



# $\Gamma$ -Paired Dominating Graphs of Some Paths and Some Cycles

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**Abstract** A set  $D$  of vertices in a graph  $G$  is a paired dominating set of  $G$  if every vertex of  $G$  is adjacent to some vertex in  $D$  and the subgraph of  $G$  induced by  $D$  contains a perfect matching. The maximum cardinality of a minimal paired dominating set of  $G$  is called the upper paired domination number, denoted by  $\Gamma_{pr}(G)$ . A minimal paired dominating set with cardinality  $\Gamma_{pr}(G)$  is a  $\Gamma_{pr}(G)$ -set. The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph  $PD_{\Gamma}(G)$  of  $G$  is the graph whose vertices are  $\Gamma_{pr}(G)$ -sets and any two  $\Gamma_{pr}(G)$ -sets are adjacent in  $PD_{\Gamma}(G)$  if they differ by exactly one vertex. In this paper, we first correct some results on the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of some paths that appeared in [P. Eakawinrujee, N. Trakultraipruk,  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of some paths, MATEC Web Conf. 189 (2018) 03029] and then we determine the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of some cycles.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $V(G)$  and edge set  $E(G)$ . A set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  is a *dominating set* of  $G$  if every vertex in  $V(G) \setminus D$  is adjacent to at least one vertex in  $D$ . The *domination number*  $\gamma(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum cardinality of a dominating set of  $G$ . A  $\gamma(G)$ -*set* is a dominating set of  $G$  with cardinality  $\gamma(G)$ . For detailed surveys on domination parameters, see [11, 12].

The *gamma graph*  $\gamma \cdot G$  of  $G$  is the graph with  $V(\gamma \cdot G)$  as the set of all  $\gamma(G)$ -sets, and two vertices  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  of  $\gamma \cdot G$  are adjacent if they satisfy the condition as follows:

$$D_2 = (D_1 \setminus \{u\}) \cup \{v\} \text{ for some } u \in D_1 \text{ and } v \notin D_1. \quad (1.1)$$

The gamma graph  $\gamma \cdot G$  was introduced by Subramanian and Sridharan [18]. For additional results on  $\gamma \cdot G$ , see [2, 13, 16, 17]

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The *gamma graph*  $G(\gamma)$  of  $G$  is the graph with  $V(G(\gamma)) = V(\gamma \cdot G)$ , and two vertices of  $G(\gamma)$  are adjacent if they satisfy the condition (1.1) and  $uv \in E(G)$ . The gamma graph  $G(\gamma)$  was defined by Fricke *et al.* [9], and was further studied in [3].

The concept of a gamma graph  $\gamma \cdot G$  using other types of domination has been studied by several authors. For example, the  *$\gamma$ -total dominating graph*, the  *$\gamma$ -independent dominating graph*, the  *$\gamma$ -induced-paired dominating graph*, and the  *$\gamma$ -paired dominating graph* were defined by Wongsriya and Trakultraipruk [19], Samanmoo *et al.* [14], Sanguanpong and Trakultraipruk [15], and Eakawinrujee and Trakultraipruk [6, 7], respectively.

A *paired dominating set* of  $G$ , introduced by Haynes and Slater [10], is a dominating set whose induced subgraph has a perfect matching. A paired dominating set  $D$  of  $G$  is *minimal* if no proper subset of  $D$  is a paired dominating set of  $G$ . The *upper paired domination number*  $\Gamma_{pr}(G)$  of  $G$  is the maximum cardinality of a minimal paired dominating set of  $G$ . A minimal paired dominating set  $D$  is called a  $\Gamma_{pr}(G)$ -set if  $|D| = \Gamma_{pr}(G)$ . The upper paired domination was introduced by Dorbec *et al.* [5], and was further studied in [1, 4, 20].

In [8], we defined the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph  $PD_{\Gamma}(G)$  of  $G$  to be the graph with  $V(PD_{\Gamma}(G))$  as the set of all  $\Gamma_{pr}(G)$ -sets, and two vertices  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  of  $PD_{\Gamma}(G)$  are adjacent if they satisfy the condition (1.1). We presented the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of a path  $P_n$ , where  $n \in \{2, 3, \dots, 13\}$ . Unfortunately, there are some mistakes in these results when  $n \in \{8, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$ . In this paper, we correct these mistakes and then determine the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of some cycles.

## 2. PRELIMINARY RESULTS

In this section, we provide some definitions and known results. We denote a *path*, a *cycle*, and a *complete graph* with  $n$  vertices by  $P_n$ ,  $C_n$ , and  $K_n$ , respectively.

The *paired domination number*  $\gamma_{pr}(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum cardinality of a paired dominating set of  $G$ . Haynes and Slater [10] provided the paired domination numbers of paths and cycles.

**Lemma 2.1** ([10]). *For any integer  $n \geq 3$ ,  $\gamma_{pr}(P_n) = \gamma_{pr}(C_n) = 2\lceil \frac{n}{4} \rceil$ .*

Dorbec *et al.* [5] established the upper paired domination numbers of paths.

**Lemma 2.2** ([5]). *For any integer  $n \geq 2$ ,  $\Gamma_{pr}(P_n) = 8\lfloor \frac{n+1}{11} \rfloor + 2\lfloor \frac{(n+1) \pmod{11}}{3} \rfloor$ .*

Ulatowski [20] gave the upper paired domination numbers of cycles together with two additional results.

**Lemma 2.3** ([20]). *For any integer  $n \geq 3$ ,  $\Gamma_{pr}(C_n) = 8\lfloor \frac{n}{11} \rfloor + 2\lfloor \frac{n \pmod{11}}{3} \rfloor$ .*

**Proposition 2.4** ([20]). *If  $n \in \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9\}$ , then  $\Gamma_{pr}(P_n) = \gamma_{pr}(P_n)$ .*

**Proposition 2.5** ([20]). *If  $n \in \{3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13\}$ , then  $\Gamma_{pr}(C_n) = \gamma_{pr}(C_n)$ .*

The *Cartesian product*  $G \square H$  of graphs  $G$  and  $H$  is the graph with  $V(G \square H) = V(G) \times V(H)$  and two vertices  $(u_1, v_1)$  and  $(u_2, v_2)$  are adjacent if either  $u_1 = u_2$  and  $v_1v_2 \in E(H)$ , or  $v_1 = v_2$  and  $u_1u_2 \in E(G)$ .

Let  $P_p : 1, 2, 3, \dots, p$  and  $P_q : 1, 2, 3, \dots, q$  be two paths, where  $p$  and  $q$  are positive integers. A *stepgrid*  $SG_{p,q}$ , defined by Fricke *et al.* [9], is the subgraph of  $P_p \square P_q$  induced by  $\{(x, y) : 1 \leq x \leq p, 1 \leq y \leq q, x - y \leq 1\}$ . For example, the stepgrids  $SG_{1,1}$ ,  $SG_{2,2}$ , and  $SG_{3,3}$  are shown in Figure 1.

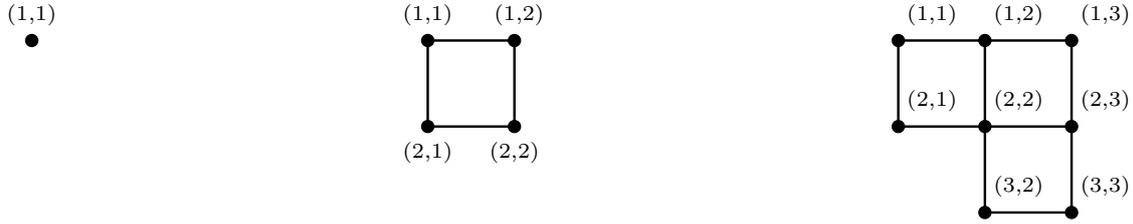


FIGURE 1. The stepgrids  $SG_{1,1}$  (left),  $SG_{2,2}$  (center), and  $SG_{3,3}$  (right)

Let  $P_p : 1, 2, 3, \dots, p$ ,  $P_q : 1, 2, 3, \dots, q$ , and  $P_r : 1, 2, 3, \dots, r$  be three paths, where  $p, q$ , and  $r$  are positive integers. In [7], we defined a *stepgrid*  $SG_{p,q,r}$  to be the graph with

$$V(SG_{p,q,r}) = \{(x, y, z) \in V(P_p \square P_q \square P_r) : x - y \leq 0, x - z \leq 1, y - z \geq 0\}$$

and

$$E(SG_{p,q,r}) = E(P_p \square P_q \square P_r) \cup \{(x, x, x)(x + 1, x + 1, x) : 1 \leq x \leq p - 1\}.$$

For example, the stepgrids  $SG_{2,2,1}$  and  $SG_{3,3,2}$  are shown in Figure 2.

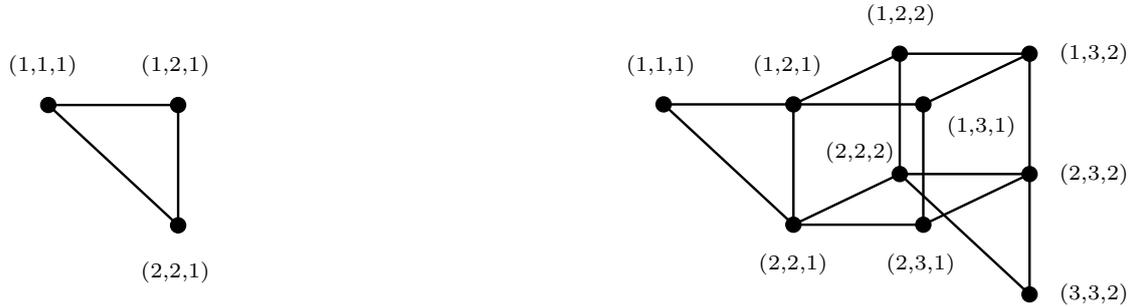


FIGURE 2. The stepgrids  $SG_{2,2,1}$ (left) and  $SG_{3,3,2}$  (right)

The  $\gamma$ -paired dominating graph  $PD_\gamma(G)$  of  $G$ , defined in [7], is the graph whose vertices are minimum paired dominating sets, and two vertices  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  of  $PD_\gamma(G)$  are adjacent if they satisfy the condition (1.1).

We determined the  $\gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of paths. These results are revealed in the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.6** ([7]). *For any integer  $n \geq 2$ ,*

$$PD_\gamma(P_n) \cong \begin{cases} K_1 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}; \\ P_{\frac{n+5}{4}} & \text{if } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}; \\ SG_{\frac{n+2}{4}, \frac{n+2}{4}} & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}; \\ SG_{\frac{n+3}{4}, \frac{n+3}{4}, \frac{n-1}{4}} & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

Let  $G_1 : 1, 2, 3, \dots, 2k - 1$  and  $G_2 : 1, 2, 3, \dots, 3k - 1$  be two paths, where  $k$  is a positive integer. In [6], we defined a *loopgrid*  $LG_k$  of size  $k$  to be the graph with

$$V(LG_k) = \{(x, y) \in V(G_1 \square G_2) : 0 \leq y - x \leq k\}$$

and

$$E(LG_k) = E(G_1 \square G_2) \cup \{(1, y)(2k - 1, y + 2k - 1) : 1 \leq y \leq k\}.$$

Figure 3 illustrates the loopgrid of size 3.

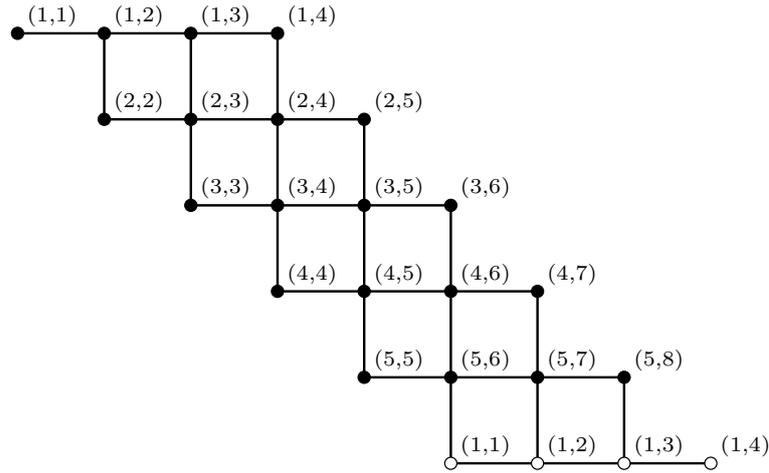


FIGURE 3. The loopgrid of size 3

Let  $G_1 : 1, 2, 3, \dots, 2k$ ,  $G_2 : 1, 2, 3, \dots, 2k$ , and  $G_3 : 1, 2, 3, \dots, 2k + 1$  be the paths, where  $k$  is a positive integer. We defined a *loopbox*  $LB_k$  of size  $k$  in [6] to be the graph with

$$V(LB_k) = \{(x, y, z) \in V(G_1 \square G_2 \square G_3) : 0 \leq y - x \leq k, -1 \leq y - z \leq k - 1, 0 \leq z - x \leq k\}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} E(LB_k) = & E(G_1 \square G_2 \square G_3) \cup \{(x, x + k - 1, x)(x, x + k, x + 1) : 1 \leq x \leq k\} \\ & \cup \{(x, x, x + 1)(x + 1, x + 1, x + 1) : 1 \leq x \leq 2k - 1\} \\ & \cup \{(x, x + k, x + k)(x + 1, x + k, x + k + 1) : 1 \leq x \leq k\} \\ & \cup \{(1, y, z)(z + k, 2k, y + k + 1) : 1 \leq y, z \leq k, -1 \leq y - z \leq k - 1\} \\ & \cup \{(1, 1, 1)(k + 1, 2k, k + 1)\} \cup \{(1, k, k + 1)(2k, 2k, 2k + 1)\}. \end{aligned}$$

The loopboxes of size 1, 2, and 3 are shown in Figure 4.

We determined the  $\gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of cycles, which are shown in the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.7** ([6]). *For any integer  $n \geq 3$ ,*

$$PD_\gamma(C_n) \cong \begin{cases} C_3 \square C_3 & \text{if } n = 6; \\ 4K_1 & \text{if } n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \text{ and } n \neq 4; \\ C_n & \text{if } n \equiv 3 \pmod{4} \text{ or } n = 4; \\ LG_{\frac{n+2}{4}} & \text{if } n \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \text{ and } n \neq 6; \\ LB_{\frac{n-1}{4}} & \text{if } n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}. \end{cases}$$

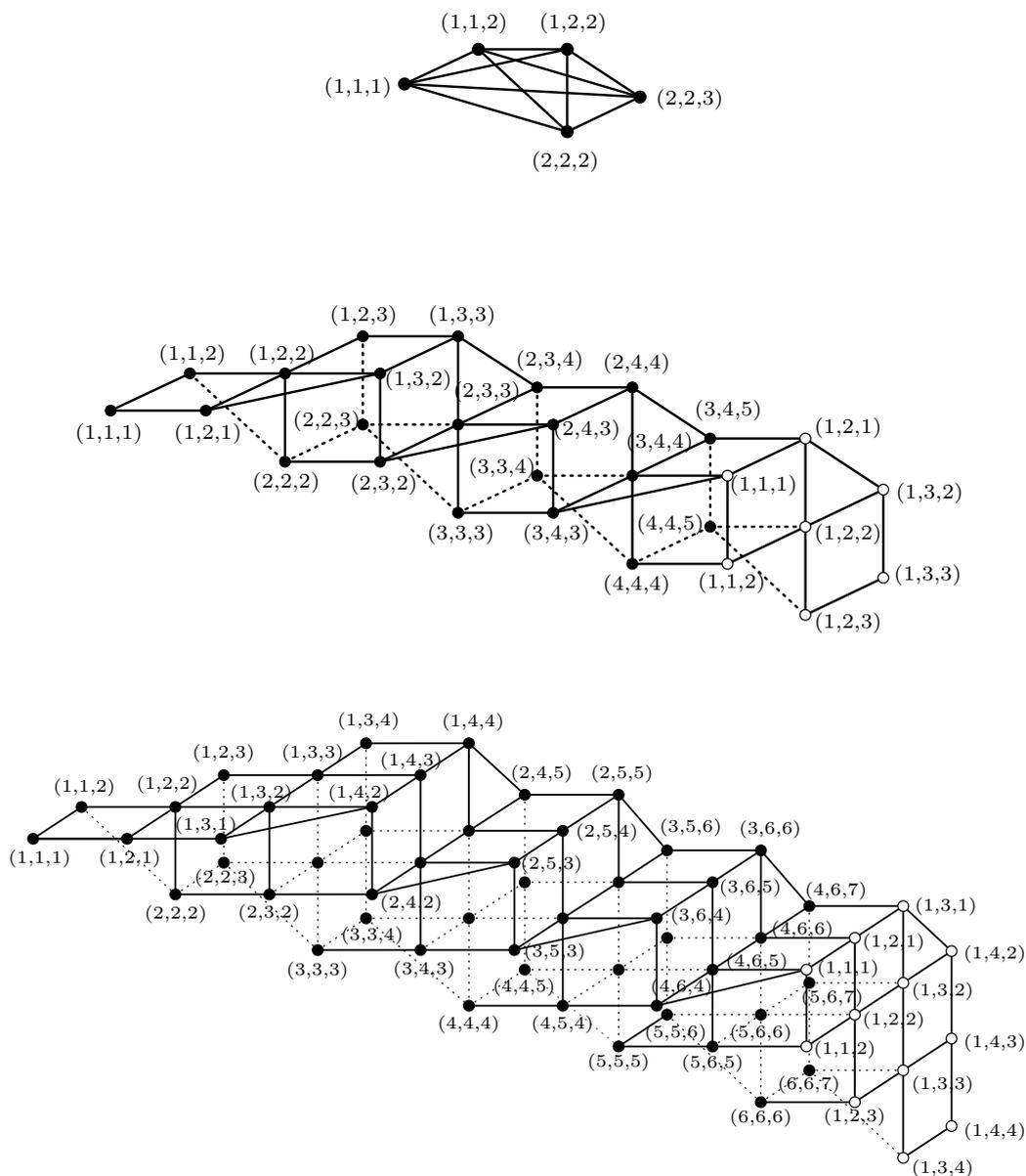


FIGURE 4. The loopboxes of size 1 (top), of size 2 (middle), and of size 3 (bottom)

### 3. $\Gamma$ -PAIRED DOMINATING GRAPHS OF SOME PATHS

In this section, we recall the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of some paths that appear in [8]. For  $n \in \{2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9\}$ , we get the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_n$  as follows.

**Theorem 3.1** ([8]). *The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_n$  is*

$$PD_{\Gamma}(P_n) \cong \begin{cases} K_1 & \text{if } n = 4; \\ P_{\frac{n+5}{4}} & \text{if } n \in \{3, 7\}; \\ SG_{\frac{n+2}{4}, \frac{n+2}{4}} & \text{if } n \in \{2, 6\}; \\ SG_{\frac{n+3}{4}, \frac{n+3}{4}, \frac{n-1}{4}} & \text{if } n \in \{5, 9\}. \end{cases}$$

Next, we correct the results on the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_n$  for  $n \in \{8, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$ , which are appeared in [8]. By Theorem 2.2, we get that  $\Gamma_{pr}(P_8) = 6$ ,  $\Gamma_{pr}(P_{10}) = \Gamma_{pr}(P_{11}) = \Gamma_{pr}(P_{12}) = 8$ , and  $\Gamma_{pr}(P_{13}) = 10$ . Again, we let  $P_n : 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$  be the path with  $n$  vertices.

**Theorem 3.2.** *The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_8$  is the graph shown in Figure 5, where  $D_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7\}$ ,  $D_2 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8\}$ ,  $D_3 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7\}$ ,  $D_4 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8\}$ ,  $D_5 = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$ ,  $D_6 = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8\}$ ,  $D_7 = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8\}$ .*

**Theorem 3.3.** *The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_{10}$  is the graph shown in Figure 5, where  $D_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ ,  $D_2 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_3 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_4 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_5 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_6 = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ .*



FIGURE 5. The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of  $P_8$  (left) and  $P_{10}$  (right)

**Theorem 3.4.** *The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_{11}$  is the graph shown in Figure 6, where  $D_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_2 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_3 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_4 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_5 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_6 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_7 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_8 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_9 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{10} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{11} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{12} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_{13} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{14} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{15} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{16} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ .*

**Theorem 3.5.** *The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_{12}$  is the graph shown in Figure 7, where  $D_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_2 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_3 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_4 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_5 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_6 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_7 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_8 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_9 = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{10} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{11} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{12} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{13} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{14} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{15} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{16} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{17} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{18} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{19} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{20} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{21} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{22} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{23} = \{2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{24} = \{2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$ .*

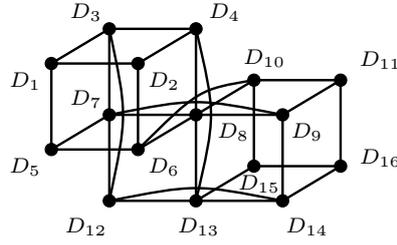


FIGURE 6. The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_{11}$

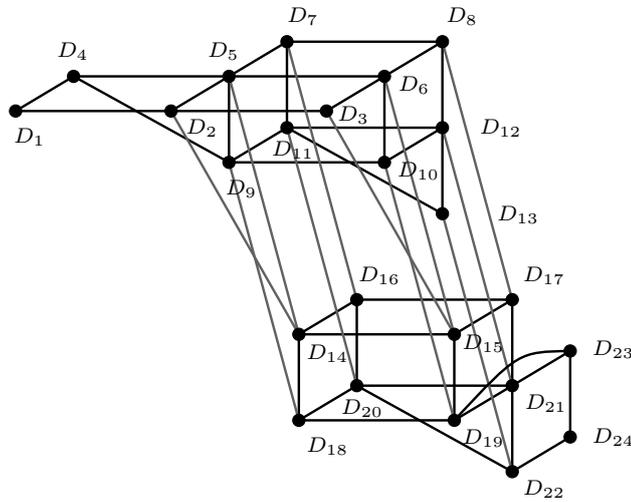


FIGURE 7. The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_{12}$

**Theorem 3.6.** *The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_{13}$  is the graph shown in Figure 8, where  $D_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_2 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_3 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_4 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_5 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_6 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_7 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_8 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_9 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_{10} = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_{11} = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_{12} = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_{13} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_{14} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_{15} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$ ,  $D_{16} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13\}$ .*

#### 4. $\Gamma$ -PAIRED DOMINATING GRAPHS OF SOME CYCLES

This section shows the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $C_n$  for  $n \in \{3, 4, \dots, 13\}$ . We let  $C_n : 1, 2, \dots, n, 1$  be the cycle with  $n$  vertices.

Note that if  $G$  is a graph with  $\Gamma_{pr}(G) = \gamma_{pr}(G)$ , then  $PD_\Gamma(G) \cong PD_\gamma(G)$ . By Proposition 2.5 and Theorem 2.7, we get the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $C_n$  for  $n \in \{3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13\}$  as follows.

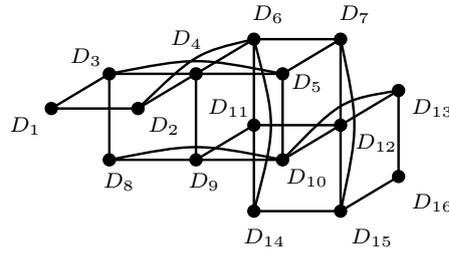


FIGURE 8. The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $P_{13}$

**Theorem 4.1.** *The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $C_n$  is*

$$PD_{\Gamma}(C_n) \cong \begin{cases} C_3 \square C_3 & \text{if } n = 6; \\ 4K_1 & \text{if } n = 8; \\ C_n & \text{if } n \in \{3, 4, 7\}; \\ LG_{\frac{n+2}{4}} & \text{if } n = 10; \\ LB_{\frac{n-1}{4}} & \text{if } n \in \{5, 9, 13\}. \end{cases}$$

By Theorem 2.3, we have  $\Gamma_{pr}(C_{11}) = \Gamma_{pr}(C_{12}) = 8$ . Then we get the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of  $C_{11}$  and  $C_{12}$  as follows.

**Theorem 4.2.** *The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $C_{11}$  is the graph shown in Figure 9, where  $D_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9\}$ ,  $D_2 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_3 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_4 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_5 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_6 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_7 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_8 = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_9 = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_{10} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{11} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{12} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{13} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 1\}$ ,  $D_{14} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{15} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 1\}$ ,  $D_{16} = \{2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 1\}$ ,  $D_{17} = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{18} = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 1\}$ ,  $D_{19} = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 1\}$ ,  $D_{20} = \{3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 1\}$ ,  $D_{21} = \{3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 1\}$ ,  $D_{22} = \{4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 1\}$ .*

**Theorem 4.3.** *The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $C_{12}$  is the graph shown in Figure 10, where  $D_1 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_2 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_3 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_4 = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_5 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_6 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_7 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10\}$ ,  $D_8 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_9 = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{10} = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{11} = \{1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{12} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{13} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{14} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{15} = \{1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{16} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{17} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{18} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{19} = \{2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{20} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{21} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{22} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11\}$ ,  $D_{23} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{24} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{25} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{26} = \{2, 3, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{27} = \{2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{28} = \{2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{29} = \{2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{30} = \{2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{31} = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{32} = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{33} = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{34} = \{3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{35} = \{3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{36} = \{3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{37} = \{3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12\}$ ,  $D_{38} = \{3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{39} = \{3, 4, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{40} = \{3, 4, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{41} = \{3, 4, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{42} = \{4, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{43} = \{4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{44} = \{4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 1\}$ ,  $D_{45} = \{4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 1\}$ .*

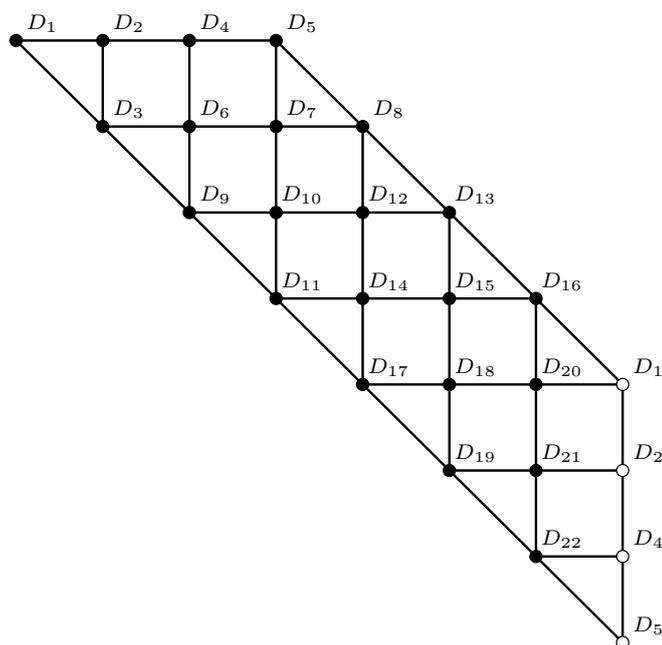


FIGURE 9. The  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graph of  $C_{11}$

### 5. OPEN PROBLEM

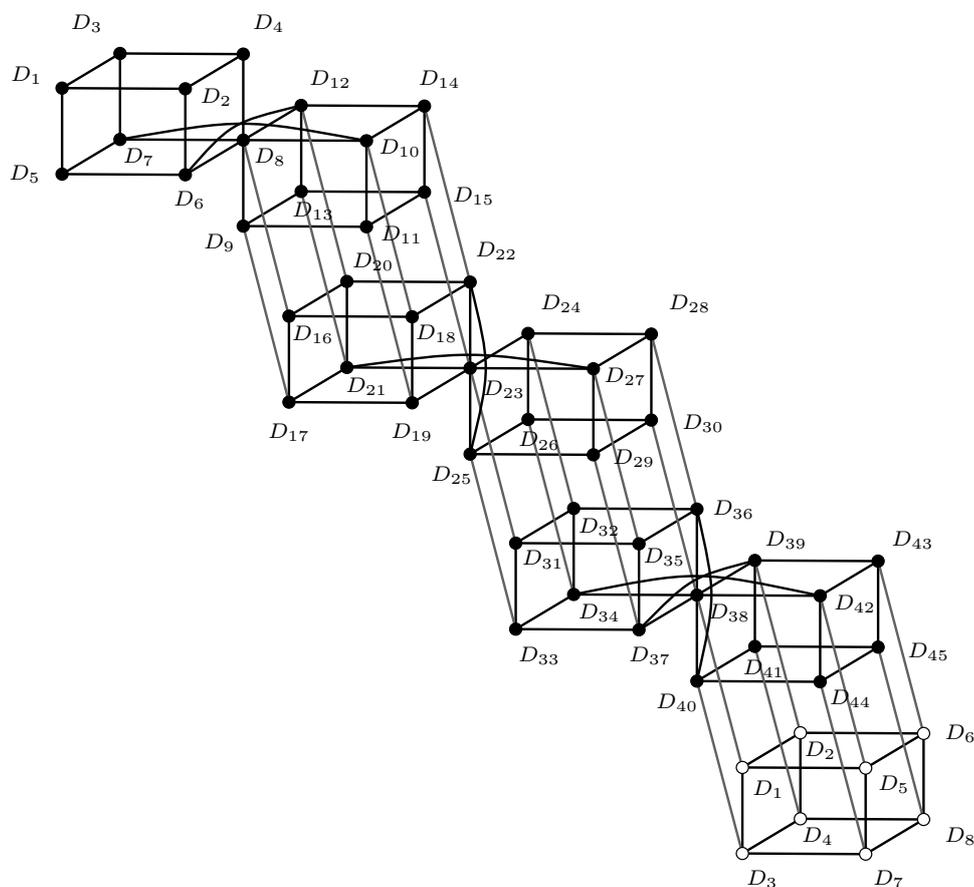
In this paper, we have obtained the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of  $P_n$  and  $C_n$  for  $n \leq 13$ . It seems that finding the  $\Gamma$ -paired dominating graphs of  $P_n$  and  $C_n$  is much more complicated when  $n \geq 14$ ; this leads an open problem.

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