

# On Prime Graphs

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*Abstract:*

**In this paper we shall prove that the special butterfly graph, Franklin graph, and Herschel graph are prime graphs.**

*Key words:*

**Labeling, special butterfly graph, Franklin graph, Herschel graph, Goldner\_Harary graph, Sousselier graph, prime graph.**

## 1. Introduction

A labeling or valuation of a graph  $G$  is an assignment of labels to the vertices of  $G$  that induces for each edge  $xy$  a label depending on the vertex labels  $f(x)$  and  $f(y)$ . For all terminology and notations we use [1]. Tout Dabborey and Howalla [2] introduced prime labeling of a graph. Let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $V$ .  $G$  is said to have a prime labeling if its vertices are labeled with distinct integers  $1, 2, \dots, |V|$  such that for each edge  $xy$  the labels assigned to  $x$  and  $y$  are relatively prime. Then  $G$  is said to be a prime graph. In [2] we shall see some graphs are prime graphs. Now we shall prove that following graphs are prime graphs.

## II. The special Butterfly Graph [4]

*Definition 1:*

Consider the cycle  $C_{2n+2}$ ,  $n \geq 4$ , let  $a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{2n+1}$  be the vertices of  $C_{2n+2}$ . Join  $a_0 a_{2i-1}$ ,  $2 \leq i \leq n$ .

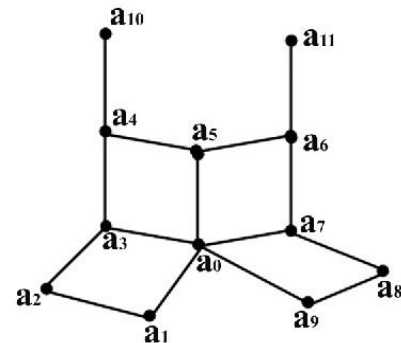
Attach two pendent edges at  $a_n$  and  $a_{n+2}$ . Let the vertices attached with those edges be  $a_{2n+2}$ ,  $a_{2n+3}$  respectively. Let us call the resulting figure as special butterfly graph and we shall denote it by  $BF_n$  [4].

When  $n = 4$ , we get the standard Butterfly graph and is denoted by  $BF_4$ .

The graph  $BF_n$  has  $|V| = 2n+4$  vertices and  $|E| = 3n + 3$  edges.

The graph  $BF_4$  is as follows

*Illustration: 1*



*Theorem 1:*

The special butterfly graph  $BF_n$  is a prime graph for all  $n$ .

*Proof:*

The vertex set of  $BF_n$  is

$$V(BF_n) = \{a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{2n+1}, a_{2n+2}, a_{2n+3}\}$$

The edge set of  $BF_n$  is

$$E(BF_n) = \{(a_0 a_{2i-1}) / 2 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{(a_i a_{i+1}) / 0 \leq i \leq 2n\}$$

$$\cup \{a_{2n+1} a_0\} \cup \{a_n a_{2n+2}\} \cup \{a_{n+2} a_{2n+3}\}$$

Define  $f : V(BF_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n+4\}$  as follows

Case (i) When  $n$  is odd

$$f(a_i) = i+1 \quad 0 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(a_i) = i+2 \quad n \leq i \leq n+2$$

$$f(a_i) = i+3 \quad n+3 \leq i \leq 2n+1$$

$$f(a_{2n+2}) = n+1$$

$$f(a_{2n+3}) = n+5$$

clearly vertex labels are distinct

Now,

$\gcd(f(a_i), f(a_{i+1})) = 1$  (Since they are consecutive integers)

$$\begin{aligned} \gcd(f(a_0), f(a_{2n+1})) &= \gcd(1, f(a_{2n+1})) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

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$\gcd(f(a_{n+2}), f(a_{2n+3})) = 1$  (since they are consecutive)

The labeling of  $x, y$  for every edge  $xy$  has  $\gcd 1$ .

Hence  $f$  is a prime labeling.

Case (ii) When  $n$  is even

$$f(a_i) = i+1 \quad 0 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(a_i) = i+3 \quad n+2 \leq i \leq 2n+1$$

$$f(a_{2n+2}) = n+2$$

$$f(a_{n+1}) = n+3$$

$$f(a_{2n+3}) = n+4$$

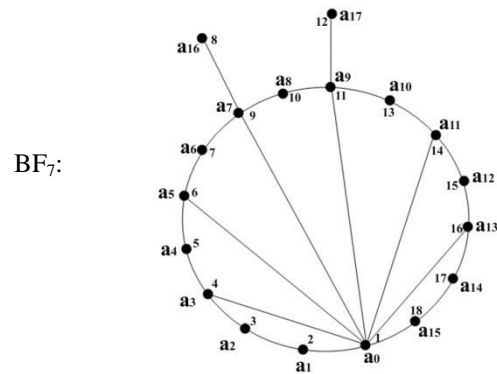
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The labeling of  $x, y$  for every edge  $xy$  has  $\gcd 1$ .

Thus  $f$  is a prime labeling.

Hence the special butterfly graph  $BF_n$  is a prime graph for all  $n$ .

Illustration: 2



A vertex switching of special Butterfly graph

Definition 2:

A vertex switching of a graph  $G$  is obtained by taking a vertex  $v$  of  $G$ , removing all the edges incident with  $v$  and adding edges joining  $v$  to every vertex which are not adjacent to  $v$  in  $G$ .

Theorem 2:

The graph  $G$  obtained by switching the vertex  $a_0$  in a special butterfly graph  $BF_n$  is a prime graph.

*Proof:*

The vertex set of G is,

$$V(G) = \{a_0, a_1, \dots, a_{2n+1}, a_{2n+2}, a_{2n+3}\}$$

The edge set of G is

$$E(G) = \{(a_i a_{i+1}) / 1 \leq i \leq 2n+1\} \cup \{(a_0 a_{2i}) / 1 \leq i \leq n\} \\ \cup \{a_{n+2} a_{2n+3}\} \cup \{a_n a_{2n+2}\} \cup \{a_0 a_{2n+2}\} \cup \{a_0 a_{2n+3}\}$$

Define  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 2n+4\}$  as follows

Case (i) when n is odd

$$f(a_i) = i+1 \quad 0 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(a_i) = i+2 \quad n \leq i \leq n+2$$

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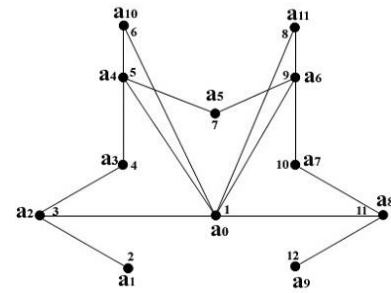
$$f(a_{2n+3}) = n+4$$

Clearly vertex labels are distinct.

Then f admits prime labeling.

Hence G is a prime graph.

*Illustration: 3*



Prime labeling switching the vertex  $a_0$  in  $BF_4$

### III. Franklin graph

*Definition 3:*

The Franklin graph (FG) is a 3 – regular graph with 12 vertices and 18 edges.

*Theorem 3:*

The Franklin graph is a prime graph.

*Proof:*

Let FG be a Franklin graph

The vertex set of FG is

$$V(FG) = \{v_i / 1 \leq i \leq 12\}$$

The edge set of FG is

$$E(FG) = \{v_i v_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq 12, v_{13} = v_1\}$$

$$\cup \{v_i v_{i+7} / 1 \leq i \leq 6, i \text{ is odd}\}$$

$$\cup \{v_i v_{i+5} / 1 \leq i \leq 6, i \text{ is even}\}$$

Define  $f: V(FG) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 12\}$  as follows

$$f(v_i) = i \quad 1 \leq i \leq 12$$

Clearly vertex labels are distinct

The labeling of  $x,y$  for every  $xy$  has  $\gcd 1$ .

$$f(v_i^1) = 2i \quad 1 \leq i \leq 12$$

Thus  $f$  is a prime labeling.

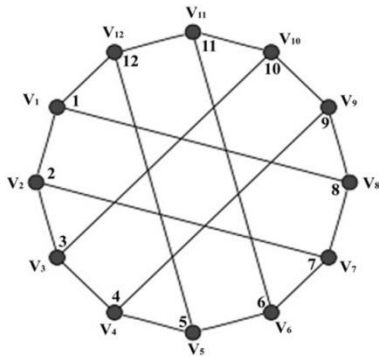
Clearly vertex labels are distinct.

Hence Franklin graph is a prime graph.

Then  $f$  admits prime labeling.

*Illustration: 4*

Hence  $G^*$  is a prime graph.



#### IV. Herschel graph

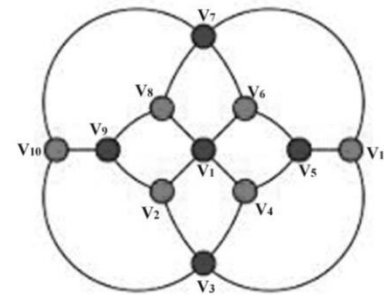
*Definition 4:*

The Herschel graph(HG) is a bipartite graph with 11 vertices and 18 edges, the smallest non-Hamiltonian polyhedral graph.

The Herschel graph is as follows.

*Illustrations: 5*

*Theorem 4:*



The graph  $FG \odot K_1$  is a prime graph.

*Proof:*

Let  $G^* = FG \odot K_1$

The vertex set of  $G^*$  is

$$V(G) = \{v_i / 1 \leq i \leq 12\} \cup \{v_i^1 / 1 \leq i \leq 12\}$$

The edge set of  $G^*$  is

$$E(G) = \{v_i v_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq 12, v_{13} = v_1\}$$

$$\cup \{v_i v_{i+7} / 1 \leq i \leq 6, i \text{ is odd}\}$$

$$\cup \{v_i v_{i+5} / 1 \leq i \leq 6, i \text{ is even}\}$$

$$\cup \{v_i v_i^1 / 1 \leq i \leq 12\}$$

Clearly  $G^*$  has 24 vertices and 30 edges.

Define  $f: V(G^*) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 24\}$  as follows.

$$f(v_i) = 2i-1 \quad 1 \leq i \leq 12$$

*Theorem 5:*

The Herschel graph HG is a prime graph.

*Theorem 6:*

The graph  $HG \odot K_1$  is a prime graph.

*Proof:*

HG be a Herschel graph.

Let  $H^* = HG \odot K_1$

The vertex set of  $H^*$  is

$$V(H^*) = \{v_i / 1 \leq i \leq 11\} \cup \{v_i^1 / 1 \leq i \leq 11\}$$

The edge set of  $H^*$  is

$$E(H^*) = \{v_1v_{2i} / 1 \leq i \leq 4\} \\ \cup \{v_i v_{11} / i=3,5,7\} \cup \{v_j v_{10} / j=3,7\} \\ \cup \{v_2 v_9\} \cup \{v_i v_{i+1} / 2 \leq i \leq 9\} \\ \cup \{v_i v_i^1 / 1 \leq i \leq 11\}$$

$H^*$  has 22 vertices and 29 edges.

Define a labeling  $f: V(H^*) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 22\}$  as follows.

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 2i-1; 1 \leq i \leq 9 \\ 2i+1; i=10 \\ 2i-3; i=11 \end{cases} \\ f(v_i^1) = 2i$$

Clearly vertex labels are distinct.

The labeling of  $x,y$  for every edges  $xy$  has  $\gcd 1$ .

Thus  $f$  is a prime labeling.

Hence  $H^*$  is a prime graph.

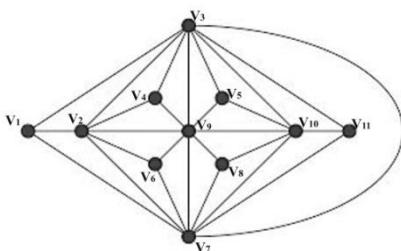
#### V. Goldner – Harary graph (GH)

*Definition 5:*

The Goldner – Harary graph is a simple undirected graph with 11 vertices and 27 edges.

The Goldner – Harary graph is as follows

*Illustration: 6*



*Theorem 7:*

The graph  $G^1 = GH \odot K_1$  is a prime graph.

*Proof:*

The vertex set of  $G^1$  is

$$V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{11}, v_1^1, v_2^1, \dots, v_{11}^1\}$$

The edge set of  $G^1$  is

$$E(G^1) = \{v_i v_9 / 2 \leq i \leq 8\} \cup \{v_i v_{i+1} / i=9,10\} \\ \cup \{v_i v_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq 3\} \cup \{v_i v_{i+1} / 6 \leq i \leq 7\} \\ \cup \{v_7 v_i / i=1,2,3,10,11\} \\ \cup \{v_i v_{i+2} / i=1,2,3,8\} \cup \{v_3 v_i / i=10,11\} \\ \cup \{v_2 v_6\} \cup \{v_5 v_{10}\} \cup \{v_i v_i^1 / 1 \leq i \leq 11\}$$

$G^1$  has 22 vertices and 38 edges.

Define a labeling  $f: V(G^1) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 22\}$  as follows

$$f(v_i) = 2i-1 \quad 1 \leq i \leq 11 \\ f(v_i^1) = 2i \quad 1 \leq i \leq 11$$

Clearly vertex labels are distinct.

The labeling of  $x,y$  for every  $xy$  has  $\gcd 1$ .

Thus  $f$  is a prime labeling.

Hence  $G^1$  is a prime graph.

#### VI. Sousselier graph (SG)

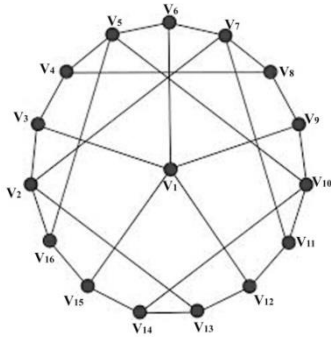
*Definition 6:*

A Hamiltonian cycle is a graph cycle through a graph that vertex each node exactly once. A Hamiltonian graph is a graph possessing a Hamiltonian

cycle. A graph that is not Hamiltonian is said to be non Hamiltonian.

A graph  $G$  is Hypohamiltonian if  $G$  is non Hamiltonian, but  $G - v$  is Hamiltonian for every  $v \in V$ . 16 vertices Hypohamiltonian graph is Sousselier graph. It has 27 edges. The Sousselier graph is as follows

Illustration: 7



Theorem 8:

The graph  $S^* = SG \odot K_1$  is a prime graph.

Proof:

The vertex set of  $S^*$  is

$$V(S^*) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{16}, v_1^1, v_2^1, \dots, v_{16}^1\}$$

The edge set of  $S^*$  is

$$E(S^*) = \{v_i v_{i+1} / 2 \leq i \leq 16 \text{ and } v_{17} = v_2\} \\ \cup \{(v_i v_i^1) / 1 \leq i \leq 16\} \cup \{(v_i v_{3i}) / 1 \leq i \leq 5\} \\ \cup \{(v_i v_{2i}) / i=4,5\} \cup \{(v_2 v_7), (v_2 v_{13}), (v_5 v_{16}), \\ (v_7 v_{11}), (v_{10} v_{14})\}$$

$S^*$  has 32 vertices and 43 edges.

Define a labeling  $f: V(S^*) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 32\}$  as follows

$$f(v_i) = 2i - 1 \quad 1 \leq i \leq 16$$

$$f(v_i^1) = 2i \quad 1 \leq i \leq 16$$

Clearly vertex labels are distinct.

Then  $f$  admits prime labeling.

Hence  $S^* = SG \odot K_1$  is a prime graph.

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