

ON THE K-METRO DOMINATION NUMBER OF CARTESIAN PRODUCT OF P_2XP_n

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ABSTRACT

A dominating set D of a graph $G = G(V, E)$ is called metro dominating set G if for every pair of vertices u, v there exists a vertex w in D such that $d(u, w) \neq d(v, w)$. The k - metro domination number of Cartesian product of P_2XP_n ($\gamma_{\beta_k}(P_2XP_n)$), is the order of smallest k - dominating set of P_2XP_n which resolves as a metric set. In this paper we calculate the k - metro domination number of Cartesian product of P_2XP_n .

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INTRODUCTION

Let $G(V, E)$ be a graph. A subset of vertices $D \subseteq V$ is called a dominating set (γ - set) if every vertex $V - D$ adjacent to at least one vertex in D . The minimum cardinality of dominating set is called domination number of the graph G and it is denoted by $\gamma(G)$.

The metric dimension of a graph G is denoted by $\beta(G)$, is defined as the cardinality of a minimal subset $S \subseteq V$ having the property that for each pair of vertices u, v in G there exists a vertex in w in S such that $d(u, w) \neq d(v, w)$, the coordinate of each vertex v of $V(G)$ with respect of each landmark u_i belongs to S is defined as usual with i^{th} component of v as $d(u, v_i)$ for each i and is of dimension $\beta(G)$.

Metro domination number introduced by B.Sooranaraya and Raghunath.P [8]. Fink and Je-cobson [11] in 1985 introduced the concept of multiple domination. A subset D of $V(G)$ is k - dominating in G if every vertex of $V - D$ has at least k neighbours in D . The cardinality of minimum k -dominating set is called k -domination number of G and is denoted by $\gamma_k(G)$.

A dominating set D of a graph $G(V, E)$ is called metro dominating set of G if for each pair of vertices u, v there exists a vertex w in D such that $d(u, w) \neq d(v, w)$. For example: The set of darkened vertices of the graph G , of figure1, is 2-metro dominating set and hence $\gamma_{\beta_2}(G) = 3$.

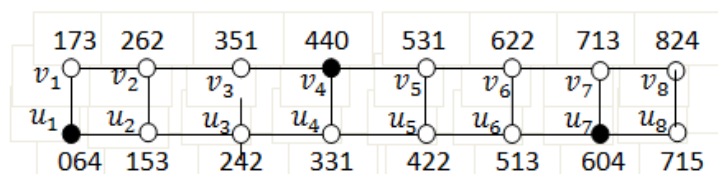


Figure – 1: $\gamma_{\beta_2}(P_2XP_8) = 3$.

Theorem: 1.1(3). For all $m \geq 2$ and $n \geq 3$ we have that $\beta(P_mXP_n)$ is 2 if n is odd, and 3 if n is even.

Theorem: 1.2(2). Let $K \geq 1$ then $\gamma_k(P_2XP_n) = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2k} + 1 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{2k} \\ \lceil \frac{n}{2k} \rceil & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$

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2. OUR RESULTS

Theorem 2.1: For all $m, n, \gamma_{\beta_2}(P_2XP_n) = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{3} \right\rceil, n \geq 7$.

Theorem 2.2: For all $m, n, \gamma_{\beta_3}(P_2XP_n) = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{4} \right\rceil, n \geq 9$.

Theorem 2.3: For all $m, n, \gamma_{\beta_4}(P_2XP_n) = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{5} \right\rceil, n \geq 11$.

Theorem 2.4: For all $m, n, \gamma_{\beta_k}(P_2XP_n) = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{k+1} \right\rceil, n \geq 2k + 3$.

Proof: Consider P_2XP_n as two canonical copies of P_n with vertices labelled u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n and v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n with for each $i, u_i v_i$ the only edges between the two paths. By using the theorem 1.1 and theorem 1.2, since a metro dominating set D is also a dominating set then we show that $\gamma_{\beta_k}(P_2XP_n) \geq \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{k+1} \right\rceil$. (1)

To prove reverse inequality we find a metro dominating set of cardinality $\left\lceil \frac{n+1}{k+1} \right\rceil$.

$$D_1 = \{u_{2(l-k)+1} : l \geq 1\}, n \equiv 0 \pmod{2(k+1)}$$

$$D_2 = \{v_{2l-k+2} : l \geq 1\}, n \equiv k+2 \pmod{2(k+1)}$$

Let us choose the vertices dominates at least $2k+1$, hence minimum number of vertices required to dominate the vertices of P_2XP_n is $\left\lceil \frac{n+1}{k+1} \right\rceil$. By using the theorem 1.1 we note that the dominating set which satisfies the above condition also serves as metric basis. Thus $\gamma_{\beta_k}(P_2XP_n) \leq \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{k+1} \right\rceil$. (2)

Therefore from (1) and (2), $\gamma_{\beta_k}(P_2XP_n) = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{k+1} \right\rceil$.

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