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# FURTHER RESULTS ON ODD HARMONIOUS GRAPHS

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## ABSTRACT

*In [1] Abdel-Aal has introduced the notions of  $m$ -shadow graphs and  $n$ -splitting graphs, for all  $m, n \geq 1$ . In this paper, we prove that, the  $m$ -shadow graphs for paths and complete bipartite graphs are odd harmonious graphs for all  $m \geq 1$ . Also, we prove the  $n$ -splitting graphs for paths, stars and symmetric product between paths and null graphs are odd harmonious graphs for all  $n \geq 1$ . In addition, we present some examples to illustrate the proposed theories. Moreover, we show that some families of graphs admit odd harmonious libeling.*

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*Odd harmonious labeling,  $m$ -shadow graph,  $m$ -splitting graph.*

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

We begin with simple, finite, connected and undirected graph  $G = (V, E)$  with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges. For all other standard terminology and notions we follow Harary[4].

Harmonious graphs naturally arose in the study by Graham and Sloane [3].

They defined a graph  $G$  with  $q$  edges to be harmonious if there is an injection  $f$  from the vertices of  $G$  to the group of integers modulo  $q$  such that when each edge  $xy$  is assigned the label  $f(x) + f(y) \pmod{q}$ , the resulting edge labels are distinct.

A graph  $G$  is said to be odd harmonious if there exists an injection  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2q-1\}$  such that the induced function  $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 3, \dots, 2q-1\}$  defined by  $f^*(uv) = f(u) + f(v)$  is a bijection. Then  $f$  is said to be an odd harmonious labeling of  $G$  [5]. A graph which has odd harmonious labeling is called odd harmonious graph.

For a dynamic survey of various graph labeling problems we refer to Gallian [2].

Liang and Bai [5] obtained the necessary conditions for the existence of odd harmonious labeling of a graph. They proved that if  $G$  is an odd harmonious graph, then  $G$  is a bipartite graph. Also they claim that if a  $(p, q)$  – graph  $G$  is odd harmonious, then  $2\sqrt{q} \leq p \leq 2q - 1$ , but this is not always correct. Take  $P_2$  as a counter example.

In [1] Abdel-Aal has introduced an extension for shadow graphs and splitting graphs. Namely, for any integers  $m \geq 1$ , the  $m$ -shadow graph denoted by  $D_m(G)$  and the  $m$ - splitting graph denoted by  $Spl_m(G)$  are defined as follows:

**Definition 1.1.** [1] The  $m$ -shadow graph  $D_m(G)$  of a connected graph  $G$  is constructed by taking  $m$ -copies of  $G$ , say  $G_1, G_2, G_3, \dots, G_m$ , then join each vertex  $u$  in  $G_i$  to the neighbors of the corresponding vertex  $v$  in  $G_j$ ,  $1 \leq i, j \leq m$ .

**Definition 1.2.** [1] The  $m$ - splitting graph  $Spl_m(G)$  of a graph  $G$  is obtained by adding to each vertex  $v$  of  $G$  new  $m$  vertices, say  $v^1, v^2, v^3, \dots, v^m$ , such that  $v^i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq m$  is adjacent to every vertex that is adjacent to  $v$  in  $G$ .

Vaidya and Shah [6] proved that the shadow graphs of the path  $P_n$  and the star  $K_{1,n}$  are odd harmonious. Further they prove that the splitting graphs of the path  $P_n$  and the star  $K_{1,n}$  admit odd harmonious labeling.

In this paper, we initiate the study by proving that  $D_m(P_n)$ , for each  $m, n \geq 1$  is odd harmonious, and we show that  $D_m(K_{r,s})$  for each  $m, r, s \geq 1$  admits an odd harmonious labeling. Further, we prove that, the following graphs  $Spl_m(P_n)$ ,  $Spl_m(K_{1,n})$ ,  $P_n \oplus \overline{K_m}$ ,  $Spl_m(P_n \oplus \overline{K_2})$ ,  $Spl_m(P_2 \wedge S_n)$ ,  $Spl(K_{m,n})$  are odd harmonious.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

### *Theorem 2.1.*

All connected graphs of order  $\leq 6$  are not odd harmonious, except the following 25 graphs:

- (i)  $C_4, K_{2,3}, K_{2,4}, K_{3,3}$ ,
- (ii) all non-isomorphic trees of order  $\leq 6$ ,
- (iii) the following graphs of order  $\leq 6$

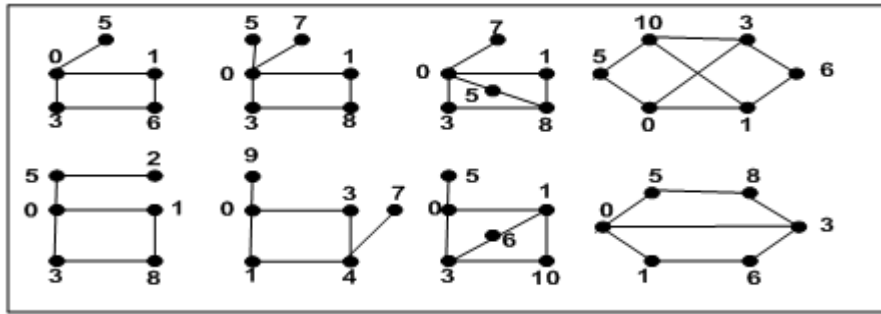


Figure (1)

*Proof.*

The graphs in (i) are odd harmonious by theorems due to Liang and Bai [5]; note that the graphs in case (ii) are exactly 13 non-isomorphic trees of order  $\leq 6$ , and they and the graphs in case (iii) are shown to be odd harmonious by giving specific odd harmonious labeling assigned to the vertices of each graph as indicated in Figure (1) and Figure (2). According to Harary [4], the remaining (118) connected graphs of order  $\leq 6$ , are not odd harmonious by the theorem: “Every graph with an odd cycle is not odd harmonious” which is also due to Liang and Bai [5].

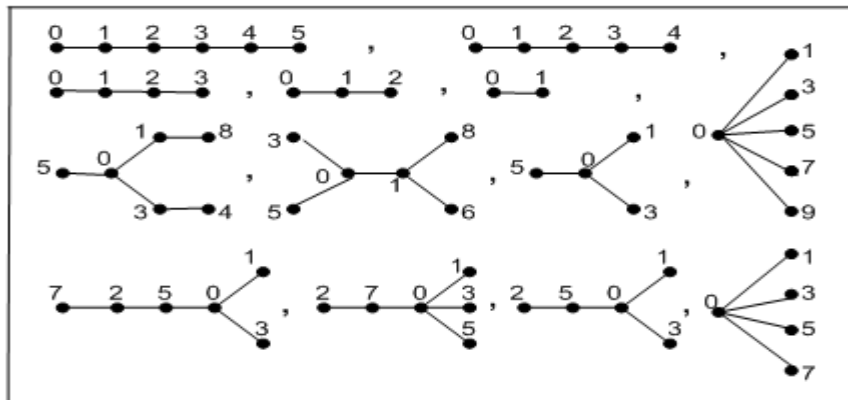


Figure (2)

**Theorem 2.2.**  $D_m(P_n)$  is an odd harmonious graph for all  $m, n \geq 2$ .

**Proof.** Consider  $m$ -copies of  $P_n$ . Let  $u_1^j, u_2^j, u_3^j, \dots, u_n^j$  be the vertices of the  $j^{\text{th}}$ -copy of  $P_n$ . Let  $G$  be the graph  $D_m(P_n)$ . Then  $|V(G)| = mn$  and  $|E(G)| = m^2(n - 1)$ . We define  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2m^2(n - 1) - 1\}$  as follows:

$$f(u_i^j) = \begin{cases} m^2(i-1) + 2m(j-1) & i = 1, 3, 5, \dots, n \text{ or } n-1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq m, \\ m^2(i-2) + 2j-1 & i = 2, 4, 6, \dots, n-1 \text{ or } n, \quad 1 \leq j \leq m. \end{cases}$$

It follows that  $f$  is an odd harmonious labeling for  $D_m(P_n)$ . Hence  $D_m(P_n)$  is an odd harmonious graph for each  $m, n \geq 1$ .

**Example 2.3.** An odd harmonious labeling of the graph  $D_4(P_7)$  is shown in Figure (3).

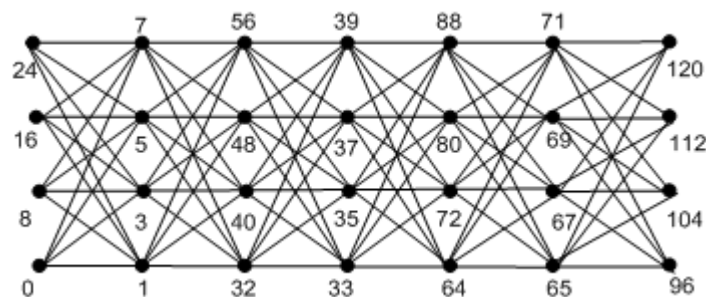


Figure (3): The graph  $D_4(P_7)$  with its odd harmonious labeling

**Theorem 2.4.**  $D_m(K_{r,s})$  is an odd harmonious graph for all  $m, r, s \geq 1$ .

**Proof.** Consider  $m$ -copies of  $K_{r,s}$ . Let  $u_1^j, u_2^j, u_3^j, \dots, u_r^j$  and  $v_1^j, v_2^j, v_3^j, \dots, v_s^j$  be the vertices of the  $j^{\text{th}}$ -copy of  $K_{r,s}$ . Let  $G$  be the graph  $D_m(K_{r,s})$ . Then  $|V(G)| = m(r+s)$  and  $|E(G)| = m^2 rs$ . We define

$$f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2m^2rs - 1\}$$

as follows:

$$f(u_i^j) = 2(i-1) + 2r(j-1), \quad 1 \leq i \leq r, \quad 1 \leq j \leq m.$$

$$f(v_i^j) = 1 + 2mr(i-1) + 2mrs(j-1), \quad 1 \leq i \leq s, \quad 1 \leq j \leq m.$$

It follows that  $f$  is an odd harmonious labeling for  $D_m(K_{r,s})$ . Hence  $D_m(K_{r,s})$  is an odd harmonious graph for each  $m, r, s \geq 1$ .

**Example 2.5.** An odd harmonious labeling of the graph  $D_3(K_{3,4})$  is shown in Figure (4).

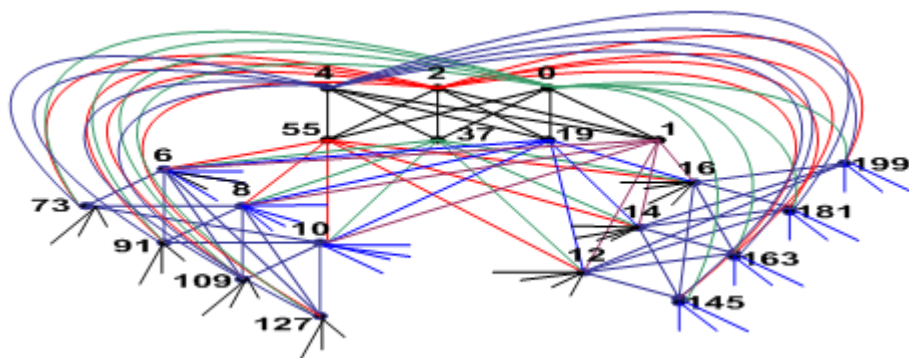


Figure (4): The graph  $D_3(K_{3,4})$  with its odd harmonious labeling.

The following results give odd-harmonious labeling for the “multisplitting” paths and stars.

**Theorem 2.6.**  $Spl_m(P_n)$  is an odd harmonious graph.

**Proof.** Let  $u_1^0, u_2^0, u_3^0, \dots, u_n^0$  be the vertices of  $P_n$  and suppose  $u_1^j, u_2^j, u_3^j, \dots, u_n^j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$  be the  $j^{\text{th}}$  vertices corresponding to  $u_1^0, u_2^0, u_3^0, \dots, u_n^0$ , which are added to obtain  $Spl_m(P_n)$ . Let  $G$  be the graph  $Spl_m(P_n)$  described as indicated in Figure(5)

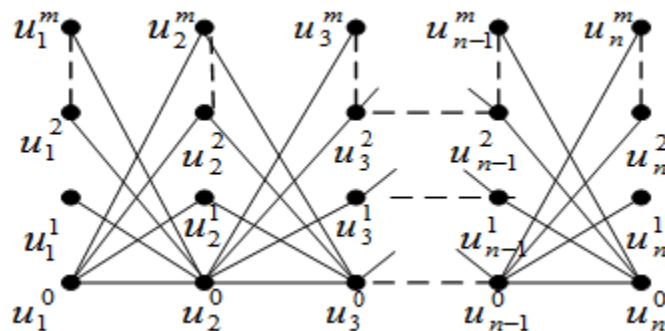


Figure (5)

Then  $|V(G)| = n(m+1)$  and  $|E(G)| = (n-1)(2m+1)$ . We define

$f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2(n-1)(2m+1) - 1\}$  as follows:

$$f(u_i^0) = i - 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

$$f(u_i^j) = \begin{cases} 4(n-1)j + i - 1, & i = 1, 3, 5, \dots, n \text{ or } n-1, \quad 1 \leq j \leq m, \\ 2(n-1)(2j-1) + i - 1, & i = 2, 4, 6, \dots, n-1 \text{ or } n, \quad 1 \leq j \leq m. \end{cases}$$

It follows that  $f$  admits an odd harmonious labeling for  $Spl_m(P_n)$ . Hence  $Spl_m(P_n)$  is an odd harmonious graph.

**Example 2.7.** Odd harmonious labeling of the graph  $Spl_3(P_7)$  is shown in Figure (6).

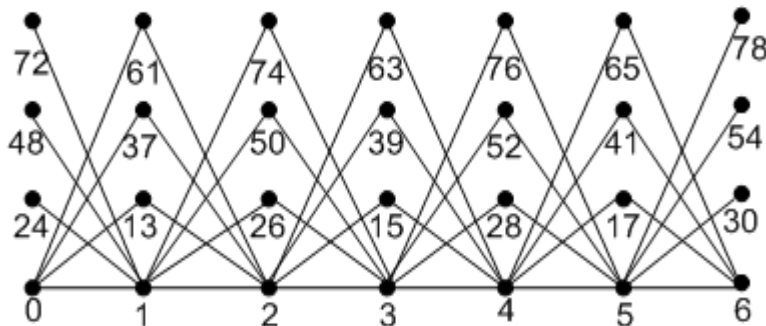


Figure (6): The graph  $Spl_3(P_7)$  with its odd harmonious labeling.

**Theorem 2.8.**  $Spl_m(K_{1,n})$  is an odd harmonious graph.

**Proof.** Let  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n$  be the pendant vertices and  $u_0$  be the center of  $K_{1,n}$ , and  $u_0^j, u_1^j, u_2^j, \dots, u_n^j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$  are the added vertices corresponding to  $u_0, u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n$  to obtain  $Spl_m(K_{1,n})$ . Let  $G$  be the graph  $Spl_m(K_{1,n})$ . Then  $|V(G)| = (n+1)(m+1)$  and  $|E(G)| = n(2m+1)$ . We define the vertex labeling function:

$f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2n(2m+1) - 1\}$  as follows:

$$f(u_0) = 0,$$

$$f(u_i) = 2i - 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

$$f(u_0^j) = 2nj, \quad 1 \leq j \leq m,$$

$$f(u_i^j) = 2[n(m+j) + i] - 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m.$$

It follows that  $f$  admits an odd harmonious labeling for  $Spl_m(K_{1,n})$ . Hence  $Spl_m(K_{1,n})$  is an odd harmonious graph

**Example 2.9.** An odd harmonious labeling of the graph  $Spl_3(K_{1,3})$  is shown in Figure (7).

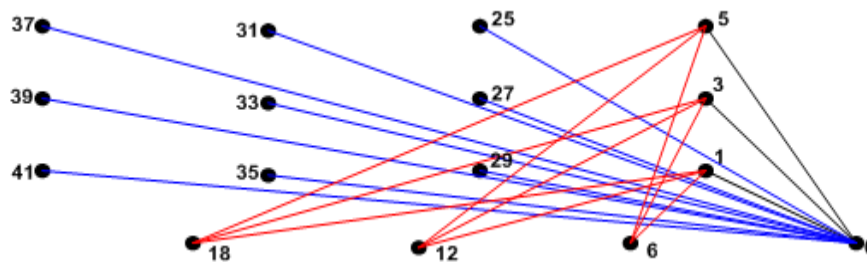


Figure (7) The graph  $Spl_3(K_{1,3})$  with its odd harmonious labeling

**Remark 2.10.**

In Theorem 2.2, if we take  $m = 2$  we obtain the known shadow path and when we take  $m = 2$ ,  $r = 1$  in Theorem 2.4 we obtain the known shadow star. Also, in Theorems 2.6, 2.8 if we take  $m = 1$  we obtain the splitting path and star. These special cases of our results coincide with results of Vaidya and Shah [5] (Theorems 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4).

### 3. SOME ODD HARMONIOUS GRAPHS

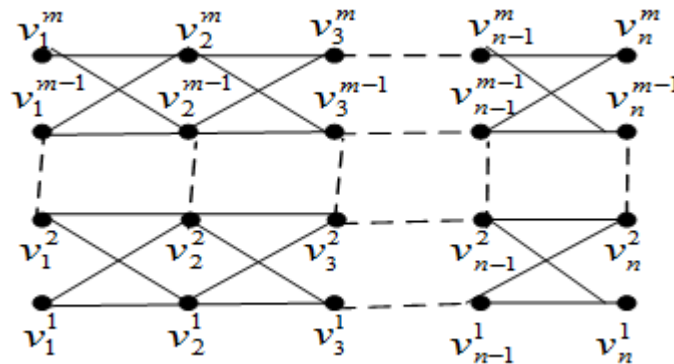
Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be two disjoint graphs. The symmetric product  $(G_1 \oplus G_2)$  of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is the graph having vertex set  $V(G_1) \times V(G_2)$  and edge set  $\{(u_1, v_1) (u_2, v_2): u_1u_2 \in E(G_1) \text{ or } v_1v_2 \in E(G_2) \text{ but not both}\}$ [4].

**Theorem 3.1.**

The graphs  $P_n \oplus \overline{K_m}$ ,  $m, n \geq 2$  are odd-harmonious.

**Proof.**

Let  $P_n \oplus \overline{K_m}$  be described as indicated in Figure (8):



Figure(8)

It is clear that the number of edges of the graph  $P_n \oplus \overline{K_m}$  is  $(3m - 2)(n - 1)$ . We define the labeling function

$$f: V(P_n \oplus \overline{K_m}) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 2(3m - 2)(n - 1) - 1\}$$

as follows:

$$f(v_i^j) = \begin{cases} (3m - 2)(i - 1) + 4(j - 1), & i = 1, 3, 5, \dots, n \text{ or } n - 1, \quad j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m \\ (3m - 2)i - (6m - 5) + 2(j - 1), & i = 2, 4, 6, \dots, n - 1 \text{ or } n - 1, \quad j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m \end{cases}$$

It follows that  $f$  admits an odd harmonious labeling for  $P_n \oplus \overline{K_m}$ . Hence  $P_n \oplus \overline{K_m}$  is an odd harmonious graph.

**Example 3.2.** An odd harmonious labeling of the graph  $P_6 \oplus \overline{K_3}$  is shown in Figure (9).

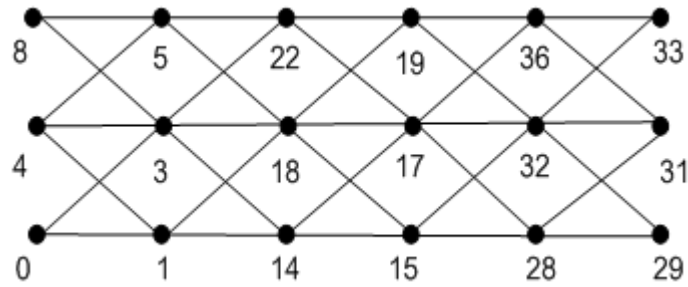


Figure (9): The graph  $P_6 \oplus \overline{K_3}$  with its odd harmonious labeling.

**Theorem 3.3.**

The graphs  $Spl_m(P_n \oplus \overline{K_2})$ ,  $m, n \geq 2$  are odd-harmonious.

**Proof.** Let  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n; v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  be the vertices of the graph  $P_n \oplus \overline{K_2}$  and suppose  $u_1^j, u_2^j, u_3^j, \dots, u_n^j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$  be the  $j^{\text{th}}$  vertices corresponding to  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n$  and  $v_1^j, v_2^j, v_3^j, \dots, v_n^j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$  be the  $j^{\text{th}}$  vertices corresponding to  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  which are added to obtain  $Spl_m(P_n \oplus \overline{K_2})$ . The graph  $Spl_m(P_n \oplus \overline{K_2})$  is described as indicated in Figure (10)

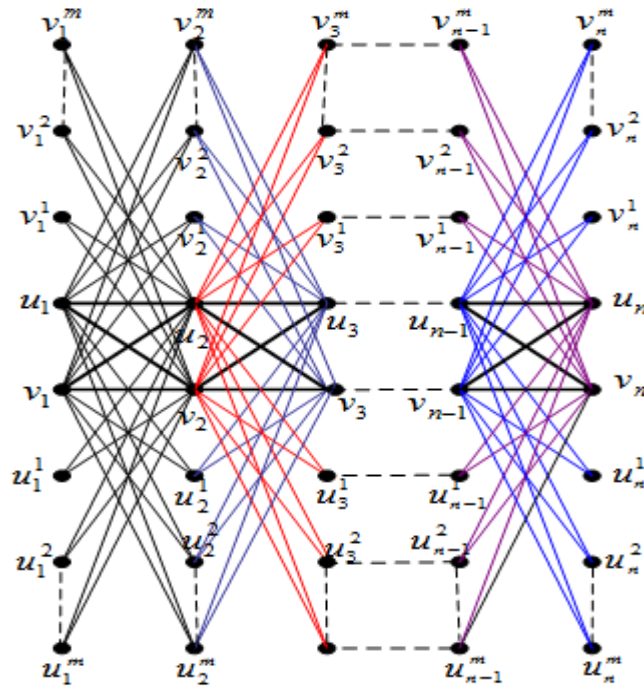


Figure (10)

Then the number of edges of the graph  $Spl_m(P_n \oplus \overline{K_2}) = 4(2m+1)(n-1)$ . We define:

$$f: V(Spl_m(P_n \oplus \overline{K_2})) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 8(2m+1)(n-1) - 1\}.$$

First, we consider the labeling for the graph  $P_n \oplus \overline{K_2}$  as follows:

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 4(m+1) + 4(2m+1)(i-1), & i = 1,3,5,\dots,n \text{ or } n-1 \\ 4(2m+1)(i-2) + 3, & i = 2,4,6,\dots,n-1 \text{ or } n. \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 4m + 4(2m+1)(i-1), & i = 1,3,5,\dots,n \text{ or } n-1 \\ 4(2m+1)(i-2) + 1, & i = 2,4,6,\dots,n-1 \text{ or } n. \end{cases}$$

For labeling the added vertices  $u_i^j, v_i^j, 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq m$  we consider the following three cases:

**Case (i)**

if  $i$  is odd,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  we have the following labeling, for each  $1 \leq j \leq m$

$$f(u_i^j) = 4(m-j) + 4(2m+1)(i-1)$$

$$f(v_i^j) = 4(m+j+1) + 4(2m+1)(i-1)$$

**Case (ii)**

if  $i$  even,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$  we have the following labeling:

$$f(u_i^j) = \begin{cases} 4(2m+2-j) + 4(2m+1)(i-2) + 1, & j = 1,3,5,\dots,m \\ 4(2m+2-j) + 4(2m+1)(i-2) - 1, & j = 2,4,6,\dots,m-1 \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i^j) = \begin{cases} 4(2m+1+j) + 4(2m+1)(i-2) - 1, & j = 1,3,5,\dots,m \\ 4(2m+1+j) + 4(2m+1)(i-2) + 1, & j = 2,4,6,\dots,m-1 \end{cases}$$

**Case (iii)**

if  $i$  even,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$  we have the following labeling:

$$f(u_i^j) = \begin{cases} 4(2m+2-j) + 4(2m+1)(i-2) - 1, & j = 1,3,5,\dots,m-1 \\ 4(2m+2-j) + 4(2m+1)(i-2) + 1, & j = 2,4,6,\dots,m \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i^j) = \begin{cases} 4(2m+1+j) + 4(2m+1)(i-2) + 1, & j = 1,3,5,\dots,m-1 \\ 4(2m+1+j) + 4(2m+1)(i-2) - 1, & j = 2,4,6,\dots,m \end{cases}$$

It follows that  $f$  admits an odd harmonious labeling for  $Spl_m(P_n \oplus \overline{K_2})$ . Hence  $Spl_m(P_n \oplus \overline{K_2})$  is an odd harmonious graph.

**Example 3.4.** Odd harmonious labelings of graphs  $Spl_2(P_5 \oplus \overline{K_2})$  and  $Spl_3(P_5 \oplus \overline{K_2})$  are shown in Figure (11a) and Figure (11b) respectively.

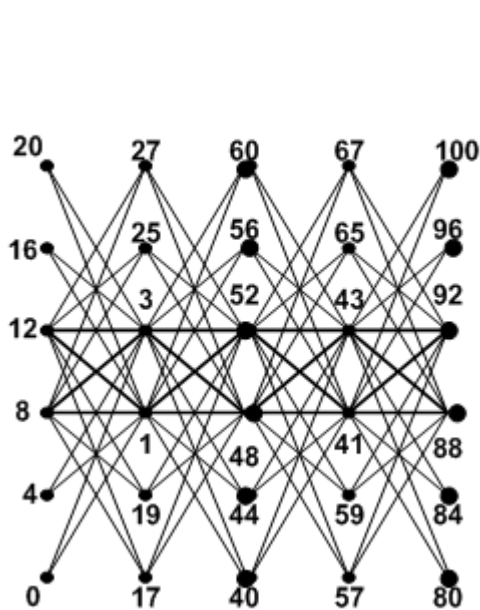


Figure (11a)  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ,

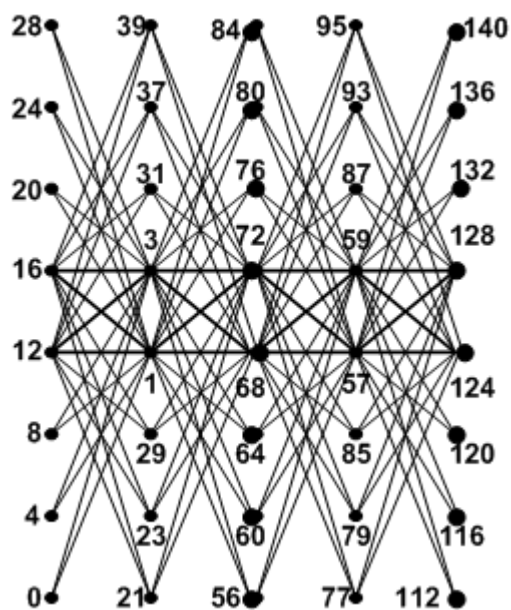


Figure (11b),  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$

**Figure (11a), Figure (11b):** The graphs  $Spl_2(P_5 \oplus \overline{K_2})$  and  $Spl_3(P_5 \oplus \overline{K_2})$  with their odd harmonious labeling.

Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be two disjoint graphs. The conjunction  $(G_1 \wedge G_2)$  of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is the graph having vertex set  $V(G_1) \times V(G_2)$  and edge set  $\{(u_1, v_1) (u_2, v_2): u_1 u_2 \in E(G_1) \text{ and } v_1 v_2 \in E(G_2)\}$  [4].

**Theorem 3.5.**

The graphs  $Spl_m(P_2 \wedge S_n)$ ,  $m, n \geq 2$  are odd harmonious.

**Proof.**

Let  $u_0^0, u_1^0, u_2^0, \dots, u_n^0$ ;  $v_0^0, v_1^0, v_2^0, \dots, v_n^0$  be the vertices of the graph  $P_2 \wedge S_n$  and suppose  $u_0^j, u_1^j, u_2^j, u_3^j, \dots, u_n^j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$  be the  $j^{\text{th}}$  vertices corresponding to  $u_0^0, u_1^0, u_2^0, \dots, u_n^0$  and  $v_0^j, v_1^j, v_2^j, v_3^j, \dots, v_n^j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$  be the  $j^{\text{th}}$  vertices corresponding to  $v_0^0, v_1^0, v_2^0, \dots, v_n^0$  which are added to obtain  $Spl_m(P_2 \wedge S_n)$ . The graph  $Spl_m(P_2 \wedge S_n)$  is described as indicated in figure (12)

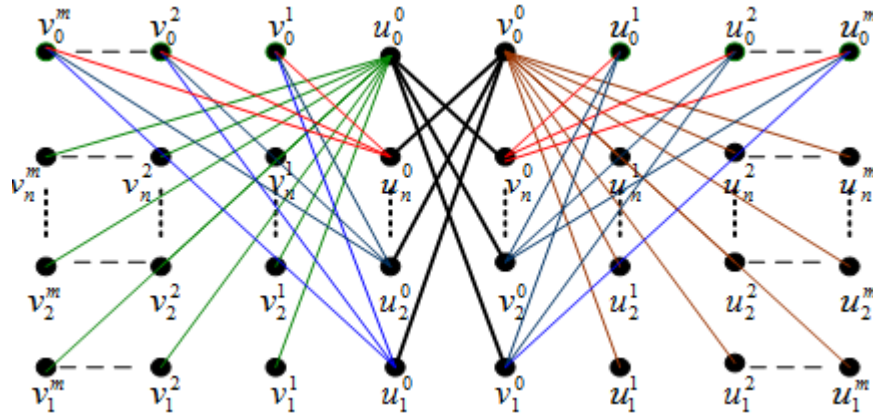


Figure (12)

It is clear that the number of edges of the graph  $Spl_m(P_2 \wedge S_n)$  is  $2n(2m+1)$ . Now we define the labeling function

$$f: V(Spl_m(P_2 \wedge S_n)) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 4n(2m+1)-1\},$$

as follows:

$$f(u_0^j) = (2m+2)n - 1 + 2j, \quad 0 \leq j \leq m$$

$$f(v_0^j) = (2m+1) - 2j, \quad 0 \leq j \leq m$$

$$f(v_i^0) = 2i(m+1) - 2m, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_i^0) = 2(m+1)(i-1), \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

Now we label the remaining vertices  $u_i^j, v_i^j$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$  as follows:

For the vertices  $v_i^j$ : we put the labeled vertices  $v_i^1, v_i^2, v_i^3, \dots, v_i^m$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , ordered from bottom to top in columns as in Example 3.6, the labels form an arithmetic progression whose basis is 2 and whose first term is  $2[(m+1)n+1]$ .

Similarly for  $u_i^j$ : we put the labeled vertices  $u_i^1, u_i^2, u_i^3, \dots, u_i^m$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , ordered from bottom to top in columns as in Example 3.6, the labels form an arithmetic progression whose basis is 2 and whose first term is  $2[(3n-1)m+2n]$ .

It follows that  $f$  admits an odd harmonious labeling for  $Spl_m(P_2 \wedge S_n)$ . Hence  $Spl_m(P_2 \wedge S_n)$  is an odd harmonious graph.

**Example 3.6.** An odd harmonious labeling of the graph  $Spl_3(P_2 \wedge S_4)$  is shown in Figure (13).

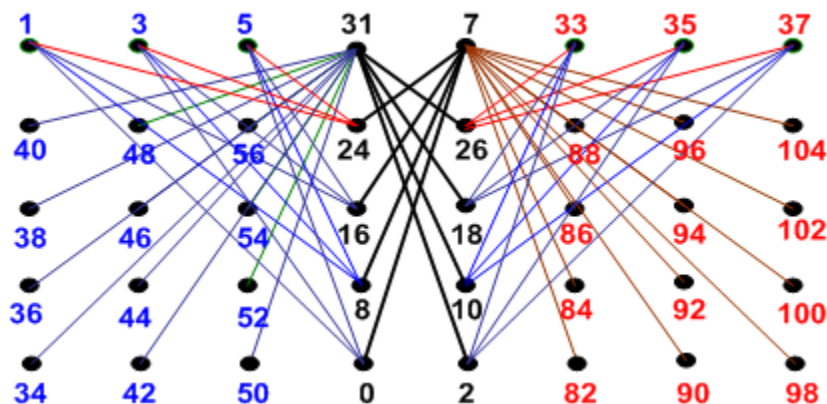


Figure (13): The graph  $Spl_3(P_2 \wedge S_4)$  with its odd harmonious labeling

**Corollary 3.7.**

The following known graphs are odd harmonious:

1.  $Spl(S_n \wedge P_2)$  ,  $n \geq 2$
2.  $Spl(P_n \oplus K_2)$  ,  $n \geq 2$

**Theorem 3.8.**

The graphs  $Spl(K_{m,n})$ ,  $m, n \geq 2$  are odd harmonious.

**Proof.**

Let  $V(K_{m,n}) = \{u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_m; v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$ ,  $m, n \geq 2$ . It is clear that the number of edges of the graph  $Spl(K_{m,n})$  is  $3mn$ . The graph is indicated in Figure (14):

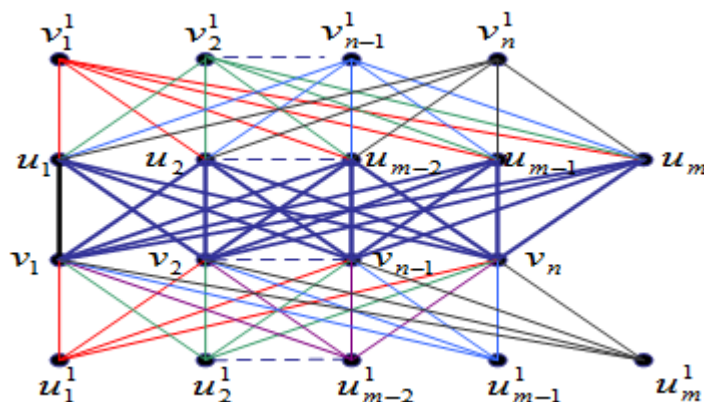


Figure (14)

We define the labeling function

$f: V(Spl(K_{m,n})) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 6mn - 1\}$  as follows:

$$f(v_i) = 4i - 3 \quad , \quad 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$f(u_i) = 6n(i - 1) \quad , \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_i^1) = 4n + 2i - 1 \quad , \quad 1 \leq i \leq m$$

$$f(u_i^1) = 2 + 6n(i - 1) \quad , \quad 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

It follows that  $f$  admits an odd harmonious labeling for  $Spl(K_{m,n})$ . Hence  $Spl(K_{m,n})$  is an odd harmonious graph.

**Example 3.9.** Odd harmonious labeling of graph  $Spl(K_{3,4})$  is shown in Figure (15).

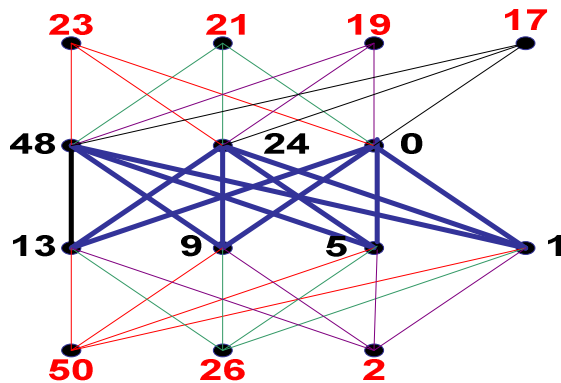


Figure (15): The graph  $Spl(K_{3,4})$  with its odd harmonious labeling

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