.

$$f(e_{2i-1}) = \begin{cases} 4i - 3; \ 1 \le i \le \lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil, \\ 2(n - 2i) + 4; \lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil + 1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}, \end{cases}$$
$$f(e_{2i}) = \begin{cases} 4i - 2; \ 1 \le i \le \lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil, \\ 2(n - 2i) + 3; \lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil + 1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}. \end{cases}$$

Then  $C_n$  satisfies the conditions for edge difference cordial labeling i.e.  $|v_f(1) - v_f(0)| \le 1$  and hence  $C_n$  is edge difference cordial graph.

**Example 2.2.** Edge difference cordial labeling of  $C_8$  is shown in Figure 1.



#### Figure 1.

**Theorem 2.3.**  $W_n$  admits an edge difference cordial labeling when n is odd.

Proof. Let  $V_{W_n} = \{v_0, v_1, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $E(W_n) = E_1 \cup E_2$ , where  $E_1 = \{e_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the set of rim edges and  $E_2 = \{e'_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the set of spoke edges. Here  $e_i = \{v_i v_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ ,  $e_n = v_n v_1$  and  $e'_i = \{v_0 v_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ , where  $v_0$  is apex vertex. We define labeling function  $f: E(W_n) \to \{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$  as follows.

$$f(e_{2i-1}) = \begin{cases} 4i - 3; \ 1 \le i \le \left\lceil \frac{n}{4} \right\rceil, \\ 2(n - 2i) + 4; \left\lceil \frac{n}{4} \right\rceil + 1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}. \end{cases}$$

$$f(e_{2i}) = \begin{cases} 4i - 2; \ 1 \le i \le \left\lceil \frac{n}{4} \right\rceil, \\ 2(n - 2i) + 3; \quad \left\lceil \frac{n}{4} \right\rceil + 1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}. \end{cases}$$

$$f(e'_i) = n + i; \ 1 \le i \le n.$$

Then  $W_n$  satisfies the conditions for edge difference cordial labeling i.e.  $|v_f(1) - v_f(0)| \le 1$  and hence  $W_n$  is edge difference cordial graph.

**Example 2.4.** Edge difference cordial labeling of  $W_6$  is shown in Figure 2.

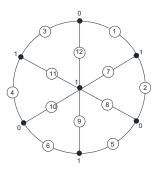


Figure 2.

**Theorem 2.5.**  $H_n$  admits an edge difference cordial labeling.

Proof. Let  $E(H_n) = E_1 \cup E_2 \cup E_3$ , where  $E_1 = \{e_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the set of spoke edges,  $E_2 = \{e'_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the set of rim edges (inner cycle) and  $E_3 = \{e''_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the set of pendant edges of  $W_n$ . Here  $e_i = \{v_0v_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ ,  $e'_{i+1} = \{v_iv_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ ,  $e'_1 = v_nv_1$  and  $e''_i = \{v_iv'_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ , where  $v_0$  is apex vertex,  $v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n$  are rim vertices

corresponding to  $W_n$  and  $v'_1, v'_2, \ldots, v'_n$  are pendant vertices. We define labeling function  $f: E(H_n) \to \{1, 2, \ldots, 3n\}$  as follows.

$$f(e_i) = i;$$
  $1 \le i \le n.$   
 $f(e'_i) = n + i;$   $1 \le i \le n.$   
 $f(e''_i) = 2n + i;$   $1 \le i \le n.$ 

Then the helm graph  $H_n$  satisfies the conditions of an edge difference cordial labeling i.e.  $|v_f(1) - v_f(0)| \le 1$  and hence  $H_n$  is edge difference cordial graph.

**Example 2.6.** Edge difference cordial labeling of  $H_3$  is shown in Figure 3.

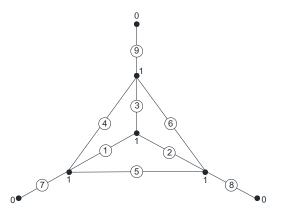


Figure 3.

**Theorem 2.7.** Gear  $G_n$  admits an edge difference cordial labeling.

*Proof.* Let  $V(G_n) = \{v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{2n}\}$ , where  $v_0$  is apex vertex,  $\{v_1, v_3, \dots, v_{2n-1}\}$  are the vertices of degree 3 and  $\{v_2, v_4, \dots, v_{2n}\}$  are the vertices of degree 2. Let  $E(G_n) = E_1 \cup E_2$ , where  $E_1 = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{2n}\}$  and  $E_2 = \{e'_1, e'_2, \dots, e'_n\}$ . Here  $e_i = \{v_i v_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq (2n-1)\}$ ,  $e_{2n} = v_{2n} v_1$  and  $e'_i = \{v_0 v_{2i-1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ . We define labeling function  $f: E(G_n) \to \{1, 2, \dots, 3n\}$  as follows.

$$f(e_{2i+1}) = \begin{cases} 4i+1; & 0 \le i \le \lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor \\ 4(n-i); \lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor + 1 \le i \le (n-1). \end{cases}$$

$$f(e_{2i}) = \begin{cases} 4i-2; & 1 \le i \le \frac{n+1}{2} \\ 4(n-i)+3; & \lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \rfloor + 1 \le i \le n. \end{cases}$$

$$f(e'_i) = 2n+i; & 1 \le i \le n.$$

Then gear graph  $G_n$  satisfies the conditions of edge difference cordial labeling i.e.  $|v_f(1) - v_f(0)| \le 1$  and hence  $G_n$  is edge difference cordial graph.

**Example 2.8.** Edge difference cordial labeling of  $G_4$  is shown in Figure 4.

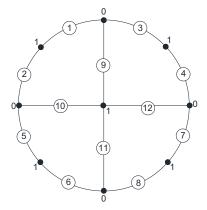


Figure 4.

**Theorem 2.9.**  $C_3^{(t)}$  admits an edge difference cordial labeling.

*Proof.* Let  $V(C_n^{(t)}) = \{v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{2n}\}$ , where  $v_0$  is apex vertex. Let  $E(C_3^{(t)}) = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{3n}\}$ , where  $e_{3i+1} = \{v_{2i+1}v_{2i+2} \mid 0 \le i \le (n-1)\}$ ,  $e_{3i+2} = \{v_0v_{2i+1} \mid 0 \le i \le (n-1)\}$ ,  $e_{3i} = \{v_0v_{2i} \mid 1 \le i \le n\}$ . We define labeling function  $f: E(C_3^{(t)}) \to \{1, 2, \dots, 3n\}$  as follows.

$$f(e_i) = i; \ 1 \le i \le 3n.$$

Then  $C_3^{(t)}$  satisfies the conditions of edge difference cordial labeling i.e.  $|v_f(1) - v_f(0)| \le 1$  and hence  $C_3^{(t)}$  is edge difference cordial graph.

**Example 2.10.** Edge difference cordial labeling of  $C_3^{(5)}$  is shown in Figure 5.

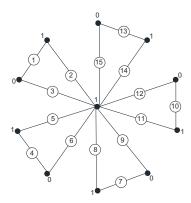


Figure 5.

**Theorem 2.11.**  $CH_n$  admits an edge difference cordial labeling.

Proof. Let  $V(CH_n) = \{v_0\} \cup V_1 \cup V_2$ , where  $v_0$  is apex vertex,  $V_1 = \{v_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the set of vertices of inner cycle and  $\{v_i' \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the set of vertices of outer cycle.  $E(CH_n) = E_1 \cup E_2 \cup E_3 \cup E_4$ , where  $E_1 = \{e_i = v_0v_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the set of spoke edges,  $E_2 = \{e_i' = v_iv_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq (n-1)\} \cup \{e_n' = v_1v_n\}$  is the set of edges of inner cycle,  $E_3 = \{e_i'' = v_iv_i' \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the set of edges which is join by corresponding inner cycle and outer cycle and  $E_4 = \{e_i''' = v_i'v_{i+1}' \mid 1 \leq i \leq (n-1)\} \cup \{e_n''' = v_1'v_n'\}$  is the set of edges of outer cycle. We define labeling function  $f: E(G_n) \to \{1, 2, \dots, 4n\}$  as follows.

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

$$f(e'_i) = 2(n+i) - 1; 1 \le i \le n.$$
  
 $f(e''_i) = 2i;$   $1 \le i \le n.$   
 $f(e'''_i) = 2(n+i);$   $1 \le i \le n.$ 

Then  $CH_n$  satisfies the conditions of edge difference cordial labeling i.e.  $|v_f(1) - v_f(0)| \le 1$  and hence  $CH_n$  is edge difference cordial graph.

Example 2.12. Edge difference cordial labeling of  $CH_6$  is shown in Figure 6.

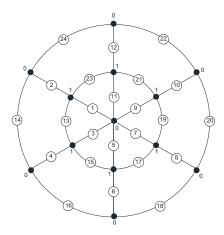


Figure 6.

**Theorem 2.13.**  $fl_n$  admits an edge difference cordial labeling.

Proof. Let  $V(fl_n) = \{v_0\} \cup V_1 \cup V_2$ , where  $v_0$  is apex vertex,  $V_1 = \{v_i \mid 1 \le i \le n\}$  is the set of vertices inner cycle and  $\{v_i' \mid 1 \le i \le n\}$  is the set of pendant vertices of  $H_n$ , which are adjacent to apex vertex of  $fl_n$ . Let  $E(fl_n) = E_1 \cup E_2 \cup E_3 \cup E_4$ , where  $E_1 = \{e_i = v_0 v_i / 1 \le i \le n\}$  is the set of spoke edges,  $E_2 = \{e_i' = v_{i-1} v_i / 2 \le i \le n\} \cup \{e_1' = v_1 v_n\}$  is the set of inner cycle edges,  $E_3 = \{e_i'' = v_i v_i' / 1 \le i \le n\}$  is the set of pendant edges of  $H_n$  and  $E_4 = \{e_i''' = v_0 v_i' / 1 \le i \le n\}$  is the set of edges whose one end vertex is apex and other is a pendent vertex of  $H_n$  which is adjacent to apex in  $fl_n$ . We define labeling function  $f: E(G_n) \to \{1, 2, ..., 4n\}$  as follows.

$$f(e_i) = i;$$
  $1 \le i \le n.$   
 $f(e'_i) = n + i;$   $1 \le i \le n.$   
 $f(e''_i) = 2n + i;$   $1 \le i \le n.$   
 $f(e'''_i) = 3n + i;$   $1 \le i \le n.$ 

Then  $fl_n$  satisfies the conditions of edge difference cordial labeling i.e.  $|v_f(1) - v_f(0)| \le 1$  and hence  $fl_n$  is an edge difference cordial graph.

**Example 2.14.** Edge difference cordial labeling of  $fl_4$  is shown in Figure 7.

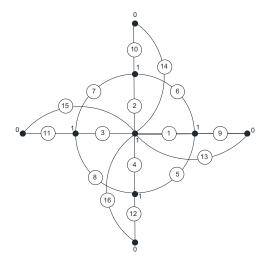


Figure 7.

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