

**DIRECTED EVEN-EDGE-GRACEFUL LABELING OF WHEEL GRAPH**

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**Abstract:** A  $(p, q)$  graph  $G$  is said to be directed even-edge-graceful if there exists an orientation of  $G$  and a labeling  $f$  of the arcs  $A$  of  $G$  with  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, 2q\}$  such that the induced mapping  $g$  on  $V$  defined by  $g(v) = [f^+(v) - f^-(v)] \pmod{2s}$  are distinct and even, where  $f^+(v) =$  the sum of the labels of all arcs with head  $v$  and  $f^-(v) =$  the sum of the labels of all arcs with tail  $v$ , where  $s = \max(p, q)$ . A graph  $G$  that admits a directed even-edge-graceful labeling is called a directed even-edge-graceful graph. In this paper, we investigate directed even-edge-gracefulness of wheel graph.

**Keywords:** directed even-edge-graceful graph, directed even-edge-graceful labeling, wheel.

**Introduction:** All graph in this paper are finite, simple and directed. Terms not defined here are used in the sense of Harary [7]. The symbols  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$  denote the vertex set and edge set of a graph  $G$ . The cardinality of the vertex set is called the order of  $G$  denoted by  $p$ . The cardinality of the edge set is called the size of  $G$  denoted by  $q$ . A graph with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges is called a  $(p, q)$  graph. A graph labeling is an assignment of integers to the vertices or edges or both subject to certain conditions. Labeled graph serve as useful models for a broad range of applications [1], [2]. A good account on graph labeling problems can be found in the dynamic survey of Gallian [6].

A graph  $G$  is called a *graceful labeling* if  $f$  is an injection from the vertices of  $G$  to the set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, q\}$  such that, when each edge  $xy$  is assigned the label  $|f(x) - f(y)|$ , the resulting edge labels are distinct. A graph  $G(V, E)$  is said to be *edge-graceful* if there exists a bijection  $f$  from  $E$  to  $\{1, 2, \dots, |E|\}$  such that the induced mapping  $f^+$  from  $V$  to  $\{0, 1, \dots, |V| - 1\}$  given by,  $f^+(x) = (\sum f(xy)) \pmod{|V|}$  taken over all edges  $xy$  incident at  $x$  is a bijection.

A necessary condition for a graph  $G$  with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges to be edge-graceful is  $q(q+1) \equiv \frac{p(p+1)}{2} \pmod{p}$ . Gayathri and

Duraisamy introduced the concept of even-edge-graceful labeling in [8] and further studied in [9]-[11]. Bloom and Hsu[3]-[5] extended the notion of graceful labeling to directed graphs. Gayathri and Vanitha[12] extended the concept of edge-graceful graphs to directed graphs and further studied in [13], [14]. A  $(p, q)$  graph  $G$  is said to be *directed edge-graceful* if there exists an orientation of  $G$  and a labeling  $f$  of the arcs  $A$  of  $G$  with  $\{1, 2, \dots, q\}$  such that the induced

mapping  $g$  on  $V$  defined by  $g(v) = [f^+(v) - f^-(v)] \pmod{p}$  is a bijection where,  $f^+(v) =$  the sum of the labels of all arcs with head  $v$  and  $f^-(v) =$  the sum of the labels of all arcs with tail  $v$ . A graph is said to be *directed edge-graceful graph* if it has a directed edge-graceful labeling. In this paper, we extend the notion of even-edge-graceful labeling to directed graph. Here we investigate directed even-edge-gracefulness of wheel graph.

**2. Main results**

**Definition 2.1:**

The *Wheel*  $W_n$  is defined as  $W_n = C_n + K_1$  where  $C_n$  is a cycle of length  $n$  and the number of vertices in a wheel is  $n + 1$ .

**Theorem 2.2:**

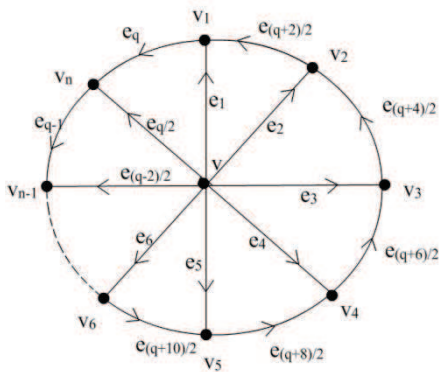
The wheel  $W_n$ ,  $n \geq 4$  is directed even-edge-graceful for  $q \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$

**Proof:**

Let  $V(W_n) = \{v, v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of vertices. Now, we orient the edges of  $W_n$ , such that the arc set  $A$  is given by

$$A(W_n) = \{e_i = (v, v_i), 1 \leq i \leq \frac{q}{2}\} \\ \cup \{e_{\frac{2i+q-2}{2}} = (v_i, v_{i-1}), 2 \leq i \leq n\} \\ \cup \{e_q = (v_1, v_n)\}$$

The orientation of the edges are given as in the Fig. 1



**Fig. 1:**  $W_n$  with orientation  
We define edge labels as follows :

$$f(e_i) = 2i, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{q}{2} ; f(e_q) = 2q ;$$

$$f(e_i) = 3q - 2i, \frac{q+2}{2} \leq i \leq q-1 ;$$

Then the values of  $f^+(v_i), f^-(v_i)$  are computed as under:

$$f^+(v_i) = 2q, 1 \leq i \leq n-1 ;$$

$$f^+(v_n) = 3q; \quad f^+(v) = 0$$

$$f^-(v_i) = 2q + 2 - 2i, 2 \leq i \leq n ;$$

$$f^-(v) = n(n+1)$$

$$f^-(v_1) = 2q ;$$

The induced vertex labels are

$$g(v_i) = 2i - 2, 2 \leq i \leq n-1 .$$

$$g(v_1) = 0, g(v_n) = 4n - 2, g(v) = 3n$$

Clearly,

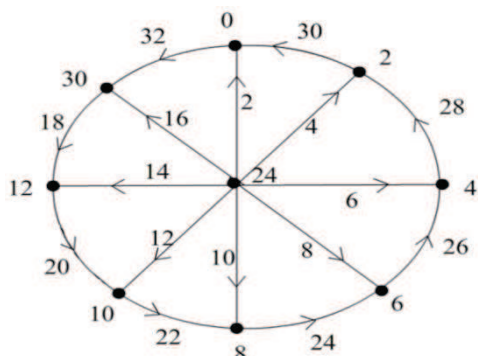
$$g(V) = \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2n-4, 4n-2, 3n\}$$

$$\subseteq \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2s-2\},$$

where  $s = q = 2n$

So, it follows that all the vertex labels are distinct and even. Hence, the wheel  $W_n$  is directed even-edge-graceful for all  $q \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$

The directed even-edge - graceful labeling of  $W_8$  is given in Fig. 2



**Fig.2 :** Directed even-edge-graceful labeling of  $W_8$

**Theorem 2.3:**

The wheel graph  $W_n$  is directed even-edge-graceful for  $q \equiv 2 \pmod{8}$

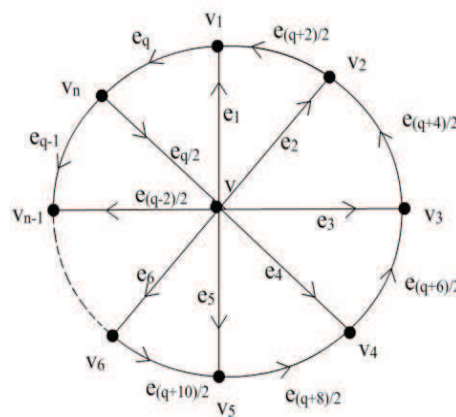
**Proof:**

Let  $V(W_n) = \{v, v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of vertices. Now, we orient the edges of  $W_n$ , such that the arc set  $A$  is given by

$$A(W_n) = \{e_i = (v, v_i), 1 \leq i \leq \frac{q}{2} - 1\}$$

$$\cup \{e_{\frac{2i+q-2}{2}} = (v_i, v_{i-1}), 2 \leq i \leq n\}$$

$$\cup \{e_q = (v_1, v_n)\} \cup \{e_{\frac{q}{2}} = (v_n, v)\}$$



The edges and their orientation are given in Fig. 3

**Fig. 3:**  $W_n$  with orientation

We define edge labels as follows :

$$f(e_i) = 2i + 2, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{q-2}{2} ;$$

$$f(e_i) = 3q - 2i - 2, \frac{q+2}{2} \leq i \leq q-2 ;$$

$$f(e_q) = 2q - 2 ;$$

$$f(e_{\frac{q}{2}}) = 2 ; \quad f(e_{q-1}) = 2q ;$$

Then the values of  $f^+(v_i), f^-(v_i)$  are computed as under.

$$f^+(v_i) = 2q, 1 \leq i \leq n-2 ;$$

$$f^+(v_{n-1}) = 3q; \quad f^+(v_n) = 2q - 2$$

$$f^+(v) = 2; \quad f^-(v_1) = 2q - 2$$

$$f^-(v_{n-1}) = 2n + 2$$

$$f^-(v_n) = 2q + 2 ;$$

$$f^-(v_i) = 2q - 2i, 1 \leq i \leq n-2$$

$$f^-(v) = n(n+1) - 2$$

The induced vertex labels are

$$g(v_i) = 2i, 1 \leq i \leq n-2,$$

$$g(v_{n-1}) = 2q-2;$$

$$g(v_n) = 2q-4, \quad g(v) = q+4$$

Clearly,

$$g(V) = \{2, 4, \dots, 2n-4, 2q-2, 2q-4, q+4\}$$

$$\subseteq \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2s-2\}, \text{ where } s = q = 2n$$

So, it follows that all the vertex labels are distinct and even. Hence, the wheel  $W_n$  is directed even-edge-graceful for all  $q \equiv 2 \pmod{8}$

The directed even-edge - graceful labeling of  $W_5$  is given in Fig. 4.

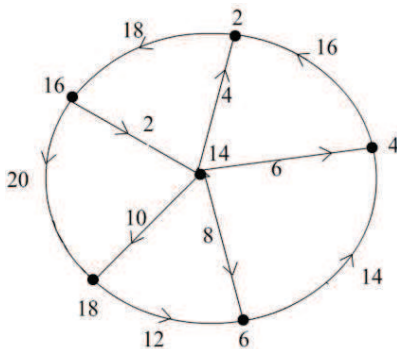


Fig. 4: Directed even-edge-graceful labeling of  $W_5$

**Theorem 2.4:**

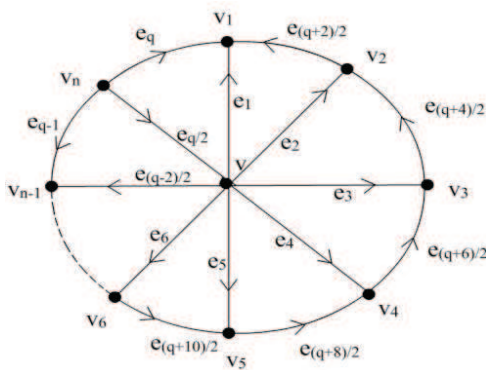
The wheel graph  $W_n$  is directed even-edge-graceful for  $q \equiv 6 \pmod{8}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $V(W_n) = \{v, v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of vertices. Now, we orient the edges of  $W_n$ , such that the arc set  $A$  is given by

$$A(W_n) = \{e_i = (v, v_i), 1 \leq i \leq \frac{q}{2} - 1\}$$

$$\cup \{e_{\frac{2i+q-2}{2}} = (v_i, v_{i-1}), 2 \leq i \leq n\}$$

$$\cup \{e_q = (v_n, v_1)\} \cup \{e_{\frac{q}{2}} = (v_n, v)\}$$



The edges and their orientation are given in Fig.5

Fig. 5 : The ordinary labeling of  $W_n$

We define edge labels as follows :

$$f(e_1) = 2; \quad f(e_2) = 4 \quad ; \quad f(e_3) = q;$$

$$f(e_i) = 2i-2, 4 \leq i \leq \frac{q}{2};$$

$$f(e_i) = 3q-2i+2, \quad \frac{q+8}{2} \leq i \leq q;$$

$$f(e_{\frac{q+2}{2}}) = 2q-2; f(e_{\frac{q+4}{2}}) = 2q-4; f(\frac{q+6}{2}) = 2q$$

Then the values of  $f^+(v_i), f^-(v_i)$  are computed as under.

$$f^+(v_1) = 3q+2; f^-(v_n) = 3q+4$$

$$f^+(v_2) = 2q; f^+(v_3) = 2q; f^+(v_4) = 3q;$$

$$f^+(v_2) = 2q; f^+(v_3) = 2q; f^+(v_4) = 3q;$$

$$f^+(v_i) = 2q, 5 \leq i \leq n-1;$$

$$f^+(v_n) = 0; f^+(v) = q-2;$$

$$f^-(v_1) = 0; f^-(v_2) = 2q-2;$$

$$f^-(v_3) = 2q-4; f^-(v_4) = 2q;$$

$$f^-(v_i) = 2q-2i+4, 5 \leq i \leq n-1;$$

$$f^-(v) = n(n-1)+2$$

The induced vertex labels are

$$g(v_1) = q+2; g(v_2) = 2;$$

$$g(v_3) = q+4; g(v_4) = 0;$$

$$g(v_i) = 2i-4, 5 \leq i \leq n \quad ; g(v) = 2q-4$$

Clearly,

$$g(V) = \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2n-4, 2q-4, q+2\}$$

$$\subseteq \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2s-2\}, \text{ where } s = q = 2n$$

So, it follows that all the vertex labels are distinct and even. Hence, the wheel  $W_n$  is directed even-edge-graceful for all  $q \equiv 6 \pmod{8}$

The directed even-edge - graceful labeling of  $W_7$  is given in Fig. 6.

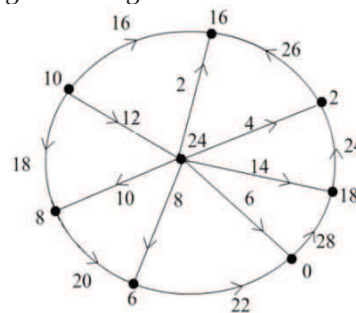


Fig. 6: Directed even-edge-graceful labeling of  $W_7$

**Theorem 2.5:** The wheel graph  $W_n$  is directed even-edge-graceful for  $q \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$

**Proof:** Let  $V(W_n) = \{v, v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of vertices. Now, we orient the edges of  $W_n$ , such that the arc set  $A$  is given by

$$A(W_n) = \{e_i = (v, v_i), 1 \leq i \leq \frac{q}{2}\}$$

$$\cup \{e_{\frac{2i+q-2}{2}} = (v_i, v_{i-1}), 2 \leq i \leq n\}$$

$$\cup \{e_q = (v_1, v_n)\}$$

The edges and their orientation are given in Fig. 1

We define edge labels as follows :

$$f(e_i) = 2i, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{q}{4} - 1;$$

$$f(e_i) = 2(i+1), \frac{q}{4} \leq i \leq \frac{q}{2} - 2;$$

$$f(e_{\frac{q-1}{2}}) = 2q - \frac{3q}{2};$$

$$f(e_i) = 3q - 2i, \frac{q+2}{2} \leq i \leq \frac{3q-4}{4};$$

$$f(e_i) = 3q - 2i - 2, \frac{3q}{4} \leq i \leq q - 2;$$

$$f(e_{\frac{q}{2}}) = q; f(e_{q-1}) = 2q - \frac{q}{2};$$

$$f(e_q) = 2q;$$

Then the values of  $f^+(v_i), f^-(v_i)$  are computed as under.

$$f^+(v_i) = 2q, 1 \leq i \leq n-1;$$

$$f^+(v_n) = 3q; f^+(v) = 0;$$

$$f^-(v_i) = 2q - 2i + 2, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2};$$

$$f^-(v_i) = 2q - 2i, \frac{n+2}{2} \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f^-(v_n) = 3n; f^-(v) = n(n+1)$$

The induced vertex labels are

$$g(v_n) = 3n, g(v) = n;$$

$$g(v_1) = 0, g(v_2) = 2, g(v_3) = 4,$$

$$g(v_i) = 2i - 2, 4 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} \text{ and } (n > 6);$$

$$g(v_i) = 2(i+1) - 2, \frac{n}{2} + 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

Clearly,

$$g(V) = \{0, 2, 4, \dots, n-2, n+2, \dots, 2n-2, n, 3n\}$$

$$\subseteq \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2s-2\}, \text{ where } s = q = 2n$$

So, it follows that all the vertex labels are distinct and even. Hence, the wheel  $W_n$  is directed even-edge-graceful for all

$q \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$ . The directed even-edge-graceful labeling of  $W_6$  is given in Fig. 6.

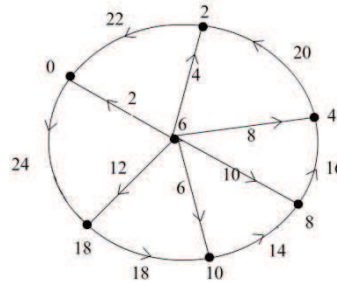


Fig. 6: Directed even-edge-graceful labeling of  $W_6$

**Theorem 2.6:** The wheel graph  $W_n$  is directed even-edge-graceful for  $n = 3$

**Proof:** The directed even-edge-graceful of  $W_3$  is given in Fig. 7

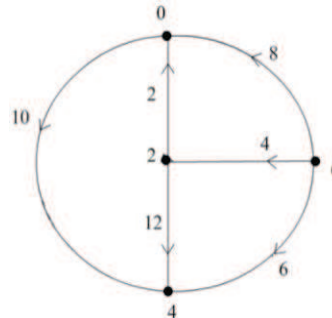


Fig. 7: Directed even-edge-graceful labeling of  $W_3$

Clearly,  $g(V) = \{0, 2, 4, 6\} \subseteq \{0, 2, 4, \dots, 2s-2\}$ ,

where  $s = q = 2n$ . So, it follows that all the vertex labels are distinct and even. Hence, the wheel  $W_n$  is directed even-edge-graceful for  $n = 3$ .

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