

## HAMMING DISTANCE LABELING OF CERTAIN GRAPHS

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### Abstract:

Hamming distance is a metric used to compare two binary data strings of equal length, where binary string is a sequence of bytes which is used to store data in computers. It is the number of bit positions in which the two binary strings differ. The hamming distance between two binary strings of equal length  $m$  and  $n$  is denoted by  $hd(m, n)$ . The concept of hamming distance labeling was introduced by us and it has been proved that some path related graphs are hamming distance labeled graphs. Hamming distance labeling is used for transmitting secret messages in cryptography. In this paper, the existence of hamming distance labeling of twig, star, bistar and  $m$ -corona of path graph are verified and their hamming distance number are obtained.

**Keywords:** Hamming Distance, Hamming Distance Labeling, Hamming distance number, Path related graph.

### 1 Introduction

Let  $G$  be a simple, connected, undirected graph with vertex set  $V(G)$  and edge set  $E(G)$ . Over the last few years, many graph labeling techniques were introduced. A detailed survey of such techniques was given by (Gallian, 2019). Adding to that we have introduced a new labeling called hamming distance labeling and is defined as follows: A function  $ff: V \rightarrow N \cup \{0\}$  is said to be hamming distance labeling if there exist an induced function  $ff^*: E \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  such that for every  $uv \in E$ ,

$ff^*(uv) = hd([ff(u)]_2, [ff(v)]_2)$  satisfies the following conditions:

- (i) for every vertex  $v \in V$ , the set of all edges incident with  $v$  receive distinct labels.
- (ii) for every edge  $e \in E$ , the adjacent vertices  $u$  and  $v$  receive distinct labels.

The hamming distance number of a graph  $G$  is the least positive integer  $n$  such that  $2^n - 1 \geq k$ , where  $k = \max\{ff(v) | v \in V\}$  and is denoted by  $\eta_{hd}(G)$ . Here the notation  $[x]_2$  denotes the binary number of  $x$ . In this paper, we have shown that the twig graph, star graph, bistar graph and  $m$ -corona of path graph are hamming distance labeled graphs and obtained their hamming distance numbers. Here a Twig graph  $TW(P_m)$ ,  $m \geq 2$  is a graph obtained from a path graph  $P_m$  by attaching exactly two pendant vertices to each internal vertices of the path graph (Durai Baskar & Manivannan, 2017, pp.55). where a path graph  $P_m$  of length  $m$  has  $m+1$  vertices and  $m$  edges. A star graph  $S_m$ ,  $m \geq 2$  is the complete bipartite graph of the form  $K_{1,m}$  with  $m$  vertices (Esakkiammal, Thirusangu & Seethalakshmi, 2017, pp.94). The graph constructed by joining the apex vertices of two stars  $K_{1,r}$  and  $K_{1,s}$  for  $r \geq 1$  and  $s \geq 1$

with disjoint vertex sets is known as the bistar  $B_{r,s}$  graph( Ganesh & Revathi, 2018, pp.408) and the  $m$ -corona of Path graph  $P_m$  is obtained by joining the apex vertex of the star graph  $K_{1,r}$  to each of the  $m+1$  vertices of the Path graph  $P_m$ (Nikitha Prakash & Supriya Rajendran, 2018, pp.1897)

## 2 Main Results

**Theorem 2.1.** The Twig graph ( $P_m$ ) is a hamming distance labeled graph and the hamming distance number is  $hd(TTT(P_m)) = 4$ , for any  $m \geq 2$ .

**Proof.** Let us consider the twig graph ( $P_m$ ) with vertex set  $V = \{v_{ii} / 0 \leq ii \leq m\} \cup \{v'_{ii} / 1 \leq ii \leq m-1\}$  and edge set  $E = \{v_{ii}v_{ii+1} / 0 \leq ii \leq m-1\} \cup \{v_{ii}v'_{ii} / 1 \leq ii \leq m-1\} \cup \{v'_{ii}v''_{ii} / 1 \leq ii \leq m-1\}$ . Define a function  $ff: V \rightarrow N \cup \{0\}$  to label the vertices of  $TTT(P_m)$  in such a way that  $ff(u) \neq ff(v)$  for any two adjacent vertices and the procedure for labeling is given in the algorithm.

**Procedure:** Vertex labeling of ( $P_m$ ),  $m \geq 2$

**Input:** Vertices of ( $P_m$ ) graph  $V \rightarrow \{v_{ii} / 0 \leq ii \leq m\} \cup \{v'_{ii}, v''_{ii} / 1 \leq ii \leq m-1\}$

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v0 ← { 1, ffor ii ≡ 1(mod4)
0;    { 14, ffor ii ≡ 2(mod4)
vm ←  } 6, ffor ii ≡ 3(mod4)
      { 9, ffor ii ≡ 0(mod4)
for ii = 1 to m-1 do
{ 1, ffor ii ≡ 1(mod4)
14, ffor ii ≡ 2(mod4)
←  } 6, ffor ii ≡ 3(mod4)
      { 9, ffor ii ≡ 0(mod4)
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      { 0, ffor ii ≡ 2(mod4)
      { 1, ffor ii ≡ 3(mod4)
      { 2, ffor ii ≡ 0(mod4)

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end for  
 end procedure

**Output:** The labeled vertices of twig graph ( $P_m$ ). The induced edge labels are as follows:

$$ff^*(v_0 v_1) = hd([ff(v_0)]_2, [ff(v_1)]_2) = hd(00000000, 00000001) = 1.$$

$$\text{For } 1 \leq i \leq m-1 \\ ff^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = hd([ff(v_i)]_2, [ff(v_{i+1})]_2) = 2; ff^*(v_i v_{i+1}') = hd([ff(v_i)]_2, [ff(v_{i+1}')]_2) = 3;$$

$$\text{Case (i): if } i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, ff^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = hd([ff(v_i)]_2, [ff(v_{i+1})]_2) =$$

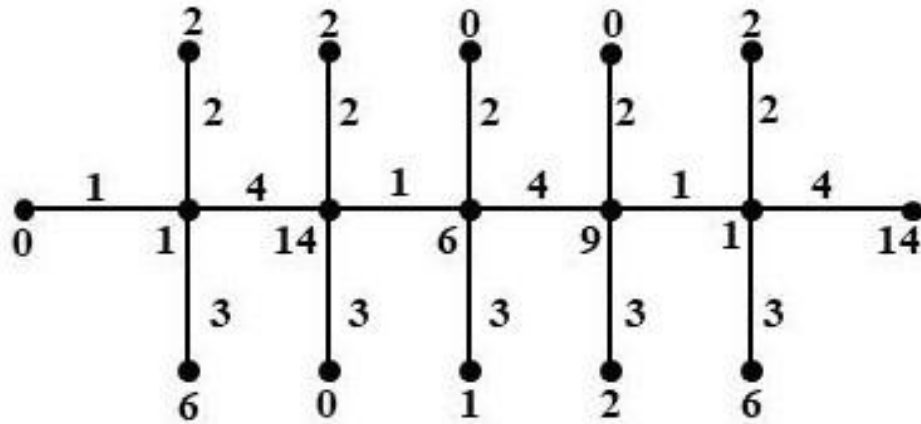
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$$\text{Case (ii): if } i \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, ff^*(v_i v_{i+1}) = hd([ff(v_i)]_2, [ff(v_{i+1})]_2) = 1.$$

From all the above cases, all the adjacent edges receive distinct labels. Hence the twig graph  $TTT(P_m)$  admits hamming distance labeling and the hamming distance number is  $\eta_h(TTT(P_m)) = 4$ , where  $m \geq 2$ .

**Figure 1.**

Hamming distance labeled ( $P_7$ ) graph.



**Theorem 2.2.** The Star graph  $S_m$  is a hamming distance labeled graph and the hamming distance number is  $\eta_h(S_m) = m - 1$ , for any  $m \geq 2$ .

**Proof:** Let us consider the star graph  $S_m$  with vertex set  $V = \{v_{ii} / 0 \leq ii \leq m - 1\}$  and edge set  $E = \{v_0 v_{ii} / 1 \leq ii \leq m - 1\}$ . Define a function  $ff: V \rightarrow N \cup \{0\}$  to label the vertices of  $S_m$  in such a way that  $(u) \neq f(v)$  for any two adjacent vertices and the procedure for labeling is given in the following algorithm.

**Procedure:** Vertex labeling of  $S_m, m \geq 2$

**Input:** Vertices of  $S_m$  graph,  $V \rightarrow v_{ii} / 0 \leq ii \leq m - 1\}$ .

$v_0 \leftarrow 0;$

for  $ii = 1$  to  $m - 1$  do

$v_{ii} \leftarrow 2^{ii} - 1;$

end for

end procedure

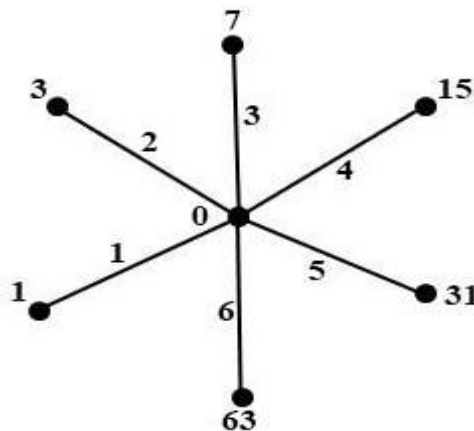
**Output:** The labeled vertices of star graph. The induced edge labels are as follows:

For  $1 \leq ii \leq m - 1, ff^*(v_0 v_{ii}) = hd([ff(v_0)]_2, [ff(v_{ii})]_2) = i.$

Here all the adjacent edges receive distinct labels. Hence the star graph  $S_m$  admits hamming distance labeling and the hamming distance number is  $\eta_h(S_m) = m - 1$  for any  $m \geq 2$ .

**Figure 2.**

Hamming distance labeled  $S_7$  graph.



**Theorem 2.3.** The Bistar graph  $B_{r,s}$  is a hamming distance labeled graph and the hamming distance number is  $\eta_h(B_{r,s}) = r + s - 1$ , for any  $r \geq 1$  and  $s \geq 1$ .

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$r, s \geq 1, \text{ for } r < s$

**Proof:** Let us consider the bistar graph  $B_{r,s}$ ,  $r \geq 1$  and  $s \geq 1$  with vertex set  $V = \{u_{ii} / 0 \leq ii \leq r\} \cup \{v_{jj} / 0 \leq jj \leq s\}$  and edge set  $E = \{u_0u_{ii} / 1 \leq ii \leq r\} \cup \{u_0v_0\} \cup \{v_0 / 1 \leq jj \leq s\}$ . Define a function  $ff: V \rightarrow N \cup \{0\}$  to label the vertices of  $B_{r,s}$  in such a way that  $(u) \neq ff(v)$  for any two adjacent vertices and the procedure for labeling is given in the following algorithm.

**Procedure:** Vertex labeling of  $B_{r,s}$ ,  $r \geq 1, s \geq 1$ .

**Input:** Vertices of  $B_{r,s}$  graph,  $V \rightarrow \{u_{ii} / 0 \leq ii \leq r\} \cup \{v_{jj} / 0 \leq jj \leq s\}$

for  $ii = 1$  to  $r$  do

$$u_{ii} \leftarrow 2^{(ii+1)} - 1;$$

end for

for  $j = 1$  to  $s$  do

$$v_{jj} \leftarrow 2^{(jj+1)} - 2;$$

end for

end procedure

**Output:** The labeled vertices of Bistar graph  $B_{r,s}$ . The

induced edge labels are as follows:

$$ff^*(u_0v_0) = hd([ff(u_0)]_2, [ff(v_0)]_2) = hd(00000000, 00000001) = 1.$$

$$\text{For } 1 \leq ii \leq r, ff^*(u_0u_{ii}) = hd([ff(u_0)]_2, [ff(u_{ii})]_2) = i+1.$$

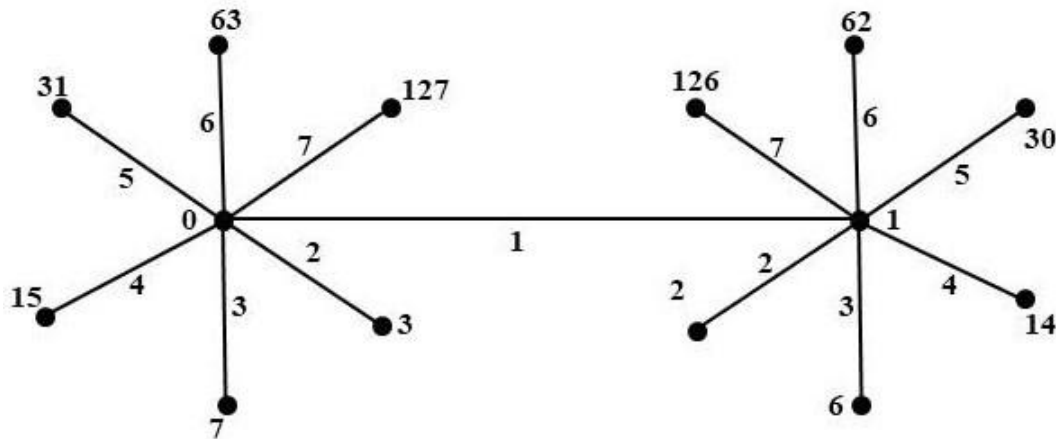
$$\text{For } 1 \leq jj \leq s, ff^*(v_0v_{jj}) = hd([ff(v_0)]_2, [ff(v_{jj})]_2) = j+1.$$

Here all the adjacent edges receive distinct labels. Hence the bistar graph  $B_{r,s}$  admits hamming distance labeling and the hamming distance number is

$$h_d(B_{r,s}) = \begin{cases} r+1, & \text{for } r \geq s \\ s+1, & \text{for } r < s \end{cases} \text{ for any } r \geq 1 \text{ and } s \geq 1.$$

Figure 3.

Hamming distance labeled  $B_{6,6}$  graph.



**Theorem 2.4.** The  $m$ -corona of path graph  $P_m$  is a hamming distance labeled graph and the hamming distance number is  $\eta_h(m - \text{corona of } P_m) = 2^{r+2} - 1$ .

**Proof:** Let us consider the  $m$ -corona of path graph  $P_m$  with vertex set

$V = \{v_{ii} / 0 \leq i \leq m\} \cup \{v_{iij} / 0 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq r\}$  and edge set  $E = \{v_{ii}v_{i+1} / 0 \leq i \leq m - 1\} \cup \{v_{ii}v_i / 0 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq r\}$ .

Define a function  $f: V \rightarrow N \cup \{0\}$  to label the vertices of  $m - \text{corona of } P_m$  in such a way that  $f(u) \neq f(v)$  for any two adjacent vertices and the procedure for labeling is given in the algorithm.

**Procedure:** Vertex labeling of  $m - \text{corona of path } P_m, m \geq 1$

**Input:** Vertices of  $m - \text{corona of path } P_m$  graph,

$V = \{v_{ii} / 0 \leq i \leq m\} \cup \{v_{iij} / 0 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq r\}$

$v_0 \leftarrow 0;$

for  $jj = 1$  to  $r$  do

$v_{0jj} \leftarrow 2^{jj+1} - 1;$

for  $ii = 1$  to  $m$  do

if  $ii \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

$v_{ii} \leftarrow 1; v_{iij} \leftarrow 2^{jj+2} - 2;$

else if  $ii \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

$v_{ii} \leftarrow 2; v_{iij} \leftarrow 2^{jj+2} - 3;$

else if  $ii \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

$v_{ii} \leftarrow 0; v_{iij} \leftarrow 2^{jj+2} - 1;$

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else
     $v_{ii} \leftarrow 3; v_{iij} \leftarrow 2^{j+2} - 4;$ 
end if
end if
end if
end for
end for
end procedure
    
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**Output:** The labeled vertices of  $m$ -corona of path graph  $P_m$ . The induces edge labels are as follows:

$$ff^*(v_0v_1) = hd([ff(v_0)]_2, [ff(v_1)]_2) = hd(00000000, 00000001) = 1.$$

$$\text{For } 1 \leq j \leq r, *(v_0v_{0jj}) = hd([ff(v_0)]_2, [ff(v_{0jj})]_2) = j+1.$$

$$\text{For } 1 \leq i \leq m-1 \ \& \ 1 \leq j \leq r, *(v_{ii}v_{iij}) = hd([ff(v_{ii})]_2, [ff(v_{iij})]_2) = j+2.$$

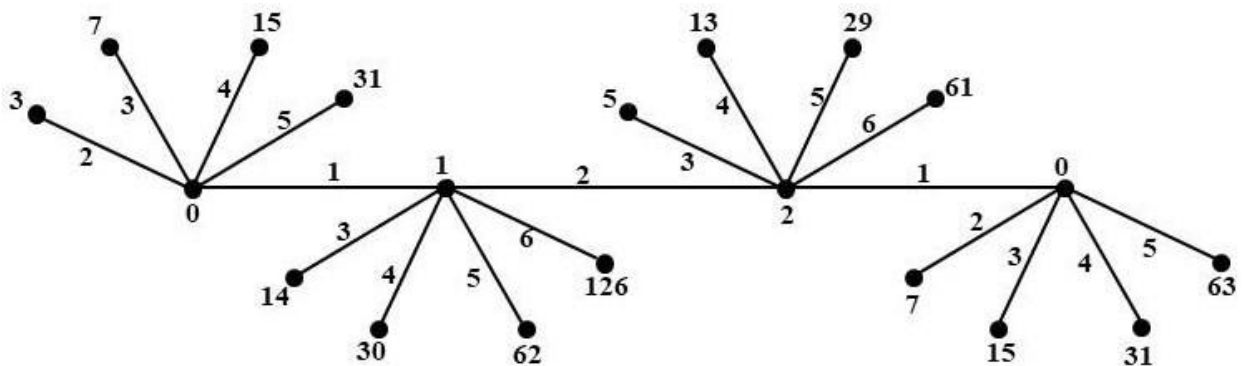
**Case (i):** if  $i \equiv 1(mod 2); ff^*(v_{ii}v_{ii+1}) = hd([ff(v_{ii})]_2, [ff(v_{ii+1})]_2) = 2.$

**Case (ii):** if  $i \equiv 0(mod 2); ff^*(v_{ii}v_{ii+1}) = hd([ff(v_{ii})]_2, [ff(v_{ii+1})]_2) = 1.$

from all the above cases, all the adjacent edges receive distinct labels. Hence the  $m$ -corona of path graph  $P_m$  admits hamming distance labeling and the hamming distance number is  $\eta_h(m\text{-corona of } P_m) = r + 2.$

**Figure 4.**

Hamming distance labeled  $m$ -corona of  $P_3$  graph.



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