

## HARMONIC MEAN CORDIAL LABELING IN THE SCENARIO OF DUPLICATING GRAPH ELEMENTS

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**ABSTRACT.** All the graphs considered in this article are simple and undirected. Let  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  be a simple undirected Graph. A function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  is called Harmonic Mean Cordial if the induced function  $f^* : E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  defined by  $f^*(uv) = \lfloor \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u)+f(v)} \rfloor$  satisfies the condition  $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$  and  $|e_f(i) - e_f(j)| \leq 1$  for any  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ , where  $v_f(x)$  and  $e_f(x)$  denotes the number of vertices and number of edges with label  $x$  respectively. A Graph  $G$  is called Harmonic Mean Cordial graph if it admits Harmonic Mean Cordial labeling. In this article, we have discussed Harmonic Mean Cordial labeling In The Scenario of Duplicating Graph Elements.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

The notion of graph labeling in graph theory has garnered significant attention from scholars because of its wide-ranging and rigorous applications in domains such as communication network design and analysis, military surveillance, social sciences, optimization, and linear algebra. Various graph labelings are documented in the current body of literature. A dynamic survey of graph labeling by Gallian [2] is a condensed compilation of a lengthy bibliography of articles on the subject.

We begin with simple, finite, connected and undirected graph  $G = (V(G), E(G))$ . For terminology and notation not defined here we follow Balakrishnan and Rangnathan [1]. In [5] J. Gowri and J. Jayapriya defined Harmonic Mean Cordial labeling of graph  $G$ . Let  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  be a simple undirected Graph. A function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  is called *Harmonic Mean Cordial* if the induced function  $f^* : E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  defined by

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$f^*(uv) = \lfloor \frac{2f(u)f(v)}{f(u)+f(v)} \rfloor$  satisfies the condition  $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \leq 1$  and  $|e_f(i) - e_f(j)| \leq 1$  for any  $i, j \in \{1, 2\}$ , where  $v_f(x)$  and  $e_f(x)$  denotes the number of vertices and number of edges with label  $x$  respectively and  $\lfloor x \rfloor$  is the floor function. A Graph  $G$  is called *Harmonic Mean Cordial graph* if it admits Harmonic Mean Cordial labeling. For the sake of convenience of the reader we use ‘HMC’ for harmonic mean cordial labeling, ‘ $C_{1,n}$ ’ for One Chord Cycle Graph and  $C_{2,n}$  for Twin Chord Cycle Graph. It is useful to recall some useful definitions of graph theory to make this article self-contained.

Motivated by the interesting results proved in [3, 4, 6, 8, 9] and on Root Cube Mean Cordial Labeling in [7, 10].

**Definition 1.1.** [2] *The neighborhood of a vertex  $v$  of a graph is the set of all vertices adjacent to  $v$ . It is denoted by  $N(v)$ .*

**Definition 1.2.** [2] *The duplication of a vertex  $v$  of graph  $G_1$  produces a new graph  $G_2$  by adding a new vertex  $v^*$  such that  $N(v^*) = N(v)$ . In other words a vertex  $v^*$  is said to be duplication of  $v$  if all the vertices which are adjacent to  $v$  in  $G_1$  are also adjacent to  $v^*$  in  $G_2$ .*

**Definition 1.3.** [2] *The duplication of vertex  $v_n$  by a new edge  $e = v_n^*v_n^{**}$  in a graph  $G_1$  produce a new graph  $G_2$  such that  $N(v_n^*) = \{v_n, v_n^{**}\}$  and  $N(v_n^{**}) = \{v_n, v_n^*\}$ .*

**Definition 1.4.** [2] *The duplication of an edge  $e = uv$  by a new vertex  $w$  in a graph  $G_1$  produce a new graph  $G_2$  such that  $N(w) = \{u, v\}$ .*

**Definition 1.5.** [2] *The duplication of an edge  $e = uv$  of a graph  $G_1$  produce a new graph  $G_2$  by adding an edge  $e^* = u^*v^*$  such that  $N(u^*) = \{N(u) \cup v^*\} \setminus \{v\}$  and  $N(v^*) = \{N(v) \cup u^*\} \setminus \{u\}$ .*

**Definition 1.6.** [2] *Let us consider a pair of a cycle  $C_n$  and let  $e_k = v_kv_{k+1}$  be an edge in the first copy of  $C_n$  with  $e_{k-1} = v_{k-1}v_k$  and  $e_{k+1} = v_{k+1}v_{k+2}$  be its incident edges. Similarly let  $e_k^* = u_ku_{k+1}$  be an edge in the second copy of  $C_n$  with  $e_{k-1}^* = u_{k-1}u_k$  and  $e_{k+1}^* = u_{k+1}u_{k+2}$  be its incident edges. The mutual duplication of a pair of edges  $e_k, e_k^*$  between two copies of cycle  $C_n$  produces a new graph  $G$  in such a way that  $N(v_k) \cap N(u_k) = \{v_{k-1}, u_{k-1}\}$  and  $N(v_{k+1}) \cap N(u_{k+1}) = \{v_{k+2}, u_{k+2}\}$ .*

**Definition 1.7.** [2] *Let us consider a pair of a cycle  $C_n$ . Then the mutual duplication of a pair of vertices  $v_k$  and  $v_k^*$  respectively from each copy of cycle  $C_n$  produces a new graph  $G$  such that  $N(v_k) = N(v_k^*)$ .*

**Definition 1.8.** [2] *One Chord of a cycle is an edge joining two non-adjacent vertices of cycle  $C_n$ . It is denoted by  $C_{1,n}$ .*

**Definition 1.9.** [2] *Twin chords of a cycle is said to be twin chords if they form a triangle with an edge of the cycle  $C_n$ . It is denoted by  $C_{2,n}$ .*

In the next section, in Theorems 2.1 and 2.2, we investigate HMC labeling for duplicating vertices by edges of a generalized HMC graph. Also, in Theorems 2.3 and 2.4, we have derived HMC labeling for the duplicating vertice by an edge as well as the duplicating edges by a vertice on  $C_n$ , respectively. In Theorem 2.5, we proved that the graph formed by duplicating all the vertices by edges in cycle  $C_{n \geq 4}$  is not HMC, and in Theorem 2.6, we proved that the graph formed by duplicating all the edges by vertices in cycle  $C_n$  is not HMC. We also derived in Theorems 2.7 and 2.8 that the graph formed by duplicating all the vertices by edges as well as all the edges by vertices in cycle  $P_n$  is HMC, respectively. Furthermore, in Theorems 2.9 and 2.10, we prove that the graphs obtained by mutual duplication of a pair of edges, as well as mutual duplication of a pair of vertices from each pair of cycles  $C_n$ , admit HMC labeling, respectively.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

**Theorem 2.1.** *The graph  $G_2$  obtained from a HMC graph  $G_1$  by duplicating each of the vertices with an edge is a HMC graph if  $|V(G_1)| \cong 0 \pmod{2}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $G_1$  be a HMC graph with  $|V(G_1)| = p$  and  $|E(G_1)| = q$ . Let  $f : V(G_1) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  be corresponding HMC labeling such that  $|v_f(1) - v_f(2)| \leq 1$  and  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| \leq 1$ . Let  $G_2 = (V, E)$  be the graph obtained from  $G_1$  by duplicating each of the vertices by an edge. Note that  $|V(G_2)| = p + 2p = 3p$  and  $|E(G_2)| = q + 3p$ . We have  $|v_g(1)| = \frac{3p}{2} = |v_g(2)|$ .

**Case 1:**  $q \cong 0 \pmod{2}$

Define a labeling function  $g : V(G_2) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  as follows

$$g(u) = \begin{cases} f(u) & \text{if } u \in V(G_1) \\ 1 & \text{if } u \text{ is adjacent to } v \text{ where } u \notin V(G_1), v \in V(G_1) \text{ and } f(v) = 1 \\ 2 & \text{if } u \text{ is adjacent to } v \text{ where } u \notin V(G_1), v \in V(G_1) \text{ and } f(v) = 2 \end{cases}$$

Then we have  $e_g(1) = \frac{q+3p}{2} = e_g(2)$ . So, we have  $|v_g(1) - v_g(2)| \leq 1$  and  $|e_g(1) - e_g(2)| \leq 1$ .

**Case 2:**  $q \cong 1 \pmod{2}$

Define a labeling function  $g : V(G_2) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  as follows

$$g(u) = \begin{cases} f(u) & \text{if } u \in V(G_1) \\ 1 & \text{if } u \text{ is adjacent to } v \text{ where } u \notin V(G_1), v \in V(G_1) \text{ and } f(v) = 1 \\ 2 & \text{if } u \text{ is adjacent to } v \text{ where } u \notin V(G_1), v \in V(G_1) \text{ and } f(v) = 2 \end{cases} \quad \text{Then}$$

we have  $e_g(1) = \frac{q+3p+1}{2}$  and  $e_g(2) = \frac{q+3p-1}{2}$ . So, we have  $|v_g(1) - v_g(2)| \leq 1$  and  $|e_g(1) - e_g(2)| \leq 1$ . Hence,  $G_2$  is HMC.  $\square$

**Example 2.1.** *HMC labeling of the graph  $G_2$  obtained from a HMC graph  $G_1 = C_{2,8}$  by duplicating each of the vertices with an edge is a HMC graph if  $|V(G_1)| \cong 0 \pmod{2}$  is shown in figure - 1.*

**Example 2.2.** *HMC labeling of the graph  $G_2$  obtained from a HMC graph  $G_1 = C_{1,8}$  by duplicating each of the vertices with an edge is a HMC graph if  $|V(G_1)| \cong 0 \pmod{2}$  is shown in figure - 2.*

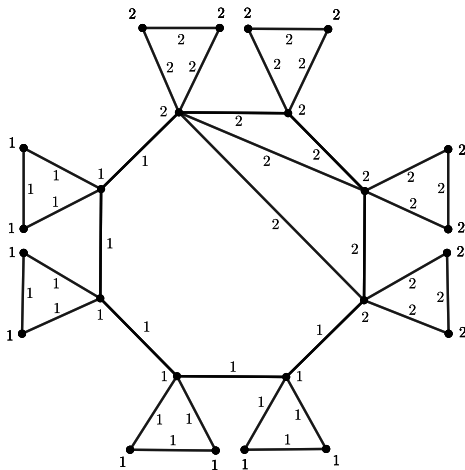


Figure - 1 :  $C_{2,8}$

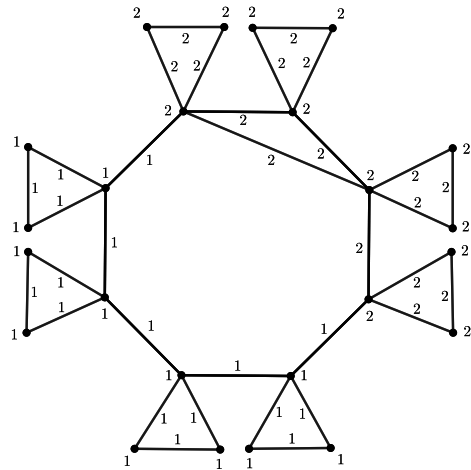


Figure - 2 :  $C_{1,8}$

**Theorem 2.2.** *The graph  $G_2$  obtained from a HMC graph  $G_1$  by duplicating each of the vertices with an edge is a HMC graph if  $|V(G_1)| \cong 1 \pmod{2}$  and  $|E(G_1)| \cong 0 \pmod{2}$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $G_1$  be a HMC graph with  $|V(G_1)| = p$  and  $|E(G_1)| = q$ . Let  $f : V(G_1) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  be corresponding HMC labeling such that  $|v_f(1) - v_f(2)| \leq 1$  and  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| \leq 1$ . Let

$G_2 = (V, E)$  be the graph obtained from  $G_1$  by duplicating each of the vertices by an edge. Note that  $|V(G_2)| = p + 2p = 3p$  and  $|E(G_2)| = q + 3p$ . As  $|V(G_1)| = p = 2k + 1$  have two possibilities:

$$(1) |v_f(1)| = 2k, |v_f(2)| = 2k + 1$$

$$(2) |v_f(1)| = 2k + 1, |v_f(2)| = 2k$$

**Case 1:**  $|v_f(1)| = 2k, |v_f(2)| = 2k + 1$

Suppose  $v_f(1) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  and  $v_f(2) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{k+1}\}$  in  $G_1$  where  $p = 2k + 1$ . So we have  $|v_f(1)| = \frac{p-1}{2}$  and  $|v_f(2)| = \frac{p+1}{2}$ . Also  $|e_f(1)| = \frac{q}{2} = |e_f(2)|$ .

Now,  $V(G_2) = V(G_1) \cup \{v_i^*, v_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}\} \cup \{u_i^*, u_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k+1\}\}$  and  $E(G_2) = E(G_1) \cup \{v_i^* v_i, v_i^{**} v_i, v_i^* v_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}\} \cup \{u_i^* u_i, u_i^{**} u_i, u_i^* u_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k+1\}\}$ .

Define a labeling function  $g : V(G_2) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  as follows

$$g(u) = \begin{cases} f(u) & \text{if } u \in V(G_1) \\ 1 & \text{if } x \in \{v_i^*, v_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}\} \\ 1 & \text{if } x = u_{k+1}^{**} \\ 2 & \text{if } x \in \{u_i^*, u_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}\} \\ 2 & \text{if } x = u_{k+1}^* \end{cases}$$

Then  $v_g(1) = \frac{3p-1}{2}$ ,  $v_g(2) = \frac{3p+1}{2}$  and  $e_g(1) = \frac{q+3p+1}{2}$ ,  $e_g(2) = \frac{q+3p-1}{2}$ . So, we have  $|v_g(1) - v_g(2)| \leq 1$  and  $|e_g(1) - e_g(2)| \leq 1$ . In this case  $G_2$  admits HMC Labeling.

**Case 2:**  $|v_f(1)| = 2k + 1, |v_f(2)| = 2k$

Suppose  $v_f(1) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k, v_{k+1}\}$  and  $v_f(2) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_k\}$  in  $G_1$  where  $p = 2k + 1$ .

So we have  $|v_f(1)| = \frac{p+1}{2}$  and  $|v_f(2)| = \frac{p-1}{2}$ . Also  $|e_f(1)| = \frac{q}{2} = |e_f(2)|$ .

Now,  $V(G_2) = V(G_1) \cup \{v_i^*, v_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k+1\}\} \cup \{u_i^*, u_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}\}$  and  $E(G_2) = E(G_1) \cup \{v_i^* v_i, v_i^{**} v_i, v_i^* v_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k+1\}\} \cup \{u_i^* u_i, u_i^{**} u_i, u_i^* u_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}\}$ .

Define a labeling function  $g : V(G_2) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  as follows

$$g(u) = \begin{cases} f(u) & \text{if } u \in V(G_1) \\ 1 & \text{if } x \in \{v_i^*, v_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}\} \\ 2 & \text{if } x \in \{u_i^*, u_i^{**} \mid i \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}\} \\ 2 & \text{if } x \in \{v_{k+1}^*, v_{k+1}^{**}\} \end{cases}$$

Then  $v_g(1) = \frac{3p+1}{2}$ ,  $v_g(2) = \frac{3p-1}{2}$  and  $e_g(1) = \frac{q+3p+1}{2}$ ,  $e_g(2) = \frac{q+3p-1}{2}$ . So, we have  $|v_g(1) - v_g(2)| \leq 1$  and  $|e_g(1) - e_g(2)| \leq 1$ . In this case  $G_2$  admits HMC Labeling. Hence,  $G_2$  is HMC.  $\square$

**Example 2.3.** HMC labeling of the graph  $G_2$  obtained from a HMC graph  $G_1 = C_{1,7}$  and  $G_1 = C_{2,7}$  by duplicating each of the vertices with an edge is a HMC graph if  $|V(G_1)| \cong 1 \pmod{2}$  and  $|E(G_1)| \cong 0 \pmod{2}$  is shown in figure - 3.

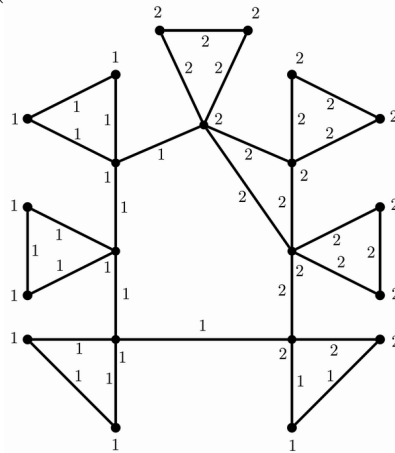


Figure - 3 :  $C_{1,7}$

**Theorem 2.3.** *The graph formed by duplicating an arbitrary vertex with a new edge in cycle  $C_n$  is HMC.*

*Proof.* Let  $G = (V, E)$  be the graph formed by duplicating an arbitrary vertex with a new edge in cycle  $C_n$ . Note that  $|V(G)| = n + 2$  and  $|E(G)| = n + 3$ . Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n+2}\}$  be the vertex set of  $G$ . Without loss of generality we fix duplicating vertex  $v_1$  of  $C_n$  by an edge  $e_{n+1}$  with end vertices  $v_{n+1}$  and  $v_{n+2}$  as shown in following figure - 4.

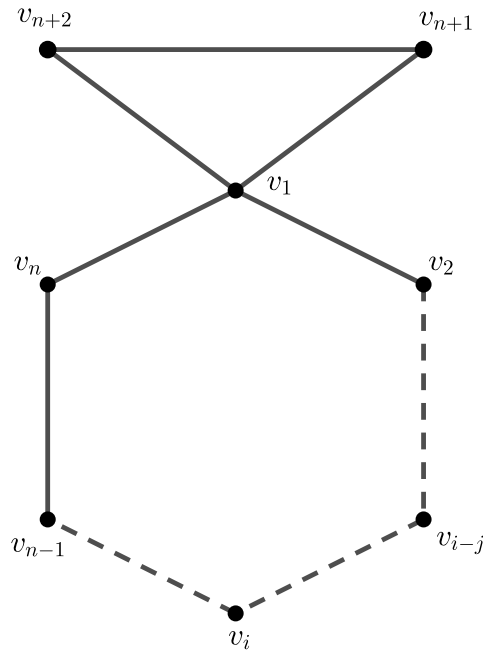


Figure – 4 : Duplicating an arbitrary vertex with a new edge in cycle  $C_n$

**Case 1: n is even**

Define a labeling function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  as follows,

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

Then  $v_f(1) = v_f(2) = \frac{n+2}{2}$  and  $e_f(1) = \frac{n+4}{2}$ ,  $e_f(2) = \frac{n+2}{2}$ . So, we have  $|v_f(1) - v_f(2)| = 0$  and  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 1$ .

**Case 2 : n is odd**

Define a labeling function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  as follows,

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

Then  $v_f(1) = \frac{n-1}{2}$ ,  $v_f(2) = \frac{n+1}{2}$  and  $e_f(1) = e_f(2) = \frac{n+3}{2}$ . So, we have  $|v_f(1) - v_f(2)| = 1$  and  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 0$ .

Hence,  $G$  is HMC. □

**Example 2.4.** *HMC labeling of the graph formed by duplication of a vertex by an edge in  $C_5$  and  $C_6$  is shown in figure - 5.*

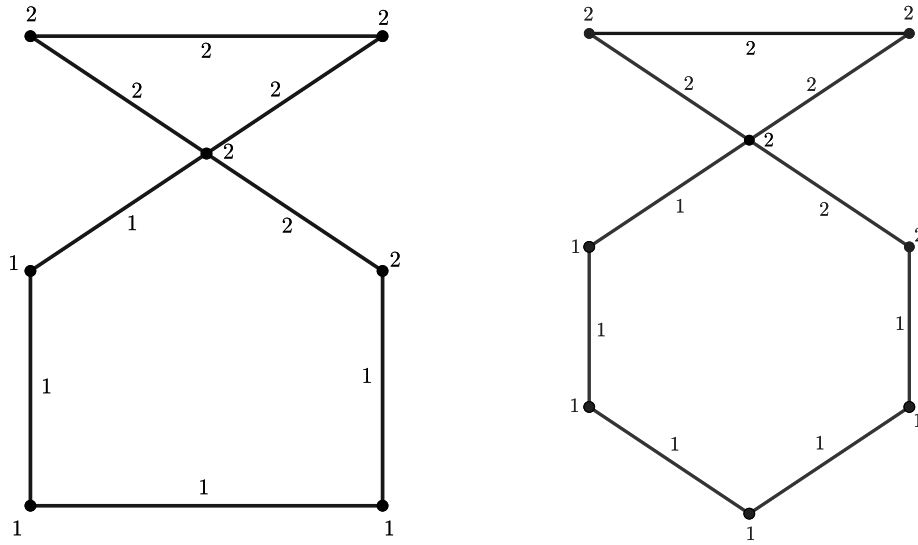


Figure – 5 : Duplicating an arbitrary vertex with a new edge in cycle  $C_5$  and  $C_6$

**Theorem 2.4.** *The graph formed by duplicating an arbitrary edge with a new vertex in cycle  $C_{n \geq 4}$  is HMC.*

*Proof.* Let  $G = (V, E)$  be the graph formed by duplicating an arbitrary edge with a new vertex in cycle  $C_n$ . Note that  $|V(G)| = n+1$  and  $|E(G)| = n+2$ . Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n+1}\}$  be the vertex set of  $G$ . Without loss of generality we fix duplicating edge  $v_1v_2$  of  $C_n$  by an vertex  $v_{n+1}$  as shown in following figure - 6.

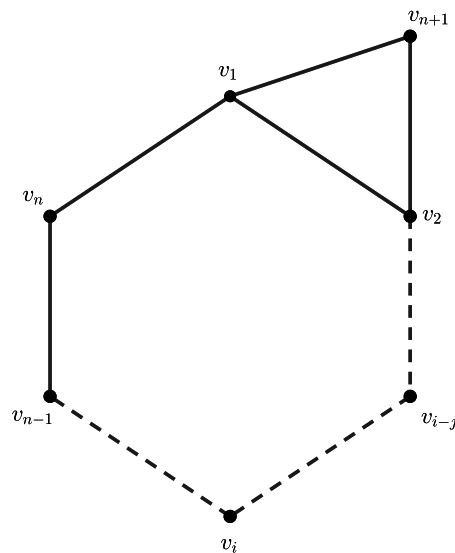


Figure – 6 : Duplicating an arbitrary edge with a new vertex in cycle  $C_n$

**Case 1: n is even**

Define a labeling function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  as follows,

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} \\ 2 & \text{if } i = n+1 \\ 1 & \text{if } \frac{n+2}{2} \leq i \leq n \end{cases}$$

Then  $v_f(1) = \frac{n}{2}$ ,  $v_f(2) = \frac{n+2}{2}$  and  $e_f(1) = e_f(2) = \frac{n+2}{2}$ . So, we have  $|v_f(1) - v_f(2)| = 0$  and  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 1$ .

**Case 2 :  $n$  is odd**

Define a labeling function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  as follows,

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

Then  $v_f(1) = v_f(2) = \frac{n+1}{2}$  and  $e_f(1) = e_f(2) = \frac{n+3}{2}$ . So, we have  $|v_f(1) - v_f(2)| = 1$  and  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 0$ .

Hence,  $G$  is HMC.  $\square$

**Example 2.5.** HMC labeling of the graph formed by duplication of a edge by a vertex in  $C_7$  and  $C_8$  is shown in figure - 7.

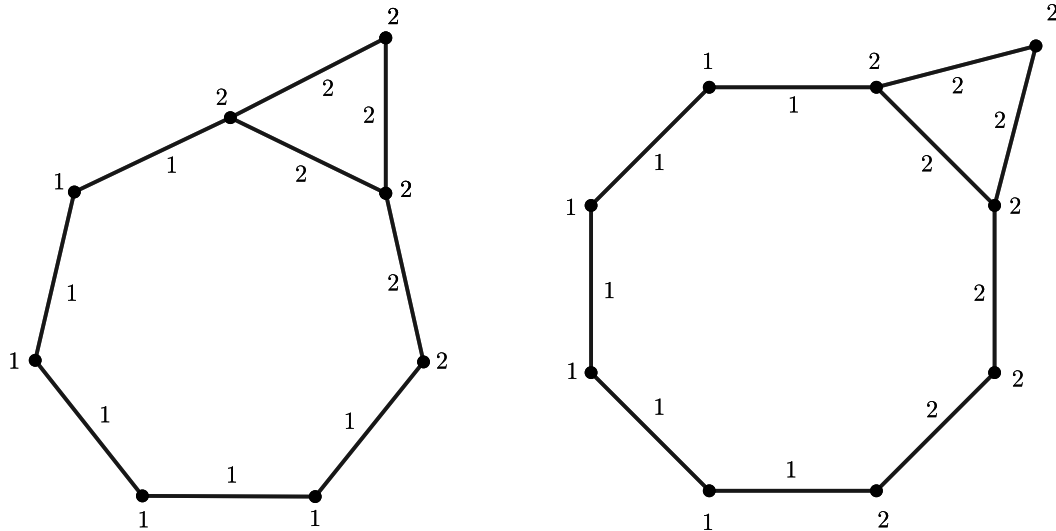


Figure – 7 : Duplicating an arbitrary edge with a new vertex in cycle  $C_7$  and  $C_8$

**Theorem 2.5.** The graph formed by duplicating all the vertices by edges in cycle  $C_{n \geq 4}$  is not HMC.

*Proof.* Let  $G = (V, E)$  be the graph formed by duplicating all vertices by edge in cycle  $C_{n \geq 4}$ . Note that  $|V(G)| = 3n$  and  $|E(G)| = 4n$ . Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n, v''_1, v''_2, \dots, v''_n\}$  be the vertex set of  $G$ .

If possible, let there be a HMC labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  for graph  $G$  which is formed by duplicating all vertices by edge in cycle  $C_{n \geq 4}$ .

**Case 1:  $n \cong 0 \pmod{2}$**

So,  $v_f(1) = v_f(2) = \frac{3n}{2}$ . If we assign consecutive labeling 2 on  $\frac{3n}{2}$  vertices of  $G$ , then we have  $e_f(2) = 2n - 1$  and  $e_f(1) = 2n + 1$ . Therefore  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 2 > 1$ .

Without assuming consecutive labeling 2 on  $\frac{3n}{2}$  vertices of  $G$ , we get  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| > 2$ . Thus  $G$  does not satisfies HMC labeling.

**Case 2:  $n \cong 1 \pmod{2}$**

As we have  $|v_f(1) - v_f(2)| \leq 1$ , we have two possibilities,

(1)  $v_f(1)^{\frac{3n-1}{2}}, v_f(2)^{\frac{3n+1}{2}}$  and

(2)  $v_f(1)^{\frac{3n+1}{2}}, v_f(2)^{\frac{3n-1}{2}}$

**Subcase 2.1:**  $v_f(1)^{\frac{3n-1}{2}}, v_f(2)^{\frac{3n+1}{2}}$

If we assign consecutive labeling 2 on  $\frac{3n+1}{2}$  vertices of  $G$ , then we have  $e_f(2) = 2n - 1$  and  $e_f(1) = 2n + 1$ . Therefore  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 2 > 1$ .

Without assuming consecutive labeling 2 on  $\frac{3n+1}{2}$  vertices of  $G$ , we get  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| > 2$ . Thus  $G$  does not satisfies HMC labeling.

**Subcase 2.2:**  $v_f(1)^{\frac{3n+1}{2}}, v_f(2)^{\frac{3n-1}{2}}$

If we assign consecutive labeling 2 on  $\frac{3n-1}{2}$  vertices of  $G$ , then we have  $e_f(2) = 2n - 2$  and  $e_f(1) = 2n + 2$ . Therefore  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 4 > 1$ .

Without assuming consecutive labeling 2 on  $\frac{3n-1}{2}$  vertices of  $G$ , we get  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| > 4$ . Thus  $G$  does not satisfies HMC labeling.

Hence, the graph formed by duplicating all the vertices by edges in cycle  $C_{n \geq 4}$  is not HMC.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.1.** *The graph formed by duplicating all the vertices by edges in cycle  $C_3$  and its HMC labeling is shown in figure - 8.*

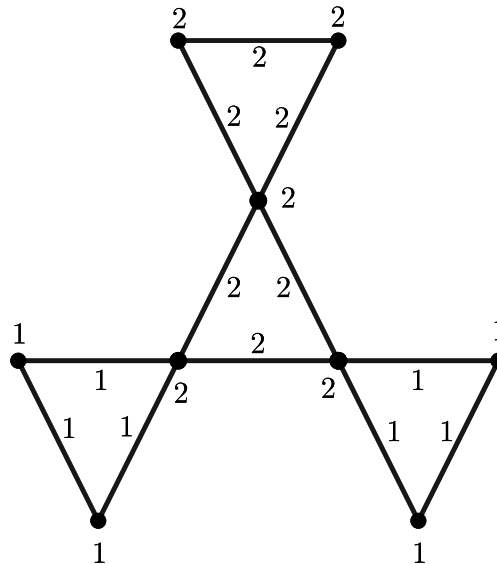


Figure – 8 : Duplicating all the vertices by edge in cycle  $C_3$

**Theorem 2.6.** *The graph formed by duplicating all the edges by vertices in cycle  $C_n$  is not HMC.*

*Proof.* Let  $G = (V, E)$  be the graph formed by duplicating all edges by vertices in cycle  $C_n$ . Note that  $|V(G)| = 2n$  and  $|E(G)| = 3n$ . Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n\}$  be the vertex set of  $G$ .

If possible, let there be a HMC labeling  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  for graph  $G$  which is formed by duplicating all edges by vertices in cycle  $C_n$ .

As we have  $|v_f(1) - v_f(2)| = 0$ . So,  $|v_f(1)| = n = |v_f(2)|$ , we have two possibilities,

(1)  $n \cong 0 \pmod{2}$  and

(2)  $n \cong 1 \pmod{2}$ .

**Case 1:**  $n \cong 0 \pmod{2}$



If we assign consecutive labeling 2 on  $n$  vertices of  $G$ , then we have  $e_f(2) = \frac{3n-4}{2}$  and  $e_f(1) = \frac{3n+4}{2}$ . Therefore  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 4 > 1$ .

Without assuming consecutive labeling 2 on  $n$  vertices of  $G$ , we get  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| > 4$ . Thus  $G$  does not satisfies HMC labeling.

**Case 2:**  $n \cong 1 \pmod 2$

If we assign consecutive labeling 2 on  $n$  vertices of  $G$ , then we have  $e_f(2) = \frac{3n-3}{2}$  and  $e_f(1) = \frac{3n+3}{2}$ . Therefore  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 6 > 1$ .

Without assuming consecutive labeling 2 on  $n$  vertices of  $G$ , we get  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| > 6$ . Thus  $G$  does not satisfies HMC labeling.

Hence, the graph formed by duplicating all the edges by vertices in cycle  $C_n$  is not HMC.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.7.** *The graph formed by duplicating all the vertices by edges in path  $P_n$  is HMC.*

*Proof.* Let  $G = (V, E)$  be the graph formed by duplicating all arbitrary vertices by edge in path  $P_n$ . Note that  $|V(G)| = 3n$  and  $|E(G)| = 4n-1$ . Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n, v''_1, v''_2, \dots, v''_n\}$  as shown in figure - 9.

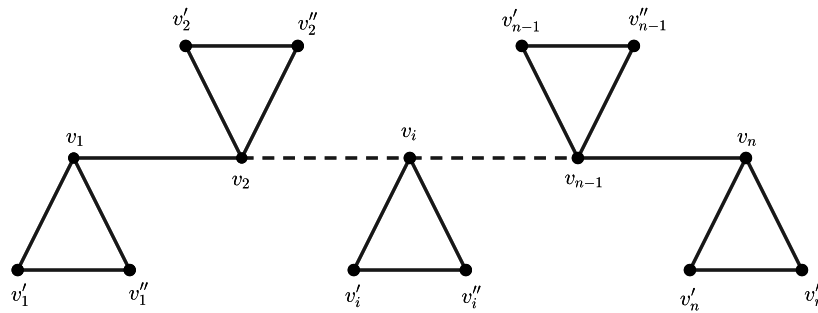


Figure – 9 : Duplicating all the vertices with by edges in Path  $P_n$

**Case 1:**  $n \cong 0 \pmod 2$

Proof Follows from Theorem 2.1.

**Case 2:**  $n \cong 1 \pmod 2$

Proof Follows from Theorem 2.2.  $\square$

**Example 2.6.** *HMC labeling of the graph formed by duplicating all the vertices by edges in path  $P_6$  and  $P_7$  is shown in figure - 10 and figure - 11.*

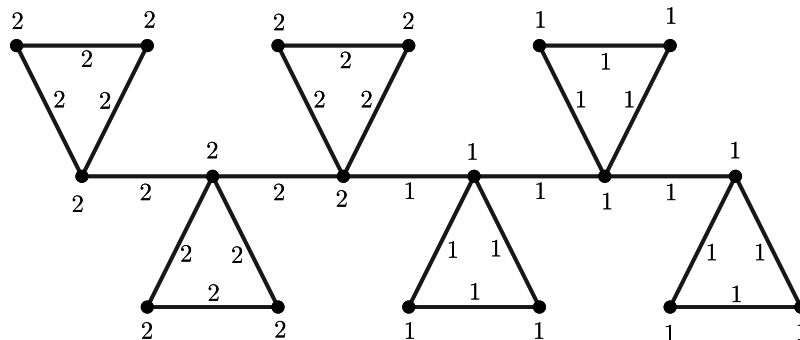
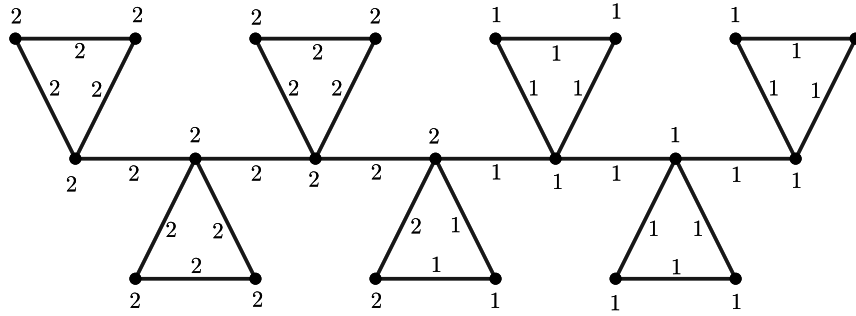


Figure – 10 : Duplicating all the vertices with by edges in Path  $P_6$

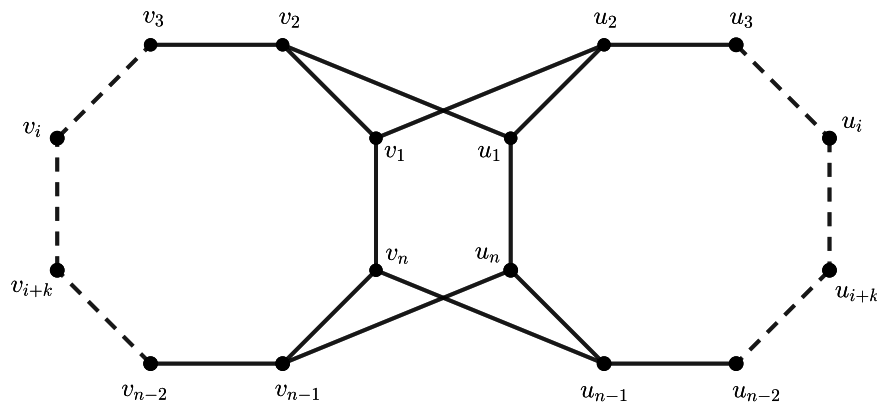
Figure – 11 : Duplicating all the vertices with by edges in Path  $P_7$ 

**Theorem 2.8.** *The graph formed by duplicating all the edges by vertices in path  $P_n$  is HMC.*

*Proof.* The graph formed by duplicating all the edges by vertices in path  $P_n$  is Triangular Snake  $TS_n$  which is HMC proved by J. Gowri and J Jayapriya in [6].  $\square$

**Theorem 2.9.** *The graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of edges in cycle  $C_{n \geq 8}$  is HMC.*

*Proof.* Let  $G = (V, E)$  be the graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of edges in cycle  $C_{n \geq 8}$ . Note that  $|V(G)| = 2n$  and  $|E(G)| = 2n + 4$ . Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be the vertex set of  $G$ . Without loss of generality we fix mutual duplicating edge  $v_1v_n$  and  $u_1u_n$  of  $C_{n \geq 8}$  as shown in following figure - 12.

Figure – 12 : Mutual Duplication of a Pair of Edges in Cycle  $C_{n \geq 8}$ 

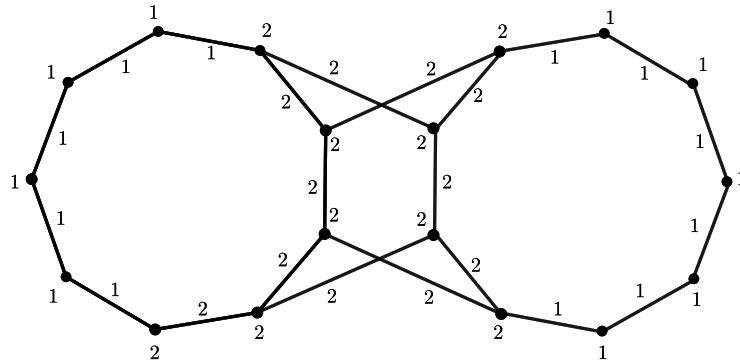
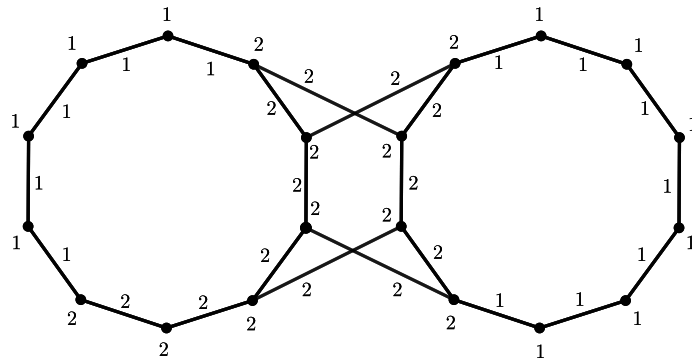
Define a labeling function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  as follows,

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 3 \leq i \leq 6 \\ 2 & \text{if } i \in \{1, 2, 7, \dots, n\} \end{cases}$$

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 3 \leq i \leq n-2 \\ 2 & \text{if } i \in \{1, 2, n-1, n\} \end{cases}$$

Then  $v_f(1) = v_f(2) = \frac{n}{2}$  and  $e_f(1) = e_f(2) = \frac{2n+4}{2} = n+2$ . So, we have  $|v_f(1) - v_f(2)| = 0$  and  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 0$ . Hence,  $G$  is HMC.  $\square$

**Example 2.7.** *HMC labeling of the mutual duplication of a pair of edges of cycle  $C_9$  and  $C_{10}$  shown in figure - 13 and figure - 14.*

Figure – 13 : Mutual Duplication of a Pair of Edges in Cycle  $C_9$ Figure – 14 : Mutual Duplication of a Pair of Edges in Cycle  $C_{10}$ 

**Corollary 2.2.** *The graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of edges in cycle  $C_{n \leq 7}$  is not HMC.*

*Proof.* The graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of edges in cycle  $C_{n \leq 7}$  under consideration violates the condition as shown in Table - 1.

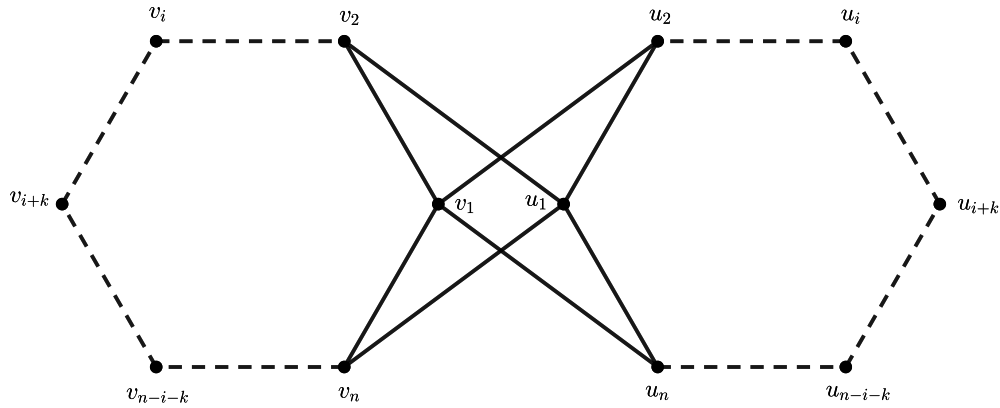
$n$	$ V(G) $	$ E(G) $	$ v_f(1) $	$ v_f(2) $	$ e_f(1) $	$ e_f(2) $	$ e_f(1) - e_f(2) $
3	6	10	3	3	7	3	4
4	8	12	4	4	8	4	4
5	10	14	5	5	9	5	4
6	12	16	6	6	10	6	4
7	14	18	7	7	10	8	2

Table – 1

Hence, The graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of edges in cycle  $C_{n \leq 7}$  is not HMC.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.10.** *The graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of vertices in cycle  $C_{n \geq 6}$  is HMC.*

*Proof.* Let  $G = (V, E)$  be the graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of vertices in cycle  $C_{n \geq 6}$ . Note that  $|V(G)| = 2n$  and  $|E(G)| = 2n + 4$ . Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  be the vertex set of  $G$ . Without loss of generality we fix mutual duplicating vertex  $v_1$  and  $u_1$  of  $C_{n \geq 6}$  as shown in following figure - 15.

Figure – 15 : Mutual Duplication of a Pair of Vertices in Cycle  $C_{n \geq 6}$ 

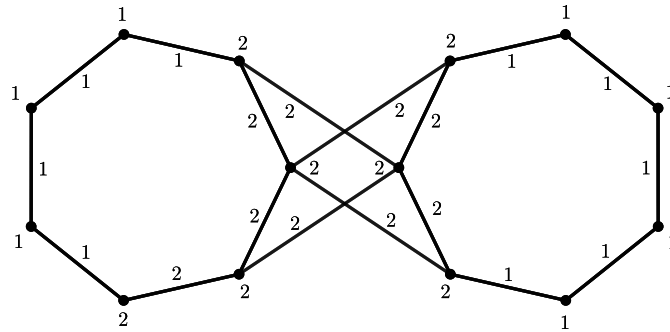
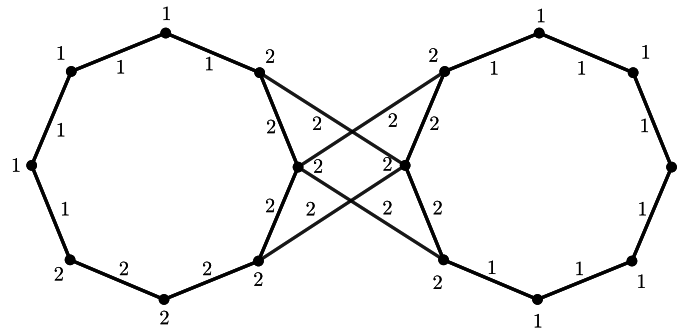
Define a labeling function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2\}$  as follows,

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 3 \leq i \leq 5 \\ 2 & \text{if } i \in \{1, 2, 6, \dots, n\} \end{cases}$$

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 3 \leq i \leq n-1 \\ 2 & \text{if } i \in \{1, 2, n\} \end{cases}$$

Then  $v_f(1) = v_f(2) = \frac{n}{2}$  and  $e_f(1) = e_f(2) = \frac{2n+4}{2} = n+2$ . So, we have  $|v_f(1) - v_f(2)| = 0$  and  $|e_f(1) - e_f(2)| = 0$ . Hence,  $G$  is HMC.  $\square$

**Example 2.8.** HMC labeling of the mutual duplication of a pair of vertices of cycle  $C_7$  and  $C_8$  shown in figure - 16 and figure - 17.

Figure – 16 : Mutual Duplication of a Pair of Vertices in Cycle  $C_7$ Figure – 17 : Mutual Duplication of a Pair of Vertices in Cycle  $C_8$

**Corollary 2.3.** *The graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of vertices in cycle  $C_{n \leq 5}$  is not HMC.*

*Proof.* The graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of vertices in cycle  $C_{n \leq 5}$  under consideration violates the condition as shown in Table - 2.

$n$	$ V(G) $	$ E(G) $	$ v_f(1) $	$ v_f(2) $	$ e_f(1) $	$ e_f(2) $	$ e_f(1) - e_f(2) $
3	6	10	3	3	7	3	4
4	8	12	4	4	8	4	4
5	10	14	5	5	8	6	2

Table – 2

Hence, The graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of vertices in cycle  $C_{n \leq 5}$  is not HMC.  $\square$

### 3. CONCLUSIONS

In this article, we have discussed HMC labeling for duplicating vertices by edges in a generalized HMC graph. We also explain that the duplicating vertices by an edge and the duplicating edges by a vertex on cycles  $C_n$  are HMC. We proved that the graph formed by duplicating all vertices by edges in cycle  $C_{n \geq 4}$  is not HMC, and the graph formed by duplicating all edges by vertices in cycles in  $C_n$  is not HMC. We also prove that the graph formed by duplicating all vertices by edges and all the edges by vertices in path  $P_n$  is HMC. In addition, we have derived the condition from the natural number  $n$ . The graph formed by mutual duplication of a pair of edges as well as mutual duplication of a pair of vertices in cycle  $C_n$  is HMC.

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