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## E-cordial labeling of bull related graphs and invariance

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### Abstract

A bull graph has a copy of  $C_3$  with pendent edge attached at two (adjacent) vertices. Similar structure is obtained on cycles  $C_4, C_5$ . We obtain e-cordial labeling of these graphs and one point union of these graphs. Further we show that one point union structures are invariant under e-cordial labeling.

**Keywords:** E-cordial, labeling, bull, one point union, cycle

### 1. Introduction

In 1997 Yilmaz and Cahit [4] introduced a weaker version of edge graceful labeling called E-cordial. The word cordial was used first time in this paper. Let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $V$  and edge set  $E$ . Let  $f$  be a function that maps  $E$  into  $\{0, 1\}$ . Define  $f$  on  $V$  by  $f(v) = \sum\{f(uv) / (uv) \in E\} \pmod{2}$ . The function  $f$  is called as E cordial labeling if  $|e_f(0) - e_f(1)| \leq 1$  and  $|v_f(0) - v_f(1)| \leq 1$ . Where  $e_f(i)$  is the number of edges labeled with  $i = 0, 1$  and  $v_f(i)$  is the number of vertices labeled with  $i = 0, 1$ . We also use  $v_f(0, 1) = (a, b)$  to denote the number of vertices labeled with 0 are  $a$  and that with 1 are  $b$  in number. Similarly  $e_f(0, 1) = (x, y)$  to denote number of edges labeled with 0 are  $x$  and that labeled with 1 are  $y$  in number respectively. A lot of work has been done in this type of labeling and the above mentioned paper gave rise to number of papers on cordial labeling. A graph that admits E-cordial labeling is called as E-cordial graph. Yilmaz and Cahit has shown that Trees  $T_n$  with  $n$  vertices and Complete graphs  $K_n$  on  $n$  vertices are E-cordial iff  $n$  is not congruent to 2 (modulo 4). Friendship graph  $C_3^{(n)}$  for all  $n$  and fans  $F_n$  for  $n$  not congruent to 1 (mod 4). One may refer A Dynamic survey of graph labeling for more details on completed work. A bull graph consists of  $C_3$  and two pendent vertices one each at adjacent vertices. It has 5 edges and 5 vertices. This concept we generalize for all  $C_n$ . A general bull graph  $\text{bull}(C_n)$  consists of a cycle and a pendent edge each at two adjacent vertices. It has  $n+2$  vertices and  $n+2$  edges. We obtain e-cordial labeling of  $G = \text{bull}(C_n)$  for  $n = 3, 4, 5, \dots, n$ . Also we define one point union of  $G$  on  $k$  copies and obtain different structures by changing common point of union on  $G$ . We show that all these structures are e-cordial. This is referred as invariance under e-cordial labeling.

### 2. Preliminaries

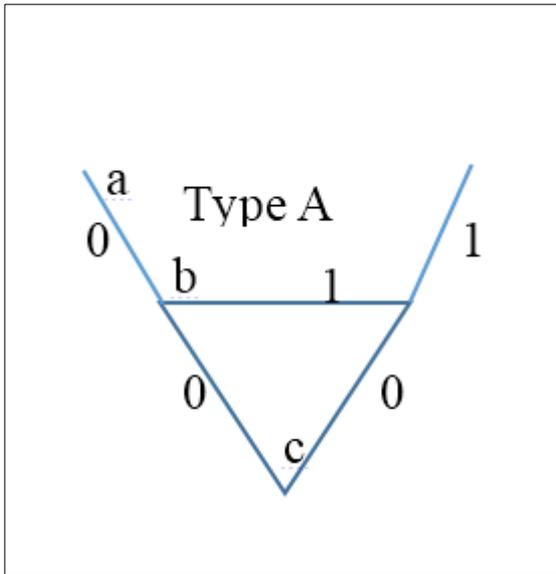
By one point union of  $k$  copies of graph  $G$  we fuse  $k$  copies of  $G$  at fixed vertex of  $G$ . It is denoted by  $G^{(k)}$ . It has  $kq$  edges and  $pk - k + 1$  vertices. We choose  $G$  as  $\text{bull}(C_n)$  with  $n = 3, 4, 5$ . Fusion of vertex. Let  $G$  be a  $(p, q)$  graph. let  $u \neq v$  be two vertices of  $G$ . We replace them with single vertex  $w$  and all edges incident with  $u$  and that with  $v$  are made incident with  $w$ . If a loop is formed is deleted. The new graph has  $p-1$  vertices and at least  $q-1$  edges [5].

### 3. Theorems Proved

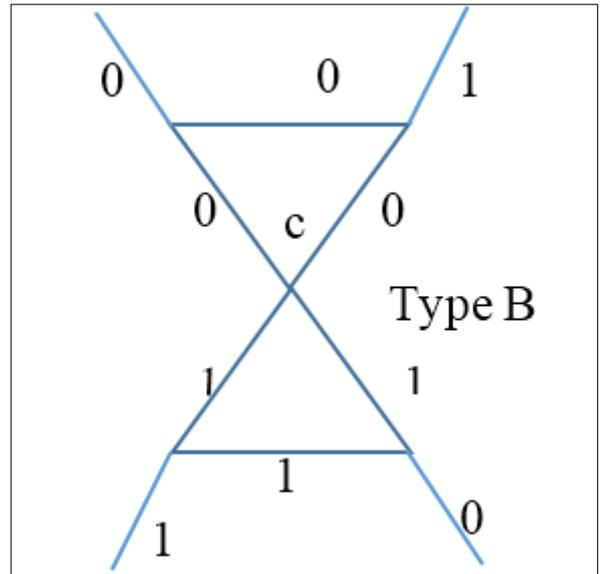
**3.1** A bull graph is e-cordial. All structures on one point union of bull graph denoted by  $(\text{bull}(C_3))^{(k)}$  are e-cordial.

Proof. Define a function  $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$  where  $G = (\text{bull})^{(k)}$ . From the diagram below it follows that the bull graph is e-cordial.

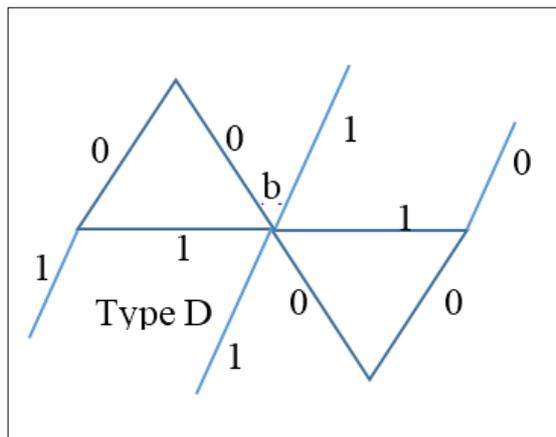
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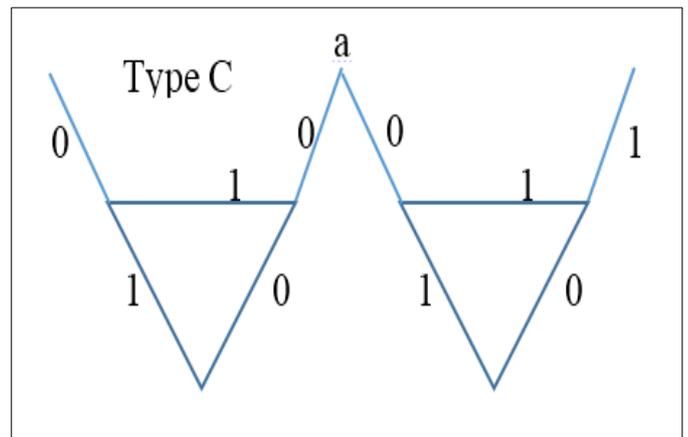
**Fig 4.1:**  $v_f(0,1) = (3,2)$ ,  $e_f(0,1)=(3,2)$ .The numbers are edge numbers.



**Fig 4.2:**  $v_f(0,1) = (5,4)$ ,  $e_f(0,1)=(5,5)$ .The numbers are edge numbers.



**Fig 4.3:**  $v_f(0,1) = (5,4)$ ,  $e_f(0,1)=(5,5)$ .The numbers are edge numbers.



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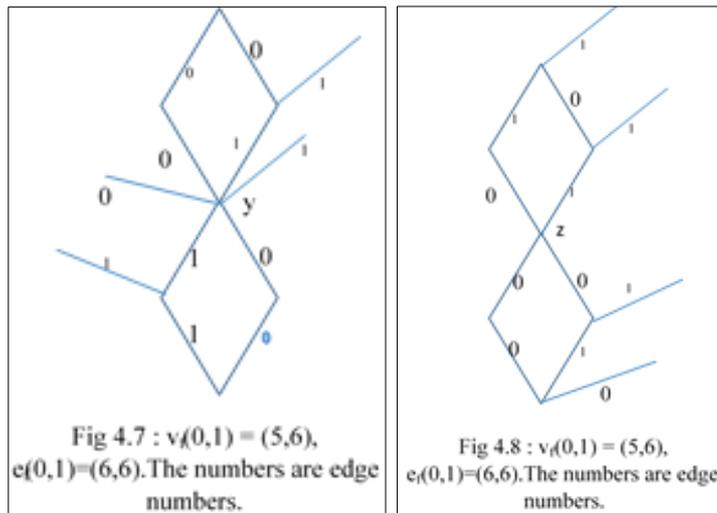
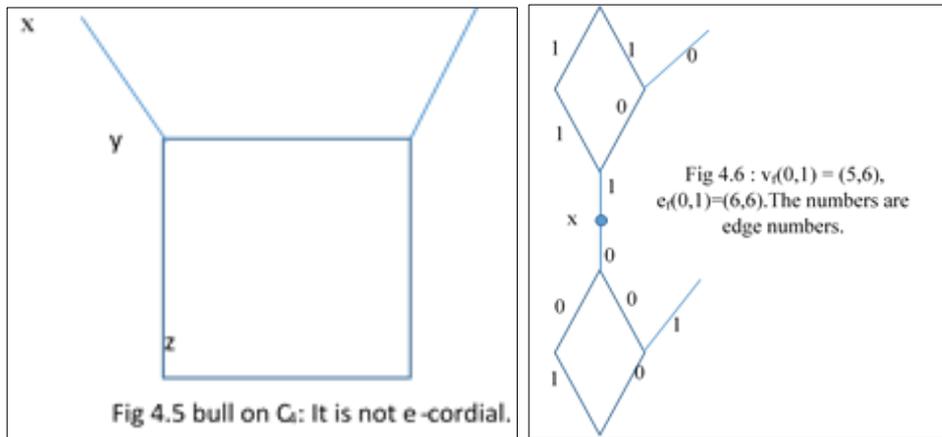
**Structure 1:** First obtain one point union at point ‘c’ on bull graph for  $k = 2x$ ,  $x=1, 2, 3 \dots$ . This is done by repeatedly fusing type B labeled copy at point c on it. The structure has label number distribution given by  $v_f(0,1) = (4x+1,4x)$ ,  $e_f(0,1)=(5x,5x)$ . To obtain labeled copy of bull graph on  $k = 2x+1$  copies,  $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . We first obtain  $(\text{bull})^{(2x)}$  and fuse it at vertex ‘c’ on it with vertex ‘c’ on type B label. The resultant structure has label number distribution given by  $v_f(0,1) = (4x+3,4x+2)$ ,  $e_f(0,1)=(5x+3,5x+2)$ .

**Structure 2:** First obtain one point union at point ‘b’ on bull graph for  $k = 2x$ ,  $x=1, 2, 3 \dots$ . This is done by repeatedly fusing type C labeled copy at point ‘b’ on it. The structure has label number distribution given by  $v_f(0,1) = (4x+1,4x)$ ,  $e_f(0,1)=(5x,5x)$ . To obtain labeled copy of bull graph on  $k = 2x+1$  copies,  $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . We first obtain  $(\text{bull})^{(2x)}$  and fuse it at vertex ‘b’ on it with vertex ‘b’ on type B label. The resultant structure has label number distribution given by  $v_f(0,1) = (4x+3,4x+2)$ ,  $e_f(0,1)=(5x+3,5x+2)$ .

**Structure 3:** First obtain one point union at point ‘a’ on bull graph for  $k = 2x$ ,  $x=1, 2, 3 \dots$ . This is done by repeatedly fusing type C labeled copy at point ‘a’ on it. The structure has label number distribution given by  $v_f(0,1) = (4x+1,4x)$ ,  $e_f(0,1)=(5x,5x)$ . To obtain labeled copy of bull graph on  $k = 2x+1$  copies,  $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ . We first obtain  $(\text{bull})^{(2x)}$  and fuse it at vertex ‘a’ on it with vertex ‘a’ on type B label. The resultant structure has label number distribution given by  $v_f(0,1) = (4x+3,4x+2)$ ,  $e_f(0,1)=(5x+3,5x+2)$ . These three structures are pairwise non-isomorphic. All of them are shown to be E- cordial.

**3.2 Theorem:** A bull graph on  $C_4$  denoted by  $\text{bull}(C_4)$  is not e-cordial. But all structures on one point union of  $\text{bull}(C_4)$  graph denoted by  $(\text{bull}(C_4))^{(k)}$ , for  $k$  not congruent to  $1,3 \pmod{4}$ , are e-cordial.

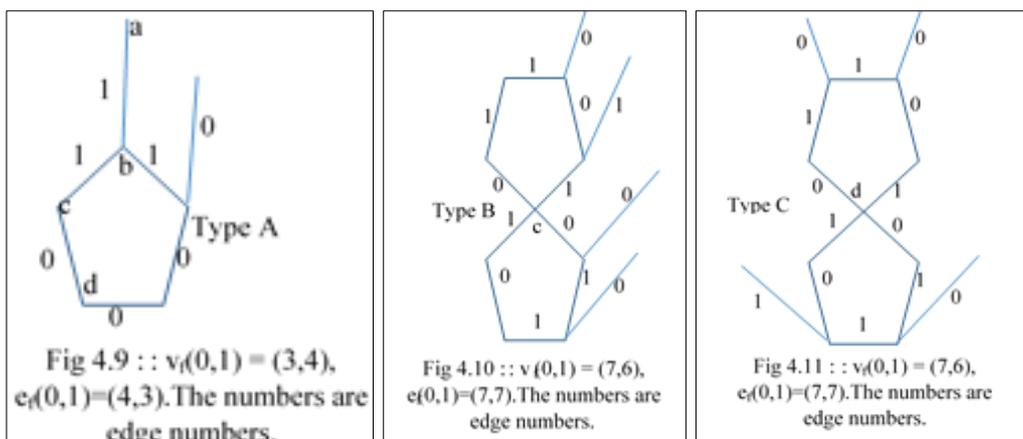
Proof: Define a function  $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  where  $G = (\text{bull}(C_4))^{(k)}$ .

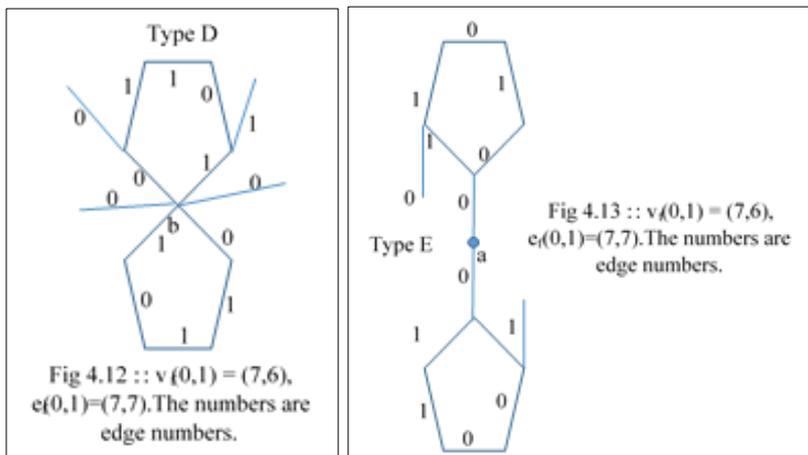


From fig 4.5 it follows that there are three structures possible on one point union of  $\text{bull}(C_4)$ . Structure 1 is due to one point union taken at vertex 'x'. Structure 2 is due to one point union taken at vertex 'y'. Structure 3 is due to one point union taken at vertex 'z'. In all the three cases we have label distribution given by: On vertices  $v_f(0,1) = (10x+1, 10x)$ , when  $m = 2x$ ,  $x=0, 1, 2, \dots$  and the label of common vertex as 0. And  $v_f(0,1) = (5m, 5m+1)$ , when  $m = 1, 3, 4, \dots$  and the label of common vertex as 1. For all  $m$  the distribution on edge labels is  $e_f(0,1)=(6m, 6m)$ . This shows invariance under e-cordial labeling of different structures of  $G = (\text{bull}(C_4))^k$  for even  $k$ .

**4.3 Theorem:** A bull graph on  $C_5$  denoted by  $G = \text{bull}(C_5)$  is e-cordial. Further all structures of  $G^{(k)}$  obtained by changing the common point on one point union of  $k$  copies of  $G$  are e-cordial.

Proof: Define a function:  $E(G)^{(k)} \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  as follows.  $f$  gives labeled units as follows:





It follows from copy of  $\text{bull}(C_5)$  in fig 4.9 that we can take one point union at vertices ‘a’, ‘b’, ‘c’ and ‘d’ to get four different (pair wise non-isomorphic) structures. In all structures Type A label will serve as  $G^{(k)}$  at  $k=1$ . For rest of values of  $k$  we first obtain  $G^{(2x)}$  first and append it with copy type A by fusing with appropriate vertex on it.

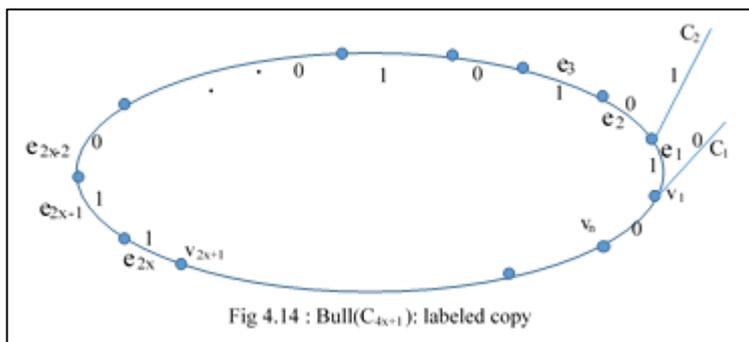
To obtain structure 1 we fuse Type B label at vertex ‘c’ on it for  $x$  times and we get labeled copy of  $G^{(2x)}$ ,  $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . To get labeled copy of  $G^{(2x+1)}$  we first obtain  $G^{(2x)}$  and append it with copy of type A label by fusing both at vertex ‘c’ on it.

To obtain structure 2 we fuse Type C label at vertex ‘d’ on it for  $x$  times and we get labeled copy of  $G^{(2x)}$ ,  $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . To get labeled copy of  $G^{(2x+1)}$  we first obtain  $G^{(2x)}$  and append it with copy of type A label by fusing both at vertex ‘d’ on it.

To obtain structure 3 we fuse Type D label at vertex ‘b’ on it for  $x$  times and we get labeled copy of  $G^{(2x)}$ ,  $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . To get labeled copy of  $G^{(2x+1)}$  we first obtain  $G^{(2x)}$  and append it with copy of type A label by fusing both at vertex ‘b’ on it.

To obtain structure 4 we fuse Type E label at vertex ‘a’ on it for  $x$  times and we get labeled copy of  $G^{(2x)}$ ,  $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . To get labeled copy of  $G^{(2x+1)}$  we first obtain  $G^{(2x)}$  and append it with copy of type A label by fusing both at vertex ‘a’ on it. For all structures resultant label number distribution is for vertices  $v_f(0,1) = (6x+1, 6x)$ , and for edges  $e_f(0,1) = (7x, 7x)$  when  $k = 2x$ ,  $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ . And when  $k = 2x+1$  we have on vertices  $v_f(0,1) = (6x+3, 6x+4)$  and on edges  $e_f(0,1) = (7x+4, 7x+3)$ . Thus in all structures we get e-cordial labeling of  $G^{(k)}$ . We conclude our paper showing that  $G = \text{bull}(C_n)$  is e-cordial. (for all  $n$  is not divisible by 4).

**4.4 Theorem:** A bull graph on  $C_5$  denoted by  $G = \text{bull}(C_5)$  is e-cordial. We take three cases on  $n$ . At the case  $n = 4x$  the e-cordial labeling is not available.



Define a function  $f: E(G) \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  as follows.

**Case  $n = 4x+3$ .**  $G = \text{bull}(C_{4x+3})$  has  $4x+5$  edges and  $4x+5$  vertices. We start with a cycle  $C_{4x} = (v_1, e_1, v_2, e_2, v_3, e_3, \dots, v_{4x}, e_{4x})$ , with pendent edges  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  attached respectively at  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . Define  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  as:  $f(e_i) = 1$ , for  $i = 1, 3, 5, 7, \dots, 2p-1$  ( $p = 1, 2, \dots, x$ ).  $f(e_i) = 0$  for  $i = 2, 4, \dots, 2x$ ;  $f(e_{2x+j}) = 1$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, x+1, x+2$ . And for all rest  $i$ ,  $f(e_i) = 0$ . Further  $f(c_1) = 0, f(c_2) = 1$ . The label number distribution is  $v_f(0,1) = (2x+2, 2x+3)$ ,  $e_f(0,1) = (2x+3, 2x+2)$ .

**Case  $n = 4x+2$ .**  $G = \text{bull}(C_{4x+2})$  has  $4x+4$  edges and  $4x+4$  vertices. We start with a cycle  $C_{4x} = (v_1, e_1, v_2, e_2, v_3, e_3, \dots, v_{4x}, e_{4x})$ , with pendent edges  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  attached respectively at  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . Define  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  as:  $f(e_i) = 1$ , for  $i = 1, 3, \dots, 2x-1$ ,  $f(e_i) = 0$  for  $i = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2x$ .  $f(e_i) = 1$  for  $i = 2x+1$  to  $2x+7$ .  $f(e_i) = 0$  for  $i = 2x+8$  to  $2x+n$ .  $f(c_1) = 0, f(c_2) = 1$ . The label number distribution is  $v_f(0,1) = (2x+2, 2x+2)$ ,  $e_f(0,1) = (2x+2, 2x+2)$ .

**Case  $n = 4x+1$ .**  $G = \text{bull}(C_{4x+1})$  has  $4x+3$  edges and  $4x+3$  vertices. We start with a cycle  $C_{4x} = (v_1, e_1, v_2, e_2, v_3, e_3, \dots, v_{4x}, e_{4x})$ , with pendent edges  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  attached respectively at  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ . Define  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{0,1\}$  as:  $f(e_i) = 1$ , for  $i = 1, 3, \dots, 2x-1$ ,  $f(e_i) = 0$  for  $i = 2, 4, 6, \dots, 2x$ .  $f(e_i) = 1$  for  $i = 2x+1$  to  $2x+7$ .  $f(e_i) = 0$  for  $i = 2x+8$  to  $2x+n$ .  $f(c_1) = 0, f(c_2) = 1$ . The label number distribution is  $v_f(0,1) = (2x+1, 2x+2)$ ,  $e_f(0,1) = (2x+1, 2x+2)$ . Conclusions: We have defined bull graph  $\text{bull}(G)$  and shown that  $G = \text{Bull}(C_n)$ ,  $n = 3, 4, 5$  is E-cordial. Also we have shown for  $n = 3, 4, 5$  that  $G^{(k)}$  with all non-isomorphic structures are E-cordial. It is necessary to investigate e-cordiality for all  $G^{(k)}$  for all  $k$  where  $G = \text{bull}(C_n)$ . We predict that all structures on  $G^{(k)}$  are e-cordial. When  $G$  has vertices say  $q$  and  $q-2$  is divisible by 4 then  $G^{(k)}$  is e-cordial for  $k$  is even number.

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