

# On Rainbow Vertex Antimagic Coloring and Its Application to the Encryption Keystream Construction

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**Abstract:** Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph that is a simple, connected and un-directed graph. We now introduce a new notion of rainbow vertex antimagic coloring. This is a proper development of antimagic labeling with rainbow vertex coloring. The weight of a vertex  $v \in V(G)$  under  $f$  for  $f : E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, |E(G)|\}$  is  $w_f(v) = \sum_{e \in E(v)} f(e)$ , where  $E(v)$  is the set of vertices incident to  $v$ . If each vertex has a different weight, afterwards the function  $f$  is also referred to as vertex antimagic edge labeling. If all internal vertices on the  $u - v$  path have different edge weights for each vertex  $u$  and  $v$ , afterwards the path is assumed to be a rainbow path. The minimum amount of colors assigned over all rainbow colorings that result from rainbow vertex antimagic labelings of  $G$  is the rainbow vertex antimagic connection number of  $G$ ,  $rvac(G)$ . For the purpose of trying to find some new lemmas or theorems about  $rvac(G)$ , we will prove the specific value of the rainbow vertex antimagic connection number of a specific family of graphs in this paper. Furthermore, based on our obtained lemmas and theorems, we use it for constructing an encryption keystream for robust symmetric cryptography. Moreover, to test the robustness of our model, we compare it with normal symmetric cryptography such as AES and DES.

**Keywords:** Rainbow vertex antimagic coloring, Encryption keystream construction, Symmetric cryptography

## 1 Introduction

A graph  $G$  is a pair of sets  $(V(G), E(G))$  where  $V(G)$  is a set of finite and non-empty vertices and  $E(G)$  is a set of edges (edge) which may be empty of ordered pairs  $\{u, v\}$  with dots  $u, v \in V(G)$  [11]. The graph  $G$  is denoted by  $G(V, E)$ . So a graph must have at least one vertex and may not have edges [13]. One of the topics in graph theory is rainbow coloring [2]. There are many types of rainbow coloring, such as rainbow edge coloring, rainbow vertex coloring, and strong rainbow edge or vertex coloring [9].

Rainbow vertex antimagic coloring combines two concepts namely rainbow vertex connection and antimagic labeling [7]. The rainbow connection is first defined in [3]. A graph  $G$  is called a rainbow connection if there is at least one rainbow path from point  $u$  to point  $v$  [6]. Then, [8] developed the rainbow connection concept into two types, namely rainbow edge-connections and

rainbow vertex-connections. Meanwhile, antimagic labeling or commonly called antimagic labeling was first introduced by Hartsfield and Ringel in 1990 [5].

Rainbow vertex antimagic coloring is a combination of rainbow vertex connections with antimagic labeling [7]. The  $f$  function is called antimagic edge labeling, if each point has a different weight. A path  $P$  on a graph  $G$  labeled as an edge is called a rainbow path if for any two points  $u$  and  $v$ , all interiors on the path  $u - v$  have different weights [6]. The rainbow vertex antimagic connection number of graph  $G$  is denoted by  $rvac(G)$ , which is the smallest number of colors taken from all rainbow coloring induced by rainbow vertex antimagic labeling of graph  $G$  [10].

Confidentiality, authentication, integrity, and non-repudiation are important are important cryptographic goals that needed to be achieved in a cryptosystem. Confidentiality helps authorized parties to

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keep information confidential. The purpose of confidentiality is to secure information so that it is not known by adversaries. A well-known method of sending information secretly and secure is cryptography. Some applications of cryptography are to secure content distribution, improve digital rights management systems, solve security in mobile computing, etc. [12]. Two old encryption techniques are the Caesar cipher and the affine cipher. The development form of the Caesar cipher is the affine cipher. Affine block cipher uses an affine algorithm which is divided into blocks. The purpose of the affine algorithm is to generate [4] encryption and decryption.

Symmetric cryptography, also known as secret key or shared key cryptography, is a class of cryptographic algorithms that use a shared secret key for both encryption and decryption of information. In contrast, asymmetric cryptography uses different keys for encryption and decryption. In a monoalphabetic cipher, each letter in the plaintext is consistently replaced by a corresponding letter or symbol in the ciphertext. The substitution is based on a single fixed key or alphabet. Each occurrence of a particular character in the plaintext is replaced by the same character or symbol in the ciphertext throughout the encryption process. In contrast, in a polyalphabetic cipher, the substitution of letters is not based on a single fixed key or alphabet. Instead, multiple alphabets or keys are used during the encryption process. The key typically consists of a keyword or phrase that determines which alphabet or set of rules to use for each letter in the plaintext.

In this paper, we develop a research by applying rainbow vertex antimagic coloring as a cryptosystem. We apply rainbow vertex antimagic coloring to ladder graph and composition graph as an affine block cipher key. This key grows with the number of characters in the plaintext. To obtain the key, we need to find the function of rainbow vertex antimagic coloring in ladder graph and composition graph. To test the performance of this encryption method, we compare it with other symmetric type methods such as AES and DES. Below are some definitions and theorems used in the process of finding the function.

**Definition 1** Ladder graph ( $L_n$ ) is an undirected graph and is a planar graph with point cardinality  $2n$  and edge cardinality  $3n - 2$ .

**Definition 2** Composition graph is a graph that is built by graphs  $P_n$  and  $P_1$  with disjoint sets of points  $V(P_n)$  and  $V(P_1)$  and edges  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ . A Composition graph is a graph where  $V(P_n) \times V(P_1)$  and  $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$  are adjacent to  $u = (u_1, u_2)$  when  $[v_1 \text{adj} u_1]$  or  $[v_1 = u_1 \text{ and } v_2 \text{adj} u_2]$  and so on. Composition graph is denoted by  $P_n[P_2]$ .

**Theorem 1** Suppose  $G$  is a connected graph with  $rest(G)$ , then  $rvc(G) \geq still(G) - 1$ .

**Lemma 1** [1] The rainbow vertex connection number of the ladder graph  $rvc(L_n)$  is  $n - 1$ .

## 2 Research Methods

Figure 1 shows the flow that we used in this research. There are three steps in this research: (1) Considering the rainbow vertex antimagic coloring labels on ladder graphs and composition graphs, (2) Taking the labeling results as keystream, (3) applying the keystream in a modified affine block cipher. At the third step, the plaintext is divided into four blocks and performs the vigenere cipher operation. Each encryption and decryption algorithm can be seen in Algorithm 1 and Algorithm 2.

**Algorithm 1.** Encryption using RVAC of Graph

Input: plain text,  $P$

Output: cipher text,  $C$

1. Start
2. Input  $P$
3. Define size length  $P$  as  $s$
4. Define size of graph as  $n$  using  $\left\lceil \frac{s}{2} \right\rceil$
5. Define the keystream from rainbow vertex antimagic coloring of graph
6. Define the order of alphabetical  $P$
7. Define length of keystream
8. Implementation of affine cipher method
  - Block 1  $\rightarrow C_1 = (\text{keystream} + \text{block } 1) \bmod 94$
  - Block 2  $\rightarrow C_2 = (\text{keystream} + \text{block } 2) \bmod 94$
  - Block 3  $\rightarrow C_3 = (\text{keystream} + \text{block } 3) \bmod 94$
  - Block 4  $\rightarrow C_4 = (\text{keystream} + \text{block } 4) \bmod 94$
9. Combine every  $C$  in each block to obtain the cipher text

**Algorithm 2.** Decryption using RVAC of Graph

Input: cipher text,  $C$

Output: plain text,  $P$

1. Start
2. Input  $C$
3. Define size length  $C$  as  $s$
4. Define size of graph as  $n$  using  $\left\lceil \frac{s}{2} \right\rceil$
5. Define the keystream from rainbow vertex antimagic coloring of graph
6. Define the order of alphabetical  $C$
7. Define length of keystream
8. Implementation of affine plain text method
  - Block 1  $\rightarrow \text{Block } 1 = (C_1 - \text{keystream}) \bmod 94$
  - Block 2  $\rightarrow \text{Block } 2 = (C_2 - \text{keystream}) \bmod 94$
  - Block 3  $\rightarrow \text{Block } 3 = (C_3 - \text{keystream}) \bmod 94$
  - Block 4  $\rightarrow \text{Block } 4 = (C_4 - \text{keystream}) \bmod 94$

9. Combine every  $P$  in each block to obtain the plain text

### 3 Research Findings

We obtained the new theorems regarding the rainbow vertex antimagic connection number. The graphs studied are ladder ( $L_n$ ) and composition of path graph ( $P_n[P_2]$ ). To prove the theorems of rainbow vertex antimagic connection number, we need theorem rainbow vertex connection number as lower bound.

**Theorem 2** Let  $P_n[P_2]$  be a composition of path graph. For every positive integer  $n \geq 3$ ,  $rvc(P_n[P_2]) = n - 2$

**Proof.** The composition of path graph  $P_n[P_2]$  is a connected graph with vertex set  $V(P_n[P_2]) = \{a_j; 1 \leq j \leq n\} \cup \{b_j; 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  and edge set  $E(P_n[P_2]) = \{a_j a_{j+1}; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\} \cup \{b_j b_{j+1}; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\} \cup \{a_j b_j; 1 \leq j \leq n\} \cup \{a_{j+1} b_j; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\}$ . The diameter of composition of path graph is  $n - 1$  and based on Lemma 1, we have  $rvac(P_n[P_2]) \geq n - 2$  as lower bound. We determine the upper bound of  $rvac(P_n[P_2])$  by function of vertex colors as follows.

$$f(a_j) = \begin{cases} 1, & ; j = 1, n \\ j - 1, & ; 2 \leq j \leq n - 1 \end{cases}$$

$$f(b_j) = \begin{cases} 1, & ; j = 1, n \\ j - 1, & ; 2 \leq j \leq n - 1 \end{cases}$$

Since every vertex  $u \in V(P_n[P_2])$  is assigned with a color, then internal vertices for every two different vertices have different weights. For more detail, it can be seen Table 1. Suppose that  $u, u' \in V(P_n[P_2])$ , there are five cases of rainbow paths in  $P_n[P_2]$  as follows.

From the Table 1, we can concludes that the graph  $P_n[P_2]$  has rainbow vertex antimagic coloring. Thus, we obtain  $rvc(P_n[P_2]) = n - 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3** Let  $L_n$  be a ladder graph. For every positive integer  $n \geq 3$ ,

$$rvac(L_n) = \begin{cases} n, & \text{for } n \text{ is odd} \\ n + 1, & \text{for } n \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

**Proof.** The ladder graph  $L_n$  is a connected graph with vertex set  $V(L_n) = \{a_j; 1 \leq j \leq n\} \cup \{b_j; 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  and edge set  $E(L_n) = \{a_j a_{j+1}; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\} \cup \{b_j b_{j+1}; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\} \cup \{a_j b_j; 1 \leq j \leq n\}$ . The diameter of ladder graph is  $n$  and based on Lemma 1, we have  $rvac(L_n) \geq n - 1$  as lower bound. We determine the upper bound of  $rvac(L_n)$  by bijection function of edge labels in two cases.

**Case 1.** For  $n$  is even.

$$f(a_j b_j) = \begin{cases} 2n - 1 - j, & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n - 1 \\ 2n - 1, & \text{for } j = n \end{cases}$$

$$f(a_j a_{j+1}) = \begin{cases} 2n + j, & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n - 2 \\ 2n, & \text{for } j = n - 1 \end{cases}$$

$$f(b_j b_{j+1}) = \begin{cases} \frac{n - 1 + j}{2}, & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n - 1, \\ & j \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{j}{2}, & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n - 2, \\ & j \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

We can determined the vertex weight from the edge label above, such that the function of vertex weight as follows.

$$w(a_j) = \begin{cases} 4n - 1, & \text{for } j = 1, n \\ 6n + j - 2, & \text{for } 2 \leq j \leq n - 2 \\ 6n - 2, & \text{for } j = n - 1 \end{cases}$$

$$w(b_j) = \begin{cases} \frac{5n - 4}{2}, & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n - 1 \\ 3n - 2, & \text{for } j = n \end{cases}$$

**Case 2.** For  $n$  is odd.

$$f(a_j b_j) = \begin{cases} 2n - 1 - j, & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n - 1 \\ 2n - 1, & \text{for } j = n \end{cases}$$

$$f(a_j a_{j+1}) = \begin{cases} 2n + j, & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq n - 2 \\ 2n, & \text{for } j = n - 1 \end{cases}$$

$$f(b_j b_{j+1}) = \begin{cases} \frac{n + j}{2}, & \text{for } j \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{j}{2}, & \text{for } j \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

And the function of vertex weight as follows.

$$w(a_j) = \begin{cases} 4n - 1, & \text{for } j = 1, n \\ 6n + j - 2, & \text{for } 2 \leq j \leq n - 2 \\ 7n - 3 - j, & \text{for } j = n - 1 \end{cases}$$

$$w(b_j) = \frac{5n - 3}{2}, \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq n$$

Based on the function of vertex weight, we get the vertex weight set  $W(L_n) = \{\frac{5n-3}{2}, 4n - 1, 6n - 2, 6n, 6n + 1, 6n + 2, \dots, 7n - 5, 7n - 4\}$  for  $n$  is odd and  $W(L_n) = \{\frac{5n-4}{2}, 3n - 2, 4n - 1, 6n - 2, 6n, 6n + 1, 6n + 2, \dots, 7n - 5, 7n - 4\}$  for  $n + 1$  is even. The cardinality of vertex weight set is  $|W(L_n)| = n + 1$ . Hence, ladder graph has  $n + 1$  different weights. Since every vertex  $u \in V(L_n)$  is assigned with the color  $w(u)$ , then internal vertices for every two different vertices have different weights. For more detail, it can be seen Table 2. Suppose that  $u, u' \in V(L_n)$ , the following are five cases of rainbow paths in  $L_n$ .

From the Table 2, we can concludes that the graph  $L_n$  is rainbow vertex antimagic coloring. Thus, we obtain  $rvac(L_n) = n + 1$  for  $n$  is even and  $rvac(L_n) = n$  for  $n$  is odd.  $\square$

**Theorem 4** Let  $P_n[P_2]$  be a composition of path graph. For every positive integer  $n \geq 3$ ,  $rvac(P_n[P_2]) =$

$$rvac(P_n[P_2]) = \begin{cases} n + 1, & \text{for } n = 3, 4 \\ n + 2, & \text{for } n \geq 5 \end{cases}$$

**Proof.** The composition of path graph  $P_n[P_2]$  is a connected graph with vertex set  $V(P_n[P_2]) = \{a_j; 1 \leq j \leq n\} \cup \{b_j; 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  and edge

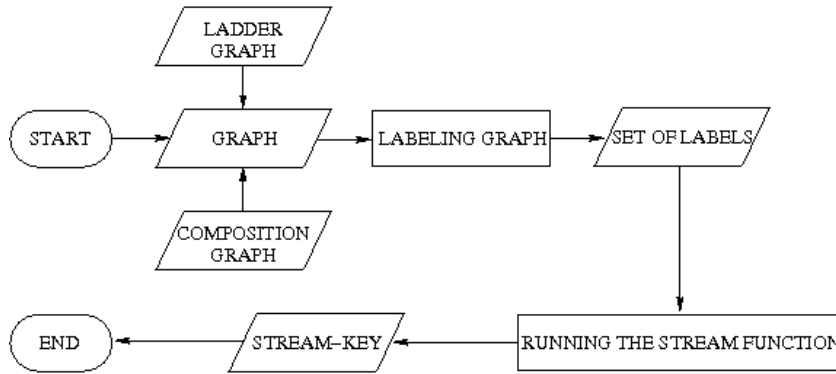


Fig. 1: A model of keystream generation from graph labeling.

Table 1: The Rainbow Vertex of  $u - u'$  Path in  $P_n[P_2]$ .

Case	$u$	$u'$	Rainbow Vertex Coloring $u - u'$	Condition
1	$a_i$	$a_j$	$a_i, a_{i+1}, a_{i+2}, \dots, a_{j-2}, a_{j-1}, a_j$	$i < j$
2	$b_i$	$b_j$	$b_i, b_{i+1}, b_{i+2}, \dots, b_{j-2}, b_{j-1}, b_j$	$i < j$
3	$a_i$	$b_j$	$a_i, a_{i+1}, a_{i+2}, \dots, a_{j-2}, a_{j-1}, b_j$	$i < j$
4	$a_i$	$b_j$	$a_i, b_j$	$i = j$
5	$a_i$	$b_j$	$a_i, a_{i-1}, a_{i-2}, \dots, a_{j+2}, a_{j+1}, b_j$	$i > j$

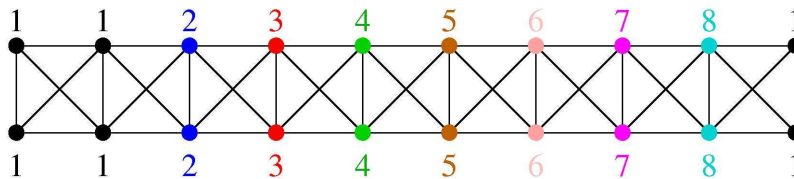


Fig. 2: Rainbow Vertex Coloring  $P_{10}[P_2]$  is 8.

set  $E(P_n[P_2]) = \{a_j a_{j+1}; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\} \cup \{b_j b_{j+1}; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\} \cup \{a_j b_j; 1 \leq j \leq n\} \cup \{a_j b_{j+1}; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\} \cup \{a_{j+1} b_j; 1 \leq j \leq n-1\}$ . The diameter of composition of path graph is  $n - 1$  and based on Lemma 1, we have  $rvac(P_n[P_2]) \geq n - 2$  as lower bound. We determine the upper bound of  $rvac(P_n[P_2])$  by bijection function of edge labels in two cases.

**Case 1.** For  $n = 3, 4$ .

Based on the bijection function of edge labels and the function of vertex weight on figure above, we get the vertex weight set  $W(P_3[P_2]) = \{16, 17, 18, 32\}$  and  $W(P_4[P_2]) = \{21, 23, 27, 42, 47\}$ . The cardinality of vertex weight set is  $|W(P_n[P_2])| = n + 1$ . Hence, composition of path graph has  $n + 1$  different weights.

**Case 2.** For  $n \geq 5$ .

$$f(a_j b_j) = 2n + j - 3; \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq n$$

$$f(a_j a_{j+1}) = \begin{cases} \frac{9n-7}{2} + j, & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{n-1}{2}, \\ & n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{9n-8}{2} + j, & \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq \frac{n}{2}, \\ & n \text{ is even} \\ \frac{7n-5}{2} + j, & \text{for } \frac{n+1}{2} \leq j \leq n-1, \\ & n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{7n-6}{2} + j, & \text{for } \frac{n+2}{2} \leq j \leq n-1, \\ & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

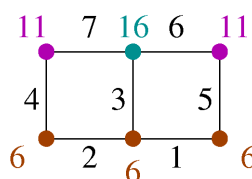
$$f(b_j b_{j+1}) = \begin{cases} \frac{j}{2}, & \text{for } j \equiv 0 \pmod{2} \\ \frac{n+j}{2}, & \text{for } j \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ & n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{n+j-1}{2}, & \text{for } j \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, \\ & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$f(a_j b_{j+1}) = 4n - j - 3; \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq n - 1$$

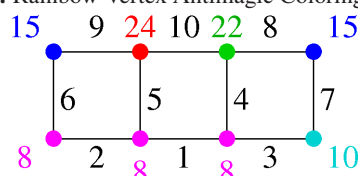
$$f(a_{j+1} b_j) = \begin{cases} 4n - 3, & \text{for } j = 1 \\ 2n - j - 1, & \text{for } 2 \leq j \leq n - 1 \end{cases}$$

**Table 2:** The Rainbow Vertex of  $u - u'$  Path in  $L_n$ .

Case	$u$	$u'$	Rainbow Vertex Coloring $u - u'$	Condition
1	$a_i$	$a_j$	$a_i, a_{i+1}, a_{i+2}, \dots, a_{j-2}, a_{j-1}, a_j$	$i < j$
2	$b_i$	$b_j$	$b_i, b_{i+1}, b_{i+2}, \dots, b_{j-2}, b_{j-1}, b_j$	$i < j$
3	$a_i$	$b_j$	$a_i, a_{i+1}, a_{i+2}, \dots, a_{j-2}, a_{j-1}, a_j, b_j$	$i < j$
4	$a_i$	$b_j$	$a_i, b_j$	$i = j$
5	$a_i$	$b_j$	$a_i, a_{i-1}, a_{i-2}, \dots, a_{j+2}, a_{j+1}, a_j, b_j$	$i > j$



**Fig. 3:** Rainbow Vertex Antimagic Coloring on  $L_3$



**Fig. 4:** Rainbow Vertex Antimagic Coloring on  $L_4$

We can determined the vertex weight from the edge label above, such that the function of vertex weight as follows.

$$w(a_j) = \begin{cases} \frac{21n-17}{2}, & \text{for } j = 1, n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{21n-18}{2}, & \text{for } j = 1, n \text{ is even} \\ 19n-13, & \text{for } j = 2, n \text{ is odd} \\ 19n-14, & \text{for } j = 2, n \text{ is even} \\ 17n+j-14, & \text{for } 3 \leq j \leq \frac{n-1}{2}, \\ & n \text{ is odd} \\ 17n+j-15, & \text{for } 3 \leq j \leq \frac{n}{2}, \\ & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$w(a_j) = \begin{cases} \frac{33n-25}{2}, & \text{for } j = \frac{n+1}{2}, \\ & n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{33n-26}{2}, & \text{for } j = \frac{n+2}{2}, \\ & n \text{ is even} \\ 15n+j-12, & \text{for } \frac{n+3}{2} \geq j \geq n-1, \\ & n \text{ is odd} \\ 15n+j-13, & \text{for } \frac{n+4}{2} \geq j \geq n-1, \\ & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$w(a_n) = \begin{cases} \frac{17n-13}{2}, & n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{17n-14}{2}, & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$w(b_1) = \begin{cases} \frac{13n-9}{2}, & n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{13n-10}{2}, & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$w(b_j) = \begin{cases} \frac{17n-13}{2}, & \text{for } 2 \leq j \leq n-1, \\ & n \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{17n-14}{2}, & \text{for } 2 \leq j \leq n-1 \\ & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

$$w(b_n) = \begin{cases} \frac{13n-11}{2}, & n \text{ is odd} \\ 7n-6, & n \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

Based on the function of vertex weight, we get the vertex weight set  $W(P_n[P_2]) = \{ \frac{13n-11}{2}, \frac{13n-9}{2}, \frac{17n-13}{2}, \frac{21n-17}{2}, \frac{31n-21}{2}, \frac{31n-19}{2}, \frac{31n-17}{2}, \dots, 16n-13, \frac{33n-25}{2}, 17n-11, 17n-10, \dots, \frac{35n-29}{2}, 19n-13 \}$  for  $n$  is odd and  $W(P_n[P_2]) = \{ \frac{13n-10}{2}, 7n-6, \frac{17n-14}{2}, \frac{21n-18}{2}, \frac{31n-22}{2}, \frac{31n-20}{2}, \frac{31n-18}{2}, \dots, 16n-14, \frac{33n-26}{2}, 17n-10, 17n-11, \dots, \frac{35n-30}{2}, 19n-14 \}$  for  $n$  is even. The cardinality of vertex weight set is  $|W(P_n[P_2])| = n + 2$ . Hence, composition of path graph has  $n + 2$  different weights.

Since every vertex  $u \in V(P_n[P_2])$  is assigned with the color  $w(u)$ , then internal vertices for every two different vertices have different weights. For more detail, it can be seen Table 3. Suppose that  $u, u' \in V(P_n[P_2])$ , there are five cases of rainbow paths in  $P_n[P_2]$ . There are as follows.

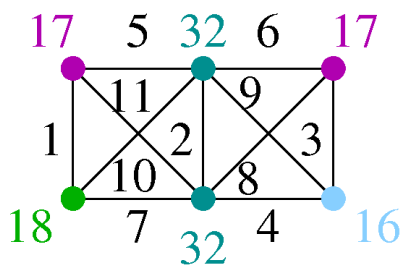


Fig. 5: Rainbow Vertex Antimagic Coloring on  $P_3[P_2] = 4$

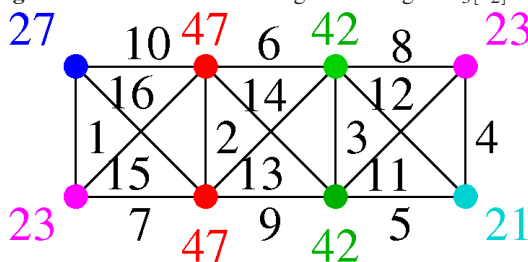


Fig. 6: Rainbow Vertex Antimagic Coloring on  $P_4[P_2] = 5$

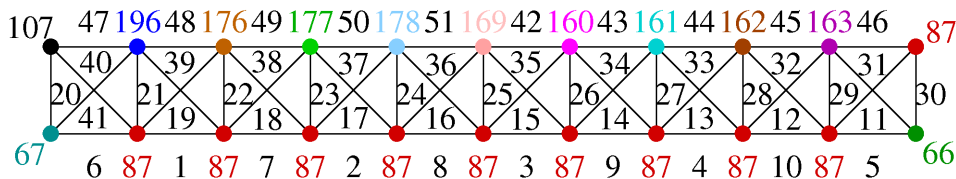


Fig. 7: Rainbow Vertex Antimagic Coloring on  $P_{11}[P_2] = 13$

Table 3: The Rainbow Vertex of  $u - u'$  Path of  $P_n[P_2]$ .

Case	$u$	$u'$	Rainbow Vertex Coloring $u - u'$	Condition
1	$a_i$	$a_j$	$a_i, a_{i+1}, a_{i+2}, \dots, a_{j-2}, a_{j-1}, a_j$	$i < j$
2	$b_i$	$b_j$	$b_i, b_{i+1}, b_{i+2}, \dots, b_{j-2}, b_{j-1}, b_j$	$i < j$
3	$a_i$	$b_j$	$a_i, a_{i+1}, a_{i+2}, \dots, a_{j-2}, a_{j-1}, b_j$	$i < j$
4	$a_i$	$b_j$	$a_i, b_j$	$i = j$
5	$a_i$	$b_j$	$a_i, a_{i-1}, a_{i-2}, \dots, a_{j+2}, a_{j+1}, b_j$	$i > j$

From the Table 3, we can concludes that the graph  $P_n[P_2]$  is rainbow vertex antimagic coloring. Thus, we obtain  $rvac(P_n[P_2]) = n + 1$  for  $n = 3, 4$  and  $rvac(P_n[P_2]) = n + 2$  for  $n \geq 5$ .  $\square$

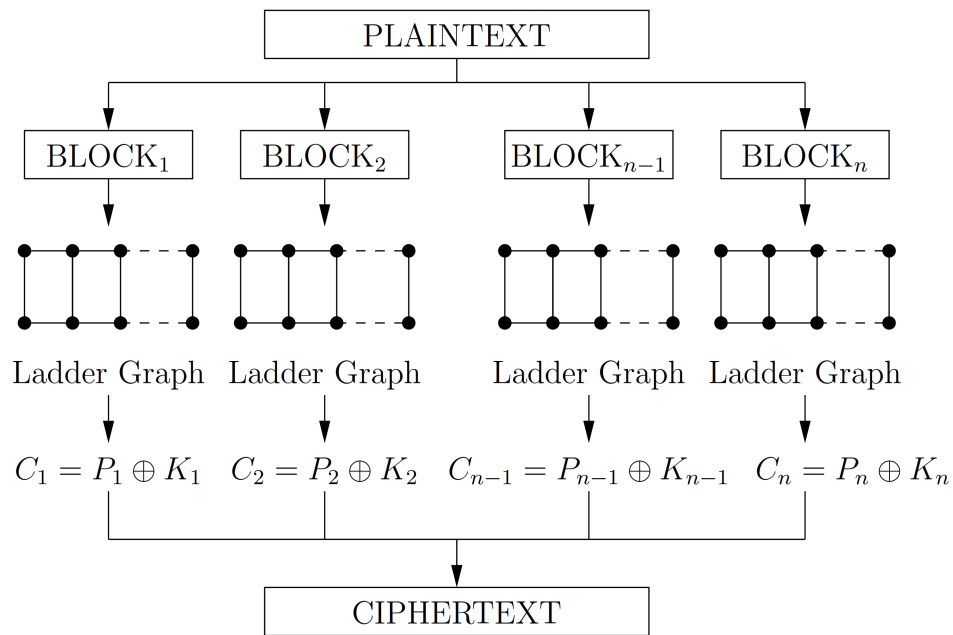
## 4 Results and Discussion

### 4.1 Constructed Key

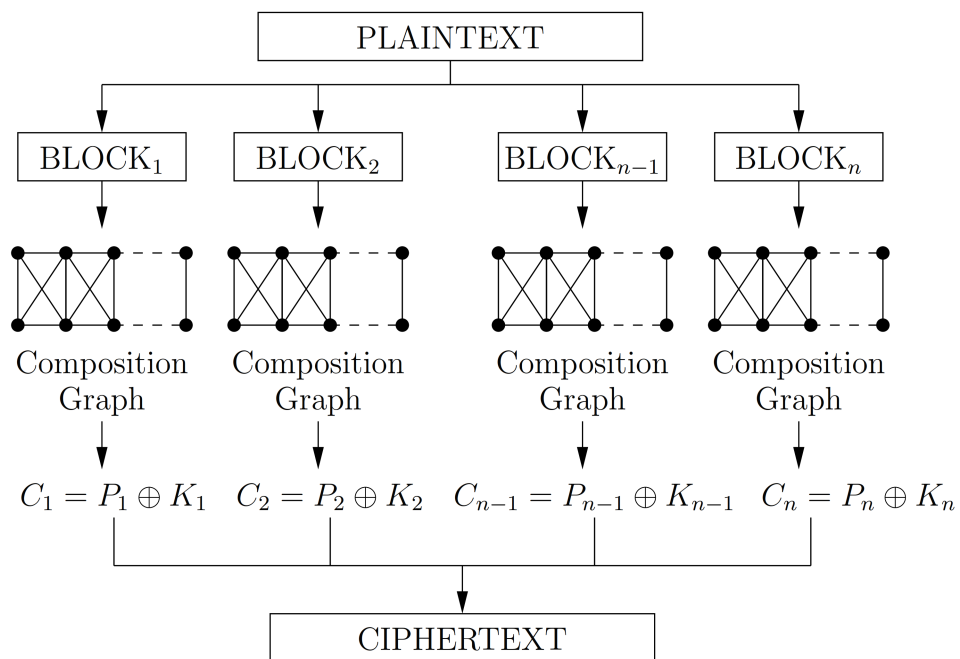
In this research, the modification of the affine block cipher lies in the order of the block selection. Illustrations of the encryption process can be seen in Figures 6 and 7.

There are two process that we carried out in building this cryptosystem, namely the encryption process and the decryption process. An illustration of the encryption process is shown in Table 4. In this table we use the plaintext "CGANTUNEJ". The plaintext is converted into number representation of each letter based on (mod 26). The key that we use is obtained from the RVAC labeling of a ladder graph with  $n = 10$ . Then we add  $P_i$  to  $K$  to produce a cipherext character ( $C_i$ ). To generate cipherext we use mod 26 on  $C_i$ .

The illustration of the encryption process is shown in Table 4. It shows the result of the encryption process is "EJGWBUON". The chipertext is converted into number representation of each letter based on (mod 26). The key



**Fig. 8:** Encryption Process by using Ladder graph



**Fig. 9:** Encryption Process by using Composition graph

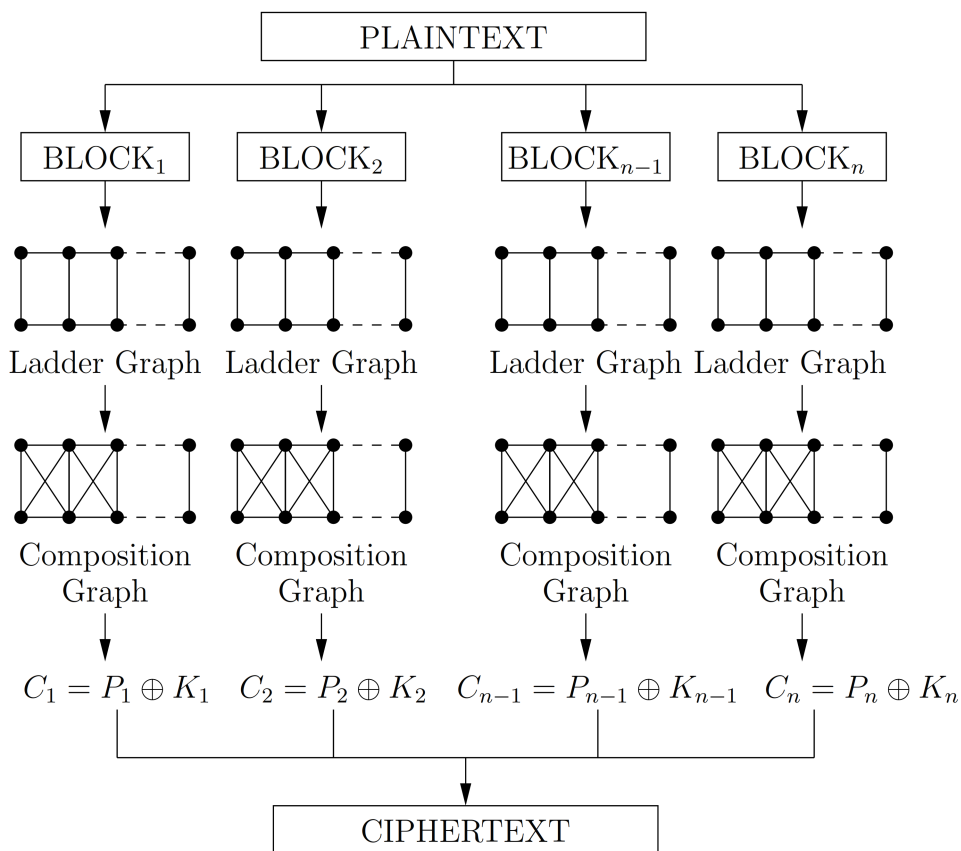


Fig. 10: Encryption Process by using Ladder and Composition graph

Table 4: Illustration of Encryption with Modified Affine Block Cipher Algorithm

P	C	G	A	N	T	U	N	E	J
$P_i$	2	6	0	13	19	20	13	4	9
K	2	3	6	9	8	5	7	10	4
$C_i$	4	9	6	22	27	25	20	14	13
C	E	J	G	W	B	Z	U	O	N

Table 5: Illustration of Decryption with Modified Affine Block Cipher Algorithm

C	E	J	G	W	B	Z	U	O	N
$C_i$	4	9	6	22	27	25	20	14	13
K	2	3	6	9	8	5	7	10	4
$P_i$	2	6	0	13	19	20	13	4	9
P	C	G	A	N	T	U	N	E	J

that we use is obtained from the RVAC labeling of a ladder graph with  $n = 10$ . Then we subtract  $C_i$  and  $K$  to produce a cipher ( $C_i$ ). To generate ciphertext we use mod 26 on  $C_i$ .

### 4.2 Brute Force Attack

Brute force attacks are aimed at finding key combinations of all possibilities. We assume each key search results in  $10^{-5}$  time. Brute force looks for possible key combinations by generating random numbers ranging from 1 to 76. There are  $\frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$  possible key combinations that appear. After more than 24 hours and no keystream can be found, the system will automatically lock and the message will be blocked for decryption.

### 4.3 Applying the Modified Robustness Cryptosystem

We compared the performance of our proposed robust cryptosystem with Advanced Encryption System (AES) and Data Encryption System (DES). The performance

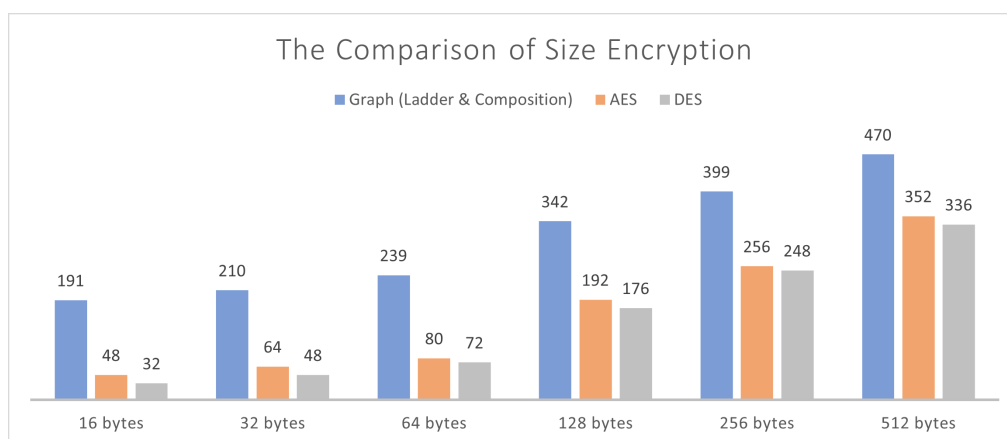


**Table 6:** Comparison of Encryption Result Size (bytes)

Encryption Type	Ciphertext Length					
	16 bytes	32 bytes	64 bytes	128 bytes	256 bytes	512 bytes
Graph (Ladder and Composition)	191	210	239	342	399	470
AES	48	64	80	192	256	352
DES	32	48	72	176	248	336

**Table 7:** Comparison of Encryption Process Runtime (seconds)

Encryption Type	Encryption Length					
	16 bytes	32 bytes	64 bytes	128 bytes	256 bytes	512 bytes
Graph (Ladder and Composition)	0.0013	0.0017	0.0025	0.0035	0.0034	0.0040
AES	0.0019	0.0025	0.0029	0.0032	0.0039	0.0040
DES	0.0010	0.0019	0.0022	0.0033	0.0035	0.0039



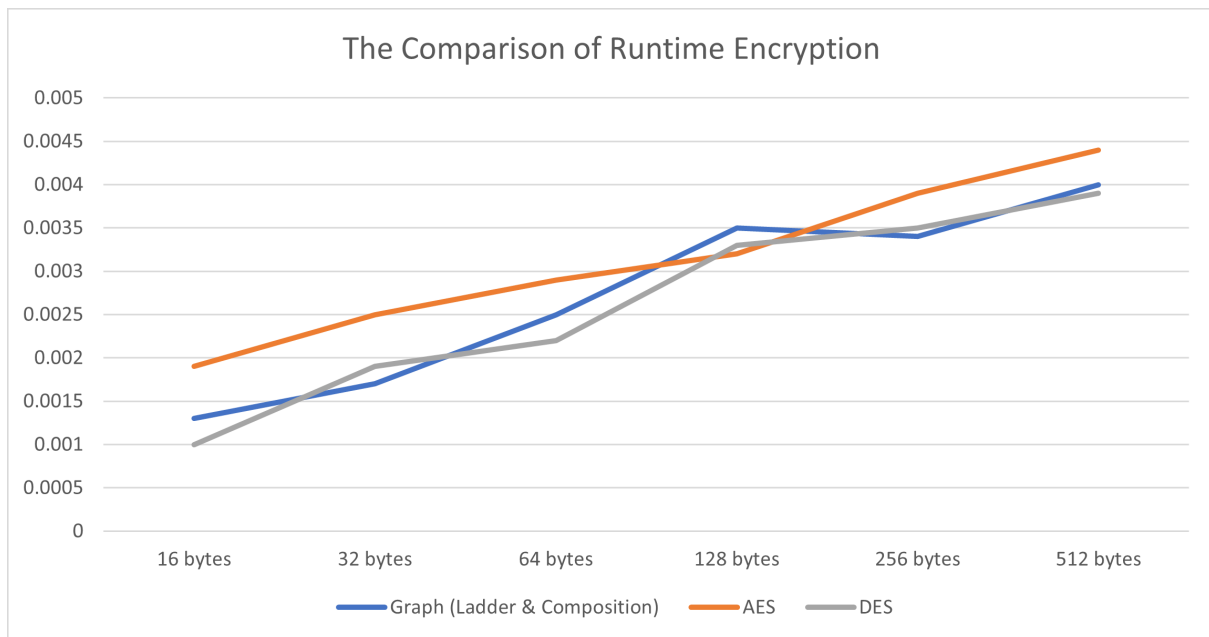
**Fig. 11:** The Comparison of Size Encryption

comparison that we use is the size of the ciphertext and the runtime of the encryption process. The purpose of this comparison is to examine the complexity of our proposed algorithm when compared to existing cryptosystem methods. Algorithm complexity can be divided into two types, namely storage space complexity and time complexity. We use several test scenarios with plaintext sizes of 16 bytes, 32 bytes, 64 bytes, 256 bytes, and 512 bytes. The purpose of this experiment is to see the effect of encryption when using increasing bytes length.

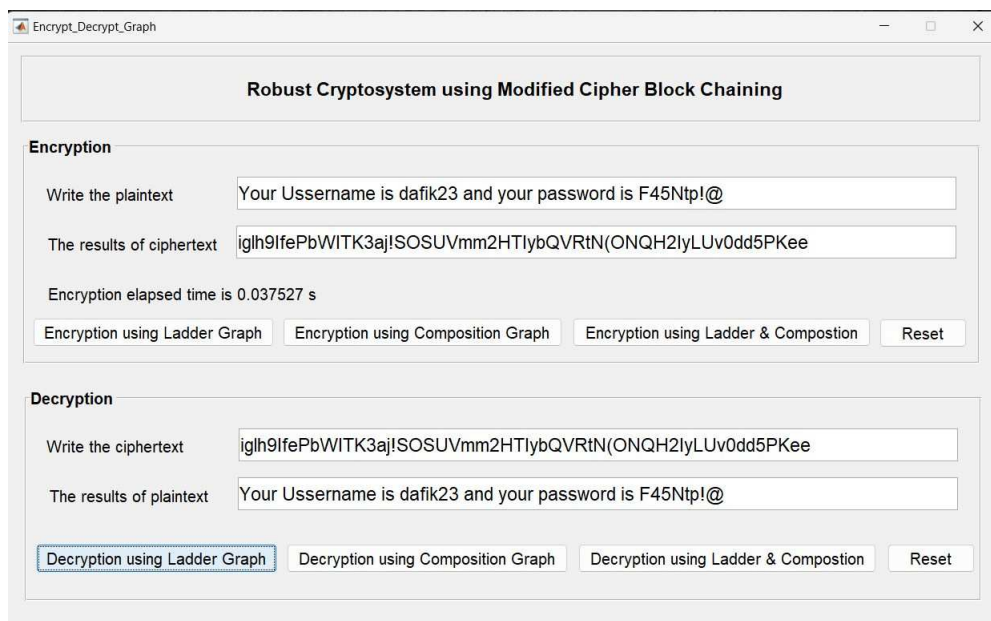
The comparison of the ciphertext size of the robust cryptosystem algorithm that we propose with other algorithms can be seen in Table 6. Based on Table 6, it can be seen that the size of the encryption results of the

algorithm that we propose is larger than AES and DES. In this comparison the DES algorithm has the smallest ciphertext. This is possible because the key size for our proposed robust cryptosystem algorithm follows the length of the plaintext. So that during the encryption process there is a size that exceeds the existing standards. More detail we also show this comparison in Figure 9.

The next comparison is from the time it takes to run the algorithm. We present the results of this comparison in Table 7. Based on the table it can be seen that the robust cryptosystem algorithm that we propose can compete with AES and DES. Even in some conditions the algorithm that we propose can outperform the AES and DES algorithms. These results indicate that in terms of



**Fig. 12:** The Comparison of Runtime Encryption



**Fig. 13:** On MATLAB GUI of the RAC and VC algorithm combination

the required time complexity the algorithm we propose is efficient. In more detail, we also show this comparison in Figure 10. We also design our proposed algorithm using a graphical user interface (GUI) as shown in Figure 11.

## 5 Conclusion

We have implemented the concept of rainbow vertex antimagic coloring (RVAC) on keystream construction of cryptography. The results show that the combination between rainbow antimagic coloring and vegenere chipper algorithm gives a robust encryption key construction. The advantage of this method is that the

length of the keystream can be adjusted by the length of plaintext. We tested several RAC of graphs of any order, the results show that the edge colors of RAC can be used for modified block affine chipper, and this algorithm has competed with the standard symmetric encryption, namely Data Encryption Standard (DES), Advanced Encryption Standard (AES).

The challenging future work of integrating strong cryptography based on graph labeling with established symmetric encryption algorithms such as AES and DES can provide a balanced and comprehensive solution for securing information. This hybrid approach takes advantage of the efficiency and industry acceptance of AES and DES while incorporating the unique security features provided by graph labeling. The result is a more robust and adaptable cryptographic system suitable for a wide range of applications where security and efficiency are important considerations.

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