# Integral Root Labeling of Graphs

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## ABSTRACT

Let G = (V, E) be a graph with p vertices and q edges. Let  $f: V \to \{1, 2, ..., q + 1\}$  is called an **Integral Root labeling** if it is possible to label all the vertices  $v \in V$  with distinct elements from  $\{1, 2, ..., q + 1\}$  such that it induces an edge labeling  $f^+: E \to \{1, 2, ..., q\}$  defined as

 $f^+(uv) = \left[\sqrt{\frac{(f(u))^2 + (f(v))^2 + f(u)f(v)}{3}}\right]$  is distinct for all  $uv \in E$ . (i.e.) The distinct vertex labeling induces a distinct

edge labeling on the graph. The graph which admits Integral Root labeling is called an Integral Root Graph.

In this paper, we introduce Integral Root labeling and investigate Integral Root labeling of Path, Comb, Ladder, Triangular Snake and Quadrilateral Snake.

## **KEY WORDS**

Integral Root labeling, Integral Root graph, Path, Comb, Ladder, Triangular Snake, and Quadrilateral Snake.

#### **INTRODUCTION**

By a graph G = (V(G), E(G)) we mean a finite undirected graph without loops or parallel edges. For all detailed survey of graph labeling we refer to Gallian[1]. For all other standard terminology and notations we follow Harary[2]. A graph labeling is an assignment of integers to the vertices or edges or both subject to certain conditions.

In this paper we investigate the Integral Root labeling of Path, Comb, Ladder, Triangular Snake, and Quadrilateral Snake.

## 2. BASIC DEFINITIONS

## **Definition: 2.1**

A walk in which  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  are distinct is called a **path**. A path on *n* vertices is denoted by  $P_n$ .

## **Definition: 2.2**

A Closed Path is called a Cycle. A cycle on n vertices is denoted by  $C_n$ .

#### **Definition: 2.3**

The graph obtained by joining a single pendent edge to each vertex of a path is called a Comb.

## **Definition: 2.4**

The Cartesian product of two graphs  $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$  and  $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$  is a graph G = (V, E) with  $V = V_1 \times V_2$  and two vertices  $u = (u_1 u_2)$  and  $v = (v_1 v_2)$  are adjacent in  $G_1 \times G_2$  whenever  $(u_1 = v_1 \text{ and } u_2 \text{ is adjacent to } v_2)$  or  $(u_2 = v_2 \text{ and } u_1 \text{ is adjacent to } v_1)$ . It is denoted by  $G_1 \times G_2$ .

## **Definition: 2.5**

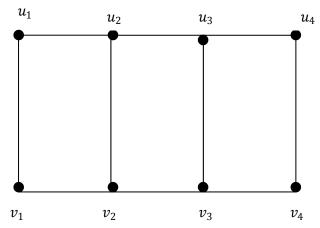
The Corona of two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is the graph  $G=G_1 \odot G_2$  formed by taking one copy of  $G_1$  and  $/(G_1)/$  copies of  $G_2$  where the *i*<sup>th</sup> vertex of  $G_1$  is adjacent to every vertex in the *i*<sup>th</sup> copy of  $G_2$ .

## **Definition: 2.6**

The product graph  $P_2 \times P_n$  is called a **ladder** and it is denoted by  $L_n$ .

Example:

Ladder graph of  $L_4$  is given below

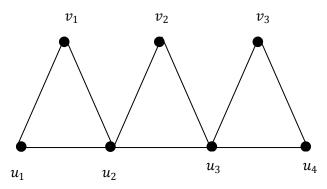


#### **Definition: 2.7**

A **Triangular Snake**  $T_n$  is obtained from a path  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  by joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  to a new vertex  $v_i$  for  $1 \le i \le n-1$ . That is every edge of a path is replaced by a triangle  $C_3$ .

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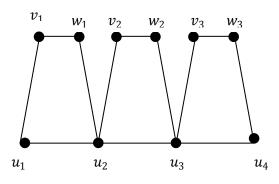
Triangular Snake  $T_4$  is given below



#### **Definition: 2.8**

A **Quadrilateral Snake**  $Q_n$  is obtained from a path  $u_1, u_2, ..., u_n$  by joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  to two new vertices  $v_i$  and  $w_i$  respectively and then joining  $v_i$  and  $w_i$ . That is every edge of a path is replaced by a cycle  $C_4$ . Example:

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3. MAIN RESULTS Definition: 3.1

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edge labeling on the graph. The graph which admits Integral Root labeling is called an **Integral Root Graph. Theorem: 3.2** 

Any path  $P_n$  is an Integral Root graph.

## **Proof:**

Let *G* be a path graph  $P_n$ .

Let  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be the vertices of path  $P_n$  and  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1}\}$  be the edges of path  $P_n$ The path  $P_n$  consists of *n* vertices and n-1 edges.

Define  $f: V(P_n) \to \{1, 2, \dots, q+1\}$  by  $f(u_i) = i$ ;  $1 \le i \le n$ . Then we find the edge labels  $f^+(e = u_i u_{i+1}) = \left[\sqrt{\frac{i^2 + i(i+1) + (i+1)^2}{3}}\right]$ ;  $1 \le i \le n-1$   $= \left[\sqrt{\frac{i^2 + i^2 + i + i^2 + 1 + 2i}{3}}\right]$  $= \left[\sqrt{\frac{3i^2 + 3i + 1}{3}}\right]$ 

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 are distinct.

Hence  $P_n$  is an Integral Root graph.

#### Example: 3.3

The Integral Root labeling of  $P_6$  is given below

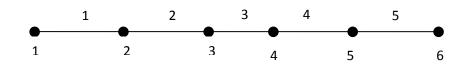


Figure: 1

## Theorem: 3.4

Any Comb  $P_n Ok_1$  is an Integral Root graphs.  $n \ge 2$ **Proof:** Let G be a comb graph  $P_n O k_1$ . Let  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the vertices of comb. The comb has 2n - 1 edges. Define a function  $f: V(P_n \Theta k_1) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, q+1\}$  by  $f(u_i) = 2i - 1; \ 1 \le i \le n,$  $f(v_i) = 2i;$  $1 \leq i \leq n$ Then we find the edge labels  $f^+(e = u_i u_{i+1}) = 2i;$  $1 \le i \le n - 1;$  $f^+(e = u_i v_i) = 2i + 1; \quad 1 \le i \le n - 1$  are distinct. Hence  $P_n \boldsymbol{\Theta} \boldsymbol{k}_1$  is an Integral Root graph. Example: 3.5 The Integral Root labeling of  $P_7 O k_1$  is given below.

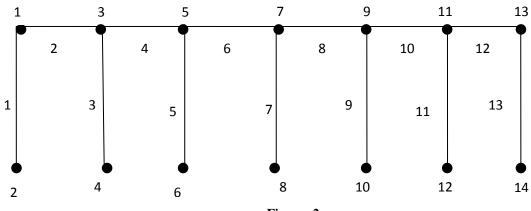


Figure: 2

#### Theorem: 3.6

Any Ladder  $L_n$  is an Integral Root graph.

#### **Proof:**

Let *G* be a Ladder graph  $L_n$ . Let  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the vertices of ladder. Define a function  $f: V(L_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, q+1\}$  as  $f(u_i) = 3i - 2;$   $1 \le i \le n$ ,  $f(v_i) = 3i - 1;$   $1 \le i \le n$ . Then we find the edge labels  $f^+(u_i u_{i+1}) = 3i - 1;$   $1 \le i \le n - 1$ ,  $f^+(u_i v_i) = 3i - 2;$   $1 \le i \le n - 1$ ,

 $f^+(v_i v_{i+1}) = 3i$ ;  $1 \le i \le n-1$  are distinct.

Hence  $L_n$  is an Integral Root graph.

#### Example: 3.7

The Integral Root labeling of  $L_6$  is given below

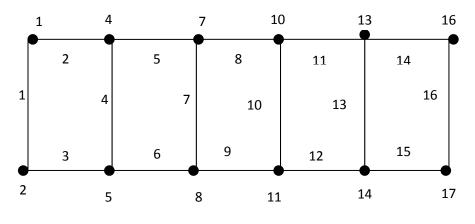


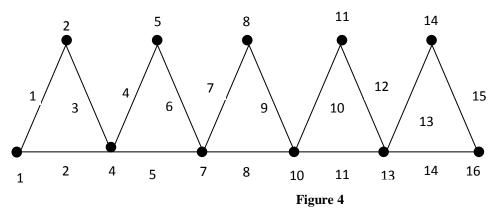
Figure: 3

#### Theorem: 3.8

Any Triangular Snake  $T_n$  is an Integral Root graph. **Proof:** Let *G* be a triangular snake  $T_n$ . Define a function  $f: V(T_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, ..., q + 1\}$  by  $f(u_i) = 3i - 2; \ 1 \le i \le n$ , 
$$\begin{split} f(v_i) &= 3i - 1; \ 1 \leq i \leq n - 1. \\ \text{Then we find the edge labels} \\ f^+(u_i u_{i+1}) &= 3i - 1; \ 1 \leq i \leq n - 1, \\ f^+(v_i u_{i+1}) &= 3i; \ 1 \leq i \leq n - 1, \\ f^+(u_i v_i) &= 3i - 2; \ 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \text{ are distinct.} \\ \text{Hence } T_n \text{ is an Integral Root graph.} \end{split}$$

## Example: 3.9

The Integral Root labeling of  $T_6$  is given below



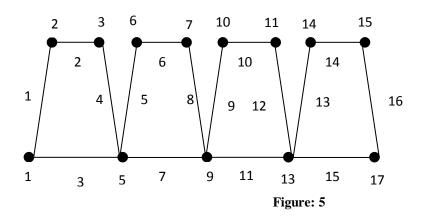
Theorem: 3.10

Any Quadrilateral Snake  $Q_n$  is an Integral Root graph. **Proof:** 

Let *G* be a Quadrilateral Snake  $Q_n$ . Define a function  $f: V(Q_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, q+1\}$  by  $f(u_i) = 4i - 3; \ 1 \le i \le n,$   $f(v_i) = 4i - 2; \ 1 \le i \le n - 1,$   $f(w_i) = 4i - 1; \ 1 \le i \le n - 1.$ Then the edge labels  $f^+(u_iv_i) = 4i - 3; \ 1 \le i \le n - 1,$   $f^+(u_iu_{i+1}) = 4i - 1; \ 1 \le i \le n - 1,$   $f^+(u_iw_i) = 4i - 2; \ 1 \le i \le n - 1,$   $f^+(v_iw_i) = 4i - 2; \ 1 \le i \le n - 1$  are distinct. Hence  $Q_n$  is an Integral Root graph.

Example: 3.11

The Integral Root labeling of  $Q_5$  is given below.



## Theorem: 3.12

Any cycle  $C_n$  is not a Integral Root graph  $n \ge 3$ .

#### **Proof:**

Let G be a graph of cycle  $C_n$ .

Let  $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be the vertices of cycle  $C_n$  and  $\{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1}\}$  be the edges of cycle  $C_n$ .

The cycle  $C_n$  consists of *n* vertices and n-1 edges.

Define  $f: V(C_n) \to \{1, 2, \dots, q+1\}$  by

 $f(u_i) = i; 1 \le i \le n$ 

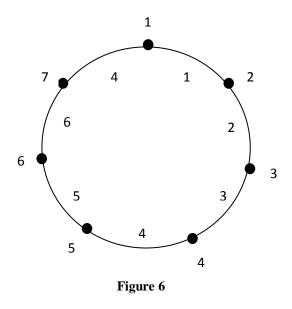
Then we find the edge labels

 $f^+(e = u_i u_{i+1}) = i; 1 \le i \le n-1$  are distinct., and  $f(u_n u_1)$  is not distinct.

Hence  $C_n$  is not a Root graph.

#### Example: 3.13

Cycle  $C_7$  is not Integral Root Labeling of graph is given below



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