

## Cordial Labeling of Corona Product between Paths and Fourth Power of Paths

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**ABSTRACT.** A simple graph is said to be cordial if it admits 0-1 labeling that satisfies certain conditions. In this paper we investigate necessary and sufficient conditions for cordial labeling of the corona product between paths and fourth power of paths be cordial.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $G$  be a graph with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges. All graphs considered here are simple, finite, connected and undirected. A labeling of a graph  $G$  is a process of allocating numbers or labels to the nodes of  $G$  or lines of  $G$  or both through mathematical functions [2]. There are several types of labeling and a complete survey of graph labeling is available in [6]. Graph theory has a good development in the graph labeling and has a broad range of applications, some of which were reported in the work of Yegnanaryanan and Vaidhyanathan

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[9]. Cordial labeling is a weaker version of graceful labeling and harmonious labeling introduced by Cahit in [3]. Extensions of this labeling include mean cordial labeling,  $H_1$ - and  $H_2$ -cordial labeling of some graphs [7]. In 1990, Cahit [4], proved the following: each tree is cordial; an Eulerian graph is not cordial if its size is congruent to  $2 \pmod{4}$ ; a complete graph  $K_n$  is cordial if and only if  $n \leq 3$  and a complete bipartite graph  $K_{n,m}$  is cordial for all positive integers  $n$  and  $m$ . Let  $G_1, G_2$  respectively be  $(p_1, q_1), (p_2, q_2)$  graphs. The corona  $G_1 \odot G_2$  of two graphs  $G_1$  (with  $n_1$  vertices,  $m_1$  edges) and  $G_2$  (with  $n_2$  vertices,  $m_2$  edges) is defined as the graph obtained by taking one copy of  $G_1$  and copies of  $G_2$ , and then joining the  $i^{\text{th}}$  vertex of  $G_1$  with an edge to every vertex in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  copy of  $G_2$ . It is easy to see that the corona  $G_1 \odot G_2$  that has  $n_1 + n_1 n_2$  vertices and  $m_1 + n_1 m_2 + n_1 n_2$  edges. We will give a brief summary of definitions which are useful for the present investigations.

**Definition 1.1.** A mapping  $f:V \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is called *binary vertex labeling* of  $G$  and  $f(v)$  is called *the label of the vertex  $v$  of  $G$  under  $f$* . For any edge  $e=uv$ , the induced edge labeling  $f^*:E(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  is given by  $f^*(e) = |f(u) - f(v)|$ , where  $u, v \in V$ . Let  $v_f(i)$  be the numbers of vertices of  $G$  labeled  $i$  under  $f$ , and  $e_f(i)$  be the numbers of edges of  $G$  labeled  $i$  under  $f^*$  where  $i \in \{0, 1\}$ .

**Definition 1.2.** A binary vertex labeling of a graph  $G$  is called *cordial* if  $|v_f(0) - v_f(1)| \leq 1$  and  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$ . A graph  $G$  is called *cordial* if it admits a cordial labeling.

**Definition 1.3.** The fourth power of a cycles  $C_n$  denoted by  $C_n^4$ , is  $C_n \cup J$ , where  $J$  is the set of all edges of the form edges  $v_i v_j$  such that  $2 \leq d(v_i v_j) \leq 4$ , where  $d(v_i v_j)$  is the shortest distance from  $v_i$  to  $v_j$ .

## 2. TERMINOLOGY AND NOTATION

A path with  $m$  vertices and  $m - 1$  edges, denoted by  $P_m$ , and its fourth power  $P_n^4$  has  $n$  vertices and  $4n - 10$  edges. We let  $L_{4r}$  denote the labeling 0011 0011...0011 " $r$ -times", Let  $L'_{4r}$  denote the labeling 0110 0110...0110 " $r$ -times". The labeling 1100 1100...1100 " $r$ -times" and labeling 1001 1001...1001 " $r$ -times" are written  $S_{4r}$  and  $S'_{4r}$ . Let  $M_{2r}$  denote the labeling 0101...01, zero-one " $r$ times". We let  $M'_{2r}$  denote the labeling 1010...10. Regularly, we modify the labeling  $M_{2r}$  or  $M'_{2r}$  by adding symbols at one end or the other (or both). Also,  $L_{4r}$  (or  $L'_{4r}$ ) with extra labeling from right or left (or both sides). Let us use  $\alpha_i$  to indicate the labeling of  $P_n^4$  that is adjacent to a vertex of  $P_m$  that is labeled  $i$ ,  $i = 0, 1$  of the corona  $P_m \odot P_n^4$ . Use  $y_i, b_i$  ( $i = 0, 1$ ) to denote the number of vertices and edges, respectively for  $\alpha_0$  of  $P_n^4$ , and consider  $y'_i, b'_i$  ( $i = 0, 1$ ) to denote the number of vertices and edges, respectively for  $\alpha_1$  of  $P_n^4$ . Sometimes, we use the notation  $\alpha_{*0}$  for the labeling of  $P_n^4$  which is only associated to the last vertex labeled 0 of  $P_m$ . In this case, we will use the

notation  $b'_0, b'_1, y'_0$  and  $y'_1$  instead of  $b'_0, b'_1, y'_0$  and  $y'_1$ , respectively. Similarly, the notation  $\alpha_{*1}$  may be used for the labeling of  $P_n^4$  that is associated only to the last vertex labeled 1 of  $P_m$ . It is easy to verify that  $v_0 = x_0 + x_0y_0 + x_1y'_0$ ,  $v_1 = x_1 + x_0y_1 + x_1y'_1$ ,  $e_0 = a_0 + x_0b_0 + x_1b'_0 + x_0y_0 + x_1y'_1$  and  $e_1 = a_1 + x_0b_1 + x_1b'_1 + x_0(x_0y_1) + x_1y'_0$ . Thus,  $v_0 - v_1 = (x_0 - x_1) + x_0(y_0 - y_1) + x_1(y'_0 - y'_1)$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = (a_0 - a_1) + x_0(b_0 - b_1) + x_1(b'_0 - b'_1) + x_0(y_0 - y_1) - x_1(y'_0 - y'_1)$ . When it comes to the proof, we only need to show that, for each specified combination of labeling,  $|v_0 - v_1| \leq 1$  and  $|e_0 - e_1| \leq 1$ .

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we study cordial labeling of the corona product between paths and fourth power of paths and show that all  $P_m \odot P_n^4$  are cordial for all integers  $m \geq 1$  when  $n \geq 7$ , and for all integers  $m > 1$  when  $n = 3$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** *The corona  $P_m \odot P_3^4$  is cordial if and only if  $m \neq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $P_3^4 = C_3$ ,  $P_m \odot P_3^4$  is cordial [8]. □

**Lemma 3.2.** *If  $n \equiv 0(mod 4)$ ,  $n \geq 8$ , then  $P_m \odot P_n^4$  is cordial for all  $m \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $n = 4s$ , where  $s \geq 2$ . The following cases will be examined.

**Case 1.**

Suppose that  $m = 1$ . Choose the labeling 0 for  $P_1$  and the labeling  $\alpha_0 = 0L_{4s-4}01_2$  for  $P_{4s}^4$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 1, x_1 = 0, a_0 = a_1 = 0, y_0 = y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 5$  and obviously  $y'_0 = y'_1 = b'_0 = b'_1 = 0$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 1$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 0$ . Hence,  $P_1 \odot P_{4s}^4$  is cordial. As an example, Figure (1) illustrates  $P_1 \odot P_8^4$ .

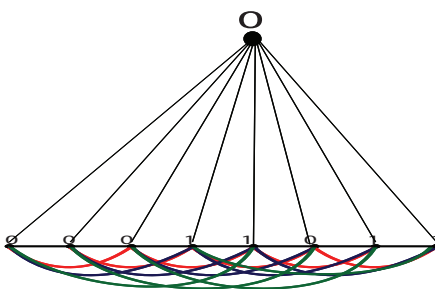


FIGURE 1

**Case 2.**

Suppose that  $m = 2$ . Choose the labeling 01 for  $P_2$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_2$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}0_2$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1, y_0 = y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 5, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 5$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_2 \odot P_{4s}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 3.**

Suppose that  $m = 3$ . Choose the labeling 001 for  $P_3$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_2$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}0_2$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2, x_1 = 2, a_0 = a_1 = 1, y_0 = y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 5, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 5$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 1$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 0$ . Hence,  $P_3 \odot P_{4s}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 4.**  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r, r \geq 2$ . Choose the labeling  $L_{4r}$  for  $P_{4r}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_2$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}0_2$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 2r, a_0 = 2r, a_1 = 2r - 1, y_0 = y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 5, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 5$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r} \odot P_{4s}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 5.**  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 1, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $L_{4r}0$  for  $P_{4r+1}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_2$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}0_2$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2r + 1, x_1 = 2r, a_0 = a_1 = 2r, y_0 = y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 5, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 5$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 1$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 0$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+1} \odot P_{4s}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 6.**  $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 2, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $L_{4r}01$  for  $P_{4r+2}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_2$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}0_2$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 2r + 1, a_0 = 2r, a_1 = 2r + 1, y_0 = y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 5, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 5$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+2} \odot P_{4s}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 7.**  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 3, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $L_{4r}001$  for  $P_{4r+3}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_2$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}0_2$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2r + 2, x_1 = 2r + 1, a_0 = a_1 = 2r + 1, y_0 = y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 5, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 5$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 1$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 0$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+3} \odot P_{4s}^4$  is cordial.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.3.** *If  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ , then  $P_m \odot P_n^4$  is cordial for all  $m \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $n = 4s + 1$ , where  $s \geq 2$ . The following cases will be examined.

**Case 1.**

Suppose that  $m = 1$ . Choose the labeling 0 for  $P_1$  and the labeling  $\alpha_0 = 1_2L'_{4s-4}01_0$  for  $P_{4s+1}^4$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 1, x_1 = 0, a_0 = a_1 = 0, y_0 = 2s, y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 3$  and obviously  $y'_0 = y'_1 = b'_0 = b'_1 = 0$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_1 \odot P_{4s+1}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 2.**

Suppose that  $m = 2$ . Choose the labeling 01 for  $P_2$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_2L_{4s-4}101$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}01_0$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1, y_0 =$

$2s + 1, y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 3, y'_0 = 2s + 1, y'_1 = 2s$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 3$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 1$ . As an example, Figure (2) illustrates  $P_2 \odot P_9^4$ . Hence,  $P_2 \odot P_{4s+1}^4$  is cordial.

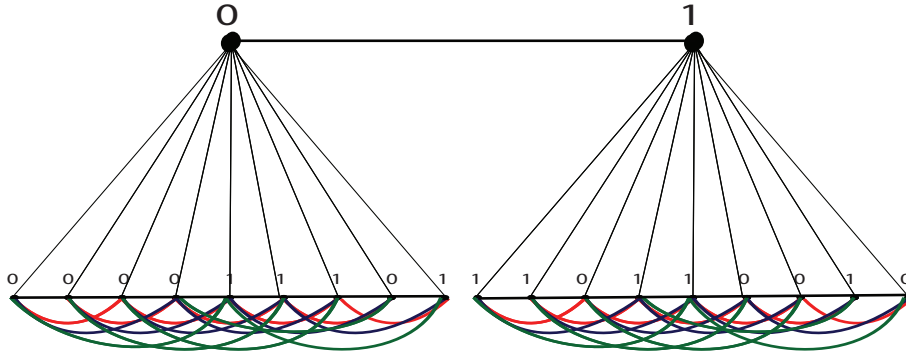


FIGURE 2

**Case 3.**

Suppose that  $m = 3$ . Choose the labeling 010 for  $P_3$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  (associated to the first vertex labeled 0 in  $P_3$ ) to be  $0_2L_{4s-4}101$ ,  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}010$  and  $\alpha_{*0}$  (associated to the last vertex labeled 0 in  $P_3$ ) to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}010$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2, x_1 = 1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 2, y_0 = 2s + 1, y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 3, y'_0 = 2s, y'_1 = 2s + 1, b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 3, y'_0 = 2s, y'_1 = 2s + 1$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 3$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_3 \odot P_{4s+1}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 4.**  $m \equiv 0(mod 4)$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $M_{4r}$  for  $P_{4r}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_2L_{4s-4}101$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}010$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 2r, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 4r - 1, y_0 = 2s + 1, y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 3, y'_0 = 2s, y'_1 = 2s + 1$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 3$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r} \odot P_{4s+1}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 5.**  $m \equiv 1(mod 4)$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 1, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $M_{4r}0$  for  $P_{4r+1}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_2L_{4s-4}101$ ,  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}010$  and  $\alpha_{*0}$  (associated to the last vertex labeled 0 in  $P_{4r+1}$ ) to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}010$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2r + 1, x_1 = 2r, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 4r, y_0 = 2s + 1, y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 3, y'_0 = 2s, y'_1 = 2s + 1, b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 3, y'_0 = 2s, y'_1 = 2s + 1$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 3$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+1} \odot P_{4s+1}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 6.**  $m \equiv 2(mod 4)$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 2, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $M_{4r+2}$  for  $P_{4r+2}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_2L_{4s-4}101$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}010$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 2r + 1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 4r + 1, y_0 = 2s + 1, y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 3, y'_0 = 2s, y'_1 = 2s + 1$

and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 3$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 1$ . Hence  $P_{4r+2} \odot P_{4s+1}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 7.**  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 3$ ,  $r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $M_{4r+2}0$  for  $P_{4r+3}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_2L_{4s-4}101$ ,  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}010$  and  $\alpha^*$  (associated to the last vertex labeled 0 in  $P_{4r+3}$  to be  $1_2L'_{4s-4}010$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2r + 2, x_1 = 2r + 1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 4r + 2, y_0 = 2s + 1, y_1 = 2s, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 3, y'_0 = 2s, y'_1 = 2s + 1, b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 3, y'^*_0 = 2s, y'^*_1 = 2s + 1$  and  $b'^*_0 = b'^*_1 = 8s - 3$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+3} \odot P_{4s+1}^4$  is cordial.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.4.** *If  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ , then  $P_m \odot P_n^4$  is cordial for all  $m \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $n = 4s + 2$ , where  $s \geq 2$ . The following cases will be studied.

**Case 1.**

Suppose that  $m = 1$ . Choose the labeling 0 for  $P_1$  and the labeling  $\alpha_0 = 01_30S_{4s-4}0$  for  $P_{4s+2}^4$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 1, x_1 = 0, a_0 = a_1 = 0, y_0 = y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 1$  and obviously  $y'_0 = y'_1 = b'_0 = b'_1 = 0$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 1$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 0$ . Hence,  $P_1 \odot P_{4s+2}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 2.**

Suppose that  $m = 2$ . Choose the labeling 01 for  $P_2$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $01_30S_{4s-4}0$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_30$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1, y_0 = y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 1, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s + 1$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_2 \odot P_{4s+2}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 3.**

Suppose that  $m = 3$ . Choose the labeling 001 for  $P_3$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $01_30S_{4s-4}0$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_30$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2, x_1 = 1, a_0 = a_1 = 1, y_0 = y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 1, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s + 1$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 1$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 0$ . As an example, Figure (3) illustrates  $P_3 \odot P_{10}^4$ . Hence,  $P_3 \odot P_{4s+2}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 4.**  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r$ ,  $r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $L_{4r}$  for  $P_{4r}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $01_30S_{4s-4}0$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_30$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 2r, a_0 = 2r, a_1 = 2r - 1, y_0 = y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 1, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s + 1$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r} \odot P_{4s+2}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 5.**  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 1$ ,  $r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $L_{4r}0$  for  $P_{4r+1}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $01_30S_{4s-4}0$ ,  $\alpha_1$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_30$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2r + 1, x_1 = 2r, a_0 = a_1 = 2r, y_0 = y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 1, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s + 1$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 1$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 0$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+1} \odot P_{4s+2}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 6.**  $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 2$ ,  $r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $L_{4r}01$  for  $P_{4r+2}$  and

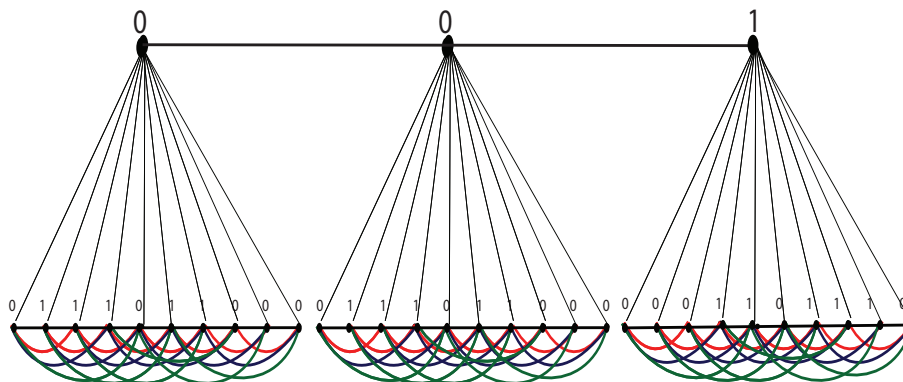


FIGURE 3

take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $01_30S_{4s-4}0$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_30$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 2r + 1, a_0 = 2r, a_1 = 2r + 1, y_0 = y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 1, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s + 1$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+2} \odot P_{4s+2}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 7.**  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 3, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $L_{4r}001$  for  $P_{4r+3}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $01_30S_{4s-4}0$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $0L_{4s-4}01_30$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2r + 2, x_1 = 2r + 1, a_0 = a_1 = 2r + 1, y_0 = y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s - 1, y'_0 = y'_1 = 2s + 1$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s - 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 1$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 0$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+3} \odot P_{4s+2}^4$  is cordial.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.5.** *If  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ , then  $P_m \odot P_n^4$  is cordial for all  $m \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose that  $n = 4s + 3$ , where  $s \geq 1$ . The following cases will be checked.

**Case 1.**

Suppose that  $m = 1$ . Choose the labeling 0 for  $P_1$  and the labeling  $\alpha_0 = 1_2S_{4s}0$  for  $P_{4s+3}^4$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 1, x_1 = 0, a_0 = a_1 = 0, y_0 = 2s + 1, y_1 = 2s + 2, b_0 = b_1 = 8s + 1$  and obviously  $y'_0 = y'_1 = b'_0 = b'_1 = 0$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_1 \odot P_{4s+3}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 2.**

Suppose that  $m = 2$ . Choose the labeling 01 for  $P_2$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_21L_{4s}$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2S_{4s}0$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 1, y_0 = 2s + 2, y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s + 1, y'_0 = 2s + 1, y'_1 = 2s + 2$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s + 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 1$ . Hence,  $P_2 \odot P_{4s+3}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 3.**

Suppose that  $m = 3$ . Choose the labeling 010 for  $P_3$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_21L_{4s}$ ,  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2S_{4s}0$  and  $\alpha_{*0}$  (associated to the last vertex labeled 0 in  $P_3$ ) to be  $1_2S_{4s}0$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2, x_1 = 1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 2, y_0 = 2s + 2, y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 =$

$b_1 = 8s + 1, y'_0 = 2s + 1, y'_1 = 2s + 2, b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s + 1, y'_0 = 2s + 1, y'_1 = 2s + 2$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s + 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_3 \odot P_{4s+3}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 4.**  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $M_{4r}$  for  $P_{4r}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_2 1 L_{4s}$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2 S_{4s} 0$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 2r, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 4r - 1, y_0 = 2s + 2, y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s + 1, y'_0 = 2s + 1, y'_1 = 2s + 2$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s + 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 1$ . As an example, Figure (4) illustrates  $P_4 \odot P_7^4$ . Hence,  $P_{4r} \odot P_{4s+3}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 5.**  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ .

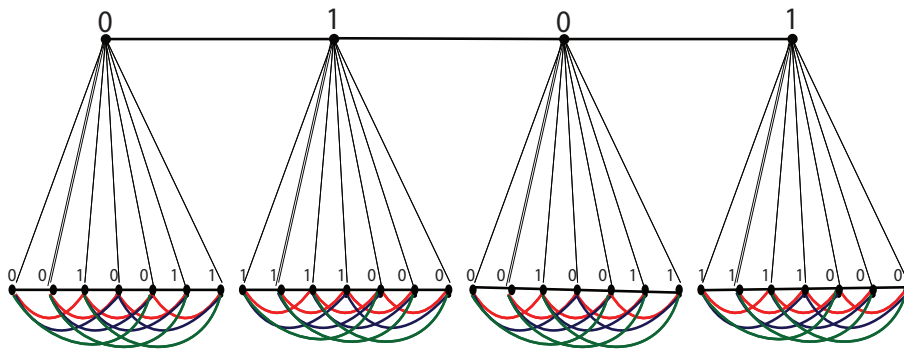


FIGURE 4

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 1, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $M_{4r+1}$  for  $P_{4r+1}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_2 1 L_{4s}$ ,  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2 S_{4s} 0$  and  $\alpha_{*0}$  (associated to the last vertex labeled 0 in  $P_{4r+1}$ ) to be  $1_2 S_{4s} 0$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2r + 1, x_1 = 2r, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 4r, y_0 = 2s + 2, y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s + 1, y'_0 = 2s + 1, y'_1 = 2s + 2, b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s + 1, y'_0 = 2s + 1, y'_1 = 2s + 2$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s + 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+1} \odot P_{4s+3}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 6.**  $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 2, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $M_{4r+2}$  for  $P_{4r+2}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_2 1 L_{4s}$  and  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2 S_{4s} 0$ . Therefore  $x_0 = x_1 = 2r + 1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 4r + 1, y_0 = 2s + 2, y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s + 1, y'_0 = 2s + 1, y'_1 = 2s + 2$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s + 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = 1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+2} \odot P_{4s+3}^4$  is cordial.

**Case 7.**  $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ .

Suppose that  $m = 4r + 3, r \geq 1$ . Choose the labeling  $M_{4r+3}$  for  $P_{4r+3}$ . Take  $\alpha_0$  to be  $0_2 1 L_{4s}$ ,  $\alpha_1$  to be  $1_2 S_{4s} 0$  and  $\alpha_{*0}$  (associated to the last vertex labeled 0 in  $P_{4r+3}$ ) to be  $1_2 S_{4s} 0$ . Therefore  $x_0 = 2r + 2, x_1 = 2r + 1, a_0 = 0, a_1 = 4r + 2, y_0 = 2s + 2, y_1 = 2s + 1, b_0 = b_1 = 8s + 1, y'_0 = 2s + 1, y'_1 = 2s + 2, b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s + 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+3} \odot P_{4s+3}^4$  is cordial.



$b'_1 = 8s + 1, y'_0 = 2s + 1, y'_1 = 2s + 2$  and  $b'_0 = b'_1 = 8s + 1$ . It follows that  $v_0 - v_1 = 0$  and  $e_0 - e_1 = -1$ . Hence,  $P_{4r+3} \odot P_{4s+3}^4$  is cordial.

As a consequence of all lemmas mentioned above we conclude that the corona product between paths and fourth power of paths is cordial for all  $m, n \geq 7$ .  $\square$

#### CONCLUSION

In this paper we test the cordiality of the corona product between paths and fourth power of paths. We have shown that all  $P_m \odot P_n^4$  are cordial for all integers  $m \geq 1$  when  $n \geq 7$ , and for all integers  $m > 1$  when  $n = 3$ .

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