



CONNECTED MAJORITY DOMINATION ON PRODUCT GRAPHS

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Abstract: This paper contributes a connected majority dominating set of a product graph G . A connected majority domination number $\gamma_{CM}(G)$ is determined for some product graphs such as Grid, Cylinder and Torus. Next we study connected majority dominating sets for generalized Petersen graphs and bounds of $\gamma_{CM}(G)$ are also established.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Definition 1.1 [2] Let G be a finite and simple graph with a vertex set $V(G)$ and an edge set $E(G)$. Then $|V(G)| = p$ and $|E(G)| = q$. A subset S of $V(G)$ is said to be a **dominating set** of G if every vertex in $(V-S)$ is adjacent to at least one vertex in S . A dominating set is called **minimal dominating set** if no proper subset of S is a dominating set. The minimum cardinality of the minimal dominating set of G is called the **domination number** of G , denoted by $\gamma(G)$.

Definition 1.2 [1] A dominating set S is said to be a **connected dominating set** if the subgraph (S) induced by S is connected in G . A connected dominating set S is minimal if no proper subset of S is a connected dominating set. The minimum cardinality of the minimal connected dominating set of G is called the **connected domination number**, denoted by $\gamma_c(G)$.

Definition 1.3 [5] A subset S of $V(G)$ is said to be a **Majority Dominating Set (MDS)** if at least half of the vertices of $V(G)$ are either in S or adjacent to elements of S . A majority dominating set S is minimal if no proper subset of S is a majority dominating set. The minimum cardinality of a minimal majority dominating set is called **majority domination number**, denoted by $\gamma_M(G)$.

Definition 1.4 [6] A vertex v is called **majority dominating vertex** if the degree of v , $d(v) \geq \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor - 1$. For $S \subseteq V(G)$, a vertex $v \in S$ is called an **enclave** of S if $N[v] \subseteq S$ and $v \in S$ is an **isolate** of S if $N(v) \subseteq V - S$.

Definition 1.5 [4] A subset $S \subseteq V(G)$ is a **Connected Majority Dominating set (CMDS)** if

- (i) S is a majority dominating set and
- (ii) the subgraph (S) induced by S is connected in G .

The connected majority dominating set S is minimal if no proper subset of S is a connected majority dominating set. The minimum cardinality of a minimal connected majority dominating set is called the **connected majority domination number** and is denoted by $\gamma_{CM}(G)$. The maximum cardinality of a **minimal connected majority dominating set** of G is called **upper connected majority domination number** of G , denoted by $\Gamma_{CM}(G)$.

Theorem 1.6 [4] Let S be a Connected Majority Dominating (CMD) set of a graph G . Then S is minimal if and only if for every vertex $v \in S$, either the condition (i) or the condition (ii) holds.

- (i) $|N[S]| = \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$, then either v is an enclave of S or $pn[v,S] \cap (V - S) \neq \emptyset$ and (S) is connected.
- (ii) $|N[S]| > \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$, then $|pn[v,S]| > |N[S]| - \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$ and (S) is connected.

II. CMD NUMBER FOR GRID GRAPHS

Definition 2.1 [7] Let G and H be any two connected graphs with the vertex set (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n) and (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n) respectively. The **(Cartesian) product graph** $K = G \times H$ has $V(K) = V(G) \times V(H)$ and vertices (u_1, v_1) and (u_2, v_2) in $V(K)$ are adjacent if and only if either $u_1 = u_2$ and $v_1 v_2 \in E(H)$ or $v_1 = v_2$ and $u_1 u_2 \in E(G)$. The **grid** is $P_i \times P_j$; the **cylinder** is $C_i \times P_j$, for $i \geq 3$ and $j \geq 3$; and the **torus** $C_i \times C_j$, for $i \geq 3$ and $j \geq 3$.

Theorem 2.2

$$\text{For a grid } G = P_2 \times P_j, j \geq 3, \\ \gamma_{CM}(G) = \begin{cases} \lfloor \frac{p}{4} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \text{ is odd} \\ \lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

Proof: Consider the grid graph $G = P_2 \times P_j$ (ladder graph) with vertex sets $\{v_{11}, v_{12}, \dots, v_{1j}\}$ in the first row and $\{v_{21}, v_{22}, \dots, v_{2j}\}$ in the second row respectively.

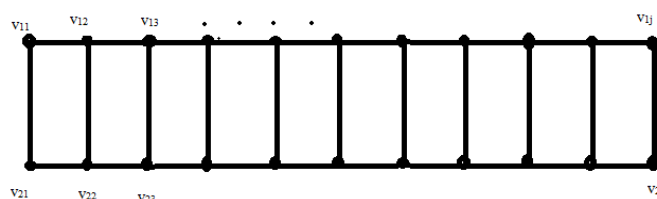


Figure 1. $G = P_2 \times P_j$

Case (i): Let j be odd. Consider the subset S of $V(G)$ as follows $S = \{v_{12}, v_{13}, \dots, v_{1t}\}$ with $|S| = \lfloor \frac{p}{4} \rfloor = t$.
 $|N[S]| = \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{p}{4} \rfloor} d(v_{1i}) - (|S| - 2) = \frac{p}{2} + 2 > \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$. $\Rightarrow S$ is a MD set of G . Since every vertex of S is of distance one, the induced subgraph $\langle S \rangle$ of S is connected. Hence, S is a CMD set of G .

$$\therefore \gamma_{CM}(G) \leq |S| = \lfloor \frac{p}{4} \rfloor \tag{1}$$

Let $S' = S - \{v\}$ with $|S'| = \lfloor \frac{p}{4} \rfloor - 1$. Then
 $|N[S']| = \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{p}{4} \rfloor - 1} d(v_{1i}) - (|S'| - 1) = \frac{p}{2} - 1 < \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor \Rightarrow S'$
 would not be a MD set of G . $\therefore \gamma_{CM}(G) > |S'| = \lfloor \frac{p}{4} \rfloor - 1$.
 Then

$$\gamma_{CM}(G) \geq \lfloor \frac{p}{4} \rfloor \tag{2}$$

From (1) and (2), we get $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \lfloor \frac{p}{4} \rfloor$, if j is odd

Case (ii): Let j be even. Choose first row vertices from $V(G)$ and form the subset as $S = \{v_{12}, v_{13}, \dots, v_{1t}\}$ with the size $|S| = \lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \rfloor$.

$$\text{Now, } |N[S]| = \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \rfloor} d(v_{1i}) - (|S| - 2) = 2 \lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \rfloor + 2 > \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$$

$\Rightarrow S$ is a MD set of G . Since every vertex of S is of distance one, the induced subgraph $\langle S \rangle$ of S is connected. Hence, S is a CMD set of G .

$$\therefore \gamma_{CM}(G) \leq |S| = \lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \rfloor \tag{3}$$

Applying the same argument as in case (i) we get,

$$\gamma_{CM}(G) \geq \lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \rfloor \tag{4}$$

From (3) and (4), we get $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \rfloor$ if j is even.

Theorem 2.3

For a grid $G = P_3 \times P_j$, $j \geq 3$, $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$

Proof: Consider the grid graph $G = P_3 \times P_j$, $j \geq 3$. Let $V(G) = \{v_{11}, v_{12}, \dots, v_{1j}, v_{21}, v_{22}, \dots, v_{2j}, v_{31}, v_{32}, \dots, v_{3j}\}$ and it forms I row, II row and III row respectively for G . Form a subset of $V(G)$ as $S = \{v_{22}, v_{23}, \dots, v_{2t}\}$ with $|S| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$. Since each vertex of S covers 3 vertices vertically, but the first and last vertices of S cover 4 vertices.

$\therefore |N[S]| = 3|S| + 2 \geq \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$. Hence, S is a MD set. Since every vertex of S is of distance one, the induced subgraph $\langle S \rangle$ of S is connected. $\Rightarrow S$ is a CMD set of G .

Now,

$$\gamma_{CM}(G) \leq |S| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor \tag{1}$$

Let $S' = S - \{v\}$ with $|S'| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor - 1$.

Now $|N[S']| = 3|S'| - 3 + 2 = \frac{p}{2} - 1 < \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor \Rightarrow S'$ would not be a MD set of G .

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \gamma_{CM}(G) &> |S'| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor - 1 \\ \Rightarrow \gamma_{CM}(G) &\geq \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

From (1) and (2), we obtain $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$.

Corollary 2.4

For a grid $G = P_4 \times P_j$, $j \geq 4$, $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$.

Theorem 2.5

For a grid $G = P_5 \times P_j$, $j \geq 5$,

$$\gamma_{CM}(G) = \begin{cases} \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \equiv 0 \pmod{6} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \equiv 2,3,4,5 \pmod{6} \end{cases}$$

Proof: Consider the grid graph $G = P_5 \times P_j$, $j \geq 5$, with $V(G) = \{v_{11}, \dots, v_{1j}, v_{21}, \dots, v_{2j}, v_{31}, \dots, v_{3j}, v_{41}, \dots, v_{4j}, v_{51}, \dots, v_{5j}\}$ and it contains 5 rows.

Case (i): Let $j \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$. Consider the set $S = \{v_{21}, v_{22}, \dots\}$ with $|S| = \frac{p}{6}$.

Now, $|N[S]| = 3|S| + 2 = \frac{p}{2} + 2 \geq \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$. $\therefore S$ is a majority dominating set of G . Since every vertex of S is of distance one, the induced subgraph $\langle S \rangle$ of S is connected. $\therefore S$ is a connected majority dominating set of G . Then $\gamma_{CM}(G) \leq |S| = \frac{p}{6}$ (1)

Suppose, let $S' = S - \{v\}$ with $|S'| = \frac{p}{6} - 1$.

Then $|N[S']| = 3|S'| - 3 = \frac{p}{2} - 6 < \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor \Rightarrow S'$ would not be a MD set of G and $\therefore \gamma_{CM}(G) > |S'| = \frac{p}{6} - 1$. Hence

$$\gamma_{CM}(G) \geq \frac{p}{6} \tag{2}$$

From (1) and (2) we get,
 $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \frac{p}{6}$, if $j \equiv 0 \pmod{6}$.

Case (ii): Let $j \equiv 1 \pmod{6}$. Consider the set $S = \{v_{22}, v_{23}, \dots\}$ with $|S| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$. Now,

$|N[S]| = 3|S| + 2 = 3 \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor + 2 = \frac{p}{2} + 2 \geq \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$. $\Rightarrow S$ is a MD set of G . Since every vertex of S is of distance one, S is a CMD set of G . Then

$$\gamma_{CM}(G) < |S| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor \tag{3}$$

Suppose $S' = S - \{v\}$ with $|S'| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor - 1$. Applying the same argument as in case (i), we get S' would not be a MD set of G .

$$\therefore \gamma_{CM}(G) > |S'| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor - 1 \tag{4}$$

From (3) and (4) we get,

$$\gamma_{CM}(G) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor, \text{ if } j \equiv 1 \pmod{6}.$$

Case(iii): Let $j \equiv 2,3,4,5 \pmod{6}$. Consider the set $S = \{v_{22}, v_{23}, \dots\}$ with $|S| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$. Now

$|N[S]| = 3|S| + 2 = \frac{p}{2} + 2 > \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$. $\Rightarrow S$ is a MD set of G . Since every vertex of S is of distance one, S is a CMD set of G .

$$\therefore \gamma_{CM}(G) \leq |S| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor \tag{5}$$

Applying the same argument as in case (i), we get,
 $\gamma_{CM}(G) \geq \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$ (6)

From (5) and (6) we get,
 $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$, if $j \equiv 2,3,4,5 \pmod{6}$.

Corollary 2.6

For a grid $G = P_6 \times P_j$, $j \geq 6$,

$$\gamma_{CM}(G) = \begin{cases} \frac{p}{6}, & \text{if } j \equiv 0 \pmod{6} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \equiv 1,5 \pmod{6} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \equiv 2,3,4 \pmod{6} \end{cases}$$

III. CMD NUMBER FOR CYLINDER AND TORUS GRAPHS

Proposition 3.1

1. For a Cylinder $G = C_3 \times P_j$,
 $\gamma_{CM}(C_3 \times P_j) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$ for $j \geq 2$.
2. For a Torus $G = C_3 \times C_j$, $\gamma_{CM}(C_3 \times C_j) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$ for $j \geq 3$

Proof:

1. Let $G = C_3 \times P_j$, $j \geq 2$. Let $V(G) = \{v_{11}, v_{12}, \dots, v_{1j}, v_{21}, v_{22}, \dots, v_{2j}, v_{31}, \dots, v_{3j}\}$. Consider a subset S of V(G) such that $S = \{v_{12}, v_{13}, \dots, v_{1t}\}$ with $|S| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$. Then $|N[S]| = \sum_{j=1}^t d(v_{1j}) - |S| + 2 = 3 \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor + 2 > \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$. \Rightarrow S is a MD set of G. Since every vertex of S is of distance one, S is a CMD set of G. Then applying the same argument as in Theorem 2.3, we get $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$.

2. Let $G = C_3 \times C_j$, $j \geq 3$ be the 4-regular graph. Let $V(G) = \{v_{11}, v_{12}, \dots, v_{1j}, v_{21}, v_{22}, \dots, v_{2j}, v_{31}, \dots, v_{3j}\}$. Consider the set $S \subseteq V(G)$ as $S = \{v_{12}, v_{13}, \dots, v_{1t}\}$ with $|S| = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$. Then $|N[S]| = \sum_{j=1}^t d(v_{1j}) - |S| + 2 = 3 \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor + 2 > \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor$. Applying the same argument as in Theorem 2.3, we get $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$.

Example 3.2 Consider the graph $G = C_3 \times P_5$. Here $|V(G)| = p = 15$, $S = \{v_{12}, v_{13}\}$ is a CMD set of G. Hence,
 $\therefore \gamma_{CM}(G) = 2 = \lfloor \frac{15}{6} \rfloor$

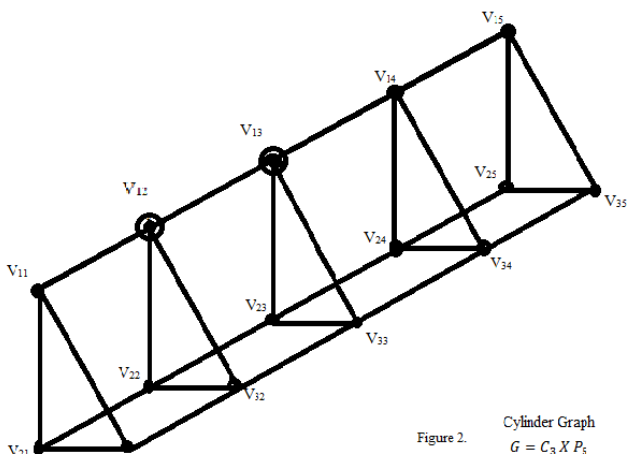


Figure 2. Cylinder Graph $G = C_3 \times P_5$

Example 3.3 Consider the graph $G = C_3 \times C_5$. Here $|V(G)| = p = 15$, $S = \{v_{11}, v_{12}\}$ is a CMD set of G. Hence,
 $\therefore \gamma_{CM}(G) = 2 = \lfloor \frac{15}{6} \rfloor$

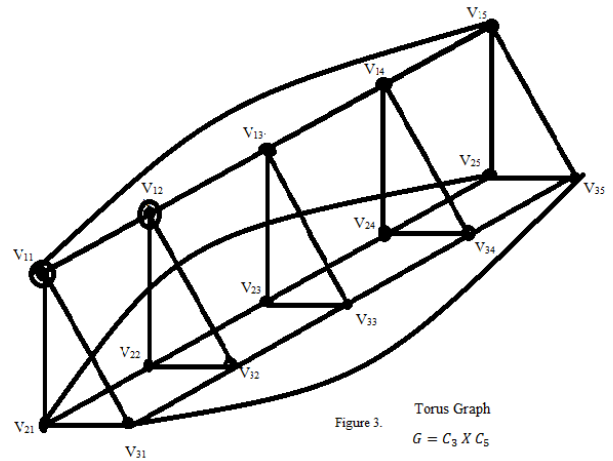


Figure 3. Torus Graph $G = C_3 \times C_5$

Corollary 3.4

1. For a cylinder $G = C_4 \times P_j$,
 $\gamma_{CM}(C_4 \times P_j) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$ for $j \geq 2$.
2. For a Torus $G = C_4 \times C_j$,
 $\gamma_{CM}(C_4 \times C_j) = \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor$ for $j \geq 3$.

Proposition 3.5

1. For a cylinder $G = C_5 \times P_j$, $j \geq 5$,

$$\gamma_{CM}(G) = \begin{cases} \frac{p}{6}, & \text{if } j \equiv 0 \pmod{6} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \equiv 2,3,4,5 \pmod{6} \end{cases}$$
2. For a Torus $G = C_5 \times C_j$, $j \geq 5$,

$$\gamma_{CM}(G) = \begin{cases} \frac{p}{6}, & \text{if } j \equiv 0 \pmod{6} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \equiv 1 \pmod{6} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{6} \rfloor, & \text{if } j \equiv 2,3,4,5 \pmod{6} \end{cases}$$

IV. CMD NUMBER FOR GENERALIZED PETERSEN GRAPH

Result 4.1 For a Petersen graph with $p = 10$, $q = 15$,
 $\therefore \gamma_{CM}(G) = 2 = \lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \rfloor$.

Definition 4.2 For each $n \geq 3$ and $0 < k < n$, $P(n, k)$ denotes the Generalized Petersen graph with vertex set $V(G) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ and the edge set $E(G) = \{u_i u_{i+1 \pmod n}, u_i v_i, v_i v_{i+k \pmod n}\}$, $1 \leq i \leq n$.

Theorem 4.3 For a generalized Petersen graph $G = P(n, 1)$,
 $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - 1$.

Proof: Let us consider the vertices of the generalized Petersen graph $G = P(n, 1)$ can be partitioned into two sets V_1 and V_2 such that $V = V_1 \cup V_2$ where the inner polygon has the vertex set as $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ and the outer polygon has the vertex set as $V_2 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$.

Let $|V(G)| = p = 2n$. Consider the set $S \subseteq V$ such that $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - 1}\}$ with $|S| = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - 1$ or $|S| = \lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \rfloor$.

Now, let $|N[S]| = \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - 1} d(v_i) - (|S| - 2) = 2 \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor - 1 \right) + 2 = \lfloor n \rfloor \geq \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor$

$\therefore S$ is a MD set of G .

Since every vertex of S are of distance one, S is a CMD set of G .

$\gamma_{CM}(G) \leq |S| = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$ (1)

Now, let $S' = S - \{v\}$ with $|S'| = \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor - 1 \right) - 1$. Then,

$|N[S']| = \sum_{i=1}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor - 2} d(v_i) - (|S'| - 2) = 2 \left(\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor - 2 \right) + 2 = n - 2 < \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor$.

$\therefore S'$ would not be a MD set of G .

$\Rightarrow \gamma_{CM}(G) > |S'| = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor - 2$ (2)

From (1) and (2) we get,

$\gamma_{CM}(G) = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$ or $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \left\lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \right\rfloor$.

Corollary 4.4 For a generalized Petersen graph $G = P(n, 2)$, $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \left\lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \right\rfloor$.

Corollary 4.5 For a generalized Petersen graph $G = P(n, 3)$, $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \left\lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \right\rfloor$.

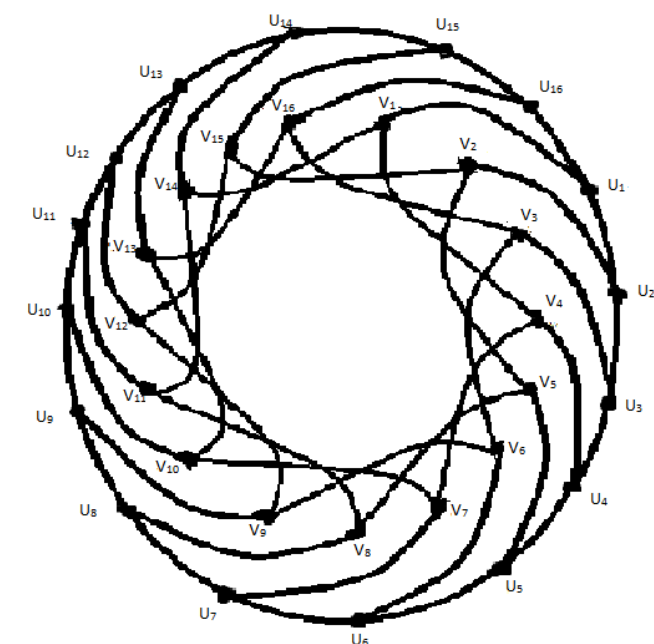


Figure 4. Generalised Petersen Graph $G = P(16,3)$

Corollary 4.6 For cubic graphs Grinberge and Tutte graph with $p = 46$, the CMD number for these graphs are $\gamma_{CM}(G) = 11 = \left\lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \right\rfloor$.

Corollary 4.7 For all cubic graphs the CMD number $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \left\lfloor \frac{p-1}{4} \right\rfloor$.

V. BOUNDS FOR $\gamma_{CM}(G)$

Proposition 5.1 Let H be a connected spanning subgraph of a graph G . Then $\gamma_{CM}(G) \leq \gamma_{CM}(H)$.

Proposition 5.2 For any tree G with $p \geq 3$ vertices, $\left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor - e \leq \gamma_{CM}(G) \leq p - e$.

Proof Let G be a tree of order $p \geq 3$ with e end vertices.

Case(i): If the graph G has the end vertices $e < \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor$, then $\gamma_{CM}(G) = \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor - e$.

Case(ii): If the graph G has the end vertices $e \geq \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor$, then $\gamma_{CM}(G) \leq p - e$.

The bounds are sharp. For example, let $G = S(K_{1,10})$. Then $\gamma_{CM}(G) = 1 = \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor - e$.

And let $G = K_{1,10}$. Then $\gamma_{CM}(G) = 1 = p - e$.

Corollary 5.3 For a product graph, the lower and upper bounds are $\left\lfloor \frac{p}{6} \right\rfloor \leq \gamma_{CM}(G) \leq \left\lfloor \frac{p}{4} \right\rfloor$. These bounds are sharp.

For example, 1. Let $G = P_2 \times P_{13}$. Then $\gamma_{CM}(G) = 6 = \left\lfloor \frac{p}{4} \right\rfloor$.

2. Let $G = C_4 \times P_7$. Then $\gamma_{CM}(G) = 4 = \left\lfloor \frac{p}{6} \right\rfloor$.

Proposition 5.4 For any graph G , $\gamma_M(G) \leq \gamma_{CM}(G) \leq \gamma_C(G)$. For example, 1. let $G = K_p$, a Complete graph of $p \geq 2$. Then $\gamma_M(G) = \gamma_{CM}(G) = \gamma_C(G)$.

2. For a Caterpillar G , with $p = 22$, $\gamma_M(G) = 3, \gamma_{CM}(G) = 5$ and $\gamma_C(G) = 11$. Hence we get the inequality as $\gamma_M(G) < \gamma_{CM}(G) < \gamma_C(G)$.

VI. CONCLUSION

In this article, researcher thus introduced and discussed a new type of Domination parameter of a graph G . Connected Majority Domination number $\gamma_{CM}(G)$ is defined and it is determined for some classes of product graphs. Then bounds of $\gamma_{CM}(G)$ and Connected Majority Domination number for generalized Petersen graph are also established.

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