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SOME FAMILIES OF 4-TOTAL DIFFERENCE CORDIAL GRAPHS

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Abstract. Let G be a graph. Let $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1\}$ be a map where $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $k > 1$. For each edge uv , assign the label $|f(u) - f(v)|$. f is called k -total difference cordial labeling of G if $|t_{df}(i) - t_{df}(j)| \leq 1$, $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ where $t_{df}(x)$ denotes the total number of vertices and the edges labeled with x . A graph with admits a k -total difference cordial labeling is called k -total difference cordial graphs. In this paper we investigate the 4-total difference cordial labeling behaviour of some graphs like $J_{n,n} \cup K_{1,n}, J_{n,n} \cup B_{n,n}, J_{n,n} \cup P_n$ etc.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper we consider here finite, simple and undirected graphs only. The notion of k -total difference cordial graph was introduced in [4]. In [4, 5], 3-total difference cordial labeling behaviour of path, complete graph, comb, armed crown, crown, wheel, star etc have been investigated and also in [6], 4-total difference cordial labeling of path, star, bistar, comb, crown etc., have been investigated. In [7], 4-total difference cordial labeling of $P_n \cup K_{1,n}, S(P_n \cup K_{1,n})$,

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$P_n \cup B_{n,n}$ etc., have been investigated. In this paper we investigate 4-total difference of cordial labeling of union some graphs like $J_{n,n} \cup K_{1,n}, J_{n,n} \cup B_{n,n}, J_{n,n} \cup P_n$.

2. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 2.1. Let G be a graph. Let $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, \dots, k-1\}$ be a function where $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and $k > 1$. For each edge uv , assign the label $|f(u) - f(v)|$. f is called k -total difference cordial labeling of G if $|t_{df}(i) - t_{df}(j)| \leq 1, i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ where $t_{df}(x)$ denotes the total number of vertices and the edges labelled with x . A graph with a k -total difference cordial labeling is called k -total difference cordial graph.

Definition 2.2. The *corona* of G_1 with $G_2, G_1 \odot G_2$ is the graph obtained by taking one copy of G_2 and p_1 copies of G_2 and joining the i^{th} vertex of G_1 with an edge to every vertex in the i^{th} copy of G_2 .

Definition 2.3. The *Bistar* $B_{m,n}$ is the graph obtained by joining the two central vertices of $K_{1,m}$ and $K_{1,n}$.

Definition 2.4. The *union* of two graphs G_1 and G_2 is the graph $G_1 \cup G_2$ with $V(G_1 \cup G_2) = V(G_1) \cup V(G_2)$ and $E(G_1 \cup G_2) = E(G_1) \cup E(G_2)$.

Definition 2.5. The *jelly fish* is the graph $J_{n,n}$ with vertex set $V(J_{n,n}) = \{u_i, v_i, u, v, x, y\}$ $1 \leq i \leq n$ and edge set $E(J_{n,n}) = \{uu_i, vv_i, ux, uy, vx, vy : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$.

3. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 3.1. $J_{n,n} \cup K_{1,n}$ is 4-total difference cordial for all n .

Proof. Take the vertex set and edge set of $J_{n,n}$ as in definition 3.4. Let $K_{1,n}$ be the star. Let w be the central vertex of $K_{1,n}$ and w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n be the pendent vertices adjacent to w . Clearly, $|V(J_{n,n} \cup K_{1,n})| + |E(J_{n,n} \cup K_{1,n})| = 6n + 10$.

Case 1. $n \geq 4$.

Fix the labels 1, 1 and 1 to the vertices u_1, u_2 and u_3 and also fix the labels 1, 1 and 1 to the vertices v_1, v_2 and v_3 . Assign the labels 3, 3, 3 and 3 to the vertices u, x, y and v . Next assign the labels 3 and 1 to the vertices u_4 and u_5 . Next consider the two vertices u_6 and u_7 . Assign the

label 3 and 1 respectively to the vertices u_6 and u_7 . Continue in this pattern until we reach the vertex u_n . Note that the vertex u_n receive the label 3 or 1 if n is even or odd. Assign the label 3 and 1 to the vertices v_4 and v_5 . Next consider the two vertices v_6 and v_7 . Assign the label 3 and 1 respectively to the vertices v_6 and v_7 . Proceeding in this pattern until we reach the vertex v_n . Clearly the vertex v_n receive the label 3 or 1 if n is even or odd. We now consider the vertices of the star $K_{1,n}$. Fix the label 3 to the central vertex w . Next assign the labels 3 and 1 to the vertices w_1 and w_2 . Next consider the two vertices w_3 and w_4 . Assign the label 3 and 1 respectively to the vertices w_5 and w_6 . Proceeding like this untill we reach the vertex w_n . Note that the vertex w_n receive the label 3 or 1 if n is even or odd.

Case 2. $n = 2$ and 3 .

Table 1 gives a 4-total difference cordial labeling for this case.

n	u_1	u_2	u_3	u	v	x	y	v_1	v_2	v_3	w	w_1	w_2	w_3
2	1	1		3	3	3	3	1	1		3	3	1	
3	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	3	3	1	3

TABLE 1

The table 2 shows that this vertex labeling is a 4-total difference cordial labeling.

Values of n	$t_{df}(0)$	$t_{df}(1)$	$t_{df}(2)$	$t_{df}(3)$
n is odd	$\frac{3n+5}{2}$	$\frac{3n+5}{2}$	$\frac{3n+5}{2}$	$\frac{3n+5}{2}$
n is even	$\frac{3n+6}{2}$	$\frac{3n+4}{2}$	$\frac{3n+4}{2}$	$\frac{3n+6}{2}$

TABLE 2

□

Theorem 3.2. $J_{n,n} \cup B_{n,n}$ is 4-total difference cordial for all n .

Proof. Take the vertex set and edge set of $J_{n,n}$ as in definition 3.4. Let $B_{n,n}$ be the bistar. Let w, z ($1 \leq i \leq n$) be the central vertices of $B_{n,n}$ and w_i, z_i ($1 \leq i \leq n$) be the pendent vertices adjacent to w and z respectively. Clearly, $|V(J_{n,n} \cup B_{n,n})| + |E(J_{n,n} \cup B_{n,n})| = 8n + 12$. Fix the labels 1, 1, 1 and 1 to the vertices u_1, u_2, v_1 and v_2 . Next assign the label 3 to vertices u_3, u_4, \dots, u_n

and v_3, v_4, \dots, v_n . We now consider the vertices of the bistar $B_{n,n}$. Fix the labels 3,3 and 3 to the vertices w, z and w_1 . Next assign the label 1 to the vertices w_2, w_3, \dots, w_n and z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n . Clearly $t_{df}(0) = t_{df}(1) = 3n = t_{df}(2) = t_{df}(3) = 2n + 3$. □

Theorem 3.3. $C_n \cup K_{1,n}$ is 4-total difference cordial for all n .

Proof. Let C_n be the cycle $u_1u_2 \dots u_nu_1$. Let $K_{1,n}$ be the star. Let v be the central vertex of $K_{1,n}$ and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n be the pendent vertices adjacent to v . First we consider the cycle C_n . Assign the label 3 to the all cycle vertices u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n . We now consider the star $K_{1,n}$. Assign the label 3 to the central vertex v . Next assign the label 1 to all the pendent vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . Clearly $t_{df}(0) = t_{df}(1) = 3n = t_{df}(2) = t_{df}(3) = n$. □

Theorem 3.4. $J_{n,n} \cup (P_n \odot K_1)$ is 4-total difference cordial for all values of n .

Proof. Take the vertex set and edge set as in definition 3.4. Let P_n be the path $w_1w_2 \dots w_n$ and z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n be the pendent vertices adjacent to w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n respectively. First consider the jelly fish $J_{n,n}$. Fix the label 3 to the vertices u, v, x and y . Assign the label 1 to vertices u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n . We now consider the comb $P_n \odot K_1$. Assign the label 3 to all the path vertices w_1, w_3, \dots, w_n . Next we move to pendent vertices z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n . Fix the label 1 to the vertices z_1 and z_2 . Next assign the label 3 to the remaining pendent vertices z_3, z_4, \dots, z_5 . Clearly $t_{df}(0) = t_{df}(1) = 3n = t_{df}(2) = t_{df}(3) = 2n + 2$. □

Example 3.5. A 4-total difference cordial labeling of $J_{6,6} \cup (P_6 \odot K_1)$ is shown in Figure 1

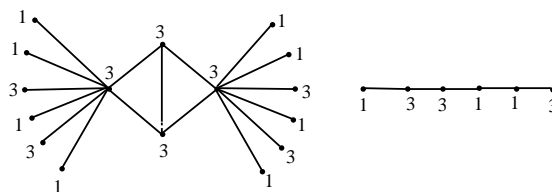


FIGURE 1

Theorem 3.6. $J_{n,n} \cup P_n$ is 4-total difference cordial for all n .

Proof. Take the vertex set and edge set as in definition 3.4. Let P_n be the path $w_1w_2 \dots w_n$ be the path vertices. Fix the label 3 to the vertices u, v, x and y and the labels 1, 1 and 1 to the vertices u_1, u_2 and u_3 . Fix the label 1, 1 and 1 to the vertices v_1, v_2 and v_3 . Assign the labels 3 and 1 to the vertices u_4 and u_5 . Next consider the two consecutive vertices u_6 and u_7 . Assign the labels 3 and 1 to the next two vertices u_6 and u_7 . Proceeding like this until we reach the vertex u_n . The vertex u_n receive the label 3 or 1 if n is odd or even. Assign the labels 3 and 1 to the vertices v_4 and v_5 . Next consider the two consecutive vertices v_6 and v_7 . Assign the labels 3 and 1 to the vertices v_6 and v_7 . Proceeding like this until we reach the vertex v_n . The vertex v_n receive the label 3 or 1 if n is odd or even. We now consider the path P_n .

Case 1. n is even.

Assign the labels 1, 3, 3 and 1 to the path vertices w_1, w_2, w_3 and w_4 . Next consider the four vertices w_5, w_6, w_7 and w_8 . Assign the labels 1, 3, 3 and 1 respectively to the vertices w_5, w_6, w_7 and w_8 . We now assign the labels 1, 3, 3 and 1 to the next four consecutive vertices $w_9, w_{10}, w_{11}, w_{12}$. Next assign the labels 1, 3, 3 and 1 respectively to the next four consecutive vertices w_{13}, w_{14}, w_{15} and w_{16} . Continue in this pattern until we reach the vertex u_n . It is easy to verify that the vertex u_n receive the label 1 or 3 according as $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ and 3 or $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

Case 2. n is odd.

Assign the labels 1, 3, 3 to the path vertices w_1, w_2 and w_3 . Next consider the four vertices w_4, w_5, w_6 and w_7 . Assign the labels 3, 1, 1 and 3 respectively to the vertices w_4, w_5, w_6 and w_7 . We assign the labels 3, 1, 1 and 3 to the next four consecutive vertices w_8, w_9, w_{10}, w_{11} . Next assign the labels 3, 1, 1 and 3 respectively to the next four consecutive vertices w_{12}, w_{13}, w_{14} and w_{15} . Continue in this pattern until reach the vertex u_n . It is easy to check that the vertex u_n receive the label 1 when $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ and 3 if $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ or $n = 3$. The Table 3 given below shows that this labeling method is a 4-total difference cordial labeling. □

Values of n	$t_{df}(0)$	$t_{df}(1)$	$t_{df}(2)$	$t_{df}(3)$
n is even	$\frac{3n+4}{2}$	$\frac{3n+4}{2}$	$\frac{3n+4}{2}$	$\frac{3n+4}{2}$
n is odd	$\frac{3n+3}{2}$	$\frac{3n+3}{2}$	$\frac{3n+5}{2}$	$\frac{3n+5}{2}$

TABLE 3

Theorem 3.7. $C_n \cup (P_n \odot K_1)$ is 4-total difference cordial for all values of n .

Proof. Let C_n be the cycle $u_1u_2 \dots u_nu_1$. Let P_n be the path $v_1v_2 \dots v_n$ and w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n be the pendent vertices adjacent to v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n respectively. First we consider the cycle C_n . Assign the label 3 to the all cycle vertices $u_1u_2 \dots u_n$. We now consider the comb $P_n \odot K_1$. Fix the label 1, 2, 2 to the path vertices v_1, v_2 and v_3 . Next we move to pendent vertices w_1, w_2 and w_3 . Fix the labels 3, 2 and 1 to the vertices w_1, w_2 and w_3 . Next assign the labels 1 and 2 to the vertices v_4 and v_5 . Next consider the two vertices v_6 and v_7 . Assign the label 1 and 2 respectively to the vertices v_6 and v_7 . Continue in this pattern until we reach the vertex v_n . Note that the vertex u_n receive the label 1 when n is even $n \geq 4$ and 2 if $n \geq 3$. Assign the label 3 and 2 to the vertices w_4 and w_5 . Next consider the two vertices w_6 and w_7 . Assign the label 3 and 2 respectively to the vertices w_6 and w_7 . Continue in this pattern until we reach the vertex w_n . Note that the vertex w_n receive the label 3 or 2 when n is even $n \geq 4$ or odd $n \geq 5$.

The following table 4 establish that this labeling technique is a 4-total difference cordial labeling.

Values of n	$t_{df}(0)$	$t_{df}(1)$	$t_{df}(2)$	$t_{df}(3)$
n is odd	$\frac{3n+1}{2}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$
n is even	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n-2}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$

TABLE 4

□

Theorem 3.8. $C_n \cup B_{n,n}$ is 4-total difference cordial for all values of n .

Proof. Let C_n be the cycle $u_1u_2 \dots u_nu_1$. Let $B_{n,n}$ be the bistar. Let v, w be the central vertex of $B_{n,n}$ and $v_i, w_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$ be the pendent vertices adjacent to v and w . Clearly, $|V(C_n \cup B_{n,n})| + |E(C_n \cup B_{n,n})| = 6n + 3$. Assign the label 3 to all the cycle vertices $u_1u_2 \dots u_n$. Fix the labels 1, 1 to the vertices v_1, v_2 and w_1, w_2 . Next assign the labels 3 and 1 to the vertices v_3 and v_4 . Next consider the two vertices v_5 and v_6 . Assign the label 3 and 1 respectively to the vertices v_5 and v_6 . Continue in this pattern until we reach the vertex v_n . Note that the vertex v_n receive the label 3 or 1 when n is odd or even.

The following table 5 establish that this labeling pattern is a 4-total difference cordial labeling.

Values of n	$t_{df}(0)$	$t_{df}(1)$	$t_{df}(2)$	$t_{df}(3)$
n is odd	$\frac{3n+1}{2}$	$\frac{3n+1}{2}$	$\frac{3n+1}{2}$	$\frac{3n+3}{2}$
n is even	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n+2}{2}$	$\frac{3n+2}{2}$	$\frac{3n+2}{2}$

TABLE 5

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Conflict of Interests

The author(s) declare that there is no conflict of interests.

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