



# Total dominator color class total dominating sets in Dutch windmill graph and coconut tree graph

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## Abstract

Let  $G$  be a finite, undirected and connected graph with minimum degree at least one. A proper coloring  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $G$  is said to be a total dominator color class total dominating set of  $G$  if each vertex properly dominates a color class in  $\mathcal{C}$  and each color class in  $\mathcal{C}$  is properly dominated by a vertex in  $V(G)$ . A total dominator color class total dominating set  $D$  of  $G$  is a minimal total dominator color class total dominating set if no proper subset of  $D$  is a total dominator color class total dominating set of  $G$ . The total dominator color class total domination number is the minimum cardinality taken over all minimal total dominator color class total dominating sets in  $G$  and is denoted by  $\gamma_{\chi}^{td}(G)$ . Here we obtain  $\gamma_{\chi}^{td}(G)$  for dutch windmill graph and coconut tree graph.

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## 1. Introduction

All graphs considered in this paper are finite, undirected graphs with minimum degree at least one and we follow standard definitions of graph theory as found in [8]. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a connected graph with no isolated vertices. The open neighborhood  $N(v)$  of a vertex  $v \in V(G)$  consists of the set of all vertices adjacent to  $v$ . The closed neighborhood of  $v$  is  $N[v] = N(v) \cup \{v\}$ . For a set  $S \subseteq V$ , the open neighborhood  $N(S)$  is defined to be  $\cup_{v \in S} N(v)$ , and the closed neighborhood of  $S$  is  $N[S] = N(S) \cup S$ . For any set  $H$  of vertices of  $G$ , the induced sub graph  $\langle H \rangle$  is the maximal sub graph of  $G$  with vertex set  $H$ . A subset  $S$  of  $V$  is called a dominating set if every vertex in  $V - S$  is adjacent to some

vertex in  $S$ .

A dominating set  $S$  is called a minimal dominating set if no proper subset of  $S$  is a dominating set of  $G$ . The domination number  $\gamma(G)$  is the minimum cardinality taken over all minimal dominating sets of  $G$ . A  $\gamma$ -set of  $G$  is any minimal dominating set with cardinality  $\gamma$ . A proper coloring of  $G$  is an assignment of colors to the vertices of  $G$  such that adjacent vertices have different colors. The smallest number of colors for which there exists a proper coloring of  $G$  is called chromatic number of  $G$  and is denoted by  $\chi(G)$ . A total dominator coloring of  $G$  is a proper coloring of  $G$  with the extra property that every vertex in  $G$  properly dominates a color class. The total dominator chromatic number is denoted by  $\chi_{td}(G)$ . This notion was introduced by [9]. A color class dominating set of  $G$  is a proper coloring  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $G$  with the extra property that every color classes in  $\mathcal{C}$  is dominated by a vertex in  $G$ . A color class dominating set is said to be a minimal color class dominating set if no proper subset of  $\mathcal{C}$  is a color class dominating set of  $G$ . The color class domination number of  $G$  is the minimum cardinality taken over all minimal color class dominating sets of  $G$  and is denoted by  $\gamma_{\chi}(G)$ . This notion

was introduced by [4].

A dominator color class dominating set of  $G$  is a proper coloring  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $G$  with the extra property that each vertex  $v$  in  $G$  is dominated by a color class  $\mathcal{C}_i \in \mathcal{C}$  and each color class  $\mathcal{C}_i \in \mathcal{C}$  is dominated by a vertex in  $G$ . The dominator color class domination number of  $G$  is the minimum cardinality taken over all dominator color class dominating sets in  $G$  and is denoted by  $\gamma_{\chi}^d(G)$ . This notion was introduced by [5]. The join  $G_1 + G_2$  of graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  with disjoint vertex set  $V_1$  and  $V_2$  and edge sets  $E_1$  and  $E_2$ , respectively, is the graph union  $G_1 \cup G_2$  together with each vertex in  $V_1$  is adjacent to every vertices in  $V_2$ . The dutch windmill graph  $D_n^m$  is the graph obtained by taking  $m$  copies of the cycle with a vertex in common. The dutch windmill graph is also called as friendship graph. A coconut tree  $CT(m, n)$  is the graph, for all positive integer  $n$  and  $m \geq 2$  is obtained from the path  $P_m$  by appending ' $n$ ' new pendant edges at an end vertex of  $P_m$ .

We use the following observation from [1].

**Theorem 1.1.** ([1]): Let  $G$  be  $P_n$  or  $C_n$ . Then for  $n \geq 5$ ,

$$\gamma_{\chi}^d(P_n) = \gamma_{\chi}^d(C_n) = \begin{cases} \lfloor \frac{2n}{3} \rfloor & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ 2 \lfloor \frac{n+2}{3} \rfloor & \text{if } n \not\equiv 0 \pmod{3} \end{cases}$$

## 2. Main Results

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $G$  be a connected graph with minimum degree at least one. A proper coloring  $\mathcal{C}$  of  $G$  is said to be a total dominator color class total dominating set of  $G$  if each vertex properly dominates a color class in  $\mathcal{C}$  and each color class in  $\mathcal{C}$  is properly dominated by a vertex in  $V(G)$ . A total dominator color class total dominating set  $D$  is a minimal total dominator color class total dominating set if no proper subset of  $D$  of  $G$  is a total dominator color class total dominating set of  $G$ . The total dominator color class total domination number is the minimum cardinality taken over all minimal total dominator color class total dominating sets in  $G$  and is denoted by  $\gamma_{\chi}^d(G)$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** For the Dutch windmill graph  $D_n^m$ ,

$$\gamma_{\chi}^d(D_n^m) = \begin{cases} \left(\frac{2mn}{3}\right) - 2(m-1) & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ 2m\left(\frac{n+2}{3}\right) - 2(m-1) & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ 2m\left(\frac{n+1}{3}\right) - 2(m-1) & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $D_n^m$  be a Dutch windmill graph with  $V(D_n^m) = \{v_{ij}/i = 1, 2, \dots, m \& j = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . For each  $i \{1 \leq i \leq m\}$ , let  $\{v_{i1}, v_{i2}, \dots, v_{in}\}$  be the vertices of  $i^{\text{th}}$  copy of the cycle  $C_n$  and  $v_{i1} = v_{21} = v_{31} = \dots = v_{n1} = v$  (say), a common vertex. We assign colors 1 and 2 to the vertices  $\{v\}$  and  $\{v_{i2}, v_{in}/i = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$  respectively. For each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ , let  $H_i = \langle v_{i3}, v_{i4}, \dots, v_{i(m-1)} \rangle$  then  $H_i \cong P_{n-3}, \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1$ . We consider 3 cases.

Case (i) : When  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$

Since  $n-3 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  and by theorem (A), assign  $m\gamma_{\chi}^d(P_{n-3})$

distinct colors, we assign  $\frac{n-3}{3}$  distinct colors say  $2l+1$  &  $2l+2, (1 \leq l \leq \frac{n-3}{3})$  to the vertices  $\{v_{i(3k)}\}, \{v_{i(3k+2)}\}$  and  $\{v_{i(3k+1)}\}, \forall k = 1, 2, \dots, \frac{n-3}{3}$  respectively, we attain a  $\gamma_{\chi}^d$  coloring of  $D_n^m$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{\chi}^d(D_n^m) &= 2 + m\gamma_{\chi}^d(P_{n-3}) \\ &= \left(\frac{2mn}{3}\right) - 2(m-1) \end{aligned}$$

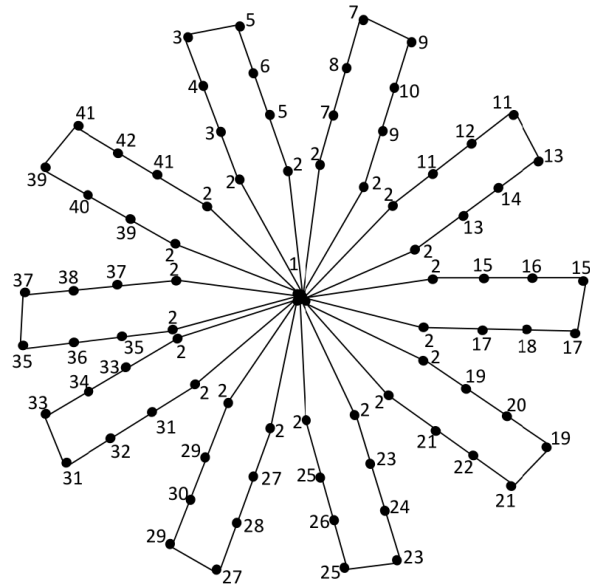


Figure 1.  $\gamma_{\chi}^d(D_9^{10}) = 42$

Case (ii): When  $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$

We assign  $4i(1 \leq i \leq m)$  distinct colors, say  $12i-1, 12i, 12i+1, 12i+2$  to the vertices  $\{v_{i(n-4)}\}, \{v_{i(n-3)}\}, \{v_{i(n-2)}\}$  &  $\{v_{i(n-1)}\}$  respectively. Since  $n-7 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , by theorem (A) & case (i), we assign  $m\gamma_{\chi}^d(P_{n-7})$  distinct colors to the remaining vertices, we attain a  $\gamma_{\chi}^d$  coloring of  $D_n^m$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{\chi}^d(D_n^m) &= 2 + 4m + m\gamma_{\chi}^d(P_{n-7}) \\ &= 2m\left(\frac{n+2}{3}\right) - 2(m-1) \end{aligned}$$

Case (iii): When  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$

Assign  $2i(1 \leq i \leq m)$  distinct colors to the vertices  $\{v_{i(n-2)}\}$  &  $\{v_{i(n-1)}\}$  respectively. Since  $n-5 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$  and by theorem (A) & case(i) we assign  $m\gamma_{\chi}^d(P_{n-5})$  distinct colors to the remaining vertices, we get a  $\gamma_{\chi}^d$  coloring of  $D_n^m$ . So

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{\chi}^d(D_n^m) &= 2 + 2m + m\gamma_{\chi}^d(P_{n-5}) \\ &= 2m\left(\frac{n+1}{3}\right) - 2(m-1) \end{aligned}$$

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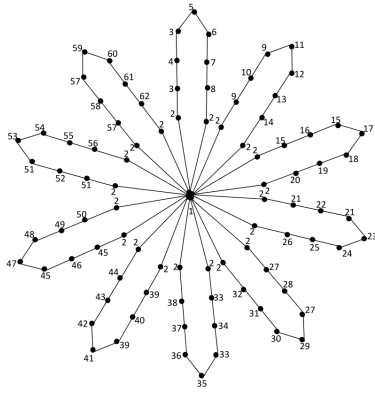


Figure 2.  $\gamma_X^d(D_{10}^{10}) = 62$

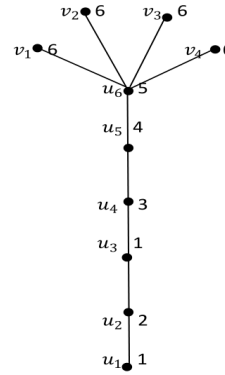


Figure 4.  $\gamma_X^d(CT_{6,4}) = 6$

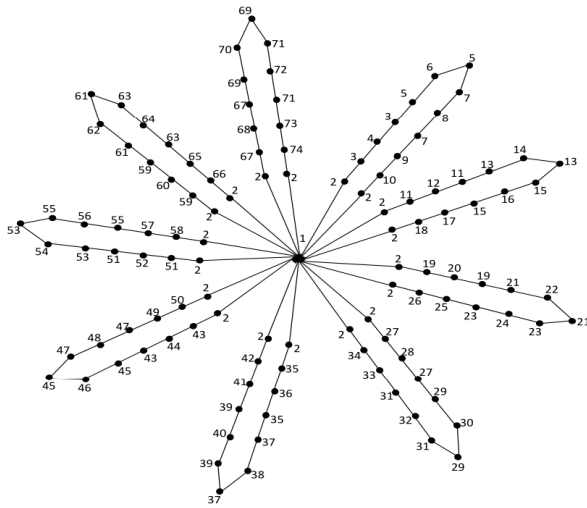


Figure 3.  $\gamma_X^d(D_{14}^9) = 74$

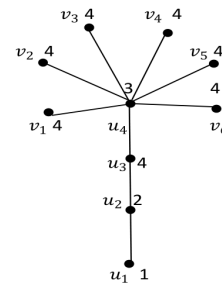


Figure 5.  $\gamma_X^d(CT_{4,6}) = 4$

Case (iii): When  $m \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ . Since  $m - 2 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , by theorem 2.5,  $\gamma_X^d(P_{m-2}) = \lfloor \frac{2(m-2)}{3} \rfloor$ . We assign 2 new colors say  $\frac{2m}{3}$  and  $\frac{2m}{3} + 1$  to the vertices  $\{u_m\}$  and  $\{u_{m-1}, v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  respectively. We attain a  $\gamma_X^d$ -coloring of  $CT_{m,n}$ . Thus  $\gamma_X^d(CT_{m,n}) = \lceil \frac{2m}{3} \rceil$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** For a coconut tree graph,  $CT_{m,n}$

$$\gamma_X^d(CT_{m,n}) = \begin{cases} \frac{2m}{3} + 2, & \text{if } m \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ \lceil \frac{2m}{3} \rceil + 1, & \text{if } m \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ \lceil \frac{2m}{3} \rceil, & \text{if } m \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $V(CT_{m,n}) = \{u_i, v_i / 1 \leq i \leq m, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$ , where  $\{u_i / 1 \leq i \leq m\}$  be a vertices of the path and  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  be the pendant vertices attached with the end vertex  $u_m$  of the path  $P_m$  with degree  $u_m = n + 1$ . We consider 3 cases.

Case (i): When  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ . Since  $m - 1 \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ , by theorem 2.5,  $\gamma_X^d(P_{m-1}) = 2 \lfloor \frac{m-1}{3} \rfloor$ . We assign 2 new colors say  $\frac{2m}{3} + 1$  and  $\frac{2m}{3} + 2$  to the vertices  $\{u_m\}$  and  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  respectively. We attain a  $\gamma_X^d$ -coloring of  $CT_{m,n}$ . Thus  $\gamma_X^d(CT_{m,n}) = \frac{2m}{3} + 2$ .

Case (ii): When  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ . Since  $m - 4 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , by theorem 2.5,  $\gamma_X^d(P_{m-4}) = \frac{2m}{3} - 2$ . Assign 4 new colors say  $\frac{2(m-1)}{3} - 1, \frac{2(m-1)}{3}, \frac{2(m-1)}{3} + 1, \frac{2(m-1)}{3} + 2$  to the vertices say  $\{u_{m-3}\}, \{u_{m-2}\}, \{u_m\}$  and  $\{u_{m-1}, v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  respectively. We attain a  $\gamma_X^d$ -coloring of  $CT_{m,n}$ . Thus  $\gamma_X^d(CT_{m,n}) = \lceil \frac{2m}{3} \rceil + 1$ .

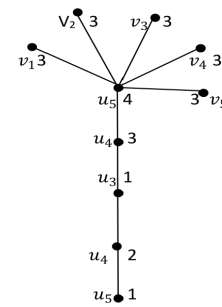


Figure 6.  $\gamma_X^d(CT_{5,5}) = 4$

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