# Edge – Odd Gracefulness of Few Fan Graph Merging a Finite Number of Circuits and a Star

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## ABSTRACT

The Friendship graphs  $F(nC_3 * S_k)$ ,  $F(nC_5 * S_k)$  and  $F(2nC_3 * S_k)$  are all even vertex graceful where n is a positive integer.

## **Keywords**

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

A.Solairaju, and A.Sasikala [2008] got gracefulness of a spanning tree of the graph of product of  $P_m$  and  $C_n$ , A.Solairaju and K.Chitra [2009] obtained edge-odd graceful labeling of some graphs related to paths. A.Solairaju, and C. Vimala [2008] gracefulness of a spanning tree of the graph of Cartesian product of  $S_m$  and  $S_n$ ,

A.Solairaju and P.Muruganantham [2009] proved that ladder  $P_2 \times P_n$  is even-edge graceful (even vertex graceful). They found [2010] the connected graphs  $P_n \circ nC_3$  and  $P_n \circ nC_7$  are both even vertex graceful, where n is any positive integer. They also obtained [2010] that the connected graph  $P_n \Delta nC_4$  is even vertex graceful, where n is any even positive integer.

#### Section I - Preliminaries and definitions:

The following definitions are now given:

**Definition 1.1:** Let G = (V,E) be a simple graph with p vertices and q edges. A map f :V(G)  $\rightarrow \{0,1,2,...,q\}$  is called a graceful labeling if f is one – to – one; The edges receive all the labels (numbers) from 1 to q where the label of an edge is the absolute value of the difference between the vertex labels at its ends. A graph having a graceful labeling is called a graceful graph.

## **Definition 1.2**

A graph is odd-edge graceful if there exists an injective map  $f : E(G) \rightarrow \{1,3,5, ..., 2q\}$  so that the induced map  $f+: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, 3, ..., 2k-2\}$  defined by  $f+(x) = \sum f(xy) \pmod{2k}$  where  $k = \max \{p, q\}$  makes all distinct.

## Example 1.3

The following connected graph is edge-odd graceful.



## **Definition 1.4**

A friendship graph or a fan graph F(nC3 \* Sk) is defined as the following connected graph containing n copies of circuits of each length 3 with some arbitrary labeling of edges in



Figure 1: Friendship graph F(nC<sub>3</sub>) with some arbitrary labelings for edges

## 2. NEW CLASSES OF EDGE-ODD GRACEFUL GRAPHS

The discussion is started with the following theorem:

#### Theorem 2.1

The friendship graph F(nC3 \* Sk) is edge-odd graceful where  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ 

#### Proof

The graph F(nC3 \* Sk) has vertex set {V0, V1, V2, V3, V4, ..., V2n-1, V2n, V2n+1, V2n+2, ..., V2n+k}. It has edge set {ei = V0Vi: i varies from 1 to n}  $\cup$  { e2n+k+i = ViVi+1: i varies from 1, 3, 5, ..., 2n-1}  $\cup$  {e2n+i = V0Vi: i varies from 2n+1, 2n+2,..., 2n+k}.

Define f: E(G)  $\rightarrow$  {1,3,5,...2q-1} ,by f(ei) =2i-1 ( i =1 to 3n+k ; I  $\neq$  2n+k,  $i \neq$  2n+k+1)

f(e2n+k) = (4n + 2k - 1) ; f(e2n+k+1) = (4n + 2k + 1) (if  $k \ge n)$ 

 $f(e2n\!+\!k) = (4n + 2k + 1)$  ;  $f(e2n\!+\!k\!+\!1) = (4n + 2k - 1)$  (if k < n).

Then the induced map  $f^+(u) = \sum f(uv) \pmod{2q}$  where the sum runs over all edges uv through v. Now, f and f+ both

satisfy edge-odd graceful labeling. Thus the connected graph F(nC3 \* Sk) is an edge-odd graceful.

**Example 2.2:** The friendship graph F(6C3 \* S2) is edgeodd graceful. The graph has p = 15 vertices, q = 20 edges. The edge-odd graceful labelings are mentioned below in figure 2:



Figure 2: Edge-odd graceful of the friendship graph  $F(6C_3 * S_2)$ 

**Theorem 2.2** The friendship graph F(nC3 \* Sk) is edgeodd graceful where  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ 

Proof: The graph F(nC3 \* Sk) has vertex set {V0, V1, V2, V3, V4, ..., V2n-1, V2n, V2n+1, V2n+2, ..., V2n+k}. It has edge set {ei = V0Vn+k+i: i varies from 1 to 2n}  $\cup$  { ei = ViVi+1: i varies from 1, 3, 5, ..., 2n-1}  $\cup$  {e2n+i = V0Vi: i varies from 2n+1, 2n+2,..., 2n + k}. The other arbitrary labelings of edges for the graph F(nC3 \* Sk) are as follows:



Figure 3: Arbitrary labelings of the friendship graph  $F(nC_3 * S_k)$ 

To get the required edge-odd graceful labelings, define f:  $E(G) \rightarrow \{1,3,5,...2q-1\}$ , by f(ei) = (2i-1), i = 1 to (3n + k).

Then the induced map  $f^+(u) = \sum f(uv) \pmod{2q}$  where the sum runs over all edges uv through v. Now, f and f+ both satisfy edge-odd graceful labeling. Thus the connected graph F(nC3 \* Sk) is an edge-odd graceful.

**Example 2.4:** The friendship graph F(7C3 \* S4) is edge-odd graceful

The graph has p = 19 vertices, q = 25 edges. The edge-odd graceful labelings are mentioned below:



Figure 4: Edge-odd graceful of the friendship graph  $F(7C_3 \\ \ \ * \ S_4)$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Theorem 2.5:} \ \text{The friendship graph } F(nC_3 * S_k) \ \text{is edge-}\\ \text{odd graceful where } n \equiv 2 \ (\text{mod 3}) \ \text{Proof:} \ \text{The graph } F(nC_3 * S_k) \ \text{is edge-}\\ \text{odd graceful where } n \equiv 2 \ (\text{mod 3}) \ \text{Proof:} \ \text{The graph } F(nC_3 * S_k) \ \text{has vertex set } \{V_0, V_1, V_2, V_3, V_4, \ldots, V_{2n-1}, V_{2n}, V_{2n+1}, V_{2n+2}, \ldots, V_{2n+k}\}. \ \text{It has edge set } \{e_{1+3(i-1)/2} = V_0V_i: \ i \ \text{varies from } 1,3,5,\ldots, \ \text{to } 2n-1\} \ \cup \ \{e_{3i \ / \ / 2} = V_0V_i: \ i \ \text{varies from } 1,3,5,\ldots, 2n-1\} \ \cup \ \{e_{2n+i} = V_0V_i: \ i \ \text{varies from } 2n+1, 2n+2,\ldots, 2n+k\}. \end{array}$ 

The third arbitrary labelings of the edges for the graph  $F(nC_3 * S_k)$  are as follows:



## Figure 5: An arbitrary labelings of the friendship graph $F(nC_3 \ast S_k)$

Then the induced map  $f^{\ast}(u) = \sum f(uv) \pmod{2q}$  where the sum runs over all edges uv through v. Now, f and  $f^{\ast}$  both satisfy edge-odd graceful labeling. Thus the connected graph  $F(nC_3 \ast S_k)$  is an edge-odd graceful.

**Example 2.5:** The friendship graph  $F(5C_3 * S_4)$  is edgeodd graceful

The graph has p = 14 vertices, q = 19 edges. The edge-odd graceful labelings are mentioned below:



Figure 6: Edge-odd graceful of the friendship graph  $F(5C_3 \\ \ \ * S_4)$ 

## 3. DIFFERENT TYPES OF FRIENDSHIP GRAPHS HAVING EDGE-ODD GRACEFUL LABELINGS

The following is now to be verified:

**Theorem 3.1:** The friendship graph  $F(nC_5 * S_k)$  is edgeodd graceful where n is any positive integer.

**Proof:** The graph has vertex set { $V_0$ ,  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ ,  $V_3$ ,  $V_4$ ,  $V_5$ ,  $V_6$ ,  $V_7$ ,  $V_8$ , ...,  $V_{2n-3}$ ,  $V_{2n-2}$ ,  $V_{4n-1}$ ,  $V_{4n}$ , ...,  $V_{4n+1}$ ,  $V_{4n+2}$ , ...,  $V_{4n+k}$ }. It has edge set { $e_1 = V_iV_{i+1}$ : i varies from {1,2,3, 5,6,7, ..., 4n-3, 4n-2, 4n-1}  $\cup$  { $V_4V_0$ ,  $V_8V_0$ ,  $V_{12}V_0$ , ...,  $V_{4n}V_0$ }  $\cup$  { $V_0V_1$ ,  $V_4V_0$ ,  $V_0V_5$ ,  $V_8V_0$ ,  $V_0V_9$ ,  $V_{12}V_0$ , ...,  $V_0V_{4n-3}$ ,  $V_{4n}V_0$ }  $\cup$  { $V_0V_1$ ,  $V_4V_0$ ,  $V_0V_5$ ,  $V_8V_0$ ,  $V_0V_9$ ,  $V_{12}V_0$ , ...,  $V_0V_{4n-3}$ ,  $V_{4n}V_0$ }  $\cup$  { $V_0V_i$ : i varies from 1 to k}. The arbitrary labelings of the edges for the given graph FnC<sub>5</sub> \* S<sub>k</sub>) are as follows:



Figure 7: An arbitrary labelings of the friendship graph  $F(nC_5 * S_4)$ 

#### Case (i) : n is odd

Subcase (a): k is even Define f: E(G)  $\rightarrow$  {1,3,5,...2q-1}, by f (e<sub>i</sub>) = (2i-1), i = 1 to 5n + k.

**Subcase (b):** k is odd Define f: E(G)  $\rightarrow$  {1,3,5,...2q-1} by f (e<sub>i</sub>) =2i-1 , i = 1 to 5 $\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)$ ; 5n+1,5n+2,...,5n+k.

$$f(e_i) = f(e_{5\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)}) + 2 + 4 (i - 1 - \frac{5(n+1)}{2}), \qquad i = \frac{5(n+1)}{2} + 1, \dots, \frac{15(n+1)}{4}$$

 $\begin{array}{ll} f(e_i)=f(e_{5\left(\frac{n+1}{2}\right)}+4)+4(i\mbox{-}1\mbox{-}\frac{15(n+1)}{4}) \ ; & i\ =\ \frac{15(n+1)}{4} \\ +1,\ldots, \ (5n). \end{array}$ 

#### Case (ii) n is even

**Subcase (c):** Either k is odd or k is even with  $k \ge n$ : Define f  $(e_i) = 2i-1$ , i = 1 to 5n+k.

 $\label{eq:subcase} \mbox{ (d); $k$ is even with $k$ < n. Define $f(e_i) = 2i + 1$; $i = 1$ to $5n / 2$;}$ 

 $\begin{array}{ll} f(e_i)=\!\!f(e_{5n/2})+2+4\;(i\!\!\cdot\!1-\frac{15n}{8})\;;\;i=\!\frac{5n}{2}\!+1,\!\dots\!,\!\frac{15n}{8};\;\;f(e_i)\\ =\!\!f((e_{5n/2})+4)+4\;(i\!\!\cdot\!1-\frac{15n}{8})\;\;;\;i=\!\frac{15n}{8}\!+1,\!\dots\!,\!5n;\;\;f(e_i)=\\ 2i\!\!\cdot\!1\;,\;i=\!5n\!\!+\!1,\!\dots\!,\!5n(k\!\!\cdot\!1).;\;\;\;f(e_{5n+k})=1. \end{array}$ 

In all cases, the induced map  $f^+(u) = \sum f(uv) \pmod{2q}$  where the sum runs over all edges uv through v. Now, f and  $f^+$  both satisfy edge-odd graceful labeling. Thus the connected graph  $F(nC_5 * S_k)$  is an edge-odd graceful.

**Example 3.2:** The friendship graph  $F(5C_5 * S_4)$  is edge-odd graceful.

The graph has p = 25 vertices, q = 29 edges. The edge-odd graceful labelings are mentioned below:



Figure 8: Edge-odd graceful of the friendship graph  $F(5C_5 \\ * S_4)$ 

**Example 3.3:** The friendship graph  $F(4C_5 * S_3)$  is edge-odd graceful.

The graph has p = 21 vertices, q = 24 edges. The edge-odd graceful labelings are mentioned below:



# Figure 9: Edge-odd graceful of the friendship graph $F(4C_5 \ensuremath{\ast} S_3)$

**Theorem 3.5** The friendship graph  $F(2nC_3 * S_k)$  is edgeodd graceful where n is any positive integer.

**Proof:** The graph has vertex set { $V_0$ ,  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ ,  $V_3$ ,  $V_4$ ,  $V_5$ ,  $V_6$ ,...,  $V_{3n-2}$ ,  $V_{3n-1}$ ,  $V_{3n}$ ,  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ , ...,  $V_k$ }. It has edge set { $V_0V_i$ : i varies from 1 to 3n+k }  $\cup$  { $V_iV_{i+1}$ : i varies from 1 to 3n and i

is not a multiple of 3}. The arbitrary labelings of the edges or the given graph  $F(2nC_3 * S_k)$  are as follows:



Figure 10: An arbitrary labelings of the friendship graph  $F(2nC_3 \, {}^{\ast} \, S_k)$ 

Define  $f(e_i)=2i-1$ , where i=1 to 5n+k;  $i \neq 1$ , and  $i \neq 4n+k$ 

**Case (i):** n is odd ; k is even < n: Define f  $(e_{4n+k}) = 1$ ; f  $(e_1) = 8n+2k-1$ 

**Case (ii):** All other cases: Define f  $(e_{4n+k}) = 8n+2k-1$ ; f  $(e_1) = 1$ 

Then the induced map  $f^+(u) = \sum f(uv) \pmod{2q}$  where the sum runs over all edges uv through v. Now, f and  $f^+$  both satisfy edge-odd graceful labeling. Thus the connected graph  $F(2nC_3 * S_k)$  is an edge-odd graceful.

**Example 3.6:** The friendship graph  $F(2.2C_3 * S_4)$  is edge-odd graceful.

The graph has p = 17 vertices, and q = 24 edges. The edgeodd graceful labelings are mentioned below:



Figure 11: Edge-odd graceful of the friendship graph  $F(2.2C_3 * S_4)$ 

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