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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The concept of block edge cut vertex graph was introduced by Venkanagouda M Goudar [6]. For the graph  $G(p,q)$ , if  $B = u_1, u_2, \dots, u_r : r \geq 2$  is a block of  $G$ , then we say that the vertex  $u_i$  and the block  $B$  are incident with each other. If two blocks  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are incident with a common cutvertex, then they are adjacent blocks. The line graph  $n(G)$  was defined in [5]. For the graph  $G$  the line graph  $n(G)$  is the graph whose vertex set is the union of the set of edges and the set of cutvertices of  $G$  in which two vertices are adjacent if and only if the corresponding edges of  $G$  are adjacent or the corresponding members of  $G$  are incident.

All undefined terminology will conform with that in Harary[2]. All graphs considered here are finite, undirected, planar and without loops or multiple edges.

The semirelib cutvertex graph of a planar graph  $G$  denoted by  $R_c(G)$  is the graph whose vertex set is the union of set of edges, set of blocks, set of cutvertices and set of regions of  $G$  in which two vertices are adjacent if and only if the corresponding edges of  $G$  are adjacent, the edges lie on the blocks, the edges lie on the region and edges are incident to the cutvertex.

The edge degree of an edge  $uv$  is the sum of the degree of the vertices of  $u$  and  $v$ . For the planar graph  $G$ , the inner vertex number  $i(G)$  of a graph  $G$  is the minimum number of vertices not belonging to the boundary of the exterior region in any embedding of  $G$  in the plane. A graph  $G$  is said to be minimally nonouterplanar if  $i(G)=1$  as was given by Kulli [4].

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## II. PRELIMINARY NOTES

We need the following results to prove further results.

**Theorem 2.1 (2)** . If  $G$  is a  $(p, q)$  graph whose vertices have degree  $d_i$  then the line graph  $L(G)$  has  $q$  vertices and  $q_L$  edges, where  $q_L = -q + \frac{1}{2} \sum d_i^2$  edges.

**Theorem 2.2 (2)** . The line graph  $L(G)$  of a graph is planar if and only if  $G$  is planar,  $\Delta(G) \leq 4$  and if  $\deg v = 4$ , for a vertex  $v$  of  $G$ , then  $v$  is a cutvertex.

**Theorem 2.3 (4)** . A graph is outerplanar if and only if it has no subgraph homeomorphic to  $K_4$  or  $K_{2,3}$ .

## III. MAIN RESULTS

We start with few preliminary results.

**Lemma 3.1** For any planar graph  $G$ ,  $L(G) \subseteq R_c(G)$ .

**Lemma 3.2** If a graph  $G$  contains a block as  $K_2$ , then it becomes a pendent vertex in  $R_c(G)$ .

In the following theorem we obtain the number of vertices and edges of a semirelib cutvertex graph of a plane graph.

**Theorem 3.3** For any planar graph  $G$  with  $r$  regions and  $b$  blocks, the semirelib cutvertex graph  $R_c(G)$  whose vertices have degree  $d_i$ , has  $(q + r + b + c)$  vertices and  $\frac{1}{2} \sum d_i^2 + \sum q_j + \sum c_k$  edges where  $c_k$  be the number of edges incident to the cutvertex  $c_k$ .

Proof. By the definition of  $R_c(G)$ , the number of vertices is the union of edges, regions, blocks and the number of cutvertices of  $G$ . Hence  $R_c(G)$  has  $(q + r + b + c)$  vertices. Further by the Theorem 2.1, number of edges in  $L(G)$  is  $q_L = -q + \frac{1}{2} \sum d_i^2$ . Thus the number of edges in  $R_c(G)$  is the sum of the number of edges in  $L(G)$ , the number of edges bounded by the regions which is  $q$ , the number of edges lies on the blocks is  $\sum q_j$  and the number of edges incident to the cut vertices which is  $\sum c_k$ . Hence  $E[R_c(G)] = -q + \frac{1}{2} \sum d_i^2 + q + \sum q_j + \sum c_k = \frac{1}{2} \sum d_i^2 + \sum q_j + \sum c_k$ .

**Theorem 3.4** For any edge  $e_i \in G$  which is either an internal edge not incident to a cutvertex or a pendent edge with edge degree  $n$ , then degree of the corresponding vertex in  $R_c(G)$  is  $n+1$ .

Proof. Suppose a pendent edge  $e_i \in E(G)$  have edge degree  $n$ . Let  $v'_i$  be the corresponding vertex in  $R_c(G)$ . Clearly there are  $n - 1$  edges adjacent to  $e_i$ . Also, by the definition of semirelib cutvertex graph,  $e_i$  lies on only one region and also on one block. Hence in  $R_c(G)$ ,  $\deg(v'_i) = n - 1 + 1 + 1 = n + 1$ . Further, if  $e_i$  is an internal edge which is not incident to a cutvertex and  $v'_i$  be the corresponding vertex in  $R_c(G)$  then there are  $n - 2$  edges adjacent to  $v'_i$ . Also  $e_i$  lies on only one block and lies in two regions. Hence  $\deg v'_i = n - 2 + 1 + 2 = n + 1$ .

**Theorem 3.5** *For any edge  $e_i \in G$  which is an internal edge incident to a cutvertex with edge degree  $n$ , then degree of the corresponding vertex in  $R_c(G)$  is  $n + 2$ .*

Proof. Suppose a pendent edge  $e_i \in E(G)$  have edge degree  $n$ . Let  $v'_i$  be the corresponding vertex in  $R_c(G)$ . Clearly there are  $n - 1$  edges adjacent to  $e_i$ . Since  $e_i$  is an internal edge which is incident to a cutvertex then there are  $n - 2$  edges adjacent to  $v'_i$ . Also  $e_i$  lies on only one block, lies in two regions and incident to a cutvertex. Hence  $\deg v'_i = n - 2 + 1 + 2 + 1 = n + 2$ .

**Theorem 3.6** *For any edge  $e_i \in G$  which is an internal edge incident to two cutvertices with edge degree  $n$ , then degree of the corresponding vertex in  $R_c(G)$  is  $n + 3$ .*

Proof. Suppose a pendent edge  $e_i \in E(G)$  have edge degree  $n$ . Let  $v'_i$  be the corresponding vertex in  $R_c(G)$ . Clearly there are  $n - 1$  edges adjacent to  $e_i$ . Since  $e_i$  is an internal edge which is incident to a cutvertex then there are  $n - 2$  edges adjacent to  $v_i$ . Also  $e_i$  lies on only one block, lies in two regions and incident to two cutvertices. Hence  $\deg v'_i = n - 2 + 1 + 2 + 2 = n + 3$ .

**Theorem 3.7** *For any graph  $G$  with each block contains at least three edges, then  $R_c(G)$  is nonseparable.*

Proof. Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n \in E(G)$ ,  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_t$  be the regions,  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m$  be the blocks which are not  $K_2$  and  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$ . By the definition of line graph, the corresponding vertices  $v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n \in R_c(G)$  form a subgraph without isolated vertex. Since each block contains at least three edges and each region of  $G$  has at least three edges. By the definition of  $R_c(G)$ , each vertex is of degree at least three. Also the cutvertices adjacent to  $v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_n$ . Hence  $R_c(G)$  is nonseparable.

In the following theorem we obtain the condition for the planarity on semirelib cutvertex graph of a graph.

**Theorem 3.8** *For any planar graph  $G$ , the  $R_c(G)$  is planar if and only if  $G$  is a tree such that  $\Delta(G) \leq 3$ .*

Proof. Suppose  $R_c(G)$  is planar. Assume that  $\exists v_i \in G$  such that  $\deg v_i \geq 4$ . Suppose  $\deg v_i = 4$  and  $e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4$  are the edges incident to  $v_i$ . Let  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3, v'_4$  be the vertices of  $R_c(G)$  corresponding to  $e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4$ . By the definition of line graph,  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3, v'_4$  form  $K_4$  as an induced subgraph. In  $R_c(G)$ , the region vertex  $r_i$  is adjacent with all vertices of  $L(G)$  to form  $K_5$  as an induced subgraph. Further the corresponding block vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots, b_{n-1}$  of blocks  $B_1, B_2, B_3, \dots, B_n$  in  $G$  are adjacent to vertices of  $K_5$ , which forms graph homeomorphic to  $K_5$ . By the Theorem 2.3, it is non planar, a contradiction.

Conversely, Suppose  $\deg v \leq 3$  and let  $e_1, e_2, e_3$  be the edges of  $G$  incident to  $v$ . Let  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3$  be the vertices of  $R_c(G)$  corresponding to  $e_1, e_2, e_3$ . By the definition of line graph  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3$  form  $K_3$  as a subgraph. By the definition of  $R_c(G)$ , the region vertex  $r_i$  is adjacent to  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3$  to form  $K_4$  as a subgraph. Further, by the lemma 2.2, the blocks vertices  $b_1, b_2, b_3$  of  $T$  forms a pendent vertices of  $R_c(G)$ . The cutvertex  $c_i$  is adjacent to  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3$  to form a graph which is homeomorphic to  $K_4$ . Hence  $R_c(G)$  is planar.

In the following theorem we obtain the condition for the outer planarity on semirelib cutvertex graph of a graph.

**Theorem 3.9** *For any planar graph  $G$ ,  $R_c(G)$  is outer planar if and only if  $G$  is a path  $P_n$ .*

Proof. Suppose  $R_c(G)$  is outer planar. Assume that  $G$  is a tree with at least one vertex  $v$  such that  $\deg v = 3$ . Let  $e_1, e_2, e_3$  be the edges of  $G$  incident to  $v$ . Let  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3$  be the vertices of  $R_c(G)$  corresponding to  $e_1, e_2, e_3$ . By the definition of line graph  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3$  form  $K_3$  as a subgraph. In  $R_c(G)$ , the region vertex  $r_i$  is adjacent to  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3$  to form  $K_4$  as induced subgraph. Further by the lemma 3.2,  $b_1 = e_1, b_2 = e_2, \dots, b_{n-1} = e_{n-1}$  becomes  $n-1$  pendant vertices in  $R_c(G)$ . Also the cutvertex  $c_i$  is adjacent to  $v'_1, v'_2, v'_3$  to form a graph homeomorphic to  $K_4$ . Clearly  $i[R_c(G)] \geq 1$ , which is non-outer planar, a contradiction. Hence  $G$  must be a path.

Conversely, Suppose  $G$  is a path. Let  $e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_{n-1} \in E(G)$ . Let  $v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_{n-1}$  be the vertices of  $R_c(G)$  corresponding to  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-2}$ . By the definition of line graph,  $L[P_n] = P_{n-1}$ . Further by the lemma 3.2,  $b_1 = e_1, b_2 = e_2, \dots, b_{n-1} = e_{n-1}$  becomes  $n-1$  pendant vertices and it becomes a caterpillar. Further the region vertex  $r_i$  is adjacent to all the vertices of  $L[P_n]$ . Also the cutvertices  $c_1, c_2, e_3, \dots, c_{n-2}$  are adjacent to  $v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_{n-1}$  to form the graph such that each block is  $K_3$ . Clearly  $R_c(G)$  is outer planar.

In the following theorem we obtain the condition for the minimally non outer planar on semirelib cutvertex graph of a graph.

**Theorem 3.10** *For any planar graph  $G$ ,  $R_c(G)$  is not minimally nonouter planar.*

Proof. Follows from the above theorem.

In the following theorem we obtain the condition for the non eulerian on semirelib cutvertex graph of a graph.

**Theorem 3.11** *For any planar graph  $G$ ,  $R_c(G)$  is always non Eulerian.*

Proof. We consider the following cases.

Case1. Assume that  $G$  is a tree. In a tree each edge is a block and hence  $b_1 = e_1, b_2 = e_2, \dots, b_{n-1} = e_{n-1} \forall e_{n-1} \in E(G)$  and  $\forall b_{n-1} \in V[R_c(G)]$ . In  $R_c(G)$ , the block vertex  $b_i$  is always a pendent vertex, which is non Eulerian.

Case2. Assume that  $G$  is a graph which contains at least one pendent vertex. Suppose  $e_i \in G$  is a pendent edge. In  $e_i = b_i \in V[R_c(G)]$  becomes a pendent vertex, which is non Eulerian.

Case3. Assume that  $G$  is  $K_2$  -free graph. We have the following sub cases of case3.

Sub case1. Suppose  $G$  itself is a block with even number of edges. Clearly each edge of  $G$  is of even degree. By the definition of  $R_c(G)$ , both the region vertices and blocks have even degree. By the Theorem 2.3  $e_i = b_i \in V[R_c(G)]$  is of odd degree, which is non Eulerian. Further if  $G$  is a block with odd number of edges, then by the Theorem 3.3, each  $e_i = b_i \in V[R_c(G)]$  is of even degree. Also the block vertex  $b_i$  and region vertex  $r_i$  are adjacent to these vertices. Clearly degree of  $b_i$  and  $r_i$  is odd, which is non Eulerian.

Sub case2. Suppose  $G$  is a graph such that it contains at least one cutvertex. If each edge is even degree then by the sub case 1, it is non Eulerian. Assume that  $G$  contains at least one edge with odd edge degree. Clearly for any  $e_j \in E(G)$ , degree of  $e_j \in V[R_c(G)]$  is odd, which is non Eulerian. Hence for any graph  $G$   $R_c(G)$  is always non Eulerian.

In the following theorem we obtain the condition for the hamiltonian on semirelib cutvertex graph of a graph.

**Theorem 3.12** *For any graph  $G$ ,  $R_c(G)$  is hamiltonian if and only if  $G$  is a graph such that each block contains at least three edges.*

Proof. Suppose  $R_c(G)$  is hamiltonian. Assume that  $G$  has at least one block which is  $K_2$ . Let  $e_i \in E(G)$  such that  $e_i = b_i \in V[R_c(G)]$ . By the Lemma 3.2,  $b_i$  becomes a pendent vertex. Clearly  $R_c(G)$  is non hamiltonian, a contradiction.

Conversely, suppose  $G$  is  $K_2$ - free graph. Let  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1} \in E(G)$  and  $v'_1, v'_2, \dots, v'_{n-1}$  be the corresponding vertices of  $R_c(G)$ . Let  $b_1, b_2, \dots, b_i$  be the blocks,  $r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k$  be the regions and  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$  be the cutvertices of  $G$  such that  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_l \in V(b_1)$ ,  $e_{l+1}, e_{l+2}, \dots, e_m \in V(b_2)$ ,  $\dots$   $e_{m+1}, e_{m+2}, \dots, e_{n-1} \in V(b_i)$ . By the Theorem 3.3,  $V[R_c(G)] = e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{n-1} \cup b_1, b_2, \dots, b_i \cup r_1, r_2, \dots, r_k \cup c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k$ . By theorem 3.7,  $R_c(G)$  is non separable. By the definition,  $b_1 e_1, c_1, e_2, \dots, e_{l-1} r_1 b_2, c_2, \dots, r_2 e_m b_3, \dots, e_{k+1}, c_k, e_{k+2}, \dots, e_{n-1} b_k r_k e_l b_1$  form a cycle which contains all the vertices of  $R_c(G)$ . Hence  $R_c(G)$  is hamiltonian.

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