## On Cubic Graceful Labeling

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#### Abstract

A graph with $n$ vertex and $m$ edges is said to be cubic graceful labeling if its vertices are labeled with distinct integers $\left\{0,1,2,3, \ldots \ldots, \mathrm{~m}^{3}\right\}$ such that for each edge $f^{*}(u v)$ induces edge mappings are $\left\{1^{3}, 2^{3}, 3^{3}, \ldots \ldots, \mathrm{~m}^{3}\right\}$. A graph admits a cubic graceful labeling is called a cubic graceful graph. In this paper, we proved that $\left.<K_{1, a}, K_{1, b}, K_{1 c}, K_{1, d}\right\rangle$, associate $u_{r p}$ with $u_{(r+1) 1}$ of $K_{1, \mathrm{P}}$, fixed vertices $v_{r}$ and $u_{r}$ of two copies of $\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{n}}$ are cubic graceful.


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## I. INTRODUCTION

Graphs labeling, where the vertices are assigned values subject to certain conditions, have often been motivated by practical problems. Labeled graphs serves as useful mathematical models for a broad range of applications such as coding theory, including the design of good radar type codes, missile guidance codes and convolution codes with optimal autocorrelation properties. They facilitate the optimal nonstandard encoding of integers. For all terminology and notation in this paper we follow Harary[1].

A function $f$ is called a graceful labeling of a $(p, q)$ graph $\mathrm{G}=(\mathrm{V}, \mathrm{E})$ if $f$ is an injection from the vertices of G to the set $\{0,1,2,3, \ldots . q\}$ such that, each edge $u v$ is assigned the label $\mid f(u)-f(v)$, the resulting edge labels are distinct. T. Tharmaraj and P.B.Sarasija [5] introduced square graceful labeling concept in 2014. The concept of cubic graceful labeling of graphs was introduced in [4]. A systematic presentation of survey of graph labeling is presented in [2]. We use the following definitions in the subsequent sections.

## Definition 1.1

The Path graph $P_{n}$ is the $n$ - vertex graph with $n$ - 1 edges, all on a single path.

## Definition1.2

A complete bipartite graph $\mathrm{K}_{1, \mathrm{n}}$ is called a star and it has ( $\mathrm{n}+1$ ) vertices and n edges

## Definition 1.3

The Trivial graph $K_{I}$ or $P_{l}$ is the graph with one vertex and no edges.

## Definition 1.4

A graph $\mathrm{G}=(\mathrm{V}, \mathrm{E})$ with $n$ vertices and $m$ edges is said be Cubic Graceful $\boldsymbol{G r a p h}(\boldsymbol{C G G})$ if there exists an injective function $f$ : $V(G) \rightarrow\left\{0,1,2, \ldots \ldots, m^{3}\right\}$ such that the induced mapping $f^{*}: E(G) \rightarrow\left\{1^{3}, 2^{3}, \ldots \ldots, m^{3}\right\}$ defined by $f^{*}(u v): \rightarrow|f(u)-f(v)|$ is a bijection . The function $f$ is called a Cubic Graceful Labeling (CGL) of G

## II. Main Results

## Theorem 1

Let $G$ be the graph $<K_{1, \mathrm{a}}, K_{1, \mathrm{~b}}, \mathrm{~K}_{1 \mathrm{c}}, \mathrm{K}_{1, \mathrm{~d}}>$ obtained by joining the middle vertices of $\mathrm{K}_{1, \mathrm{a}}, \mathrm{K}_{1, \mathrm{~b}}, \mathrm{~K}_{1, \mathrm{c}}, \mathrm{K}_{1, \mathrm{~d}}$ to another vertex ' u ' is cubic graceful for all $\mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}, \mathrm{c}, \mathrm{d} \geq 1$

## Proof:

Let $G$ be a combination of the star graph $<\mathrm{K}_{1, \mathrm{a}}, \mathrm{K}_{1, \mathrm{~b}}, \mathrm{~K}_{1, \mathrm{c}}, \mathrm{K}_{1, \mathrm{~d}}>$

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\text { Let } V(G)=\left\{u, u_{n}, u_{1 p}, u_{2 q}, u_{3 r}, u_{4 s}\right\} ; \quad 1 \leq \mathrm{n} \leq 4 ; 1 \leq \mathrm{p} \leq \mathrm{a}
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1 \leq \mathrm{q} \leq \mathrm{b}, 1 \leq \mathrm{r} \leq \mathrm{c}, \quad 1 \leq \mathrm{s} \leq \mathrm{d}
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And
E(G)

So

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\begin{aligned}
& = \begin{cases}u u_{n} ; & 1 \leq n \leq 4 \\
u_{1} u_{1 p} & 1 \leq p \leq a \\
u_{2} u_{2 q} ; & 1 \leq q \leq b \\
u_{3} u_{3 r} ; & 1 \leq r \leq c \\
u_{4} u_{4 s} ; & 1 \leq s \leq d \\
& \\
m(G)=a+b+c+d+5 \\
m(G)=a+b+c+d+4\end{cases}
\end{aligned}
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Define $f: V(G) \rightarrow\left\{0,1,2, \ldots \ldots \ldots . .(a+b+c+d+4)^{3}\right\} \quad$ by
$f(u)=0$
$f\left(u_{n}\right)=(n(G)-n)^{3} ; 1 \leq n \leq 4$
$f\left(u_{1 p}\right)=(n(G)-1)^{3}-(a+b+c+d-(p-1))^{3} ; 1 \leq p \leq a$
$f\left(u_{2 q}\right)=(n(G)-2)^{3}-(b+c+d-(q-1))^{3} ; 1 \leq q \leq b$
$f\left(u_{3 r}\right)=(n(G)-3)^{3}-(c+d-(r-1))^{3} ; 1 \leq r \leq c$
$f\left(u_{4 s}\right)=(n(G)-4)^{3}-(d-(s-1))^{3} ; 1 \leq s \leq d$
The induced edge mapping are
$f *\left(u u_{n}\right)=(n(G)-n)^{3} ;$
$1 \leq n \leq 4$
$f *\left(u_{1} u_{1 p}\right)=(a+b+c+d+1-p)^{3} ;$
$1 \leq p \leq a$
$f *\left(u_{2} u_{2 q}\right)=(b+c+d+1-q)^{3} ;$
$1 \leq q \leq b$
$f *\left(u_{3} u_{3 r}\right)=(b+c+d+1-q)^{3} ;$
$1 \leq r \leq c$
$f *\left(u_{4} u_{4 s}\right)=(d+1-s)^{3} ;$
$1 \leq s \leq d$

The vertex labels are in the set $\left\{0,1,2, \ldots,[(a+b+c+d+4)]^{3}\right\}$ Then the edge label arranged in the set $\left\{1^{3}, 2^{3}, 3^{3}, \ldots \ldots \ldots,(a+b+c+d+4)^{3}\right\}$. So the vertex labels are distinct and edge labels are also distinct and cubic. So the graph G is cubic graceful for all $a, b, c, d \geq 1$.

## Theorem 2

If $G_{r}=K_{1, p}$ be the given graph for $1 \leq r \leq q$ with vertex $\operatorname{set} V\left(G_{r}\right)=\left\{u_{r}, u_{r s} ; 1 \leq r \leq q, 1 \leq s \leq p\right\}$ Let G be the given graph formulated by associate $v_{r p}$ with $v_{(r+1) 1}$ for $1 \leq r \leq q-1$. Then G is a cubic graceful for all p and q .

## Proof :

The graph G consisting of the vertex set $V(G)=\left\{U_{r}, U_{r s} ; 1 \leq r \leq q, 1 \leq s \leq p\right\}$ and the edge set $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{G})=\left\{u_{r} u_{r s} ; 1 \leq r \leq\right.$ q, $1 \leq s \leq p$

Then $n(G)=p q \quad$ and $\quad \mathrm{m}(\mathrm{G})=\mathrm{pq}$
Let $f: V(G) \rightarrow\left\{0,1,2,3, \ldots \ldots,(p q)^{3}\right\}$ be defined as follows.
$f\left(u_{i}\right)=0$
$f\left(u_{1, s}\right)=(p q-s+1)^{3} ; \quad 1 \leq s \leq p$
$f\left(u_{r}\right)=f\left(u_{(r-1) p}\right)-[p(q-r+1)]^{3} ;$
$2 \leq r \leq q$
$f\left(u_{r s}\right)=f\left(u_{r}\right)+[q-(r-1) p-(s-1)]^{3} ;$
$2 \leq r \leq q, 2 \leq s \leq n$
Then $f$ induces a bijection
$f^{*}\left(u_{r} u_{r s}\right)=(p q-s+1)^{3} ; \quad r=1,1 \leq s \leq n$
$f^{*}\left(u_{r} u_{(r-1) p}\right)=p(q-r+1)^{3}$,
$2 \leq r \leq p, \quad s=p$
$f^{*}\left(u_{r} u_{r s}\right)=[p(q-r+1-i)]^{3} ;$
$2 \leq r \leq q, 2 \leq s \leq p 1 \leq i \leq p-1$,
The vertex labels are in the set $\left\{0,1,2 \ldots \ldots(p q)^{3}\right\}$. Then the edge label arranged in the set $\left\{1^{3}, 2^{3}, \ldots \ldots(p q)^{3}\right\}$. So the vertex labels are distinct and edge labels are also distinct and cubic. So the graph G is cubic graceful for all $p, q \geq 1$.

## Theorem 3

Let $G$ be the graph obtained from two copies of $P_{n}$ with vertices $v_{1}, v_{2}, \ldots, v_{n}$ and $u_{1}, u_{2}, u_{3} \ldots, u_{n}$ by joining the fixed vertices $v_{r}$ and $u_{r}$ by means of an edge, for $1 \leq r \leq n$. Then the graph $\left(P_{n}: G\right)$ is cubic graceful.

Proof: Let G denote the graph $\left(\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{n}}: \mathrm{G}\right)$
Let $\quad \mathrm{V}(\mathrm{G})= \begin{cases}u_{i} & \text { for } \quad i=1,2,3, \ldots \ldots \ldots,(n-1) \\ v_{i} & \text { for } \quad i=1,2,3, \ldots \ldots,(n-1)\end{cases}$
and $\mathrm{E}(\mathrm{G})= \begin{cases}u_{i} u_{i} & \text { for } \quad i=1,2,3 \ldots \ldots \ldots(n-1) \\ v_{i} v_{i++1} & \text { for } \quad i=1,2,3 \ldots \ldots \ldots,(n-1) \\ u_{r} v_{r} & \text { for } r=1,2, \ldots \ldots, n \text { where }{ }^{r} r \text { ' is a fixed vertex }\end{cases}$

So, $\quad p=2 n$ and $\quad q=2 n-1$
Define $f: V(G) \rightarrow\left\{0,1,2, \ldots \ldots,(2 n+1)^{3}\right\}$ by
$f\left(u_{i}\right)=0$
$f\left(u_{i+1}\right)=\sum_{k=1}^{i}(-1)^{k+1}(2 n-k)^{3} \quad$ for $\quad i=1,2, \ldots \ldots,(n+1)$
$f\left(v_{r}\right)=f\left(u_{r}\right)-n^{3} ; \quad$ for $\quad r=1,2, \ldots ., n \quad$ and it is a fixed vertex.
$f\left(v_{r}-j\right)=f\left(v_{r}\right)+\sum_{k=1}^{j}(-1)^{K}(n-r+j)^{3} ;$ for $j=1,2, \ldots \ldots,(r-1)$
$f\left(v_{r}+j\right)=f\left(v_{r}\right)+\sum_{k=1}^{j}(-1)^{K}(n-r-j+1)^{3} ;$ for $j=1,2, \ldots \ldots,(n-r)$
The induced edge mapping are
$f^{*}\left(u_{i} u_{i+1}+1\right)=(2 n-i)^{3} \quad$ for $i=1,2, \ldots \ldots,(n-1)$
$f^{*}\left(u_{r} v_{r}\right)=n^{3} \quad$ for $\quad r=1,2, \ldots ., n$; where ' $r$ ' is a fixed vertex
$f^{*}\left(v_{i} v_{i+1}\right)=(n-1)^{3} \quad$ for $\quad i=1,2, \ldots \ldots,(n-1)$
The vertex labels are in the $\operatorname{set}\left\{0,1,2 \ldots(2 n-1)^{3}\right\}$. Then the edge labels are arranged in the set $\left\{1^{3}, 2^{3}, 3^{3} \ldots .(2 n-1)^{3}\right\}$ So the vertex labels are distinct and the edge labels are also cubic and distinct. So the graph $\left(\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{n}}: \mathrm{G}\right)$ ) is a cubic graceful.

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