



## TOTAL GEODETIC GLOBAL DOMINATION NUMBER OF A GRAPH

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### Abstract

In this paper we learn the new idea total geodetic global domination number of a graph. A set  $R \subseteq V(G)$  is termed as a total geodetic global dominating set if  $R$  is both a total geodetic set and a global dominating set. The minimum cardinality among all total geodetic global dominating sets of  $G$  is called total geodetic global domination number and it is designated by  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G)$ . For a connected graph  $G$ , if  $\bar{\gamma}(G) = k$ , and  $g_t(G) = l$  then  $\bar{\gamma}_{g_t}(G) = k + l - 2$  with  $k, l \geq 2$  where  $k, l$  are two positive integers.

### 1. Introduction

Throughout this article we scrutinize a simple graph  $G = (V, E)$ . For fundamental graph theory expressions see [2], [3]. Here  $\bar{G}$  is the complement of  $G$  with point set  $V$  and two points are adjacent in  $\bar{G}$  if and only if they

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are not adjacent in  $G$ . The distance between two points  $u$  and  $v$  is the length of a shortest  $u - v$  path in a connected graph  $G$ . A point  $u$  of  $G$  is known as a full point if  $u$  is adjacent to all other points of  $G$ .  $N(x) = \{y \in V(G) : xy \in E(G)\}$  is called the neighborhood of the point  $x$  in  $G$ . A point  $x$  is an extreme point of a graph  $G$  if  $\langle N(x) \rangle$  is complete. The eccentricity  $e(v)$  of a point  $v$  in  $G$  is the maximum distance from  $v$  and a point of  $G$ . The minimum eccentricity among the points of  $G$  is the radius,  $rad\ G$  or  $r(G)$  and the maximum eccentricity is the diameter,  $diam\ G$  of  $G$ . A cut point of  $G$  is a point whose removal results a disconnected graph. A subset  $B \subseteq V$  is a dominating set of  $G$  if each point of  $V - B$  is adjacent with at least one point of  $B$ . The domination number,  $\gamma(G)$  is the minimum cardinality out of all dominating sets of  $G$ . A dominating set  $B$  of  $G$  is a global dominating set of  $G$  if every point in  $\bar{G}$  is adjacent with a point in  $B$ . The global domination number,  $\bar{\gamma}(G)$  is the minimum cardinality out of all global dominating sets of  $G$  [6]. An  $u - v$  path of length  $d(u, v)$  is known as  $u - v$  geodesic. A point  $x$  is said to lie on a  $u - v$  geodesic  $Q$  if  $x$  is a point of  $Q$  including the points  $u$  and  $v$ . The corona product of two graphs  $G \circ H$  is defined as the graph obtained by taking one copy of  $G$  and  $|V(G)|$  copies of  $H$  and joining the  $i$ -th point of  $G$  to every point in the  $i$ -th copy of  $H$ . A geodetic set of  $G$  is a set  $R \subseteq V(G)$  such that every point of  $G$  is contained in a geodesic joining some couple of points in  $R$ . The geodetic number  $g(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum order of its geodetic sets and any geodetic set of order  $g(G)$  is a geodetic basis. The geodetic number of a graph was introduced in [4]. A geodetic set  $R \subseteq V(G)$  is a total geodetic set if the subgraph  $G[R]$  induced by  $R$  has no isolated points. The total geodetic number  $g_t(G)$  is the minimum cardinality out of all total geodetic sets of  $G$  and it was introduced by Abdollahzadeh Ahangar and Vladimir Samodivkin [1]. A set  $R \subseteq V$  is a geodetic global dominating set if it is both a geodetic set and a global dominating set. The geodetic global domination number  $\bar{\gamma}_g(G)$  is the minimum cardinality among all the geodetic global dominating sets of  $G$  [5]. In this paper we define and study total geodetic global domination number of a graph.

**Theorem 1.1** [5]. *Each extreme point of a connected graph  $G$  belongs to every geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ .*

**Theorem 1.2** [5]. *Every full point of a connected graph  $G$  belongs to every geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ .*

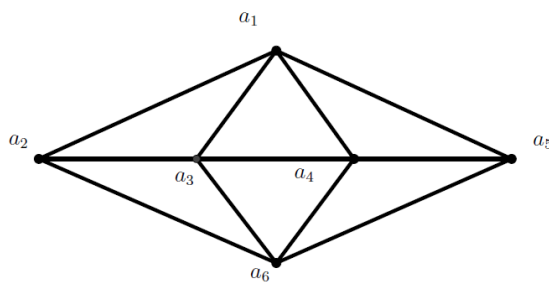
**Theorem 1.3** [5]. *For any connected graph  $G$  with cut point  $u$ , every geodetic global dominating set contains at least one point from each component of  $G - \{u\}$ .*

**Theorem 1.4** [5]. *Let  $G$  be a connected graph of order  $p$ . Then,  $\bar{\gamma}_g(G) = 2$  if and only if  $G = K_2$  or there exist a geodetic set  $R = \{x, y\}$  such that  $d(x, y) = 3$ .*

## 2. Total Geodetic Global domination Number of a Graph

**Definition 2.1.** A set  $R \subseteq V(G)$  is termed as a total geodetic global dominating set if  $R$  is both a total geodetic set and a global dominating set. The total geodetic global domination number,  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G)$  is the minimum cardinality among all total geodetic global dominating sets of  $G$ .

**Example 2.2.** Scrutinize the graph  $G$  given in Figure 2.1 Here  $R_1 = \{a_1, a_3, a_6\}$  is a total geodetic set and  $R_2 = \{a_1, a_3, a_6\}$  is a global dominating set. It is clear that  $R_3 = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_6\}$  is a minimum total geodetic global dominating set. Hence  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = 4$ .



**Figure 2.1.** Graph  $G$  with  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = 4$ .

**Observation 2.3.** For a connected graph  $G$  of order  $p \geq 2$ ,  $\max\{\bar{\gamma}(G), g_t(G)\} \leq \bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) \leq g_t(G) + \bar{\gamma}(G)$ .

**Observation 2.4.** For a complete graph  $K_p (p \geq 2)$ ,  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = p$ .

**Observation 2.5.** For a complete bipartite graph  $G = K_{p,q}$ ,

$$\gamma_{gt}(K_{p,q}) = \begin{cases} \min\{p, q\} + 1 & \text{if } 2 \leq p, q \leq 3, \\ 4 & \text{if } p, q \geq 4. \end{cases}$$

**Observation 2.6.** For a star graph  $K_{1,p-1}$  with  $p$  points  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(K_{1,p-1}) = p$ .

**Theorem 2.7.** *Every total geodetic global dominating set of a connected graph  $G$  contains all its extreme points.*

**Proof.** Since every total geodetic global dominating set of  $G$  is also a geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ . Hence the result follows from theorem 1.1.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.8.** *Let  $G$  be a connected graph with cut points and let  $R$  be a total geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ . If  $u$  is a cut point of  $G$ , then every component of  $G - \{u\}$  contains at least one element of  $R$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $u$  be a cut point of  $G$  and  $R$  be a total geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ . Since  $R$  is also a geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ . By theorem 1.3. every component of  $G - \{u\}$  contains at least one element of  $R$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.9.** *Each full point and cut point of a connected graph  $G$  belongs to every total geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ .*

**Proof.** Since every total geodetic global dominating set is a geodetic global dominating set. By theorem 1.2 each full point belongs to every total geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ . Let  $R$  be the total geodetic set of  $G$  and let  $u$  be a cut point of  $G$ . Then take  $G_1, G_2, G_3, \dots, G_p (p \geq 2)$  be the components of  $G - \{u\}$ . By theorem 2.8  $R$  contains at least one point from each  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_p$ . Since every points in  $G$  is connected, it follows that  $u \in R$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.10.** *For any non-complete connected graph  $G$  with  $m$  extreme points and  $n$  full points,  $\max\{2, m + n\} \leq \bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G)$ .*

**Proof.** This follows from theorem 2.7 and theorem 2.9.  $\square$

**Theorem 2.11.** For a connected graph  $G$  of order  $p \geq 2$ ,  $2 \leq g_t(G) \leq \gamma_{gt}(G) \leq p$ .

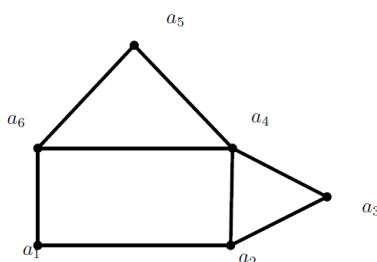
**Proof.** Any total geodetic set has at least two points. Therefore,  $g_t(G) \geq 2$ . By our definition we know that every total geodetic global dominating set is a total geodetic set. So  $g_t(G) \leq \bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G)$ . Clearly set of all points of  $G$  is a total geodetic global dominating set. Thus  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) \leq p$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.12.** For a connected graph  $G$  of order  $p \geq 2$ ,  $2 \leq \gamma_{gt}(G) \leq \bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) \leq p$ .

**Proof.** Since every total geodetic dominating set contain at least two points. So  $\gamma_{gt}(G) \geq 2$ . Since every total geodetic global dominating set is also a total geodetic global dominating set. From that  $\gamma_{gt}(G) \leq \bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G)$ . Clearly set of all points of  $G$  is a total geodetic global dominating set. Thus  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) \leq \bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) \leq p$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.13.** For a connected graph  $G$  of order  $p \geq 2$ ,  $2 \leq \bar{\gamma}_g(G) \leq \bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) \leq p$ .

**Remark 2.14.** The bound given in theorem 2.13 are sharp. For the complete graph  $K_p$ ,  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(K_p) = p$  so the above equality hold. For the graph  $G$  given in Figure 2.2,  $R = \{a_1, a_3, a_5\}$  is the minimum geodetic global dominating set, so that  $\bar{\gamma}_g(G) = 3$ . Also  $R_1 = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, a_5, a_6\}$  is the minimum total geodetic global dominating set. Hence  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = 5$ . Therefore,  $2 < \bar{\gamma}_g(G) < \bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G)$ .



**Figure 2.2.** Graph  $G$  with  $p = 6$ ,  $\bar{\gamma}_g(G) = 3$  and  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = 5$ .

**Theorem 2.15.** *For a connected graph  $G$  of order  $p \geq 2$ ,  $2 \leq \bar{\gamma}_g(G) = p$  if and only if every point of  $G$  is either a extreme point or a cut point or a full point.*

**Proof.** Let us assume  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = p$  for all  $p \geq 2$ . To prove every point of  $G$  is either a extreme point or a cut point or a full point. Suppose we assume that  $G$  contains a point  $u$  which is not a full or cut or extreme point. Since  $u$  is not a extreme point, then  $G \neq K_p$  and so  $V(G) - \{u\}$  is a geodetic set of  $G$ . Also,  $u$  is not a full point, this implies  $G \neq K_p$ . Since  $G$  is connected,  $V(G) - \{u\}$  is a global dominating set of  $G$ . Moreover  $u$  is not a cut point of  $G$ , so  $V(G) - \{u\}$  has no isolated points. Hence  $V(G) - \{u\}$  is a total geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ . Therefore,  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) \leq |V(G) - \{u\}| = p - 1$ , which is a contradiction to our assumption. Conversely, we assume that every point of  $G$  is either a full point or a cut point or an extreme point. If  $G = K_p$ , then by observation 2.4.,  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = p$ . If  $G \neq K_p$  the result follows from theorem 2.10 and theorem 2.12.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.16.** *For a connected graph  $G$ , if  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = 2$ , then  $\bar{\gamma}_g(G) = 2$ .*

**Corollary 2.17.** *For a connected graph  $G$ , if  $\bar{\gamma}_g(G) = p$ , then  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = p$ .*

**Theorem 2.18.** *If  $G = K_p - \{e\}$  is the graph obtained from  $K_p$  by removing a line  $e$ ,  $p \geq 4$  then  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = p$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $G = K_p - \{e\}$ , where  $e$  is a line of  $K_p$ . Let  $e = ab$ , where  $a, b \in V(G)$  then  $R_1 = \{a, b\}$  is the geodetic set with minimum cardinality. Also  $N[R_1] = V(G)$ . Hence  $R_1$  is a dominating set of  $G$ . But  $\langle R_1 \rangle$  has isolated points. Therefore  $R_1$  is not a total geodetic set. Since  $\deg(c_i) = p - 1$  for all  $c_i \in V(G) - R_1$ ,  $(1 \leq i \leq p - 2)$  here  $\deg(a) = \deg(b) = p - 2$ . Take  $R_2 = R_1 \cup \{c_1\}$ . Now,  $R_2$  is a total geodetic set and a dominating set of  $G$ . Because each  $c_i (2 \leq i \leq p - 2)$  has degree  $p - 1$ . So each  $c_i (2 \leq i \leq p - 2)$  are isolate in  $\bar{G}$ . Hence  $R_2$  is not a global dominating set of  $G$ . Consider  $B = \{c_i / 2 \leq i \leq p - 2\}$ . Now  $R_3 = R_2 \cup B$  is a minimum total geodetic

global dominating set of  $G$ . Hence  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = |R_3| = |R_2| + |B| = 3 + p - 3 = p$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.19.** *Let  $G$  be a trivial graph and  $H$  be any graph. If  $R$  is a minimum total geodetic global dominating set in  $G \circ H$ , then  $R \cap V(G) \neq \phi$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $y \in V(G)$  and  $R$  be a minimum total geodetic global dominating set of  $G \circ H$ . We know that by definition of  $G \circ H$ ,  $y$  is adjacent to each point of  $H$  in  $G \circ H$ . So that  $y$  is an isolate point in  $G$ . Hence  $y$  must be an point of  $R$ . Therefore,  $R \cap V(G) \neq \phi$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.20.** *Let  $G$  be any connected graph of order  $p \geq 2$  and  $H$  be any graph. If  $R$  is a total geodetic global dominating set in  $G \circ H$ , then  $R \cap V(H_{a_i}) \neq \phi$  for every  $a_i \in V(G)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $V(G) = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p\}$  and  $\{b_1^i, b_2^i, \dots, b_n^i\}$  be the point set of  $i^{\text{th}}$  copy of  $H$ . To prove that  $R \cap V(H_{a_i}) \neq \phi$  for some  $a_i \in V(G)$ . Suppose  $R \cap V(H_{a_i}) = \phi$  for some  $a_i \in V(G)$ . Since every point in  $V(H_{a_i})$  is adjacent to exactly one point  $a_i$  in  $V(G)$  in  $G \circ H$ . So that  $V(H_{a_i})$  does not lies on any geodesic path in  $R$ . Hence  $R$  is not a total geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ . Which is a contradiction to our assumption. Therefore,  $R \cap V(H_{a_i}) \neq \phi$  for every  $a_i \in V(G)$ .  $\square$

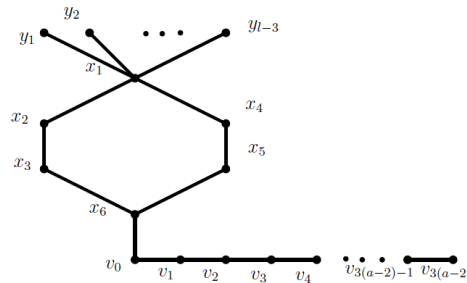
**Theorem 2.21.** *Let  $G$  be any connected graph of order  $n \geq 2$  and  $K_p$  be a complete graph of order  $p \geq 2$ , then  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G \circ K_p) = np$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $V(G) = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  and  $\{b_1^i, b_2^i, \dots, b_p^i\}$  be the point set of  $i^{\text{th}}$  copy of  $K_p$ . Consider  $R = \{b_1^1, b_2^1, \dots, b_p^1, b_1^2, b_2^2, \dots, b_p^2, b_1^3, b_2^3, \dots, b_p^3, \dots, b_1^n, b_2^n, \dots, b_p^n\}$ . Clearly  $R$  is a total geodetic set and dominating set of  $G$ . Also  $R$  is a dominating set of  $\bar{G}$ . Which is also minimum. Hence  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G \circ K_p) = |R| = np$ .  $\square$

### 3. Realization Result

**Theorem 3.1.** For a connected graph  $G$ , if  $\bar{\gamma}(G) = k$ , and  $g_t(G) = l$  then  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = k + l - 2$  with  $k, l \geq 2$  where  $k, l$  are two positive integers.

**Proof.** Let  $C : x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5, x_6$  be a cycle of order 6. Let  $H$  be a graph obtained from  $C$  by adding the new points  $y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{l-3}$  to the point  $x_1$ . Let  $G$  be the graph obtained from  $H$  by taking a copy of the path on  $3(k-2)+1$  points  $v_0, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{3(k-2)}$  and joining  $v_0$  to the point  $x_6$  as shown in Figure 3.1. Let  $R_1 = \{x_1, x_6, v_2, v_5, \dots, v_{3(k-2)-1}\}$  is a minimum global dominating set of  $G$ . Clearly  $R_1$  contains  $k$  points and so  $\bar{\gamma}(G) = k$ . Take  $R_2 = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{l-3}, x_1, v_{3(k-2)-1}, v_{3(k-2)}\}$ . Then  $R_2$  is a minimum total geodetic set of  $G$ . Hence  $g_t(G) = l$ . Now  $R_3 = R_1 \cup \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{l-3}, v_{3(k-2)}\}$ . Clearly  $R_3$  is a minimum total geodetic global dominating set of  $G$ . Hence  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = |R_3| = |R_1| + l - 2 = k + l - 2$ .  $\square$



**Figure 3.1.** Graph  $G$  with  $\bar{\gamma}(G) = k$ ,  $g_t(G) = l$  and  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G) = k + l - 2$

### Conclusion

In this paper we discussed the total geodetic global domination number  $\bar{\gamma}_{gt}(G)$ . We have found some general results of total geodetic global domination number. This work can be extended to find total edge geodetic global domination number of a graph, upper total geodetic global domination number of a graph, upper total edge geodetic global domination number of a graph.



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