

## THE ENTIRE FACE IRREGULARITY STRENGTH OF A BOOK WITH POLYGONAL PAGES

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### Abstract

A face irregular entire labeling is introduced by Baca *et al.* recently, as a modification of the well-known vertex irregular and edge irregular total labeling of graphs and the idea of the entire colouring of plane graph. A face irregular entire  $k$ -labeling  $\lambda: V \cup E \cup F \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  of a 2-connected plane graph  $G = (V, E, F)$  is a labeling of vertices, edges, and faces of  $G$  such that for any two different faces  $f$  and  $g$ , their weights  $w_\lambda(f)$  and  $w_\lambda(g)$  are distinct. The minimum  $k$  for which a plane graph  $G$  has a face irregular entire  $k$ -labeling is called the entire face irregularity strength of  $G$ , denoted by  $efs(G)$ .

This paper deals with the entire face irregularity strength of a book with  $m$   $n$ -polygonal pages, where embedded in a plane as a closed book with  $n$  –sided external face.

**Keywords and phrases:** Book, entire face irregularity strength, face irregular entire  $k$ -labeling, plane graph, polygonal page.

## NILAI KETAKTERATURAN SELURUH MUKA GRAF BUKU SEGI BANYAK

### Abstrak

Pelabelan tak teratur seluruh muka diperkenalkan oleh Baca *et al.* baru-baru ini, sebagai suatu modifikasi atas pelabelan total tak teratur titik dan tak teratur sisi suatu graf serta ide tentang pewarnaan lengkap pada graf bidang. Pelabelan  $k$ - tak teratur seluruh muka  $\lambda: V \cup E \cup F \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  dari suatu graf bidang 2-connected  $G = (V, E, F)$  adalah suatu pelabelan seluruh titik, sisi, dan muka internal dari  $G$  sedemikian sehingga untuk sebarang dua muka  $f$  and  $g$  berbeda, bobot muka  $w_\lambda(f)$  and  $w_\lambda(g)$  juga berbeda. Bilangan bulat terkecil  $k$  sedemikian sehingga suatu graf bidang  $G$  memiliki suatu pelabelan  $k$ -tak teratur seluruh muka disebut nilai ketakteraturan seluruh muka dari  $G$ , dinotasikan oleh  $efs(G)$ .

Kami menentukan nilai eksak dari nilai ketakteraturan seluruh muka graf buku segi- $n$ , dimana pada bidang datar dapat digambarkan seperti suatu buku tertutup.

**Kata Kunci:** Graf bidang, graf buku segi- $n$ , nilai ketakteraturan seluruh muka, pelabelan lengkap  $k$ -tak teratur muka.

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $G$  be a finite, simple, undirected graph with vertex set  $V(G)$  and edge set  $E(G)$ . A total labeling of  $G$  is a mapping that sends  $V \cup E$  to a set of numbers (usually positive or nonnegative integers). According to the condition defined in a total labeling, there are many types of total labeling have been investigated.

Baca, Jendrol, Miller, and Ryan in [1] introduced a vertex irregular and edge irregular total labeling of graphs. For any total labeling  $f: V \cup E \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ , the *weight of a vertex*  $v$  and the *weight of an edge*  $e = xy$  are defined by  $w(v) = f(v) + \sum_{uv \in E} f(uv)$  and  $w(xy) = f(x) + f(y) + f(xy)$ , respectively. If all the vertex weights are distinct, then  $f$  is called a *vertex irregular total  $k$ -labeling*, and if all the edge weights are distinct, then  $f$  is called an *edge irregular total  $k$ -labeling*. The minimum value of  $k$  for which there exist a vertex (an edge) irregular total labeling  $f: V \cup E \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  is called the *total vertex (edge) irregularity*

strength of  $G$  and is denoted by  $tvs(G)$  ( $tes(G)$ ), respectively. There are several bounds and exact values of  $tvs$  and  $tes$  were determined for different types of graphs given in [1] and listed in [2].

Furthermore, Ivanco and Jendrol in [3] posed a conjecture that for arbitrary graph  $G$  different from  $K_5$  and maximum degree  $\Delta(G)$ ,

$$tes(G) = \max \left\{ \left\lceil \frac{|E(G)| + 2}{3} \right\rceil, \left\lceil \frac{\Delta(G) + 1}{2} \right\rceil \right\}.$$

Combining previous conditions on irregular total labeling, Marzuki *et al.* [4] defined a totally irregular total labeling. A total  $k$ -labeling  $f: V \cup E \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  of  $G$  is called a *totally irregular total  $k$ -labeling* if for any pair of vertices  $x$  and  $y$ , their weights  $w(x)$  and  $w(y)$  are distinct and for any pair of edges  $x_1x_2$  and  $y_1y_2$ , their weights  $w(x_1x_2)$  and  $w(y_1y_2)$  are distinct. The minimum  $k$  for which a graph  $G$  has totally irregular total labeling, is called *total irregularity strength* of  $G$ , denoted by  $ts(G)$ . They have proved that for every graph  $G$ ,

$$ts(G) \geq \max\{tes(G), tvs(G)\} \quad (6)$$

Several upper bounds and exact values of  $ts$  were determined for different types of graphs given in [4], [5], [6], and [7].

Motivated by this graphs invariants, Baca *et al.* in [8] studied irregular labeling of a plane graph by labeling vertices, edges, and faces then considering the weights of faces. They defined a face irregular entire labeling.

A 2-connected plane graph  $G = (V, E, F)$  is a particular drawing of planar graph on the Euclidean plane where every face is bound by a cycle. Let  $G = (V, E, F)$  be a plane graph.

A labeling  $\lambda: V \cup E \cup F \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  is called a *face irregular entire  $k$ -labeling* of the plane graph  $G$  if for any two distinct faces  $f$  and  $g$  of  $G$ , their weights  $w_\lambda(f)$  and  $w_\lambda(g)$  are distinct. The minimum  $k$  for which a plane graph  $G$  has a face irregular entire  $k$ -labeling is called the *entire face irregularity strength* of  $G$ , denoted by  $efs(G)$ . The *weight* of a face  $f$  under the labeling  $\lambda$  is the sum of labels carried by that face and the edges and vertices of its boundary. They also provided the boundaries of  $efs(G)$ .

**Teorema A.** Let  $G = (V, E, F)$  be a 2-connected plane graph  $G$  with  $n_i$   $i$ -sided faces,  $i \geq 3$ . Let  $a = \min\{i|n_i \neq 0\}$  and  $b = \max\{i|n_i \neq 0\}$ . Then

$$\left\lceil \frac{2a + n_3 + n_4 + \dots + n_b}{2b + 1} \right\rceil \leq efs(G) \leq \max\{n_i|3 \leq i \leq b\}.$$

For  $n_b = 1$ , they gave the lower bound as follow

**Teorema B.** Let  $G = (V, E, F)$  be a 2-connected plane graph  $G$  with  $n_i$   $i$ -sided faces,  $i \geq 3$ . Let  $a = \min\{i|n_i \neq 0\}$ ,  $b = \max\{i|n_i \neq 0\}$ ,  $n_b = 1$  and  $c = \max\{i|n_i \neq 0, i < b\}$ . Then

$$efs(G) \geq \left\lceil \frac{2a + |F| - 1}{2c + 1} \right\rceil.$$

Moreover, by considering the maximum degree of a 2-connected plane graph  $G$ , they obtained the following theorem.

**Theorem C.** Let  $G = (V, E, F)$  be a 2-connected plane graph  $G$  with maximum degree  $\Delta$ . Let  $x$  be a vertex of degree  $\Delta$  and let the smallest (and biggest) face incident with  $x$  be an  $a$ -sided (and a  $b$ -sided) face, respectively. Then

$$efs(G) \geq \left\lceil \frac{2a + \Delta - 1}{2b} \right\rceil.$$

They proved that Theorem B is tight for Ladder graph  $L_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , and its variation and Theorem C is tight for wheel graph  $W_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ . In this paper, we determine the exact value of  $efs$  of a book with  $m$   $n$ -polygonal pages which is greater than the lower bound given in Theorem A - C.

## 2. Main Results

Considering Theorem C,  $efs(W_n)$ , and a condition where every face of a plane graph shares common vertices or edges, our first result provide a lower bound of the entire face irregularity strength of a graph with this condition. This can be considered as generalization of Theorem A, B, and C.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $G = (V, E, F)$  be a 2-connected plane graph with  $n_i$   $i$ -sided faces,  $i \geq 3$ . Let  $a = \min\{i | n_i \neq 0\}$ ,  $b = \max\{i | n_i \neq 0\}$ ,  $c = \max\{i | n_i \neq 0, i < b\}$ , and  $d$  be the number of common labels of vertices and edges which have bounded every face of  $G$ . Then

$$efs(G) \geq \begin{cases} \left\lceil \frac{2a + |F| - d - 1}{2c - d + 1} \right\rceil, & \text{for } n_b = 1, \\ \left\lceil \frac{2a + |F| - d}{2b - d + 1} \right\rceil, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $\lambda : V \cup E \cup F \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  be a face irregular entire  $k$ -labeling of 2-connected plane graph  $G = (V, E, F)$  with  $efs(G) = k$ . Our first proof is for  $n_b \neq 1$ . By Theorem A, the minimum face-weight is at least  $2a + 1$  and the maximum face-weight is at least  $2a + |F|$ . Since  $G$  is 2-connected, each face of  $G$  is a cycle. It implies that every face might be bounded by common vertices and edges.

Let  $d$  be the number of common labels of vertices and edges which have bounded every face of  $G$  and  $D$  be the sum of all common labels. Then the face-weights  $w_\lambda(f_1), w_\lambda(f_2), \dots, w_\lambda(f_{|F|})$  are all distinct and each of them contains  $D$ , implies the variation of face-weights is depend on  $2a - d + 2 \leq i \leq 2b - d + 1$  labels. Without adding  $D$ , the maximum sum of a face label and all vertices and edges-labels surrounding it is at least  $2a + |F| - d$ . This is the sum of at most  $2b - d + 1$  labels. Thus, we have  $efs(G) \geq \left\lceil \frac{2a + |F| - d}{2b - d + 1} \right\rceil$ .

For  $n_b = 1$ , it is a direct consequence from Theorem B with the same reason as in the result above. ■

This lower bound is tight for ladder graphs and its variation and wheels given in [8].

A book with  $m$   $n$ -polygonal pages  $B_m^n$ ,  $m \geq 1, n \geq 3$ , is a plane graph obtained from  $m$ -copies of cycle  $C_n$  that share a common edge. There are many ways drawing  $B_m^n$  for which the external face of  $B_m^n$  can be an  $n$ -sided face or a  $(2n - 2)$ -sided face.

By considering that topologically,  $B_m^n$  can be drawn on a plane as a closed book such that  $B_m^n$  has an  $n$ -sided external face, an  $n$ -sided internal face, and  $m - 1$  number of  $(2n - 2)$ -sided internal faces, the entire face irregularity strength of  $B_m^n$  is provided in the next theorem.

**Theorem 2.2.** For  $B_m^n$ ,  $m \geq 1, n \geq 3$ , be a book with  $m$   $n$ -polygonal pages whose an  $n$ -sided external face, an  $n$ -sided internal face, and  $m - 1$   $(2n - 2)$ -sided internal faces, we have

$$efs(B_m^n) = \begin{cases} 2, & \text{for } m \in \{1, 2\}; \\ \left\lceil \frac{4n + m - 7}{4n - 5} \right\rceil, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $B_m^n, m \geq 1, n \geq 3$ , be a 2-connected plane graph. For  $m \in \{1, 2\}$ , by Lemma 2.1, we have  $efs(B_m^n) \geq 2$ . Labeling the  $n$ -sided external face by label 2 and all the rests by label 1, then all face-weights are distinct. Thus,  $efs(B_m^n) = 2$ .

Now for  $m > 2$ , let  $z = efs(B_m^n)$ . Since every internal face of  $B_m^n$  shares 2 common vertices,  $a = n$ ,  $b = 2n - 2$ , and  $n_b > 1$ , by Lemma 2.1, we have  $z \geq \left\lceil \frac{2a + |F| - 2}{2b - 1} \right\rceil = \left\lceil \frac{2n + m - 1}{4n - 5} \right\rceil$ . Consider that  $z = \left\lceil \frac{2n + m - 1}{4n - 5} \right\rceil$  is not valid, since for  $m \leq 2n - 4$ , the maximum label is 1.

Moreover, since  $B_m^n$  has at least 2 face-weights which are contributed by the same number of labels, there must be 2 faces of the same weight. Then the divisor must be at least  $4n - 4$ . Thus we have  $z \geq \left\lceil \frac{4n + m - 7}{4n - 5} \right\rceil$ .

Next, to show that  $z$  is an upper bound for entire face irregularity strength of  $B_m^n$ , let  $B_m^n, m \geq 1, n \geq 3$ , be the 2-connected plane graph with an  $n$ -sided internal face  $f_{int}^n, m-1$  ( $2n-2$ )-sided internal faces and an external  $n$ -sided face  $f_{ext}^n$ .

Let  $m_1 = \lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil$  and  $m_2 = m - m_1$ . Our goal is to have  $m_1$  distinct even face-weights and  $m_2$  distinct odd face-weights such that  $m$  ( $2n-2$ )-sided face-weights are distinct and form an arithmetic progression.

Let  $z = \lceil \frac{4n+m-7}{4n-5} \rceil$ . It can be seen that  $B_m^n$  has  $m$  different paths of length  $(n-1)$ . Next, we divide  $m_1$  paths into  $S = \lceil \frac{m_1}{4n-5} \rceil$  parts, where part  $s$ -th consists of  $(4n-5)$  paths, for  $1 \leq s \leq S-1$ , and part  $S$ -th consists of  $r_1 = m_1 - (S-1)(4n-5)$  paths. Also, we divide  $m_2$  paths into  $T = \lceil \frac{m_2+1}{4n-5} \rceil$  parts, where the first part consists of  $(4n-6)$  paths, part  $t$ -th consists of  $(4n-5)$  paths, for  $2 \leq t \leq T-1$ , and part  $T$ -th consists of  $r_2 = m_2 - (T-1)(4n-5)$  paths.

Let

$$V(B_m^n) = \{x, y, u(s)_i^{2j}, u(S)_k^{2j}, v(t)_i^{2j} \neq v(1)_1^{2j}, v(T)_l^{2j} \mid 1 \leq s \leq S-1, 1 \leq t \leq T-1, 1 \leq i \leq 4n-5, 1 \leq j \leq 2n-2, 1 \leq k \leq r_1, 1 \leq l \leq r_2\};$$

$$E(B_m^n) = \{xy\} \cup$$

$$\{u(s)_i^1 = x u(s)_i^2, u(s)_i^{2j-1} = u(s)_i^{2j-2} u(s)_i^{2j}, u(s)_i^{2n-3} = u(s)_i^{2n-4} y \mid 1 \leq s \leq S-1, 1 \leq i \leq 4n-5, 2 \leq j \leq n-2\} \cup$$

$$\{u(S)_i^1 = x u(S)_i^2, u(S)_i^{2j-1} = u(S)_i^{2j-2} u(S)_i^{2j}, u(S)_i^{2n-3} = u(S)_i^{2n-4} y \mid 1 \leq i \leq r_1, 2 \leq j \leq n-2\} \cup$$

$$\{v(t)_i^1 = x v(t)_i^2, v(t)_i^{2j-1} = v(t)_i^{2j-2} v(t)_i^{2j}, v(t)_i^{2n-3} = v(t)_i^{2n-4} y \mid 1 \leq t \leq T, 1 \leq i \leq 4n-5, 2 \leq j \leq n-2\} \cup$$

$$\{v(T)_i^1 = x v(T)_i^2, v(T)_i^{2j-1} = v(T)_i^{2j-2} v(T)_i^{2j}, v(T)_i^{2n-3} = v(T)_i^{2n-4} y \mid 1 \leq i \leq r_2, 2 \leq j \leq n-2\};$$

$$F(B_m^n) = \{f_{ext}^n, f_{int}^n, u(s)_i^{2n-2}, u(S)_k^{2n-2}, v(t)_i^{2n-2} \neq v(1)_1^{2n-2}, v(T)_j^{2n-2} \mid 1 \leq s \leq S-1, 1 \leq t \leq T-1, 1 \leq i \leq 4n-5, 1 \leq k \leq r_1, 1 \leq l \leq r_2\};$$

Where  $f_{ext}^n$  is bounded by cycle  $xv(1)_2^2 v(1)_2^4 \dots v(1)_2^{2n-4} yx$ ;

$f_{int}^n$  is bounded by cycle  $xu(1)_1^2 u(1)_1^4 \dots u(1)_1^{2n-4} yx$ ;

$u(s)_i^{2n-2}$  is bounded by cycle  $xu(s)_i^2 u(s)_i^4 \dots u(s)_i^{2n-4} yu(s)_{i+1}^{2n-4} u(s)_{i+1}^{2n-6} \dots u(s)_{i+1}^2 x$ , for  $1 \leq s \leq S, i \neq r_1$ ;

$u(S)_{r_1}^{2n-2}$  is bounded by cycle  $xu(S)_{r_1}^2 u(S)_{r_1}^4 \dots u(S)_{r_1}^{2n-4} yv(T)_{r_2}^{2n-4} v(T)_{r_2}^{2n-6} \dots v(T)_{r_2}^2 x$ ; and

$v(t)_i^{2n-2}$  is bounded by cycle  $xv(t)_i^2 v(t)_i^4 \dots v(t)_i^{2n-4} yv(t)_{i+1}^{2n-4} v(t)_{i+1}^{2n-6} \dots v(t)_{i+1}^2 x$ , for  $1 \leq t \leq T, i \neq r_2$ ;

Our notations above imply that, without losing generality, for  $v(t)_i^j$ , we let  $2 \leq i \leq 4n-5$  for  $t=1$ . It means that there is no vertex or edge or face  $v(1)_1^j$ .

Now, we divide our labeling of  $B_m^n$  into 2 cases as follows:

**Case 1. For odd  $m$  with  $2 \leq r_2 \leq 2n-1$  or even  $m$ ;**

Define an entire  $k$ -labeling  $\lambda : V \cup E \cup F \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  of  $B_m^n$  as follows.

$$\lambda(x) = \lambda(y) = \lambda(xy) = \lambda(f_{ext}^n) = 1;$$

$$\lambda(f_{int}^n) = 2;$$

$$\lambda(u(s)_i^j) = \begin{cases} 2s - 1 & \text{for } 1 \leq s \leq S, 1 \leq i \leq \min\{r_1, 2n - 2\} \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq 2n - i - 1 \\ 2s & \text{for } 1 \leq s \leq S, 1 \leq i \leq \min\{r_1, 2n - 2\} \text{ and } 2n - i \leq j \leq 2n - 2 \\ 2s & \text{for } 1 \leq s \leq S, 2n - 1 \leq i \leq \min\{r_1, 4n - 5\} \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq 2n - 2 \left\lfloor \frac{i-2n+2}{2} \right\rfloor - 2 \\ 2s + 1 & \text{for } 1 \leq s \leq S, 2n - 1 \leq i \leq \min\{r_1, 4n - 5\} \text{ and } 2n - 2 \left\lfloor \frac{i-2n+2}{2} \right\rfloor - 1 \leq j \leq 2n - 2 \end{cases}$$

$$\lambda(v(t)_i^j) = \begin{cases} 2t - 1, & \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T, 1 \leq i \leq \min\{r_2, 2n - 2\} \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq 2n - i - 2; \\ 2t, & \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T, 1 \leq i \leq \min\{r_2, 2n - 2\} \text{ and } 2n - i - 1 \leq j \leq 2n - 3; \\ 2t, & \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T, 2n - 1 \leq i \leq \min\{r_2, 4n - 5\} \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq 2n - 2 \left\lfloor \frac{i-2n+2}{2} \right\rfloor - 3; \\ 2t + 1, & \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T, 2n - 1 \leq i \leq \min\{r_2, 4n - 5\} \text{ and } 2n - 2 \left\lfloor \frac{i-2n+2}{2} \right\rfloor - 2 \leq j \leq 2n - 3; \\ 2t - 2, & \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T, i = 1 \text{ and } j = 2n - 2; \\ 2t - 1, & \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T, 2 \leq i \leq \min\{r_2, 2n - 1\} \text{ and } j = 2n - 2; \\ 2t, & \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T - 1, 2n \leq i \leq 4n - 5 \text{ and } j = 2n - 2. \\ 2t, & \text{for } t = T, 2n - 1 \leq i \leq \min\{r_2 - 1, 4n - 6\} \text{ and } j = 2n - 2 \end{cases}$$

**Case 2. For odd  $m$  with  $r_2 = 1$  or  $2n \leq r_2 \leq 4n - 5$ ;**

Define an entire  $k$ -labeling  $\lambda^* : V \cup E \cup F \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$  of  $B_m^n$  as follows.

$$\lambda^*(x) = \lambda^*(y) = \lambda^*(xy) = \lambda^*(f_{ext}^n) = 1;$$

$$\lambda^*(f_{int}^n) = 2;$$

$$\lambda^*(u(s)_i^j) = \lambda(u(s)_i^j)$$

$$\lambda^*(v(t)_i^j) = \begin{cases} 2T - 2, & \text{for } r_2 = 1, t = T, i = 1, j = 1; \\ 2T - 1, & \text{for } r_2 = 1, t = T - 1, i = 4n - 5, j = 2n - 2; \\ \lambda(v(t)_i^j) + 1, & \text{for } r_2 \text{ odd, } 2n \leq r_2 \leq 4n - 5, t = T, i = r_2, j = 1; \\ \lambda(v(t)_i^j) - 1, & \text{for } r_2 \text{ odd, } 2n \leq r_2 \leq 4n - 5, t = T, i = r_2 - 1, j = 2n - 2; \\ \lambda(v(t)_i^j) - 1, & \text{for } r_2 \text{ even, } 2n \leq r_2 \leq 4n - 5, t = T, i = r_2 - 1, j = 2n - 3; \\ \lambda(v(t)_i^j) + 1, & \text{for } r_2 \text{ even, } 2n \leq r_2 \leq 4n - 5, t = T, i = r_2 - 1, j = 2n - 2; \\ \lambda(v(t)_i^j), & \text{for otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to check that the labeling  $\lambda$  is an entire  $z$ -labeling. Then we have evaluate the face -weights set  $\{w(f_{ext}^n), w(f_{int}^n), w(u(s)_i^{2n-2}), w(v(t)_i^{2n-2}) \mid 1 \leq s \leq S, 1 \leq t \leq T, 1 \leq i \leq 4n - 5\}$  as follows.

$$w(f_{ext}^n) = 2n + 1;$$

$$w(f_{int}^n) = 2n + 2;$$

$$w(u(s)_i^{2n-2}) = \begin{cases} (2s - 1)(4n - 5) + 2i, & \text{for } 1 \leq s \leq S - 1, 1 \leq i \leq 4n - 5; \\ (2s - 1)(4n - 5) + 2i, & \text{for } s = S - 1, 1 \leq i \leq r_1; \\ (2s - 1)(4n - 5) + 2r_1, & \text{for even } m, s = S - 1, i = r_1; \\ (2s - 1)(4n - 5) + 2r_1 - 1, & \text{for odd } m, s = S - 1, i = r_1. \end{cases}$$

$$w(v(t)_i^{2n-2}) = \begin{cases} (2t - 1)(4n - 5) + 2i + 1, & \text{for } 1 \leq t \leq T - 1, 1 \leq i \leq 4n - 5; \\ (2T - 1)(4n - 5) + 2i + 1, & \text{for } t = T, 1 \leq i \leq r_2 - 1. \end{cases}$$

Since all face-weights are distinct, then  $\lambda$  is a face irregular entire  $z$ -labeling of  $B_m^n$  where  $m$  is odd with  $2 \leq r_2 \leq 2n - 1$  or  $m$  is even; and  $\lambda^*$  is a face irregular entire  $z$ -labeling of  $B_m^n$  where  $m$  is odd with  $r_2 = 1$  or  $2n \leq r_2 \leq 4n - 5$ . Thus,  $z = \left\lceil \frac{4n+m-7}{4n-5} \right\rceil$  is the entire face irregularity strength of  $B_m^n$ . ■

Note that our result in Theorem 2.2 show that the  $efs(B_m^n)$  is greater than the lower bound in Lemma 2.1.

Hence, we propose the following open problem.

## Open Problems

1. Find a class of graph which satisfy a condition where the lower bound in Lemma 2.1 is sharp;
2. Generalize the lower bound for any condition.

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