

Group S_3 Cordial Prime Labeling of Some Graphs

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Abstract

Let $G = (V(G), E(G))$ be a graph. Consider the group S_3 . For $u \in S_3$, let $o(u)$ denote the order of u in S_3 . Let $g : V(G) \rightarrow S_3$ be a function defined in such a way that if $xy \in E(G)$ ($o(g(x)), o(g(y)) = 1$). Let $n_j(g)$ denote the number of vertices of G having label j under g . Now g is called a group S_3 cordial prime labeling if $|n_i(g) - n_j(g)| \leq 1$ for every $i, j \in S_3, i \neq j$. A graph which admits a group S_3 cordial prime labeling is called a group S_3 cordial prime graph. In this paper, we prove that the complete graph, Dumbbell graph, friendship graph and the web graph are group S_3 cordial prime.

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1 INTRODUCTION

Graphs considered here are finite, undirected and simple. Let A be a group. The order of $a \in A$ is the least positive integer n such that $a^n = e$. We denote the order of a by $o(a)$.

Cahit [1] introduced the concept of cordial labeling.

Definition 1.1. Let $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ be any function. For each edge xy assign the label $|f(x) - f(y)|$. f is called a cordial labeling if the number of vertices labeled 0 and the number of vertices labeled 1 differ by at most 1. Also the number of edges labeled 0 and the number of edges labeled 1 differ by at most 1.

Entringer introduced the concept of prime labeling which was later studied by Tout et al. [4]

Definition 1.2. A prime labeling of a graph G of order n is an injective function $f : V \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ such that for every pair of adjacent vertices u and v $\gcd\{f(u), f(v)\} = 1$.

Motivated by these two definitions, we introduce group S_3 cordial prime labeling of graphs. Terms not defined here are used in the sense of Harary [3] and Gallian [2].

The greatest common divisor of two integers m and n is denoted by (m, n) and m and n are said to be relatively prime if $(m, n) = 1$. For any real number x , we denote by $\lfloor x \rfloor$, the greatest integer smaller than or equal to x and by $\lceil x \rceil$, we mean the smallest integer greater than or equal to x .

A graph G is complete, if every two of its vertices are adjacent. A complete graph on n vertices is denoted by K_n . A path is an alternating sequence of vertices and edges, $v_1, e_1, v_2, e_2, \dots, v_{n-1}, e_{n-1}, v_n$ which are distinct, such that e_i is an edge joining v_i and v_{i+1} for $1 \leq i \leq n-1$.

A path on n vertices is denoted by P_n . A path $v_1, e_1, v_2, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1}, v_n, e_n, v_1$ is called a cycle and a cycle on n vertices is denoted by C_n .

The graph obtained by joining two disjoint cycles $u_1u_2 \dots u_nv_1$ and $v_1v_2 \dots v_nv_1$ with an edge u_nv_1 is called dumbbell graph denoted by Db_n . The one-point union of t cycles of length n , $C_n^{(t)}$ is called a Friendship graph.

Given two graphs G and H , $G + H$ is the graph with vertex set $V(G) \cup V(H)$ and edge set $E(G) \cup E(H) \cup \{uv | u \in V(G), v \in V(H)\}$. A wheel W_n is defined as $C_n + K_1$. The Helm H_n is obtained from a wheel W_n by attaching a pendent edge at each vertex of the cycle C_n . The closed Helm CH_n is a graph obtained from a Helm H_n by joining each pendent vertex to form a cycle. The Web graph $W(2, n)$ is the graph obtained from a closed Helm CH_n by adding a single pendent edge to each vertex of the outer cycle.

2 GROUP S_3 CORDIAL PRIME GRAPHS

Definition 2.1. Let $g : V(G) \rightarrow S_3$ be a function defined in such a way that if $xy \in E(G)$, then $(o(g(x)), o(g(y)) = 1$. Let $n_j(g)$ denote the number of vertices of G having label j under g . Now g is called a group S_3 cordial prime labeling if $|n_i(g) - n_j(g)| \leq 1$ for every $i, j \in S_3, i \neq j$. A graph which admits a group S_3 cordial prime labeling is called a group S_3 cordial prime graph.

Definition 2.2. Consider the symmetric group S_3 .

Let the elements of S_3 be $\{e, a, b, c, d, f\}$ where

$$e = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{pmatrix}; \quad a = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \end{pmatrix}; \quad b = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix};$$

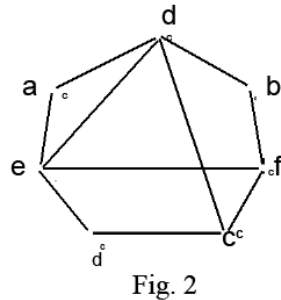
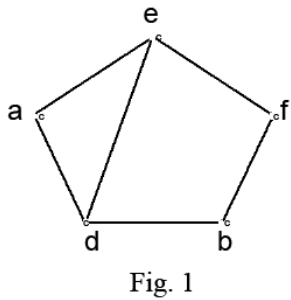
$$c = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}; \quad d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \end{pmatrix}; \quad f = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 3 & 1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now $o(e) = 1$;

$$o(a) = o(b) = o(c) = 2;$$

$$o(d) = o(f) = 3.$$

Example 2.3. A group S_3 cordial prime labeling of two graphs is given in Fig. 1 and Fig. 2.



Theorem 2.4. Complete graph K_n is group S_3 cordial prime if $n \leq 3$.

Proof. Fig. 3 and Fig. 4 shows that K_n is group S_3 cordial prime if $n \leq 3$.

Suppose $n > 3$. Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n be the n vertices. Since every vertex is adjacent to every other vertex, we can have at most one label from $\{a, b, c\}$, one from $\{d, f\}$ and one from $\{e\}$. Thus we can have at most 3 distinct labels.

So K_n is not group S_3 cordial prime if $n > 3$.

Fig. 3

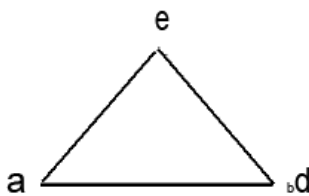


Fig. 4

Definition 2.5. The graph obtained by joining two disjoint cycles $u_1u_2 \dots u_nu_1$ and $v_1v_2 \dots v_nv_1$ with an edge u_1v_1 is called dumbbell graph Db_n .

Theorem 2.6. The dumbbell graph Db_n is group S_3 cordial prime $\Leftrightarrow n$ is not of the form $n = 6k+3, k \geq 0$.

Proof. Assume that Db_n is group S_3 cordial prime. Number of vertices in Db_n is $2n$. Suppose $n \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$. Let $n = 6k + 3 (k \geq 0, k \in \mathbb{Z}_+)$.

Case (i): $k = 0$.

Now $n = 3$. One of $\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ should be labelled with a label from the set $\{a, b, c\}$ and another from the set $\{d, f\}$. The third vertex should be labelled with e . Same is the case with the vertices v_1, v_2, v_3 by symmetry. But now, as e is already used once, it cannot be used again. So $n \neq 3$.

Case (ii): $k \geq 1$.

Now $n \geq 9$.

Each label should be used

$$\frac{2n}{6} = \frac{2(6k+3)}{6} = 2k+1$$

times

Label u_1 and v_1 by e . Label $\{u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5, u_6\}$ and $\{v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6\}$ in order using the labels $adbf c$ correspondingly. Label the next six consecutive vertices in both cycles using $e adbf c$ correspondingly. Continue this style of labelling until vertices upto u_{n-3} and v_{n-3} are labelled. As the label of u_{n-3} is c , the vertices u_{n-2}, u_{n-1} and u_n should be labelled using 2 labels from $\{d, f, e\}$ and one from $\{a, b, c\}$. But now, as same is the case with v_{n-2}, v_{n-1}, v_n , it is not possible to label the vertices satisfying the group S_3 cordial prime condition. By symmetry, this is the case with any labeling. So n is not of the form $n = 6k+3, k \geq 0$.

Conversely, assume that n is not of the form $n = 6k+3, k \geq 0$.

Case (i): $n \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$.

Let $n = 6, k \geq 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Each vertex label should appear $\frac{2n}{6} = \frac{2(6k)}{6} = 2k$ times.

Label the vertices $u_i, v_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$ using the labels in the pattern $e adbf c$ starting from u_1 as well as v_1 . Clearly this is a group S_3 cordial prime labeling.

Case (ii): $n \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$

Let $n = 6k + 1, k \geq 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Total number of vertices = $2n = 2(6k + 1) = 12k + 2$.

So two labels appear $2k + 1$ times and 4 others appear $2k$ times.

$g : V(Db_n) \rightarrow S_3$ is defined as follows:

$$g(v_1) = g(v_7) = \dots = g(v_{n-6}) = e$$

$$g(v_2) = g(v_8) = \dots = g(v_{n-5}) = a$$

$$g(v_3) = g(v_9) = \dots = g(v_{n-4}) = d$$

$$g(v_4) = g(v_{10}) = \dots = g(v_{n-3}) = b$$

$$g(v_5) = g(v_{11}) = \dots = g(v_{n-2}) = f$$

$$g(v_6) = g(v_{12}) = \dots = g(v_{n-1}) = c$$

$$g(v_n) = f$$

Define g on $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ in the same way except that $g(u_n) = d$.

Now $n_d(g) = 2k + 1$, $n_f(g) = 2k + 1$ and $n_a(g) = n_b(g) = n_c(g) = n_e(g) = 2k$.

Case (iii): $n \equiv 2(\text{mod } 6)$.

Let $n = 6k + 2$, $k \geq 1$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

Now, number of vertices = $2(6k + 2) = 12k + 4$.

So, 4 labels appear $2k + 1$ times and 2 labels appear $2k$ times.

Define $g : V(Db_n) \rightarrow S_3$ as follows:

$$g(v_1) = g(v_7) = \dots = g(v_{n-7}) = e$$

$$g(v_2) = g(v_8) = \dots = g(v_{n-6}) = a$$

$$g(v_3) = g(v_9) = \dots = g(v_{n-5}) = d$$

$$g(v_4) = g(v_{10}) = \dots = g(v_{n-4}) = b$$

$$g(v_5) = g(v_{11}) = \dots = g(v_{n-3}) = f$$

$$g(v_6) = g(v_{12}) = \dots = g(v_{n-2}) = c$$

$$g(v_{n-1}) = f, g(v_n) = a$$

Define g on $\{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ in the same way except that $g(u_{n-1}) = d$, $g(u_n) = b$. Now $n_a(g) = n_b(g) = n_d(g) = n_f(g) = 2k + 1$ and $n_c(g) = n_e(g) = 2k$.

Case (iv): $n \equiv 4(\text{mod } 6)$

Let $n = 6k + 4$, $k \geq 1$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

Number of vertices = $2(6k + 4) = 12k + 8$.

Now 4 labels appear $2k + 1$ times and 2 labels appear $2k + 2$ times.

The labeling is same as in case (ii).

Case (v): $n \equiv 5(\text{mod } 6)$.

Let $n = 6k + 5$, $k \geq 0$, $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

Number of vertices = $2(6k + 5) = 12k + 10$.

Here, 2 labels appear $2k + 1$ times and 4 labels appear $2k + 2$ times.

The labelling is same as in case (iii).

Thus, in all cases, we observe that Db_n is group S_3 cordial prime.

Definition 2.7. Let $C_n^{(t)}$ denote the one-point union of t cycles of length n .

The graph $C_3^{(t)}$ is called a Friendship graph.

Theorem 2.8. Friendship graphs $C_3^{(t)}$ are group S_3 cordial prime.

Proof. Let $C_3^{(t)}$ be the friendship graph. Let the common vertex be w and the remaining two vertices of the n cycles be denoted as $u_i, v_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$.

$$\text{Then } E(C_3^{(t)}) = \begin{cases} u_i v_i, & i = 1 \text{ to } n \\ u_i w, & i = 1 \text{ to } n \\ v_i w, & i = 1 \text{ to } n \end{cases}$$

Then w should be labelled as e . If we label w as a (or b or c), then none of the vertices of u_i, v_i can be labelled as a or b or c . Similarly if we label w as d or f , then none of the vertices of u_i, v_i can be labelled with d or f .

Hence w should be labelled as e .

Define $g : V(C_3^{(t)}) \rightarrow S_3$ as follows :

Clearly g is a group S_3 cordial prime labeling.

$$g(w) = e;$$

$$g(u_i) = \begin{cases} a, & i \equiv 1(\text{mod } 3) \\ b, & i \equiv 2(\text{mod } 3) \\ c, & i \equiv 0(\text{mod } 3) \end{cases}$$

$$g(v_i) = \begin{cases} d, & i \equiv 1(\text{mod } 3) \\ f, & i \equiv 2(\text{mod } 3) \\ e, & i \equiv 0(\text{mod } 3) \end{cases}$$

Clearly, g is a group S_3 cordial prime labelling.

Illustration of the labeling for the Friendship graph $C_3^{(2)}$ is given in Fig.

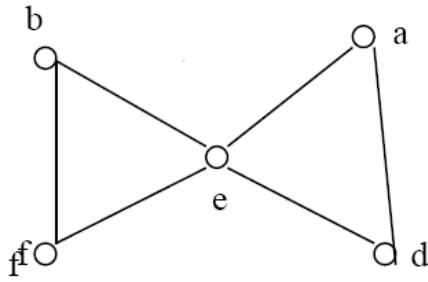


Fig. 5

Definition 2.9. The Web graph $W(2, n)$ is the graph obtained from a closed Helm CH_n by adding a single pendent edge to each vertex of the outer cycle. **Theorem 2.10.** Web graphs $W(2, n)$ are group S_3 cordial prime if and only if $n \neq 3$.

Proof : Let $W(2, n)$ be the web graph. Let w be the center vertex. Let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n be the vertices of the cycle C_n , and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n be the vertices of the outer cycle and w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n be the pendent vertices .

Suppose $n = 3$. The graph has 10 vertices and contains two triangles.

We need at least 3 vertices to be labelled with the label e in order to have a group S_3 cordial prime labeling. But at most 2 e 's are available for use. So $n \neq 3$.

Conversely assume that $n \neq 3$.

Case 1: $n \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$.

Let $n = 6k, k \geq 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. Define $g : V(W(2, n)) \rightarrow S_3$ as follows:

$$g(w) = e$$

$$g(u_i) = \begin{cases} a, & i = 1, 7, \dots, 6k - 5 \\ d, & i = 2, 8, \dots, 6k - 4 \\ b, & i = 3, 9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ f, & i = 4, 10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ c, & i = 5, 11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ e, & i = 6, 12, \dots, 6k \end{cases}$$

$$g(v_i) = \begin{cases} d, & i = 1, 7, \dots, 6k - 5 \\ b, & i = 2, 8, \dots, 6k - 4 \\ f, & i = 3, 9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ c, & i = 4, 10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ e, & i = 5, 11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ a, & i = 6, 12, \dots, 6k \end{cases}$$

$$g(w_i) = \begin{cases} c, & i = 1, 7, \dots, 6k - 5 \\ f, & i = 2, 8, \dots, 6k - 4 \\ b, & i = 3, 9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ d, & i = 4, 10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ a, & i = 5, 11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ e, & i = 6, 12, \dots, 6k \end{cases}$$

Case 2: $n \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$.

Let $n = 6k + 1, k \geq 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

Define $g : V(W(2, n)) \rightarrow S_3$ as follows.

$$g(w) = e.$$

$$g(u_i) = \begin{cases} a, & i = 1, 7, \dots, 6k - 5 \\ d, & i = 2, 8, \dots, 6k - 4 \\ b, & i = 3, 9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ f, & i = 4, 10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ c, & i = 5, 11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ e, & i = 6, 12, \dots, 6k \\ d, & i = 6k + 1 \end{cases}$$

$$g(v_i) = \begin{cases} d, & i = 1, 7, \dots, 6k - 5 \\ b, & i = 2, 8, \dots, 6k - 4 \\ f, & i = 3, 9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ c, & i = 4, 10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ e, & i = 5, 11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ a, & i = 6, 12, \dots, 6k - 6 \\ f, & i = 6k - 1 \\ a, & i = 6k \\ e, & i = 6k + 1 \end{cases}$$

$$g(w_i) = \begin{cases} c, & i = 1, 7, \dots, 6k + 1 \\ f, & i = 2, 8, \dots, 6k - 4 \\ b, & i = 3, 9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ d, & i = 4, 10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ a, & i = 5, 11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ e, & i = 6, 12, \dots, 6k \end{cases}$$

Case 3: $n \equiv 2 \pmod{6}$

Let $n = 6k + 2, k \geq 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

Define $g : V(W(2, n)) \rightarrow S_3$ as follows:

$$g(w) = e$$

$$g(u_i) = \begin{cases} a, & i = 1, 7, \dots, 6k + 1 \\ d, & i = 2, 8, \dots, 6k - 4 \\ b, & i = 3, 9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ f, & i = 4, 10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ c, & i = 5, 11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ e, & i = 6, 12, \dots, 6k \end{cases}$$

$$g(v_i) = \begin{cases} d, & i = 1, 7, \dots, 6k - 5 \\ b, & i = 2, 8, \dots, 6k - 4 \\ f, & i = 3, 9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ c, & i = 4, 10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ e, & i = 5, 11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ a, & i = 6, 12, \dots, 6k \\ f, & i = 6k + 1 \\ b, & i = 6k + 2 \end{cases}$$

$$g(w_i) = \begin{cases} c, & i = 1,7, \dots, 6k + 1 \\ f, & i = 2,8, \dots, 6k + 2 \\ b, & i = 3,9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ d, & i = 4,10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ a, & i = 5,11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ e, & i = 6,12, \dots, 6k \end{cases}$$

$$g(u_i) = \begin{cases} a, & i = 1,7, \dots, 6k - 5 \\ d, & i = 2,8, \dots, 6k - 4 \\ b, & i = 3,9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ f, & i = 4,10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ c, & i = 5,11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ e, & i = 6,12, \dots, 6k \end{cases}$$

Case 4: $n \equiv 3 \pmod{6}$

Let $n = 6k + 3, k \geq 1, k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

Define $g : V(W(2, n)) \rightarrow S_3$ as follows:

$$g(w) = e$$

$$g(u_i) = \begin{cases} a, & i = 1,7, \dots, 6k - 5 \\ d, & i = 2,8, \dots, 6k - 4 \\ b, & i = 3,9, \dots, 6k - 3 \\ f, & i = 4,10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ c, & i = 5,11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ e, & i = 6,12, \dots, 6k - 6 \\ d, & i = 6k \\ a, & i = 6k + 1 \\ f, & i = 6k + 2 \\ e, & i = 6k + 3 \end{cases}$$

$$g(v_i) = \begin{cases} d, & i = 1,7, \dots, 6k + 1 \\ c, & i = 2,8, \dots, 6k + 2 \\ f, & i = 3,9, \dots, 6k + 3 \\ b, & i = 4,10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ e, & i = 5,11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ a, & i = 6,12, \dots, 6k \\ a, & i = 6k + 4 \end{cases}$$

$$g(w_i) = \begin{cases} c, & i = 1,7, \dots, 6k + 1 \\ f, & i = 2,8, \dots, 6k + 2 \\ b, & i = 3,9, \dots, 6k + 3 \\ d, & i = 4,10, \dots, 6k - 2 \\ a, & i = 5,11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ e, & i = 6,12, \dots, 6k \\ e, & i = 6k + 4 \end{cases}$$

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Case 5: $n \equiv 4 \pmod{6}$

Let $n = 6k + 4, k \geq 0, k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

Define $g : V(W(2, n)) \rightarrow S_3$ as follows:

$$g(w) = e$$

$$g(v_i) = \begin{cases} d, & i = 1,7, \dots, 6k + 1 \\ b, & i = 2,8, \dots, 6k + 2 \\ f, & i = 3,9, \dots, 6k + 3 \\ c, & i = 4,10, \dots, 6k + 4 \\ e, & i = 5,11, \dots, 6k + 5 \\ a, & i = 6,12, \dots, 6k \end{cases}$$

$$g(w_i) = \begin{cases} c, & i = 1,7, \dots, 6k + 1 \\ f, & i = 2,8, \dots, 6k + 2 \\ b, & i = 3,9, \dots, 6k + 3 \\ d, & i = 4,10, \dots, 6k + 4 \\ a, & i = 5,11, \dots, 6k + 5 \\ e, & i = 6,12, \dots, 6k \end{cases}$$

Case 6: $n \equiv 5 \pmod{6}$

Let $n = 6k + 5, k \geq 0, k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

Define $g : V(W(2, n)) \rightarrow S_3$ as follows:

$$g(w) = e$$

$$g(u_i) = \begin{cases} a, & i = 1,7, \dots, 6k + 1 \\ d, & i = 2,8, \dots, 6k + 2 \\ b, & i = 3,9, \dots, 6k + 3 \\ f, & i = 4,10, \dots, 6k + 4 \\ c, & i = 5,11, \dots, 6k - 1 \\ e, & i = 6,12, \dots, 6k \\ d, & i = 6k + 5 \end{cases}$$

Table 1 shows that g is a group S_3 cordial prime labeling.

Table 1

Nature of n	$n_a(g)$	$n_b(g)$	$n_c(g)$	$n_d(g)$	$n_e(g)$	$n_f(g)$
$n = 6k(k \geq 1)$	$3k$	$3k$	$3k$	$3k$	$3k + 1$	$3k$
$n = 6k + 1(k \geq 1)$	$3k$	$3k$	$3k + 1$	$3k + 1$	$3k + 1$	$3k + 1$
$n = 6k + 2(k \geq 1)$	$3k + 1$	$3k + 1$	$3k + 1$	$3k + 1$	$3k + 1$	$3k + 2$
$n = 6k + 3(k \geq 1)$	$3k + 1$	$3k + 2$	$3k + 1$	$3k + 2$	$3k + 2$	$3k + 2$
$n = 6k + 4(k \geq 0)$	$3k + 2$	$3k + 2$	$3k + 2$	$3k + 2$	$3k + 2$	$3k + 3$
$n = 6k + 5(k \geq 0)$	$3k + 2$	$3k + 3$	$3k + 2$	$3k + 3$	$3k + 3$	$3k + 3$

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