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## NEW AUM BLOCK DUPLICATION TECHNIQUE FOR PATH GRAPHS WITH APPLICATIONS TO TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT

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**Abstract:** *In this paper, we present a new innovative technique of duplication of blocks in a graph called as AUM Block Duplication. By AUM Block Duplication of a graph, we mean duplication of a block by appending a new edge and joining the common encompassed vertices with the respective blocks and its neighbors. Duplication of a block by an edge and  $l$  – block duplications are presented in this work. This AUM Block Duplication and 2 – block duplication is applied in path graphs and it is applicable for enhanced transportation network management.*

**Keywords:** AUM Block Duplication,  $l$  – block duplication, 2

block duplication, path graph, neighborhood of a block.

**AMS classification:** 05C78.

### Introduction

Graph theory is essential to many domains including physics, computer technology, social networks and many real-world applications including traffic management, traveling salesman problem, transportation, google maps and so forth. Rosa originated the idea of labeling [3]. An innovative block labelling technique developed by A. Uma Maheswari in [4][5][7][9][10][11][12] and [13]. Consequently, AUM Block coloring was identified in [7] and [9]. Moreover, AUM Block Sum Prime Distance Labeling has also been introduced by the authors for snake families of graphs in [14]. Vertex duplication and edge duplication has been studied in [15]. This work presents a

novel idea of block duplication for path graph and its application. The graph that results from the duplication of blocks is referred as duplicated graph and the process of duplication of a block is called AUM block duplication.

### Preliminaries

**Block of a graph  $G$  [4]:** The graph  $G$  is said to be separable if it has at least one cut-vertex. Otherwise,  $G$  is non-separable. A maximal non separable connected subgraph of graph  $G$  is called a **block of graph  $G$ .**

**Path Graph[1]:** A **Path graph  $P_n$**  is a graph whose vertices can be listed in the order  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  such that the edges are  $\{v_i v_{i+1}\}$  where  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$ .

### 1. Duplication of a block by an edge

In this section, we introduce the new concept of AUM Block Duplication by an edge. We apply the block duplication by an edge to the path graph.

**Definition 1.1:Neighbourhood of a block :**

Let  $G$  be any Graph. The neighbourhood of a block  $B$  is the set of all blocks that have a common vertex with  $B$  and it is denoted by  $N(B)$ .

**Definition 1.2: AUM Block Duplication:** Let  $G$  be any Graph. **Duplication of a block  $B_i$  by an edge  $e$**  is the graph, which is obtained by adding the new edge  $e = uv$  to  $G$  and joining the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with the vertex common to  $B_i$  and its neighboring blocks  $B_j$ .

The graph obtained after the duplication of a graph  $G$  is called duplicated graph and it is denoted by  $D_G^{\square}(B)$ .

**PREPOSITION 1.3: Duplication of a block in  $P_2$  :**

Let  $u_1, u_2$  be the vertices and  $B_1$  be the block of the graph  $P_2$ .

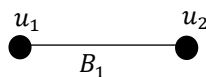


Figure 1: Path Graph  $P_2$

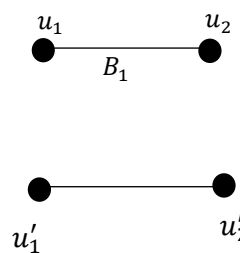


Figure 2: Duplicated Graph  $D_{P_2}(B_1)$

Let us duplicate the block  $B_1$  by introducing a new edge  $u'_1 u'_2$ . Duplication of a block is done by joining  $u'_1$  and  $u'_2$  with the vertices common to the respective block and its neighbor. But, we have only one block  $B_1$ , and it has no neighboring blocks. Hence, there is no common vertex, the duplicated graph will be a disconnected graph as in figure 2.

**PREPOSITION 1.4: Duplication of a block in  $P_3$  :**

Let  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  be the vertices and  $B_1, B_2$  be the blocks of the graph  $P_3$ .

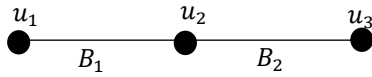


Figure 3: Path Graph  $P_3$

**Case (i): Duplication of the block  $B_1$  :**

Here  $B_2$  is the neighboring block and  $u_2$  is the common vertex to  $B_1$  and its neighbor  $B_2$ . Introduce the new edge  $u'_1u'_2$  for duplication of a block  $B_1$ . Join the vertices  $u'_1$  and  $u'_2$  with the vertex  $u_2$ .

Then the duplicated graph of  $P_3$  is obtained as follows

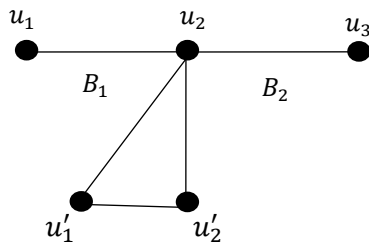


Figure 4: Duplicated Graph  $D_{P_3}(B_1)$

**Case (ii): Duplication of the block  $B_2$  :**

Here  $B_1$  is the neighboring block and  $u_2$  is the common vertex to  $B_2$  and its neighbor  $B_1$ . Introduce the new edge  $u'_2u'_3$  for duplication of the block  $B_2$ . Join the vertices  $u'_2$  and  $u'_3$  with the vertex  $u_2$ .

Then the duplicated graph of  $P_3$  is obtained as follows

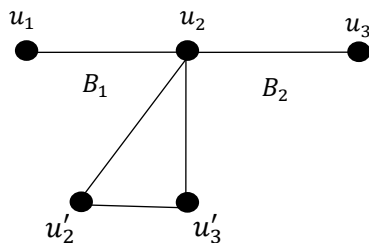


Figure 5: Duplicated Graph  $D_{P_3}(B_2)$

Thus in  $P_3$  the duplicated graph is same in both the cases.

**PREPOSITION 1.5: Duplication of a block in  $P_4$  :**

Let  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4$  be the vertices and  $B_1, B_2, B_3$  be the blocks in  $P_4$ .

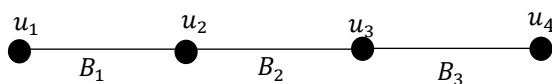


Figure 6: Path Graph  $P_4$

**Case (i): Duplication of a block  $B_1$  in  $P_4$  :**

Here  $B_2$  is the neighboring block and  $u_2$  is the common vertex to  $B_1$  and its neighbor  $B_2$ . Introduce the new edge  $u'_1 u'_2$  for duplication of a block  $B_1$ . Join the vertices  $u'_1$  and  $u'_2$  with the vertex  $u_2$ .

Then the duplicated graph of  $P_4$  is obtained as follows

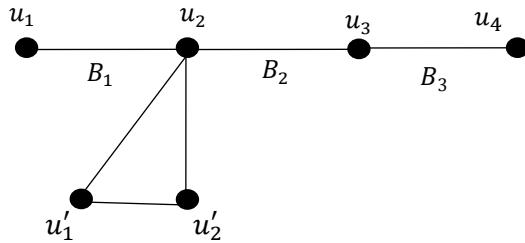


Figure 7: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_4}(B_1)$

**Case (ii): Duplication of a block  $B_2$  in  $P_4$  :**

Here  $B_1$  and  $B_3$  are the neighboring blocks for  $B_2$ .

$\therefore u_2$  and  $u_3$  are the vertices common to the neighboring blocks  $B_1$  and  $B_3$  of  $B_2$  respectively.

Let us introduce the new edge  $u'_2 u'_3$  with the end vertices  $u'_2$  and  $u'_3$  for duplication of the block  $B_2$ . Join both the vertices  $u'_2$  and  $u'_3$  with  $u_2$  and  $u_3$ .

Then the resulting graph is called the duplicated graph  $D_{P_4}(B_2)$ .

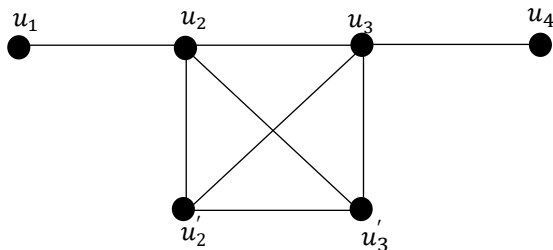


Figure 8: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_4}(B_2)$

**Case (iii): Duplication of the block  $B_3$  :**

Here  $B_2$  is the only neighboring block of  $B_3$  and  $u_3$  is the common vertex for the block  $B_3$  and its neighboring block  $B_2$ .

Let us consider the edge  $u'_3 u'_4$  with the end vertices in  $u'_3$  and  $u'_4$  for duplicating the block  $B_3$ .

Join the vertices  $u'_3$  and  $u'_4$  the vertex  $u_3$  for duplication of  $B_3$ .

Then the duplicated graph of the  $P_4$  is obtained as follows,

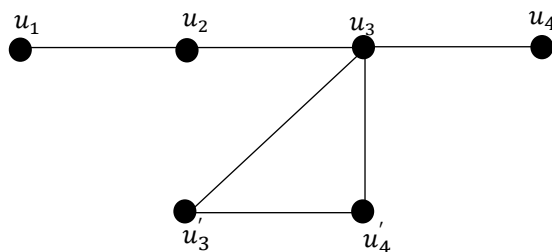


Figure 9: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_4} (B_3)$

**PREPOSITION 1.6: Duplication of a block in  $P_n$  :**

Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$  be the  $n$  vertices and  $B_1, B_2, \dots, B_{n-1}$  be the  $n - 1$  blocks in  $P_n$ .

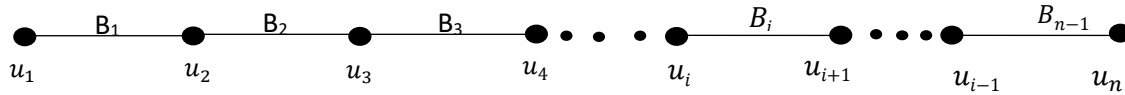


Figure 10: Path Graph  $P_n$

**Case (i): Duplication of the block  $B_1$  in  $P_n$  .**

Here  $B_2$  is the neighboring block and  $u_2$  is the common vertex to  $B_1$  and its neighbor  $B_2$ . Introduce the new edge  $u'_1 u'_2$  for duplication of a block  $B_1$ . Join the vertices  $u'_1$  and  $u'_2$  with the vertex  $u_2$ .

Then the duplicated graph of  $P_n$  is obtained as follows

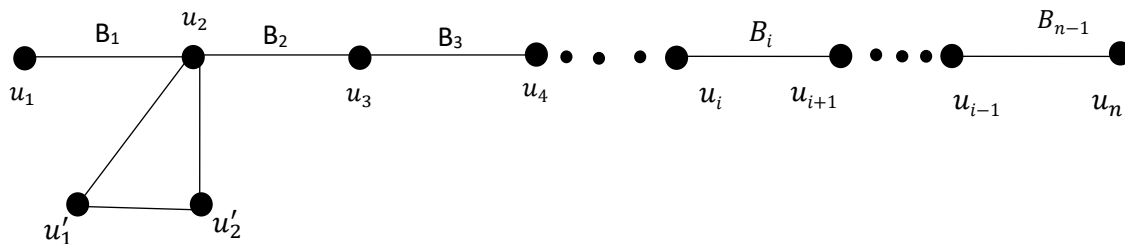


Figure 11: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_n} (B_1)$

**Case (ii): Duplication of the block  $B_i$  , ( $2 \leq i \leq n - 2$ ) in  $P_n$ .**

Here  $B_{i-1}, B_{i+1}$  are the neighboring blocks for  $B_i$ .

$\therefore u_i, u_{i+1}$  are the vertices common to the neighboring blocks  $B_{i-1}$  and  $B_{i+1}$  of  $B_i$  respectively.

Let us introduce the new edge  $u'_i, u'_{i+1}$  with the end vertices  $u'_i$  and  $u'_{i+1}$  for duplicating the block  $B_i$ . Join the various  $u'_i$  with  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$  and  $u'_{i+1}$  with  $u_i$  and  $u_{i+1}$ .

Then the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

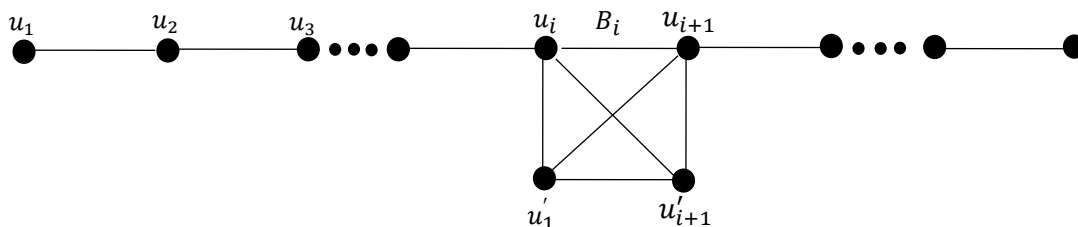


Figure 12: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_n} (B_i)$

**Case (iii): Duplication of the block  $B_{n-1}$  in  $P_n$ .**

Here  $P_{n-2}$  is the only neighboring block of  $B_{n-1}$  and  $u_{n-1}$  is the common vertex for the block  $B_{n-1}$  and its neighboring block  $B_{n-2}$ .

Let us consider the edge  $u'_{n-1} u'_n$  with the end vertices  $u'_{n-1}$  and  $u'_n$  for duplicating the block  $B_{n-1}$ .

Join the vertices  $u'_{n-1}$  and  $u'_n$  with the vertex  $u_{n-1}$ .

Then the duplicated graph of  $P_n$  is obtained as follows,

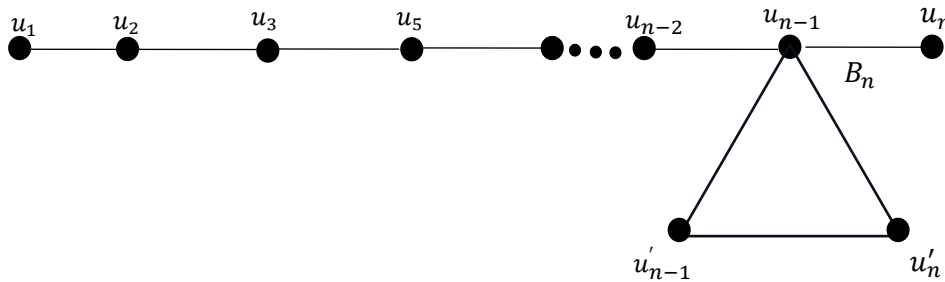


Figure 13: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_n}(B_n)$

## 2. $l$ - block duplication

Let  $n$  be the number of blocks in a graph. Let  $l$  be any positive integer.

In this section we shall obtain duplication of  $l$  blocks by edges. This process is called  $l$  – block duplication. After the duplication the resulting graph is called  $l$  - block duplicated graph and it is denoted by  $D_G^l(B)$ .

We consider different types of duplication of  $l$  - blocks by edges.

**Type 1:** Duplication of  $l$  - blocks by same edge.

**Type 2:** Duplication of  $l$  - blocks by distinct edges.

**Type 3:** Duplication of  $l$  - blocks by allowing repeated edges for some blocks.

### Duplication of $l$ - blocks by same edge ( $l \leq n$ ):

Let  $G$  be any Graph with  $n$  blocks. In this type  $l$  blocks are duplicated with same edge  $e$ .

### Duplication of $l$ - blocks by distinct edges ( $l \leq n$ ):

Let  $G$  be any Graph with  $n$  blocks. In this type  $l$  blocks are duplicated by  $l$  distinct edges  $e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_l$ .

### Duplication of $l$ -blocks by allowing repeated edges for some blocks ( $l \leq n$ ):

Let  $G$  be any Graph with  $n$  blocks. In this type some blocks are duplicated with distinct edges and some blocks are duplicated with edges that has been already used.

## 2.1. 2 – block Duplication

In this section we have discussed 2- block duplication of a path graph with same edge of type 1.

**PREPOSITION 2.1.1: 2 – Block duplication of  $P_3$  with same edge:**

Let  $u_1, u_2, u_3$  be the vertices and  $B_1, B_2$  be the blocks of the path graph  $P_3$ .

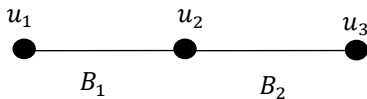


Figure 14: Path Graph  $P_3$

Here the neighbor sets are  $N(B_1) = \{B_2\}$  and  $N(B_2) = \{B_1\}$ .

Let us consider the edge  $uv$  with end vertices  $u$  and  $v$  for duplication of the blocks  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ . Since Both the blocks  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  have the same common vertex  $u_2$ , the duplicated graph is obtained by joining the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_2$  as follows,

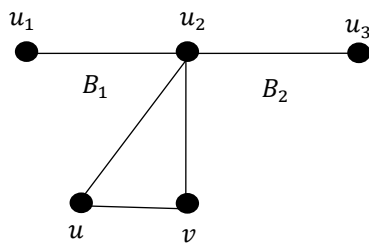


Figure 15: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_3}^2(B_{12})$

Thus 2 - block duplication of  $P_3$  with same edge is same as duplication of a block by an edge in  $P_3$  (refer preposition 1.4)

**PREPOSITON 2.1.2: 2 - block duplication of  $P_4$  with same edge**

Let  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4$  be the vertices and  $B_1, B_2, B_3$  be the blocks of the path graph  $P_4$ .

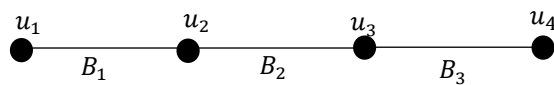


Figure 16: Path Graph  $P_4$

Here the neighbor sets are  $N(B_1) = \{B_2\}$ ,  $N(B_2) = \{B_1, B_3\}$  and  $N(B_3) = \{B_2\}$

Let us consider the edge  $uv$  with end vertices  $u$  and  $v$  for duplication.

And the possible cases for duplication are

**Case(i): Duplication of the blocks  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ .**

Join the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with the vertex  $u_2$ , which is common to  $B_1$  and its neighbor  $B_2$  for duplicating the block  $B_1$ .

Now for duplication of  $B_2$  we have to join the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_2$ , which is common to  $B_2$  and its neighbor  $B_1$  and with  $u_3$ , which is common to  $B_2$  and its neighbor  $B_3$ .

But already  $u$  and  $v$  have been joined with  $u_2$  while duplicating  $B_1$ , it is enough to join the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_3$ .

Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

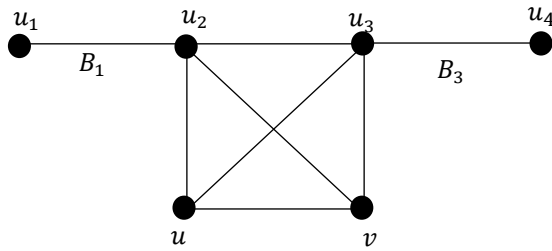


Figure 17: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_4}^2(B_{12})$

**Case (ii): Duplication of the blocks  $B_2$  and  $B_3$ .**

Join the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with the vertex  $u_3$ , which is common to  $B_3$  and its neighbor  $B_2$  for duplicating the block  $B_3$ .

Now duplication of  $B_2$  is done as in case (i).

Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as in case (i).

**Case (iii): Duplication of the blocks  $B_1$  and  $B_3$ .**

Join the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with the vertex  $u_2$ , which is common to  $B_1$  and its neighbor  $B_2$  for duplicating the block  $B_1$  and with  $u_3$ , which is common to  $B_3$  and its neighbor  $B_2$  for duplicating the block  $B_3$ .

Thus, the duplicated graph is again obtained as in case (i).

Hence, 2-block duplication of  $P_4$  with same edge in all the cases is same as duplication of a block  $B_2$  by an edge in  $P_4$ .

**PREPOSITION 2.1.3: 2 - block duplication of  $P_5$  with the same edge.**

Let  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5$  be the vertices and  $B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4$  be the blocks of the path graph  $P_5$ .

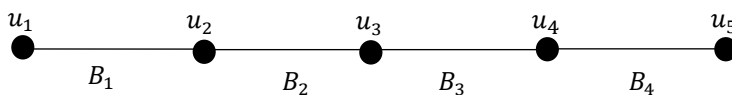


Figure 18: Path Graph  $P_5$

Here the neighbor sets are  $N(B_1) = \{B_2\}$ ,  $N(B_2) = \{B_1, B_3\}$ ,  $N(B_3) = \{B_2, B_4\}$  and  $N(B_4) = \{B_3\}$

Let us consider the edge  $uv$  with end vertices  $u$  and  $v$  for duplication.

And the possible cases for duplications are

**Case (i): Duplication of  $B_1$  and  $B_2$ :**

Duplication of  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  it can be done as in case (i) of preposition 2.1.2.

Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

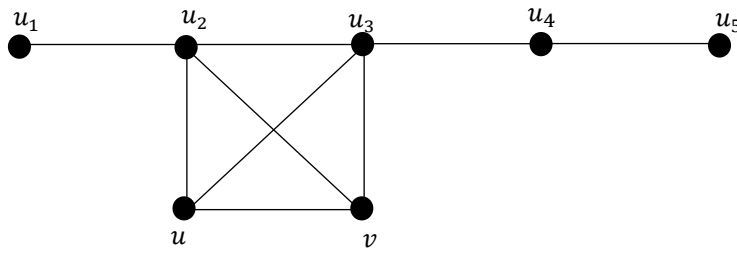


Figure 19: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_5}^2(B_{12})$

**Case (ii): Duplication of  $B_1$  and  $B_3$  :**

Duplication of  $B_1$  is done by joining  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_2$ , which is common to  $B_1$  and its neighbor  $B_2$  and duplication of  $B_3$  is done by joining the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_3$  and  $u_4$  which are common to  $B_3$  and its neighbors  $B_2$  and  $B_4$  respectively.

Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

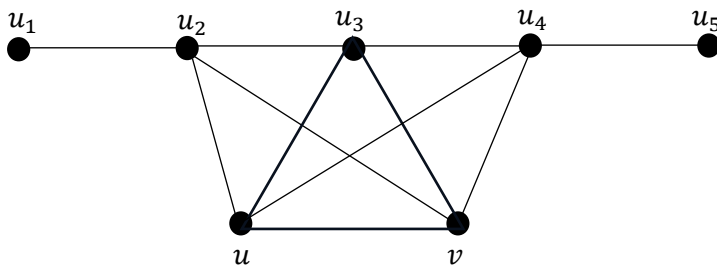


Figure 20: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_5}^2(B_{13})$

**Case (iii): Duplication of  $B_1$  and  $B_4$  :**

Duplication of  $B_1$  is done by joining  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_2$ , which is common to  $B_1$  and its neighbor  $B_2$  and duplication of  $B_4$  is done by joining  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_4$ , which is common to  $B_4$  and its neighbor  $B_3$ . Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

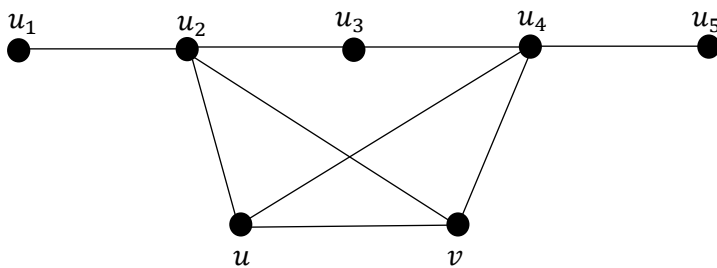


Figure 21: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_5}^2(B_{14})$

**Case (iv): Duplication of  $B_2$  and  $B_3$  :**

Let us join the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_2$  and  $u_3$  for duplication  $B_2$  which are common to  $B_2$  and its neighbors  $B_1$  and  $B_3$  respectively.

For duplication of  $B_3$ ,  $u$  and  $v$  can be joined with  $u_3$  and  $u_4$  which are common to  $B_3$  and its neighbors  $B_2$  and  $B_4$  respectively.

But already  $u_3$  has been joined with  $u$  and  $v$  while duplicating  $B_2$ , it is enough to join  $u_4$  with  $u$  and  $v$  for duplicating the block  $B_3$ .

Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows (which is same as case (ii))

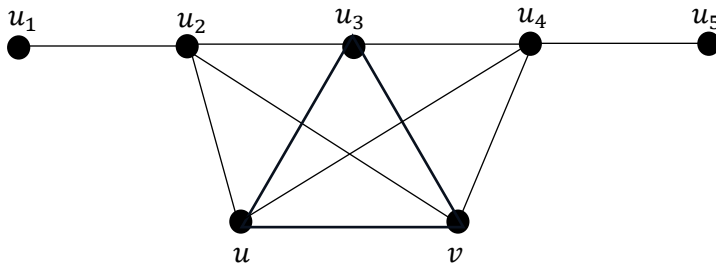


Figure 22: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_5}^2(B_{23})$

**Case (v): Duplication of  $B_2$  and  $B_4$  :**

$$N(B_2) = \{B_1, B_3\} \quad N(B_4) = \{B_3\}$$

Let us join the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_2$  and  $u_3$ , which are common to  $B_2$  and its neighbors  $B_1$  and  $B_3$  respectively for duplication of  $B_2$  and join with  $u_4$ , which is common to  $B_4$  and its neighbor  $B_3$  for duplication of  $B_4$ . Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows (again is same as case (iii))

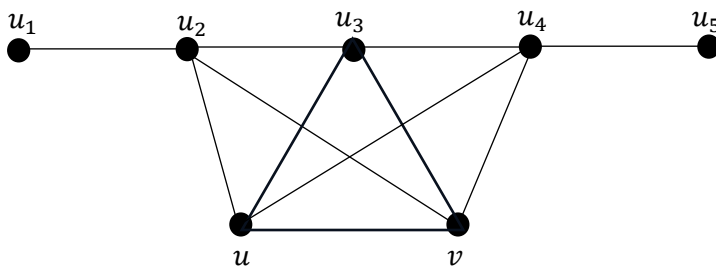


Figure 23: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_5}^2(B_{24})$

**Case (vi): Duplication of  $B_3$  and  $B_4$  :**

$$N(B_3) = \{B_2, B_4\} \quad N(B_4) = \{B_3\}$$

Let us join the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_3$  which is common to  $B_3$  and its neighbor  $B_2$  and  $u_4$ , which is common to  $B_3$  and its neighbor  $B_4$  for duplication of  $B_3$  and with  $u_4$  (which is already joined) for duplication of  $B_4$ . Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

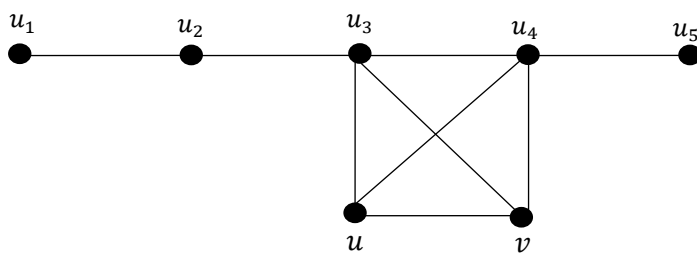


Figure 24: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_5}^2(B_{34})$

**PREPOSITION 2.1.4: 2 - block duplication of  $P_6$  with the same edge.**

Let  $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5, u_6$  be the vertices and  $B_1, B_2, B_3, B_4, B_5$  be the blocks of the path graph  $P_6$ .

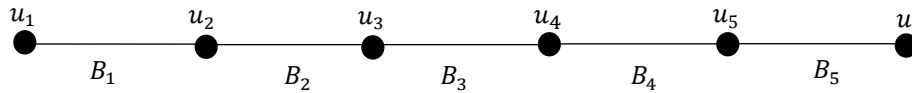


Figure 25: Path Graph  $P_6$

Here the neighbor sets are  $N(B_1) = \{B_2\}$ ,  $N(B_2) = \{B_1, B_3\}$ ,  $N(B_3) = \{B_2, B_4\}$ ,  $N(B_4) = \{B_3, B_5\}$  and  $N(B_5) = \{B_4\}$

Let us consider an edge  $uv$  with vertices  $u$  and  $v$  for duplication

Then the possible cases for 2 - block duplications are

**Case (i): Duplication of  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  :**

It can be done as in case (i) of preposition 2.1.2.

Thus, the duplicated graph is as follows

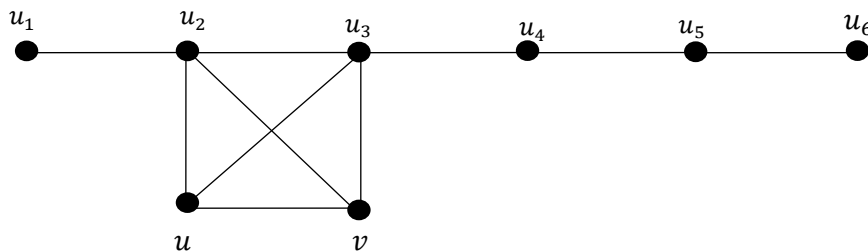


Figure 26: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_6}^2(B_{12})$

**Case (ii): Duplication of  $B_1$  and  $B_3$  :**

It can be done as in case (ii) of preposition 2.1.3.

Thus, the duplicated graph is as follows

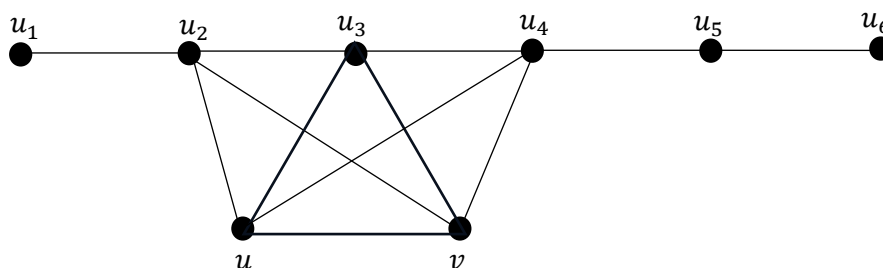


Figure 27: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_6}^2(B_{13})$

**Case (iii): Duplication of  $B_1$  and  $B_4$  :**

$$N(B_1) = \{B_2\} \quad N(B_4) = \{B_3, B_5\}$$

Let us join  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_2$  which is common to  $B_1$  and its neighbor  $B_2$  for duplication of  $B_1$ . For duplication of  $B_4$ , Let us join  $u$  and  $v$  with the vertices  $u_4$ , which is common to  $B_4$  and its neighbor  $B_3$  and  $u_5$ , which is common to  $B_4$  and its neighbor  $B_5$ . Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

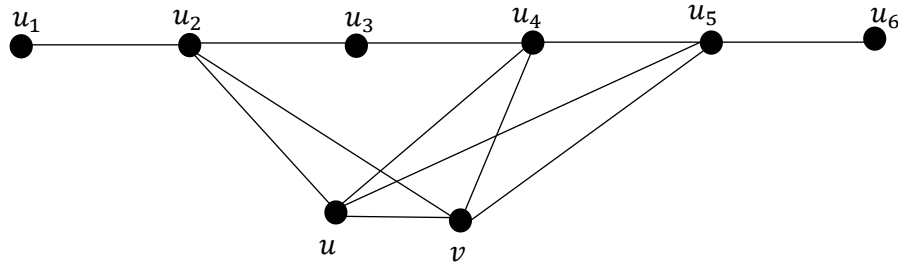


Figure 28: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_6}^2(B_{14})$

**Case (iv): Duplication of  $B_1$  and  $B_5$  :**

$$N(B_1) = \{B_2\} \quad N(B_5) = \{B_4\}$$

For duplication  $B_1$ , let us join  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_2$  and for duplication of  $B_5$ ,  $u$  and  $v$  can be joined with  $u_5$ . Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

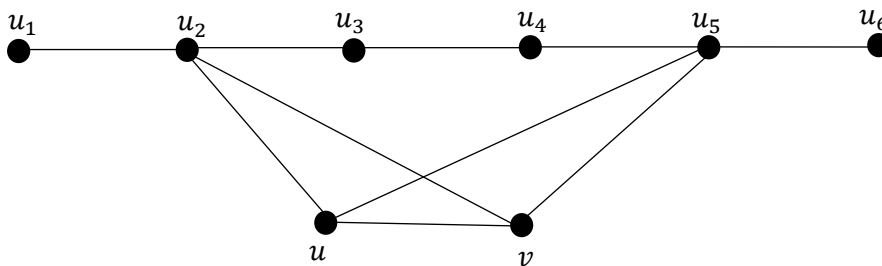


Figure 29: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_6}^2(B_{15})$

**Case (v): Duplication of  $B_2$  and  $B_3$  :**

$$N(B_2) = \{B_1, B_3\} \quad N(B_3) = \{B_2, B_4\}$$

Duplication of  $B_2$  and  $B_3$  can be done by joining  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_2$ ,  $u_3$  and  $u_4$  as per the definition of duplication of a block by an edge. Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

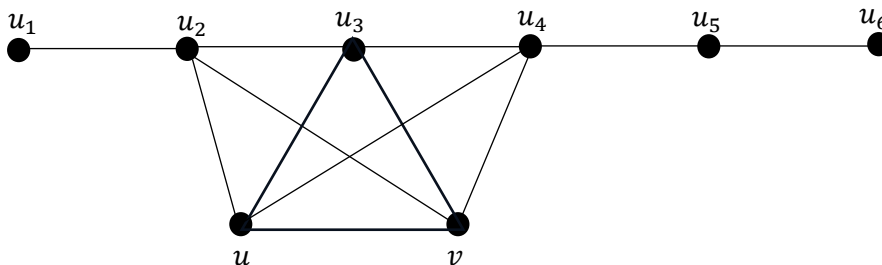


Figure 30: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_6}^2(B_{23})$

**Case (vi): Duplication of  $B_2$  and  $B_4$  :**

$$N(B_2) = \{B_1, B_3\} \quad N(B_4) = \{B_3, B_5\}$$

Let us join  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_2$ , which is common to  $B_2$  and its neighbor  $B_1$  and  $u_3$ , which is common to  $B_2$  its neighbor  $B_3$  for duplication of  $B_2$ .

For duplication  $B_4$ ,  $u$  and  $v$  can be joined with  $u_4$  and  $u_5$  which are common to  $B_4$  and its neighbors  $B_3$  and  $B_5$  respectively.

Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,



Figure 31: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_6}^2(B_{24})$

**Case (vii): Duplication of  $B_2$  and  $B_5$  :**

$$N(B_2) = \{B_1, B_3\} \quad N(B_5) = \{B_4\}$$

Duplication of  $B_2$  can be done as in case (iv)

Duplication of  $B_5$  can be done as in case (iv). Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

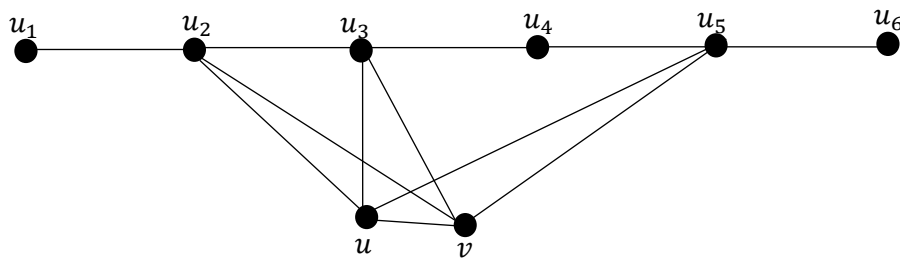


Figure 32: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_6}^2(B_{25})$

**Case (viii): Duplication of  $B_3$  and  $B_4$  :**

$$N(B_3) = \{B_2, B_4\} \quad N(B_4) = \{B_3, B_5\}$$

Duplication of  $B_3$  and  $B_4$  can be done by joining the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_3, u_4$  and  $u_5$  as per the definition of duplication of a block by an edge and the repeated edges can be used only once.

Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

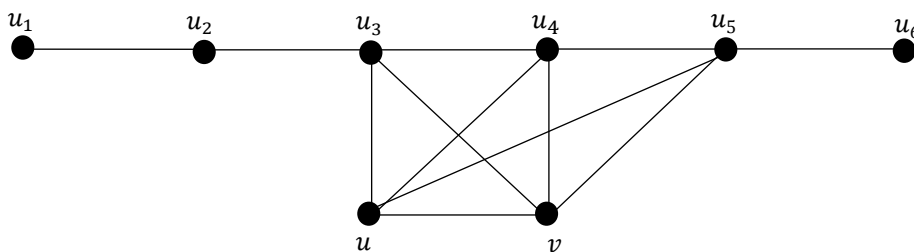


Figure 33: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_6}^2(B_{34})$

**Case (ix): Duplication of  $B_3$  and  $B_5$  :**

$$N(B_3) = \{B_2, B_4\} \quad N(B_5) = \{B_4\}$$

Join the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_3$  and  $u_4$  for the duplication of  $B_3$  and with  $u_5$  for duplication of  $B_5$ . Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

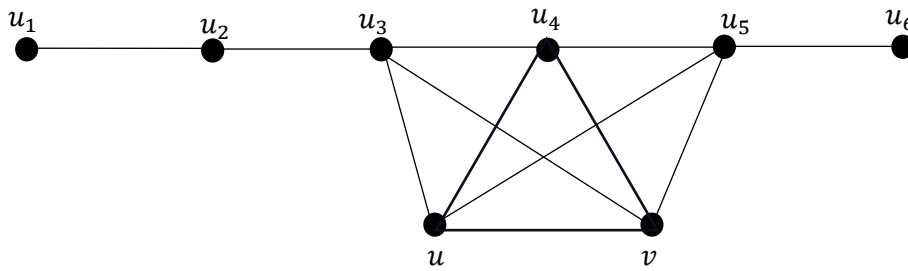


Figure 34: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_6}^2(B_{35})$

**Case (x): Duplication of  $B_4$  and  $B_5$  :**

$$N(B_4) = \{B_3, B_5\} \quad N(B_5) = \{B_4\}$$

Join the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  with  $u_4$  and  $u_5$  for the duplication of  $B_4$  and  $B_5$ .

Thus, the duplicated graph is obtained as follows,

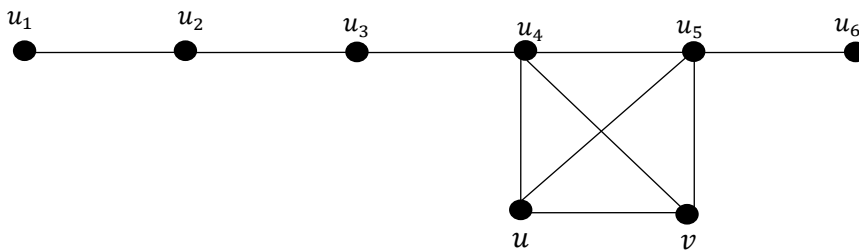


Figure 35: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_6}^2(B_{45})$ .

Path Graph	Number of possible cases for duplication	Number of different 2-duplicated graph
$P_3$	1	1
$P_4$	3	1
$P_5$	6	3
$P_6$	10	5

**3. Applications of AUM Block Duplication of path graphs for transportation network management**

The duplicated graph will help us to provide alternate routes in transportation network.

This is the one simplest Duplicated graph by using duplication of a block in  $P_4$  will be considered as an example for transportation management.

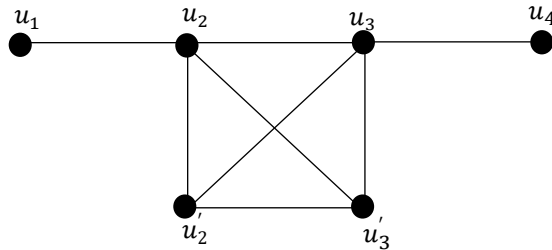


Figure 36: Duplicated graph  $D_{P_4}(B_2)$

We consider one situation. If  $u_2u_3$  is disturbed due to any damage or over traffic, in such cases where  $u_2u_3$  is blocked. The duplicated graph comes in handy in such situations that is  $u_2u'_3u_3$  or  $u_2u'_2u_3$  are may be feasible alternating. If there is heavy conjunction or obstruction in  $u_2u'_3$  or  $u'_2u_3$ , we can use the other feasible alternative  $u_2u'_2u'_3u_3$ . This idea can also be used for inaccessible areas during a natural disaster. So, the concept of duplication of graph by an edge will be useful tool in addressing issues related to commutation or transportation.

### Conclusion:

In this paper we have defined duplication of a block in a graph,  $l$  – block duplication of a graph. Additionally, duplication of a block and 2 – block duplication in a path graph has been discovered. It has several applications in the area of transportation, traffic signal, water supplies and electricity connections. Also, duplication of blocks will be employed for inaccessible areas during a natural disaster. The results can easily be extended to other families of graphs having practical applications.

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