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Abstract: Skolem mean labeling of the four star $G = K_{1,\eta_1} \cup K_{1,\eta_2} \cup K_{1,\tau_1} \cup K_{1,\tau_2}$ where $\eta_1 \le \eta_2$ and $\tau_1 \le \tau_2$ is a skolem mean graph if $1 \le \left|\sum_{i=1}^{2} \tau_i - \sum_{i=1}^{2} \eta_i\right| \le 2$ is the

main purpose of this article. Here we partite the four star into two pairs and then found the labeling function which proves the four star to be skolem mean using mathematical calculations.

Keywords: Mean graph, Skolem mean graph, skolem mean labeling, star graphs.

I. INRODUCTION

The idea of skolem mean labeling was first conceived by V.Balaji et. al.[3] in the year 2007. In that paper [3] he gave the definition of skolem mean labeling for the first time and also some basic properties for a graph to be a skolem mean graph. The most important properties are (i) If G is a graph with n vertices and m edges then G is said to be a skolem mean graph only if $n \ge m + 1$, (ii) The graphs which satisfies the condition $n \ge m + 1$ are paths and star graphs (iii) Every path is skolem mean (iv) $G = K_{1,n}$ where $n \ge 4$ is not a skolem mean graph. Therefore, we used the n -star to get a detailed research about skolem mean labeling.

II. PRELIMINARIES

Definition 1: A graph label is the assigning of labels to edges and also vertices of a graph or simply either edges or vertices of a graph only by integers.

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We define the skolem mean labeling of a graph G with vertex set V and edge set E of order n and size m as follows:

Definition 2: The vertex labeling $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ and the induced edge labeling $f^*: E \rightarrow \{2, 3, ..., n\}$ is a skolem mean labeling if both *f* and f^* are one – one functions such that $f^*(e = uv) = [f(u)+f(v)]/2$ if the sum of the vertex label u and v is even and [f(u)+f(v)+1]/2 if the sum of the vertex label u and v is odd.

III. MAIN RESULT

Theorem 1: graph Four star $G = K_{1,\eta_1} \cup K_{1,\eta_2} \cup K_{1,\tau_1} \cup K_{1,\tau_2} \quad \text{where}$ $\eta_1 \leq \eta_2$ and $\tau_1 \leq \tau_2$ is skolem mean graph if $1 \leq |\sum_{i=1}^{2} \tau_i - \sum_{i=1}^{2} \eta_i| \leq 2$. Proof. Let $N_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \eta_k$; $1 \le k \le 2$; $T_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \tau_k$; $1 \le k \le 2$. That is, $N_1 = \eta_1; N_2 = \eta_1 + \eta_2$ and $T_1 = \tau_1; T_2 = \tau_1 + \tau_2$. Consider the graph $G = K_{1,\eta_1} \cup K_{1,\eta_2} \cup K_{1,\tau_1} \cup K_{1,\tau_2}$ having $V = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup V_3 \cup V_4$ as its set of vertices of G where $\begin{array}{l} V_k = & \{ v_{k,i} ; 0 \leq i \leq \eta_k \} & \text{for} & 1 \leq & k \leq 2 \\ V_3 = & \{ v_{3,i} : 0 \leq i \leq \tau_1 \} \\ \end{array}, \quad V_4 = & \{ v_{4,i} : 0 \leq i \leq \tau_2 \} \\ \end{array}.$ Let *E* = $\bigcup_{i=1}^{2} \{ v_{i,0} v_{i,j} : 1 \le j \le \eta_i \}$ $v_{2+i,0}v_{2+i,j}$: $1 \le j \le \tau_i$ be the set of edges of G. The condition $\eta_1 + \eta_2 + 1 \leq \tau_1 + \tau_2 \leq \eta_1 + \eta_2 + 2 \Longrightarrow N_2 + 1 \leq T_2 \leq$ $N_2 + 2$. That is, there are two cases viz. $T_2 = N_2 + 1$ and $T_2 = N_2 + 2.$ Case A: $T_2 = N_2 + 1$. G has $N_2 + T_2 + 4 = 2N_2 + 5$ $N_2 + T_2 = 2N_2 + 1$ edges. The vert $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ..., N_2 + T_2 + 4 = 2N_2 + 5\}$ vertices and vertex labeling given as:

$$\begin{split} \tilde{f}(v_{1,0}) &= 1; \ f(v_{2,0}) = 2; \\ f(v_{3,0}) &= N_2 + T_2 + 3 = 2N_2 + 4 \\ f(v_{4,0}) &= N_2 + T_2 + 4 = 2N_2 + 5 \\ f(v_{1,i}) &= 2i + 2 & 1 \le i \le \eta_1 \\ f(v_{1,i}) &= 2N_1 + 2i + 2 & 1 \le i \le \eta_2 \\ f(v_{3,i}) &= 2i + 1 & 1 \le i \le \tau_1 \\ f(v_{4,i}) &= 2T_1 + 2i + 1 & 1 \le i \le \tau_2 \end{split}$$

Their induced labels for edges are as follows:



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Skolem Mean Labeling of Four Star Graphs $K_{1,\eta_1} \cup K_{1,\eta_2} \cup K_{1,\tau_1} \cup K_{1,\tau_2}$ Where $\eta_1 + \eta_2 + 1 \le \tau_1 + \tau_2 \le \eta_1 + \eta_2 + 2$

The induced label of $v_{1,0}v_{1,i}$ is 2 + i where $1 \le i \le \eta_1$ (edge labels are 3, 4,..., $\eta_1 + 2 = N_1 + 2$), $v_{2,0}v_{2,i}$ is $N_1 + 2$ + *i* for $1 \le i \le \eta_2$ (edge labels are $N_1 + 3, N_1 + 4, ..., N_1 + \eta_2$ + $2 = N_2 + 2$), $v_{3,0}v_{3,i}$ is $N_2 + 3 + i$ for $1 \le i \le \tau_1$ (edge labels are $N_2 + 4, N_2 + 5, ..., N_2 + \tau_1 + 3$),

 $v_{4,0}v_{4,i}$ is $N_2 + \tau_1 + 3 + i$ for $1 \le i \le \tau_2$ (edge labels are $N_2 + i$ $\tau_1 + 4, N_2 + \tau_1 + 5, \dots, N_2 + \tau_1 + \tau_2 + 3 = N_2 + T_2 + 3 = 2N_2 + T_2$ 4). The labels of edges induced by the labels of vertices of graph G are distinct. This shows that G is skolem mean. **Case B:** $T_2 = N_2 + 2$ Let $T_2 = N_2 + 2$. G has $N_2 + T_2 + 4 = 2N_2 + 6$ vertices and $N_2 + T_2 = 2N_2 + 2$ The vertex edges. labeling $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ..., N_2 + T_2 + 4 = 2N_2 + 6\}$ is as follows: $f(v_{1,0}) = 1; f(v_{2,0}) = 2;$ $f(v_{3,0}) = N_2 + T_2 + 2 = 2N_2 + 4$ $f(v_{4,0}) = N_2 + T_2 + 4 = 2N_2 + 6$ $f(v_{1,i}) = 2i + 2$ $1 \leq i \leq \eta_1$ $f(v_{2,i}) = 2N_1 + 2i + 2$ $f(v_{3,i}) = 2i + 1$ $1 \leq i \leq \eta_2$ $1 \leq i \leq \tau_1$

 $f(v_{4,i}) = 2T_1 + 2i + 1$ $1 \le i \le \tau_2$

Their induced labels for edges are as follows: The induced label of $v_{1,0}v_{1,i}$ is 2+i where $1 \le i \le \eta_1$ (edge labels are 3, 4,..., $\eta_1 + 2 = N_1 + 2$), $v_{2,0}v_{2,i}$ is $N_1 + 2 + i$ for $1 \le i \le \eta_2$ (edge labels are $N_1 + 3$, $N_1 + 4$, ..., $N_1 + \eta_2 + 2 =$ $N_2 + 2$), $v_{3,0}v_{3,i}$ is $N_2 + 3 + i$ for $1 \le i \le \tau_1$ (edge labels are $N_2 + 4$, $N_2 + 5$, ..., $N_2 + \tau_1 + 3$), $v_{4,0}v_{4,i}$ is $N_2 + \tau_1 + 4 + i$ for $1 \le i \le \tau_2$ (edge labels are $N_2 + \tau_1 + 5$, $N_2 + \tau_1 + 6$, ..., $N_2 + \tau_1 + \tau_2 + 4 = N_2 + T_2 + 4 = 2N_2 + 6$). The labels of edges

induced by the labels of vertices of graph G are distinct. This shows that the four star graph

 $G = K_{1,\eta_1} \cup K_{1,\eta_2} \cup K_{1,\tau_1} \cup K_{1,\tau_2}$ is skolem mean. We illustrate the above two cases with the following four star graphs.

Fig.1. is an illustration of Case A where $T_2 = N_2 + 1$

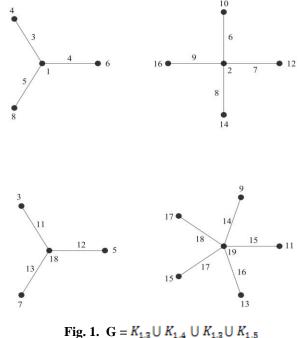


Fig. 1. $G = x_{1,2} \cup x_{1,4} \cup x_{1,2} \cup x_{1,5}$ In this graph , $\eta_1 + \eta_2 = 3 + 4 = 7$ and $\tau_1 + \tau_2 = 3 + 5 = 8$ $= N_2 + 1$.

Fig. 2. $G = K_{1,3} \cup K_{1,4} \cup K_{1,4} \cup K_{1,5}$ In this graph, $\eta_1 + \eta_2 = 3 + 4 = 7$ and $\tau_1 + \tau_2 = 4 + 5 = 9 = N_2 + 2$.

IV. CONCLUSION

Skolem mean labeling of a four star graph $\mathbf{G} = K_{1,\eta_1} \bigcup K_{1,\tau_2} \bigcup K_{1,\tau_1} \bigcup K_{1,\tau_2}$ with a partition of four into 2, 2 is discussed in this paper. We mainly discussed the two cases $T_2 = N_2 + 1$ and $T_2 = N_2 + 2$ and gave the labeling which stasifies the condition of skolem mean labeling exists for graph G. We are in further research to find upto how many cases the graph G will allow skolem mean labeling.

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