# Edge-three cordial graphs arising from complete graphs M. V. Bapat, N. B. Limaye<sup>1</sup>

#### Abstract

A graph G is said to be  $E_k$ -Cordial if there is an edge labeling  $f: E(G): \longrightarrow \{0,1,\cdots,k-1\}$  such that, at each vertex v, the sum modulo k of the labels on the edges incident with v is f(v) and it satisfies the inequalities  $|v_f(i)-v_f(j)| \le 1$  and  $|e_f(i)-e_f(j)| \le 1$ , where  $v_f(s)$  and  $e_f(t)$  are, respectively, the number of vertices labeled with s and the number of edges labeled with t. The map f is then called an  $E_k$ -cordial labeling of G.

This paper investigates  $E_3$ -cordiality of snakes, one point unions, path unions and coronas involving complete graphs.

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### Complete Graphs

One can easily see that  $K_2$  is not  $E_3$ -cordial. Cahit and Yilmaz proved that  $K_n$  is  $E_3$ -cordial for all  $n \geq 3$ . We give here  $E_3$ -cordial labelings different from those given by them and later develope some more labelings and use all of them in path unions as well as one point unions of complete graphs.

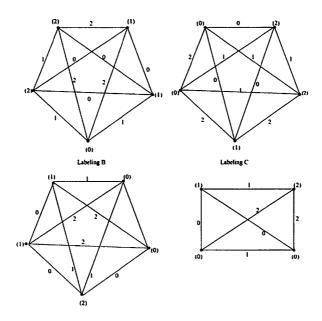
**Theorem:** For all  $n \geq 3$ , the complete graph  $K_n$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

Proof: If we have an  $E_3$ -labeling of a complete graph  $K_m$  we can develope an  $E_3$ -labeling of  $K_{m+3}$  first taking  $K_3$  on three new vertices and assigning the labels 0, 1, 2 to the edges of this  $K_3$ . The vertices automatically get the labels 0, 1, 2, that is,  $K_3$  is  $E_3$ -cordial with label numbers  $v_f(0, 1, 2) = (1, 1, 1) = e_f(0, 1, 2)$ .

Join all the edges from the vertex of  $K_3$  with the label i to vertices of  $K_m$  and assign the label i to them. The resulting labeling of the copy of  $K_{m+3}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

For  $K_4$  we assign the labels 0, 1, 2 to the edges of  $K_4$ , as shown in the following figure. For  $K_5$  we in fact three  $E_3$ -cordial labelings.

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After we develope these basic labelings we get  $E_3$ -cordial labelings of  $K_n$  with label numbers shown in the following table. Hence  $K_n$  is  $E_3$ -cordial for all  $n \geq 3$ .

n	$v_f(0)$	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$e_f(0)$	$e_f(1)$	$e_f(2)$
3x	$\boldsymbol{x}$	$\boldsymbol{x}$	$\boldsymbol{x}$	$\frac{3x^2-x}{2}$	$\frac{3x^2-x}{2}$	$\frac{3x^2-x}{2}$
3x+1	x+1	$\boldsymbol{x}$	$\boldsymbol{x}$	$\frac{3x^2+x}{2}$	$\frac{3x^2+x}{2}$	$\frac{3x^2+x}{2}$
3x + 2	x+1	x+1	$\boldsymbol{x}$	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}$	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}$	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}+1$
3x + 2	$\boldsymbol{x}$	x+1	x+1	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}+1$	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}$	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}$
3x + 2	x+1	$\boldsymbol{x}$	x+1	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}$	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}+1$	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}$

# Snakes, One Point Unions and Path Unions of Complete Graphs

By the snake  $S(K_n, m)$  we mean the graph whose cut-vertex-block graph is a path of length m-1 and whose blocks are all isomorphic to  $K_n$ . By the one point union  $K_n^{(m)}$  we mean the graph obtained by taking vertex disjoint union of m copies of  $K_n$  all having precisely one vertex in common. By the path union  $P_m(K_n)$  we mean the graph obtained by taking a path of length m-1 and attaching a copy of  $K_n$  at each of its vertices.

**Theorem:** The snake  $S(K_{3x}, m)$ , one point union  $K_{3x}^{(m)}$  and the path union  $P_m(K_{3x})$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

Proof: Consider  $S(K_{3x}, m)$ . If m = 1, it is just  $K_{3x}$  and it has a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling A. We now construct two more labelings which are non- $E_3$ -cordial. labeling B: First take a copy of  $K_3$  with edge labels 2,0,2. Follow the previous construction to get a labeling B of  $K_{3x}$  with the label numbers

$$v_B(0,1,2) = (x-1,x,x+1), e_B(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3x^2-x}{2}, \frac{3x^2-x}{2} - 1, \frac{3x^2-x}{2} + 1\right)$$

labeling C: First take a copy of  $K_3$  with edge labels 1,0,1. Follow the

previous construction to get a labeling 
$$C$$
 of  $K_{3x}$  with the label numbers  $v_C(0,1,2)=(x-1,x+1,x), e_C(0,1,2)=\left(\frac{3x^2-x}{2},\frac{3x^2-x}{2}+1,\frac{3x^2-x}{2}-1\right)$ 

If m=2, Take two copies of  $K_{3x}$ , with the labeling A and join them at a vertex having the label 0 in each. The vertex-label numbers of the resulting labeling are  $v_f(0,1,2) = (2x-1,2x,2x)$ . The edges are labeled equitably.

Now let m = 3p + r, r = 0, 1, 2. If r = 0, consider  $S(K_{3x}, 3p)$ . From left to right repeatedly assign the labelings C, B, A to the blocks, such that the blocks with labelings C and A are joined to the block B at vertex having the label 1 in them with a vertex of B having the label 2 in B. Similarly, a vertex of A having the label 0 is identified with a vertex of C having the label 1 in it. The edges are labeled equitably. The vertex-label numbers of the resulting labeling are  $v_f(0,1,2) = (p(3x-1)+1, p(3x-1), p(3x-1))$ 

If r=1, Take the previous snake  $S(K_{3x},3p)$  whose last block has the labeling A. To this attach a copy of  $K_{3x}$  with the lableing A at a vertex having the label 0 in both. The vertex-label numbers are  $v_f(0,1,2) = (p(3x-$ 1) + x, p(3x - 1) + x, p(3x - 1) + x).

If r=2, Take the previous snake  $S(K_{3x},3p)$  whose last block has the labeling A. To last block of this snake attach a copy of  $S(K_{3x}, 2)$  with its  $E_3$ -cordial lableing, at a vertex having the label 0 in the snake of length 3pand a vertex having the label 1 in  $S(K_{3x}, 2)$ . The vertex-label numbers are  $v_f(0,1,2) = (p(3x-1) + 2x - 1, p(3x-1) + 2x, p(3x-1) + 2x).$ 

Hence  $S(K_{3x}, m)$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

Now consider the one point union  $K_{3x}^{(m)}$ . Write m = 3p + r, r = 0, 1, 2. If r=0, take 3p copies of  $K_{3x}$  with the labeling A. Identify vertex with label 0 in p copies, with the vertex with the label 1 in next p copies. Finally with the vertex with the label 2 in the remaining p copies. The edges are labeled equitably and the vertex label numbers are same as thaose of  $S(K_{3x}, 3p)$ . The central vertex gets the label 0.

If r=1, take one more copy with the labeling A. attach it to the earlier copy of  $K_{3x}^{(3p)}$ , identifying a vertex with the lable 1 with the central vertex with the label 0. The edges are labeled equitably and the vertex label numbers are same as thaose of  $S(K_{3x}, 3p+1)$ . The central vertex gets the label 1.

If r=2, take one more copy with the labeling A. attach it to the earlier copy of  $K_{3x}^{(3p+1)}$ , identifying a vertex with the lable 2 with the central vertex with the label 1. The edges are labeled equitably and the vertex label numbers are same as those of  $S(K_{3x}, 3p + 2)$ . The central vertex gets the label 0.

Finally we consider  $P_m(K_{3x})$ . If m=1, we just have  $K_{3x}$ , which is  $E_{3x}$ cordial.

If m=2, take one copy of  $K_{3x}$  with the labeling A. Join, by an edge, a vertex of this copy with the label 1 to a vertex with the label 2 of a copy of  $K_{3x}$  having the labeling B. Assign the label 2 to the joining edge. As a result the vertex of A will change its label from 1 to 0 and the vertex of B will change its label from 2 to 1. The label numbers of the resulting labeling are  $v_f(0,1,2)=(2x,2x,2x), e_f(0,1,2)=(3x^2-x,3x^2-x,3x^2-x+1)$ .

If m=3p, take a path on 3p points with the edge labels  $1,2,0,1,2,0,\cdots$ , 1,2. As a result the vertices on this path get the labels  $1,0,2,\cdots,1.0,2$ . We attach the copy of  $K_{3x}$  with the  $E_3$ -cordial labeling A at each points such that, the vertices of  $K_{3x}$  where they are attached have  $0,0,1,0,0,1,\cdots,0,0,1$  as their original labels in  $K_{3x}$ . These labels change to  $1,0,0,\cdots,1,0,0$ . The label numbers of the resulting labeling are

$$v_f(0,1,2) = p\{(x-1,x+1,x) + (x,x,x) + (x+1,x-1,x)\}$$

$$= (3px,3px,3px)$$

$$e_f(0,1,2) = p(\alpha,\alpha,\alpha) + (p-1,p,p)$$

$$= (p\alpha + p - 1, p\alpha + p, p\alpha + p)$$

where  $\alpha = \frac{3x^2 - x}{2}$ .

If m = 3p + 1, attach one more edge with the label 0 and join a copy of  $K_{3x}$  with the labeling A at a vertex with label 0. The label numbers are

$$v_f(0,1,2) = p\{(x-1,x+1,x) + (x,x,x) + (x+1,x-1,x)\} + (x,x,x)$$

$$= (3px + x, 3px + x, 3px + x)$$

$$e_f(0,1,2) = ((p+1)(\alpha,\alpha,\alpha)) + (p,p,p)$$

$$= ((p+1)\alpha + p, (p+1)\alpha + p, (p+1)\alpha + p)$$

If m = 3p + 2, take the labeled copy of  $P_{3p}(K_{3x})$ . Attach, by an adge with the label 0, the labeled copy of  $P_2(K_{3x})$ . The label numbers are

$$v_f(0,1,1) = p\{(x-1,x+1,x) + (x,x,x) + (x+1,x-1,x)\} + (2x,2x,2x)$$

$$= (3px + 2x, 3px + 2x, 3px + 2x)$$

$$e_f(0,1,2) = ((p+2)(\alpha,\alpha,\alpha)) + (p,p,p+1)$$

$$= ((p+2)\alpha + p, (p+2)\alpha + p, (p+2)\alpha + p + 1)$$

Hence  $P_m(K_{3x})$  is  $E_3$ -cordial for all  $x, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Remark: We have a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling A of  $K_{3x+1}$  with the label numbers  $v_A(0,1,2)=(x+1,x,x), e_A(0,1,2)=\left(\frac{3x^2+x}{2},\frac{3x^2+x}{2},\frac{3x^2+x}{2}\right)$ . If we assign same labeling to all the m copies of  $K_{3x+1}$ , taking care that they are attached only at a vertex with the label 0, then we get a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling of  $S(K_{3x+1},m)$  as well as  $K_{3x+1}^{(m)}$ .

For the path union  $P_m(K_{3x+1})$ ,  $m \not\equiv 2 \mod 3$ , we take a path of length m-1 with edge labels  $1,2,0,1,2,0,\cdots$  and attach a copy of  $K_{3x+1}$  with its  $E_3$ -cordial labeling such that the vertx where it is attached has original label 0 in  $K_{3x+1}$ . One can easily check that this gives a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling.

For m=3p+2, take a labeled copy of  $P_{3p+1}(K_{3x+1})$ . Attach to this one more edge with the label 1. To the last vertex, which has the label 1 on this elongated path, attach a copy of  $K_{3x+1}$  at a vertex having the label 1 in  $K_{3x+1}$ . The resulting labeling clearly labels the edges equitably. The vertex numbers of this labeling are

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (x, x+1, x) + (x+1, x, x) + (x, x, x+1) + \cdots (p \text{ times }) + (x, x+1, x) + (x+1, x-1, x+1) = \{p(3x+1) + 2x + 1, p(3x+1) + 2x, p(3x+1) + 2x + 1\}$$

Hence  $P_m(K_{3x+1})$  is  $E_3$ -cordial for all  $m, x \in \mathbb{N}$ .

**Theorem:** The snake  $S(K_{3x+2}, m)$ , one point union  $K_{3x+2}^{(m)}$  and path union  $P_m(K_{3x+2})$  are all  $E_3$ -cordial for all  $x, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

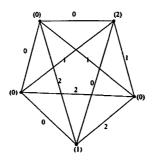
Proof: We already know that there is an  $E_3$ -cordial labeling A of  $K_{3x+2}$  with label numbers

$$v_A(0,1,2) = (x+1,x,x+1),$$
  
 $e_A(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3x^2+3x}{2},\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}+1,\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}\right).$ 

There is also an  $E_3$ -cordial labeling B of  $K_{3x+2}$  with label numbers

$$v_B(0,1,2) = (x+1,x+1,x),$$
  
 $e_B(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3x^2+3x}{2},\frac{3x^2+3x}{2},\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}+1\right).$ 

We construct another labeling which is not  $E_3$ -cordial as follows:



If we start with the labeling given by the figure above and follow the construction of previous section, we get a Non- $E_3$ -cordial labeling C of  $K_{3x+2}$ 

with label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2) = (x+2,x,x)$ ,

$$e_C(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3x^2 + 3x}{2} + 1, \frac{3x^2 + 3x}{2}, \frac{3x^2 + 3x}{2}\right).$$

When we attach copies of  $K_{3x+2}$ , we attach them only at a vertex with the label 0. The labeling A + B produces a labeling with label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2) = (2x+1,2x+1,2x+1), e_f(0,1,2) = (3x^2+3x,3x^2+3x+1,3x^2+3x+1)$ , which is clearly a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling of  $S(K_{3x+2},2)$ .

The labeling A+B+C produces a labeling with label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2)=(3x+2,3x+1,3x+1), e_f(0,1,2)=(\alpha,\alpha,\alpha)$ , where  $\alpha=\frac{3(3x^2+3x)}{2}+1$ . Clearly this is a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling of  $S(K_{3x+2},3)$ .

Now write m = 3q + r, r = 0, 1, 2. If r = 0, use the sequence A + B + C repeatedly q times. If r = 1, assign the labeling A to the remaining block. If r = 2, use labeling A + B to the remaining two blocks. Following table shows the label numbers of the resulting labeling:

m	$v_f(0)$	$v_f(1)$	$v_f(2)$	$e_f(0)$	$e_f(1)$	$e_f(2)$
3q	q(3x+1)+1	q(3x+1)	q(3x+1)	$q\alpha$	$q\alpha$	$q\alpha$
3q + 1	q(3x+1)	q(3x+1)	q(3x+1)	qα+	$q\alpha+$	$q\alpha+$
	+x + 1	+x	+x + 1	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}$	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}+1$	$\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}$
3q + 2	q(3x+1)	q(3x+1)	q(3x+1)	$q\alpha+$	$q\alpha+$	qα+
	+2x + 1	+2x + 1	+2x + 1	$3x^2 + 3x$	$3x^2 + 3x$	$3x^2 + 3x$

Hence  $S(K_{3x+2}, m)$  is  $E_3$ -cordial for all  $x, m \in \mathbb{N}$ .

Now consider the one point union  $K_{3x+2}^{(m)}$ . If m=3p, assign the labelings A, B, C to p copies each such that the point where they are joined has the label 0 in each copy. If m=3p+1, assign the labeling A to the additional copy, again joining it at a vertex with the label 0. Finally, if m=3p+2, assign the labeling B to the additional copy, again joining it at a vertex with the label 0. The label numbers of the resulting labeling is same as given by the previous table.

Now consider  $P_m(K_{3x+2})$ . If m=1, we have  $E_3$ -cordial labeling A of  $K_{3x+2}$ . If m=2, Take an edge with the label 0. Attach the copy of  $K_{3x+2}$  with the labeling A at one end and a copy with the labeling B at the other end. The resulting labeling has the label numbers

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (2x+2,2x+1,2x+1),$$
  
 $e_f(0,1,2) = (3x^2+3x+1,3x^2+3x+1,3x^2+3x+1).$ 

If m=3p, Take a path on 3p-1 edges. Label the edges from left as  $2,1,0,2,1,0,\cdots,2,1$ . From left attach repeatedly the copies of  $K_{3x+2}$  with the labelings A,B,C such that the copy with the labeling A is attached at a vertex with the label 0 in it, one with the labeling B is attached at a

vertex with the label 2 in it and one with the labeling C is attached at a vertex with the label 0 in it. In each copy the edge labels remain same. However, the vertex labels change to  $v_A(0,1,2) = (x,x,x+2), v_B(0,1,2) = (x+1,x+1,x), v_C(0,1,2) = (x+1,x+1,x)$ . The resulting labeling has label numbers

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (p(3x+2), p(3x+2), p(3x+2))$$

$$e_f(0,1,2) = p\left(\frac{9x^2+9x}{2}+1, \frac{9x^2+9x}{2}+1, \frac{9x^2+9x}{2}+1\right) + (p-1, p, p)$$

If m = 3p + 1, attach one additional edge with the label 0 and attach the copy of  $K_{3x+2}$  with the labeling A, at a vertex having the label 0 in it. The label numbers are

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (p(3x+2,p(3x+2),p(3x+2)) + (x+1,x,x+1))$$

$$e_f(0,1,2) = p\left(\frac{9x^2+9x}{2}+1,\frac{9x^2+9x}{2}+1,\frac{9x^2+9x}{2}+1\right) + + (p,p,p) + (\alpha,\alpha+1,\alpha)$$

where 
$$\alpha = \frac{3x^2 + 3x}{2}$$
.

Finally, let m=3p+2. If p=0, we already have a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling of  $P_2(K_{3x+2})$ . Now if p>0, first take a labeled copy of  $P_{3p}(K_{3x+2})$ . Attach to this a copy of  $P_2(K_{3x+2})$  by an edge having the label 0. The label numbers of the resulting labeling are

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (p(3x+2), p(3x+2), p(3x+2)) + (2x+2, 2x+1, 2x+1)$$

$$e_f(0,1,2) = p\left(\frac{9x^2+9x}{2}+1, \frac{9x^2+9x}{2}+1, \frac{9x^2+9x}{2}+1\right) + (p+1+2\alpha, p+2\alpha+1, p+2\alpha+1)$$

Hence  $P_m(K_{3x+2})$  is  $E_3$ -cordial for all  $x, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Corona Graphs involving complete graphs

Let  $G_1, G_2$  be two finite graphs. The **corona graph**  $G_1 \circ G_2$  is defined as follows: Let  $V(G_1) = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$ . Take n copies of the graph  $G_2$ . Denote them as  $H_1, \dots, H_n$ . Now

$$V(G_1 \circ G_2) = V(G_1) \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} V(H_i)$$

$$E(G_1 \circ G_2) = E(G_1) \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} E(H_i) \bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \{g_i z \mid z \in V(H_i)\}$$

The graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are called the component graphs of the corona graph. Clearly,  $G_1 \circ G_2$  is not isomorphic to  $G_2 \circ G_1$ .

**Theorm:** The corona graph  $K_{3x} \circ K_n$  is  $E_3$ -cordial for all natural numbers x and  $n \geq 3$ .

Proof: Case 1:  $n = 3y, y \ge 1$ . Clearly the number of vertices is 3x + 9xy and the number of edges is  $\frac{9x^2 - 3x}{2} + \frac{3x(9y^2 - 3y)}{2} + 9xy$ . From the results of previous section  $K_{3x}$  has a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g with

$$v_g(0,1,2) = (x,x,x),$$
  
 $e_g(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3x^2-x}{2}, \frac{3x^2-x}{2}, \frac{3x^2-x}{2}\right)$ 

Each copy H of  $K_{3y}$  has a similar labeling h. Create the labeling f of the edges of  $K_{3x} \circ K_{3y}$  as follows:

$$f(e) = g(e)$$
 if  $e \in K_{3x}$   
=  $h(e)$  if  $e \in H$ 

The edges joining the vertices of  $K_{3x}$  to the vertices of H are labeled as follows: All the edges joining a vertex of  $K_{3x}$  having the label 0 to vertices of a copy of  $K_{3y}$  are labeled 0. All the edges joining a vertex of  $K_{3x}$  having the label 1 to vertices of a copy of  $K_{3y}$  are labeled 1. All the edges joining a vertex of  $K_{3x}$  having the label 2 to vertices of a copy of  $K_{3y}$  are labeled 2. Since the original vertex of  $K_{3x}$  receives 3y edges with same label its label does not change. In each copy of H joined to a vertex with label 0, labels of all the vertices remain unchanged. In each copy of H joined to a vertex with label 1, vertex label 0 becomes 1. vertex label 1 becomes 2 and vertex label 2 becomes 0. In each copy of H joined to a vertex with label 2, vertex label 0 becomes 2. vertex label 1 becomes 0 and vertex label 2 becomes 1.

Hence the label numbers of the resulting labeling f are

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (x + 3xy, x + 3xy, x + 3xy)$$
  
 $e_f(0,1,2) = (\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)$ 

where  $\alpha=\frac{3x^2-x+9xy^2-3xy}{2}+3xy$ . Hence  $K_{3x}\circ K_{3y}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial. Case 2:  $n=3y+1, y\geq 1$ . Clearly the number of vertices is 6x+9xy and the number of edges is  $\frac{9x^2-3x}{2}+\frac{3x(9y^2+3y)}{2}+3x(3y+1)$ . From the results of previous section  $K_{3x}$  has a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g with

$$v_g(0,1,2) = (x,x,x),$$
 $e_g(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3x^2-x}{2}, \frac{3x^2-x}{2}, \frac{3x^2-x}{2}\right)$ 

Each copy H of  $K_{3y+1}$  has a similar labeling h with label numbers

$$v_h(0,1,2) = (y+1,y,y),$$
  
 $e_h(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3y^2+y}{2},\frac{3y^2+y}{2},\frac{3y^2+y}{2}\right)$ 

Create the labeling f of the edges of  $K_{3x} \circ K_{3y+1}$  as follows:

$$f(e) = g(e)$$
 if  $e \in K_{3x}$   
=  $h(e)$  if  $e \in H$ 

The edges joining the vertices of  $K_{3x}$  to the vertices of H are labeled as follows: All the edges joining a vertex of  $K_{3x}$  having the label 0 to vertices of a copy of  $K_{3y+1}$  are labeled 0. All the edges joining a vertex of  $K_{3x}$  having the label 1 to vertices of a copy of  $K_{3y+1}$  are labeled 1. All the edges joining a vertex of  $K_{3x}$  having the label 2 to vertices of a copy of  $K_{3y+1}$  are labeled 2. Since the original vertices of  $K_{3x}$  receives 3y+1 edges with the same label, the vertex label 0 in  $K_{3x}$  does not change but the vertex labels 1 and 2 are interchanged. In each copy of H joined to a vertex with label 0, labels of all the vertices remain unchanged. In each copy of H joined to a vertex with label 1, vertex label 0 becomes 1. vertex label 1 becomes 2 and vertex label 2 becomes 0. In each copy of H joined to a vertex with label 2, vertex label 0 becomes 2. vertex label 1 becomes 0 and vertex label 2 becomes 1.

Hence the label numbers of the resulting labeling f are

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (x+x(3y+1), x+x(3y+1), x+x(3y+1))$$
  
 $e_f(0,1,2) = (\alpha,\alpha,\alpha)$ 

where 
$$\alpha = \frac{3x^2 - x + 9xy^2 + 3xy}{2} + x(3y + 1)$$
. Hence  $K_{3x} \circ K_{3y+1}$  is  $E_{3}$ -cordial.

Case 3: n = 3y + 2. Clearly the number of vertices in  $K_n \circ K_m$  is 3x + 3x(3y + 2) = 9x + 9xy and the number of edges is  $\frac{9x^2 - 3x}{2} + \frac{3x(3y + 2)(3y + 1)}{2} + 3x(3y + 2)$ .

In this case the previous technique does not work since each copy of  $K_{3y+2}$  has one extra edge with the label 2. We note that  $K_{3x} \circ K_{3y+2}$  can be looked upon as the graph obtained by attaching a copy of  $K_{3y+3}$  to each vertex of  $K_{3x}$ . As before take a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g of  $K_{3x}$  and a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g of each copy of  $K_{3y+3}$  with its label numbers

$$\begin{array}{rcl} v_h(0,1,2) & = & (y+1,y+1,y+1) \\ e_h(0,1,2) & = & \left(\frac{3y^2+5y+2}{2},\frac{3y^2+5y+2}{2},\frac{3y^2+5y+2}{2}\right) \end{array}$$

For  $0 \le i \le 2$ , identify a vertex with label i of  $K_{3x}$  with a vertex with label i of a copy of  $K_{3y+3}$ . The labels 0 in the vertices of  $K_{3x}$  remain unchanged, the labels 1 become 2 and the labels 2 become 1. The edge labels of course remain same. The label numbers of the resulting labeling f are

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (3x + 3xy, 3x + 3xy, 3x + 3xy)$$
  
 $e_f(0,1,2) = (\alpha, \alpha, \alpha)$ 

where 
$$\alpha = \frac{3x^2 - x}{2} + \frac{3x(3y^2 + 5y + 2)}{2}$$
. Hence  $K_{3x} \circ K_{3y+2}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.  $\bullet$ 

We now consider  $K_n \circ K_{3y}$ . The case  $K_{3x} \circ K_{3y}$  has been covered by the previous theorem.

**Theorem:** The corona graph  $K_n \circ K_{3y}$  is  $E_3$ -coordial for all  $n \geq 3$ .

Proof: Case 1: n = 3x + 1. Clearly the number of vertices in  $K_n \circ K_{3y}$  is (3x+1)(3y+1) and the number of edges is  $\frac{9x^2+3x}{2}+(3x+1)\frac{9y^2-3y}{2}+(3x+1)(3y)$ .

Take a copy of  $K_{3x+1}$  with its  $E_{3}$ - cordial labeling g with the label numbers

$$\begin{array}{rcl} v_g(0,1,2) & = & (x+1,x,x), \\ e_g(0,1,2) & = & \left(\frac{3x^2+x}{2},\frac{3x^2+x}{2},\frac{3x^2+x}{2}\right). \end{array}$$

Take 3x + 1 copies of  $H = K_{3y}$  with its  $E_3$ - cordial labeling h with label numbers

$$v_h(0,1,2) = (y,y,y),$$
  
 $e_h(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3y^2-y}{2}, \frac{3y^2-y}{2}, \frac{3y^2-y}{2}\right).$ 

Define the labeling f of  $K_{3x+1} \circ K_{3y}$  as follows: f(e) = g(e) if  $e \in K_{3x+1}$ , f(e) = h(e) if e is an edge in some copy of H. First keep aside one extra vertex w of  $K_{3x+1}$  with label 0. For the remaining 3x vertices of  $K_{3x+1}$ , the edges joining a vertex a (say) to the vertices of  $K_{3y}$  are assigned label g(a). The label g(a) of a remains in tact. On the other hand in the copy of  $K_{3y}$  attached to this vertex the vertex labels undergo transformation  $h(b) \to h(b) + g(a) \mod 3$ . Clearly this labels the vertices of that copy equitably. Now the extra vertex w of  $K_{3y+1}$  is remaining from which the 3y edges going to the copy of  $K_{3y}$  are yet to be labeled. For a vertex v of  $K_{3y}$  we define f(wv) = 1 if h(v) = 0, f(wv) = 2, if h(v) = 1 and f(wv) = 0, if h(v) = 2. Clearly f(w) = g(w) and this creates exactly y vertices with label  $i, 0 \le i \le 2$  each with the transformation

$$h(v) = 0 \rightarrow f(v) = 1$$

$$h(v) = 1 \rightarrow f(v) = 0$$
  
 $h(v) = 2 \rightarrow f(v) = 2$ 

One can see that this labeling f has label numbers

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (x+1+y(3x+1),x+y(3x+1),x+y(3x+1)),$$
  
 $e_f(0,1,2) = (\alpha,\alpha,\alpha)$ 

where 
$$\alpha = \frac{3x^2 + x}{2} + (3x + 1)\frac{3y^2 - y}{2} + 3yx + y$$
. Hence  $K_{3x+1} \circ K_{3y}$  is  $E_{3}$ -cordial.

Case 2: n = 3x + 2. Clearly, the number of vertices in  $K_{3x+2} \circ K_{3y}$  is (3x + 2) + (3x + 2)3y and the number of edges is  $\frac{9x^2 + 9x}{2} + 1 + (3x + 2)\frac{9y^2 - 3y}{2} + (3x + 2)3y$ .

Take a copy of  $K_{3x+2}$  with its  $E_{3}$ - cordial labeling g with the label numbers

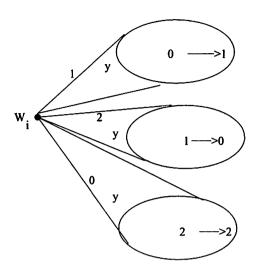
$$v_g(0,1,2) = (x+1,x+1,x),$$
  
 $e_g(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3x^2+3x}{2},\frac{3x^2+3x}{2},\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}+1\right).$ 

Take 3x + 2 copies of  $H = K_{3y}$  with its  $E_{3}$ - cordial labeling h with label numbers

$$\begin{array}{rcl} v_h(0,1,2) & = & (y,y,y), \\ e_h(0,1,2) & = & \left(\frac{3y^2-y}{2},\frac{3y^2-y}{y},\frac{3y^2-y}{2}\right). \end{array}$$

Define the labeling f of  $K_{3x+2} \circ K_{3y}$  as follows: f(e) = g(e) if  $e \in K_{3x+2}$ , f(e) = h(e) if e is an edge in some copy of H. Now keep aside the extra vertices  $w_1, w_2$  of  $K_{3x+2}$  with label 0, 1 respectively. For the remaining 3x vertices of  $K_{3x+1}$ , the edges joining a vertex a (say) to the vertices of  $K_{3y}$  are assigned label g(a). The label g(a) of a remains in tact. On the other hand in the copy of  $K_{3y}$  attached to this vertex the vertex labels undergo transformation  $h(b) \to h(b) + g(a)$ . Clearly this labels the vertices of that copy equitably. Now the extra two vertices  $w_1, w_2$  of  $K_{3y+1}$  are remaining from which the 3y edges going to the copy of  $K_{3y}$  are yet to be labeled.

For a vertex v of  $K_{3y}$  we define  $f(w_iv) = 1$  if h(v) = 0, f(wv) = 2, if h(v) = 1 and f(wv) = 0, if h(v) = 2. Clearly labels of  $w_1, w_2$  are unchanged and this creates exactly 2y vertices with label  $i, 0 \le i \le 2$  each with the



transformation

$$h(v) = 0 \rightarrow f(v) = 1$$
  

$$h(v) = 1 \rightarrow f(v) = 0$$
  

$$h(v) = 2 \rightarrow f(v) = 2$$

One can see that this labeling f has label numbers

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (x+y(3x+2)+1,x+y(3x+2)+1,x+y(3x+2)),$$
  
 $e_f(0,1,2) = (\alpha+1,\alpha,\alpha)$ 

where 
$$\alpha = \frac{3x^2 + 3x}{2} + (3x + 2)\frac{3y^2 - y}{2} + 3yx + 2y$$
. Hence  $K_{3x+1} \circ K_{3y}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

These two theorems can be consolidated into one as follows:

Theorem: The corona graph  $K_n \circ K_m$  is  $E_3$ -cordial if nm is divisible by 3.

Now only four cases remain, that is,  $K_n \circ K_m$  where  $n, m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{3}$ . **Theorem:** The corona graph  $K_n \circ K_m$  is  $E_3$ -cordial whenever  $n \equiv m \mod 3$ . Proof: We have already covered the case  $n, m \equiv 0 \mod 3$ .

Case 1:  $n, m \equiv 1 \mod 3$ . The number of vertices in  $K_n \circ K_m$  is (3x+1)(3y+2) and the number of edges is  $\frac{9x^2+3x}{2}+(3x+1)\frac{9y^2+3y}{2}+(3x+1)(3y+1).$ 

Let n = 3x + 1, m = 3y + 1. Take a copy of  $K_{3x+1}^2$  with its  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g with label numbers

$$v_q(0,1,2) = (x+1,x,x)$$

$$e_g(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3x^2+x}{2}, \frac{3x^2+x}{2}, \frac{3x^2+x}{2}\right)$$

Take 3x + 1 copies of  $H = K_{3y+1}$  with its  $E_3$ -cordial labeling h with similar label numbers. Define an edge labeling f of  $K_{3x+1} \circ K_{3y+1}$  as follows:

The label f(e) of an old edge  $e \in K_{3x+1}$  is same as g(e), the label f(e) of an old edge e in a copy of  $K_{3x+1}$  is same as h(e). Keep aside a vertex of  $K_{3x+1}$  with the label 0. From each of the 3x vertices 3y + 1 edges go to a copy of H. These edges are labeled as follows:

All the edges joining x vertices having label 0 are labeled 0. This creates x(3y+1) new edges with label 0. In the x copies of H this creates x(y+1) vertices with label 0 and xy vertices with labels 1 and 2 each.

All the edges joining x vertices having label 1 are labeled 1. This creates x(3y+1) new edges with label 1. In the x copies of H this creates x(y+1) vertices with label 1 and xy vertices with labels 0 and 2 each.

All the edges joining x vertices having label 2 are labeled 2. This creates x(3y+1) new edges with label 2. In the x copies of H this creates x(y+1) vertices with label 2 and xy vertices with labels 0 and 1 each.

Now one vertex w (say) of  $K_{3x+1}$  with the label 0 is remaining. We have to join  $K_{3y+1}$  to this vertex. This is same as one point union of  $K_{3y+2}$  with the previous graph, with the point of identification being w.

Take a copy of  $K_{3y+2}$  with its  $E_3$ -coordial labeling with the label numbers

$$\begin{array}{rcl} v_h(0,1,2) & = & (y,y+1,y+1) \\ e_h(0,1,2) & = & \left(\frac{3y^2+3y}{2}+1,\frac{3y^2+3y}{2},\frac{3y^2+3y}{2}\right) \end{array}$$

Identify one vertex with the label 0 in this with the vertex w. The resulting labeling f has the label numbers

$$v_f(0,1,2) = ((3x+2x+y), (3x+2x+y+1), (3x+2x+y+1))$$
  
 $e_f(0,1,2) = (\beta,\beta,\beta)$ 

Where 
$$\beta = \frac{3x^2 + x}{2} + 3x \frac{3y^2 + 5y + 2}{2} + y + 1 + \frac{3y^2 + 3y}{2} = \frac{3x^2 + x}{2} + (3x + 1) \frac{3y^2 + 5y + 2}{2}$$
.

Case 2:  $n, m \equiv 2 \mod 3$ . Clearly, the number of vertices in  $K_n \circ K_m$  is (3x+2)(3y+3) and the number of edges is  $\frac{9x^2+9x}{2}+1+(3x+2)(\frac{9y^2+9y}{2}+1)+(3x+2)(3y+2)=\frac{3(3x^2+3x)}{2}+(3x+2)\frac{9y^2+15y+6}{2}+1$ .

Let n = 3x + 2 and m = 3y + 2. This corona graph is the same as obtained by attaching a copy of  $K_{3y+3}$  at each vertex of  $K_{3x+2}$  by way of one point

union. Take a copy of  $K_{3x+2}$  with its  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g with the label numbers

$$v_g(0,1,2) = (x+1,x+1,x)$$
  
 $e_g(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}, \frac{3x^2+3x}{2}, \frac{3x^2+3x}{2} + 1\right)$ 

Take 3x + 2 copies of  $K_{3y+3}$  with the  $E_3$ -coordial labeling h with each copy having label numbers

$$v_g(0,1,2) = (y+1,y+1,y+1)$$

$$e_g(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3y^2+5y+2}{2}, \frac{3y^2+5y+2}{2}, \frac{3y^2+5y+2}{2}\right)$$

While labeling the edges, all the edge labels assigned by g and h are retained. At each vertex with the label  $i, 0 \le i \le 2$  of  $K_{3x+2}$  identify a vertex with the label i from a copy of  $K_{3y+3}$ . This will change the label i of that vertex to 2i modulo 3, that is 0 remains unchanged, the label 1 becomes 2 and the label 2 becomes 1. One can see that this creates a labeling f of  $K_{3x+2} \circ K_{3y+2}$  with label numbers

$$v_f(0,1,2) = ((y+1)(3x+2), (y+1)(3x+2), (y+1)(3x+2))$$
  
 $e_f(0,1,2) = (\alpha, \alpha, \alpha+1)$ 

Where 
$$\alpha = \frac{3x^2 + 3x}{2} + (3x + 2)\frac{3y^2 + 5y + 2}{2}$$
.

Hence  $K_n \circ \overline{K}_m$  is  $E_3$ -cordial whenever  $n \equiv m \mod 3$ .

Finally, we clear the remaining two cases in the following Theorem:

**Theorem:** The corona graph  $K_n \circ K_m$  is  $E_3$ -coordial whenever n = 3x + 1, m = 3y + 2 or n = 3x + 2, m = 3y + 1.

Proof: Case 1: n = 3x + 1, m = 3y + 2.

The number of vertices in  $K_{3x+1} \circ K_{3y+2}$  is (3x+1)(3y+3) and the number of edges is

$$|E(K_{3x+1} \circ K_{3y+2})| = \frac{9x^2 + 3x}{2} + (3x+1)\frac{9y^2 + 9y + 2}{2} + (3x+1)(3y+2)$$
$$= \frac{3(3x^2 + x)}{2} + (3x+1)\frac{9y^2 + 15y + 6}{2}.$$

We view this as the graph obtained by attaching a copy of  $K_{3y+3}$  at each vertex of  $K_{3x+1}$  by the way of one point union.

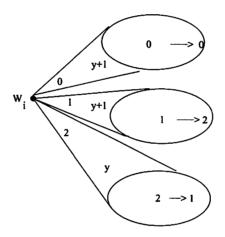
Take a copy of  $K_{3x+1}$  with its  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g having label numbers

$$v_g(0,1,2) = (x+1,x,x)$$
  
 $e_g(0,1,2) = (\frac{3x^2+x}{2}, \frac{3x^2+x}{2}, \frac{3x^2+x}{2})$ 

Take 3x copies of  $H = K_{3y+3}$  with its  $E_3$ -cordial labeling h having label numbers

$$v_g(0,1,2) = (y+1,y+1,y+1)$$
  
 $e_g(0,1,2) = (\frac{3y^2+5y+2}{2}, \frac{3y^2+5y+2}{2}, \frac{3y^2+5y+2}{2})$ 

While labeling the edges the values assigned by g and h are retained. Keep aside a vertex w of  $K_{3x+1}$  having the label 0. For the remaining 3x vertices attach a copy of H each to them, taking care of identifying a vertex with a label i in  $K_{3x+1}$  with a vertex with the label i in H. We note that in  $K_{3x+1}$  the label 0 remains unchanged, the label 1 changes to 2 and the label 2 changes to 1. So far we have created 3x(y+1) vertices of each label. and the edges have been labeled equitably.



Now consider w, the vertex of  $K_{3x+1}$  that we had kept aside. We Take a copy K of  $K_{3y+2}$  with its  $E_3$ -cordial labeling  $\tilde{h}$  with its label numbers

$$\begin{array}{lcl} v_{\tilde{h}}(0,1,2) & = & (y+1,y+1,y) \\ e_{\tilde{h}}(0,1,2) & = & \left(\frac{3y^2+3y}{2},\frac{3y^2+3y}{2},\frac{3y^2+3y}{2}+1\right) \end{array}$$

We keep in mind that in this labeling there is one extra edge with the label 2. Assign the label 0 to all the edges joining w to the y+1 vertices of  $K_{3y+2}$  having label 0, assign the label 1 to all the edges joining w to the y+1 vertices of  $K_{3y+2}$  having the label 1 and assign the label 2 to all the edges joining w to the y vertices of  $K_{3y+2}$  having the label 2. In H the vertices having the label 1 now get the label 2 and the vertices having the label 2 now have the

label 1. The label of the vertex w has now become 1. The resulting labeling f has the label numbers

$$v_f(0,1,2) = ((3x+1)(y+1), (3x+1)(y+1), (3x+1)(y+1))$$
  
 $e_f(0,1,2) = (\beta, \beta, \beta)$ 

Where 
$$\beta = \frac{3x^2 + x}{2} + 3x \frac{3y^2 + 5y + 2}{2} + y + 1 + \frac{3y^2 + 3y}{2}$$
  
=  $\frac{3x^2 + x}{2} + (3x + 1) \frac{3y^2 + 5y + 2}{2}$ .

Case 2: n = 3x + 2, m = 3y + 1. The number of vertices in  $K_{3x+2} \circ K_{3y+1}$  are (3x+2)(3y+2) and the number of edges is  $\frac{9x^2 + 9x + 2}{2} + (3x+2)\frac{9y^2 + 3y}{2} + (3x+2)(3y+1) = \frac{3(3x^2 + 3x)}{2} + (3x+2)\frac{9y^2 + 9y}{2} + 3(x+1)$ .

Take a copy of  $K_{3x+2}$  with its  $E_3$ -coordial labeling g with its label numbers

$$v_g(0,1,2) = (x+1,x+1,x)$$
 $e_g(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3x^2+3x}{2}, \frac{3x^2+3x}{2}, \frac{3x^2+3x}{2} + 1\right)$ 

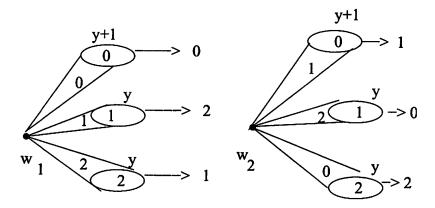
Take 3x + 2 copies of  $K_{3y+1}$  with its  $E_3$ -cordial labeling h with the label numbers

$$\begin{array}{rcl} v_h(0,1,2) & = & (y+1,y,y) \\ e_h(0,1,2) & = & \left(\frac{3y^2+y}{2},\frac{y^2+y}{2},\frac{3y^2+y}{2}\right) \end{array}$$

While labeling the edges, the labels assigned by g and h are retained. Keep aside two vertices  $w_1, w_2$  of  $K_{3x+2}$  having the labels 0 and 1 respectively. For each of the remaining 3x vertices, the edges joining that vertex v (say) to the vertices of the copy of  $K_{3y+1}$  are assigned the label g(v). This means that a vertices with the label 0 produce x(3y+1) edges with the label 0, the vertices with the label 1 produce x(3y+1) edges with the label 1. However in the respective copies of  $K_{3y+1}$  the vertex label numbers change to (y, y+1, y). Finally, the vertices with the label 2 produce x(3y+1) edges with the label 2. However in the respective copies of  $K_{3y+1}$  the vertex label numbers change to (y, y, y+1).

Now consider  $w_1$  with  $g(w_1) = 0$ . For a vertex  $v \in K_{3y+1}$  the edge  $w_1v$  is assigned the label h(v). As a result we have created y+1 edges with the label 0 and y edges with the labels 1 and 2 each. However, in the copy of  $K_{3y+1}$  vertex labels 1 and 2 are interchanged. The label of  $w_1$  remains unchanged.

Finally, consider  $w_2$  with  $g(w_2) = 1$ . For a vertex  $v \in K_{3y+1}$ , the edge  $w_2v$  is assigned the label h(v)+1. As a result we have created y+1 edges with



the label 1 and y edges with the labels 0 and 2 each. However, in the copy of  $K_{3y+1}$  vertex labels 0 and 1 are interchanged. The label of  $w_2$  changes to 2.

In this way we have created a labeling f of  $K_{3x+2} \circ K_{3y+1}$  with the label numbers

$$v_f(0,1,2) = (\alpha+1,\alpha,\alpha),$$
  
$$e_f(0,1,2) = (\beta,\beta,\beta)$$

where 
$$\alpha = x + x(y+1) + 2xy + 2y + 1 = 3xy + 2x + 2y + 1$$
 and  $\beta = \frac{3x^2 + 3x}{2} + x(3y+1) + (3x+2)\frac{3y^2 + y}{2} + 2y + 1 = \frac{3x^2 + 3x}{2} + (3x+2)\frac{3y^2 + 3y}{2} + (x+1)$ . This shows that in both the cases  $K_n \circ K_m$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

# Corona Graphs of Complete graphs with Cycles

Now we consider the corona  $K_m \circ C_n$  of the complete graph  $K_m$  with the cycle  $C_n$ . This graph is same as the one obtained by attaching a copy of the wheel  $W_n$  at each vertex of  $K_m$ , identifying the hub of  $W_n$  with the vertex of  $K_m$ . We will first develope suitable labelings of the wheel  $W_n$  and use them while constructing a labeling of  $K_m \circ C_n$ . In the final construction, the label of the hub of  $W_n$  might change. However, the vertex-label numbers of the corona are just the sum of the corresponding numbers of those copies of  $W_n$ . Lemma: For every triple (a, b, c) of positive integers such that n = a + b + c, there exists a labeling of  $W_n$  and for suitable choice of a, b, c it is  $E_3$ -cordial. Proof: Consider a cycle  $C_n$ . Assign the label 0 to a number of consecutive edges, the label 1 to next b number of edges and the label 2 to the remaining c number of edges. The vertex-numbers at this stage are (a, c, b). However, they are not consecutime on the cycle. Let w be the hub. For a spoke wv, assign the label i, if the label of v in  $C_n$  is i. The edge-label numbers of the resulting labeling f are  $e_f(0,1,2) = (2a, b+c, b+c)$ . On the cycle, the label 0 is assigned to a number of vertices, the label 1 is assigned to b number of

vertices and the label 2 is assigned to c number of vertices. The label of the hub is (c+2b) modulo 3.

If n = 3x, let (a, b, c) = (x, x, x). We then get a labeling A which assigns the label 0 to the hub and it has the label numbers  $v_A(0, 1, 2) = (x + 1, x, x), e_A(0, 1, 2) = (2x, 2x, 2x)$ . Hence it is a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling.

If n = 3x + 1, let (a, b, c) = (x, x + 1, x). We then get a labeling A which assigns the label 2 to the hub and it has the label numbers  $v_A(0, 1, 2) = (x, x + 1, x + 1), e_A(0, 1, 2) = (2x, 2x + 1, 2x + 1)$ . Hence it is a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling.

If n = 3x + 2, let (a, b, c) = (x + 1, x, x + 1). We then get a labeling A which assigns the label 1 to the hub and it has the label numbers  $v_A(0, 1, 2) = (x+1, x+1, x+1)$ ,  $e_A(0, 1, 2) = (2x+2, 2x+1, 2x+1)$ . Hence it is a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling.

Hence  $W_n$  is  $E_3$ -cordial for all  $n \geq 3$ .

Theorem: The corona  $K_m \circ C_n$  is  $E_3$ -cordial for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}, n \geq 3$ .

Proof: If m = 1, we just have  $W_n$  which is shown to be  $E_3$ -cordial in the previous lemma. Let  $m \geq 2$ .

Case 1: n = 3x. We first develoe four more labelings as follows:

**Labeling B:** Take (a, b, c) = (x-1, x+1, x). The resulting labeling B assigns the label 2 to the hub and has the label numbers  $v_B(0, 1, 2) = (x - 1, x + 1, x + 1)$ ,  $e_B(0, 1, 2) = (2x - 2, 2x + 1, 2x + 1)$ . Clearly it is not a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling.

**Labeling C:** Take (a, b, c) = (x-1, x, x+1). The resulting labeling C assigns the label 1 to the hub and has the label numbers  $v_C(0, 1, 2) = (x - 1, x + 1, x + 1)$ ,  $e_C(0, 1, 2) = (2x - 2, 2x + 1, 2x + 1)$ . Clearly it is not a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling.

**Labeling D:** Take (a, b, c) = (x + 2, x - 1, x - 1). The resulting labeling D assigns the label 0 to the hub and has the label numbers  $v_D(0, 1, 2) = (x + 3, x - 1, x - 1), e_D(0, 1, 2) = (2x + 4, 2x - 2, 2x - 2)$ . Clearly it is not a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling.

**Labeling E:** Take (a,b,c)=(x,x,x). In this labeling the spokes are labeled differently. Leave three vertices on the cycle  $C_n$ , with the labels 0,1,2 each. For the remaining vertices, a spoke wv is labeled i if the label of the vertex v on the cycle is i. Now, suppose the vertices kept aside are  $v_0, v_1, v_2$  such that label if  $v_i = i, 0 \le i \le 2$ , then assign the label 0 to all three. The hub get the label 0. The label numbers of the resulting labeling E are  $v_E(0,1,2) = (x+1,x,x), e_E(0,1,2) = (2x+2,2x-1,2x-1)$ . Clearly it is not a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling.

If m=2, take an edge with the label 0 and attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling C at one end and a copy with the labeling E at the other end. The attachment is done at the hubs. The label numbers of the resulting labeling f are  $v_f(0,1,2)=(2x,2x+1,2x+1), e_f(0,1,2)=(4x+1,4x,4x)$  Hence  $K_2\circ C_{3x}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

If m=3p, we have a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g (say) of  $K_{3p}$  with the label numbers  $v(0,1,2)=(p,p,p), e_g(0,1,2)=\left(\frac{3p^2-p}{2},\frac{3p^2-p}{2},\frac{3p^2-p}{2}\right)$ . We do not have to worry about the edges of  $K_{3p}$ . Now attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling D to each vertex with the label 0. The hub does not change the label. Attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling C to each vertex with the label 1. The hub will change its label to 2. Finally, attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling B to each vertex with the label 2. The hub will change the label to 1. The resulting labeling f will have vertex-label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2) =$  $p\{v_C(0,1,2)+v_B(0,1,2)+v_D(0,1,2)\}=(p(3x+1),p(3x+1),p(3x+1)).$  The additional edge-label numbers are  $Ae_f(0,1,2) = p(e_C(0,1,2) + e_B(0,1,2) + e_B(0$  $e_D(0,1,2) = (6px, 6px, 6px)$ . Hence  $K_{3p} \circ C_{3x}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

If m = 3p + 1, we have a  $E_3$ -coordial labeling g (say) of  $K_{3p}$  with the label numbers  $v(0, 1, 2) = (p + 1, p, p), e_g(0, 1, 2) = \left(\frac{3p^2 + p}{2}, \frac{3p^2 + p}{2}, \frac{3p^2 + p}{2}\right)$ .

We do not have to worry about the edges of  $K_{3p+1}$ . Now attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling D to all but one vertices with the label 0. The hub does not change the label. For the additional vertex with the label 0, attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling A. Attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling C to each vertex with the label 1. The hub will change its label to 2. Finally, attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling B to each vertex with the label 2. The hub will change the label to 1. The resulting labeling f will have vertex-label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2) = p\{v_C(0,1,2) + v_B(0,1,2) + v_D(0,1,2)\} + v_A(0,1,2) =$ (p(3x+1)+x+1, p(3x+1)+x, p(3x+1)+x). The additional edge-label numbers are  $Ae_f(0,1,2) = p\{e_C(0,1,2) + e_B(0,1,2) + e_D(0,1,2)\} + e_A(0,1,2) = e_B(0,1,2) + e_B(0,1,$ (6px + 2x, 6px + 2x, 6px + 2x). Hence  $K_{3p+1} \circ C_{3x}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

If m = 3p + 2, we have a  $E_3$ -coordial labeling g (say) of  $K_{3p+2}$  with the

label numbers v(0,1,2)=(p+1,p,p+1),  $e_g(0,1,2)=\left(\frac{3p^2+3p}{2},\frac{3p^2+3p}{2}+1,\frac{3p^2+3p}{2}\right).$  We do not have to worry about the edges of  $K_{3p+2}$ . Now attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling D to all but one vertices with the label 0. The hub does not change the label. For the additional vertex with the label 0, attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling A, Attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling C to each vertex with the label 1. The hub will change its label to 2. Finally, attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$  with the labeling B to all but one vertices with the label 2. The hub will change the label to 1. To the remaining vertex with the label 2 attach a copy of  $W_{3x}$ with the labeling A. The hub changes its label to 2. The resulting labeling fwill have vertex-label numbers

 $v_f(0,1,2) = p\{v_C(0,1,2) + v_B(0,1,2) + v_D(0,1,2)\} + v_A(0,1,2) + (x,x,x+1) = 0$ (p(3x+1)+2x+1,p(3x+1)+2x,p(3x+1)+2x). The additional edgelabel numbers are  $Ae_f(0,1,2) = p\{e_C(0,1,2) + e_B(0,1,2) + e_D(0,1,2)\}$  $2e_A(0,1,2) = (6px+4x,6px+4x,6px+4x)$ . Hence  $K_{3p+2} \circ C_{3x}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

Case 2: n = 3x + 1.

We already have the  $E_3$ -cordial labeling A of  $W_{3x+1}$ . Besides that we construct two more labelings of  $W_{3x+1}$ .

**Labeling B:** This  $E_3$ -coordial labeling is given by the triple (x, x, x+1). The hub has the label 1 and the label numbers are  $v_B(0,1,2) = (x,x+1,x+1)$ ,  $e_B(0,1,2) = (2x,2x+1,2x+1)$ .

**Labeling C**: This non- $E_3$ -cordial labeling is given by the triple (x+1,x,x). The hub has the label 0 and the label numbers are  $v_C(0,1,2) = (x+2,x,x), e_C(0,1,2) = (2x+2,2x,2x)$ .

If m=2, assign the labeling C to one copy of  $W_{3x+1}$ , the labeling A to the second copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  and the label 2 to the edge joining the hubs. This produces a labeling f in which the hubs change their labels to 2 and 1 and the label numbers are  $v_f(0,1,2)=(2x+1,2x+2,2x+1)$ ,  $e_f(4x+2,4x+1.4x+2)$ , that is  $K_2 \circ C_{3x+1}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

If m=3p, we have a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g (say) of  $K_{3p}$  with the label numbers  $v(0,1,2)=(p,p,p), e_g(0,1,2)=\left(\frac{3p^2-p}{2},\frac{3p^2-p}{2},\frac{3p^2-p}{2}\right)$ . We do not have to worry about the edges of  $K_{3p}$ . Now attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling C to each vertex with the label 0. The hub does not change the label. Attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling B to each vertex with the label 1. The hub will change its label to 2. Finally, attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling A to each vertex with the label 2. The hub will change the label to 1. The resulting labeling f will have vertex-label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2)=p\{v_A(0,1,2)+v_B(0,1,2)+v_C(0,1,2)\}=(p(3x+2),p(3x+2),p(3x+2))$ . The additional edge-label numbers are  $Ae_f(0,1,2)=p(e_A(0,1,2)+e_B(0,1,2)+e_C(0,1,2))=(p(6x+2),p(6x+2),p(6x+2))$ . Hence  $K_{3p}\circ C_{3x+1}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

If 
$$m = 3p+1$$
, we have a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling  $g$  (say) of  $K_{3p+1}$  with the label numbers  $v(0,1,2) = (p+1,p,p), e_g(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3p^2+p}{2}, \frac{3p^2+p}{2}, \frac{3p^2+p}{2}\right)$ .

We do not have to worry about the edges of  $K_{3p+1}$ . Now attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling C to all but one vertices with the label 0. The hub does not change the label. For the additional vertex with the label 0, attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling B. Attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling B to each vertex with the label 1. The hub will change its label to 2. Finally, attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling A to each vertex with the label 2. The hub will change the label to 1. The resulting labeling f will have vertex-label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2) = p\{v_C(0,1,2) + v_B(0,1,2) + v_A(0,1,2)\} + v_B(0,1,2) =$ 

(p(3x+2)+x,p(3x+2)+x+1,p(3x+2)+x+1). The additional edge-label numbers are  $Ae_f(0,1,2)=p\{e_C(0,1,2)+e_B(0,1,2)+e_D(0,1,2)\}+e_B(0,1,2)=(p(6x+2)+2x,p(6x+2)+2x+1,p(6x+2)+2x+1)$ . Hence  $K_{3p+1}\circ C_{3x+1}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

If m = 3p + 2, we have a  $E_3$ -coordial labeling g (say) of  $K_{3p+2}$  with the

label numbers  $v_g(0,1,2)=(p+1,p,p+1)$  and  $e_g(0,1,2)=\left(\frac{3p^2+3p}{2},\frac{3p^2+3p}{2}+1,\frac{3p^2+3p}{2}\right)$ . We do not have to worry about the edges of  $K_{3p+2}$ . Now attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling C to all but one vertices with the label 0. The hub does not change the label. For the additional vertex with the label 0, attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling B. This vertex changes its label to 1. Attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling B to each vertex with the label 1. The hub will change its label to 2. Finally, attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling A to all but one vertices with the label 2. The hub will change the label to 1. To the remaining vertex with the label 2 attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling C. The hub will change its label to 2. The resulting labeling f will have vertex-label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2) = p\{v_C(0,1,2) + v_B(0,1,2) + v_A(0,1,2)\} + v_B(0,1,2) + v_C(0,1,2) = v_F(0,1,2) + v_F(0,1,2) +$ (p(3x+2)+2x+1,p(3x+2)+2x+1,p(3x+2)+2x+2). The additional edge-label numbers are  $Ae_f(0,1,2) = p\{e_C(0,1,2) + e_B(0,1,2) + e_A(0,1,2)\} + e_B(0,1,2) + e_$  $e_B(0,1,2) + e_C(0,1,2) = (6px+4x+2p+2,6px+4x+2p+1,6px+4x+2p+1).$ In the labeling of  $K_{3p+2}$  we had one additional edge with the label 1. But that balances with the additional edge labels. Hence  $K_{3p+2} \circ C_{3x+1}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial. Case 3: n = 3x + 2.

We already have the  $E_3$ -cordial labeling A of  $W_{3x+2}$ . Besides that we construct two more labelings of  $W_{3x+2}$ .

**Labeling B:** This non- $E_3$ -coordial labeling is given by the triple (x, x +1, x + 1). The hub has the label 0 and the label numbers are  $v_B(0, 1, 2) =$  $(x+1,x+1,x+1), e_B(0,1,2) = (2x,2x+2,2x+2).$ 

**Labeling C**: This  $E_3$ -coordial labeling is given by the triple (x+1, x+1, x). The hub has the label 2 and the label numbers are  $v_C(0,1,2) = (x+1,x+1)$  $(1, x + 1), e_C(0, 1, 2) = (2x + 2, 2x + 1, 2x + 1).$ 

If m=2, assign the labeling B to one copy of  $W_{3x+2}$ , the labeling A to the second copy of  $W_{3x+2}$  and the label 0 to the edge joining the hubs. This produces a labeling f in which the hubs do not change their labels. 2),  $e_f(4x+3, 4x+3, 4x+3)$ , that is,  $K_2 \circ C_{3x+1}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

If m=3p, we have a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g (say) of  $K_{3p}$  with the label numbers  $v(0,1,2)=(p,p,p), e_g(0,1,2)=\left(\frac{3p^2-p}{2},\frac{3p^2-p}{2},\frac{3p^2-p}{2}\right)$ . We do not have to worry about the edges of  $K_{3p}$ . Now attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$ with the labeling B to each vertex with the label 0. The hub does not change the label. Attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$  with the labeling A to each vertex with the label 1. The hub will change its label to 2. Finally, attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$ with the labeling C to each vertex with the label 2. The hub will change the label to 1. The resulting labeling f will have vertex-label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2) =$  $p\{v_A(0,1,2)+v_B(0,1,2)+v_C(0,1,2)\}=(p(3x+3),p(3x+3),p(3x+3)).$  The additional edge-label numbers are  $Ae_f(0,1,2) = p(e_A(0,1,2) + e_B(0,1,2) + e_B(0$  $e_C(0,1,2) = (p(6x+4), p(6x+4), p(6x+4))$ . Hence  $K_{3p} \circ C_{3x+1}$  is  $E_3$ -coordial. If m = 3p+1, we have a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling g (say) of  $K_{3p+1}$  with the label

numbers 
$$v(0,1,2) = (p+1,p,p), e_g(0,1,2) = \left(\frac{3p^2+p}{2}, \frac{3p^2+p}{2}, \frac{3p^2+p}{2}\right).$$

Again we do not have to worry about these edges. Now attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$  with the labeling B to all but one vertices with the label 0. The hub does not change the label. For the additional vertex with the label 0, attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$  with the labeling A. Attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$  with the labeling A to each vertex with the label 1. The hub will change its label to 2. Finally, attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$  with the labeling C to each vertex with the label 2. The hub will change the label to 1. The resulting labeling f will have vertex-label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2) = p\{v_A(0,1,2) + v_B(0,1,2) + v_C(0,1,2)\} + v_C(0,1,2)\}$  $v_A(0,1,2) = (p(3x+3)+x+1, p(3x+3)+x+1, p(3x+3)+x+1)$ . The additional edge-label numbers are  $Ae_f(0,1,2) = p\{e_A(0,1,2) + e_B(0,1,2) + e_C(0,1,2)\} + e_C(0,1,2) + e_$  $e_A(0,1,2) = (p(6x+4)+2x+2, p(6x+4)+2x+1, p(6x+4)+2x+1)$ . Hence  $K_{3p+1} \circ C_{3x+2}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

If m = 3p + 2, we have a  $E_3$ -coordial labeling g (say) of  $K_{3p+2}$  with the

label numbers 
$$v(0,1,2)=(p+1,p,p+1)$$
 and  $e_g(0,1,2)=\left(\frac{3p^2+3p}{2},\frac{3p^2+3p}{2}+1,\frac{3p^2+3p}{2}\right)$ . We do not have to worry about the edges of  $K_{3p+2}$ . For this case we define two more labelings as follows:

**Labeling D:** Take (a,b,c)=(x,x+1,x+1). The spokes are labeled differently. Leave aside one vertex of the label 1, 2 each. Now for the other spokes, assign the label i to a spoke wv if the label of the vertex v on the cycle is i. Assign the label 2 to the spoke joining w to the extra vertex with the label 1 and the label 0 to the spoke joining w to the extra vertex with the label 2. The hub gets the label 2. The label numbers are  $v_D(0,1,2) = (x+1,x,x+2), e_D(0,1,2) = (2x+1,2x+1,2x+2)$ . Clearly this is not a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling.

**Labeling E:** Take (a, b, c) = (x, x + 1, x + 1). The spokes are labeled differently. Leave aside one vertex of the label 1,2 each. Now for the other spokes, assign the label i to a spoke wv if the label of the vertex v on the cycle is i. Assign the label 0 to the spoke joining w to the extra vertices with the label 1 and the label 0. The hub gets the label 0. The label numbers are  $v_E(0,1,2) = (x+1,x+1,x+1), e_E(0,1,2) = (2x+2,2x+1,2x+1)$ . Clearly this is a  $E_3$ -cordial labeling.

Now attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$  with the labeling B to all but one vertices with the label 0. The hub does not change the label. For the additional vertex with the label 0, attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$  with the labeling E. This vertex retains its label to 0. Attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$  with the labeling A to each vertex with the label 1. The hub will change its label to 2. Finally, attach a copy of  $W_{3x+1}$  with the labeling C to all but one vertices with the label 2. The hub will change the label to 1. To the remaining vertex with the labeling 2 attach a copy of  $W_{3x+2}$  with the labeling D. The hub will change its label to 1. The resulting labeling f will have vertex-label numbers  $v_f(0,1,2) = p\{v_C(0,1,2)+v_B(0,1,2)+v_A(0,1,2)\}+v_E(0,1,2)+v_D(0,1,2)=(p(3x+3)+2x+2,p(3x+3)+2x+2,p(3x+3)+2x+2)$ . The additional edge-label numbers are  $Ae_f(0,1,2)=p(e_C(0,1,2)+e_B(0,1,2)+e_A(0,1,2))+e_D(0,1,2)+e_E(0,1,2)=(p(6x+4)+4x+3,p(6x+4)+4x+2,p(6x+4)+4x+3)$ . Hence  $K_{3p+2}\circ C_{3x+2}$  is  $E_3$ -cordial.

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