

# Changing Behavior of Vertices of Some Graphs

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## ABSTRACT

Let  $G$  be a  $(p, q)$  graph and  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, p + q - 1, p + q + 2\}$  be an injection. For each edge  $e = uv$ , the induced edge labeling  $f^*$  is defined as follows:

$$f^*(e) = \begin{cases} \frac{|f(u) - f(v)|}{2} & \text{if } |f(u) - f(v)| \text{ is even} \\ \frac{|f(u) - f(v)| + 1}{2} & \text{if } |f(u) - f(v)| \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

Then  $f$  is called Near Skolem difference mean labeling if  $f^*(e)$  are all distinct and are from  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, q\}$ . A graph that admits a Near Skolem difference mean labeling is called a Near Skolem difference mean graph. In this paper, a new parameter  $V^+$  is introduced and verified for some graphs.

**Keywords:** Fan Graph, Jewel Graph, Octopus Graph, Near Skolem Difference Mean Labeling.

## I. INTRODUCTION

All graphs considered in this paper are finite, undirected and simple. The vertex set and the edge set of a graph  $G$  are denoted by  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$  respectively. For standard terminology and notations, we follow Harary (1) and for graph labeling, we refer to Gallian (2).

In this paper, a non-Near skolem difference mean graph is investigated and a new parameter is introduced to check whether addition of minimum number of vertices to  $G$  converts this non-Near skolem difference mean graph  $G$  into a Near skolem difference mean graph. The following definitions are used in the subsequent section:

**Definition 1.1:** The fan graph  $F_n$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) is obtained by joining all vertices of  $P_n$  (path of  $n$  vertices) to a further vertex called the center and contains  $(n + 1)$  vertices and  $(2n - 1)$  edges. i.e.,  $F_n = (P_n + K_1)$ .

**Definition 1.2:** The Jewel  $J_n$  is the graph with vertex set  $V(J_n) = \{u, v, x, y, u_i; 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and edge set  $E(J_n) = \{ux, uy, xy, xv, yv, uu_i, vv_i, 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

**Definition 1.3:** An octopus graph  $O_n$ , ( $n \geq 2$ ) can be constructed by joining a fan graph  $F_n$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) to a star graph  $K_{1,n}$  by with sharing a common vertex, where  $n$  is any positive integer. i.e.,  $O_n = F_n + K_{1,n}$ .

**Definition 1.4:** The graph  $\overline{K_2} \vee P_n$ , which is the join of the complementary of  $K_2$  and the path graph  $P_n$  is the double fan graph and is denoted by  $Df_n$ . In other words, the double fan graphs can be considered as the join of two similar fan graphs at the path.

## II. MAIN RESULT

**Definition 2.1:** A graph  $G = (V, E)$  with  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges is said to have Nearly skolem difference mean labeling if it is possible to label the vertices  $x \in V$  with distinct elements  $f(x)$  from  $\{1, 2, \dots, p + q - 1, p + q + 2\}$  in such a way that each edge  $e = uv$ , is labeled as  $f^*(e) = \frac{|f(u) - f(v)|}{2}$  if  $|f(u) - f(v)|$  is even and  $f^*(e) = \frac{|f(u) - f(v)| + 1}{2}$  if  $|f(u) - f(v)|$  is odd. The resulting labels of the edges are distinct and are from  $\{1, 2, \dots, q\}$ . A graph that admits a Near skolem difference mean labeling is called a Near skolem difference mean graph.

**Definition 2.2:** Let  $G$  be a non-Near skolem difference mean graph. Then the parameter  $V^+$  of a graph  $G$  is defined as the minimum number of isolated vertices to be added to  $G$ , so that the resulting graph is Near skolem difference mean.

**Theorem 2.3:**  $V^+(P_n + K_1) = n - 4$ , for  $n \geq 5$ .

**Proof:** Let  $F_n$  be the graph  $P_n + K_1$ .

Let  $V(F_n) = \{v, u_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

and  $E(F_n) = \{u_i u_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\} \cup \{u_i v / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

Then  $|V(F_n)| = n + 1$  and  $|E(F_n)| = 2n - 1$ .

Suppose,  $F_n$  is Near skolem difference mean for  $n \geq 5$ .

Let  $f: V(F_n) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 3n - 1, 3n + 2\}$ .

Let  $uv \in E(F_n)$  such that,  $f(u) < f(v)$ .

Then  $1 \leq f(u) < f(v) \leq 3n + 2$ .

These are two cases:

**Case(i)** Suppose  $\frac{|f(v) - f(u)|}{2} = 2n - 1$ .

This implies  $f(v) = 4n - 2 + f(u)$ .

$$\geq 4n - 2 + 1$$

$$= 4n - 1.$$

**Case (ii)** Suppose,  $\frac{|f(v) - f(u)| + 1}{2} = 2n - 1$ .

This implies  $f(v) = 4n - 2 - 1 + f(u)$ .

$$= 4n - 3 + f(u)$$

$$\geq 4n - 3 + 1$$

$$= 4n - 2.$$

Thus, in both cases, for every Near skolem difference mean labeling of  $F_n$ ,

$f(v) \geq 4n - 2 > 3n + 2$  as  $n \geq 5$ .

But by definition,  $f(v) \leq 3n + 2$ .

This is a contradiction.

Then the graph  $F_n$  is not Near skolem difference mean.

Thus, in order to make  $F_n$  a Near skolem difference mean graph, at least  $4n - 2 - 3n - 2$  isolated vertices should be added to  $F_n = P_n + K_1$ .

Then  $V^+ = (P_n + K_1) \geq n - 4$ .

**Claim:**  $V^+(F_n) = n - 4$ .

Let  $F_n^+$  be the graph obtained from  $F_n$  by adding  $(n - 4)$  isolated vertices

Let  $V(F_n^+) = \{v, u_i, w_j / 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n - 4\}$

and  $E(F_n^+) = \{u_i u_{i+1} / 1 \leq i \leq n - 1\} \cup \{u_i v / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

Then  $|V(F_n^+)| = 2n - 3$  and  $|E(F_n^+)| = 2n - 1$

Let  $f: V(F_n^+) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 4n - 5, 4n - 2\}$  be defined as follows:

$$f(v) = 1$$

$$f(w_i) = 2i + 1, 1 \leq i \leq n - 4.$$

$$f(u_i) = \begin{cases} 4n - 2i, & i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, 1 \leq i \leq n \\ 2i - 2, & i \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, 1 \leq i \leq n \end{cases}$$

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling. Then,

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 2n - 2i, 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

$$f^*(u_i v) = \begin{cases} 2n - i, & i \equiv 1 \pmod{2}, 1 \leq i \leq n \\ i - 1, & i \equiv 0 \pmod{2}, 1 \leq i \leq n \end{cases}$$

Therefore, the induced edge labels are all distinct and are  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2n - 1\}$ .

Hence  $F_n^+$  is Near Skolem Difference Mean for  $n \geq 5$ .

**Example 2.4:** The Near Skolem Difference Mean labeling of  $F_8^+$  and  $F_9^+$  are given in figure 1 and figure 2 respectively.

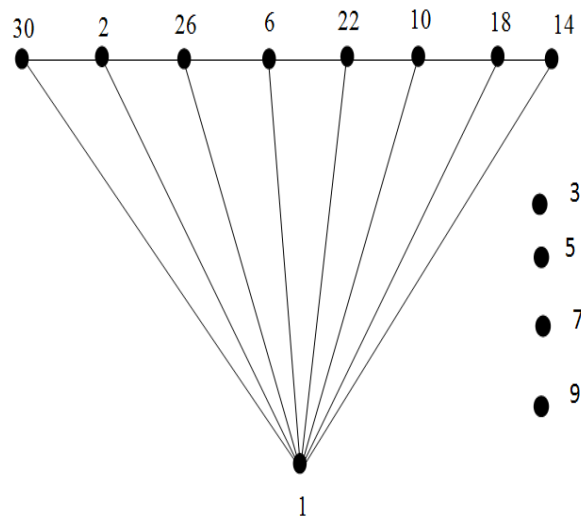


Figure 1

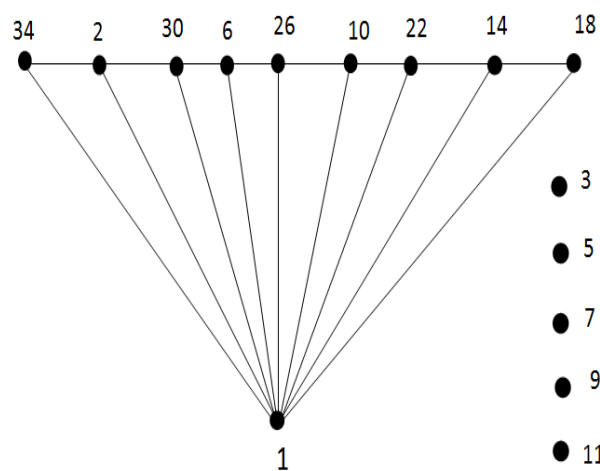


Figure 2

**Theorem 2.5:**  $V^+(G) = n - 2$ , for  $n \geq 3$ ; where  $G$  is the Jewel graph.

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be the Jewel graph with  $n \geq 3$ .

Let  $V(G) = \{u, v, x, y, w_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and  $E(G) = \{ux, vx, uy, vy, uw_i, vw_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

Then  $|V(G)| = n + 4$  and  $|E(G)| = 2n + 4$ .

Suppose,  $G$  is Near skolem difference mean for  $n \geq 3$ .

Define  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 3n + 7, 3n + 10\}$ .

Let  $uv \in E(G)$  such that  $f(u) < f(v)$ .

Then  $1 \leq f(u) < f(v) \leq 3n + 10$ ,

There are two cases:

**Case (i):** Suppose,  $\frac{|f(v)-f(u)|}{2} = 2n+4$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } f(v) &= 4n + 8 + f(u) \\ &\geq 4n + 8 + 1 \\ &= 4n + 9 \\ &> 3n + 10. \end{aligned}$$

**Case (ii):** Suppose,  $\frac{|f(v)-f(u)+1|}{2} = 2n+4$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } f(v) &= 4n + 8 + f(u) - 1 \\ &\geq 4n + 7 + 1 \\ &= 4n + 8 \\ &> 3n + 10. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, in both cases, we conclude that for any Near Skolem Difference Mean labeling of  $G$ .

$f(v) \geq 4n + 8 > 3n + 10$  as  $n \geq 3$ .

But, by definition  $f(v) \leq 3n + 10$ .

This implies the graph  $G$  is not Near Skolem Difference Mean.

Therefore, at least  $4n + 8 - (3n + 10)$  isolated vertices should be added to the graph  $G$  to make it a Near skolem difference mean graph.

Then  $V^+(G) \geq n - 2$ .

**Claim:**  $V^+(G) = n - 2$ .

Let  $G^+$  be the graph obtained from  $G$  by adding  $(n - 2)$  isolated vertices to it.

Let  $V(G^+) = \{u, v, x, y, w_i, u_j / 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq n - 2\}$  and

$E(G^+) = \{ux, uy, vx, vy, uw_i, vw_i, / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ .

Then  $|V(G^+)| = 2n + 2$  and  $|E(G^+)| = 2n + 4$ .

Let  $f: V(G^+) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 4n + 5, 4n + 8\}$  be defined as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 4n + 8. \\ f(y) &= 4n + 5. \\ f(u) &= 1. \end{aligned}$$

$f(v) = 3$ .

$f(w_i) = 4n + 5 - 4i, 1 \leq i \leq n$ .

$f(u_j) = 2i, 1 \leq j \leq n - 2$ .

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling of  $f$ . Then,

$f^*(ux) = 2n + 4$ .

$f^*(uy) = 2n + 2$ .

$f^*(vx) = 2n + 3$ .

$f^*(vy) = 2n + 1$ .

$f^*(uw_i) = 2n + 2 - 2i, 1 \leq i \leq n$ .

$f^*(vw_i) = 2n + 1 - 2i, 1 \leq i \leq n$ .

The induced edge labeling are all distinct and are  $\{1, 2, \dots, 2n + 4\}$ .

Hence, the graph  $G^+ = G \cup (n - 2)K_1$  is Near Skolem Difference Mean for  $n \geq 3$ .

**Example 2.6:** The Near Skolem Difference Mean labeling of the Jewel graph with  $n = 5$  and  $n = 6$  are given in figure 3 and figure 4 respectively.

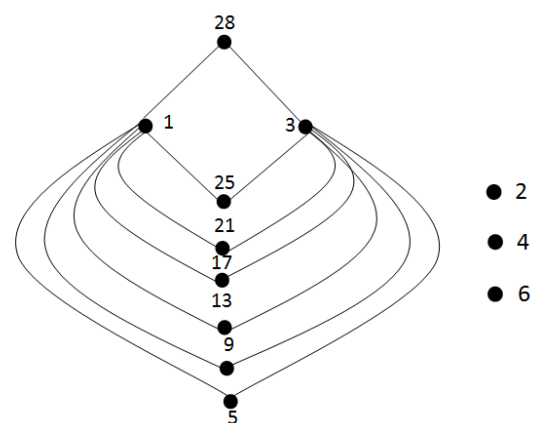


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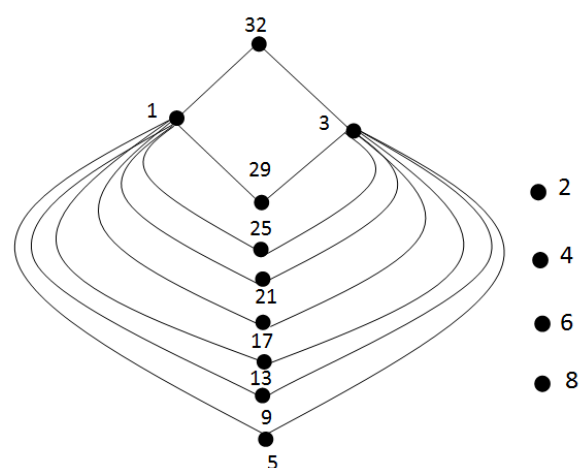


Figure 4

**Theorem 2.7:**  $V^+(O_n) = n - 4$  for  $n \geq 5$  where  $O_n$  is octopus graph.

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be the octopus graph  $O_n$ .

For  $n \leq 5$ , the graph  $G$  satisfies the condition for Near skolem difference mean. ( $p \leq q - 2$ )

Consider the graph  $G$  for  $n \geq 6$ .

Let  $V(G) = \{u_i, v_i, v / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and

$$E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, v u_j, v v_j / 1 \leq i \leq n - 1, 1 \leq j \leq n\}.$$

Hence,  $|V(G)| = 2n + 1$  and  $|E(G)| = 3n - 1$

Suppose,  $G$  is Near skolem difference mean for  $n \geq 6$ .

Define a labeling  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 5n - 1, 5n + 2\}$

Let  $uv \in E(G)$  such that  $f(u) < f(v)$ .

Then,  $1 \leq f(u) < f(v) \leq 5n + 2$  provided neither of them equals  $5n$  or  $5n + 1$ .

There are two cases:

**Case(i):** Suppose,  $\frac{|f(v)-f(u)|}{2} = 3n - 1$

This implies  $|f(v) - f(u)| = 6n - 2$ .

$$f(v) = 6n - 2 + f(u)$$

$$\geq 6n - 2 + 1$$

$$= 6n - 1$$

**Case(ii):** Suppose,  $\frac{|f(v)-f(u)|}{2} = 3n - 1$

Then  $|f(v) - f(u)| = 6n - 2 - 1$

$$f(v) = 6n - 3 + f(u)$$

$$\geq 6n - 3 + 1$$

$$= 6n - 2$$

Thus, in both cases, we concluded that for any Near skolem difference mean labeling of  $G = O_n$ ,

$$f(v) \geq 6n - 2 > 5n + 2; \text{ as } n \geq 6$$

But by definition,  $f(v) \leq 5n + 2$ .

This implies that the graph  $G$  is not Near skolem difference mean graph, therefore, in order to make  $G$  a Near skolem difference mean graphs we have to add at least  $6n - 2 - 5n - 2$  vertices to  $G$ .

Then  $V^+(G) \geq n - 4$ .

**Claim:**  $V^+(G) = n - 4$ .

Let  $G^+$  be the graph obtained by adding  $(n - 4)$  isolated vertices to  $G$ .

Let  $V(G^+) = \{u_i, v_i, v, w_j / 1 \leq i \leq n,$

$$1 \leq j \leq n - 4\}$$

and  $E(G^+) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, v u_j, v v_j / 1 \leq i \leq n - 1,$

$$1 \leq j \leq n\}.$$

Then,  $|V(G^+)| = 3n - 3$  and  $|E(G^+)| = 3n - 1$

Let  $f: V(G^+) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 6n - 5, 6n - 2\}$  be defined as follows:

There are two cases:

**Case(i) When  $n$  is odd:**

$$f(v) = 1$$

$$f(u_{2i+1}) = 6n - 2 - 4i, \quad 0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}.$$

$$f(u_{2i}) = 4i - 2, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}.$$

$$f(v_i) = 4i + 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

$$f(v_n) = 2n + 1$$

$$f(w_j) = 6n - 3 - 2j, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n - 4.$$

**Case(ii): When  $n$  is even:**

$$f(v) = 1$$

$$f(u_{2i+1}) = 6n - 2 - 4i, \quad 0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}.$$

$$f(u_{2i}) = 4i - 2, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}.$$

$$(v_i) = \begin{cases} 4i + 1, & 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} \\ 4i - 1, & \frac{n+2}{2} \leq i \leq n \end{cases}.$$

$$f(w_j) = 6n - 3 - 2j, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n - 4.$$

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling. Then,

**Case (i) When  $n$  is odd:**

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 3n - 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$$

$$f^*(v u_{2i+1}) = 3n - 1 - 2i, \quad 0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2} /$$

$$f^*(v u_{2i}) = 2i - 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}.$$

$$f^*(v v_i) = 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n - 1.$$

$$f^*(v v_n) = n,$$

**Case(ii) When  $n$  is even:**

$$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 3n - 2i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n - 1.$$

$$f^*(v u_{2i+1}) = 3n - 1 - 2i, \quad 0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}.$$

$$f^*(v u_{2i}) = 2i - 1, \quad 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}.$$

$$f^*(v v_i) = \begin{cases} 2i, & 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2} \\ 2i - 1, & \frac{n+2}{2} \leq i \leq n \end{cases}.$$

The induced edge labels are all distinct and are  $\{1, 2, \dots, 3n - 1\}$ .

Hence  $G^+$  admits Near skolem difference mean labeling.

**Example 2.8:** The Near Skolem Difference Mean labeling of  $O_8 \cup (n - 4)K_1$  and  $O_9 \cup (n - 4)K_1$  are given fig 5 and fig 6 respectively.

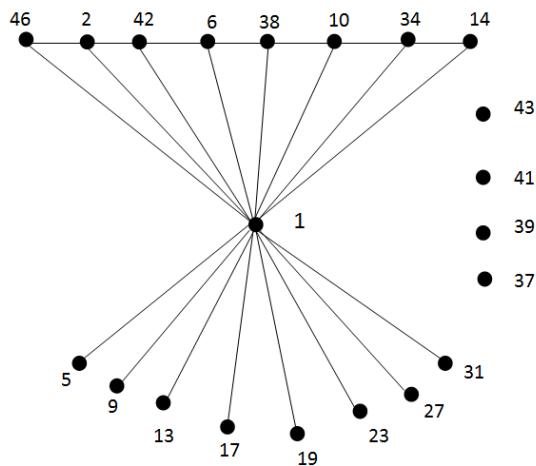


Figure 5

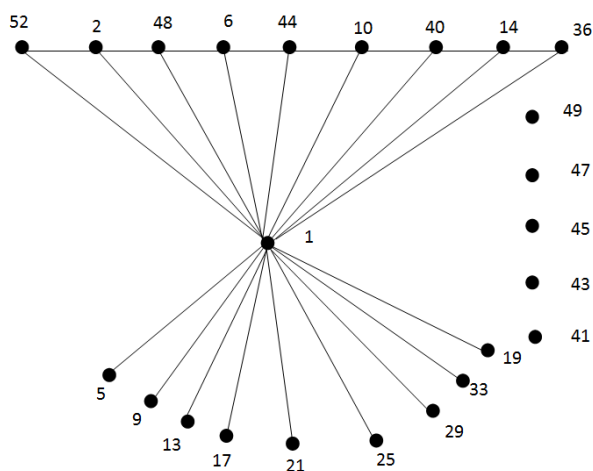


Figure 6

**Theorem 2.9:**  $V^+(Df_n) = 2n - 5$  for  $n \geq 3$ .

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be the graph  $Df_n$  with  $n \geq 3$ .

Let  $V(G) = \{v, w, u_i / 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  and

$E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, u_j v, u_j w / 1 \leq i \leq n - 1, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$ .

Then  $|V(G)| = n + 2$  and  $|E(G)| = 3n - 1$

Suppose,  $G$  is Near Skolem Difference Mean For  $n \geq 3$ .

Let  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots, 4n, 4n + 3\}$ .

Let  $uv \in E(G)$  such that  $f(u) < f(v)$ .

Then  $1 \leq f(u) < f(v) \leq 4n + 3$ .

There are two cases:

**Case(i):** Suppose,  $\frac{|f(v)-f(u)|}{2} = 3n - 1$

Then,  $f(v) = 6n - 2 + f(u_i)$   
 $\geq 6n - 2 + 1$   
 $= 6n - 1$   
 $> 4n + 3$ .

**Case (ii):** Suppose,  $\frac{|f(v)-f(u)|+1}{2} = 3n - 1$

Then,  $f(v) - f(u) = 6n - 2 - 1$

Therefore  $f(v) = 6n - 3 + f(u)$   
 $\geq 6n - 3 + 1$   
 $= 6n - 2$   
 $> 4n + 3$

Thus, in both cases, for any Near Skolem Difference Mean labeling of  $G$ ,

$f(v) \geq 6n - 2 > 4n + 3$  as  $n \geq 3$ .

But, by definition  $f(v) \leq 4n + 3$ .

This implies that the graph  $G$  is not Near Skolem Difference Mean

Therefore at least  $(6n - 2) - (4n + 3)$  isolated vertices should be added to the graph  $G$  to make it a Near skolem difference mean graph.

Then  $V^+(G) \geq 2n - 5$ .

**Claim:**  $V^+(G) = 2n - 5$ .

Let  $G^+$  be the graph obtained from  $G$  by adding  $(2n - 5)$  isolated vertices.

Let  $V(G^+) = \{v, w, u_i, x_j / 1 \leq i \leq n, 1 \leq j \leq 2n - 5\}$  and  
 $E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1}, v u_j, w u_j / 1 \leq i \leq n - 1, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$ .

Then  $|V(G)| = 3n - 3$  and  $|E(G)| = 3n - 1$

Let  $f: V(G^+) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, 6n - 5, 6n - 2\}$  be defined as follows:

**Case(i): When n is odd:**

$f(v) = 1$   
 $f(u_{2i+1}) = 4i + 2, 0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$   
 $f(u_{2i}) = 6n + 2 - 4i, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$   
 $f(w) = 4n + 1$   
 $f(x_j) = 2j + 1, 1 \leq j \leq 2n - 5$

**Case(ii) When n is even:**

$f(v) = 1$   
 $f(u_{2i+1}) = 6n - 2 - 4i, 0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}$   
 $f(u_{2i}) = 4i - 2, 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}$   
 $f(w) = 2n + 1$   
 $f(x_j) = 2j + 1, 1 \leq j \leq 2n - 5$ .

Let  $f^*$  be the induced edge labeling. Then,

**Case(i) When n is odd:**

$f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) = 3n - 2i, 1 \leq i \leq n - 1$

$$\begin{aligned}
f^*(vu_{2i+1}) &= 2i + 1, & 0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}. \\
f^*(vu_{2i}) &= 3n + 1 - 2i, & 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}. \\
f^*(wu_{2i+1}) &= 2n - 2i, & 0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}. \\
f^*(wu_{2i}) &= n + 1 - 2i, & 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-1}{2}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Case (ii) When n is even:**

$$\begin{aligned}
f^*(u_i u_{i+1}) &= 3n - 2i, & 1 \leq i \leq n - 1. \\
f^*(vu_{2i+1}) &= 3n - 1 - 2i, & 0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}. \\
f^*(vu_{2i}) &= 2i - 1, & 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}. \\
f^*(wu_{2i+1}) &= (2n + 1) - 2i; & 0 \leq i \leq \frac{n-2}{2}. \\
f^*(wu_{2i}) &= n + 2 - 2i, & 1 \leq i \leq \frac{n}{2}.
\end{aligned}$$

The induced edge labels are all distinct and are  $\{1, 2, \dots, 3n - 1\}$ .

Hence,  $G^+$  is Near skolem difference mean.

**Example 2.8:** The Near skolem difference mean of  $Df_8 \cup 11K_1$  and  $Df_9 \cup 13K_1$  are given in figure 7 and figure 8 respectively.

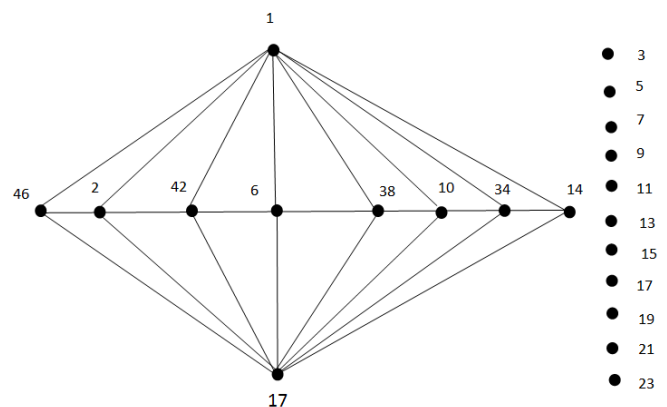
### III. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we investigated a non-Near skolem difference mean graph and introduced a new parameter to check whether addition of minimum number of vertices to G converts a non-Near skolem difference mean graph G into a Near skolem difference mean graph. We have planned to investigate this property for some special cases of graphs in our next paper.

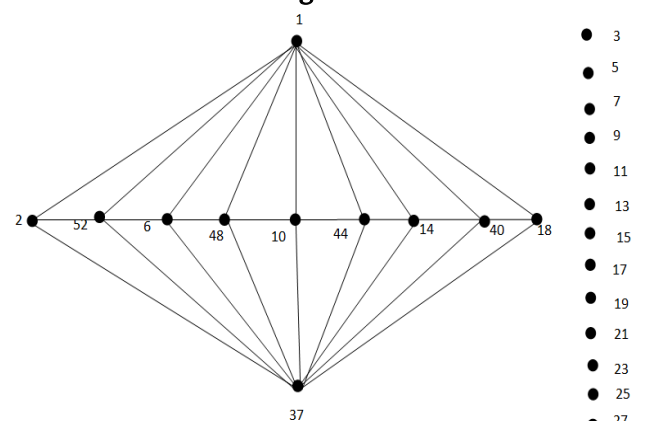
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**Figure 7**



**Figure 8**