## (1,N)-Arithmetic Labelling of Ladder and Subdivision of Ladder

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**Abstract**: A (p,q)-graph G is said to be (1, N)-arithmetic labelling if there is a function  $\phi$  from the vertex set V(G) to  $\{0, 1, N, (N+1), 2N, (2N+1), \dots, N(q-1), N(q-1)+1\}$  so that the values obtained as the sums of the labelling assigned to their end vertices, can be arranged in the arithmetic progression  $\{1, N+1, 2N+1, \dots, N(q-1)+1\}$ . In this paper we prove that ladder and subdivision of ladder are (1, N)-arithmetic labelling for every positive integer N > 1.

Key Words: Ladder, subdivision of ladder, one modulo N graceful, Smarandache k modulo N graceful.

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## §1. Introduction

V.Ramachandran and C. Sekar [8, 9] introduced one modulo N graceful where N is any positive integer. In the case N = 2, the labelling is odd graceful and in the case N = 1 the labelling is graceful. A graph G with q edges is said to be one modulo N graceful (where N is a positive integer) if there is a function  $\phi$  from the vertex set of G to  $\{0, 1, N, (N+1), 2N, (2N +$  $1), \dots, N(q-1), N(q-1) + 1\}$  in such a way that (i)  $\phi$  is 1 - 1 (ii)  $\phi$  induces a bijection  $\phi^*$ from the edge set of G to  $\{1, N + 1, 2N + 1, \dots, N(q-1) + 1\}$  where  $\phi^*(uv) = |\phi(u) - \phi(v)|$ . Generally, a graph G with q edges is called to be *Smarandache k modulo N graceful* if one replacing N by kN in the definition of one modulo N graceful graph. Clearly, a graph G is Smarandache k modulo N graceful if and only if it is one modulo kN graceful by definition.

B. D. Acharya and S. M. Hegde [2] introduced (k, d)- arithmetic graphs. A (p, q)- graph G is said to be (k, d)- arithmetic if its vertices can be assigned distinct nonnegative integers so that the values of the edges, obtained as the sums of the numbers assigned to their end vertices, can be arranged in the arithmetic progression  $k, k+d, k+2d, \ldots, k+(q-1)d$ . Joseph A. Gallian [4] surveyed numerous graph labelling methods.

V.Ramachandran and C. Sekar [10] introduced (1, N)-Arithmetic labelling. We proved that stars, paths, complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$ , highly irregular graph  $H_i(m, m)$  and cycle  $C_{4k}$  are (1, N)-Arithmetic labelling,  $C_{4k+2}$  is not (1, N)-Arithmetic labelling. We also proved that no graph G containing an odd cycle is (1, N)-arithmetic labelling for every positive integer

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N. A (p,q)-graph G is said to be (1, N)-Arithmetic labelling if there is a function  $\phi : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1, N, (N+1), 2N, (2N+1), \cdots, N(q-1), N(q-1)+1\}.$ 

In this situation the induced mapping  $\phi^*$  to the edges is given by  $\phi^*(uv)=\phi(u) + \phi(v)$ . If the values of  $\phi(u) + \phi(v)$  are  $1, N + 1, 2N + 1, \ldots, N(q-1) + 1$  all distinct, then we call the labelling of vertices as (1, N)- Arithmetic labelling. In case if the induced mapping  $\phi^*$  is defined as  $\phi^*(uv)=|\phi(u) - \phi(v)|$  and if the resulting edge labels are are distinct and equal to  $\{1, N + 1, 2N + 1, \cdots, N(q-1) + 1\}$ . We call it as one modulo N graceful. In this paper we prove that Ladder and Subdivision of Ladder are (1, N)-Arithmetic labelling for every positive integer N > 1.

## §2. Main Results

**Definition** 2.1 A graph G with q edges is said to be one modulo N graceful (where N is a positive integer) if there is a function  $\phi$  from the vertex set of G to  $\{0, 1, N, (N+1), 2N, (2N+1), \dots, N(q-1), N(q-1)+1\}$  in such a way that (i)  $\phi$  is 1-1 and (ii)  $\phi$  induces a bijection  $\phi^*$  from the edge set of G to  $\{1, N+1, 2N+1, \dots, N(q-1)+1\}$  where  $\phi^*(uv) = |\phi(u) - \phi(v)|$ .

**Definition** 2.2 A (p,q)-graph G is said to be (1,N)-Arithmetic labelling if there is a function  $\phi$  from the vertex set V(G) to  $\{0,1,N,(N+1),2N,(2N+1),\cdots,N(q-1),N(q-1)+1\}$  so that the values obtained as the sums of the labelling assigned to their end vertices, can be arranged in the arithmetic progression  $\{1, N+1, 2N+1, \cdots, N(q-1)+1\}$ .

**Definition** 2.3 A (p,q)- graph G is said to be (k,d)- arithmetic if its vertices can be assigned distinct nonnegative integers so that the values of the edges, obtained as the sums of the numbers assigned to their end vertices, can be arranged in the arithmetic progression  $k, k+d, k+2d, \dots, k+(q-1)d$ .

**Definition** 2.4([7]) Let G be a graph with p vertices and q edges. A graph H is said to be a subdivision of G if H is obtained from G by subdividing every edge of G exactly once. H is denoted by S(G).

**Definition** 2.5 The ladder graph  $L_n$  is defined by  $L_n = P_n \times K_2$  where  $P_n$  is a path with  $\times$  denotes the cartesian product.  $L_n$  has 2n vertices and 3n - 2 edges.

**Theorem 2.6** For every positive integer n, ladder  $L_n$  is (1, N)-Arithmetic labelling, for every positive integer N > 1.

*Proof* Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be the vertices of  $L_n$ , respectively, and let  $u_i v_{i+1}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ .  $v_i u_{i+1}, i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$  and  $u_i v_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  be the edges of  $L_n$ . The ladder graph  $L_n$  is defined by  $L_n = P_n \times K_2$  where  $P_n$  is a path with  $\times$  denotes the cartesian product. Then the ladder  $L_n$  has 2*n*vertices and 3n - 2 edges as shown in figures following. Define  $\phi(u_i) = N(i-1)$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n, \phi(v_i) = 2N(i-1) + 1$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ .

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**Figure 1** Ladder  $L_n$  where n is odd



**Figure 2** Ladder  $L_n$  where n is even

From the definition of  $\phi$  it is clear that

$$\begin{aligned} \{\phi(u_i), i &= 1, 2, \cdots, n\} \bigcup \{\phi(v_i), i &= 1, 2, \cdots, n\} \\ &= \{0, N, 2N, \dots, N(n-1)\} \cup \{1, 2N+1, 4N+1, \cdots, 2N(n-1)+1\} \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that the vertices have distinct labels. Therefore  $\phi$  is 1-1. We compute the edge labels as follows:

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,  $\phi^*(v_i u_i) = |\phi(v_i) + \phi(u_i)| = 3N(i-1) + 1$ ; for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ ,  $\phi^*(v_{i+1}u_i) = |\phi(v_{i+1}) + \phi(u_i)| = N(3i-1) + 1$ ,  $\phi^*(v_i u_{i+1}) = |\phi(v_i) + \phi(u_{i+1})| = N(3i-2) + 1$ .

This shows that the edges have the distinct labels  $\{1, N+1, 2N+1, \cdots, N(q-1)+1\}$ , where q = 3n - 2. Hence  $L_n$  is (1, N)-Arithmetic labelling for every positive integer N > 1.  $\Box$ 

**Example** 2.7. A (1, 5)-Arithmetic labelling of  $L_6$  is shown in Figure 3.



Figure 3

**Example** 2.8 A (1, 2)-Arithmetic labelling of  $L_7$  is shown in Figure 4.



**Theorem 2.9** A subdivision of ladder  $L_n$  is (1, N)-Arithmetic labelling for every positive integer N > 1.

Proof Let  $G = L_n$ . The ladder graph  $L_n$  is defined by  $L_n = P_n \times K_2$  where  $P_n$  is a path with  $\times$  denotes the cartesian product.  $L_n$  has 2n vertices and 3n - 2 edges. A graph H is said to be a subdivision of G if H is obtained from G by subdividing every edge of G exactly once. H is denoted by S(G). Then the subdivision of ladder  $L_n$  has 5n - 2 vertices and 6n - 4 edges as shown in Figure 5. Let  $H = S(L_n)$ .



**Figure 5** Subdivision of ladder  $L_n$ 

Define the following functions:

 $\eta: N \to N$  by

$$\eta(i) = \begin{cases} N(2i-1) & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ 2N(i-1) & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

and  $\gamma: N \to N$  by

$$\gamma(i) = \begin{cases} 2N(i-1) & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ N(2i-1) & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Define  $\phi: V \to \{0, 1, 2, \cdots, q\}$  by

$$\phi(u_i) = \eta(i), i = 1, 2, \cdots, n$$
  
 $\phi(v_i) = \gamma(i), i = 1, 2, \cdots, n.$ 

Define

$$\phi(u_{i,i+1}) = \begin{cases} 1 + (i-1)4N & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ (4i-1)N+1 & \text{if } i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$
  
For  $i = 1, 2, \cdots, n-2$ , define

$$\phi(v_{i,i+1}) = \phi(u_{i+1,i+2}) - 4N, \quad \phi(v_{n-1,n}) = \phi(u_{n-2,n-1}) + 4N,$$

$$\phi(w_i) = \begin{cases} 1 + (4i - 3)N & \text{if } i = 1, 2, \cdots, n - 1 \\ 4Nn - 4N + 1 & \text{if } i = n \end{cases}$$

It is clear that the vertices have distinct labels. Therefore  $\phi$  is 1-1. We compute the edge labels as follows:

$$\begin{split} \phi^*(w_n u_n) &= \mid \phi(w_n) + \phi(u_n) \mid = 6Nn - 6N + 1, \\ \phi^*(w_n v_n) &= \mid \phi(w_n) + \phi(v_n) \mid = 6Nn - 5N + 1, \\ \phi^*(v_{n-1,n} v_{n-1}) &= \mid \phi(v_{n-1,n}) + \phi(v_{n-1}) \mid = \begin{cases} 6Nn - 12N + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ 6Nn - 8N + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is even.} \end{cases} \\ \phi^*(v_{n-1,n} v_n) &= \mid \phi(v_{n-1,n}) + \phi(v_n) \mid = \begin{cases} 6Nn - 9N + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \\ 6Nn - 7N + 1 & \text{if } n \text{ is even.} \end{cases} \end{split}$$

For  $i = 1, 2, \cdots, n - 1$ ,

$$\phi^*(w_i u_i) = |\phi(w_i) + \phi(u_i)| = \begin{cases} N(6i - 4) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ N(6i - 5) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$
$$\phi^*(w_i v_i) = |\phi(w_i) + \phi(v_i)| = \begin{cases} N(6i - 5) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ N(6i - 4) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

For  $i = 1, 2, \cdots, n - 1$ ,

$$\phi^*(u_{i,i+1}u_i) = |\phi(u_{i,i+1}) + \phi(u_i)| = \begin{cases} N(6i-2) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ N(6i-6) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$
  
$$\phi^*(u_{i,i+1}u_{i+1}) = |\phi(u_{i,i+1}) + \phi(u_{i+1})| = \begin{cases} N(6i-3) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ N(6i-1) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

For  $i = 1, 2, \cdots, n - 2$ ,

$$\phi^*(v_{i,i+1}v_i) = |\phi(v_{i,i+1}) + \phi(v_i)| = \begin{cases} N(6i-6) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ N(6i-2) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$
$$\phi^*(v_{i,i+1}v_{i+1}) = |\phi(v_{i,i+1}) + \phi(v_{i+1})| = \begin{cases} N(6i-3) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \\ N(6i-1) + 1 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

This shows that the edges have distinct labels  $\{1, N+1, 2N+1, \dots, N(q-1)+1\}$  with q = 6n - 4. Hence  $S(L_n)$  is (1, N)-Arithmetic labelling for every positive integer N > 1.  $\Box$ 

**Example** 2.10 A (1,3)-Arithmetic labelling of  $S(L_5)$  is shown in Figure 6.

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Figure 6

**Example** 2.11 A (1, 10)-Arithmetic labelling of  $S(L_6)$  is shown in Figure 7.



Figure 7

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