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### Integer Cordial Labeling of Triangular Snake Graph

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#### ABSTRACT

A graph  $G = (V, E)$  with  $|V| = p$  is called integer cordial labeled graph if it has an injective map  $f : V \rightarrow \left[-\frac{p}{2}, \dots, \frac{p}{2}\right]^*$  or  $\left[-\left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor\right]$  as  $p$  is even or odd, which includes an edge labeling  $f^* : E \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  defined by  $f^*(e = uv) = 1$  if  $f(u) + f(v) \geq 0$  and  $0$  otherwise such that  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ . In this paper we discuss Integer cordial labeling of triangular snake graph  $T_n$ , double triangular snake graph  $DT_n$ , triple triangular snake graph  $TT_n$  and alternate triangular snake graph  $AT_n$ .

**KEYWORDS:** Integer cordial labeling, Triangular Snake graphs

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## INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we consider finite, connected and undirected graph. A graph  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  having set of vertices  $V(G)$  and set of edges  $E(G)$ . For the standard notation, we refer Gross and Yellen.<sup>2</sup> The concept of cordial labeling was introduced by I. Cahit<sup>3</sup> in 1987.

**Definition-1.1:** If the vertices or edges of graph are assigned values or label to certain conditions is known as graph labeling.

**Definition-1.2:** A labeling of a graph  $G$  is said to be cordial labeling if  $|v_f(0) - v_f(1)| \leq 1$  &  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ , where  $v_f(i)$  and  $e_f(i)$  is the numbers of vertices and edges of graph  $G$  having labeled  $i$  respectively for  $i = 0, 1$ . A graph which admits cordial labeling is called cordial graph.

Different types of cordial labeling are introduced and explored by many researchers. For detailed survey on graph labeling we refer to a dynamic survey on graph labeling by Gallian.<sup>4</sup>

**Definition-1.3:** A simple connected graph  $G = (V, E)$  with  $|V| = p$ . Let  $f : V \rightarrow \left[-\frac{p}{2}, \dots, \frac{p}{2}\right]^*$  or

$\left[-\left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor\right]$  as  $p$  is even or odd be an injective map, which includes an edge labeling

$f^* : E \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  defined by  $f^*(e = uv) = 1$  if  $f(u) + f(v) \geq 0$  and 0 otherwise then  $f$  is said to be integer cordial if  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ . Where  $e_f(i)$  is the numbers of edges of graph  $G$  having label  $i$  for  $i = 0, 1$ . A graph is called integer cordial graph if it admits an integer cordial labeling. Where  $[-t, \dots, t] = \{x \mid x \text{ is an integer} \& |x| \leq t\}$  and  $[-t, \dots, t]^* = [-t, \dots, t] - \{0\}$ .

➤ T. Nicholas and P. Maya<sup>6</sup> have proved following result:

- (i) Complete graph  $K_n$  is not integer cordial graph,  $n > 3$ .
- (ii) Star graph  $K_{1,n}$  is integer cordial.
- (iii) Helm graph  $H_n$  is integer cordial.
- (iv) Closed Helm graph  $CH_n$  is integer cordial.
- (v) Complete bipartite graph  $K_{n,n}$  is integer cordial iff  $n$  is even.
- (vi) Graph  $K_{n,n} \setminus M$  is an integer cordial, where  $M$  is a perfect matching.

**Definition-1.4:** A Triangular snake graph  $T_n$  is obtained from a path  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  by joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  to a new vertex  $v_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , that is every edge of a path is replaced by a triangle.

**Definition-1.5:** Double Triangular Snake graph  $DT_n$  consists of two Triangular snakes that have a common path.

**Definition-1.6:** Triple Triangular Snake graph  $TT_n$  consists of three Triangular snakes that have a common path.

**Definition-1.7:** An Alternate Triangular Snake graph  $AT_n$  is obtained from a path  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  by joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  alternatively ( $i = 1, 3, 5, \dots$ ) to a new vertex  $v_i$ . That is every alternate edge of a path is replaced by  $C_3$ .

### MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem-2.1:** The Triangular snake graph  $T_n$  is integer cordial graph,  $n \geq 2$ .

**Proof:** Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  be the  $n$  vertices and joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  to a new vertex  $v_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ . Hence total no. of vertices in  $T_n = p = 2n-1$  and number of edges in  $T_n = q = 3(n-1)$ .

There are two cases for the value of  $n$ .

Case-1:  $n$  is even

When  $n$  is even then  $p$  is odd.

We define  $f : V \rightarrow \left[ -\left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor \right]$  as follows:

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i - \frac{n+2}{2} & ; 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} \\ i - \frac{n}{2} & ; \frac{n}{2} < i \leq n \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} i - n & ; 1 \leq i < \frac{n}{2} \\ 0 & ; i = \frac{n}{2} \\ i & ; \frac{n}{2} < i \leq n-1 \end{cases}$$

Case-2:  $n$  is odd

When  $n$  is odd then  $p$  is odd.

We define  $f : V \rightarrow \left[ -\left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor \right]$  as follows:

$$f(u_i) = i - \frac{n+1}{2} ; 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} i - n & ; 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\ i & ; \frac{n-1}{2} < i \leq n-1 \end{cases}$$

Table – 1 “edge condition for  $T_n$ ”

Case No.	Value of $n$	Value of $p$	Edge condition
1	$n$ is even	$p$ is odd	$e_f(0) = \left\lfloor \frac{3(n-1)}{2} \right\rfloor$ and $e_f(1) = \left\lceil \frac{3(n-1)}{2} \right\rceil$
2	$n$ is odd	$p$ is odd	$e_f(0) = \frac{3(n-1)}{2}$ and $e_f(1) = \frac{3(n-1)}{2}$

Thus, in each case we get  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence Triangular snake graph  $T_n$  is integer cordial.

**Example-2.2:** An integer cordial labeling of  $T_7$  is shown in Figure-1.

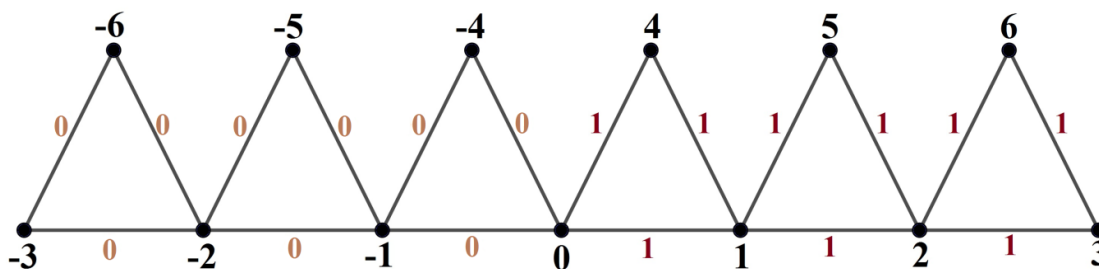


Figure – 1 “triangular snake graph with 7 vertices ( $T_7$ )”

**Theorem-2.3:** The Double Triangular snake graph  $DT_n$  is integer cordial graph,  $n \geq 2$ .

**Proof:** Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  be the  $n$  vertices and joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  to a new vertex  $v_i$  and  $v'_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ . Total no. of vertices in  $DT_n = p = 3n - 2$  and number of edges in  $DT_n = q = 5(n - 1)$ .

Case-1:  $n$  is even

When  $n$  is even then  $p$  is also even.

We define  $f : V \rightarrow \left[ -\frac{p}{2}, \dots, \frac{p}{2} \right]^*$  as follows:

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i - \frac{3n}{2} ; & 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} \\ i + \frac{n-2}{2} ; & \frac{n}{2} < i \leq n \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = i ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(v'_i) = -i ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

Case-2:  $n$  is odd

When  $n$  is odd then  $p$  is also an odd.

We define  $f : V \rightarrow \left[ -\left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor \right]$  as follows:

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i - \left(\frac{3n-1}{2}\right); & 1 \leq i < \frac{n+1}{2} \\ 0 & ; i = \frac{n+1}{2} \\ i + \frac{n-3}{2} & ; \frac{n+1}{2} < i \leq n \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = i; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(v'_i) = -i; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

Table – 2 “edge condition for  $DT_n$ ”

Case No.	Value of $n$	Value of $p$	Edge condition
1	$n$ is even	$p$ is even	$e_f(0) = \left\lfloor \frac{5(n-1)}{2} \right\rfloor$ and $e_f(1) = \left\lceil \frac{5(n-1)}{2} \right\rceil$
2	$n$ is odd	$p$ is odd	$e_f(0) = \frac{5(n-1)}{2}$ and $e_f(1) = \frac{5(n-1)}{2}$

Thus, in each case we get  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence, Double Triangular snake graph  $DT_n$  is integer cordial.

**Example-2.4:** An integer cordial labeling of  $DT_6$  is shown in Figure-2.

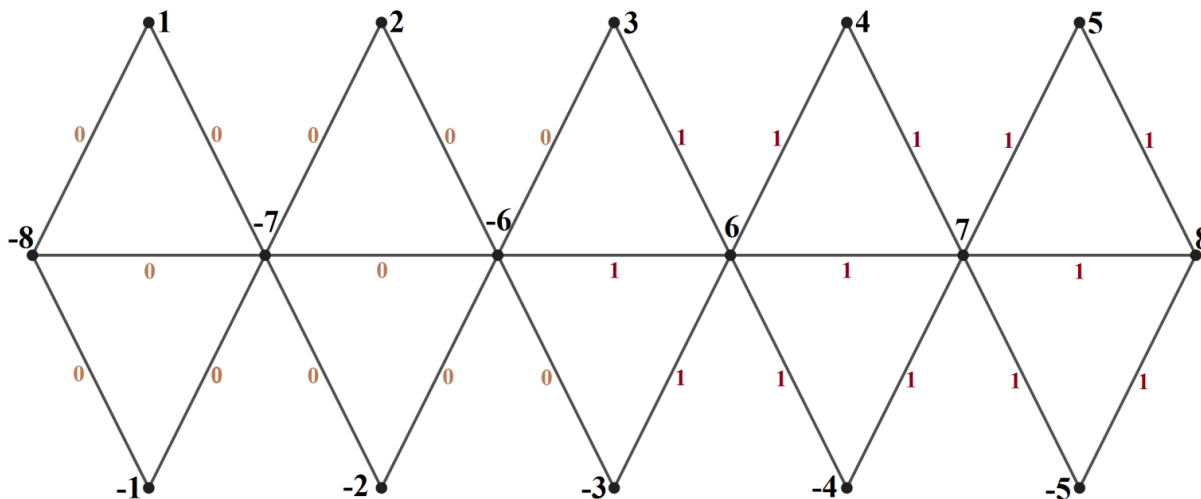


Figure – 2 “double triangular snake graph with 6 vertices ( $DT_6$ )”

**Theorem-2.5:** The Triple Triangular snake graph  $TT_n$  is integer cordial graph,  $n \geq 2$ .

**Proof:** Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  be the  $n$  vertices and joining  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  to a new vertex  $v_i, v'_i$  and  $v''_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ . Total no. of vertices in  $TT_n = p = 4n - 3$  and number of edges in  $TT_n = q = 7(n-1)$ .

Case-1:  $n$  is even.

When  $n$  is even then  $p$  is odd.

We define  $f : V \rightarrow \left[ -\left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor \right]$  as follows:

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i - \frac{3n}{2} ; & 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} \\ i + \frac{n-2}{2} ; & \frac{n}{2} < i \leq n \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = i ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(v'_i) = \begin{cases} i - (2n-1) ; & 1 \leq i < \frac{n}{2} \\ 0 & ; \quad i = \frac{n}{2} \\ i + (n-1) ; & \frac{n}{2} < i \leq n-1 \end{cases}$$

$$f(v''_i) = -i ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

Case-2:  $n$  is odd

When  $n$  is odd then  $p$  is also an odd.

We define  $f : V \rightarrow \left[ -\left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor \right]$  as follows:

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i - \left( \frac{3n-1}{2} \right) ; & 1 \leq i < \frac{n+1}{2} \\ 0 & ; \quad i = \frac{n+1}{2} \\ i + \frac{n-3}{2} ; & \frac{n+1}{2} < i \leq n \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = i ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

$$f(v'_i) = \begin{cases} i - (2n-1) ; & 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\ i + (n-1) ; & \frac{n-1}{2} < i \leq n-1 \end{cases}$$

$$f(v''_i) = -i ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1$$

Table – 3 “edge condition for  $TT_n$ ”

Case No.	Value of $n$	Value of $p$	Edge condition
1	$n$ is even	$p$ is odd	$e_f(0) = \left\lfloor \frac{7(n-1)}{2} \right\rfloor$ and $e_f(1) = \left\lceil \frac{7(n-1)}{2} \right\rceil$
2	$n$ is odd	$p$ is odd	$e_f(0) = \frac{7(n-1)}{2}$ and $e_f(1) = \frac{7(n-1)}{2}$



We define  $f : V \rightarrow \left[-\frac{p}{2}, \dots, \frac{p}{2}\right]^*$  as follows:

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i - \frac{n+2}{2} & ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} \\ i - \frac{n}{2} & ; \quad \frac{n}{2} < i \leq n \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} i - \frac{3n+4}{4} & ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{4} \\ i + \frac{n}{4} & ; \quad \frac{n}{4} < i \leq \frac{n}{2} \end{cases}$$

Case-3: If  $p$  and  $n$  both are odd.

We define  $f : V \rightarrow \left[-\left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor, \dots, \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor\right]$  as follows:

$$f(u_i) = i - \frac{n+1}{2} ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n$$

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} i - \frac{3n+1}{4} & ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{4} \\ i + \frac{n-1}{4} & ; \quad \frac{n-1}{4} < i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \end{cases}$$

Case-4: If  $p$  is even and  $n$  is odd.

We define  $f : V \rightarrow \left[-\frac{p}{2}, \dots, \frac{p}{2}\right]^*$  as follows:

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} i - \frac{n+1}{2} & ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} \\ i - \frac{n-1}{2} & ; \quad \frac{n-1}{2} < i \leq n \end{cases}$$

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} i - \frac{3(n+1)}{4} & ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n+1}{4} \\ i + \frac{n+1}{4} & ; \quad \frac{n+1}{4} < i \leq n \end{cases}$$

Table – 4 “edge condition for  $AT_n$ ”

Case No.	Value of $n$	Value of $p$	Edge condition
1	$n$ is even	$p$ is odd	$e_f(0) = n - 1$ and $e_f(1) = n$
2	$n$ is even	$p$ is even	$e_f(0) = n - 1$ and $e_f(1) = n$
3	$n$ is odd	$p$ is odd	$e_f(0) = n - 1$ and $e_f(1) = n - 1$
4	$n$ is odd	$p$ is even	$e_f(0) = n - 1$ and $e_f(1) = n - 1$



Thus, in each case we get  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ .

Hence, Alternate Triangular snake graph  $AT_n$  is integer cordial.

**Example-2.8:** An integer cordial labeling of  $AT_6$  is shown in Figure-4.

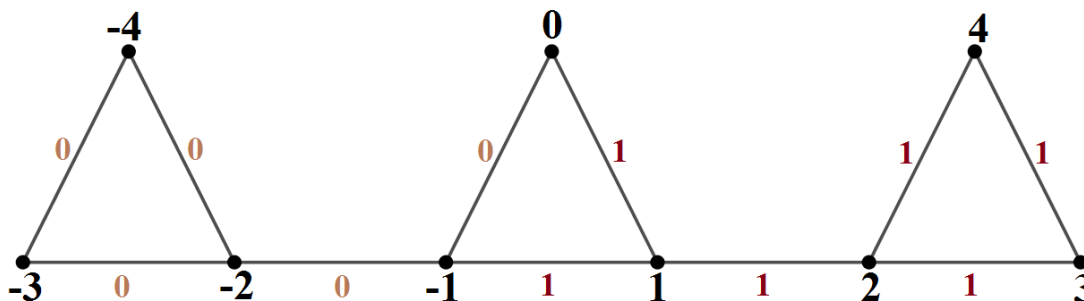


Figure - 4 “alternate triangular snake graph with 6 vertices ( $AT_6$ )”

## CONCLUSION

In this paper we have proved that triangular snake graph, double triangular snake graph, triple triangular snake graph and alternate triangular snake graph admits integer cordial labeling.

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