## Further Results on Stolarsky-3 Mean Graphs

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### ABSTRACT

Let G = (V, E) be a simple graph. G is said to be Stolarsky-3 Mean graph if each vertex  $x \in V$  is assigned distinct labels f(x) from 1, 2, ..., q+1 and each edge e = uv is assigned with the labels  $f(e) = \left[\sqrt{\frac{[(f(u))^2 + f(u)f(v) + (f(v))^2]}{3}}\right]$  (or)  $\left[\sqrt{\frac{[(f(u))^2 + f(u)f(v) + (f(v))^2]}{3}}\right]$  then the resulting edge labels are distinct and f is called a Stolarsky-3 Mean labeling of G. In this paper,

we show the graphs  $C_n @ P_m$ ,  $L_n @ \overline{K_2}$ ,  $TL_n @K_1$ ,  $(C_m @K_3) \cup L_n$ ,  $C_m \cup T_n$  etc. are Stolarsky-3 mean graphs.

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## 1. Introduction

Let G be a finite, undirected and simple graph with p vertices and q edges. There are several types of labeling and a detailed survey was done by [1]. The standard terminology and notations in this article are based on the book Graph theory [2]. The concept of Mean labeling was introduced by Somasundaram et.al. in [3]. Motivated by the concept of [3], Kavitha et.al [4] introduced a new concept namely Stolarsky-3 mean graph and proved that the path graph, cycle graph, comb graph, ladder graph, star graph, triangular snake graph and quadrilateral graph are Stolarsky-3 mean graphs. Sandhya et.al. [5] proved that slanting Ladder, triangular ladder, H-graph, twig graph, middle graph and total graph are Stolarsky-3 mean graphs.

We provide the following definitions which are necessary for our main results.

**Definition 1.1:** A graph G with p vertices and q edges is said to be Stolarsky-3 Mean graph if each vertex  $x \in V$  is assigned distinct labels f(x) from 1,2, ..., q+1 and each edge e = uv is

assigned with the labels 
$$f(e) = \left[\sqrt{\frac{\left[(f(u))^2 + f(u)f(v) + (f(v))^2\right]}{3}}\right]$$
 (or)  $\left[\sqrt{\frac{\left[(f(u))^2 + f(u)f(v) + (f(v))^2\right]}{3}}\right]$  then

the resulting edge labels are distinct and f is called a Stolarsky-3 Mean labeling of G.

**Definition 1.2.** A walk in which all the vertices  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  are distinct is called a path. It is denoted by  $P_n$ .

**Definition 1.3:** A closed path is called a cycle. A cycle on n vertices is denoted by  $C_n$ .

**Definition 1.4.** The Corona  $G_1 \Theta G_2$  of two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is defined as the graph G

obtained by taking one copy of  $G_1$  (which has  $P_1$  vertices) and  $P_1$  copies of  $G_2$  and then joining the i<sup>th</sup> vertex of  $G_1$  to every vertex in the i<sup>th</sup> copy of  $G_2$ .

**Definition 1.5.** The Cartesian product  $G_1 \times G_2$  of two graphs is defined to be the graph with vertex set  $V_1 \times V_2$  and two vertices  $U = (U_1, U_2)$  and  $V = (V_1, V_2)$  are adjacent in  $G_1 \times G_2$  if either  $U_1 = V_1$  and  $U_2$  is adjacent to  $V_2$  and  $U_1$  is adjacent to  $V_1$ .

**Definition 1.6.** The Union  $G_1 \cup G_2$  of two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is the graph with  $V (G_1 \cup G_2) = V (G_1) \cup V(G_2)$  and  $E (G_1 \cup G_2) = E (G_1) \cup E(G_2)$ . The union of m copies of G is denoted by mG.

**Definition 1.7.** A Dragon is a graph obtained by joining an end vertex of a path  $P_m$  to a vertex of the cycle  $C_n$ . It is denoted by  $C_n @ P_m$ .

**Definition 1.8.** Comb  $P_n \Theta K_1$  is a graph obtained by joining a single pendant edge to each vertex of a path.

**Definition 1.9.** The Ladder graph  $L_n$  ( $n \ge 2$ ) is the product graph  $P_2 \times P_n$  which contains 2n vertices and 3n-2 edges.

**Definition 1.10.** A Triangular ladder  $TL_n$  is a graph obtained from  $L_n$  by adding the edges  $u_iv_{i+1}, 1 \le i \le n - 1$ , where  $u_i$  and  $v_i$   $1 \le i \le n$  are the vertices of  $L_n$  such that  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  and  $v_1, v_2, ..., v_n$  are two paths of length n in the graph  $L_n$ .

**Definition 1.11.** A Triangular Snake  $T_n$  is obtained from a path  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  by joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  to a new vertex  $v_i$  for  $1 \le i \le n-1$ . That is, every edge of a path is replaced by a triangle  $C_3$ .

**Definition 1.12.** The graphs  $\overline{K_p}$  are totally disconnected and are regular of degree 0.

# 2 Main Results

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $P_n$  be the path and G be the graph obtained from  $P_n$  by attaching a pendant edge to both sides of each vertex of  $P_n$ . Then G is a Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

Proof: Let  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  be the vertices of the path  $P_n$ . Let G be a graph obtained from  $P_n$  by attaching a pendant edge to both sides of each vertex of  $P_n$ . Let  $v_i, w_i, 1 \le i \le n$  be the new vertices of G.

Define a function f:  $V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, ..., q+1\}$  by

 $f(u_i) = 3i-1, 1 \le i \le n.$   $f(v_i) = 3i-2, 1 \le i \le n.$  $f(w_i) = 3i, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

Edge labeling's are

 $f(u_i u_{i+1}) = 3$  i,  $1 \le i \le n - 1$ .

 $f(u_i v_i) = 3 i - 2, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

 $f(u_iw_i) = 3 \text{ i} -1, 1 \le i \le n$ . Here the edge labels are distinct. Hence G is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

**Example 2.2**. The graph G obtained from  $P_5$  is given below.

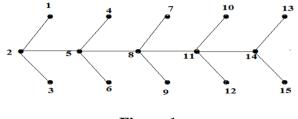


Figure 1

**Theorem 2. 3.** The graph obtained by attaching  $K_{1,2}$  to each pendant vertex of a comb  $P_n \Theta K_1$  forms a Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

Proof: Let G be a graph obtained by attaching  $K_{1,2}$  to each pendant vertex of a comb. Let  $u_i$ ,  $v_i$ ,  $x_i$ ,  $y_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le n$  be the vertices of G.

Define a function f: V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {1,2, 3,...,q+1} by

$$f(u_i) = 4i-3, \ 1 \le i \le n.$$

 $f(v_i) = 4i-2, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

 $f(x_i) = 4i-1, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

$$f(y_i) = 4i, \ 1 \le i \le n.$$

The edges are labeled as

 $f(u_i u_{i+1}) = 4i, \ 1 \le i \le n-1.$ f  $(u_i v_i) = 4i-3, \ 1 \le i \le n.$ f $(x_i v_i) = 4i-2, \ 1 \le i \le n.$ 

 $f(x_i v_i) = 4i-1, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

Then we get distinct edge labels. Hence G is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

**Example 2.4.** The Stolarsky-3 mean labeling of  $(P_4 \Theta K_{1}) \Theta K_{1,2}$ 

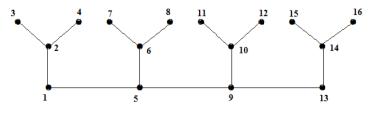


Figure 2

**Theorem 2.5.** The Dragon graph  $C_n @ P_m$  is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

Proof: Let  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  be the vertices of the cycle  $C_n$  and  $v_1, v_2, ..., v_m$  be the vertices of the path  $P_m$ .

Here  $u_n = v_1$ . Define the function f: V ( $C_n @ P_m$ )  $\rightarrow$  { 1,2,..., q+1} by

 $\mathbf{f}(u_i) = \mathbf{i}, \ 1 \le i \le n.$ 

$$\mathbf{f}(v_1) = \mathbf{f}(u_n).$$

 $f(v_i) = (n-1) + i, 2 \le i \le m$ . Then the edge labels are distinct.

Hence the Dragon graph  $C_n @ P_m$  is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

**Example 2.6.** The Stolarsky-3 mean labeling pattern of  $C_5 @ P_5$  is shown below.

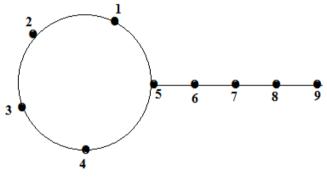


Figure 3

**Theorem 2.7.** Let G be the graph obtained from a path  $P_n$  by attaching  $C_3$  in both end edges of  $P_n$ . Then G is a Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

Proof: Let  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  be the vertices of the path  $P_n$  and  $u_1u_2v_1, u_{n-1}u_nv_2$  be the triangles which are attached to the path at both ends.

Define a function f: V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {1,2,3,...,q+1} by f(u<sub>1</sub>) = 1. f(u<sub>i</sub>) = (i-1)+2, 2 \le i \le n-1. f(u<sub>n</sub>) = n+3. f(v<sub>1</sub>) = 2. f(v<sub>2</sub>) = n+2. Then the edges are labeled as f(u<sub>1</sub>v<sub>1</sub>) = 1. f(u<sub>2</sub>v<sub>1</sub>) = 3.

 $f(u_1u_2) = 2.$ 

$$f(u_i u_{i+1}) = i+2, 2 \le i \le n-2$$

 $\mathbf{f}(u_{n-1}u_n) = \mathbf{n} + 2.$ 

 $f(u_{n-1}v_2) = n+1.$ 

 $f(u_n v_2) = n+3$ . Then the edge labels are distinct.

Hence G is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

**Example 2.8.** The Stolarsky-3 mean labeling of G obtained from  $P_7$  is given below.

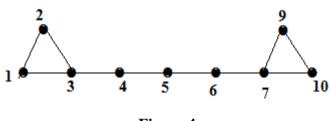


Figure 4

**Theorem 2.9.** The graph obtained by attaching  $K_3$  to each pendant vertex of a comb

 $P_n \Theta K_1$  forms a Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

Proof: Let G be a graph obtained by attaching  $K_{\mathbf{3}}$  to each pendant vertex of a comb. Let  $u_i$  ,

 $\boldsymbol{v}_i, \mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i, 1 \le i \le n$  be the vertices of G.

Define a function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ..., q+1\}$  by

 $f(u_i) = 5i-3, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

 $f(v_i) = 5i-4, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

 $f(x_i) = 5i-1, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

 $f(y_i) = 5i, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

The edges are labeled as

 $f(u_i u_{i+1}) = 5i, \ 1 \le i \le n-1.$ 

 $f(u_i v_i) = 5i-4, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

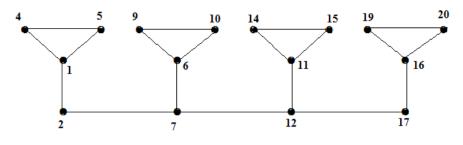
 $f(x_i v_i) = 5i-3, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

 $f(y_i v_i) = 5i-2, 1 \le i \le n$ 

$$\mathbf{f}(x_i y_i) = 5\mathbf{i} \cdot 1.$$

Then the edge labels are distinct. Hence G is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

**Example 2.10.** The Solarsky-3 mean labeling of  $(P_4 \Theta K_{1,2}) \Theta K_3$ 



### Figure 5

**Theorem 2.11.** The graph  $L_n \Theta \overline{K_2}$  is a Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

Proof: Let  $L_n$  be the Ladder graph with the vertices  $u_i$ ,  $v_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le n$ .

The graph  $G = L_n \Theta \overline{K_2}$  is obtained by joining  $u_i$  with two new vertices  $x_i, y_i, 1 \le i \le n$  and join  $v_i$ , with two new vertices  $s_i, t_i, 1 \le i \le n$  in  $L_n$ 

Define a function f: V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {1,2,3,...,q+1} by

$$f(u_i) = 7i-4, 1 \le i \le n.$$

- $f(v_i) = 7i-5, 1 \le i \le n.$
- $f(x_i) = 7i-3, 1 \le i \le n.$
- $f(y_i) = 7i-1, 1 \le i \le n.$
- $f(s_i) = 7i-6, 1 \le i \le n.$

$$f(t_i) = 7i-2, 1 \le i \le n.$$

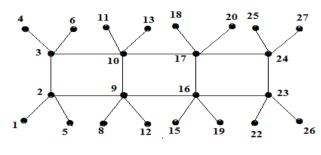
Then the edges are labeled as

 $f(u_{i}u_{i+1}) = 7i, 1 \le i \le n-1.$   $f(u_{i}v_{i}) = 7i-5, 1 \le i \le n.$   $f(v_{i}v_{i+1}) = 7i, 1 \le i \le n-1.$   $f(u_{i}x_{i}) = 7i-4, 1 \le i \le n.$   $f(u_{i}y_{i}) = 7i-2, 1 \le i \le n.$  $f(v_{i}s_{i}) = 7i-6, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

 $f(v_i t_i) = 7i-3, 1 \le i \le n$ . Thus, we get distinct edge labels.

Hence G is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

**Example 2.12.** The Stolarsky-3 mean labeling of  $L_4 \Theta \overline{K_2}$ 



#### Figure 6

**Theorem 2.13.**  $TL_n \Theta$  K<sub>1</sub> is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

Proof: Let  $TL_n$  be the Triangular ladder graph with the vertices  $u_i, v_i, 1 \le i \le n$ . Let  $G = TL_n \Theta$   $K_1$  be a graph obtained by attaching  $x_i$  to  $u_i$  and  $y_i$  to  $v_i$  in  $TL_n$ . Define a function f: V(G)  $\rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ..., q+1\}$  by

 $f(u_i) = 6i-5, \ 1 \le i \le n.$ 

 $f(v_i) = 6i-3, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

$$f(x_i) = 6i-4, 1 \le i \le n$$

$$f(y_i) = 6i-2, 1 \le i \le n.$$

Then the edge labels are

f( $u_i u_{i+1}$ ) = 6i, -2,  $1 \le i \le n-1$ .

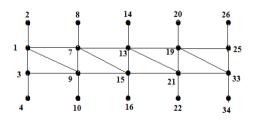
 $f(v_i v_{i+1}) = 6i, 1 \le i \le n-1.$ 

 $f(u_i x_i) = 6i-5, 1 \le i \le n, f(u_i v_{i+1}) = 6i-1, 1 \le i \le n.$ 

f ( $v_i y_i$ ) =6i-3, 1 $\leq i \leq n$ . Then the edge labels are distinct.

Hence G is Stolarsky-3 mean graph

**Example 2.14.** The Stolarsky-3 mean labeling of  $TL_5 \Theta K_1$ 

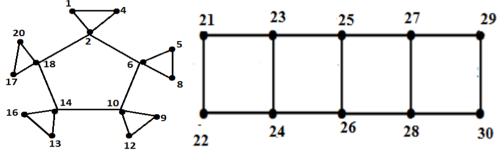


#### Figure 7

**Theorem 2.15.** ( $C_m \Theta K_3$ )  $\cup L_n$  is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

Proof: Let  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_m$ ,  $u_1$  be the vertices of the cycle  $C_m$  and let  $K_3$  be the cycle with the vertices  $v_1, v_2, ..., v_m$ ,  $w_1, w_2, ..., w_m$  which are attached to the vertices of the cycle  $C_m$ . Let  $L_n$  be the Ladder graph with the vertices  $x_i$  and  $y_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le n$ . Let  $G = (C_m \Theta K_3) \cup L_n$ . Define a function f: V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {1,2,..., q+1} by f( $u_i$ ) = 4i-2, 1 \le i \le m. f( $v_i$ ) = 4i -3, 1 \le i \le m. f( $w_i$ ) = 4i , 1 \le i \le m. f( $x_i$ ) =4m+(3i-2) , 1 \le i \le n. f( $y_i$ ) =4m+(3i-1), 1 \le i \le n. Then we obtain distinct edge labels. Hence ( $C_m \Theta K_{1,2}$ )  $\cup L_n$  is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

**Example 2.16.** The Stolarsky-3 mean labeling of  $(C_5 \Theta K_3) \cup L_5$  is given below





**Theorem 2.17.**  $C_m \cup T_n$  is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

Proof: Let  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_m$ ,  $u_1$  be the vertices of the cycle  $C_m$  and let  $T_n$  be the Triangular snake graph with the vertices  $v_1, v_2, ..., v_n$  and  $w_1, w_2, ..., w_{n-1}$ . Let  $G = C_m \cup T_n$ . Define a function f: V(G)  $\rightarrow \{1, 2, ..., q+1\}$  by

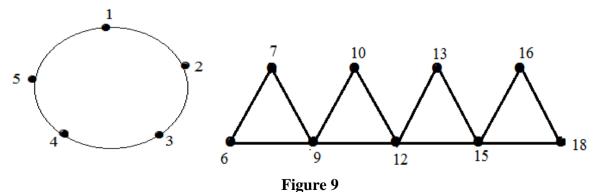
 $f(u_i) = i, 1 \le i \le m.$ 

 $f(v_i) = m + (3i-2), 1 \le i \le n.$ 

 $f(w_i) = m+(3i-1), 1 \le i \le n-1$ . Then we get distinct edge labels.

Hence  $C_m \cup T_n$  is Stolarsky-3 mean graph.

**Example 2.18.** The Stolarsky-3 mean labeling of  $C_5 \cup T_5$  is given below



### Conclusion

The Study of labeled graph is important due to its diversified applications. It is very interesting to investigate Stolarsky-3 mean labeling of some new graphs. The derived results are demonstrated by means of sufficient illustrations which provide better understanding. It is possible to investigate similar results for several other graphs.

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