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**CUBE DIFFERENCE LABELING OF SOME SPECIAL GRAPH FAMILIES**

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**ABSTRACT**

A new labeling and a new graph called cube difference labeling and the cube difference is defined. Let  $G$  be a  $(p,q)$  graph.  $G$  is said to have a cube difference labeling if there exists injection  $f:V(G)\rightarrow\{0,1,2,\dots,p-1\}$  such that the edge set of  $G$  has assigned a weight defined by the absolute cube difference of its end vertices, the resulting weights are distinct. A graph which admits cube difference labeling is called cube difference graph. The cube difference labeling for some special graph families like **Pan graph, Lollipop graph, Barbell graph, Sunlet graph, Sparkler graph, Fan graph, Triangular Snake Graph, Z- $P_n$  graph** are discussed in this paper.

*Keywords: Cube difference labeling, Cube difference graph.*

**I. INTRODUCTION**

All graph in this paper are simple finite undirected and nontrivial graph  $G = (V,E)$  with vertex set  $V$  and the edge set  $E$ . A function  $f$  is a cube difference labeling of a graph  $G$  of size  $n$  if  $f$  is an injection from  $V(G)$  to the set  $\{0,1,2,\dots,p-1\}$  such that, when each edge  $uv$  of  $G$  has assigned the weight  $|[f(u)]^3-[f(v)]^3|$ , the resulting weights are distinct. The notion of square difference labeling was introduced by J.Shima [4]-[6]. Graph labeling can also be applied in areas such as communication network, mobile telecommunications, and medical field. A dynamic survey on graph labeling is regularly updated by Gallian [2] and it is published by Electronic Journal of Combinatory. The notation and terminology used in this paper are taken from [1].

**Definition 1.1:** Let  $G = (V(G),E(G))$  be a graph.  $G$  is said to be cube difference labeling if there exist a injection  $f:V(G)\rightarrow\{0,1,2,\dots,p-1\}$  such that the induced function  $f^*:E(G)\rightarrow N$  given by  $f^*(uv) = |[f(u)]^3-[f(v)]^3|$  is injection.

**Definition 1.2:** A graph which satisfies the cube difference labeling is called the cube difference graph.

**Definition 1.3:** The Pan graph is the graph obtained by joining a cycle graph  $C_n$  to a singleton graph  $K_1$  with a bridge. It is denoted by  $P_n$ .

**Definition 1.4:** The Lollipop graph is the graph obtained by a Complete graph  $K_m$  to a path  $P_n$  with a bridge. It is denoted by  $L_{m,n}$ .

**Definition 1.5:** The Barbell graph is obtained by connecting two copies of  $K_n$  by a bridge. It is denoted by  $B_n$ .

**Definition 1.6:** The Sunlet graph  $S_n$  is a graph obtained from a cycle  $C_n$  attached a pendent edge at each vertex of the  $n$ -cycle. It has  $2n$  vertices and  $2n$  edges.

**Definition 1.7:** The Sparkler graph  $P_m^{+n}$  is a graph obtained from a path  $P_m$  and appending  $n$  edges to an end point. It has  $m+n$  vertices and  $m+n-1$  edges.

**Definition 1.8:** A fan graph obtained by joining all the vertices of a path  $P_n$  to a further vertex, called the Centre. It is denoted by  $F_n$ . It has  $n+1$  vertices and  $2n-1$  edges.

**Definition 1.9:** The Triangular Snake  $T_n$  is obtained the path  $P_n$  by replace each of the path by a triangle. It has  $2n+1$  vertices and  $3n$  edges.

**Definition 1.10:** In a pair path  $P_n$ ,  $i^{\text{th}}$  vertex of a path  $P_1$  is joined with  $i+1^{\text{th}}$  vertex of a path  $P_2$ . It is denoted by  $Z-P_n$ .

**II. MAIN RESULT**

**Theorem: 2.1**

The Pan graph  $P_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Proof:**

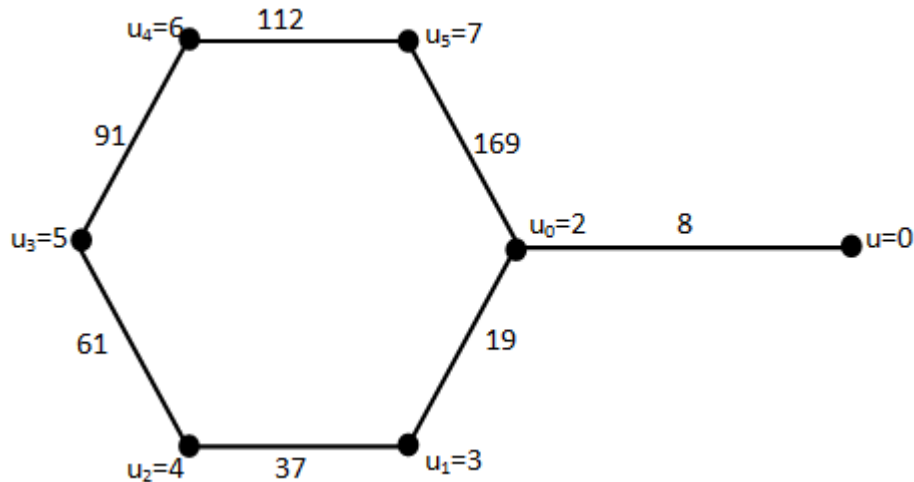
Let  $P_n$  be a Pan graph. Let  $|V(G)| = n+1$  and  $|E(G)| = n+1$ .  
 The mapping  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,\dots,n-1\}$  is defined by  $f(u) = 0$  and  $f(u_i) = i+2, 0 \leq i \leq n-1$  and the induced function,  $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow N$  is defined by and here the edge sets are  $E_1 = \{u_i u_{i+1} / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  and  $E_2 = \{u u_i / i=1\}$  and the edge labeling are,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(u_{i+1}))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(i+1)^3 - (i+3)^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (3i^2 + 15i + 19) \\ &= \{19, 37, 61, \dots\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad f^*(u u_0) &= (i+2)^3, i=0 \\ &= 8. \end{aligned}$$

Here all the edges are distinct. Hence, the Pan graph  $P_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Example 2.2:** The Pan graph  $P_6$  is a cube difference graph.



**Theorem: 2.3**

The Lollipop graph  $L_{m,n}$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

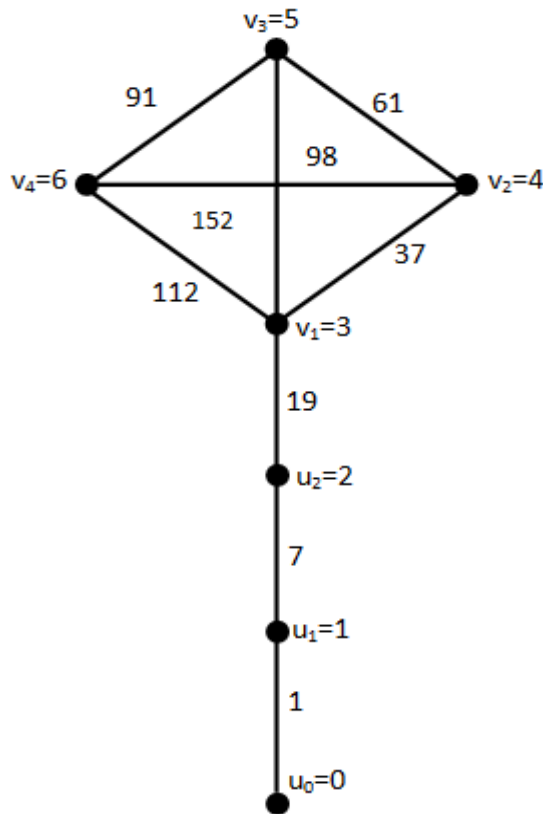
**Proof:**

Let  $L_{m,n}$  be a Lollipop graph. Let  $|V(G)| = m+n$  and  $|E(G)| = m+n+2$ .  
 The mapping  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,\dots,n-1\}$  is defined by  $f(u_i) = i, 0 \leq i \leq n-1$  and  $f(v_i) = i+1, n-1 \leq i \leq 2(m-1)$  the induced function,  $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow N$  is defined by and here the edge sets are  $E_1 = \{u_i u_{i+1} / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  and  $E_2 = \{v_i v_{i+1} / n \leq i \leq 2(m-1)\}$ ,  $E_3 = \{v_i v_{i+2} / i=3\}$  and  $E_4 = \{v_{i+2} v_{i+4} / i=2\}$  and the edge labeling are,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(i)} \quad f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(u_{i+1}))^3| \\
 &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(i)^3 - (i+1)^3| \\
 &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (3i^2 + 3i + 1) = \\
 &= \{1, 7\}. \\
 \text{(ii)} \quad f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=1}^m |(f(v_i))^3 - (f(v_{i+1}))^3| \\
 &= \bigcup_{i=1}^m (3i^2 + 3i + 7). \\
 &= \{19, 37, 61, 91, 112\}. \\
 \text{(iii)} \quad f^*(v_i v_{i+2}) &= |(f(v_i))^3 - (f(v_{i+2}))^3| \\
 &= |(i)^3 - (i+2)^3| \\
 &= 6i^2 + 24i + 26. \quad , i=2 \\
 &= 98 \\
 \text{(iv)} \quad f^*(v_{i+1} v_{i+3}) &= |(f(v_{i+1}))^3 - (f(v_{i+3}))^3| \\
 &= |(i+2)^3 - (i+4)^3| \\
 &= 6i^2 + 36i + 56. \\
 &= 152.
 \end{aligned}$$

Here all the edges are distinct. Hence, the Lollipop graph  $L_{m,n}$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Example 2.4:**  $L_{4,3}$



**Theorem: 2.5**

The Barbell graph  $B_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Proof:**

Let  $B_n$  be the Barbell graph. Let  $|V(G)|=2n$  and  $|E(G)|=2n+1$ .

The mapping  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,\dots,2n-1\}$  is defined by  $f(u_i)=i+1, 0 \leq i \leq 2n-1$ . and induced function  $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow N$  is defined by, and here the sets are,

$E_1=\{u_i u_{i+1} / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  and  $E_2=\{u_i u_{i+2} / i=1\}$  and  $E_3=\{u_{i+2} u_{i+4} / i=2\}$ .

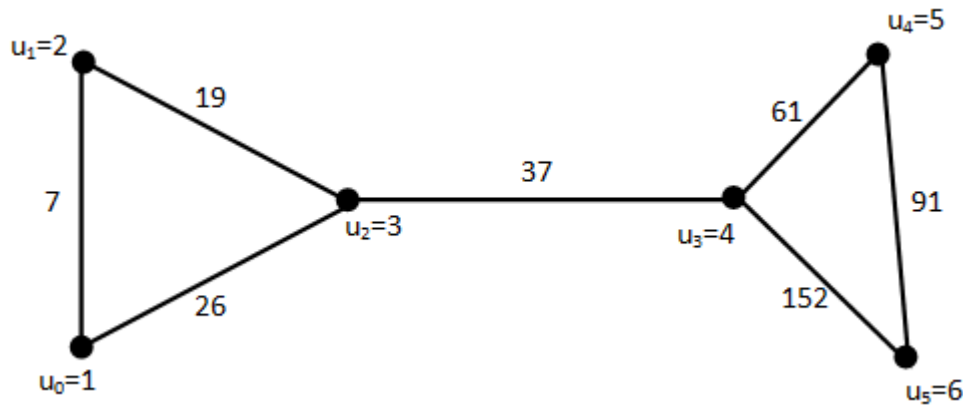
$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(u_{i+1}))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(i+1)^3 - (i+2)^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (3i^2 + 9i + 7) \\ &= \{1, 7, 19, 37, \dots, 91\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad f^*(u_i u_{i+2}) &= |i^3 - (i+2)^3| \\ &= 6i^2 + 12i + 8, \quad i=1 \\ &= 26 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad f^*(u_{i+2} u_{i+4}) &= |(f(u_{i+2}))^3 - (f(u_{i+4}))^3| \\ &= |(i+2)^3 - (i+4)^3| \\ &= 6i^2 + 36i + 56, \quad i=2 \\ &= 152. \end{aligned}$$

Hence all the edges are distinct. Hence the graph  $B_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Example 2.6:** The Barbell graph  $B_3$  is a Cube difference graph



**Theorem: 2.7**

The Sunlet graph  $S_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Proof:**

Let  $S_n$  be a Sunlet graph. Let  $|V(G)|=2n$  and  $|E(G)|=2n$ .

The mapping  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,\dots,2n-1\}$  is defined by  $f(u_i)=i, 0 \leq i \leq 2n-1$

and the induced function  $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow N$  is defined by, and here the sets are,

$E_1=\{u_i u_{i+1} / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  and  $E_2=\{u_{n-1} u_0\}$

$E_3=\{u_i u_{n+i} / 0 \leq n+i \leq 2n-1\}$  and the edge labeling are,

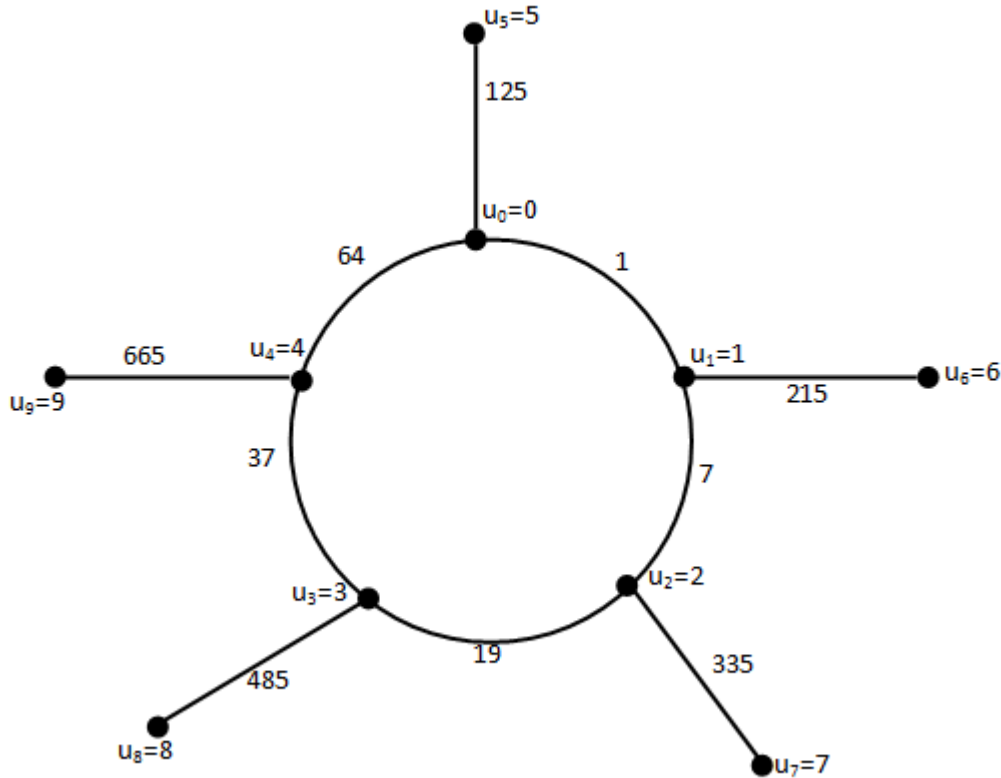
$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(u_{i+1}))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (3i^2 + 3i + 1) \\ &= \{1, 7, 19, 37\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad f^*(u_{n-1} u_0) &= (n-1)^3 \\ &= 64. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad f^*(u_i u_{n+i}) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(u_{n+i}))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (15i^2 + 75i + 125) \\ &= \{125, 215, 335, 485, 665\} \end{aligned}$$

Here all the edges are distinct. Hence the Sunlet graph  $S_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

Example 2.8: The Sunlet graph  $S_5$  is a Cube difference graph.



**Theorem: 2.9**

A Sparkler graph  $P_m^{+n}$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Proof:**

Let  $P_m^{+n}$  be a Sparkler graph. Let  $|V(G)|=m+n$  and  $|E(G)|=m+n-1$ .

The mapping  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,\dots,n-1\}$  is defined by  $f(u_i)=i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$

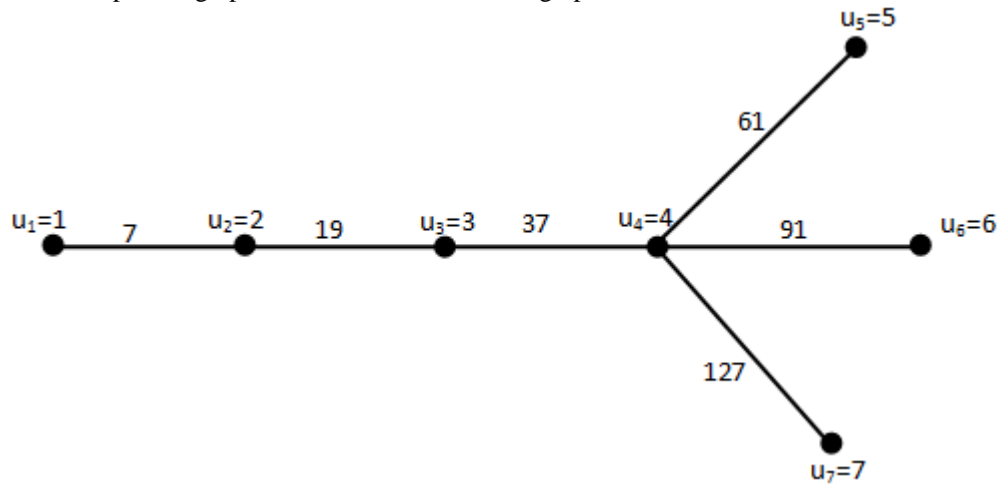
and  $f(u_j)=m+1$ ,  $m+1 \leq j \leq 2n+1$ , and the induced function,  $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow N$  is defined by, and here the sets are,

$E_1=\{u_i u_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq m-1\}$ ,  $E_2=\{u_i v_j / i=m, m+1 \leq j \leq 2n+1\}$  and the edge labeling are

- (i)  $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = \bigcup_{t=1}^m |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(u_{i+1}))^3|$   
 $= \bigcup_{t=1}^m (3i^2 + 3i + 1)$   
 $= \{7, 19, 37\}$
- (ii)  $f^*(u_i u_j) = |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(v_j))^3|$ ,  $i=m$  and  $m+1 \leq j \leq n$   
 $= \bigcup_{t=m+1}^{2n+1} (3i^2 + 3i + 1)$   
 $= \{61, 91, 127\}$

Here all the edges are distinct. Hence the Sparkler graph  $P_m^{+n}$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

Example 2.10: The Sparkler graph  $P_4^{+3}$  is a Cube difference graph.



**Theorem: 2.11**

The Fan graph  $F_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Proof:**

Let  $F_n$  be a Fan graph. Let  $|V(G)|=n+1$  and  $|E(G)|=2n-1$ .

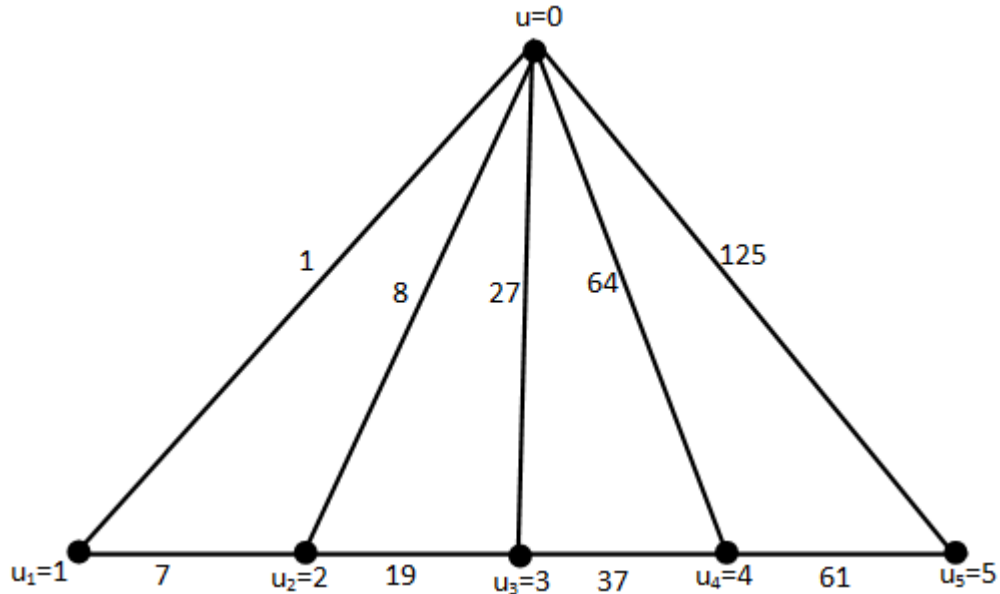
The mapping  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,\dots,n-1\}$  is defined by  $f(u)=0$  and  $f(u_i)=i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and the induced function  $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is defined by, and here the sets are,

$E_1=\{u_i u_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  and  $E_2=\{u u_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and the edge labelings are,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(u_{i+1}))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=1}^{n-1} (3i^2 + 3i + 1) \\ &= \{7, 19, 37, 61\} \\ \text{(ii)} \quad f^*(u u_i) &= \bigcup_{i=1}^n |(f(u))^3 - (f(u_i))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=1}^n (i)^3 \\ &= \{1, 8, 27, 64, 125\} \end{aligned}$$

Here all the edges are distinct. Hence the Fan graph  $F_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

Example 2.12: The Fan graph  $F_5$  is a Cube difference graph.



**Theorem: 2.13**

A Triangular Snake graph  $T_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Proof:**

Let  $T_n$  be a Triangular Snake graph. Let  $|V(G)|=2n+1$  and  $|E(G)|=3n$ . The mapping  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,\dots,2n-1\}$  is defined by  $f(u_i)=2i$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq n-1$  and  $f(v_i)=2i+1$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq n-1$  and the induced function,  $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  is defined by, and here the sets are,  $E_1=\{v_i v_{i+1} / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ ,  $E_2=\{u_i v_i / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  and  $E_3=\{u_i v_{i+1} / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  and the edge labelings are,

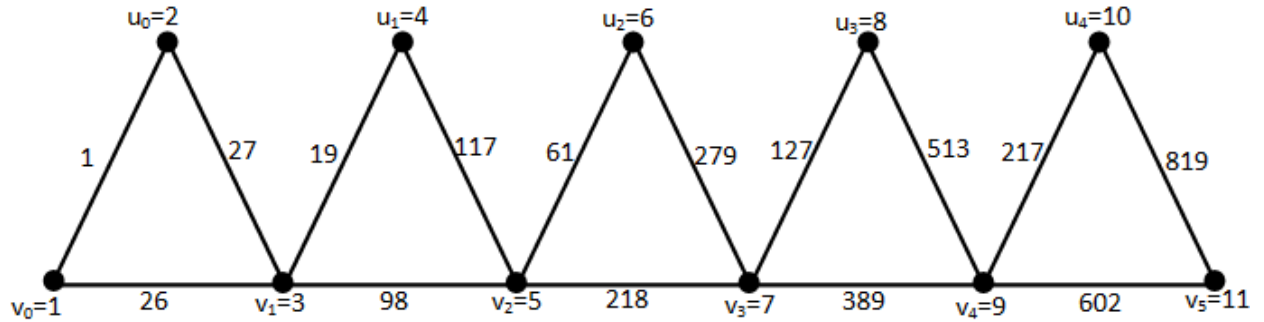
$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(v_i))^3 - (f(v_{i+1}))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(2(i+1))^3 - (2(i+1)+1)^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (24i^2 + 48i + 26) \\ &= \{26, 98, 218, 386, 602\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad f^*(u_i v_i) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(v_i))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(2i)^3 - (2i+1)^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (12i^2 + 6i + 1) \\ &= \{1, 19, 61, 127, 217\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad f^*(u_i v_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(v_{i+1}))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (36i^2 + 54i + 27) \\ &= \{27, 117, 279, 513, 819\} \end{aligned}$$

Here all the edges are distinct. Hence the Triangular Snake graph  $T_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Example 2.14:** The Triangular Snake graph  $T_5$  is a Cube difference graph.



**Theorem: 2.15**

The  $Z-P_n$  graph admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Proof:**

Let  $Z-P_n$  be a graph. Let  $|V(G)|=2n$ . The mapping  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,\dots,2n-1\}$  is defined by  $f(u_i)=2i$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq n-1$  and  $f(v_i)=2i+1$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq n-1$  and the induced function  $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow N$  is defined by, and here the sets are,

$E_1=\{u_i u_{i+1} / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ ,  $E_2=\{v_i v_{i+1} / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  and  $E_3=\{v_i u_{i+1} / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  and the edges labelings are

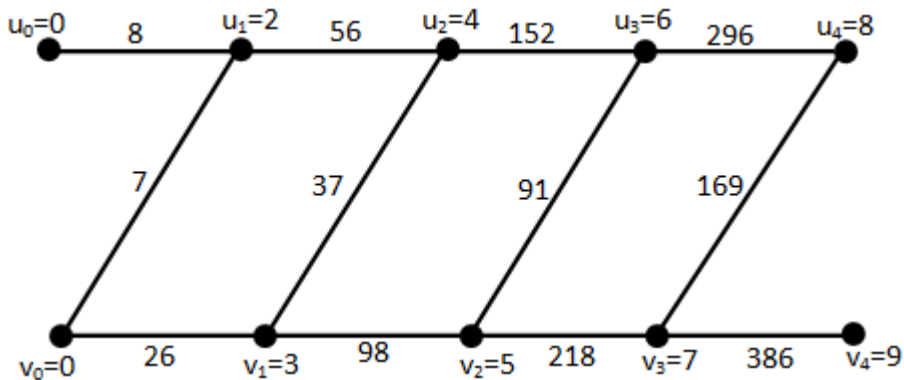
$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \quad f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(u_i))^3 - (f(u_{i+1}))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (24i^2 + 24i + 8) \\ &= \{8, 56, 152, 296\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(v_i))^3 - (f(v_{i+1}))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (24i^2 + 48i + 26) \\ &= \{26, 98, 218, 386\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii)} \quad f^*(v_i u_{i+1}) &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} |(f(v_i))^3 - (f(u_{i+1}))^3| \\ &= \bigcup_{i=0}^{n-1} (12i^2 + 18i + 7) \\ &= \{7, 37, 91, 169\} \end{aligned}$$

Here all the edges are distinct. Hence  $Z-P_n$  admits a Cube difference labeling.

**Example 2.16:** The  $Z-P_5$  graph is a Cube difference graph.





In this paper the Special graphs, are investigated for the Cube difference labeling. This labeling can be verified for some other graphs.

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