

SUM EDGE-COLORINGS OF SOME COMPLETE TRIPARTITE AND SOME REGULAR GRAPHS

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A proper edge-coloring of a graph is called a sum edge-coloring if it minimizes the total sum of colors on all the edges of the graph ([1]). The aforementioned minimal sum is called the edge-chromatic sum of the graph G and is denoted by $\Sigma'(G)$, and the minimal number of colors needed for a sum edge-coloring is called the edge-strength of the graph G and is denoted by $s'(G)$. In this work, we have obtained the exact values of the edge-chromatic sums and the edge-strength of some complete tripartite graphs. We have also given the values of both parameters for some generalization of cycles $C_n(m)$ defined by Parker in [2].

Main Results. We have proven the following theorems.

Theorem 1. For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we have

$$\sum'(K_{n,n,n}) = \begin{cases} \frac{3n^2(2n+1)}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ \frac{n(2n+1)(3n+1)}{2}, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

and

$$s'(K_{n,n,n}) = \begin{cases} 2n, & \text{if } n \text{ is even,} \\ 2n + 1, & \text{if } n \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Theorem 2. For any $n, m, k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n \geq m + k$ and $m \geq k$, we have $s'(K_{n,m,k}) = n + m$ and

$$\sum'(K_{n,m,k}) = \frac{(n + m + 1)(km + kn + mn) - m^2n}{2}.$$

Theorem 3. For any $n \geq 3, m \geq 1$, if nm is an even number, then $s'(C_n(m)) = 2m$ and

$$\sum'(C_n(m)) = nm^3 + \frac{nm^2}{2},$$

otherwise $s'(C_n(m)) = 2m + 1$ and

$$\sum'(C_n(m)) = \frac{m(nm + 1)(2m + 1)}{2}.$$

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