

## PAIR DIFFERENCE CORDIALITY OF CERTAIN SUBDIVISION GRAPHS

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ABSTRACT. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a  $(p, q)$  graph.

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### 1. Introduction

In this paper we consider finite, undirected and simple graphs only. A. Rosa was introduced the graceful labeling in [19] and harmonious labeling was introduced by R.L.Graham and N.J,A.Solane [11]. A weaker version of graceful and harmonious labeling called cordial labeling was introduced by Cachit[3]. Cordial labeling behaviour of several graphs studied in [1,2,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,13,14,15]. The notion of pair difference cordial labeling of a graph was introduced in [16]. The

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pair difference cordial labeling behavior of several graphs like path, cycle, star, wheel, helm, web, closed helm, closed web, parachute, fan, umbrella, (n,t)-kite graph, butterfly have been investigated in [16,17,18,19,20,21,22]. In this paper we have investigate the pair difference cordiality of subdivision of some graphs

## 2. Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a  $(p, q)$  graph.

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**Definition 2.2.** [8]. The subdivision graph  $S(G)$  of a graph  $G$  is obtained by replacing each edge  $uv$  by a path  $uvw$ .

**Definition 2.3.** [8]. The ladder  $L_n$  is obtained from two copies of the paths  $u_1u_2 \cdots u_n$  and  $v_1v_2 \cdots v_n$  by joining each  $u_i$  with  $v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Clearly  $L_n$  has  $2n$  vertices and  $3n - 2$  edges.

**Definition 2.4.** [8]. The triangular snake  $T_n$  is obtained from the path  $P_n$  by replacing each edge of the path by a triangle  $C_3$ .

Let  $V(T_n) = \{u_i, v_j : 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n - 1\}$  and  $E(T_n) = \{u_iu_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\} \cup \{u_iv_i, v_iv_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\}$ . Obviously  $T_n$  has  $2n - 1$  vertices and  $3n - 3$  edges.

**Definition 2.5.** The alternate triangular snake  $A(T_n)$  is obtained from the path  $u_1u_2 \cdots u_n$  by joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  (alternatively) to new vertex  $v_i$ . That is every alternate edge of a path is replaced by  $C_3$ . Now we define the vertex set and edge set of  $A(T_n)$  as follows.

**Type 1.** The edge  $u_1u_2$  lies on the triangle and the edge  $u_{n-1}u_n$  lies on the triangle. In this case  $n$  is even. Let  $V(A(T_n)) = \{u_i, v_j : 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq \frac{n}{2}\}$

and  $E(A(T_n)) = \{u_i u_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{u_{2i} v_i, u_{2i-1} v_i : 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}\}$ . It is easy to verify that in this case  $A(T_n)$  has  $\frac{3n}{2}$  vertices and  $2n-1$  edges.

**Type 2.** The edge  $u_1 u_2$  not lies on the triangle and the edge  $u_{n-1} u_n$  not lies on the triangle. Here clearly  $n$  is even. Let  $V(A(T_n)) = \{u_i, v_j : 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq \frac{n-2}{2}\}$  and  $E(A(T_n)) = \{u_{2i} v_i, u_{2i+1} v_i : 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}\} \cup \{u_i u_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ . Note that  $A(T_n)$  has  $\frac{3n-2}{2}$  vertices and  $2n-3$  edges.

**Type 3.** The edge  $u_1 u_2$  not lies on the triangle and the edge  $u_{n-1} u_n$  lies on the triangle. In this type  $n$  is odd. Let  $V(A(T_n)) = \{u_i, v_j : 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq \frac{n-1}{2}\}$  and  $E(A(T_n)) = \{u_{2i} v_i, u_{2i+1} v_i : 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}\} \cup \{u_i u_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ . Clearly in this type  $A(T_n)$  has  $\frac{3n-1}{2}$  vertices and  $2n-2$  edges.

**Theorem 2.6.** [16]. *The cycle  $C_n$  is pair difference cordial if and only if  $n > 3$ .*

**Theorem 2.7.** [16]. *The path  $P_n$  is pair difference cordial for all values of  $n \neq 3$ .*

### 3. Main Results

**Theorem 3.1.** *The subdivision of star  $K_{1,n}, S(K_{1,n})$  is pair difference cordial if and only if  $n \geq 2$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $V(S(K_{1,n})) = \{x, x_i, y_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $E(S(K_{1,n})) = \{x x_i, x_i y_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ . Clearly  $S(K_{1,n})$  has  $2n+1$  vertices and  $2n$  edges.

When  $n = 1$ ,  $S(K_{1,1}) \cong P_3$  is not pair difference cordial proof follows from theorem 2.7.

Now consider  $n > 1$ . There are two cases arises.

**Case 1.**  $n$  is even .

Assign the label 2 to the vertex  $x$ . Next assign the labels  $2, 4, 6, \dots, n$  respectively to the vertices  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{\frac{n}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $1, 3, 5, \dots, n-1$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-2, -4, -6, \dots, -n$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, x_n$  respectively. Next we consider the pendant vertices. Assign the labels  $-1, -3, -5, \dots, -n+1$  respectively to the vertices  $y_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, y_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, y_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, y_n$  respectively.

**Case 2.**  $n$  is odd .

As in case 1, assign the labels to the vertices  $x, x_i, y_i, 1 \leq i \leq n-1$ . Finally assign the labels 3, -3 respectively to the vertices  $x_n, y_n$ . Since  $\Delta_{f_i} = \Delta_{f_1} = n$ , this vertex labeling establish that  $S(K_{1,n})$  is a pair difference cordial graph.

□

**Theorem 3.2.** *The subdivision of bistar  $B_{n,n}$ ,  $S(B_{n,n})$  is pair difference cordial for all values of  $n$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $V(S(B_{n,n})) = \{x, y, z, x_i, y_i, a_i, b_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $E(S(B_{n,n})) = \{xx_i, x_ia_i, yy_i, y_ib_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{xz, yz\}$ . Clearly  $S(B_{n,n})$  has  $4n + 3$  vertices and  $4n + 2$  edges.

**Case 1.**  $n = 2$ .

Clearly  $S(B_{1,1}) \cong P_7$ . By theorem 2.7,  $S(B_{1,1})$  is pair difference cordial.

**Case 2.**  $n \geq 3$ .

Assign the labels 1, -1, 2 respectively to the vertices  $x, y, z$ . Now assign the labels 2, 4, 6,  $\dots$ ,  $2n$  respectively to the vertices  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n$  and assign the labels -2, -4, -6,  $\dots$ ,  $-2n$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_n$  respectively. Now we consider the pendant vertices  $a_i$ . Assign the labels 3, 5, 7,  $\dots$ ,  $2n + 1$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$ . We now consider the pendant vertices  $b_i$ . Assign the labels -3, -5, -7,  $\dots$ ,  $-2n - 1$  to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_n$  respectively. Obviously,  $\Delta f_1 = 2n, \Delta f_1^c = 2n + 1$ , this vertex labeling gives that  $S(B_{n,n})$  is pair difference cordial for all values of  $n$ .

□

**Theorem 3.3.**  *$S(L_n)$  is pair difference cordial for all  $n \geq 2$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $S(V(L_n)) = \{u_i, v_i, z_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{x_i, y_i : 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\}$  and  $S(E(L_n)) = \{u_ix_i, x_iu_{i+1}, v_iy_i, y_iv_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\} \cup \{u_iz_i, v_iz_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

**Case 1.**  $n = 2$ .

Clearly  $S(L_2) \cong C_8$ . By theorem 2.6,  $S(L_2)$  is pair difference cordial.

**Case 2.**  $n \geq 3$ .

There are two cases arises.

**Subcase 1.**  $n$  is even.

Assign the labels 1, 3, 4 respectively to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3$ . Next assign the labels 8, 12, 16,  $\dots$ ,  $2n - 4$  respectively to the vertices  $u_5, u_7, u_9, \dots, u_{n-1}$  and assign the labels 7, 11, 15,  $\dots$ ,  $2n - 1$  to the vertices  $u_4, u_6, u_8, \dots, u_n$ . Next consider the vertices  $x_i$ . Assign the labels 2, 6, 10,  $\dots$ ,  $2n - 2$  respectively to the vertices  $x_1, x_3, x_5, \dots, x_{n-1}$  also assign the labels 5, 9, 13,  $\dots$ ,  $2n - 3$  respectively to the vertices  $x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots, x_{n-2}$ .

Next we consider the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels -1, -3, -5,  $\dots$ ,  $-(2n - 1)$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  respectively and now consider the vertices  $y_i$ . Assign the labels -2, -4, -6,  $\dots$ ,  $-(2n - 2)$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{n-1}$ . Now

we consider the vertices  $z_i$ . Assign the labels  $2n, 2n + 1, 2n + 2, \dots, \frac{5n-2}{2}$  to the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{\frac{n}{2}}$  also assign the labels  $-2n, -(2n + 1), -(2n + 2), \dots, -\frac{5n-2}{2}$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, z_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, z_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, z_n$ .

**Subcase 2.**  $n$  is odd.

Assign the labels 1, 3, 4 respectively to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3$ . Next assign the labels 8, 12, 16,  $\dots, 2n - 2$  respectively to the vertices  $u_5, u_7, u_9, \dots, u_n$  and assign the labels 7, 11, 15,  $\dots, 2n - 3$  to the vertices  $u_4, u_6, u_8, \dots, u_{n-1}$ . Next consider the vertices  $x_i$ . Assign the labels 2, 6, 10,  $\dots, 2n - 4$  respectively to the vertices  $x_1, x_3, x_5, \dots, x_{n-2}$  also assign the labels 5, 9, 13,  $\dots, 2n - 1$  respectively to the vertices  $x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots, x_{n-1}$ .

Next we consider the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels  $-1, -3, -5, \dots, -(2n - 1)$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$  respectively. Now consider the vertices  $y_i$ . Assign the labels  $-2, -4, -6, \dots, -(2n - 2)$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{n-1}$ . Now we move to the vertices  $z_i$ . Assign the labels  $2n, 2n + 1, 2n + 2, \dots, \frac{5n-3}{2}$  to the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  also assign the labels  $-2n, -(2n + 1), -(2n + 2), \dots, -\frac{5n-3}{2}$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, z_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, z_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, z_{n-1}$ . Finally assign the label 1 to the vertex  $z_n$ .

In both cases, clearly  $\Delta f_1 = 3n - 2 = \Delta f_1^c$ . Therefore this vertex labeling gives that  $S(L_n)$  is pair difference cordial graph for all  $n$ .

□

**Theorem 3.4.**  $S(T_n)$  is pair difference cordial for all values of  $n \geq 3$ .

*Proof.* Let us take the vertex set and edge set of triangular snake  $T_n$  from the definition 2.4. Let the edge  $u_i u_{i+1}, u_i v_i, u_{i+1} v_i$  be subdivided by the vertex  $x_i, y_i, z_i$ . Note that  $S(T_n)$  has  $5n - 4$  vertices and  $6n - 6$  edges. There are three cases arises.

**Case 1.**  $n = 2$ .

Obviously  $S(T_2) \cong C_6$ . By theorem 2.6,  $S(T_2)$  is pair difference cordial.

**Case 2.**  $n = 3$ .

Assign the labels 1, 3,  $-2$  to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  respectively. Next assign the labels 2,  $-1$  to the vertices  $x_1, x_2$  respectively and assign the labels 3,  $-3$  to the vertices  $z_1, z_2$  respectively. Finally assign the labels 5,  $-4$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2$  and assign the labels 4,  $-5$  respectively to the vertices  $v_1, v_2$ .

**Case 3.**  $n > 3$ .

There are two cases arises.

**Subcase 1.**  $n$  is even.

Assign the labels  $1, -1$  to the vertices  $u_1, u_{\frac{n+2}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $3, 8, 13, \dots, \frac{5n-14}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $u_2, u_3, u_4, \dots, u_{\frac{n}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-3, -8, -13, \dots, -\frac{5n-14}{2}$  to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, \dots, u_n$  respectively. Now we consider the vertices  $x_i$ . Assign the labels  $2, 7, 12, \dots, \frac{5n-6}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{\frac{n}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-2, -7, -12, \dots, -\frac{5n-16}{2}$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-1}$  respectively.

Now move to the vertices  $y_i$ . Assign the labels  $5, 10, 15, \dots, \frac{5n-10}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-5, -10, -15, \dots, -\frac{5n-10}{2}$  to the vertices  $y_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, y_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, y_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, y_{n-1}$  respectively. Next we consider the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels  $6, 11, 16, \dots, \frac{5n-8}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-6, -11, -16, \dots, -\frac{5n-8}{2}$  to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, v_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, v_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, v_{n-1}$  respectively. Now we move to the vertices  $z_i$ . Assign the labels  $4, 9, 14, \dots, \frac{5n-12}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-4, -9, -14, \dots, -\frac{5n-12}{2}$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, z_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, z_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, z_{n-1}$  respectively.

Next assign the labels  $-\frac{5n-4}{2}, -\frac{5n-6}{2}, \frac{5n-4}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $y_{\frac{n}{2}}, v_{\frac{n}{2}}, z_{\frac{n}{2}}$ .

**Subcase 2.**  $n$  is odd.

Assign the labels  $1, -1$  to the vertices  $u_1, u_{\frac{n+1}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $3, 8, 13, \dots, \frac{5n-17}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $u_2, u_3, u_4, \dots, u_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-3, -8, -13, \dots, -\frac{5n-17}{2}$  to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+7}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-1}$  respectively. Now we consider the vertices  $x_i$ . Assign the labels  $2, 7, 12, \dots, \frac{5n-11}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-2, -7, -12, \dots, -\frac{5n-11}{2}$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-1}$  respectively.

Now we consider the vertices  $y_i$ . Assign the labels  $5, 10, 15, \dots, \frac{5n-5}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-5, -10, -15, \dots, -\frac{5n-5}{2}$  to the vertices  $y_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, y_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, y_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, y_{n-1}$  respectively. Next we move to the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels  $6, 11, 16, \dots, \frac{5n-13}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{\frac{n-3}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-6, -11, -16, \dots, -\frac{5n-13}{2}$  to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, v_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, v_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, v_{n-2}$  respectively and also assign the labels

$\frac{5n-7}{2}, -\frac{5n-7}{2}$  to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n-1}{2}}, v_{n-1}$ .

We now move to the vertices  $z_i$ . Assign the labels  $4, 9, 14, \dots, \frac{5n-15}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{\frac{n-3}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-4, -9, -14, \dots, -\frac{5n-15}{2}$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, z_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, z_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, z_{n-2}$  respectively. Finally assign the labels  $\frac{5n-7}{2}, -\frac{5n-9}{2}, -1$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n-1}{2}}, z_{n-1}, u_n$ .

In all the cases, clearly  $\Delta f_1 = 3n - 3 = \Delta f_1^c$ . This vertex labeling gives that  $S(T_n)$  is pair difference cordial graph for all values of  $n$ .

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**Theorem 3.5.**  $S(A(T_n))$  is pair difference cordial if the edge  $u_1u_2$  lies on the triangle and the edge  $u_{n-1}u_n$  lies on the triangle for all even  $n \geq 4$ .

*Proof.* The vertex set and edge set of alternate triangular snake  $A(T_n)$  are taken from the definition 2.5. The edge  $u_iu_{i+1}$  subdivide by the vertex  $x_i$ , the edge  $u_{2i-1}v_i$  subdivide by the vertex  $y_i$  and the edge  $u_{2i}v_i$  subdivide by the vertex  $z_i$ .  $S(A(T_n))$  has  $\frac{7n-2}{2}$  vertices and  $4n - 2$  edges. There are two cases arises.

**Case 1.**  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .

First we consider the vertices  $u_i$ . Assign the labels  $1, 7, 13, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 2$  to the vertices  $u_1, u_3, u_5, \dots, u_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $3, 9, 15, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $u_2, u_4, u_6, \dots, u_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-1, -7, -13, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 2)$  to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+10}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-1}$  and assign the labels  $-3, -9, -15, \dots, -3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 6$  respectively to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-2}$ .

Next consider the vertices  $x_i$ . Assign the labels  $2, 8, 14, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 1$  to the vertices  $x_1, x_3, x_5, \dots, x_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-2, -8, -14, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 1)$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+10}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-1}$ . Now assign the labels  $3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 4, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 5, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 6, \dots, \frac{7n-4}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots, x_{\frac{n-4}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 4), -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 5), -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 6), \dots, -\frac{7n-4}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n-2}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-1}$ .

We now consider the vertices  $y_i$ . Assign the labels  $5, 11, 17, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 2$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{\frac{n}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-5, -11, -17, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 2)$  to the vertices  $y_{\frac{n+4}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+8}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+12}{4}}, \dots, y_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Next we consider the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels  $6, 12, 18, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 3$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{\frac{n}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-6, -12, -18, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 3)$  to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+4}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+8}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+12}{4}}, \dots, v_{\frac{n}{2}}$ .

Next we move the vertices  $z_i$ . Assign the labels  $4, 10, 16, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 1$  to the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{\frac{n}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-4, -10, -16, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 1)$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n+4}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+8}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+12}{4}}, \dots, z_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Finally assign the labels  $-\frac{7n-4}{4}, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 1), -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}))$  to the vertices  $x_{n-2}, u_n, z_{\frac{n}{2}}$ .

**Case 2.**  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

First we consider the vertices  $u_i$ . Assign the labels  $1, 7, 13, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) - 2$  to the vertices  $u_1, u_3, u_5, \dots, u_{\frac{n-4}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $3, 9, 15, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $u_2, u_4, u_6, \dots, u_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-1, -7, -13, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-4}{2}) - 2)$  to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-1}$  and assign the labels  $-3, -9, -15, \dots, -3(\frac{n-4}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+10}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+14}{2}}, \dots, u_n$ .

Next we move to the vertices  $x_i$ . Assign the labels  $2, 8, 14, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 2$  to the vertices  $x_1, x_3, x_5, \dots, x_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-2, -8, -14, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 4)$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-1}$ . Now assign the labels  $3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 8, 3(\frac{n-2}{4}) + 9, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 10, \dots, \frac{7n-2}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots, x_{\frac{n-6}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 6), -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 7), -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 8), \dots, -\frac{7n-2}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+2}{4}}, x_{\frac{n+10}{4}}, x_{\frac{n+18}{4}}, \dots, x_{n-2}$ .

We now consider the vertices  $y_i$ . Assign the labels  $5, 11, 17, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 2$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{\frac{n-2}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-5, -11, -17, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 2)$  to the vertices  $y_{\frac{n+6}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+10}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+14}{4}}, \dots, y_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Next we consider the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels  $6, 12, 18, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 3$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{\frac{n}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-6, -12, -18, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 3)$  to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+6}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+10}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+14}{4}}, \dots, v_{\frac{n}{2}}$ .

Next we consider the vertices  $z_i$ . Assign the labels  $4, 10, 16, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 1$  to the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{\frac{n-2}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-4, -10, -16, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 1)$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n+6}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+10}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+14}{4}}, \dots, z_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Finally assign the labels  $-\frac{7n-2}{4}, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 1), -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}))$  to the vertices  $x_{n-2}, u_n, z_{\frac{n}{2}}$ .

In both cases, obviously  $\Delta f_1 = 2n - 1 = \Delta f_1^c$ . Therefore this vertex labeling gives that  $S(AT_n)$  is pair difference cordial if the edge  $u_1u_2$  lies on the triangle and the edge  $u_{n-1}u_n$  lies on the triangle for all even  $n \geq 4$ .

□

**Theorem 3.6.**  $S(AT_n)$  is pair difference cordial if the edge  $u_1u_2$  not lies on the triangle and the edge  $u_{n-1}u_n$  not lies on the triangle for all even  $n \geq 4$ .



*Proof.* Consider the vertex set and edge set of alternate triangular snake  $A(T_n)$  as in definition 2.5. Let the edge  $u_i u_{i+1}, u_{2i} v_i, u_{2i+1} v_i$  be subdivided by the vertex  $x_i, y_i, z_i$ . It is easy to verify that  $S(A(T_n))$  has  $\frac{7n-8}{2}$  vertices and  $4n-6$  edges.

There are two cases arises.

**Case 1.**  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .

First we consider the vertices  $u_i$ . Assign the labels  $1, 7, 13, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 2$  to the vertices  $u_2, u_4, u_6, \dots, u_{\frac{n}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $3, 9, 15, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $u_1, u_3, u_5, \dots, u_{\frac{n+2}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-1, -7, -13, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 8)$  to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-2}$  and assign the labels  $-3, -9, -15, \dots, -3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 6$  respectively to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-1}$  and assign the labels  $\frac{7n-8}{4}, -\frac{7n-8}{4}$  respectively to the vertices  $u_1, u_n$ .

Next consider the vertices  $x_i$ . Assign the labels  $2, 8, 14, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 1$  to the vertices  $x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots, x_{\frac{n}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-2, -8, -14, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 1)$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-2}$ . Now assign the labels  $3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 1, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 2, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 3, \dots, \frac{7n-12}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_1, x_3, x_5, \dots, x_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 1), -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 2), -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 3), \dots, -\frac{7n-12}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+10}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-1}$ .

Now we move to the vertices  $y_i$ . Assign the labels  $5, 11, 17, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 4$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{\frac{n-4}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-5, -11, -17, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 4)$  to the vertices  $y_{\frac{n+4}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+8}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+12}{4}}, \dots, y_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$ . Next we consider the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels  $6, 12, 18, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 3$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{\frac{n-4}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-6, -12, -18, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 3)$  to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+4}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+8}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+12}{4}}, \dots, v_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$ .

We now consider the vertices  $z_i$ . Assign the labels  $4, 10, 16, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 5$  to the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{\frac{n-4}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-4, -10, -16, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) - 5)$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n+4}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+8}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+12}{4}}, \dots, z_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$ . Finally assign the labels  $-(3(\frac{n-2}{4}) - 2), -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 1), -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}))$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n}{4}}, v_{\frac{n}{4}}, y_{\frac{n}{4}}$ .

**Case 2.**  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

First we consider the vertices  $u_i$ . Assign the labels  $1, 7, 13, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) - 2$  to the vertices  $u_2, u_4, u_6, \dots, u_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $3, 9, 15, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $u_3, u_5, u_7, \dots, u_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-1, -7, -13,$

$\dots, -(3(\frac{n-4}{2}) - 2)$  to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+10}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-2}$  and assign the labels  $-3, -9, -15, \dots, -3(\frac{n-4}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-1}$ .

Now we move to the vertices  $x_i$ . Assign the labels  $2, 8, 14, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) - 1$  to the vertices  $x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots, x_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-2, -8, -14, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-4}{2}) - 1)$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+10}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-2}$ . Now assign the labels  $3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 4, 3(\frac{n-4}{4}) + 5, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 6, \dots, \frac{7n-10}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_3, x_5, x_7, \dots, x_{\frac{n-4}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 4, 3(\frac{n-4}{4}) + 5, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 6, \dots, \frac{7n-10}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+2}{4}}, x_{\frac{n+10}{4}}, x_{\frac{n+18}{4}}, \dots, x_{n-2}$ .

We now consider the vertices  $y_i$ . Assign the labels  $5, 11, 17, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 2$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{\frac{n-2}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-5, -11, -17, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 2)$  to the vertices  $y_{\frac{n+2}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+6}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+10}{4}}, \dots, y_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$ . Next we consider the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels  $6, 12, 18, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 3$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{\frac{n-2}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-6, -12, -18, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 3)$  to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+2}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+6}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+10}{4}}, \dots, v_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$ .

Next we move to the vertices  $z_i$ . Assign the labels  $4, 10, 16, \dots, 3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 1$  to the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{\frac{n-2}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-4, -10, -16, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-4}{2}) + 1)$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n+2}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+6}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+10}{4}}, \dots, z_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$ . Finally assign the labels  $-\frac{7n-6}{4}, -(\frac{7n-10}{4}), \frac{7n-10}{4}$  to the vertices  $u_1, u_n, x_1$ .

In all the cases, clearly  $\Delta f_1 = 2n - 3 = \Delta f_1^c$ . This vertex labeling gives that  $S(AT_n)$  is pair difference cordial graph if the edge  $u_1u_2$  not lies on the triangle and the edge  $u_{n-1}u_n$  not lies on the triangle for all even  $n \geq 4$ . □

**Theorem 3.7.**  $S(A(T_n))$  is pair difference cordial if the edge  $u_1u_2$  not lies on the triangle and the edge  $u_{n-1}u_n$  lies on the triangle for all odd  $n \geq 3$ .

*Proof.* Consider the vertex set and edge set of alternate triangular snake  $A(T_n)$  as in definition 2.5. Let the edges  $u_iu_{i+1}, u_{2i}v_i, u_{2i+1}v_i$  be subdivided by the vertex  $x_i, y_i, z_i$ . Clearly  $S(A(T_n))$  has  $\frac{7n-7}{2}$  vertices and  $4n - 4$  edges. There are two cases arises.

**Case 1.**  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

First we consider the vertices  $u_i$ . Assign the labels  $1, 7, 13, \dots, 3(\frac{n-3}{2}) - 2$  to the vertices  $u_2, u_4, u_6, \dots, u_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $3, 9, 15, \dots, 3(\frac{n-3}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $u_3, u_5, u_7, \dots, u_{\frac{n+1}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-1, -7, -13, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-3}{2}) - 2)$  to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+7}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+11}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-1}$  and assign

the labels  $-3, -9, -15, \dots, -3(\frac{n-3}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+9}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+13}{2}}, \dots, u_n$ .

Next consider the vertices  $x_i$ . Assign the labels  $2, 8, 14, \dots, 3(\frac{n-3}{2}) - 1$  to the vertices  $x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots, x_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-2, -8, -14, \dots, -3(\frac{n-3}{2}) - 1$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+7}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+11}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-1}$ . Now assign the labels  $3(\frac{n-3}{2}) + 4, 3(\frac{n-3}{2}) + 5, 3(\frac{n-3}{2}) + 6, \dots, \frac{7n-7}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_1, x_3, x_5, \dots, x_{\frac{n-3}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-3(\frac{n-3}{2}) + 4, -3(\frac{n-3}{2}) + 5, -3(\frac{n-3}{2}) + 6, \dots, -\frac{7n-7}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+9}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-2}$ .

Now we move to the vertices  $y_i$ . Assign the labels  $5, 11, 17, \dots, 3(\frac{n-3}{2}) + 2$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{\frac{n-1}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-5, -11, -17, \dots, -3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 2$  to the vertices  $y_{\frac{n+3}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+7}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+11}{4}}, \dots, y_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ . Next we consider the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels  $6, 12, 18, \dots, 3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 3$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{\frac{n-1}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-6, -12, -18, \dots, -3(\frac{n-2}{2}) + 3$  to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+3}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+7}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+11}{4}}, \dots, v_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ .

Next we consider the vertices  $z_i$ . Assign the labels  $4, 10, 16, \dots, 3(\frac{n-3}{2}) + 1$  to the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{\frac{n-1}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-4, -10, -16, \dots, -3(\frac{n-3}{2}) + 1$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n+3}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+7}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+11}{4}}, \dots, z_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ . Finally assign the labels  $-(\frac{7n-7}{4})$  to the vertices  $u_1$ .

**Case 2.**  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

First we consider the vertices  $u_i$ . Assign the labels  $1, 7, 13, \dots, 3(\frac{n-1}{2}) - 2$  to the vertices  $u_2, u_4, u_6, \dots, u_{\frac{n+1}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $3, 9, 15, \dots, 3(\frac{n-1}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $u_3, u_5, u_7, \dots, u_{\frac{n+3}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-1, -7, -13, \dots, -3(\frac{n-1}{2}) - 8$  to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+9}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+13}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-1}$  and assign the labels  $-3, -9, -15, \dots, -3(\frac{n-1}{2}) - 6$  respectively to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+7}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+11}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+15}{2}}, \dots, u_n$ .

Next consider the vertices  $x_i$ . Assign the labels  $2, 8, 14, \dots, 3(\frac{n-1}{2}) - 1$  to the vertices  $x_2, x_4, x_6, \dots, x_{\frac{n+1}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-2, -8, -14, \dots, -3(\frac{n-1}{2}) - 7$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+9}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+13}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-1}$ . Now assign the labels  $3(\frac{n-1}{2}) + 1, 3(\frac{n-1}{2}) + 2, 3(\frac{n-1}{2}) + 3, \dots, \frac{7n-5}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_1, x_3, x_5, \dots, x_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-3(\frac{n-1}{2}) + 1, -3(\frac{n-1}{2}) + 2, -3(\frac{n-1}{2}) + 3, \dots, -\frac{7n-9}{4}$  to the vertices  $x_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+7}{2}}, x_{\frac{n+11}{2}}, \dots, x_{n-1}$ .

We now consider the vertices  $y_i$ . Assign the labels  $5, 11, 17, \dots, 3(\frac{n-3}{2}) - 1$  to the vertices  $y_1, y_2, y_3, \dots, y_{\frac{n-3}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-5, -11, -17, \dots, -3(\frac{n-3}{2}) -$

1) to the vertices  $y_{\frac{n+5}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+9}{4}}, y_{\frac{n+13}{4}}, \dots, y_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ . Next we consider the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels  $6, 12, 18, \dots, 3(\frac{n-3}{2})$  to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{\frac{n-3}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-6, -12, -18, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-3}{2}))$  to the vertices  $v_{\frac{n+5}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+9}{4}}, v_{\frac{n+13}{4}}, \dots, v_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ .

Next we move to the vertices  $z_i$ . Assign the labels  $4, 10, 16, \dots, 3(\frac{n-3}{2}) - 2$  to the vertices  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots, z_{\frac{n-3}{4}}$  and assign the labels  $-4, -10, -16, \dots, -(3(\frac{n-3}{2}) - 2)$  to the vertices  $z_{\frac{n+5}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+9}{4}}, z_{\frac{n+13}{4}}, \dots, z_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ . Finally assign the labels  $-(\frac{7n-5}{4}), -(3(\frac{n-1}{2}))$  to the vertices  $u_1, y_{\frac{n+1}{4}}$ .

In both cases, obviously  $\Delta f_1 = 2n - 2 = \Delta f_1^c$ . Therefore this vertex labeling gives that  $S(A(T_n))$  is pair difference cordial if the edge  $u_1u_2$  not lies on the triangle and the edge  $u_{n-1}u_n$  lies on the triangle for all odd  $n \geq 3$ .  $\square$

#### 4. Discussion

The concept of the pair sum labeling was introduced by Ponraj and Parthipan in [23]. Laterly Ponraj, Sathishnarayanan and Kala defined the difference cordial labeling of graphs in [24]. Motivated by these two concepts, we have introduced a new concept called pair difference cordial labeling of graphs. A consequential hypothesis arising in this context is that all graphs can be expected to possess the property of pair difference cordial labeling. Accordingly, the pair difference cordial labeling behaviour of subdivision of some graphs like  $S(K_{1,n}), S(B_{n,n}), S(L_n), S(T_n), S(AT(n))$  have been investigated in this paper.

#### 5. Limitation of Research

Presently, it is difficult to investigate the pair difference cordial labeling behaviour of pyramid graph, swastik graph and circular lobster graph.

#### 6. Future Research

The pair difference cordial labeling behaviour of cycle with a  $P_k$  chord, cycle with parallel  $P_k$  chord and cylinder graph are the possible future directions of research work.

#### 7. Conclusion

In this paper, we have studied about the pair difference cordial labeling behaviour of subdivision of some graphs like  $S(K_{1,n}), S(B_{n,n}), S(L_n), S(T_n), S(AT(n))$ . The pair difference cordial labeling of subdivisions of some other graphs like  $S(Q_n), S(AQ_n), S(DT(n)), S(ADT(n))$  are the open problems.

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