# THE CONJECTURE ON DISTANCE-BALANCEDNESS OF GENERALIZED PETERSEN GRAPHS HOLDS WHEN INTERNAL EDGES HAVE JUMPS 3 OR 4

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ABSTRACT. A connected graph G with diam $(G) \geq \ell$  is  $\ell$ -distance-balanced if  $|W_{xy}| = |W_{yx}|$  for every  $x, y \in V(G)$  with  $d_G(x, y) = \ell$ , where  $W_{xy}$  is the set of vertices of G that are closer to x than to y. Miklavič and Šparl (Discrete Appl. Math. 244 (2018) 143–154) conjectured that if  $n > n_k$  where  $n_k = 11$  if k = 2,  $n_k = (k + 1)^2$  if k is odd, and  $n_k = k(k + 2)$  if  $k \geq 4$  is even, then the generalized Petersen graph GP(n,k) is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for any  $1 \leq \ell < \text{diam}(GP(n,k))$ . In the seminal paper, the conjecture was verified for k = 2. In this paper we prove that the conjecture holds for k = 3 and for k = 4.

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let G = (V(G), E(G)) be a connected graph and  $u, v \in V(G)$ . The set of vertices that are closer to u than to v (with respect to the standard shortest-path distance  $d_G(u, v)$ ) is denoted by  $W_{uv}$ . When  $|W_{uv}| = |W_{vu}|$  holds, the pair of vertices uand v is called *balanced*, and when every pair of adjacent vertices is balanced, Gis called *distance-balanced*. Distance-balanced graphs were first considered in [11], the term "distance-balanced" was coined in [13]. For a number of reasons, both theoretical and applied, the distance-balanced graphs received a lot of attention, see [1, 3-8, 12, 15-17, 19, 21]. We should also mention in passing that distancebalanced graphs can be equivalently described as the graphs whose Mostar index (see [2]) equals 0.

More generally, let  $\ell \in [\operatorname{diam}(G)] = \{1, 2, \dots, \operatorname{diam}(G)\}$ , where  $\operatorname{diam}(G)$  is the diameter of G. Then G is called  $\ell$ -distance-balanced [9] if each pair of vertices  $u, v \in V(G)$  with  $d_G(u, v) = \ell$  is balanced. For a study of 2-distance-balanced graphs see [10] and for several results on  $\ell$ -distance-balanced graphs see [14, 20].

This paper is about the distance-balancedeness of the generalized Petersen graphs. The interest in these graphs was already shown in [13] where it was conjectured that

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for any integer  $k \geq 2$ , there exists a positive integer  $n_0$  such that GP(n, k) is not distance-balanced for every  $n \geq n_0$ . The validity of the conjecture has been demonstrated in [21]. Interest in the distance-balancedeness of the generalized Petersen graphs continued in [18,20]. In [18] it was proved that GP(n,k) is diam(GP(n,k))distance-balanced as soon as n is large relative to k, more precisely, the following theorem was proved.

**Theorem 1.1.** [18] If n and k are integers, where  $3 \le k < n/2$ , and

$$n \ge \begin{cases} 8; & k = 3, \\ 10; & k = 4, \\ \frac{k(k+1)}{2}; & k \text{ is odd and } k \ge 5, \\ \frac{k^2}{2}; & k \text{ is even and } k \ge 6 \end{cases}$$

then GP(n,k) is diam(GP(n,k))-distance-balanced.

On the other hand, Miklavič and Spar posed the following:

**Conjecture 1.2.** [20] Let  $k \ge 2$  be an integer and let

$$n_k = \begin{cases} 11; & k = 2, \\ (k+1)^2; & k \text{ odd}, \\ k(k+2); & k \ge 4 \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

Then for any  $n > n_k$ , the graph GP(n,k) is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for any  $1 \le \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n,k))$ . Moreover,  $n_k$  is the smallest integer with this property.

In [20], Conjecture 1.2 was verified for k = 2. In this paper, we prove that Conjecture 1.2 holds true for k = 3 and for k = 4 by establishing the following results.

**Theorem 1.3.** For any n > 16, the generalized Petersen graph GP(n,3) is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for any  $1 \le \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n,3))$ . Moreover, 16 is the smallest integer with this property.

**Theorem 1.4.** For any n > 24, the generalized Petersen graph GP(n, 4) is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for any  $1 \le \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n, 4))$ . Moreover, 24 is the smallest integer with this property.

To prove these two theorems, it suffices to prove the first assertion of each of them. With these results in hand, the facts that 16 is the smallest integer in Theorem 1.3 and that 24 is the smallest integer in Theorem 1.4, follow by computer experiments presented in [20, Table 1].

Full proofs of Theorems 1.3 and 1.4 are very long and repetitive. We therefore present in the next two sections only selected, representative cases. The other cases of the proofs however can be found in Appendix A and Appendix B. We conclude the paper by suggesting a problem in Section 4.

To conclude the introduction recall that the generalized Petersen graph GP(n, k),  $n \ge 3, 1 \le k < n/2$ , is defined by

$$V(GP(n,k)) = \{u_i : i \in \mathbb{Z}_n\} \cup \{v_i : i \in \mathbb{Z}_n\},\$$
  
$$E(GP(n,k)) = \{u_i u_{i+1} : i \in \mathbb{Z}_n\} \cup \{v_i v_{i+k} : i \in \mathbb{Z}_n\} \cup \{u_i v_i : i \in \mathbb{Z}_n\}.$$

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#### 2. Sketch proof of Theorem 1.3

As mentioned in the introduction, it suffices to prove that for any n > 16, the generalized Petersen graph GP(n,3) is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for any  $1 \le \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n,3))$ . We split the argument into the cases  $\ell = 1, \ell = 2$ , and  $3 \le \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n,3))$  to be respectively covered by Propositions 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3.

**Proposition 2.1.** For any n > 16, the generalized Petersen graph GP(n, 3) is not 1-distance-balanced.

*Proof.* Since  $d_{GP(n,3)}(u_0, v_0) = 1$ , it suffices to prove that  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ . We divide the discussion into six cases based on  $n \mod 6$ , and for transparency and non-replication purposes, present only the first case in detail. Details for the other five cases are given in Appendix A.

Let n = 6m, where  $m \ge 3$ . By symmetry, it suffices to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ . Then the following holds.

- If  $1 \le t \le m$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{3t}) = 1 + t$ .
- If  $1 \le t \le m$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t}) = 1 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{3t}) = t$ .
- If  $1 \le t < m$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{3t+1}) = 2 + t$ .
- If  $0 \le t < m$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{3t+1}) = 3 + t$ .
- If  $1 \le t < m$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{3t+2}) = 3 + t$ .
- If  $0 \le t < m$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{3t+2}) = 4 + t$ .
- $d(u_0, u_1) = 1$  and  $d(v_0, u_1) = 2$ .
- $d(u_0, u_2) = 2$  and  $d(v_0, u_2) = 3$ .

In the above consideration, we have 2m+2 vertices from  $W_{u_0v_0}$  and 4m-2 vertices from  $W_{v_0u_0}$ . Since we have considered only the vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  with  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ , there are in total twice as many vertices, except that  $u_{3m}$  and  $v_{3m}$  are considered twice (and they lie in  $W_{v_0u_0}$ ). Since clearly  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ , we conclude that

$$|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(2m+2) + 1 = 4m+5,$$
  
$$|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(4m-2) + 1 - 2 = 8m - 5.$$

Because  $m \geq 3$ , we indeed have  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

The conclusions in the remaining cases are as follows:

- If n = 6m + 1,  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 4m + 3$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 8m 3$ .
- If n = 6m + 2,  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 4m + 4$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 8m$ .
- If n = 6m + 3,  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 4m + 7$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 8m 1$ .
- If n = 6m + 4,  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 4m + 6$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 8m + 2$ .
- If n = 6m + 5,  $m \ge 2$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 4m + 5$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 8m + 3$ .

Note that in some cases there may be vertices which are of equal distance to  $u_0$  and  $v_0$ . Anyhow, in each case we have  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** For any n > 16, the generalized Petersen graph GP(n, 3) is not 2-distance-balanced.

*Proof.* Since  $d_{GP(n,3)}(u_0, v_{-3}) = 2$ , it suffices to prove that  $|W_{u_0v_{-3}}| < |W_{v_{-3}u_0}|$ . We divide the discussion into the six cases based on  $n \mod 6$ , and for transparency

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and non-replication purposes, present only the first case in detail. Details for the other five cases are given in Appendix A.

Firstly we consider vertices  $v_{-1}, v_{-2}, u_{-1}, u_{-2}$ .

- $d(u_0, v_{-1}) = 2$  and  $d(v_{-3}, v_{-1}) = 4$ .
- $d(u_0, v_{-2}) = d(v_{-3}, v_{-2}) = 3.$
- $d(u_0, u_{-1}) = 1$  and  $d(v_{-3}, u_{-1}) = 3$ .
- $d(u_0, u_{-2}) = d(v_{-3}, u_{-2}) = 2.$

So  $u_{-1}, v_{-1} \in W_{u_0v_{-3}}$  and no vertex of  $\{v_{-1}, v_{-2}, u_{-1}, u_{-2}\}$  is in  $W_{v_{-3}u_0}$ .

Next we consider vertices  $v_i$  where  $0 \le i < n-3$  and  $u_j$  where  $1 \le j \le n-3$ . Let n = 6m where  $m \ge 3$ . Note that  $v_{-3} = v_{n-3}$  and n-3 = 6m-3 = 3(2m-1).

- If  $0 \le t \le m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t}) = d(v_{6m-3}, v_{3t}) = 1+t$ . If  $m \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(v_{6m-3}, v_{3t}) = 2m-1-t$  and  $d(u_0, v_{3t}) > d(v_{6m-3}, v_{3t})$ .
- If  $0 \le t \le m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2+t$  and  $d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) < d(v_{6m-3}, v_{3t+1})$ . If  $m \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = d(v_{6m-3}, v_{3t+1}) = 2m-t+2$ .
- If  $0 \le t \le m-2$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3+t$  and  $d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{6m-3}, v_{3t+2})$ . If  $m-1 \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = d(v_{6m-3}, v_{3t+2}) = 2m-t+1$ .
- If  $1 \le t \le m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t}) = d(v_{6m-3}, u_{3t}) = 2+t$ . If  $m \le t \le 2m-1$ , then  $d(v_{6m-3}, u_{3t}) = 2m-t$  and  $d(u_0, u_{3t}) > d(v_{6m-3}, u_{3t})$ .
- If  $1 \le t \le m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = d(v_{6m-3}, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t$ . If  $m \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(v_{6m-3}, u_{3t+1}) = 2m-t+1$  and  $d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) > d(v_{6m-3}, u_{3t+1})$ .
- If  $1 \le t \le m-2$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = d(v_{6m-3}, u_{3t+2}) = 4+t$ . If  $m-1 \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(v_{6m-3}, u_{3t+2}) = 2m-t$  and  $d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) > d(v_{6m-3}, u_{3t+2})$ .
- $d(u_0, u_1) = 1$ ,  $d(v_{6m-3}, u_1) = 2m + 1$ ,  $d(u_0, u_2) = 2$ ,  $d(v_{6m-3}, u_2) = 2m$ .

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{6m-3}}$  and  $v_{6m-3} \in W_{v_{6m-3}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion we get  $|W_{u_0v_{6m-3}}| = 2m + 4$  and  $|W_{v_{6m-3}u_0}| = 4m - 1$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ , we can conclude that  $|W_{u_0v_{6m-3}}| < |W_{v_{6m-3}u_0}|$ .

The conclusions in the remaining cases are as follows:

- If n = 6m + 1,  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-3}}| = 2m + 4$  and  $|W_{v_{-3}u_0}| = 4m + 2$ .
- If n = 6m + 2,  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-3}}| = 2m + 3$  and  $|W_{v_{-3}u_0}| = 4m + 1$ .
- If n = 6m + 3,  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-3}}| = 2m + 6$  and  $|W_{v_{-3}u_0}| = 4m + 3$ .
- If n = 6m + 4,  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-3}}| = 2m + 4$  and  $|W_{v_{-3}u_0}| = 4m + 2$ .
- If n = 6m + 5,  $m \ge 2$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-3}}| = 2m + 5$  and  $|W_{v_{-3}u_0}| = 4m + 5$ .

In each case we have  $|W_{u_0v_{-3}}| < |W_{v_{-3}u_0}|$ .

**Proposition 2.3.** For any n > 16, the generalized Petersen graph GP(n,3) is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for any  $3 \le \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n,3))$ .

*Proof.* For a given fixed n, we set D = diam(GP(n, 3)).

For any  $3 \leq \ell < D$ , we first show that there exists  $v_j$  such that  $d(u_0, v_j) = \ell$ , where  $6 \leq j \leq n/2$ . From [18] we recall that there exists  $j^*$  such that  $d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = D$ .

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If n = 6m  $(m \ge 3)$  or n = 6m + 1  $(m \ge 3)$ , then we know from [18] that  $j^* = 3(m-1) + 2$  and  $D = d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = m + 3$ . Note that  $d(u_0, v_{3s+2}) = s + 3$ , where  $2 \le s \le m - 1$ , and  $d(u_0, v_{3s}) = s + 1$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ .

If n = 6m + 2  $(m \ge 3)$  or n = 6m + 3  $(m \ge 3)$ , then from [18] we know that  $j^* = 3m + 1$  and  $D = d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = m + 3$ . Note that  $d(u_0, v_{3s+1}) = s + 2$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ , and  $d(u_0, v_{3s}) = s + 1$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ .

If n = 6m + 4  $(m \ge 3)$ , then from [18] we know that  $j^* = 3m + 2$  and  $D = d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = m + 4$ . Note that  $d(u_0, v_{3s+2}) = s + 3$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ , and  $d(u_0, v_{3s}) = s + 1$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ .

If n = 6m + 5  $(m \ge 2)$ , then (again by [18])  $j^* = 3m + 1$  and  $D = d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = m + 3$ . Note that  $d(u_0, v_{3s+1}) = s + 2$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ , and  $d(u_0, v_{3s}) = s + 1$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ .

From the above discussion, for any  $\ell$  where  $3 \leq \ell < D$ , there exists a j such that  $6 \leq j \leq n/2$  and  $d(u_0, v_j) = \ell$ . Define the following sets of vertices:

$$\begin{split} V_1 &= \{u_i: \ 1 \leq i \leq j-1\} \cup \{v_i: \ 1 \leq i \leq j-1\}, \\ V_2 &= \{u_i: \ j+1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{v_i: \ j+1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \\ W^1_{u_0v_j} &= W_{u_0v_j} \cap (V_1 \cup \{u_0, v_0, u_j, v_j\}), \\ W^1_{v_ju_0} &= W_{v_ju_0} \cap (V_1 \cup \{u_0, v_0, u_j, v_j\}), \\ W^2_{u_0v_j} &= W_{u_0v_j} \cap (V_2 \cup \{u_0, v_0, u_j, v_j\}), \\ W^2_{v_ju_0} &= W_{v_ju_0} \cap (V_2 \cup \{u_0, v_0, u_j, v_j\}). \end{split}$$

Because  $6 \le j \le n/2$ , we have  $|W_{u_0v_j}^2| = |W_{u_0v_{n-j}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_ju_0}^2| = |W_{v_{n-j}u_0}^1|$ . So

$$\begin{split} |W_{u_0v_j}| &= |W_{u_0v_j}^1| + |W_{u_0v_j}^2| - 2 = |W_{u_0v_j}^1| + |W_{u_0v_{n-j}}^1| - 2 \quad \text{and} \\ |W_{v_ju_0}| &= |W_{v_ju_0}^1| + |W_{v_ju_0}^2| - 2 = |W_{v_ju_0}^1| + |W_{v_{n-j}u_0}^1| - 2. \end{split}$$

In the following we will compute  $|W_{u_0v_j}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_ju_0}^1|$  where  $6 \le j \le n-6$ . The computation is divided into six cases, and for transparency and non-replication purposes, we present only the first case in detail. Details for the other five cases are given in Appendix A.

The computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{3s}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{3s}u_0}^1|$ , where s is odd and  $s \ge 5$ , is as follows.

- If  $0 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t}) = 1 + t$  and  $d(v_{3s}, v_{3t}) = s t$ . If  $0 \le t < \frac{s-1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t}) < d(v_{3s}, v_{3t})$ . If  $\frac{s-1}{2} < t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t}) > d(v_{3s}, v_{3t})$ .
- If  $0 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_{3s}, v_{3t+1}) = s t + 3$ . If  $0 \le t < \frac{s+1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s}, v_{3t+1})$ . If  $\frac{s+1}{2} < t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s}, v_{3t+1})$ .
- If  $0 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_{3s}, v_{3t+2}) = s t + 2$ . If  $0 \le t < \frac{s-1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s}, v_{3t+2})$ . If  $\frac{s-1}{2} < t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) > d(v_{3s}, v_{3t+2})$ .

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- If  $1 \le t \le s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_{3s}, u_{3t}) = s t + 1$ . If  $1 \le t < \frac{s-1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t}) < d(v_{3s}, u_{3t})$ . If  $\frac{s-1}{2} < t \leq s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t}) > d(v_{3s}, u_{3t})$ .
- If  $1 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+1}) = s t + 2$ . If  $1 \le t < \frac{s-1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+1})$ . If  $\frac{s-1}{2} < t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+1})$ .
- If  $1 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t$  and  $d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+2}) = s t + 1$ . If  $1 \le t < \frac{s-3}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+2})$ .
- If  $\frac{s-3}{2} < t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) > d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+2})$ .

•  $d(u_0^2, u_1) = 1$ ,  $d(v_{3s}, u_1) = s + 2$ ,  $d(u_0, u_2) = 2$ , and  $d(v_{3s}, u_2) = s + 1$ . Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{3s}}^1$  and  $v_{3s} \in W_{v_{3s}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion we obtain  $|W_{u_0v_{3s}}^1| = 3s - 3$  and  $|W_{v_{3s}u_0}^1| = 3s - 1$ .

The conclusions in the remaining cases are as follows:

- If  $s \ge 4$  and s is even, then  $|W_{u_0v_{3s}}^1| = 3s$  and  $|W_{v_{3s}u_0}^1| = 3s + 2$ . If  $s \ge 3$  and s is odd, then  $|W_{u_0v_{3s+1}}^1| = 3s + 1$  and  $|W_{v_{3s+1}u_0}^1| = 3s + 3$ .
- If  $s \ge 4$  and s is even, then  $|W_{u_0v_{3s+1}}^1| = 3s 2$  and  $|W_{v_{3s+1}u_0}^1| = 3s$ .
- If  $s \ge 5$  and s is odd, then  $|W_{u_0v_{3s+2}}^1| = 3s 1$  and  $|W_{v_{3s+2}u_0}^1| = 3s + 1$ .
- If  $s \ge 4$  and s is even, then  $|W_{u_0v_{3s+2}}^1| = 3s + 2$  and  $|W_{v_{3s+2}u_0}^1| = 3s + 4$ .
- $|W_{u_0v_6}^1| = 7$  and  $|W_{v_6u_0}^1| = 7$ .  $|W_{u_0v_7}^1| = 6$  and  $|W_{v_7u_0}^1| = 6$ .  $|W_{u_0v_8}^1| = 9$  and  $|W_{v_8u_0}^1| = 9$ .

- $|W_{u_0v_0}^1| = 7$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}^1| = 8$ .  $|W_{u_0v_11}^1| = 9$  and  $|W_{v_11u_0}^1| = 10$ .

When  $n \geq 17$ , from the above computation of  $|W_{u_0v_i}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_iu_0}^1|$  where  $6 \leq 12$  $j \leq n-6$ , for any  $3 \leq \ell < D$ , we know that there exists j where  $d(u_0, v_j) = \ell$  and  $6 \le j \le n/2$  such that  $|W_{u_0v_j}| < |W_{v_ju_0}|$ .  $\square$ 

## 3. Sketch proof of Theorem 1.4

As mentioned in the introduction, it suffices to prove that for any n > 24, the generalized Petersen graph GP(n,4) is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for any  $1 \leq \ell$  $\ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n,4))$ . We split the argument into the cases  $\ell = 1, \ell = 2$ , and  $3 \le \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n, 4))$  to be respectively covered by Propositions 3.1, 3.2, and 3.3.

**Proposition 3.1.** For any n > 24, the generalized Petersen graph GP(n, 4) is not 1-distance-balanced.

*Proof.* Since  $d_{GP(n,4)}(u_0, v_0) = 1$ , it suffices to prove that  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ . We divide the discussion into eight cases based on  $n \mod 8$ , and for transparency and non-replication purposes, present only the first case in detail. Details for the other seven cases are given in Appendix B.

Let n = 8m, where  $m \ge 4$ . By symmetry, it suffices to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$ . Then the following holds.

- If  $1 \le t \le m$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{4t}) = t$ .
- If  $0 \le t < m$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{4t+1}) = 3 + t$ .

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- If  $0 \le t < m$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{4t+2}) = 4 + t$ .
- If  $0 \le t < m$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{4t+3}) = 4 + t$ .
- If  $1 \le t \le m$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{4t}) = 1 + t$ .
- If  $1 \le t < m$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{4t+1}) = 2 + t$ .
- If  $1 \le t < m$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{4t+2}) = 3 + t$ .
- If  $1 \le t < m$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{4t+3}) = 3 + t$ .
- $d(u_0, u_1) = 1$ ,  $d(v_0, u_1) = 2$ ,  $d(u_0, u_2) = 2$ ,  $d(v_0, u_2) = 3$ ,  $d(u_0, u_3) = 3$ , and  $d(v_0, u_3) = 3$ .

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion we arrive at  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(3m+2) + 1 = 6m+5$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(5m-5) + 3 = 10m-7$ . Because  $m \ge 4$ , we can conclude that  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

The conclusions in the remaining cases are as follows:

- If n = 8m+1, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 6m+3$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 10m-5$ .
- If n = 8m + 2, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 6m + 4$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 10m 2$ .
- If n = 8m+3, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 6m+5$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 10m-1$ .
- If n = 8m + 4, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 6m + 8$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 10m 2$ .
- If n = 8m + 5, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 6m + 7$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 10m + 1$ .
- If n = 8m + 6, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 6m + 6$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 10m + 2$ .
- If n = 8m + 7, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 6m + 7$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 10m + 3$ .

In each case we have  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** For any n > 24, the generalized Petersen graph GP(n, 4) is not 2-distance-balanced.

*Proof.* Since  $d_{GP(n,4)}(u_0, v_{-4}) = 2$ , it suffices to prove that  $|W_{u_0v_{-4}}| < |W_{v_{-4}u_0}|$ . We divide the discussion into the eight cases based on  $n \mod 8$ , and for transparency and non-replication purposes, present only the first case in detail. Details for the other seven cases are given in Appendix B.

Firstly we consider vertices  $v_{-1}, v_{-2}, v_{-3}, u_{-1}, u_{-2}, u_{-3}$ :

- $d(u_0, v_{-1}) = 2$  and  $d(v_{-4}, v_{-1}) = 4$ ,
- $d(u_0, v_{-2}) = 3$  and  $d(v_{-4}, v_{-2}) = 4$ ,
- $d(u_0, v_{-3}) = d(v_{-4}, v_{-3}) = 3$ ,
- $d(u_0, u_{-1}) = 1$  and  $d(v_{-4}, u_{-1}) = 3$ ,
- $d(u_0, u_{-2}) = 2$  and  $d(v_{-4}, u_{-2}) = 3$ ,
- $d(u_0, u_{-3}) = 3$  and  $d(v_{-4}, u_{-3}) = 2$ .

Next we consider vertices  $v_i$ ,  $0 \le i < n-4$ , and  $u_j$ ,  $1 \le j \le n-4$ . Let n = 8m,  $m \ge 4$ . Note that n-4 = 8m-4 = 4(2m-1).

- If  $0 \le t \le m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t}) = d(v_{8m-4}, v_{4t}) = 1+t$ . If  $m \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(v_{8m-4}, v_{4t}) = 2m-t-1$  and  $d(u_0, v_{4t}) > d(v_{8m-4}, v_{4t})$ .
- If  $0 \le t \le m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2+t$  and  $d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) < d(v_{8m-4}, v_{4t+1})$ . If  $m \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m-4}, v_{4t+1}) = 2m-t+2$ .
- If  $0 \le t \le m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3+t$  and  $d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{8m-4}, v_{4t+2})$ . If  $m \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m-4}, v_{4t+2}) = 2m-t+2$ .

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- If  $0 \le t \le m-2$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3+t$  and  $d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{8m-4}, v_{4t+3})$ . If  $m-1 \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = d(v_{8m-4}, v_{4t+3}) = 2m-t+1$ .
- If  $1 \le t \le m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t}) = d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t}) = 2+t$ . If  $m \le t \le 2m-1$ , then  $d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t}) = 2m-t$  and  $d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t})$ .
- If  $1 \le t \le m-1$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t$ . If  $m \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t+1}) = 2m-t+1$  and  $d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t+1})$ .
- If  $1 \le t \le m-2$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t$ . If  $m-1 \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t+2}) = 2m-t+1$  and  $d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t+2})$ .
- If  $1 \le t \le m-2$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t+3}) = 4+t$ . If  $m-1 \le t < 2m-1$ , then  $d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t+3}) = 2m-t$  and  $d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{8m-4}, u_{4t+3})$ .
- $d(u_0, u_1) = 1$ ,  $d(v_{8m-4}, u_1) = 2m+1$ ,  $d(u_0, u_2) = 2$ ,  $d(v_{8m-4}, u_2) = 2m+1$ ,  $d(u_0, u_3) = 3$ , and  $d(v_{8m-4}, u_3) = 2m$ .

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{8m-4}}$  and  $v_{8m-4} \in W_{v_{8m-4}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion we arrive at  $|W_{u_0v_{8m-4}}| = 3m+7$  and  $|W_{v_{8m-4}u_0}| = 5m$ . Because  $m \ge 4$  we may conclude that  $|W_{u_0v_{8m-4}}| < |W_{v_{8m-4}u_0}|$ .

The conclusions in the remaining cases are as follows:

- If n = 8m+1, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-4}}| = 3m+7$  and  $|W_{v_{-4}u_0}| = 5m+3$ .
- If n = 8m+2, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-4}}| = 3m+6$  and  $|W_{v_{-4}u_0}| = 5m+2$ .
- If n = 8m+3 where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-4}}| = 3m+7$  and  $|W_{v_{-4}u_0}| = 5m+3$ .
- If n = 8m+4, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-4}}| = 3m+9$  and  $|W_{v_{-4}u_0}| = 5m+4$ .
- If n = 8m+5, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-4}}| = 3m+7$  and  $|W_{v_{-4}u_0}| = 5m+3$ .
- If n = 8m+6, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-4}}| = 3m+8$  and  $|W_{v_{-4}u_0}| = 5m+6$ .
- If n = 8m+7, where  $m \ge 3$ , then  $|W_{u_0v_{-4}}| = 3m+8$  and  $|W_{v_{-4}u_0}| = 5m+6$ .

In each case we have  $|W_{u_0v_{-4}}| < |W_{v_{-4}u_0}|$  as required.

**Proposition 3.3.** For any n > 24, the generalized Petersen graph GP(n, 4) is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for any  $3 \le \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n, 4))$ .

*Proof.* For a given fixed n, we set D = diam(GP(n, 4)).

For any  $3 \leq \ell < D$ , we first show that there exists  $v_j$  such that  $d(u_0, v_j) = \ell$ where  $8 \leq j \leq n/2$ . From [18] we recall that there exists  $j^*$  such that  $d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = D$ .

If n = 8m, where  $m \ge 4$ , or n = 8m + 1, where  $m \ge 3$ , then from [18] we know that  $j^* = 4(m-1)+2$  and  $D = d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = m+3$ . Note that  $d(u_0, v_{4s+2}) = s+3$ , where  $2 \le s \le m-1$ , and  $d(u_0, v_{4s}) = s+1$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ .

If n = 8m + 2, where  $m \ge 3$ , or n = 8m + 3, where  $m \ge 3$ , then from [18] we know that  $j^* = 4m + 1$  and  $D = d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = m + 3$ . Note that  $d(u_0, v_{4s+1}) = s + 2$ , where  $3 \le s \le m$ , and  $d(u_0, v_{4s}) = s + 1$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ .

If n = 8m + 4, where  $m \ge 3$ , or n = 8m + 5, where  $m \ge 3$ , then from [18] we know that  $j^* = 4m + 2$  and  $D = d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = m + 4$ . Note that  $d(u_0, v_{4s+2}) = s + 3$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ , and  $d(u_0, v_{4s}) = s + 1$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ .

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If n = 8m + 6, where  $m \ge 3$ , then from [18] we know that  $j^* = 4m + 3$  and  $D = d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = m + 4$ . Note that  $d(u_0, v_{4s+3}) = s + 3$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ , and  $d(u_0, v_{4s}) = s + 1$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ .

If n = 8m + 7, where  $m \ge 3$ , then from [18] we know that  $j^* = 4m + 2$  and  $D = d(u_0, u_{j^*}) = m + 4$ . Note that  $d(u_0, v_{4s+2}) = s + 3$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ , and  $d(u_0, v_{4s}) = s + 1$ , where  $2 \le s \le m$ .

By the above discussion, there exists j, where  $8 \le j \le n/2$ , such that  $d(u_0, v_j) = \ell$  for any  $3 \le \ell < D$ . Define the following sets of vertices:

$$V_{1} = \{u_{i}: 1 \leq i \leq j-1\} \cup \{v_{i}: 1 \leq i \leq j-1\},$$

$$V_{2} = \{u_{i}: j+1 \leq i \leq n-1\} \cup \{v_{i}: j+1 \leq i \leq n-1\},$$

$$W_{u_{0}v_{j}}^{1} = W_{u_{0}v_{j}} \cap (V_{1} \cup \{u_{0}, v_{0}, u_{j}, v_{j}\}),$$

$$W_{v_{j}u_{0}}^{1} = W_{v_{j}u_{0}} \cap (V_{1} \cup \{u_{0}, v_{0}, u_{j}, v_{j}\}),$$

$$W_{u_{0}v_{j}}^{2} = W_{u_{0}v_{j}} \cap (V_{2} \cup \{u_{0}, v_{0}, u_{j}, v_{j}\}),$$

$$W_{v_{j}u_{0}}^{2} = W_{v_{j}u_{0}} \cap (V_{2} \cup \{u_{0}, v_{0}, u_{j}, v_{j}\}).$$

Because  $8 \leq j \leq n/2$ , we have  $|W_{u_0v_j}^2| = |W_{u_0v_{n-j}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_ju_0}^2| = |W_{v_{n-j}u_0}^1|$ . So  $|W_{u_0v_j}| = |W_{u_0v_j}^1| + |W_{u_0v_j}^2| - 2 = |W_{u_0v_j}^1| + |W_{u_0v_{n-j}}^1| - 2$  and  $|W_{v_ju_0}| = |W_{v_ju_0}^1| + |W_{v_ju_0}^2| - 2 = |W_{v_ju_0}^1| + |W_{v_{n-j}u_0}^1| - 2.$ 

In the following we will compute  $|W_{u_0v_j}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_ju_0}^1|$  where  $8 \le j \le n-8$ . The computation is divided into eight cases, and for transparency and non-replication purposes, present only the first case in detail. Details for the other seven cases are given in Appendix B.

The computation of  $|W^1_{u_0v_{4s}}|$  and  $|W^1_{v_{4s}u_0}|$ , where  $s \ge 5$  is odd is as follows.

- If  $0 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t$  and  $d(v_{4s}, v_{4t}) = s t$ . If  $0 \le t < \frac{s-1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t}) < d(v_{4s}, v_{4t})$ . If  $\frac{s-1}{2} < t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t}) > d(v_{4s}, v_{4t})$ .
- If  $0 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+1}) = s t + 3$ . If  $0 \le t < \frac{s+1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+1})$ . If  $\frac{s+1}{2} < t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+1})$ .
- If  $0 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+2}) = s t + 3$ . If  $0 \le t \le \frac{s-1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+2})$ .
  - If  $\frac{s+1}{2} \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+2})$ .
- If  $0 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+3}) = s t + 2$ . If  $0 \le t < \frac{s-1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+3})$ . If  $\frac{s-1}{2} < t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+3})$ .
- If  $1 \le t \le s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_{4s}, u_{4t}) = s t + 1$ . If  $1 \le t < \frac{s-1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t}) < d(v_{4s}, u_{4t})$ . If  $\frac{s-1}{2} < t \le s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{4s}, u_{4t})$ .
- If  $1 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+1}) = s t + 2$ . If  $1 \le t < \frac{s-1}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+1})$ . If  $\frac{s-1}{2} < t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+1})$ .

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- If  $1 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t$  and  $d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+2}) = s t + 2$ . If  $1 \le t \le \frac{s-3}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+2})$ . If  $\frac{s-1}{2} \leq t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+2})$ .
- If  $1 \le t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t$  and  $d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+3}) = s t + 1$ . If  $1 \le t < \frac{s-3}{2}$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+3})$ . If  $\frac{s-3}{2} < t < s$ , then  $d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+3})$ .
- $d(u_0, u_1) = 1$ ,  $d(v_{4s}, u_1) = s + 2$ ,  $d(u_0, u_2) = 2$ ,  $d(v_{4s}, u_2) = s + 2$ ,  $d(u_0, u_3) = 3$ , and  $d(v_{4s}, u_3) = s + 1$ .

Note that  $u_0 \in W^1_{u_0v_{4s}}$  and  $v_{4s} \in W^1_{v_{4s}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion we arrive at  $|W^1_{u_0v_{4s}}| = 4s - 3$  and  $|W^1_{v_{4s}u_0}| = 4s - 1$ .

The conclusions in the remaining cases are as follows:

- If  $s \ge 4$  and s is even, then  $|W_{u_0v_{4s}}^1| = 4s 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s}u_0}^1| = 4s + 1$ .
- If  $s \ge 3$  and s is odd, then  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+1}}^1| = 4s + 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+1}u_0}^1| = 4s + 3$ . If  $s \ge 4$  and s is even, then  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+1}}^1| = 4s 3$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+1}u_0}^1| = 4s 1$ .
- If  $s \ge 5$  and s is odd, then  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+2}}^1| = 4s 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+2}u_0}^1| = 4s + 1$ .
- If  $s \ge 4$  and s is even, then  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+2}}^1| = 4s + 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+2}u_0}^1| = 4s + 3$ .
- If  $s \ge 5$  and s is odd, then  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+3}}^1| = 4s + 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+3}u_0}^1| = 4s + 3$ .
- If  $s \ge 4$  and s is even, then  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+3}}^{1}| = 4s + 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+3}u_0}^{1}| = 4s + 3$ .
- $|W_{u_0v_8}^1| = 8$  and  $|W_{v_8u_0}^1| = 8$ .
- $|W_{u_0v_{10}}^1| = 11$  and  $|W_{v_{10}u_0}^1| = 10$ .
- $|W_{u_0v_{11}}^1| = 10$  and  $|W_{v_{11}u_0}^1| = 10$ .

- $|W_{u_0v_{12}}^1| = 10 \text{ and } |W_{v_{12}u_0}^1| = 11.$   $|W_{u_0v_{14}}^1| = 12 \text{ and } |W_{v_{14}u_0}^1| = 13.$   $|W_{u_0v_{15}}^1| = 14 \text{ and } |W_{v_{15}u_0}^1| = 15.$

When  $n \geq 26$ , from the above computation of  $|W_{u_0v_j}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_ju_0}^1|$ , where  $8 \leq 1$  $j \leq n-8$ , for any  $3 \leq \ell < D$  we know that there exists j where  $d(u_0, v_j) = \ell$  and  $8 \leq j \leq n/2$  such that  $|W_{u_0v_j}| < |W_{v_ju_0}|$ . When n = 25, we have  $d(u_0, v_8) = 3$ ,  $d(u_0, v_{12}) = 4, d(u_0, v_{11}) = 5, \text{ and } D(GP(25, 4)) = 6.$  From the above computation of  $|W_{u_0v_j}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_ju_0}^1|$ , we know that  $|W_{u_0v_j}| < |W_{v_ju_0}|$  for any  $j \in \{8, 11, 12\}$ .  $\Box$ 

### 4. Concluding remarks

In this paper, we prove that GP(n,3) is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for n > 16 and  $1 \leq \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n,3))$ . We also prove that GP(n,4) is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for n > 24 and  $1 \le \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n, 4))$ . Earlier it was proved in [20] that GP(n, 2)is not  $\ell$ -distance-balanced for n > 11 and  $1 \le \ell < \operatorname{diam}(GP(n, 2))$ .

From Proposition 2.1 we know that  $|W_{v_0u_0}| - |W_{u_0v_0}|$  is about  $\frac{1}{3}$  times of |V(GP(n,3))|. From Proposition 3.1 we know that  $|W_{v_0u_0}| - |W_{u_0v_0}|$  is about  $\frac{1}{4}$  times of |V(GP(n,4))|. The above observations encourage us to try to consider Conjecture 1.2 for distance-balancedness of generalized Petersen graph GP(n,k)for  $k \ge 5$ . The authors in [21] proved that for any  $k \ge 2$  and  $n > 6k^2 GP(n, k)$  is not distance-balanced. If Conjecture 1.2 is right, the " $6k^{2}$ " in [21] can be greatly improved.

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Similarly, From Proposition 2.2, we know that  $|W_{v_{-3}u_0}| - |W_{u_0v_{-3}}|$  is about  $\frac{1}{6}$  times of |V(GP(n,3))|. From Proposition 3.2, we know that  $|W_{v_{-4}u_0}| - |W_{u_0v_{-4}}|$  is about  $\frac{1}{8}$  times of |V(GP(n,4))|. So we can consider Conjecture 1.2 for 2-distance-balancedness of generalized Petersen graph GP(n,k) for  $k \geq 5$ .

The discussions on distance-balancedness and 2-distance-balancedness of GP(n, k) for  $k \geq 5$  may be merged into fewer cases because  $|W_{v_0u_0}| - |W_{u_0v_0}|$  and  $|W_{v_{-k}u_0}| - |W_{u_0v_{-k}}|$  are big relative to |V(GP(n, k))|. This is the work we will do.

For  $3 \leq \ell < \text{diam}(GP(n,k))$ , the  $\ell$ -distance-balancedness of Conjecture 1.2 for  $k \geq 5$  can not easily been investigated. A new approach may be needed.

Since Miklavič and Sparl proposed the two conjectures about the  $\ell$ -distancebalancedness of GP(n, k) in 2018, there are few positive results appeared in the past several years. Up to our knowledge, the discussion is complicated even for some special pairs of (n, k). Up to now, there are only a few pairs of (n, k), for which the  $\ell$ -distance-balancedness of GP(n, k) are studied completely. So there are much many pairs of (n, k), for which the  $\ell$ -distance-balancedness of GP(n, k) will be worth studying in the future.

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#### Appendix A

**Proof of the remaining cases of Proposition 2.1.** (2) When n = 6m+1 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .  $d(u_0, v_{3t}) = 1 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{3t}) = t$  where  $1 \le t \le m$ .  $d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t$  where  $0 \le t < m$ .  $d(v_0, v_{3t+1}) = 3 + t$  where  $0 \le t \le m - 2$ , and  $d(v_0, v_{3(m-1)+1}) = m + 1$ .  $d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{3t+2}) = 4 + t$  where  $0 \le t < m$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_{3t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and} \\ d(v_0, u_1) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t < m. \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_2) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ where} \\ 1 \leq t < m. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(2m+1) + 1 = 4m+3$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(4m-2) + 1 = 8m-3$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

(3) When n = 6m + 2 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .

 $d(u_0, v_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{3t}) = t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t < m. \ d(v_0, v_{3t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m - 2, \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{3(m-1)+2}) = m + 1.$ 

 $d(u_0, u_{3t}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{3t}) = 1 + t$  where  $1 \le t \le m$ .  $d(u_0, u_1) = 1$  and  $d(v_0, u_1) = 2$ .  $d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{3t+1}) = 2 + t$  where  $1 \le t \le m$ .  $d(u_0, u_2) = 2$  and  $d(v_0, u_2) = 3$ .  $d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{3t+2}) = 3 + t$  where  $1 \le t < m$ .

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(2m+1) + 2 = 4m + 4$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(4m-1) + 2 = 8m$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

(4) When n = 6m + 3 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .

 $d(u_0, v_{3t}) = 1 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{3t}) = t$  where  $1 \le t \le m$ .  $d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{3t+1}) = 3 + t$  where  $0 \le t \le m$ .  $d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{3t+2}) = 4 + t$  where  $0 \le t < m$ .

 $d(u_0, u_{3t}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{3t}) = 1 + t$  where  $1 \le t \le m$ .  $d(u_0, u_1) = 1$  and  $d(v_0, u_1) = 2$ .  $d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{3t+1}) = 2 + t$  where  $1 \le t \le m$ .  $d(u_0, u_2) = 2$  and  $d(v_0, u_2) = 3$ .  $d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t$  and  $d(v_0, u_{3t+2}) = 3 + t$  where  $1 \le t < m$ .

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Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(2m+3) + 1 = 4m+7$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(4m-1) + 1 = 8m-1$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

(5) When n = 6m + 4 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .

 $d(u_0, v_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{3t}) = t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(v_0, v_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m-1, \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{3m+1}) = m+1. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{3t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m.$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{3t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and} \\ &d(v_0, u_1) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \\ &d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_2) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \end{aligned}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(2m+2) + 2 = 4m + 6$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2 \times 4m + 2 = 8m + 2$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

(6) When n = 6m + 5 where  $m \ge 2$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .

 $\begin{aligned} d(u_0, v_{3t}) &= 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{3t}) = t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } \\ d(v_0, v_{3t+1}) &= 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m - 1 \text{ and } \\ d(u_0, v_{3m+2}) &= m + 2. \ d(v_0, v_{3t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m - 2, \ d(v_0, v_{3(m-1)+2}) = m + 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{3m+2}) = m + 1. \end{aligned}$ 

 $d(u_0, u_{3t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \quad d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_1) = 2. \quad d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_2) = 3. \quad d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m - 1. \quad d(u_0, u_{3m+2}) = m + 3 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{3m+2}) = m + 2.$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(2m+2) + 1 = 4m+5$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(4m+1) + 1 = 8m+3$ . Because  $m \ge 2$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

**Proof of the remaining cases of Proposition 2.2.** (2) When n = 6m+1 where  $m \ge 3$ .

Note that n - 3 = 6m - 2 = 3(2m - 1) + 1.

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{3t}) = d(v_{6m-2},v_{3t}) = 1+t \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m. \ d(u_0,v_{3t}) = d(v_{6m-2},v_{3t}) = \\ 2m-t+2 \text{ when } m+1 \leq t \leq 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) = 2+t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) < \\ d(v_{6m-2},v_{3t+1}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-2. \ d(v_{6m-2},v_{3t+1}) = 2m-t-1 \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) > \\ d(v_{6m-2},v_{3t+1}) \text{ when } m-1 \leq t < 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) < \\ d(v_{6m-2},v_{3t+2}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) = d(v_{6m-2},v_{3t+2}) = 2m-t+2 \\ \text{when } m \leq t < 2m-1. \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{3t}) = d(v_{6m-2}, u_{3t}) = 2 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \quad d(v_{6m-2}, u_{3t}) = \\ &2m-t+1 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{3t}) > d(v_{6m-2}, u_{3t}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m-1. \quad d(u_0, u_1) = \\ &1 \text{ and } d(v_{6m-2}, u_1) = 2m. \quad d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = d(v_{6m-2}, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq \\ &t \leq m-2. \quad d(v_{6m-2}, u_{3t+1}) = 2m-t \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) > d(v_{6m-2}, u_{3t+1}) \text{ when } \\ &m-1 \leq t \leq 2m-1. \quad d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{6m-2}, u_2) = 2m+1. \quad d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = \end{aligned}$ 

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 $d(v_{6m-2}, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t$  when  $1 \le t \le m-2$ .  $d(v_{6m-2}, u_{3t+2}) = 2m - t + 1$  and  $d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) > d(v_{6m-2}, u_{3t+2})$  when  $m-1 \le t < 2m - 1$ .

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{6m-2}}$  and  $v_{6m-2} \in W_{v_{6m-2}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{6m-2}}| = 2m + 4$  and  $|W_{v_{6m-2}u_0}| = 4m + 2$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{6m-2}}| < |W_{v_{6m-2}u_0}|$ .

(3) When n = 6m + 2 where  $m \ge 3$ .

Note that n - 3 = 6m - 1 = 3(2m - 1) + 2.

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{3t}) = d(v_{6m-1},v_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m+1. \ d(u_0,v_{3t}) = d(v_{6m-1},v_{3t}) = 2m-t+3 \text{ when } m+2 \leq t \leq 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) = 2+t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) < d(v_{6m-1},v_{3t+1}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) = d(v_{6m-1},v_{3t+1}) = 2m-t+2 \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{6m-1},v_{3t+2}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-3. \ d(u_0,v_{3(m-2)+2}) = d(v_{6m-1},v_{3(m-2)+2}) = m+1. \ d(v_{6m-1},v_{3t+2}) = 2m-t-1 \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) > d(v_{6m-1},v_{3t+2}) \text{ when } m-1 \leq t < 2m-1. \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_{3t}) = d(v_{6m-1}, u_{3t}) = 2 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(v_{6m-1}, u_{3t}) = 2m - t + 2 \\ \text{and } d(u_0, u_{3t}) > d(v_{6m-1}, u_{3t}) \text{ when } m + 1 \leq t \leq 2m - 1. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and} \\ d(v_{6m-1}, u_1) = 2m + 1. \ d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = d(v_{6m-1}, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m - 1. \\ d(v_{6m-1}, u_{3t+1}) = 2m - t + 1 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) > d(v_{6m-1}, u_{3t+1}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m - 1. \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{6m-1}, u_2) = 2m. \ d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = d(v_{6m-1}, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m - 2. \ d(v_{6m-1}, u_{3t+2}) = 2m - t \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) > d(v_{6m-1}, u_{3t+2}) \\ \text{when } m - 1 \leq t \leq 2m - 1. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{6m-1}}$  and  $v_{6m-1} \in W_{v_{6m-1}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{6m-1}}| = 2m + 3$  and  $|W_{v_{6m-1}u_0}| = 4m + 1$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{6m-1}}| < |W_{v_{6m-1}u_0}|$ .

(4) When n = 6m + 3 where  $m \ge 3$ .

Note that  $n - 3 = 6m = 3 \times 2m$ .

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_{3t}) = d(v_{6m}, v_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ when } 0 \le t \le m - 1. \ d(v_{6m}, v_{3t}) = 2m - t \text{ and} \\ &d(u_0, v_{3t}) > d(v_{6m}, v_{3t}) \text{ when } m \le t < 2m. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) < \\ &d(v_{6m}, v_{3t+1}) \text{ when } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = d(v_{6m}, v_{3t+1}) = 2m - t + 3 \text{ when} \\ &m + 1 \le t < 2m. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{6m}, v_{3t+2}) \text{ when } \\ &0 \le t \le m - 1. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = d(v_{6m}, v_{3t+2}) = 2m - t + 2 \text{ when } m \le t < 2m. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_{3t})=d(v_{6m},u_{3t})=2+t \text{ when } 1\leq t\leq m-1. \ d(v_{6m},u_{3t})=2m-t+1 \text{ and } \\ d(u_0,u_{3t})>d(v_{6m},u_{3t}) \text{ when } m\leq t\leq 2m. \ d(u_0,u_1)=1 \text{ and } d(v_{6m},u_1)=2m+2. \\ d(u_0,u_{3t+1})=d(v_{6m},u_{3t+1})=3+t \text{ when } 1\leq t\leq m-1. \ d(v_{6m},u_{3t+1})=2m-t+2 \text{ and } d(u_0,u_{3t+1})>d(v_{6m},u_{3t+1}) \text{ when } m\leq t<2m. \ d(u_0,u_2)=2 \text{ and } \\ d(v_{6m},u_2)=2m+1. \ d(u_0,u_{3t+2})=d(v_{6m},u_{3t+2})=4+t \text{ when } 1\leq t\leq m-2. \\ d(v_{6m},u_{3t+2})=2m-t+1 \text{ and } d(u_0,u_{3t+2})>d(v_{6m},u_{3t+2}) \text{ when } m-1\leq t<2m. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{6m}}$  and  $v_{6m} \in W_{v_{6m}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{6m}}| = 2m + 6$  and  $|W_{v_{6m}u_0}| = 4m + 3$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{6m}}| < |W_{v_{6m}u_0}|$ .

(5) When n = 6m + 4 where  $m \ge 3$ .

Note that  $n - 3 = 6m + 1 = 3 \times 2m + 1$ .

 $\begin{aligned} d(u_0, v_{3t}) &= d(v_{6m+1}, v_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m+1. \ d(u_0, v_{3t}) = d(v_{6m+1}, v_{3t}) = \\ 2m - t + 3 \text{ when } m + 2 \leq t \leq 2m. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) < \\ d(v_{6m+1}, v_{3t+1}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-2. \ d(u_0, v_{3(m-1)+1}) = d(v_{6m+1}, v_{3(m-1)+1}) = \end{aligned}$ 

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 $m+1. \ d(v_{6m+1}, v_{3t+1}) = 2m-t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) > d(v_{6m+1}, v_{3t+1}) \text{ when } m \le t < 2m. \ d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{6m+1}, v_{3t+2}) \text{ when } 0 \le t \le m-1. \\ d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = d(v_{6m+1}, v_{3t+2}) = 2m-t+3 \text{ when } m \le t < 2m.$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_{3t}) = d(v_{6m+1},u_{3t}) = 2+t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m. \quad d(v_{6m+1},u_{3t}) = 2m-t+2 \text{ and } d(u_0,u_{3t}) > d(v_{6m+1},u_{3t}) \text{ when } m+1 \leq t \leq 2m. \quad d(u_0,u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{6m+1},u_1) = 2m+1. \quad d(u_0,u_{3t+1}) = d(v_{6m+1},u_{3t+1}) = 3+t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \\ d(v_{6m+1},u_{3t+1}) = 2m-t+1 \text{ and } d(u_0,u_{3t+1}) > d(v_{6m+1},u_{3t+1}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m. \\ d(u_0,u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{6m},u_2) = 2m+2. \quad d(u_0,u_{3t+2}) = d(v_{6m+1},u_{3t+2}) = 4+t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \quad d(v_{6m+1},u_{3t+2}) = 2m-t+2 \text{ and } d(u_0,u_{3t+2}) > d(v_{6m+1},u_{3t+2}) \\ when \ m \leq t < 2m. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{6m+1}}$  and  $v_{6m+1} \in W_{v_{6m+1}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{6m+1}}| = 2m + 4$  and  $|W_{v_{6m+1}u_0}| = 4m + 2$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{6m+1}}| < |W_{v_{6m+1}u_0}|$ .

(6) When n = 6m + 5 where  $m \ge 2$ .

Note that  $n - 3 = 6m + 2 = 3 \times 2m + 2$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{3t}) = d(v_{6m+2},v_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m+1. \ d(u_0,v_{3t}) = d(v_{6m+2},v_{3t}) = \\ 2m - t + 4 \text{ when } m + 2 \leq t \leq 2m. \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) < \\ d(v_{6m+2},v_{3t+1}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m. \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) = d(v_{6m+2},v_{3t+1}) = 2m - t + 3 \text{ when } \\ m + 1 \leq t \leq 2m. \ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{6m+2},v_{3t+2}) \text{ when } \\ 0 \leq t \leq m - 2. \ d(v_{6m+2},v_{3t+2}) = 2m - t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) > d(v_{6m+1},v_{3t+2}) \text{ when } \\ m - 1 \leq t < 2m. \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_{3t}) = d(v_{6m+2}, u_{3t}) = 2 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m. \quad d(v_{6m+2}, u_{3t}) = 2m - t + 3 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{3t}) > d(v_{6m+2}, u_{3t}) \text{ when } m + 1 \leq t \leq 2m. \quad d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{6m+2}, u_1) = 2m + 2. \quad d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = d(v_{6m+2}, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m - 1. \\ d(v_{6m+2}, u_{3t+1}) = 2m - t + 2 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) > d(v_{6m+2}, u_{3t+1}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m. \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{6m}, u_2) = 2m + 1. \quad d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = d(v_{6m+2}, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m - 2. \quad d(v_{6m+2}, u_{3t+2}) = 2m - t + 1 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) > d(v_{6m+2}, u_{3t+2}) \\ \text{when } m - 1 \leq t \leq 2m. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{6m+2}}$  and  $v_{6m+2} \in W_{v_{6m+2}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{6m+2}}| = 2m + 5$  and  $|W_{v_{6m+2}u_0}| = 4m + 5$ . Because  $m \ge 2$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{6m+2}}| < |W_{v_{6m+2}u_0}|$ .

**Proof of the remaining cases of Proposition 2.3.** (1a) The computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{3s}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{3s}u_0}^1|$  when s = 3.

 $d(u_0, v_0) = 1$  and  $d(v_9, v_0) = 3$ .  $d(u_0, v_3) = d(v_9, v_3) = 2$ .  $d(u_0, v_6) = 3$  and  $d(v_9, v_6) = 1$ .  $d(u_0, v_1) = 2$  and  $d(v_9, v_1) = 6$ .  $d(u_0, v_4) = 3$  and  $d(v_9, v_4) = 5$ .  $d(u_0, v_7) = 4$  and  $d(v_9, v_7) = 4$ .  $d(u_0, v_2) = 3$  and  $d(v_9, v_2) = 5$ .  $d(u_0, v_5) = 4$  and  $d(v_9, v_5) = 4$ .  $d(u_0, v_8) = 5$  and  $d(v_9, v_8) = 3$ . So  $v_0, v_1, v_4, v_2 \in W^1_{u_0 v_9}$  and  $v_6, v_8 \in W^1_{v_0 u_0}$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_9, u_3) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_6) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_9, u_6) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_9) = 5 \\ \text{and } d(v_9, u_9) = 1. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_9, u_1) = 5. \ d(u_0, u_4) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_9, u_4) = 4. \\ d(u_0, u_7) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_9, u_7) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_9, u_2) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_5) = 5 \\ \text{and } d(v_9, u_5) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_8) = 6 \text{ and } d(v_9, u_8) = 2. \ \text{So } u_1, u_2 \in W^1_{u_0 v_9} \text{ and } \\ u_6, u_9, u_7, u_5, u_8 \in W^1_{v_9 u_0}. \end{array}$ 

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Note that  $u_0 \in W^1_{u_0v_9}$  and  $v_9 \in W^1_{v_9u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W^1_{u_0v_9}| = 7$  and  $|W^1_{v_0u_0}| = 8$ .

(1b) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{3s}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{3s}u_0}^1|$  when s is even and  $s \ge 2$ . When s = 2,

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_0)=1 \ \text{and} \ d(v_6,v_0)=2. \ d(u_0,v_3)=2 \ \text{and} \ d(v_6,v_3)=1. \ d(u_0,v_1)=2 \\ \text{and} \ d(v_6,v_1)=5. \ d(u_0,v_4)=3 \ \text{and} \ d(v_6,v_4)=4. \ d(u_0,v_2)=3 \ \text{and} \ d(v_6,v_2)=4. \\ d(u_0,v_5)=4 \ \text{and} \ d(v_6,v_5)=3. \ \text{So} \ v_0,v_1,v_2,v_4\in W^1_{u_0v_6} \ \text{and} \ v_3,v_5\in W^1_{v_6u_0}. \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_6, u_3) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_6) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_6, u_6) = 1. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \\ &\text{and } d(v_6, u_1) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_4) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_6, u_4) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_6, u_2) = 3. \\ &d(u_0, u_5) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_6, u_5) = 2. \text{ So } u_1, u_2 \in W^1_{u_0 v_6} \text{ and } u_3, u_4, u_5, u_6 \in W^1_{v_6 u_0}. \end{aligned}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_6}^1$  and  $v_6 \in W_{v_6u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_6}^1| = 7$  and  $|W_{v_6u_0}^1| = 7$ .

When  $s \geq 4$ ,

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s},v_{3t}) = s - t \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ d(u_0,v_{3t}) < d(v_{3s},v_{3t}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,v_{3t}) > d(v_{3s},v_{3t}). \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s},v_{3t+1}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s},v_{3t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s},v_{3t+1}). \ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \\ \text{and } d(v_{3s},v_{3t+2}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s},v_{3t+2}). \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{3t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s}, u_{3t}) = s - t + 1 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t}) < d(v_{3s}, u_{3t}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{3t}) > d(v_{3s}, u_{3t}). \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \\ &\text{and } d(v_{3s}, u_1) = s + 2. \ d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+1}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } \\ &1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} \leq t < s, \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+1}). \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{3s}, u_2) = s + 1. \ d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = \\ &4 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+2}) = s - t + 1 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-4}{2}, \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) > d(v_{3s}, u_{3t+2}). \end{aligned}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W^1_{u_0v_{3s}}$  and  $v_{3s} \in W^1_{v_{3s}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W^1_{u_0v_{3s}}| = 3s$  and  $|W^1_{v_{3s}u_0}| = 3s + 2$ .

(2a) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{3s+1}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{3s+1}u_0}^1|$  when s is odd and  $s \ge 3$ .

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 0 \le t \le s. \text{ When } 0 \le t \le s. \text{ } d(u_0, v_{3t}) < d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+3}{2} \le t \le s, d(u_0, v_{3t}) > d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t}). \\ &d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+1}) = s - t \text{ where } 0 \le t < s. \text{ When } 0 \le t \le \frac{s-3}{2}, \\ &d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \le t < s, d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+1}). \\ &d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+2}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 0 \le t < s. \text{ When } 0 \le t \le \frac{s-1}{2}, d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} \le t < s, d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) > d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+2}). \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_{3t})=2+t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1},u_{3t})=s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-1}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{3t}) < d(v_{3s+1},u_{3t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,u_{3t}) > d(v_{3s+1},u_{3t}). \\ d(u_0,u_1)=1 \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1},u_1)=s+1. \ d(u_0,u_{3t+1})=3+t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1},u_{3t+1})=s-t+1 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s+1},u_{3t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,u_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s+1},u_{3t+1}). \ d(u_0,u_2)=2 \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1},u_2)=s+2. \\ d(u_0,u_{3t+2})=4+t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1},u_{3t+2})=s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq s. \end{array}$ 

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 $1 \le t \le \frac{s-3}{2}, d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t+2}).$  When  $\frac{s-1}{2} \le t < s, d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) > d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t+2}).$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W^1_{u_0v_{3s+1}}$  and  $v_{3s+1} \in W^1_{v_{3s+1}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W^1_{u_0v_{3s+1}}| = 3s + 1$  and  $|W^1_{v_{3s+1}u_0}| = 3s + 3$ .

(2b) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{3s+1}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{3s+1}u_0}^1|$  when s is even and  $s \ge 2$ . When s = 2.

 $d(u_0, v_0) = 1$  and  $d(v_7, v_0) = 5$ .  $d(u_0, v_3) = 2$  and  $d(v_7, v_3) = 4$ .  $d(u_0, v_6) = 3$ and  $d(v_7, v_6) = 3$ .  $d(u_0, v_1) = 2$  and  $d(v_7, v_1) = 2$ .  $d(u_0, v_4) = 3$  and  $d(v_7, v_4) = 1$ .  $d(u_0, v_2) = 3$  and  $d(v_7, v_2) = 5$ .  $d(u_0, v_5) = 4$  and  $d(v_7, v_5) = 4$ . So  $v_0, v_2, v_3 \in W^1_{u_0v_7}$  and  $v_4 \in W^{1}_{v_7u_0}$ .

 $d(u_0, u_3) = 3$  and  $d(v_7, u_3) = 3$ .  $d(u_0, u_6) = 4$  and  $d(v_7, u_6) = 2$ .  $d(u_0, u_1) = 1$ and  $d(v_7, u_1) = 3$ .  $d(u_0, u_4) = 4$  and  $d(v_7, u_4) = 2$ .  $d(u_0, u_7) = 5$  and  $d(v_7, u_7) = 1$ .  $d(u_0, u_2) = 2$  and  $d(v_7, u_2) = 4$ .  $d(u_0, u_5) = 5$  and  $d(v_7, u_5) = 4$ . So  $u_1, u_2 \in W^1_{u_0v_7}$ and  $u_4, u_5, u_6, u_7 \in W^1_{v_7u_0}$ .

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_7}^1$  and  $v_7 \in W_{v_7u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_7}^1| = 6$  and  $|W_{v_7u_0}^1| = 6$ .

When  $s \geq 4$ .

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s+2}{2}, \ &d(u_0, v_{3t}) < d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} < t \leq s, \ &d(u_0, v_{3t}) > d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t}). \\ &d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+1}) = s - t \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ &d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \ &d(u_0, v_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+1}). \\ &d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+2}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s}{2}, \\ &d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} < t < s, \ &d(u_0, v_{3t+2}) > d(v_{3s+1}, v_{3t+2}). \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{3t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t < \frac{s}{2}, \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t}) < d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} < t \leq s, \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t}) > d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t}). \\ &d(u_0, u_{1}) = s + 1. \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = s + 1. \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t+1}) = s - t + 1 \\ &\text{where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t < \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t+1}). \\ &\text{where } 1 \leq t \leq s, \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t+1}). \\ &d(u_0, u_{2}) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1}, u_{2}) = s + 2. \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t+2}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \\ &\text{when } 1 \leq t < \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t+2}). \\ &\text{When } \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t+2}) > d(v_{3s+1}, u_{3t+2}). \\ &\text{When } \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \\ &d(u_0, u_{3t+2}). \end{aligned}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W^1_{u_0v_{3s+1}}$  and  $v_{3s+1} \in W^1_{v_{3s+1}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W^1_{u_0v_{3s+1}}| = 3s - 2$  and  $|W^1_{v_{3s+1}u_0}| = 3s$ .

(3a) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{3s+2}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{3s+2}u_0}^1|$  when s is odd and  $s \ge 3$ . When s = 3.

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_0)=1 \text{ and } d(v_{11},v_0)=7. \ d(u_0,v_3)=2 \text{ and } d(v_{11},v_3)=6. \ d(u_0,v_6)=3 \\ \text{and } d(v_{11},v_6)=5. \ d(u_0,v_9)=d(v_{11},v_9)=4. \ d(u_0,v_1)=2 \text{ and } d(v_{11},v_1)=6. \\ d(u_0,v_4)=3 \text{ and } d(v_{11},v_4)=5. \ d(u_0,v_7)=4 \text{ and } d(v_{11},v_7)=4. \ d(u_0,v_{10})=5 \\ \text{and } d(v_{11},v_{10})=3. \ d(u_0,v_2)=3 \text{ and } d(v_{11},v_2)=3. \ d(u_0,v_5)=4 \text{ and } d(v_{11},v_5)=2. \ d(u_0,v_8)=5 \text{ and } d(v_{11},v_8)=1. \ \text{So } v_0,v_1,v_3,v_4,v_6\in W^1_{u_0v_{11}} \text{ and } v_5,v_8,v_{10}\in W^1_{v_{11}u_0}. \end{array}$ 

 $d(u_0, u_3) = 3$  and  $d(v_{11}, u_3) = 5$ .  $d(u_0, u_6) = 4$  and  $d(v_{11}, u_6) = 4$ .  $d(u_0, u_9) = 5$  and  $d(v_{11}, u_9) = 3$ .  $d(u_0, u_1) = 1$  and  $d(v_{11}, u_1) = 5$ .  $d(u_0, u_4) = 4$  and

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 $\begin{array}{l} d(v_{11}, u_4) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_7) = 5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11}, u_7) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{10}) = 6 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11}, u_{10}) = 2. \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11}, u_2) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_5) = 5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11}, u_5) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_8) = 6 \\ \text{and} \ d(v_{11}, u_8) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{11}) = 7 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11}, u_{11}) = 1. \ \text{So} \ u_1, u_2, u_3 \in W^1_{u_0v_{11}} \ \text{and} \\ u_5, u_7, u_8, u_9, u_{10}, u_{11} \in W^1_{v_{11}u_0}. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{11}}^1$  and  $v_{11} \in W_{v_{11}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{11}}^1| = 9$  and  $|W_{v_{11}u_0}^1| = 10$ .

When  $s \geq 5$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{3t}) = 1+t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t}) = s-t+4 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s+3}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{3t}) < d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+3}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{3t}) > d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t}). \\ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) = 2+t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+1}) = s-t+3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s+1}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+1}). \\ d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+1}). \ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+2}) = s-t \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \\ s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+2}). \\ \text{When } \frac{s-3}{2} < t < s, \\ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) > d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+2}). \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{3t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2}, u_{3t}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq s. \\ &t < \frac{s+1}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{3t}) < d(v_{3s+2}, u_{3t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{3t}) > d(v_{3s+2}, u_{3t}). \\ &d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2}, u_1) = s + 2. \ d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2}, u_{3t+1}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t < \frac{s-1}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s+2}, u_{3t+1}). \end{aligned}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W^1_{u_0v_{3s+2}}$  and  $v_{3s+2} \in W^1_{v_{3s+2}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W^1_{u_0v_{3s+2}}| = 3s - 1$  and  $|W^1_{v_{3s+2}u_0}| = 3s + 1$ .

(3b) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{3s+2}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{3s+2}u_0}^1|$  when s is even and  $s \ge 2$ . When s = 2.

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_0) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_0) = 6. \ d(u_0, v_3) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_3) = 5. \ d(u_0, v_6) = 3 \\ &\text{and } d(v_8, v_6) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_1) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_1) = 5. \ d(u_0, v_4) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_4) = 4. \\ &d(u_0, v_7) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_7) = 3. \ d(u_0, v_2) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_2) = 2. \ d(u_0, v_5) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_5) = 1. \ \text{So } v_0, v_1, v_3, v_4, v_6 \in W^1_{u_0 v_8} \text{ and } v_2, v_5, v_7 \in W^1_{v_8 u_0}. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_3) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_6) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_6) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \\ \text{and } d(v_8, u_1) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_4) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_4) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_7) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_7) = 2. \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_2) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_5) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_5) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_8) = 6 \text{ and } \\ d(v_8, u_8) = 1. \ \text{So } u_1, u_2, u_3 \in W^1_{u_0 v_8} \text{ and } u_4, u_5, u_6, u_7, u_8 \in W^1_{v_8 u_0}. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_8}^1$  and  $v_8 \in W_{v_8u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_8}^1| = 9$  and  $|W_{v_8u_0}^1| = 9$ .

When  $s \geq 4$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{3t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t}) = s - t + 4 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s+2}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{3t}) < d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+4}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{3t}) > d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t}). \\ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+1}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s}{2}, \\ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+1}). \\ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+2}) = s - t \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-4}{2}, \\ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,v_{3t+2}) > d(v_{3s+2},v_{3t+2}). \end{array}$ 

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 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_{3t}) = 2+t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2},u_{3t}) = s-t+3 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s}{2}, d(u_0,u_{3t}) < d(v_{3s+2},u_{3t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} \leq t \leq s, d(u_0,u_{3t}) > d(v_{3s+2},u_{3t}). \\ d(u_0,u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2},u_1) = s+2. \ d(u_0,u_{3t+1}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2},u_{3t+1}) = s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, d(u_0,u_{3t+1}) < d(v_{3s+2},u_{3t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} \leq t \leq s, d(u_0,u_{3t+1}) > d(v_{3s+2},u_{3t+1}). \\ d(u_0,u_{3t+2}) = 4+t \text{ and } d(v_{3s+2},u_{3t+2}) = s-t+1 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, d(u_0,u_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s+2},u_{3t+2}). \\ 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, d(u_0,u_{3t+2}) < d(v_{3s+2},u_{3t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} \leq t \leq s, d(u_0,u_{3t+2}) > d(v_{3s+2},u_{3t+2}). \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W^1_{u_0v_{3s+2}}$  and  $v_{3s+2} \in W^1_{v_{3s+2}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W^1_{u_0v_{3s+2}}| = 3s + 2$  and  $|W^1_{v_{3s+2}u_0}| = 3s + 4$ .

## Appendix B

**Proof of the remaining cases of Proposition 3.1.** (2) When n = 8m+1 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t}) = t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } \\ &d(v_0, v_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m-2. \ d(u_0, v_{4(m-1)+1}) = d(v_0, v_{4(m-1)+1}) = m + 1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t < m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t < m. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and} \\ d(v_0, u_1) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t < m. \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_2) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \\ \text{where } 1 \leq t < m. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_3) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ and} \\ d(v_0, u_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t < m. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(3m+1)+1 = 6m+3$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(5m-3)+1 = 10m-5$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

(3) When n = 8m + 2 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t}) = t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } \\ &d(v_0, v_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \\ &\text{where } 0 \le t \le m - 2. \ d(u_0, v_{4(m-1)+2}) = m + 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4(m-1)+2}) = m + 1. \\ &d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t < m. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and} \\ &d(v_0, u_1) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \\ &d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_2) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \\ &\text{where } 1 \le t < m. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_3) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ and} \\ &d(v_0, u_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t < m. \end{aligned}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(3m+1)+2 = 6m+4$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(5m-2)+2 = 10m-2$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

(4) When n = 8m + 3 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .

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 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t}) = t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } \\ &d(v_0, v_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \\ &\text{where } 0 \le t < m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m - 2. \\ &d(u_0, v_{4(m-1)+3}) = m + 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4(m-1)+3}) = m + 1. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and} \\ &d(v_0, u_1) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \\ &d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_2) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \\ &\text{where } 1 \le t < m. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_3) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ and} \\ &d(v_0, u_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t < m. \end{aligned}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(3m+2) + 1 = 6m+5$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(5m-1) + 1 = 10m-1$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

(5) When n = 8m + 4 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .

 $d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t}) = t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t < m.$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and} \\ d(v_0, u_1) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_2) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \\ \text{where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_3) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ and} \\ d(v_0, u_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t < m. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(3m+3)+2 = 6m+8$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(5m-2)+2 = 10m-2$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

(6) When n = 8m + 5 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t}) = t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } \\ &d(v_0, v_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m - 1. \ d(u_0, v_{4m+1}) = m + 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4m+1}) = m + 1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t < m. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and} \\ &d(v_0, u_1) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \\ &d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_2) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \\ &\text{where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_3) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ and} \\ &d(v_0, u_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 1 \le t < m. \end{aligned}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(3m+3) + 1 = 6m + 7$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2 \times 5m + 1 = 10m + 1$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

(7) When n = 8m + 6 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .  $d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{4t}) = t$  where  $1 \le t \le m$ .  $d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{4t+1}) = 3 + t$  where  $0 \le t \le m$ .  $d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{4t+2}) = 4 + t$ 

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where  $0 \le t \le m-2$ .  $d(u_0, v_{4(m-1)+2}) = d(v_0, v_{4(m-1)+2}) = m+2$ .  $d(u_0, v_{4m+2}) = m+2$  and  $d(v_0, v_{4m+2}) = m+1$ .  $d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3+t$  and  $d(v_0, v_{4t+3}) = 4+t$  where  $0 \le t \le m$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and} \\ d(v_0, u_1) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_2) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ where} \\ 1 \leq t \leq m - 1. \ d(u_0, u_{4m+2}) = m + 3 \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4m+2}) = m + 2. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and} \\ d(v_0, u_3) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, u_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(3m+2) + 2 = 6m + 6$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2 \times 5m + 2 = 10m + 2$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

(8) When n = 8m + 7 where  $m \ge 3$ .

By symmetry, we just need to consider vertices  $u_i$  and  $v_i$  where  $1 \le i \le \frac{n}{2}$ .

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t}) = t \text{ where } 1 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } \\ &d(v_0, v_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \\ &\text{where } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_0, v_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ where } 0 \le t \le m - 2. \ d(u_0, v_{4(m-1)+3}) = d(v_0, v_{4(m-1)+3}) = m + 2. \ d(u_0, v_{4m+3}) = m + 2 \text{ and } \\ &d(v_0, v_{4m+3}) = m + 1. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_{4t})=2+t \text{ and } d(v_0,u_{4t})=1+t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(u_0,u_1)=1 \text{ and} \\ d(v_0,u_1)=2. \ d(u_0,u_{4t+1})=3+t \text{ and } d(v_0,u_{4t+1})=2+t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m. \\ d(u_0,u_2)=2 \text{ and } d(v_0,u_2)=3. \ d(u_0,u_{4t+2})=4+t \text{ and } d(v_0,u_{4t+2})=3+t \text{ where} \\ 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(u_0,u_3)=3 \text{ and } d(v_0,u_3)=3. \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3})=4+t \text{ and } d(v_0,u_{4t+3})=3+t \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \ d(u_0,u_{4m+3})=m+3 \text{ and } d(v_0,u_{4m+3})=m+2. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_0}$  and  $v_0 \in W_{v_0u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| = 2(3m+3) + 1 = 6m+7$  and  $|W_{v_0u_0}| = 2(5m+1) + 1 = 10m+3$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_0}| < |W_{v_0u_0}|$ .

# **Proof of the remaining cases of Proposition 3.2.** (2) When n = 8m+1 where $m \ge 3$ .

Note that n - 4 = 8m - 3 = 4(2m - 1) + 1.

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{4t})=d(v_{8m-3},v_{4t})=1+t \mbox{ when } 0\leq t\leq m. \ d(u_0,v_{4t})=d(v_{8m-3},v_{4t})=2m-t+2 \mbox{ when } m+1\leq t\leq 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1})=2+t \mbox{ and } d(u_0,v_{4t+1})< d(v_{8m-3},v_{4t+1}) \mbox{ when } 0\leq t\leq m-2. \ d(v_{8m-3},v_{4t+1})=2m-t-1 \mbox{ and } d(u_0,v_{4t+1})>d(v_{8m-3},v_{4t+1}) \mbox{ when } m-1\leq t< 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2})=3+t \mbox{ and } d(u_0,v_{4t+2})< d(v_{8m-3},v_{4t+2}) \mbox{ when } 0\leq t\leq m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2})=d(v_{8m-3},v_{4t+2})=2m-t+2 \mbox{ when } m\leq t< 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3})=3+t \mbox{ and } d(u_0,v_{4t+3})< d(v_{8m-3},v_{4t+3}) \mbox{ when } m\leq t< 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3})=2m-t+2 \mbox{ when } m\leq t< 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3})=2m-t+2 \mbox{ when } m\leq t< 2m-1. \ d(v_{8m-3},v_{4t+3})=2m-t+2 \mbox{ when } m\leq t< 2m-1. \ d(v_{8m-3},v_{8m-3},v_{8m-3})=2m-t+2 \mbox{ when } m\leq t< 2m-1. \ d(v_{8m-3},v_{8m-3},v_{8m-3},v_{8m-3})=2m-t+2 \mbox{ when } m\leq t< 2m-1. \ d(v_{8m-3},v_{8m-3},v_{8m-3},v_{8m-3})=2m-t+2 \mbox{ when } m\leq t< 2m-1.$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{4t}) = d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \quad d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t}) = \\ &2m-t+1 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m-1. \quad d(u_0, u_1) = \\ &1 \text{ and } d(v_{8m-3}, u_1) = 2m. \quad d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq \\ &t \leq m-2. \quad d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t+1}) = 2m-t \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t+1}) \text{ when } \\ &m-1 \leq t \leq 2m-1. \quad d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{8m-3}, u_2) = 2m+1. \quad d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = \\ &d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-2. \quad d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t+2}) = 2m-t+1 \text{ and } \\ &d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t+2}) \text{ when } m-1 \leq t < 2m-1. \quad d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } \\ &d(v_{8m-3}, u_3) = 2m+1. \quad d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t+3}) = 4+t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-2. \end{aligned}$ 

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 $d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t+3}) = 2m - t + 1$  and  $d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{8m-3}, u_{4t+3})$  when  $m - 1 \le t < 2m - 1$ .

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{8m-3}}$  and  $v_{8m-3} \in W_{v_{8m-3}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m-3}}| = 3m + 7$  and  $|W_{v_{8m-3}u_0}| = 5m + 3$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m-3}}| < |W_{v_{8m-3}u_0}|$ .

(3) When n = 8m + 2 where m > 3.

Note that n - 4 = 8m - 2 = 4(2m - 1) + 2.

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{4t}) = d(v_{8m-2},v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m+1. \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) = d(v_{8m-2},v_{4t}) = \\ 2m-t+3 \text{ when } m+2 \leq t \leq 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) = 2+t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) < \\ d(v_{8m-2},v_{4t+1}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m-2},v_{4t+1}) = 2m-t+2 \\ \text{when } m \leq t \leq 2m-1. \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{8m-2},v_{4t+2}) \text{ when } \\ 0 \leq t < m-2. \ d(u_0,v_{4(m-2)+2}) = d(v_{8m-2},v_{4(m-2)+2}) = m+1. \ d(v_{8m-2},v_{4t+2}) = \\ 2m-t-1 \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) > d(v_{8m-2},v_{4t+2}) \text{ when } m-2 < t < 2m-1. \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{8m-2},v_{4t+3}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-1. \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) = d(v_{8m-2},v_{4t+3}) = 2m-t+2 \text{ when } m \leq t < 2m-1. \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_{4t})=d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t})=2+t \text{ when } 1\leq t\leq m. \ d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t})=2m-t+2\\ \text{and } d(u_0,u_{4t})>d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t}) \text{ when } m+1\leq t\leq 2m-1. \ d(u_0,u_1)=1 \text{ and } \\ d(v_{8m-2},u_1)=2m+1. \ d(u_0,u_{4t+1})=d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t+1})=3+t \text{ when } 1\leq t\leq m-1.\\ d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t+1})=2m-t+1 \text{ and } d(u_0,u_{4t+1})>d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t+1}) \text{ when } m\leq t\leq 2m-1. \ d(u_0,u_2)=2 \text{ and } d(v_{8m-2},u_2)=2m. \ d(u_0,u_{4t+2})=d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t+2})=4+\\ t \text{ when } 1\leq t\leq m-2. \ d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t+2})=2m-t \text{ and } d(u_0,u_{4t+2})>d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t+2})\\ \text{when } m-1\leq t\leq 2m-1. \ d(u_0,u_3)=3 \text{ and } d(v_{8m-2},u_3)=2m+1. \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3})=\\ d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t+3})=4+t \text{ when } 1\leq t\leq m-2. \ d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t+3})=2m-t+1 \text{ and } \\ d(u_0,u_{4t+3})>d(v_{8m-2},u_{4t+3}) \text{ when } m-1\leq t< 2m-1. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{8m-2}}$  and  $v_{8m-2} \in W_{v_{8m-2}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m-2}}| = 3m + 6$  and  $|W_{v_{8m-2}u_0}| = 5m + 2$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m-2}}| < |W_{v_{8m-2}u_0}|$ .

(4) When n = 8m + 3 where  $m \ge 3$ .

Note that n - 4 = 8m - 1 = 4(2m - 1) + 3.

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_{4t}) = d(v_{8m-1}, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ when } 0 \le t \le m+1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t}) = d(v_{8m-1}, v_{4t}) = \\ &2m-t+3 \text{ when } m+2 \le t \le 2m-1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2+t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) < \\ &d(v_{8m-1}, v_{4t+1}) \text{ when } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m-1}, v_{4t+1}) = 2m-t+3 \text{ when } \\ &m+1 \le t \le 2m-1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{8m-1}, v_{4t+2}) \text{ when } \\ &0 \le t \le m-1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m-1}, v_{4t+2}) = 2m-t+2 \text{ when } m \le t \le 2m-1. \\ &d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{8m-1}, v_{4t+3}) \text{ when } 0 \le t < m-2. \\ &d(u_0, v_{4(m-2)+3}) = d(v_{8m-1}, v_{4(m-2)+3}) = m+1. \ d(v_{8m-1}, v_{4t+3}) = 2m-t-1 \text{ and } \\ &d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) > d(v_{8m-1}, v_{4t+3}) \text{ when } m-2 < t < 2m-1. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_{4t}) = d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t}) = 2m - t + 2 \\ \text{and } d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t}) \text{ when } m + 1 \leq t \leq 2m - 1. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and} \\ d(v_{8m-1}, u_1) = 2m + 2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m - 1. \ d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t+1}) = 2m - t + 2 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t+1}) \text{ when} \\ m \leq t \leq 2m - 1. \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{8m-1}, u_2) = 2m + 1. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m - 2. \ d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t+2}) = 2m - t + 1 \text{ and} \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t+2}) \text{ when } m - 1 \leq t \leq 2m - 1. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and} \end{array}$ 

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 $d(v_{8m-1}, u_3) = 2m. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ when } 1 \le t \le m-2.$  $d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t+3}) = 2m - t \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{8m-1}, u_{4t+3}) \text{ when } m-1 \le t \le 2m-1.$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{8m-1}}$  and  $v_{8m-1} \in W_{v_{8m-1}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m-1}}| = 3m + 7$  and  $|W_{v_{8m-1}u_0}| = 5m + 3$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m-1}}| < |W_{v_{8m-1}u_0}|$ .

(5) When n = 8m + 4 where  $m \ge 3$ .

Note that  $n - 4 = 8m = 4 \times 2m$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{4t}) = d(v_{8m},v_{4t}) = 1+t \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-1. \quad d(v_{8m},v_{4t}) = 2m-t \\ \text{and } d(u_0,v_{4t}) > d(v_{8m},v_{4t}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m-1. \quad d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) = 2+t \text{ and} \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) < d(v_{8m},v_{4t+1}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m. \quad d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m},v_{4t+1}) = \\ 2m-t+3 \text{ when } m+1 \leq t \leq 2m-1. \quad d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) < \\ d(v_{8m},v_{4t+2}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-1. \quad d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m},v_{4t+2}) = 2m-t+3 \\ \text{when } m \leq t \leq 2m-1. \quad d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{8m},v_{4t+3}) \text{ when} \\ 0 \leq t \leq m-1. \quad d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) = d(v_{8m},v_{4t+3}) = 2m-t+2 \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m-1. \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{4t}) = d(v_{8m}, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \ d(v_{8m}, u_{4t}) = 2m-t+1 \text{ and } \\ &d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{8m}, u_{4t}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{8m}, u_1) = 2m+2. \\ &d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m}, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \ d(v_{8m}, u_{4t+1}) = 2m-t+2 \\ &\text{and } d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{8m}, u_{4t+1}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m-1. \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } \\ &d(v_{8m}, u_2) = 2m+2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m}, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \\ &d(v_{8m}, u_{4t+2}) = 2m-t+2 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{8m}, u_{4t+2}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m-1. \\ &d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{8m}, u_3) = 2m+1. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = d(v_{8m}, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-2. \ d(v_{8m}, u_{4t+3}) = 2m-t+1 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{8m}, u_{4t+3}) \text{ when } \\ &m-1 \leq t \leq 2m-1. \end{aligned}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{8m}}$  and  $v_{8m} \in W_{v_{8m}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m}}| = 3m + 9$  and  $|W_{v_{8m}u_0}| = 5m + 4$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m}}| < |W_{v_{8m}u_0}|$ .

(6) When n = 8m + 5 where  $m \ge 3$ .

Note that  $n - 4 = 8m + 1 = 4 \times 2m + 1$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, v_{4t}) = d(v_{8m+1}, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m+1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t}) = d(v_{8m+1}, v_{4t}) = \\ 2m - t + 3 \text{ when } m + 2 \leq t \leq 2m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) < \\ d(v_{8m+1}, v_{4t+1}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-2. \ d(u_0, v_{4(m-1)+1}) = d(v_{8m+1}, v_{4(m-1)+1}) = \\ m + 1. \ d(v_{8m+1}, v_{4t+1}) = 2m - t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) > d(v_{8m+1}, v_{4t+1}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m - 1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{8m+1}, v_{4t+2}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m+1}, v_{4t+2}) = 2m - t + 3 \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m - 1. \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{8m+1}, v_{4t+3}) \text{ when } 0 \leq t \leq m-1. \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = d(v_{8m+1}, v_{4t+3}) = 2m - t + 3 \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m - 1. \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{4t}) = d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m. \quad d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t}) = 2m - t + 2 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t}) \text{ when } m + 1 \leq t \leq 2m. \quad d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{8m+1}, u_1) = 2m + 1. \quad d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m - 1. \\ &d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t+1}) = 2m - t + 1 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t+1}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m. \quad d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{8m+1}, u_{2}) = 2m + 2. \quad d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m - 1. \quad d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t+2}) = 2m - t + 2 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t+2}) \text{ when } m \leq t \leq 2m - 1. \quad d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{8m+1}, u_3) = 2m + 2. \end{aligned}$ 

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 $d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ when } 1 \le t \le m - 1. \quad d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t+3}) = 2m - t + 2 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{8m+1}, u_{4t+3}) \text{ when } m \le t \le 2m - 1.$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{8m+1}}$  and  $v_{8m+1} \in W_{v_{8m+1}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m+1}}| = 3m + 7$  and  $|W_{v_{8m+1}u_0}| = 5m + 3$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m+1}}| < |W_{v_{8m+1}u_0}|$ .

(7) When n = 8m + 6 where  $m \ge 3$ .

Note that  $n - 4 = 8m + 2 = 4 \times 2m + 2$ .

 $\begin{aligned} t + 3 & \text{and } d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{8m+2}, u_{4t}) & \text{when } m+1 \leq t \leq 2m. \quad d(u_0, u_1) = 1 & \text{and} \\ d(v_{8m+2}, u_1) = 2m+2. \quad d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m+2}, u_{4t+1}) = 3+t & \text{when } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \\ d(v_{8m+2}, u_{4t+1}) = 2m-t+2 & \text{and } d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{8m+2}, u_{4t+1}) & \text{when } m \leq t \leq 2m. \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 & \text{and } d(v_{8m+2}, u_2) = 2m+1. \quad d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m+2}, u_{4t+2}) = 4+t & \text{when } 1 \leq t \leq m-2. \quad d(v_{8m+2}, u_{4t+2}) = 2m-t+1 & \text{and } d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > \\ d(v_{8m+2}, u_{4t+2}) & \text{when } m-1 \leq t \leq 2m. \quad d(u_0, u_3) = 3 & \text{and } d(v_{8m+2}, u_3) = 2m+2. \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = d(v_{8m+2}, u_{4t+3}) = 4+t & \text{when } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \quad d(v_{8m+2}, u_{4t+3}) = \\ 2m-t+2 & \text{and } d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{8m+2}, u_{4t+3}) & \text{when } m \leq t \leq 2m-1. \end{aligned}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{8m+2}}$  and  $v_{8m+2} \in W_{v_{8m+2}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m+2}}| = 3m + 8$  and  $|W_{v_{8m+2}u_0}| = 5m + 6$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m+2}}| < |W_{v_{8m+2}u_0}|$ .

(8) When n = 8m + 7 where  $m \ge 3$ .

Note that  $n - 4 = 8m + 3 = 4 \times 2m + 3$ .

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_{4t}) = d(v_{8m+3}, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ when } 0 \le t \le m+1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t}) = d(v_{8m+3}, v_{4t}) = \\ &2m - t + 4 \text{ when } m + 2 \le t \le 2m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) < \\ &d(v_{8m+3}, v_{4t+1}) \text{ when } 0 \le t \le m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m+3}, v_{4t+1}) = 2m - t + 4 \text{ when } \\ &m + 1 \le t \le 2m. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{8m+3}, v_{4t+2}) \text{ when } \\ &0 \le t \le m - 1. \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m+3}, v_{4t+2}) = 2m - t + 3 \text{ when } m \le t \le 2m. \\ &d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{8m+3}, v_{4t+3}) \text{ when } 0 \le t \le m - 2. \\ &d(v_{8m+3}, v_{4t+3}) = 2m - t \text{ and } d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) > d(v_{8m+3}, v_{4t+3}) \text{ when } m - 1 \le t \le 2m - 1. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{4t}) = d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t}) = 2+t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t}) = 2m-t+3 \text{ and } \\ &d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t}) \text{ when } m+1 \leq t \leq 2m. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{8m+3}, u_1) = \\ &2m+3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t+1}) = 3+t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m. \ d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t+1}) = \\ &2m-t+3 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t+1}) \text{ when } m+1 \leq t \leq 2m. \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \\ &\text{and } d(v_{8m+3}, u_2) = 2m+2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t+2}) = 4+t \text{ when } 1 \leq t \leq m-1. \ d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t+2}) = 2m-t+2 \text{ and } d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t+2}) \\ &\text{when } m \leq t \leq 2m. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{8m+3}, u_3) = 2m+1. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = \\ \end{aligned}$ 

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 $d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t$  when  $1 \le t \le m-2$ .  $d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t+3}) = 2m - t + 1$  and  $d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{8m+3}, u_{4t+3})$  when  $m-1 \le t \le 2m$ .

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{8m+3}}$  and  $v_{8m+3} \in W_{v_{8m+3}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m+3}}| = 3m + 8$  and  $|W_{v_{8m+3}u_0}| = 5m + 6$ . Because  $m \ge 3$ ,  $|W_{u_0v_{8m+3}}| < |W_{v_{8m+3}u_0}|$ .

**Proof of the remaining cases of Proposition 3.3.** (1a) The computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{4s}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{4s}u_0}^1|$  when s = 3.

 $\begin{aligned} d(u_0, v_0) &= 1 \text{ and } d(v_{12}, v_0) = 3. \ d(u_0, v_4) = d(v_{12}, v_4) = 2. \ d(u_0, v_8) = 3 \text{ and} \\ d(v_{12}, v_8) &= 1. \ d(u_0, v_1) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{12}, v_1) = 6. \ d(u_0, v_5) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{12}, v_5) = 5. \\ d(u_0, v_9) &= 4 \text{ and } d(v_{12}, v_9) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_2) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{12}, v_2) = 6. \ d(u_0, v_6) = 4 \text{ and} \\ d(v_{12}, v_6) &= 5. \ d(u_0, v_{10}) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{12}, v_{10}) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{12}, v_3) = 5. \\ d(u_0, v_7) &= 4 \text{ and } d(v_{12}, v_7) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_{11}) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{12}, v_{11}) = 3. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_4)=3 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_4)=3. \ d(u_0,u_8)=4 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_8)=2. \ d(u_0,u_{12})=5 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_{12})=1. \ d(u_0,u_1)=1 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_1)=5. \ d(u_0,u_5)=4 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_5)=4. \ d(u_0,u_9)=5 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_9)=3. \ d(u_0,u_2)=2 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_2)=5. \ d(u_0,u_6)=5 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_6)=4. \ d(u_0,u_{10})=6 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_{10})=3. \ d(u_0,u_3)=3 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_3)=4. \ d(u_0,u_7)=5 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_7)=3. \ d(u_0,u_{11})=6 \ {\rm and} \ d(v_{12},u_{11})=2. \ {\rm So} \ u_1,u_2,u_3\in W^1_{u_0v_{12}} \ {\rm and} \ u_6,u_7,u_8,u_9,u_{10},u_{11},u_{12}\in W^1_{v_{12}u_0}. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{12}}^1$  and  $v_{12} \in W_{v_{12}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{12}}^1| = 10$  and  $|W_{v_{12}u_0}^1| = 11$ .

(1b) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{4s}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{4s}u_0}^1|$  when s is even and  $s \ge 2$ . When s = 2,

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_0) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_0) = 2. \ d(u_0, v_4) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_4) = 1. \ d(u_0, v_1) = 2 \\ &\text{and } d(v_8, v_1) = 5. \ d(u_0, v_5) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_5) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_2) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_2) = 5. \\ &d(u_0, v_6) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_6) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_8, v_3) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_7) = 4 \text{ and } \\ &d(v_8, v_7) = 3. \text{ So } v_0, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_5 \in W^1_{u_0 v_8} \text{ and } v_4, v_7 \in W^1_{v_8 u_0}. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_4) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_4) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_8) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_8) = 1. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \\ \text{and } d(v_8, u_1) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_5) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_5) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_2) = 4. \\ d(u_0, u_6) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_6) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_3) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_7) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_8, u_7) = 2. \ \text{So } u_1, u_2 \in W^1_{u_0v_8} \text{ and } u_4, u_5, u_6, u_7, u_8 \in W^1_{v_8u_0}. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_8}^1$  and  $v_8 \in W_{v_8u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_8}^1| = 8$  and  $|W_{v_8u_0}^1| = 8$ .

When  $s \geq 4$ ,

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s}, v_{4t}) = s - t \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t}) < d(v_{4s}, v_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} \leq t < s, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t}) > d(v_{4s}, v_{4t}). \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s}{2}, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} \leq t < s, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+1}). \\ d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} \leq t < s, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+1}). \\ d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+2}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s}{2}, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+2}). \\ d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} < t < s, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+2}). \\ d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+3}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \\ \text{When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+3}). \\ \text{When } \frac{s}{2} \leq t < s, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s}, v_{4t+3}). \\ \end{array}$ 

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 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s}, u_{4t}) = s - t + 1 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ d(u_0, u_{4t}) < d(v_{4s}, u_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} \leq t \leq s, \\ d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{4s}, u_{4t}). \\ d(u_0, u_1) = s + 2. \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+1}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+1}). \\ When \frac{s}{2} \leq t < s, \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+1}). \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{4s}, u_{2}) = s + 2. \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \\ When 1 \leq t < \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \\ When 1 \leq t < \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+2}). \\ When \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+2}). \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+3}) = s - t + 1 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \\ When 1 \leq t < s. \\ When 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-4}{2}, \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+3}). \\ When \frac{s-2}{2} \leq t < s, \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s}, u_{4t+3}). \\ \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W^1_{u_0v_{4s}}$  and  $v_{4s} \in W^1_{v_{4s}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W^1_{u_0v_{4s}}| = 4s - 1$  and  $|W^1_{v_{4s}u_0}| = 4s + 1$ .

(2a) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+1}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+1}u_0}^1|$  when s is odd and  $s \ge 3$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{4t})=1+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t})=s-t+3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq s. \\ t \leq \frac{s+1}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+3}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t}). \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+1})=2+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t+1})=s-t \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-3}{2}, \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t+1}). \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+2})=3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t+2})=s-t+3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-1}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t+2}). \\ d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t+2}). \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3})=3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t+3})=s-t+3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \\ t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-1}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} \leq t < s, \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+1},v_{4t+3}). \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_{4t})=2+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t})=s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-1}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t}). \\ d(u_0,u_1)=1 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_1)=s+1. \ d(u_0,u_{4t+1})=3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+1})=s-t+1 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{3}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+1}). \ d(u_0,u_{2})=2 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_{2})=s+2. \\ d(u_0,u_{4t+2})=4+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+2})=s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+2}). \ d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+2}) = s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+2}). \ d(u_{4s+1},u_{4t+3}) = s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+3}) = s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+3}). \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{4s+1}}^1$  and  $v_{4s+1} \in W_{v_{4s+1}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+1}}^1| = 4s + 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+1}u_0}^1| = 4s + 3$ .

(2b) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+1}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+1}u_0}^1|$  when s is even and  $s \ge 4$ . When  $s \ge 4$ ,

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, v_{4t}) = 1 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq s. \\ t < \frac{s+2}{2}, \ d(u_0, v_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0, v_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t}). \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t+1}) = s - t \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s-2}{2}, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0, v_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t+1}). \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t+2}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s}{2}, \\ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0, v_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t+2}). \end{array}$ 

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 $d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t+3}) = s-t+3 \text{ where } 0 \le t < s. \text{ When } 0 \le t < \frac{s}{2}, d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} < t < s, d(u_0, v_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+1}, v_{4t+3}).$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_{4t})=2+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t})=s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t < \frac{s}{2}, \\ d(u_0,u_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t}). \ d(u_0,u_1)=1 \\ 1 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_1)=s+1. \ d(u_0,u_{4t+1})=3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+1})=s-t+1 \\ \text{where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \\ \frac{s-2}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+1}). \ d(u_0,u_2)=2 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_{2})=s+2. \\ d(u_0,u_{4t+2})=4+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+2})=s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } \\ 1 \leq t < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+2}) > \\ d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+2}). \ d(u_0,u_3)=3 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+1},u_3)=s+2. \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3})=4+t \text{ and } \\ d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+3})=s-t+2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+3}) < s < t < s < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+3}) < s < t < s < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+1},u_{4t+3}) < s < t < s < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < s < t < s < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s < \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3}) < \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s < \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0,u_{4t+3})$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{4s+1}}^1$  and  $v_{4s+1} \in W_{v_{4s+1}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+1}}^1| = 4s - 3$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+1}u_0}^1| = 4s - 1$ .

(3a) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+2}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+2}u_0}^1|$  when s is odd and  $s \ge 3$ . When s = 3,

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_0)=1 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_0)=7. \ d(u_0,v_4)=2 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_4)=6. \ d(u_0,v_8)=3 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_8)=5. \ d(u_0,v_{12})=4 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_{12})=4. \ d(u_0,v_1)=2 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_1)=6. \ d(u_0,v_5)=3 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_5)=5. \ d(u_0,v_9)=4 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_9)=4. \ d(u_0,v_{13})=5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_{13})=3. \ d(u_0,v_2)=3 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_2)=3. \ d(u_0,v_6)=4 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_6)=2. \ d(u_0,v_{10})=5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_{10})=1. \ d(u_0,v_3)=3 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_{3})=6. \ d(u_0,v_7)=4 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_7)=5. \ d(u_0,v_{11})=5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{14},v_{11})=4. \ \text{So} \ v_0,v_1,v_3,v_4,v_5,v_7,v_8\in W^1_{u_0v_{14}} \ \text{and} \ v_6,v_{10},v_{11},v_{13}\in W^1_{v_{14}u_0}. \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_4) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_4) = 5. \ d(u_0, u_8) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_8) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_{12}) = 5 \\ 5 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_{12}) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_1) = 5. \ d(u_0, u_5) = 4 \text{ and } \\ d(v_{14}, u_5) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_9) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_9) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{13}) = 6 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_{13}) = 2. \\ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_2) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_6) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_6) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_{10}) = 6 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_{10}) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{14}) = 7 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_{14}) = 1. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } \\ d(v_{14}, u_3) = 5. \ d(u_0, u_7) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_7) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_{11}) = 6 \text{ and } d(v_{14}, u_{11}) = 3. \\ \text{So } u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4 \in W^1_{u_0v_{14}} \text{ and } u_6, u_7, u_9, u_{10}, u_{11}, u_{12}, u_{13}, u_{14} \in W^1_{v_{14}u_0}. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{14}}^1$  and  $v_{14} \in W_{v_{14}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{14}}^1| = 12$  and  $|W_{v_{14}u_0}^1| = 13$ .

When  $s \geq 5$ ,

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{4t}) = 1+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t}) = s-t+4 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq s. \\ t < \frac{s+3}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+3}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t}). \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) = 2+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+1}) = s-t+3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s+1}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+1}). \\ d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+1}). \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+2}) = s-t \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \\ s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-3}{2} < t < s, \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+2}). \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+3}) = s-t+3 \\ \text{where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-1}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+3}). \\ \text{when } \frac{s+1}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+3}). \end{array}$ 

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 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s+1}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t}). \\ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_1) = s + 2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+1}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t < \frac{s-1}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+1}). \ d(u_0, u_{2}) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_{2}) = s + 1. \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+2}) = s - t + 1 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t < \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-3}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+2}). \ d(u_{4s+2}, u_{4t+2}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t < \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-3}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+2}). \ d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+3}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+3}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+3}). \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{4s+2}}^1$  and  $v_{4s+2} \in W_{v_{4s+2}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+2}}^1| = 4s - 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+2}u_0}^1| = 4s + 1$ .

(3b) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+2}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+2}u_0}^1|$  when s is even and  $s \ge 2$ . When s = 2,

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_0) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, v_0) = 6. \ d(u_0, v_4) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, v_4) = 5. \ d(u_0, v_8) = 3 \\ &\text{and } d(v_{10}, v_8) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_1) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, v_1) = 5. \ d(u_0, v_5) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, v_5) = 4 \\ &\text{and } d(v_{10}, v_9) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, v_9) = 3. \ d(u_0, v_2) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, v_2) = 2. \ d(u_0, v_6) = 4 \\ &\text{and } d(v_{10}, v_6) = 1. \ d(u_0, v_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, v_3) = 5. \ d(u_0, v_7) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, v_7) = 4 \\ &\text{4. So } v_0, v_1, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_8 \in W^1_{u_0 v_{10}} \text{ and } v_2, v_6, v_9 \in W^1_{v_{10} u_0}. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_4) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, u_4) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_8) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, u_8) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \\ \text{and } d(v_{10}, u_1) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_5) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, u_5) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_9) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, u_9) = 2 \\ 2. \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, u_2) = 3. \ d(u_0, u_6) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, u_6) = 2. \ d(u_0, u_{10}) = 6 \\ 6 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, u_{10}) = 1. \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, u_3) = 4. \ d(u_0, u_7) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{10}, u_7) = 3. \\ 80 \text{ So } u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4 \in W^1_{u_0v_{10}} \text{ and } u_5, u_6, u_7, u_8, u_9, u_{10} \in W^1_{v_{10}u_0}. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W^1_{u_0v_{10}}$  and  $v_8 \in W^{\hat{1}}_{v_{10}u_0}$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W^1_{u_0v_{10}}| = 11$  and  $|W^1_{v_{10}u_0}| = 10$ .

When  $s \geq 4$ ,

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{4t}) = 1+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t}) = s-t+4 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq s. \\ t \leq \frac{s+2}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+4}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t}). \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) = 2+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+1}) = s-t+3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s}{2}, \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+1}). \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+2}) = s-t \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-4}{2}, \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} \leq t < s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+2}). \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+3}) = s-t+3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s}{2}, \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+2},v_{4t+3}). \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When} \\ &1 \leq t \leq \frac{s}{2}, d(u_0, u_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} \leq t \leq s, d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t}). \\ &d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_1) = s + 2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+1}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+1}). \text{ When} \\ &\frac{s}{2} \leq t \leq s, d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+1}). \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_2) = s + 1. \\ &d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+2}) = s - t + 1 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When} \\ &1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-4}{2}, d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} \leq t \leq s, d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > \\ &d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+2}). \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+2}, u_3) = s + 2. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ and} \end{aligned}$ 

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 $d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+3}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \le t < s. \text{ When } 1 \le t < \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+2}, u_{4t+3}).$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{4s+2}}^1$  and  $v_{4s+2} \in W_{v_{4s+2}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+2}}^1| = 4s + 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+2}u_0}^1| = 4s + 3$ .

(4a) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+3}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+3}u_0}^1|$  when s is odd and  $s \ge 3$ . When s = 3,

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_0) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_0) = 7. \ d(u_0,v_4) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_4) = 6. \ d(u_0,v_8) = \\ 3 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_8) = 5. \ d(u_0,v_{12}) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_{12}) = 4. \ d(u_0,v_1) = 2 \text{ and} \\ d(v_{15},v_1) = 7. \ d(u_0,v_5) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_5) = 6. \ d(u_0,v_9) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_9) = 5. \\ d(u_0,v_{13}) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_{13}) = 4. \ d(u_0,v_2) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_2) = 6. \ d(u_0,v_6) = \\ 4 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_6) = 5. \ d(u_0,v_{10}) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_{10}) = 4. \ d(u_0,v_{14}) = 6 \text{ and} \\ d(v_{15},v_{14}) = 3. \ d(u_0,v_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_3) = 3. \ d(u_0,v_7) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_7) = 2. \\ d(u_0,v_{11}) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{15},v_{11}) = 1. \text{ So } v_0,v_1,v_2,v_4,v_5,v_6,v_8,v_9 \in W^1_{u_0v_{15}} \text{ and} \\ v_7,v_{10},v_{11},v_{13},v_{14} \in W^1_{v_{15}u_0}. \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_4)=3 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_4)=5. \ d(u_0,u_8)=4 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_8)=4. \ d(u_0,u_{12})=5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_{12})=3. \ d(u_0,u_1)=1 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_1)=6. \ d(u_0,u_5)=4 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_5)=5. \ d(u_0,u_9)=5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_9)=4. \ d(u_0,u_{13})=6 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_{13})=3. \ d(u_0,u_2)=2 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_2)=5. \ d(u_0,u_6)=5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_6)=4. \ d(u_0,u_{10})=6 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_{10})=3. \ d(u_0,u_{14})=7 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_{14})=2. \ d(u_0,u_3)=3 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_{3})=4. \ d(u_0,u_{7})=5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_{7})=3. \ d(u_0,u_{11})=6 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_{11})=2. \ d(u_0,u_{15})=7 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{15},u_{15})=1. \ \text{So} \ u_1,u_2,u_3,u_4,u_5\in W^1_{u_0v_{15}} \ \text{and} \ u_6,u_7,u_9, \ u_{10},u_{11},u_{12},u_{13},u_{14},u_{15} \ \text{are in} \ W^1_{v_{15}u_0}. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{15}}^1$  and  $v_{15} \in W_{v_{15}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{15}}^1| = 14$  and  $|W_{v_{15}u_0}^1| = 15$ .

When  $s \geq 5$ ,

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{4t}) = 1+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t}) = s-t+4 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq s. \\ t < \frac{s+3}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+3}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t}). \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) = 2+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+1}) = s-t+4 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s+1}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+3}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+1}). \\ d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+1}). \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+2}) = s-t+3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \\ t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-1}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} \leq t \leq s, \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+2}). \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+3}) = s-t \\ \text{where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+3}). \\ \text{when } \frac{s-3}{2} < t < s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+3}). \end{array}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s+1}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t}). \\ d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_1) = s + 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+1}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-1}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+1}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+1}). \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_2) = s + 2. \\ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+2}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-1}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+2}). \ d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_{3}) = s + 1. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_{3}) = s + 1. \end{array}$ 

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 $d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+3}) = s - t + 1 \text{ where } 1 \le t \le s. \text{ When } 1 \le t < \frac{s-3}{2}, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s-3}{2} < t \le s, \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+3}).$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{4s+3}}^1$  and  $v_{4s+3} \in W_{v_{4s+3}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+3}}^1| = 4s + 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+3}u_0}^1| = 4s + 3$ .

(4b) Computation of  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+3}}^1|$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+3}u_0}^1|$  when s is even. When s = 2.

 $\begin{aligned} &d(u_0, v_0) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{11}, v_0) = 6. \ d(u_0, v_4) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{11}, v_4) = 5. \ d(u_0, v_8) = 3 \\ &\text{and } d(v_{11}, v_8) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_1) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{11}, v_1) = 6. \ d(u_0, v_5) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{11}, v_5) = 5. \\ &d(u_0, v_9) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_{11}, v_9) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_2) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{11}, v_2) = 5. \ d(u_0, v_6) = 4 \\ &\text{and } d(v_{11}, v_6) = 4. \ d(u_0, v_{10}) = 5 \text{ and } d(v_{11}, v_{10}) = 3. \ d(u_0, v_3) = 3 \text{ and } \\ &d(v_{11}, v_3) = 2. \ d(u_0, v_7) = 4 \text{ and } d(v_{11}, v_7) = 1. \\ &\text{So } v_0, v_1, v_2, v_4, v_5, v_8 \in W^1_{u_0v_{11}} \\ &\text{and } v_3, v_7, v_{10} \in W^1_{v_{11}u_0}. \end{aligned}$ 

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,u_4)=3 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_4)=4. \ d(u_0,u_8)=4 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_8)=3. \ d(u_0,u_1)=1 \\ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_1)=5. \ d(u_0,u_5)=4 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_5)=4. \ d(u_0,u_9)=5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_9)=3. \ d(u_0,u_2)=2 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_2)=4. \ d(u_0,u_6)=5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_6)=3. \ d(u_0,u_{10})=6 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_{10})=2. \ d(u_0,u_3)=3 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_3)=3. \ d(u_0,u_7)=5 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_7)=2. \ d(u_0,u_{11})=6 \ \text{and} \ d(v_{11},u_{11})=1. \ \text{So} \ u_1,u_2,u_4 \in W^1_{u_0v_{11}} \ \text{and} \ u_6,u_7,u_8,u_9,u_{10},u_{11}\in W^1_{v_{11}u_0}. \end{array}$ 

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{11}}^1$  and  $v_{11} \in W_{v_{11}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{11}}^1| = 10$  and  $|W_{v_{11}u_0}^1| = 10$ .

When  $s \geq 4$ .

 $\begin{array}{l} d(u_0,v_{4t}) = 1+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t}) = s-t+4 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s+2}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+4}{2} \leq t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t}). \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) = 2+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+1}) = s-t+4 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t < \frac{s+2}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} < t \leq s, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+1}). \\ d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+1}). \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+2}) = s-t+3 \text{ where } 0 \leq t \leq s. \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+2}). \ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s}{2} < t \leq s, \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+2}) > d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+2}). \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) = 3+t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+3}) = s-t \\ \text{where } 0 \leq t < s. \text{ When } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{s-2}{2}, \ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+3}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} \leq t < s, \\ d(u_0,v_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+3},v_{4t+3}). \end{array}$ 

$$\begin{split} & d(u_0, u_{4t}) = 2 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } \\ & 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s}{2}, d(u_0, u_{4t}) < d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t}). \text{ When } \frac{s+2}{2} \leq t \leq s, d(u_0, u_{4t}) > d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t}). \\ & d(u_0, u_1) = 1 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_1) = s + 3. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) = 3 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+1}) = s - t + 3 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s}{2}, d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) < d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \\ & \frac{s}{2} < t \leq s, d(u_0, u_{4t+1}) > d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+1}). \ d(u_0, u_2) = 2 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+1}). \text{ When } \\ & \frac{s}{2} < t \leq s, d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) = 4 + t \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+2}) = s - t + 2 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } \\ & 1 \leq t < \frac{s-2}{2}, d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) < d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+2}). \text{ When } \frac{s-2}{2} < t \leq s, d(u_0, u_{4t+2}) > \\ & d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+2}). \ d(u_0, u_3) = 3 \text{ and } d(v_{4s+3}, u_3) = s + 1. \ d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) = 4 + t \text{ and } \\ & d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+3}) = s - t + 1 \text{ where } 1 \leq t \leq s. \text{ When } 1 \leq t \leq \frac{s-4}{2}, d(u_0, u_{4t+3}) < d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+3}) > d(v_{4s+3}, u_{4t+3}). \end{split}$$

Note that  $u_0 \in W_{u_0v_{4s+3}}^1$  and  $v_{4s+3} \in W_{v_{4s+3}u_0}^1$ . Combined with the above discussion,  $|W_{u_0v_{4s+3}}^1| = 4s + 1$  and  $|W_{v_{4s+3}u_0}^1| = 4s + 3$ .

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