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# ON MAGIC LABELLINGS OF TYPE (1,1,1) FOR THREE CLASSES OF PLANE GRAPHS

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### 1. Introduction

The notions of magic and consecutive labelling of plane graphs were defined by Lih Ko-Wei [1]. However, the subject can be traced back to the 13th century when similar notions were investigated by Yang Hui (1275) and later by Chang Chhao (1670), Pao Chhi-Shou (1880) and Li Nien (1935).

Magic labellings of type (1,1,0) for wheels, friendship graphs, prisms and some of the Platonic polyhedra are given in [1].

This paper describes magic labellings of type (1,1,1) for three classes of plane graphs.

## 2. Necessary notions and definitions

We shall consider non-trivial finite connected planar graphs without loops or multiple edges. If a planar graph is embedded in the plane, then it is called a plane graph. Let G be such a graph with the vertex set V(G), the edge set E(G) and the face set F(G), where |V(G)|, |E(G)| and |F(G)| are the number of vertices, edges and faces of G.

A labelling of type (1,1,1) assigns labels from the set  $\{1, 2, 3, ..., |V(G)| + |E(G)| + |F(G)|\}$  to the vertices, edges and faces of graph G in such a way that each vertex, edge and face receives exactly one label and each number is used exactly once as a label. If we label only vertices or only edges or only faces, we call such a labelling a vertex labelling, an edge labelling or a face labelling, respectively.

The weight of a face under a labelling is the sum of the label of the face itself and the labels of vertices and edges surrounding that face.

A *labelling* is said to be *magic* if for every integer s all s-sided faces have the same weight [1]. We allow different weights for different s.

This notion of magicality is different from the definition given by J. Sedláček

in [2]. However, a magic edge labelling of a plane graph, in our sense, is equal to a supermagic labelling of the plane dual graph  $G^*$  of G as defined, for instance, in [3, 4, 5].

A labelling is said to be consecutive if for every integer s the weights of all s-sided faces constitute a set of consecutive integers. Two labellings g and g' are said to be complementary if for every integer s the sum of the g-weight and the g'-weight of each s-sided face is a constant.

We shall use  $\lceil r \rceil$  to denote the least integer greater than or equal to r, and  $\lfloor r \rfloor$  to denote the greatest integer smaller than or equal to r, and further we shall use the expressions

$$\alpha = \frac{(-1)^n + 1}{2}$$
 and  $\beta = \frac{(-1)^{n+1} + 1}{2}$  to simplify later notations.

#### 3. Results

For  $n \ge 2$  let  $B_n$  be the Cartesian product  $P_n \times P_3$  of a path on *n* vertices with a path on three vertices, embedded in the plane and labelled as in Fig. 1.

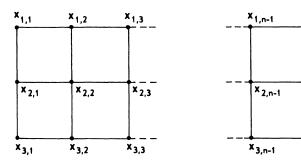


Fig. 1

Define the vertex labelling  $g_0$  as follows.

$$g_0(x_{1,i}) = \begin{cases} \alpha(i+1) + \beta(n+i-1) & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ \alpha(n+i-1) + \beta(i-1) & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$g_0(x_{2,i}) = \begin{cases} \alpha(3n-i+1) + \beta \frac{5n-i+2}{2} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ \alpha(3n-i+1) + \beta \frac{5n+i+1}{2} & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$g_0(x_{3,i}) = \begin{cases} \alpha i + \beta (n+i) & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ \alpha (n+i) + \beta i & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

**Lemma 1.** The vertex labelling  $g_0$  of  $B_n$  is magic if  $n \ge 2$  is even and is consecutive if  $n \ge 3$  is odd.

Proof. Under the labelling  $g_0$  the weight for all 4-sided faces is 7n + 2 (if n is even) and the weights for all 4-sided faces successively assume consecutive values 6n + 3, 6n + 4, ..., 8n (if n is odd).

Define the edge labelling  $g_1$  as follows.

$$g_{1}(x_{1,i}x_{1,i+1}) = \alpha(2n-2i-1) + \beta(2i-1) \qquad \text{if } 1 \le i \le n-1$$

$$g_{1}(x_{1,i}x_{2,i}) = \begin{cases} \alpha \frac{5n+i-3}{2} + \beta \frac{6n-i-1}{2} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ \alpha \frac{6n+i-4}{2} + \beta \frac{7n-i-1}{2} & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$g_{1}(x_{2,i}x_{2,i+1}) = 5n-i-2 \qquad \text{if } 1 \le i \le n-1$$

$$g_{1}(x_{2,i}x_{3,i}) = \begin{cases} \alpha \frac{4n+i-3}{2} + \beta \frac{5n-i-2}{2} & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ \alpha \frac{7n+i-4}{2} + \beta \frac{8n-i-2}{2} & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$g_{1}(x_{3,i}x_{3,i+1}) = \alpha(2n-2i) + \beta 2i \qquad \text{if } i \text{ is even}$$

**Lemma 2.** The edge labelling  $g_1$  of  $B_n$  is magic if  $n \ge 3$  is odd and is consecutive if  $n \ge 2$  is even.

Proof. For the weights of 4-sided faces we have

$$g_1(x_{1,i}x_{1,i+1}) + g_1(x_{1,i}x_{2,i}) + g_1(x_{1,i+1}x_{2,i+1}) + g_1(x_{2,i}x_{2,i+1}) =$$

$$= \alpha \frac{25n - 4i - 12}{2} + \beta \frac{23n - 9}{2}$$

and

$$g_1(x_{2,i}x_{2,i+1}) + g_1(x_{2,i}x_{3,i}) + g_1(x_{2,i+1}x_{3,i+1}) + g_1(x_{3,i}x_{3,i+1}) =$$

$$= \alpha \frac{25n - 4i - 10}{2} + \beta \frac{23n - 9}{2} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, ..., n - 1.$$

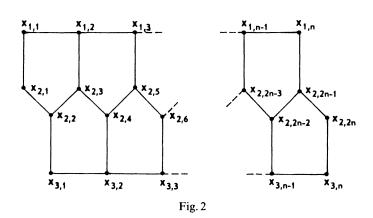
It is easy to see that under the labelling  $g_1$  if n is odd, the common weight for all 4-sided faces is  $\frac{23n-9}{2}$  and if n is even, the set of weights of 4-sided faces

consists of the consecutive integers  $\left\{\frac{21n-8}{2}, \frac{21n-6}{2}, \dots, \frac{25n-14}{2}\right\}$ .

**Theorem 1.** For  $n \ge 2$  the graph  $B_n$  has a magic labelling of type (1,1,1).

Proof. Label the vertices and the edges of  $B_n$  by  $g_0$  and  $|V(B_n)| + g_1$ , respectively. From the previous lemmas it easily follows that in the resulting labelling of type (1,1,0) the weights of 4-sided faces constitute a set of consecutive integers. Hence, if  $g_2$  is the complementary face labelling with values in the set  $\{|V(B_n)| + |E(B_n)| + 1, ..., |V(B_n)| + |E(B_n)| + |F(B_n)|\}$ , then the labellings  $g_0$ ,  $|V(B_n)| + g_1$  and  $g_2$  combine to a magic labelling of type (1,1,1).

Let  $Q_1$ ,  $Q_2$  and  $Q_3$  be paths on n, 2n and n vertices, respectively. Denote the vertices of  $Q_i$  by  $x_{i,1}$ ,  $x_{i,2}$ , ..., in the order they occur on  $Q_i$ , i = 1, 2, 3. Form the graph  $C_n$  from the disjoint union  $Q_1 \cup Q_2 \cup Q_3$  by adjoining the edges  $x_{1,i}x_{2,2i-1}$  and  $x_{2,2i}x_{3,i}$  for i = 1, 2, ..., n. (Fig. 2).



We construct a vertex labelling  $g_3$  and an edge labelling  $g_4$  of  $C_n$  in the following way.

$$g_3(x_{1,i}) = 2i - 1$$

$$g_3(x_{2,2i-1}) = 4n - 2i + 2$$

$$g_3(x_{2,2i}) = 4n - 2i + 1$$

$$g_3(x_{3,i}) = 2i$$

for i = 1, 2, ..., n and

$$g_4(x_{1,i}x_{1,i+1}) = 4n - 2i - 1 \qquad \text{if } 1 \le i \le n - 1$$

$$g_4(x_{1,i}x_{2,2i-1}) = \begin{cases} 4n + i - 3 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ 5n + i - 4 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$g_4(x_{2,2i-1}x_{2,2i}) = n - i + 1 \qquad \text{if } 1 \le i \le n$$

$$g_4(x_{2,2i}x_{2,2i-1}) = n + i \qquad \text{if } 1 \le i \le n - 1$$

$$g_4(x_{2,2i}x_{3,i}) = \begin{cases} 4n + i - 2 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ 5n + i - 3 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$g_4(x_{3,i}x_{3,i+1}) = 4n - 2i - 2 \qquad \text{if } 1 \le i \le n - 1$$

**Lemma 3.** The vertex labelling  $g_3$  of  $C_n$  is consecutive if  $n \ge 2$ .

The set of weights of 5-sided faces under the labelling  $g_3$  consists of consecutive integers  $\{10n + 4, 10n + 5, ..., 12n + 1\}$ .

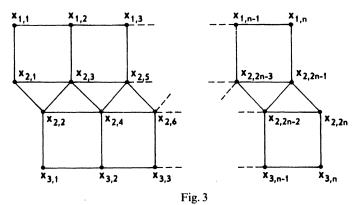
**Lemma 4.** The edge labelling  $g_4$  of  $C_n$  is magic if  $n \ge 2$ .

By direct computation we obtain that the weight for all 5-sided faces is 15n - 6.

**Theorem 2.** For  $n \ge 2$  the graph  $C_n$  has a magic labelling of type (1,1,1).

Proof. Label the vertices and the edges of  $C_n$  by  $g_3$  and  $|V(C_n)| + g_4$ , respectively. If  $g_5$  is the complementary face labeling defined analogously as in the previous theorem, then the labellings  $g_3$ ,  $g_4 + |V(C_n)|$  and  $g_5$  combine to a magic labelling of type (1,1,1).

We define  $D_n$  to be the graph obtained from the graph  $C_n$  by inserting the edges  $x_{2,2i-1}x_{2,2i+1}$  and  $x_{2,2i}x_{2,2i+2}$  for i=1, 2, ..., n-1. (Fig. 3).



Define the vertex labelling  $g_6$  and the edge labelling  $g_7$  as follows.

$$g_6(x_{1,i}) = 4n - 2i + 1$$

$$g_6(x_{2,2i-1}) = 2i$$

$$g_6(x_{2,2i}) = 2n - 2i + 1$$
$$g_6(x_{3,i}) = 2n + 2i$$

for i = 1, 2, ..., n.

$$g_7(x_{1,i}x_{1,i+1}) = 8n + 2i - 4$$

$$g_7(x_{2,2i-1}x_{2,2i+1}) = 6n - 2i$$

$$g_7(x_{2,2i}x_{2,2i+2}) = 6n - 2i - 1$$

$$g_7(x_{3,i}x_{3,i+1}) = 8n + 2i - 3$$

$$g_7(x_{2,2i}x_{2,2i+1}) = 7n + i - 2$$

for i = 1, 2, ..., n - 1.

$$g_{7}(x_{1,i}x_{2,2i-1}) = \begin{cases} \left\lfloor \frac{21n+1}{2} \right\rfloor + \frac{i+1}{2} - 5 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ \left\lfloor \frac{23n+1}{2} \right\rfloor + \frac{i}{2} - 5 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$g_{7}(x_{2,2i-1}x_{2,2i}) = 6n + i - 2 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$g_{7}(x_{2,2i}x_{3,i}) = \begin{cases} 10n + \frac{i+1}{2} - 5 & \text{if } i \text{ is odd} \\ \left\lfloor \frac{21n+1}{2} \right\rfloor + \left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil + \frac{i}{2} - 5 & \text{if } i \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 3.** For  $n \ge 2$  the graph  $D_n$  has a magic labelling of type (1,1,1).

Proof. Label the vertices and the edges of  $D_n$  by  $g_6$  and  $g_7$ , respectively. We obtain the labelling of type (1,1,0), where the weights of 3-sided faces constitute a set of consecutive integers  $\{21n, 21n + 1, ..., 23n - 3\}$  and the weights of 4-sided faces successively assume the values 43n - 9, 43n - 8, ..., 44n - 12, 44n - 11, 44n - 9, 44n - 8, ..., 45n - 11 if n is odd and 43n - 10, 43n - 9, ..., 44n - 13, 44n - 12, 44n - 10, 44n - 9, ..., 45n - 12 if n is even. Hence, if  $g_8$  is the complementary face labelling with values in the set  $\{|V(D_n)| + |E(D_n)| + 1, ..., |V(D_n)| + |E(D_n)| + |F(D_n)|\}$ , then the labellings  $g_6$ ,  $g_7$  and  $g_8$  combine to a magic labelling of type (1,1,1)

Observe that the external 2n + 4-sided face is assigned the label  $|V(D_n)| + |E(D_n)| + n$ .

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## О МАГИЧЕСКИХ РАЗМЕТКАХ ТИПА (1,1,1) ДЛЯ ТРЁХ КЛАССОВ ПЛОСКИХ ГРАФОВ

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#### Резюме

Пусть G — связный плоский граф с |V(G)| вершинами, |E(G)| ребрами и |F(G)| гранями. Разметка типа (1,1,1) приписывает метки из множества  $\{1,2,3,\ldots |V(G)|+|E(G)|+|F(G)|\}$  вершинам, ребрам и граням таким образом, что каждой вершине, ребру и грани приписывается только одна метка, причем каждая метка используется только один раз.

Вес грани относительно данной разметки равен сумме меток, приписанных самой грани и её вершинам и ребрам.

Разметка называется магической, если все грани с одним и тем же числом сторон имеют один и тот же, зависящий от числа сторон, вес. В работе построены магические разметки типа (1,1,1) для трёх классов плоских графов.