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#### Hypergroups associated to dominating sets

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ABSTRACT. The study of hyperstructures derived from particular mathematical objects is very important and interesting. Graph theory has been established as a fundamental and important tool for solving practical problems in other branches of mathematics. This paper can be considered as one of the connections between hyperstructures and graph theory. In this way, using the dominating set notion of a graph, we define a hyperoperation on vertices of graph and study its properties and then we construct a hypergroup based on this hyperoperation. This hypergroup is presented for some classes of graphs.

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#### 1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

The theory of hyperstructures is introduced in 1934 by Marty [8]. In a classical algebraic structure, the composition of two elements is an element, while in an algebraic hyperstructure, the composition of two elements is a set. Basic definitions and propositions about the hyperstructures theory are found in [2]. Nowadays, hyperstructures are studied from the theoretical point of view because they are helpful in many subjects of pure and applied mathematics such as geometry, topology, graph and hypergraph, the theory of fuzzy sets, etc. A recent book on

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these topics is "Applications of Hyperstructure Theory" by P. Corsini and V. Leoreanu [3].

Since the last century, Graph Theory has been an important mathematical tool in different fields like Algebra, Geometry and so on. An important concept in graph theory is the study of the dominating sets in a graph. A dominating set is a subset D of the vertices set of a graph such that every vertex is either in D or adjacent to a vertex in D. Domination in graphs has been extensively researched as one of the branches of graph theory. In 1958, for the first time, the concept of the domination number of a graph was defined [1]. The studies of dominating sets in graph theory began around 1960. Domination theory has many applications in sciences and technology [4]. An excellent treatment of the fundamentals of domination can be found in the book by Haynes et. al [4]. A survey of several advanced topics in domination is given in the book by Haynes et al. [5]. The aim of this paper is to provide examples of hypergroups in graph theory by dominating sets.

#### 2. Preliminaries

Let H be a set and  $P^*(H)$  be the family of all nonempty subsets of Hand  $\circ$  a binary hyperoperation or join operation, that is  $\circ$ , is a map from  $H \times H$  to  $P^*(H)$ . If  $(a, b) \in H \times H$ , its image under  $\circ$  is denoted by  $a \circ b$ or ab. A join operation can be extended to subsets of H in a natural way so that  $A \circ B$  or AB is given by  $AB = \bigcup \{ab \mid a \in A, b \in B\}$ . The notions aA and Aa are used for  $\{a\}A$  and  $A\{a\}$  respectively. Generally, the singleton  $\{a\}$  is identified by its element a.

A hypergroupoid is a hyperstructure  $(H, \circ)$ . A hypergroupoid is called a quasihypergroup if for all  $a \in H$  we have  $a \circ H = H \circ a = H$  and it is called a semihypergroup if  $x \circ (y \circ z) = (x \circ y) \circ z, \forall x, y, z \in H$ .

**Definition 2.1.** A hypergroupoid  $(H, \circ)$  which is both a semihypergroup and a quasihypergroup is called a hypergroup.

 $H_v$ -structures are a generalization of algebraic hyperstructures such that some axioms concerning the hyperstructures like associative law, the distributive law and so on are replaced by their corresponding weak axioms [9].

**Definition 2.2.** A hypergroupoid  $(H, \circ)$  is called a  $H_v$ - semigroup and also a quasihypergroup  $(H, \circ)$  is called a  $H_v$ - group if for all  $x, y, z \in H$ ,  $x \circ (y \circ z) \cap (x \circ y) \circ z \neq \emptyset$ .

Let G be a graph with vertex set V(G) and edge set E(G). Let, for any vertex  $v \in V(G)$ ,  $N_G(v) = \{u \in V | uv \in E(G)\}$  denote the neighbours of the vertex v. A leaf of G is a vertex of degree 1, while a support vertex of G is a vertex adjacent to a leaf. A dominating set of a graph G is a set D of vertices of G such if every vertex not in D is adjacent to a vertex in D. The domination number of G, denoted by  $\gamma(G)$ , is the minimum size of dominating set of G.

For example, given the graph G shown in Figure 1. The vertex set is labeled as  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$ . A dominating set of graph G is  $D = \{3, 5\}$ .



FIGURE 1. A dominating set of graph G.

There are several different ways for computing the dominating set with cardinality  $\gamma(G)$ . Therefore, the dominating set with cardinality  $\gamma(G)$  is not unique in graph G. For example, in Figure 1, another dominating set of graph G can select  $\{1,3\}$ .

We recall the domination number for certain graphs in the following Lemma.

**Lemma 2.3.** [1] Let  $P_n$  and  $C_n$  be the path and cycle of order n, respectively. Then,

$$\gamma(P_n) = \gamma(C_n) = \lceil \frac{n}{3} \rceil.$$

#### 3. Examples on some certain graphs

In this section, we propose examples of hypergroups in dominating set theory by investigating the dominating set of two certain graphs as paths and cycles and some families of graphs, namely, Corona graph and Helm graph.

Suppose that G is a graph, V is a non-empty vertex set of V(G) and  $\mathcal{P}^*(V)$  is the set of all non-empty subsets of V(G) and D be a fixed dominating set of graph G with  $|D| = \gamma(G)$ .

We consider a map  $f: V \times V \to \mathcal{P}^*(V)$  and obtain examples of hypergroups in some certain graphs by this map.

Let graph  $P_n$  be a path of order  $n \ge 2$ . The following result is clearly for n = 2, 3.

**Example 3.1.** Let us consider  $P_2$  and  $P_3$ . We set  $D_1 = \{1\}$  and  $D_2 = \{2\}$  as dominating sets, respectively. For any couple (x, y) of vertices

of  $P_n(n = 2,3)$ , define  $f(x,y) = D_n$ . Then  $(P_2, f)$  and  $(P_3, f)$  are semihypergroups.





FIGURE 2. The labeled graph path  $P_n$ .

According to Figure 2, the set  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_n\}$  is the vertices set of path  $P_n$  of order  $n \ge 4$ . Using Lemma 2.3, since  $\gamma(P_n) = \lceil \frac{n}{3} \rceil$ , one can consider the dominating set of graph  $P_n$  for different cases of n in the following:

(i) If 
$$n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$$
, then  $D = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\lceil \frac{n}{3} \rceil - 1} \{v_{3i+2}\}$ .  
(ii) If  $n \equiv 1 \text{ or } 2 \pmod{3}$ , then  $D = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\lceil \frac{n}{3} \rceil - 1} \{v_{3i+1}\}$ 

Now, we have the following result.

### Existence of a hyperoperation via a specific dominating set in graph $P_n$ :

Let  $P_n$  be the path of order  $n \ge 4$ . Then, there is a well-defined binary hyperoperation f on the vertices set  $V(P_n)$ , such that for any  $x, y \in V(P_n), 0 < |f(x, y)| \le 2$ .

(i) Assume  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ . So  $D = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\lceil \frac{n}{3} \rceil - 1} \{v_{3i+2}\}$  is a dominating set and  $|D| = \lceil \frac{n}{3} \rceil$ . According to the structure of D, since the distance of any two vertices in D is 3, there is not any vertex in graph  $P_n$  that is adjacent to two vertices in D. Thus for any  $x, y \in V(P_n)$ , we have the following cases.

**Case 1**: If  $x, y \in D$ , then set  $f(x, y) = \{x, y\}$ .

**Case 2**: If  $x \in D$  and  $y \notin D$ , then according to the definition of D, the vertex y is dominated by just one of the vertices in D. Thus, there is the vertex  $a \in D$  in a way that a is adjacent to y. Then set,  $f(x,y) = \{x,a\}$ . If a = x, then |f(x,y)| = 1, otherwise |f(x,y)| = 2.

**Case 3**: If  $x \notin D$  and  $y \in D$ , then similar to the last case , for

 $x \notin D$  there is the vertex  $b \in D$  so that b is adjacent to x and set  $f(x, y) = \{y, b\}, 0 < |f(x, y)| \le 2$ .

**Case 4**: If  $x, y \notin D$ , then according to the definition of D, the vertex y is dominated by just one of the vertices in D like b and the vertex x is dominated by just one of the vertices in D like a, therefore set  $f(x, y) = \{a, b\}$ . If a = b, |f(x, y)| = 1, otherwise |f(x, y)| = 2.

(ii) Assume  $n \equiv 1 \text{ or } 2 \pmod{3}$ . So, consider  $D = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor - 1} \{v_{3i+1}\}$  as dominating set of  $P_n$ . We consider the above cases for this n and it is easy to show that  $0 < |f(x, y)| \le 2$ .

Therefore, the result completes.

**Example 3.2.** Let us consider the following graphs:

For both of these graphs, we consider  $D = \{v_1, v_4\}$ , therefore we obtain these tables:

TABLE 1.  $(P_4, f)$ 

f	$v_1$	$v_2$	$v_3$	$v_4$
$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$
$v_2$	$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$
$v_3$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$
$v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$

TABLE 2.  $(P_5, g)$ 

g	$v_1$	$v_2$	$v_3$	$v_4$	$v_5$
$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$
$v_2$	$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$
$v_3$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$
$v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$
$v_5$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$

It is not difficult to check that  $(P_4, f)$  and  $(P_5, g)$  are semihypergroups and  $(P_4, f|_D)$  and  $(P_5, g|_D)$  are hypergroups. We propose another certain graph. Let graph  $C_n$  be a cycle of order  $n \geq 3$  with the vertices  $v_i$  for i = 1, ..., n (see Figure 3). One can consider the dominating set of graph  $C_n$  as the set  $D = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor - 1} \{v_{3i+1}\}$ . The following result is clearly in the cycle  $C_n$  for n = 3, 4, 5.



FIGURE 3. The labeled graph path  $C_n$ .

## Existence of a hyperoperation via a specific dominating set in graph $C_n$ :

Let  $C_n$  be the cycle of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then, there is a well-defined binary hyperoperation f on the vertices set  $V(C_n)$ , such that for any  $x, y \in V(C_n)$ ,

- (i) if n = 3, 4, 5, then  $0 < |f(x, y)| \le 2$ ,
- (ii) if  $n \ge 6$  and  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , then  $0 < |f(x, y)| \le 2$ ,
- (iii) if  $n \ge 6$  and  $n \equiv 1$  or  $2 \pmod{3}$ , then  $0 < |f(x, y)| \le 3$ .

If n = 3, then according to Figure 3, consider  $D = \{v_1\}$  as dominating set and define f(x, y) = D, for any couple (x, y) of vertices of  $C_3$ . Assume n = 4, 5. In these cases, set  $D = \{v_1, v_4\}$  and according to Tables 3 and 4, f is a well defined and  $0 < |f(x, y)| \le 2$ .

TABLE 3.  $(C_4, f)$ .

f	$v_1$	$v_2$	$v_3$	$v_4$
$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$
$v_2$	$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$
$v_3$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$
$v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$

TABLE 4.  $(C_5, f)$ .

f	$v_1$	$v_2$	$v_3$	$v_4$	$v_5$
$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$
$v_2$	$v_1$	$v_1$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$
$v_3$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$	$v_1, v_4$
$v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_1, v_4$	$v_4$	$v_4$	$v_1, v_4$
$v_5$	$v_1, v_4$				

For  $n \ge 6$ , let  $D = \bigcup_{i=0}^{\left\lceil \frac{n}{3} \right\rceil - 1} \{v_{3i+1}\}$  as dominating set. Using Lemma 2.3,  $|D| = \left\lceil \frac{n}{3} \right\rceil$ .

- (ii) If  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , since the distance of any two vertices in D is 3, there is not any vertex in graph  $C_n$  that is adjacent to two vertices in D. Thus, in this case, any vertex of  $V(C_n)$  is adjacent to only one vertex of D. Therefore, it is the same as graph  $P_n$ , for different cases,  $0 < |f(x, y)| \le 2$ .
- (iii) Assume  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ . According to the definition of set D,  $\{v_1, v_n\} \in D$ . For any couple  $(v_i, v_j) \in V(C_n)$  we study the following cases.

**Case 1**: Let  $v_1, v_n \in V(C_n)$ . Then, set  $f(v_1, v_n) = \{v_1, v_n\}$ .

**Case 2:** We consider the couple  $(v_1, v_j) \in V(C_n)$  such that  $v_j \neq v_n$  or  $(v_i, v_n) \in V(C_n)$  where  $v_i \neq v_1$ . Without loss of generality, we suppose  $(v_1, v_j) \in V(C_n)$  such that  $v_j \neq v_n$ . In such a case, if  $v_j \in D$  then set,  $f(v_1, v_j) = \{v_1, v_j, v_n\}$ . Let  $v_j \notin D$  and  $v_j = v_2$ , then  $f(v_1, v_j) = \{v_1, v_n\}$ . Otherwise, there is the vertex  $a \in D$  that a is adjacent to  $v_j$ . So, we can consider the set  $f(v_1, v_j) = \{v_1, a, v_n\}$ .

**Case 3**: If  $v_i, v_j \notin D$ . Then, there are  $a, b \in D$  such that the vertices a and b dominate  $v_i$  and  $v_j$ , respectively. Then set  $f(v_i, v_j) = \{a, b\}$ . If a = b, then  $|f(v_i, v_j)| = 1$ . Otherwise,  $|f(v_i, v_j)| = 2$ .

**Case 4**: If at least one of  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  are in D, then with a similar discussion  $|f(v_i, v_j)| \le 2$ .

(iii) Assume  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . According to the definition of set D,  $\{v_1, v_{n-1}\} \in D$ . Since, for any vertex  $v_i \in V(C_n)$ , there is a vertex  $v_k \in D$  in a way that  $v_i$  is adjacent to  $v_k$ . First consider couple  $(v_i, v_n)$  for  $v_i \in V(C_n)$ . There are the following cases. **Case 1**: If  $v_i \neq v_1, v_{n-1}$ , then there is the vertex  $a \in D$  such that a is adjacent to  $v_i$ . Set,  $f(v_i, v_n) = \{v_1, v_{n-1}, a\}$ . **Case 2**: Suppose that  $v_i = v_1$  or  $v_i = v_{n-1}$ . Without loss of generality, we consider the couple  $(v_1, v_n)$ . In this case, set  $f(v_1, v_n) = \{v_1, v_{n-1}\}$ .

Other cases similar to (ii) are proved.

So, the result is completed.

**Example 3.3.** Let consider  $C_4, C_5$  and  $C_6$ . For these cycles,  $D = \{v_1, v_4\}$  is dominating set. Clearly  $(C_4, f), (C_5, f)$  and  $(C_6, f)$  are  $H_v$ -groups and  $(D, f|_D)$  in each case is a hypergroup. Also about  $C_7, C_8$  and  $C_9$ , the set  $D = \{v_1, v_4, v_7\}$  is the dominating set. It is not difficult to check that  $(C_7, f), (C_8, f)$  and  $(C_9, f)$  are semihypergroups and  $(D, f|_D)$  in each case is a hypergroup.

**Corollary 3.4.** For every  $C_n$   $(n \ge 3)$ , a dominating set is given in table 5. It is obviously for every  $C_n$ ,  $(C_n, f)$  is a  $H_v$ - semigroup and  $(D, f|_D)$  is a hypergroup. As a sample for  $C_{16}, C_{17}, C_{18}$ , the hypergroup  $(D = \{v_1, v_4, v_7, v_{10}, v_{13}, v_{16}\}, f|_D)$  is shown in table 6. By this method for every  $n \ge 3$ , we obtain a commutative hypergroup or a commutative  $H_v$ - group with n elements.

TABLE 5. The dominating sets of cycles.

D=Dominatig set
$v_1$
$v_1, v_4$
$v_1, v_4, v_7$
$v_1, v_4, v_7, v_{10}$
$v_1, v_4, v_7, v_{10}, v_{13}$
$v_1, v_4, v_7, v_{10}, v_{13}, v_{16}$
:

f	$v_1$	$v_4$	$v_7$	$v_{10}$	$v_{13}$	$v_{16}$
$v_1$	$v_1, v_{16}$	$v_1, v_4, v_{16}$	$v_1, v_7, v_{16}$	$v_1, v_{10}, v_{16}$	$v_1, v_{13}, v_{16}$	$v_1, v_{16}$
$v_4$	$v_1, v_4, v_{16}$	$v_4$	$v_4, v_7$	$v_4, v_{10}$	$v_4, v_{13}$	$v_1, v_4, v_{16}$
$v_7$	$v_1, v_7, v_{16}$	$v_4, v_7$	$v_7$	$v_7, v_{10}$	$v_7, v_{13}$	$v_1, v_7, v_{16}$
$v_{10}$	$v_1, v_{10}, v_{16}$	$v_4, v_{10}$	$v_7, v_{10}$	$v_{10}$	$v_{10}, v_{13}$	$v_1, v_{10}, v_{16}$
$v_{13}$	$v_1, v_{13}, v_{16}$	$v_4, v_{13}$	$v_7, v_{13}$	$v_{10}, v_{13}$	$v_{13}$	$v_1, v_{13}, v_{16}$
$v_{16}$	$v_1, v_{16}$	$v_1, v_4, v_{16}$	$v_1, v_7, v_{16}$	$v_1, v_{10}, v_{16}$	$v_1, v_{13}, v_{16}$	$v_1, v_{16}$

TABLE 6. The hypergroup derived of  $C_{16}$ .

The Corona of two graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is the graph  $G = G_1 \circ G_2$  formed from one copy of  $G_1$  and  $|V(G_1)|$  copies of  $G_2$ , where the *i*th vertex of  $G_1$  is adjacent to every vertex in the *i*th copy of  $G_2$ . The Corona  $G \circ K_1$ , in particular, is the graph constructed from a copy of G, where for each vertex  $v \in V(G)$ , a new vertex v' and a pendant edge vv' are added [6]. We consider the Corona graph  $P_n \circ K_1$ .



FIGURE 4. The labeled graph  $P_n \circ K_1$ .

Existence of a hyperoperation via a specific dominating set in graph  $P_n \circ K_1$ :

Let  $G_n$  be the Corona  $P_n \circ K_1$  for  $n \ge 6$ . Then, there is a well-defined binary hyperoperation f on the vertices set  $P_n \circ K_1$ , such that for any  $x, y \in V(P_n \circ K_1), \ 2 \le |f(x, y)| \le 6$ .

According to Figure 4, the vertices of the graph  $G_n$  are labeled with  $v_i$  for i = 1, 2, ..., 2n so that the graph  $G_n$  contains n vertices leaves. Since all of the vertices of degree 1 must be dominated by the dominating set, one can select the set  $D = \{v_1, v_2, ..., v_n\}$  as the dominating set of the graph  $G_n$ . It is clear to see that |D| = n. For every couple (x, y) of  $V(G_n)$ , there are the following cases.

**Case 1**: If  $x, y \notin D$ , then the vertices x and y are end-vertices of

two different pendant edges. So, there are the vertices  $a, b \in D$  that dominate these two vertices. Then set,  $f(x, y) = \{a, b\}$ .

**Case 2:** If  $x \notin D$  (or  $y \notin D$ ) and  $y \in D$  (or  $x \in D$ ). Then f(x, y) contains y (or x) and all neighbours of x, y that are in D. It is easy to investigate for different cases of the position of vertex y (or x)  $\in D$  on the path  $P_n$  and the number of common neighbours of x and y in D, |f(x, y)| = 2, 3, or 4

**Case 3:** If  $x, y \in D$ , f(x, y) contains x, y and all neighbours of x, y that are in D. Then according to neighbours of vertices x and y on the path  $P_n$ , there are the following cases.

- (i) If  $x = v_1$  and  $y = v_n$  and x and y don't have any common neighbours, then |f(x, y)| = 4.
- (ii) If  $x \neq v_1$  or  $y \neq v_n$  and x and y have common neighbours, then |f(x, y)| = 5.
- (iii) If  $x \neq v_1$  and  $y \neq v_n$  and x and y don't have any common neighbours, then |f(x, y)| = 6.

For other cases, it is easy to see that  $2 \le |f(x, y)| \le 6$ . This completes the proof.

If we apply this method for the vertices set  $V(P_n \circ K_1)$  where  $2 \le n \le 5$ , then for couple  $(x, y) \in V(P_n \circ K_1), 2 \le |f(x, y)| \le 5$ .

**Example 3.5.** Let  $G_n$  be the Corona  $P_n \circ K_1$ . The dominating set for every  $G_n (n \in \mathbb{N})$ , is given in table 7. It is easy to check, every  $(G_n, f)$  is a quasi-hypergroup and  $(D, f|_D)$  is a  $H_v$ -hypergroup. As a sample for  $G_6$ , the  $H_v$ -group  $(D = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6\}, f|_D)$  is shown in table 8. By this method for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we obtain a commutative  $H_v$ -group or a hypergroup with n elements.

TABLE 7. The dominating sets of Corona graphs.

Corona graphs	D= Dominatig set
$G_1$	$v_1$
$G_2$	$v_1, v_2$
$G_3$	$v_1, v_2, v_3$
	:
$G_n$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, \ldots, v_n$

Now, we consider another family of graphs as the Helm graph. The helm graph  $H_n$  is the graph obtained from a wheel graph with n vertices

f	$v_1$	$v_2$	$v_3$	$v_4$	$v_5$	$v_6$
$v_1$	$v_1, v_2$	$v_1, v_2, v_3$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5$	$v_1, v_2, v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_1, v_2, v_5, v_6$
$v_2$	$v_1, v_2, v_3$	$v_1, v_2, v_3$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_5, v_6$
$v_3$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4$	$v_2, v_3, v_4$	$v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5$	$v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$
$v_4$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5$	$v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5$	$v_3, v_4, v_5$	$v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$
$v_5$	$v_1, v_2, v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_4, v_5, v_6$
$v_6$	$v_1, v_2, v_5, v_6$	$v_1, v_2, v_3, v_5, v_6$	$v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_4, v_5, v_6$	$v_5, v_6$

TABLE 8. The hypergroup derived of  $G_6$ .

by adjoining a pendant edge at each vertex of the cycle [7]. According to Figure 5, vertices of  $H_n$  are labeled with  $v_i$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 2n - 1$  in a way that graph  $H_n$  contains n - 1 leaves, cycle  $C_{n-1}$  and the central vertex  $v_{2n-1}$ .



FIGURE 5. The labeled graph  $H_n$ .

At first, we obtain the domination number of graph  ${\cal H}_n$  in following Lemma.

**Lemma 3.6.** Let  $H_n$  be Helm graph. Then, the domination number of  $H_n$  equals:

$$\gamma(H_n) = n - 1.$$

*Proof.* Let  $H_n$  be Helm graph of order 2n - 1 with the set L contains n - 1 leaves with the vertices  $\{v_1, \ldots, v_{n-1}\}$ , cycle  $C_{n-1}$  with the vertices set  $\{v_n, \ldots, v_{2n-2}\}$  and the central vertex  $v_{2n-1}$  and also D be the dominating set of graph  $H_n$ . So, one can select the set  $\{v_n, \ldots, v_{2n-2}\}$  on cycle  $C_{n-1}$  of graph  $H_n$  as the dominating set. Thus,  $|D| \le n - 1$ . Assume,  $|D| \le n - 2$ . Since graph  $H_n$  contains n - 1 leaves, there is at least one leaf in the graph that cannot be dominated by D. Thus, it is a contradiction and we have |D| = n - 1.

According to the definition of map f, we have the following result.

# Existence of a hyperoperation via a specific dominating set in graph $H_n$ :

Let  $H_n$  be the helm graph of order 2n - 1 for  $n \ge 4$ . Then, there is a well-defined map f on the vertices set of  $H_n$  such that for  $x, y \in H_n$ ,  $0 < |f(x, y)| \le n - 1$ .

For every couple (x, y) of  $V(H_n)$ , there are the following cases.

**Case 1**: If  $x, y \in D$ , then f(x, y) contains x, y and all of neighbours of x and y that are in D.

**Case 2:** If  $x \in D$  (or  $y \in D$ ) and  $y \notin D$  (or  $x \notin D$ ), then f(x, y) contains x(or y) and all of neighbours of x and y that are in D.

**Case 3**: If  $x, y \notin D$ , then f(x, y) contains all of neighbours of x and y that are in D.

On the other hand, for couple  $(v_{2n-1}, v_i)$  that  $v_i \in V(H_n)$ , we consider  $f(v_{2n-1}, v_i) = \{v_n, \ldots, v_{2n-2}\} = D$ . Because the central vertex  $v_{2n-1}$  is adjacent to all of the vertices on  $C_{n-1}$  in graph  $H_n$ . Thus  $|f(v_{2n-1}, v_i)| = n-1$ .

Using this procedure, we present some examples of hyperstructures by a map f on the vertices set of graph  $H_n$ .

**Example 3.7.** The dominating set for  $H_n (n \ge 4)$  is given in table 9. It is easy to check, every  $(H_n, f)$  is a  $H_v$ - semigroup, and  $(D, f|_D)$  is a hypergroup.

TABLE 9. The dominating sets of  $H_n$ .

Helm graphs	D= Dominatig set
$H_4$	$v_4, v_5, v_6$
$H_5$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$
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$H_n$	$v_n, v_{n+1}, \ldots, v_{2n-2}$

As a sample we consider the Helm graph  $H_5$ . There is 9 vertices,  $V = \{v_i : 1 \le i \le 9\}$ , and in this case  $D = \{v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8\}$  and |D| = 4. The hypergroup  $(D = \{v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8\}, f|_D)$  is shown in table 10. By this method for every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we obtain a commutative hypergroup or a commutative  $H_v$ - group with n elements.

TABLE 10. The hypergroup derived of  $H_5$ .

f	$v_5$	$v_6$	$v_7$	$v_8$
$v_5$	$v_5, v_6, v_8$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$
$v_6$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$	$v_5, v_6, v_7$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$
$v_7$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$	$v_6, v_7, v_8$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$
$v_8$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$	$v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8$	$v_5, v_7, v_8$

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