

Antimagic Labelings of Graphs

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Abstract: Hartsfield and Ringel [1] introduced antimagic labeling. In this paper, we investigate the antimagic labeling of $C_n \odot P_3$ for $n \geq 3$; $K_2 \odot C_n$ for $n \geq 3$; C_n^+ for $n \geq 3$; $S_1 C_n^+$; the generalized Peterson graph $P(n,k)$; gear graphs; Helm H_n for all $n \geq 3$; flower F_n for $n \geq 3$; shell graph $H(n,n-3)$ for $n \geq 4$; Banana tree $BT(n_1, n_2)$ for all $2 \leq n_1 \leq n_2$; friendship graph $C_3^{(t)}$ for all $t \geq 2$; fan graph F_n for all $n \geq 2$; Lantern $K_2 + \overline{K_n}$ (for $n \geq 2$) and triangular snakes.

1. Introduction

Kotzig and Rosa [3] defined a magic labeling of a graph $G(V,E)$ as a bijection f from $V \cup E$ to $\{1,2,\dots,|V \cup E|\}$ such that for all edge xy , $f(x) + f(y) + f(xy)$ is constant.

They proved that (1) $K_{m,n}$ has a magic labeling for all m,n . (2) C_n has a magic labeling for all $n \geq 3$. (3) nP_2 has a magic labeling if and only if n is odd. (4) K_n has a magic labeling if and only if $n = 1,2,3,4,5$ and 6 . Balakrishnan and Sampath Kumar [4] proved that the join of K_n and two disjoint copies of K_2 is magic if and only if $n = 3$.

Hartsfield and Ringel [1] introduced antimagic graphs. A graph with q edges is called antimagic if its edges can be labeled with $1,2, \dots, q$ so that the sum of the labels of the edges incident to each vertex are distinct. Paths P_n ($n \geq 3$) cycles C_n and K_n ($n \geq 3$) are antimagic. Hartsfield and Ringel Conjectured that every tree except P_2 is antimagic. For an extensive survey on graph labeling we refer to Gallian[2].

In this paper, we investigate the antimagic labeling of $C_n \odot P_3$ for $n \geq 3$; $K_2 \odot C_n$ for $n \geq 3$; C_n^+ for $n \geq 3$; $S_1 C_n^+$; the generalized Peterson graph $P(n,k)$; gear graphs; Helm H_n for all $n \geq 3$; flower F_n for $n \geq 3$; shell graph $H(n,n-3)$ for $n \geq 4$; Banana tree $BT(n_1, n_2)$ for all $2 \leq n_1 \leq n_2$; friendship graph $C_3^{(t)}$ for all $t \geq 2$; fan graph F_n for all $n \geq 2$; Lantern $K_2 + \overline{K_n}$ (for $n \geq 2$) and triangular snakes.

2. Main Results

Let C_n be the cycle with n vertices and P_3 be the path on 3 vertices. We obtain $C_n \odot P_3$ from C_n and n copies of P_3 by joining i^{th} vertex of C_n to every vertex of i^{th} copy

of $P_3 \cdot C_n \odot P_3$ has $4n$ vertices and $6n$ edges. In the following theorem, we prove that $C_n \odot P_3$ is antimagic.

Theorem 2.1 : The graph $C_n \odot P_3$ is antimagic, for all $n \geq 3$.

Proof : Let $G = C_n \odot P_3$;

$$V(G) = \{v_i, a_i, b_i, c_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\} \text{ and}$$

$$E(G) = \{a_i b_i, b_i c_i, v_i a_i, v_i b_i, v_i c_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$$

$$\cup \{v_n v_1, v_i v_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$$

We define $f : E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 6n\}$ as follows :

$$f(v_i v_{i+1}) = 6n - i + 1, \text{ if } i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$$

$$f(v_n v_1) = 5n + 1; \text{ and for all } i, 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

$$f(v_i a_i) = i, f(v_i b_i) = 2n + i, f(v_i c_i) = n + i, f(a_i b_i) = 3n + i \text{ and } f(b_i c_i) = 4n + i,$$

The induced map f^* on V is given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f^*(a_i) &= 3n + 2i \\ f^*(b_i) &= 9n + 3i \\ f^*(c_i) &= 5n + 2i \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f^*(v_i) = 15n + i + 3 \text{ for all } 2 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } f^*(v_1) = 14n + 4.$$

As $3n + 2i < 5n + 2i < 9n + 3i < 14n + 4 < 15n + i + 3$, for all $i, 1 \leq i \leq n$, it

follows that f^* is injective and hence f is an antimagic labeling for $C_n \odot P_3$. An antimagic

labeling for $C_9 \odot P_3$ is illustrated in figure 2.1. The graph $K_2 \odot C_n$ obtained from K_2 and two copies of C_n by joining i^{th} vertex ($i=1,2$) of K_2 to each vertex of i^{th} copy of C_n . It can also be obtained from two copies of wheel W_n by joining central vertices of the two copies by an edge.

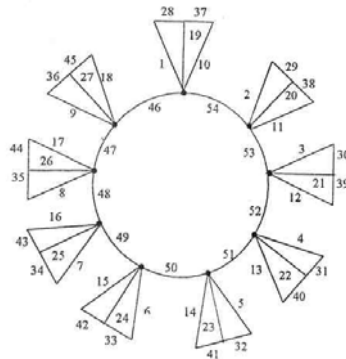


Figure 2.1 An antimagic labeling for $C_9 \odot P_3$

Theorem 2.2 : The graph $G = K_2 \odot C_n$ is antimagic, for all $n \geq 3$.

Proof:

Let $V(G) = \{u_1, u_2, v_i, w_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and

$$E(G) = \{u_1 u_2, w_n w_1, v_n v_1\} \cup \{w_i w_{i+1}, v_i v_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \\ \cup \{u_1 w_i, u_2 v_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$$

We define $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 4n, 4n+1\}$ as follows:

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

$$f(w_n w_1) = n$$

$$f(u_1 w_i) = 2n - i + 1 \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

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

$$f(v_n v_1) = 3n$$

$$f(u_2 v_i) = 4n - i + 1 \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$f(u_1 u_2) = 4n + 1.$$

The induced map f^* on $V(G)$ is obtained as follows :

$$f^*(w_i) = 2n + i \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f^*(w_1) = 3n + 1; \quad f^*(v_1) = 9n + 1$$

$$f^*(v_i) = 8n + i, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f^*(u_1) = \frac{3n^2 + n}{2} \text{ and } f^*(u_2) = \frac{7n^2 + n}{2}$$

$$\text{If } n \geq 6, f^*(u_1) = \frac{3n^2 + n}{2} \geq \frac{18n + n}{2} \geq 9n + 3$$

$$\text{So if } n \geq 6, \text{ we have } 2n + i < 3n + 1 < 8n + i < 9n + 1 < \frac{3n^2 + n}{2} < \frac{7n^2 + n}{2},$$

for all $i, 1 \leq i \leq n$ and hence in this case ($n \geq 6$), f^* is injective.

If $n = 5$, $f^*(u_1) = 40 \neq f^*(x)$ for all $x \neq u_1 \in V(G)$ and $f^*(u_2) \geq 18n$.

If $n = 4$, $f^*(u_1) = 26 \neq f^*(x)$ for all $x \neq u_1 \in V(G)$, and

$$f^*(u_2) = 58 > 37 = 9n + 1.$$

If $n = 3$, $f^*(u_1) = 15 = 5n \neq f^*(x)$ for all $x \neq u_1 \in V(G)$, and $f^*(u_2) > 10n$.

Thus in all the cases, f^* is injective and hence f is an antimagic labeling for $K_2 \odot C_n$.

An antimagic labeling for $K_2 \odot C_7$ is illustrated in the figure 2.2

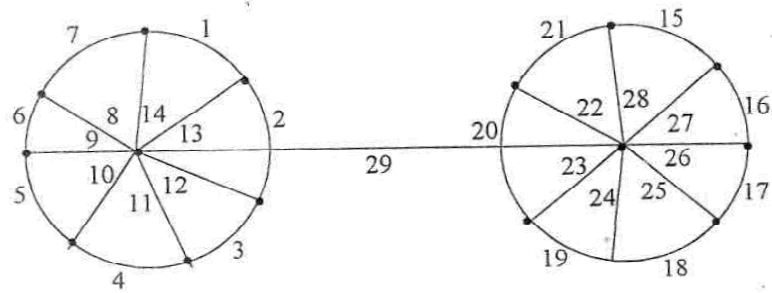


Figure 2.2 An antimagic labeling for $K_2 \odot C_7$

Theorem 2.3 : The graph C_n^+ is antimagic, for all $n \geq 3$.

Proof :

Let $v_1 v_2 \dots v_n v_1$ be the cycle C_n , and let u_i be the pendant vertex attached to the vertex v_i , for all $i, 1 \leq i \leq n$.

Define $f : E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$ as follows:

$$f(u_i v_i) = i \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq n; \quad f(u_i v_{i+1}) = 2n - i + 1 \text{ for all } 1 \leq i \leq n - 1, \quad \text{and}$$

$$f(u_1 v_n) = n + 1.$$

The induced map f^* on $V(G)$ is obtained as follows:

$$f^*(u_i) = i \text{ for all } i, 1 \leq i \leq n; \quad f^*(v_1) = 3n + 2 \text{ and } f^*(v_i) = 4n - i + 3, \text{ for all } 2 \leq i \leq n$$

Clearly f^* is injective and hence is an antimagic labeling for C_n^+ .

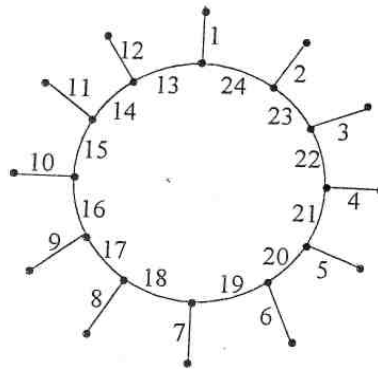


Figure 2.3 Antimagic labeling for C_{12}^+

Theorem 2.4 : The graph $s_1(C_n^+)$, obtained from C_n^+ by subdividing each edge of C_n^+ once, is antimagic.

Proof : Let $u_1 u_2 \dots u_n$ be the cycle C_n and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n be the pendant vertices of C_n^+ , u_i being adjacent to u_i . Subdivide the edge $u_i u_{i+1}$ by introducing a new vertex y_i (for i

$1 \leq i \leq n-1$), the edge $u_i u_n$ by introducing a new vertex, y_n , and the edge $u_i v_i$ ($1 \leq i \leq n$), by introducing a new vertex x_i . Let the resulting graph $S_1(C_n^+)$ be G .

Define $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 4n\}$ as follows :

$$f(x_i v_i) = i, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_i x_i) = n + i, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_1 y_n) = 3n$$

$$f(y_{i-1} u_i) = 3n - i + 1, \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_i y_i) = 4n - i, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

$$f(u_n y_n) = 4n$$

The induced map f^* is obtained as follows:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f^*(v_i) &= i \\ f^*(x_i) &= n + 2i \end{aligned} \right\} \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f^*(u_i) &= 8n - i + 1 \\ f^*(y_i) &= 7n - 2i \end{aligned} \right\} \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

$$f^*(y_n) = 7n \text{ and } f^*(u_n) = 8n + 1.$$

As $i < n + 2j < 7n - 2k < 7n < 8n - s + 1 < 8n + 1$, for all $1 \leq i, j \leq n; 1 \leq k, s \leq n - 1$, it follows that f^* is injective.

Thus f is an antimagic labeling for $S_1(C_n^+)$.

An antimagic labeling for $S_1(C_9^+)$ is illustrated in Figure 2.4.

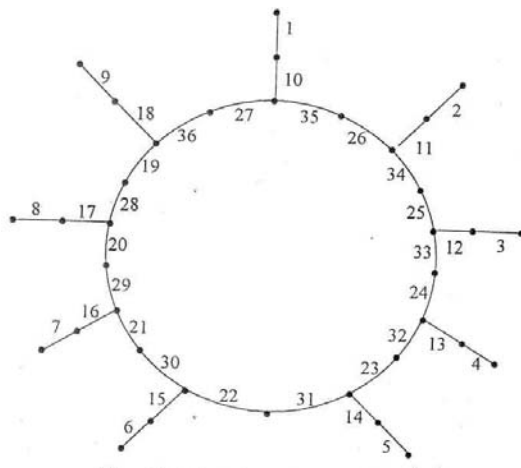


Figure 2.4: An antimagic labeling for $S_1(C_9^+)$.

Theorem 2.5: Let $n \geq 5$ be a prime and $k \geq 2$ be a positive integers such that $k < \frac{n}{2}$. The generalized Peterson graph $P(n, k)$ is antimagic, for all prime n .

Proof:

Let $G = P(n, k)$ be the generalized Peterson graph.

Let $V(G) = \{v_i, u_i / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ and let $E(G) = \{u_i v_i; v_i v_{i+1}, u_i u_{i+k} / 0 \leq i \leq n-1\}$. (for suffixes, the addition $i+k$ is under addition modulo n). As n and K are prime to each other, $\gcd(n, k) = 1$ and k is a generator for the group Z_n . Hence each $i = m_i k$, for some unique integer m_i ($0 \leq m_i \leq n-1$) in the group Z_n . It is clear that if $i \neq j$, then $m_i \neq m_j$ ($0 \leq i, j \leq n-1$).

Define $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 3n\}$ as follows:

$$f(v_i v_{i+1}) = i+1 \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq n-2; f(v_{n-1} v_0) = n; f(v_i u_i) = 2n-i \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(u_i u_{i+k}) = 3n-m_i \text{ for } 0 \leq i \leq n-1$$

Clearly, $i+1 < n < 2n-j < 3n-s$ for all $0 \leq i \leq n-2; 0 \leq j, s \leq n-1$ and hence the map f is bijective.

The induced map f^* is obtained as follows:

$$f^*(v_i) = 2n + i + 1 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1; f^*(v_0) = 3n+1; f^*(u_0) = 7n+1 \text{ and } f^*(u_i) = 8n-2m_i - i + 1 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1.$$

As $f^*(v_i) < 4n < f^*(u_j)$ for all $0 \leq i, j \leq n-1$, $f^*(v_i) \neq f^*(v_j)$.

Now if $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, $f^*(u_i) = f^*(u_j)$

$$\Rightarrow 8n - 2m_i - i + 1 = 8n - 2m_j - j + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 2m_i + i = 2m_j + j$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(m_i - m_j) + (i - j) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2(m_i - m_j) + (m_i - m_j)k = 0 \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow (k+2)(m_i - m_j) = 0 \pmod{n}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{either } m_i - m_j = 0 \text{ or } n \text{ divides } k+2, \\ \text{(as } n \text{ is prime)}$$

$$\Rightarrow m_i = m_j \text{ as } k+2 < n$$

$$\Rightarrow i = j$$

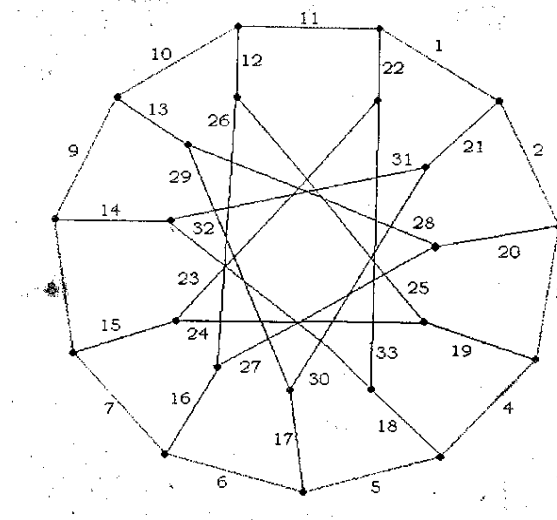


Figure 2.5 : An antimagic labeling for $P(11,4)$.

Remark : The antimagic labeling f defined in the theorem 2.5 also is an antimagic labeling for $P(n,k)$, Where $k < \frac{n}{2}$ and both k and $k+2$ are prime to n . (The integer n need not be a prime).

Theorem 2.6: Every gear graph is antimagic .

Proof:

Let G be the gear graph obtained from a Wheel W_n by subdividing each edge on the cycle C_n once. Let $V(G) = \{v, v_i, u_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. ($n \geq 3$) and

let $E(G) = \{vu_i, v_i u_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{u_i v_{i+1}, u_n v_1 \mid 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$.

Define $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 3n\}$ as follows :

$$f(v_i u_i) = i \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_i v_{i+1}) = n+i \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(u_n v_1) = 2n$$

$$f(v v_i) = 3n - i + 1 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

The induced map f^* on $V(G)$ is obtained as

$$f^*(u_i) = n+2i \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f^*(v_i) = 4n+i \text{ for } 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f^*(v_1) = 5n+1$$

$$f^*(v) = \frac{n(5n+1)}{2}$$

As $n+2i < 4n+j < 5n+1 < \frac{n(5n+1)}{2}$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n ; 2 \leq j \leq n$ (as $n \geq 3$),

The map f is injective and hence f is an antimagic labeling for G .

Figure 2.6 illustrates an antimagic labeling for the gear graph G_{12}

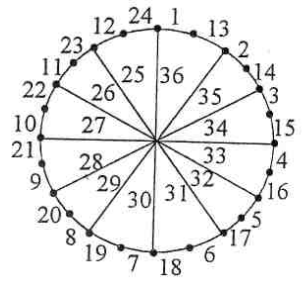


Figure 2.6 : An antimagic labeling for the gear graph G_{12} .

The helm H_n the graph obtained from the Wheel W_n , ($n \geq 3$), by attaching a pendant edge at vertex of the n cycle of W_n . (H_n can also be obtained from C^+ by joining all the vertices of C with degree 3 to a new vertex v).

Theorem 2.7: Helm H_n is antimagic , for all $n \geq 3$.

Proof:

Let $G = H_n$ and let $n \geq 4$. Let $V(G) = \{v, v_i, u_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and let $E(G) = \{v v_i, v_i u_i, v_n v_1 \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v_i v_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$
 $G-v$ is the graph C_n^+ Let f be the antimagic labeling for C_n^+ as defined in the proof of the Theorem 2.3. Now we extend that map f to $E(G)$, by defining $f(vv_i) = 3n-i+2$, $2 \leq i \leq n$ and $f(vv_1) = 2n+1$

The induced map f^* on $V(G)$ is given by

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f^*(u_i) &= i \\ f^*(u_{n-i+1}) &= 5n+3+2i \end{aligned} \right\} \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f^*(v) = \frac{n(5n+1)}{2}$$

As $n \geq 4$, $\frac{n(5n+1)}{2} \geq 10n+2 > 5n+3+2i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Hence f^* is injective and H_n , ($n \geq 4$), is antimagic .

The helm H_3 is also antimagic , an antimagic labeling for H_3 is exhibited in the Figure 2.7 (a).

A flower F_n is the graph obtained from the helm H_n by joining each pendent vertex of H_n to the central vertex of H_n .

Theorem 2.8 : For $n \geq 3$, flower F_n is antimagic .

Proof :

Let $G = F_n$, $V(G) = \{v_i, v_i u_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and let $E(G) = \{v_i v_{i+1}, v_i v_i u_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v_n v_1, v_i v_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$

Define $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 4n\}$ as follows :

$f(u_i v_i) = i$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$; $f(v_i v_{i+1}) = 2n - i + 1$, for all $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$; $f(v_1 v_n) = n + 1$

$f(v_i v_j) = 3n - i + 2$ for $2 \leq i \leq n$; $f(v_i v_1) = 2n + 1$; $f(v_i u_i) = 3n + i$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n$.

(The map f is an extension of the antimagic labeling for H_m , defined in the proof of the Theorem 2.7)

The induced map f^* on $V(G)$ is given by :

$f^*(u_i) = 3n + 2i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$; $f^*(v_i) = 7n - 2i + 5$ for $2 \leq i \leq n - 1$; $f^*(v_1) = 5n + 3$, $f^*(v) = (6n + 1)$

As $3n + 2i < 5n + 3 < 7n - 2j + 5 < (6n + 1)n$, for all $n \geq 3$

$1 \leq i \leq n$ and $2 \leq j \leq n - 1$, the map f^* is injective. So the flower F_n ($n \geq 3$), is antimagic

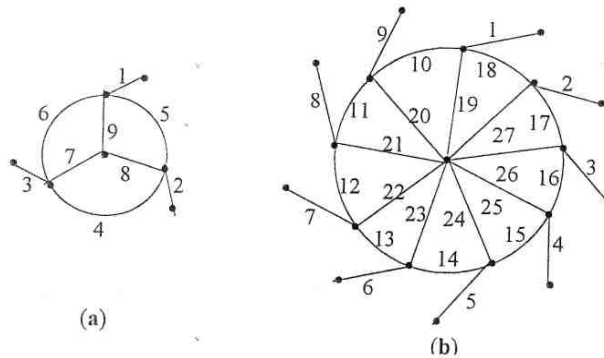


Figure 2.7 (a) An antimagic labeling for H_3 and (b) An antimagic labeling for H_5

The shell graph of order n , $n \geq 4$, denoted by $H(n, n-3)$ is obtained from the cycle C_n of order n by adding $(n-3)$ chords incident with a common vertex.

Theorem 2.9 : For every $n \geq 4$, the shell graph $H(n, n-3)$ is antimagic.

Proof :

Let $G = H(n, n-3)$. We assume that $n \geq 6$, (An antimagic labelings for $H(4,1)$ and $H(5,2)$ are shown in figure 2.8)

Let $V(G) = \{v_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{v_i v_{i+1} \mid 2 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v_{i+1} v_i \mid 2 \leq i \leq n-1\}$

Define $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n-3\}$ as follows :

$f(v_1 v_i) = n - i$ for $3 \leq i \leq n - 1$; $f(v_1 v_{i+1}) = n - 3 + i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n - 1$ and $f(v_n v_1) = 2n - 3$.

The induced map f^* on $V(G)$ is given by

$$f^*(v_1) = \frac{n^2 + n - 4}{2}; f^*(v_2) = 2n - 3; f^*(v_i) = 3n + i - 7 \text{ for } 3 \leq i \leq n - 1 \text{ and } f^*(v_n) = 4n - 7$$

For some i , $3 \leq i \leq n - 1$, $f(v_i) = f(v_n) \implies 3n + i - 7 = 4n - 7 \implies i = n$, which is a contradiction.

We have $f(v_i) \neq f(v_n)$ for all $2 \leq i \leq n - 1$. If $n \geq 6$, $\frac{n^2 - 5n + 10}{2} \geq n$, it follows that $f(v_i) \neq f(v_1)$

for all i , $2 \leq i \leq n - 1$. Also as $n \geq 6$, $\frac{n^2 + n - 4}{2} \neq 4n - 7$.

Thus if $n \geq 6$, $f(v_1), \dots, f(v_n)$ are all distinct and hence f is an antimagic labeling for $H(n, n-3)$, $\forall n \geq 6$.

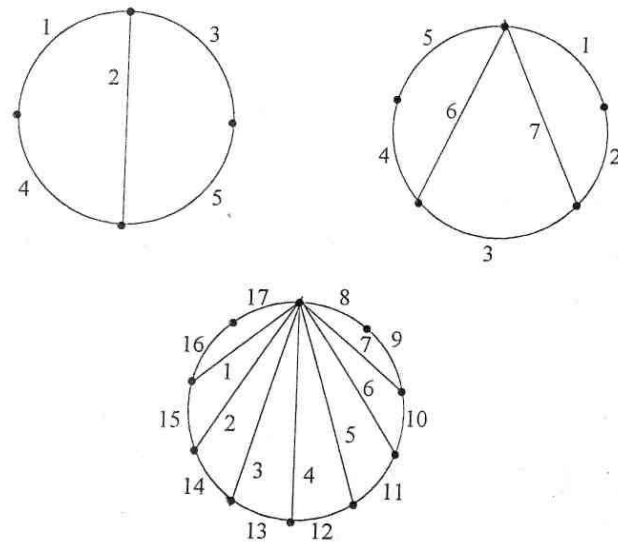


Figure 2.8 Antimagic labeling for $H(4,1)$, $H(5,2)$, and $H(10,7)$.

$BT(n_1, n_2)$ is the tree obtained by joining a new vertex w to one pendant vertex of each stars k_{1, n_1} and k_{1, n_2} . $BT(n_1, n_2)$ is called a banana tree.

Theorem 2.10 : Banana tree $BT(n_1, n_2)$ admits an antimagic labeling for all $2 \leq n_1 \leq n_2$.

Proof :

Let $V(G) = \{ v, u, w, u_i, v_j \mid 1 \leq i \leq n_1; 1 \leq j \leq n_2 \}$ and

$$E(G) = \{ u u_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n_1 \} \cup \{ v v_j \mid 1 \leq j \leq n_2 \} \cup \{ w u_{n_1}, w u_{n_2} \}$$

Define $f : E(G) \rightarrow \{ 1, 2, \dots, n_1 + n_2 + 2 \}$ as follows :

$$f(u u_i) = i \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n_1 - 1;$$

$$f(v v_j) = n_1 + j - 1 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n_2$$

$$f(uu_{n_1}) = \begin{cases} n_1 + n_2 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - a}{2} \\ n_1 + n_2 + 1 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \\ n_1 + n_2 + 2 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 4}{2}, \text{ or } \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 6}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$f(wu_{n_1}) = \begin{cases} n_1 + n_2 + 1 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 6}{2} \\ n_1 + n_2 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 4}{2}, \text{ or } \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 6}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$f(wu_{n_2}) = \begin{cases} n_1 + n_2 + 1 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \\ n_1 + n_2 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \end{cases}$$

The induced map f^* on $V(G)$ is given by

$$f^*(u_i) = i \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n_1$$

$$f^*(u_{n_1}) = \begin{cases} 2n_1 + 2n_2 + 2 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \\ 2n_1 + 2n_2 + 3 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(v_j) = n_1 + j - 1 \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq n_2 - 1$$

$$f^*(v_{n_2}) = \begin{cases} 2n_1 + 2n_2 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \\ 2n_1 + 2n_2 - 1 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(v_{n_2}) = \begin{cases} 2n_1 + 2n_2 + 3 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - a}{2} \quad a = 0, 4 \text{ or } 6 \\ 2n_1 + 2n_2 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \\ 2n_1 + 2n_2 + 1 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 4}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 6}{2} + 1 \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(u) = \begin{cases} \frac{n_1(n_1 + 1)}{2} + n_2 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - a}{2} \quad a = 0, 4 \text{ or } 6 \\ \frac{n_1(n_1 + 1)}{2} + n_2 + 1 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \\ \frac{n_1(n_1 + 1)}{2} + n_2 + 2 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 4}{2} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 6}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(v) = \frac{n_2(2n_1 + n_2 - 1)}{2}$$

Clearly (i) $f^*(u_i) < f^*(v_j) < f^*(v_{n_2}) < f^*(u_{n_1})$ for all $1 \leq i \leq n_1 - 1$ and $1 \leq j \leq n_2 - 1$. So $f^*(u_i), f^*(v_j) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n_1, 1 \leq j \leq n_2$, are all distinct. (ii) $f^*(u), f^*(v), f^*(w), f^*(u_{n_1}), f^*(v_{n_2}) \notin \{f^*(u_i), f^*(v_j) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n_1 - 1, 1 \leq j \leq n_2 - 1\}$.

It is enough to show that $f^*(u), f^*(v), f^*(w), f^*(u_{n_1}), f^*(v_{n_2})$ are all distinct.

Let $\lambda = 2n_1 + 2n_2$.

$$\text{Thus } f^*(u_{n_1}) = \begin{cases} \lambda + 2 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \\ \lambda + 3 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(v_{n_2}) = \begin{cases} \lambda & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \\ \lambda - 1 & \text{if } n_2 = \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(w) = \begin{cases} \lambda + 3 & \text{if } n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - a}{2} \quad a = 0, 4 \text{ or } 6 \\ \lambda + 2 & \text{if } n_2 = \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \\ \lambda + 1 & \text{if } n_2 = \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 4}{2} \text{ or } \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 6}{2} \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^*(v) &= \frac{n_2(2n_1 + n_2 - 1)}{2} = \frac{2n_1n_2 + n_2^2 - n_2}{2} \geq \frac{10n_1 + 5n_2 - n_2}{2} \text{ if } n_2 \geq 5 \\ &= 5n_1 + 2n_2 \\ &= \lambda + 3n_1 + \geq \lambda + 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{If } n_2 = 4, f^*(v) = \frac{8n_1 + 4n_2 - 4}{2} = \lambda + 2n_1 - 2 \geq \lambda + 4 \text{ as } (n_1, n_2) \neq (2, 4)$$

$$\text{If } n_2 = 3, f^*(v) = 3n_1 + 3 = (2n_1 + 6) + (n_1 - 3) = \lambda - 1 \text{ as } (n_1, n_2) \neq (3, 3).$$

$$f^*(v) = \begin{cases} \geq \lambda + 6 & \text{if } n_2 \geq 5 \\ \geq \lambda + 4 & \text{if } n_2 = 4 \\ = \lambda - 1 & \text{if } (n_1, n_2) = (2, 3) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{As } n_1 \leq n_2, n_2 = \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - a}{2}, a = 0 \text{ or } 4 \text{ or } 6 \Rightarrow n_1 \geq 5.$$

Hence in all the cases, $f^*(u_{n_1}), f^*(u_{n_2}), f^*(w)$ and $f^*(v)$ are all distinct

$$f^*(u) \leq \frac{n_1(n_1 + 1)}{2} + n_2 + 2 = \frac{n_1n_1 + n_1 + 2n_2 + 4}{2} \leq \frac{n_2(2n_1 + n_2 - 1)}{2} = f^*(v)$$

As $n_1 + 4 \leq 2n_2$ for all $(n_1, n_2) \neq (3, 3)$, we have $n_1 + 3n_2 + 4 \leq 5n_2 \leq n_2(n_1 + n_2)$

$$n_1^2 + n_1 + 3n_2 + 4 \leq n_2(2n_1 + n_2)$$

$$n_1^2 + n_1 + 2n_2 + 4 \leq n_2(2n_1 + n_2 - 1)$$

if $n_2 \geq 5$, then $5n_2 \leq n_2(n_1 + n_2)$ and if $n_2 < 5$, then

$$n_2 \neq \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - a}{2}, a = 0, 4 \text{ or } 6 \text{ or and } f^*(u) \leq \frac{n_1(n_1 + 1)}{2} + n_2 + 2.$$

Thus, in all the cases $f^*(u) < f^*(v)$. Now it is enough to show that $f^*(u) \neq f^*(u_{n_1}), f^*(u_{n_2}), f^*(w)$.

$$\text{Now } \frac{n_1(n_1 + 1)}{2} + 2 = 2n_1 + 2n_2 + k = \lambda + k \quad (k = 2, 3, 0) \Leftrightarrow n_1^2 + n_1 + 2n_2 = 4n_1 + 4n_2 + 2k$$

$$\Leftrightarrow n_2 = \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 2k}{2}$$

$$\frac{n_1(n_1 + 1)}{2} + n_2 = \lambda + k \quad (k = 2, 3, 0) \text{ iff } n_2 = \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 2k}{2}$$

$$f^*(u) = \begin{cases} = \lambda + 1 \text{ if } n_2 = \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1}{2} \\ = \lambda + 4 \text{ if } n_2 = \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 4}{2} \\ = \lambda + 5 \text{ if } n_2 = \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - 6}{2} \\ = \lambda, \lambda + 2, \lambda + 3 \text{ if } n_2 = \frac{n_1^2 - 3n_1 - a}{2} \quad a = 0, 4 \text{ or } 6 \end{cases}$$

So $f(u) \neq f(u_{n_1}), f(u_{n_2}), f^*(w)$. in all the cases.

Thus, if $(n_1, n_2) \neq (2,2), (2,4), (3,3)$, f^* is an injective map and so f is an antimagic labeling for $BT(n_1, n_2)$, $\forall (n_1, n_2) \neq (2,2), (3,3), (2,4)$.

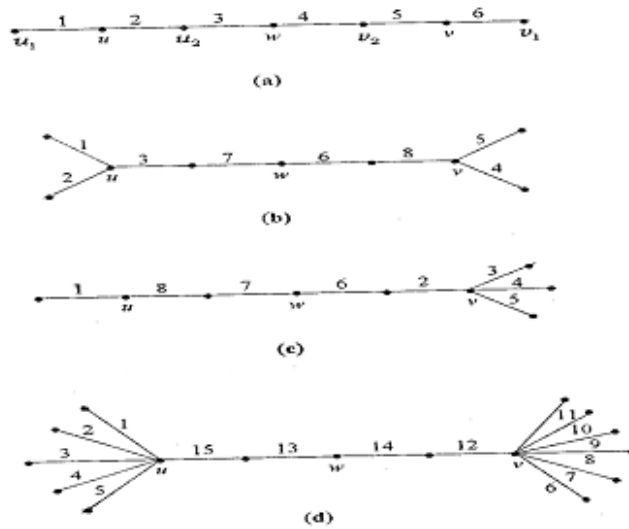


Figure: 2. 9 Antimagic Labeling for (a) BT (2,2), (b) BT (3,3) , (c) BT(2,4) and (d) BT(6,7).

So we assume that $(n_1, n_2) \neq (2,2), (2,4), (3,3)$.

Theorem 2.11: Friendship graph $C_3^{(t)}$ is antimagic for all $t \geq 2$.

Proof:

Let $G = C_3^{(t)}$, $t \geq 2$, and let $V(G) = \{v, u_i, v_i / 1 \leq i \leq t\}$ and $E(G) = \{u_i v_i, v u_i, v v_i / i=1, \dots, t\}$.

The vertex v is common to the t -triangles $\{v, u_i, v_i\}, 1 \leq i \leq t$.

Define $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 3t\}$ as follows:

For all $i=1, 2, \dots, t$, $f(vv_i) = 3i$; $f(vu_i) = 3i-2$; $f(u_i v_i) = 3i-1$.

Then the induced map f^* on $V(G)$ is obtained as follows :

For all $i=1, 2, \dots, t$, $f^*(u_i) = 6i-3$; $f^*(v_i) = 6i-1$; and $f^*(v) = t(3t+1)$.

As $t \geq 2$, $t(3t+1) \geq 7t$, it follows that f^* is injective and the map f defines an antimagic labeling for $C_3^{(t)}$

Theorem 2.12: Fan graph F_n admits an antimagic labeling, for all positive integers $n \geq 2$.

Proof:

Let $v_1 v_2 \dots v_n$ be the path P_n and the fan graph F_n be obtained from P_n by introducing a new vertex and joining it with every vertex of P_n .

So $V(G) = \{v, v_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{v v_i, v_j v_{j+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n ; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\}$.

Define $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n-1\}$ as follows :

$f(v_i v_{i+1}) = i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$, and

$f(vv_i) = 2n-i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Then the induced map f^* is given by

$f^*(v_i) = 2n+i-1$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$

$f^*(u_n) = 2n-1$

$$f^*(v) = \frac{n(3n-1)}{2}.$$

As $n \geq 2$, $f^*(v) = \frac{n(3n-1)}{2} \geq 3n-1 > f^*(v_i)$, for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$.

So f induces an antimagic labeling for $F_n (n \geq 2)$.

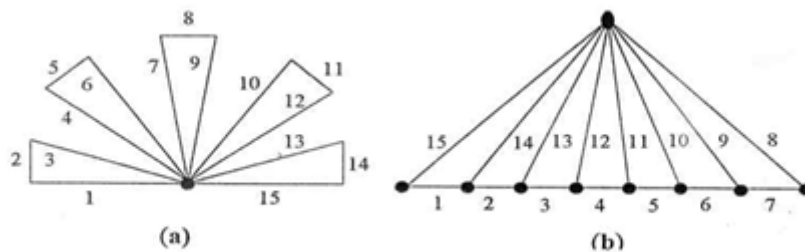


Figure 2.10 antimagic labeling for (a) $C_3^{(5)}$ and (b) F_8

A graph G is said to be a Lantern if it has two adjacent vertices u and v such that all the other vertices of G are adjacent to both u and v and G has no other edges. In fact $G = K_2 + \overline{K_n}$, for some $(n \geq 2)$.

Theorem 2.13: Lantern $G = K_2 + \overline{K_n}$, $(n \geq 2)$, is antimagic.

Proof: Let $G = K_2 + \overline{K_n}$, $(n \geq 2)$.

Let $V(G) = \{u, v, u_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{uv, uu_i, vu_i / i = 1 \leq i \leq n\}$.

Define $f : E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n+1\}$ as follows:

$$f(uu_i) = 2i-1; f(vu_i) = 2i; \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n \text{ and } f(uv) = 2n+1.$$

Then the mapping f^* on $V(G)$ is obtained as follows :

$$f^*(u_i) = 4i-1 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(u) = n^2 \text{ and } f^*(v) = n^2 + n.$$

Clearly f^* is injective if $n = 2$ or 3 . If $n \geq 4$, then $n^2 + n > n^2 > 4n-1$ and hence f^* is injective in all the cases. Thus, f defines an antimagic for $K_2 + \overline{K_n}$, for $n \geq 2$.

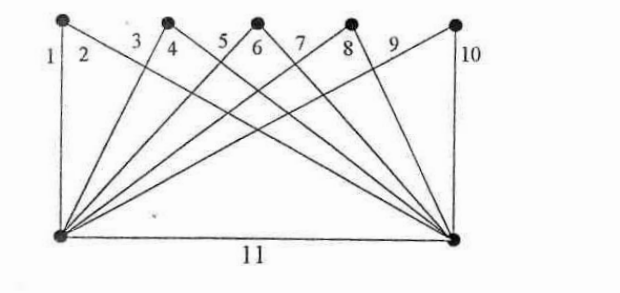


Figure 2.11 : an antimagic labeling for $K_2 + \overline{K_5}$

A triangular snake is obtained from a path $P_n, u_1u_2, \dots, u_n, (n \geq 3)$, by introducing new vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1} and joining $v_i, (1 \leq i \leq n-1)$, with the vertices u_i and u_{i+1} .

Theorem 2.14: Every triangular snake is antimagic.

Proof:

Let G be the triangular snake obtained from the path P_n .

Let $V(G) = \{u_i, u_j / 1 \leq i \leq n; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\}$ and $E(G) = \{u_iu_{i+1}, u_i v_i, u_{i+1}u_i / i = 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$.

Define $f : E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 3n-3\}$ as follows:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(u_i v_i) &= i \\ f(u_{i+1}, v_i) &= n + i - 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$$

$$f(u_1 u_2) = \begin{cases} 2n & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ 2n - 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$f(u_2u_3) = \begin{cases} 2n-1 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ 2n & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$f(u_iu_{i+1}) = 2n + (i-2) \text{ for } 3 \leq i \leq n-1.$$

The induced map f^* is obtained as $f^*(v_i) = n+i$ for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$.

$$f^*(u_1) = \begin{cases} 2n & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ 2n+1 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(u_2) = 5n+1$$

$$f^*(u_3) = \begin{cases} 5n+5 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ 5n+4 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(u_i) = 5n+4i-7 \text{ for } 4 \leq i \leq n-1.$$

$$f^*(u_n) = 5n-5.$$

Clearly, f^* is injective and f is an antimagic labeling for G .

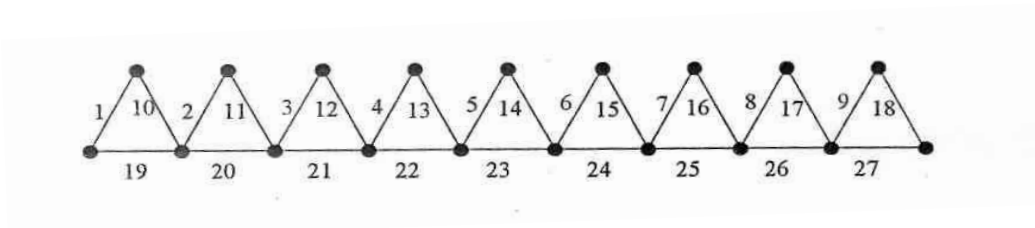


Figure 2.12 : An antimagic labeling for a triangular snake ,(n is even).

Theorem 2.15: Let $\{u_i, v_i, w_i, u_i, 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ be a collection of n disjoint triangles . Let G be the graph obtained by joining w_i to $u_{i+1}, 1 \leq i \leq n-1$ and joining u_i to u_{i+1} and $v_{i+1}, 1 \leq i \leq n-1$. Then the graph G is antimagic .

Proof: The order and size of G are $3n$ and $6n-3$ respectively.

Assume that $n \geq 3$. Define $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{1,2,\dots,6n-3\}$ as follows:

$$f(u_i v_i) = \begin{cases} i & \text{if } i \neq \frac{n+1}{3}, \frac{n+4}{3} \\ i+1 & \text{if } i = \frac{n+1}{3} \\ i-1 & \text{if } i = \frac{n+4}{3} \end{cases}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(v_i, w_i) &= n + i \\ f(u_i, w_i) &= 2n + i \end{aligned} \right\} \text{for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} f(u_i, v_{i+1}) &= 3n + i \\ f(w_i, u_{i+1}) &= 4n + i - 1 \\ f(u_i, u_{i+1}) &= 5n + i - 2 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

Then the induced map f^* on $V(G)$ is obtained as:

$$f^*(v_1) = n+2; \quad f^*(v_n) = 7n-1$$

$$f^*(v_i) = \begin{cases} 4n + 3i - 1 & \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq n - 1 \text{ but } i \neq \frac{n+1}{3}, \frac{n+4}{3} \\ 4n + 3i & \text{if } i = \frac{n+1}{3} \\ 4n + 3i - 2 & \text{if } i = \frac{n+4}{3} \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(u_1) = 10n+2; \quad f^*(u_n) = 15n-5.$$

$$f^*(v_i) = \begin{cases} 19n + 6i - 7 & \text{for } 2 \leq i \leq n - 1 \text{ but } i \neq \frac{n+1}{3}, \frac{n+4}{3} \\ 19n + 6i - 6 & \text{if } i = \frac{n+1}{3} \\ 19n + 6i - 8 & \text{if } i = \frac{n+4}{3} \end{cases}$$

$$f^*(w_i) = \begin{cases} 7n + 3i - 1 & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \\ 5n & \text{if } i = n \end{cases}$$

The map f is an antimagic labelling for G .

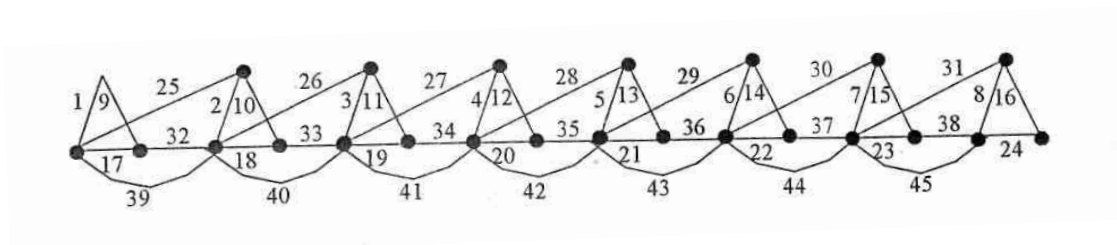


Figure 2.13: An antimagic labelling for G (Theorem 2.15) when $n = 8$.

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