

## Pair Difference Cordial Labeling of Subdivision of Wheel and Comb Graphs

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we discuss about the pair difference cordial labeling behavior of subdivision of wheel and comb graphs.

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### §1. Introduction

We consider only finite, undirected and simple graphs. The notion of pair difference cordial labeling of graphs was introduced in [4]. Pair difference cordial labeling behaviour of several graphs like path, cycle, star, Mirror graph, Shadow graph, double fan, mangolian tent, grid etc have been investigated in [4-10]. In this we investigate the pair difference cordial labeling behaviour of subdivision of wheel and comb graphs. Terms not defined here follow from Harary [2,3].

### §2. Preliminaries

**Definition 2.1**([7]) *A subdivision graph  $S(G)$  of a graph  $G$  is obtained by replacing each edge  $uv$  by a path  $uvw$ .*

**Definition 2.2**([4]) *Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a  $(p, q)$  graph. Define*

$$\rho = \begin{cases} \frac{p}{2}, & \text{if } p \text{ is even} \\ \frac{p-1}{2}, & \text{if } p \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

*and  $L = \{\pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots, \pm \rho\}$  called the set of labels. Consider a mapping  $f : V \rightarrow L$*

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by assigning different labels in  $L$  to the different elements of  $V$  when  $p$  is even and different labels in  $L$  to  $p-1$  elements of  $V$  and repeating a label for the remaining one vertex when  $p$  is odd. The labeling as defined above is said to be a pair difference cordial labeling if for each edge  $uv$  of  $G$  there exists a labeling  $|f(u) - f(v)|$  such that  $|\Delta_{f_1} - \Delta_{f_1^c}| \leq 1$ . Otherwise, it is called a Smarandachely pair difference cordial labeling if  $|\Delta_{f_1} - \Delta_{f_1^c}| \geq 2$ , where  $\Delta_{f_1}$  and  $\Delta_{f_1^c}$  respectively denote the number of edges labeled with 1 and number of edges not labeled with 1.

A graph  $G$  for which there exists a pair difference cordial labeling or Smarandachely pair difference cordial labeling is called a pair difference cordial graph or Smarandachely pair difference cordial graph.

**Theorem 2.3**([7]) *A wheel  $W_n$  is pair difference cordial if and only if  $n$  is even.*

### §3. Main Results

**Theorem 3.1** *A subdivision of the wheel  $W_n, S(W_n)$  is pair difference cordial for all values of  $n \geq 3$ .*

*Proof* Let us take the vertex set and edge set of  $S(W_n)$  as follows:  $V(S(W_n)) = \{a, a_i, b_i, u_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $E(S(W_n)) = \{aa_i, a_i b_i, b_i u_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{u_i b_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{b_n u_1\}$ . This graph has  $3n + 1$  vertices and  $4n$  edges.

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

Assign the labels  $1, 4, 7, \dots, \frac{3n-4}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $2, 5, 8, \dots, \frac{3n-2}{2}$  to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{\frac{n}{2}}$  respectively. Next assign the labels  $-1, -4, -7, \dots, -(\frac{3n-4}{2})$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, a_n$  respectively and assign the labels  $-2, -5, -8, \dots, -(\frac{3n-2}{2})$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, b_n$ . Now we assign the labels  $3, 6, 9, \dots, \frac{3n}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_{\frac{n}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-3, -6, -9, \dots, -(\frac{3n}{2})$  to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, u_n$  respectively. Finally assign the label 1 to the vertex  $a$ . Clearly in this case  $\Delta_{f_1^c} = \Delta_{f_1} = 2n$ .

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

Assign the labels  $1, 4, 7, \dots, \frac{3n-7}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $2, 5, 8, \dots, \frac{3n-5}{2}$  to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  respectively. Next assign the labels  $-1, -4, -7, \dots, -(\frac{3n-7}{2})$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, a_{n-1}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-2, -5, -8, \dots, -(\frac{3n-5}{2})$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$ . Now we assign the labels  $3, 6, 9, \dots, \frac{3n-3}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-3, -6, -9, \dots, -(\frac{3n-3}{2})$  to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, u_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, u_{n-1}$  respectively. Finally assign the label  $\frac{3n-1}{2}, -(\frac{3n+1}{2}), -(\frac{3n-1}{2}), \frac{3n+1}{2}$  to the vertices  $a, a_n, b_n, u_n$ . Clearly in this case  $\Delta_{f_1^c} = \Delta_{f_1} = 2n$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2** *A subdivision of the spokes of wheel  $W_n$  is pair difference cordial for all values of  $n \geq 3$ .*

*Proof* Let  $G_s$  be the subdivision of the spokes of the wheel  $W_n$  with the vertex set  $V(G_s) =$

$\{a, a_i, b_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and edge set  $E(G_s) = \{aa_i, a_i b_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{b_i b_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{b_n a_1\}$ . Here the graph  $G_s$  has  $2n+1$  vertices and  $3n$  edges.

**Case 1.**  $n \equiv 0(\text{mod}4)$ .

Assign the labels  $2, 6, 10, \dots, n-2$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_3, a_5, \dots, a_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $5, 9, 13, \dots, n-3$  to the vertices  $a_2, a_4, a_6, \dots, a_{\frac{n-4}{2}}$  respectively. Next assign the labels  $-1, -5, -9, \dots, -(n-3)$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+10}{2}}, \dots, a_{n-1}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-4, -8, -12, \dots, -n$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, a_n$ . Now we assign the labels  $3, 7, 11, \dots, n-1$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_3, b_5, \dots, b_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $4, 8, 12, \dots, n$  to the vertices  $b_2, b_4, b_6, \dots, b_{\frac{n-4}{2}}$  respectively. Next assign the labels  $-2, -6, -10, \dots, -(n-2)$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+10}{2}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-3, -7, -11, \dots, -(n-1)$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, b_n$ . Finally assign the labels  $1, n-1, n$  to the vertices  $a, a_{\frac{n}{2}}, b_{\frac{n}{2}}$ .

**Case 2.**  $n \equiv 1(\text{mod}4)$ .

Assign the labels  $2, 6, 10, \dots, n-3$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_3, a_5, \dots, a_{\frac{n-3}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $5, 9, 13, \dots, n$  to the vertices  $a_2, a_4, a_6, \dots, a_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  respectively. Next assign the labels  $-1, -5, -9, \dots, -(n-4)$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+9}{2}}, \dots, a_{n-2}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-4, -8, -12, \dots, -(n-1)$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+7}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+11}{2}}, \dots, a_{n-1}$ . Now we assign the labels  $3, 7, 11, \dots, n-2$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_3, b_5, \dots, b_{\frac{n-3}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $4, 8, 12, \dots, n-1$  to the vertices  $b_2, b_4, b_6, \dots, b_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  respectively. Next assign the labels  $-2, -6, -10, \dots, -(n-3)$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+9}{2}}, \dots, b_{n-2}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-3, -7, -11, \dots, -(n-2)$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+7}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+11}{2}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$ . Finally assign the labels  $1, -(n-1), -n$  to the vertices  $a, a_n, b_n$ .

**Case 3.**  $n \equiv 2(\text{mod}4)$ .

Assign the labels  $2, 6, 10, \dots, n-4$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_3, a_5, \dots, a_{\frac{n-4}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $5, 9, 13, \dots, n-1$  to the vertices  $a_2, a_4, a_6, \dots, a_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  respectively. Next assign the labels  $-1, -5, -9, \dots, -(n-1)$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+10}{2}}, \dots, a_n$  respectively and assign the labels  $-4, -8, -12, \dots, -(n-2)$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, a_{n-1}$ . Now we assign the labels  $3, 7, 11, \dots, n-3$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_3, b_5, \dots, b_{\frac{n-4}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $4, 8, 12, \dots, n-2$  to the vertices  $b_2, b_4, b_6, \dots, b_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  respectively. Next assign the labels  $-2, -6, -10, \dots, -n$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+10}{2}}, \dots, b_n$  respectively and assign the labels  $-3, -7, -11, \dots, -(n-3)$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+8}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+12}{2}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$ . Finally assign the labels  $1, n-1, n$  to the vertices  $a, a_{\frac{n}{2}}, b_{\frac{n}{2}}$ .

**Case 4.**  $n \equiv 3(\text{mod}4)$ .

Assign the labels  $2, 6, 10, \dots, n-5$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_3, a_5, \dots, a_{\frac{n-5}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $5, 9, 13, \dots, n-2$  to the vertices  $a_2, a_4, a_6, \dots, a_{\frac{n-3}{2}}$  respectively. Next assign the labels  $-1, -5, -9, \dots, -(n-2)$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+9}{2}}, \dots, a_{n-1}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-4, -8, -12, \dots, -(n-3)$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+7}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+11}{2}}, \dots, a_{n-2}$ . Now we assign the labels  $3, 7, 11, \dots, n-4$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_3, b_5, \dots, b_{\frac{n-5}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $4, 8, 12, \dots, n-3$  to the vertices  $b_2, b_4, b_6, \dots, b_{\frac{n-3}{2}}$  respectively. Next assign the labels

$-2, -6, -10, \dots, -(n-1)$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+9}{2}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-3, -7, -11, \dots, -(n-4)$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+7}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+11}{2}}, \dots, b_{n-2}$ . Finally assign the labels  $1, -n, -(n-1)$  respectively to the vertices  $a, a_n, b_n$  and assign the labels  $n, n-1$  to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n-1}{2}}, b_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  respectively.

Table 1 given below establishes that this vertex labeling gives subdivision of spoke of the wheel is pair difference cordial.

Nature of $n$	$\Delta_{f_1^c}$	$\Delta_{f_1}$
$n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$
$n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n+1}{2}$
$n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$
$n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n+1}{2}$

**Table 1**

This completes the proof. □

**Theorem 3.3** *A subdivision of the rim edges of the wheel  $W_n$  is pair difference cordial for all values of  $n \geq 3$ .*

*Proof* Let  $G_r$  be the subdivision of rim edges of the wheel graph with the vertex set  $V(G_r) = \{a, a_i, b_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and edge set

$$E(G_r) = \{aa_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{a_i b_i, a_{i+1} b_i : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{b_n a_1\}.$$

Certainly, the graph  $G_r$  has  $2n + 1$  vertices and  $3n$  edges.

**Case 1.**  $3 \leq n \leq 11$ .

Tables 2 and 3 shows that subdivision of rim edges of the wheel is pair difference cordial for all values of  $3 \leq n \leq 11$ . Assign the label 1 to the vertex  $a$ .

$n$	$a_1$	$a_2$	$a_3$	$a_4$	$a_5$	$a_6$	$a_7$	$a_8$	$a_9$	$a_{10}$	$a_{11}$	$a$
3	2	4	-2									1
4	2	4	-1	-3								1
5	2	4	-1	-3	-5							1
6	2	4	6	-2	-4	-5						1
7	2	4	6	-1	-3	-5	-6					1
8	2	4	6	8	-2	-4	-7	-8				1
9	2	4	6	8	-1	-3	-5	-8	-9			1
10	2	4	6	8	10	-2	-4	-6	-10	-7		1
11	2	4	6	8	10	-1	-3	-5	-7	-11	-8	1

**Table 2**

$n$	$b_1$	$b_2$	$b_3$	$b_4$	$b_5$	$b_6$	$b_7$	$b_8$	$b_9$	$b_{10}$	$b_{11}$
3	3	-1	-3								
4	3	4	-2	-4							
5	3	5	-2	-4	4						
6	3	5	-1	-3	-6						
7	3	5	7	-2	-4	-7	-8				
8	3	5	7	-1	-3	-5	-6	8			
9	3	5	7	9	-2	-4	-6	-7	9		
10	3	5	7	9	-1	-3	-5	-8	-9	10	
11	3	5	7	9	11	-2	-4	-6	-9	-10	11

Table 3

**Case 2.**  $n \equiv 0(\text{mod}4), n \geq 12$ .

Assign the labels  $2, 4, 6, \dots, n$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-2, -4, -6, \dots, -(\frac{n+4}{2})$  to the vertices  $a_{n+22}, a_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, a_{\frac{3n+4}{4}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-(\frac{n+6}{2}), -(\frac{n+8}{2}), -(\frac{n+10}{2}), \dots, -(\frac{3n+4}{4})$  respectively to the vertices  $a_{\frac{3n+8}{4}}, a_{\frac{3n+12}{4}}, a_{\frac{3n+16}{4}}, \dots, a_n$ . Now we assign the labels  $3, 5, 7, \dots, n-1$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-1, -3, -5, \dots, -(\frac{n+2}{2})$  to the vertices  $b_{n2}, b_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, \dots, b_{\frac{3n}{4}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-(\frac{3n+8}{4}), -(\frac{3n+12}{4}), -(\frac{3n+16}{4}), \dots, -n$  respectively to the vertices  $b_{\frac{3n+4}{4}}, b_{\frac{3n+8}{4}}, b_{\frac{3n+12}{4}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$ . Next assign the labels  $1, n$  respectively to the vertices  $a, b_n$ .

**Case 3.**  $n \equiv 1(\text{mod}4), n \geq 13$ .

Assign the labels  $2, 4, 6, \dots, n-1$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-1, -3, -5, \dots, -(\frac{n+5}{2})$  to the vertices  $a_{n+12}, a_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, a_{\frac{3n+5}{4}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-(\frac{n+7}{2}), -(\frac{n+9}{2}), -(\frac{n+11}{2}), \dots, -(\frac{3n+5}{4})$  respectively to the vertices  $a_{\frac{3n+9}{4}}, a_{\frac{3n+13}{4}}, a_{\frac{3n+17}{4}}, \dots, a_n$ . Now we assign the labels  $3, 5, 7, \dots, n$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-2, -4, -6, \dots, -(\frac{n+3}{2})$  to the vertices  $b_{n+12}, b_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, b_{\frac{3n+1}{4}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-(\frac{3n+9}{4}), -(\frac{3n+13}{4}), -(\frac{3n+17}{4}), \dots, -n$  respectively to the vertices  $b_{\frac{3n+5}{4}}, b_{\frac{3n+9}{4}}, b_{\frac{3n+13}{4}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$ . Next assign the labels  $1, n$  respectively to the vertices  $a, b_n$ .

**Case 4.**  $n \equiv 2(\text{mod}4), n \geq 14$ .

Assign the labels  $2, 4, 6, \dots, n$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-2, -4, -6, \dots, -(\frac{n+2}{2})$  to the vertices  $a_{n+22}, a_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, a_{\frac{3n+2}{4}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-(\frac{n+4}{2}), -(\frac{n+6}{2}), -(\frac{n+8}{2}), \dots, -(\frac{3n+2}{4})$  respectively to the vertices  $a_{\frac{3n+6}{4}}, a_{\frac{3n+10}{4}}, a_{\frac{3n+14}{4}}, \dots, a_n$ . Now we assign the labels  $3, 5, 7, \dots, n-1$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-1, -3, -5, \dots, -(\frac{n+2}{2})$  to the vertices  $b_{n2}, b_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, \dots, b_{\frac{3n}{4}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-(\frac{3n+2}{4}), -(\frac{3n+6}{4}), -(\frac{3n+10}{4}), \dots, -n$  respectively to the vertices  $b_{\frac{3n+2}{4}}, b_{\frac{3n+6}{4}}, b_{\frac{3n+10}{4}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$ . Next assign the labels  $1, 1$  respectively to the vertices  $a, b_n$ .

**Case 5.**  $n \equiv 3(mod 4), n \geq 15$ .

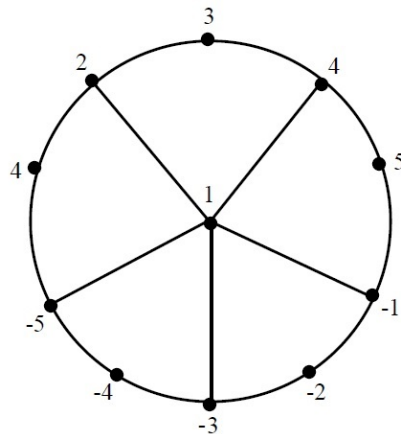
Assign the labels  $2, 4, 6, \dots, n - 1$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-1, -3, -5, \dots, -(\frac{n+3}{2})$  to the vertices  $a_{n+12}, a_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, a_{\frac{3n+3}{4}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-(\frac{n+5}{2}), -(\frac{n+7}{2}), -(\frac{n+9}{2}), \dots, -(\frac{3n+3}{4})$  respectively to the vertices  $a_{\frac{3n+7}{4}}, a_{\frac{3n+11}{4}}, a_{\frac{3n+15}{4}}, \dots, a_n$ . Now we assign the labels  $3, 5, 7, \dots, n$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $-2, -4, -6, \dots, -(\frac{n+1}{2})$  to the vertices  $b_{n+12}, b_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, b_{\frac{3n-1}{4}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-(\frac{3n+7}{4}), -(\frac{3n+11}{4}), -(\frac{3n+15}{4}), \dots, -n$  respectively to the vertices  $b_{\frac{3n+3}{4}}, b_{\frac{3n+7}{4}}, b_{\frac{3n+11}{4}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$ . Next assign the labels  $1, n$  respectively to the vertices  $a, b_n$ .

Table 4 given below establishes that this vertex labeling gives subdivision of rim edges of the wheel is pair difference cordial.

Nature of $n$	$\Delta_{f_i^c}$	$\Delta_{f_1}$
$n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$
$n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n+1}{2}$
$n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$
$n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n+1}{2}$

**Table 4**

A pair difference cordial labeling on subdivision of rim edges of the wheel  $W_5$  is shown in Figure 1.



**Figure 1**

This completes the proof. □

**Theorem 3.4** A subdivision of comb  $P_n \odot K_1$  is pair difference cordial for all values of  $n \geq 2$ .

*Proof* Let the vertex set and edge set be  $V(P_n \odot K_1) = \{a_i, b_i, c_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{d_i : 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\}$  and  $E(P_n \odot K_1) = \{a_i b_i, b_i c_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{a_i d_i, d_i a_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\}$ . There are  $4n - 1$  vertices and  $4n - 2$  edges.

There are four cases arises.

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

Assign the labels  $3, 6, 9, \dots, \frac{3n}{2}$  to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $2, 5, 8, \dots, \frac{3n-2}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $1, 4, 7, \dots, \frac{3n-4}{2}$  to the vertices  $c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_{\frac{n}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-3, -6, -9, \dots, -(\frac{3n-6}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, a_{n-1}$ . Now we assign the labels  $-2, -5, -8, \dots, -(\frac{3n-8}{2})$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$  and assign the labels  $-1, -4, -7, \dots, -(\frac{3n-4}{2})$  to the vertices  $c_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, c_n$ . Next assign the labels  $\frac{3n+2}{2}, \frac{3n+4}{2}, \frac{3n+6}{2}, \dots, 2n-1$  respectively to the vertices  $d_1, d_2, d_3, \dots, d_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-(\frac{3n+2}{2}), -(\frac{3n+4}{2}), -(\frac{3n+6}{2}), \dots, -(2n-1)$  to the vertices  $d_{\frac{n}{2}}, d_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, d_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, \dots, d_{n-2}$  respectively. Finally assign the labels  $-(\frac{3n}{2}), -(\frac{3n-2}{2}), 1$  respectively to the vertices  $b_n, a_n, u_{n-1}$ .

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

Assign the labels  $1, 2, 3, -1, -2, -3, 4, -4, -4$  respectively to the vertices  $c_1, b_1, a_1, c_2, b_2, a_2, c_3, b_3, a_3$  and assign the labels  $5, -5$  to the vertices  $d_1, d_2$  respectively.

**Case 3.**  $n = 5$ .

Assign the labels  $1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6$  respectively to the vertices  $c_1, b_1, a_1, c_2, b_2, a_2$  and assign the labels  $-1, -2, -3, -4, -5, -6$  to the vertices  $c_3, b_3, a_3, c_4, b_4, a_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels  $7, -7, 8, -8$  respectively to the vertices  $d_1, d_2, d_3, d_4$  and assign the labels  $-9, -9, 9$  to the vertices  $a_5, b_5, c_5$  respectively.

**Case 4.**  $n$  is odd  $n \geq 7$ .

Assign the labels  $3, 6, 9, \dots, \frac{3n-3}{2}$  to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $2, 5, 8, \dots, \frac{3n-9}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $1, 4, 7, \dots, \frac{3n-4}{2}$  to the vertices  $c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_{\frac{n}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-3, -6, -9, \dots, -(\frac{3n-6}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, a_{n-1}$ . Now we assign the labels  $-2, -5, -8, \dots, -(\frac{3n-8}{2})$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, b_{n-1}$  and assign the labels  $-1, -4, -7, \dots, -(\frac{3n-4}{2})$  to the vertices  $c_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, c_n$ . Next assign the labels  $\frac{3n+2}{2}, \frac{3n+4}{2}, \frac{3n+6}{2}, \dots, 2n-1$  respectively to the vertices  $d_1, d_2, d_3, \dots, d_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  and assign the labels  $-(\frac{3n+2}{2}), -(\frac{3n+4}{2}), -(\frac{3n+6}{2}), \dots, -(2n-1)$  to the vertices  $d_{\frac{n}{2}}, d_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, d_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, \dots, d_{n-2}$  respectively. Finally assign the labels  $-(\frac{3n}{2}), -(\frac{3n-2}{2}), 1$  respectively to the vertices  $b_n, a_n, u_{n-1}$ .

In all the cases, we have  $\Delta_{f_1} = \Delta_{f_1^c} = 2n - 1$ . □

**Theorem 3.5** *A subdivision of the edges of the path  $P_n$  in the comb  $P_n \odot K_1$  is pair difference cordial for all values of  $n \geq 2$ .*

*Proof* Let  $G$  be subdivision of the edges of the path  $P_n$  in the comb graph  $P_n \odot K_1$ . Let the vertex set and edge set be  $V(G) = \{a_i, b_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{c_i : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$  and  $E(G) = \{a_i b_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\} \cup \{a_i c_i, c_i a_{i+1} : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$ , which has  $3n-1$  vertices and  $3n-2$  edges. There are two cases arises.

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

**Subcase 1.1**  $n = 2$ .

Assign the labels  $1, 2, 1, -2, -1$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, a_1, c_1, a_2, b_2$  respectively.

**Subcase 1.2**  $n \geq 4$ .

Assign the labels  $3, 6, 9, \dots, \frac{3n-6}{2}$  to the vertices  $b_2, b_3, b_4, \dots, b_{\frac{n}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $1, 4, 7, \dots, \frac{3n-4}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $5, 8, 11, \dots, \frac{3n-2}{2}$  to the vertices  $c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-1, -3, -5, \dots, -n + 1$  respectively to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, a_n$ . Now we assign the labels  $-2, -4, -6, \dots, -n$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, b_n$  and assign the labels  $-(n+1), -(n+2), -(n+3), \dots, -(\frac{3n-2}{2})$  to the vertices  $c_{\frac{3}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, \dots, c_{n-2}$ . Finally assign the labels  $2, -(\frac{3n-2}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, c_{n-1}$ .

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

**Subcase 2.1**  $n = 3$ .

Assign the labels  $1, 2, -1, -2, 3, -3, 4, -4$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, a_1, b_2, a_2, b_3, a_3, c_1, c_2$ .

**Subcase 2.2**  $n \geq 5$ .

Assign the labels  $3, 6, 9, \dots, \frac{3n-3}{2}$  to the vertices  $c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_{\frac{n-3}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $1, 4, 7, \dots, \frac{3n-7}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $2, 5, 8, \dots, \frac{3n-5}{2}$  to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-1, -3, -5, \dots, -n$  respectively to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, a_n$ . Now we assign the labels  $-2, -4, -6, \dots, -n-1$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, b_n$  and assign the labels  $-(n+2), -(n+3), -(n+4), \dots, -(\frac{3n-1}{2})$  to the vertices  $c_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, c_{n-1}$ . Finally assign the labels  $\frac{3n-11}{2}$  to the vertex  $c_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ .

Table 5 given below establishes that this vertex labeling gives subdivision of the edges of the path  $P_n$  in the comb graph is pair difference cordial.

Nature of $n$	$\Delta_{f_1^c}$	$\Delta_{f_1}$
$n$ is odd	$\frac{3n-4}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$
$n$ is even	$\frac{3n-2}{2}$	$\frac{3n-2}{2}$

**Table 5**

This completes the proof. □

**Theorem 3.6** *A subdivision of the pendant edges of the comb  $P_n \odot K_1$  in the comb is pair difference cordial for all values of  $n \geq 2$ .*

*Proof* Let  $G$  be subdivision of the pendant edges of the path  $P_n$  in the comb  $P_n \odot K_1$ . Let the vertex set and edge set be  $V(G) = \{a_i, b_i, c_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $E(G) = \{a_i b_i, b_i c_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ , which has  $3n - 1$  vertices and  $3n - 2$  edges.

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

**Subcase 1.1**  $n = 2$ .

Assign the labels  $1, 2, 1, -2, -1$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, a_1, c_1, a_2, b_2$  respectively.



**Subcase 1.2**  $n \geq 4$ .

Assign the labels  $3, 6, 9, \dots, \frac{3n-6}{2}$  to the vertices  $b_2, b_3, b_4, \dots, b_{\frac{n}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $1, 4, 7, \dots, \frac{3n-4}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $5, 8, 11, \dots, \frac{3n-2}{2}$  to the vertices  $c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_{\frac{n-2}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-1, -3, -5, \dots, -n + 1$  respectively to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, a_n$ . Now we assign the labels  $-2, -4, -6, \dots, -n$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+6}{2}}, \dots, b_n$  and assign the labels  $-(n+1), -(n+2), -(n+3), \dots, -(\frac{3n-2}{2})$  to the vertices  $c_{\frac{n}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+2}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+4}{2}}, \dots, c_{n-2}$ . Finally assign the labels  $2, -(\frac{3n-2}{2})$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, c_{n-1}$ .

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

**Subcase 2.1**  $n = 3$ .

Assign the labels  $1, 2, -1, -2, 3, -3, 4, -4$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, a_1, b_2, a_2, b_3, a_3, c_1, c_2$ .

**Subcase 2.2**  $n \geq 5$ .

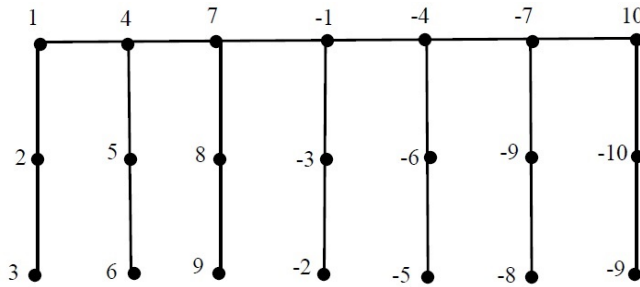
Assign the labels  $3, 6, 9, \dots, \frac{3n-3}{2}$  to the vertices  $c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_{\frac{n-3}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $1, 4, 7, \dots, \frac{3n-7}{2}$  respectively to the vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ . Next assign the labels  $2, 5, 8, \dots, \frac{3n-5}{2}$  to the vertices  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$  respectively and assign the labels  $-1, -3, -5, \dots, -n$  respectively to the vertices  $a_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, a_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, a_n$ . Now we assign the labels  $-2, -4, -6, \dots, -n-1$  to the vertices  $b_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, b_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, b_n$  and assign the labels  $-(n+2), -(n+3), -(n+4), \dots, -(\frac{3n-1}{2})$  to the vertices  $c_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+3}{2}}, c_{\frac{n+5}{2}}, \dots, c_{n-1}$ . Finally assign the labels  $\frac{3n-11}{2}$  to the vertex  $c_{\frac{n-1}{2}}$ .

Table 6 given below establishes that this vertex labeling gives subdivision of the edges of the path  $P_n$  in the comb graph is pair difference cordial.

Nature of $n$	$\Delta_{f_i^e}$	$\Delta_{f_1}$
$n$ is odd	$\frac{3n-4}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$
$n$ is even	$\frac{3n-2}{2}$	$\frac{3n-2}{2}$

**Table 6**

A subdivision of the pendant edges of the comb  $P_7 \odot K_1$  is pair difference cordial is shown in Figure 2.



**Figure 2**

This completes the proof.

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