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Domination and s-path domination in some brick product graphs

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Abstract

A dominating set or **dset** of $\mathscr G$ is called a s-path dset of $\mathscr G$ ($2 \leq s \leq diam\mathscr G$) if any path of length $s \in \mathscr G$ has \subseteq of one vertex in this dset. We indicate a s-path dset by $D_{p_s}.$ The s-path dominaton number or **s-path dn** of $\mathscr G$ indicated by $\gamma_{p_s}(\mathscr{G})$ is the minimal cardinality or **MC** taken over all s-path dsets of $\mathscr{G}.$ In that paper, we determine domination number and s-path domination number for the brick product graph $B(2n, \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q})$ ($\mathcal{P} = 2$) related with even cycles.

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1. Introduction

For a graph $\mathscr{G} = (V, E)$ is a finite, not directed graph, loopless and non parallel edges. If $D \subseteq V$ is called a dset of *G*, if every vertex \notin *D* is adjoining to few vertex ∈ *D*. The dn of $\mathscr G$ denoted by $\gamma(\mathscr G)$ is the MC taken over all dset of $\mathscr G$.

A set *F* of edges $\in \mathscr{G}$ is called an edge dset if any edge $e \in$ $E - F$ is adjoining to \geq one edge in *F*. The edge domination number $\gamma'(\mathscr{G})$ of \mathscr{G} is the MC of an edge dset of \mathscr{G} .

The open neighbourhood of $N(e)$ is the set of all edges adjoining to $e \in \mathscr{G}$. If $e = (u, v)$ is an edge in \mathscr{G} , the degree of *e* indicate by $deg(e)$ is described as $deg(e) = deg(u) + deg(v) -$ 2. The maximum degree of an edge in graph is denoted by $\vartriangle^{'}(\mathscr{G}).$

A dset of graph is called a s-path dset of \mathscr{G} (2 \leq *s* \leq *diam* \mathscr{G}) if any path of length s $\in \mathscr{G}$ has \subseteq one vertex in this dset. We indicate a s-path dset by D_{p_s} . The s-path dn of $\mathscr G$

denoted by $\gamma_{p_s}(\mathscr{G})$ is the MC taken over all s-path dsets of graph.

If any s-path dset is a dset but the converse need not be accurate . Also we well known that $|D| \leq |D_{p_s}|$. Therefore $\gamma({\mathscr{G}})\leq \gamma_{p_{s}}({\mathscr{G}}).$

The graph $\mathscr{G} = B(9,1,2)$ in figure, the sets $D = \{v_0, v_4\}$, $\{v_1, v_5\}$, $\{v_2, v_7\}$, $\{v_3, v_7\}$ etc are dsets. Without loss generality let us consider the set $\{v_0, v_4\}$ as the dset but not a 2-path dset of $\mathscr G$ since the paths $v_3 - v_5 - v_6$, $v_3 - v_5 - v_7$, $v_3 - v_1 - v_8$ and $v_1 - v_8 - v_6$ of length 2 does not contain either *v*₀ or *v*₄. But, the set {*v*₀, *v*₃, *v*₄, *v*₈} is a 2-path dset, γ_{P_2} = 4. If allow that $|D| < |D_{p_s}|$

Definition 1.1. *[\[3\]](#page-3-2)*

Let P,*n and* Q *be a positive integers.*

Let $B_{2n} = a_0, a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_{2n-1}, a_0$ *denote a cycle order* 2*n.* The $(\mathscr{P}, \mathscr{Q})$ *- brick product of* B_{2n} , [\[2\]](#page-3-3) denoted by $B(2n,\mathscr{P},\mathscr{Q})$ *, is defined in two cases as follows.*

Figure 2. The brick product graph $B(10,1,5)$

Figure 3. The brick product graph $B(10,2,4)$

- *1.* If $\mathcal{P} = I$, we make necessary that \mathcal{Q} be odd and > 1 . *Then,* $B(2n, \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q})$ *is attained from* B_{2n} *by connecting chords* $a_{2k}a_{2k+Q}$, $k = 1,2,...,n$, where the computation *is performed modulo 2n.*
- 2. If $\mathscr{P} > 1$, we make necessary that $\mathscr{P} + \mathscr{Q}$ be even. *Then,* $B(2n, \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q})$ *is attained by first taking the disjoint union of* $\mathscr P$ *copies of* B_{2n} *,*

namely $B_{2n}(1), B_{2n}(2),..., B_{2n}(\mathscr{P})$ *, where for each* $i =$ 1,2,...,*m*, $B_{2n}(i) = (i,0)(i,1)...(i,2n)$ *. Next, for each* odd $i = 1, 2, \ldots \mathscr{P} - 1$ *and each even* $k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots 2n - 2$, *an edge (called a brick edge) is drawn to join*(*aⁱ* ,*ak*) *to* (a_{i+1}, a_k) , whereas, for each even $i = 1, 2, ..., \mathcal{P} - 1$ and *each odd k =* 1,2,...,2*n*−1*, an edge (also called a brick edge) is drawn to join* (a_i, a_k) *to* (a_{i+1}, a_k) *. Finally, for each odd k =* 1,2,..,2*n*−1*, an edge (called a hooking edge) is drawn to join* (a_1, a_k) *to* $(a_{\mathcal{P}}, a_{k+Q})$ *. An edge in* $B(2n, \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{Q})$ *which is not either a brick edge nor a hooking edge is called a flat edge.*

2. Preliminaries

We bring the following result belonging to the dn of a graph.

Theorem 2.1. *[\[6\]](#page-3-4)* A *dset D is a minimal dset* \Leftrightarrow *for any vertex* $a \in D$, one of the following condition holds:

- *1. degree(a) = 0 of dset*
- *2.* \exists *a* vertex *b* in *V* − *D* such that $N(b) \cap D$ is equal to {*a*}*.*

comparable to the theorem 2.1, we have the following result for a s-path dset.

Theorem 2.2. *A dset* D_{p_s} *is a minimal s-path dset* ($s \geq 2$) ⇔ *for each vertex u in Dp^s , one of the following conditions holds:*

- *1. degree* $u = 0$ *of* D_{p_s}
- *2.* ∃ *a* vertex $v \in V D_{p_s}$ such that $N(v) \cap D_{p_s} = \{u\}$
- *3. If* $\mathscr G$ *is k connected,* $k > 1$ *and* $v_i, v_j \in D_{p_s}$, *then* < D_{p_s} > *is a disconnected graph and each vertex of* D_{p_s} − $\{u\}$ *belongs to some cycle in* \mathcal{G} *.*

Proof. Let D_{p_s} be a minimal s-path dset of $\mathscr G$. Then for every vertex $u \in D_{p_s}$ if the set $D_{p_s} - \{u\}$ is not a s-path dset in *G*, it follows that either degree *u* = 0 of D_{p_s} or ∃ a vertex *v* ∈ *V* − *D*_{*ps*} such that $N(v) \cap D_{p_s} = \{u\}$. If $\mathcal G$ is *k*- connected and $k > 1$, then for $s \geq 2$, every vertex of $D_{p_s} - \{u\}$ belongs to some cycle in $\mathscr G$ and we have the following two possible cases.

Case 1 : Let v_i , $v_j \in D_{p_s}$ such that $d(v_i, v_j) = 1$. Then, $\langle D_{p_s} \rangle$ is a disconnected graph with one component as K_2 and the remaining components are isolated vertices.

Case 2 : Let $v_i, v_j \in D_{p_s}$ such that $d(v_i, v_j) \ge 1$. Then $\langle D_{p_s} \rangle$ is a disconnected graph in which all components are isolated vertices.

Conversely, let D_{p_s} be a *s*-path dset satisfying the conditions above. For the purpose of contradiction, let us assume that D_{p_s} is not minimal. Then there must exist a vertex $u \in D_{p_s}$ such that $D_{p_s} - \{u\}$ is also a *s*- path dset. Hence, for at least one vertex $v \in D_{p_s} - \{u\}$, there must be a path connecting u and v in \mathscr{G} , so that $\{u\}$ cannot be an isolated vertex of D_{p_s} and hence condition 1 fails. Also, every vertex in $V - D_{p_s}$ lies in some path connecting at least one vertex in $D_{p_s} - \{u\}$ so that conditions 2 also fails. For condition 3, it is easy to observe that $\{u\}$ lies in some cycle of $\mathscr G$ along with the vertices of $V - (D_{p_s} - \{u\})$. So condition 3 also fails. This contradicts the fact the $D_{p_s} - \{u\}$ also a minimal *s*-path dset.

Hence the proof.

3. Main Results

We provide the results connected to the domination and the edge dn of some brick product graphs.

Theorem 3.1. *Let* $\mathscr{G} = B(2n, 2, \mathscr{Q})$ *. Then* $\gamma(\mathscr{G}) = 2\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ *for* $n \geq 3$ *, where* $\mathcal{Q} = 2j$ *, j*=1,2,3,4*.*

Proof. We consider $V(\mathscr{G}) = V_1 \cup V_2$, where $V_1 = \{v_{(1,i)}\}$ and *V*₂ = {*v*_(2,*i*)}, *i* = 1,2,3.....2*n*, modulo 2*n* and $E(\mathscr{G}) = \mathscr{E}_1 \cup$ $\mathcal{E}_2 \cup \mathcal{E}_3 \cup \mathcal{E}_4 \cup \mathcal{E}_5 \cup \mathcal{E}_6$, where $\mathcal{E}_1 = \{e_i/e_i = (v_{(1,i)}, v_{(1,i+1)})\},\$ $\mathscr{E}_2 = \{e_i^{'}\}$ $i'_{i}/e'_{i} = (v_{(2,i)}, v_{(2,i+1)})\}, i = 1, 2, ... 2n$, module 2*n*, \mathcal{E}_{3} $= \{l_p/l_p = (v_{(i,k)}, v_{(i+1,k)})\}$, for every odd $i = 1, 2...m - 1$ and every even $k = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, 2n-2$, $p = 1, 2, \ldots, (n-1), \mathcal{E}_4 =$ $\{l'_p/l'_p = (v_{(1,k)}, v_{(2,k+r)})\}$, for every odd *k* = 1,2,...(2*n* − 1), $\mathscr{E}_5 = \{c_1/c_1 = (v_{(1,i)}, v_{(1,2n)})\}, \mathscr{E}_6 = \{c_1\}$ $\mathcal{L}'_1/c'_1 = (\nu_{(2,i)}, \nu_{(2,2n)})\},$ modulo 2*n*.

Let $n > 3$.

Consider the set $D = D_1 \cup D_2$,

where $D_1 = \{v_{(1,4j-2)}\}, 1 \le j \le \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ and $D_2 = \{v_{(2,4k)} \cup$ $v_{(2,2n)}$ }, $1 \leq k \leq \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil - 1$

The above set *D* is a minimal dset, for any vertex $a \in D$, *D*− {*a*} is not a dset. consequence, few vertex *b* ∈ *V* − *D*∪ {*a*} is not dominated by any vertex ∈ *D*∪ {*a*}. If *b* ∈ *V* − *D* and *b* \notin dominated by *D* − {*a*}, but is dominated by *D*, then *b* is adjoining exclusively to vertex $a \in D$, i.e $N(a) \cap D$ is equal to $\{a\}$.

Therefore $|D| = 2\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$, it follows that $\gamma(\mathscr{G}) = 2\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$. \Box Hence the proof

Theorem 3.2. *Let* $\mathscr{G} = B(2n, 2, \mathscr{Q})$ *. Then* $\gamma'(\mathscr{G}) = 2\lceil \frac{2n}{3} \rceil$ *for* $n > 3$ *, where* $\mathcal{Q} = 2, 8$ *.*

Proof. The
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V(\mathcal{G})
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 and $E(\mathcal{G})$ are as theorem 3.1.
\nLet $n \ge 3$.
\nConsider set $F = F_1 \cup F_2$,
\nwhere $F_1 = \begin{cases} \{e_{(1,p-2)}\}, & n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ \{e_{1,3q-2}\}, & n \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ \{e_{1,3t-2}\} \cup \{e_{1,2n-1}\}, & n \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \end{cases}$
\n $1 \le p \le \frac{2n}{3}, 1 \le q \le \frac{2n+1}{3}, 1 \le t \le \frac{2n-1}{3}$ and
\n $F_2 = \begin{cases} \{e_{(2,3p-1)}\}, & n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ \{e_{2,3q-1}\}, & n \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ \{e_{2,3n-1}\} \cup \{e_{2,2n-1}\}, & n \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ \{e_{2,3n-1}\} \cup \{e_{2,2n-1}\}, & n \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ 1 \le p \le \frac{2n}{3}, 1 \le q \le \lceil \frac{2n+4}{3} \rceil, 1 \le t \le \frac{2n+2}{3} \end{cases}$

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Therefore $|\overline{F}| = 2\left\lceil \frac{2n}{3} \right\rceil$, it follows that $\gamma'(G) = 2\left\lceil \frac{2n}{3} \right\rceil$. Hence the proof \Box

Theorem 3.3. *Let* $\mathscr{G} = B(2n, 2, \mathscr{Q})$ *. Then* $\gamma'(\mathscr{G}) = 2\lceil \frac{2n}{3} \rceil$ for $n \geq 3$ *, where* $\mathcal{Q} = 4, 6$ *.*

Proof. The
$$
V(\mathcal{G})
$$
 and $E(\mathcal{G})$ are as theorem 3.1.
\nLet $n \ge 3$.
\nConsider set $F = F_1 \cup F_2$,
\nwhere $F_1 = \begin{cases} \{e_{(1,3p-1)}\}, & n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ \{e_{1,3q-1}\} \cup \{e_{1,2n-1}\}, & n \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ \{e_{1,3q-1}\} \cup \{e_{1,2n-3}\} \cup \{e_{1,2n-1}\}, & n \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ 1 \le p \le \frac{2n}{2}, & 1 \le q \le \lfloor \frac{2n}{2} \rfloor, 1 \le t \le \lfloor \frac{2(n-1)}{2} \rfloor \text{ and } \end{cases}$

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F_2 = \begin{cases} \{e_{(2,3p-2)}\}, & n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ \{e_{2,3q-2}\}, & n \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ \{e_{2,3q-2}\} \cup \{e_{2,2n-1}\}, & n \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \\ 1 \le p \le \frac{2n}{3}, 1 \le q \le \lceil \frac{2n+4}{3} \rceil, 1 \le t \le \lceil \frac{2n+2}{3} \rceil \end{cases}
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The above set *F* is a minimal edge dset, for every edge $f_i \in F$, $F - \{f_i\}$ is \notin an edge dset for neighbourhood of $f_i \in$ G . For every set carry edges < that of *F* cannot be a dset of graph. Also graph is a 3-regular and every edge of $\mathscr G$ is of degree 4 and an edge of graph be able to dominate \leq *five* well defined edges of graph inclusive of itself.

Therefore
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|\overline{F}| = 2\lceil \frac{2n}{3} \rceil
$$
, it follows that $\gamma'(G) = 2\lceil \frac{2n}{3} \rceil$.
Hence the proof

we provide the results related to the s-path domination of some brick product graphs.

Theorem 3.4. *Let* $\mathscr{G} = B(2n, 2, \mathscr{Q})$ *. Then* $\gamma_{p_2}(\mathscr{G}) = 2n$ *for* $n \geq 3$ *, where* $\mathcal{Q} = 2j$ *, j*=1,2,3,4*.*

Proof. The $V(\mathscr{G})$ and $E(\mathscr{G})$ are as theorem 3.1. Let $n \geq 3$

Consider the set $D_{p_2} = V_1 \cup V_2$, where $V_1 = \{v_{1,2i-1}\}\$ and $V_2 = \{v_{2,2k}\}, 1 \le i, j \le n$

The set D_{p_2} is a minimal 2-path dominating set, for every vertex of $D_{p_2} - \{u\}$ belongs to some cycle in $\mathscr G$ and let $v_i, v_j \in D_{p_2}$ such that $d(v_i, v_j) = 1$. Then, $\langle D_{p_2} \rangle$ is a disconnected graph with one component as K_2 and the remaining components are isolated vertices.

Therefore, $|D_{p_2}| = 2n$, it follows that $\gamma_{p_2}(\mathscr{G}) = 2n$. Hence the proof

Theorem 3.5. *Let* $\mathscr{G} = B(2n, 2, \mathscr{Q})$ *. Then* $\gamma_{p_3}(\mathscr{G}) = 2n$ *for* $n \geq 3$ *, for* $n \geq 3$ *, where* $\mathcal{Q} = 2j$ *, j*=1*,*2*,*3*,4.*

Proof. The $V(\mathscr{G})$ and $E(\mathscr{G})$ are as theorem 3.1.

Let $n \geq 3$

Consider the set $D_{p_3} = V_1 \cup V_2$, where $V_1 = \{v_{1,2i-1}\}\$ and *V*₂ = {*v*_{2,4*k*−2}}, 1 ≤ *i* ≤ *n*, 1 ≤ *j* ≤ $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$

The set D_{p_3} is a minimal 3-path dset, for any $a \in D_{p_3}$, $D_{p_3} - \{a\}$ is \notin a 3-path dset and also, some $b \in V - D_{p_3}$ is not dominated by any vertex in $D_{p_3} \cup \{a\}$. Hence, either $a=b$ or $b \in V - D_{p_3}$. But, degree *a* of D_{p_3} if $a=b$, and, if $b \in V - D_{p_3}$ and *b* is not dominated by $D_{p_3} - \{a\}$, but is dominated by D_{p_3} , then *b* is adjoining exclusively to vertex $a \in D_{p_3}$, i.e. $N(a) \cap D_{p_3}$ is equal to $\{a\}$.

Therefore, $|D_{p_3}| = 2n$, it follows that $\gamma_{p_3}(\mathscr{G}) = 2n$. Hence the proof.

 \Box

4. Conclusion

In this paper, the vertex domination number $\gamma(\mathscr{G})$ and edge domination number $\gamma'(\mathscr{G})$, also s-path domination number $\gamma_{p_s}(\mathscr{G})$ associated with the brick product graphs of even cycles $B(2n,\mathscr{P},\mathscr{Q})$ ($\mathscr{P} = 2$) are determined.

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