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Lecture 8 Domatic Number Problem

§ 8.1 Strongly Chordal Graphs

Slides for a Course Based on the Paper

S.-L. Peng and M.-S. Chang, “A *Simple Linear Time Algorithm for the Domatic Partition Problem on Strongly Chordal Graphs*,”
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- Def:

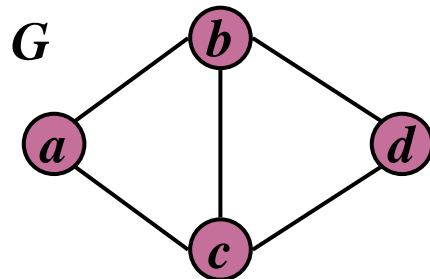
- ① The **domatic number** of G , $d(G) = \max.$ number of pairwise disjoint dominating sets in G .
- ② The **domatic partition** problem is to partition $V(G)$ into $d(G)$ disjoint dominating sets.

- Note: $d(G) \leq \delta(G) + 1$

- Def:

- ③ G is **domatically full** if $d(G) = \delta(G) + 1$.

- Ex:



$$S_1 = \{b\}$$

$$S_2 = \{c\}$$

$$S_3 = \{a, d\}$$

$$d(G) = 3$$

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■ Remark:

① $K_n, \overline{K_n}, C_{3n}$, Trees, maximal outer planar graphs, interval graph are domatically full.

②

The domatic partition problem $ V = n, E = m$			
General Graphs	1979	Garey and Johnson	NP-hard
Interval Graphs	1988	Bertossi	$\mathcal{O}(n^{2.5})$
	1989	Rao and Rangan	$\mathcal{O}(m+n)$
	1990	Lu, Ho, and Chang	
	1991	Peng and Chang	$\mathcal{O}(n)$ with sorted intervals
Proper Interval Graphs	1988	Bertossi	$\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$
Proper Circular-arc Graphs	1985	Bonuccell	$\mathcal{O}(n^2 \log n)$
Circular-arc Graphs			NP-hard

③ 1989, Farber showed that strongly chordal graphs are domatically full; following the proof, it can design a polynomial time algorithm, but not simple and efficient.

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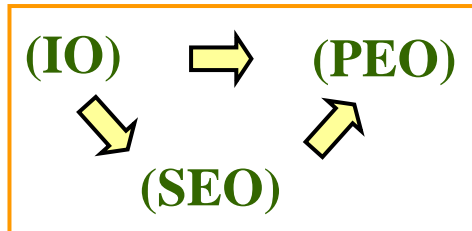
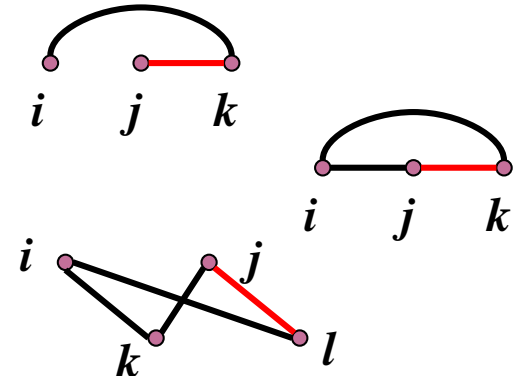
- Remark:

④ There exist an $\mathcal{O}(n \log n)$ algorithm to recognize strongly chordal graphs and determines a strong elimination ordering.

- Recall:

① Graph G is called a **strongly chordal graphs** if \exists ordering of $V(G)$: $[v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n]$ satisfy $i \leq j, k \leq l, i \sim k, i \sim l, j \sim k \Rightarrow j \sim l$ (**SEO**)

② $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(IO)} \quad i < j < k, i \sim k \Rightarrow j \sim k \\ \text{(PEO)} \quad i < j < k, i \sim j, i \sim k \Rightarrow j \sim k \\ \text{(SEO)} \quad i \leq j, k \leq l, i \sim k, i \sim l, j \sim k \Rightarrow j \sim l \end{array} \right.$



$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{(a) PEO} \\ \text{(b) } i < j < k < l, i \sim k, i \sim l, j \sim k \Rightarrow j \sim l \end{array} \right.$

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- Def:

- ① A vertex v is **dominated** by set S if $\exists u \in S$ s.t. $u \in N[v]$.
- ② A vertex v is **completely dominated** if v is dominated by $\delta + 1$ dominating sets.

- Algorithm 8:

$S_i \leftarrow \phi$ for $1 \leq i \leq \delta + 1$.

for $i = n$ to 1 by -1 do

 find the largest k with $v_k \in N[v_i]$ and v_k is not completely dominated;

 Let S_l be the set does not dominated v_k ;

 if no such set exists then select any S_l ;

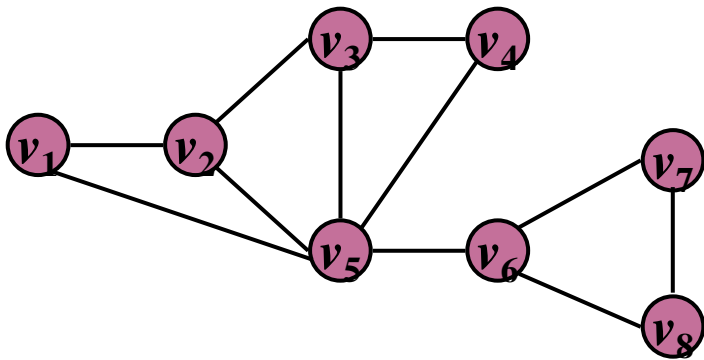
$S_l \leftarrow S_l \cup \{v_i\}$;

end

- Time Complexity = $\mathcal{O}(|V| + |E|)$.

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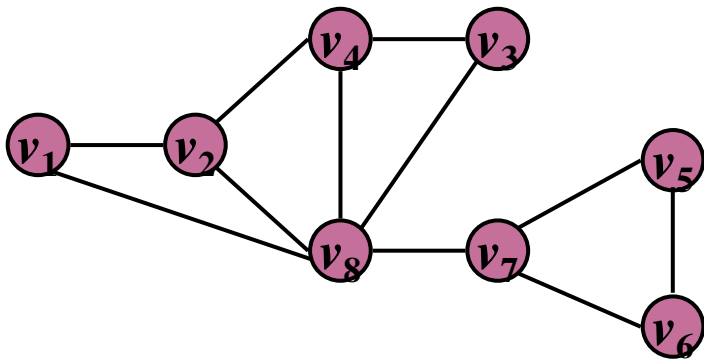


$$S_1 = \{ \quad \quad \quad \}$$

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- **Def:** During execution of Algorithm 8
 - ① $R^{(j)}(v) = |\{ x \in N[v]: x \text{ not in any of } S_l \}|$ in iteration $i = j$ executed.
 - ② $ndom^{(j)}(v)$ = number of S_l does not dominate v in iteration $i = j$ executed.
- **Note:** ① $R^{(n+1)}(v) = deg(v) + 1, \forall v \in V(G)$.
 - ② $ndom^{(n+1)}(v) = \delta(G) + 1, \forall v \in V(G)$.
 - ③ $R^{(1)}(v) = 0, \forall v \in V(G)$.
- **Goal:** $ndom^{(1)}(v) = 0, \forall v \in V(G)$.

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- **Thm:** At any time, $R^{(i)}(v) \geq ndom^{(i)}(v)$ for any vertex v .

Proof. (1/3)

By induction on i :

When $i = n + 1$ (initial): $\because deg(v) \geq \delta(G), \forall v \in V(G)$.

$$\therefore R^{(n+1)}(v) \geq ndom^{(n+1)}(v), \forall v \in V(G).$$

Suppose $R^{(j)}(v) \geq ndom^{(j)}(v), \forall v \in V(G), \forall i < j \leq n+1$.

When iteration i :

Algorithm will

- ① select $v_k \in N[v_i]$ not completely dominated, and k is maximum;
- ② select S_l does not dominate v_k ;
- ③ $S_l \leftarrow S_l \cup \{v_i\}$.

Note: 只有 $j \sim i$ 才可能改變 $R^{(i)}(v_j), ndom^{(i)}(v_j)$ 之值。

且若有改變， $\begin{cases} R^{(i)}(v_j) = R^{(i+1)}(v_j) - 1. \\ ndom^{(i)}(v_j) = ndom^{(i+1)}(v_j) \text{ or } ndom^{(i+1)}(v_j) - 1. \end{cases}$

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- **Thm:** At any time, $R^{(i)}(v) \geq ndom^{(i)}(v)$ for any vertex v .

Proof. (2/3)

\Rightarrow Only need to see the cases of: (a) $R^{(i)}(v_j) = R^{(i+1)}(v_j) - 1$

(b) $ndom^{(i)}(v_j) = ndom^{(i+1)}(v_j)$

(c) $R^{(i+1)}(v_j) = ndom^{(i+1)}(v_j)$

\therefore (b), that means $\exists p > i, v_p \in S_i, p \sim j \dots$ (d)

Case 1: $j > k$:

\therefore ①, k is maximum, $\therefore ndom^{(i+1)}(v_j) = 0$.

$\Rightarrow ndom^{(i)}(v_j) = 0 \leq R^{(i)}(v_j)$.

Case 2: $j \leq k$:

\therefore Case 2

\therefore ①

$\therefore i < p, j \leq k$ and $i \sim j, i \sim k, p \sim j$

\therefore (d)

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\Rightarrow by (SEO), $p \sim k$

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- **Thm:** At any time, $R^{(i)}(v) \geq ndom^{(i)}(v)$ for any vertex v .

Proof. (3/3)

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⇒ by (SEO), $p \sim k$

∴ $v_p \in S_l$ (before iteration i)

but by ③, S_l does not dominate $v_k \rightarrow \leftarrow$

∴ $R^{(i)}(v) \geq ndom^{(i)}(v), \forall v \in V(G)$ at any time.

- **Corollary:** Algorithm 8 is true.

$\forall v \in V(G), R^{(1)}(v) \geq ndom^{(1)}(v) \Rightarrow 0 \geq ndom^{(1)}(v).$
 $\therefore ndom^{(1)}(v) = 0$

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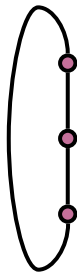
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8.2 Graph Union and Join

- **Def:** $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$, $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$ are two graphs with $V_1 \cap V_2 = \phi$:
 - ① The **union** of G_1 and G_2 , $G_1 \cup G_2 = (V_1 \cup V_2, E_1 \cup E_2)$.
 - ② The **join** of G_1 and G_2 , $G_1 + G_2 = (G_1 \cup G_2) + \{xy : x \in V_1, y \in V_2\}$
 $= (V_1 \cup V_2, E_1 \cup E_2 \cup \{xy : x \in V_1, y \in V_2\})$

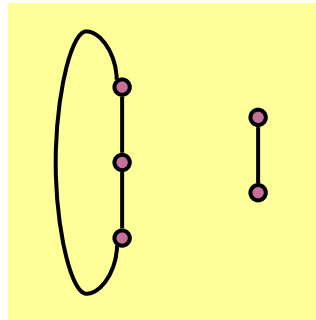
- **Ex:**



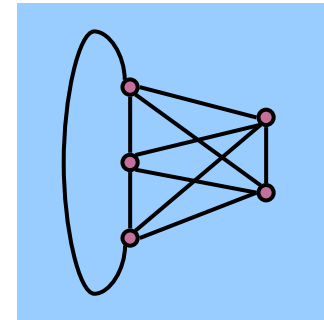
G_1



G_2



$G_1 \cup G_2$

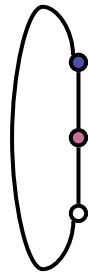


$G_1 + G_2$

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- **Proposition 2.1:** $d(G_1 \cup G_2) = \min\{d(G_1), d(G_2)\}$ for any two graphs G_1 and G_2 .

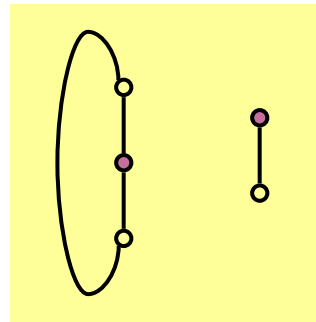
■ **Ex:**



G_1

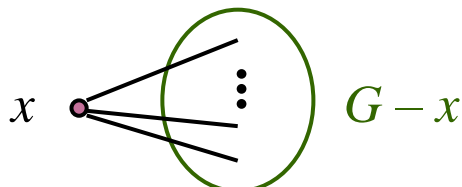


G_2



$G_1 \cup G_2$

- **Def:** $v \in V(G)$ is called **dominating vertex** if $\{v\}$ is a dominating set of G , i.e. $N[v] = V(G)$.
- **Note:** If x is a dominating vertex of G , then $G \cong (G - x) + K_1$.





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- **Proposition 9.2:** If x is a dominating vertex of G , then $d(G) = d(G - x) + 1$.

Proof.

① Let D_1, D_2, \dots, D_k be a domatic partition of $G - x$, where $k = d(G - x)$
 $\Rightarrow D_1, D_2, \dots, D_k, \{x\}$ form a domatic partition of G .

$$\therefore d(G) \geq d(G - x) + 1.$$

② Let D_1, D_2, \dots, D_k be a domatic partition of G , where $k = d(G)$
Assume $x \in D_1$, note that $D_1 \cup D_2 - \{x\}, D_3, \dots, D_k$ is a domatic partition of $G - x$

$$\therefore d(G) \leq d(G - x) + 1.$$

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- **Note:** Let $r \in \mathbb{N}$ and $r \geq 2$. If G_1, G_2, \dots, G_r are graph without a dominating vertex, the $G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_r$ also has no dominating vertex.
- **Thm 2.3:** Suppose $r \geq 2$ and $|V(G_i)| = n_i$, and G_i has no dominating vertex, $\forall 1 \leq i \leq r$. If $1 \leq n_1 \leq n_2 \leq \dots \leq n_r$ and $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_{r-1} \geq n_r$, then $d(G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_r) = \lfloor (n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_r)/2 \rfloor$.

Proof. (1/4)

① $\because G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_r$ has no dominating vertex

\therefore each dominating set contains ≥ 2 vertices

$\Rightarrow d(G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_r) \leq \lfloor (n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_r)/2 \rfloor$.

② **Claim:** $G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_r$ has a domatic partition D_1, D_2, \dots, D_k s.t.

$|D_1| = 2$ or 3 , $|D_i| = 2 \forall 2 \leq i \leq k$, where $k =$

$\lfloor (n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_r)/2 \rfloor$.

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- Claim of proof ② in Thm 2.3:

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Proof. (2/4)

Prove by induction on $n = n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_r$.

(i) $n \leq 3$: it's clearly. (let $D_1 = V$)

$r = 2: \Rightarrow n_1 = n_2$, it's true.

(ii) Suppose $n \geq 4, r \geq 3$ and the assertion is true for $n' = n - 2$:

Choose $x \in V(G_{r-1}), y \in V(G_r)$

Consider $G' = G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_{r-2} + (G_{r-1} - x) + (G_r - y)$.

Case 1: $n_{r-2} < n_r$

$$\begin{cases} n_1 \leq n_2 \leq \dots \leq n_{r-2} \leq n_r - 1, n_{r-1} - 1 \leq n_r - 1 \\ n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_{r-2} + (n_{r-1} - 1) \geq n_r - 1 \end{cases}$$

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Proof. (3/4)

(ii) Case 2: $n_{r-2} = n_{r-1} = n_r$

$$n_1 \leq n_2 \leq \dots \leq n_{r-3} \leq n_{r-2}, n_{r-1}-1 = n_r-1 < n_{r-2}$$

Case 2.1: $n_r = n_{r-1} = n_{r-2} \geq 2$

$$n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_{r-3} + (n_{r-1}-1) + (n_r-1) \geq n_r = n_{r-2}$$

Case 2.2: $n_r = n_{r-1} = n_{r-2} = 1$

$$\because n \geq 4 \quad \therefore r = n \geq 4$$

$$\Rightarrow n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_{r-3} + (n_{r-1}-1) + (n_r-1) \geq n_{r-3} = 1 = n_{r-2}$$

By I.H., G' has a domatic partition of

$\lfloor (n_1 + \dots + (n_{r-1}-1) + (n_r-1))/2 \rfloor = k - 1$ dominating sets; say D_1, D_2, \dots, D_{k-1} with $|D_1| = 2$ or 3 , $|D_i| = 2 \forall 2 \leq i \leq k$.

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Proof. (4/4)

$\Rightarrow D_1, D_2, \dots, D_{k-1}, \{x, y\} = D_k$ form the desired domatic partition of $G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_r$.

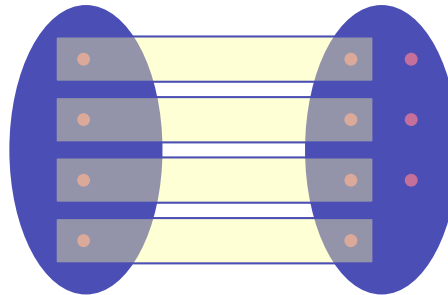
- Def:

- ① Let $m \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, an **m -domatic partition** of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is $\{D_1, D_2, \dots, D_k\}$, where D_i is a dominating set of G and $D_i \cap D_j = \emptyset \forall 1 \leq i < j \leq k$ and $|D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots \cup D_k| \leq m$.
- ② The **m -domatic number $d(G|m)$** of G is the maximum k s.t. \exists an m -domatic partition of k dominating sets.

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- **Note:** For any graph G of n vertices, $d(G) = d(G|n)$.
- **Proposition 2.4:** For any graph G and any nonnegative integers $m \leq m'$, $d(G|m) \leq d(G|m')$.
- **Thm 2.5:** Suppose $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$, $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$ are two graphs which both has no dominating vertex and $|V_1| = n_1 \leq n_2 = |V_2|$. Then

$$d(G_1+G_2|m) = \begin{cases} \lfloor m/2 \rfloor, & \text{if } 0 \leq m \leq 2n_1. \\ n_1 + d(G_2|m-2n_1), & \text{if } 2n_1 < m \leq n_1+n_2. \end{cases}$$



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Proof. (1/5)

Let $V_1 = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n_1}\}$, $V_2 = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n_2}\}$.

(1) $0 \leq m \leq 2n_1$:

① Let $D_i = \{x_i, y_i\}$, $1 \leq i \leq \lfloor m/2 \rfloor$, D_i is a dominating set of G_1+G_2
 $\Rightarrow d(G_1+G_2|m) \geq \lfloor m/2 \rfloor$.

② $\because G_i$ has no dominating vertex, \therefore neither does G_1+G_2

$\therefore \forall$ dominating set D of G_1+G_2 , $|D| \geq 2$.

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Proof. (2/5)

(2) $2n_1 < m \leq n_1+n_2$:

① Let D_1, D_2, \dots, D_k be an $(m-2n_1)$ -domatic partition of G_2 ,
where $k = d(G_2|m-2n_1)$.

Note D_i is also a dominating set of G_1+G_2 , $\forall 1 \leq i \leq k$

$\because n_2 - (m-2n_1) \geq n_1$

W.L.O.G. say $\{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_{n_1}\} \cap \{D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots \cup D_k\} = \phi$.

Let $D'_i = \{x_i, y_i\}$, $1 \leq i \leq n_1$, D'_i is a dominating set of G_1+G_2

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Proof. (3/5)

(2) $2n_1 < m \leq n_1+n_2$:

② A dominating set D of G_1+G_2 is called **standard** if $D = \{x, y\}$ for some $x \in V_1, y \in V_2$.

Claim: \exists an m -domatic partition of G_1+G_2 , D_1, D_2, \dots, D_r where $r = d(G_1+G_2|m)$, s.t. among these r dominating sets, $\exists n_1$ standard ones, and the other $r - n_1$ sets are all subsets of V_2 .

Proof. Let D_1, D_2, \dots, D_r is an m -domatic partition of G_1+G_2 , $r = d(G_1+G_2|m)$, s.t.

standard dominating sets as many as possible.

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Proof of Claim.

Case 1: If $\exists D_i$ s.t. $\{x, y\} \subset D_i$ for some $x \in V_1, y \in V_2$, then replace D_i by $\{x, y\}$.

Case 2: If $\exists D_i, D_j$ s.t. $\{x_a, x_b\} \subseteq D_i$ and $\{y_c, y_d\} \subseteq D_j$ for some $x_a, x_b \in V_1, y_c, y_d \in V_2$, then replace D_i, D_j by $\{x_a, y_c\}, \{x_b, y_d\}$.

Case 3: If all nonstandard dominating set D are subsets of V_1 ,

$\because n_1 \leq n_2$

\therefore we can replace each nonstandard dominating set D by $\{x, y\}$, where $x \in D, y \in V_2 - \{D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots \cup D_r\}$.

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s.t. among these r dominating sets, $\exists n_1$ standard ones, and the other $r - n_1$
sets are all subsets of V_2 .

- **Thm 2.5**: Suppose $G_1 = (V_1, E_1), G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$ are two graphs which both has no a dominating vertex and $|V_1| = n_1 \leq n_2 = |V_2|$. Then

$$d(G_1+G_2|m) = \begin{cases} \lfloor m/2 \rfloor, & \text{if } 0 \leq m \leq 2n_1. \\ n_1 + d(G_2|m-2n_1), & \text{if } 2n_1 < m \leq n_1+n_2. \end{cases}$$

Proof. (5/5)

(2) $2n_1 < m \leq n_1+n_2$:

Proof of Claim.

Case 4: If $\exists x \in V_1 - \{D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots \cup D_r\}$ then

let $y \in D_j$ for some $D_j \subset V_2$ (or $y \in V_2 - \{D_1 \cup D_2 \cup \dots \cup D_r\}$)

\Rightarrow replace D_j (or any $D_j \subset V_2$) by $\{x, y\}$.

\therefore By Claim, $\exists r - n_1$ nonstandard dominating set of G_1+G_2

$\Rightarrow \exists$ an $(m - 2n_1)$ -domatic partition of G_2 with size $r - n_1$

$\Rightarrow d(G_2|m - 2n_1) \geq r - n_1 = d(G_1+G_2|m) - n_1$

$\Rightarrow d(G_1 + G_2|m) \leq n_1 + d(G_2|m - 2n_1)$.

\therefore By ①, ②, $d(G_1 + G_2|m) = n_1 + d(G_2|m - 2n_1)$.

8.2 Graph Union and Join

- **Corollary 2.6:** Suppose $r \geq 2$, G_i is a graph with n_i vertices and without a dominating vertex, $\forall 1 \leq i \leq r$. If $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_{r-1} < n_r$, then $d(G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_r) = n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_{r-1} + d(G_r | n_r - n_1 - \dots - n_{r-1})$.

Proof.

Follows from Thm 2.5 by
$$\begin{cases} G_1 = G_1 + G_2 + \dots + G_{r-1}, \\ G_2 = G_r. \\ m = n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_r. \end{cases}$$

- **Corollary 2.7:** If $r \geq 2$ and $n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_{r-1} < n_r$, then $d(\overline{K}_{n_1} + \overline{K}_{n_2} + \dots + \overline{K}_{n_r}) = n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_{r-1}$.

Proof.

Follows from Corollary 2.6 and $d(\overline{K}_a | b) = 0$ for $a > b$.

Note: Complete k -partite graph $K_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_r} = \overline{K}_{n_1} + \overline{K}_{n_2} + \dots + \overline{K}_{n_r}$