# 4—Remainder Cordial Labeling of Some New Families Graphs

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**Abstract**. Let G be a (p,q) graph. Let f be a function from V(G) to the set  $\{1,2,\ldots,k\}$  where k is an integer  $2 < k \le |V(G)|$ . For each edge uv assign the label r where r is the remainder when f(u) is divided by f(v) (or) f(v) is divided by f(u) according as  $f(u) \ge f(v)$  or  $f(v) \ge f(u)$ . The function f is called a k-remainder cordial labeling of G if  $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \le 1$ , for  $i,j \in \{1,\ldots,k\}$  where  $v_f(x)$  denote the number of vertices labeled with x and  $|\eta_e - \eta_o| \le 1$  where  $\eta_e$  and  $\eta_o$  respectively denote the number of edges labeled with even integers and number of edges labeled with odd integers. A graph with admits a k-remainder cordial labeling is called a k-remainder cordial graph. In this paper we investigate the 4-remainder cordial labeling behavior of wheel, gear graph, helm, closed helm, fan, double wheel, subdivision of comb, double comb, splitting of path of graph.

#### 1 Introduction

Graphs considered here are finite and simple. Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be two graphs with vertex sets  $V_1$ and  $V_2$  and edge sets  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  respectively. Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be two graphs with vertex sets  $V_1$ and  $V_2$  and edge sets  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  respectively. Then their join  $G_1 + G_2$  is the graph whose vertex set is  $V_1 \cup V_2$  and edge set is  $E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \{uv : u \in V_1 \text{ and } v \in V_2\}$ . The graph  $W_n = C_n + K_1$ is called a wheel. In a wheel, a vertex of degree 3 is called a rim vertex. A vertex which is adjacent to all the rim vertices is called the central vertex. The edges with one end incident with the rim and the other incident with the central vertex are called spokes. For a graph G, the splitting of G, S'(G) is obtained from G by adding for each vertex v of G a new vertex v' so that v' is adjacent to every vertex that is adjacent to v. Any graph derived from a graph G by a sequence of edge subdivisions is called a subdivision of G or a G-subdivision. Ponraj et al. [4], introduced remainder cordial labeling of graphs and investigate the remainder cordial labeling behavior of path, cycle, star, bistar, complete graph, etc., and also the concept of k-remainder cordial labeling introduced in [5] and investigate the 4-remainder cordial labeling behavior of certain graphs in [7, 8, 9]. In this paper we investigate the 4-remainder cordial labeling behavior of wheel, gear graph, helm, closed helm, fan, double wheel, subdivision of comb, double comb, splitting of path, etc., Terms are not defined here follows from Harary [3] and Gallian [2].

### 2 k-Remainder cordial labeling

Let G be a (p,q) graph. Let f be a function from V(G) to the set  $\{1,2,\ldots,k\}$  where k is an integer  $2 < k \le |V(G)|$ . For each edge uv assign the label r where r is the remainder when f(u) is divided by f(v) (or) f(v) is divided by f(u) according as  $f(u) \ge f(v)$  or  $f(v) \ge f(u)$ . The function f is called a k-remainder cordial labeling of G if  $|v_f(i) - v_f(j)| \le 1$ , for  $i, j \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$  where  $v_f(x)$  denote the number of vertices labeled with x and  $|\eta_e - \eta_o| \le 1$  where  $\eta_e$  and  $\eta_o$  respectively denote the number of edges labeled with even integers and number of edges labeled with odd integers. A graph with admits a k-remainder cordial labeling is called a k-remainder cordial graph.

First we investigate the 4–remainder cordial labeling behavior of the wheel.

**Theorem 2.1.** If  $n \equiv 0, 1, 2 \pmod{4}$ , then the wheel  $W_n$  is 4-remainder cordial.

**Proof.** Let  $C_n = u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_n u_1$  be the cycle and  $V(W_n) = V(C_n) \cup \{u\}$  and  $E(W_n) = E(C_n) \cup \{uu_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$ . Assign the label 3 to the central vertex u in  $W_n$ .

### Case(i). $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

Consider the rim vertices  $u_i$ . First assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 to the vertices  $u_1$ ,  $u_2$ ,  $u_3$  and  $u_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 alternatively to the next four non-labeled vertices  $u_5$ ,  $u_6$ ,  $u_7$  and  $u_8$ . Proceeding like this until we reach the vertex  $u_n$ . In this process the end vertex  $u_n$  received the label 4.

# Case(ii). $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

Fix the labels 1, 2, 2, 3, 4 to the first five vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4$  and  $u_5$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 alternatively to the next four non-labeled vertices  $u_6, u_7, u_8$  and  $u_9$ . Then next assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 respectively to the next four non-labeled vertices  $u_{10}, u_{11}, u_{12}, u_{13}$  and so on. Continuing like this until we reach the vertex  $u_n$ . In this process the end vertex  $u_n$  received the label 4.

#### Case(iii). $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

Fix the first six vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5, u_6$  by the labels 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4 respectively. Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 consecutively to the next four vertices  $u_7, u_8, u_9, u_{10}$ . Then next assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 respectively to the next four non-labeled vertices  $u_{10}, u_{11}, u_{12}, u_{13}$  and so on. Continuing like this until we reach the vertex  $u_n$ . That is the vertex  $u_n$  received the label 4. Thus the vertex labeling f is 4-remainder cordial labeling follows form the table 1.

Nature of n	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$v_f(3)$	$v_f(4)$	$\eta_e$	$\eta_o$
$n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n}{4}$	$\frac{n}{4}$	$\frac{n}{4} + 1$	$\frac{n}{4}$	n	n
$n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n-1}{4}$	$\frac{n+3}{4}$	$\frac{n+3}{4}$	$\frac{n-1}{4}$	n	n
$n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n-2}{4}$	$\frac{n+2}{4}$	$\frac{n+2}{4}$	$\frac{n+2}{4}$	n	n

Table 1.

Next we investigate the 4-remainder cordial labeling behavior of the gear graph.

The gear graph  $G_n$  is a graph which is obtained from the wheel  $W_n$  by subdividing each edge of the rim.

**Theorem 2.2.** The gear graph  $G_n$  is 4-remainder cordial.

**Proof.** Let  $W_n = C_n + K_1$  where  $C_n = u_1 u_2 \dots u_n u_1$  and  $V(K_1) = \{u\}$ . The graph  $G_n$  is obtained from  $W_n$  by subdividing the edge  $u_i u_{i+1}$  by a vertex  $v_i, 1 \le i \le n$ . We now give a 4-remainder cordial labeling as given below. The proof is divided into four cases depends on the nature of n.

#### Case(i). $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

Assign the label 2 to the central vertex of u. Next assign the label 1 to the vertices  $u_1, u_3, u_5, \ldots$ . Assign the label 3 to the vertices  $u_2, u_4, u_6, \ldots$ . Finally assign the label 2 to the vertices  $v_1, v_3, v_5, \ldots$ , and assign the label 4 to the vertices  $v_2, v_4, v_6, \ldots$ .

# Case(ii). $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

As in Case(i), assign the label 4 to the central vertex of u. Next assign the label 3 to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3, \ldots, u_{\frac{n+1}{2}}$  and then assign the label 4 to the vertices  $u_{\frac{n+1}{2}+1}, u_{\frac{n+1}{2}+2}, u_{\frac{n+1}{2}+3}, \ldots, u_n$ . In the similar fashion assign the labels to the vertices  $v_i$  as  $u_i$ . That is assign the label 2 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \ldots, v_{\frac{n+1}{2}}$  and then assign the label 1 to the remaining non-labeled vertices

$$v_{\frac{n+1}{2}+1}, v_{\frac{n+1}{2}+2}, v_{\frac{n+1}{2}+3}, \dots, v_n.$$

### Case(iii). $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

As in the case(i), assign the labels to the vertices of  $u, u_i$  and  $v_i$  respectively in the case  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

### Case(iv). $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

As in the case(iii), assign the labels to the vertices of  $u, u_i$  and  $v_i$  of  $G_n$  respectively in the case  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ . The table 2 shows that this vertex labeling f is a 4-remainder cordial labeling of this cases.

Nature of n	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$v_f(3)$	$v_f(4)$	$\eta_e$	$\eta_o$
$n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n+2}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$
$n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n-1}{2}$	$\frac{n+1}{2}$	$\frac{n+1}{2}$	$\frac{n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n+1}{2}$

Table 2.

We now investigate the 4—remainder cordial cordial labeling behavior of helm.

The helm graph  $H_n$  is a graph which is obtained from the wheel  $W_n$  by adding a pendant vertex between every two rim vertices.

**Theorem 2.3.** All helms  $H_n$  are 4-remainder cordial.

**Proof.** Let  $W_n = C_n + K_1$  where  $C_n = u_1 u_2 \dots u_n u_1$  and  $V(K_1) = \{u\}$ . Let  $V(H_n) = V(W_n) \cup \{v_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$  and  $E(H_n) = E(W_n) \cup \{u_i v_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$ . It is easy to verify that  $H_n$  has 2n + 1 vertices and 3n edges.

#### Case(i). $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

Assign the label 2 to the central vertex u. Next assign the labels 2, 3 to the rim vertices  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  respectively. Again assign the labels 2, 3 to the next two rim vertices  $u_3$  and  $u_4$  respectively. Proceeding like this until reach the vertex  $u_n$ . Clearly the vertex  $u_n$  received the label 3. Now we move to the pendant vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the label 4 to the vertices  $v_i$  if  $u_i$  received the label 2 and assign the label 1 to the vertices  $v_i$  if  $u_i$  received the label 3.

#### Case(ii). $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

As in case(i), assign the labels to the vertices of  $H_n$ .

#### Case(iii). $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

Assign the label 2 to the central vertex u. Then next assign the labels 3, 2 to the first two rim vertices  $u_1$  and  $u_2$  respectively. Next assign the labels 3, 2 to the next two rim vertices  $u_3$  and  $u_4$  respectively. Continuing like this until reach the vertex  $u_n$ . Clearly the vertex  $u_n$  received the label 3. Next we move to the pendant vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the label 4 to the vertices  $v_i$  if  $u_i$  received the label 2 and assign the label 1 to the vertices  $v_i$  if  $u_i$  received the label 3.

### Case(iii). $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

In this case assign the labels to the vertices of  $H_n$  as in the case(iii). The table 3, given below establish that this labeling f is a 4- remainder cordial labeling.

Now we investigate the closed helm  $CH_n$  for the 4-remainder cordial labeling.

Nature of n	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$v_f(3)$	$v_f(4)$	$\eta_e$	$\eta_o$
$n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2} + 1$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$
$n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n+1}{2}$	$\frac{n+1}{2}$	$\frac{n+1}{2}$	$\frac{n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n+1}{2}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$

Table 3.

Closed helm  $CH_n$  is a graph obtained from the helm  $H_n$  with vertex set  $V(CH_n) = V(H_n)$  and  $E(CH_n) = E(H_n) \cup \{v_i v_{i+1} : 1 \le i \le n-1\} \cup \{v_n v_1\}.$ 

**Theorem 2.4.** The closed helm  $CH_n$  is 4-remainder cordial for all values of n.

**Proof.** Let f be a 4-remainder cordial labeling of the helm  $H_n$  as in theorem ??. Let g be a vertex labeling of  $CH_n$  with g(u)=f(u) and  $g(u_i)=f(u_i):1\leq i\leq n$ . Then we define  $g(v_i)=1$  if  $f(u_i)=2$  and  $g(v_i)=4$  if  $f(u_i)=3$ . Thus vertex labeling f is a 4-remainder cordial labeling follows from table 4.

Nature of n	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$v_f(3)$	$v_f(4)$	$\eta_e$	$\eta_o$
$n \equiv 0, 2 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2} + 1$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	2n	2n
$n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n+1}{2}$	$\frac{n+1}{2}$	$\frac{n+1}{2}$	$\frac{n-1}{2}$	2n	2n

Table 4.

Here we discus the fan graph  $F_n$ .

The graph  $P_n + K_1$  is called a fan graph. It is denoted by  $F_n$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** The fan  $F_n$  is 4-remainder cordial for all values of n.

**Proof.** Let  $P_n$  be the path  $u_1u_2 \dots u_n$  and  $V(K_1) = \{u\}$  and  $E(F_n) = \{uu_i, u_iu_{i+1} : 1 \le i \le n\}$ . It is clearly to verify that  $F_n$  has n+1 vertices and 2n-1 edges. Assign the label 3 to the vertex u.

Case(i).  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ 

Assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 to the path vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  and  $u_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 alternatively to the next four vertices  $u_5, u_6, u_7$  and  $u_8$ . Proceeding like this assign the next four vertices and so on. In this process the last vertex  $u_n$  received the label 4.

Case(ii).  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ 

As in case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-1}$ . Finally assign the label 1 to the vertex  $u_n$ .

Case(iii).  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ 

As in case(ii), assign the labels to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{n-1}$ . Then finally assign the label 2 to the vertex  $u_n$ .

Case(iv).  $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ 

Assign the labels to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_{n-1}$  as in case(iii). Then finally assign the label 3 to the vertex  $u_n$  of fan graph. The table 5 establish that the vertex labeling f is a 4- remainder cordial labeling.

Next we investigate the double wheel  $DW_n$ .

Nature of n	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$v_f(3)$	$v_f(4)$	$\eta_e$	$\eta_o$
$n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n}{4}$	$\frac{n}{4}$	$\frac{n}{4} + 1$	$\frac{n}{4}$	n-1	n
$n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n-1}{4} + 1$	$\frac{n-1}{4}$	$\frac{n-1}{4} + 1$	$\frac{n-1}{4}$	n	n-1
$n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n+2}{4}$	$\frac{n+2}{4}$	$\frac{n+2}{4}$	$\frac{n-2}{4}$	n	n-1
$n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n+1}{4}$	$\frac{n+1}{4}$	$\frac{n+1}{4}$	$\frac{n+1}{4}$	n	n-1

Table 5.

Let  $C_n$  be the cycle  $u_1u_2 \dots u_nu_1$ . Then the double wheel  $DW_n$  is the graph with  $V(DW_n) = V(C_n) \cup \{u, v\}$  and  $E(DW_n) = E(C_n) \cup \{uu_i, vu_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** If  $n \equiv 0, 1, 3 \pmod{4}$ , then the double wheel  $DW_n$  is 4-remainder cordial.

**Proof.** Assign the labels 3, 3 to the vertices u, v respectively.

#### Case(i). $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

First fix the labels 1, 2, 2 and 4 respectively to the vertices  $u_1$ ,  $u_2$ ,  $u_3$  and  $u_4$ . Next consider the vertices  $u_5$ ,  $u_6$ ,  $u_7$  and  $u_8$ . Assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 to the vertices  $u_5$ ,  $u_6$ ,  $u_7$  and  $u_8$ . Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 to the vertices  $u_9$ ,  $u_{10}$ ,  $u_{11}$  and  $u_{12}$ . Proceeding like this, assign the next four consecutive vertices and so on. In this process 4 is the label of the vertex  $u_n$ .

### Case(ii). $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

In this case, fix the labels 1, 2, 2, 4 and 4 respectively to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4$  and  $u_5$ . Next consider the vertices  $u_6, u_7, u_8$  and  $u_9$ . Assign the labels 1, 2, 3 and 4 to the vertices  $u_6, u_7, u_8$  and  $u_9$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3 and 4 to the vertices  $u_{10}, u_{11}, u_{12}$  and  $u_{13}$ . Proceeding like this, assign the next four consecutive vertices and so on. In this process 4 is the label of the vertex  $u_n$ .

#### Case(iii). $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

In this case, fix the seven labels 1, 1, 2, 2, 4, 4 and 4 respectively to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5, u_6$  and  $u_7$ . Next assign the labels to the vertices as in the patten 1, 2, 3, 4; 1, 2, 3, 4; ...; 1, 2, 3, 4.

Now we discus the graph which is obtained form the Cycle and the Path.

**Theorem 2.7.**  $C_n * P_n$  is 4-remainder cordial for all n.

**Proof.** Let  $C_n$  be the cycle  $u_1u_2 \ldots u_nu_1$  and  $P_n$  be the path  $v_1v_2 \ldots v_n$ . Then the graph  $C_n * P_n$  is the graph with vertex set  $V(C_n * P_n) = V(C_n) \cup V(P_n)$  and  $E(C_n * P_n) = E(C_n) \cup E(P_n) \cup \{u_1v_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$ .

### Case(i). $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

Assign the label 3 to the vertex  $u_1$ . Next assign the labels 1, 2 and 3 to the vertices  $u_2$ ,  $u_3$  and  $u_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively to the vertices  $u_5$ ,  $u_6$ ,  $u_7$  and  $u_8$ . Proceeding like this assign the labels 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively to the next four vertices  $u_9$ ,  $u_{10}$ ,  $u_{11}$  and  $u_{12}$  and so on. In this process the final vertex  $u_n$  of  $C_n$  received the label 4. Next move to the path  $P_n$ . Assign the labels 1, 2, 3 and 4 to the four consecutive vertices  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_3$  and  $v_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3 and 4 to the next four consecutive vertices  $v_5$ ,  $v_6$ ,  $v_7$  and  $v_8$  respectively and so on. In this process the last vertex  $v_n$  of  $P_n$  received the label 4.

#### Case(ii). $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

Assign the label 3 to the vertex  $u_1$ . Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3 and 4 to the vertices  $u_2$ ,  $u_3$ ,  $u_3$  and  $u_5$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3 and 4 respectively to the vertices namely  $u_6$ ,  $u_7$ ,  $u_8$  and  $u_9$ . Proceeding like this assign the labels 1, 2, 3 and 4 to the next four vertices  $u_{10}$ ,  $u_{11}$ ,  $u_{12}$  and  $u_{13}$  respectively and so on. In this way the final vertex  $u_n$  of  $C_n$  received the label 4. Next assign the labels to the path  $P_n$  with n vertices. As in the case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$ ,  $v_3$ , ...,  $v_{n-1}$ ,  $v_n$  (1  $v_n$  1). Next assign the label 1 to the last vertex  $v_n$  of

path  $P_n$ .

### Case(iii). $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

Assign the label 3 to the vertex  $u_1$ . Next assign the labels 1,2,3 and 4 to the vertices  $u_2,u_3,u_4$  and  $u_5$  respectively. Then again assign the labels 1,2,3 and 4 respectively to the next four consecutive vertices namely  $u_6,u_7,u_8$  and  $u_9$ . Continuing like this assign the labels 1,2,3 and 4 to the next four vertices  $u_{n-4},u_{n-3},u_{n-2}$  and  $u_{n-1}$  respectively and so on. Finally assign the label 4 to the end vertex  $u_n$  of  $C_n$ . Next assign the labels to the path  $P_n$  with n vertices. As in the case(ii), assign the labels to the vertices namely  $v_1,v_2,v_3\ldots v_{n-1}, (1 \le i \le n-1)$ . Finally assign the label 2 to the last vertex  $v_n$  of path  $P_n$ .

# Case(iv). $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

First assign the label 3 to the vertex  $u_1$ . Next assign the labels 1,2,3 and 4 to the vertices  $u_2,u_3,u_4$  and  $u_5$  respectively. Then again assign the labels 1,2,3 and 4 respectively to the next four consecutive vertices namely  $u_6,u_7,u_8$  and  $u_9$ . Proceeding like this assign the labels 1,2,3 and 4 to the next four vertices  $u_{n-5},u_{n-4},u_{n-3}$  and  $u_{n-2}$  respectively and so on. Finally assign the labels 2,1 respectively to the last two vertices  $u_{n-1},u_n$  of  $C_n$ . Now assign the labels to the path  $P_n$  with  $v_i$  vertices,  $1 \le i \le n$ . Assign the labels 1,2,3,4 to the vertices namely  $v_1,v_2,v_3$  and  $v_4$ . Next assign the labels 1,2,3,4 to the next four vertices  $v_5,v_6,v_7$  and  $v_8$  and so on. Continuing like this until we reach the vertex  $v_{n-3}$  of path  $P_n$ . Finally assign the labels 4,3,2 to the last three vertices namely  $v_{n-2},v_{n-1}$ , and  $v_n$  respectively. Thus the vertex labeling f is 4-remainder cordial labeling follows form the table f.

Nature of n	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$v_f(3)$	$v_f(4)$	$\eta_e$	$\eta_o$
$n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{2n}{4}$	$\frac{2n}{4}$	$\frac{2n}{4}$	$\frac{2n}{4}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n-2}{2}$
$n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{2n+2}{4}$	$\frac{2n-2}{4}$	$\frac{2n+2}{4}$	$\frac{2n-2}{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$
$n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{2n}{4}$	$\frac{2n}{4}$	$\frac{2n}{4}$	$\frac{2n}{4}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n-2}{2}$
$n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{2n-2}{4}$	$\frac{2n+2}{4}$	$\frac{2n+2}{4}$	$\frac{2n-2}{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$

Table 6.

Here we investigate the subdivision of the comb.

**Theorem 2.8.**  $S(P_n \odot K_1)$  is 4-remainder cordial.

**Proof.** Let 
$$V(S(P_n \odot K_1)) = \{u_i, w_i, v_i : 1 \le i \le n\} \cup \{x_i : 1 \le i \le n-1\}$$
 and  $E(S(P_n \odot K_1)) = \{u_i x_i, x_i u_{i+1} : 1 \le i \le n-1\} \cup \{u_i w_i, w_i v_i : 1 \le i \le n\}.$ 

Case(i).  $n \equiv 0 \pmod 4$ ) Assign the labels 1,3 to the vertices  $u_1, u_2$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1,3 to the vertices  $u_3, u_4$ . Continue in this way until we reach the vertex  $u_n$ . That is the vertices  $u_1, u_2; u_3u_4; \ldots; u_{n-1}u_n$  received the labels as 1,3;1,3;...;1,3. Next assign the labels 2,4 to the vertices  $x_1, x_2$  respectively. Next assign the labels 2,4 to the next two non-labelled vertices  $x_3, x_4$ . Proceeding like this until we reach the vertex  $x_{n-2}$ . Next assign the label 2 to the vertex  $x_{n-1}$ . We now consider the vertices  $w_i$ . Assign the labels 1,2,3,4 to the non-labelled vertices  $w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1,2,3,4 to the next four non-labelled vertices  $w_5, w_6, w_7, w_8$  respectively. Proceeding like this until we reach the vertex  $w_n$ . Obviously the vertex  $w_n$  received the label 4. Next consider the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels 4,3,2,1 to the vertices  $v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 4,3,2,1 to the next four non-labelled vertices  $v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$  respectively. Next assign the labels 4,3,2,1 to the vertex  $v_n$  received the label 1.

**Case(ii).**  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$  Assign the labels 1, 3 to the vertices  $u_1, u_2$  respectively. Then next assign the labels 1, 3 to the next two vertices  $u_3, u_4$ . Proceeding like this until we reach the vertex  $u_{n-1}$ . That is the vertex  $u_{n-1}$  received the label 3. Finally assign the label 1 to the end

vertex  $u_n$ . Next assign the labels 2, 4 to the first two vertices  $x_1, x_2$  respectively. Next assign the labels 2, 4 to the next two non-labelled vertices  $x_3, x_4$ . Proceeding like this until we reach the vertex  $x_{n-1}$ . Now we consider the vertices  $w_i$ . Assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 to the non-labelled vertices  $w_1, w_2, w_3, w_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3, 4 respectively to the next four non-labelled vertices  $w_5, w_6, w_7, w_8$ . Continuing like this until we reach the vertex  $w_{n-1}$ . That is the vertex  $w_{n-1}$  received the label 4. Finally assign the label 3 to the end vertex  $w_n$ . Next consider the pendant vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels 4, 3, 2, 1 to the vertices  $v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$ . Continuing like this until we reach the vertex  $v_{n-1}$ . That is the vertex  $v_{n-1}$  received the label 1. Finally assign the label 4 to the pendant vertex  $v_n$ .

Case(iii).  $n \equiv 2 \pmod 4$  As in case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_n$  and  $x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_{n-1}$ . Next using case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $w_i, 1 \le i \le n-2$ . Then next assign the labels 1, 2 to the last two vertices  $w_{n-1}, w_n$  respectively. Next also by case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $v_i, 1 \le i \le n-2$ . Trivially the vertex  $v_{n-2}$  received the label 1. Then next assign the labels 4, 3 to the last two vertices  $v_{n-1}, v_n$  respectively.

Case(iv).  $n \equiv 3 \pmod 4$  As in case(ii), assign the labels to the vertices  $u_i$ ,:  $1 \le i \le n$  and  $x_i$ :  $1 \le i \le n-1$ . Then we consider the vertices  $w_i$ . By case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $w_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le n-3$ . Next assign the labels 1, 2, 3 to the remaining vertices  $w_{n-2}$ ,  $w_{n-1}$ ,  $w_n$  respectively. Next we consider the vertices  $v_i$ . As in case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $v_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le n-3$ . Then finally assign the labels 4, 3, 2 to the last three vertices  $v_{n-2}$ ,  $v_{n-1}$ ,  $v_n$  respectively. Thus the table 7 shows that this vertex labeling f is 4-remainder cordial labeling of the subdivision of the comb graph.

Nature of n	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$v_f(3)$	$v_f(4)$	$\eta_e$	$\eta_o$
$n \equiv 0, 2, 3 \pmod{4}$	n	n	n	n-1	2n - 1	2n-1
$n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$	n	n-1	n	n	2n - 1	2n - 1

Table 7.

Next we show the splitting of path is 4—remainder cordial.

**Theorem 2.9.** The  $S(P_n)$  is 4-remainder cordial.

**Proof.** Let  $P_n$  be the path  $u_1u_2...u_nu_1$ . Let  $V(S(P_n)) = V(P_n) \cup \{v_i : 1 \le i \le n\}$  and  $E(S(P_n)) = E(P_n) \cup \{v_iu_{i+1}, v_{i+1}u_i : 1 \le i \le n-1\}$ .

Case(i). 
$$n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$$

First we consider the vertices  $u_i$  of path  $P_n$ . Assign the labels 1,4,3,2 to the vertices  $u_1,u_2,u_3,u_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1,4,3,2 to the four consecutive non-labelled vertices  $u_5,u_6,u_7,u_8$ . Continue in this way, assign the labels to the four consecutive non-labelled vertices and so on. That is the vertices  $u_1,u_2,u_3,u_4;\ldots;u_{n-3},u_{n-2},u_{n-1},u_n$  received the labels as  $1,4,3,2;\ldots;1,4,3,2$ . Next move the vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels 3,2,1,4 to the non-labelled vertices  $v_1,v_2,v_3,v_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 3,2,1,4 to the next four non-labelled vertices  $v_5,v_6,v_7,v_8$  and so on. Proceeding like this until we reach the vertex  $v_n$ . Obviously the vertex  $v_n$  received the label 4.

#### Case(ii). $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

As in case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $u_i, v_i : 1 \le i \le n-1$ . Then finally assign the labels 1, 3 to the vertices  $u_n$  and  $v_n$  respectively.

#### Case(iii). $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

As in case(ii), assign the labels to the vertices  $u_i, v_i : 1 \le i \le n-1$ . Then finally assign the labels 4, 2 to the vertices  $u_n$  and  $v_n$  respectively. That is the vertex  $u_n$  received the label 4 and

the vertex  $v_n$  received the label 2.

# Case(iv). $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

As in case(iii), assign the labels to the vertices  $u_i, v_i : 1 \le i \le n-1$ . Next assign the labels 3, 1 to the vertices  $u_n$  and  $v_n$  respectively. That is the vertex  $u_n$  received the label 3 and the vertex  $v_n$  received the label 1. Thus the table 8 shows that this vertex labeling f is 4-remainder cordial labeling of the splitting of the comb graph.

Nature of n	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$v_f(3)$	$v_f(4)$	$\eta_e$	$\eta_o$
$n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	n	n+1
$n \equiv 1, 3 \pmod{4}$	$\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$	$\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$	$\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$	$\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$	$\frac{3n-3}{2}$	$\frac{3n-3}{2}$
$n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{n}{2}$	$\frac{3n-2}{2}$	$\frac{3n-4}{2}$

Table 8.

Finally we investigate the double comb.

**Theorem 2.10.** The double comb  $P_n + 2K_1$  is 4-remainder cordial.

**Proof.** Let  $P_n$  be the path  $u_1u_2 \dots u_nu_1$ . Let  $v_i, w_i$  be the vertices adjacent to  $u_i$ .

### Case(i). $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$

Consider the vertices  $u_i$  of path  $P_n$ . Assign the labels 1,2,3,4 to the vertices  $u_1,u_2,u_3,u_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 1,2,3,4 to the four consecutive non-labelled vertices  $u_5,u_6,u_7,u_8$ . Continuing like this assign the labels to the four consecutive non-labelled vertices and so on. It is easy to verify that the vertices  $u_1,u_2,u_3,u_4;\ldots;u_{n-3},u_{n-2},u_{n-1},u_n$  received the labels as  $1,2,3,4;\ldots;1,2,3,4$ . Next move the pendant vertices  $v_i$ . Assign the labels 4,3,2,1 to the non-labelled vertices  $v_1,v_2,v_3,v_4$  respectively. Next assign the labels 4,3,2,1 to the next four non-labelled vertices  $v_5,v_6,v_7,v_8$  and so on. Proceeding like this until we reach the vertex  $v_n$ . Obviously the vertex  $v_n$  received the label 1. Finally assign the labels to the vertices  $w_i$  as in  $v_i$  vertices.

# Case(ii). $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

As in case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $u_i, v_i, w_i : 1 \le i \le n-1$ . Then next assign the labels 4, 3, 1 to the last non-labelled vertices  $u_n, v_n$  and  $w_n$  respectively.

### Case(iii). $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

As in case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $u_i, v_i, w_i : 1 \le i \le n-2$ . Next assign the labels in the pattern as 4, 3; 1, 2; 1, 2 to the remaining non-labelled vertices  $u_{n-1}, u_n; v_{n-1}, v_n;$  and  $w_{n-1}, w_n$  respectively. Observation that the vertices  $u_{n-1}, u_n$  received the labels 4, 3, the vertices  $v_{n-1}, v_n$  received the labels 1, 2 and also the vertices  $w_{n-1}, w_n$  received the labels 1, 2.

### Case(iv). $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

As in case(i), assign the labels to the vertices  $u_i, v_i, w_i : 1 \le i \le n-3$ . Next assign the labels in the pattern as 1, 3, 4; 1, 4, 2; 1, 2, 3 to the remaining three non-labelled vertices  $u_{n-2}, u_{n-1}, u_n; v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}, v_n;$  and  $w_{n-2}, w_{n-1}, w_n$  respectively. Note that the vertices  $u_{n-2}, u_{n-1}, u_n$  received the labels 1, 3, 4, the vertices  $v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}, v_n$  received the labels 1, 4, 2 and also the vertices  $w_{n-2}, w_{n-1}, w_n$  received the labels 1, 2, 3. Thus the table 9 shows that this vertex labeling f is 4-remainder cordial labeling of the double comb graph.

Nature of n	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$v_f(3)$	$v_f(4)$	$\eta_e$	$\eta_o$
$n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n}{4}$	$\frac{3n}{4}$	$\frac{3n}{4}$	$\frac{3n}{4}$	$\frac{3n-2}{2}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$
$n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n+1}{4}$	$\frac{3n}{4}$	$\frac{3n+1}{4}$	$\frac{3n+1}{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$
$n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n-2}{4}$	$\frac{3n-2}{4}$	$\frac{3n+2}{4}$	$\frac{3n+2}{4}$	$\frac{3n}{2}$	$\frac{3n-2}{2}$
$n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$	$\frac{3n+3}{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{4}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$	$\frac{3n-1}{2}$

Table 9.

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