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2-Metro domination number of slanting ladder graph

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Abstract---A subset D of the vertex set V of the graph $G(V, E)$ is said to be a dominating set if every vertex in $V - D$ is adjacent to at least one vertex in D . The minimum cardinality of the dominating set is called the domination number. The metro domination number is the order of a minimum dominating set which resolves as a metric as a metric set. It is denoted by $\gamma_{\beta}(G)$. in this paper we determine the 2-metro domination number of slanting ladder graphs.

Keywords---dominating set, domination number, metric dimension, metro domination.

1 Introduction

Every graph considered here are simple, finite, undirected and connected. A graph $G = (V, E)$ and $u, v \in V$, $d_G(u, v)$ is denoted as distance between u and v in G . We refer [5,6,7,8,9,10,11] for the works on metro domination. A set $S \subseteq V$ is called resolving set if for every $u, v \in V$ there exist $w \in S$, such that $d(u, w) \neq d(v, w)$. The resolving set with minimum cardinality is called metric basis and its cardinality is called metric dimension and it is denoted by $\beta(G)$.

A set D of vertices in a graph G is called a dominating set of G , If every vertex in $V - D$ is adjacent to some vertex in D , The minimum number cardinality of a dominating set in G is called the domination number of G and denoted by $\gamma(G)$. A dominating set D of $V(G)$ having the property that for each pair of vertices u, v there exists a vertex w in D such that $d(u, w) \neq d(v, w)$ is called the metro dominating set of G or simply MD - set. The minimum cardinality of a metro dominating set of G is called metro domination number of G and is denoted by $\gamma_\beta(G)$.

Corollary 1.1: The metric dimension of slanting ladder graph is 2.

Corollary 1.2: For all n , $\gamma(S(L_n)) = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rceil$

2 Main Results

Theorem 1: For any integer n , $\gamma_\beta[S(L_n)] = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rceil, n \geq 5$, where $n \neq 4l, l \geq 1$.

Proof: Let $G = S(L_n)$ be an slanting ladder graph on $2n$ vertices with $V(G) = \{u_i, v_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and

$$E(G) = \{(v_i, v_{i+1}), (v_i, v_{i+1})(u_i, u_{i+1}) : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\},$$

By using corollary 1.1 and 1.2, since metro dominating set D also a dominating set.

$$\text{Thus } \gamma_\beta[S(L_n)] \geq \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rceil \quad (1)$$

To prove the reverse inequality, we find a metro dominating set of cardinality $\left\lceil \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rceil$

We find a set D as follows

$$D_1 = \{u_{4l-1} : l \geq 1\}, n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$$

$$D_2 = \{v_{4l-2} : l \geq 1\}, n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$$

We note that D is also dominating set for $S(L_n)$ and also D will serves as metric set of $S(L_n)$ as in 1.1.

$$\text{Thus } \gamma_\beta[S(L_n)] \leq \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rceil \quad (2)$$

From (1) and (2)

$$\gamma_\beta[S(L_n)] = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rceil, n \geq 5.$$

Example 1.1: The metro domination number of slanting ladder graph is 3.

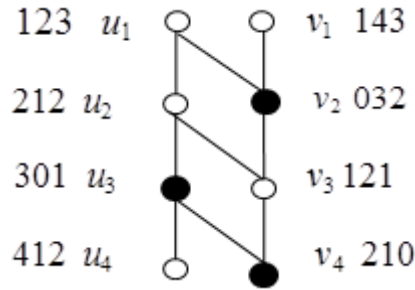


Figure:1 $\gamma_{\beta}[S(L_4)] = 3$

Theorem 2: For any integer n , $\gamma_{\beta_2}[S(L_n)] = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{4} \right\rceil, n \geq 9$, where $n \neq 8l, l \geq 1$.

Proof: Let $G = S(L_n)$ be an slanting ladder graph on $2n$ vertices with $V(G) = \{u_i, v_i : 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ and $E(G) = \{(v_i, v_{i+1}), (v_i, v_{i+1})(u_i, u_{i+1}) : 1 \leq i \leq n-1\}$, with for each i , u_i, v_i the only edges between two paths $W = V - D$, Now each $v_i \in W$ is either adjacent to any of the vertex D or at least at a distance 2 from at least one of the vertex D . Any vertex $v_k \in D$, will dominates at least 5 vertex including itself. Since the metric dimension of slanting ladder graph is 2, D itself serves as a metric set.

$$\text{Thus } \gamma_{\beta_2}[S(L_n)] \geq \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{4} \right\rceil \tag{1}$$

We find a set D as follows

$$D_1 = \{u_{8l-2} : l \geq 1\} n \equiv 6 \pmod{8}$$

$$D_2 = \{v_{8l-5} : l \geq 1\} n \equiv 3 \pmod{8}$$

We note that D is also dominating set for $S(L_n)$ and also D will serves as metric set of $S(L_n)$ as in 1.1.

$$\text{Thus } \gamma_{\beta_2}[S(L_n)] \leq \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{4} \right\rceil \tag{2}$$

From (1) and (2)

$$\gamma_{\beta_2}[S(L_n)] = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{4} \right\rceil, n \geq 9.$$

Example 1.2: The 2-metro domination number of slanting ladder graph is 3

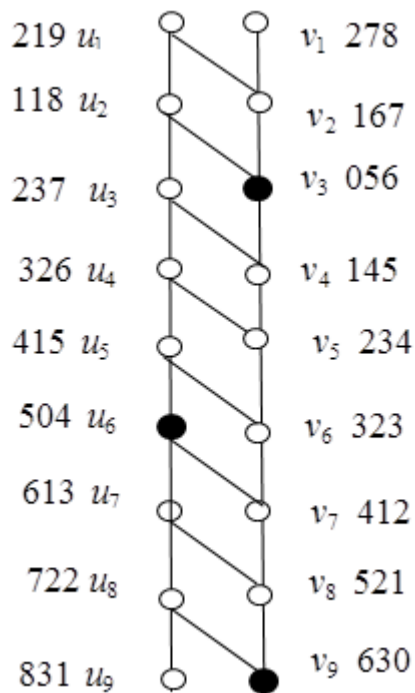


Figure:2 $\gamma_{\beta_2}[S(L_9)] = 3$

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