

Further Results on Designs Arising from Some Certain Corona Graphs

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Abstract: In this paper, we determine the partially balanced incomplete block designs and association scheme which are formed by the minimum dominating sets of the graphs $C_3 \cdot K_2$, and $C_4 \cdot K_2$. Finally, we determine the number of minimum dominating sets of graph $G = C_n \cdot K_2$ and prove that the set of all minimum dominating sets of $G = C_n \cdot K_2$ forms a partially balanced incomplete block design with two association scheme.

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1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper by a graph, we mean a finite undirected graph without loops or multiple lines. For a graph G , let $V(G)$ and $E(G)$ respectively denote the point set and the line set of graph G . We say that u and v dominate each other. A set D subset of V is dominating set of G , if every vertex in $V - D$ is adjacent to some vertex in D . The domination number $\gamma(G)$ of G is the minimum cardinality of a dominating set.

Many authors have been studied PBIBD with m -association scheme which are arising from some dominating sets of some graphs. H.B. Walikar and *et al.* [5], have studied PBIBD arising from minimum dominating set of paths and cycles, Anwar and Sonar [1], have studied Partial balanced incomplete block designs arising from some minimal dominating sets of SRNT graphs. Any undefined terms and notation, reader may refer to F. Harary [3]. We refer the reader to see [2, 4], for more details about PBIBD and dominating set. We concern here to study PBIBD and the association scheme which can be obtained from the minimum dominating sets in some certain $(C_n \cdot K_2)$ graph, then we generalize the graph $(C_n \cdot K_n)$ and it is open area to study the same things for the other graphs.

We can obtain different PBIBD association scheme from the $(C_n \cdot K_n)$ graphs by using different definitions as we will see in next sections.

2. SOME PBIBD ARISING FROM MINIMUM DOMINATING SETS OF $(C_n \cdot K_2)$

2.1. Definition

Given v objects a relation satisfying the following conditions is said to be an association scheme with m classes:

- Any two objects are either first associates, or second associates, ..., or m^{th} associates, the relation of association being symmetric.
- Each object α has n_i i th associates, the number n_i being independent of α .
- If two objects α and β are i th associates, then the number of objects which are j th associates of α and k th associates of β is p_{jk}^i and is independent of the pair of i th associates α and β . Also $p_{jk}^i = p_{kj}^i$.

If we have association scheme for the v objects we can define a PBIBD as the following definition.

2.2. Definition

The PBIBD design is arrangement of v objects into b sets (called blocks) of size k where $k < v$ such that

- Every object is contained in exactly r blocks.
- Each block contains k distinct objects.
- Any two objects which are i th associates occur together in exactly λ_i blocks.

Theorem3: From $(C_3 \cdot K_2)$ we get PBIBD with parameters

$(v=9, k=3, r=9, b=27, \lambda_1=0, \lambda_2=3)$ and association scheme of 2-classes with

$$P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11}^1 & p_{12}^1 \\ p_{21}^1 & p_{22}^1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11}^2 & p_{12}^2 \\ p_{21}^2 & p_{22}^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

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$$= \sum_{i=0}^n \binom{n}{i} 2^{n-1}$$

$$= 3^n.$$

Theorem 6: Let $G \cong (C_n \circ K_2)$. Any two vertices in G either belong to zero minimum dominating set or 3^{n-2} minimum dominating sets.

Proof: By labeling the vertices of the graph $C_n \circ K_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, v_1', v_1'', v_2', v_2'', \dots, v_n', v_n''\}$ where

$\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ are the vertices of C_n and $\{v_1', v_1'', v_2', v_2'', \dots, v_n', v_n''\}$ are the vertices of K_2 .

Suppose $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ and $B = \{v_1', v_1'', v_2', v_2'', \dots, v_n', v_n''\}$. Let u, v be any two vertices, we have the following cases:

Case1: u and v belong to A then there are 3^{n-2} minimum dominating sets containing u and v .

Case2: u and v belong to B then there are 3^{n-2} ways to select minimum dominating sets containing u and v .

Case3: Let $u \in A$ and $v \in B$ we have two sub cases:

Case(i). Let u and v in the same triangle then there does not exist any minimum dominating sets containing u and v .

Case(ii). If u and v are from the different triangle then there are 3^{n-2} ways to select minimum dominating sets.

Theorem 7: Let $G \cong (C_n \circ K_2)$. Then every vertex $v \in V(G)$ contained in 3^{n-1} minimum dominating sets.

Proof: Let $G \cong (C_n \circ K_2)$. The vertices of G can be partitioned into n sets, each set containing 3 vertex as the triangles $\Delta 1, \Delta 2, \dots, \Delta n$. Let $v \in V(G)$ be any vertex such that $v \in \Delta i$ for some

$1 \leq i \leq n$. Any minimum dominating set containing v will contain $(n-1)$ vertices from the other triangle Δj where $i \neq j$. But it is not allowed to take two vertex from the same triangle so we need to take one vertex from each triangle. Hence the ways to select $(n-1)$ vertices from the Δj where $i \neq j$ is

$$\binom{3}{1} \binom{3}{1} \binom{3}{1} \binom{3}{1} \dots \binom{3}{1} = 3^{n-1}.$$

Theorem 8: For any graph $G \cong (C_n \circ K_2)$, there is PBIBD and association scheme associate with G as

the following parameters, ($v = 3n, k = n, r = 3^{n-1}, b = 3^n, \lambda_1 = 0, \lambda_2 = 3^{n-2}$) and association scheme of 2-classes with

$$P_1 = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11}^1 & p_{12}^1 \\ p_{21}^1 & p_{22}^1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 3(n-1) \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad P_2 = \begin{bmatrix} p_{11}^2 & p_{12}^2 \\ p_{21}^2 & p_{22}^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ 2 & 3(n-2) \end{bmatrix}$$

Proof: Above theorem follows from the previous theorems.

$$P_{11}^1 = 1$$

If we select α, β any two vertices such that α, β does not belong to any dominating set. Then the number of vertices which appear with α and β together is only one.

$$P_{12}^1 = 1$$

There are no minimum dominating sets which contains with α in zero minimum dominating set and β in 3^{n-2} dominating set. Similarly for $P_{21}^1 = 0$.

$$P_{22}^1 = 3(n-1)$$

The number of vertices which appear with α in 3^{n-1} dominating sets are $3(n-1)$ and β also in 3^{n-1} dominating sets are $3(n-1)$.

$$P_{11}^2 = 0$$

α, β does not belong to the same triangle, so the value of $P_{11}^2 = 0$

$$P_{12}^2 = 2$$

The number of vertices which belongs with α to zero vertices and with β to 3^{n-2} minimum dominating set is only two. Similarly for $P_{21}^2 = 2$.

$$P_{22}^2 = 3(n-2)$$

α, β belong to different triangles. The number of vertices which appear with α in 3^{n-2} minimum dominating sets and with β also in 3^{n-2} minimum dominating sets.

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