

Weak Domination in LICT Graphs

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ABSTRACT

The lict graph $n(G)$ of a graph G is the graph whose set of vertices is the union of set of edges and the set of cut vertices of G in which two vertices are adjacent if and only if the corresponding edges are adjacent or the corresponding members of G are incident. In this paper, we initiate the study of variation of standard domination, namely weak lict domination. A weak dominating set D is a weak dominating set of $n(G)$, if for every vertex $y \in V[n(G)] - D$ there is a vertex $x \in D$ with $\deg(x) \leq \deg(y)$ and y is adjacent to x . A weak domination number of $n(G)$ is denoted by $\gamma_{wn}(G)$, is the smallest cardinality of a weak dominating set of $n(G)$. We determine best possible upper and lower bounds for $\gamma_{wn}(G)$, in terms of elements of G .

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1. INTRODUCTION

In this note, we will use the notation and terminology in [1]. Let $G = (V, E)$ be a simple graph with $|V| = p$ and $|E| = q$. The degree, neighborhood and closed neighborhood of a vertex v in a graph G are denoted as $\deg(v)$, $N(v)$ and $N[v] = N(v) \cup v$ respectively. We use $\Delta(G)$ [$\Delta'(G)$] denotes the maximum degree of a vertex (edge) in G and $\delta(G)$ [$\delta'(G)$] denotes the minimum degree of a vertex (edge) in G . The notation $\alpha_0(G)$ [$\alpha_1(G)$] is the minimum number of vertices (edges) in a vertex (edge) covers of G . The notation $\beta_0(G)$ [β_1] is the minimum number of vertices (edges) in a maximal independent set of a vertex (edge) of G .

We say a set S is a dominating set of G , if for every vertex $u \in V - S$, there exists a vertex $v \in S$ such that $uv \in E$. The domination number of G , denoted by $\gamma(G)$ is the minimum cardinality of a dominating set of G . For compressive work on the subject has been done in [3],[4]. A dominating set S of G is called a connected dominating set of G , if the induced subgraph $\langle S \rangle$ is connected. The minimum cardinality taken over all the minimal connected domination number and is denoted by $\gamma_c(G)$. A dominating set $S \subseteq V(G)$ is called the total dominating set, if for every vertex $v \in V$, there exist a vertex $u \in S$, $u \neq v$ such that u is adjacent to v . The total domination number of G is denoted by $\gamma_t(G)$ is the minimum cardinality of total dominating set of G . A set S of vertices in a graph G is an independent dominating set of G , if S is an independent set and every vertex not in S is adjacent to a vertex in S . The smallest cardinality of an independent dominating set is called an independent domination number of G and is denoted by $i(G)$. A dominating set D of a graph G is

a split dominating set if the induced subgraph $\langle V - D \rangle$ is disconnected. The split domination number $\gamma_s(G)$ is the least cardinality of a split dominating set of G .

In [5], the strong slit domination was given as follows. A set $S \subseteq G$ is called the strong slit dominating set of G , if $\langle V - S \rangle$ is totally disconnected with at least two isolated vertices. The strong slit domination number $\gamma_{ss}(G)$ is the lowest level cardinality of minimal strong split dominating set of G .

A dominating set D of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is a cototal dominating set if, every vertex $v \in V - D$ is not an isolated vertex in the induced subgraph $\langle V - D \rangle$. The cototal domination number $\gamma_{cot}(G)$ of G is the smallest cardinality of a cototal dominating set of G . A set $S \subseteq V(G)$ is a Restrained dominating set of G , if every vertex in $V - S$ is adjacent to a vertex in S as well as another vertex in $V - S$. The Restrained domination number of a graph G is denoted by $\gamma_{Res}(G)$ is the least cardinality of a Restrained dominating set of G . Given two adjacent vertices u and v of G . We say v weakly dominates u , if $\deg(v) \leq \deg(u)$. A set $S \subseteq V(G)$ is a weakly dominating set, if every vertex in $\langle V - S \rangle$ is weakly dominated by at least one vertex in S . Weak domination number $\gamma_w(G)$ is the minimum cardinality of a weak dominating set of G .

In [7], the author showed that a weak dominating set S is a weak dominating set of $L(G)$, if for every vertex $u \in V[L(G)] - S$ there is a vertex $v \in S$ with $\deg(v) \leq \deg(u)$ and u is adjacent to v . A weak line domination number $\gamma_{wl}(G)$ is the least cardinality of a weak line dominating set S of $L(G)$.

In [6], the author has defined that the lict graph $n(G)$ of a graph G is the graph whose set of vertices is the union of set of edges and the set of cutvertices of G in which two vertices are adjacent if and only if the corresponding edges are adjacent or corresponding members of G are incident

In [8], Sampathkumar and Pushpa Latha have shown weak and strong domination number.

In this paper, we study the theoretic properties of $\gamma_{wn}(G)$ and many bounds are obtained in terms of elements of G and its relationship with other domination parameter were found.

In section 2 we determine this parameter for some standard graphs. We obtained best possible upper and lower bound for $\gamma_{wn}(G)$.

2. RESULTS

First we list out the exact values of $\gamma_{wn}(G)$ for some standard graphs.

Theorem 2.1: i]. For any path P_n with $n \geq 3$ vertices

$$\gamma_{wn}(G) = P - 2 .$$

ii]. For any star $K_{1,n}$ with $n \geq 2$ vertices

$$\gamma_{wn}[K_{1,n}] = \gamma(G) = \gamma_n(G) = \gamma_s(G) = \gamma_w(G) = \gamma_{wl} = 1.$$

iii]. For any cycle C_p with $p \geq 3$ vertices.

$$\gamma_{wn}(C_p) = \begin{cases} \frac{p}{3} & \text{if } p \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{3} \rfloor & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

iv]. For any wheel W_p with $p \geq 4$ vertices.

$$\gamma_{wn}(W_p) = \begin{cases} \frac{p}{2} & \text{if } p \text{ is even} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor & \text{if } p \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

v]. For any complete graph K_p with $p \geq 3$ vertices.

$$\gamma_{wn}(K_p) = \begin{cases} \frac{p}{3} & \text{if } p \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ \lfloor \frac{p}{3} \rfloor & \text{Otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

vi]. For any star $K_{1,p}$ with $p \geq 2$ vertices $\gamma_{wn}(K_{1,p}) = \alpha_0$.

Upper bounds for $\gamma_{wn}(G)$.

We obtained an upper bound for $\gamma_{wn}(G)$ in terms of $\beta_1(G)$ and weak line domination $\gamma_{wl}(G)$.

Theorem 2.2: For any graph G , $\gamma_{wn}(G) \leq \gamma_{wl}(G) + \beta_1 + 1$.

Proof: Let $B = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_m\} \subseteq E(G)$ with $N(e_i) \cap N(e_j) = e$ for every $e_i, e_j \in B$, $1 \leq i \leq m$, $1 \leq j \leq m$ and $e \in E(G) - B$. Clearly B forms a maximal independent edge set in G . Let $A = \{u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n\} \subseteq V[L(G)]$ be the set of vertices with $\deg(u_i) \geq 1$, $1 \leq i \leq n$. Such that $N[A] = V[L(G)]$. Hence A forms a γ -set of $L(G)$.

Suppose there exists a set $A_1 \subseteq V[L(G)] - A$ such that $\forall u_i \in A_1, \deg(u_i) \geq \deg(u_k), \forall u_k \in A$. Then $A \cup A_1$ forms a minimal weak dominating set of $L(G)$. Suppose $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n\} \subseteq V[n(G)]$ and $\deg(u_m) \geq \deg(u_n), \forall u_m \in V[n(G)] - S$ and $\forall u_n \in S$ such that $N[S] = V[n(G)]$. Then S forms a dominating set of $n(G)$. Suppose there exists a set $S_1 \subseteq V[n(G)] - S$ such that $u_i \in S, \deg(u_i) \geq \deg(u_k), \forall u_k \in S_1$. Then $S \cup S_1$ forms a minimal weak dominating set of $n(G)$. Hence it gives $|S \cup S_1| \leq |A \cup A_1| + |B| + 1$. Clearly $\gamma_{wn}(G) \leq \gamma_{wl}(G) + \beta_1 + 1$.

A Roman domination function of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is a function $f: V \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$ satisfying the condition that every vertex u for which $f(u) = 0$ is adjacent to at least one vertex v for which $f(v) = 2$. The weight of a Roman dominating function in G is the value of $f(v) = \sum_{u \in V} f(u)$. The Roman domination number of G is denoted by $\gamma_R(G)$, equals the smallest weight of a Roman dominating function on G . Further we relates our concept to $\gamma_R(G)$ and $\alpha_1(G)$.

Theorem 2.3: For any connected (p, q) graph G , with $(p \geq 2)$, then $\gamma_{wn}(G) \leq \alpha_1(G) + \gamma_R(G) + 1$.

Proof: Let $f: V_i \rightarrow \{0, 1, 2\}$; $i = 0, 1, 2$ be a Roman domination function of D' where D' is a Roman dominating set of G . Let $A = \{e_j\}, j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ be the minimal edge cover of G , so that $|A| = \alpha_1(G)$. Now in $n(G)$, let $B =$

$\{u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n\} \subseteq V[n(G)]$ be the minimal set of vertices where $N[B] = V[n(G)]$. Then B is a dominating set of $n(G)$. Suppose $\forall v_i \in V[n(G)] - B, \deg(v_i) \leq \deg(v_k)$ where $\forall v_k \in B$. Then $B \cup \{v_i\}$ forms a minimal weak lict γ -set of G . Thus $|B \cup \{v_i\}| \leq |A| + |D'| + 1$ gives $\gamma_{wn}(G) \leq \alpha_1(G) + \gamma_R(G) + 1$.

Theorem 2.4: For any nontrivial tree T , $\gamma_{wn}(T) \leq i(T) + \gamma_{Res}(T) + 1$.

Proof: Suppose $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V(T)$ be the set of vertices such that $N[D] = V(T)$. Then D is a minimal γ -set of T . If $\langle D \rangle$ is a set of isolates, then D itself is an independent dominating set of T . Otherwise, if there exists an edge e in D then $D - \{e\}$ forms an independent dominating set of T . Since D is dominating set of T . If the set of vertices in $V - D$ is adjacent to at least one vertex of D and at least one vertex of $V - D$, then D itself is a γ_{Res} -set of T . In lict graph $n(T)$, let $M = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V[n(T)]$ be the set of minimum degree vertices such that $N[M] = V[n(T)]$. Then M forms a minimal γ_{wn} -set of T . Hence $|M| \leq |D - \{e\}| + |D|$, gives $\gamma_{wn}(T) \leq i(T) + \gamma_{Res}(T) + 1$.

Lower Bounds for $\gamma_{wn}(G)$:

Here we have found lower bounds for $\gamma_{wn}(G)$ in terms of elements of G and other domination parameters of G .

Theorem 2.5: For any connected (p, q) graph G , $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \gamma(G)$.

Proof: Since the $V[n(G)] = E(G) \cup C(G)$, $C(G)$ a cutvertex set of G . Now we deal with two cases.

Case1: Suppose G is a nontrivial tree. Then one can see that $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \gamma(G)$.

Case2: Suppose G is not a tree. Then again it is true that $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \gamma(G)$.

Theorem 2.6: For any connected (p, q) graph G , $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \text{diam}(G) - 1$.

Proof: Let $D = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_m\} \subseteq E(G)$ be the set of edges which constitute the diametral path in G . Then $|D| = \text{diam}(G)$. Farther consider $E = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_m\}$; $C = \{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n\}$ be the set edges and cutvertices in G . Then $V[n(G)] = E(G) \cup C(G)$. Let $S = \{u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_n\}$ be the minimum degree vertices in $n(G)$, which covers all the vertices in $n(G)$ such that $N[S] = V[n(G)]$. Thus S forms a minimal weak dominating set of $n(G)$. It follows that $|S| \geq |D| - 1$. Hence $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \text{diam}(G) - 1$.

In [2], the author has defined the double domination. A dominating set $D \subseteq V(G)$ is said to be double dominating set of G , if every vertex of V is dominated by at least two vertices in D . The double domination number $\gamma_{dd}(G)$ of G is the least cardinality of a double dominating set of G .

Theorem 2.7: For any connected (p, q) graph G , then $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \lfloor \frac{\gamma_{dd}(G)}{\Delta(G)} \rfloor$.

Proof: Suppose $A = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_j\} \subseteq V(G)$ be the set vertices with $\deg(v_i) \geq 2, 1 \leq i \leq j$ such that $N[A] = V(G)$. Hence A forms a minimal dominating set of G . A set $A \subseteq V(G)$ is a double dominating set, if for every vertex $v \in V(G)$, $A' = |N[v] \cap A| \geq 2$. Now we consider the lict graph

$n(G)$ of a graph G . Such that $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq V[n(G)]$ be the set of vertices with $\deg v_i \geq 2; 1 \leq i \leq k$ and if $N[S] = V[n(G)]$. Then S forms a γ -set of $n(G)$. Suppose there exists a set $S_1 \subseteq V[n(G)] - S$ such that $\forall v_i \in S_1, \deg(v_i) \leq \deg(v_j), \forall v_j \in S$. Then $S \cup S_1$ forms a minimal weak dominating set of $n(G)$. Suppose there exists at least one vertex $v \in A$ of maximum degree such that $\deg(v) = \Delta(G)$. Hence $|S \cup S_1| \cdot \Delta(G) \geq |A|$. Clearly, it follows that $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{\gamma_{ad}(G)}{\Delta(G)} \right\rfloor$.

Theorem 2.8: For any tree T with K number of cut vertices then $\gamma_{wn}(T) \geq K$.

Proof: Let $B = \{c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_n\}$ be the set of all cutvertices in tree T , with $|B| = K$. Further let $J = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_i\}$ be the set of all end edges in T , also $J' = \{e'_1, e'_2, e'_3, \dots, e'_i\}$ be the set of all nonend edges in T . Then in list graph $n(T), V[n(T)] = J \cup J' \cup B$. Suppose $D \subseteq V[n(T)]$ and $N[D] = V[n(T)]$ and $\deg(v_i) < \deg(v_j)$ where $v_i \in V[n(T)] - D$ and $v_j \in D$. Since $v_i \in D_1 = V[n(T)] - D$, then $|D \cup D_1| \geq |K|$ which gives $\gamma_{wn}(T) \geq K$.

Theorem 2.9: For any non trivial tree T , vertices and l end vertices and S the number of support vertices, then $\gamma_{wn}(T) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{q-2-l+s}{3} \right\rfloor$.

Proof: Let $I = \{u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_m\} \subseteq V(T)$ be the set of all end vertices in T with $|I| = l$ and let $J = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$ be the support vertices in T with $|J| = S$. In list graph $n(T), D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i\} = V[n(T)]$. Suppose $D_1 \subseteq D, \forall v_j \in D_1, \deg(v_j) \geq 2$ and $D_2 \subseteq D$ be the set of minimum degree vertices which are adjacent to a cutvertex of $n(T)$, since each block of $n(T)$ is complete and covers all the vertices of $n(T)$. Then $\{D_1 \cup D_2\}$ is a minimal weak dominating set of $n(T)$. Thus $3|D_1 \cup D_2| \geq |E(T)| - 2 - |I| + |J|$, gives $\gamma_{wn}(T) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{q-2-l+s}{3} \right\rfloor$.

A dominating set $S \subseteq V(G)$ is a *strong nonsplit dominating set*, if the induced subgraph $\langle V - S \rangle$ is complete. The *strong nonsplit domination number* $\gamma_{sns}(G)$ of G is minimum cardinality of a *strong nonsplit dominating set* of G .

Theorem 2.10: For any connected (p, q) graph G , with $p \geq 2$ then $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{\gamma_{sns}(G)+2}{3} \right\rfloor$ and $G \neq K_{1,n} (n \geq 4)$.

Proof: Suppose $G = K_{1,n}, n \geq 4, \gamma_{wn}(G) = 1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{3} \right\rfloor$, a contradiction to the fact.

Let $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the vertex set of G . Suppose $D_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq D$ and if $N[D_1] = V(G)$. Then D_1 is a minimal dominating set of G . If the induced subgraph $\langle V - D_1 \rangle$ is complete, then D_1 itself is a γ_{sns} -set of G . Since the $V[n(G)] = E(G) \cup C(G)$, $C(G)$ a cutvertex set of G . Suppose $F = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq V[n(G)]$ if $N[F] = V[n(G)]$ and $|\deg(x) - \deg(y)| \geq 2, \forall x \in V[n(G)] - F, \forall y \in F$. Then F forms a weak dominating set of $n(G)$. Otherwise there exists at least one vertex $\{w\} \subseteq F$ such that $F \cup \{w\}$ forms a minimal γ_{wn} -set. Thus $3|F| \geq |D_1| + 2$. Hence $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{\gamma_{sns}(G)+2}{3} \right\rfloor$.

Theorem 11: For any connected (p, q) graph G , then $\gamma_{wn}(G) + \alpha_0(G) \geq \gamma(G) + \gamma_{ss}(G)$.

Proof: Let $M = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V(G)$ and $\forall e_i \in E(G)$ is incident to at least one vertex of M . Then $|M| = \alpha_0$. Let $M_1 \subseteq M$ Such that $N[M_1] = V(G)$ then M_1 is a minimal dominating set of G and $M_2 \subseteq V(G) - M_1$. Suppose $M'_2 \subseteq M_2$ and $H = [V(G) - (M_1 \cup M'_2)]$ where $N[M_1 \cup M'_2] = V(G)$ and $\langle H \rangle$ is totally disconnected. Clearly $M_1 \cup M'_2 = \gamma_{ss}$ -set of G . Now in $n(G)$, let $R = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\} \subseteq V[n(G)]$ be the minimal set of vertices where $N[R] = V[n(G)]$. Then R is a dominating set of $n(G)$. Suppose $\forall v_i \in R_1 = V[n(G)] - R, \deg(v_i) \leq \deg(v_k)$ where $\forall v_k \in R$, then $\{R \cup R_1\}$ forms a minimal weak dominating set of $n(G)$. Clearly $|R \cup R_1| + |M| \geq |M_1| + |M_1 \cup M'_2|$, gives $\gamma_{wn}(G) + \alpha_0(G) \geq \gamma(G) + \gamma_{ss}(G)$.

Next, we give a bound of $\gamma_{wn}(G)$ of G with minimum edge degree δ' and $\gamma_w(G)$.

Theorem 2.12: If G is a (p, q) connected graph then $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{\gamma_w(G) + \delta'(G)}{3} \right\rfloor - 1$ and $G \neq K_{1,n} (n > 5)$

Proof: Suppose $G = K_{1,n} n > 5, \gamma_{wn}(G) = 1 < \left\lfloor \frac{\gamma_w(G) + \delta'(G)}{3} \right\rfloor - 1$, a contradiction to the fact.

Let $S \subseteq V(G)$ where $\forall v_i \in S$ is adjacent to at least one vertex of $V(G) - S$. Then S is a dominating set of G . Suppose there exists a set $H \subseteq V(G) - S$ such that $\forall v_j \in H, \deg(v_j) \leq \deg(v_k), \forall v_k \in S$. Then $S \cup H$ forms a minimal γ_w -set of G . In $n(G), V[n(G)] = [E(G) \cup C(G)]$. Let $D = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\} \subseteq V[n(G)]$ be the set of vertices in $n(G)$. Suppose $D' \subseteq D$ be the set of vertices with $\deg(w) \geq 3, \forall w \in D'$ such that $N[D'] = V[n(G)]$. If $\forall v_i \in V[n(G)] - D'$ with $\deg(v_i) < 3$. Then $\{D' \cup \{v_i\}\}$ forms a γ_{wn} -set of G . Since for any graph G there exists at least one edge e with $|dege| = \delta'(G)$. Hence $3|D' \cup \{v_i\}| + 1 \geq |S \cup H| + |dege|$. Therefore $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{\gamma_{wn}(G) + \delta'(G)}{3} \right\rfloor - 1$.

The minimum number of color in any coloring of a graph G such that no two adjacent vertices have same color is called the *chromatic number* of G and is denoted by $\chi(G)$.

Theorem 2.13: If T is a tree, with $p \geq 2$, then $\gamma_{wn}(T) \geq \gamma_s(T) + \chi(T) - 2$.

Proof: Let $B_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq V(T)$ be the set of all nonend vertices in T . Such that $N[B_1] = V(T)$ then B_1 forms a γ -set of T . Suppose the induced subgraph $\langle V - B_1 \rangle$ is have more than one component then B_1 itself is a split dominating set of T . In $n(T)$, let $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq V[n(T)]$ be the γ_{wn} -set. For any tree, $\chi(T) = 2$ and $\gamma_{wn}(T) \geq \gamma_s(T) + 2 - 2$. Therefore $|A| \geq |B_1| + \chi(T) - 2$, gives $\gamma_{wn}(T) \geq \gamma_s(T) + \chi(T) - 2$.

A set $F \subseteq E(G)$ is called an *edge dominating set* of G , if every edge not in F is adjacent to at least one edge in F . The minimum cardinality taken over all the *edge dominating set* of G , denoted as $\gamma'(G)$ is called an *edge domination number* of G .

Theorem 2.14: For any connected (p, q) graph G , with $p \geq 2$, then $\gamma_{wn}(G) + \Delta'(G) \geq \gamma'(G) + \left\lfloor \frac{\beta_0}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$.

Proof: Let $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k\}$ be the edge set of G . Then $E_n \subseteq E$ such that $N[E_n] = E(G)$, then E_n is an edge dominating set of G . Suppose $e \in E_n$ is an edge have maximum degree in G such that $\deg(e) = \Delta'(G)$. Let $A =$

$\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V(G)$ be a maximal independent vertex set of G such that $N(v_i) \cap N(v_j) = \emptyset, 1 \leq i < j \leq n$. Also $u \in V(G) - A$. Hence $|A| = \beta_0(G)$. In lict graph $n(G)$, let $L = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V[n(G)]$ such that $N[L] = V[n(G)]$ and if $\forall v_l \in L$ has degree at least 2 and $v_k \in V[n(G)] - L$ and $\deg(v_k) \leq \deg(v_l)$. Then $L \cup \{v_l\}$ forms γ_{wn} - set. Hence $|L \cup \{v_l\}| + |\deg(e)| \geq |E_n| + \left\lfloor \frac{|A|}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$, gives $\gamma_{wn}(G) + \Delta'(G) \geq \gamma'(G) + \left\lfloor \frac{\beta_0}{2} \right\rfloor - 1$.

Theorem 2.15: For any connected (p, q) graph G , then $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{\gamma_t(G) + \gamma_c(G)}{2} \right\rfloor$ and $G \neq C_p (p \geq 5)$.

Proof: Let H be a dominating set of G . If the induced subgraph $\langle H \rangle$ has exactly one component then H itself is a connected dominating set of G . Otherwise, if H has more than one component then attach the minimum number of vertices $\{v_i\} \in V(G) - H, \forall v_i, \deg(v_i) \geq 2$, so that $S = H \cup \{v_i\}$ forms exactly one component. Clearly $S = \gamma_c$ - set of G . Let $V_1 = V(G) - H$ and if $J \subseteq V_1$ be the minimum set of vertices which are adjacent to at least one vertex of H . Then $\langle H \cup J \rangle$ is a γ_t - set of G . Suppose R be the vertex set of lict graph $n(G)$. Let $R_1 \subseteq R$ be the set of vertices with minimum degree and $N[R_1] = V[n(G)]$. Then R_1 is a minimal γ_{wn} - set. Hence $2|R_1| \geq |H \cup J| \cup |S|$, resulting in $\gamma_{wn}(G) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{\gamma_t(G) + \gamma_c(G)}{2} \right\rfloor$.

One can easily check for $C_p, p \geq 5$, which gives a contradiction.

Theorem 2.16: Let T be a tree which is not a star, then $\gamma_{wn}(T) \geq \frac{\gamma_{cot}(T)}{\gamma_{Res}(T)} + \delta$.

Proof: Suppose $T = K_{1,n}$. Then $\gamma_{wn}(T) = 1 < \left\lfloor \frac{\gamma_{cot}(T)}{\gamma_{Res}(T)} \right\rfloor + \delta$. Hence $T \neq K_{1,n}$. Let S be a minimal dominating set of T . Suppose the subgraph $\langle V - S \rangle$ has no isolate then S itself is a γ_{cot} - set of T . Otherwise there exist a set $R \subseteq V(T) - S$

with $\deg(v_j) = 0, \forall v_j \in R$. Add $\{v_j\} \subseteq V(T) - S$ to $\{R\}$, so that $S \cup R$ forms a γ_{cot} - set. Suppose $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of end vertices in T . Now $\forall v_i \in V(T) - \{S \cup V_1\}$ is adjacent to at least one vertex of $S \cup V_1$ and at least one vertex of $V(T) - \{S \cup V_1\}$. Then $\{S \cup V_1\}$ is a γ_{Res} - set of T . Suppose $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq V[n(T)]$ and $\deg(v_m) \leq \deg(v_k), \forall v_k \in V[n(T)] - D$ and $\forall v_m \in D$ such that $N[v_m] = V[n(T)]$. Then D forms a γ_{wn} - set of T . Clearly $|D| \cdot |S \cup V_1| - \delta \geq |S \cup R|$ resulting into $\gamma_{wn}(T) \geq \frac{\gamma_{cot}(T)}{\gamma_{Res}(T)} + \delta$.

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