

Beta Combination Graphs

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ABSTRACT

Let $G(V,E)$ be a graph with p vertices and q edges. A graph $G(p,q)$ is said to be a Beta combination graph if there exist a bijection $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1,2, \dots, p\}$ such that the induced function $B_f: E(G) \rightarrow N$, N is a natural number, given

by $B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$, every edges $uv \in G$ and are all

distinct and the function f is called the Beta combination labeling. In this paper, we proved the Petersen graph, Complete graph K_n ($n \leq 8$), Ladder L_n ($n \geq 2$), fan f_n ($n \geq 2$), wheel W_n ($n \geq 3$), path P_n , cycle C_n ($n \geq 3$), friendship graph F_n ($n \geq 1$), complete bipartite graph $K_{n,n}$ ($n \geq 2$), Tree T_n , triangle snake, n -bistar graph $B_{n,n}$ and Star graph $K_{1,n}$ ($n > 1$) are the Beta combination graphs. Also we proved Complete graph K_n ($n > 8$) is not a Beta combination graph.

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Beta combination graph and Beta combination labeling.

1. INTRODUCTION

The research in graph enumeration and graph labeling started way back in 1857 by Arthur Cayley. Graph labeling and enumeration finds the application in chemical graph theory, social networking and computer networking and channel assignment problem. Abundant literature exists as of today concerning the structure of graphs admitting a variety of functions assigning real numbers to their elements so that certain given conditions are satisfied.

Throughout this paper, by a graph we mean a finite, undirected, simple graph. The vertex set and the edge set of a graph G are denoted by $V(G)$ and $E(G)$ respectively. Let $G(p,q)$ be a graph with $p = |V(G)|$ vertices and $q = |E(G)|$ edges. A detailed survey of graph labeling can be found in [4]. Combinations play a major role in combinatorial problems. The new labeling introduced in this paper is a logical-mathematical attempt. We used the following definitions in the subsequent sections.

Definition 1.1

A graph $G(p,q)$ is said to be a Beta combination graph if there exist a bijection $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1,2, \dots, p\}$ such that the

induced function $B_f: E(G) \rightarrow N$, N is a natural number, given

by $B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$, every edges $uv \in G$ and are

all distinct and the function f is called the Beta combination labeling.

Definition 1.2.[6]

The Ladder L_n ($n \geq 2$) is the product graph $P_2 \times P_n$ and contains $2n$ nodes and $3n-2$ edges.

Definition 1.3.[6]

The Fan f_n ($n \geq 2$) is obtained by joining all nodes of P_n to a further node called the center and contains $n+1$ nodes and $2n-1$ edges.

Definition 1.4.[6]

The n -bistar graph $B_{n,n}$ is the graph obtained from two copies of $K_{1,n}$ by joining the vertices of maximum degree by an edge.

Definition 1.5 .[6]

The wheel W_n ($n \geq 3$) is obtained by joining all nodes of cycle C_n to a further node called the center, and contains $(n+1)$ nodes and $2n$ edges.

Definition 1.6.[6]

The friendship graph F_n ($n \geq 1$) consists of n triangles with a common vertex.

Definition 1.7.[6]

A triangular snake is obtained from a path v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n by joining v_i and v_{i+1} to a new vertex w_i for $i=1,2, \dots, n-1$.

In this paper, we proved the Petersen graph, Complete graph K_n ($n \leq 8$), Ladder L_n ($n \geq 2$), fan f_n ($n \geq 2$), wheel W_n ($n \geq 3$), path P_n , cycle C_n ($n \geq 3$), friendship graph F_n ($n \geq 1$), complete bipartite graph $K_{n,n}$ ($n \geq 2$), Tree T_n , triangle snake, n -bistar graph $B_{n,n}$ and Star graph $K_{1,n}$ ($n > 1$) are the Beta combination graphs. Also we proved Complete graph K_n ($n > 8$) is not a Beta combination graph.

2. MAIN RESULTS

Theorem 2.1

The Petersen graph is a Beta combination graph.

Proof:

Let G be the Petersen graph with 10 vertices $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_5, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_5$. Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_5 be the outer vertices and let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_5 be the vertices of the star. Define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 10\}$ by $f(u_i) = 2i-1$ if $1 \leq i \leq 5$ and $f(v_i) = 2i$ if $1 \leq i \leq 5$. And f induces that $B_f: E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ by

$$B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}, \text{ for every edges } uv \text{ of } G \text{ and are all distinct.}$$

Theorem:2.2

Every n -Bistar $B_{n,n}$ admits a beta combination labeling.

Proof:

The graph n -Bistar $B_{n,n}$ is the graph obtained from two copies of $K_{1,n}$ by joining the vertices of maximum degree by an edge. Let $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, u_{n+1}$ be the vertices of first copy of $K_{1,n}$ and let $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, v_{n+1}$ be the vertices of second copy of $K_{1,n}$ respectively of $B_{n,n}$. Let u_{n+1} and v_{n+1} are adjacent in

Example:2.4

The beta combination labeling of the Petersen graph and $B_{5,5}$ are shown in the Fig-1 and Fig-2 respectively.

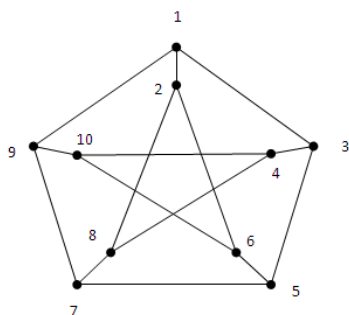


Fig-1

$B_{n,n}$. Define $f: V(B_{n,n}) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n+2\}$ by $f(u_i) = 2i-1$ if $1 \leq i \leq n+1$ and $f(v_i) = 2i$ if $1 \leq i \leq n+1$. And f induces $B_f: E(B_{n,n}) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ by $B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$, for every edges uv of $B_{n,n}$ and are all distinct.

Theorem:2.3

All Ladders L_n ($n \geq 2$) are the Beta combination graph.

Proof:

Let the Ladder L_n be the graph with $2n$ vertices $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, u_{n+1}, \dots, u_{2n}$. Let u_i is adjacent to u_{i+1} if $1 \leq i \leq 2n-1$ and u_i is adjacent to u_{2n+1-i} if $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. Let $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{3n-2}$ be the $3n-2$ edges of the ladder L_n such that $e_j = u_j u_{j+1}$ if $1 \leq i \leq 2n-1$ and $e_{2n-1+j} = u_j u_{2n+1-j}$ if $1 \leq j \leq n-1$.

Define $f: V(L_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$ by $f(u_i) = 2i-1$ if $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $f(u_{2n+1-i}) = 2i$ if $1 \leq i \leq n$. And f induces that $B_f: E(L_n) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ by

$$B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}, \text{ for every edges } uv \text{ of } L_n \text{ and are all distinct.}$$

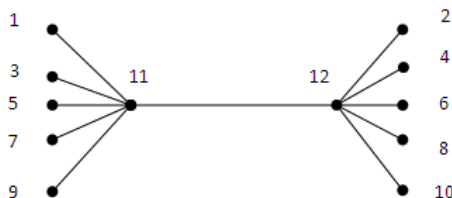


Fig-2

Theorem 2.5

Every wheel W_n ($n \geq 3$) admits a beta combination labeling.

Proof:

Let $W_n = C_n + K_1$. Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of C_n and u_{n+1} be the vertex of K_1 .

Case (i) [$n \neq (2m+1)C_{m-2}, m \geq 2$ and $n \neq (2m+1)C_{m-1}, m \geq 2$]

Define $f: V(W_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$ by $f(u_i) = i$ if $1 \leq i \leq n+1$.

Case(ii) [$n = (2m+1)C_{m-2}, m \geq 2$]

Define $f: V(W_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$ by $f(u_{m-1}) = m, f(u_m) = m-1$ and $f(u_i) = i$ if $1 \leq i \leq n+1, i \neq m-1, m$.

Case(iii) [$n = (2m+1)C_{m-1}, m \geq 2$]

Define $f: V(W_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$ by $f(u_1) = 2, f(u_2) = 1$ and $f(u_i) = i$ if $3 \leq i \leq n+1$.

In all above cases f induces that $B_f: E(W_n) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ by

$$B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}, \text{ for every edges } uv \text{ of } W_n \text{ and are all distinct.}$$

Theorem:2.6

Every Complete bipartite graph $K_{n,n}$ admits beta combination labeling.

Proof:

Let $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ be the vertices of $K_{n,n}$. Let $K_{n,n} = G_1 + G_2$ such that u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of G_1 and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n be the vertices of G_2 . Define $f: V(K_{n,n}) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n\}$ by $f(u_i) = 2i - 1$ if $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $f(v_i) = 2i$ if $1 \leq i \leq n$. And f induces that $B_f: E(K_{n,n}) \rightarrow N$ by $B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$, for every edges uv of $K_{n,n}$ and are all distinct.

Theorem 2.7

Every star $K_{1,n}$ ($n \geq 2$) is a beta combination graph.

Proof:

Let $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, u_{n+1}$ be the vertices of $K_{1,n}$. Then $K_{1,n} = G_1 + G_2$ such that u_1 be the vertex of G_1 and u_2, \dots, u_n, u_{n+1} be the vertices of G_2 . Define $f: V(K_{1,n}) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n+1\}$ by $f(u_i) = i$ if $1 \leq i \leq n+1$. And f induces that $B_f: E(K_{1,n}) \rightarrow N$ by $B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$, for every edges uv of $K_{1,n}$ and are all distinct.

Example 2.8

The beta combination labeling of F_4 and a triangle snake are shown in the Fig-3 and Fig-4 respectively.

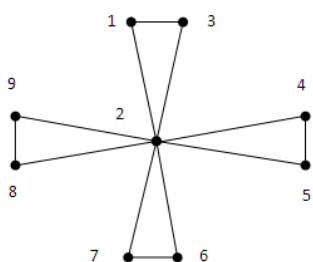


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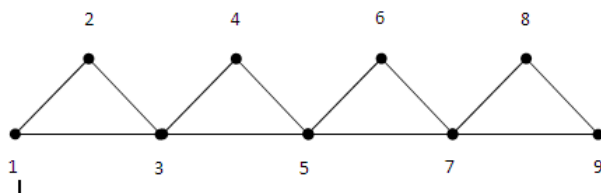


Fig-4

Theorem:2.9

Every triangle snake is a beta combination graph.

Proof:

Let G be a triangle snake with vertices $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, v_{n+1}\}$. Then $\{u_i v_i, u_i v_{i+1}, v_i v_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ be the edges of G . Define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n+1\}$ by $f(u_i) = 2i$ if $1 \leq i \leq n$ and $f(v_i) = 2i - 1$ if $1 \leq i \leq n+1$. And f induces

that $B_f: E(G) \rightarrow N$ by $B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$, for every edges uv of G and are all distinct.

Theorem:2.10

Friendship graph F_n ($n \geq 1$) is a beta combination graph.

Proof:

Let $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{2n+1}$ be the vertices of F_n . Also F_n has n number of triangles with common vertex u_{2n+1} . Then F_n has n number of pairs such as $(u_1, u_2), (u_3, u_4), \dots, (u_{2n-1}, u_{2n})$. Let e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{2n} be the $3n$ number of edges of F_n such that $e_i = u_i u_{i+1}$, $i = 2m - 1$ if $1 \leq m \leq n$ and $e_{n+i} = u_i u_{2n+1}$ if $1 \leq i \leq 2n$.

[see fig 3]. Define $f: V(F_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n+1\}$ by $f(u_i) = 1$, $f(u_i) = i + 1$ if $2 \leq i \leq 2n$ and $f(u_{2n+1}) = 2$. And f induces

$B_f: E(F_n) \rightarrow N$ by $B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$, for every edges uv

of F_n are all distinct.

Theorem :2.11

Every path P_n is a Beta Combination graph.

Proof:

Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of path P_n and let e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1} be the $n-1$ edges of P_n such that $e_i = u_i u_{i+1}$ if $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. A bijection $f: V(P_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ is defined by $f(u_i) = i$, if $1 \leq i \leq n$. And f induces that $B_f: E(P_n) \rightarrow N$ by $B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$ for every edges uv in P_n and are all distinct.

Theorem :2.12

Every Cycle C_n ($n \geq 3$) is a Beta Combination graph.

Proof:

Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of C_n such that u_1 is adjacent to u_n and u_i is adjacent to u_{i+1} if $1 \leq i \leq n-1$. Then $e_i = u_i u_{i+1}$ if $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ and $e_n = u_1 u_n$ be the n edges of C_n .

.Case(i) $[n \neq (2m+1)C_{m-1}, m \geq 2]$

Define a bijection $f: V(C_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ is defined by $f(u_i) = i$, if $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Case(ii) $[n = (2m+1)C_{m-1}, m \geq 2]$

Define a bijection $f: V(C_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ is defined by

$f(u_1)=2, f(u_2)=1$ and $f(u_i)=i$ if $3 \leq i \leq n$.

In all above cases f induces that $B_f: E(C_n) \rightarrow \{1,2,3,\dots\}$ by

$$B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$$

distinct.

Theorem:2.13

Every Complete graph $K_n(n \leq 8)$ is a Beta Combination graph.

Proof:

Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the n vertices of complete graph K_n . Define $f: V(K_n) \rightarrow \{1,2,3,\dots,n\}$ by $f(u_i)=i$ if $1 \leq i \leq n$. And f induces that $B_f: E(K_n) \rightarrow N$ by $B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$, for every edges uv in K_n and are all distinct.

Theorem 2.14

Complete graph K_n is not a Beta Combination graph for $n > 8$.

Proof:

For $n > 8$, we get $10C_1 = 5C_2 = 10$. Therefore K_n does not admit a beta combination labeling as induced edge function is not injective for $n > 8$ [see Fig-5].

Example 2.15

An example of a non beta combination graph K_9 is displayed in Fig-5.

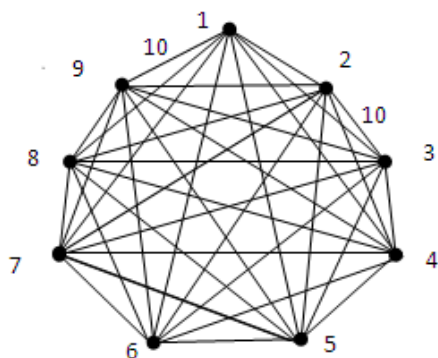


Fig-5

Theorem:2.16

Every fan graph $f_n(n \geq 2)$ is a beta combination graph.

Proof:

Let $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, u_{n+1}$ be the $n+1$ vertices of f_n . Then $f_n = K_1 + P_n$. Let $K_1 = u_{n+1}$ and u_{n+1} is adjacent to every vertices u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n of path P_n .

Case(i) [$n \neq (2m+1)C_m - 2, m \geq 2$]

Define $f: V(f_n) \rightarrow \{1,2,3,\dots,n+1\}$ by $f(u_i)=i, 1 \leq i \leq n+1$.

Case(ii) [$n = (2m+1)C_m - 2, m \geq 2$]

Define $f: V(f_n) \rightarrow \{1,2,3,\dots,n+1\}$ by $f(u_{m-1})=m, f(u_m)=m-1, f(u_i)=i$ if $1 \leq i \leq n+1$ and $i \neq m-1, m$.

In all above cases f induces that $B_f: E(f_n) \rightarrow N$ by

$$B_f(uv) = \frac{[f(u) + f(v)]!}{f(u)!f(v)!}$$

distinct.

Theorem 2.17

Every tree is a beta combination graph.

Proof:

Let u_1 denote the root vertex of the tree graph and labeling this vertex u_1 as '1'. If the vertex u_1 has 'i' sub trees with rooted vertices as u_2, u_3, \dots, u_i then labeling each vertex as 2,3,4,...i. similarly each of the above vertices has one or more sub trees with labeling $i+1, i+2, \dots$ continuing this process we get beta combination tree graph. [see Fig-6].

Example 2.18

The beta combination labeling of a tree T_6 is shown in the Fig-6.

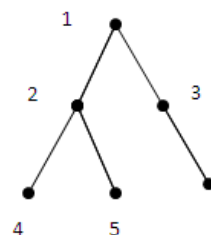


Fig-6

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4. CONCLUSION

We have planned to find more beta combination graphs

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