

## NEIGHBORHOOD-PRIME LABELING OF GRID, TORUS AND SOME INFLATED GRAPHS

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ABSTRACT. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph with  $n$  vertices. A bijection  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  is said to be a neighborhood-prime labeling if for every vertex  $v \in V(G)$  with  $\deg(v) > 1$ ,  $\gcd\{f(u) | u \in N(v)\} = 1$ . A graph which admits neighborhood-prime labeling is called a neighborhood-prime graph. In this paper, we investigate the neighborhood-prime labeling of grid, torus and some inflated graphs.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

The graphs we consider here are simple, finite, connected and undirected. The notion of prime labeling for graphs originated by Roger Entringer, was introduced in a paper by Tout et al., [8] in the early 1980s and since then it is an active field of research for many scholars. A triangular snake  $T_n$ , [1] is obtained from a path  $P_n$  by replacing each edge of  $P_n$  by a cycle  $C_3$ . Definitions of Ladder graph  $L_n$ , grid graph  $P_m \times P_n$  and torus grid graph  $C_m \times C_n$  are given in [3]. The helm  $H_n$ , [5], is the graph obtained from the wheel  $W_n = C_n + K_1$  by attaching a pendent edge at each vertex of the cycle  $C_n$ . A closed helm  $CH_n$ , [5], is a graph obtained from a helm  $H_n$  by joining each pendent vertex to form a cycle. For the definition of inflated graphs we refer [2, 6]. Inflated graph  $G_I$  of a graph

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$G$  without isolated vertices it is obtained as follows: each vertex  $x_i$  of degree  $d(x_i)$  of  $G$  is replaced by a clique  $X_i \cong K_{d(x_i)}$  and each edge  $x_i x_j$  of  $G$  is replaced by an edge  $uv$  in such a way that  $u \in X_i$ ,  $v \in X_j$  and two different edges of  $G$  are replaced by non adjacent edges of  $G_I$ . Throughout this paper, we refer the clique corresponding to  $x_i$  in inflated graphs as  $A(x_i)$ . The neighborhood of  $v$  is the set of all vertices in  $G$  which are adjacent to  $v$  and is denoted by  $N(v)$ . Patel and Shrimali in [5], introduced one of the variation of prime labeling which is known as neighborhood-prime labeling of a graph. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph with  $n$  vertices. A bijective function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  is said to be neighborhood-prime labeling, if for each vertex  $v \in V(G)$ , with  $\deg(v) > 1$ ,  $\gcd\{f(u) | u \in N(v)\} = 1$ . A graph which admits neighborhood-prime labeling is called a neighborhood-prime graph. In this paper, we investigate the existence of neighborhood-prime labeling of grid, torus and some inflated graphs. The following facts are from [5]:

**Remark 1.1.** *A graph  $G$  in which every vertex is of degree atmost 1 is neighborhood-prime vacuously.*

**Theorem 1.1.** *The path  $P_n$  is a neighborhood-prime graph for every  $n$ .*

**Theorem 1.2.** *The cycle  $C_n$  is neighborhood-prime if  $n \not\equiv 2(\text{mod}4)$ .*

**Theorem 1.3.** *The cycle  $C_n$  is not neighborhood-prime if  $n \equiv 2(\text{mod}4)$ .*

**Theorem 1.4.** [7] **The Euclidean algorithm**

*Given positive integers  $a$  and  $b$ , where  $b$  does not divide  $a$ . Let  $r_0 = a$ ,  $r_1 = b$ , and apply the division algorithm repeatedly to obtain a set of remainders  $r_2, r_3, \dots, r_n, r_{n+1}$  defined successively by the relations*

$$\begin{aligned} r_0 &= r_1 q_1 + r_2, 0 < r_2 < r_1, \\ r_1 &= r_2 q_2 + r_3, 0 < r_3 < r_2, \\ &\vdots \\ r_{n-2} &= r_{n-1} q_{n-1} + r_n, 0 < r_n < r_{n-1}, \\ r_{n-1} &= r_n q_n + r_{n+1}, r_{n+1} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

*Then  $r_n$ , the last nonzero remainder in this process, is  $(a, b)$ , the gcd of  $a$  and  $b$ .*

**Remark 1.2.** (1) *The torus grid graphs  $C_m \times C_n$  are hamiltonian.*

(2) A grid graph  $P_m \times P_n$  is hamiltonian if either the number of rows or columns is even.

**Theorem 1.5.** [4], Let  $G$  be a graph of order  $n$  such that  $n \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ . If  $G$  is Hamiltonian then  $G$  has a neighborhood-prime labeling.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

Remark motivated us to define the following definition.

**Definition 2.1.** Any vertex is of degree atmost 1 is called a neighborhood-prime vertex of  $G$ .

**Remark 2.1.** By definition 2.1, a graph  $G$  in which every vertex is a neighborhood-prime vertex, then such a graph is neighborhood-prime vacuously.

In [5] while proving theorem 1.3, the result when  $n$  is even  $n \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ ,  $\gcd(n, \frac{n}{2} + 1) = 1$  is assumed directly. Here in this paper, we proved this assumption as the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $n$  be an even integer. Then,  $\gcd(n, \frac{n}{2} + 1) = 1$  iff  $n = 4k$ .

*Proof.* First to find  $\gcd(n, \frac{n}{2} + 1)$ . Applying Euclidean algorithm 1.4,

$n = 1 \left( \frac{n}{2} + 1 \right) + \left( \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right)$ , and  $\frac{n}{2} + 1 = 1 \left( \frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) + 2$ .

Now  $\frac{n}{2} - 1 = k(2) + r$  where  $r = 0$  or  $r = 1$ . If  $r = 0$ , then  $\gcd(n, \frac{n}{2} + 1) = 2$ .

Also,  $\frac{n}{2} - 1 = 2k$  implies  $\frac{n}{2} = 2k + 1$ . Therefore  $n = 4k + 2$ . Therefore,

$$(2.1) \quad \gcd\left(n, \frac{n}{2} + 1\right) = 2 \text{ if } n = 4k + 2.$$

Similarly, if  $r = 1$ , then  $\gcd(n, \frac{n}{2} + 1) = 1$ . Also,  $\frac{n}{2} - 1 = 2k + 1$  implies  $\frac{n}{2} = 2k + 2$ .

Therefore  $n = 4k + 4 = 4(k + 1) = 4k'$  where  $k' = k + 1$ . Therefore,

$$(2.2) \quad \gcd\left(n, \frac{n}{2} + 1\right) = 1 \text{ if } n = 4k'$$

If  $n$  is even, then either

$$(2.3) \quad n = 4k \text{ or } n = 4k + 2.$$

Hence, by (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3),  $\gcd(n, \frac{n}{2} + 1) = 1$  iff  $n = 4k$ . □

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $G$  be a graph on  $n$  vertices. Suppose  $G$  has a  $u - v$  hamiltonian path such that  $d_G(u) = d_G(v) = 1$ . Then  $G$  is neighborhood-prime.

*Proof.* Let  $P_n$  denote the  $u-v$  hamiltonian path in  $G$  such that  $d_G(u) = d_G(v) = 1$ . By theorem 1.2,  $P_n$  admits neighborhood-prime labeling.

That is, there exists a function  $f : V(P_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  such that  $\gcd\{f(x) | x \in N(y)\} = 1$  for every  $y \in V(P_n) - \{u, v\}$ .

Further,  $V(P_n) = V(G)$  and  $d_{P_n}(w) = 2$  for all  $w \in V(P_n) - \{u, v\}$ .

Since  $\gcd(f(x), f(y)) = 1$  implies  $\gcd(f(x), f(y), f(x_1), f(x_n)) = 1$ ,

$\gcd f(x) | x \in N(y) = 1$  for every  $y \in V(G) - \{u, v\}$ .

Also,  $d_G(u) = d_G(v) = 1$  implies  $u$  and  $v$  are neighborhood-prime vertex of  $G$ .

Therefore,  $\gcd f(x) | x \in N(y) = 1$  for every  $y \in V(G)$  with  $d(y) > 1$ .

Therefore  $f$  is a neighborhood-prime labeling of  $G$ .

Therefore  $G$  admits neighborhood-prime labeling. Hence  $G$  is neighborhood-prime.  $\square$

**Observation 1.** The inflation of path  $I(P_n)$  being isomorphic to  $P_1$  or  $P_{2n-2}$  is neighborhood-prime.

**Theorem 2.2.** The inflation of cycle  $I(C_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph iff  $n$  is even.

*Proof.* Suppose  $I(C_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph. Clearly,  $I(C_n) = C_{2n}$ . Therefore, by theorem 1.3,  $2n \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ . That is,  $2n - 2 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . That is,  $2n - 2 \neq 4k$  for any integer  $k$ .

$\Rightarrow 2n \neq 4k + 2$ .

$\Rightarrow n \neq 2k + 1. \Rightarrow n$  is not odd. Therefore  $n$  is even.

Conversely, let  $n$  be even. Suppose  $n = 2k$ . Then  $2n = 2(2k) = 4k$ . Therefore  $2n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . Therefore  $2n \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ . Therefore by theorem 1.3,  $C_{2n} = I(C_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph. Hence the inflation of cycle  $I(C_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph iff  $n$  is even.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.3.** The inflation of triangular snake  $I(T_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph for all  $n \neq 2$ .

*Proof.* Let  $V(T_n) = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{u_i | 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  be the vertex set where  $v_i$ 's and  $u_i$ 's represent the vertices of the base path and top of the triangle.

Then  $E(T_n) = \{v_i v_{i+1} | 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{v_i u_i, u_i v_{i+1} | 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  is the edge set.

In  $I(T_n)$ , corresponding to each vertex in  $T_n$  we get a clique. Suppose  $w$  is a vertex in  $T_n$ , adjacent to  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_k$  then label the vertices of the clique

corresponding to  $w$  as  $ww_1, ww_2, \dots, ww_k$ . Correspondingly, every edge is either of the form  $\{xyyx\}$  or  $\{xy_i xz_j\}$ . Here, the second pair represents the set of edges whose end vertices label start with a common vertex of  $T_n$ . Let  $n = 1$ . Then  $I(T_1) \cong P_1$ .

Therefore by remark 2.2,  $I(T_1)$  is neighborhood-prime vacuously.

Let  $n = 2$ . Then  $I(T_2) \cong C_6$  and  $6 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

Therefore by theorem 1.4,  $I(T_2)$  is not neighborhood-prime.

Let  $n \geq 3$ . Then the graph  $I(T_n)$  looks as in figure 2.1. Here,  $I(T_n)$  has  $6n - 6$  vertices.

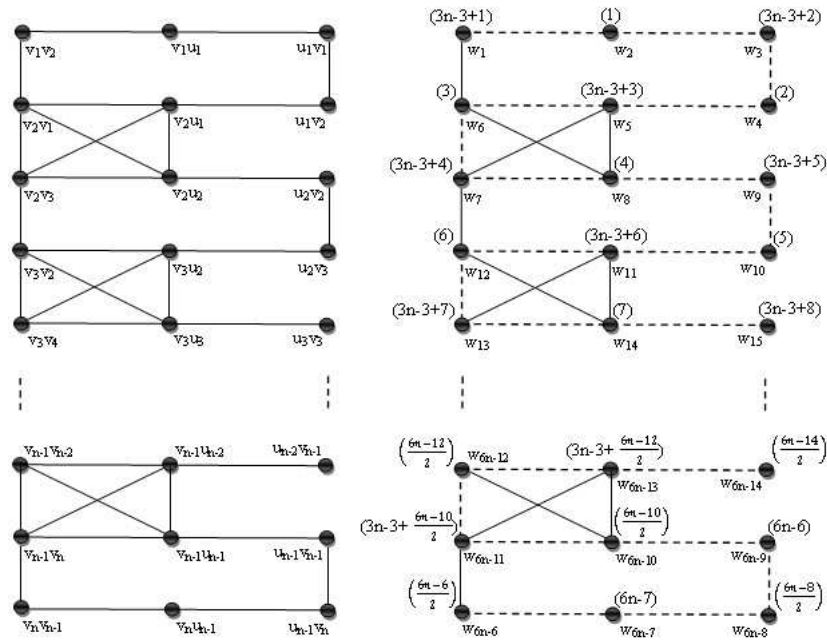


Figure 2.1:  $I(T_n)$

Consider the Hamiltonian path,  $v_1 v_2, v_1 u_1, u_1 v_1, u_1 v_2, v_2 u_1, v_2 v_1, v_2 v_3, v_2 u_2, u_2 v_2, u_2 v_3, v_3 u_2, v_3 v_2, v_3 v_4, v_3 u_3, u_3 v_3, u_3 v_4, \dots, v_{n-2} u_{n-3}, v_{n-2} v_{n-3}, v_{n-2} v_{n-1}, v_{n-2} u_{n-2}, u_{n-2} v_{n-2}, u_{n-2} v_{n-1}, v_{n-1} u_{n-2}, v_{n-1} v_{n-2}, v_{n-1} v_n, v_{n-1} u_{n-1}, u_{n-1} v_{n-1}, u_{n-1} v_n, v_n u_{n-1}, v_n v_{n-1}$ .

Rename the vertices in the Hamiltonian path as  $w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4, \dots, w_{6n-8}, w_{6n-7}, w_{6n-6}$ . Define  $f : V(I(T_n)) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 6n-6\}$  as follows,  $f(w_i) = \frac{i}{2}$  if  $i$  is even; when  $i$  is odd &  $1 \leq i \leq 6n-11$ ,  $f(w_i) = 3n-3 + (\frac{i+1}{2})$ ;  $f(w_{6n-9}) = 6n-6$  and  $f(w_{6n-7}) = 6n-7$ . Since  $w_{i-1}, w_{i+1} \subseteq N(w_i)$  and  $f(w_{i-1}), f(w_{i+1})$  are

consecutive integers implies

$$(2.4) \quad \gcd\{f(x)|x \in N(w_i)\} = 1 \forall i \text{ such that } 1 < i < 6n - 6 \& i \neq 6n - 10.$$

Further,

$$w_2 \subseteq N(w_1) \text{ and } f(w_2) = 1 \text{ implies } \gcd\{f(x)|x \in N(w_1)\} = 1,$$

and,  $N(w_{6n-10})$  contains the vertices  $w_{6n-13}$  and  $w_{6n-11}$  with consecutive integers assigned to them under  $f$ . Therefore,

$$\gcd\{f(x)|x \in N(w_{6n-10})\} = 1.$$

Similarly,  $N(w_{6n-6}) = w_{6n-7}, w_{6n-11}$  and  $f(w_{6n-7}), f(w_{6n-11})$  are consecutive integers implies

$$\gcd\{f(x)|x \in N(w_{6n-6})\} = 1.$$

By (2.1), (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4),  $\gcd\{f(x)|x \in N(y)\} = 1$  for every  $y \in V(I(T_n))$ . Therefore  $f$  is a neighborhood-prime labeling. Hence  $I(T_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph for all  $n \neq 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.4.** *The inflation of ladder graph  $I(L_n)$  is a neighborhood prime graph for every  $n$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $V(L_n) = \{u_i, v_i | 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  be the vertex set.

Then  $E(L_n) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, v_i v_{i+1} | 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{u_i v_i | 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the edge set.

In  $I(L_n)$ , Corresponding to each vertex in  $L_n$  we get a clique. Suppose  $w$  is a vertex in  $L_n$ , adjacent to  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_k$  then label the vertices of the clique corresponding to  $w$  as  $ww_1, ww_2, \dots, ww_k$ . Correspondingly, every edge is either of the form  $\{xyyx\}$  or  $\{xy_i xz_j\}$ . Here, the second pair represents the set of edges whose end vertices label start with a common vertex of  $L_n$ .

Let  $n = 1$ .

Then  $I(L_1) \cong P_2$ .

Therefore by remark 2.2,  $I(L_1)$  is neighborhood-prime vacuously.

Let  $n = 2$ .

Then  $I(L_2) \cong C_8$  and  $8 \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .

That is,  $8 \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

Therefore by theorem 1.3,  $I(L_2)$  is neighborhood-prime.

Let  $n \geq 3$ . Then the graph  $I(L_n)$  looks as in figure 2.2(a) and figure 2.2(b).

Here,  $I(L_n)$  has  $6n - 4$  vertices.

Consider the Hamiltonian cycle,  $v_1u_1, u_1v_1, u_1u_2, u_2u_1, u_2v_2, u_2u_3, u_3u_2, u_3v_3, u_3u_4, \dots, u_{n-1}u_{n-2}, u_{n-1}v_{n-1}, u_{n-1}u_n, u_nu_{n-1}, u_nv_n, v_nu_n, v_nv_{n-1}, v_{n-1}v_n, v_{n-1}u_{n-1}, v_{n-1}v_{n-2}, v_{n-2}v_{n-1}, v_{n-2}u_{n-2}, v_{n-2}v_{n-3}, \dots, v_2v_3, v_2u_2, v_2v_1, v_1v_2, v_1u_1$ .

Rename the vertices in the Hamiltonian cycle as  $w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4, \dots, w_{6n-6}, w_{6n-5}, w_{6n-4}, w_1$ .

Define  $f : V(I(L_n)) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 6n - 4\}$  as follows,  $f(w_i) = \left(\frac{i+1}{2}\right)$  if  $i$  is odd;  $f(w_{6n-6}) = 3n - 1$ ;  $f(w_{6n-4}) = 3n$ ; when  $i$  is even and  $2 \leq i \leq 6n - 8$ ,  $f(w_i) = 3n + \left(\frac{i}{2}\right)$ . Since  $w_{i-1}, w_{i+1} \subseteq N(w_i)$  and  $f(w_{i-1}), f(w_{i+1})$  are consecu-

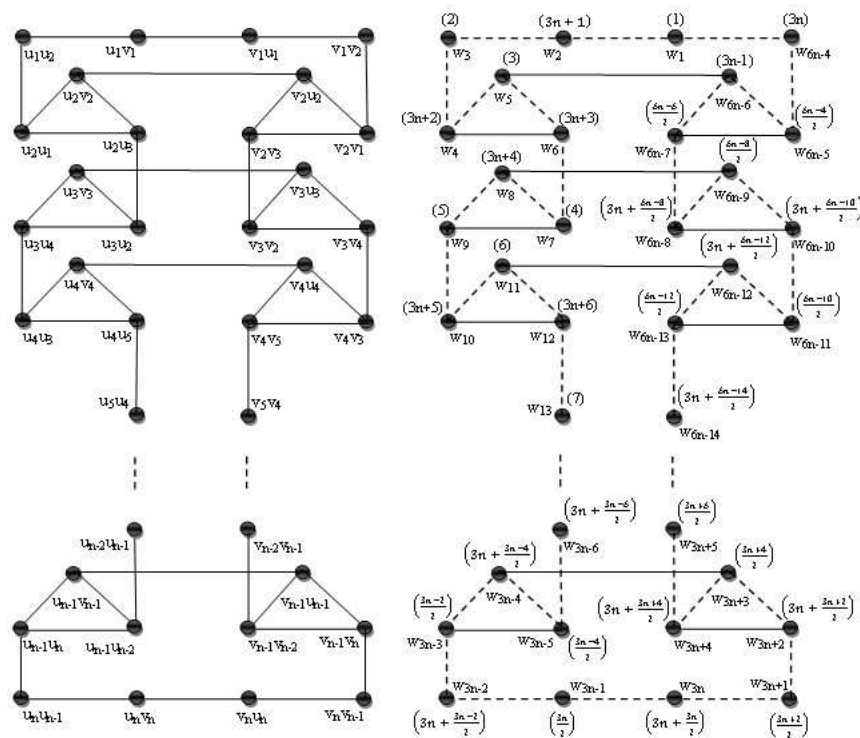


Figure 2.2(a):  $I(L_n)$  when  $n$  is even

tive integers implies

$$\gcd\{f(x) | x \in N(w_i)\} = 1 \forall i \text{ such that } 1 < i < 6n - 4 \text{ and } i \neq 6n - 7$$

Also,  $N(w_1) = w_2, w_{6n-4}$  and  $f(w_2), f(w_{6n-4})$  are consecutive integers implies

$$\gcd\{f(x) | x \in N(w_1)\} = 1.$$

Further,

$$w_1 \subseteq N(w_{6n-4}) \text{ and } f(w_1) = 1 \text{ implies } \gcd\{f(x) | x \in N(w_{6n-4})\} = 1.$$

And,  $N(w_{6n-7})$  contains the vertices  $w_{6n-5}$  and  $w_{6n-6}$  with consecutive integers assigned to them under  $f$ . Therefore,

$$\gcd\{f(x) | x \in N(w_{6n-7})\} = 1.$$

By (2.1), (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4),  $\gcd\{f(x) | x \in N(y)\} = 1$  for every

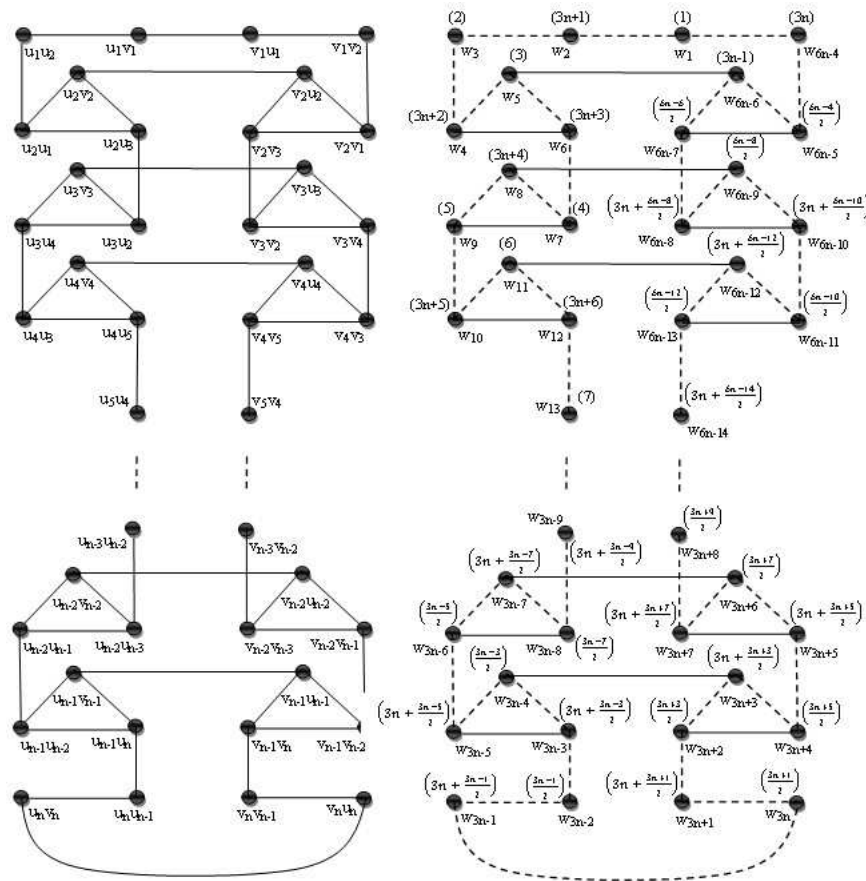


Figure 2.2(b):  $I(L_n)$  when  $n$  is odd

$y \in V(I(L_n))$ .

Therefore  $f$  is a neighborhood-prime labeling.

Hence  $I(L_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph for every  $n$ . □



**Theorem 2.5.** *The inflation of star  $I(K_{1,n})$  is a neighborhood-prime graph for every  $n$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $V(K_{1,n}) = \{v, u_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  be the vertex set where  $v$  represent the root vertex and  $u_i$ 's represent the set of end vertices. Then  $E(K_{1,n}) = \{vu_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  is the edge set. Let  $n = 1$ . Then  $I(K_{1,1}) \cong P_2$ .

Therefore by remark 2.2,  $I(K_{1,1})$  is neighborhood-prime vacuously.

Let  $n = 2$ . Then  $I(K_{1,2}) \cong P_4$ .

Therefore by theorem 1.2,  $I(K_{1,2})$  is neighborhood-prime.

Let  $n \geq 3$ . Then the graph  $I(K_{1,n})$  looks as in figure 2.3.

In  $I(K_{1,n})$ ,  $v$  is represented by  $K_n$ ; each  $u_i$  by  $K_1$ .

(1) Label the vertices of  $A(v)$  as  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$ .

(2) Label the vertices of  $A(u_i)$  as  $w_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Here,  $I(K_{1,n})$  has  $2n$  vertices. Define  $f : V(I(K_{1,n})) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2n\}$  by  $f(v_i) = i$

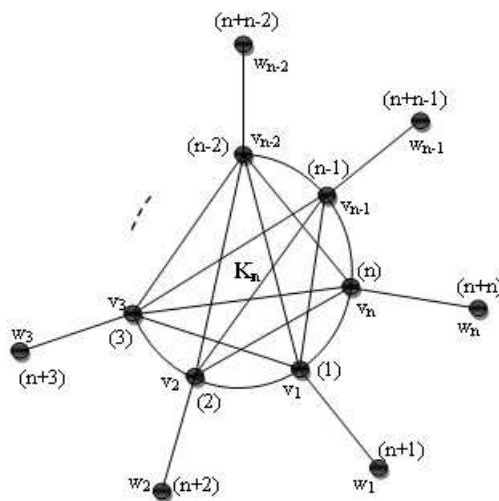


Figure 2.3:  $I(K_{1,n})$

and  $f(w_i) = n + i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Now for every  $i = 1$  to  $n$ ,  $N(v_i)$  contains atleast two vertices whose  $f$  values are two consecutive integers or two consecutive odd integers.

Therefore,

$$\gcd\{f(x) \mid x \in N(v_i)\} = 1 \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Further,

$N(w_i)$  is a singleton set for every  $i = 1$  to  $n$

By (2.1) and (2.2),  $\gcd\{f(x)|x \in N(y)\} = 1$  for every  $y \in V(I(K_{1,n}))$  with  $d(y) > 1$ .

Therefore  $f$  is a neighborhood-prime labeling.

Hence  $I(K_{1,n})$  is a neighborhood-prime graph for every  $n$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.6.** *The inflation of complete graph  $I(K_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph for all  $n \neq 3$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $V(K_n) = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  be the vertex set.

Let  $n \leq 2$ . Then  $I(K_i) \cong P_i$ .

Therefore by remark 2.2,  $I(K_n)$  is neighborhood-prime vacuously if  $n \leq 2$ .

Let  $n = 3$ . Then  $I(K_3) \cong C_6$  and  $6 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

Therefore by theorem 1.4,  $I(K_3)$  is not neighborhood-prime.

Let  $n \geq 4$ . In  $I(K_n)$ , each  $v_i$  is represented by  $K_{n-1}$ .

Label the vertices of  $A(v_i)$  as  $v_{ij}$  for  $1 \leq j \leq n-1$ ; Here,  $I(K_n)$  has  $n(n-1)$  vertices.

Define  $f : V(I(K_n)) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n(n-1)\}$  by  $f(v_{ij}) = (i-1)n + j - (i-1)$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n-1$ .

Correspondingly, for every  $v \in V(I(K_n))$ ,  $N(v)$  contains atleast two vertices  $u$  and  $w$  such that  $f(u)$  and  $f(w)$  are consecutive integers or  $N(v)$  contains atleast one vertex say ' $u$ ' with  $f(u) = 1$ .

Therefore,  $\gcd\{f(x)|x \in N(v)\} = 1$  for every  $v \in V(I(K_n))$ . Therefore  $f$  is a neighborhood-prime labeling. Hence  $I(K_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph for all  $n \neq 3$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.7.**  *$G$  is Hamiltonian iff  $I(G)$  is Hamiltonian.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $G$  is Hamiltonian.

Let  $C = (v_1, e_1, v_2, e_2, v_3, \dots, v_n, e_n, v_1)$  be a Hamiltonian cycle in  $G$ .

In  $I(G)$ , each vertex ' $v$ ' of  $G$  is replaced by a clique  $K_{d(v)}$  of order  $d(v)$ .

Since the complete graph is hamiltonian, it contains a hamiltonian path also.

Let the spanning path in  $K_{d(v)}$  be  $P_{d(v)}$  for  $v \in V$ .

Now,  $P_{d(v_1)}, e'_1, P_{d(v_2)}, e'_2, P_{d(v_3)}, \dots, P_{d(v_n)}, e'_n, v_{11}$  is a Hamiltonian cycle in  $I(G)$  where  $v_{11}$  is the initial vertex of  $P_{d(v_1)}$  and  $e'_i$  is the edge replacing  $e_i$  in  $I(G)$ . Hence  $I(G)$  is Hamiltonian.

Conversely, Suppose  $I(G)$  is Hamiltonian and let  $P_{d(v_1)}, e'_1, P_{d(v_2)}, e'_2, P_{d(v_3)}, \dots, P_{d(v_n)}, e'_n, v_{11}$  is a hamiltonian cycle in  $I(G)$  formed where  $P_{d(v)}$  represents the spanning path of  $k_{d(v)}$  and  $v_{11}$  is the initial vertex of  $P_{d(v_1)}$ .

Replacing each  $P_{d(v_i)}$  by  $v_i$  and  $e'_i$  by  $e_i$  we get  $v_1, e_1, v_2, e_2, v_3, \dots, v_n, e_n, v_1$  as a Hamiltonian cycle in  $G$ . Hence  $G$  is Hamiltonian.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.8.** *The inflation of grid graph  $I(P_m \times P_n)$  is neighborhood-prime if both  $m$  and  $n$  are even.*

*Proof.* Suppose  $G \cong P_m \times P_n$  is a grid graph with both  $m$  &  $n$  are even and let  $V(G) = \{v_{ij} | 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  be the vertex set.

In  $I(G)$ , the vertices  $\{v_{11}, v_{m1}, v_{1n}, v_{mn}\}$  are represented by  $K_2$ ; the vertices  $\{v_{i1}, v_{in}, v_{1j}, v_{mj} | 2 \leq i \leq m-1, 2 \leq j \leq n-1\}$  are represented by  $K_3$  and the vertices  $\{v_{ij} | 2 \leq i \leq m-1, 2 \leq j \leq n-1\}$  are represented by  $K_4$ .

Therefore,

$$|V(I(G))| = 2(4) + 3(2m-4) + 3(2n-4) + 4((m-2)(n-2)) = 4mn - 2(m+n).$$

Since both  $m$  and  $n$  are even,  $|V(I(G))| \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

Also by remark 1.6 (2),  $G$  is Hamiltonian.

Therefore by theorem 2.7,  $I(G)$  is Hamiltonian.

Therefore, by theorem 1.4,  $I(G)$  is neighborhood-prime.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.9.** *The torus graph  $C_m \times C_n$  is neighborhood-prime if  $mn \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $G \cong C_m \times C_n$  is a torus graph with  $mn \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

By remark 1.6 (1),  $G$  is Hamiltonian. Hence, by theorem 1.4,  $G$  is neighborhood-prime.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.10.** *The inflation of torus graph  $I(C_m \times C_n)$  is neighborhood-prime for every  $m$  &  $n$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $G \cong C_m \times C_n$  is a torus graph and let  $V(G) = \{v_{ij} | 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  be the vertex set.

In  $I(G)$ , the vertices  $\{v_{ij} | 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  are represented by  $K_4$ .

Therefore,  $|V(I(G))| = 4mn \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

By remark 1.6 (2),  $G$  is Hamiltonian.

Therefore By theorem 2.7,  $I(G)$  is Hamiltonian.

Therefore, by theorem 1.4,  $I(G)$  is neighborhood-prime.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.11.** *The inflation of closed helm  $I(CH_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph for every  $n$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $V(CH_n) = \{v, u_i, w_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  be the vertex set where  $v$  represent the central vertex,  $u_i$ 's represent the vertices of inner cycle and  $w_i$ 's represent the vertices of the outer cycle. The graph  $CH_n$  looks as in figure 2.4. In  $I(CH_n)$ ,  $v$

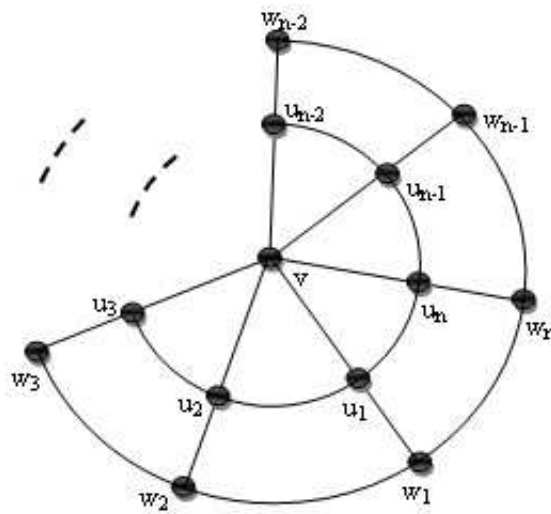


Figure 2.4:  $CH_n$

is represented by  $K_n$ ; each  $u_i$  by  $K_4$  and each  $w_i$  by  $K_3$ .

Therefore,  $|V(I(CH_n))| = n + 4n + 3n = 8n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \not\equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

Further,  $v, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-1}, w_{n-1}, w_{n-2}, \dots, w_1, w_n, u_n, v$  is a hamiltonian cycle in  $CH_n$ . Therefore,  $CH_n$  is Hamiltonian.

Therefore by theorem 2.7,  $I(CH_n)$  is Hamiltonian.

Hence, by theorem 1.4,  $I(CH_n)$  is a neighborhood-prime graph for every  $n$ .  $\square$

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