

A TOTALLY MAGIC CORDIAL LABELING OF ONE-POINT UNION OF n COPIES OF A GRAPH

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Abstract. A graph G is said to have a totally magic cordial (TMC) labeling with constant C if there exists a mapping $f : V(G) \cup E(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ such that $f(a) + f(b) + f(ab) \equiv C \pmod{2}$ for all $ab \in E(G)$ and $|n_f(0) - n_f(1)| \leq 1$, where $n_f(i)$ ($i = 0, 1$) is the sum of the number of vertices and edges with label i . In this paper, we establish the totally magic cordial labeling of one-point union of n -copies of cycles, complete graphs and wheels.

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1. INTRODUCTION

All graphs considered here are finite, simple and undirected. The set of vertices and edges of a graph G is denoted by $V(G)$ and $E(G)$ respectively. Let $p = |V(G)|$ and $q = |E(G)|$. A general reference for graph theoretic ideas can be seen in [3]. The concept of cordial labeling was introduced by Cahit [1]. A binary vertex labeling $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ induces an edge labeling $f^* : E(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ defined by $f^*(uv) = |f(u) - f(v)|$. Such labeling is called cordial if the conditions $|v_f(0) - v_f(1)| \leq 1$ and $|e_{f^*}(0) - e_{f^*}(1)| \leq 1$ are satisfied, where $v_f(i)$ and $e_{f^*}(i)$ ($i = 0, 1$) are the number of vertices and edges with label i respectively. A graph is called cordial if it admits a cordial labeling. The cordiality of a one-point union of n copies of graphs is given in [6].

Kotzig and Rosa introduced the concept of edge-magic total labeling in [5]. A bijection $f : V(G) \cup E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, p + q\}$ is called an edge-magic total labeling of G if $f(x) + f(xy) + f(y)$ is constant (called the magic constant of f) for every edge xy of G . The graph that admits this labeling is called an edge-magic total graph.

The notion of totally magic cordial (TMC) labeling was due to Cahit [2] as a modification of edge magic total labeling and cordial labeling. A graph G is said to have TMC labeling with constant C if there exists a mapping $f : V(G) \cup E(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$

such that $f(a) + f(b) + f(ab) \equiv C \pmod{2}$ for all $ab \in E(G)$ and $|n_f(0) - n_f(1)| \leq 1$, where $n_f(i)$ ($i = 0, 1$) is the sum of the number of vertices and edges with label i .

A rooted graph is a graph in which one vertex is named in a special way so as to distinguish it from other nodes. The special node is called the root of the graph. Let G be a rooted graph. The graph obtained by identifying the roots of n copies of G is called the one-point union of n copies of G and is denoted by $G^{(n)}$.

In this paper, we establish the TMC labeling of a one-point union of n -copies of cycles, complete graphs and wheels.

2. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we present sufficient conditions for a one-point union of n copies of a rooted graph to be TMC and also obtain conditions under which a one-point union of n copies of graphs such as a cycle, complete graph and wheel are TMC graphs.

We relate the TMC labeling of a one-point union of n copies of a rooted graph to the solution of a system which involves an equation and an inequality.

Theorem 2.1. *Let G be a graph rooted at a vertex u and for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, $f_i: V(G) \cup E(G) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ be such that $f_i(a) + f_i(b) + f_i(ab) \equiv C \pmod{2}$ for all $ab \in E(G)$ and $f_i(u) = 0$. Let $n_{f_i}(0) = \alpha_i$, $n_{f_i}(1) = \beta_i$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Then the one-point union $G^{(n)}$ of n copies of G is TMC if the system (2.1) has a nonnegative integral solution for the x_i 's:*

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^k (\alpha_i - 1)x_i - \sum_{i=1}^k \beta_i x_i + 1 \right| \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{i=1}^k x_i = n. \quad (2.1)$$

Proof. Suppose $x_i = \delta_i$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, is a nonnegative integral solution of system (2.1). Then we label the δ_i copies of G in $G^{(n)}$ with f_i ($i = 1, 2, \dots, k$). As each of these copies has the property $f_i(a) + f_i(b) + f_i(ab) \equiv C \pmod{2}$ and $f_i(u) = 0$ for all $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, $G^{(n)}$ is TMC. \square

Corollary 2.2. *Let G be a graph rooted at a vertex u and f be a labeling such that $f(a) + f(b) + f(ab) \equiv C \pmod{2}$ for all $ab \in E(G)$ and $f(u) = 0$. If $n_f(0) = n_f(1) + 1$, then $G^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.*

Example 2.3. One point union of a path is TMC.

Corollary 2.4. *Let G be a graph rooted at u . Let f_i , $i = 1, 2, 3$ be labelings of G such that $f_i(a) + f_i(b) + f_i(ab) \equiv C \pmod{2}$ for all $ab \in E(G)$, $f_i(u) = 0$ and $\gamma_i = \alpha_i - \beta_i$.*

1. *If $\gamma_1 = -2$ and $\gamma_2 = 2$, then $G^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.*
2. *If either*
 - a) $\gamma_1 = -1$ and $\gamma_2 = 3$, or
 - b) $\gamma_1 = 4$, $\gamma_2 = 2$ and $\gamma_3 = -4$, or
 - c) $\gamma_1 = -3$, $\gamma_2 = 3$ and $\gamma_3 = 5$,*then $G^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.*
3. *If $\gamma_1 = 0$ and $\gamma_2 = 4$, then $G^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.*

Proof. (1) The system (2.1) in Theorem 2.1 becomes $|-3x_1 + x_2 + 1| \leq 1, x_1 + x_2 = n$. When $n = 4t, x_1 = t$ and $x_2 = 3t$ is the solution. When $n = 4t + 1$, the system has no solution. When $n = 4t + 2, x_1 = t + 1$ and $x_2 = 3t + 1$ is the solution. When $n = 4t + 3, x_1 = t + 1$ and $x_2 = 3t + 2$ is the solution. Hence, by Theorem 2.1, $G^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

(2a). The system (2.1) in Theorem 2.1 becomes $|-2x_1 + 2x_2 + 1| \leq 1, x_1 + x_2 = n$. When $n = 2t, x_1 = t$ and $x_2 = t$ is the solution. When $n = 2t + 1, x_1 = t + 1$ and $x_2 = t$ is the solution. Hence, by Theorem 2.1, $G^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.

The other parts can similarly be proved. □

3. ONE-POINT UNION OF CYCLES

Let C_m be a cycle of order m . Let

$$V(C_m) = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq m\}$$

and

$$E(C_m) = \{v_i v_{i+1} | 1 \leq i < m\} \cup \{v_m v_1\}.$$

We consider C_m as a rooted graph with the vertex v_1 as its root.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $C_m^{(n)}$ be the one-point union of n copies of a cycle C_m . Then $C_m^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $m \geq 3$ and $n \geq 1$.*

Proof. Define the labelings f_1 and f_2 from $V(C_m) \cup E(C_m)$ into $\{0, 1\}$ as follows: $f_1(v_i) = 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq m, f_1(v_i v_{i+1}) = 1$ for $1 \leq i < m, f_1(v_m v_1) = 1, 1 \leq i \leq m$ and

$$f_2(v_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i = m, \\ 0 & \text{if } i \neq m, \end{cases} \quad f_2(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 1 \leq i < m - 1, \\ 0 & \text{if } i = m - 1, \end{cases}$$

and $f_2(v_m v_1) = 0$. Then $\alpha_1 = m, \beta_1 = m, \alpha_2 = m + 1$ and $\beta_2 = m - 1$. Thus system (2.1) in Theorem 2.1 becomes $|-x_1 + x_2 + 1| \leq 1, x_1 + x_2 = n$. When $n = 2t, x_1 = t$ and $x_2 = t$ is the solution. When $n = 2t + 1, x_1 = t + 1$ and $x_2 = t$ is the solution. Hence, by Theorem 2.1, $C_m^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $m \geq 3$ and $n \geq 1$. □

4. ONE-POINT UNION OF COMPLETE GRAPHS

Let K_m be a complete graph of order m . Let

$$V(K_m) = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq m\}$$

and

$$E(K_m) = \{v_i v_j | i \neq j, 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq m\}.$$

We consider K_m as a rooted graph with the vertex v_1 as its root. Let $f : V(K_m) \cup E(K_m) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ be a TMC labeling of K_m . Without loss of generality, assume $C = 1$.

Then for any edge $e = uv \in E(K_m)$, we have either $f(e) = f(u) = f(v) = 1$ or $f(e) = f(u) = 0$ and $f(v) = 1$ or $f(e) = f(v) = 0$ and $f(u) = 1$ or $f(u) = f(v) = 0$ and $f(e) = 1$. Thus, under the labeling f , the graph K_m can be decomposed as $K_m = K_p \cup K_r \cup K_{p,r}$ where K_p is the sub-complete graph in which all the vertices and edges are labeled with 1, K_r is the sub-complete graph in which all the vertices are labeled with 0 and edges are labeled with 1 and $K_{p,r}$ is the complete bipartite subgraph of K_m with the bipartition $V(K_p) \cup V(K_r)$ and its edges are labeled with 0. Then we find $n_f(0) = r + pr$ and $n_f(1) = \frac{p^2+r^2+p-r}{2}$.

Table 1. Possible values of α_i and β_i for distinct labelings of K_m

i	p	r	α_i	β_i
1	0	m	m	$\frac{m^2-m}{2}$
2	1	m-1	$2 \times (m - 1)$	$\frac{m^2-3m+4}{2}$
3	2	m-2	$3 \times (m - 2)$	$\frac{m^2-5m+12}{2}$
4	3	m-3	$4 \times (m - 3)$	$\frac{m^2-7m+24}{2}$
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$\lfloor \frac{m+1}{2} \rfloor$	$\lfloor \frac{m-1}{2} \rfloor$	$\lceil \frac{m+1}{2} \rceil$	$\lfloor \frac{m-1}{2} \rfloor \times \lceil \frac{m+1}{2} \rceil$	$\frac{[(\lfloor \frac{m-1}{2} \rfloor)^2 + (\lceil \frac{m+1}{2} \rceil)^2 + \lfloor \frac{m-1}{2} \rfloor + \lceil \frac{m+1}{2} \rceil]}{2}$

Table 1 gives the possible values of α_i and β_i for distinct labelings f_i of K_m such that $f_i(a) + f_i(b) + f_i(ab) \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ for all $ab \in E(K_m)$.

Theorem 4.1. Let $K_m^{(n)}$ be the one-point union of n copies of a complete graph K_m . If $\sqrt{m-1}$ has an integer value, then $K_m^{(n)}$ is TMC for $m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. Let $f : V(K_m) \cup E(K_m) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ be a TMC labeling of K_m . Under the labeling f , the graph K_m can be decomposed as $K_m = K_p \cup K_r \cup K_{p,r}$. Then we have, $n_f(0) = r + pr$ and $n_f(1) = \frac{p^2+r^2+p-r}{2}$. By Corollary 2.2, $K_m^{(n)}$ is TMC if $n_f(0) = n_f(1) + 1$. Whenever, $n_f(0) = n_f(1) + 1$, $p^2 + p(1 - 2r) + r^2 - 3r + 2 = 0$. This implies that $r = \frac{1}{2} [(m + 1) \pm \sqrt{m - 1}]$ as $p = m - r$. Also, $n_f(0) = n_f(1) + 1$ is possible only when $m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4}$. Therefore, $K_m^{(n)}$ is TMC for $m \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4}$, if $\sqrt{m-1}$ has an integer value □

Theorem 4.2 ([4]). Let G be an odd graph with $p + q \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. Then G is not TMC.

Theorem 4.3. Let $K_m^{(n)}$ be the one-point union of n copies of a complete graph K_m .

- (i) If $m \equiv 0 \pmod{8}$, then $K_m^{(n)}$ is not TMC for $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.
- (ii) If $m \equiv 4 \pmod{8}$, then $K_m^{(n)}$ is not TMC for $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. Clearly, $p = |V(K_m^n)| = n(m - 1) + 1$ and $q = |E(K_m^n)| = \frac{nm(m-1)}{2}$ so that $p + q = \frac{n(m-1)(m+2)}{2} + 1$.

Part (i) Assume $m = 8k$ and $n = 4l + 3$. Since the degree of every vertex is odd and

$p + q \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, it follows from Theorem 4.2 that $K_m^{(n)}$ is not TMC. Part (ii) can similarly be proved. \square

Theorem 4.4. $K_4^{(n)}$ is TMC if and only if $n \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. Necessity follows from Theorem 4.3 and for sufficiency we define the labelings f_1 and f_2 as follows: $f_1(v_i) = 0$ for $1 \leq i \leq 4$, $f_1(v_i v_j) = 1$ for $1 \leq i, j \leq 4$ and under the labeling f_2 decompose K_4 as $K_1 \cup K_3 \cup K_{1,3}$. From Table 1, we observe that $\alpha_1 = 4$, $\beta_1 = 6$, $\alpha_2 = 6$ and $\beta_2 = 4$. Therefore, by Corollary 2.4 (1), $K_4^{(n)}$ is TMC if $n \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. \square

Theorem 4.5. $K_5^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.

Proof. Define $f : V(K_5^{(n)}) \cup E(K_5^{(n)}) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ as follows:

$$f(v_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq 5, \\ 1 & \text{if } i = 5 \end{cases}$$

and

$$f(v_i v_j) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 1 \leq i, j \leq 4, \\ 0 & \text{if } i = 5 \text{ or } j = 5. \end{cases}$$

Clearly, $\alpha = \beta + 1 = 8$. Therefore, by Corollary 2.2, $K_5^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$. \square

Theorem 4.6. $K_6^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.

Proof. Let f_1 and f_2 be the labelings from $V(K_6^{(n)}) \cup E(K_6^{(n)})$ into $\{0, 1\}$. Then, under the labelings f_1 and f_2 the graph K_6 can be decomposed as $K_1 \cup K_5 \cup K_{1,5}$ and $K_2 \cup K_4 \cup K_{2,4}$ respectively. Clearly, $\alpha_1 = 10$, $\beta_1 = 11$, $\alpha_2 = 12$ and $\beta_2 = 9$. Hence, by Corollary 2.4 (2a), $K_6^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$. \square

Theorem 4.7. $K_7^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.

Proof. Let f_1 , f_2 and f_3 be the labelings from $V(K_7^{(n)}) \cup E(K_7^{(n)})$ into $\{0, 1\}$. Then under the labelings f_1 , f_2 and f_3 the graph K_7 can be decomposed as $K_3 \cup K_4 \cup K_{3,4}$, $K_4 \cup K_3 \cup K_{4,3}$ and $K_5 \cup K_2 \cup K_{5,2}$ respectively. We observe that $\alpha_1 = 16$, $\beta_1 = 12$, $\alpha_2 = 15$, $\beta_2 = 13$, $\alpha_3 = 12$ and $\beta_3 = 16$. Hence, by Corollary 2.4 (2b), $K_7^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$. \square

Theorem 4.8. $K_8^{(n)}$ is TMC if and only if $n \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Proof. Necessity follows from Theorem 4.3 and for sufficiency we define the labelings f_1 and f_2 as follows: under the labelings f_1 and f_2 the graph K_8 can be decomposed as $K_2 \cup K_6 \cup K_{2,6}$ and $K_3 \cup K_5 \cup K_{3,5}$ respectively. Clearly, $\alpha_1 = 18$, $\beta_1 = 18$, $\alpha_2 = 20$ and $\beta_2 = 16$. Hence, by Corollary 2.4 (3), $K_8^{(n)}$ is TMC if $n \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$. \square

Theorem 4.9. $K_9^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.

Proof. Under the labelings f_1, f_2 and f_3 the graph K_9 can be decomposed as $K_2 \cup K_7 \cup K_{2,7}$, $K_3 \cup K_6 \cup K_{3,6}$ and $K_4 \cup K_5 \cup K_{4,5}$ respectively. We observe that $\alpha_1 = 21, \beta_1 = 24, \alpha_2 = 24, \beta_2 = 21, \alpha_3 = 25$ and $\beta_3 = 20$. Therefore, by Corollary 2.4 (2c), the graph $K_9^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$. \square

5. ONE-POINT UNION OF WHEELS

A wheel W_m is obtained by joining the vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m of a cycle C_m to an extra vertex v called the centre. We consider W_m as a rooted graph with v as its root.

Theorem 5.1. *Let $W_m^{(n)}$ be the one-point union of n copies of a wheel W_m .*

- (i) *If $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$, then $W_m^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.*
- (ii) *If $m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$, then $W_m^{(n)}$ is TMC for $n \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.*
- (iii) *If $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$, then $W_m^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.*
- (iv) *If $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$, then $W_m^{(n)}$ is TMC for $n \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.*

Proof. Define the labelings f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4 and f_5 as follows: $f_j(v) = 0$ for $j = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$. $f_1(v_m v_1) = 0$,

$$f_1(v_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ 0 & \text{if } i \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \end{cases} \quad f_1(v_i v_{i+1}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \equiv 1, 2 \pmod{4}, \\ 0 & \text{if } i \equiv 0, 3 \pmod{4} \end{cases}$$

and

$$f_1(vv_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}, \\ 0 & \text{if } i \equiv 0 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

$f_2(v_i) = f_2(v_i v_{i+1}) = 1, f_2(vv_i) = 0$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ and $f_2(v_m v_1) = 1$. $f_3(v_i) = f_1(v_i), f_3(v_i v_{i+1}) = f_1(v_i v_{i+1}), f_3(vv_i) = f_1(vv_i)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ and $f_3(v_m v_1) = 1$. $f_4(v_1) = 1, f_4(v_1 v_2) = f_4(v_m v_1) = 0, f_4(v_i) = f_3(v_i), f_4(v_i v_{i+1}) = f_3(v_i v_{i+1}), f_4(vv_i) = f_3(vv_i)$ for $i = 2, 3, \dots, m$ and $f_4(vv_1) = 0$.

$$f_5(v_i) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ 0 & \text{if } i \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \end{cases} \quad f_5(vv_i) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ 1 & \text{if } i \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \end{cases}$$

$f_5(v_i v_{i+1}) = f_5(v_m v_1) = 0$.

Case 1. $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

If we consider the labeling f_1 we have, $n_{f_1}(0) = n_{f_1}(1) + 1$. Then, by Corollary 2.2, $W_m^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.

Case 2. $m \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$.

If we consider the labelings f_2, f_3 and f_4 . We have $\alpha_2 = \frac{3m+1}{2}, \beta_2 = \frac{3m+1}{2}, \alpha_3 = \frac{3m+5}{2}, \beta_3 = \frac{3m-3}{2}, \alpha_4 = m+1, \beta_4 = 2m$. Then, system (2.1) in Theorem 2.1 becomes $|-x_2 + 3x_3 - (m+1)x_4 + 1| \leq 1, x_2 + x_3 + x_4 = n$. When $n = 4t, x_2 = 3t, x_3 = t, x_4 = 0$ is a solution. When $n = 4t+1, x_2 = 3t+1, x_3 = t, x_4 = 0$ is a solution. When $n = 4t+2, x_2 = 3t+2, x_3 = t, x_4 = 0$ is a solution. When $n = 4t+3$, the system has no solution. Hence, by Theorem 2.1, $W_m^{(n)}$ is TMC if $n \not\equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

Case 3. $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$.

If we consider the labelings f_2, f_3, f_4 and f_5 , we have $\alpha_2 = m + 1, \beta_2 = 2m, \alpha_3 = \frac{3m}{2}, \beta_3 = \frac{3m+2}{2}, \alpha_4 = \frac{3m+4}{2}, \beta_4 = \frac{3m-2}{2}, \alpha_5 = 2m + 1, \beta_5 = m$. Thus, system (2.1) in Theorem 2.1 becomes $|-mx_2 - 2x_3 + 2x_4 + mx_5 + 1| \leq 1, x_2 + x_3 + x_4 + x_5 = n$. When $n = 4t, x_2 = x_3 = x_4 = x_5 = t$ is a solution. When $n = 4t + 1, x_2 = t, x_3 = t + 1, x_4 = t, x_5 = t$ is a solution. When $n = 4t + 2, x_2 = t + 1, x_3 = t, x_4 = t, x_5 = t + 1$ is a solution. When $n = 4t + 3, x_2 = t + 1, x_3 = t + 1, x_4 = t, x_5 = t + 1$ is a solution. Hence, by Theorem 2.1, $W_m^{(n)}$ is TMC for all $n \geq 1$.

Case 4. $m \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$.

If we consider the labelings f_3 and f_4 . We have $\alpha_3 = \frac{3m-1}{2}, \beta_3 = \frac{3m+3}{2}, \alpha_4 = \frac{3m+3}{2}$ and $\beta_4 = \frac{3m-1}{2}$. Therefore, system (2.1) in Theorem 2.1 becomes, $|-3x_3 + x_4 + 1| \leq 1, x_3 + x_4 = n$. When $n = 4t, x_3 = t, x_4 = 3t$ is a solution. When $n = 4t + 1$, the system has no solution. When $n = 4t + 2, x_3 = t + 1, x_4 = 3t + 1$ is a solution. When $n = 4t + 3, x_3 = t + 1, x_4 = 3t + 2$ is a solution. Hence, by Theorem 2.1, $W_m^{(n)}$ is TMC if $n \not\equiv 1 \pmod{4}$. \square

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