

# 3-Equitable Labeling in Context of the Barycentric Subdivision of Cycle Related Graph

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**Abstract:** A function from the vertex set of a graph  $G$  to the set  $\{0, 1, 2\}$  is called 3-equitable labeling if the induced edge labels are produced by the absolute difference of labels of end vertices such that the absolute difference of number of vertices of  $G$  labeled with 0, 1 and 2 differ by at most 1 and similarly the absolute difference of number of edges of  $G$  labeled with 0, 1 and 2 differ by at most 1 [1]. In this paper, we discuss 3-equitable labeling in the context of barycentric subdivision of different cycle related graphs.

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## 1. Introduction

We consider simple, finite, undirected graph. If the vertices of the graph are assigned values subject to certain conditions, then it is known as a graph labeling [5]. A survey on graph labeling is given by Gallian [3].

We follow Gross and Yellen [5] for the graph theoretical terminology and notations. The vertex set and the edge set of graph  $G$  are denoted by  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$  respectively. A mapping  $f$  from  $V(G)$  to  $\{0, 1, 2\}$  is called ternary vertex labeling of  $G$  [1]. A ternary vertex labeling of a graph  $G$  is called 3-equitable labeling if the induced edge labeling function  $f^*$  from  $E(G)$  to the set  $\{0, 1, 2\}$  is defined as  $f^*(e = uv) = |f(u) - f(v)|$  such that the absolute difference of number of vertices of  $G$  with label 0, 1 and 2 differ by at most 1 and similarly absolute difference of number of edges of  $G$  with label 0, 1 and 2 differ by at most 1. A graph which admits 3-equitable labeling is called a 3-equitable graph [1].

by edges  $e' = uw$  and  $e'' = vw$  [5]. If every edge of graph  $G$  is subdivided, then the resulting graph is called barycentric subdivision of the graph  $G$ . It is denoted by  $S(G)$ . Vaidya et al. [6] proved that cycle with twin chords is cordial as well as 3-equitable. In [7] Vaidya et al. proved that the barycentric subdivision of cycle with one chord, cycle with twin chords and cycle with triangle are cordial. G. V. Ghodasara and I. I. Jadav [4] proved that barycentric subdivision of cycle with one chord, cycle with twin chords, cycle with triangle, shell graph and wheel graph are 3-equitable. In this paper, we prove that the barycentric subdivision of crown, double crown, armed crown and some standard graph are 3-equitable graphs.

## 2. Main Results

**Theorem 1:** The barycentric subdivision of crown  $C_n \odot K_1$  is 3-equitable.

**Proof:** Let  $S(C_n \odot K_1)$  denote the barycentric subdivision of crown  $C_n \odot K_1$ . Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  be pendent vertices of  $C_n \odot K_1$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}$  are the vertices corresponding to  $C_n$ , where  $v_j$  is the vertex added due to the barycentric subdivision of edge  $v_{j-1}v_{j+1}$ ,  $j = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2n - 2$  and  $v_{2n}$  is the vertex added due to the barycentric subdivision of edge  $v_{2n-1}v_1$ . Here,  $w_i$  is the vertex added due to the barycentric subdivision of edge  $u_i v_{2i-1}$ , ( $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ ). Note that  $|V(S(C_n \odot K_1))| = 4n$  and  $|E(S(C_n \odot K_1))| = 4n$ . We define labeling function  $f: V(S(C_n \odot K_1)) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$  as follows

$C_n \odot K_1$	Crown obtained from the corona of $C_n$ with $K_1$ .
$C_n \odot 2K_1$	Double crown obtained from the corona of $C_n$ with $2K_1$ .
$AC_n$	Armed crown obtained from $C_m \oplus P_n$ .
$C'_n$	Obtained by duplicating a vertex by an edge in a cycle $C_n$ , where $\{v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_{2n}\}$ are vertices added to obtain $C'_n$ corresponding to the vertices $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ in $C_n$ .

**Notation 1.1:** Standard graphs used in this paper [2]: Let  $e = uv$  be an edge of a graph  $G$  and  $w$  is not a vertex of  $G$ . Then edge is said to be subdivided when it is replaced

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 0; i \equiv 0,3(\text{mod } 6) \\ 1; i \equiv 4,5(\text{mod } 6) \\ 2; i \equiv 1,2(\text{mod } 6), 1 \leq i \leq 2n. \end{cases}$$

$$f(w_i) = \begin{cases} 0; i \equiv 1,2,4,5(\text{mod } 6) \\ 2; i \equiv 0,3(\text{mod } 6), 1 \leq i \leq n. \end{cases}$$

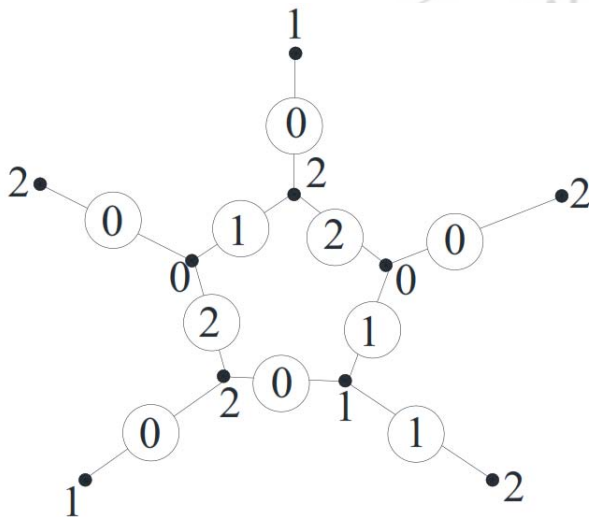
$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 1; i \equiv 1,4(\text{mod } 6) \\ 2; i \equiv 0,2,3,5(\text{mod } 6), 1 \leq i \leq n. \end{cases}$$

Hence  $S(C_n \odot K_1)$  is 3-equitable, for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 3$ .  
 Above defined labeling pattern satisfies the conditions of 3-equitable labeling as shown in Table 1.  
 Let  $n = 6a + b$ , where  $b \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

**Table 1:** Table for Theorem 1

b	Vertex Conditions	Edge Conditions
0,3	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$
1,4	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(2) + 1$
2,5	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$

Example 1.3-equitable labeling of the graph obtained by barycentric subdivision of crown  $C_5 \odot K_1$  is shown in Figure 1. It is the case related to  $n \equiv 5(\text{mod } 6)$ .



**Figure 1**

**Theorem 2.** The barycentric subdivision of double crown  $C_n \odot 2K_1$  is 3-equitable.

**Proof.** Let  $S(C_n \odot 2K_1)$  denotes the barycentric subdivision of double crown  $C_n \odot 2K_1$ . Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{2n}$  be the pendant vertices of  $C_n \odot 2K_1$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}$  are vertices corresponding to  $C_n$ , where  $v_j$  is the vertex added due to barycentric subdivision of edge  $v_{j-1}v_{j+1}$   $j = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2n - 2$  and  $v_{2n}$  is the vertex added due to the barycentric subdivision of edge  $v_{2n-1}v_1$ . Here,  $w_i$  is the vertex added due to the barycentric subdivision of edge  $u_i v_i$  for odd  $i$  and  $u_i v_{i-1}$  for even  $i$  ( $i = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2n$ ). Note

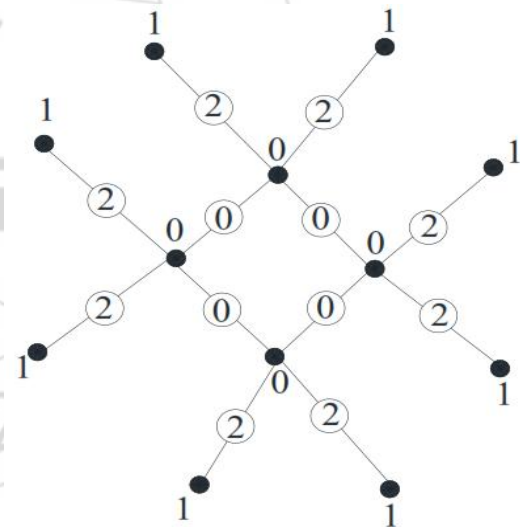
that  $|V(S(C_n \odot 2K_1))| = 6n$  and  $|E(S(C_n \odot 2K_1))| = 6n$ . We define labeling function  $f: V(S(C_n \odot 2K_1)) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} f(u_i) &= 1; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq 2n. \\ f(v_i) &= 0; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq 2n. \\ f(w_i) &= 2; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq 2n. \end{aligned}$$

From the above labeling pattern, we get  $v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$  and  $e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$ .

Hence  $S(C_n \odot K_1)$  is 3-equitable graph.

Example 2.3-equitable labeling of the graph obtained by barycentric subdivision of double crown  $C_4 \odot 2K_1$  is shown in Figure 2. It is the case related to  $n \equiv 4(\text{mod } 6)$ .



**Figure 2**

**Theorem 3:** The barycentric subdivision of armed crown  $AC_n$  is 3-equitable.

**Proof:** Let  $S(AC_n)$  denote the barycentric subdivision of armed crown  $AC_n$ . Let  $u_i$  denote the pendant vertices of  $AC_n$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}$  are the vertices corresponding to  $C_n$ , where  $v_j$  is the vertex added due to the barycentric subdivision of edge  $v_{j-1}v_{j+1}$ ,  $j = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2n - 2$  and  $v_{2n}$  is the vertex added due to the barycentric subdivision of edge  $v_{2n-1}v_1$ . Here  $w_i$  is the vertices of degree wo and  $w'_i$  is the vertex added due to barycentric subdivision of edge

$w_i, v_{2i-1}, u_i$  is the vertex added due to barycentric subdivision of edge  $w_i u_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Note that  $|V(S(AC_n))| = 6n$  and  $|E(S(AC_n))| = 6n$ . We define labeling function  $f: V(S(AC_n)) \rightarrow \{0,1,2\}$  as follows.

Case 1: n is even

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 2; i \equiv 0,1 \pmod{4} \\ 0; i \equiv 2,3 \pmod{4}, 1 \leq i \leq 2n. \end{cases}$$

$$f(w_i) = 1; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

$$f(w'_i) = 1; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

$$f(u_i) = 0; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

$$f(u'_i) = 2; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq n.$$

Case 2: n is odd.

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 2; i \equiv 0,1 \pmod{4} \\ 0; i \equiv 2,3 \pmod{4}, 1 \leq i \leq 2n. \end{cases}$$

$$f(w_n) = 1, f(w'_n) = 2, f(u_n) = 0, f(u'_n) = 1$$

$$f(w_i) = 1; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq n-1.$$

$$f(w'_i) = 1; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq n-1.$$

$$f(u_i) = 0; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq n-1.$$

$$f(u'_i) = 2; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq n-1.$$

From the above labeling pattern, we get and

$v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$   
 $e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$ . Hence  $S(AC_n)$  is 3-equitable graph.

Example 3. 3-equitable labeling of the graph obtained by barycentric subdivision of armed crown  $AC_3$  is shown in

Figure 3. It is the case related to  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$ .

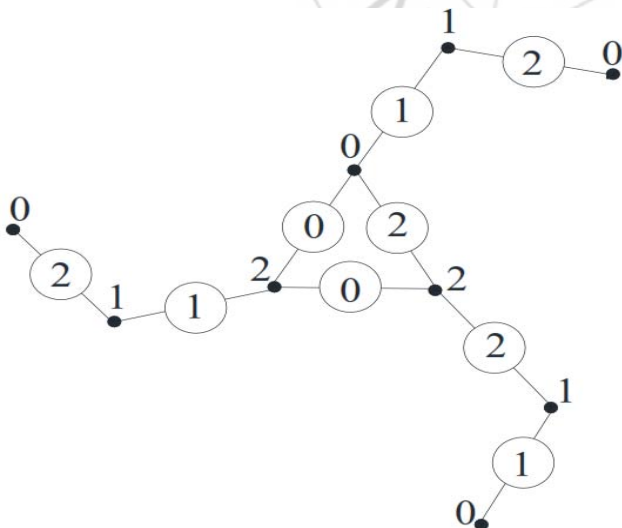


Figure 3

Theorem 4. The barycentric subdivision of  $C'_n$  is 3-equitable.

Proof. Let denotes the barycentric subdivision of  $C'_n$ . Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{2n}$  be the outer vertices of  $C'_n$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}$  are the vertices corresponding to  $C_n$ , where  $v_j$  is the vertex added due to the barycentric subdivision of edge  $v_{j-1}v_{j+1}, j = 2,4,6, \dots, 2n-2$  and  $v_{2n}$  is the vertex added due to the barycentric subdivision of edge  $v_{2n-1}v_1$  and  $w_i$  is the vertex added due to barycentric subdivision of edge  $u_{2n-1}u_{2i}, i = 1,2,3, \dots, n$ . Here  $u'_i$  is the vertex added due to barycentric subdivision of edge  $u_i v_i$  for odd  $i$  and edge  $u_i v_{i-1}$  for even  $i, (i = 1,2,3, \dots, 2n)$ .

Note that  $|V(S(C'_n))| = 8n$  and  $|E(S(C'_n))| = 8n$

We define labeling function  $f: V(S(C'_n)) \rightarrow \{0,1,2\}$  as follows

Case 1:  $n \equiv 0,3 \pmod{6}$

$$f(v_i) = 1; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq 2n.$$

$$f(u_i) = 2; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq 2n.$$

$$f(u'_i) = 0; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq 2n.$$

$$f(w_i) = \begin{cases} 0; i \equiv 1,4 \pmod{6} \\ 1; i \equiv 2,5 \pmod{6} \\ 2; i \equiv 0,3 \pmod{6}, 1 \leq i \leq n \end{cases}$$

Case 2:  $n \equiv 1,2,4,5 \pmod{6}$

$$f(u'_{2n}) = 2.$$

$$f(v_i) = 1; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq 2n$$

$$f(u_i) = 2; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq 2n.$$

$$f(u'_i) = 0; \text{ if } 1 \leq i \leq 2n-1$$

$$f(w_i) = \begin{cases} 0; i \equiv 1,4 \pmod{6} \\ 1; i \equiv 2,5 \pmod{6} \\ 2; i \equiv 0,3 \pmod{6}, 1 \leq i \leq n \end{cases}$$

Above defined labeling pattern satisfies the conditions of 3-equitable labeling as shown in Table 4.

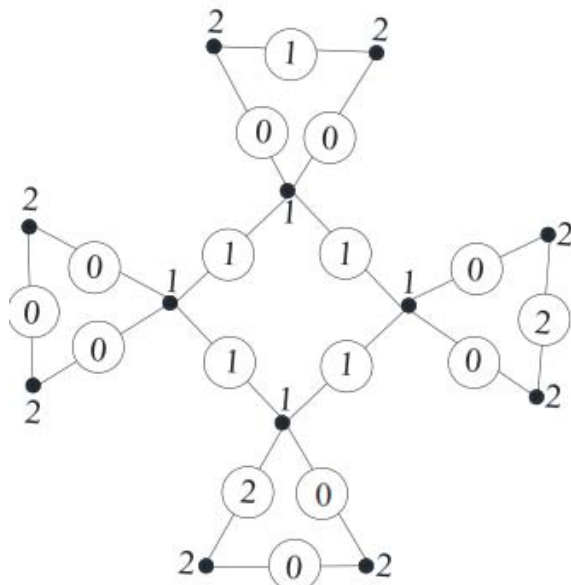
Let  $n = 6a + b$ , where  $b \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $a \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ .

Table 2: Table for Theorem 4

b	Vertex Conditions	Edge Conditions
0,3	$v_f(0) = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) = e_f(2)$
2,5	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) + 1 = e_f(1) = e_f(2) + 1$
1,4	$v_f(0) + 1 = v_f(1) + 1 = v_f(2)$	$e_f(0) = e_f(1) + 1 = e_f(2)$

Hence the barycentric subdivision of  $C'_n$  is 3-equitable.

**Example 3.3:** equitable labeling of the graph obtained by barycentric subdivision of  $C'_n$  is shown in Figure 4.



**Figure 4**

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