# On Square Difference Labelled Graphs

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Abstract

Let G(V, E) be a graph with p vertices and q edges. A (p,q) graph G(V, E) is said to be a square difference graph if there exists a bijection  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,..., p-1\}$  such that the induced function  $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow N$ , N is a natural number, given by  $f^*(uv) = |[f(u)]^2 - [f(v)]^2 |$  for every edges uv in G and are all distinct and the function f is called a Square difference labeling of the graph G. In this paper, we prove  $S_m \cup S_n$ ,  $P_m \cup L_n$ ,  $C_m \cup C_n$ ,  $L_m \cup S_n$ ,  $C_m \cup S_n$  are the square difference graphs.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

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. Graph labeling ,where the vertices and edges are assigned real values or subsets of a set are subject to certain conditions. A detailed survey of graph labeling can be found in [2]. Terms not defined here are used in the sense of Harary in [3]. There are different kinds of labelings in the graph labeling such as Graceful, Harmonious, Cordial, Fibonacci, Square sum, etc. The concept of square difference labeling was first introduced in [1] and some results on square difference labeling of graphs are discussed in [1,4,6]. In this paper we investigate some more graphs for square difference labeling. We use the following definitions in the subsequent sections.

**Definition 1.1[1]:** A graph G(p,q) is said to be a square difference graph if there exists a bijection  $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1,2,..., p-1\}$  such that the induced function  $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow N$ , N is a natural number given by  $f^*(uv) = |[f(u)]^2 - [f(v)]^2$  |for every edges uv in G and are all distinct and the function f is called a square difference labeling of the graph G.

**Definition 1.2[2]:** A complete bipartite graph  $K_{1,n}$  is called a star and it has n+1 vertices and n edges and also it is denoted as  $S_n$ .

#### 2. Main Results

**Theorem 2.1:** All the graph  $C_m \cup C_n$  is a square difference graph.

**Proof:** Let  $C_m$  be the cycle graph with *m* vertices and *m* edges. Let  $C_n$  be the cycle graph

with *n* vertices and *n* edges. Let  $V(C_m) = \{u_i : 1 \le i \le m\}$ . Let  $V(C_n) = \{v_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$ .

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Therefore  $V(C_m \cup C_n) = \{u_i : 1 \le i \le m ; v_i : 1 \le i \le n\}.$ 

Let 
$$E(C_m) = \{u_i u_{i+1} : 1 \le i \le m-1; u_1 u_m\}$$
. Let  $E(C_n) = \{v_i v_{i+1} : 1 \le i \le n-1; v_1 v_n\}$ .

Therefore  $E(C_m \cup C_n) = \begin{cases} u_i u_{i+1} : 1 \le i \le m-1, u_1 u_m \\ v_i v_{i+1} : 1 \le i \le n-1, v_1 v_n \end{cases}$ 

Then we have  $|V(C_m \cup C_n)| = m + n$  and  $|E(C_m \cup C_n)| = m + n$ .

Case (i) m < n

**Subcase (i)** (Both m and n are odd)

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup C_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,..., m+n-1\}$ 

as follows:  $f(u_i) = i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le m$ ;  $f(v_i) = m - 1 + i$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ .

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f. The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2i - 1 \quad if \ 1 \le i \le m - 1 \ ; \ f^*(u_1 u_m) = (m - 1)^2 \quad ;$$
  
$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = 2m + 2i - 1 \quad if \ 1 \le i \le n - 1 \ ; \ f^*(v_1 v_n) = (2m + n - 1)(n - 1)$$

Subcase (ii) (m is odd and n is even)

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup C_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,..., m+n-1\}$ 

as follows:  $f(u_i) = i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le m$ ;  $f(v_i) = m - 2 + 2i$  if  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ 

 $f(v_{\frac{n+2i}{2}}) = m - 1 + 2i$  if  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ . Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f.

The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:  $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le m - 1$ ;  $f^*(u_1 u_m) = (m - 1)^2$ ;  $f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = 4(m + 2i - 1)$  if  $1 \le i \le \left(\frac{n - 2}{2}\right)$ ;  $f^*(v_n v_{n+2} - 1) = (2m + n - 1)(n - 3)$ ;  $f^*(v_{n+2i} - 1) = 4(m + 2i)$  if  $1 \le i \le \left(\frac{n - 2}{2}\right)$ ;  $f^*(v_1 v_n) = (2m + n - 1)(n - 1)$ .

Subcase (iii) (m is even and n is odd)

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup C_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,..., m+n-1\}$ 

as follows:  $f(u_i) = i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le m$ ;  $f(v_i) = m - 2 + 2i$  if  $1 \le i \le \left(\frac{m + 1}{2}\right)$ 

 $f(v_{\frac{n+1+2i}{2}}) = m-1+2i$  if  $1 \le i \le \left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)$ . Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f.

The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:  $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le m - 1$ ;

$$f^*(u_1u_m) = (m-1)^2 \quad ; f^*(v_iv_{i+1}) = 4(m+2i-1) \quad if \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right);$$
  
$$f^*(v_{\frac{n+1}{2}}v_{\frac{n+3}{2}}) = (2m+n)(n-2) \quad ; \quad f^*(v_{\frac{n+1+2i}{2}}v_{\frac{n+3+2i}{2}}) = 4(m+2i) \quad if \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{n-3}{2}\right);$$
  
$$f^*(v_1v_n) = (2m+n-2)(n-2) \quad .$$

#### Subcase (iv) (Both m and n are even)

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup C_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,..., m+n-1\}$ 

as follows: 
$$f(u_i) = i - 1$$
 if  $1 \le i \le m$ ;  $f(v_i) = m - 2 + 2i$  if  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ 

 $f(v_{\frac{n+2i}{2}}) = m - 1 + 2i$  if  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ . Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f.

The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:  $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le m - 1$ ;  $f^*(u_1 u_m) = (m - 1)^2$ ;  $f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = 4(m + 2i - 1)$  if  $1 \le i \le \left(\frac{n - 2}{2}\right)$ ;  $f^*(v_n v_{n+2} v_{n+2}) = (2m + n - 1)(n - 3)$ ;  $f^*(v_{n+2i} v_{n+2+2i}) = 4(m + 2i)$  if  $1 \le i \le \left(\frac{n - 2}{2}\right)$ ;  $f^*(v_1 v_n) = (2m + n - 1)(n - 1)$ .

Case (ii) (m=n)

Subcase (i) (m=3 and n=3)

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup C_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,\ldots, m+n-1\}$ 

as follows:  $f(u_i) = i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le 3$ ;  $f(v_i) = 2 + i$  if  $1 \le i \le 3$ .

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f. The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2i - 1$$
 if  $1 \le i \le 2$ ;  $f^*(u_1 u_3) = 4$ ;

$$f^{*}(v_{i}v_{i+1}) = 2i+5$$
 if  $1 \le i \le 2$ ;  $f^{*}(v_{1}v_{3}) = 16$ .

Subcase (ii) (m > 3 and n > 3)

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup C_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,\ldots, m+n-1\}$ 

as follows:  $f(u_i) = 2i - 2$  if  $1 \le i \le m$ ;  $f(v_i) = 2i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ .

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f. The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 8i - 4 \quad if \quad 1 \le i \le (m-1) \ ; \ f^*(u_1 u_m) = (m+n-2)^2 \ ;$$
  
$$f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = 8i \quad if \quad 1 \le i \le (n-1) \ ; \ f^*(v_1 v_n) = (m+n)(m+n-2) \ .$$

Case (iii) (m > n)

# Subcase (i) (Both m and n are odd)

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup C_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,..., m+n-1\}$ as follows:  $f(u_i) = n+i-1$  if  $1 \le i \le m$ ;  $f(v_i) = i-1$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ .

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f. The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2n + 2i - 1 \quad if \ 1 \le i \le m - 1 \ ; \ f^*(u_1 u_m) = (m - 1)(2n + m - 1) \ ;$$

$$f^{*}(v_{i}v_{i+1}) = 2i-1$$
 if  $1 \le i \le n-1$ ;  $f^{*}(v_{1}v_{n}) = (n-1)^{2}$ 

Subcase (ii) (m is odd and n is even)

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup C_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,..., m+n-1\}$ 

as follows: 
$$f(u_i) = n + 2i - 2$$
 if  $1 \le i \le \frac{m}{2}$ ;  $f(v_{\frac{m+2i}{2}}) = n - 1 + 2i$  if  $1 \le i \le \frac{m}{2}$ 

$$f(v_i) = i - 1 \quad if \quad 1 \le i \le n.$$

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f. The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:

$$f^{*}(u_{i}u_{i+1}) = 4(n+2i-1) \quad \text{if} \ 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{m-2}{2}\right); \ f^{*}(u_{\frac{m}{2}}u_{\frac{m+2}{2}}) = (2n+m-1)(m-3)$$

$$f^{*}(v_{\frac{m+2i}{2}}v_{\frac{m+2+2i}{2}}) = 4(n+2i) \quad \text{if} \ 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{m-2}{2}\right); \ f^{*}(u_{1}u_{m}) = (m-1)(2n+m-1) \quad ;$$

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$$f^{*}(v_{i}v_{i+1}) = 2i-1$$
 if  $1 \le i \le n-1$ ;  $f^{*}(v_{1}v_{n}) = (n-1)^{2}$ 

Subcase (iii) (m is even and n is odd)

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup C_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,..., m+n-1\}$ 

as follows: ; 
$$f(u_i) = n - 2 + 2i$$
 if  $1 \le i \le \left(\frac{m+1}{2}\right)$ ;  $f(u_{\frac{m+1+2i}{2}}) = n - 1 + 2i$  if  $1 \le i \le \left(\frac{m-1}{2}\right)$ .

 $f(v_i) = i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ . Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f.

The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:  $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 4(n+2i-1)$  if  $1 \le i \le \left(\frac{m-1}{2}\right)$ ;

$$\begin{aligned} f &* (u_{\frac{m+1}{2}}v_{\frac{m+3}{2}}) = (m+2n)(m-2); \ f &* (v_{\frac{m+1+2i}{2}}v_{\frac{m+3+2i}{2}}) = 4(n+2i) \ if \ 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{m-3}{2}\right); \\ f &* (u_1u_m) = (m-2)(2n+m-2) \ ; \ f &* (v_iv_{i+1}) = 2i-1 \ if \ 1 \le i \le n-1; \\ f &* (v_1v_n) = (n-1)^2 \end{aligned}$$

Subcase (iv) (Both m and n are even)

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup C_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,..., m+n-1\}$ 

as follows: 
$$f(u_i) = n - 2 + 2i$$
 if  $1 \le i \le \frac{m}{2}$ ;  $f(u_{\frac{m+2i}{2}}) = n - 1 + 2i$  if  $1 \le i \le \frac{m}{2}$ ;

 $f(v_i) = i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ .. Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f.

The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:  $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 4(n+2i-1)$  if  $1 \le i \le \left(\frac{m-2}{2}\right)$ 

$$f^*(v_{\frac{m}{2}}v_{\frac{m+2}{2}}) = (m+2n-1)(m-3); \quad f^*(v_{\frac{m+2i}{2}}v_{\frac{m+2+2i}{2}}) = 4(n+2i) \quad \text{if} \quad 1 \le i \le \left(\frac{m-2}{2}\right)$$
$$f^*(u_1u_m) = (m-1)(2n+m-1) \quad ; \quad f^*(v_iv_{i+1}) = 2i-1 \quad \text{if} \quad 1 \le i \le n-1; \quad f^*(v_1v_n) = (n-1)^2 \quad .$$

*Example.2.2:* A square difference labeling of  $C_6 \cup C_{15}$  is shown in the Fig 2.1.





**Theorem 2.3:** The graph  $S_m \cup S_n$  is a square difference graph.

**Proof:** Let  $S_m$  be the star graph with m + 1 vertices and m edges. Let  $S_n$  be the star graph with n+1 vertices and n edges. Let  $V(S_m) = \{u_i : 1 \le i \le m+1\}$ . Let  $V(S_n) = \{v_i : 1 \le i \le n+1\}$ . Therefore  $V(S_m \cup S_n) = \{u_i : 1 \le i \le m+1; v_i : 1 \le i \le n+1\}$ . Let  $E(S_m) = \{u_i u_{m+1} : 1 \le i \le m\}$ . Let  $E(S_n) = \{v_i v_{n+1} : 1 \le i \le n\}$ . Therefore  $E(S_m \cup S_n) = \{u_i u_{m+1} : 1 \le i \le m; v_i v_{n+1} : 1 \le i \le n\}$ . Then we have  $|V(S_m \cup S_n)| = m+n+2$  and  $|E(S_m \cup S_n)| = m+n$ . Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $S_m \cup S_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,...,m+n+1\}$  as follows:  $f(u_i) = i+1$  if  $1 \le i \le m; f(u_{m+1}) = 0$ ;  $f(v_i) = m+i+1$  if  $1 \le i \le n; f(v_{n+1}) = 1$ . Let f \* be the induced edge labeling of f. The induced edge labels by f \* as follows:  $f^*(u_i u_{m+1}) = (i+1)^2$  if  $1 \le i \le m; f^*(v_i v_{n+1}) = (m+i)(m+2+i)$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ . **Theorem 2.4:** Any graph  $P_m \cup L_n$  admits a square difference labeling. **Proof:** Let  $P_m$  be the path graph with m vertices and m-1 edges. Let  $L_n$  be the Ladder graph with 2n vertices and 3n-2 edges. Let  $V(P_m) = \{u_i : 1 \le i \le m\}$ . Let  $V(L_n) = \{v_i, w_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$ .

Therefore  $V(P_m \cup L_n) = \{u_i : 1 \le i \le m ; v_i, w_i : 1 \le i \le n\}.$ 

Let 
$$E(P_m) = \{ u_i u_{i+1} : 1 \le i \le m-1 \}$$
. Let  $E(L_n) = \begin{cases} v_i v_{i+1} & :1 \le i \le n-1 \\ w_i w_{i+1} & :1 \le i \le n-1 \\ v_i w_i & :1 \le i \le n \end{cases}$ 

Therefore  $E(P_m \cup L_n) = \begin{cases} u_i u_{i+1} & :1 \le i \le m-1 \\ v_i v_{i+1} & :1 \le i \le n-1 \\ w_i w_{i+1} & :1 \le i \le n-1 \\ v_i w_i & :1 \le i \le n \end{cases}$ 

Then we have  $|V(P_m \cup L_n)| = m + 2n$  and  $|E(P_m \cup L_n)| = m + 3n - 3$ .

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $P_m \cup L_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,\ldots,m+2n\}$ 

as follows: 
$$f(u_i) = i - 1$$
 if  $1 \le i \le m$ ;  $f(v_i) = m - 1 + i$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ ;  
 $f(w_i) = m + n - 1 + i$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ . Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of  $f$ .

The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:  $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2i - 1$  if  $1 \le i \le m - 1$  $f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = 2m - 1 + 2i$  if  $1 \le i \le n - 1$ ;  $f^*(w_i w_{i+1}) = 2m + 2n - 1 + 2i$  if  $1 \le i \le n - 1$ ;  $f^*(v_i w_i) = n(2m + n - 2 + 2i)$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ .

**Theorem 2.5:** Every graph  $L_m \cup S_n$  is a square difference graph.

**Proof:** Let  $L_m$  be the Ladder graph with 2m vertices and 3m-2 edges.

Let  $S_n$  be the star graph with n+1 vertices and n edges. Let  $V(L_m) = \{u_i, v_i : 1 \le i \le m\}$ .

Let  $V(S_n) = \{ w_i : 1 \le i \le n+1 \}$ . Let  $V(L_m \cup S_n) = \begin{cases} u_i, v_i : 1 \le i \le m \\ w_i : 1 \le i \le n+1 \end{cases}$ 

. Let 
$$E(L_m) = \begin{cases} u_i u_{i+1} & : 1 \le i \le m-1 \\ v_i v_{i+1} & : 1 \le i \le m-1 \\ u_i v_i & : 1 \le i \le m \end{cases}$$

Let  $E(S_n) = \{ w_i | w_{n+1} : 1 \le i \le n \}$ 

Therefore 
$$E(L_m) = \begin{cases} u_i u_{i+1} & : \ 1 \le i \le m - 1 \\ v_i v_{i+1} & : \ 1 \le i \le m - 1 \\ u_i v_i & : \ 1 \le i \le m \\ w_i w_{n+1} & : \ 1 \le i \le n \end{cases}$$

Then we have  $|V(L_m \cup S_n)| = 2m + n + 1$  and  $|E(P_m \cup L_n)| = 3m + n - 2$ .

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $L_m \cup S_n$  to  $\{0, 1, 2, ..., 2m + n + 1\}$ 

as follows: 
$$f(u_i) = i$$
 if  $1 \le i \le m$ ;  $f(v_i) = m + i$  if  $1 \le i \le m$ ;  
 $f(w_i) = 2m + i$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ ;  $f(w_{n+1}) = 0$ .

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f. The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2i + 1 \quad if \quad 1 \le i \le m - 1; \\ f^*(u_i v_i) = m(m + 2i) \quad if \quad 1 \le i \le m; \\ f^*(w_i w_{n+1}) = (2m + i)^2 \quad if \quad 1 \le i \le n.$$

*Example 2.6:* A square difference labeling of  $L_7 \cup C_{16}$  is shown in the Fig 2.2.



**Theorem 2.7:** The graph  $C_m \cup S_n$  is a square difference graph.

**Proof:** Let  $C_m$  be the cycle graph with m vertices and m edges. Let  $S_n$  be the star graph with n+1 vertices and n edges. Let  $V(C_m) = \{ u_i : 1 \le i \le m \}$ . Let  $V(S_n) = \{ v_i : 1 \le i \le n+1 \}$ . Therefore  $V(C_m \cup S_n) = \{ u_i : 1 \le i \le m ; v_i : 1 \le i \le n+1 \}$ . Let

 $E(C_m) = \{ u_i u_{i+1} : 1 \le i \le m-1, u_1 u_m \}. \text{ Let } E(S_n) = \{ v_i v_{n+1} : 1 \le i \le n \}.$ 

Therefore 
$$E(C_m \cup S_n) = \begin{cases} u_i u_{i+1} : 1 \le i \le m-1, & u_1 u_m \\ v_i v_{n+1} : 1 \le i \le n \end{cases}$$

Then  $|V(C_m \cup S_n)| = m + n + 1$  and  $|E(C_m \cup S_n)| = m + n$ .

Define a bijection f from the vertices of  $C_m \cup S_n$  to  $\{0,1,2,\ldots, m+n\}$ 

as follows:  $f(u_i) = i$  if  $1 \le i \le m$ ;  $f(v_i) = m + i$  if  $1 \le i \le n$ ;  $f(v_{n+1}) = 0$ .

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of f. The induced edge labels by  $f^*$  as follows:

 $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2i + 1 \quad \text{if} \quad 1 \le i \le m - 1 \; ; \; f^*(u_1 u_m) = m^2 - 1 \; ; \; f^*(v_i v_{n+1}) = (m+i)^2 \quad \text{if} \; \; 1 \le i \le n \; .$ 

## **3.**Conclusion

In this paper, we investigated the square difference labeling behavior of some union related graphs. We have planned to investigate the square difference labeling of some more special graphs in the next paper.

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