

## Domination Nirmala Indices of Graphs

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| <p><b>Published Online:</b><br/> <b>29 June 2023</b><br/>                     Corresponding Author:<br/> <b>V. R. Kulli</b></p> | <p>In this study, we introduce the domination Nirmala index, modified domination Nirmala index and their corresponding exponentials of a graph. Furthermore, we compute these domination Nirmala indices for some standard graphs, windmill graphs, book graphs.</p> |
| <p><b>KEYWORDS:</b> domination degree, domination Nirmala index, modified domination Nirmala index, graph.</p>                  |  |

### I. INTRODUCTION

In this paper,  $G$  denotes a finite, simple, connected graph,  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$  denote the vertex set and edge set of  $G$ . The degree  $d_G(u)$  of a vertex  $u$  is the number of vertices adjacent to  $u$ . For undefined terms and notations, we refer the books [1, 2].

Graph indices have their applications in various disciplines of Science and Technology. For more information about graph indices, see [3]. Recently, some new graph indices were studied in [4, 5, 6].

The domination degree  $d_d(u)$  [7] of a vertex  $u$  in a graph  $G$  is defined as the number of minimal dominating sets of  $G$  which contains  $u$ .

Recently, the so-called Nirmala index was put forward, defined as [8]

$$N(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{d_G(u) + d_G(v)}.$$

Ref. [8] was soon followed by a series of publications [9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31].

Inspired by work on Nirmala indices, we introduce the domination Nirmala index of a graph  $G$  as follows:

The domination Nirmala index of a graph  $G$  is defined as

$$DN(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}$$

where  $d_d(u)$  is the domination degree of a vertex  $u$  in  $G$ .

Considering the domination Nirmala index, we introduce the domination Nirmala exponential of a graph  $G$  and defined it as

$$DN(G, x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{\sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}}.$$

We introduce the modified domination Nirmala index of a graph  $G$  as follows:

The modified domination Nirmala index of a graph  $G$  is defined as

$${}^m DN(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}}.$$

Considering the modified domination Nirmala index, we introduce the modified domination Nirmala exponential of a graph  $G$  and defined it as

$${}^m DN(G, x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}}}.$$

We define the product domination Nirmala index of a graph  $G$  as

$$pDN(G) = \left( \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)} \right) \left( \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}} \right).$$

In this paper, the domination Nirmala index, modified domination Nirmala index and their corresponding exponentials of some standard graphs, windmill graphs, book graphs are computed.

### II. THE DOMINATION NIRMALA INDEX AND ITS EXPONENTIAL OF GRAPHS

#### 1. RESULTS FOR SOME STANDARD GRAPHS

**Proposition 1.** If  $K_n$  is a complete graph with  $n$  vertices, then

$$DN(K_n) = \frac{n(n-1)}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

**Proof:** If  $K_n$  is a complete graph, then  $d_d(u) = 1$ .

From definition, we have

$$DN(K_n) = \sum_{uv \in E(K_n)} \sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \sqrt{1+1} = \frac{n(n-1)}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

**Proposition 2.** If  $S_{n+1}$  is a star graph with  $d_d(u) = 1$ , then

$$DN(S_{n+1}) = \sqrt{2}n.$$

**Proposition 3.** If  $S_{p+1,q+1}$ , is a double star graph with  $d_d(u) = 2$ , then

$$DN(S_{p+1,q+1}) = 2(p+q+1).$$

**Proposition 4.** Let  $K_{m,n}$  be a complete bipartite graph with  $2 \leq m \leq n$ . Then

$$DN(K_{m,n}) = mn\sqrt{m+n+2}.$$

**Proof:** Let  $G = K_{m,n}$ ,  $m, n \geq 2$  with  $d_d(u) = m+1$   
 $= n+1$ , for all  $u \in V(G)$ .

From definition, we have

$$DN(K_{m,n}) = \sum_{uv \in E(K_{m,n})} \sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}$$

$$= mn\sqrt{(m+1) + (n+1)} = mn\sqrt{m+n+2}.$$

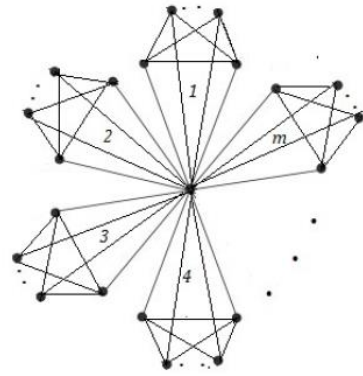
In the following proposition, by using definition, we obtain the domination Nirmala exponential of  $K_n$ ,  $S_{n+1}$ ,  $S_{p+1,q+1}$  and  $K_{m,n}$ .

**Proposition 5.** The domination Nirmala exponential of  $K_n$ ,  $S_{n+1}$ ,  $S_{p+1,q+1}$  and  $K_{m,n}$  are given by

- (i)  $DN(K_n, x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{\sqrt{d_d(u)+d_d(v)}}$   
 $= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} x^{\sqrt{1+1}} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} x^{\sqrt{2}}.$
- (ii)  $DN(S_{n+1}, x) = nx^{\sqrt{2}}.$
- (iii)  $DN(S_{p+1,q+1}, x) = (p+q+1)x^2.$
- (iv)  $DN(K_{m,n}, x) = mnx^{\sqrt{m+n+2}}.$

**2. RESULTS FOR FRENCH WINDMILL GRAPHS**

The French windmill graph  $F_n^m$  is the graph obtained by taking  $m \square 3$  copies of  $K_n$ ,  $n \square 3$  with a vertex in common. The graph  $F_n^m$  is presented in Figure 1. The French windmill graph  $F_3^m$  is called a friendship graph.



**Figure 1. French windmill graph  $F_n^m$**

Let  $F$  be a French windmill graph  $F_n^m$ . Then

$$d_d(u) = 1, \quad \text{if } u \text{ is the center vertex,}$$

$$= (n-1)^{m-1}, \quad \text{otherwise.}$$

**Theorem 1.** Let  $F$  be a French windmill graph  $F_n^m$ . Then

$${}^m DN(F) = m(n-1)\sqrt{1+(n-1)^{(m-1)}}$$

$$+ [(mn(n-1)/2) - m(n-1)]\sqrt{2(n-1)^{(m-1)}}.$$

**Proof:** In  $F$ , there are two sets of edges. Let  $E_1$  be the set of all edges which are incident with the center vertex and  $E_2$  be the set of all edges of the complete graph. Then

$$DN(F) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}$$

$$= \sum_{uv \in E_1(G)} \sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)} + \sum_{uv \in E_2(G)} \sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}$$

$$= m(n-1)\sqrt{1+(n-1)^{(m-1)}}$$

$$+ [(mn(n-1)/2) - m(n-1)]\sqrt{(n-1)^{(m-1)} + (n-1)^{(m-1)}}$$

$$= m(n-1)\sqrt{1+(n-1)^{(m-1)}}$$

$$+ [(mn(n-1)/2) - m(n-1)]\sqrt{2(n-1)^{(m-1)}}.$$

**Corollary 1.1.** Let  $F_3^m$  be a friendship graph. Then

$$DN(F_3^m) = 2m\sqrt{1+2^{(m-1)}} + m\sqrt{2^m}.$$

In the following theorem, by using definition, we obtain the domination Nirmala exponential of  $F_n^m$  and  $F_3^m$ .

**Theorem 2.** The domination Nirmala exponential of  $F_n^m$  and  $F_3^m$  are given by

$$(i) \quad DN(F_n^m, x) = m(n-1)x^{\sqrt{1+(n-1)^{(m-1)}}} + [(mn(n-1)/2) - m(n-1)]x^{\sqrt{2(n-1)^{(m-1)}}}.$$

$$(ii) \quad DN(F_3^m, x) = 2mx^{\sqrt{1+2^{(m-1)}}} + mx^{\sqrt{2^m}}.$$

**3. RESULTS FOR  $GoK_p$**

**Theorem 3.** Let  $H=GoK_p$ , where  $G$  is a connected graph with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges; and  $K_p$  is a complete graph. Then

$$DN(H) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(2m + np^2 + np)\sqrt{(p+1)^{n-1}}.$$

**Proof:** If  $H=GoK_p$ , then  $d_d(u) = (p+1)^{n-1}$ . In  $F$ , there are  $\frac{p(p-1)}{2}$  edges. Thus  $H$  has  $\frac{1}{2}(2m + np^2 + np)$  edges.

Thus

$$DN(H) = \sum_{uv \in E(H)} \sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(2m + np^2 + np)\sqrt{(p+1)^{n-1} + (p+1)^{n-1}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}(2m + np^2 + np)\sqrt{(p+1)^{n-1}}.$$

In the following theorem, by using definition, we obtain the domination Nirmala exponential of  $GoK_p$ .

**Theorem 4.** The domination Nirmala exponential of  $GoK_p$  is given by

$$DN(GoK_p, x) = \frac{1}{2}(2m + np^2 + np)x^{\sqrt{2(p+1)^{n-1}}}.$$

**4. RESULTS FOR  $B_n$**

The book graph  $B_n, n \geq 3$ , is a cartesian product of star  $S_{n+1}$  and path  $P_2$ .

For  $B_n, n \geq 3$ , we have  $d_d(u) = 3$ , if  $u$  is the center vertex,  
 $= 2^{n-1} + 1$ , otherwise.

**Theorem 5.** If  $B_n, n \geq 3$ , is a book graph, then

$$DN(B_n) = \sqrt{6} + 2n\sqrt{4 + 2^{n-1}} + n\sqrt{2(2^{n-1} + 1)}.$$

**Proof:** In  $B_n$ , there are three types of edges as follow:

$$E_1 = \{uv \in E(B_n) \mid d_d(u)=d_d(v)=3\}, \quad |E_1| = 1 \quad E_2 = \{uv \in E(B_n) \mid d_d(u) = 3, d_d(v) = 2^{n-1} + 1\}, \quad |E_2| = 2r.$$

$$E_3 = \{uv \in E(B_n) \mid d_d(u) = d_d(v) = 2^{n-1} + 1\}, \quad |E_3| = r.$$

By definition, we have

$$DN(B_n) = \sum_{uv \in E(H)} \sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}$$

$$= 1\sqrt{3+3} + 2n\sqrt{3+(2^{n-1} + 1)}$$

$$+ n\sqrt{(2^{n-1} + 1) + (2^{n-1} + 1)}$$

$$= \sqrt{6} + 2n\sqrt{4 + 2^{n-1}} + n\sqrt{2(2^{n-1} + 1)}.$$

In the following theorem, by using definition, we obtain the domination Nirmala exponential of  $B_n$ .

**Theorem 6.** The domination Nirmala exponential of  $GoK_p$  is given by

$$DN(B_n, x) = x^{\sqrt{6}} + 2nx^{\sqrt{4+2^{n-1}}} + nx^{\sqrt{2(2^{n-1}+1)}}.$$

**II. THE MODIFIED DOMINATION NIRMALA INDEX AND ITS EXPONENTIAL OF GRAPHS**

**5. RESULTS FOR SOME STANDARD GRAPHS**

**Proposition 6.** If  $K_n$  is a complete graph with  $n$  vertices, then

$${}^m DN(K_n) = \frac{n(n-1)}{2\sqrt{2}}.$$

**Proof:** If  $K_n$  is a complete graph, then  $d_d(u) = 1$ .

From definition, we have

$${}^m DN(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}}$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+1}} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2\sqrt{2}}.$$

**Proposition 7.** If  $S_{n+1}$  is a star graph with  $d_d(u) = 1$ , then

$${}^m DN(S_{n+1}) = \frac{n}{\sqrt{2}}.$$

**Proposition 8.** If  $S_{p+1,q+1}$  is a double star graph with  $d_d(u) = 2$ , then

$${}^m DN(S_{p+1,q+1}) = \frac{p+q+1}{2}.$$

**Proposition 9.** Let  $K_{m,n}$  be a complete bipartite graph with  $2 \leq m \leq n$ . Then

$${}^m DN(K_{m,n}) = \frac{mn}{\sqrt{m+n+2}}.$$

In the following proposition, by using definition, we obtain the modified domination Nirmala exponential of  $K_n, S_{n+1}, S_{p+1,q+1}$  and  $K_{m,n}$ .

**Proposition 10.** The modified domination Nirmala exponential of  $K_n, S_{n+1}, S_{p+1,q+1}$  and  $K_{m,n}$  are given by

$$(i) \quad {}^m DN(K_n, x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{d_d(u)+d_d(v)}}}$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} x^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+1}}} = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} x^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}.$$

$$(ii) \quad {}^m DN(S_{n+1}, x) = nx^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}.$$

$$(iii) \quad {}^m DN(S_{p+1,q+1}, x) = (p+q+1)x^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

$$(iv) \quad {}^m DN(K_{m,n}, x) = mnx^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{m+n+2}}}.$$

**6. RESULTS FOR FRENCH WINDMILL GRAPHS**

**Theorem 7.** Let  $F$  be a French windmill graph  $F_n^m$ . Then

$${}^m DN(F) = \frac{m(n-1)}{\sqrt{1+(n-1)^{(m-1)}}}$$

$$+ \frac{[(mn(n-1)/2) - m(n-1)]}{\sqrt{2(n-1)^{(m-1)}}}$$

**Proof:** In  $F$ , there are two sets of edges. Let  $E_1$  be the set of all edges which are incident with the center vertex and  $E_2$  be the set of all edges of the complete graph. Then

$${}^m DN(F) = \sum_{uv \in E_1(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_d(u)+d_d(v)}}$$

$$= \sum_{uv \in E_1(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_d(u)+d_d(v)}} + \sum_{uv \in E_2(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_d(u)+d_d(v)}}$$

$$= \frac{m(n-1)}{\sqrt{1+(n-1)^{(m-1)}}} + \frac{[(mn(n-1)/2) - m(n-1)]}{\sqrt{(n-1)^{(m-1)} + (n-1)^{(m-1)}}$$

$$= \frac{m(n-1)}{\sqrt{1+(n-1)^{(m-1)}}} + \frac{[(mn(n-1)/2) - m(n-1)]}{\sqrt{2(n-1)^{(m-1)}}}.$$

**Corollary 7.1.** Let  $F_3^m$  be a friendship graph. Then

$${}^m DSN(F_3^m) = \frac{2m}{\sqrt{1+2^{(m-1)}}} + \frac{m}{\sqrt{2^m}}.$$

In the following theorem, by using definition, we obtain the modified domination Nirmala exponential of  $F_n^m$  and  $F_3^m$ .

**Theorem 8.** The modified domination Nirmala exponential of  $F_n^m$  and  $F_3^m$  are given by

$$(i) \quad {}^m DN(F_n^m, x) = m(n-1)x^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+(n-1)^{(m-1)}}}}$$

$$+ [(mn(n-1)/2) - m(n-1)]x^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2(n-1)^{(m-1)}}}}.$$

$$(ii) \quad {}^m DN(F_3^m, x) = 2mx^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+2^{(m-1)}}}} + mx^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2^m}}}.$$

**7. RESULTS FOR  $GoK_p$**

**Theorem 9.** Let  $H=GoK_p$ , where  $G$  is a connected graph with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges; and  $K_p$  is a complete graph. Then

$${}^m DN(H) = \frac{2m + np^2 + np}{2\sqrt{2(p+1)^{n-1}}}.$$

**Proof:** If  $H=GoK_p$ , then  $d_d(u) = (p+1)^{n-1}$ . In  $F$ , there are  $\frac{p(p-1)}{2}$  edges. Thus  $H$  has  $\frac{1}{2}(2m + np^2 + np)$  edges.

Thus

$${}^m DN(H) = \sum_{uv \in E(H)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_d(u)+d_d(v)}}$$

$$= \frac{(2m + np^2 + np)}{2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(p+1)^{n-1} + (p+1)^{n-1}}}$$

$$= \frac{2m + np^2 + np}{2\sqrt{2(p+1)^{n-1}}}.$$

In the following theorem, by using definition, we obtain the domination Nirmala exponential of  $GoK_p$ .

**Theorem 10.** The domination Nirmala exponential of  $GoK_p$  is given by

$${}^m DN(GoK_p, x) = \frac{1}{2}(2m + np^2 + np)x^{\sqrt{2(p+1)^{n-1}}}.$$

**8. RESULTS FOR  $B_n$**

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 $= 2^{n-1} + 1$ , otherwise.

**Theorem 11.** If  $B_n, n \geq 3$ , is a book graph, then

$$DN(B_n) = \sqrt{6} + 2n\sqrt{4 + 2^{n-1}} + n\sqrt{2(2^{n-1} + 1)}.$$

**Proof:** In  $B_n$ , there are three types of edges as follow:

- $E_1 = \{uv \square E(B_n) \mid d_d(u)=d_d(v)=3\}, \quad |E_1| = 1.$
- $E_2 = \{uv \square E(B_n) \mid d_d(u) = 3, d_d(v) = 2^{n-1} + 1\}, \quad |E_2| = 2r.$
- $E_3 = \{uv \square E(B_n) \mid d_d(u) = d_d(v) = 2^{n-1} + 1\}, \quad |E_3| = r.$

By definition, we have

$$\begin{aligned} {}^m DN(B_n) &= \sum_{uv \in E(B_n)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_d(u) + d_d(v)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3+3}} + \frac{2n}{\sqrt{3+(2^{n-1}+1)}} + \frac{n}{\sqrt{(2^{n-1}+1)+(2^{n-1}+1)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} + \frac{2n}{\sqrt{4+2^{n-1}}} + \frac{n}{\sqrt{2(2^{n-1}+1)}}. \end{aligned}$$

In the following theorem, by using definition, we obtain the modified domination Nirmala exponential of  $B_n$ .

**Theorem 12.** The domination Nirmala exponential of  $GoK_p$  is given by

$${}^m DN(B_n, x) = x^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}}} + 2nx^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{4+2^{n-1}}}} + nx^{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2(2^{n-1}+1)}}}.$$

**Problems:**

- (i) Determine the properties of  $DN$ .
- (ii) Establish the lower and upper bounds for  $DN$ .
- (iii) Determine the properties of  $pDN$ .
- (iv) Establish the lower and upper bounds for  $pDN$ .

**III. CONCLUSION**

In this paper, the domination Nirmala index, modified domination Nirmala index and their corresponding exponentials of some standard graphs, windmill graphs, book graphs are computed.

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