

## Prime Labeling of Bull Graph

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### Abstract:

Let  $G$  be a graph. A bijection  $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, |V|\}$  is called a prime labeling [3] if for each edge  $e = uv$  in  $E$ , we have  $\text{GCD}\{f(u), f(v)\} = 1$ . A graph that admits a prime labeling is said to be a prime graph. In this paper we show that bull graph admits Prime labeling in the context of variety graph operations namely duplication of vertex, fusion of vertices and Switching in Bull graph.

**Keywords:** Prime labeling, Bull graph, Duplication, Fusion and Switching.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Graph labeling is one of the stimulating areas with plentiful applications in various fields. In this paper we consider simple and finite graphs only. The notion of prime labeling was introduced by Roger Entringer and was discussed in a paper by A. Tout (1982 P 365-368).

This paper is organized as follows. In section 2 we provide the preliminary definitions. In section 3, we prove the main results of the paper, where we prove the graph obtained by duplicating arbitrary vertex of bull graph is a Prime graph, The graph obtained by Switching of any vertex in a bull graph is a Prime graph and we also prove that in a bull graph fusion of any arbitrary vertex with  $v_1$  produces a Prime graph In section 4, we conclude the paper and also provide the insight for future work. For number theory concept refer [2].

### 2. PRELIMINARY DEFINITIONS

*Definition* [7]-2.1. Duplication of a vertex  $v_i$  of a graph  $G$  produces a new graph  $G_1$  by adding a vertex  $v'_i$  with  $N(v'_i) = N(v_i)$ . In other words, a vertex  $v'_i$  is said to be a duplication of  $v_i$  if all the vertices adjacent to  $v_i$  are now adjacent to  $v'_i$  also.

*Definition* [7]-2.2. Let  $u$  and  $v$  be two distinct vertices of a graph  $G$ . A new graph  $G_1$  is constructed by fusing two vertices  $u$  and  $v$  by a single vertex  $w$  such that every edge incident to  $u$  and  $v$  is now incident with  $w$  in  $G_1$ .

*Definition* [7] -2.3. A vertex switching  $G_u$  in a graph  $G$  is obtained by taking a vertex  $u$  of  $G$ , removing all the edges incident to  $u$  and adding edges joining  $u$  to every non-adjacent vertex of  $u$  in  $G$ .

*Definition* [5], -2.4. The Bull graph is a graph with 5 vertices and 5 edges consisting of a triangle with two disjoint pendant edges.

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

*Theorem-3.1.* The graph obtained by duplicating arbitrary vertex of bull graph is a Prime graph.

*Proof:*

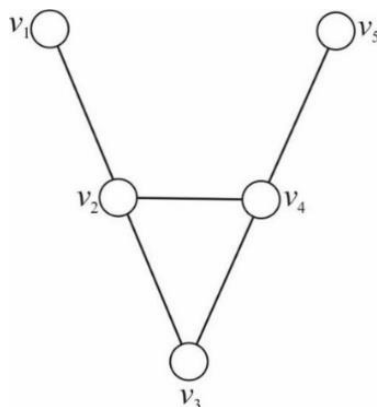


Figure - 1. Bull graph

Case-1. Duplication of the vertex  $v_1$

Let  $G_1$  be the graph obtained by duplicating the vertex  $v_1$

Define  $\mathcal{B}: V(G_1) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 6\}$  by

$$\mathcal{B}(v_i) = i + 1, 1 \leq i \leq 5 \text{ and } \mathcal{B}(v'_1) = 1$$

Evidently all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_1$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v_i), \mathcal{B}(v_{i+1})) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq 4$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v_2), \mathcal{B}(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v'_1), \mathcal{B}(v_2)) = 1$$

Clearly  $\mathcal{B}$  is a prime labeling on  $G_1$ . Hence  $G_1$  is a prime graph.

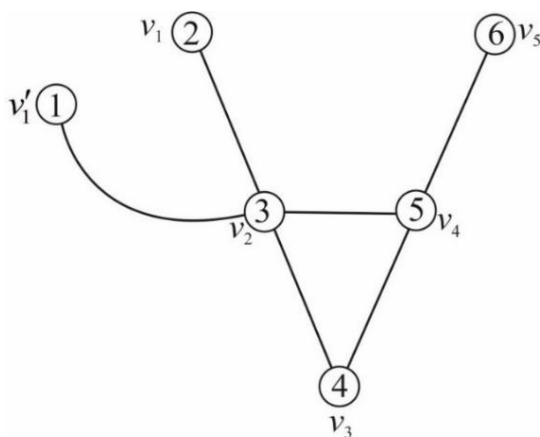


Figure - 2. Prime labeling of duplication of vertex  $v_1$  in Bull graph

Case-2. Duplication of the vertex  $v_2$

Let  $G_2$  be the graph obtained by duplicating the vertex  $v_2$

Define  $\mathcal{B}: V(G_2) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 6\}$  by

$$\mathcal{B}(v_i) = i + 1, 1 \leq i \leq 5 \text{ and } \mathcal{B}(v'_2) = 1$$

clearly all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_2$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v_i), \mathcal{B}(v_{i+1})) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq 4$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v_2), \mathcal{B}(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v'_2), \mathcal{B}(v_1)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v'_2), \mathcal{B}(v_3)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v'_2), \mathcal{B}(v_4)) = 1$$

Therefore  $\mathcal{B}$  is a prime labeling on  $G_2$ .

Hence  $G_2$  is a prime graph.

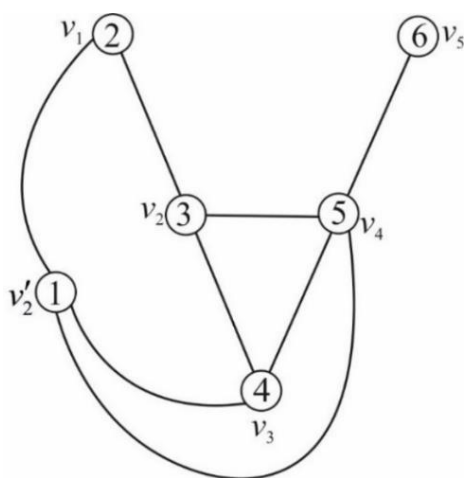


Figure - 3. Prime labeling of duplication of vertex  $v_2$  in Bull graph

Case-3. Duplication of the vertex  $v_3$

Let  $G_3$  be the graph obtained by duplicating the vertex  $v_3$

Define  $\mathcal{B}: V(G_3) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 6\}$  by

$$\mathcal{B}(v_i) = i + 1, 1 \leq i \leq 5 \text{ and } \mathcal{B}(v'_3) = 1$$

clearly all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_3$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v_i), \mathcal{B}(v_{i+1})) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq 4$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v_2), \mathcal{B}(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v'_3), \mathcal{B}(v_2)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v'_3), \mathcal{B}(v_4)) = 1$$

Thus  $\mathcal{B}$  is a prime labeling on  $G_3$ .

Hence  $G_3$  is a prime graph.

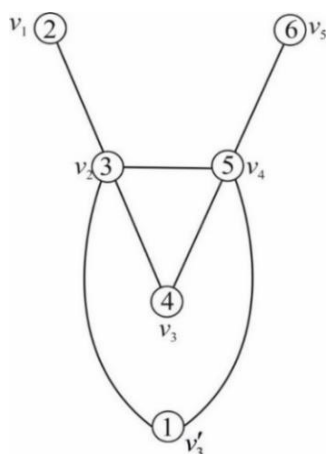


Figure - 4. Prime labeling of duplication of vertex  $v_3$  in Bull graph

Case-4. Duplication of the vertex  $v_4$

Let  $G_4$  be the graph obtained by duplicating the vertex  $v_4$

Define  $\mathcal{B}: V(G_4) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 6\}$  by

$$\mathcal{B}(v_i) = i + 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 5 \text{ and } \mathcal{B}(v'_4) = 1$$

obviously all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_4$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v_i), \mathcal{B}(v_{i+1})) = 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 4$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v_2), \mathcal{B}(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v'_4), \mathcal{B}(v_2)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v'_4), \mathcal{B}(v_3)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v'_4), \mathcal{B}(v_5)) = 1$$

Clearly  $\mathcal{B}$  is a prime labeling on  $G_4$ .

Hence  $G_4$  is a prime graph.

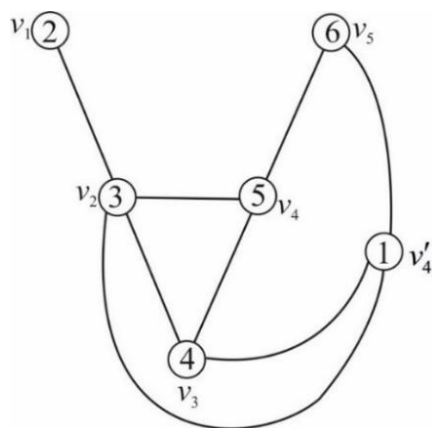


Figure - 5. Prime labeling of duplication of vertex  $v_4$  in Bull graph

Case-5. Duplication of the vertex  $v_5$

Let  $G_5$  be the graph obtained by duplicating the vertex  $v_5$

Define  $\mathcal{B}: V(G_5) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 6\}$  by

$$\mathcal{B}(v_i) = i + 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 5 \text{ and } \mathcal{B}(v'_5) = 1$$

Evidently all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_5$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v_i), \mathcal{B}(v_{i+1})) = 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq 4$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v_2), \mathcal{B}(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{B}(v'_5), \mathcal{B}(v_4)) = 1$$

Clearly  $\mathcal{B}$  is a prime labeling on  $G_5$ .

Hence  $G_5$  is a prime graph.

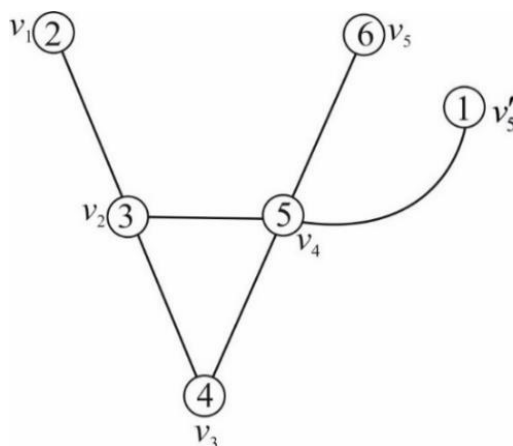


Figure - 6. Prime labeling of duplication of vertex  $v_5$  of Bull graph

Thus, in all the cases the graph obtained by duplication of any arbitrary vertex of bull graph is a Prime graph.

*Theorem-3.2.* The graph obtained by Switching of any vertex in a bull graph is a Prime graph.

*Proof.*

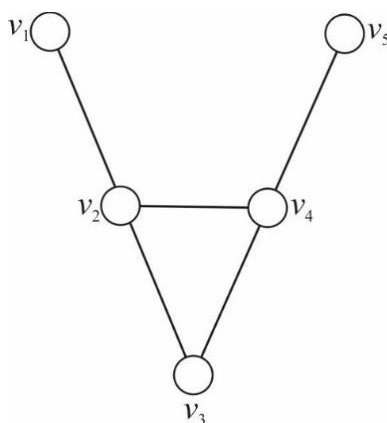


Figure - 7. Bull graph

Case-1. switching the vertex  $v_1$

Let  $G_1$  be the graph obtained by switching the vertex  $v_1$

Define  $\wp: V(G_1) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 5\}$  by

$$\wp(v_1) = 1, \wp(v_2) = 5, \wp(v_3) = 4, \wp(v_4) = 3, \wp(v_5) = 2$$

Evidently all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_1$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_i), \wp(v_{i+1})) = 1, 2 \leq i \leq 4$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_2), \wp(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_1), \wp(v_3)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_1), \wp(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_1), \wp(v_5)) = 1$$

Thus  $\wp$  is a prime labeling on  $G_1$ . Hence  $G_1$  is a prime graph.

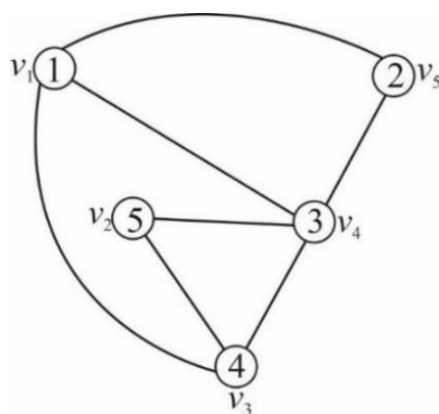


Figure - 8. Prime labeling of switching of vertex  $v_1$  in Bull graph

Case-2. switching the vertex  $v_2$

Let  $G_2$  be the graph obtained by switching the vertex  $v_2$

Define  $\wp: V(G_2) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 5\}$  by

$$\wp(v_1) = 1, \wp(v_2) = 5, \wp(v_3) = 4, \wp(v_4) = 3, \wp(v_5) = 2$$

clearly all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_2$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_i), \wp(v_{i+1})) = 1, 3 \leq i \leq 4$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_2), \wp(v_5)) = 1$$

Hence  $\wp$  is a prime labeling on  $G_2$ .

Thus  $G_2$  is a prime graph.

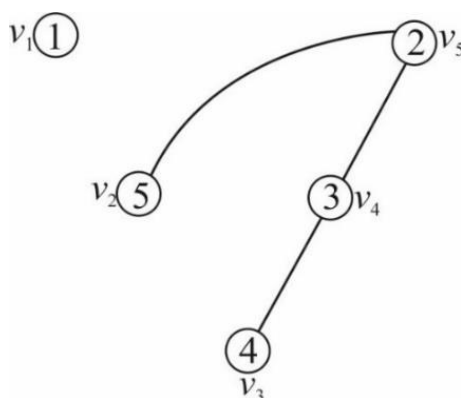


Figure - 9. Prime labeling of switching of vertex  $v_2$  in Bull graph

Case-3. switching the vertex  $v_3$

Let  $G_3$  be the graph obtained by switching the vertex  $v_3$

Define  $\wp: V(G_3) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 5\}$  by

$$\wp(v_1) = 5, \wp(v_2) = 4, \wp(v_3) = 1, \wp(v_4) = 3, \wp(v_5) = 2$$

Visibly all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_3$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_1), \wp(v_2)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_1), \wp(v_3)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_2), \wp(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_4), \wp(v_5)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\wp(v_3), \wp(v_5)) = 1$$

Therefore  $\wp$  is a prime labeling on  $G_3$ . Hence  $G_3$  is a prime graph.

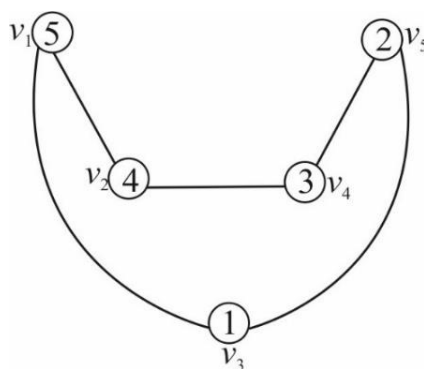


Figure - 10. Prime labeling of switching of vertex  $v_3$  in Bull graph

Case-4. switching the vertex  $v_4$

Let  $G_4$  be the graph obtained by switching the vertex  $v_4$

Define  $\wp: V(G_4) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 5\}$  by

$$\wp(v_1) = 1, \wp(v_2) = 5, \wp(v_3) = 4, \wp(v_4) = 3, \wp(v_5) = 2$$

Clearly all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_4$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\phi(v_i), \phi(v_{i+1})) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq 2$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\phi(v_1), \phi(v_4)) = 1$$

Hence  $\phi$  is a prime labeling on  $G_4$ .

Therefore  $G_4$  is a prime graph

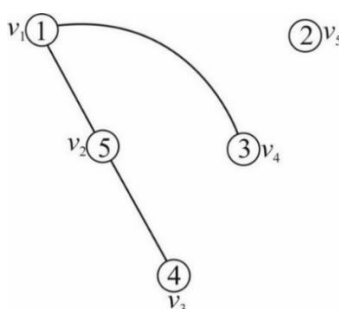


Figure - 11. Prime labeling of switching of vertex  $v_4$  in Bull graph

Case-5. switching the vertex  $v_5$

Let  $G_5$  be the graph obtained by switching the vertex  $v_5$

Define  $\phi: V(G_5) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 5\}$  by

$$\phi(v_1) = 2, \phi(v_2) = 3, \phi(v_3) = 4, \phi(v_4) = 5, \phi(v_5) = 1$$

Visibly all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_5$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\phi(v_i), \phi(v_{i+1})) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq 3$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\phi(v_2), \phi(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\phi(v_1), \phi(v_5)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\phi(v_2), \phi(v_5)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\phi(v_3), \phi(v_5)) = 1$$

Hence  $\phi$  is a prime labeling on  $G_5$ .

So  $G_5$  is a prime graph

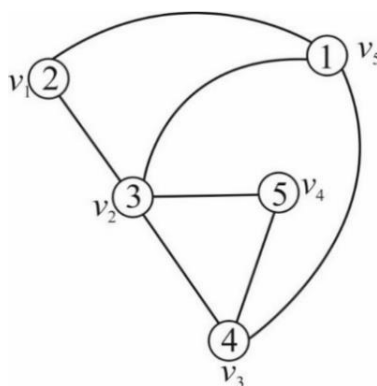


Figure - 12. Prime labeling of switching of vertex  $v_5$  in Bull graph



Thus, in all the cases the graph obtained by Switching of any arbitrary vertex of bull graph is a Prime graph.

*Theorem-3.3.* In a bull graph fusion of any arbitrary vertex with  $v_1$  produces a Prime graph.

*Proof.*

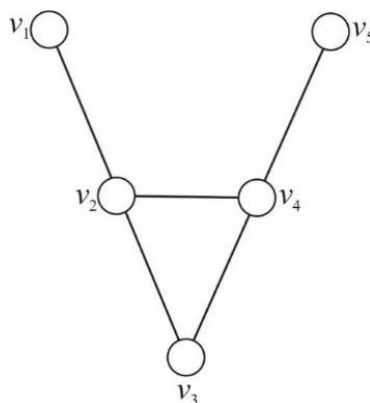


Figure - 13. Bull graph

*Case-1.* Fusion of  $v_2$  with  $v_1$

Let  $G_1$  be the graph obtained by fusion of  $v_2$  with  $v_1$

Define  $\mathcal{U}: V(G_1) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  by

$$\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_2) = 1, \mathcal{U}(v_3) = 2, \mathcal{U}(v_4) = 3, \mathcal{U}(v_5) = 4$$

Evidently all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_1$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_i), \mathcal{U}(v_{i+1})) = 1, \quad 3 \leq i \leq 4$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_2), \mathcal{U}(v_3)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_2), \mathcal{U}(v_4)) = 1$$

Hence  $\mathcal{U}$  is a prime labeling on  $G_1$ .

So  $G_1$  is a prime graph

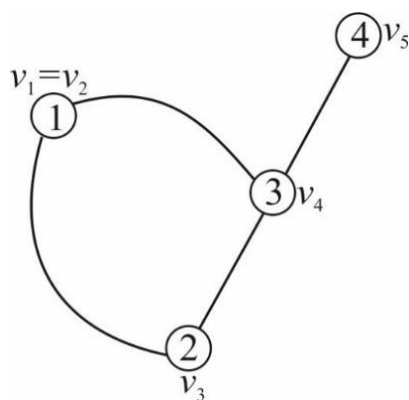


Figure - 14 . Prime labeling of fusion of vertices  $v_2$  with  $v_1$  in Bull graph

*Case-2.* Fusion of  $v_3$  with  $v_1$

Let  $G_2$  be the graph obtained by fusion of  $v_3$  with  $v_1$

Define  $\mathcal{U}: V(G_1) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  by

$$\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_3) = 1, \mathcal{U}(v_2) = 2, \mathcal{U}(v_4) = 3, \mathcal{U}(v_5) = 4$$

Clearly all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_2$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_3), \mathcal{U}(v_2)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_3), \mathcal{U}(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_2), \mathcal{U}(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_4), \mathcal{U}(v_5)) = 1$$

Hence  $\mathcal{U}$  is a prime labeling on  $G_2$ . Therefore  $G_2$  is a prime graph

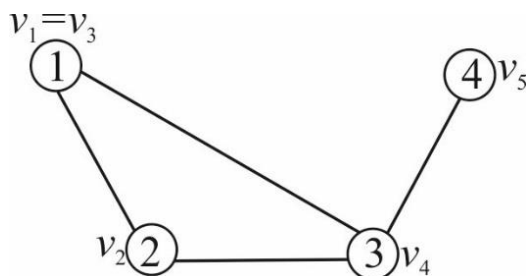


Figure - 15 . Prime labeling of fusion of vertices  $v_3$  with  $v_1$  in Bull graph

Case-3. Fusion of  $v_4$  with  $v_1$

Let  $G_3$  be the graph obtained by fusion of  $v_4$  with  $v_1$

Define  $\mathcal{U}: V(G_1) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  by

$$\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_4) = 1, \mathcal{U}(v_2) = 2, \mathcal{U}(v_3) = 3, \mathcal{U}(v_5) = 4$$

Evidently all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_3$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_4), \mathcal{U}(v_2)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_4), \mathcal{U}(v_3)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_4), \mathcal{U}(v_5)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_2), \mathcal{U}(v_3)) = 1$$

Hence  $\mathcal{U}$  is a prime labeling on  $G_3$ . So  $G_3$  is a prime graph

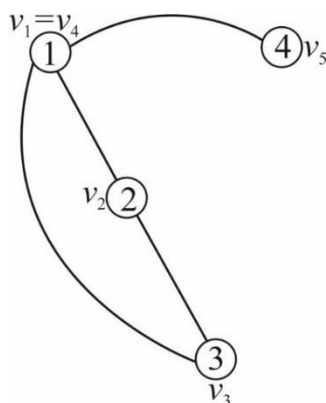


Figure - 16 . Prime labeling of fusion of vertices  $v_4$  with  $v_1$  in Bull graph

Case-4. Fusion of  $v_5$  with  $v_1$

Let  $G_4$  be the graph obtained by fusion of  $v_5$  with  $v_1$

Define  $\mathcal{U}: V(G_4) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  by

$$\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_5) = 4, \mathcal{U}(v_2) = 3, \mathcal{U}(v_3) = 2, \mathcal{U}(v_4) = 1$$

Obviously all the vertex labels are distinct

For edges in  $G_4$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_2), \mathcal{U}(v_3)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_2), \mathcal{U}(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_3), \mathcal{U}(v_4)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_5), \mathcal{U}(v_2)) = 1$$

$$\text{G.C.D}(\mathcal{U}(v_1 = v_5), \mathcal{U}(v_4)) = 1$$

Thus  $\mathcal{U}$  is a prime labeling on  $G_4$ . Hence  $G_4$  is a prime graph.

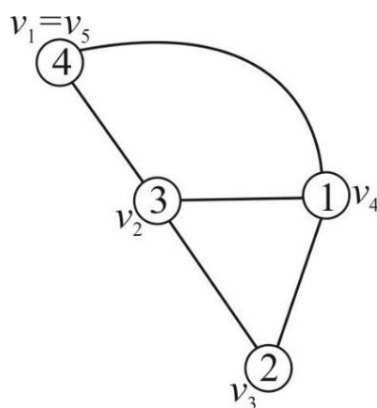


Figure - 17. Prime labeling of fusion of vertices  $v_5$  with  $v_1$  in Bull graph

Thus, in all the cases the graph obtained by fusion of any arbitrary vertex to  $v_l$  of bull graph is a Prime graph.

#### 4.CONCLUSION AND FUTURE WORK

In this paper we have proved that bull graph admits Prime labeling in the context of graph operations namely duplication, fusion and switching. There exist many such graphs that admit Prime labeling. An investigation to identify such graphs can be considered as future work.

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