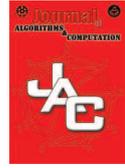




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Vertex Equitable Labeling of Double Alternate Snake Graphs

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ABSTRACT

Let G be a graph with p vertices and q edges and $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lfloor \frac{q}{2} \rfloor\}$. A vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ induces an edge labeling f^* defined by $f^*(uv) = f(u) + f(v)$ for all edges uv . For $a \in A$, let $v_f(a)$ be the number of vertices v with $f(v) = a$. A graph G is said to be vertex equitable if there exists a vertex labeling f such that for all a and b in A , $|v_f(a) - v_f(b)| \leq 1$ and the induced edge labels are $1, 2, 3, \dots, q$. In this paper, we prove that $DA(T_n) \odot K_1$, $DA(T_n) \odot 2K_1$ ($DA(T_n)$ denote double alternate triangular snake) and $DA(Q_n) \odot K_1$, $DA(Q_n) \odot 2K_1$ ($DA(Q_n)$ denote double alternate quadrilateral snake) are vertex equitable graphs.

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1 Introduction

All graphs considered here are simple, finite, connected and undirected. We follow the basic notations and terminology of graph theory as in [1]. There are several types of labeling and a detailed survey of graph labeling is found in [2]. The concept of vertex equitable labeling was due to Lourdusamy and Seenivasan [3]. Let G be a graph with p vertices and q edges and $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{q}{2} \rceil\}$. A graph G is said to be vertex equitable if there exists a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ that induces an edge labeling f^* defined by $f^*(uv) = f(u) + f(v)$ for all edges uv such that for all a and b in A , $|v_f(a) - v_f(b)| \leq 1$ and the induced edge labels are $1, 2, 3, \dots, q$, where $v_f(a)$ be the number of vertices v with $f(v) = a$ for $a \in A$.

The vertex labeling f is known as vertex equitable labeling. In [3] the authors proved that the graphs like path, bistar $B(n, n)$, combs, cycle C_n if $n \equiv 0$ or $3(mod 4)$, $K_{2,n}$, $C_3^{(t)}$ for $t \geq 2$, quadrilateral snake, $K_2 + mK_1$, $K_{1,n} \cup K_{1,n+k}$ if and only if $1 \leq k \leq 3$, ladder, arbitrary super division of any path and cycle C_n with $n \equiv 0$ or $3(mod 4)$ are vertex equitable. Also they proved that the graphs $K_{1,n}$ if $n \geq 4$, any Eulerian graph with n edges where $n \equiv 1$ or $2(mod 4)$, the wheel W_n , the complete graph K_n if $n > 3$ and triangular cactus with $q \equiv 0$ or 6 or $9(mod 12)$ are not vertex equitable. In addition, they proved that if G is a graph with p vertices and q edges, q is even and $p < \lceil \frac{q}{2} \rceil + 2$ then G is not vertex equitable graph. Motivated by these results, we [4, 5, 6, 7, 8] proved that T_p -tree, $T \odot \overline{K_n}$ where T is a T_p -tree with even number of vertices, $T \hat{\odot} P_n$, $T \hat{\odot} 2P_n$, $T \hat{\odot} C_n$ ($n \equiv 0, 3(mod 4)$), $T \tilde{\odot} C_n$ ($n \equiv 0, 3(mod 4)$), bistar $B(n, n+1)$, square graph of $B_{n,n}$ and splitting graph of $B_{n,n}$, the caterpillar $S(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ and $C_n \odot K_1$, P_n^2 , tadpoles, $C_m \oplus C_n$, armed crowns, $[P_m; C_n^2]$, $\langle P_m \hat{\odot} K_{1,n} \rangle$, kC_4 -snakes for all $k \geq 1$, generalized kC_n -snake if $n \equiv 0(mod 4)$, $n \geq 4$ and the graphs obtained by duplicating an arbitrary vertex and an arbitrary edge of a cycle C_n , total graph of P_n , splitting graph of P_n and fusion of two edges of a cycle C_n are vertex equitable graphs. In this paper we extend our study on vertex equitable labeling and prove that the graphs $DA(T_n) \odot K_1$, $DA(T_n) \odot 2K_1$, $DA(Q_n) \odot K_1$, $DA(Q_n) \odot 2K_1$ are vertex equitable.

Definition 1.1. The corona $G_1 \odot G_2$ of the graphs G_1 and G_2 is defined as a graph obtained by taking one copy of G_1 (with p vertices) and p copies of G_2 and then joining the i^{th} vertex of G_1 to every vertex of the i^{th} copy of G_2 .

Definition 1.2. A double alternate triangular snake $DA(T_n)$ consists of two alternate triangular snakes that have a common path. That is, a double alternate triangular snake is obtained from a path u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n by joining u_i and u_{i+1} (alternately) to two new vertices v_i and w_i respectively.

Definition 1.3. A double alternate quadrilateral snake $DA(Q_n)$ consists of two alternate quadrilateral snakes that have a common path. That is, a double alternate quadrilateral snake is obtained from a path u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n by joining u_i and u_{i+1} (alternately) to two new vertices v_i, x_i and w_i, y_i respectively and then joining v_i, w_i and x_i, y_i .

2 Main Results

Theorem 2.1. The graph $DA(T_n) \odot K_1$ is a vertex equitable graph.

Proof. Let $G = DA(T_n) \odot K_1$. Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of path P_n .

Case (i) The triangle starts from u_1 .

We construct $DA(T_n)$ by joining every u_{2i-1}, u_{2i} to the new vertices v_i, w_i for $1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$. Let $V(G) = V(DA(T_n)) \cup \{u'_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v'_i, w'_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\}$ and $E(G) = E(DA(T_n)) \cup \{u_i u'_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v_i v'_i, w_i w'_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\}$. We consider the following two subcases.

Subcase (i) n is even.

Here $|V(G)| = 4n$ and $|E(G)| = 5n - 1$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{5n-1}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows. For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$, $f(u_{2i-1}) = 5(i-1)$, $f(u_{2i}) = 5i$, $f(u'_{2i-1}) = 5i-4$, $f(u'_{2i}) = 5i-1$, $f(v_i) = f(v'_i) = 5i-3$ and $f(w_i) = f(w'_i) = 5i-2$. It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(T_n) \odot K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 5n-1$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(T_n) \odot K_1$.

Subcase (ii) n is odd.

Here $|V(G)| = 4n - 2$ and $|E(G)| = 5n - 4$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{5n-4}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows. We label the vertices u_{2i-1}, u'_{2i-1} ($1 \leq i \leq \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$) and $u_{2i}, u'_{2i}, v_i, v'_i, w_i, w'_i$ ($1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$) as in Subcase (i). It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(T_n) \odot K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 5n-4$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(T_n) \odot K_1$.

Case (ii) The triangle starts from u_2 .

We construct $DA(T_n)$ by joining every u_{2i}, u_{2i+1} to the new vertices v_i, w_i for $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}$. Let $V(G) = V(DA(T_n)) \cup \{u'_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v'_i, w'_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lceil \frac{n-2}{2} \rceil\}$ and $E(G) = E(DA(T_n)) \cup \{u_i u'_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v_i v'_i, w_i w'_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lceil \frac{n-2}{2} \rceil\}$.

Subcase (i) n is even.

Here $|V(G)| = 4n - 4$ and $|E(G)| = 5n - 7$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{5n-7}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows: For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$, $f(u_{2i-1}) = f(u_{2i}) = 5i-4$, $f(u'_1) = 0$, $f(u'_{2i}) = 5i-3$. For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}$, $f(u'_{2i+1}) = 5i-1$, $f(v_i) = 5i$, $f(v'_i) = f(w_i) = 5i-2$ and $f(w'_i) = 5i-3$. It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(T_n) \odot K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 5n-7$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(T_n) \odot K_1$.

Subcase (ii) n is odd.

The proof can be omitted since by symmetry, the graph obtained in this subcase is isomorphic to the graph obtained in Subcase (ii) under Case (i).

□

An example for the vertex equitable labeling of $DA(T_8) \odot K_1$ where the two triangles start from u_1 is shown in Figure 1.

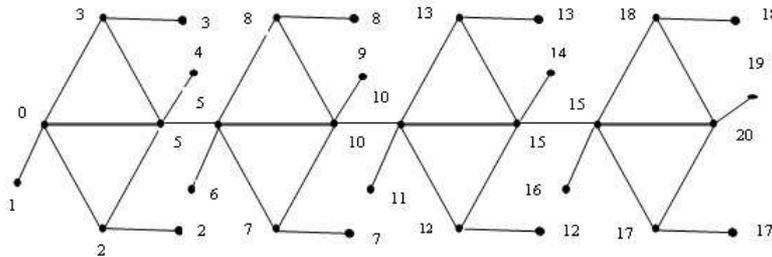


Figure 1

Theorem 2.2. *The graph $DA(T_n) \odot 2K_1$ is a vertex equitable graph.*

Proof. Let $G = DA(T_n) \odot 2K_1$. Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of path P_n .

Case (i) The triangle starts from u_1 .

We construct $DA(T_n)$ by joining every u_{2i-1}, u_{2i} to the new vertices v_i, w_i for $1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$. Let $V(G) = V(DA(T_n)) \cup \{u'_i, u''_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v'_i, v''_i, w'_i, w''_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\}$ and $E(G) = E(DA(T_n)) \cup \{u_i u'_i, u_i u''_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v_i v'_i, v_i v''_i, w_i w'_i, w_i w''_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\}$. We consider the following two subcases.

Subcase (i) n is even.

Here $|V(G)| = 6n$ and $|E(G)| = 7n - 1$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{7n-1}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows. For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$, $f(u_{2i-1}) = 7(i - 1), f(u_{2i}) = 7i, f(u'_{2i-1}) = 7i - 6, f(u'_{2i}) = f(w'_i) = 7i - 2, f(u''_{2i-1}) = f(v'_i) = 7i - 5, f(u''_{2i}) = 7i - 1, f(v_i) = f(v''_i) = 7i - 4, f(w_i) = f(w''_i) = 7i - 3$. It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(T_n) \odot 2K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 7n - 1$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(T_n) \odot 2K_1$.

Subcase (ii) n is odd.

Here $|V(G)| = 6n - 3$ and $|E(G)| = 7n - 5$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{7n-5}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows. We label the vertices $u_{2i-1}, u'_{2i-1}, u''_{2i-1}$ ($1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$) and $u_{2i}, u'_{2i}, u''_{2i}, v_i, v'_i, v''_i, w_i, w'_i, w''_i$ ($1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$) as in Subcase (i). It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(T_n) \odot 2K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 7n - 5$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(T_n) \odot 2K_1$.

Case (ii) The triangle starts from u_2 .

We construct $DA(T_n)$ by joining every u_{2i}, u_{2i+1} to the vertices v_i, w_i for $1 \leq i \leq \lceil \frac{n-2}{2} \rceil$. Let $V(G) = V(DA(T_n)) \cup \{u'_i, u''_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v'_i, v''_i, w'_i, w''_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lceil \frac{n-2}{2} \rceil\}$ and $E(G) = E(DA(T_n)) \cup \{u_i u'_i, u_i u''_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v_i v'_i, v_i v''_i, w_i w'_i, w_i w''_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lceil \frac{n-2}{2} \rceil\}$.

Subcase (i) n is even.

Here $|V(G)| = 6n - 6$ and $|E(G)| = 7n - 9$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{7n-9}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows: For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$, $f(u_{2i-1}) = f(u''_{2i-1}) = 7i - 6$, $f(u_{2i}) = 7i - 5$, $f(u'_{2i-1}) = 7(i - 1)$, $f(u'_{2i}) = 7i - 5$, $f(u''_{2i}) = 7i - 4$. For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}$, $f(v_i) = 7i - 3$, $f(v'_i) = 7i - 4$, $f(v''_i) = f(w'_i) = 7i - 2$, $f(w_i) = 7i - 1$, $f(w''_i) = 7i$. It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(T_n) \odot 2K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 7n - 9$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(T_n) \odot 2K_1$.

Subcase (ii) n is odd.

The proof can be omitted since by symmetry, the graph obtained in this subcase is isomorphic to the graph obtained in Subcase (ii) under Case (i). □

An example for the vertex equitable labeling of $DA(T_5) \odot 2K_1$ where the two triangles start from u_1 is shown in Figure 2.

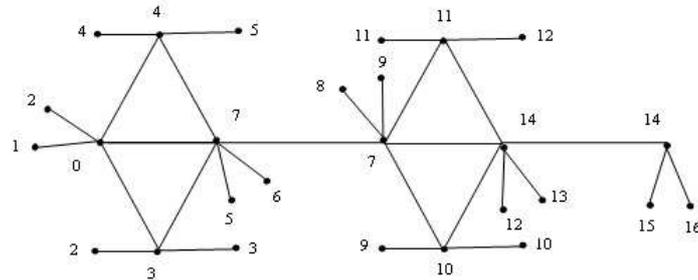


Figure 2

Theorem 2.3. *The graph $DA(Q_n) \odot K_1$ is a vertex equitable graph.*

Proof. Let $G = DA(Q_n) \odot K_1$. Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of path P_n .

Case (i) The quadrilateral starts from u_1 .

We construct $DA(Q_n)$ by joining every u_{2i-1} to v_i, x_i and u_{2i} is adjacent to w_i, y_i and v_i is adjacent to w_i and x_i is adjacent to y_i for $1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$. Let

$V(G) = V(DA(Q_n)) \cup \{u'_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v'_i, w'_i, x'_i, y'_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\}$ and

$E(G) = E(DA(Q_n)) \cup \{v_i v'_i, w_i w'_i, x_i x'_i, y_i y'_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\} \cup \{u_i u'_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. We consider the following two subcases.

Subcase (i) n is even.

Here $|V(G)| = 6n$ and $|E(G)| = 7n - 1$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{7n-1}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows.

For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$, $f(u_{2i-1}) = 7(i - 1)$, $f(u_{2i}) = 7i$, $f(u'_{2i-1}) = 7i - 5$, $f(u'_{2i}) = f(w'_i) = 7i - 1$, $f(v_i) = f(x'_i) = 7i - 6$, $f(x_i) = 7i - 4$, $f(v'_i) = f(y_i) = 7i - 2$ and $f(w_i) = f(y'_i) = 7i - 3$. It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(Q_n) \odot K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 7n - 1$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(Q_n) \odot K_1$.

Subcase (ii) n is odd.

Here $|V(G)| = 6n - 4$ and $|E(G)| = 7n - 6$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{7n-6}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows. We label the vertices u_{2i-1} ($1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$), ($1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$) and $u_{2i}, u'_{2i-1}, u'_{2i}, v_i, v'_i, w_i, w'_i, x_i, x'_i, y_i, y'_i$, ($1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$) as in Subcase(i) and define $f(u'_n) = \lceil \frac{7n-6}{2} \rceil$. It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(Q_n) \odot K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 7n - 6$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(Q_n) \odot K_1$.

Case (ii) The quadrilateral starts from u_2 .

We construct $DA(Q_n)$ by joining every u_{2i} to v_i, x_i and u_{2i+1} is adjacent to w_i, y_i and v_i is adjacent to w_i and x_i is adjacent to y_i for $1 \leq i \leq \lceil \frac{n-2}{2} \rceil$. Let $V(G) = V(DA(Q_n)) \cup \{u'_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v'_i, w'_i, x'_i, y'_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lceil \frac{n-2}{2} \rceil\}$ and

$$E(G) = E(DA(Q_n)) \cup \{v_i v'_i, w_i w'_i, x_i x'_i, y_i y'_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lceil \frac{n-2}{2} \rceil\} \cup \{u_i u'_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}.$$

Subcase (i) n is even.

Here $|V(G)| = 6n - 8$ and $|E(G)| = 7n - 11$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{7n-11}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows: For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$, $f(u_{2i-1}) = f(u_{2i}) = 7i - 6$, $f(u'_1) = 0$, $f(u'_n) = \lceil \frac{7n-11}{2} \rceil$. For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}$, $f(u'_{2i}) = f(v'_i) = 7i - 4$, $f(v_i) = f(u'_{2i+1}) = 7i - 5$, $f(w_i) = f(w'_i) = 7i - 3$, $f(x_i) = 7i - 1$, $f(x'_i) = 7i - 2$ and $f(y_i) = f(y'_i) = 7i$. It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(Q_n) \odot K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 7n - 11$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(Q_n) \odot K_1$.

Subcase (ii) n is odd.

The proof can be omitted since by symmetry, the graph obtained in this subcase is isomorphic to the graph obtained in Subcase (ii) under Case (i). □

An example for the vertex equitable labeling of $DA(Q_6) \odot K_1$ where the two quadrilateral start from u_2 is shown in Figure 3.

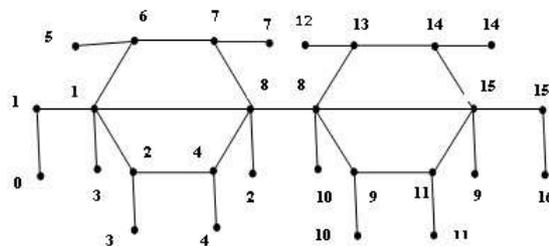


Figure 3

Theorem 2.4. *The graph $DA(Q_n) \odot 2K_1$ is a vertex equitable graph.*

Proof. Let $G = DA(Q_n) \odot 2K_1$. Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of path P_n .

Case (i) The quadrilateral starts from u_1 .

We construct $DA(Q_n)$ by joining every u_{2i-1} to v_i, x_i and u_{2i} is adjacent to w_i, y_i and v_i is adjacent to w_i and x_i is adjacent to y_i for $1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$. Let $V(G) = V(DA(Q_n)) \cup \{u'_i, u''_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v'_i, v''_i, w'_i, w''_i, x'_i, x''_i, y'_i, y''_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\}$ and $E(G) = E(DA(Q_n)) \cup \{v_i v'_i, v_i v''_i, w_i w'_i, w_i w''_i, x_i x'_i, x_i x''_i, y_i y'_i, y_i y''_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor\} \cup \{u_i u'_i, u_i u''_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. We consider the following two subcases.

Subcase (i) n is even.

Here $|V(G)| = 9n$ and $|E(G)| = 10n - 1$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{10n-1}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows. For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$, $f(u_{2i-1}) = 10(i-1)$, $f(u_{2i}) = 10i$, $f(u'_{2i-1}) = f(w'_i) = 10i - 9$, $f(u'_{2i}) = 10i - 3$, $f(u''_{2i-1}) = 10i - 8$, $f(u''_{2i}) = f(w''_i) = 10i - 1$, $f(w_i) = 10i - 4$, $f(v_i) = f(v'_i) = 10i - 7$, $f(v_i) = 10i - 8$, $f(y_i) = 10i - 2$, $f(y'_i) = 10i - 5$, $f(y''_i) = 10i - 4$, $f(x_i) = f(x'_i) = 10i - 6$, $f(x''_i) = 10i - 3$.

It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(Q_n) \odot 2K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 10n - 1$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(Q_n) \odot 2K_1$.

Subcase (ii) n is odd.

Here $|V(G)| = 9n - 6$ and $|E(G)| = 10n - 8$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{10n-8}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows. We label the vertices $u_{2i-1}, u'_{2i-1}, u''_{2i-1}$ ($1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$) and $u_{2i}, u'_{2i}, v_i, v'_i, w_i, w'_i, x_i, x'_i, y_i, y'_i$ ($1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$) as in Subcase (i). It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(Q_n) \odot 2K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 10n - 8$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(Q_n) \odot 2K_1$.

Case (ii) The quadrilateral starts from u_2 .

We construct $DA(Q_n)$ by joining every u_{2i} to v_i, x_i and u_{2i+1} is adjacent to w_i, y_i and v_i is adjacent to w_i and x_i is adjacent to y_i for $1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \rfloor$. Let $V(G) = V(DA(Q_n)) \cup \{u'_i, u''_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{v'_i, v''_i, w'_i, w''_i, x'_i, x''_i, y'_i, y''_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \rfloor\}$ and $E(G) = E(DA(Q_n)) \cup \{v_i v'_i, v_i v''_i, w_i w'_i, w_i w''_i, x_i x'_i, x_i x''_i, y_i y'_i, y_i y''_i : 1 \leq i \leq \lfloor \frac{n-2}{2} \rfloor\} \cup \{u_i u'_i, u_i u''_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$.

Subcase (i) n is even.

Here $|V(G)| = 9n - 12$ and $|E(G)| = 10n - 15$. Let $A = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, \lceil \frac{10n-15}{2} \rceil\}$. Define a vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow A$ as follows: For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$ $f(u_{2i-1}) = f(u'_{2i-1}) = 10i - 9$, $f(u_{2i}) = f(u'_{2i}) = 10i - 8$, $f(u''_{2i}) = 10i - 7$, $f(u'_1) = 0$. For $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}$, $f(x'_i) = 10i - 7$, $f(w_i) = f(w'_i) = 10i - 2$, $f(u''_{2i+1}) = 10i - 1$, $f(v_i) = f(y'_i) = 10i - 6$, $f(y''_i) = 10i - 3$, $f(x_i) = f(v''_i) = 10i - 5$, $f(y_i) = f(w''_i) = 10i$, $f(v'_i) = f(x''_i) = 10i - 4$. It can be verified that the induced edge labels of $DA(Q_n) \odot 2K_1$ are $1, 2, \dots, 10n - 15$ and $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$ for all $i, j \in A$. Hence f is a vertex equitable labeling of $DA(Q_n) \odot 2K_1$.

Subcase (ii) n is odd.

The proof can be omitted since by symmetry, the graph obtained in this subcase is isomorphic to the graph obtained in Subcase (ii) under Case (i). \square

An example for the vertex equitable labeling of $DA(Q_5) \odot 2K_1$ where the two quadrilateral start from u_2 is shown in Figure 4.

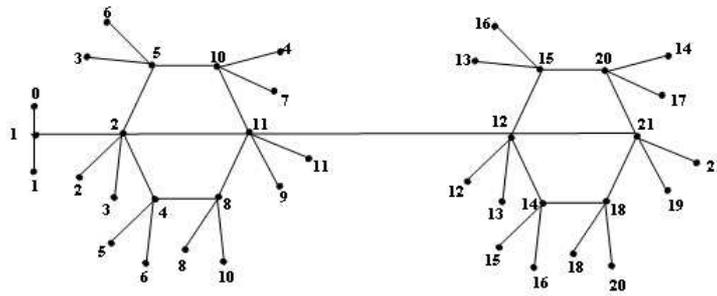


Figure 4

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