

Strong (G, D)-number of Product Graphs

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Abstract- Strong (G,D)-number of Graphs was introduced by Palani K and Santhaana Gomathi C. Let G be a (V,E) graph. A dominating set is said to be a strong dominating set of G if it strongly dominates all the vertices of its complement. A (G,D)-set D of G is said to be a strong (G,D)-set of G if it strongly dominates all the vertices of V-D. In this paper, we find the strong (G,D)-number of product graphs of some standard graphs.

I. INTRODUCTION

“Graph Theory” is an important branch of Mathematics. It has grown rapidly in recent times with a lot of research activities. In 1958, domination was formulized as a theoretical area in graph theory by C. Berge. He referred to the domination number as the coefficient of external stability and denoted as $\beta(G)$. In 1962, Ore [6] was the first to use the term ‘Domination’ number by $\delta(G)$ and also he introduced the concept of minimal and minimum dominating set of vertices in graph. In 1977, Cockayne and Hedetniemi [5] introduced the accepted notation $\gamma(G)$ to denote the domination number. Let $G = (V, E)$ be any graph. A dominating set of a graph G is a set D of vertices of G such that every vertex in V-D is adjacent to atleast one vertex in D. The minimum cardinality among all dominating sets of G is called the domination number of G. It is denoted by $\gamma(G)$. The concept of geodominating (or geodetic) set was introduced by Buckley and Harary in [1] and Chartrand, Zhang and Harary in [2, 3, 4]. Let $u, v \in V(G)$. A u-v geodesic is a u-v path of length $d(u, v)$. A vertex x is said to lie on a u-v geodesic p if x is any vertex on p. A set S of vertices of G is a geodominating (or geodetic) set if every vertex of G lies on an x-y geodesic for some x,y in S. The minimum cardinality of geodominating set is the geodomination (or geodetic) number of G. It is denoted by $g(G)$. K. Palani et.al[7,8,9] introduced the new concept (G,D)- set of graphs. A (G,D)- set of graph G is a subset S of vertices of G which is both dominating and geodominating (or geodetic) set of G. A (G,D)- set of G is said to be a minimal (G,D) set of G if no proper subset of S is a (G,D)- set of G. The minimum cardinality of all minimal (G,D)-set of G is called the (G,D)- number of G. It is denoted by $\gamma_G(G)$. In [10] C. SanthaanaGomathi, K. Palani and S.Kalavathi initiated the study of strong (G,D)-number of a graph. The product (Cartesian product) of two graphs G_1 & G_2 denoted by $G_1 \times G_2$ has the

vertex set $V_1 \times V_2$ and two vertices $u=(u_1, u_2)$ and $v=(v_1, v_2)$ are adjacent in $G_1 \times G_2$ whenever $[u_1=v_1 \text{ and } u_2 \text{ is adjacent to } v_2 \text{ in } G_2] \text{ or } [u_2 = v_2 \text{ and } u_1 \text{ is adjacent to } v_1 \text{ in } G_1]$. A strong (G,D)-set is a (G,D)-set D which strongly dominate all the vertices of V-D. K. Palani et.al [11,12] investigate the (G,D)- number of Middle and Inflated Graphs of some standard graphs.

The following theorems are from [10]:

- Theorem: $s\gamma_G(P_n) = 2 + \lceil (n-2)/3 \rceil$
- Theorem: $s\gamma_G(C_n) = \lceil n/2 \rceil$
- Theorem: Any strong (G,D)-set contains all the extreme vertices of G. In particular, all the end vertices of G.

II STRONG (G, D) NUMBER OF PRODUCT GRAPHS:

2.1 Theorem: $s\gamma_G(K_m \cup K_n) = m + n$

Proof: Let S_1 and S_2 be minimum strong (G, D) sets of K_m and K_n respectively. Then, $S_1 \cup S_2$ is a strong (G, D) set of $K_m \cup K_n$. Further, $S_1 \cup S_2$ is minimum strong (G, D) set of $K_m \cup K_n$

Hence by 1.1, $s\gamma_G(K_m \cup K_n) = m + n$

2.2 THEOREM: $s\gamma_G(K_m + K_n) = m + n$

Proof: $K_m + K_n$ is isomorphic to K_{m+n} .

Let $G = K_m + K_n$. Therefore, the set $V(G)$ is the unique (G,D) - Set of $K_m + K_n$ which is also strong dominating. Therefore $V(G)$ is the unique strong (G,D) - set of G.

Hences $s\gamma_G(K_m + K_n) = s\gamma_G(K_{m+n}) = m+n$

2.3 ILLUSTRATION: $s\gamma_G(K_3 + K_4) = 7$

Solution:

Here, $m = 3$ and $n = 4$

Let G_1 & G_2 be two complete graphs K_3 & K_4 respectively



$$sy_G(K_3) = 3$$

$$sy_G(K_4) = 4 \quad (G_1 + G_2) = k_7$$



Figure 2.1

$$\text{Hence, } sy_G(K_3 + K_4) = sy_G(K_{3+4}) = 7$$

2.4 Theorem:

$$sy_G(P_2 \times P_n) = \begin{cases} 2k+2 & \text{if } n = 4k \text{ or } 4k+1 \\ 2k+3 & \text{if } n = 4k+2 \text{ or } 4k+3 \end{cases}$$

Proof:

Label the vertices of $(P_2 \times P_n)$ as in figure 2.2

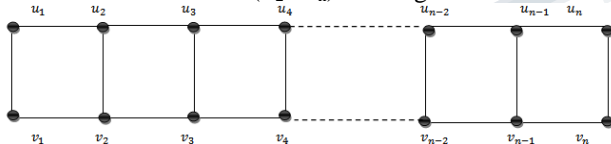


Figure: 2.2

To find the strong (G,D) number, we proceed in the following cases.

Case 1: $n = 4k$

Let $S = \{v_1, u_n\}$, $S_1 = \{u_2, u_6, \dots, u_{4(k-1)+2}\}$ $S_2 = \{v_4, v_8, \dots, v_{4(k-1)}\}$, $S_3 = \{u_{n-1}\}$

Obviously $S \cup S_1 \cup S_2 \cup S_3$ is a minimum strong (G, D) set of $(P_2 \times P_n)$

S, S_1, S_2, S_3 Have no common point

Also, $|S| = 2, |S_1| = k, |S_2| = k-1, |S_3| = 1$

$$\text{Hence } sy_G(P_2 \times P_n) = |S| + |S_1| + |S_2| + |S_3| = 2k+2$$

case 2: $n = 4k+1$

Let $S = \{v_1, u_n\}$, $S_1 = \{u_2, u_6, \dots, u_{4(k-1)+2}\}$ $S_2 = \{v_4, \dots, v_{4k}\}$,

Here, $S \cup S_1 \cup S_2$ is a minimum strong (G,D) set of $(P_2 \times P_n)$

Also, $|S| = 2, |S_1| = k, |S_2| = k$

$$sy_G(P_2 \times P_n) = |S| + |S_1| + |S_2| + 1 = 2 + k + k = 2k+3$$

case 3: $n = 4k+2$

Let $S = \{v_1, u_n\}$, $S_1 = \{u_2, u_6, \dots, u_{4(k-1)+2}\}$ $S_2 = \{v_4, \dots, v_{4k}\}$, $S_3 = \{u_{4k+1}\}$

Obviously, $S \cup S_1 \cup S_2 \cup S_3$ is minimum strong (G, D) set of $(P_2 \times P_n)$

Also, $|S| = 2, |S_1| = k, |S_2| = k, |S_3| = 1$

$$sy_G(P_2 \times P_n) = |S| + |S_1| + |S_2| + |S_3| = 2k+3$$

Case 4: $n = 4k+3$

Let $S = \{v_1, u_n\}$, $S_1 = \{u_2, u_6, \dots, u_{4(k)+2}\}$ $S_2 = \{v_4, \dots, v_{4k}\}$

Here, $S \cup S_1 \cup S_2$ is a minimum strong (G,D) set of $(P_2 \times P_n)$

Also, $|S| = 2, |S_1| = k+1, |S_2| = k$

$$sy_G(P_2 \times P_n) = |S| + |S_1| + |S_2| = 2k+3$$

$$\text{2.5 ILLUSTRATION: } sy_G(P_2 \times P_8) = 6 = 2k+2$$

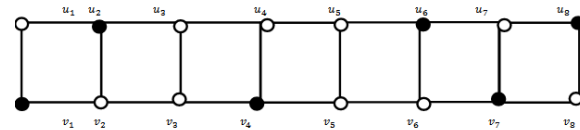


Figure 2.3

Here $k=2$, $S = \{u_2, u_6, v_1, v_4, v_7, u_8\}$ is a minimum strong (G,D) set.

$$\text{Hence } sy_G(P_2 \times P_8) = |S| = 6 = 2k+2$$

$$\text{2.6 ILLUSTRATION: } sy_G(P_2 \times P_9) = 6 = 2k+2$$

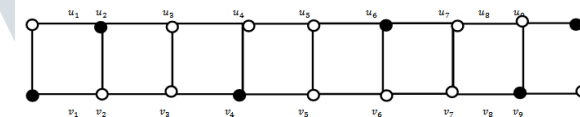


Figure 2.4

Here $k=2$, $S = \{u_2, u_6, v_1, v_4, v_8, u_9\}$ is a minimum strong (G,D) set.

$$\text{Hence } sy_G(P_2 \times P_9) = |S| = 6 = 2k+2$$

$$\text{2.7 ILLUSTRATION: } sy_G(P_2 \times P_{10}) = 7 = 2k+3$$

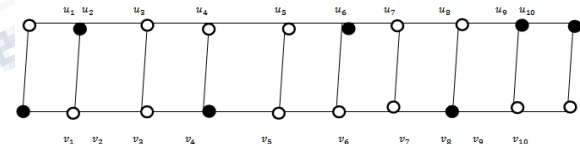


Figure 2.5

Here $k=2$, $S = \{u_2, u_6, v_1, v_4, v_8, u_9, u_{10}\}$ is a minimum strong (G,D) set

$$\text{Hence } sy_G(P_2 \times P_{10}) = |S| = 7 = 2k+3$$

$$\text{2.8 ILLUSTRATION: } sy_G(P_2 \times P_{11}) = 7 = 2k+3$$

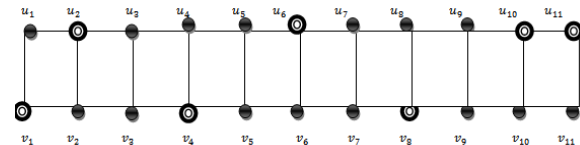


Figure 2.6

Here $k=2$, $S = \{u_2, u_6, v_1, v_4, v_8, u_{10}, u_{11}\}$ is a minimum strong (G,D) set.

$$\text{Hence } sy_G(P_2 \times P_{11}) = |S| = 7 = 2k+3$$

2.9 Theorem: For all $n \geq 3$,

$$sy_G(P_2 \times C_n) = \begin{cases} 2k & \text{if } n = 4k \\ 2k + 1 & \text{if } n = 4k + 1 \\ 2(k + 1) & \text{if } n = 4k + 2 \text{ or } 4k + 3 \end{cases}$$

Proof:

Label the vertices of $P_2 \times C_n$ as in figure 2.7

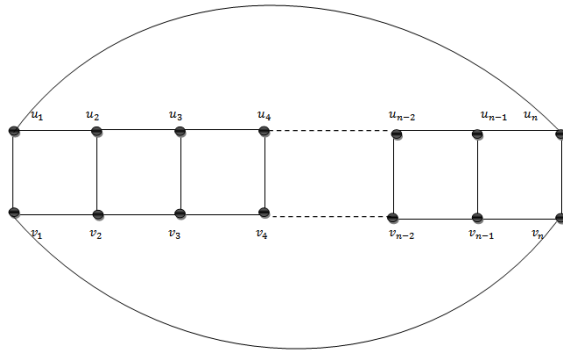


Figure: 2.7

To find the strong (G, D) number we proceed in the following cases.

Case 1: $n = 4k$

Let $S_1 = \{u_1, u_5, \dots, u_{4(k-1)+1}\}$

$S_2 = \{v_3, v_7, \dots, v_{4(k-1)+3}\}$

Obviously, $S_1 \cup S_2$ is a minimum strong (G, D) set of $P_2 \times C_n$

Also, $|S_1| = k$, $|S_2| = k$ Further $S_1 \cap S_2 = \emptyset$

$sy_G(P_2 \times C_n) = |S_1| + |S_2| = 2k$

Case 2: $n = 4k + 1$

Here, $S_1 \cup S_2$ where $S_1 = \{u_1, u_5, \dots, u_{4k+1}\}$

And $S_2 = \{v_3, v_7, \dots, v_{4(k-1)+3}\}$

is a minimum strong (G, D) set and hence

$sy_G(P_2 \times C_n) = |S_1| + |S_2| = k + 1 + k = 2k + 1$

Case 3: $n = 4k + 2$

Let $S_1 = \{u_1, u_5, \dots, u_{4k+1}\}$

$S_2 = \{v_3, v_7, \dots, v_{4(k-1)+3}\}$

Here, $S_1 \cup S_2 \cup \{v_{4k+2}\}$ is a minimum strong (G, D) set

Also, $|S_1| = k + 1$; $|S_2| = k$

$sy_G(P_2 \times C_n) = |S_1| + |S_2| + 1 = k + 1 + k + 1 = 2(k + 1)$

case 4: $n = 4K + 3$

let $S_1 = \{u_1, u_5, \dots, u_{4k+1}\}$

$S_2 = \{v_3, v_7, \dots, v_{4k+3}\}$

Obviously, $S_1 \cup S_2$ is minimum strong (G, D) set

Also, $|S_1| = k + 1$; $|S_2| = k + 1$

$sy_G(P_2 \times C_n) = |S_1| \cup |S_2| = |S_1| + |S_2| = k + 1 + k + 1$

$= 2(k + 1)$

2.10 ILLUSTRATION:

$sy_G(P_2 \times C_8) = 4$

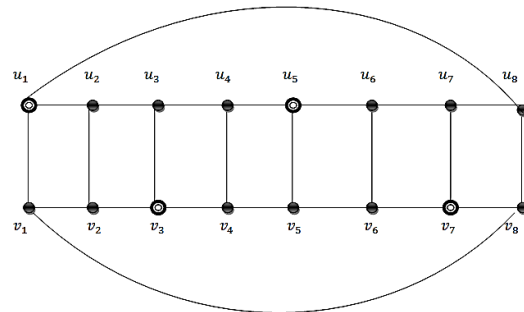


Figure: 2.8

Here $k=2$, $S = \{u_1, u_5, v_3, v_7\}$ is a minimum strong (G, D) set.

Hence $sy_G(P_2 \times C_8) = |S| = 4 = 2K$

2.11 ILLUSTRATION:

$sy_G(P_2 \times C_9) = 5$

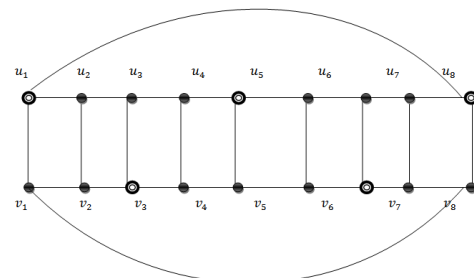


Figure: 2.9

here $k=2$, $S = \{u_1, u_5, u_9, v_3, v_7\}$ is a minimum strong (G, D) set.

Hence $sy_G(P_2 \times C_9) = |S| = 5 = 2k + 1$

2.12 ILLUSTRATION:

$sy_G(P_2 \times C_{10}) = 6$

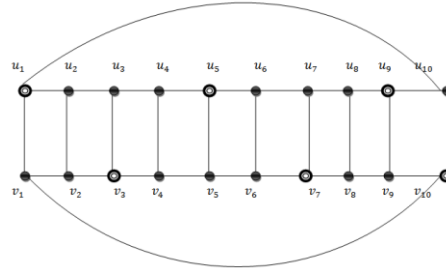


Figure 2.10

here $k=2$, $S = \{u_1, u_5, u_9, v_3, v_7, v_{10}\}$ is a minimum strong (G, D) set.

Hence $sy_G(P_2 \times C_{10}) = |S| = 6 = 2(k + 1)$

2.13 ILLUSTRATION:

$sy_G(P_2 \times C_{11}) = 6$

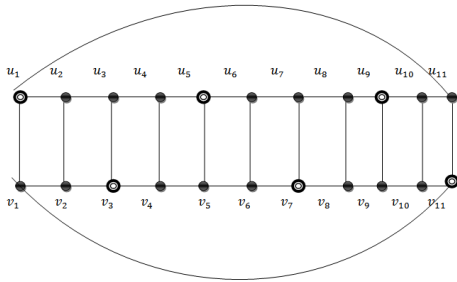


Figure: 2.11

Here $k=2$, $S = \{u_1, u_5, u_9, v_3, v_7, v_{11}\}$ is a minimum strong (G, D) set.

Hence $sy_G(P_2 \times C_8) = |S| = 6 = 2(k+1)$

2.14 THEOREM:

$$sy_G(K_{1,m} \times P_n) = m+n-1$$

Proof:

Label the vertices of $K_1, m \times P_n$ as in figure 2.12

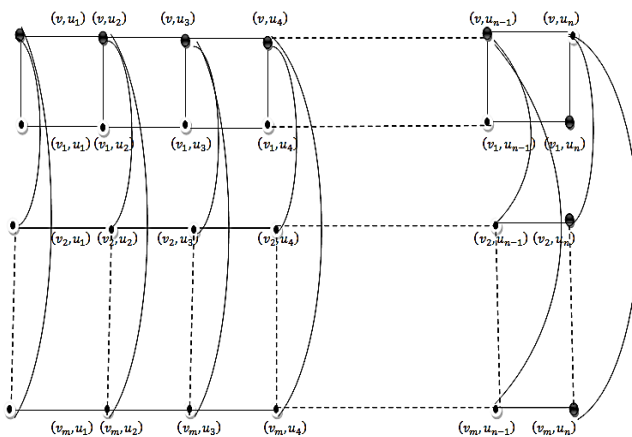


Figure 2.12

let $V(K_{1,m}) = \{v, v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_m\}$ and $V(P_n) = \{u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n\}$

Obviously, the set $S = \{(v, u_i), (v_j, u_n) \mid 1 \leq i \leq n-1, 1 \leq j \leq m\}$;

Strong dominates all the vertices of $K_{1,m} \times P_n$. Further, every vertex of $V(K_{1,m} \times P_n - S)$ of the form (v, u_i) and (v_i, u_i) for $i = 1$ to n lie in the geodesic joining (v, u_1) and (v_1, u_n) .

Also, any element of $V(K_{1,m} \times P_n - S)$ of the form (v_k, u_i) for $i = 1$ to n lie in the geodesic joining (v, u_1) and (v_k, u_n) for $k=2$ to m .

$\therefore S$ is strong (G, D) set of $(K_{1,m} \times P_n)$

$$sy_G(K_{1,m} \times P_n) \leq |S| = m+n-1 \dots \dots \dots (1)$$

Also, no set of less than $|S|$ elements is a strong (G, D) set of $(K_{1,m} \times P_n)$

$$\therefore sy_G(K_{1,m} \times P_n) \geq |S| = m+n-1 \dots \dots \dots (2)$$

From (1) and (2), we get,

$$sy_G(K_{1,m} \times P_n) = |S| = m+n-1$$

2.15 ILLUSTRATION:

$$sy_G(K_{1,4} \times P_5) = |S| = m+n-1$$

Proof:

$$K_{1,4} \times P_5$$

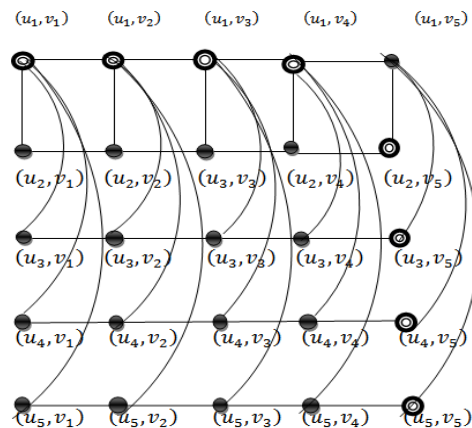


Figure 2.13

The $S = \{(u_1, v_1), (u_1, v_2), (u_1, v_3), (u_1, v_4), (u_2, v_5), (u_3, v_5), (u_4, v_5), (u_5, v_5)\}$

$$\therefore sy_G(K_{1,4} \times P_5) = |S| = 8 = m+n-1$$

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