# Prime Labellings of Trees

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#### Abstract

Let G be a simple and finite graph. A bijection from its vertex set onto  $\{1, 2, ..., |G|\}$  is called a prime labelling of G if any two adjacent vertices are labelled by coprime integers. Entringer conjectured that every tree has a prime labelling. In this paper, we show that a tree  $T_n = (A, B)$  of order  $n \ge 105$  with bipartition (A, B) satisfying  $|A| \le \pi(n)$  has a prime labelling, where  $\pi(n)$  is the number of primes at most n.

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# 1 Introduction

Let m and n be positive integers with  $m \leq n$ . The set  $\{m, m+1, \ldots, n\}$  of integers from m to n is denoted by [m, n]. If m = 1, we use [n] to replace [1, n] for short. Let  $\mathcal{S} = \{S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_k\}$  be a collection of subsets of [n]. A system of distinct representatives (SDR) for  $\mathcal{S}$  is a subset  $\{q_1, q_2, \ldots, q_k\}$  such that  $q_i \in S_i$  and  $q_i \neq q_j$  for all  $i \neq j$ .

Let G = (V, E) be a simple and finite graph with a vertex set V = V(G) and an edge set E = E(G). The number of vertices of G is called the order of G and denoted by |G|. For a vertex  $x \in V$ , a neighbor of x is a vertex adjacent to x. The set of neighbors of x is called the neighborhood of x and denoted by N(x). The number of neighbors of x is called the degree of x and denoted by deg(x). A pendent vertex is a vertex of degree one. For a set  $S \subseteq V$ , the neighborhood of S is the set of vertices adjacent to some vertex of S and denoted by N(S). A tree is a connected graph without cycles. A matching is a subset of E(G) in which any two edges have no endpoints in common.

A bijection  $\varphi:V(G)\to\{1,2,\ldots,|G|\}$  is called a prime labelling of G if any two adjacent vertices are labelled by coprime integers. Around 1980, Entringer conjectured that every tree has a prime labelling. So far, the conjecture is still unsolved. In 1994, Fu and Huang [4] showed that every tree of order  $n\leq 15$  has a prime labelling. In 1998, Lin [8] extended Fu and Huang's result to a tree of order  $n\leq 105$ . Recently, Haxell, Pikhurko and Taraz [6] proved that the Entringer Conjecture is true provided the order n is sufficiently large. On the other hand, the conjecture has been verified for some classes of trees (complete binary trees, caterpillars, star-like trees, spider trees, spider colonies, binomial trees, palm trees, banana trees, etc in [4,7,9]). In this paper, we show that a tree  $T_n(A,B)$  of order  $n\geq 105$  with bipartition (A,B) satisfying  $|A|\leq \pi(n)$  has a prime labelling, where  $\pi(n)$  is the number of primes at most n.

First, we consider that  $\pi(n) = |A| \leq |B| = n - \pi(n)$ . At the beginning, we label the vertices of  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{\pi(n)}\}$  with  $\deg(a_1) \geq \deg(a_2) \geq \dots \geq \deg(a_{\pi(n)})$  by  $p_1 = \varphi(a_1) = 1$ ,  $p_2 = \varphi(a_{\pi(n)}) = 3$ ,  $p_3 = \varphi(a_{\pi(n)-1}), \dots, p_{\pi(n)} = \varphi(a_2)$ , where  $p_2 < p_3 < \dots < p_{\pi(n)}$  are odd primes in [n]. Let  $L(A) = \{\varphi(a_i) \mid a_i \in A\}$ . For each  $b_j \in B$ , there is a corresponding set  $S_j \subseteq [n] \setminus L(A)$  consisting of the integers which can be used to label  $b_j$ . We can argue that the collection  $\{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{|B|}\}$  has an SDR  $\{q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{|B|}\}$ . Label each  $b_j$  by  $q_j$ . Then the tree  $T_n = (A, B)$  has a prime labelling. By the same argument, we can deal with the case that  $|A| < \pi(n)$ .

# 2 Main Results

In this section, we first assume that  $T_n = (A, B)$  is a tree of order  $n \geq 105, A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{\pi(n)}\}, \deg(a_1) \geq \deg(a_2) \geq \dots \geq \deg(a_{\pi(n)}), B = \{b_1, b_2, \dots, b_{|B|}\}, \deg(b_1) \geq \deg(b_2) \geq \dots \geq \deg(b_{|B|}), |A| = \pi(n)$  and  $|B| = n - \pi(n)$ . Moreover, let the vertices of A be labelled by  $p_1 = \varphi(a_1) = 1, p_2 = \varphi(a_{\pi(n)}) = 3, p_3 = \varphi(a_{\pi(n)-1}) = 5, \dots, p_{\pi(n)} = \varphi(a_2),$  where  $p_2 < p_3 < \dots < p_{\pi(n)}$  are odd primes in  $[n], L(A) = \{\varphi(a_i) \mid a_i \in A\}, L(A') = \{\varphi(a) \mid a \in A'\}$  for  $A' \subseteq A, R = [n] \setminus L(A)$  and for each  $b_j \in B$ , define  $S_j = \{k \mid k \in R \setminus \{tp \mid p \in L(N(b_j)), t \geq 1\}\}$ . Note that  $\gcd(k, \varphi(a)) = 1$  for all  $k \in S_j$  and  $a \in N(b_j)$ . We use the label  $\varphi(a_i)$  to replace the vertex  $a_i$  if no confusion occurs.

The following lemmas are essential for main results.

**Lemma 1.** [1, 2, 3] Let  $\pi(n)$  be the number of primes in [n]. Then the following hold.

- (1)  $\pi(n) > n/\ln n$  if n > 16.
- (2)  $\pi(n) < \frac{n}{\ln n} (1 + \frac{2}{3 \ln n})$  if n > 1.
- (3)  $\pi(n) < 2 \cdot \pi(n/2)$  if n > 21.
- (4)  $\pi(n) \le 2 \cdot \pi(n/2)$  if n > 1.
- (5)  $\pi(n) < n/3 \text{ if } n > 33.$

**Lemma 2.** [5] An SDR for a collection  $\{S_1, S_2, \ldots, S_t\}$  exists if and only if the Hall's condition  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \geq k$  holds for subcollections  $\{S_{i_1}, S_{i_2}, \ldots, S_{i_k}\}$ ,  $k \geq 1$ .

**Lemma 3.** Let T = (X, Y) be a tree with  $|X| \le |Y|$ . Then Y contains at least |Y| - |X| + 1 pendent vertices.

**Proof.** Suppose not, that is, Y has at most |Y| - |X| pendent vertices. Then  $|E(T)| = \sum_{y \in Y} \deg(y) \ge (|Y| - |X|) + 2(|Y| - (|Y| - |X|)) = |X| + |Y| = |T| = |E(T)| + 1$ . A contradiction. Hence, the assertion holds.

For checking the Hall's condition  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge k$  for all  $k \ge 1$ , we need to study the cardinality  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}|$ . If  $\deg(b_j) = 1$  and  $L(N(b_j)) = \{p\}$ , then either  $|S_j| = |R \setminus \{tp \mid t \ge 1\}| = |R| - \lfloor n/p \rfloor + 1 = n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/p \rfloor + 1$  if p > 1, or  $|S_j| = |R| = n - \pi(n)$  if p = 1. For  $i \ne j$ , let  $L(N(b_i)) = \{p_{i_1}, p_{i_2}, \ldots, p_{i_k}\}$  and  $L(N(b_j)) = \{p_{j_1}, p_{j_2}, \ldots, p_{j_\ell}\}$ . If  $N(b_i) \cap N(b_j) = \emptyset$ ,

since  $\gcd(p_{i_{\alpha}},p_{j_{\beta}})=1,\ 2^rp_{i_{\alpha}}\in S_j, 2^rp_{j_{\beta}}\in S_i\ \text{and}\ 2^rq\in S_i\cap S_j\ \text{for}\ 1\leq \alpha\leq k, 1\leq \beta\leq \ell, q\in L(A)\setminus (L(N(b_i)\cup L(N(b_j)))\ \text{and}\ r\geq 1.$  Hence,  $\bigcup_{r\geq 1}\{2^rp|p\in L(A)\ \text{and}\ 2^rp\leq n\}\subseteq S_i\cup S_j.$  If  $N(b_i)\cap N(b_j)\neq\emptyset$ , since  $T_n$  is a tree,  $N(b_i)\cap N(b_j)=\{q\}$  for some  $q\in L(A)$ . By the same argument as above, either  $\bigcup_{r\geq 1}\{2^rp|p\in L(A)\ \text{and}\ 2^rp\leq n\}\subseteq S_i\cup S_j\ \text{if}\ q=1,$  or  $\bigcup_{r\geq 1}\{2^rp|p\in L(A)\setminus \{q\}\ \text{and}\ 2^rp\leq n\}\subseteq S_i\cup S_j\ \text{if}\ q>1.$  Note that  $|\{2^rp|p\in L(A)\setminus \{q,1\}\ \text{and}\ 2^rp\leq n\}|=\pi(n/2^r)-1$  for  $r\geq 1$ .

Let  $Y = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_t\}$  be the set of pendent vertices in B and corresponding to the collection  $\{S'_1, S'_2, \dots, S'_t\}$  for some  $t \geq 2$ . Suppose  $N(Y) = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s\}$ ,  $\deg(x_i) \leq m$  for some m and  $1 \leq i \leq s$  and  $|Y| > f \cdot m$  for some  $f \geq 1$ . Since  $|N(A') \cap Y| \leq f \cdot m$  for any f-set  $A' \subseteq N(Y)$  and  $(N(x'_i) \cap Y) \cap (N(x'_j) \cap Y) = \emptyset$  for all  $x'_i$  and  $x'_j$  in A',  $T_n$  contains a matching  $M = \{x_{j_1}y_{j_1}, x_{j_2}y_{j_2}, \dots, x_{j_{f+1}}y_{j_{f+1}}\}$ . Suppose  $\varphi(x_{j_k}) = p'_{j_k}$  for  $1 \leq k \leq f+1$ . Since  $\deg(y_{j_k}) = 1$ ,  $S'_{j_k} = R \setminus \{rp'_{j_k}|r \geq 1\}$ . Since  $\gcd(p'_{j_\alpha}, p'_{j_\beta}) = 1$ ,  $\bigcup_{k=1}^{f+1} S'_{j_k} = R \setminus \bigcap_{k=1}^{f+1} \{rp'_{j_k}|r \geq 1\} = R \setminus \{rp'_{j_1}p'_{j_2} \cdots p'_{j_{f+1}}|r \geq 1\}$  and then  $|\bigcup_{k=1}^{f+1} S'_{j_k}| = n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/p_{j_1}p_{j_2} \cdots p_{j_{f+1}} \rfloor$ . Note that if  $p_{j_1}p_{j_2} \cdots p_{j_{f+1}} > n$ , then  $\bigcup_{k=1}^{f+1} S'_{j_k} = R$  and  $|\bigcup_{k=1}^{f+1} S'_{j_k}| = n - \pi(n)$ .

**Lemma 4.** Let  $T_n = (A, B)$  be a tree defined as above with  $\pi(n) = |A| \le |B|$ . Then  $|S_i \cup S_j| \ge \pi(n) - 1$  for all  $1 \le i < j \le |B| = n - \pi(n)$ .

**Proof.** If  $\deg(b_i) = 1$ , then  $b_i$  is adjacent to 1 or an odd prime p. Hence,  $|S_i| \geq |R| - \lfloor n/p \rfloor \geq n - \pi(n) - n/3 \geq \pi(n)$  by Lemma 1(5) and then  $|S_i \cup S_j| \geq \pi(n)$ . Suppose  $\deg(b_i) \geq \deg(b_j) \geq 2$ . Let  $h = \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor \geq 6$ . If  $N(b_i) \cap N(b_j) \neq \emptyset$ , since  $T_n$  is a tree,  $N(b_i) \cap N(b_j) = \{p\}$ , where p = 1 or an odd prime. For  $1 \leq r \leq h-2$ , let  $X_r = \{2^r q \mid q \text{ is an odd prime with } q < n/2^r \text{ and } q \neq p\}$ . Then  $X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_r$  are mutually disjoint,  $|X_k| \geq \pi(n/2^k) - 2$  and  $X_k \subseteq S_i \cup S_j$  for all  $1 \leq k \leq r$ . Moreover, if p > 3, then  $\{2, 2^2, \ldots, 2^h, 9, 18, 27\} \subseteq S_i \cup S_j$ , since at most one of  $b_i$  and  $b_j$  is adjacent to 3; otherwise,  $\{2, 2^2, \ldots, 2^h, 25, 49, 50\} \subseteq S_i \cup S_j$  if p = 3. Note that  $2 \leq \pi(n/2^{h-2}) \leq 4$  since  $4 \leq n/2^{h-2} < 8$ . Hence,  $|S_i \cup S_j| \geq |\bigcup_{r=1}^{h-2} X_r| + h + 3 = \sum_{r=1}^{h-2} |X_r| + h + 3 \geq \sum_{r=1}^{h-2} (\pi(n/2^r) - 2) + h + 3 = \sum_{r=1}^{h-4} (\pi(n/2^r) - 1) + \pi(n/2^{h-3}) + \pi(n/2^{h-2}) + 3 \geq \sum_{r=1}^{h-4} (\pi(n/2^r) - 1) + \pi(n/2^{h-3}) + 2\pi(n/2^{h-2}) - 1 \geq \sum_{r=1}^{h-4} (\pi(n/2^r) - 1) + 2\pi(n/2^{h-3}) - 1 \geq \cdots \geq \pi(n) - 1$ , by Lemma 1(3) and (4).

Suppose  $N(b_i) \cap N(b_j) = \emptyset$ . For  $1 \le r \le h-2$ , let  $Y_r = \{2^r p \mid p \text{ is an odd prime with } p < n/2^r\}$ . Then  $Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_{h-2}$  are mutually disjoint,  $|Y_r| \ge \pi(n/2^r) - 2$  and  $Y_r \subseteq S_i \cup S_j$  for all  $1 \le r \le h-2$ . Moreover,  $\{2, 2^2, \ldots, 2^h, 9, 18, 27\} \subseteq S_i \cup S_j$ . By the same argument as above,

 $|S_i \cup S_j| \ge |\bigcup_{r=1}^{h-2} Y_r| + h + 3 \ge \pi(n) - 1$ . Therefore,  $|S_i \cup S_j| \ge \pi(n) - 1$  for all  $1 \le i < j \le |B|$ .

**Lemma 5.** Let  $T_n = (A, B)$  be a tree defined as above with  $\pi(n) = |A| \le |B|$ . If  $k \in [\pi(n), n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/3 \rfloor + 1]$ , then  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge k$  for any  $1 \le i_1 < i_2 < \cdots < i_k \le |B|$ .

**Proof.** Let  $Y = \{b_{i_1}, b_{i_2}, \dots, b_{i_k}\}$  and be corresponding to the collection  $\{S_{i_1}, S_{i_2}, \dots, S_{i_k}\}$ . By Lemma 3, Y contains at least  $|Y| - |A| + 1 \ge 1$  pendent vertices. Let  $N(b_{i_t}) = \{p\}$  for some pendent vertex  $b_{i_t}$ . Then  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge |S_{i_t}| \ge n - \pi(n) - (\lfloor n/p \rfloor - 1) \ge n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/3 \rfloor + 1 \ge k$  if p > 1. Otherwise, for p = 1, we have  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge |S_{i_t}| = |[n] \setminus L(A)| = n - \pi(n) \ge k$ . We complete the proof.

**Lemma 6.** Let  $T_n = (A, B)$  be a tree defined as above with  $\pi(n) = |A| \le |B|$ . If  $k \in [n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/3 \rfloor + 2, n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/15 \rfloor]$ , then  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge k$  for any  $1 \le i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \le |B|$ .

**Proof.** Let  $Y = \{b_{i_1}, b_{i_2}, \dots, b_{i_k}\}$  and be corresponding to the collection  $\{S_{i_1}, S_{i_2}, \dots, S_{i_k}\}$ . By Lemma 3, Y contains at least  $|Y| - |A| + 1 \ge n - 2\pi(n) - \lfloor n/3 \rfloor + 3$  pendent vertices. If some pendent vertex  $b_{i_t}$  is adjacent to 1 or p > n/2, then  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge |S_{i_t}| = |[n] \setminus L(A)| = n - \pi(n) > n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/15 \rfloor \ge k$ . Suppose all the pendent vertices in Y are adjacent to the set  $X = \{a_i \mid 3 \le \varphi(a_i) \le n/2\}$ . Then  $|X| = \pi(n/2) - 1$  and  $\deg(a_j) \ge \deg(a_i)$  for all  $a_i \in X$  and  $a_j \in A \setminus X$  by assumption. If  $a \in X$ , then  $n-1 = |E(T)| = \sum_{a_i \in A \setminus X} \deg(a_i) + \deg(a) + \sum_{a_i \in X \setminus \{a\}} \deg(a_i) \ge (|A| - |X| + 1) \deg(a) + |X| - 1$ , or  $\deg(a) \le \lfloor \frac{n-1-(|X|-1)}{|A|-|X|+1} \rfloor = \lfloor \frac{n-\pi(n/2)+1}{\pi(n)-\pi(n/2)+2} \rfloor = m$ . If |Y| - |A| + 1 > m, then there are two distinct pendent vertices  $b_{i_\alpha}$  and  $b_{i_\beta}$  in Y such that  $b_{i_\alpha}$  is adjacent to  $p \in X$  and  $b_{i_\beta}$  is adjacent to  $q \in X$  with  $p \ne q$ . In this case,  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge |S_{i_\alpha} \cup S_{i_\beta}| \ge n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/pq \rfloor \ge n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/15 \rfloor \ge k$  and we conclude the proof. By Lemma 1,

$$(|Y| - |A|)(\pi(n) - \pi(n/2) + 2) - (n + 1 - \pi(n/2))$$

$$\geq (n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/3 \rfloor + 2 - \pi(n))(\pi(n) - \pi(n/2) + 2) - (n + 1 - \pi(n/2))$$

$$\geq (2n/3 - 2\pi(n) + 2)(\pi(n) - \pi(n/2) + 2) - (n + 1 - \pi(n/2))$$

$$= 2(n/3 - \pi(n))(\pi(n) - \pi(n/2)) + n/3 - 2\pi(n) - \pi(n/2) + 3$$

$$\geq 12\pi(n) - 15\pi(n/2) + n/3 + 3$$
(since  $n/3 - \pi(n) \geq 7$  if  $n \geq 105$  by elementary Calculus.)
$$> 12\frac{n}{\ln n} - 15\frac{n/2}{\ln (n/2)} \left(1 + \frac{2}{3\ln (n/2)}\right) + n/3 + 3$$

$$> 12\frac{n}{\ln n} - \frac{n}{\ln n} \cdot 15/2 \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\ln 2}{\ln 105}} \left(1 + \frac{2}{3\ln (105/2)}\right) + n/3 + 3$$

$$= 12\frac{n}{\ln n} - (10.29 \cdots) \frac{n}{\ln n} + n/3 + 3$$
  
> 0.

Hence,  $|Y| - |A| + 1 > \lfloor \frac{n+1-\pi(n/2)}{\pi(n)-\pi(n/2)+2} \rfloor$  as desired. Thus,  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \geq k$ .  $\square$ 

**Lemma 7.** Let  $T_n = (A, B)$  be a tree defined as above with  $\pi(n) = |A| \le |B|$ . If  $k \in [n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/15 \rfloor + 1, n - \pi(n)]$ , then  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| = n - \pi(n) \ge k$  for any  $1 \le i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \le |B|$ .

**Proof.** Let  $Y=\{b_{i_1},b_{i_2},\ldots,b_{i_k}\}$  and be corresponding to the collection  $\{S_{i_1},S_{i_2},\ldots,S_{i_k}\}$ . Note that  $\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}\subseteq [n]\setminus L(A)$  for all  $k\geq 1$ . Hence,  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}|\leq |[n]\setminus L(A)|=n-\pi(n)$ . Set  $X_1=\{a_i\mid 3\leq \varphi(a_i)\leq n/3\}$  and  $X_2=\{a_i\mid n/3<\varphi(a_i)\leq n/2\}$ . By Lemma 3, Y contains at least  $|Y|-|A|+1\geq n-2\pi(n)-\lfloor n/15\rfloor+2$  pendent vertices. By the proof as in Lemma 6, Y contains two pendent vertices  $b_{i_\alpha}$  and  $b_{i_\beta}$  such that  $b_{i_\alpha}$  is adjacent to p and  $b_{i_\beta}$  is adjacent to p with  $p\neq p$ . If  $b_{i_\alpha}$  or  $b_{i_\beta}$  is adjacent to 1 or a prime p'>n/2, then  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}|\geq |S_{i_\alpha}\cup S_{i_\beta}|\geq |[n]\setminus L(A)|=n-\pi(n)\geq k$ . If  $b_{i_\alpha}$  or  $b_{i_\beta}$  is adjacent to a vertex in  $X_2$ , then  $pq>3\cdot n/3=n$  and then  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}|\geq |S_{i_\alpha}\cup S_{i_\beta}|\geq n-\pi(n)-\lfloor\frac{n}{pq}\rfloor=n-\pi(n)\geq k$ . Suppose the neighborhood of the pendent vertices in Y are contained in  $X_1$ . By the same argument in Lemma 6,  $\deg(a)\leq \lfloor\frac{n-1-(|X_1|-1)}{\pi(n)-(|X_1|-1)}\rfloor=\lfloor\frac{n+1-\pi(n/3)}{\pi(n)-\pi(n/3)+2}\rfloor$  for all vertices  $a\in X_1$ . Let f be the maximum number of distinct odd primes whose product is less than n. Then  $n>p_2p_3\cdots p_{f+1}=3\cdot 5\cdot 7\cdots p_{f+1}>10^2\cdot 10^{f-3}=10^{f-1}$ , or  $f<1+\log_{10}n$ . If  $|Y|-|A|+1>f\lfloor\frac{n+1-\pi(n/3)}{\pi(n)-\pi(n/3)+2}\rfloor$ , then there are f+1 pendent vertices  $y_1,y_2,\ldots,y_{f+1}$  in Y such that each  $y_j$  is adjacent to  $x_j\in X_1$  and corresponding to  $S_{y_j}$  and  $t=\varphi(x_1)\varphi(x_2)\cdots\varphi(x_{f+1})>n$ . In this case,  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}|\geq |\bigcup_{j=1}^{f+1} S_{y_j}|\geq n-\pi(n)-\lfloor n/t\rfloor=n-\pi(n)\geq k$  and we conclude the proof. By Lemma 1,

$$d = (|Y| - |A|)(\pi(n) - \pi(n/3) + 2) - f(n+1 - \pi(n/3))$$

$$\geq (n - \pi(n) - \lfloor n/15 \rfloor + 1 - \pi(n))(\pi(n) - \pi(n/3) + 2)$$

$$-(1 + \log_{10} n)(n+1 - \pi(n/3))$$

$$\geq \left(\frac{14}{15}n - 2\pi(n)\right)(\pi(n) - \pi(n/3)) - n(1 + \log_{10} n).$$

Since  $\frac{14}{15}n - 2\pi(n) \ge \frac{14}{15}n - 2\frac{n}{\ln n}\left(1 + \frac{2}{3\ln n}\right) \ge \frac{14}{15}n - 2n\frac{1}{\ln 105}\left(1 + \frac{2}{3\ln 105}\right) = \frac{14}{15}n - (0.49\ldots)n > \frac{14}{15}n - \frac{1}{2}n = \frac{13}{30}n$  and  $\pi(n) - \pi(n/3) \ge \frac{n}{\ln n} - \frac{n/3}{\ln (n/3)}(1 + \frac{2}{3\ln (n/3)}) \ge \frac{n}{\ln n} \cdot \frac{1}{3}\frac{1}{1-\ln 3/\ln 105}\left(1 + \frac{2}{3\ln 35}\right) = \frac{n}{\ln n}(1 - 0.51\cdots) > (0.48)\frac{n}{\ln n}$ , we have  $d > (13/30)n \cdot (0.48)\frac{n}{\ln n} - n(1 + \log_{10}n) > 0$  by elementary Calculus. Hence,  $|Y| - |A| + 1 > f\lfloor \frac{n+1-\pi(n/3)}{\pi(n)-\pi(n/3)+2}\rfloor$  as desired. Therefore,  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge n - \pi(n) \ge k$ .

Now, we are ready to prove the main results.

**Theorem 8.** Let  $T_n = (A, B)$  be a tree defined as above with  $\pi(n) = |A| \le |B|$ . Then  $T_n$  has a prime labelling.

**Proof.** Let  $Y = \{b_{i_1}, b_{i_2}, \dots, b_{i_k}\}$  and be corresponding to the collection  $\{S_{i_1}, S_{i_2}, \dots, S_{i_k}\}$  for some  $k \in [1, |B|] = [1, n - \pi(n)]$ . If k = 1, since  $2 \in S_{i_j}$  for all j,  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge |S_{i_1}| \ge 1$ . If  $k \in [2, \pi(n) - 1]$ , by Lemma 4,  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge |S_{i_1} \cup S_{i_2}| \ge \pi(n) - 1 \ge k$ . If  $k \in [\pi(n), n - \pi(n)]$ , by Lemma 5, 6 and 7,  $|\bigcup_{j=1}^k S_{i_j}| \ge k$ . Hence, the Hall's condition holds. By Lemma 2, the collection  $\{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_{|B|}\}$  has an SDR  $\{q_1, q_2, \dots, q_{|B|}\}$ . Label the vertex  $b_j \in B$  by  $\varphi(b_j) = q_j$ . Combining  $\varphi(a_1), \varphi(a_2), \dots, \varphi(a_{\pi(n)})$ , the bijection  $\varphi: V(T_n) = A \cup B \to \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  is a prime labelling of  $T_n$  as desired.  $\square$ 

For the remaining, suppose  $T_n = (A, B)$  is a tree with  $|A| < \pi(n)$ . By the same argument in Theorem 8, we may label the vertices of A by  $\varphi(a_1) = 1, \varphi(a_2) = p_{\pi(n)}, \varphi(a_3) = p_{\pi(n)-1}, \cdots$ , and  $\varphi(a_{|A|}) = p_{\pi(n)-|A|+2}$ . For each  $b_j \in B$ , the corresponding  $S_j$  will have more members with respect to the  $S_j$  defined in Theorem 8. Hence, it can be argued that the Hall's condition holds. Therefore, we have the following.

**Theorem 9.** Let  $T_n = (A, B)$  be a tree of order  $n \ge 105$  with bipartition (A, B) satisfying  $|A| \le \pi(n)$ . Then  $T_n$  has a prime labelling.

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