

## BALANCED DOMINATION NUMBER OF SOME GRAPHS

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### ABSTRACT

*Let  $G=(V,E)$  be a graph. A Subset  $D$  of  $V$  is called a dominating set of  $G$  if every vertex in  $V-D$  is adjacent to atleast one vertex in  $D$ . The Domination number  $\gamma(G)$  of  $G$  is the cardinality of the minimum dominating set of  $G$ . Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph and let  $f$  be a function that assigns to each vertex of  $V$  to a set of values from the set  $\{1,2,\dots,k\}$  that is,  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1,2,\dots,k\}$  such that for each  $u, v \in V(G)$ ,  $f(u) \neq f(v)$ , if  $u$  is adjacent to  $v$  in  $G$ . Then the dominating set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  is called a balanced dominating set if  $\sum_{u \in D} f(u) = \sum_{v \in V-D} f(v)$ . In this paper, we determine the balanced domination number for complete graph, complete bipartite graph and wheels.*

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### 1. BALANCED DOMINATION

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph and let  $f$  be a function that assigns to each vertex of  $V$  to a set of values from the set  $\{1,2,\dots,k\}$  that is,  $f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1,2,\dots,k\}$  such that for each  $u, v \in V(G)$ ,  $f(u) \neq f(v)$ , if  $u$  is adjacent to  $v$  in  $G$ . Then the set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  is called a balanced dominating set if  $\sum_{u \in D} f(u) = \sum_{v \in V-D} f(v)$

The balanced domination number  $\gamma_{bd}(G)$  is the minimum cardinality of the balanced dominating set.

The set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  is called strong balanced dominating set if  $\sum_{u \in D} f(u) \geq \sum_{v \in V-D} f(v)$ . Also the set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  is called weak balanced dominating set if  $\sum_{u \in D} f(u) \leq \sum_{v \in V-D} f(v)$ .

The sum of the values assigned to each vertex of  $G$  is called the total value of  $G$ .

Hence Total value =  $f(V) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v)$ .

**Theorem 1.1:** Let  $G$  be a graph with  $n$  vertices. Then  $G$  has a balanced dominating set iff  $f(V) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v)$  is even.

Proved in [6].

**Theorem 1.2:** Let  $G$  be a graph with  $n$  vertices. Then  $G$  has no balanced dominating set iff  $f(V) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v)$  is odd.

Proved in [6].

**Note:** Since we divide the graph  $G$  into 2 sets of vertices having equal values, we get two balanced dominating set for every graph  $G$ .

**Theorem 1.3:** For a graph  $G$ ,  $0 \leq \gamma_{bd}(G) \leq \frac{n}{2}$ .

**Proof:**

**Case (i):** if  $f(V)$  is odd, then  $G$  has no balanced dominating set.

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Therefore,  $\gamma_{bd}(G) = 0$ .

**Case (ii):** if  $f(V)$  is even, then  $G$  has balanced dominating set.

Also every graph  $G$  has 2 balanced dominating sets say  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ .

$$|D_1| + |D_2| = n$$

If  $|D_1| = |D_2|$ , we get  $2|D_1| = n$ ,  $|D_1| = \frac{n}{2}$

$$\text{Therefore, } \gamma_{bd}(G) = \frac{n}{2}.$$

If  $|D_1| > |D_2|$ , then  $D_2$  is the minimal balanced dominating set.

If  $|D_1| = |D_2|$ , we get  $|D_1| = \frac{n}{2}$

Since  $D_2$  is minimal,  $|D_2| < \frac{n}{2}$ , therefore  $\gamma_{bd}(G) = |D_2| < \frac{n}{2}$ .

If  $|D_1| < |D_2|$ , then  $D_1$  is the minimal balanced dominating set.

Since  $D_1$  is minimal,  $|D_1| < \frac{n}{2}$ , therefore  $\gamma_{bd}(G) = |D_1| < \frac{n}{2}$ .

In three cases, we get  $\gamma_{bd}(G) \leq \frac{n}{2}$ . Hence the theorem.

## 2. BALANCED DOMINATION NUMBER OF COMPLETE GRAPH

Complete graph	Labeling of vertices	$\gamma_{bd}$
$K_2$	{1,2}	1
$K_3$	{1,2,3}	1
$K_4$	{1,2,3,4}	2
$K_5$	{1,2,3,4,5}	0
$K_6$	{1,2,3,4,5,6}	0
$K_7$	{1,2,3,4,5,6,7}	3
$K_8$	{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8}	3
$K_9$	{1,2, 3,4,5,6,7,8, 9}	0
$K_{10}$	{1,2, 3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10}	0
$K_{11}$	{1,2, 3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10,11}	4
$K_{12}$	{1,2, 3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10,11,12}	4
$K_{13}$	{1,2, 3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10,11,12,13}	0
$K_{14}$	{1,2, 3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10,11,12,13,14}	0
$K_{15}$	{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10,11,12,13,14,15}	5
$K_{16}$	{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16}	5
$K_{17}$	{1,2, 3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17}	0
$K_{18}$	{1,2, 3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18}	0
$K_{19}$	{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19}	6
$K_{20}$	{1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8, 9,10,11,12,13,14,15,16,17,18,19,20}	6

Table-2.1.1

**Theorem 2.1:** For a complete graph  $G$  with  $n$  vertices, if  $\sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v)$  is even then  $\sum_{u \in D} f(u) = \frac{n(n+1)}{4}$ .

Proved in [6].

**Result 2.2:** For complete graphs  $K_{2n+1}$  and  $K_{2n+2}$  ( $n=2,4,6,8,\dots$ ),  $\gamma_{bd} = 0$ .

## 3. BALANCED DOMINATION NUMBER OF COMPLETE BIPARTITE GRAPH

The complete bipartite graphs can be partitioned into 2 sets of non-adjacent vertices, so we can assign values to vertices of each partition by one value. That is, we have the values {1, 2} and there are exactly 2 possible labeling of vertices.

But we get a balanced dominating set for complete bipartite graph only if  $f(V) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v)$  is even.

Complete bipartite graph	Labeling of vertices	$\gamma_{bd}$
$K_{1,1}$	{1,2}	0
$K_{1,2}$	$L_1: \{1,2,2\}$ $L_2: \{1,1,2\}$	1
$K_{1,3}$	$L_1: \{1,2,2,2\}$ $L_2: \{1,1,1,2\}$	0
$K_{1,4}$	$L_1: \{1,2,2,2,2\}$ $L_2: \{1,1,1,1,2\}$	2
$K_{2,1}$	$L_1: \{1,1,2\}$ $L_2: \{1,2,2\}$	1
$K_{2,2}$	$L: \{1,1,2,2\}$	2
$K_{2,3}$	$L_1: \{1,1,2,2,2\}$ $L_2: \{1,1,1,2,2\}$	2
$K_{3,3}$	$L: \{1,1,1,2,2,2\}$	0
$K_{3,4}$	$L_1: \{1,1,1,2,2,2,2\}$ $L_2: \{1,1,1,1,2,2,2\}$	3
$K_{4,2}$	$L_1: \{1,1,1,1,2,2\}$ $L_2: \{1,1,2,2,2,2\}$	2
$K_{4,4}$	$L: \{1,1,1,1,2,2,2,2\}$	3
$K_{5,1}$	$L_1: \{1,1,1,1,1,2\}$ $L_2: \{1,2,2,2,2,2\}$	0
$K_{5,2}$	$L_1: \{1,1,2,2,2,2,2\}$ $L_2: \{1,1,1,1,1,2,2\}$	3
$K_{5,3}$	$L_1: \{1,1,1,1,1,2,2,2\}$ $L_2: \{1,1,1,2,2,2,2,2\}$	0

**Table-3.1.1**

**Theorem 3.2:** Let G be a complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$  ( $m, n \geq 1$ ), Then G has balanced dominating set if

- i) m is odd & n is even
- ii) m is even & n is odd
- iii) both m and n are even.

**Proof:** Let G be a complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$ .

i) m is odd & n is even

For a complete bipartite graph,  $f(u), (u \in V(G))$  must be 1 or 2.

Therefore, there must be m 1's and n 2's (or) n 1's and m 2's.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } f(V) &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v) = n \text{ 1's} + m \text{ 2's} \\ &= \text{even} + \text{even} = \text{even} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $f(V) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v)$  is even.

By theorem 1.1, G has balanced dominating set.

ii) m is even & n is odd

For a complete bipartite graph,  $f(u), (u \in V(G))$  must be 1 or 2.

Therefore, there must be m 1's and n 2's (or) n 1's and m 2's.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } f(V) &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v) = m \text{ 1's} + n \text{ 2's} \\ &= \text{even} + \text{even} = \text{even} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $f(V) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v)$  is even.

By theorem 1.1, G has balanced dominating set.

iii) both m and n are even

For a complete bipartite graph,  $f(u), (u \in V(G))$  must be 1 or 2.

Therefore, there must be m 1's and n 2's (or) n 1's and m 2's.

Therefore,  $f(V) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v) = m \cdot 1 + n \cdot 2$  (or)  $n \cdot 1 + m \cdot 2$   
 $= \text{even} + \text{even} = \text{even}$

Therefore,  $f(V) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v)$  is even.

By theorem 1.1, G has balanced dominating set.

**Theorem 3.3:** Let G be a complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$  ( $m, n \geq 1$ ), Then G has no balanced dominating set if both m and n are odd.

**Proof:** Let G be a complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$ .

Let both m and n be odd.

For a complete bipartite graph,  $f(u), (u \in V(G))$  must be 1 or 2. Therefore, there must be m 1's and n 2's (or) n 1's and m 2's.

We know that odd number of 1's gives odd number and any number of 2's must be even.

Therefore,  $f(V) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v) = m \cdot 1 + n \cdot 2$  (or)  $n \cdot 1 + m \cdot 2$   
 $= \text{odd} + \text{even} = \text{odd}$

Therefore,  $f(V) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} f(v)$  is odd.

By theorem 1.2, G has no balanced dominating set.

#### 4. WHEELS

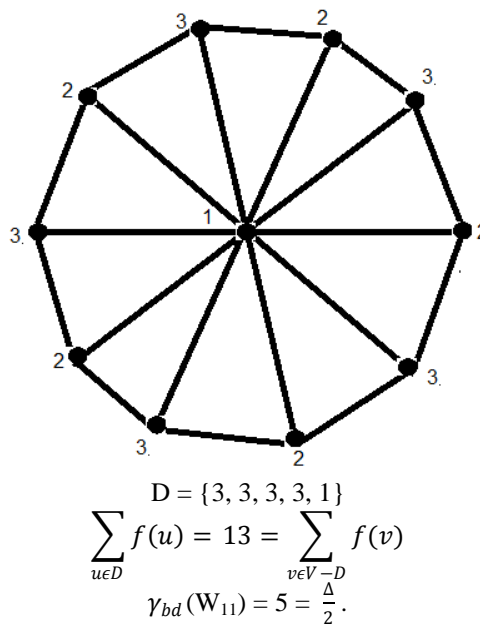
A Wheel on n vertices  $W_n$  is a graph with n vertices  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  with  $x_1$  having degree n-1 and all the other vertices having degree 3.

Wheel graph	Labeling of vertices	$\gamma_{bd}$
$W_3$	<b>{1,2,3}</b>	1
$W_4$	<b>{1,2,3,4}</b>	2
$W_5$	$L_1: \{1,2,2,3,3\}$ <b><math>L_2: \{1,1,2,3,3\}</math></b>	2
$W_6$	$L_3: \{1,1,2,2,3\}$ $L_1: \{1,2,2,3,3,4\}$ $L_2: \{1,2,3,3,4,4\}$ $L_3: \{1,1,2,3,4,4\}$ <b><math>L_4: \{1,2,2,3,4,4\}</math></b>	2
$W_7$	$L_1: \{1,2,2,2,3,3,3\}$ <b><math>L_2: \{1,1,1,2,3,3,3\}</math></b> $L_3: \{1,1,1,2,2,2,3\}$	3
$W_8$	$L_1: \{1,2,2,2,3,3,3,4\}$ <b><math>L_2: \{1,2,3,3,3,4,4,4\}</math></b> $L_3: \{1,2,2,2,3,4,4,4\}$ $L_4: \{1,1,1,2,3,4,4,4\}$ <b><math>L_5: \{1,1,1,2,3,3,3,4\}</math></b> $L_6: \{1,1,1,2,2,2,3,4\}$	3
$W_9$	$L_1: \{1,2,2,2,2,3,3,3,3\}$ <b><math>L_2: \{1,1,1,1,2,3,3,3,3\}</math></b> $L_3: \{1,1,1,1,2,2,2,2,3\}$	4
$W_{10}$	$L_1: \{1,2,2,2,2,3,3,3,3,4\}$ $L_2: \{1,1,1,1,2,2,2,2,3,4\}$ <b><math>L_3: \{1,1,1,1,2,3,3,3,3,4\}</math></b> $L_4: \{1,2,3,3,3,3,4,4,4,4\}$ <b><math>L_5: \{1,2,2,2,2,3,4,4,4,4\}</math></b> $L_6: \{1,1,1,1,2,3,4,4,4,4\}$	4
$W_{11}$	$L_1: \{1,2,2,2,2,2,3,3,3,3,3\}$	5

Table-4.1.1

**Result 4.2:** For Wheel graph  $W_n$ ,  $\gamma_{bd}(G) = \frac{\Delta}{2}$  if  $n$  is odd.

**Example 4.3:** Consider the wheel graph  $W_{11}$  ( $n$  is odd)



## 5. INDEPENDENT BALANCED DOMINATION

A set  $S$  of vertices in a graph  $G$  is a independent balanced dominating set if  $S$  is a balanced dominating set and the set of vertices  $S$  is independent.

The independent balanced domination number  $\gamma_{ibd}(G)$  is the minimum cardinality of the independent balanced dominating set.

**Theorem 5.1:** Let  $G$  be a complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$  ( $m > n$ ), then  $G$  has two independent balanced dominating sets if  $m = 2n$ .

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be a complete bipartite graph.  $G$  can be partitioned into 2 sets  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  with  $|S_1|=m$ ,  $|S_2|=n$  & each set of vertices have labeling 1 and 2.

Also  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are independent.

If  $m=2n$ , give the labeling 1 to each of vertices of  $S_2$  and 2 to each of vertices of  $S_1$ .

Therefore, we get  $\sum_{u \in S_1} f(u) = \sum_{v \in S_2} f(v)$  and both the set  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  are independent.

Therefore  $G$  has two independent balanced dominating sets.

**Theorem 5.2:** Let  $G$  be a complete bipartite graph  $K_{m,n}$  and if  $m = 2n$  then  $\gamma_{ibd}(G) = n$ .

**Proof:** Let  $m = 2n$ .

By theorem 5.1,  $G$  has 2 independent balanced dominating set  $S_1$  and  $S_2$ . And  $|S_1|=m$ ,  $|S_2|=n$ .

Since  $\gamma_{ibd}(G)$  is the minimum cardinality of the independent balanced dominating set,  
 $\gamma_{ibd}(G) = \min\{m, n\}$ .

Since  $m > n$ ,  $\gamma_{ibd}(G) = n$ .

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