

New Classes of Harmonic Mean Graphs

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ABSTRACT

A Graph $G = (V, E)$ with p vertices and q edges is said to be Geometric mean graph if it is possible to label the vertices $x \in V$ with distinct labels $f(x)$ from $1, 2, \dots, q+1$ in such a way that when each edge $e=uv$ is labeled with $f(e=uv) = \left\lfloor \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u)+f(v)} \right\rfloor$ (or) $\left\lceil \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u)+f(v)} \right\rceil$, then the resulting edge labels are distinct. In this case f is called Harmonic mean labeling of G . In this paper, we investigate Harmonic mean labeling for path and cycle related graphs.

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1. INTRODUCTION

The graphs considered here are finite, undirected and simple. The vertex set and edge set of a graph G are denoted by $V(G)$ and $E(G)$ respectively. A path of length n is denoted by P_n . A cycle of length n is denoted by C_n . For standard terminology and notations we follow Harary [2] and for the detailed survey of Graph labeling we follow J.A Gallian [1]. S.Somasundaram and R. Ponraj introduced the concept of mean labeling of graphs in [3]. S. Somasundaram and S.S.Sandhya introduced the concept of Harmonic mean labeling of graphs in [4]. and its basic results was proved in [4]. In this paper we investigate Harmonic mean labeling behavior of some standard new graphs. The following definitions are used here.

Definition 1.1: A Graph $G=(V, E)$ with p vertices and q edges is said to be a Geometric mean if it is possible to label the vertices $x \in V$ with distinct labels $f(x)$ from $1, 2, \dots, q+1$ in such a way that when each edge $e=uv$ is labeled with $f(e=uv) = \left\lfloor \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u)+f(v)} \right\rfloor$ (or) $\left\lceil \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u)+f(v)} \right\rceil$, then the resulting edge labels are distinct. In this case f , is called a Harmonic mean labeling of G .

Definition 1.2: Let G be connected graph and G' be the copy of G then *shadow graph* $D_2(G)$ is obtained by joining each vertex u in G to the neighbours of the corresponding vertex u' in G' .

Definition 1.3: The *middle graph* $M(G)$ of a graph G is the graph whose vertex set is $V(G) \cup E(G)$ and in which two vertices are adjacent if and only if either they are adjacent edges of G or one is a vertex of G and the other is an edge incident on it

Definition 1.4: The *total graph* $T(G)$ of graph G is the graph whose vertex set is $V(G) \cup E(G)$ and two vertices are adjacent whenever they are either adjacent or incident in G .

Definition 1.5: The *splitting graph* $S'(G)$ is obtained by adding new vertex v' corresponding to each vertex v of G such that $N(v) = N(v')$ where $N(v)$ and $N(v')$ are the neighbourhood sets of v and v' respectively.

Definition 1.6: *Duplication* of a vertex v_k by a new edge $e=v_k' v_k''$ in a graph G produces a new graph G' such that $N(v') \cap N(v_k'') = v_k$.

Definition 1.7: The *prism* D_n , $n \geq 3$ is a trivalent graph which can be defined as the Cartesian product $P_2 \times C_n$ of a path on two vertices with a cycle on n vertices.

2. Results

Theorem 2.1: The graph $D_2(P_n)$ is a Harmonic mean graph

Proof: Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of path P_n and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n be the newly added vertices corresponding to the vertices u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n in order to obtain $D_2(P_n)$. Denoting $G = D_2(P_n)$ then $|V(G)|=2n$ and $|E(G)|=4(n-1)$

We define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, q+1\}$

$$f(u_1) = 1$$

$$f(u_i) = 4(i-1), 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_1) = 3$$

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 4i - 2, & 2 \leq i \leq n - 1 \\ 4i - 3, & i = n \end{cases}$$

Edges are labeled with

$$f(u_i u_{i+1}) = 4i-3, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(v_i v_{i+1}) = 4i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(u_i v_{i+1}) = 4i-2, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(v_i u_{i+1}) = 4i-1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

The above defined function f provides a Harmonic mean labeling for $D_2(P_n)$. That is, $D_2(P_n)$ is a Harmonic mean graph.

Example 2.2: Shadow graph of path P_5 and its Harmonic mean labeling is shown in the following figure

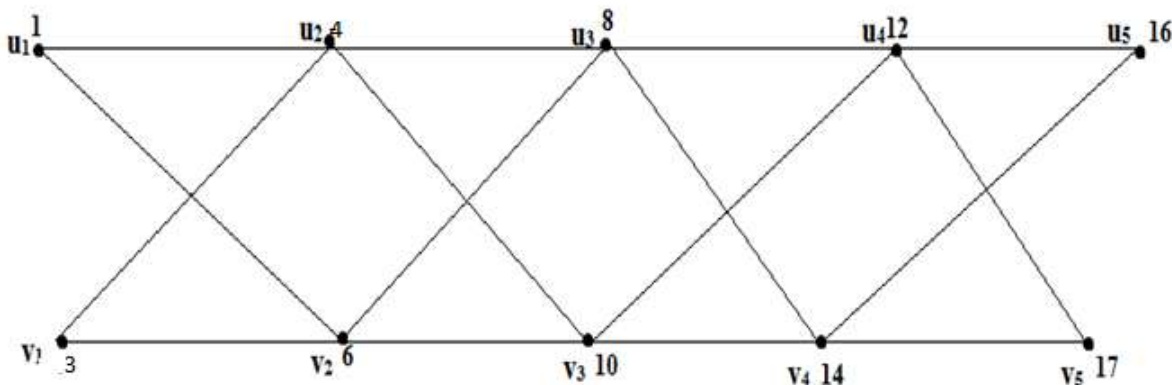


Figure: 1

Theorem 2.3: Middle graph of path P_n is a Harmonic mean graph

Proof: Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices and e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1} be the edges of path P_n and $G = M(P_n)$ be the middle graph of path P_n . According to the definition of middle graph $V(M(P_n)) = V(P_n) \cup E(P_n)$ and whose edge set is

$$E(M(P_n)) = \{u_i e_i; 1 \leq i \leq n-1, \quad u_i e_{i-1}; 2 \leq i \leq n, \quad e_i e_{i+1}; 1 \leq i \leq n-2\}$$

Here $|V(G)| = 2n-1$ and $|E(G)| = 3n-4$

we define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1,2,\dots,q+1\}$ by

$$f(u_1) = 1$$

$$f(u_i) = 3i, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(e_i) = 3i-1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

Edges are labeled with

$$f(u_i e_i) = 3i-2, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(u_i e_{i-1}) = 3i-1, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(e_i e_{i+1}) = 3i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-2$$

The above defined function f provides an Harmonic mean labeling for $M(P_n)$. Hence, $M(P_n)$ is a Harmonic mean graph.

Example 2.4: $M(P_5)$ and its Harmonic mean labeling is shown is Figure 2.

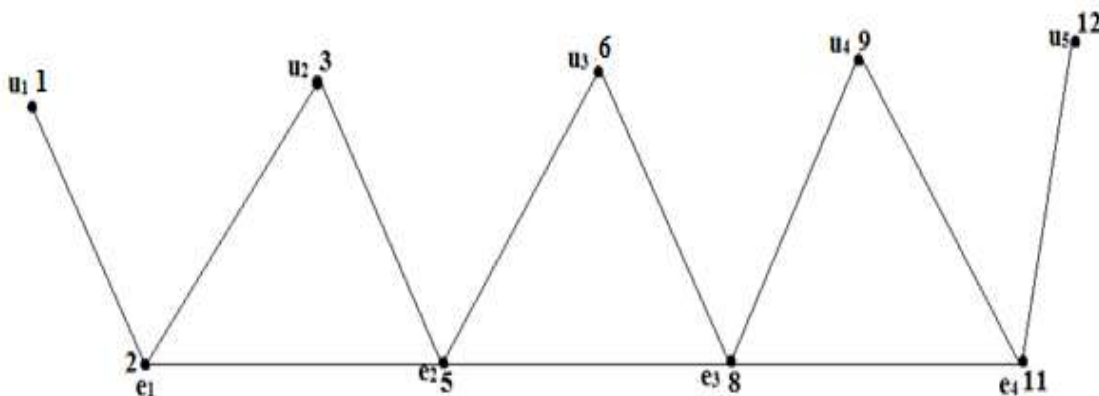


Figure: 2

Theorem 2.5: Total graph of path P_n is a Harmonic mean graph

Proof: Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices and e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1} be the edges of path P_n and $G = T(P_n)$ be the total graph of path P_n with $V(T(P_n)) = V(P_n) \cup E(P_n)$ and

$$E[T(P_n)] = \{u_i u_{i+1}; 1 \leq i \leq n-1, u_i e_i; 1 \leq i \leq n-1, e_i e_{i+1}; 1 \leq i \leq n-2, u_i e_{i-1}; 2 \leq i \leq n\}$$

Here $|V(G)| = 2n-1$ and $|E(G)| = 4n-5$

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

$$f(u_1) = 1$$

$$f(u_i) = 4i, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(e_1) = 3$$

$$f(e_i) = 4i-2, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n-1$$

Edges are labeled with

$$f(u_i u_{i+1}) = 4i-2, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(u_i e_i) = 4i-3, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(e_i e_{i+1}) = 4i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-2$$

$$f(u_i e_{i-1}) = 4i-1, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

The above defined function f provides an Harmonic mean labeling for $T(P_n)$. Hence $T(P_n)$ is a Harmonic mean graph.

Example: 2.6 $T(P_6)$ and its Harmonic mean labeling is shown below.

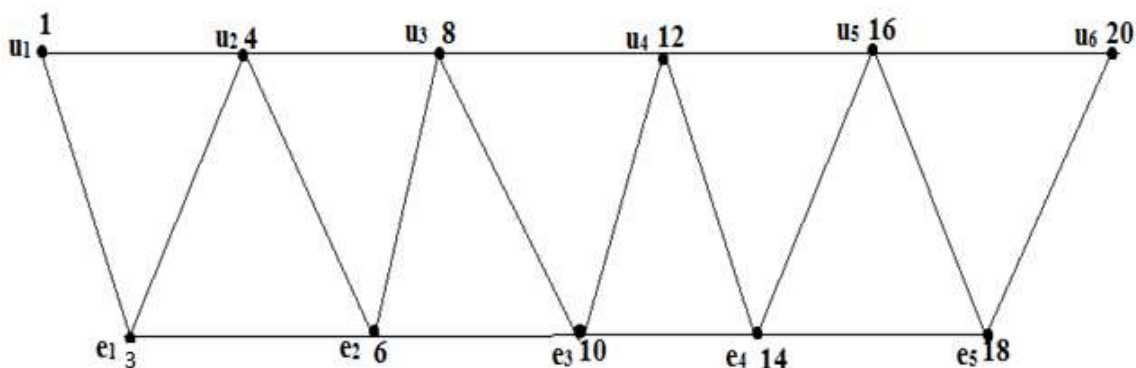


Figure: 3

Theorem 2.7: Splitting graph of path P_n is a Harmonic mean graph

Proof: Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices and e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1} be the edges of path P_n . Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n be the newly added vertices to form the splitting graph of path P_n . Let $G = S'(P_n)$ be the splitting graph of path P_n . $V(S'(P_n)) = \{u_i\} \cup \{v_i\}$, $1 \leq i \leq n$ and

$$E(S'(P_n)) = \{v_i u_{i+1}; 1 \leq i \leq n-1, v_i u_{i-1}; 2 \leq i \leq n, v_i v_{i+1}; 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$$

Here $|V(G)| = 2n$ and $|E(G)| = 3n-3$

we define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, q+1\}$ as follows

$$f(u_1) = 2$$

$$f(u_i) = 3i, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_1) = 1$$

$$f(v_i) = 3i-2, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

Edges are labeled with

$$f(v_1 u_2) = 1, \quad f(v_i u_{i+1}) = 3i-1, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(v_2 u_1) = 3, \quad f(v_i u_{i-1}) = 3i-2, \quad 3 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(v_1 v_2) = 3, \quad f(v_i v_{i+1}) = 3i, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n-1$$

The above defined function f provides an Harmonic mean labeling for $S'(P_n)$. Hence $S'(P_n)$ is a Geometric mean graph.

Example 2.8: $S'(P_6)$ and its Harmonic mean labeling is shown below.

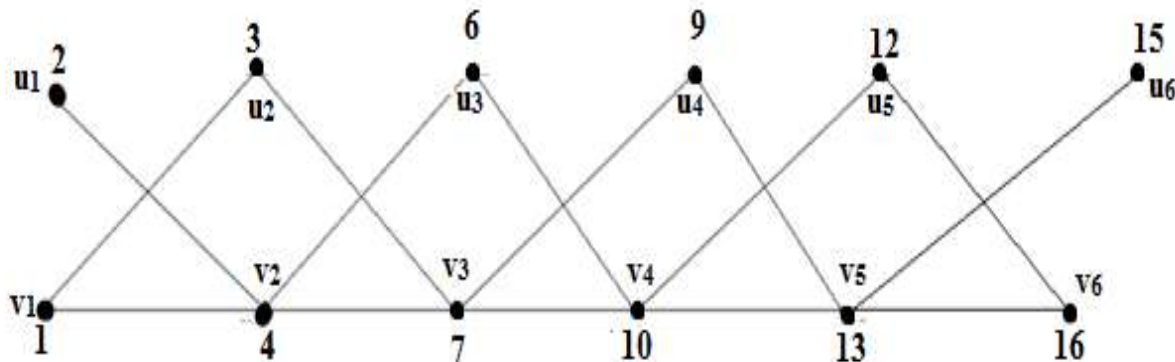


Figure: 4

Theorem 2.9: Duplicating each vertex by an edge in path P_n is a Harmonic mean graph.

Proof: Let $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n$ be the vertices of path P_n . Let G be the graph obtained by duplicating each vertex v_i of P_n by an edge v_i', v_i'' at a time, where $1 \leq i \leq n$. Note that $|V(G)| = 3n$ and $|E(G)| = 4n-1$

We define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, q+1\}$ as follows

$$f(u_1) = 3$$

$$f(u_i) = 4i-2, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_i') = 4i-3, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_1'') = 2$$

$$f(v_i'') = 4i-1, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

Edges are labeled with

$$f(u_i u_{i+1}) = 4i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(u_1 v_1') = 2, \quad f(u_i v_i') = 4i-3, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(u_i v_i'') = 4i-1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_1' v_1'') = 1 \quad f(v_i' v_i'') = 4i-2, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n$$

The above labeling pattern we get distinct edge labels. Thus f provides is a Harmonic mean labeling for graph G . Hence, duplicating each vertex by edge in Path P_n is a Harmonic mean graph.

Example 2.10: Duplicating each vertex by edge in path P_7 and its Harmonic mean labeling is shown below.

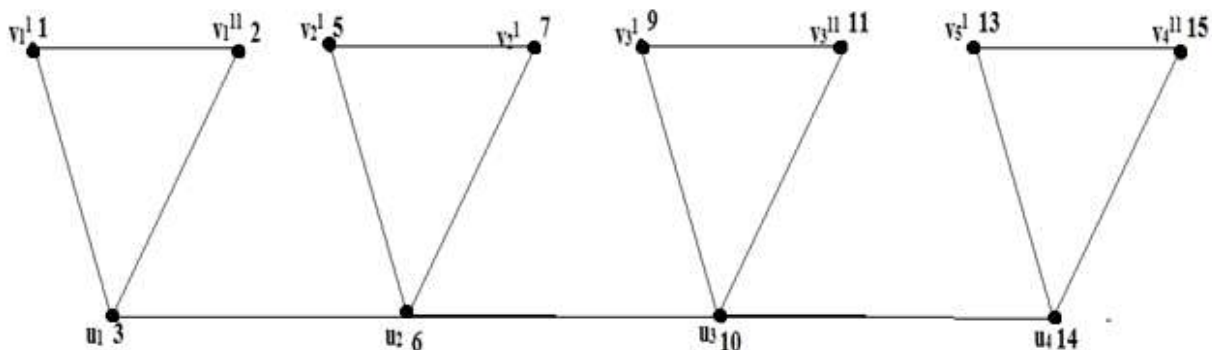


Figure: 5

Theorem 2.11: A Graph is obtained by attaching triangle at each pendent vertex of a crown is a Harmonic mean graph.

Proof: Let $u_1 u_2 \dots u_n u_1$ be the cycle C_n . Let v_i be the vertex which is adjacent to u_i , where $1 \leq i \leq n$. The resultant graph is $C_n AK_1$

Let x_i, y_i and z_i be the vertices of i^{th} copy of C_3 and identify z_i with v_i . For $1 \leq i \leq n$, join v_i with x_i and y_i and then join x_i and y_i the required graph of G whose edge set is $E = \{u_i u_{i+1}, u_n u_1 \mid 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{u_i v_i, v_i x_i, v_i y_i, x_i y_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$

Define a function $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, q+1\}$ by

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(u_1) &= 3 \\
 f(u_i) &= 5i-1, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n-1 \\
 f(v_1) &= 4 \\
 f(v_i) &= 5i, \quad 2 \leq i \leq n \\
 f(x_i) &= 5i-4, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n \\
 f(y_i) &= 5i-3, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n
 \end{aligned}$$

From the above labeling pattern we get distinct edge labels. Thus f provides an Harmonic mean labeling for graph G and its labeling pattern is shown in the following figure.

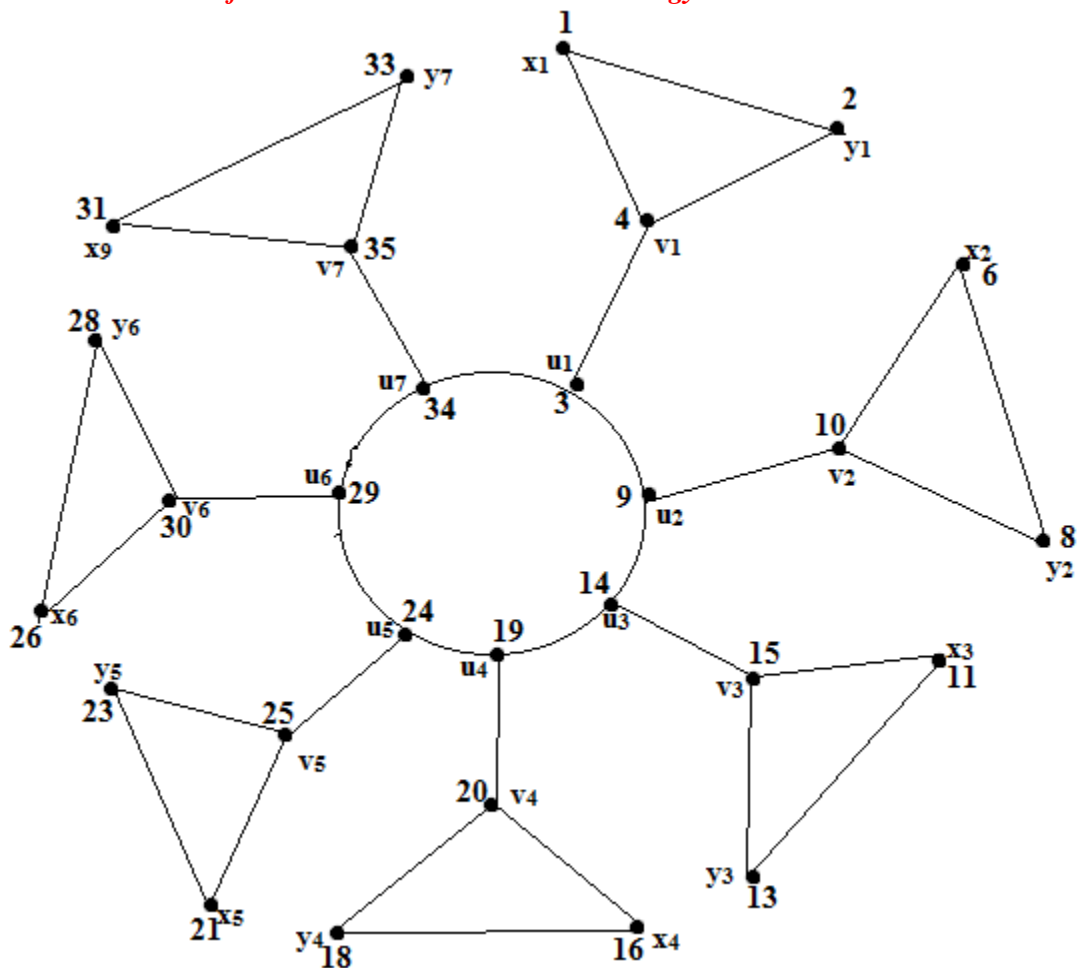


Figure: 6

Theorem 2.11: $D_n \overline{AK_2}$ is a Geometric mean graph.

Proof: Let $u_1 u_2 \dots u_n u_1$ and $v_1 v_2 \dots v_n v_1$ be the two cycles of length n . Join u_i and v_i where $1 \leq i \leq n$. The resultant graph is D_n . Let x_i, y_i be the vertices of i^{th} copy of $\overline{K_2}$ which are adjacent to the vertex v_i of D_n . The resultant graph is $D_n \overline{AK_2}$ whose edge set is $E = \{u_i u_{i+1}, v_i v_{i+1} \mid 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{v_i x_i, v_i y_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$

Define a function $f: (D_n \overline{AK_2}) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, q+1\}$ by,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_i) &= 8i-7, & 1 \leq i \leq 2 \\ f(x_i) &= 5i-3, & 3 \leq i \leq n \\ f(y_i) &= 8i-6, & 1 \leq i \leq 2 \\ f(y_i) &= 5i-2, & 3 \leq i \leq n \\ f(v_i) &= 5i-2, & 1 \leq i \leq 2 \\ f(v_i) &= 5i-1, & 3 \leq i \leq n \\ f(u_i) &= 5i-4, & 1 \leq i \leq 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$f(w_i) = 5i, \quad 3 \leq i \leq n$$

From the above labeling pattern we get distinct edge labels. Thus f provides an Harmonic mean labeling for G .

Hence $D_n \overline{AK}_2$ is a Harmonic mean graph and its labeling pattern is shown below

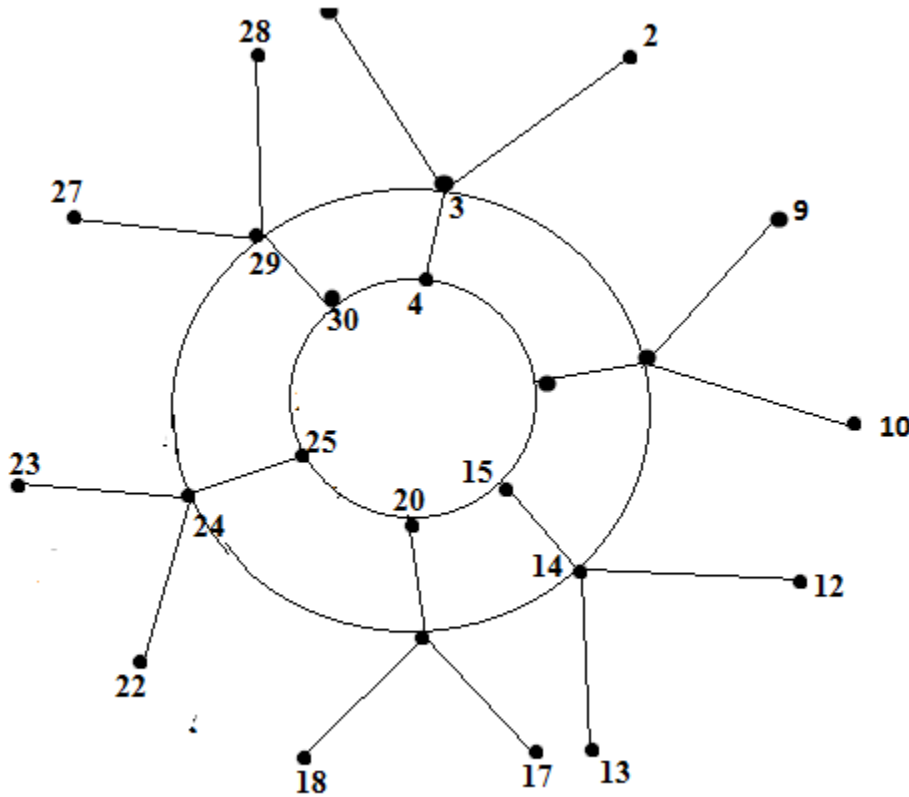


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