# On the Distance Eccentricity Zagreb Indeices of Graphs

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**Abstract**: Let G = (V, E) be a connected graph. The distance eccentricity neighborhood of  $u \in V(G)$  denoted by  $N_{De}(u)$  is defined as  $N_{De}(u) = \{v \in V(G) : d(u, v) = e(u)\}$ , where e(u) is the eccentricity of u. The cardinality of  $N_{De}(u)$  is called the distance eccentricity degree of the vertex u in G and denoted by  $deg^{De}(u)$ . In this paper, we introduce the first and second distance eccentricity Zagreb indices of a connected graph G as the sum of the squares of the distance eccentricity degrees of the vertices, and the sum of the products of the distance eccentricity degrees of pairs of adjacent vertices, respectively. Exact values for some families of graphs and graph operations are obtained.

**Key Words**: First distance eccentricity Zagreb index, Second distance eccentricity Zagreb index, Smarandachely distance eccentricity.

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## §1. Introduction

In this research work, we concerned about connected, simple graphs which are finite, undirected with no loops and multiple edges. Throughout this paper, for a graph G = (V, E), we denote p = |V(G)| and q = |E(G)|. The complement of G, denoted by  $\overline{G}$ , is a simple graph on the same set of vertices V(G) in which two vertices u and v are adjacent if and only if they are not adjacent in G. The open neighborhood and the closed neighborhood of u are denoted by N(u) = $\{v \in V : uv \in E\}$  and  $N[u] = N(u) \cup \{u\}$ , respectively. The degree of a vertex u in G, is denoted by deg(u), and is defined to be the number of edges incident with u, shortly deg(u) = |N(u)|. The maximum and minimum degrees of G are defined by  $\Delta(G) = max\{deg(u) : u \in V(G)\}$ and  $\delta(G) = min\{deg(u) : u \in V(G)\}$ , respectively. If  $\delta = \Delta = k$  for any graph G, we say Gis a regular graph of degree k. The distance between any two vertices u and v in G denoted by d(u, v) is the number of edges of the shortest path joining u and v. The eccentricity e(u)of a vertex u in G is the maximum distance between u and any other vertex v in G, that is  $e(u) = \max\{d(u, v), v \in V(G)\}$ .

The path, wheel, cycle, star and complete graphs with p vertices are denoted by  $P_p$ ,  $W_p$ ,  $C_p$ ,  $S_p$  and  $K_p$ , respectively, and  $K_{r,m}$  is the complete bipartite graph on r + m vertices. All the definitions and terminologies about graph in this paper available in [6].

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The Zagreb indices have been introduced by Gutman and Trinajestic [5].

$$M_{1}(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} \left[ deg(u) \right]^{2} = \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{v \in N(u)} deg(v) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \left[ deg(u) + deg(v) \right].$$
$$M_{2}(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} deg(u) deg(v) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} deg(u) \sum_{v \in N(u)} deg(v).$$

Here,  $M_1(G)$  and  $M_2(G)$  denote the first and the second Zagreb indices, respectively. For more details about Zagreb indices, we refer to [2, 4, 9, 13, 11, 12, 7, 10, 8].

Let  $u \in V(G)$ . The distance eccentricity neighborhood of u denoted by  $N_{De}(u)$  is defined as  $N_{De}(u) = \{v \in V(G) : d(u, v) = e(u)\}$ . The cardinality of  $N_{De}(u)$  is called the distance eccentricity degree of the vertex u in G and denoted by  $deg^{De}(u)$ , and  $N_{De}[u] = N_{De}(u) \cup \{u\}$ , note that if u has a full degree in G, then  $deg(u) = deg^{De}(u)$ . And generally, a Smarandachely distance eccentricity neighborhood  $N_{De}^{S}(u)$  of u on subset  $S \subset V(G)$  is defined to be  $N_{De}^{S}(u) =$  $\{v \in V(G) \setminus S : d_{G \setminus S}(u, v) = e(u)\}$  with Smarandachely distance eccentricity  $|N_{De}^{S}(u)|$ . Clearly,  $|N_{De}^{\emptyset}(u)| = deg^{De}(u)$ . The maximum and minimum distance eccentricity degree of a vertex in G are denoted respectively by  $\Delta^{De}(G)$  and  $\delta^{De}(G)$ , that is  $\Delta^{De}(G) = \max_{u \in V} |N_{De}(u)|$ ,  $\delta^{De}(G) = \min_{u \in V} |N_{De}(u)|$ . Also, we denote to the set of vertices of G which have eccentricity equal to  $\alpha$  by  $V_e^{\alpha}(G) \subseteq V(G)$ , where  $\alpha = 1, 2, \cdots, diam(G)$ . In this paper, we introduce the distance eccentricity Zagreb indices of graphs. Exact values for some families of graphs and some graph operations are obtained.

### §2. Distance Eccentricity Zagreb Indices of Graphs

In this section, we define the first and second distance eccentricity Zagreb indices of connected graphs and study some standard graphs.



**Definition** 2.1 Let G = (V, E) be a connected graph. Then the first and second distance eccentricity Zagreb indices of G are defined by

$$\begin{split} M_1^{De}(G) &= \sum_{u \in V(G)} \left[ deg^{De}(u) \right]^2, \\ M_2^{De}(G) &= \sum_{uv \in E(G)} deg^{De}(u) deg^{De}(v). \end{split}$$

**Example** 2.2 Let G be a graph as in Fig.1. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \quad M_1^{De}(G) &= \sum_{u \in V(G)} \left[ deg^{De}(u) \right]^2 = \sum_{i=1}^4 \left( deg^{De}(v_i) \right)^2 \\ &= \left( deg^{De}(v_1) \right)^2 + \left( deg^{De}(v_2) \right)^2 + \left( deg^{De}(v_3) \right)^2 + \left( deg^{De}(v_4) \right)^2 \\ &= \left( 2 \right)^2 + \left( 3 \right)^2 + \left( 1 \right)^2 + \left( 1 \right)^2 = 15. \end{aligned} \\ (ii) \quad M_2^{De}(G) &= \sum_{uv \in E(G)} deg^{De}(u) deg^{De}(v) \\ &= deg^{De}(v_1) deg^{De}(v_2) + deg^{De}(v_2) deg^{De}(v_3) + deg^{De}(v_2) deg^{De}(v_4) \\ &+ deg^{De}(v_3) deg^{De}(v_4) = 13. \end{aligned}$$

Calculation immediately shows results following.

 $\begin{aligned} \text{Proposition 2.3} \quad (i) \quad & \text{For any path } P_p \text{ with } p \geq 2, \ M_1^{De}(P_p) = \begin{cases} p+3, & p \text{ is odd,} \\ p, & p \text{ is even;} \end{cases} \\ (ii) \quad & \text{For } p \geq 3, \ M_1^{De}(C_p) = \begin{cases} 4p, & p \text{ is odd,} \\ p, & p \text{ is even;} \end{cases} \\ (iii) \ M_1^{De}(K_p) = M_1(K_p) = p(p-1)^2; \\ (iv) \quad & \text{For } r, m \geq 2, \ M_1^{De}(K_{r,m}) = r(r-1)^2 + m(m-1)^2; \\ (v) \quad & \text{For } p \geq 3, \ M_1^{De}(S_p) = (p-1)(p-2)^2 + (p-1)^2; \\ (vi) \quad & \text{For } p \geq 5, \ M_1^{De}(W_p) = (p-1)(p-4)^2 + (p-1)^2. \end{aligned} \end{aligned}$ 

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Proposition 2.4} \quad (i) \quad For \ p \geq 2, \ M_2^{De}(P_p) = \begin{cases} p+1, & p \ is \ out, \\ p-1, & p \ is \ out, \\ p-1, & p \ is \ out, \\ p, & p \ out, \\ p, &$$

**Proposition** 2.5 For any graph G with  $e(v) = 2, \forall v \in V(G)$ ,

(i)  $M_1^{De}(G) = M_1(\overline{G});$ (ii)  $M_2^{De}(G) = q(p-1)^2 - (p-1)M_1(G) + M_2(G).$ 

*Proof* Since  $e(v) = 2, \forall v \in V(G)$ , then  $deg_G^{De}(v) = deg_{\overline{G}}(v)$ . Hence the result.

**Corollary** 2.6 For any k-regular (p,q)-graph G with diameter two,

(i)  $M_1^{De}(G) = p(p-k-1)^2;$ (ii)  $M_2^{De}(G) = \frac{1}{2}pk(p-k-1)^2.$ 

### §3. Distance Eccentricity Zagreb Indices for Some Graph Operations

In this section, we compute the first and second distance eccentricity Zagreb indices for some graph operations.

**Cartesian Product.** The Cartesian product of two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , where  $|V(G_1)| = p_1$ ,  $|V(G_2)| = p_2$  and  $|E(G_1)| = q_1$ ,  $|E(G_2)| = q_2$  is denoted by  $G_1 \square G_2$  has the vertex set  $V(G_1) \times V(G_2)$  and two vertices (u, u') and (v, v') are connected by an edge if and only if either  $([u = v \text{ and } u'v' \in E(G_2)])$  or  $([u' = v' \text{ and } uv \in E(G_1)])$ . By other words,  $|E(G_1 \square G_2)| = q_1p_2 + q_2p_1$ . The degree of a vertex (u, u') of  $G_1 \square G_2$  is as follows:

$$deg_{G_1 \square G_2}(u, u') = deg_{G_1}(u) + deg_{G_2}(u').$$

The Cartesian product of more than two graphs is denoted by  $\prod_{i=1}^{n} G_i$   $(\prod_{i=1}^{n} G_i = G_1 \square G_2 \square ... \square G_n = (G_1 \square G_2 \square ... \square G_{n-1}) \square G_n)$ , in which any two vertices  $u = (u_1, u_2, ..., u_n)$  and  $v = (v_1, v_2, ..., v_n)$  are adjacent in  $\prod_{i=1}^{n} G_i$  if and only if  $u_i = v_i, \forall i \neq j$  and  $u_j v_j \in E(G_j)$ , where i, j = 1, 2, ..., n. If  $G_1 = G_2 = \cdots = G_n = G$ , we have the *n*-th Cartesian power of G, which is denoted by  $G^n$ .

**Lemma** 3.1([8]) Let  $G = \prod_{i=1}^{n} G_i$  and let  $u = (u_1, u_2, \cdots, u_n)$  be a vertex in V(G). Then

$$e(u) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} e(u_i).$$

**Lemma** 3.2 Let  $G = \prod_{i=1}^{n} G_i$  and let  $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$  be a vertex in G. Then

$$deg_G^{De}(u) = \prod_{i=1}^n deg_{G_i}^{De}(u_i)$$

*Proof* Since  $e(u) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} e(u_i)$  (Lemma 3.1), then each distance eccentricity neighbor of  $u_1$  in  $G_1$  corresponds  $deg_{G_2}^{De}(u_2)$  vertices in  $G_2$  and each distance eccentricity neighbor of  $u_2$  in  $G_2$  corresponds  $deg_{G_3}^{De}(u_3)$  vertices in  $G_3$  and so on. Thus by using the Principle of Account

$$deg_{G}^{De}(u) = deg_{G_{1}}^{De}(u_{1}) deg_{G_{2}}^{De}(u_{2}) \cdots deg_{G_{n}}^{De}(u_{n}).$$

**Theorem 3.3** Let  $G = \prod_{i=1}^{n} G_i$ . Then

(i) 
$$M_1^{De}(G) = \prod_{i=1}^n M_1^{De}(G_i);$$
  
(ii)  $M_2^{De}(G) = \sum_{\substack{j=1\\i\neq j}}^n \prod_{\substack{i=1\\i\neq j}}^n M_1^{De}(G_i) M_2^{De}(G_j)$ 

Proof Let  $u = (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n)$  and  $v = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n)$  be any two vertices in V(G). Then

$$\begin{aligned} (i) \ \ M_1^{De}(G) &= \sum_{u \in V(G)} \left( deg_G^{De}(u) \right)^2 = \sum_{u \in V(G)} \left( deg_{G_1}^{De}(u_1) deg_{G_2}^{De}(u_2) \dots deg_{G_n}^{De}(u_n) \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{u_1 \in V(G_1)} \sum_{u_2 \in V(G_2)} \dots \sum_{u_n \in V(G_n)} \left( deg_{G_1}^{De}(u_1) \right)^2 \left( deg_{G_2}^{De}(u_2) \right)^2 \dots \left( deg_{G_n}^{De}(u_n) \right)^2 \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n M_1^{De}(G_i). \end{aligned}$$

(*ii*) To prove the second distance eccentricity Zagreb index we will use the mathematical induction. First, if n = 2, then

$$\begin{split} M_2^{De}(G_1 \Box \ G_2) &= \sum_{\substack{(u_1, u_2)(v_1, v_2) \in E(G_1 \Box \ G_2)}} deg_{G_1}^{De}(u_1) deg_{G_1}^{De}(v_1) deg_{G_2}^{De}(u_2) deg_{G_2}^{De}(v_2) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{u_1 \in V(G_1)}} \sum_{\substack{(u_1, u_2)(u_1, v_2) \in E(G_1 \Box \ G_2)}} \left( deg_{G_1}^{De}(u_1) \right)^2 deg_{G_2}^{De}(u_2) deg_{G_2}^{De}(v_2) \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{u_2 \in V(G_2)}} \sum_{\substack{(u_1, u_2)(v_1, u_2) \in E(G_1 \Box \ G_2)}} \left( deg_{G_2}^{De}(u_2) \right)^2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u_1) deg_{G_1}^{De}(v_1) \\ &= M_1^{De}(G_1) M_2^{De}(G_2) + M_1^{De}(G_2) M_2^{De}(G_1) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^2 \prod_{\substack{i=1\\i\neq j}}^2 M_1^{De}(G_i) M_2^{De}(G_j). \end{split}$$

Now, suppose the claim is true for n-1. Then

$$\begin{split} M_2^{De} \left( \Box_{i=1}^{n-1} G_i \Box G_n \right) = & M_1^{De} \left( \Box_{i=1}^{n-1} G_i \right) M_2^{De}(G_n) + M_1^{De}(G_n) M_2^{De} \left( \Box_{i=1}^{n-1} G_i \right) \\ = & \prod_{i=1}^{n-1} M_1^{De}(G_i) M_2^{De}(G_n) + M_1^{De}(G_n) \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \prod_{\substack{i=1\\i\neq j}}^{n-1} M_1^{De}(G_i) M_2^{De}(G_j) \\ = & \sum_{j=1}^n \prod_{\substack{i=1\\i\neq j}}^n M_1^{De}(G_i) M_2^{De}(G_j). \end{split}$$

**Composition.** The composition  $G = G_1[G_2]$  of two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  with disjoint vertex sets  $V(G_1)$  and  $V(G_2)$  and edge sets  $E(G_1)$  and  $E(G_2)$ , where  $|V(G_1)| = p_1$ ,  $|E(G_1)| = q_1$  and  $|V(G_2)| = p_2$ ,  $|E(G_2)| = q_2$  is the graph with vertex set  $V(G_1) \times V(G_2)$  and any two vertices (u, u') and (v, v') are adjacent whenever u is adjacent to v in  $G_1$  or u = v and u' is adjacent to v' in  $G_2$ . Thus,  $|E(G_1[G_2])| = q_1p_2^2 + q_2p_1$ . The degree of a vertex (u, u') of  $G_1[G_2]$  is as follows:

$$deg_{G_1[G_2]}(u, u') = p_2 deg_{G_1}(u) + deg_{G_2}(u').$$

**Lemma** 3.4([8]) Let  $G = G_1[G_2]$  and  $e(v) \neq 1$ ,  $\forall v \in V(G_1)$ . Then  $e_G((u, u')) = e_{G_1}(u)$ .

**Lemma** 3.5 Let  $G = G_1[G_2]$  and  $e(v) \neq 1, \forall v \in V(G_1)$ . Then

$$deg_{G}^{De}(u,u') = \begin{cases} p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) + deg_{\overline{G_2}}(u'), & \text{if } u \in V_e^2(G_1); \\ p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u), & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Proof From Lemma 3.4, we have  $e_G(u, u') = e_{G_1}(u)$ . Therefore,  $N_G^{De}(u, u') = \{(x, x') \in V(G) : d((u, u'), (x, x')) = e_{G_1}(u)\}$ . Now, if  $u \notin V_e^2(G_1)$ , then  $N_G^{De}(u, u') = \{(x, x') \in V(G) : x \in N_{G_1}^{De}(u)\}$  and hence,  $deg_G^{De}(u, u') = p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u)$  and if  $u \in V_e^2(G_1)$ , then  $deg_G^{De}(u, u') = p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) + deg_{\overline{G_2}}(u')$  (note that all the vertices of the copy of  $G_2$  with the projection  $u \in V(G_1)$  which are not adjacent to (u, u') have distance two from (u, u')).

**Theorem 3.6** Let  $G = G_1[G_2]$  and  $e(v) \neq 1$ ,  $\forall v \in V(G_1)$ . Then

$$M_1^{De}(G) = p_2^3 M_1^{De}(G_1) + |V_e^2(G_1)| M_1(\overline{G_2}) + 4p_2 \overline{q_2} \sum_{u \in V_e^2(G_1)} deg_{G_1}^{De}(u).$$

*Proof* By definition, we know that

$$\begin{split} M_1^{De}(G) &= \sum_{(u,u')\in V(G)} \left( deg_G^{De}(u,u') \right)^2 = \sum_{u\in V(G_1)} \sum_{u'\in V(G_2)} \left( deg_G^{De}(u,u') \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{u\in V_e^2(G_1)} \sum_{u'\in V(G_2)} \left( p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) + deg_{\overline{G_2}}(u') \right)^2 \\ &+ \sum_{u\in V(G_1)-V_e^2(G_1)} \sum_{u'\in V(G_2)} \left( p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{u\in V(G_1)} \sum_{u'\in V(G_2)} \left( p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) \right)^2 + \sum_{u\in V_e^2(G_1)} M_1(\overline{G_2}) \\ &+ \sum_{u\in V_e^2(G_1)} \sum_{u'\in V(G_2)} 2p_2 deg_{\overline{G_2}}(u') deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) \\ &= p_2^3 M_1^{De}(G_1) + |V_e^2(G_1)| M_1(\overline{G_2}) + 4p_2 \overline{q_2} \sum_{u\in V_e^2(G_1)} deg_{G_1}^{De}(u). \end{split}$$

**Theorem 3.7** Let  $G = G_1[G_2]$  and  $e(v) \neq 1$  or 2,  $\forall v \in V(G_1)$ . Then

$$M_2^{De}(G) = p_2^4 M_2^{De}(G_1) + p_2^2 q_2 M_1^{De}(G_1).$$

*Proof* By deifnition, we know that

$$\begin{split} M_2^{De}(G) = &\frac{1}{2} \sum_{(u,u') \in V(G)} deg_G^{De}(u,u') \sum_{(v,v') \in N_G(u,u')} deg_G^{De}(v,v') \\ = &\frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G_1)} \sum_{u' \in V(G_2)} deg_G^{De}(u,u') \bigg[ \sum_{v \in N_{G_1}(u)} \sum_{v' \in V(G_2)} deg_G^{De}(v,v') + \sum_{v' \in N_{G_2}(u')} deg_G^{De}(u,v') \bigg] \\ = &\frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G_1)} \sum_{u' \in V(G_2)} p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) \bigg[ \sum_{v \in N_{G_1}(u)} \sum_{v' \in V(G_2)} p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(v) + \sum_{v' \in N_{G_2}(u')} p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) \bigg] \\ = &p_2^4 M_2^{De}(G_1) + p_2^2 q_2 M_1^{De}(G_1). \end{split}$$

This completes the proof.

**Disjunction and Symmetric Difference.** The disjunction  $G_1 \vee G_2$  of two graphs  $G_1$ and  $G_2$  with  $|V(G_1)| = p_1$ ,  $|E(G_1)| = q_1$  and  $|V(G_2)| = p_2$ ,  $|E(G_2)| = q_2$  is the graph with

vertex set  $V(G_1) \times V(G_2)$  in which (u, u') is adjacent to (v, v') whenever u is adjacent to v in  $G_1$  or u' is adjacent to v' in  $G_2$ . So,  $|E(G_1 \vee G_2)| = q_1 p_2^2 + q_2 p_1^2 - 2q_1 q_2$ . The degree of a vertex (u, u') of  $G_1 \vee G_2$  is as follows:

$$deg_{G_1 \vee G_2}(u, u') = p_2 deg_{G_1}(u) + p_1 deg_{G_2}(u') - deg_{G_1}(u) deg_{G_2}(u')$$

Also, the symmetric difference  $G_1 \oplus G_2$  of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is the graph with vertex set  $V(G_1) \times V(G_2)$ in which (u, u') is adjacent to (v, v') whenever u is adjacent to v in  $G_1$  or u' is adjacent to v' in  $G_2$ , but not both. From definition one can see that,  $|E(G_1 \oplus G_2)| = q_1 p_2^2 + q_2 p_1^2 - 4q_1 q_2$ . The degree of a vertex (u, u') of  $G_1 \oplus G_2$  is as follows:

$$deg_{G_1 \oplus G_2}(u, u') = p_2 deg_{G_1}(u) + p_1 deg_{G_2}(u') - 2 deg_{G_1}(u) deg_{G_2}(u').$$

The distance between any two vertices of a disjunction or a symmetric difference cannot exceed two. Thus, if  $e(v) \neq 1$ ,  $\forall v \in V(G_1) \cup V(G_2)$ , the eccentricity of all vertices is constant and equal to two. We know the following lemma.

**Lemma** 3.8 Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be two graphs with  $e(v) \neq 1$ ,  $\forall v \in V(G_1) \cup V(G_2)$ . Then

(i)  $deg_{G_1 \vee G_2}^{De}(u, u') = deg_{\overline{G_1 \vee G_2}}(u, u');$ (ii)  $deg_{G_1 \oplus G_2}^{De}(u, u') = deg_{\overline{G_1 \oplus G_2}}(u, u').$ 

**Theorem 3.9** Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be two graphs with  $e(v) \neq 1$ ,  $\forall v \in V(G_1) \cup V(G_2)$ . Then

(i)  $M_1^{De}(G_1 \vee G_2) = M_1(\overline{G_1 \vee G_2});$ (ii)  $M_2^{De}(G_1 \vee G_2) = q_{G_1 \vee G_2}(p_1p_2 - 1)^2 - (p_1p_2 - 1)M_1(G_1 \vee G_2) + M_2(G_1 \vee G_2).$ 

*Proof* The proof is straightforward by Proposition 2.5.

**Theorem 3.10** Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be any two graphs with  $e(v) \neq 1$ ,  $\forall v \in V(G_1) \cup V(G_2)$ . Then

(i)  $M_1^{De}(G_1 \oplus G_2) = M_1(\overline{G_1 \oplus G_2});$ (ii)  $M_2^{De}(G_1 \oplus G_2) = q_{G_1 \oplus G_2}(p_1p_2 - 1)^2 - (p_1p_2 - 1)M_1(G_1 \oplus G_2) + M_2(G_1 \oplus G_2).$ 

*Proof* The proof is straightforward by Proposition 2.5.

**Join.** The join  $G_1 + G_2$  of two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  with disjoint vertex sets  $|V(G_1)| = p_1$ ,  $|V(G_2)| = p_2$  and edge sets  $|E(G_1)| = q_1$ ,  $|E(G_2)| = q_2$  is the graph on the vertex set  $V(G_1) \cup V(G_2)$  and the edge set  $E(G_1) \cup E(G_2) \cup \{u_1u_2 : u_1 \in V(G_1); u_2 \in V(G_2)\}$ . Hence, the join of two graphs is obtained by connecting each vertex of one graph to each vertex of the other graph, while keeping all edges of both graphs. The degree of any vertex  $u \in G_1 + G_2$  is given by

$$deg_{G_1+G_2}(u) = \begin{cases} deg_{G_1}(u) + p_2, & \text{if } u \in V(G_1); \\ deg_{G_2}(u) + p_1, & \text{if } u \in V(G_2). \end{cases}$$

By using the definition of the join graph  $G = \sum_{i=1}^{n} G_i$ , we get the following lemma.

Lemma 3.11 Let 
$$G = \sum_{i=1}^{n} G_i$$
 and  $u \in V(G)$ . Then  

$$deg_G^{De}(u) = \begin{cases} |V(G)| - 1, & u \in V_e^1(G_i); \\ p_i - 1 - deg_{G_i}(u), & u \in V(G_i) - V_e^1(G_i), \text{ for } i = 1, 2, \dots, n. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 3.12** Let  $G = \sum_{i=1}^{n} G_i$ . Then  $M_1^{De}(G) = (|V(G)| - 1)^2 \sum_{i=1}^{n} |V_e^1(G_i)| + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[ M_1(G_i) + p_i (p_i - 1)^2 - 4q_i (p_i - 1) \right].$ 

*Proof* By definition,

$$M_1^{De}(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} \left[ deg_G^{De}(u) \right]^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{u \in V(G_i)} \left[ deg_G^{De}(u) \right]^2$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{u \in V_e^1(G_i)} \left[ deg_G^{De}(u) \right]^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{u \in V(G_i) - V_e^1(G_i)} \left[ p_i - 1 - deg_{G_i}(u) \right]^2$$
$$= \left( |V(G)| - 1 \right)^2 \sum_{i=1}^n |V_e^1(G_i)| + \sum_{i=1}^n M_1(\overline{G_i}).$$

This completes the proof.

Theorem 3.13 Let 
$$G = \sum_{i=1}^{n} G_i$$
. Then  
 $M_2^{De}(G) = \frac{1}{2} (|V(G)| - 1) \sum_{i=1}^{n} |V_e^1(G_i)| \Big[ (|V(G)| - 1) \Big( -1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n} |V_e^1(G_j)| \Big) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{n} (p_j^2 - p_j - 2q_j) \Big] + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Big[ q_i(p_i - 1)^2 - (p_i - 1) M_1(G_i) + M_2(G_i) \Big] + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (p_i^2 - p_i - 2q_i) \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} (p_j^2 - p_j - 2q_j).$ 

*Proof* By definition, we get that

$$M_2^{De}(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \deg_G^{De}(u) \deg_G^{De}(v) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \deg_G^{De}(u) \sum_{v \in N_G(u)} \deg_G^{De}(v)$$

$$\begin{split} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{u \in V(G_{i})} deg_{G}^{De}(u) \left[ \sum_{v \in N_{G_{i}}(u)} deg_{G}^{De}(v) + \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^{n} \sum_{v \in V(G_{j})} deg_{G}^{De}(v) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{u \in V_{e}^{1}(G_{i})} \left( |V(G)| - 1 \right) \left[ \left( |V(G)| - 1 \right) \left( |V_{e}^{1}(G_{i})| - 1 \right) + \sum_{v \in V(G_{i}) - V_{e}^{1}(G_{i})} deg_{\overline{G_{i}}}(v) \right. \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^{n} \left[ \left( |V(G)| - 1 \right) |V_{e}^{1}(G_{j})| + \sum_{v \in V(G_{j}) - V_{e}^{1}(G_{j})} deg_{\overline{G_{j}}}(v) \right] \right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{u \in V(G_{i}) - V_{e}^{1}(G_{i})} deg_{\overline{G_{i}}}(u) \left[ \left( |V(G)| - 1 \right) |V_{e}^{1}(G_{i})| + \sum_{v \in N_{G_{i}}(u) - V_{e}^{1}(G_{i})} deg_{\overline{G_{i}}}(v) \right. \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left[ \left( |V(G)| - 1 \right) |V_{e}^{1}(G_{j})| + \sum_{v \in V(G_{j}) - V_{e}^{1}(G_{j})} deg_{\overline{G_{j}}}(v) \right] \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (|V(G)| - 1) \sum_{i=1}^{n} |V_{e}^{1}(G_{i})| \left[ \left( |V(G)| - 1 \right) \left( - 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{n} |V_{e}^{1}(G_{j})| \right) \right. \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left( p_{j}^{2} - p_{j} - 2q_{j} \right) \right] + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( p_{i}^{2} - p_{i} - 2q_{i} \right) \left[ \left( |V(G)| - 1 \right) \sum_{j=1}^{n} |V_{e}^{1}(G_{j})| \right. \\ &+ \left. \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left( p_{j}^{2} - p_{j} - 2q_{j} \right) \right] + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[ q_{i}(p_{i} - 1)^{2} - (p_{i} - 1)M_{1}(G_{i}) + M_{2}(G_{i}) \right] \\ &+ \left. \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left( p_{j}^{2} - p_{j} - 2q_{j} \right) \right] + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[ q_{i}(p_{i} - 1)^{2} - (p_{i} - 1)M_{1}(G_{i}) + M_{2}(G_{i}) \right] \\ &+ \left. \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( p_{i}^{2} - p_{i} - 2q_{i} \right) \right] + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[ q_{i}(p_{i} - 1)^{2} - (p_{i} - 1)M_{1}(G_{i}) + M_{2}(G_{i}) \right] \\ &+ \left. \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( p_{i}^{2} - p_{i} - 2q_{i} \right) \right] \right] \\ &+ \left. \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left( p_{i}^{2} - p_{i} - 2q_{i} \right) \right]$$

Note that, the equality

$$\frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(p_i^2 - p_i - 2q_i\right) \sum_{\substack{j=1\\j\neq i}}^{n} \left(p_j^2 - p_j - 2q_j\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left(p_i^2 - p_i - 2q_i\right) \sum_{j=i+1}^{n} \left(p_j^2 - p_j - 2q_j\right),$$

is applied in the previous calculation.

**Corollary** 3.14 If  $G_i$   $(i = 1, 2, \dots, n)$  has no vertices of full degree  $(V_e^1(G_i) = \phi)$ , then

(i) 
$$M_1^{De} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n G_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_1(\overline{G_i});$$
  
(ii)  $M_2^{De} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n G_i \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[ q_i (p_i - 1)^2 - (p_i - 1) M_1(G_i) + M_2(G_i) \right] + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left( p_i^2 - p_i - 2q_i \right) \sum_{j=i+1}^n \left( p_j^2 - p_j - 2q_j \right).$ 

**Corona Product.** The corona product  $G_1 \circ G_2$  of two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , where  $|V(G_1)| = p_1$ ,  $|V(G_2)| = p_2$  and  $|E(G_1)| = q_1$ ,  $|E(G_2)| = q_2$  is the graph obtained by taking  $|V(G_1)|$  copies of  $G_2$  and joining each vertex of the *i*-th copy with vertex  $u \in V(G_1)$ . Obviously,  $|V(G_1 \circ G_2)| = p_1(p_2 + 1)$  and  $|E(G_1 \circ G_2)| = q_1 + p_1(q_2 + p_2)$ . It follows from the definition of the corona product  $G_1 \circ G_2$ , the degree of each vertex  $u \in G_1 \circ G_2$  is given by

$$deg_{G_1 \circ G_2}(u) = \begin{cases} deg_{G_1}(u) + p_2, & \text{if } u \in V(G_1); \\ deg_{G_2}(u) + 1, & \text{if } u \in V(G_2). \end{cases}$$

We therefore know the next lemma.

**Lemma** 3.15 Let  $G = G_1 \circ G_2$  be a connected graph and let  $u \in V(G)$ . Then

$$deg_{G}^{De}(u) = \begin{cases} p_{2}deg_{G_{1}}^{De}(u), & u \in V(G_{1}); \\ p_{2}deg_{G_{1}}^{De}(v), & u \in V(G) - V(G_{1}), \text{ where } v \in V(G_{1}) \text{ is adjacent to } u. \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 3.16** Let  $G = G_1 \circ G_2$  be a connected graph. Then

 $\begin{array}{ll} (i) & M_1^{De}(G) = p_2^2(p_2+1)M_1^{De}(G_1); \\ (ii) & M_2^{De}(G) = p_2^2M_2^{De}(G_1) + p_2^2(q_2+p_2)M_1^{De}(G_1). \end{array}$ 

*Proof* By definition, calculation shows that

$$\begin{split} (i) \ M_1^{De}(G) &= \sum_{u \in V(G)} \left[ deg_G^{De}(u) \right]^2 \\ &= \sum_{u \in V(G_1)} \left[ deg_G^{De}(u) \right]^2 + \sum_{v \in V(G_1)} \sum_{u \in V(G_2)} \left[ deg_G^{De}(u) \right]^2 \\ &= \sum_{u \in V(G_1)} \left[ p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) \right]^2 + \sum_{v \in V(G_1)} \sum_{u \in V(G_2)} \left[ p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(v) \right]^2 \\ &= p_2^2 M_1^{De}(G_1) + p_2^3 M_1^{De}(G_1). \\ (ii) \ M_2^{De}(G) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} deg^{De}(u) \sum_{v \in N(u)} deg^{De}(v) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G_1)} deg_G^{De}(u) \left[ \sum_{v \in N_{G_1}(u)} deg_G^{De}(v) + \sum_{v \in V(G_2)} deg_G^{De}(v) \right] \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{v \in V(G_1)} \sum_{u \in V(G_2)} deg_G^{De}(u) \left[ \sum_{w \in N_{G_2}(u)} deg_G^{De}(w) + deg_G^{De}(v) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G_1)} p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) \left[ \sum_{v \in N_{G_1}(u)} p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(v) + p_2^2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(u) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{v \in V(G_1)} \sum_{v \in V(G_2)} p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(v) \left[ p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(v) deg_{G_2}(u) + p_2 deg_{G_1}^{De}(v) \right] \\ &= p_2^2 M_2^{De}(G_1) + p_2^2 (q_2 + p_2) M_1^{De}(G_1). \end{split}$$

This completes the proof.

**Example** 3.17 For any cycle  $C_{p_1}$  and any path  $P_{p_2}$ ,

(i) 
$$M_1^{De}(C_{p_1} \circ P_{p_2}) = \begin{cases} 4p_1p_2^2(p_2+1), & p_1 \text{ is odd}; \\ p_1p_2^2(p_2+1), & p_1 \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$
  
(ii)  $M_2^{De}(C_{p_1} \circ P_{p_2}) = \begin{cases} 8p_1p_2^3, & p_1 \text{ is odd}; \\ 2p_1p_2^3, & p_1 \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$ 

**Example** 3.18 For any two cycles  $C_{p_1}$  and  $C_{p_2}$ ,

(i) 
$$M_1^{De}(C_{p_1} \circ C_{p_2}) = \begin{cases} 4p_1p_2^2(p_2+1), & p_1 \text{ is odd;} \\ p_1p_2^2(p_2+1), & p_1 \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$
  
(ii)  $M_2^{De}(C_{p_1} \circ C_{p_2}) = \begin{cases} 4p_1p_2^2(2p_2+1), & p_1 \text{ is odd;} \\ p_1p_2^2(2p_2+1), & p_1 \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$ 

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