

MEAN SQUARE SUM LABELING OF SOME GRAPHS

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Abstract: In this paper, we introduce a new labeling called mean square sum labeling. A bijection $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1, \dots, p-1\}$ G is said to be a *mean square sum labeling* if the induced function $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ given by $f^*(uv) = \lfloor \frac{[f(u)]^2+[f(v)]^2}{2} \rfloor$ or $\lceil \frac{[f(u)]^2+[f(v)]^2}{2} \rceil$ for every $uv \in E(G)$ is injective. A graph which admits a mean square sum labeling is called a mean square sum graph. In this paper we prove that Path, Comb, Star graph, Cycle, Bistar, Doublestar, $G = K_2+mK_n$, Ladder, $P_n \odot K_2$ and some more graphs are mean square sum graphs.

Keywords: Labeling, mean square sum labeling, mean square sum graph.

1. Introduction: We begin with simple, finite, connected and undirected graph. For standard terminology and notations we follow Harary [1]. A *graph labeling* is an assignment of integers to the vertices or edges or both subject to certain condition(s). If the domain of the mapping is the set of vertices (edges) then the labeling is called a *vertex labeling* (an *edge labeling*). Several types of graph labeling and a detailed survey is available in [2].

S. Somasundaram and R. Ponraj [3] have introduced the notion of mean labeling of graphs. A graph G with p vertices and q edges is called *mean graph* if there is an injective function f from the vertices of G to $\{0, 1, \dots, q\}$ such that when each edge uv is labeled with $\frac{f(u)+f(v)}{2}$ if $f(u)+f(v)$ is even and with $\frac{f(u)+f(v)+1}{2}$ if $f(u)+f(v)$ is odd, then the resulting edge labels are distinct.

V. Ajitha, S. Arumugam and K. A. Germina [4] have introduced the notion of square sum labeling. A (p, q) graph G is said to be square sum, if there exists a bijection $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ such that the induced function $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ defined by $f^*(uv) = [f(u)]^2 + [f(v)]^2$ for every $uv \in E(G)$ is injective. K. A. Germina and Reena Sebastian [5], [6] have investigated many results on this concept.

In this paper, we introduce mean square sum labeling of graphs. Let $G = (V(G), E(G))$ be a graph. A bijection $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ is said to be a *mean square sum labeling* if the induced function $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ given by $f^*(uv) = \lfloor \frac{[f(u)]^2+[f(v)]^2}{2} \rfloor$ or $\lceil \frac{[f(u)]^2+[f(v)]^2}{2} \rceil$ for every $uv \in E(G)$ is injective. Not every graph is mean square sum. For example, any complete graph K_n , where $n \geq 6$ is not mean square sum. We are interested to study different classes of graphs, which are mean square sum. In this paper we establish that Path, Comb, Star graph, Cycle, Bistar, Doublestar, $G = K_2+mK_n$, Ladder, $P_n \odot K_2$ and some more graphs are mean square sum graphs.

A brief summary of definitions and other information which are necessary for the present investigation are given below.

Definition 1.1. Let $G = (V(G), E(G))$ be a graph. A bijection $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ G is said to be a *mean square sum labeling* if the induced function $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ given by $f^*(uv) = \lfloor \frac{[f(u)]^2+[f(v)]^2}{2} \rfloor$ or $\lceil \frac{[f(u)]^2+[f(v)]^2}{2} \rceil$ for every $uv \in E(G)$ is injective.

Definition 1.2. A graph which satisfies the mean square sum labeling is called a *mean square sum graph*.

Definition 1.3. A graph G is said to be *complete*, if every pair of its distinct vertices are adjacent. A complete graph on p vertices is denoted by K_p .

Definition 1.4. A *star graph* is a complete bigraph $K_{1,n}$.

Definition 1.5. The *Bistar* $B_{m,n}$ is the graph obtained from K_2 by joining m pendent edges to one end of K_2 and n pendent edges to the other end of K_2 . The edge of K_2 is called the central edge of $B_{m,n}$ and the vertices of K_2 are called the central vertices of $B_{m,n}$.

Definition 1.6. The corona of two graphs G_1 and G_2 is the graph $G = G_1 \odot G_2$ formed from one copy of G_1 and $|V(G_1)|$ copies of G_2 where i^{th} vertex of G_1 is adjacent to every vertices in the i^{th} copy of G_2 .

Definition 1.7. The graph $P_n \odot K_1$ is called a *comb*.

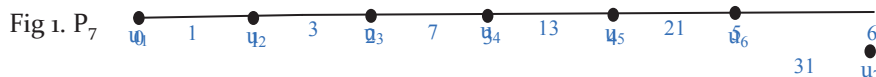
Definition 1.8. The product $P_2 \times P_n$ is called a *ladder*, and it is denoted by L_n . The ladder graph L_n is a planar undirected graph with $2n$ vertices and $3n-2$ edges.

2. Main Results:

Theorem 2.1. Path P_n is a mean square sum graph.

Proof. Let G be the path P_n . Let $V(G) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ and $E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$. The mapping $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ is defined by $f(u_i) = i-1, 1 \leq i \leq n$ and the induced function $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = i^2 - i + 1, 1 \leq i \leq n-1$ is injective. Hence the path P_n is a mean square sum graph.

Example 2.2. A mean square sum labeling of P_7 is given in figure 1.



Theorem 2.3. Comb $P_n \circ K_1$ is a mean square sum graph.

Proof. Let P_n be the path $u_1 u_2 \dots u_n$. Let v_i be the vertex adjacent to u_i , $1 \leq i \leq n$. The resultant graph is $P_n \circ K_1$. Let $G = P_n \circ K_1$. Here $V(G) = \{u_i, v_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{u_i v_i, u_i u_{i+1}, u_n v_n / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$. Then G has $2n$ vertices and

$2n-1$ edges. Define $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, 2n-1\}$ by $f(u_i) = 2i-2, 1 \leq i \leq n$; $f(v_i) = 2i-1, 1 \leq i \leq n$. The induced function $f^* : E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by $f^*(u_i v_i) = 4i^2 - 6i + 3, 1 \leq i \leq n$; $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 4i^2 - 4i + 2, 1 \leq i \leq n-1$ is injective. Hence Comb $P_n \circ K_1$ is a mean square sum graph.

Example 2.4. A mean square sum labeling of $P_5 \circ K_1$ is given in figure 2.

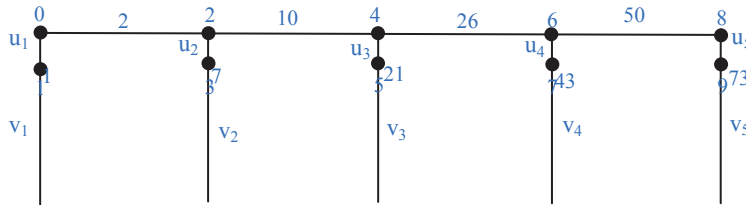


Fig 2. $P_5 \circ K_1$

Theorem 2.5. The complete graph K_n is a mean square sum graph if and only if $n \leq 5$.

Proof. Let G be the complete graph K_n with $V(K_n) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ and $E(K_n) = \{u_i u_j / 1 \leq i, j \leq n \text{ and } i \neq j\}$. Define $f : V(K_n) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ by $f(u_i) = i-1, 1 \leq i \leq n$. The induced function $f^* : E(K_n) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by $f^*(uv) = \lfloor \frac{[f(u)]^2 + [f(v)]^2}{2} \rfloor$ if $\{f(u), f(v)\} = \{0, 3\}$ otherwise $f^*(uv)$

$= \lfloor \frac{[f(u)]^2 + [f(v)]^2}{2} \rfloor$ is injective for $n \leq 5$. In any labeling of vertices through $0, 1, \dots, n-1$ of $K_n, n \geq 6$, there are three edges with end points labels $0, 5; 3, 4$ and $1, 5$ exist and $\frac{(0^2+5^2)}{2} = \frac{(3^2+4^2)}{2} = 12.5$ and $\frac{(5^2+1^2)}{2} = 13$. This implies that at least two edges get the same label which is a contradiction. Hence K_n is a mean square sum graph if and only if $n \leq 5$.

Example 2.6. A mean square sum labeling of K_5 is given in figure 3.

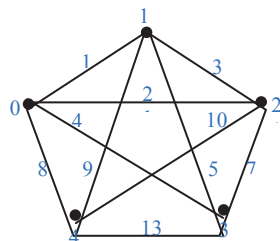


Fig 3. K_5

Theorem 2.7. The graph $G = K_2 + m K_1$ is a mean square sum graph.

Proof. Let $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, u_i / 1 \leq i \leq m\}$ where $V(K_2) = \{v_1, v_2\}$ and $E(G) = \{v_1 v_2, v_1 u_i, v_2 u_i / 1 \leq i \leq m\}$. Then G has $m+2$ vertices and $2m+1$ edges. Define $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, m-1\}$ by $f(u_i) = i+1, 1 \leq i \leq m$; $f(v_j) = j-1, 1 \leq j \leq 2$. The induced

function $f^* : E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by $f^*(v_1 v_2) = 1$; $f^*(v_1 u_i) = \lfloor \frac{i^2+1}{2} + i \rfloor, 1 \leq i \leq m$; $f^*(v_2 u_i) = \lfloor \frac{i^2}{2} + i + 1 \rfloor, 1 \leq i \leq m$ is injective. Hence it follows that f^* admits a mean square sum labeling. Hence G is a mean square sum graph.

Example 2.8. A mean square sum labeling of $K_2 + 5K_1$ is given in figure 4.

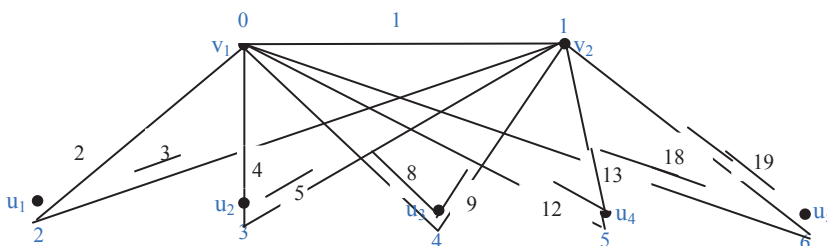


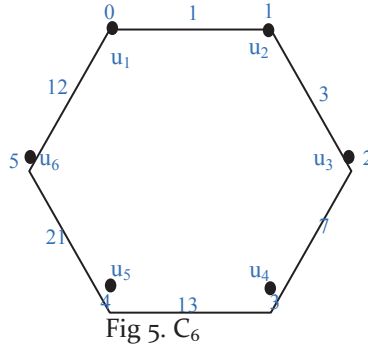
Fig 4. $K_2 + 5K_1$

Theorem 2.9. Cycle C_n is a mean square sum graph for $n \geq 3$.

Proof. Let G be the cycle C_n . Let $V(G) = \{u_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, u_n u_1 / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$. Then G has n vertices and n edges. Define $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ by

$f(u_i) = i-1, 1 \leq i \leq n$. The induced function $f^* : E(G) \rightarrow N$ is defined by $f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = i^2 - i + 1, 1 \leq i \leq n-1$ and $f^*(u_n u_1) = \lfloor \frac{(n-1)^2}{2} \rfloor$ is injective. Hence the cycle C_n is a mean square sum graph.

Example 2.10. A mean square sum labeling of C_6 is given in figure 5.



Theorem 2.11. The ladder $L_n = P_n \times K_2$ is a mean square sum graph.

Proof. Let $V(L_n) = \{u_i, v_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(L_n) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, v_i v_{i+1}, u_i v_i, u_n v_n / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$. Then G has $2n$ vertices and $3n-2$ edges. Define $f : V(L_n) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, 2n-1\}$ by $f(u_i) =$

$2i-2, 1 \leq i \leq n; f(v_i) = 2i-1, 1 \leq i \leq n$. The induced function $f^* : E(G) \rightarrow N$ is defined by $f^*(u_i v_i) = 4i^2 - 6i + 3, 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 4i^2 - 4i + 2, 1 \leq i \leq n-1; f^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = 4i^2 + 1, 1 \leq i \leq n-1$ is injective. Hence the ladder L_n is a mean square sum graph.

Example 2.12. A mean square sum labeling of L_5 is given in figure 6.

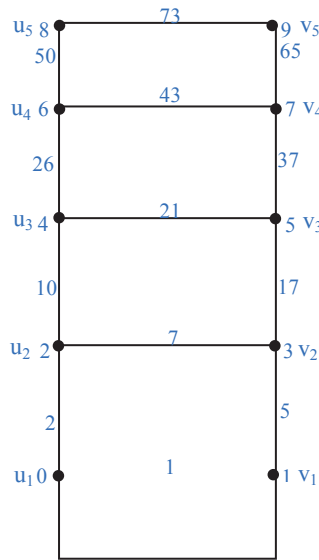


Fig 6. L_5

Theorem 2.13. $P_n \circ K_2$ is a mean square sum graph.

Proof. Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the path P_n and let v_i, w_i be the vertices of i^{th} copy of K_2 which are joined to the vertex u_i of path $P_n, 1 \leq i \leq n$. The resultant graph is $G = P_n \circ K_2$ with $V(G) = \{u_i, v_i, w_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{u_i v_i, u_i w_i, v_i w_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. Then G has $3n$ vertices and $4n-1$ edges. Define $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, 3n-1\}$ by $f(u_i) = 3i-3, f(v_i) = 3i-2$, and $f(w_i) = 3i-1$, for $1 \leq i \leq n$. The induced function $f^* : E(G) \rightarrow N$ is defined by $f^*(u_i w_i) = 9i^2 - 12i + 5, 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(v_i w_i) = 9i^2 - 9i + 3, 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(u_i v_i) = 9i^2 - 15i + 7, 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 9i^2 - 9i + 5, 1 \leq i \leq n-1$ is injective. Hence $P_n \circ K_2$ is a mean square sum graph.

Example 2.14. A mean square sum labeling of $P_4 \circ K_2$ is given in figure 7.

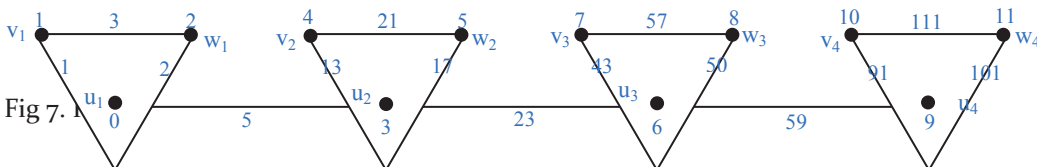


Fig 7.

Theorem 2.15. Agraph obtained by attaching the central vertex of $K_{1,2}$ at each pendent vertex of a comb $P_n \circ K_2$ is a mean square sum graph.

Proof. Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the path P_n and let v_i be a vertex adjacent to $u_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$. The resultant graph is $P_n \circ K_2$. Let x_i, w_i, y_i be the vertices of i^{th} copy of $K_{1,2}$ with the central vertex w_i . Identify the vertex w_i with $v_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$, we get the required graph is G . Then $V(G) = \{u_i, v_i, y_i, x_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{u_i v_i, v_i x_i, v_i y_i, u_j u_{j+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n-1\}$ and hence G has $4n$ vertices and $4n-1$ edges. Define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, 4n-1\}$ by $f(u_i) = 4i-4, f(v_i) = 4i-3, f(x_i) = 4i-2,$ and $f(y_i) = 4i-1,$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. The induced function $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by $f^*(u_i v_i) = 16i^2 - 28i + 13, 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(v_i x_i) = 16i^2 - 20i + 7, 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(v_i y_i) = 16i^2 - 16i + 5, 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(u_j u_{j+1}) = 16j^2 - 16j + 8, 1 \leq j \leq n-1$ is an injective function. Hence G is a mean square sum graph.

Example 2.16. A mean square sum labeling of G when $n = 4$ is given in figure 8.

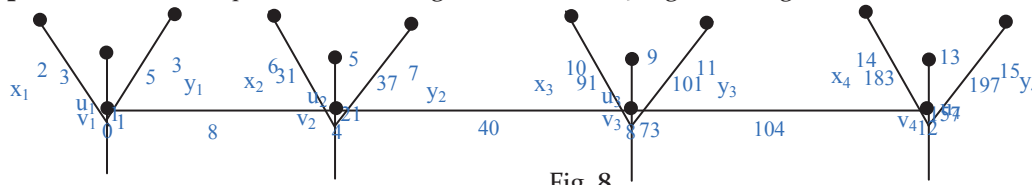


Fig. 8

Theorem 2.17. Agraph obtained by attaching a triangle K_3 at each pendent vertex of a comb $P_n \circ K_1$ is a mean square sum graph.

Proof. Let G be the graph obtained by attaching a triangle at each pendent vertex of a comb. Let P_n be the path u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n . Let v_i be the vertex adjacent to $u_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$. The resultant graph is $P_n \circ K_1$. Let x_i, z_i, y_i be the vertices of i^{th} copy of K_3 . Identify the vertex z_i with $v_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$, we get the required graph G with $V(G) = \{u_i, v_i, x_i, y_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{u_i v_i, v_i x_i, v_i y_i, y_i x_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. Then G has $4n$ vertices and $5n-1$ edges. Define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, 4n-1\}$ by $f(u_i) = 4i-4, f(v_i) = 4i-3, f(x_i) = 4i-2,$ and $f(y_i) = 4i-1,$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. The induced function $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by $f^*(u_i v_i) = 16i^2 - 28i + 13, 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(v_i x_i) = 16i^2 - 20i + 7, 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(v_i y_i) = 16i^2 - 16i + 5, 1 \leq i \leq n; f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 16i^2 - 16i + 8, 1 \leq i \leq n-1; f^*(y_i x_i) = 16i^2 - 12i + 3, 1 \leq i \leq n$ is injective. Hence G is a mean square sum graph.

Example 2.18. A mean square sum labeling of G when $n = 4$ is given in figure 9.

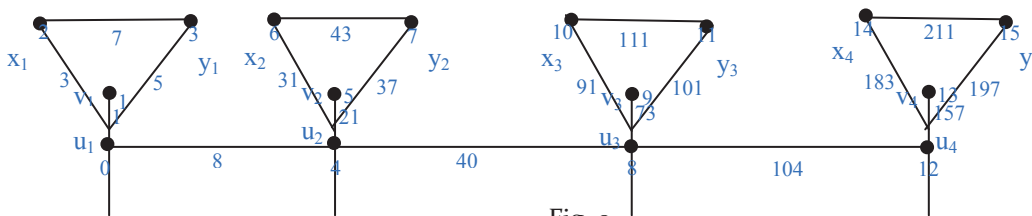


Fig. 9

Theorem 2.19. Star graph $K_{1,n}$ is a mean square sum graph.

Proof. Let G be the star graph $K_{1,n}$. Let $V(G) = \{u, u_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{u u_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. Then G has $n+1$ vertices and n edges. Define $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, n\}$ by $f(u) = 0$ and $f(u_i) = i, 1 \leq i \leq n$. The induced function $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$ is defined by $f^*(u u_i) = \lfloor \frac{i^2}{2} \rfloor, 1 \leq i \leq n$ is injective. Hence the Star graph $K_{1,n}$ admits a mean square sum labeling.

Example 2.20. A mean square sum labeling of $K_{1,6}$ is given in figure 10.

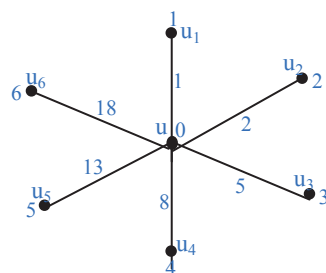


Fig 10. $K_{1,6}$

Theorem 2.21. The bistar $B_{m,n}$ is a mean square sum graph.

Proof. Let u, v be the vertices of K_2 . Join m pendent vertices u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m to the one end of K_2 and join n pendent vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n to the other end of K_2 . The resultant graph G is the bistar $B_{m,n}$ with $V(G) = \{u, u_1, \dots, u_m, v, v_1, \dots, v_n\}$ and $E(G) = \{uu_i, vv_j, uv \mid 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$. Then $B_{m,n}$ has $m+n+2$ vertices and $m+n+1$ edges. Define $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, m+n+1\}$ by $f(u) = 0$; $f(v) = m+1$; $f(u_i) = i, 1 \leq i \leq m$, $f(v_i) = m+i+1, 1 \leq i \leq n$. The induced function $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow N$ is defined by $f^*(uu_i) = \lfloor \frac{i^2}{2} \rfloor, 1 \leq i \leq m$; $f^*(vv_i) = \lfloor (m+1)^2 + i(m+1) + \frac{i^2}{2} \rfloor, 1 \leq i \leq n$; $f^*(uv) = \lfloor \frac{(m+1)^2}{2} \rfloor$ is injective. Hence bistar $B_{m,n}$ is a mean square sum graph.

Example 2.22. A mean square sum labeling of $B_{6,6}$ is given in figure 11.

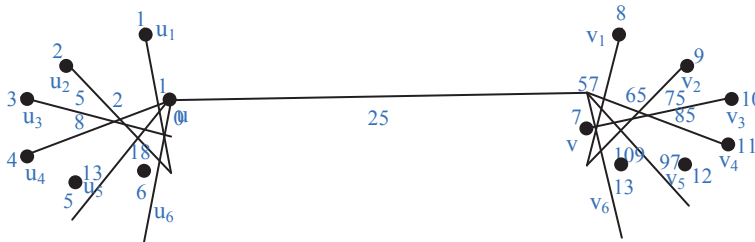


Fig 11. $B_{6,6}$

Theorem 2.23. The double star $K_{1,n,n}$ is a mean square sum graph.

Proof. Let G be the double star $K_{1,n,n}$. Let $V(G) = \{u, u_1, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the vertices of the double star $K_{1,n,n}$ and $E(G) = \{uu_i, u_i v_i \mid 1 \leq i \leq n\}$. Then $K_{1,n,n}$ has $2n+1$ vertices and $2n$ edges. Define $f:V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, \dots, 2n\}$ by $f(u) = 0$; $f(u_i) = i, 1 \leq i \leq n$ and $f(v_i) = n+i, 1 \leq i \leq n$. The induced function $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow N$ is defined by $f^*(uu_i) = \lfloor \frac{i^2}{2} \rfloor, 1 \leq i \leq n$ and $f^*(u_i v_i) = \lfloor i^2 + ni + \frac{n^2}{2} \rfloor, 1 \leq i \leq n$ is injective. Hence double star $K_{1,n,n}$ is a mean square sum graph.

Example 2.24. A mean square sum labeling of $K_{1,7,7}$ is given in figure 12.

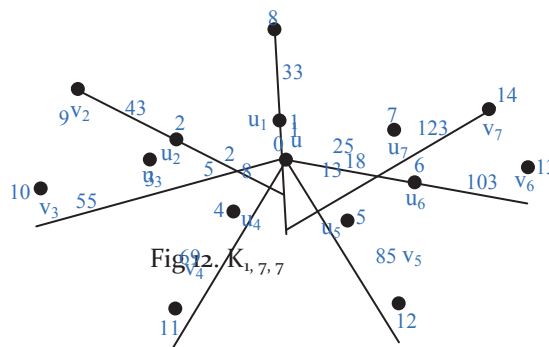


Fig 12. $K_{1,7,7}$

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