

# On Neighbourhood Difference Cordial Labeling of Graphs

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**Abstract**— In this paper we introduce a variation of difference cordial labeling of graphs called neighbourhood difference cordial labeling and we investigate the neighbourhood difference cordial labeling of path, cycle, complete graph, complete bipartite graph, the ladder graph, triangular ladder, diagonal ladder, the grid and the generalized Petersen graph.

**Keywords**— Path, cycle, complete graph, complete bipartite graph, star graph, wheel graph, ladder graph, triangular ladder, diagonal ladder, grid, generalized Petersen and neighbourhood difference cordial label.

## I. INTRODUCTION

Graph labeling is the assignment of integers to the graph elements like vertices or edges or both subject to certain conditions. Rosa introduced the concept of labeling in 1967.

Graph labeling has a wide range of applications in Coding Theory, Radar location codes, cryptography, data mining, cloud computing, network security and Database Management system

Cahit introduced cordial labeling in 1987 and Ponraj et al introduced difference cordial labeling 2013. In 2015 Seoud and Salman studied difference cordial labeling of the ladder graph, triangular ladder, diagonal ladder, step ladder, two sided step ladder.

## II. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 1: A graph  $G$  is a finite non empty set of elements called vertices together with a set of pairs of distinct vertices of  $G$  which is called edges.

Definition 2: A path is a sequence of edges that begins at a vertex and travels from vertex to vertex along edges of the graph.

Definition 3: An  $r$  regular graph is a graph in which every vertex has degree  $r$ .

Definition 4: A cycle is the connected 2 regular graph of order  $n$ .

Definition 5: A complete graph on  $n$  vertices, denoted by  $K_n$  is a simple graph that contains exactly one edge between each pair of distinct vertices.

Definition 6: A complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$  is a graph that has its vertex set partitioned into two subsets of  $m$  and  $n$  vertices, respectively with an edge between two vertices if and only if one vertex is in the first subset and the other vertex is in the second subset.

Definition 7: A complete bipartite graph  $K_{1,n}$  is known as a star graph.

Definition 8: A wheel is a graph obtained from cycle by adding a new vertex and edges joining it to all vertices of cycle.

Definition 9: Cartesian product of  $G \times H$  of graphs  $G$  and  $H$  is a graph with vertex set  $V(G) \times V(H)$  and two vertices  $(u, v)$  and  $(u_1, v_1)$  in  $G \times H$  are adjacent if  $u = u_1$  and  $v$  is adjacent to  $v_1$  in  $H$  or  $v = v_1$  and  $u$  is adjacent to  $u_1$  in  $G$ .

Definition 10: Let  $P_n$  denote the path on  $n$  vertices. For  $m, n \geq 2$ ,  $P_m \times P_n$  is defined as the two dimensional grid with  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns and is denoted by  $M_{m,n}$ . Any vertex in  $i^{\text{th}}$  row and  $j^{\text{th}}$  column is denoted by  $(i, j)$ .

Definition 11: A ladder graph is a planner undirected graph denoted by  $L_n = P_n \times P_2$  with  $2n$  vertices and  $3n-2$  edges.

Definition 12: A triangular ladder  $TL_n, n \geq 3$  is a graph obtained from the ladder by adding the edges  $u_i, v_{i+1}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$  - It has  $2n$  vertices and  $4n-1$  edges.

Definition 13: Diagonal ladder  $D_n$  is a ladder with additional edges  $u_i, v_i$  and  $u_i, v_{i+1}$  with  $2n$  vertices and  $5n-1$  edges.

Definition 14: The generalized Petersen graph  $P(n, k)$  for  $n > k$  contains  $2n$  vertices  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $2n$  edges connecting  $(u_i, u_{i+k})$ ,  $(u_i, v_i)$  and  $(v_i, v_{i+k})$ ,  $i+k$  and  $i+k$  are taken modulo  $n$ .

Definition 15: Prism is the cartesian product of  $C_n$  with  $P_2$ . Cylinder is the cartesian product of  $C_n$  with  $C_2$ .

Definition 16: *Extended grid* is obtained by making each 4-cycle in  $M_m$  into a complete graph is called an extended grid. It is denoted by  $EX_m$ .

Definition 17: The *complement graph* of a graph has  $V$  as its vertex set, but two vertices of  $G$  are adjacent if and only if they are not adjacent in  $G$ .

Definition 18: Let  $G(p, q)$  be a graph. Let  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p\}$  be a function. For each  $uv$  assign the label  $|f(u) - f(v)|$  is called *difference cordial labeling* if  $f$  is one to one and  $|e_f(1) - e_f(0)| \leq q$  where  $e_f(1)$  and  $e_f(0)$  denotes the number of edges labeled with 1 and labeled not with 1 respectively. Any graph with difference cordial labeling is called difference cordial graph.

**Neighbourhood difference cordial labeling :**

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph where  $V$  and  $E$  are the vertex and edge sets of  $G$ . Let  $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p\}$  be a function. For each edge  $uv$  assign the label  $|f(u) - f(v)|$ .  $f$  is called a neighborhood difference cordial labeling if  $f$  is one to one map and for every vertex  $v \in V(G)$ ,  $|ef_v(0) - ef_v(1)| \leq 1$ , where  $ef_v(1)$  and  $ef_v(0)$  denote the number of edges incident with  $v$  and labeled with 1 and not labeled with 1 respectively. A graph with neighborhood difference cordial labeling is called neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

The neighbourhood difference cordial labeling of path, cycle, wheel, complete graph, complete bipartite graph, the ladder graph, triangular ladder, star, the grid and the Petersen graph are investigated.

**Theorem 1:** Any path  $P_n$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

**Proof:**

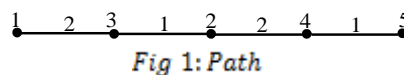
Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  be the vertex set of  $P_n$

Define  $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ , as follows

$$f(v_1) = 1, f(v_{2i}) = 2i + 1, f(v_{2i+1}) = 2i, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}, \text{ when } n \text{ is odd.}$$

$$f(v_{2i}) = 2i - 1, f(v_{2i-1}) = 2i, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}, \text{ when } n \text{ is even. Obviously at any vertex } v_i$$

$$|ef_{v_i}(1) - ef_{v_i}(0)| = 0. \text{ Hence } P_n \text{ is neighborhood difference cordial graph.}$$



**Lemma 1:** For any vertex  $v \in V(G)$   $ef_v(1) \leq 2$ .

**Proof:** Suppose there exists a vertex  $v \in V(G)$  such that  $ef_v(1) > 2$ , which is not possible since for any number there exists at most one successor and one predecessor. Therefore for every vertex  $v \in V(G)$ ,  $ef_v(1) \leq 2$

**Theorem 2:** Any even cycle  $C_{2n}$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

**Proof:**

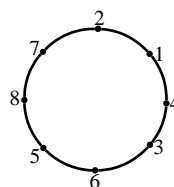
Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}\}$

Define  $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2n\}$

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

It is very clear  $|ef_{v_i}(1) - ef_{v_i}(0)| = 0$ .

Hence  $C_{2n}$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.



**Theorem 3:** Any odd cycle  $C_n$  is not neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

**Proof:**

Let vertex set of  $C_n$  be  $\{v_0, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$ . If suppose the edge  $v_0v_1$  is labeled as 1,  $v_1v_2$  as 0,  $v_2v_3$  as 1 and so on. Since it has odd number of edges the edge  $v_{n-1}v_0$  is labeled as 1. So at  $v_0$

$$|ef_{v_0}(0) - ef_{v_0}(1)| = 2 > 1 \text{ which is a contradiction. Hence any odd cycle is not neighbourhood cordial graph.}$$

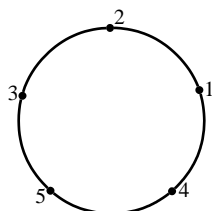


Fig 3 : oddcycle

**Remark 2:** Any odd Cycle is difference cordial graph but not neighbourhood cordial graph.

**Theorem 4:** Anygraph  $G(p, q)$  with  $\delta > 3$  is not neighborhood difference cordial graph.

Since  $\delta > 3$ , at the vertex  $v$  with label  $1$ ,  $ef_v(1) = 1$  and  $ef_v(0) > 2$ ,

$|ef_v(0) - ef_v(1)| > 1$ . Hence  $G$  is not a neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

It is easy to prove the following results.

**Corollary 1:** Any  $r$  regular graph is not neighbourhood difference cordial graph for  $r \geq 4$

**Corollary 2:** Anycomplete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$ ,  $m \geq 4$ ,  $n \geq 4$  is not neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

**Remark 3:**In any neighbourhood cordial graph  $G$  there exist atleast two vertices  $u, v \in V(G)$  with  $\deg(u) \leq 3$  and  $\deg(v) \leq 3$ .

Suppose  $\deg(u) > 3$  and  $\deg(v) > 3$ , label the vertices  $u, v$  with  $1$  and  $p$  respectively,  $ef_u(1) = 1$ ,  $ef_u(0) > 2$  and  $|ef_u(1) - ef_u(0)| > 1$ , similarly  $|ef_v(1) - ef_v(0)| > 1$ . Hence  $G$  is not neighbourhood cordial graph, a contradiction.

**Theorem 5:** Anygraph with  $\Delta > 5$  is not neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

**Proof:**

Suppose the vertex  $v \in V(G)$  with  $\deg(v) > 5$ , by lemma 1,  $ef_v(1) \leq 2$ , then

$ef_v(0) > 3$ .  $|ef_v(0) - ef_v(1)| > 1$ . Hence the graph is not neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

**Theorem 6:** If  $G(p, q)$  is a neighbourhood difference cordial graph then

$$q \leq \frac{1}{2}(5p - 4)$$

**Proof:** Let  $G(p, q)$  be a graph

Suppose the graph has  $p - 2$  vertices of degree  $\leq 5$  and two vertices of degree  $\leq 3$ , then

$$2q \leq 5(p - 2) + 2(3) = 5p - 4$$

Hence  $q \leq \frac{1}{2}(5p - 4)$ .

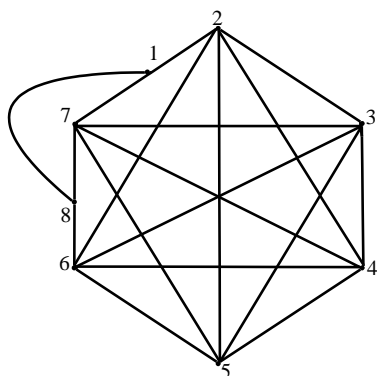


Fig 4: Illustration for  $q = \frac{1}{2}(5p - 4)$

**Corollary 3:** Any star graph is not neighbourhood difference cordial graph when the degree of the centre vertex is greater than 5.

**Corollary 4:** Any wheel graph is not neighbourhood difference cordial graph when the degree of the centre vertex is greater than 5.

**Theorem 7:** Any Ladder  $L_n$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

**Proof:**

Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}\}$

Define  $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2n\}$

$$f(v_{ij}) = j + (i - 1)n, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq i \leq 2$$

Ladder has 4 corner vertices of degree 2 and  $2n - 4$  vertices of degree 3.

It has vertical edges and horizontal edges. By the above labeling the horizontal edges are labeled with 1 and vertical edges are not labeled with 1. Corner vertex  $v$  has one vertical and one horizontal edge.

**Case 1:**

$$\text{At } v_{11}, |f(v_{11}) - f(v_{12})| = |1 - 2| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{11}) - f(v_{21})| = |1 - (n + 1)| = n.$$

$$ef_{v_{11}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{11}}(0) = 1 \therefore |ef_{v_{11}}(1) - ef_{v_{11}}(0)| = 0$$

**Case 2:**

$$\text{At } v_{1n}, |f(v_{1n}) - f(v_{1,n-1})| = |n - (n - 1)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{1n}) - f(v_{2n})| = |n - (n + n)| = n$$

$$ef_{v_{1n}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{1n}}(0) = 1 \therefore |ef_{v_{1n}}(1) - ef_{v_{1n}}(0)| = 0$$

**Case 3:**

$$\text{At } v_{21}, |f(v_{21}) - f(v_{22})| = |1 - 2| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{21}) - f(v_{11})| = |n + 1 - 1| = n.$$

$$ef_{v_{21}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{21}}(0) = 1 \therefore |ef_{v_{21}}(1) - ef_{v_{21}}(0)| = 0$$

**Case 4:**

$$\text{At } v_{2n}, |f(v_{2n}) - f(v_{2(n-1)})| = |(n + n) - (n + n - 1)| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{2n}) - f(v_{1n})| = |(n + n) - n| = |n| = n.$$

$$ef_{v_{2n}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{2n}}(0) = 1 \therefore |ef_{v_{2n}}(1) - ef_{v_{2n}}(0)| = 0.$$

**Case 5:**

At any vertex  $v_{1j}, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1$ .

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{1(j+1)})| = |j - (j + 1)| = |j - j - 1| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{1(j-1)})| = |j - (j - 1)| = |j - j + 1| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{2j})| = |j - (j + n)| = |j - j - n| = n.$$

$$ef_{v_{1j}}(0) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{1j}}(1) = 2, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1.$$

$$\therefore |ef_{v_{1j}}(0) - ef_{v_{1j}}(1)| = 1, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1.$$

**Case 6:**

At any vertex  $v_{2j}, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1$

$$|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{2(j+1)})| = |j + n - (j + 1 + n)| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{2(j-1)})| = |j + n - (j - 1 + n)| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{1j})| = |j + n - j| = |j - j - n| = n.$$

$$ef_{v_{2j}}(0) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{2j}}(1) = 2, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1.$$

$$\therefore |ef_{v_{2j}}(0) - ef_{v_{2j}}(1)| = 1, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1,$$

So  $L_n$  is neighborhood difference cordial graph.

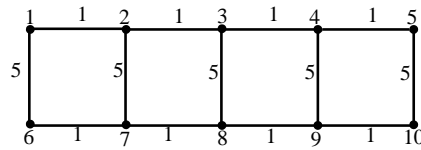


fig 5 : Ladder

**Theorem 8:** AnydiagonalLadder  $DL_n$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

**Proof:**

Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}\}$

Define  $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2n\}$

$$f(v_{ij}) = j + (i - 1)n, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq i \leq 2$$

The diagonal ladder has 4 corner vertices of degree 3 and  $2n-4$  vertices of degree 5.

**Case 1:**

$$\text{At } v_{11}, ef_{v_{11}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{11}}(0) = 2. \therefore |ef_{v_{11}}(1) - ef_{v_{11}}(0)| = 1.$$

**Case 2:**

$$\text{At } v_{1n}, |f(v_{1n}) - f(v_{1(n-1)})| = |n - (n - 1)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{1n}) - f(v_{2(n-1)})| = |n - (n + n - 1)| = n - 1.$$

$$|f(v_{1n}) - f(v_{2n})| = |n - (n + n - 1)| = n - 1.$$

$$ef_{v_{1n}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{1n}}(0) = 2. \therefore |ef_{v_{1n}}(1) - ef_{v_{1n}}(0)| \leq 1.$$

**Case 3:**

$$\text{At } v_{21}, |f(v_{21}) - f(v_{22})| = |1 - 2| = |-1| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{21}) - f(v_{11})| = |n + 1 - 1| = n.$$

$$|f(v_{21}) - f(v_{12})| = |1 + n - 2| = n - 1$$

$$ef_{v_{21}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{21}}(0) = 2. \therefore |ef_{v_{21}}(1) - ef_{v_{21}}(0)| \leq 1.$$

**Case 4:**

$$\text{At } v_{2n}, |f(v_{2n}) - f(v_{2(n-1)})| = |2n - (2n - 1) + j| = 1.$$

$$f(v_{2n}) - f(v_{1n}) = |n + n - n| = n.$$

$$f(v_{2n}) - f(v_{1(n-1)}) = |n + n - (n - 1)| = n + 1.$$

$$ef_{v_{2n}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{2n}}(0) = 1. \therefore |ef_{v_{2n}}(1) - ef_{v_{2n}}(0)| = 0 \leq 1.$$

At any vertex  $v_{1j}, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{1(j+1)})| = |j - (j + 1)| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{1(j-1)})| = |j - (j - 1)| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{2j})| = |j - (j + n)| = n.$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{2(j+1)})| = |j - (j + 1 + n)| = n + 1.$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{2(j-1)})| = |j - (j - 1 + n)| = n - 1.$$

$$ef_{v_{1j}}(1) = 2, ef_{v_{1j}}(0) = 3, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1.$$

$$\therefore |ef_{v_{1j}}(1) - ef_{v_{1j}}(0)| = 1, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1$$

At any vertex  $v_{2j}, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1$ .

$$f(v_{2j}) = j + n, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{2(j+1)})| &= |j + n - (j + n + 1)| = 1. \\
|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{2(j-1)})| &= |j + n - (j + n - 1)| = 1. \\
|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{1j})| &= |j + n - j| = |j - j - n| = n. \\
|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{1(j+1)})| &= |j + n - (j + 1)| = n - 1. \\
|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{1(j-1)})| &= |j + n - (j - 1)| = n + 1. \\
ef_{v_{2j}}(1) &= 2, ef_{v_{2j}}(0) = 3, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1. \\
\therefore |ef_{v_{2j}}(1) - ef_{v_{2j}}(0)| &= 1, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence any  $DL_n$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

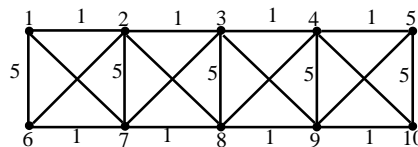


fig 6: Diagonal ladder

**Corollary 7:** Extended grid is not neighbourhood cordial graph since  $\Delta = 8$

**Theorem 9:** AnytriangularLadder  $TL_n$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}\}$

Define  $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2n\}$

$$f(v_{ij}) = f(v_{ij}) = j + (i - 1)n, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq i \leq 2$$

The triangular ladder has 2 corner vertices of degree 3, 2 corner vertices of degree 2 and  $2n-4$  vertices of degree 4.

**Case 1:**

$$\text{At } v_{11}, ef_{v_{11}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{11}}(0) = 2 \therefore |ef_{v_{11}}(1) - ef_{v_{11}}(0)| = 1.$$

**Case 2:**

$$\text{At } v_{1n}, ef_{v_{1n}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{1n}}(0) = 1 \therefore |ef_{v_{1n}}(1) - ef_{v_{1n}}(0)| = 0.$$

**Case 3:**

$$\text{At } v_{21}, ef_{v_{21}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{21}}(0) = 1 \therefore |ef_{v_{21}}(1) - ef_{v_{21}}(0)| = 0.$$

**Case 4:**

$$\text{At } v_{2n}, |f(v_{2n}) - f(v_{2(n-1)})| = |(n + n) - (n + n - 1)| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{2n}) - f(v_{1n})| = |(n + n - n)| = n.$$

$$|f(v_{2n}) - f(v_{1(n-1)})| = |(n + n - (n - 1))| = n + 1.$$

$$ef_{v_{21}}(1) = 1 \text{ and } ef_{v_{21}}(0) = 2 \therefore |ef_{v_{21}}(1) - ef_{v_{21}}(0)| = 1.$$

**Case 5:**

At any vertex  $v_{1j}, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1.$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{1(j+1)})| = |j - (j + 1)| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{1(j-1)})| = |j - (j - 1)| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{2j})| = |j - (j + n)| = n.$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{2(j+1)})| = |j - (j + 1 + n)| = n + 1.$$

$$ef_{v_{1j}}(1) = 2, ef_{v_{1j}}(0) = 2, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1.$$

$$\therefore |ef_{v_{1j}}(1) - ef_{v_{1j}}(0)| = 0, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1.$$

**Case 6:**

At any vertex  $v_{2j}, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1$ .

$$|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{2(j+1)})| = |j + n - (j + n + 1)| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{2(j-1)})| = |j + n - (j + n - 1)| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{1j})| = |j + n - j| = |j - j - n| = n.$$

$$|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{1(j-1)})| = |j + n - (j - 1)| = n - 1.$$

$$ef_{v_{2j}}(1) = 2, ef_{v_{2j}}(0) = 2, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1.$$

$$\therefore |ef_{v_{2j}}(1) - ef_{v_{2j}}(0)| = 0, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1.$$

So  $TL_n$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

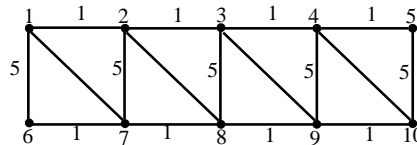


fig 7: Triangular ladder

**Theorem 10:** Any prism  $C_n \times P_2$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

**Proof:**

Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}\}$

Define  $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2n\}$

$$f(v_{ij}) = j + (i - 1)n, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq i \leq 2$$

At any vertex  $v_{1j}, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1$ .

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{1(j+1)})| = |j - (j + 1)| = |j - j - 1| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{1(j-1)})| = |j - (j - 1)| = |j - j + 1| = 1.$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{2j})| = |j - (j + n)| = |j - j - n| = n.$$

$$ef_{v_{1j}}(1) = 2, ef_{v_{1j}}(0) = 1, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$\therefore |ef_{v_{1j}}(1) - ef_{v_{1j}}(0)| = 1, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

At any vertex  $v_{2j}, 2 \leq j \leq n - 1$

$$f(v_{2j}) = j + n, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{2(j+1)})| = |j + n - (j + n + 1)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{2(j-1)})| = |j + n - (j + n - 1)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{2j}) - f(v_{1j})| = |j + n - j| = |j - j - n| = n$$

$$ef_{v_{2j}}(1) = 2, ef_{v_{2j}}(0) = 1, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$\therefore |ef_{v_{2j}}(1) - ef_{v_{2j}}(0)| = 1, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

So  $C_n \times P_2$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

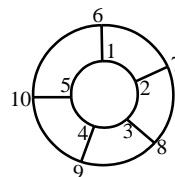




Fig 8:  $C_n \times P_2$ 

**Theorem 11:** Any cylinder  $C_n \times P_m$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{mn}\}$

Define  $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n, n+1, \dots, 2n, \dots, mn\}$

$$f(v_{1j}) = j, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f(v_{ij}) = (i-1)(n+1) + j, 1 \leq j \leq n - (i-1), 2 \leq i \leq m$$

$$f(v_{ij}) = (i-1)n + (i-1)(\text{mod } m) + j, 1 \leq j \leq n - (i-1), 2 \leq i \leq m, f(v_{i(n-(i-2))}) = (i-1)n + 1$$

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

$$f(v_{(i(n-(i-4)) \text{ mod } n)}) = (i-1)n + 3$$

$$\dots\dots\dots$$

$$f(v_{(i(n-(i-m)) \text{ mod } n)}) = (i-1)n + (m-1)$$

$$f(v_{in}) = (i-1)(n+1)$$

Cylinder consists of  $2n$  vertices of degree 3 and  $mn - 2n$  vertices of degree 4.

**Case 1:**

At  $v_{1j}, 1 \leq j \leq n$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{1(j+1)})| = |j - (j+1)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{1(j-1)})| = |j - (j-1)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{1j}) - f(v_{2j})| = |j - (j+n)| = n$$

$$ef_{v_{1j}}(1) = 2, ef_{v_{1j}}(0) = 1, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$|ef_{v_{1j}}(1) - ef_{v_{1j}}(0)| = 1, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

**Case 2:**

At  $v_{nj}, 2 \leq j \leq n-1$

$$|f(v_{nj}) - f(v_{n(j+1)})| = |j - (j+1)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{nj}) - f(v_{n(j-1)})| = |j - (j-1)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{nj}) - f(v_{(n+1)j})| = |j + (n-1)n - (j + (n)n)| = n$$

$$ef_{v_{nj}}(1) = 2, ef_{v_{nj}}(0) = 1, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$|ef_{v_{nj}}(1) - ef_{v_{nj}}(0)| = 1, 1 \leq j \leq n$$

**Case 3:**

At any vertex  $v_{ij}, 2 \leq j \leq n-1, 2 \leq i \leq m-1$

$$|f(v_{ij}) - f(v_{i(j+1)})| = |j + (i-1)n - (j+1 + (i-1)n)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{ij}) - f(v_{i(j-1)})| = |j + (i-1)n - (j + (i-1)n - 1)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{ij}) - f(v_{i+1j})| = |j + (i-1)n - (j + in)| = n$$

$$|f(v_{ij}) - f(v_{i-1j})| = |j + (i-1)n - (j + (i-2)n)| = n$$

$$ef_{v_{ij}}(1) = 2, ef_{v_{ij}}(0) = 2, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$|ef_{v_{ij}}(1) - ef_{v_{ij}}(0)| = 0, 1 \leq j \leq n, 1 \leq i \leq m$$

So  $C_n \times P_m$  is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.



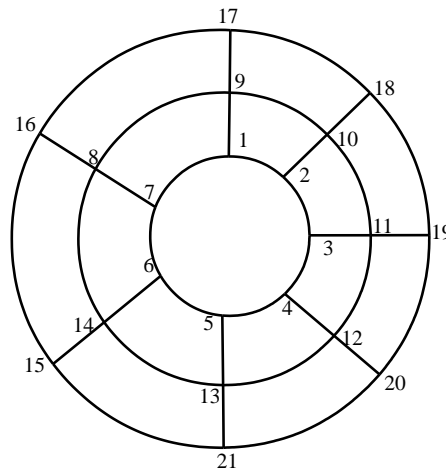


Fig 9: Cylinder  $C_5 \times P_3$

**Theorem 12:** Generalised Petersen graph is a neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}\}$

Define  $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2n\}$

The Petersen graph has  $2n$  vertices and  $3n$  edges. Label the vertices in the outer layer as

$u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-1}, u_n$  and the vertices in the inner layer as  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1}, v_n$ .

**Case 1:** When  $n$  is not divisible by  $k$

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

$$f(v_{(k(i-1)+1) \bmod n}) = n + (i - 1) + 1, 1 \leq i \leq n$$

At any  $v_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$

$$|f(v_{(k(i-1)+1) \bmod n}) - f(v_{(ki+1) \bmod n})| = |(n + (i - 1) + 1) - (n + i + 1)| = 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} &|f(v_{(k(i-1)+1) \bmod n}) - f(v_{(k(i-2)+1) \bmod n})| \\ &= |(n + (i - 1) + 1) - (n + (i - 2) + 1)| = 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &|f(v_{(k(i-1)+1) \bmod n}) - f(u_{(k(i-1)+1) \bmod n})| \\ &= |(n + (i - 1) + 1) - (k(i - 1) + 1) \bmod n| \\ &= |(n + i) - (k(i - 1) + 1) \bmod n| \end{aligned}$$

$$|ef_{v_i}(1) - ef_{v_i}(0)| = |2 - 1| = 1, 2 \leq i \leq n.$$

At any  $u_i, 2 \leq i \leq n$

$$|f(u_i) - f(u_{i+1})| = |i - (i + 1)| = 1$$

$$|f(u_i) - f(u_{i-1})| = |i - (i - 1)| = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} &|f(v_{(k(i-1)+1) \bmod n}) - f(u_{(k(i-1)+1) \bmod n})| \\ &= |(n + (i - 1) + 1) - (k(i - 1) + 1) \bmod n| \\ &= |(n + i) - (k(i - 1) + 1) \bmod n| \end{aligned}$$

$$|ef_{u_i}(1) - ef_{u_i}(0)| = |2 - 1| = 1$$

At  $u_1,$

$$|f(u_1) - f(u_2)| = |1 - 2| = 1$$

$$|f(u_1) - f(u_n)| = |1 - n| = n - 1$$

$$|f(v_1) - f(u_1)| = |n + 1 - 1| = n$$

$$|ef_{u_1}(1) - ef_{u_1}(0)| = |1 - 2| = 1$$

**Case 2:** when  $n$  is divisible by  $k$ .

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

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

$$f(v_{(k(i-1)+j) \bmod n}) = n + 1 + (i - 1) + (j - 1) \frac{n}{k}, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{k}, 1 \leq j \leq k$$

At any  $v_i, 2 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{k}$

$$|f(v_{(k(i-1)+j) \bmod n}) - f(v_{(ki+j) \bmod n})|$$

$$= \left| \left( (n + 1 + (i - 1) + (j - 1) \frac{n}{k}) - (n + 1 + i + (j - 1) \frac{n}{k}) \right) \right| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{(ki+j) \bmod n}) - f(v_{(k(i+1)+j) \bmod n})|$$

$$= \left| \left( (n + 1 + i + (j - 1) \frac{n}{k}) - (n + 1 + (i + 1) + (j - 1) \frac{n}{k}) \right) \right| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{(k(i-1)+j) \bmod n}) - f(u_{(k(i-1)+j) \bmod n})|$$

$$= \left| (n + 1 + (i - 1) + (j - 1) \frac{n}{k}) - (k(i - 1) + j) \right| \neq 1$$

$$|f(v_{(ik+(n-1)) \bmod n}) - f(v_{((i+1)k+(n-1)) \bmod n})| = \left| (n + (n - 1) \left\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \right\rfloor + 1 + i) - (n + (n - 1) \left\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \right\rfloor + 1 + i + 1) \right| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{(ik+(n-1)) \bmod n}) - f(u_i)| = \left| (n + (n - 1) \left\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \right\rfloor + 1 + i) - i \right| = n + (n - 1) \left\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \right\rfloor + 1$$

$$|ef_{v_i}(1) - ef_{v_i}(0)| = 1, 2 \leq i \leq n.$$

At  $v_1$

$$|f(v_1) - f(v_2)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_1) - f(v_n)| = |(n + 1) - (2n)| = n - 1$$

$$|f(v_1) - f(v_{(ik+(n-1)) \bmod n})| = \left| (n + 1) - (n + 1 + (n - 1) \left\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \right\rfloor) \right| = (n - 1) \left\lfloor \frac{n}{k} \right\rfloor$$

$$|f(v_1) - f(u_1)| = |n + 1 - 1| = n$$

$$|ef_{v_1}(1) - ef_{v_1}(0)| = 1.$$

At any  $u_i, 2 \leq i \leq n - 1,$

$$|f(u_i) - f(u_{i+1})| = |i - (i + 1)| = 1$$

$$|f(u_i) - f(u_{i-1})| = |i - (i - 1)| = 1$$

$$|f(v_{(k(i-1)+j) \bmod n}) - f(u_{(k(i-1)+j) \bmod n})|$$

$$= \left| (n + 1 + (i - 1) + (j - 1) \frac{n}{k}) - (k(i - 1) + j) \right| \neq 1$$

$$|ef_{u_i}(1) - ef_{u_i}(0)| = 1, 2 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

At  $u_1,$

$$|f(u_1) - f(u_2)| = 1$$

$$|f(u_1) - f(u_n)| = |1 - n| = n - 1$$

$$|f(v_1) - f(u_1)| = |n + 1 - 1| = n$$

$$|ef_{u_1}(1) - ef_{u_1}(0)| = 1$$

Hence generalised Petersen graph is neighbourhood difference cordial graph.

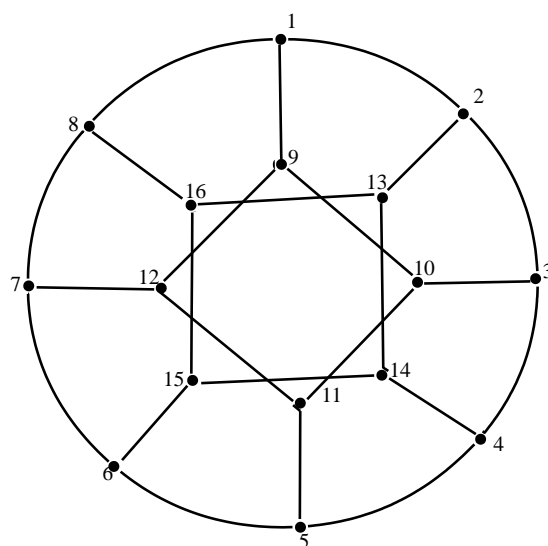


Fig 10: Petersen graph  $P(8,2)$

**Theorem 13:** Complement of a neighborhood difference cordial graph  $G(p, q)$  is not neighborhood difference cordial graph if  $p > 9$ .

**Proof:**

Let  $u$  be a vertex whose degree is the minimum. By theorem 5,  $\deg(u) \leq 3$ . In  $G^c$   $\deg(u) \geq p - 4$ . Suppose  $p > 9$ , then  $\deg(u) > 5$ , then  $G^c$  is not neighbourhood difference cordial graph

**Conclusion:** A new labeling called neighbourhood difference cordial labeling is defined and the neighborhood difference cordial labeling of path, cycle, wheel, complete graph, complete bipartite graph, ladder graph, triangular ladder, star, grid and generalized Petersen graph are investigated.

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