

# MEDIUM DOMINATION DECOMPOSITION NUMBER OF JOIN OF GRAPHS

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## Abstract

The Medium domination Number is a notation which uses neighbourhood of each pair of vertices. If any two adjacent vertices that are dominating each other, then the domination number of that vertices is atleast one. For any connected, undirected, simple graph  $G$  of order  $p$ , the Medium Domination Number  $MD(G) = \frac{TDV(G)}{pC_2}$ , where  $TDV(G)$  is the total number of vertices that dominate every pair of vertices. A decomposition  $(G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n)$  of a graph  $G$  is said to be Medium Domination Decomposition (MDD) if  $[MD(G_i)] = i - 1, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . The number of subgraphs of a Medium Domination Decomposition  $(G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n)$  of a graph  $G$  is said to be Medium Domination Decomposition Number of  $G$  and is denoted by  $\pi_{MD}(G)$ . Here, we have investigated some new bounds on Medium Domination Decomposition Number of join of graphs.

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## 1. Introduction

The graph  $G$  is considered here simple, connected, undirected and finite graphs with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges and  $G_i$  be the subgraph of  $G$  with  $p_i$  vertices and  $q_i$  edges, where  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $n$  is the number of subgraphs of  $G$ . The length of a shortest  $u - v$  path in a connected graph  $G$  is called the distance from a vertex  $u$  to a vertex  $v$ .  $d(u, v)$  denotes the distance between  $u$  and  $v$ . Two  $u - v$  paths are internally disjoint if they have no vertices in common, other than  $u$  and  $v$ . The degree of a vertex  $v$  in a graph  $G$  is the number of edges incident with  $v$  and denoted by  $d(v)$ . The minimum degree among the vertices of a graph  $G$  is denoted by  $\delta(G)$ . The maximum degree among

vertices of a graph  $G$  is denoted by  $\Delta(G)$ . The concept of Medium Domination Number was introduced by Vargor and Dunder which finds the total number of vertices that dominate all pairs of vertices and evaluate the average of this value and call it Medium Domination Number. A graph join is a binary operation on graphs. Specifically it is an operation that takes two graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  and produces a graph  $G$  with the property that all the edges that connect the vertices of the graph  $H_1$  with the vertices of the graph  $H_2$ . It is a commutative operation. Let  $C(G)$  be the central graph of  $G$  with  $p_c$  vertices and  $q_c$  edges. For basic terminologies in graph theory we refer [3], [4] and [5]. The following are the basic definitions and results needed for the main section.

**Definition 1.1.[1]** For  $G = (V, E)$  and  $\forall u, v \in V$ , if  $u$  and  $v$  are adjacent they dominate each other, then at least  $dom(u, v) = 1$ .

**Definition 1.2.[1]** For  $G = (V, E)$  and  $\forall u, v \in V$ , the total number of vertices that dominate every pair of vertices is defined as  $TDV(G) = \sum_{\forall u, v \in V(G)} dom(u, v)$ .

**Definition 1.3.[1]** For any connected, undirected, loopless graph  $G$  of order  $p$  the Medium Domination Number of  $G$  is defined as  $MD(G) = \frac{TDV(G)}{pC_2}$ .

**Theorem 1.4.[1]** For  $G$  has  $p$  vertices,  $q$  edges and for  $d(v_i) \geq 2$ ,  $TDV(G) = q + \sum_{v_i \in V} \binom{d(v_i)}{2}$ .

**Definition 1.5.[5]** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be any two graphs on  $s, t$  vertices and  $s', t'$  edges respectively. The join  $H_1 \vee H_2$  of disjoint graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  is the graph obtained from  $H_1 + H_2$  by joining each vertex of  $H_1$  to each vertex of  $H_2$ . Note that the join  $H_1 \vee H_2$  has  $s + t$  vertices and  $s' + t' + st$  edges.

**Definition 1.6. [7]** The central graph  $C(G)$  of a graph  $G$  of order  $p$  and size  $q$  is a graph of order  $p_c (= p + q)$  and size  $q_c (= \binom{p}{2} + q)$  which is obtained by subdividing each edge of  $G$  exactly once and joining all the non-adjacent vertices of  $G$  in  $C(G)$ .

**Definition 1.7. [6]** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be any two graphs on  $s, t$  vertices and  $s', t'$  edges respectively. The central vertex join of  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  is the graph  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$ , is obtained from  $C(H_1)$  and  $H_2$  by joining each vertex of  $H_1$  with every vertex of  $H_2$ . Note that the central vertex join  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$  has  $s' + s + t$  vertices and  $s' + t' + st + \frac{t(t-1)}{2}$  edges.

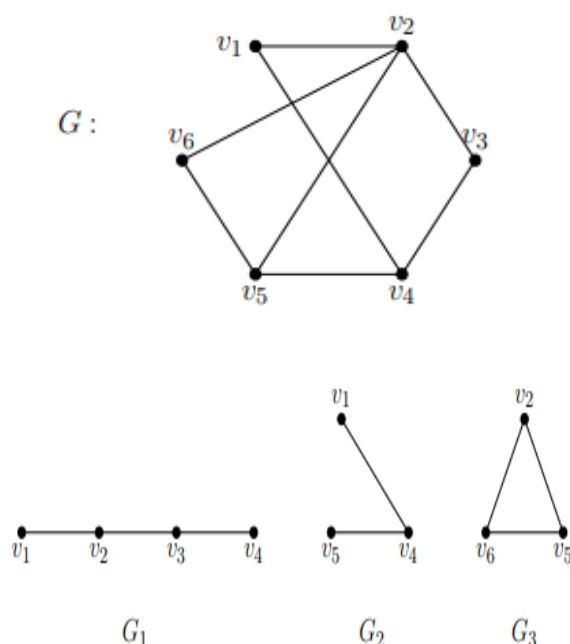
**Definition 1.8. [6]** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be any two graphs on  $s, t$  vertices and  $s', t'$  edges respectively. Then the central edge join of two graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  is the graph  $H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2$  is obtained from  $C(H_1)$  and  $H_2$  by

joining each vertex corresponding to edges of  $H_1$  with every vertex of  $V(H_2)$ . Note that the central edge join  $H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2$  has  $s' + s + t$  vertices and  $s' + t' + s't + \frac{t(t-1)}{2}$  edges.

**2. Medium Domination Decomposition of Graphs:**

**Definition 2.1.[2]** A decomposition  $(G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n)$  of a graph  $G$  is said to be a Medium Domination Decomposition (MDD) if  $[MD(G_i)] = i - 1, i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ .

**Example: 2.2**



Here,  $[MD(G_1)] = 0, [MD(G_2)] = 1$  and  $MD(G_3) = 2$

**Definition 2.3.** The number of subgraphs of a medium domination decomposition  $(G_1, G_2, \dots, G_n)$  of a graph  $G$  is said to be Medium Domination Decomposition Number of  $G$  and is denoted by  $\pi_{MD}(G)$ . From the above example,  $\pi_{MD}(G) = 3$ .

**Theorem 2.4:[2]** If a graph  $G$  admits MDD, then  $p \geq 4$  and  $q \geq 3$ .

**Theorem 2.5:[2]** Star graph does not admit MDD.

**Theorem 2.6:[2]**The complete graph  $K_4$  does not admit MDD.

**Theorem 2.7:** For any  $p \geq 5$ ,  $\pi_{MD}(K_p) \leq p - 2$ .

**Theorem 2.8:** For any  $m_1 \geq 2$  and  $m_2 \geq 2$ ,  $\pi_{MD}(K_{m_1, m_2}) \leq \min \{m_1, m_2\}$ .

**3. Medium Domination Number and Medium Domination Decomposition Number of Join of Graphs:**

**Theorem 3.1:** For any graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , then  $MD(H_1 \vee H_2) = \frac{1}{pC_2} [q + \sum_{k=1}^s (d(v_k)C_2) + \sum_{k=(s+1)}^p (d(v_k)C_2)]$ , where  $v_k \in V(H_1 \vee H_2)$  and  $k = 1, 2, \dots, p$ .

**Theorem 3.2:** Let  $H_1$  be the  $r_1$  regular graph and  $H_2$  be the  $r_2$  regular graph. Then  $MD(H_1 \vee H_2) = \frac{1}{pC_2} [q + s((t + r_1)C_2) + t((s + r_2)C_2)]$ .

**Corollary 3.3:** For any  $r$ -regular graph  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ ,  $MD(H_1 \vee H_2) = \frac{1}{pC_2} [q + s((t + r)C_2) + t((s + r)C_2)]$ .

**Result 3.4:** For any connected graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  with  $s \leq 2$  and  $t \leq 2$ ,  $H_1 \vee H_2$  does not admit *MDD*.

**Proof:** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be the connected graph with  $s \leq 2$  and  $t \leq 2$ . Let  $G = H_1 \vee H_2$ . If  $s = 2$  and  $t = 2$  then  $H_1 \vee H_2$  is a complete graph with four vertices. By Theorem 2.7,  $G$  does not admit *MDD*. By Theorem 2.5, the graph  $G$  does not admit *MDD* for all the remaining cases. Hence  $H_1 \vee H_2$  does not admit *MDD*, for  $s \leq 2$  and  $t \leq 2$ .

**Theorem 3.5:** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be null graphs.

- (i) If  $s = 1$  and  $t \geq 1$ , then  $H_1 \vee H_2$  does not admit *MDD*.
- (ii) If  $s \geq 2$  and  $t \geq 2$ , then  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2) \leq \min \{s, t\}$ .

**Proof:** (i) Let  $H_1$  be the null graph with one vertex and  $H_2$  be the null graph with  $t \geq 1$ . Let  $G = H_1 \vee H_2$ . Then  $G$  is a star

graph  $K_{1,t}$ . By Theorem 2.6,  $G$  does not admit *MDD*.

(ii) Consider the null graph with  $s \geq 2$  and  $t \geq 2$ . Then the join of  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  is a complete bipartite graph with  $s + t$  vertices. By Theorem 2.9,  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2) \leq \min \{s, t\}$ . Hence the proof.

**Result 3.6:** Let  $H_1$  be the  $(s - 1)$ -regular graph and  $H_2$  be the  $(t - 1)$ -regular graph with  $s + t = 5$ . Then  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2) \leq s + t - 2$ .

**Proof:** Since  $H_1$  is the  $(s - 1)$ -regular graph and  $H_2$  is the  $(t - 1)$ -regular graph with  $s + t = 5$ ,  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are the complete graph with  $s$  and  $t$  vertices respectively. Therefore,  $H_1 \vee H_2$  is also a complete graph with  $s + t$  vertices. Thus, by Theorem 2.8,  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2) \leq s + t - 2$ . Hence the proof.

**Theorem 3.7:** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be connected graphs and  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  admits *MDD*. Then  $\pi_{MD}(H_1) + \pi_{MD}(H_2) \leq \pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2)$ .

**Proof:** For proving this theorem we have to consider the following two cases.

**Case(i):**  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are complete graphs.

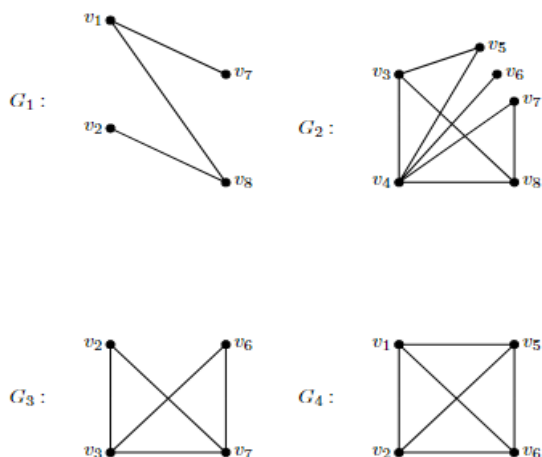
Since  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  admits *MDD*,  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are complete graphs with  $s$  and  $t \geq 5$  vertices. Then  $H_1 \vee H_2$  is also a complete graph with  $s + t$  vertices. By Result 3.6,  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2) \leq s + t - 2$ . We have  $\pi_{MD}(K_p) \leq p - 2$ . Therefore  $\pi_{MD}(H_1) + \pi_{MD}(H_2) \leq s - 2 + t - 2$ . That is,  $\pi_{MD}(H_1) + \pi_{MD}(H_2) \leq s + t - 4$ . Thus,  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2) > \pi_{MD}(H_1) + \pi_{MD}(H_2)$ .

**Case(ii):**  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are non-complete.

**Subcase(i):**  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are acyclic graphs.

If  $s = 4$  and  $t = 4$ , then the graph  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  is a path graph with four vertices. We have  $\pi_{MD}(P_4) = 1$ . Therefore,  $\pi_{MD}(H_1) + \pi_{MD}(H_2) = 2$ . Now to find the medium domination decomposition of  $G$ . Let  $\{v_k: 1 \leq k \leq 8\}$  be the vertices of  $G$ .

Since, there exists a subgraph of  $G$  with medium domination number three, we can decompose the graph  $G$  into four subgraphs with medium domination number zero, one, two and three. Construct a subgraph  $G_1$  from  $G$  with vertex set  $V(G_1) = \{v_1, v_2, v_7, v_8\}$  and edge set  $E(G_1) = \{v_7v_1, v_1v_8, v_8v_2\}$ . Construct the subgraph  $G_2$  with vertex set  $V(G_2) = \{v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8\}$  and edge set  $E(G_2) = \{v_3v_4, v_3v_5, v_3v_8\} \cup \{v_4v_i: 5 \leq i \leq 8\} \cup \{v_7v_8\}$ . Construct the subgraph  $G_3$  with vertex set  $V(G_3) = \{v_2, v_3, v_6, v_7\}$  and edge set  $E(G_3) = \{v_2v_3, v_2v_6, v_3v_7, v_6v_7\}$ . Construct the subgraph  $G_4$  with vertex set  $V(G_4) = \{v_1, v_2, v_5, v_6\}$  and edge set  $E(G_4) = \{v_1v_5, v_1v_2, v_1v_6, v_2v_5, v_2v_6, v_5v_6\}$ . The graphical representation of  $G_1, G_2, G_3$  and  $G_4$  are given in figure.



Here,  $[MD(G_1)] = 0$ ,  $[MD(G_2)] = 1$ ,  $[MD(G_3)] = 2$  and  $[MD(G_4)] = 3$ . Thus  $\pi_{MD}(G) = 4$ . Therefore  $\pi_{MD}(H_1) + \pi_{MD}(H_2) < \pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2)$ .

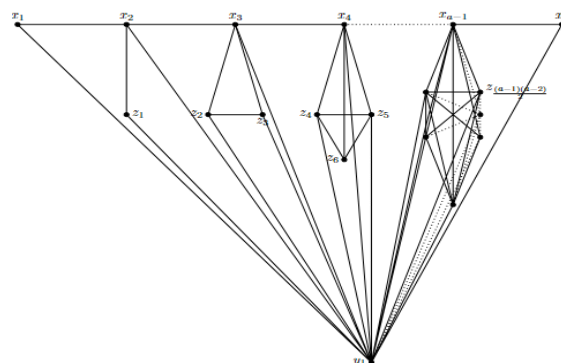
If  $s > 4$  and  $t > 4$ , then  $\pi_{MD}(H_1) = 2$  and  $\pi_{MD}(H_2) = 2$ . We have  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2)$  is atleast four, since by case(i). Thus  $\pi_{MD}(H_1) + \pi_{MD}(H_2) \leq \pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2)$  whenever  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are acyclic graphs.

**subcase(ii):**  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  contains atleast one cycle.

Then we have  $\pi_{MD}(H_1)$  and  $\pi_{MD}(H_2)$  are atleast two. But  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2)$  is atleast four. Thus,  $\pi_{MD}(H_1) + \pi_{MD}(H_2) \leq \pi_{MD}(H_1 \vee H_2)$ . Hence the proof.

**Theorem 3.8:** For any positive integers  $a$  and  $b$  with  $a \geq 4$  and  $b = \sum_{i=1}^{a-2} i$ , there exists a graph  $G$  such that  $\pi_{MD}(G) = a$ .

**Proof:** Let  $P_a$  be the path graph with  $a \geq 4$  vertices, where  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_a\}$  are the vertices of  $P_a$ . Let  $K_b$ ,  $b \geq 1$  be the complete graph with  $b$  vertices. Thus, the graph  $H_1$  is formed by connecting the  $\{x_2, x_3, \dots, x_{a-1}\}$  vertices of  $P_a$  to  $K_1, K_2, \dots, K_{a-2}$  respectively by an edge. Let  $G = H_1 \vee K_1$ . The graphical representation of  $G$  is given below:



Now to find the medium domination decomposition number of  $G$ .

For  $a = 4$ , there exists a subgraph of  $G$  with medium domination number three, Therefore, we can decompose the graph  $G$  into four subgraphs with medium domination number zero, one, two and three. Construct the subgraph  $G_1$  from  $G$  with vertex set  $V(G_1) = \{x_i: 1 \leq i \leq 4\} \cup \{y_1\}$  and the edge set  $E(G_1) = \{x_i x_{i+1}: 1 \leq i \leq 3\} \cup \{x_4 y_1\}$ . Construct the subgraph  $G_2$  from  $G$  with vertex set  $V(G_2) = \{x_1, y_1\}$  and edge set  $E(G_2) = \{x_1 y_1\}$ . Construct the subgraph  $G_3$  from  $G$  with vertex set  $V(G_3) = \{x_2, z_1, y_1\}$  and edge set  $E(G_3) = \{x_2 z_1, x_2 y_1, z_1 y_1\}$ . Construct the subgraph  $G_4$  from  $G$  with vertex set  $V(G_4) = \{x_3, z_2, z_3, y_1\}$  and

edge set  $E(G_4) = \{x_3z_2, x_3z_3, x_3y_1, z_2z_3, z_2y_1, z_3y_1\}$ . Here  $LMD(G_1) = 0, MD(G_2) = 1, MD(G_3) = 2$  and  $MD(G_4) = 3$ . Thus  $\pi_{MD}(G) = 4$ .

For  $a = 5$ , there exists a subgraph of  $G$  with medium domination number four, Therefore, we can decompose the graph  $G$  into five subgraphs with medium domination number zero, one, two, three and four. Construct the subgraph  $G_1$  from  $G$  with vertex set  $V(G_1) = \{x_i: 1 \leq i \leq 5\} \cup \{y_1\}$  and edge set  $E(G_1) = \{x_i x_{i+1}: 1 \leq i \leq 4\} \cup \{x_5 y_1\}$ . The vertex set and edge set of  $G_2, G_3$  and  $G_4$  are same as in the above part. Construct the subgraph  $G_5$  from  $G$  with vertex set  $V(G_5) = \{x_4, z_4, z_5, z_6, y_4\}$  and edge set  $E(G_5) = \{x_4 z_4, x_4 z_5, x_4 z_6, x_4 y_1, z_4 z_5, z_4 z_6, z_4 y_1,$

$z_5 z_6, z_5 y_1, z_6 y_1\}$ . Here  $MD(G_1) = 0, MD(G_2) = 1, MD(G_3) = 2, MD(G_4) = 3, MD(G_5) = 4$ . Thus  $\pi_{MD}(G) = 5$ .

Continuing in this way, for any  $a$ , there exists a subgraph of  $G$  with medium domination number  $a - 1$ , Therefore, we can decompose the graph  $G$  into  $a$  subgraphs with medium domination number  $0, 1, 2, \dots, a - 1$ . Construct the subgraph  $G_1$  from  $G$  with vertex set  $V(G_1) = \{x_i: 1 \leq i \leq a\} \cup \{y_1\}$  and edge set  $E(G_1) = \{x_i x_{i+1}: 1 \leq i \leq a_1\} \cup \{x_a y_1\}$ . The remaining subgraphs are  $G_2 = K_2, G_3 = K_3, \dots, G_a = K_a$ . Thus the medium domination number of  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_a$  is  $0, 1, 2, \dots, a - 1$  respectively. Thus  $\pi_{MD}(G) = a$ . Hence the proof.

#### 4. Medium Domination Number and Medium Domination Decomposition Number of Central Vertex Join and Central edge Join of Graphs:

**Theorem 4.1:** For any graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , then  $MD(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) = \frac{1}{pC_2} [q + s' + \sum_{k=1}^s (d(v_k)C_2) + \sum_{k=(s+1)}^p (d(v_k)C_2)]$ .

**Proof:** Let  $H_1$  be the  $(s, t)$  graph and  $H_2$  be the  $(s', t')$  graph. Let  $V(H_1) = \{x_i: 1 \leq i \leq s\}$  and  $V(H_2) = \{y_j: 1 \leq j \leq t\}$ . Let  $C(H_1)$  be the central graph of  $H_1$  with  $s + s'$  vertices and  $\binom{s}{2} + s'$  edges. Let  $V(C(H_1)) = \{x_i: 1 \leq i \leq s\} \cup \{c_k: 1 \leq k \leq s'\}$ . Let  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$  be the central vertex join of the graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  with  $p (= s + s' + t)$  vertices and  $q (= s' + t' + st + \frac{t(t-1)}{2})$  edges, where  $\{v_k: 1 \leq k \leq p\}$  are the vertices in  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$ . Since the graph  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$  is obtained from  $C(H_1)$  and  $H_2$  by joining each vertex of  $H_1$  with every vertex of  $H_2$ , each vertex of  $H_1$  have degree  $t + deg x_i$ , for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, s$ , each vertex of  $H_2$  have degree  $s + deg y_j$ , for each  $j = 1, 2, \dots, t$  and  $s'$  vertices have degree two. Therefore,  $TDV(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) = q + s'(2C_2) + \sum_{i=1}^s ((t + deg x_i)C_2) + \sum_{j=1}^t ((s + deg y_j)C_2)$ . That is,  $TDV(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) = q + s' + \sum_{k=1}^s (d(v_k)C_2) + \sum_{k=(s+1)}^p (d(v_k)C_2)$ , where  $\sum_{i=1}^s (t + deg x_i) = \sum_{k=1}^s (d(v_k)C_2)$ ,  $\sum_{j=1}^t (s + deg y_j) = \sum_{k=(s+1)}^p (d(v_k)C_2)$ . Hence  $MD(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) = \frac{1}{pC_2} [q + s' + \sum_{k=1}^s (d(v_k)C_2) + \sum_{k=(s+1)}^p (d(v_k)C_2)]$ .

Hence the proof.

**Theorem 4.2:** For any graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , then  $MD(H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2) = \frac{1}{pC_2} [q + \sum_{k=1}^s (d(v_k)C_2) + \sum_{k=(s+1)}^p (d(v_k)C_2) + s'((t + 2)C_2)]$ .

**Proof:** The proof is similar to Theorem 4.1.

**Result 4.3:**(i) Let  $H_1$  be the null graph with  $s = 2$  and  $H_2$  be the connected graph with  $t = 2$ , then  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$  does not admit  $MDD$ . (ii) Let  $H_1$  be the connected graph with  $s = 2$  and  $H_2$  be the null graph with  $t = 2$ , then  $H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2$  does not admit  $MDD$ .



**Theorem 4.4:** For any connected graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  with  $s \geq 2$  and  $t \geq 2$ ,  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$  and  $H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2$  admits *MDD*.

**Proof:** Since  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are connected graphs with  $s \geq 2$  and  $t \geq 2$ ,  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$  and  $H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2$  are also a connected graph with  $p \geq 4$  and  $q \geq 4$ . Thus, by Theorem 2.5,  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$  and  $H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2$  and admits *MDD*.

**Theorem 4.5:** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be null graphs with  $s \geq 2$  and  $t \geq 2$ . Then  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq s - 1 + \min\{s, t - 1\}$ .

**Proof:** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be null graphs with  $s \geq 2$  and  $t \geq 2$ . Let  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s\}$  be the vertices in  $H_1$  and  $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_t\}$  be the vertices in  $H_2$ . Let  $C(H_1)$  be the central graph of  $H_1$ . By the definition of central graph, we join all the non-adjacent vertices in  $H_1$ . Therefore  $C(H_1)$  is a complete graph with  $s$  vertices. Consider  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$ . Since we join all the vertices in  $H_1$  to all the vertices in  $H_2$ ,  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_s\} \cup \{y_1\}$  form a complete graph  $K_{s+1}$  and the remaining graph form a complete bipartite graph  $K_{s,t-1}$ . We have  $\pi_{MD}(K_{s,t-1}) \leq \min\{p_1, p_2 - 1\}$ . Thus  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq s - 1 + \min\{s, t - 1\}$ . Hence the proof.

**Remark 4.6:** The bound in Theorem 4.5 is sharp. For the graphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  with  $p_1 = 2$  and  $p_2 = 2$ ,  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) = 2$ .

**Corollary 4.7:** Let  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be null graphs with  $s \geq 4$  and  $t = 1$ . Then  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq s - 1$ .

**Proof:** By Theorem 4.5, the vertices in  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  form a complete graph with  $s + 1$  vertices. We have  $\pi_{MD}(K_{s+1}) \leq s + 1 - 2$ . Thus  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq s - 1$ . Hence the proof.

**Theorem 4.8:** Let  $H_1$  be the null graph and  $H_2$  be the complete graph with  $s + t \geq 5$ . Then  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq s + t - 2$ .

**Proof:** Let  $\{x_i: 1 \leq i \leq s\}$  be the vertices of  $H_1$  and let  $\{y_j: 1 \leq j \leq t\}$  be the vertices of  $H_2$ . Since  $H_1$  is a null graph

with  $s$  vertices,  $C(H_1)$  is a complete graph with  $s$  vertices. Consider the graph  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$ . Then  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$  form a complete graph  $K_{s+t}$  with  $s + t \geq 5$ . Therefore,  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq s + t - 2$ . Hence the proof.

**Theorem 4.9:** Let  $H_1$  be the  $r$ - regular graph with  $s \geq 3$  and  $H_2$  be the null graph with  $t \geq 1$ . Then

- (i)  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq \lfloor \frac{s}{2} \rfloor + \min\{s, t\}$
- (ii)  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2) \leq \lfloor \frac{s}{2} \rfloor + \min\{s', t\}$

**Proof:**(i) Since  $H_1$  is the  $r$ - regular graph,  $\pi_{MD}(C(H_1)) \leq \lfloor \frac{s}{2} \rfloor$ . Also since by the definition of  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$ , we join all the  $s$  vertices in  $H_1$  to all the vertices in  $H_2$ . Let  $G = H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$  and let  $H = G \setminus E(C(H_1))$ . Consider the graph  $H$ . Then  $H$  is a complete bipartite graph with  $s + t$  vertices. We have  $\pi_{MD}(H) \leq \min\{s, t\}$ . Therefore,  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq \lfloor \frac{s}{2} \rfloor + \min\{s, t\}$ .

(ii) The proof is similar to (i).

**Corollary 4.10:** Let  $H_1$  be the  $(s - 1)$ - regular graph with  $s \geq 2$  and  $H_2$  be the null graph with  $t = 1$ . Then  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) = \pi_{MD}(H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2) = 2$ .

**Proof:** Since  $H_1$  is the  $(s - 1)$ - regular graph,  $[MD(C(H_1)) = 0]$ . Consider  $G = H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$  and let  $H = G \setminus E(C(H_1))$ . Then it is a star graph with  $s$  end vertices. We have  $MD(H) = 1$ . Thus, we can decompose the graph  $G$  in to two subgraphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  with medium domination number 0 and 1 respectively. Hence  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) = 2$ . Similarly, we can prove that  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2) = 2$ . Hence the proof.

**Theorem 4.11:** Let  $H_1$  be the star graph  $K_{1,m}$  with  $m \geq 2$  end vertices. Let  $H_2$  be the null graph with  $t \geq 1$ . Then

- (i)  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq m + 1$
- (ii)  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2) \leq m$

**Proof:** Let  $H_1$  be the star graph  $K_{1,m}$  with  $m \geq 2$  end vertices, where  $\{x_i: 1 \leq i \leq s\}$  are the vertices in  $H_1$  and  $\{x_i: 2 \leq i \leq s\}$  are the  $m$  end vertices in  $H_1$ . Let  $H_2$  be the null graph with  $t \geq 1$ , where  $\{y_j: 1 \leq j \leq t\}$  are the vertices in  $H_2$ .

(i) Consider  $H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2$ . Here  $m$  end vertices from  $H_1$  and one vertex from  $H_2$  form a complete graph with  $m + 1$  vertices. Therefore,  $\pi_{MD}(K_{m+1}) \leq m + 1 - 2 = m + 1$ . Also the medium domination decomposition number of remaining graph is two. Therefore  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq m - 1 + 2 = m + 1$ . Hence  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \dot{\vee} H_2) \leq m + 1$ .

(ii) Consider  $H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2$ . Here  $m$  end vertices form a complete graph with  $m$  vertices. Therefore  $\pi_{MD}(K_m) \leq m - 2$ . Also the medium domination decomposition number of remaining graph is two. Therefore  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2) \leq m - 2 + 2 = m$ . Hence  $\pi_{MD}(H_1 \underline{\vee} H_2) \leq m$ . Hence the proof.

## 5. Conclusion

In this paper, we calculated the number of vertices that are capable of dominating both of  $u$  and  $v$ . The total number of vertices that dominate every pair of vertices is examined and the average of this value is calculated which is called "the medium domination number" of graph. Some theorems and bounds on the Medium Domination Decomposition Number of join of graphs, central vertex join of graphs and central edge join of

graphs are given. Also a realization theorem for such decomposition is obtained. Further this concept can be extended to product of graphs.

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