# ON MAGIC AND SUPERMAGIC LINE GRAPHS

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Abstract. A graph is called magic (supermagic) if it admits a labelling of the edges by pairwise different (consecutive) positive integers such that the sum of the labels of the edges incident with a vertex is independent of the particular vertex. We characterize magic line graphs of general graphs and describe some class of supermagic line graphs of bipartite graphs.

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#### 1. Introduction

We consider finite undirected graphs without loops, multiple edges and isolated vertices. If G is a graph, then V(G) and E(G) stand for the vertex set and edge set of G, respectively. Cardinalities of these sets, denoted by |V(G)| and |E(G)|, are called the *order* and the *size* of G.

Let a graph G and a mapping f from E(G) into positive integers be given. The index-mapping of f is the mapping  $f^*$  from V(G) into positive integers defined by

$$f^*(v) = \sum_{e \in E(G)} \eta(v, e) f(e) \quad \text{for every } v \in V(G),$$

where  $\eta(v, e)$  is equal to 1 when e is an edge incident with a vertex v, and 0 otherwise. An injective mapping f from E(G) into positive integers is called a *magic labelling* of G for  $index\ \lambda$  if its index-mapping  $f^*$  satisfies

$$f^*(v) = \lambda$$
 for all  $v \in V(G)$ .

A magic labelling f of G is called a *supermagic labelling* of G if the set  $\{f(e): e \in E(G)\}$  consists of consecutive positive integers. We say that a graph G is

supermagic (magic) if and only if there exists a supermagic (magic) labelling of G. Note that any supermagic regular graph G admits a supermagic labelling into the set  $\{1, \ldots, |E(G)|\}$ . In the sequel we will consider only such supermagic labellings.

The concept of magic graphs was introduced by Sedláček [8]. The regular magic graphs are characterized in [2]. Two different characterizations of all magic graphs are given in [6] and [5].

Supermagic graphs were introduced by M. B. Stewart [9]. It is easy to see that the classical concept of a magic square of  $n^2$  boxes corresponds to the fact that the complete bipartite graph  $K_{n,n}$  is supermagic for every positive integer  $n \neq 2$  (see also [9]). Stewart [10] characterized supermagic complete graphs. In [7] and [1] supermagic labellings of the Möbius ladders and two special classes of 4-regular graphs are constructed. In [4] supermagic regular complete multipartite graphs and supermagic cubes are characterized. Some constructions of supermagic labellings of various classes of regular graphs are described in [3] and [4].

The line graph L(G) of a graph G is the graph with vertex set V(L(G)) = E(G), where  $e, e' \in E(G)$  are adjacent in L(G) whenever they have a common end vertex in G. In the paper we deal with magic and supermagic line graphs.

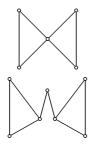
### 2. Magic line graphs

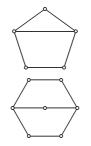
In this section we characterize magic line graphs of connected graphs. Since, except for the complete graph of order 2, no graph with less than 5 vertices is magic, we consider connected graphs of size at least 5.

We say that a graph G is of  $type \ \mathcal{A}$  if it has two edges  $e_1$ ,  $e_2$  such that  $G - \{e_1, e_2\}$  is a balanced bipartite graph with a partition  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ , and the edge  $e_i$  joins two vertices of  $V_i$  (i = 1, 2). A graph G is of  $type \ \mathcal{B}$  if it has two edges  $e_1$ ,  $e_2$  such that  $G - \{e_1, e_2\}$  has a component H which is a balanced bipartite graph with partition  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$ , and  $e_i$  joins a vertex of  $V_i$  with a vertex of V(G) - V(H) (i = 1, 2). As usual, for  $S \subset V(G)$ ,  $\Gamma(S)$  denotes the set of vertices adjacent to a vertex in S.

**Proposition 1** (Jeurissen [5]). A connected non-bipartite graph G is magic if and only if G is neither of type  $\mathcal{A}$  nor of type  $\mathcal{B}$ , and  $|\Gamma(S)| > |S|$  for every independent non-empty subset S of V(G).

Denote by  $\mathcal{F}_1$  the family of connected graphs which contain an edge uv such that  $\deg(u) + \deg(v) = 3$ . By  $\mathcal{F}_2$  we denote the family of all connected unicyclic graphs with a 1-factor.  $\mathcal{F}_3$  denotes the family of connected graphs which contain edges vu and uw such that  $\deg(v) + \deg(u) = \deg(u) + \deg(w) = 4$ .  $\mathcal{F}_4$  is the family of six graphs illustrated in Figure. Finally, let  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2 \cup \mathcal{F}_3 \cup \mathcal{F}_4$ .





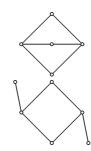


Figure. The family  $\mathcal{F}_4$ 

The main result of this section is

**Theorem 1.** Let G be a connected graph of size at least 5. The line graph L(G) is magic if and only if  $G \notin \mathcal{F}$ .

Proof. Assume that the line graph of G is not magic. If each vertex of G has degree at most 2, then G is either a path or a cycle, i.e.,  $G \in \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_3$ . Next, we suppose that the maximum degree of G is at least 3. So, L(G) is non-bipartite. According to Proposition 1, we consider the following cases.

A. There is an independent set  $S \subset V(L(G))$  such that  $|\Gamma(S)| \leq |S|$ . Suppose that  $S = \{e_1, \ldots, e_k\}$  is minimal possible. If |S| = 1, then  $|\Gamma(\{e_1\})| = 1$ , i.e.,  $e_1$  is a terminal edge of G with end vertices of degree 1 and 2. Thus,  $G \in \mathcal{F}_1$ .

If |S| > 1, then any edge of G is adjacent to at least two others. The edges  $e_1, \ldots, e_k$  are independent, thus any edge of G is adjacent to at most two of them. Therefore,

$$|S| \ge |\Gamma(S)| = |\Gamma(\{e_1\}) \cup \ldots \cup \Gamma(\{e_k\})| \ge \frac{1}{2}(|\Gamma(\{e_1\})| + \ldots + |\Gamma(\{e_k\})|) \ge \frac{1}{2}2k = |S|.$$

It means  $|\Gamma(S)| = |S|$  and any edge of  $\Gamma(S)$  is adjacent to exactly two edges of S. As G is a connected graph,  $|E(G)| = |S \cup \Gamma(S)| = 2|S| = |V(G)|$ . So, G is unicyclic and S is its 1-factor, i.e.,  $G \in \mathcal{F}_2$ .

B. Suppose that L(G) is of type  $\mathcal{B}$ . Then there is a set  $E' \subset E(G)$  such that the subgraph L' of L(G) induced by E' is a balanced bipartite graph connected by a pair of edges to another subgraph. Since L' is bipartite, every vertex of the subgraph G' of G induced by E' is of degree at most two, i.e., every component of G' is either a path or an even cycle. Moreover, the set E(G) - E' contains either one edge incident with a 2-vertex (i.e., vertex of degree 2) of G', or a pair of edges incident with two 1-vertices of G'. Consider the following subcases.

B1. G' contains an even cycle. Then only one edge of E(G) - E' is incident with its vertex. Thus, some two adjacent edges of this cycle have both end vertices of degree 2 in G, i.e.,  $G \in \mathcal{F}_3$ .

- B2. G' consists of two paths. Then a pair of edges of E(G) E' is incident with its terminal vertices. The other terminal vertices of G' are terminal in G, too. Evidently, in this case  $G \in \mathcal{F}_1$ .
- B3. G' is a path connected by one edge to another subgraph. Then either |E'| > 2 and  $G \in \mathcal{F}_1$ , or |E'| = 2 and  $G \in \mathcal{F}_3$ , because both edges of E' have end vertices of degree 1 and 3 in G.
- B4. G' is a path connected by a pair of edges to another subgraph. Then any two adjacent edges of this path have both end vertices of degree 2 in G, i.e.,  $G \in \mathcal{F}_3$ .
- C. Suppose that L(G) is of type  $\mathcal{A}$ . Moreover, assume that  $G \notin \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2 \cup \mathcal{F}_3$ . For  $d \leqslant 2$ , every d-vertex of G is adjacent to some vertex of degree at least 3, because  $G \notin \mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_3$ . As L(G) is a balanced bipartite graph with two added edges,  $6 \leqslant |E(G)| \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and G contains either one 4-vertex or two 3-vertices. One can easily see that  $G \in \mathcal{F}_4$  in this case.

The converse implication is obvious.

It is easy to see that the complexity of deciding whether the graph G belongs to the family  $F_i$  (i = 1, 2, 3, 4) is polynomial. Using the Even-Kariv algorithm for finding 1-factor in G we get that testing whether the line graph of a given graph is magic has computational complexity  $O(n^{5/2})$ . Moreover, each graph of the family  $\mathcal{F}$  contains a vertex of degree at most two. Thus, we immediately obtain

Corollary 1. Let G be a connected graph with minimum degree at least 3. Then L(G) is a magic graph.

## 3. Supermagic line graphs

The problem of characterizing supermagic line graphs of general graphs seems to be difficult. It is solved in this section for regular bipartite graphs.

Let  $K_{k[n]}$  denote the complete k-partite graph whose every part has n vertices. As usual, the union of m disjoint copies of a graph G is denoted by mG. In the sequel we will use the following assertions proved in [4].

**Proposition 2** ([4]). Let  $F_1, F_2, \ldots, F_k$  be mutually edge-disjoint supermagic factors of a graph G which form its decomposition. Then G is supermagic.

**Proposition 3** ([4]). The graph  $mK_{k[n]}$  is supermagic if and only if one of the following conditions is satisfied:

- (1) n = 1, k = 2, m = 1;
- (2)  $n = 1, k = 5, m \ge 2;$

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(3) n = 1, 5 < k \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, m \geqslant 1;

(4) n = 1, 6 \leqslant k \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, m \equiv 1 \pmod{2};

(5) n = 1, 7 \leqslant k \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, m \equiv 1 \pmod{2};

(6) n = 2, k \geqslant 3, m \geqslant 1;

(7) 3 \leqslant n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, 2 \leqslant k \equiv 1 \pmod{4}, m \geqslant 1;

(8) 3 \leqslant n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, 2 \leqslant k \equiv 2 \pmod{4}, m \equiv 1 \pmod{2};

(9) 3 \leqslant n \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, 2 \leqslant k \equiv 3 \pmod{4}, m \equiv 1 \pmod{2};

(10) 4 \leqslant n \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, k \geqslant 2, m \geqslant 1.
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Note that all edges of a graph G incident with a vertex v induce a subgraph K(v) of L(G), which is isomorphic to the complete graph of order  $\deg(v)$ . Subgraphs K(v), for all  $v \in V(G)$ , are edge-disjoint and form a decomposition of L(G). If vertices u and v of G are not adjacent, then K(u) and K(v) are vertex-disjoint subgraphs of L(G). So, for a bipartite graph G with parts  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ , the subgraph  $R_1(G) = \bigcup_{v \in V_1} K(v) \left(R_2(G) = \bigcup_{v \in V_2} K(v)\right)$  consists of mutually disjoint complete subgraphs of L(G). Moreover,  $R_1(G)$  and  $R_2(G)$  are spanning subgraphs of L(G) which form its decomposition.

Let  $d_1$ ,  $d_2$ , q be positive integers and let  $\mathcal{G}(q;d_1,d_2)$  be the family of all bipartite graphs of size q whose every edge joins a  $d_1$ -vertex to a  $d_2$ -vertex. Clearly, there is a vertex partition  $\{V_1,V_2\}$  of  $G \in \mathcal{G}(q;d_1,d_2)$  where  $V_i$  consists of  $d_i$ -vertices of G (i=1,2). Then  $|V_i|d_i=q$  and  $R_i(G)=\frac{q}{d_i}K_{d_i}$  is a factor of L(G) for  $i\in\{1,2\}$ . So, combining Proposition 2 and Proposition 3 we immediately obtain

**Corollary 2.** Let  $d_1 \ge 5$ ,  $d_2 \ge 5$  and q be positive integers such that one of the following conditions is satisfied:

For regular bipartite graphs we are able to extend this result. First, we prove an auxiliary assertion.

**Lemma 1.** Let m and  $d \ge 3$  be positive integers. Suppose  $v_{i,1}, v_{i,2}, \ldots, v_{i,d}$  are vertices of the ith component of  $mK_d$  for  $i \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$ . Then there is a bijective mapping  $f : E(mK_d) \to \{1, \ldots, m\binom{d}{2}\}$  such that

$$f^*(v_{1,j}) = f^*(v_{2,j}) = \dots = f^*(v_{m,j})$$
 for all  $j \in \{2, \dots, d\}$ .

Proof. Evidently, it is sufficient to consider  $m \ge 2$ . If  $mK_d$  is supermagic, then its supermagic labelling has the desired properties. So, according to Proposition 3 it remains to consider the following cases.

A. d = 3. Define a mapping  $f: E(mK_3) \to \{1, \ldots, 3m\}$  by

$$f(v_{i,j}v_{i,k}) = \begin{cases} i & \text{if } \{j,k\} = \{1,2\}, \\ 1 + 2m - i & \text{if } \{j,k\} = \{2,3\}, \\ 2m + i & \text{if } \{j,k\} = \{1,3\}. \end{cases}$$

Clearly, f is the desired mapping because

$$f^*(v_{i,j}) = \begin{cases} 2m + 2i & \text{if } j = 1, \\ 1 + 2m & \text{if } j = 2, \\ 1 + 4m & \text{if } j = 3. \end{cases}$$

B. d=4. In this case we define a bijection  $f: E(mK_4) \to \{1,\ldots,6m\}$  by

$$f(v_{i,j}v_{i,k}) = \begin{cases} i & \text{if } \{j,k\} = \{1,2\}, \\ m+i & \text{if } \{j,k\} = \{3,4\}, \\ 1+4m-2i & \text{if } \{j,k\} = \{2,3\}, \\ 2+4m-2i & \text{if } \{j,k\} = \{1,4\}, \\ 4m+i & \text{if } \{j,k\} = \{1,3\}, \\ 5m+i & \text{if } \{j,k\} = \{2,4\}. \end{cases}$$

For its index-mapping we get

$$f^*(v_{i,j}) = \begin{cases} 2 + 8m & \text{if } j = 1, \\ 1 + 9m & \text{if } j = 2, \\ 1 + 9m & \text{if } j = 3, \\ 2 + 10m & \text{if } j = 4. \end{cases}$$

C.  $4 < d \equiv 0 \pmod 4$ . Then there is an integer  $p \geqslant 2$  such that d = 4p. The subgraph  $H_{i,s}$  of  $mK_d$  induced by  $\{v_{i,4s-3}, v_{i,4s-2}, v_{i,4s-1}, v_{i,4s}\}$  is a complete graph for all  $i \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$  and  $s \in \{1, \ldots, p\}$ . Therefore, the spanning subgraph  $H := \bigcup_{i=1}^m \bigcup_{s=1}^p H_{i,s}$  of  $mK_d$  is isomorphic to  $mpK_4$ . As is proved in the case B, there is a bijection  $h \colon E(H) \to \{1, \ldots, 6mp\}$  such that  $h^*(v_{1,j}) = \ldots = h^*(v_{m,j})$  for all  $j \in \{1, \ldots, d\}$ . Similarly, the spanning subgraph  $B := mK_d - E(H)$  of  $mK_d$  is isomorphic to  $mK_{p[4]}$ . By Proposition 3,  $mK_{p[4]}$  is a supermagic graph. Thus,

there exists a supermagic labelling  $g: E(B) \to \{1, \ldots, |E(B)|\}$  of B for an index  $\lambda$ , i.e.,  $g^*(v_{i,j}) = \lambda$  for all  $i \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$  and  $j \in \{1, \ldots, d\}$ . Since H and B form a decomposition of  $mK_d$ , we can define a mapping  $f: E(mK_d) \to \{1, \ldots, m\binom{d}{2}\}$  by

$$f(e) = \begin{cases} h(e) & \text{if } e \in E(H), \\ 6mp + g(e) & \text{if } e \in E(B). \end{cases}$$

As  $f^*(v_{i,j}) = h^*(v_{i,j}) + 6mp(d-4) + \lambda$ , we have  $f^*(v_{1,j}) = \ldots = f^*(v_{m,j})$  for all  $j \in \{1, 2, \ldots, d\}$ .

D.  $6 \leqslant d \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . Then there is a positive integer p such that d = 4p + 2. The subgraph G of  $mK_d$  induced by  $\bigcup_{i=1}^m \bigcup_{j=3}^d \{v_{i,j}\}$  is isomorphic to  $mK_{4p}$ . As is proved in the case C (B, if p = 1), there is a bijection  $t \colon E(G) \to \{1, \ldots, m\binom{4p}{2}\}$  such that  $t^*(v_{1,j}) = \ldots = t^*(v_{m,j})$  for all  $j \in \{3, 4, \ldots, d\}$ . Consider a mapping  $f \colon E(mK_d) \to \{1, \ldots, m\binom{d}{2}\}$  given by

$$f(v_{i,j}v_{i,k}) = \begin{cases} (k-3)m+i & \text{if } j=2, \, 3 \leqslant k, \, k \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ 1+(k-2)m-i & \text{if } j=2, \, 4 \leqslant k < d, \, k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ 1+(k-1)m-2i & \text{if } j=2, \, k = d, \\ (k-3)m+2i & \text{if } j=1, \, k = d, \\ (2d-k-2)m+i & \text{if } j=1, \, 4 \leqslant k < d, \, k \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ 1+(2d-k-1)m-i & \text{if } j=1, \, 3 \leqslant k, \, k \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ 2(d-2)m+i & \text{if } j=1, \, k = 2, \\ (2d-3)m+t(v_{i,j}v_{i,k}) & \text{if } 2 < j < k \leqslant d. \end{cases}$$

It is not difficult to check that f is a bijection and for its index-mapping we have

$$f^*(v_{i,j}) = \begin{cases} 2p + (8p(3p+1) - 1)m + 2i & \text{if } j = 1, \\ 2p + (8p(p+1) + 1)m & \text{if } j = 2, \\ 1 + 2(d-2)m + (2d-3)m(d-3) + t^*(v_{i,j}) & \text{if } 3 \leq j \leq d. \end{cases}$$

E.  $7 \leqslant d \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$  and  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ . Then the subgraph G of  $mK_d$  induced by  $\bigcup_{i=1}^m \bigcup_{j=3}^d \{v_{i,j}\}$  is isomorphic to  $mK_{d-2}$ . By Proposition 3 the graph G is supermagic and so there is a supermagic labelling  $t \colon E(G) \to \{1, \dots, m\binom{d-2}{2}\}$  of G for an index

 $\lambda$ . Consider a mapping  $f: E(mK_d) \to \{1, \dots, m\binom{d}{2}\}$  given by

$$f(v_{i,j}v_{i,k}) = \begin{cases} (k-3)m+i & \text{if } j=2, \, 3\leqslant k\equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ 1+(k-2)m-i & \text{if } j=2, \, 4\leqslant k\equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ 1+(2d-k-1)m-i & \text{if } j=1, \, 3\leqslant k\equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ (2d-k-2)m+i & \text{if } j=1, \, 4\leqslant k\equiv 0 \pmod{2}, \\ 1+(2d-3)m-i & \text{if } j=1, \, k=2, \\ (2d-3)m+t(v_{i,j}v_{i,k}) & \text{if } 2< j< k\leqslant d. \end{cases}$$

It is easy to verify that f is a bijection. Moreover, for its index-mapping we get

$$f^*(v_{i,j}) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(d+1) + (\frac{1}{2}(d-3)(3d+1) + 5)m - 2i & \text{if } j = 1, \\ \frac{1}{2}(d-1) + (\frac{1}{2}(d-1)(d+1) - 1)m & \text{if } j = 2, \\ 1 + 2(d-2)m + (d-3)(2d-3)m + \lambda & \text{if } 3 \leqslant j \leqslant d, \end{cases}$$

which completes the proof.

**Theorem 2.** Let G be a bipartite regular graph of degree  $d \ge 3$ . Then the line graph L(G) is supermagic.

Proof. Suppose that  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$  are parts of G. As G is a bipartite d-regular graph, there exist mutually edge-disjoint 1-factors  $F_1, \ldots, F_d$  of G which form its decomposition. Put  $m = |V_1|$  (clearly,  $|V_1| = |V_2|$ ) and denote the vertices of G by  $u_1, \ldots, u_m, v_1, \ldots, v_m$  in such a way that  $E(F_1) = \{u_1v_1, \ldots, u_mv_m\}$ ,  $V_1 = \{u_1, \ldots, u_m\}$  and  $V_2 = \{v_1, \ldots, v_m\}$ .

The subgraphs  $R_1(G)$ ,  $R_2(G)$  of the line graph L(G) consist of complete graphs with d vertices. Therefore, they are isomorphic to  $mK_d$ . Denote by  $a_{i,j}$   $(b_{i,j})$ ,  $i \in \{1, ..., m\}$ ,  $j \in \{1, ..., d\}$ , the vertex of  $R_1(G)$   $(R_2(G))$  which corresponds to the edge of G incident with  $u_i$   $(v_i)$  and which belongs to  $F_j$ , i.e., the vertex of L(G) corresponding to  $u_r v_s \in E(F_j)$  is denoted by  $a_{r,j}$  in  $R_1(G)$  and by  $b_{s,j}$  in  $R_2(G)$ .

By Lemma 1, there exists a bijective mapping  $g_1: E(R_1(G)) \to \{1, \ldots, m\binom{d}{2}\}$  such that  $g_1^*(a_{1,j}) = g_1^*(a_{2,j}) = \ldots = g_1^*(a_{m,j})$  for all  $j \in \{2, \ldots, d\}$ . Then a mapping  $g_2: E(R_2(G)) \to \{1 + m\binom{d}{2}, \ldots, 2m\binom{d}{2}\}$  given by

$$g_2(b_{i,j}b_{i,k}) = 1 + 2m \binom{d}{2} - g_1(a_{i,j}a_{i,k})$$

is bijective, too. Moreover,  $g_2^*(b_{i,j}) = (d-1)(1+2m\binom{d}{2}) - g_1^*(a_{i,j})$ . Consider the mapping  $f \colon E(L(G)) \to \{1,\ldots,2m\binom{d}{2}\}$  defined by

$$f(e) = \begin{cases} g_1(e) & \text{if } e \in E(R_1(G)), \\ g_2(e) & \text{if } e \in E(R_2(G)). \end{cases}$$

Evidently, f is a bijection. Let x be an edge of G which belongs to  $F_1$ . Then there exists  $i \in \{1, ..., m\}$  such that  $x = u_i v_i$ , i.e., the vertex of L(G) corresponding to x is denoted by  $a_{i,1}$  in  $R_1(G)$  and by  $b_{i,1}$  in  $R_2(G)$ . Thus

$$f^*(x) = g_1^*(a_{i,1}) + g_2^*(b_{i,1}) = (d-1)\left(1 + 2m\binom{d}{2}\right).$$

Similarly, for an edge  $y \in E(F_j)$ ,  $j \in \{2, ..., d\}$ , there exist  $r, s \in \{1, ..., m\}$ ,  $r \neq s$ , such that  $y = u_r v_s$ . Then

$$f^*(y) = g_1^*(a_{r,j}) + g_2^*(b_{s,j}) = g_1^*(a_{s,j}) + g_2^*(b_{s,j}) = (d-1)\left(1 + 2m\binom{d}{2}\right).$$

Therefore, f is a supermagic labelling of L(G) for index  $(d-1)(1+2m\binom{d}{2})$ .

**Corollary 3.** Let  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$ , q and  $d \ge 3$  be positive integers such that one of the following conditions is satisfied:

- (1)  $d \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ ;
- (2)  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,  $k_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $k_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ;
- (3)  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,  $k_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $k_2 \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ ,  $q \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ ;
- (4)  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,  $k_1 \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$ ,  $k_2 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ;
- (5)  $d \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ ,  $k_1 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $k_2 \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$ ,  $q \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ .

If  $G \in \mathcal{G}(q; k_1d, k_2d)$ , then L(G) is a supermagic graph.

Proof. Suppose that  $u_i$  for  $i \in \{1, \ldots, m\}$ , where  $m = \frac{q}{k_1 d}$ ,  $(v_j)$  for  $j \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ , where  $n = \frac{q}{k_2 d}$ ) denotes a  $(k_1 d)$ -vertex  $((k_2 d)$ -vertex) of a graph G belonging to  $\mathcal{G}(q; k_1 d, k_2 d)$ . Then there is a graph  $G' \in \mathcal{G}(q; d, d)$  with vertex set  $V(G') = \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^m \bigcup_{r=1}^{k_1} \{u_i^r\}\right) \cup \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^n \bigcup_{s=1}^{k_2} \{v_j^s\}\right)$  such that for any edge  $u_i v_j \in E(G)$  there exists an edge  $u_i^r v_j^s \in E(G')$ , where  $r \in \{1, \ldots, k_1\}$  and  $s \in \{1, \ldots, k_2\}$  (i.e., G' is obtained from G by distributing every vertex into vertices of degree d).

The subgraph  $K(u_i)$   $(K(v_j))$  of L(G) is decomposable into  $k_1K_d$  and  $K_{k_1[d]}$   $(k_2K_d$  and  $K_{k_2[d]})$ . Thus, it is not difficult to see that L(G) is decomposable into factors  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$ ,  $F_3$ , where  $F_1$  is isomorphic to L(G'),  $F_2$  is isomorphic to  $mK_{k_1[d]}$  (if  $k_1 > 1$ ) and  $F_2$  is isomorphic to  $nK_{k_2[d]}$  (if  $k_2 > 1$ ). Combining Theorem 2, Proposition 3 and Proposition 2 we obtain the assertion.

We conclude this paper with the following negative statement:

**Theorem 3.** Let q,  $d_1$ ,  $d_2$  be positive integers such that either  $d_1 + d_2 \leq 4$  and q > 2, or  $4 < d_1 + d_2 \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$  and  $q \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . If  $G \in \mathcal{G}(q; d_1, d_2)$ , then the line graph L(G) is not supermagic.

Proof. The line graph L(G) of a graph  $G \in \mathcal{G}(q; d_1, d_2)$  is  $(d_1 + d_2 - 2)$ -regular of order q. Evidently, L(G) is not magic when  $d_1 + d_2 \leq 4$  and q > 2. The other case immediately follows from the fact (see [4]) that a supermagic regular graph H of odd degree satisfies  $|V(H)| \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ .

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