



## Elegant labeling of some graphs and their line graphs

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**Abstract:** An elegant labeling  $f$  of graph  $G$  with ‘ $q$ ’ edges an injective function from the vertices of  $G$  to the set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, q\}$  such that when each edge  $(e = xy)$  is assigned the label  $\{(f(x) + f(y)) \bmod (q + 1)\}$  the resulting edge labels are distinct and non zero. In this paper it is shown to be certain families of line graphs of elegant graphs are elegant graphs.

**Key words:** Path graph,  $P_n^2$ , Comb graph,  $H_{n,n}$ ,  $B_{n,n}$ .

### 1. INTRODUCTION:

We consider all graphs are finite, simple and undirected. The graph  $G$  has ‘ $V$ ’ vertices and ‘ $E$ ’ edges. A graph labeling is an assignment of integers to the vertices or edges or both subject to certain condition. We refer to survey on graph labeling by Gallian [5]. An elegant labeling was introduced by Chang, Hsu and Rogers in 1981 [2] have established the elegantness of  $C_n$  and  $P_n$ . Balakrishnan, Selvam and Yengnanaryan [9] have shown that the  $H_{n,n}$ ,  $B_{n,n}$  are elegant if  $n$  is even. Recently V. Laxmi, Alias Gomathi, N murugan and A. Nagarajan [10] have shown that the  $P_n^2$ ,  $P_n K_1$ , are elegant Graphs. The definition and other information’s which are used for present investigation are given.

### 2. Definitions:

**Definition 2.1: Elegant graph :** An elegant labeling  $f$  of graph  $G$  with ‘ $q$ ’ edges is an injective function from the vertices of  $G$  to the set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, q\}$  such that when each edge  $(e = xy)$  is assigned the label  $\{(f(x) + f(y)) \bmod (q + 1)\}$  the edge labels are distinct and non zero, the resulting graph is called an elegant graph.

**Definition 2.2:  $H_{n,n}$ :** The graph with vertex set  $V(H_{n,n}) = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n; u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  and edge set  $E(H_{n,n}) = \{v_i u_j; 1 \leq i \leq n, n-i+1 \leq j \leq n\}$ . [9]

**Definition 2.3:  $P_n^2$ :** The graph  $P_n^2$  is a graph with vertex set  $V(P_n^2) = \{u_i; 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $E(P_n^2) = \{u_i u_{i+1}; 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{u_i u_{i+2}; 1 \leq i \leq n-2\}$ . [10]

### Characteristics of labeling:

- The vertex labeling  $L(G)$  chosen from the integers set  $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, q\}$
- Label the vertices in clockwise/anticlockwise/randomly in an increasing order.
- It should satisfy  $f = (xy) = \{(f(x) + f(y)) \bmod (q + 1)\}$ .
- The condition holds good for few  $L(G)$  and it can’t be generalized.
- $L(G)$  has many edges and enough vertices.

### 3. MAIN RESULTS:

**Theorem 3.1:** The line graph of  $(P_n^2 - e)$  is an elegant graph if  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,  $n \geq 3$  and  $(e = n-4)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $G = (P_n^2)$  be a graph with ‘ $p$ ’ vertices and ‘ $q$ ’ edges and it’s line graph  $[L(P_n^2)] = \{u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n; v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n\}$  be the vertices and the edge set be  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n\}$ .

We define the labeling function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, q\}$  as follows.

$$f(u_1) = 0$$

$$f(u_2) = 1$$

$$f(u_{2i+1}) = 5i \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{q-p}{2} \right\rfloor$$

$$f(u_{2i+2}) = 5i + 1 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{q-p}{2} \right\rfloor$$

$$f(v_1) = 2$$

$$f(v_{2i}) = 4i + j \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{q-p}{2} \right\rfloor \text{ and } 0 \leq j \leq \left\lfloor \frac{q-p}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$$

$$f(v_{2i+1}) = 7i - j \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{q-p}{2} \right\rfloor \text{ and } j = 0, 2, 4, \dots, (n-5)$$

The above defined labeling pattern easy to verify that all the vertex labels are different values and we get edge label in the form { 1, 2, 3,----- q} non – zero integers and no edge label is repeated. Hence  $L(P^2_n - e)$  is a elegant labeling graph.

**Example.**  $L(P^2_5)$  is a elegant labeling graph as shown in fig 1  $n=5$   $e = n - 4$ .

$e=1$  (one edge deleted)

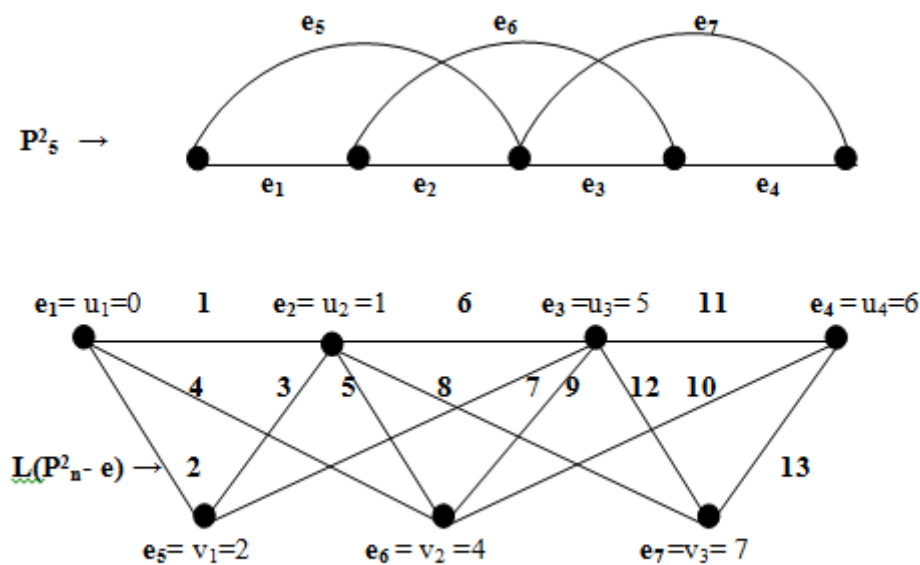


fig 1.

**Theorem 3.2:** The line graph of  $(P^2_n - e)$  is an elegant graph if  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $n \geq 4$  and  $(e = n-4)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $G = (P^2_n)$  be a graph with 'p' vertices and 'q' edges and it's line graph  $[L(P^2_n)] = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n; u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n\}$  be the vertices and edge set  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n\}$ .

We define the labeling function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, q\}$  as follows.

$$f(v_{1+2i}) = 5i \quad \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rfloor$$

$$f(v_{2+2i}) = 3+5i \quad \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \right\rfloor$$

$$f(u_{1+2i}) = 5i+1 \quad \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \right\rfloor$$

$$f(u_{2+2i}) = 2+5i \quad \text{for } 0 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \right\rfloor$$

The above defined labeling pattern easy to verify that all the vertex labels are different values and we get edge label in the form { 1, 2, 3,----- q } non – zero integers and no edge label is repeated. Hence  $L(P_n^2 - e)$  is a elegant labeling graph.

**Example.**  $L(P_6^2)$  is a elegant labeling graph as shown in fig  $2n=6 \quad e = n - 4$ .

$e=2$  (two edge deleted)

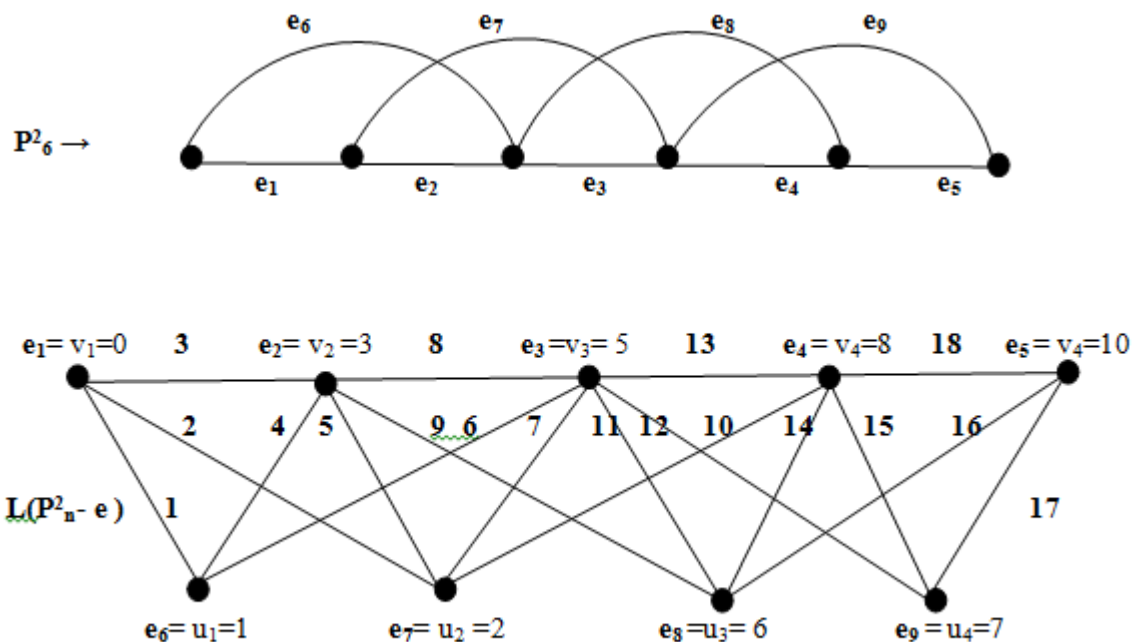


fig 2.

**Theorem 3.3:** The line graph of  $(P_n K_1)$  is an elegant graph if  $n \leq 5$

**Proof:** Let  $G = (P_n K_1)$  be a comb graph with 'V' vertices and 'E' edges and its line graph

$[L(P_n K_1)] \{ x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n; y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n \}$  be the vertices and edge set  $\{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_n\}$ . We define the labeling function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, q\}$  as follows. **Case 1:  $n=2$**

$$f(x_1) = 0$$

$$f(y_1) = 1$$

$$f(y_2) = 2$$

**Case 2 :n=3**

$$f(x_i) = i \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq n - 2$$

$$f(y_i) = i+1 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

**Case 3:n=4**

$$f(x_{1+2i}) = 5i+1 \text{ for } i=0,1$$

$$f(x_2) = 2$$

$$f(y_{1+2i}) = 5i \text{ for } i=0,1$$

$$f(y_{2+2i}) = 3i+4 \text{ for } i=0,1$$

**Case 4:n=5**

$$f(x_i) = i \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq n - 2$$

$$f(y_{1+2i}) = (n-1) + i(i+1) + i \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rfloor$$

$$f(y_{2i}) = (n-1) + 2i \text{ for } i=1,2$$

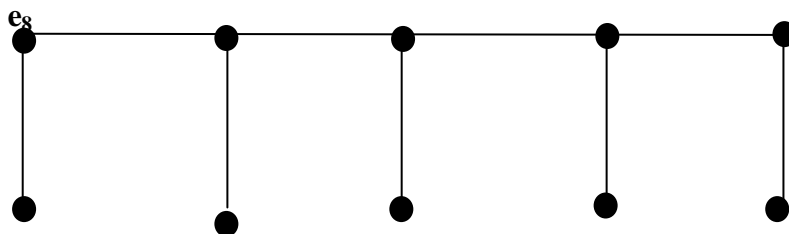
The vertex labeling pattern defined above covers all the vertices with different values and we get edge label in the form { 1, 2, 3,----- q } non – zero +ve integers and no edge label repeated.Hence  $L(P_n K_1)$  is elegant labeling graph.

**Example.**  $L(P_5 K_1)$  is a elegant labeling graph as shown in fig 3

$e_2 e_4 e_6$

$P_5 K_1 \rightarrow$

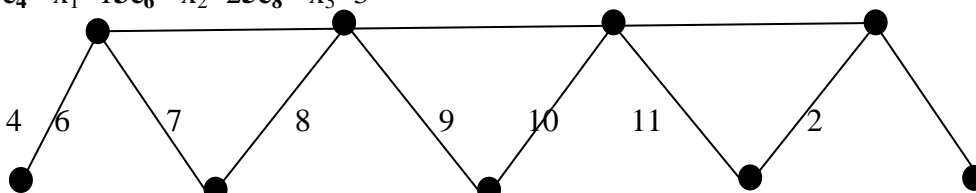
$e_1 e_3 e_5 e_7 e_9$



$e_2 = x_0 = 01 \quad e_4 = x_1 = 13 \quad e_6 = x_2 = 25 \quad e_8 = x_3 = 3$

$L(P_5 K_1) \rightarrow$

$e_1 = y_1 = 4 \quad e_3 = y_2 = 6 \quad e_5 = y_3 = 7 \quad e_7 = y_4 = 8 \quad e_9 = y_5 = 11$



**fig 3**

**Theorem 3.4:** The line graph of  $(H_{n,n})$  is a elegant graph if  $n \leq 3$ .

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be a  $(H_{n,n})$  graph with 'p' vertices and 'q' edges and it's line graph  $L(H_{n,n}) = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n\}$  vertices and edge set  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ . We define the labeling function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  as follows

**Case 1:  $n=2$**

$$f(v_1) = 0$$

$$f(v_2) = 1$$

$$f(v_3) = 2$$

**Case 2:  $n=3$**

$$f(v_1) = 6$$

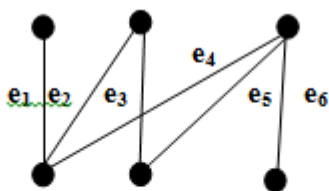
$$f(v_2) = 0$$

$$f(v_{2+i}) = i \text{ for } i=1,2,3,4$$

such that the vertex labels are different numbers and we get edge label in the form  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, q\}$  non-zero integers and no edge label is repeated. Hence  $L(H_{n,n})$  is an elegant labeling graph.

**Example.**  $L(H_{3,3})$  is a elegant labeling graph as shown in fig 4

$(H_{3,3}) \rightarrow$



$L(H_{3,3}) \rightarrow$

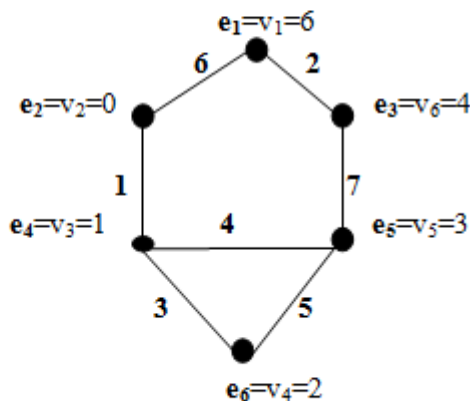


fig4

**Theorem 3.5:** The line graph of  $P_n$  is an elegant graph if  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $P_n$  be a path graph with a vertex set as  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n\}$ ,  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1}\}$  be the edge and it's line graph  $L(P_n)$  has 'P' vertices and 'P-1' edges.

We define the labeling function  $f : V ( G ) \rightarrow \{ 0,1, 2, \dots, q \}$  as follows

$$f(u_i) = \left( \frac{p-1+i}{2} \right) \bmod (q+1) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq P$$

The vertex labeling pattern defined above covers all the vertices with different numbers. Label Vertices from right to left side of the path and we get edge label in the form of  $\{ 1, 2, 3, \dots, q \}$ , non-zero integers and no edge label is repeated. Hence  $L(P_n)$  is an elegant labeling graph.

**Example.**  $L(P_6)$  is an elegant labeling graph as shown in fig 5

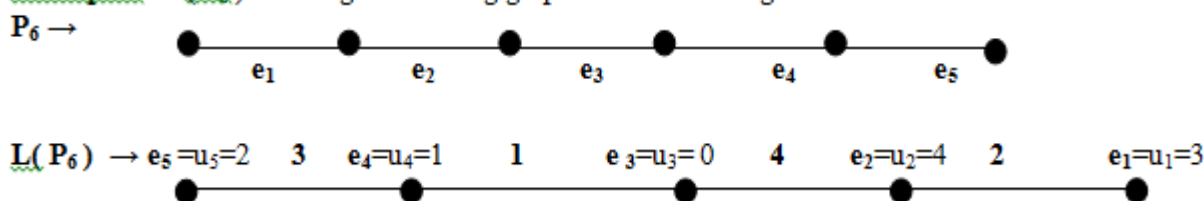


fig 5

**Theorem 3.6:** The line graph of  $(B_{nn})$  is an elegant graph if  $n=2$

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be a bistar graph with  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n$  be the vertices and edges  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1}$  it's line graph  $L(B_{nn})$  has 'V' vertices and 'E' edges. We define the labeling function  $f : V ( G ) \rightarrow \{ 0,1, 2, \dots, q \}$  as follows

$$f(x_i) = 0$$

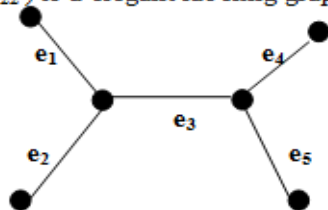
$$f(v_{i+1}) = 3i+1 \text{ for } i=0,1$$

$$f(u_{i+1}) = 3i+3 \text{ for } i=0,1$$

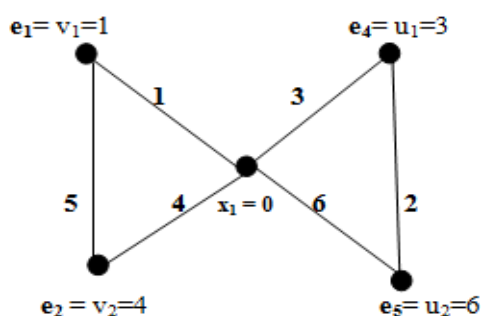
The above defined labeling pattern we can label the vertices with different values and we get edge label in the form  $\{ 1, 2, 3, \dots, q \}$  non-zero integers and no edge label is repeated. Hence  $L(B_{nn})$  is an elegant labeling graph.

**Example.**  $L(B_{22})$  is a elegant labeling graph as shown in fig 6

$B_{22} \rightarrow$



$L(B_{22}) \rightarrow$



**fig 6**

#### CONCLUSION:

In this paper we have shown that line graph of  $P_n^2$ , Comb graph, Path graph,  $H_{nn}$ ,  $B_{nn}$  are elegant graphs it can also verified for some graphs.

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