

# Construction of Alpha Labeled Bipartite Graph from a Set of Alpha Labeled Bipartite Graphs

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## Abstract

In this paper, we construct a separated path graph with new vertices attached to each copies of a path of length two. We give algorithms for constructing separated path graph and for its  $\alpha$ -labeling. We give a special type of arrangement of labeled vertices of this graph and we call it High to Low scheme. We also develop a new technique which join two or more separated path graphs and we call it Barrier-Crossing scheme. We prove that this graph admits an  $\alpha$ -labeling. Geometrical symmetry of edge labeling of the graph obtained by Barrier-Crossing is also shown.

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## 1 Introduction

Any graph use in this paper is simple and finite. We have had a lot to say so far about graceful bipartite graphs but what about the graphs obtained from smaller graceful bipartite graphs? After a long period of scramble over analysis and investigations, the notion of graceful labeling came into existence and therefore the credit goes to Rosa [5] and then by Golomb [3] for the first definition of graceful labeling. If there exists a bijective mapping  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$  such that each edge  $e \in E(G)$  has the induced label  $\omega(f, V(G)) = \{|f(u) - f(v)| : u, v \in V(G)\}$  and  $\min \omega(f, V(G)) \leq \omega(e) \leq \max \omega(f, V(G))$  and the resulting edge labels are distinct, then  $f$  is said to be graceful labeling for the graph  $G = (V, E)$ .

Consider a bipartite graph  $G$  with vertex set  $V = V_1 \cup V_2$  such that  $f(u) \leq f(w), \forall u \in V_1, w \in V_2$ . If there exist positive integer  $\lambda$  in graceful labeling of  $G$  such that max label in  $V_1 < \lambda$  and min label in  $V_2 \geq \lambda$  or vice versa, then the graceful labeling with this additional property is called an alpha labeling ( $\alpha$ -labeling [5]) and the positive integer  $\lambda$  is called the width. Rosa [5] and Golomb [3] proved that the complete bipartite graphs  $K_{m,n}$  are graceful. Barrientos [1] showed that the one point union of any collection of the complete bipartite graphs is graceful graph. The one point union of any number of non-isomorphic complete bipartite graphs is graceful [6]. For a capacious survey on graph labeling, see the literature of Gallian [2].

## 2 Construction of Bipartite Graphs from a Path

In this paper, we construct a separated path graph  $SP_{2,k,m}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  with  $m$  new vertices attached to each  $k$ -copies of a path  $P_{2,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$  of length two with end vertices  $v_{0,i}$  and  $v_{1,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ . We give algorithms for constructing  $SP_{2,k,m}$  and for its  $\alpha$ -labeling. We give a special type of arrangement of labeled vertices of  $SP_{2,k,m}$  and we call it High to Low scheme. We also develop a new technique which join two or more  $SP_{2,k,m}$  graphs and

we call it Barrier-Crossing scheme. We prove that this graph admits an  $\alpha$ -labeling.

## 2.1 Algorithm for generating bipartite graphs

**Input:**

- step-1: Insert a set of  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  known  $\alpha$ -labeled bipartite graph  $P_{2,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .
- step-2: Insert  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  new vertices  $u_{i,1}, u_{i,2}, \dots, u_{i,m}$  in  $P_{2,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$
- step-3: Each  $u_{i,j}$  is adjacent to  $v_{0,i}$  and  $v_{1,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$ .
- step-4: Arrange the vertices  $v_{0,i}$  and  $v_{1,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$  in such a way that these vertices are at a two distant apart from each other but adjacent to each  $u_{i,j}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$ .

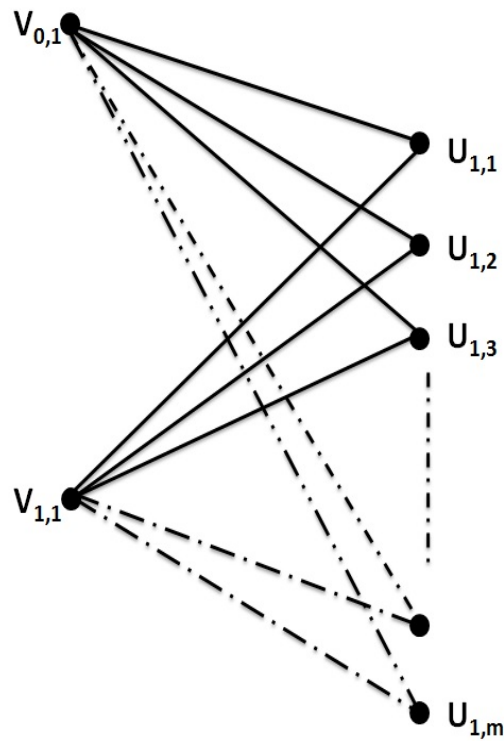
The graph  $SP_{2,k,m}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  obtained from the algorithm is given in figure 1.

## 2.2 Algorithm for generating $\alpha$ -labeled bipartite graphs

We give a special type of arrangement of labeled vertices of a class of  $\alpha$ -labeled bipartite graph, and we call it High to Low arrangement. The vertex set of this class is denoted by  $V = V_{1,i} \cup V_{2,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . The High to Low labeling technique is as follow: the label 0 of  $V_{1,i}$  is at the top and label 1 is at the bollom of the labeled graph. Similarly, the labels of  $V_{2,i}$  are in decreasing order i.e. highest label vertex is at top and the smallest label vertex is at the bottom).

**Input:**

- step-1: Insert the graph  $SP_{2,k,m}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  obtained from algorithm 2.1.

Figure 1: Labeling of  $SP_{2,1,m}$ 

- step-2: Let  $\theta_i$   $1 \leq i \leq k$  be the  $\alpha$ -labeling of  $SP_{2,k,m}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  with width  $\lambda_i = 2, \forall i \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- step-3: Write the size of each copy of  $SP_{2,k,m}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . It will be  $2m$  for each copy.
- step-4: Select the label 0 and 1 to each vertex of the copy of vertex set  $V_{1,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .
- step-5: Give a label  $2m$  to each top vertex to each copy of vertex set  $V_{2,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .
- step-6: Reduce 2 to each top vertex label of  $V_{2,i}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$  to give the label to each next lower vertex.
- step-7: STOP when  $i = k$ .

$\alpha$ -labeling of  $SP_{2,k,m}$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  for  $k = 1$  and  $m = 3$  is shown in figure 2.

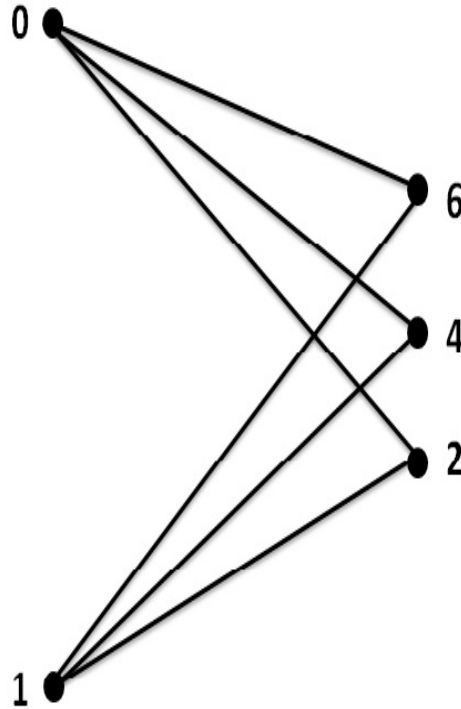


Figure 2: High to Low arrangement of  $\alpha$ -labeled  $SP_{2,1,3}$

### 2.3 Joining of bipartite graphs by barrier crossing

As we know that  $\theta_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$  is an  $\alpha$ -labeling of  $SP_{2,k,m}$  with width  $\lambda_i = 2$ ,  $\forall i \in \mathbb{N}$ . In this section, we develop a technique which join two or more bipartite graphs  $SP_{2,k,m}$  and give a new bipartite graph  $G^*$  with vertex set  $V = V_1 \cup V_2$ . We call this technique by barrier crossing. It is a technique that join the bottom vertex of  $V_{1,i}$  to the top vertex of  $V_{2,i+1}$  by an edge. On the basis of the above technique, we have the following theorem:

**Lemma 1.** The edge labels of the graph obtained by taking  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  copies of  $SP_{2,k,m}$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  are distinct and ranges from 1 to  $m\lambda_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$ .

*Proof.* From step 1 of algorithm 2.2 for generating  $\alpha$ -labeled bipartite graph, we have the vertex label  $\theta_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq k$  to each vertex of  $SP_{2,k,m}$

$$\theta_i(v) = \begin{cases} v_{0,i} = 0 & \text{if } v_{0,i} \in V_{1,i} \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq k \\ v_{1,i} = 1 & \text{if } v_{1,i} \in V_{1,i} \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq k \\ u_{i,j} = 2n & \text{if } u_{i,j} \in V_{2,j} \text{ and } 1 \leq i \leq k, 1 \leq j \leq m, n \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases}$$

Let  $e_i$  be an edge of  $SP_{2,k,m}$  such that  $e_i = v_0u_j$  or  $e_i = v_1u_j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq m$ . Let  $\psi(e_i)$  be the edge label of  $SP_{2,k,m}$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(e_i) &= \theta_i(v_0, u_i) \text{ or } \theta_i(v_1, u_i) \\ &= |\theta_i(v_0) - \theta_i(u_i)| \text{ or } |\theta_i(v_1) - \theta_i(u_i)| \\ &= |0 - m\lambda_i| \text{ or } |1 - m\lambda_i| \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\max \psi(e_i) = m\lambda_i$ .

□

**Theorem 2.1.** *The graph  $G^*$  obtained by Barrier-Crossing using in  $SP_{2,k,m}$  admits an  $\alpha$ -labeling.*

*Proof.* After using barrier crossing scheme in  $SP_{2,k,m}$  with an  $\alpha$ -labeling  $\theta_i(v)$ , we give a labeling  $\theta(v)$  to each vertex  $v \in V_1$  of the resulting graph  $G^*$  by

$$\theta(v/V_1) = \begin{cases} \theta_i(v_{0,1}) = 0 & \text{if } i = \lambda_i - 1 \\ \theta_i(v_{1,1}) = 1 & \text{if } i = \lambda_i - 1 \\ \theta_i(v_{0,2}) = 2 & \text{if } i = \lambda_i \\ \theta_i(v_{1,2}) = 3 & \text{if } i = \lambda_i \\ \theta_i(v_{0,i}) = \theta_{i-1}(v_{0,i-1}) + \lambda_i - 1 & \text{if } i > \lambda_i \\ \theta_i(v_{1,i}) = \theta_{i-1}(v_{1,i-1}) + \lambda_i - 1 & \text{if } i > \lambda_i \end{cases}$$

From the above formula, we see that each vertex of  $V_1$  gets the distinct labels from the set  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, (2k - 1)\}$ . The labels of vertices of the vertex set  $V_2$  of  $G^*$  from bottom to top are given for each copy as:

**1<sup>st</sup> copy:**

$$(2k-1)+1, (2k-1)+3, (2k-1)+5, \dots, (2k-1)+(2m-1) ;$$

**2<sup>nd</sup> copy:**

$$(2k-1)+(2m-1)+1, (2k-1)+(2m-1)+3, (2k-1)+(2m-1)+5, \dots, (2k-1)+(2m-1)+(2m-1) = (2k-1)+2(2m-1) ;$$

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 $k^{th}$  copy:  
 $(2k-1)+(k-1)(2m-1)+1, (2k-1)+(k-1)(2m-1)+3, (2k-1)+(k-1)(2m-1)+5, \dots, (2k-1)+(k-1)(2m-1)+(2m-1) = (2k-1)+k(2m-1).$

Therefore, each vertex of  $V_2$  gets the distinct labels and the resulting edge labels of  $G^*$  also have the distinct labels. □

There is a symmetry in the geometrical structure of edge labeling of  $G^*$  which is shown in figure 3 and the  $\alpha$ -labeled graph  $G^*$  is shown in figure 4.

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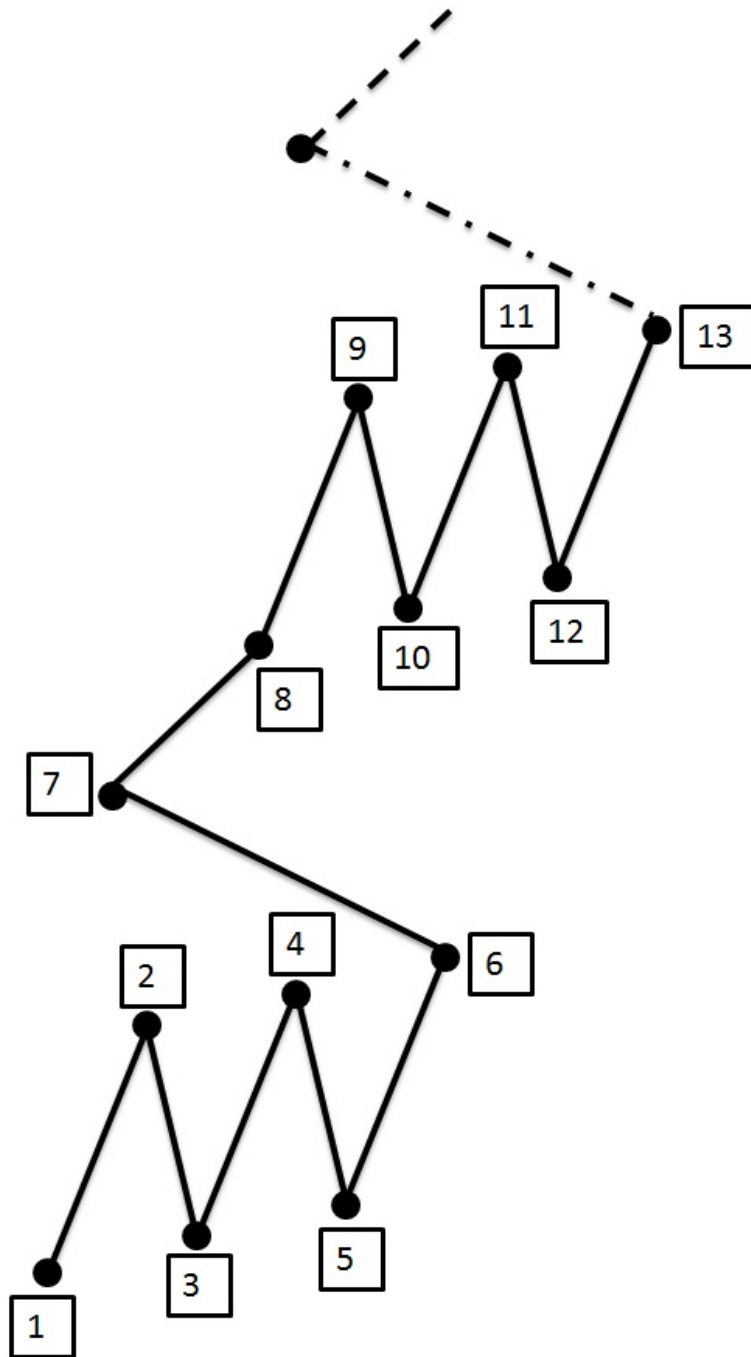


Figure 3: Symmetrical geometry of  $\theta(v)$



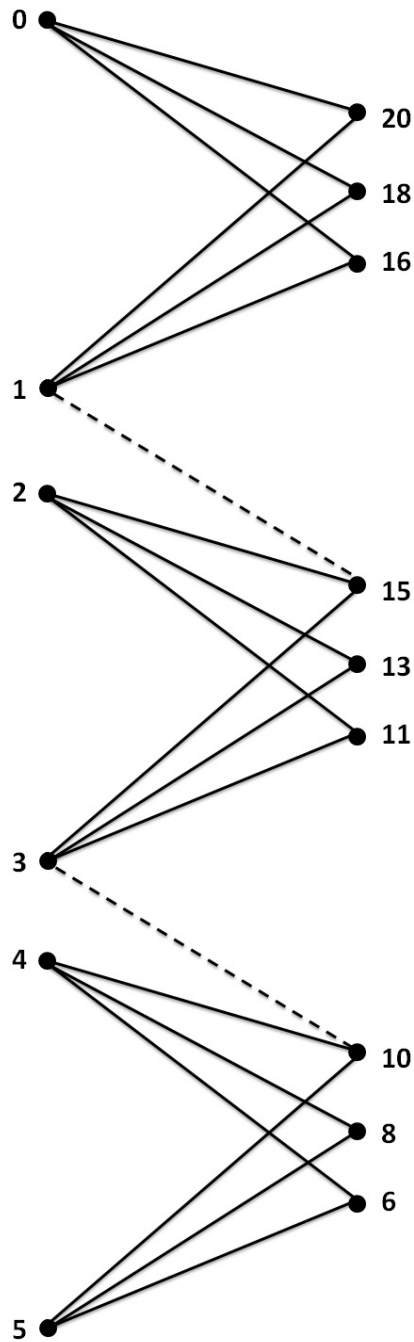


Figure 4:  $\alpha$ -labeling of a graph obtained by barrier crossing