

## FURTHER RESULTS ON DIVISOR CORDIAL GRAPH

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**Abstract:** In 1987, Cahit [7] introduced cordial labeling as a weaker version of graceful labeling and harmonious labeling. In 2011, Varatharajan *et al.* [16] have introduced divisor cordial labeling as a variant of cordial labeling. In this paper, we investigate divisor cordial labeling for  $C_n$ -quadrilateral snake, degree splitting graph of triangular snake, quadrilateral snake, ladder graph and helm graph. Moreover, we discuss divisor cordial labeling of graphs obtained by duplication of an arbitrary edge by a new vertex in path, duplication of an arbitrary vertex by a new edge in path, duplication of an arbitrary vertex by a new vertex in path and duplication of an arbitrary edge by a new edge in path.

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### 1. Introduction and Preliminaries

We begin with simple, finite, connected and undirected graph  $G = (V(G), E(G))$ . For all standard terminologies and notations we follow Clark and Holton [8]. We

will give brief summary of definitions which are useful for the present investigations.

**Definition 1.1.** *A labeling is an assignment of integers to the vertices or edges or both subject to certain condition(s). If the domain of the mapping is the set of vertices (edges) then the labeling is called a vertex labeling (an edge labeling).*

For an extensive survey on graph labeling and bibliographic references we refer to Gallian [9].

The variants of cordial labeling are commonly known as equitable labeling. One of the equitable labeling called divisor cordial labeling was defined by Varatharajan *et al.* [16] as follows:

**Definition 1.2.** *For a graph  $G = (V(G), E(G))$ , the vertex labeling function is defined as a bijection  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, |V(G)|\}$  such that induced edge labeling function  $f^* : E(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is given by*

$$f^*(e = uv) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } f(u)/f(v) \text{ or } f(v)/f(u); \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Denote the number of edges labeled with 0 and 1 by  $e_f(0)$  and  $e_f(1)$  respectively.  $f$  is called divisor cordial labeling of graph  $G$  if  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ . The graph that admits a divisor cordial labeling is called a divisor cordial graph.*

Varatharajan *et al.* [16, 17] have investigated divisor cordial labeling for path, cycle, wheel, star and some complete bipartite graphs. Vaidya and Shah [14, 15] have proved many results related to divisor cordial labeling for the larger graphs obtained using graph operations like splitting, degree splitting, shadow and square graph of graph.

Bosamia and Kanani [5, 6] have discussed divisor cordial labeling in the context of corona product and some operations on bistar.

Murugan and Devakiruba [10] as well as Rokad and Ghodasara [12] have obtained divisor cordial labeling for some cycle related graphs. Divisor cordial labeling for duplication of graph elements is studied by Thirusangu and Madhu [13]. Prajapati and Patel [11] have discussed divisor cordial labeling in context of friendship graph. Barasara and Thakkar [1, 2] have derived results related to divisor cordial labeling for some cycle and wheel related graphs. Also, they have discussed divisor cordial labeling of graphs in the context of some graph operations. In [3] they have studied divisor cordial labeling for ladders and total graph of some graphs.

In this paper, we investigate divisor cordial labeling for  $C_n$ -quadrilateral snake as well as larger graphs obtain using graph operations.

## 2. Divisor Cordial Labeling of Snake Graph

**Definition 2.1.** The  $C_n$ -triangular snake is obtained from the cycle  $C_n$  by replacing every edge of a cycle by a cycle  $C_3$ .

**Definition 2.2.** The  $C_n$ -quadrilateral snake is obtained from the cycle  $C_n$  by replacing every edge of a cycle by a cycle  $C_4$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** The  $C_n$ -quadrilateral snake is a divisor cordial graph.

**Proof.** Let  $C_n$  be the cycle with vertices  $v_1, v_4, v_7, \dots, v_{3n-2}$ . Now to construct  $C_n$ -quadrilateral snake graph  $G$ , join  $v_{3i-2}$  to a new vertex  $v_{3i-1}$ ,  $v_{3i+1}$  to a new vertex  $v_{3i}$  and  $v_{3i-1}$  to  $v_{3i}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Then  $|V(G)| = 3n$  and  $|E(G)| = 4n$ .

We define the divisor cordial labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 3n\}$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{3n-2}) &= 1, \\
 f(v_i) &= 1 \times 1 \times 2^{p_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_0, \\
 \text{where } p_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 2^{p_0} \leq 3n, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0}) &= 3 \times 1 \times 2^{p_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_1 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 2^{p_1} \leq 3n, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+1}) &= 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_2 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_2 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2} \leq 3n, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+2}) &= 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_3 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_3 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3} \leq 3n, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+p_3+3}) &= 3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{p_4+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_4 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_4 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^4 \times 2^{p_4} \leq 3n,
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing for  $m_1$  terms such that  $m_1$  is greatest integer satisfying  $3^{m_1} \leq 3n$  or we get at least  $2n - 1$  edges with label 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1}) &= 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_0 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0} \leq 3n, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+1}) &= 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_1 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1} \leq 3n, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+2}) &= 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_2 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_2 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2} \leq 3n, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+q_2+3}) &= 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_3 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_3 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3} \leq 3n,
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing for  $m_2$  terms such that  $m_2$  is greatest integer satisfying  $5 \times 3^{m_2} \leq 3n$  or we get at least  $2n - 1$  edges with label 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1}) &= 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_0 + 1, \\
 \text{where } r_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0} \leq 3n, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1+r_0+1}) &= 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_1 + 1, \\
 \text{where } r_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1} \leq 3n.
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing in this way till we get at least  $2n - 1$  edges with label 1.

If we get  $2n - 1$  edges with label 1, take  $f(v_{3n-1}) = 2p'$  and  $f(v_{3n}) = p'$ , where  $p'$  is largest prime number such that  $2p' \leq 3n$ .

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In view of above defined labeling pattern, we have  $e_f(0) = e_f(1) = 2n$ . Thus,  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| = 0$ .

Hence, the  $C_n$ -quadrilateral snake is a divisor cordial graph.

**Illustration 2.4.** The  $C_4$ -quadrilateral snake and its divisor cordial labeling is shown in Fig 1.

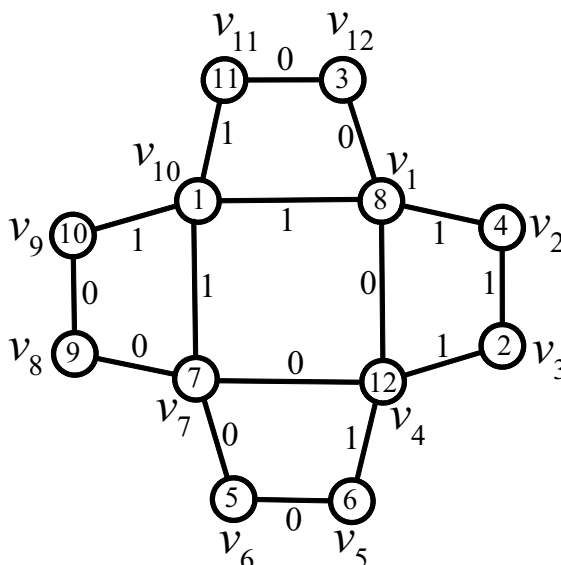


Fig 1: The  $C_4$ -quadrilateral snake and its divisor cordial labeling.

### 3. Divisor Cordial Labeling for Some Degree Splitting Graph

**Definition 3.1.** Let  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  be a graph with  $V = S_1 \cup S_2 \cup \dots \cup S_t \cup T$  where each  $S_i$  is a set of all vertices having same degree (at least two vertices) and  $T = V \setminus \cup S_i$ . The degree splitting graph of  $G$  denoted by  $DS(G)$  is obtained from the graph  $G$  by adding vertices  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_t$  and joining to each vertex of  $S_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq t$ .

**Definition 3.2.** The triangular snake  $T_n$  is obtained from the path  $P_n$  by replacing every edge of a path by a cycle  $C_3$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** The graph  $DS(T_n)$  is a divisor cordial graph for  $n \geq 4$ .

**Proof.** Let  $P_n$  be the path with vertices  $v_1, v_3, v_5, \dots, v_{2n-1}$ . To construct  $T_n$  from  $P_n$ , join vertices  $v_{2i-1}$  and  $v_{2i+1}$  to a new vertex  $v_{2i}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ . Now to obtain  $DS(T_n)$ , join  $v_1, v_{2n-1}$  and  $v_{2i}$  to a new vertex  $v'$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$  and join  $v_{2i-1}$  to a new vertex  $v''$  for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n-2$ . Then  $|V(DS(T_n))| = 2n+1$  and  $|E(DS(T_n))| = 5n-4$ .

We define the divisor cordial labeling  $f : V(DS(T_n)) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n+1\}$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v') &= 1, \\
 f(v_i) &= 1 \times 1 \times 2^{p_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_0, \\
 \text{where } p_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 2^{p_0} \leq 2n+1, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0}) &= 3 \times 1 \times 2^{p_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_1+1, \\
 \text{where } p_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 2^{p_1} \leq 2n+1, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+1}) &= 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_2+1, \\
 \text{where } p_2 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2} \leq 2n+1, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+2}) &= 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_3+1, \\
 \text{where } p_3 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3} \leq 2n+1, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+p_3+3}) &= 3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{p_4+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_4+1, \\
 \text{where } p_4 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^4 \times 2^{p_4} \leq 2n+1,
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing for  $m_1$  terms such that  $m_1$  is greatest integer satisfying  $3^{m_1} \leq 2n+1$  or we get at least  $\left\lfloor \frac{5n-4}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1}) &= 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_0+1, \\
 \text{where } q_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0} \leq 2n+1, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+1}) &= 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_1+1, \\
 \text{where } q_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1} \leq 2n+1, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+2}) &= 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_2+1, \\
 \text{where } q_2 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2} \leq 2n+1, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+q_2+3}) &= 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_3+1, \\
 \text{where } q_3 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3} \leq 2n+1,
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing for  $m_2$  terms such that  $m_2$  is greatest integer satisfying  $5 \times 3^{m_2} \leq 2n+1$  or we get at least  $\left\lfloor \frac{5n-4}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1}) &= 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_0+1, \\
 \text{where } r_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0} \leq 2n+1, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1+r_0+1}) &= 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_1+1, \\
 \text{where } r_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1} \leq 2n+1.
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing in this way till we get at least  $\left\lfloor \frac{5n-4}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1.

If we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{5n-4}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1, take  $f(v_{2n-1}) = 2p'$  and  $f(v_{2n-2}) = p'$ , where  $p'$  is largest prime number such that  $2p' < 2n+1$ .

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In view of above defined labeling pattern, we have  $e_f(0) = \left\lfloor \frac{5n-4}{2} \right\rfloor$  and  $e_f(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{5n-4}{2} \right\rfloor$ . Thus,  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence, the graph  $DS(T_n)$  is a divisor cordial graph for  $n \geq 4$ .

**Illustration 3.4.** The graph  $DS(T_6)$  and its divisor cordial labeling is shown in Fig 2.

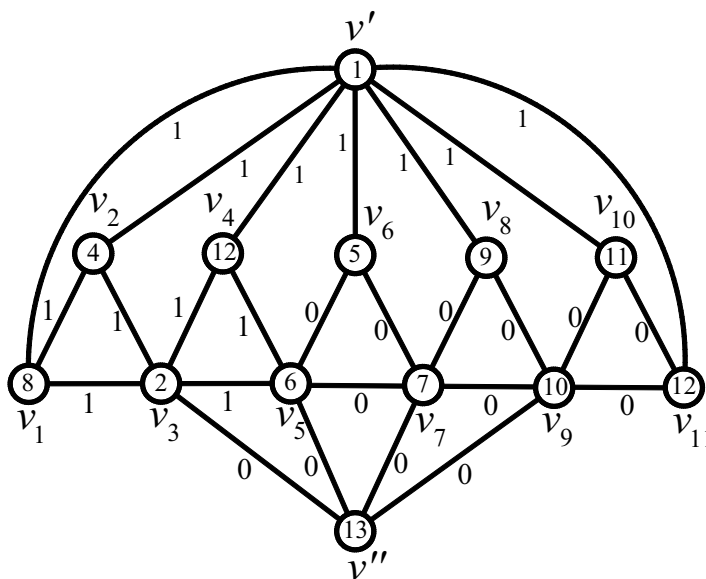


Fig 2: The graph  $DS(T_6)$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

**Definition 3.5.** The quadrilateral snake  $Q_n$  is obtained from the path  $P_n$  by replacing every edge of a path by a cycle  $C_4$ .

**Theorem 3.6.** The graph  $DS(Q_n)$  is a divisor cordial graph for  $n \geq 4$ .

**Proof.** Let  $P_n$  be the path with vertices  $v_1, v_4, v_7, \dots, v_{3n-2}$ . To construct  $Q_n$  from  $P_n$ , join  $v_{3i-2}$  to a new vertex  $v_{3i-1}$ ,  $v_{3i+1}$  to a new vertex  $v_{3i}$  and  $v_{3i-1}$  to  $v_{3i}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ . Now to obtain  $DS(Q_n)$ , join  $v_1, v_{3i-1}, v_{3i}$  and  $v_{3n-2}$  to a new vertex  $v'$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$  and  $v_{3i-2}$  to a new vertex  $v''$   $i = 2, 3, \dots, n-2$ . Then  $|V(DS(Q_n))| = 3n$  and  $|E(DS(Q_n))| = 7n - 6$ .

We define the divisor cordial labeling  $f : V(DS(Q_n)) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 3n\}$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
f(v') &= 1, \\
f(v_i) &= 1 \times 1 \times 2^{p_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_0, \\
\text{where } p_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 2^{p_0} \leq 3n, \\
f(v_{i+p_0}) &= 3 \times 1 \times 2^{p_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_1 + 1, \\
\text{where } p_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 2^{p_1} \leq 3n, \\
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+1}) &= 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_2 + 1, \\
\text{where } p_2 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2} \leq 3n, \\
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+2}) &= 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_3 + 1, \\
\text{where } p_3 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3} \leq 3n, \\
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+p_3+3}) &= 3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{p_4+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_4 + 1, \\
\text{where } p_4 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^4 \times 2^{p_4} \leq 3n,
\end{aligned}$$

Continuing for  $m_1$  terms such that  $m_1$  is greatest integer satisfying  $3^{m_1} \leq 3n$  or we get at least  $\left\lfloor \frac{7n-6}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1}) &= 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_0 + 1, \\
\text{where } q_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0} \leq 3n, \\
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+1}) &= 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_1 + 1, \\
\text{where } q_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1} \leq 3n, \\
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+2}) &= 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_2 + 1, \\
\text{where } q_2 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2} \leq 3n, \\
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+q_2+3}) &= 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_3 + 1, \\
\text{where } q_3 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3} \leq 3n,
\end{aligned}$$

Continuing for  $m_2$  terms such that  $m_2$  is greatest integer satisfying  $5 \times 3^{m_2} \leq 3n$  or we get at least  $\left\lfloor \frac{7n-6}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1}) &= 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_0 + 1, \\
\text{where } r_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0} \leq 3n, \\
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1+r_0+1}) &= 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_1 + 1, \\
\text{where } r_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1} \leq 3n.
\end{aligned}$$

Continuing in this way till we get at least  $\left\lfloor \frac{7n-6}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1.

If we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{7n-6}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1, take  $f(v_{3n-2}) = 2p'$  and  $f(v_{3n-3}) = p'$ , where  $p'$  is largest prime number such that  $2p' < 3n$ .

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In view of above defined labeling pattern, we have  $e_f(0) = \left\lceil \frac{7n-6}{2} \right\rceil$  and  $e_f(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{7n-6}{2} \right\rfloor$ . Thus,  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence, the graph  $DS(Q_n)$  is a divisor cordial graph for  $n \geq 4$ .

**Illustration 3.7.** The graph  $DS(Q_5)$  and its divisor cordial labeling is shown in Fig 3.

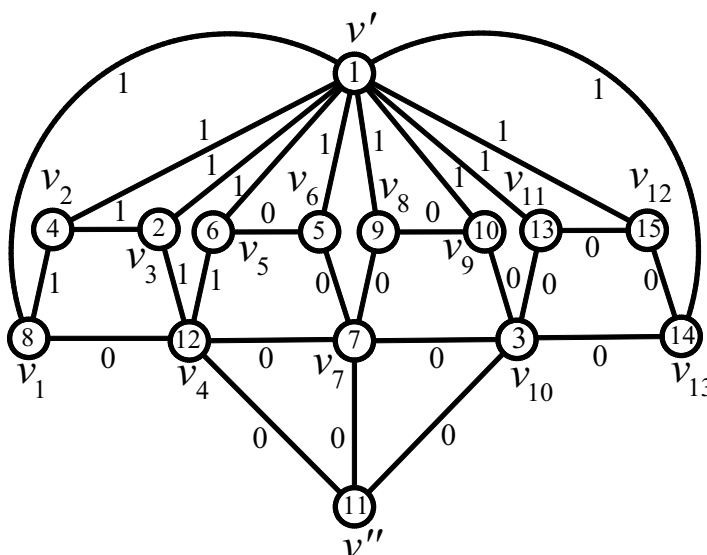


Fig 3: The graph  $DS(Q_5)$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

**Definition 3.8.** Let  $G$  and  $H$  be two graphs. The cartesian product of  $G$  and  $H$ , denoted by  $G \square H$ , has the vertex set  $V(G) \times V(H)$  and  $(g, h)$  is adjacent to  $(g', h')$  if  $g = g'$  and  $hh' \in E(H)$ , or  $h = h'$  and  $gg' \in E(G)$ .

**Definition 3.9.** The ladder graph  $L_n$  is defined as  $P_2 \square P_n$ .

**Theorem 3.10.** The graph  $DS(L_n)$  is a divisor cordial graph for  $n \geq 3$ .

**Proof.** Let  $v_1, v_4, v_5, \dots, v_{4k}, v_{4k+1}, \dots$  be the vertices of first path and  $v_2, v_3, v_6, \dots, v_{4k+2}, v_{4k+3}, \dots$  be the vertices of second path in ladder  $L_n$ . Now to obtain  $DS(L_n)$ , join  $v_1, v_2, v_{2n-1}$  and  $v_{2n}$  to a new vertex  $v'$  and all other vertices to a new vertex  $v''$ . Then  $|V(DS(L_n))| = 2n + 2$  and  $|E(DS(L_n))| = 5n - 2$ .

We define the divisor cordial labeling  $f : V(DS(L_n)) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n+2\}$  as follows.

$f(v'') = 1$ ,  
 $f(v_i) = 1 \times 1 \times 2^{p_0+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq p_0$ ,  
 where  $p_0$  is greatest integer such that  $2^{p_0} \leq 2n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0}) = 3 \times 1 \times 2^{p_1+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq p_1 + 1$ ,  
 where  $p_1$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 2^{p_1} \leq 2n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+1}) = 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq p_2 + 1$ ,  
 where  $p_2$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2} \leq 2n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+2}) = 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq p_3 + 1$ ,  
 where  $p_3$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3} \leq 2n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+p_3+3}) = 3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{p_4+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq p_4 + 1$ ,  
 where  $p_4$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3^4 \times 2^{p_4} \leq 2n + 2$ ,  
 Continuing for  $m_1$  terms such that  $m_1$  is greatest integer satisfying  $3^{m_1} \leq 2n + 2$   
 or we get at least  $\left\lfloor \frac{5n-2}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1,

$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1}) = 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq q_0 + 1$ ,  
 where  $q_0$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0} \leq 2n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+1}) = 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq q_1 + 1$ ,  
 where  $q_1$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1} \leq 2n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+2}) = 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq q_2 + 1$ ,  
 where  $q_2$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2} \leq 2n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+q_2+3}) = 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq q_3 + 1$ ,  
 where  $q_3$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3} \leq 2n + 2$ ,  
 Continuing for  $m_2$  terms such that  $m_2$  is greatest integer satisfying  $5 \times 3^{m_2} \leq 2n + 2$   
 or we get at least  $\left\lfloor \frac{5n-2}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1,

$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1}) = 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq r_0 + 1$ ,  
 where  $r_0$  is greatest integer such that  $7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0} \leq 2n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1+r_0+1}) = 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq r_1 + 1$ ,  
 where  $r_1$  is greatest integer such that  $7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1} \leq 2n + 2$ .

Continuing in this way till we get at least  $\left\lfloor \frac{5n-2}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1.

If we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{5n-2}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$  edges with label 1, take  $f(v_{2n-1}) = 2p'$  and  $f(v_{2n}) = p'$ , where  $p'$  is largest prime number such that  $2p' < 2n + 2$ .

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In view of above defined labeling pattern, we have  $e_f(0) = \left\lfloor \frac{5n-2}{2} \right\rfloor$  and  $e_f(1) =$

Hence, the graph  $DS(L_n)$  is a divisor cordial graph for  $n \geq 3$ .

Fig 4: The graph  $DS(L_6)$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

**Theorem 3.13.** *The graph  $DS(H_n)$  is a divisor cordial graph.*

We consider following two cases.

**Case 2:** For  $n \neq 4$

**Subcase 1:** For even  $n$

$$\begin{aligned}
f(w_1) &= 1, \\
f(v) &= 2, \\
f(v_i) &= 2i + 2; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n, \\
f(v'_{2i}) &= 2i + 1; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor.
\end{aligned}$$

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

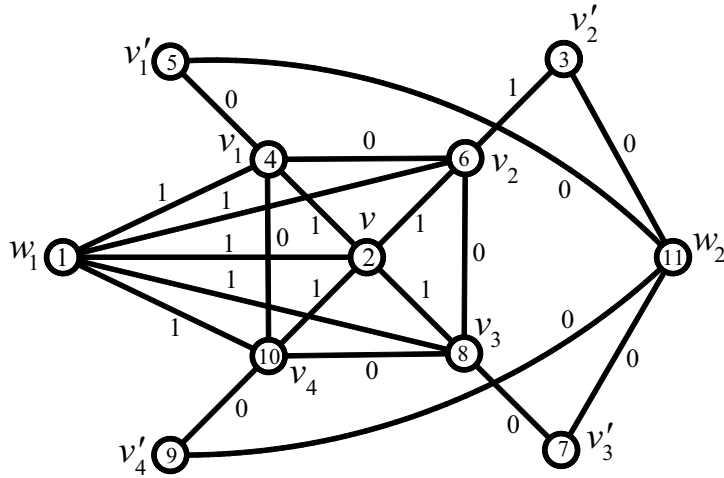


Fig 5: The graph  $DS(H_4)$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

**Subcase 2:** For odd  $n$

$$\begin{aligned}
f(w_1) &= 1, \\
f(v) &= 2, \\
f(v_i) &= 2i + 2; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq n, \\
f(v'_{2i}) &= 2i + 1; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \right\rfloor.
\end{aligned}$$

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In each subcase, we have  $e_f(0) = \left\lceil \frac{5n}{2} \right\rceil$  and  $e_f(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{5n}{2} \right\rfloor$ . Thus,  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence, the graph  $DS(H_n)$  is a divisor cordial graph.

**Illustration 3.14.** The graph  $DS(H_7)$  and its divisor cordial labeling is shown in Fig 6.

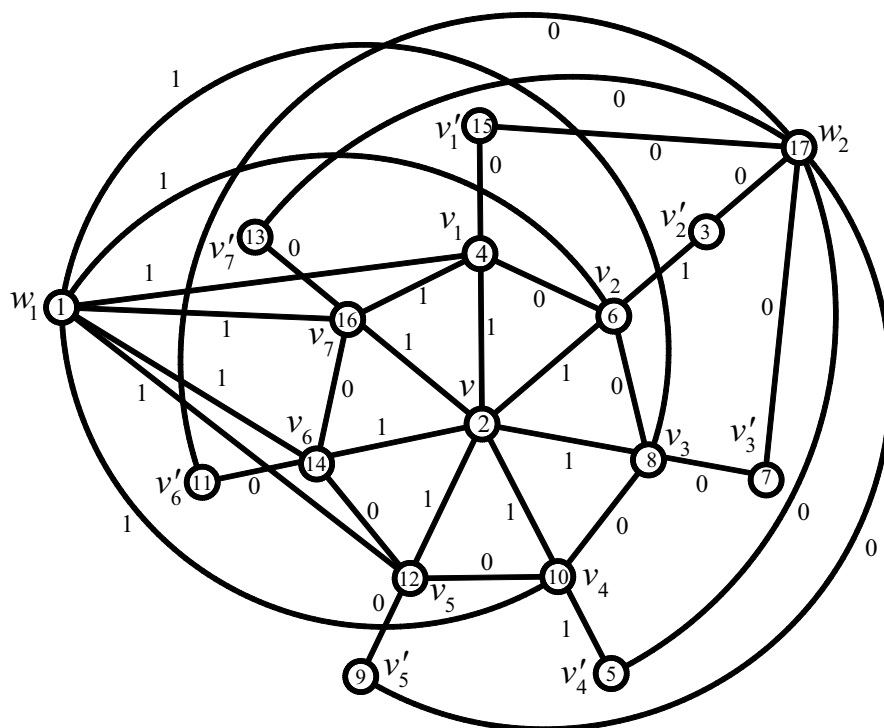


Fig 6: The graph  $DS(H_7)$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

#### 4. Divisor Cordial Labeling in the Context of Duplication Operation

**Definition 4.1.** Two adjacent vertices are called neighbours. The set of all neighbours of vertex  $v$  is called the neighbourhood set of  $v$ . It is denoted by  $N(v)$ .

**Definition 4.2.** For a graph  $G$ , duplication of an edge  $e = uv$  by a new vertex  $v'$  produces a new graph  $G'$  such that  $N(v') = \{u, v\}$ .

**Theorem 4.3.** The graph obtained by duplication of an arbitrary edge by a new vertex in path  $P_n$  is a divisor cordial graph.

**Proof.** Let  $P_n$  be the path with vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$ . Let the graph  $G$  be obtained by duplication of an arbitrary edge  $e_k$  in  $P_n$  by a new vertex  $v$ . Then  $|V(G)| = n + 1$  and  $|E(G)| = n + 1$ .

We define the divisor cordial labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n + 1\}$  by following two cases.

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

The graph  $G$  is isomorphic to cycle  $C_3$  and Varatharajan *et al.* [16] proved that cycles are divisor cordial graph. Hence,  $G$  is divisor cordial graph.

**Case 2:** For  $n \geq 3$ .

$f(v) = 1$ ,  
 $f(v_i) = 1 \times 1 \times 2^{p_0+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq p_0$ ,  
 where  $p_0$  is greatest integer such that  $2^{p_0} \leq n+1$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0}) = 3 \times 1 \times 2^{p_1+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq p_1+1$ ,  
 where  $p_1$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 2^{p_1} \leq n+1$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+1}) = 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq p_2+1$ ,  
 where  $p_2$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2} \leq n+1$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+2}) = 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq p_3+1$ ,  
 where  $p_3$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3} \leq n+1$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+p_3+3}) = 3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{p_4+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq p_4+1$ ,  
 where  $p_4$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3^4 \times 2^{p_4} \leq n+1$ ,  
 Continuing for  $m_1$  terms such that  $m_1$  is greatest integer satisfying  $3^{m_1} \leq n+1$  or  
 we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1}) = 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq q_0+1$ ,  
 where  $q_0$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0} \leq n+1$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+1}) = 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq q_1+1$ ,  
 where  $q_1$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1} \leq n+1$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+2}) = 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq q_2+1$ ,  
 where  $q_2$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2} \leq n+1$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+q_2+3}) = 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq q_3+1$ ,  
 where  $q_3$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3} \leq n+1$ ,

Continuing for  $m_2$  terms such that  $m_2$  is greatest integer satisfying  $5 \times 3^{m_2} \leq n+1$   
 or we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1}) = 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq r_0+1$ ,  
 where  $r_0$  is greatest integer such that  $7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0} \leq n+1$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1+r_0+1}) = 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1+1-i}$ ; for  $1 \leq i \leq r_1+1$ ,  
 where  $r_1$  is greatest integer such that  $7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1} \leq n+1$ .

Continuing in this way till we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1.

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In view of above defined labeling pattern, we have  $e_f(0) = \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  and  $e_f(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$ . Thus,  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence, the graph obtained by duplication of an arbitrary edge by a new vertex in

path  $P_n$  is a divisor cordial graph.

**Illustration 4.4.** The graph obtained by duplication of an edge  $e_2$  by a new vertex in path  $P_7$  and its divisor cordial labeling is shown in Fig 7.

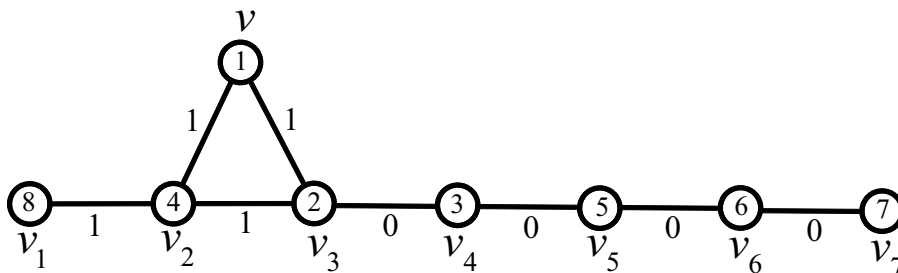


Fig 7: The graph obtained by duplication of an edge  $e_2$  by a new vertex in path  $P_7$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

**Definition 4.5.** For a graph  $G$ , duplication of a vertex  $v$  by a new edge  $e' = v'v''$  produces a new graph  $G'$  such that  $N(v') = \{v, v''\}$  and  $N(v'') = \{v, v'\}$ .

**Theorem 4.6.** The graph obtained by duplication of an arbitrary vertex by a new edge in path  $P_n$  is a divisor cordial graph.

**Proof.** Let  $P_n$  be the path with vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$ . Let the graph  $G$  be obtained by duplication of an arbitrary vertex  $v_k$  in  $P_n$  by a new edge  $e = v'_1v'_2$ . Then  $|V(G)| = n + 2$  and  $|E(G)| = n + 2$ .

We define the divisor cordial labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n + 2\}$  as follows.

$$f(v'_1) = 1,$$

$$f(v_i) = 1 \times 1 \times 2^{p_0+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_0,$$

$$\text{where } p_0 \text{ is greatest integer such that } 2^{p_0} \leq n + 2,$$

$$f(v_{i+p_0}) = 3 \times 1 \times 2^{p_1+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_1 + 1,$$

$$\text{where } p_1 \text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 2^{p_1} \leq n + 2,$$

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+1}) = 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_2 + 1,$$

$$\text{where } p_2 \text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2} \leq n + 2,$$

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+2}) = 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_3 + 1,$$

$$\text{where } p_3 \text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3} \leq n + 2,$$

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+p_3+3}) = 3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{p_4+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_4 + 1,$$

$$\text{where } p_4 \text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^4 \times 2^{p_4} \leq n + 2,$$

Continuing for  $m_1$  terms such that  $m_1$  is greatest integer satisfying  $3^{m_1} \leq n + 2$  or

we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1}) = 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0+1-i};$  for  $1 \leq i \leq q_0 + 1$ ,  
 where  $q_0$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0} \leq n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+1}) = 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1+1-i};$  for  $1 \leq i \leq q_1 + 1$ ,  
 where  $q_1$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1} \leq n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+2}) = 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2+1-i};$  for  $1 \leq i \leq q_2 + 1$ ,  
 where  $q_2$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2} \leq n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+q_2+3}) = 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3+1-i};$  for  $1 \leq i \leq q_3 + 1$ ,  
 where  $q_3$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3} \leq n + 2$ ,  
 Continuing for  $m_2$  terms such that  $m_2$  is greatest integer satisfying  $5 \times 3^{m_2} \leq n + 2$   
 or we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1}) = 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0+1-i};$  for  $1 \leq i \leq r_0 + 1$ ,  
 where  $r_0$  is greatest integer such that  $7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0} \leq n + 2$ ,  
 $f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1+r_0+1}) = 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1+1-i};$  for  $1 \leq i \leq r_1 + 1$ ,  
 where  $r_1$  is greatest integer such that  $7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1} \leq n + 2$ .

Continuing in this way till we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1.

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In view of above defined labeling pattern, we have  $e_f(0) = \left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor$  and  $e_f(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor$ . Thus,  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence, the graph obtained by duplication of an arbitrary vertex by a new edge in path  $P_n$  is a divisor cordial graph.

**Illustration 4.7.** The graph obtained by duplication of a vertex  $v_3$  by a new edge in path  $P_8$  and its divisor cordial labeling is shown in Fig 8.

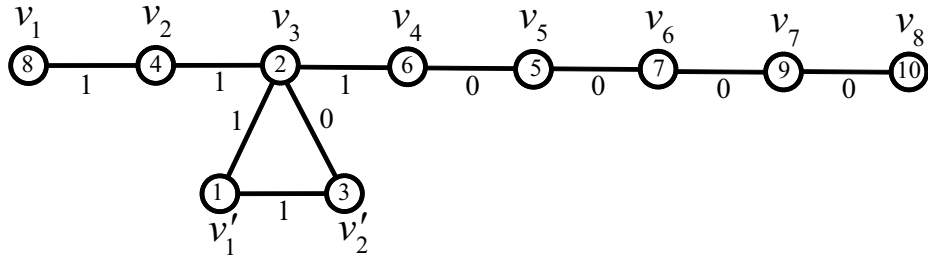


Fig 8: The graph obtained by duplication of a vertex  $v_3$  by a new edge in path  $P_8$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

**Definition 4.8.** For a graph  $G$ , duplication of a vertex  $v$  by a new vertex  $v'$  produces a new graph  $G'$  such that  $N(v) = N(v')$ .

**Theorem 4.9.** The graph obtained by duplication of an arbitrary vertex by a new vertex in path  $P_n$  is a divisor cordial graph.

**Proof.** Let  $P_n$  be the path with vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$ . Let the graph  $G$  be obtained by duplication of an arbitrary vertex  $v$  by a new vertex  $v'$ .

We define the divisor cordial labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, |V(G)|\}$  by following two cases.

**Case 1:** Duplication of either  $v_1$  or  $v_n$ .

Then  $|V(G)| = n + 1$  and  $|E(G)| = n$ .

$$f(v') = 1,$$

$$f(v_i) = 1 \times 1 \times 2^{p_0+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_0,$$

where  $p_0$  is greatest integer such that  $2^{p_0} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0}) = 3 \times 1 \times 2^{p_1+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_1 + 1,$$

where  $p_1$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 2^{p_1} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+1}) = 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_2 + 1,$$

where  $p_2$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+2}) = 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_3 + 1,$$

where  $p_3$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+p_3+3}) = 3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{p_4+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_4 + 1,$$

where  $p_4$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3^4 \times 2^{p_4} \leq n + 1$ ,

Continuing for  $m_1$  terms such that  $m_1$  is greatest integer satisfying  $3^{m_1} \leq n + 1$  or

we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1}) = 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_0 + 1,$$

where  $q_0$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+1}) = 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_1 + 1,$$

where  $q_1$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+2}) = 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_2 + 1,$$

where  $q_2$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+q_2+3}) = 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_3 + 1,$$

where  $q_3$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3} \leq n + 1$ ,

Continuing for  $m_2$  terms such that  $m_2$  is greatest integer satisfying  $5 \times 3^{m_2} \leq n + 1$

or we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1}) = 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_0 + 1,$$

where  $r_0$  is greatest integer such that  $7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1+r_0+1}) = 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1+1-i}; \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_1 + 1,$$

where  $r_1$  is greatest integer such that  $7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1} \leq n + 1$ .

Continuing in this way till we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1.

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In view of above defined labeling pattern, we have  $e_f(0) = \left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil$  and  $e_f(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$ .

Thus,  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

**Case 2:** Duplication of any vertex other than  $v_1$  and  $v_n$ .

Then  $|V(G)| = n + 1$  and  $|E(G)| = n + 1$ .

$$f(v') = 1,$$

$$f(v_i) = 1 \times 1 \times 2^{p_0+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_0,$$

where  $p_0$  is greatest integer such that  $2^{p_0} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0}) = 3 \times 1 \times 2^{p_1+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_1 + 1,$$

where  $p_1$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 2^{p_1} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+1}) = 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_2 + 1,$$

where  $p_2$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+2}) = 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_3 + 1,$$

where  $p_3$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+p_3+3}) = 3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{p_4+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_4 + 1,$$

where  $p_4$  is greatest integer such that  $3 \times 3^4 \times 2^{p_4} \leq n + 1$ ,

Continuing for  $m_1$  terms such that  $m_1$  is greatest integer satisfying  $3^{m_1} \leq n + 1$  or

we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1}) = 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_0 + 1,$$

where  $q_0$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+1}) = 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_1 + 1,$$

where  $q_1$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+2}) = 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_2 + 1,$$

where  $q_2$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+q_2+3}) = 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_3 + 1,$$

where  $q_3$  is greatest integer such that  $5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3} \leq n + 1$ ,

Continuing for  $m_2$  terms such that  $m_2$  is greatest integer satisfying  $5 \times 3^{m_2} \leq n + 1$

or we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1}) = 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_0 + 1,$$

where  $r_0$  is greatest integer such that  $7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0} \leq n + 1$ ,

$$f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1+r_0+1}) = 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1+1-i};$$

$$\text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_1 + 1,$$

where  $r_1$  is greatest integer such that  $7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1} \leq n + 1$ .

Continuing in this way till we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1.

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In view of above defined labeling pattern, we have  $e_f(0) = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rceil$  and  $e_f(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$ . Thus,  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence, the graph obtained by duplication of an arbitrary vertex by a new vertex in path  $P_n$  is a divisor cordial graph.

**Illustration 4.10.** The graph obtained by duplication of a vertex  $v_1$  by a new vertex in path  $P_7$  and its divisor cordial labeling is shown in Fig 9.

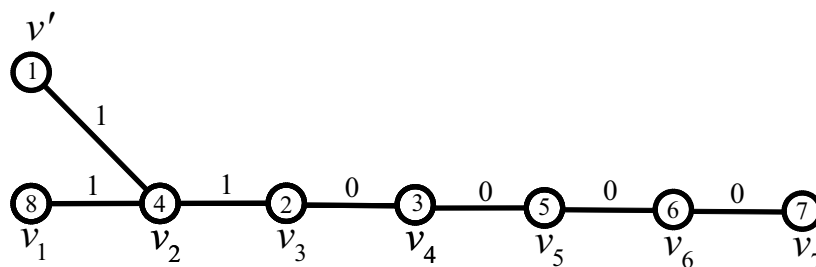


Fig 9: The graph obtained by duplication of a vertex  $v_1$  by a new vertex in path  $P_7$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

**Illustration 4.11.** The graph obtained by duplication of a vertex  $v_4$  by a new vertex in path  $P_8$  and its divisor cordial labeling is shown in Fig 10.

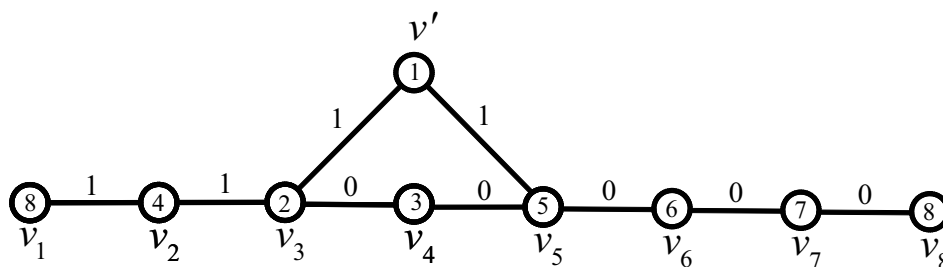


Fig 10: The graph obtained by duplication of a vertex  $v_4$  by a new vertex in path  $P_8$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

**Definition 4.12.** For a graph  $G$ , duplication of an edge  $e = uv$  by a new edge  $e' = u'v'$  produces a new graph  $G'$  such that  $N(u') = N(u) \cup \{v'\} - \{v\}$  and  $N(v') = N(v) \cup \{u'\} - \{u\}$ .

**Theorem 4.13.** *The graph obtained by duplication of an arbitrary edge by a new edge in path  $P_n$  is a divisor cordial graph.*

**Proof.** Let  $P_n$  be the path with vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$ . Let the graph  $G$  be obtained by duplication of an arbitrary edge  $e_k$  in  $P_n$  by a new edge  $e'_k = v'v''$ .

We define the divisor cordial labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, |V(G)|\}$  by following two cases.

**Case 1:** Duplication of either  $e_1$  or  $e_{n-1}$ .

Then  $|V(G)| = n + 2$  and  $|E(G)| = n + 1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v'') &= 1, \\
 f(v_i) &= 1 \times 1 \times 2^{p_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_0, \\
 \text{where } p_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 2^{p_0} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0}) &= 3 \times 1 \times 2^{p_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_1 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 2^{p_1} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+1}) &= 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_2 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_2 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+2}) &= 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_3 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_3 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+p_3+3}) &= 3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{p_4+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_4 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_4 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^4 \times 2^{p_4} \leq n + 2,
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing for  $m_1$  terms such that  $m_1$  is greatest integer satisfying  $3^{m_1} \leq n + 2$  or

we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1}) &= 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_0 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+1}) &= 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_1 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+2}) &= 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_2 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_2 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+q_2+3}) &= 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_3 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_3 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3} \leq n + 2,
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing for  $m_2$  terms such that  $m_2$  is greatest integer satisfying  $5 \times 3^{m_2} \leq n + 2$

or we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1}) &= 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_0 + 1, \\
 \text{where } r_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1+r_0+1}) &= 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_1 + 1, \\
 \text{where } r_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1} \leq n + 2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing in this way till we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1.

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In view of above defined labeling pattern, we have  $e_f(0) = \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$  and  $e_f(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$ . Thus,  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

**Case 2:** Duplication of any edge other than  $e_1$  and  $e_{n-1}$ .

Then  $|V(G)| = n + 2$  and  $|E(G)| = n + 2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v'') &= 1, \\
 f(v_i) &= 1 \times 1 \times 2^{p_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_0, \\
 \text{where } p_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 2^{p_0} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0}) &= 3 \times 1 \times 2^{p_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_1 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 2^{p_1} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+1}) &= 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_2 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_2 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3 \times 2^{p_2} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+2}) &= 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_3 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_3 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^2 \times 2^{p_3} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+p_2+p_3+3}) &= 3 \times 3^3 \times 2^{p_4+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq p_4 + 1, \\
 \text{where } p_4 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 3 \times 3^4 \times 2^{p_4} \leq n + 2,
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing for  $m_1$  terms such that  $m_1$  is greatest integer satisfying  $3^{m_1} \leq n + 2$  or we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1}) &= 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_0 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_0 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 1 \times 2^{q_0} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+1}) &= 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_1 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_1 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3 \times 2^{q_1} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+2}) &= 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_2 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_2 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3^2 \times 2^{q_2} \leq n + 2, \\
 f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+q_2+3}) &= 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq q_3 + 1, \\
 \text{where } q_3 &\text{ is greatest integer such that } 5 \times 3^3 \times 2^{q_3} \leq n + 2,
 \end{aligned}$$

Continuing for  $m_2$  terms such that  $m_2$  is greatest integer satisfying  $5 \times 3^{m_2} \leq n + 2$  or we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1,

$$\begin{aligned}
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1}) &= 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_0 + 1, \\
\text{where } r_0 \text{ is greatest integer such that } 7 \times 1 \times 2^{r_0} &\leq n + 2, \\
f(v_{i+p_0+p_1+\dots+p_{m_1}+m_1+q_0+q_1+\dots+q_{m_2}+m_2+1+r_0+1}) &= 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1+1-i}; & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq r_1 + 1, \\
\text{where } r_1 \text{ is greatest integer such that } 7 \times 3 \times 2^{r_1} &\leq n + 2.
\end{aligned}$$

Continuing in this way till we get  $\left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor$  edges with label 1.

Now label the remaining vertices in such a way that they neither divide nor divided by the label of adjacent vertices (except when one of the vertex label is 1).

In view of above defined labeling pattern, we have  $e_f(0) = \left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor$  and  $e_f(1) = \left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor$ . Thus,  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence, the graph obtained by duplication of an arbitrary edge by a new edge in path  $P_n$  is a divisor cordial graph.

**Illustration 4.14.** The graph obtained by duplication of an edge  $e_1$  by a new edge in path  $P_5$  and its divisor cordial labeling is shown in Fig 11.

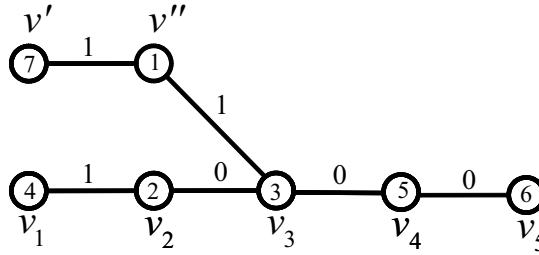


Fig 11: The graph obtained by duplication of an edge  $e_1$  by a new edge in path  $P_5$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

**Illustration 4.15.** The graph obtained by duplication of an edge  $e_3$  by a new edge in path  $P_6$  and its divisor cordial labeling is shown in Fig 12.

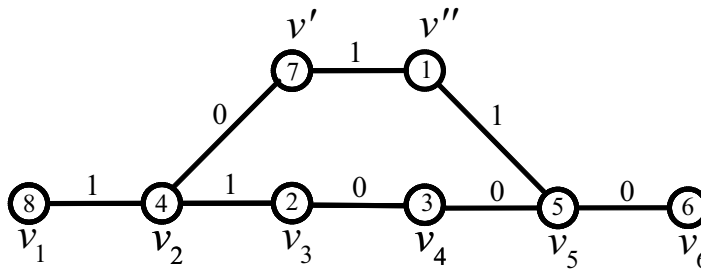


Fig 12: The graph obtained by duplication of an edge  $e_3$  by a new edge in path  $P_6$  and its divisor cordial labeling.

## 5. Conclusion

Divisor cordial labeling for ladders, triangular snakes and quadrilateral snakes is studied by Barasara and Thakkar [3, 4]. Vaidya and Shah [15] have discussed divisor cordial labeling for helms. Varatharajan *et al.* [16] have proved that paths are divisor cordial. While, In this paper, we have investigated divisor cordial labeling for larger graphs obtained from path, ladder, helm and snakes using some graph operations.

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