# **Odd Sum Labeling of Some Grid Graphs**

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#### Abstract:

In this paper we have discussed the odd sum labeling of grid graph, path union of grid graphs with different size, graph obtained by joining vertex of a grid graph and a complete bipartite graph  $K_{2,t}$  by a path, step grid graph and the graph obtained by joining step grid graphs of different size by arbitrary paths. *Key Word:* Odd sum labeling, odd sum graph, grid graph, step grid graph, path union.

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### I. Introduction

Throughout this paper by a graph we mean a finite, simple undirected graph. We use the notation p for number of vertices and q for number of edges in a graph. Graph labeling was initiated by Rosa<sup>1</sup>. Since then many researchers have contributed in the field of graph labeling. A detailed survey on graph labeling is updated every year by Gallian<sup>2</sup>. The concept of odd sum labeling was given by Arockiaraj and Mahalakshmi<sup>3</sup> with odd sum labeling of path, cycle, balloon graph, ladder graph, quadrilateral snake graph, bistar graph and cyclic ladder graph. Arockiaraj et al.<sup>4,5</sup> discussed the odd sum property of some subdivision graphs and graphs obtained by duplicating any edge of some graphs. Gopi<sup>6</sup> investigated odd sum labeling of some tree related graphs such as the H graph of path, twig graph, the graph P(m, n) and the graph (P<sub>m</sub>, S<sub>n</sub>). Gopi and Iraudaya Mary<sup>7</sup> studied the odd sum labeling of slanting ladder graph, the shadow graph of a star graph and bistar graph, the mirror graph of a path and the graph obtained by duplicating a vertex in a path. Odd sum labeling and odd sum graph is defined<sup>3</sup> as, "An injective function f: V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {0, 1, 2, ..., |E(G)|} is said to be an odd sum labeling if the induced edge labeling f\* defined by f\*(uv) = f(u) + f(v),  $\forall uv \in E(G)$  is a bijective and f\*: E(G)  $\rightarrow$  {1, 3, 5, ..., 2|E(G)| - 1}. A graph is said to be an odd sum graph if it admits an odd sum labeling".

This paper deals with odd sum labeling of grid graph  $P_n \times P_m$ , path union of grid graphs  $P_{n_1} \times P_{m_1}$ ,  $P_{n_2} \times P_{m_2}$ , ...,  $P_{n_t} \times P_{m_t}$ , graph obtained by joining vertex of a grid graph  $P_n \times P_m$  and a complete bipartite graph  $K_{2,t}$  by a path  $P_r$ , step grid graph  $S_n$  and the graph obtained by joining step grid graphs  $S_{t_{n_1}}$ ,  $S_{t_{n_2}}$ , ...,  $S_{t_n}$ ,  $S_{t_n}$ ,  $P_{r_2}$ , ...,  $P_{r_t}$ ,  $P_{r_2}$ , ...,  $P_{r_t}$ ,  $P_{r_t}$ 

**Definition 1:** The Cartesian product of two paths  $P_n$  and  $P_m$  is known as a grid graph and it is denoted by  $P_n \times P_m$ . It is obvious that  $|V(P_n \times P_m)| = nm$  and  $|E(P_n \times P_m)| = 2nm - (n + m)$ .

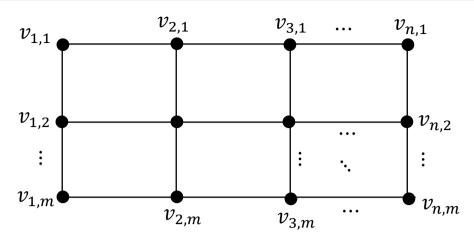
**Definition 2:** For a graph G, if  $G_1, G_2, ..., G_t$  ( $t \ge 2$ ) are t copies of G then a graph obtained by adding an edge from  $G_i$  to  $G_{i+1}$  ( $1 \le i \le t-1$ ) is said to be a path union of graph G which is denoted by P( $t \cdot G$ ).

Let  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_t$   $(t \ge 2)$  be connected graphs. Consider paths  $P_{n_1}, P_{n_2}, \dots, P_{n_{t-1}}$ . Then the graph obtained by joining each pair of graphs  $(G_i, G_{i+1})$  by the path  $P_{n_i}$   $(1 \le i \le t-1)$  is denoted by  $\langle G_1, P_{n_1}, G_2, P_{n_2}, G_3, \dots, G_{t-1}, P_{n_{t-1}}, G_t \rangle$ . If  $P_{n_1} = P_{n_2} = \dots, P_{n_{t-1}} = P_n$  then such a path union is denoted by  $P_n(G_1, G_2, \dots, G_t)$ . A graph  $P_2(G_1, G_2, \dots, G_t)$  can also be simply denoted as  $P(G_1, G_2, \dots, G_t)$ .

**Definition 3:** Consider paths  $P_n$ ,  $P_n$ ,  $P_{n-1}$ , ...,  $P_3$ ,  $P_2$  on n, n, n – 1, n – 2, ..., 3, 2 vertices and arrange them vertically. A graph obtained by joining horizontal vertices of given successive paths is known as a step grid graph<sup>8</sup> of size n, where n  $\ge$  3. It is denoted by St<sub>n</sub>. Clearly,  $|V(St_n)| = \frac{n^2+3n-2}{2}$  and  $|E(St_n)| = n^2 + n - 2$ .

#### **II. Main Results**

**Theorem 1:** Every grid graph  $P_n \times P_m$  admits odd sum labeling. **Proof:** Consider a grid graph  $P_n \times P_m$  as shown in Figure 1. The vertex set  $V(P_n \times P_m) = \{v_{i,j} : i = 1, 2, ..., n; j = 1, 2, ..., m\}$  and the edge set  $E(P_n \times P_m) = \{v_{i,j} v_{i+1,j} : i = 1, 2, ..., n - 1; j = 1, 2, ..., m\}$  $\cup \{v_{i,j} v_{i,j+1} \mid i = 1, 2, ..., n; j = 1, 2, ..., m - 1\}.$ 

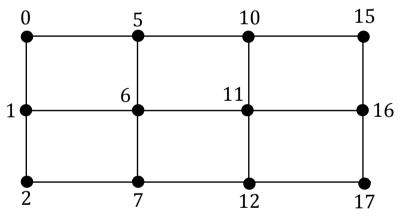


**Figure – 1:** Ordinary labeling of  $P_n \times P_m$ 

Clearly,  $q = |E(P_n \times P_m)| = 2mn - (m + n)$ . Now, define f:  $V(P_n \times P_m) \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2, ..., q\}$  as  $f(v_{i,1}) = (i - 1)(2m - 1), \forall i = 1, 2, ..., n;$   $f(v_{i,j}) = f(v_{i,j-1}) + 1, \forall i = 1, 2, ..., n, \forall j = 2, 3, ..., m.$ The induced edge labeling function  $f^*: E(P_n \times P_m) \rightarrow \{1, 3, 5, ..., 2q - 1\}$  is given by  $f^*(uv) = f(u) + f(v), \forall uv \in E(P_n \times P_m).$ 

The above labeling pattern yields odd sum labeling of  $P_n \times P_m$ . Hence,  $P_n \times P_m$  admits odd sum labeling.

**Illustration 1:** Odd sum labeling of grid graph  $P_4 \times P_3$  is shown in Figure 2.



**Figure – 2:** Odd sum labeling of a grid graph  $P_4 \times P_3$ 

**Theorem 2:** A graph  $P(P_{n_1} \times P_{m_1}, P_{n_2} \times P_{m_2}, \dots, P_{n_t} \times P_{m_t})$  is an odd sum graph. **Proof:** Let *G* be a graph  $P(P_{n_1} \times P_{m_1}, P_{n_2} \times P_{m_2}, \dots, P_{n_t} \times P_{m_t})$  in which the vertex of  $i^{th}$  column and  $j^{th}$  row of  $P_{n_k} \times P_{m_k}$  is denoted by  $v_{k,i,j}$  and the vertex  $v_{k,1,1}$  be joined with  $v_{k-1,n_{k-1},m_{k-1}}$  by an edge for each  $k = 2,3, \dots, t$  as shown in Figure 3.

Clearly, the number of edges in  $P_{n_k} \times P_{m_k}$  is  $q_k = 2m_k n_k - (m_k + n_k)$ ,  $\forall k = 1, 2, ..., t$ . Hence the number of edges in G is

$$q = (t-1) + \sum_{k=1}^{t} q_k.$$

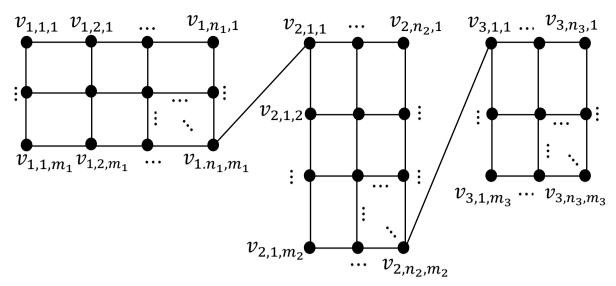
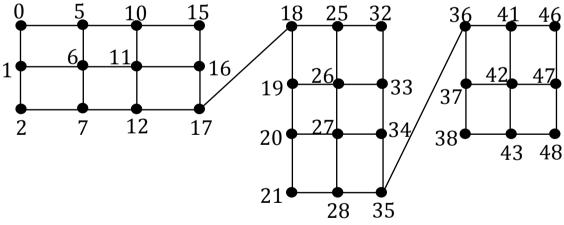


Figure – 3: Ordinary vertex labeling of path union of grid graphs

We define vertex labeling function f: V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2, ..., q} as follow: f(v<sub>1,i,1</sub>) = (i - 1)(2m<sub>1</sub> - 1),  $\forall$  i = 1,2, ..., n<sub>1</sub>; f(v<sub>k,i,1</sub>) = (i - 1)(2m<sub>k</sub> - 1) + k - 1 +  $\sum_{j=1}^{k-1}$ q<sub>j</sub>,  $\forall$  i = 1,2, ..., n<sub>k</sub>,  $\forall$  k = 2,3, ..., t; f(v<sub>k,i,j</sub>) = f(v<sub>k,i,j-1</sub>) + 1,  $\forall$  i = 1,2, ..., n<sub>k</sub>,  $\forall$  j = 2,3, ..., m<sub>k</sub>,  $\forall$  k = 1,2, ..., t. The induced edge labeling function f\*: E(G)  $\rightarrow$  {1, 3, 5, ..., 2q - 1} is given by f\*(uv) = f(u) + f(v),  $\forall$  uv  $\in$  E(G). The above labeling pattern shows the odd sum labeling of the graph G. Hence, the graph P(P<sub>n1</sub> × P<sub>m1</sub>, P<sub>n2</sub> × P<sub>m2</sub>, ..., P<sub>nt</sub> × P<sub>mt</sub>) is an odd sum graph.

**Illustration 2:** The graph  $P(P_4 \times P_3, P_3 \times P_4, P_3 \times P_3)$  is an odd sum graph as shown in Figure 4.



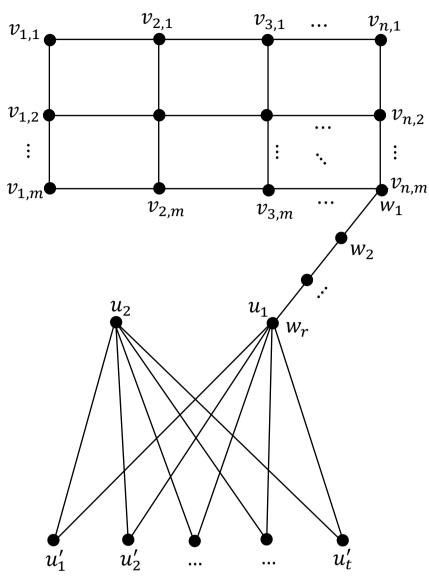
**Figure – 4:** Odd sum labeling of the graph  $P(P_4 \times P_3, P_3 \times P_4, P_3 \times P_3)$ 

**Theorem 3:** A graph obtained by joining vertex of a grid graph  $P_n \times P_m$  and a complete bipartite graph  $K_{2,t}$  by a path  $P_r$  i.e. a graph  $\langle P_n \times P_m, P_r, K_{2,t} \rangle$  is an odd sum graph.

**Proof:** Let G be a graph obtained by joining vertex  $v_{n,m}$  of a grid graph  $P_n \times P_m$  and a vertex  $u_1$  of a complete bipartite graph  $K_{2,t}$  by a path  $P_r$  as shown in Figure 5. Thus,  $G = \langle P_n \times P_m, P_r, K_{2,t} \rangle$ .

Here, V(G) = { $v_{i,j}$  : i = 1,2,..., n; j = 1,2,..., m}  $\cup$  { $u_1$ ,  $u_2$ ,  $u'_1$ ,  $u'_2$ , ...,  $u'_t$ }  $\cup$  { $w_1$ ,  $w_2$ , ...,  $w_r$ } and E(G) = { $v_{i,j}$ ,  $v_{i+1,j}$  : i = 1,2,..., n - 1; j = 1,2,..., m}  $\cup$  { $v_{i,j}$ ,  $v_{i,j+1}$  : i = 1,2,..., n; j = 1,2,..., m - 1}  $\cup$  { $w_i$ ,  $w_{i+1}$  : i = 1,2,..., r - 1}  $\cup$  { $u_1$ ,  $u'_i$  : i = 1,2,..., t}  $\cup$  { $u_2$ ,  $u'_i$  : i = 1,2,..., t}

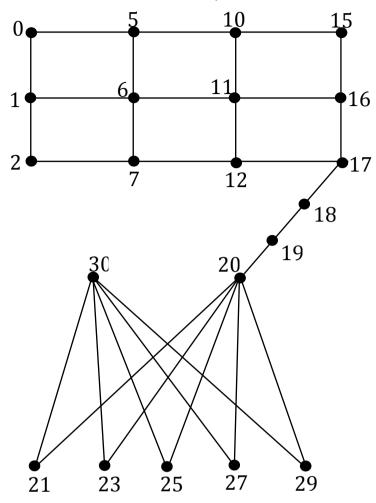
where  $w_1 = v_{n,m}$  and  $u_1 = w_r$ .



**Figure – 5:** Ordinary labeling of the graph  $\langle P_n \times P_m, P_r, K_{2,t} \rangle$ 

Clearly, |E(G)| = q = 2mn - (m + n) + 2t + r - 1. Now, define f: V(G)  $\rightarrow$  {0,1,2,3, ..., q} as follow:  $f(v_{i,1}) = (i - 1)(2m - 1), \forall i = 1, 2, ..., n;$  $f(v_{i,j}) = f(v_{i,j-1}) + 1, \forall i = 1, 2, ..., n, \forall j = 2, 3, ..., m;$  $f(w_1) = f(v_{n,m});$  $f(w_i) = f(v_{n,m}) + i - 1, \forall i = 1, 2, ..., r;$  $f(u_1) = f(w_r);$  $f(u_2) = q;$  $f(u_i) = f(u_1) + 2i - 1, \forall i = 1, 2, ..., t.$ The induced edge labeling  $f^*: E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2q - 1\}$ function is given by  $f^*(uv) = f(u) + f(v), \forall uv \in E(G).$ 

The above labeling pattern tends to give odd sum labeling pattern of a graph G. Hence, the graph  $\langle P_n \times P_m, P_r, K2, t$  is an odd sum graph.



**Illustration 3:** Odd sum labeling of a graph  $(P_4 \times P_3, P_4, K_{2,5})$  is shown in Figure 6.

**Figure – 6:** Odd sum labeling of a graph  $\langle P_4 \times P_3, P_4, K_{2,5} \rangle$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} \text{Theorem 4: Every step grid graph $St_n$ (n \geq 3) is an odd sum graph.} \\ \text{Proof: Consider a step grid graph $St_n$ of size n which is a graph obtained by joining horizontal vertices of successive paths $P_n, P_{n-1}, P_{n-2}, \ldots, \ldots, P_2$ as shown in Figure 7. \\ \text{Here, $V(St_n) = {u_{1,j} : 1 \leq j \leq n} \cup {u_{i,j} : 2 \leq i \leq n; 1 \leq j \leq n + 2 - i}$ and \\ \text{E(St_n) = {u_{1,j}u_{1,j+1} : 1 \leq j \leq n - 1} \cup {u_{i,j}u_{i,j+1} : 2 \leq i \leq n; 1 \leq j \leq n + 1 - i} \cup {u_{1,j}u_{2,j} : 1 \leq j \leq n} \cup {u_{i,j}u_{i+1,j-1} : 2 \leq i \leq n - 1; 2 \leq j \leq n + 2 - i}. \\ \text{Clearly, $q = |E(St_n)| = n^2 + n - 2$.} \\ \text{We define vertex labeling function $f: V(St_n) \rightarrow {0, 1, 2, ..., q}$ as follow: $f(u_{1,1}) = 0$; $f(u_{1,j}) = (i - 1)(2n + 2 - i) - 1, \forall i = 2, 3, ..., n; $f(u_{1,j}) = f(u_{1,j-1}) + 1, \forall j = 2, 3, ..., n; $f(u_{1,j}) = f(u_{1,j-1}) + 1, \forall i = 1, 2, ..., n, \forall j = 2, 3, ..., n + 2 - i. \\ \end{array}$ 

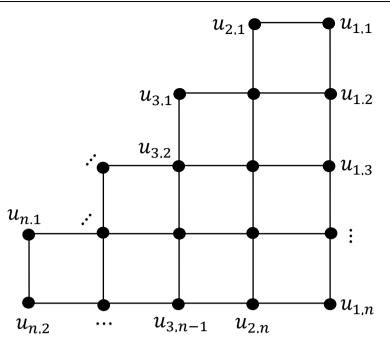


Figure – 7: Ordinary labeling of a step grid graph St<sub>n</sub>

The induced edge labeling function  $f^*: E(St_n) \to \{1, 3, 5, ..., 2q - 1\}$  given by  $f^*(uv) = f(u) + f(v)$ ,  $\forall uv \in E(St_n)$  with the above vertex labeling pattern shows that the graph  $St_n$  is an odd sum graph.

**Illustration 4:** Odd sum labeling of step grid graph St<sub>5</sub> is shown in Figure 8.

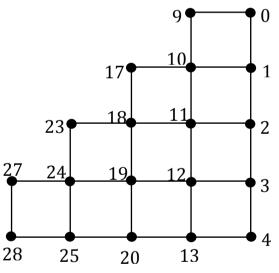
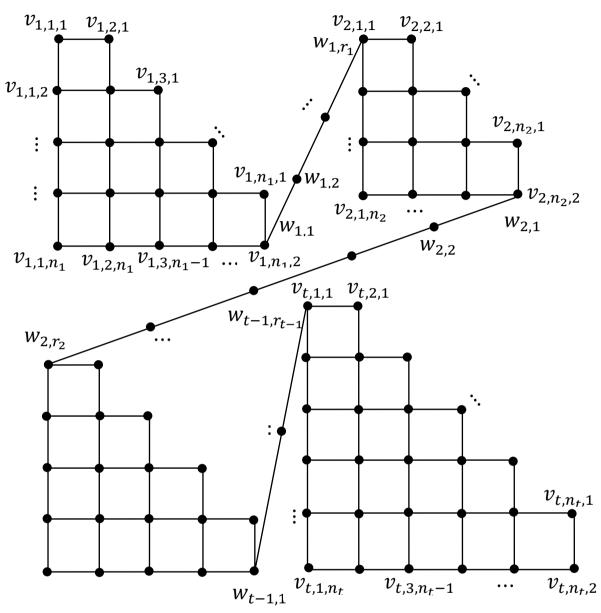


Figure – 8: Odd sum labeling of a step grid graph St<sub>5</sub>

$$\begin{split} & \textbf{Theorem 5:} \ A \ graph \ \langle St_{n_1}, P_{r_1}, St_{n_2}, P_{r_2}, St_{n_3}, \dots, St_{n_{t-1}}, P_{r_{t-1}}, St_{n_t} \rangle \ \text{is an odd sum graph.} \\ & \textbf{Proof:} \ \text{Consider step grid graphs } St_{n_1}, St_{n_2}, \dots, \dots, St_{n_t} \ \text{of size } n_1, n_2, \dots, \dots, n_t \ \text{respectively.} \\ & \text{For } k = 1, 2, \dots, \dots, t, \ \text{we have } V(St_{n_k}) = \{v_{k,1,j} : 1 \le j \le n_k\} \cup \{v_{k,i,j} : 2 \le i \le n_k; \ 1 \le j \le n_k + 2 - i\} \ \text{and} \\ & \text{E}(St_{n_k}) = \{v_{k,1,j}v_{k,1,j+1} : 1 \le j \le n_k - 1\} \cup \{v_{k,i,j}v_{k,i,j+1} : 2 \le i \le n_k; \ 1 \le j \le n_k + 1 - i\} \\ & \cup \{v_{k,1,j}v_{k,2,j} : 1 \le j \le n_k\} \cup \{v_{k,i,j}v_{k,i+1,j-1} : 2 \le i \le n_k - 1; \ 2 \le j \le n_k + 2 - i\}. \\ & \text{Clearly, } p_k = |V(St_{n_k})| = \frac{n_k^{2+3n_k-2}}{2} \ \text{and} \ q_k = |E(St_{n_k})| = n_k^{2} + n_k - 2, \ \forall \ k = 1, 2, \dots, \dots, t. \end{split}$$

Let G be a graph as shown in Figure 9 which is obtained by joining each vertex  $v_{k,n_k,2}$  of  $St_{n_k}$  and a vertex  $v_{k+1,1,1}$  of  $St_{n_{k+1}}$  by a path  $P_{r_k}$  of arbitrary size  $r_k$  with  $V(P_{r_k}) = \{w_{k,1}, w_{k,2}, \dots, w_{k,r_k}\}$  and  $E(P_{r_k}) = \{w_{k,2}, \dots, w_{k,r_k}\}$ 



$$\begin{split} & G = \langle St_{n_1}, P_{r_1}, St_{n_2}, P_{r_2}, St_{n_3}, \dots, St_{n_{t-1}}, P_{r_{t-1}}, St_{n_t} \rangle \ \text{where each} \ n_k \geq 3 \ \text{and each} \ r_k \geq 2. \ \text{Note that} \ v_{k,n_k,2} = w_{k,1} \ \text{and} \ w_{k,r_k} = v_{k+1,1,1}, \ \forall \ k = 1,2, \dots, t-1. \end{split}$$

 $\textbf{Figure} - \textbf{9:} \text{ Ordinary labeling of the graph } \langle \text{St}_{n_1}, \text{P}_{r_1}, \text{St}_{n_2}, \text{P}_{r_2}, \text{St}_{n_3}, \dots, \text{St}_{n_{t-1}}, \text{P}_{r_{t-1}}, \text{St}_{n_t} \rangle$ 

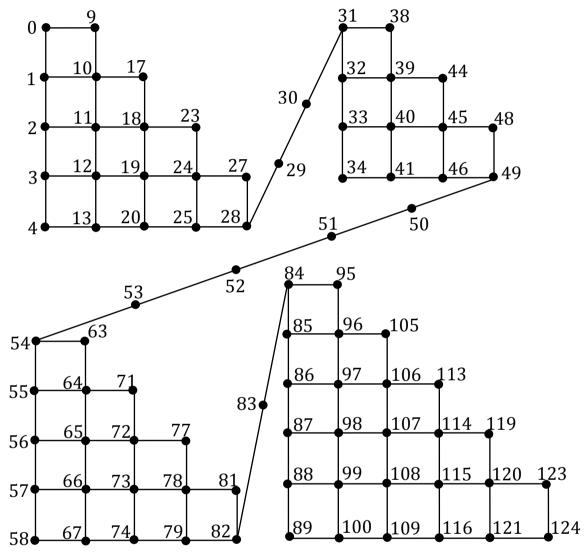
Thus, we have 
$$V(G) = \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^{t} V(St_{n_k}) \right) \cup \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^{t-1} V(P_{r_k}) \right)$$
,  $E(G) = \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^{t} E(St_{n_k}) \right) \cup \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^{t-1} E(P_{r_k}) \right)$ ,  
 $p = |V(G)| = 2(1-t) + \sum_{k=1}^{t} p_k + \sum_{k=1}^{t-1} r_k$  and  $q = |E(G)| = (1-t) + \sum_{k=1}^{t} q_k + \sum_{k=1}^{t-1} r_k$ .  
Now, we define the vertex labeling function f:  $V(G) \to \{0, 1, 2, ..., q\}$  as follow:  
 $f(v_{1,1,1}) = 0$ ;  
 $f(v_{1,1,1}) = (i-1)(2n_1 + 2 - i) - 1$ ,  $\forall i = 2, 3, ..., n_1$ ;  
 $f(v_{k,1,1}) = (1-k) + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} q_j + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} r_j$ ,  $\forall k = 2, 3, ..., t$ ;  
 $f(v_{k,1,1}) = (i-1)(2n_k + 2 - i) - k + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} q_j + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} r_j$ ,  $\forall k = 2, 3, ..., t$ ;  
 $f(v_{k,1,j}) = (i-1)(2n_k + 2 - i) - k + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} q_j + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} r_j$ ,  $\forall k = 2, 3, ..., t$ ;  
 $f(v_{k,1,j}) = f(v_{k,1,j-1}) + 1$ ,  $\forall k = 1, 2, ..., t$ ,  $\forall j = 2, 3, ..., n_k$ ;

$$\begin{split} f\big(v_{k,i,j}\big) &= f\big(v_{k,i,j-1}\big) + 1, \forall \ k = 1, 2, \dots, t \ , \forall \ i = 1, 2, \dots, n_k \ \text{and} \ \forall \ j = 2, 3, \dots, n_k + 2 - I \ ; \\ f\big(w_{k,i}\big) &= f\big(v_{k,n_k,2}\big) + (i-1), \forall \ k = 1, 2, \dots, t-1, \ \forall \ i = 2, 3, \dots, n_k - 1. \\ \text{The induced edge labeling function} \ f^*: E(G) \to \{1, 3, 5, \dots, 2q - 1\} \ \text{is given by} \ f^*(uv) = f(u) + f(v), \ \forall \ uv \in I_k \}$$

E(G).

The above labeling pattern shows the odd sum labeling of the graph G. Thus, G is an odd sum graph. Hence, the graph  $(St_{n_1}, P_{r_1}, St_{n_2}, P_{r_2}, St_{n_3}, \dots, St_{n_{t-1}}, P_{r_{t-1}}, St_{n_t})$  is an odd sum graph.

Illustration 5: A graph (St<sub>5</sub>, P<sub>4</sub>, St<sub>4</sub>, P<sub>6</sub>, St<sub>5</sub>, P<sub>3</sub>, St<sub>6</sub>) with its odd sum labeling is shown in Figure 10.



**Figure – 10:** Odd sum labeling of a graph  $(St_5, P_4, St_4, P_6, St_5, P_3, St_6)$ 

## **III.** Conclusion

In this paper, we have discussed odd sum labeling of grid graph, path union of grid graphs with different size, graph obtained by joining vertex of a grid graph and a complete bipartite graph K<sub>2,t</sub> by a path, step grid graph and the graph obtained by joining step grid graphs of different size by arbitrary paths.

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