# The Non - Split Distance - 2 Domination in Graphs 

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#### Abstract

A distance -2 dominating set $\mathrm{D} \subseteq \mathrm{V}$ of a graph G is a non-split distance -2 dominating set if the induced sub graph <V-D> is connected. The non-split distance -2 domination number $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)$ is the minimum cardinality of a nonsplit distance - 2 dominating set. In this paper, we define the notion of non-split distance -2 domination in a graph. We get many bounds on non- split distance -2 domination number. Exact values of this new parameter are obtained for some standard graphs. Nordhaus - Gaddum type results are also obtained for this new parameter.


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## 1. INTRODUCTION

All graphs considered here are simple, finite and undirected. Let n and m denote the order and size of a graph G . We use the terminology of [12].Let $\Delta(G)(\delta(G))$ denote the maximum (minimum) degree. The independence number $\beta_{0}(\mathrm{G})$ is the maximum cardinality among the independent set of vertices of $G$. The lower independence number $i(G)$ is the minimum cardinality among the maximum independent set of vertices of G . The vertex covering number $\alpha_{0}(\mathrm{G})$ is the minimum cardinality of vertex covering of $G$. The girth $g(G)$ of a graph $G$ is the length of a shortest cycle in $G$. The circumference $\mathrm{c}(\mathrm{G})$ is the length of a longest cycle. The radius of G is $\operatorname{rad}(\mathrm{G})=$ $\min \{\operatorname{ecc}(\mathrm{v}): \mathrm{v} \in V\}$ and $\operatorname{diam}(\mathrm{G})=\max \{\operatorname{ecc}(\mathrm{v}): \mathrm{v} \in V\}$, where $\operatorname{ecc}(\mathrm{v})$ is eccentricity of a
vertex which is defined as $\max \{$ dis $(\mathrm{u}, \mathrm{v}): \mathrm{v} \in V$ \}in [11].
A non empty set $\mathrm{D} \subseteq \mathrm{V}(\mathrm{G})$ is said to be a dominating set of G if every vertex not in D is adjacent to at least one vertex in D . A dominating set $\mathrm{D} \subseteq \mathrm{V}$ of a graph G is a nonsplit (split) dominating set if the induced sub graph <V-D> is connected (disconnected). The non-split (split) domination number $\gamma_{n s}(G)\left(\gamma_{s}(G)\right)$ is the minimum cardinality of a non-split (split) dominating set. A set D of vertices in a graph G is a distance -2 dominating set if every vertex in V-D is within distance 2 of atleast one vertex in D . The distance -2 domination number $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)$ is the minimum cardinality of a distance -2 dominating set in G . A distance -2 dominating set $\mathrm{D} \subseteq \mathrm{V}$ of a graph G is a split distance -2 dominating set if the induced sub graph $\langle\mathrm{V}-\mathrm{D}\rangle$ is disconnected. The split distance -2 domination number $\gamma_{s \leq 2}(G)$ is the minimum cardinality of a split distance -2 dominating set.

Kulli V.R. and Janakiram B. introduced the concept of non-split domination in graph in [13]. The purpose of this paper is to introduce the concept of non-split distance -2 domination in graphs.

## Definition 1.1

A distance -2 dominating set $\mathrm{D} \subseteq \mathrm{V}$ of a graph G is a non-split distance -2 dominating set if the induced sub graph $\langle\mathrm{V}$ - D$\rangle$ is connected. The non-split distance 2 domination number $\gamma_{n \leq \leq 2}(G)$ is the minimum cardinality of a non-split distance -2 dominating set.

The minimal non-split distance -2 dominating set in a graph G is a non-split distance 2 dominating set that contains no non-split distance -2 dominating set as a proper subset.

The distance -2 open neighborhood of a vertex $v \in V$ is the set, $N_{\leq 2}(v)$ of vertices within a distance of two of $(v)$.

## Example: 1.2



Figure. 1

Here $D=\{1,8\}, \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)=2$
2. EXACT VALUES OF $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)$ FOR SOME STANDARD GRAPHS.

## 2.1: Observation:

1. For any path $P_{n}$, for $\mathrm{n} \geq 7$

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\gamma_{n s \leq 2}\left(P_{n}\right)=n-4
$$

2. For any cycle $C_{n}$, for $\mathrm{n} \geq 5$

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\gamma_{n \leq \leq 2}\left(C_{n}\right)=n-4
$$

3. For any wheel graph $W_{n}$, for $\mathrm{n} \geq 3$

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\gamma_{n s \leq 2}\left(W_{n}\right)=1
$$

4. For any friendship graph $F_{n}$, for $n \geq 2$

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\gamma_{n \leq \leq 2}\left(F_{n}\right)=1
$$

5. For any complete graph $K_{n}$, for $\mathrm{n} \geq 3$

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\gamma_{n \leq \leq 2}\left(K_{n}\right)=1
$$

6. For any star graph $K_{1, m}$, for $m \geq 1$

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\gamma_{n s \leq 2}\left(K_{1, m}\right)=1
$$

7. For any complete bipartite graph $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{n}, \mathrm{m}}$, for $\mathrm{m} \geq \mathrm{n}$,

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\gamma_{n s \leq 2}\left(K_{n, m}\right)=1
$$

8. For any Book graph $\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{n}}$, for $\mathrm{n} \geq 3$

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\gamma_{n \leq \leq 2}\left(B_{n}\right)=1
$$

9. For any helm graph $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{n}}$, for $\mathrm{n} \geq 3$

$$
\gamma_{n s \leq 2}\left(H_{n}\right)=1
$$

## 3. BOUNDS ON THE NON-SPLIT DISTANCE -2 DOMINATION NUMBER

## $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)$

Theorem 3.1
For any graph G, $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)$
Proof
Every non-split distance -2 dominating set of G is a distance -2 dominating set of G ,
We have $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)$

## Note 3.2

For any graph G, $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{s \leq 2}(G)$

## Theorem 3.3

For any graph G, $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n s}(G)$

## Proof

Every non-split dominating set of G is a non-split distance -2 dominating set of G ,
We have $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n s}(G)$

## Theorem 3.4

For any graph G, $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \min \left(\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G), \gamma_{s \leq 2}(G)\right)$

## Proof

Every non-split distance -2 dominating set and every split distance -2 dominating set of G is a distance -2 dominating set of G ,

We have $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G), \gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{s \leq 2}(G)$
Hence $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \min \left(\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G), \gamma_{s \leq 2}(G)\right)$

## Proposition 3.5

For any graph G, $\gamma(G)=\gamma_{n s}(G)=\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)=\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)$ if and only if $G$ is a wheel graph $\mathrm{W}_{\mathrm{n}}$.

## Proposition 3.6

For any graph G, $\gamma_{n \leq \leq 2}(G)=\gamma_{s \leq 2}(G)=\gamma_{s}(G)=\gamma(G)=\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)$ if and only if G is a star graph $\mathrm{K}_{1, \mathrm{~m}}$, for $\mathrm{m}>1$.

## Proposition 3.7

For any graph G, $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)=\gamma_{s \leq 2}(G)=\gamma_{s}(G)=\gamma(G)=\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)$ if and only if G is a friendship graph Fn.

## Proposition 3.8

For any graph G, $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)=\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)$ if and only if $G$ is a bipartite graph $K_{n, m}$, for $\mathrm{n}<$ m.

## Proposition 3.9

For any graph G, $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)=\gamma_{n \leq \leq 2}(G)=\gamma_{n s}(G)=\gamma(G)$ if and only if $G$ is a complete graph $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{n}}$, for $\mathrm{n}>2$.

Theorem 3.10
A non-split distance -2 dominating set D of G is minimal if and only if for each vertex $v \in D$, one of the following conditions is satisfied.
(i) There exists a vertex $u \in V-D$ such that

Case (a): $N_{\leq 2}(u) \cap D=D$ when D is connected.
Case (b): $N_{\leq 2}(u) \cap D=\{v\}$ when D is disconnected.
(ii) $v$ is an isolated vertex in 〈D>
(iii) $N_{\leq 2}(u) \cap(V-D) \neq \varnothing$

## Proof

Suppose D is a minimal non-split distance dominating set of G.
Suppose the contrary.
That is, if there exists a vertex $v \in D$, such that $v$ does not satisfy any of the given conditions, then by theorem given by Kulli V.R and Janakiram B.(1997), there exists a distance -2 dominating set $D_{1}=D-\{v\}$ such that the induced sub graph $\left\langle V-D_{1}\right\rangle$ is connected. This implies that $D_{1}$ is a non-split distance -2 dominating set of $G$ contradicting the minimality of D . Therefore, the condition is necessary.

Sufficiency follows from the given conditions.

## Theorem 3.11

If H is a connected spanning sub graph of G , then $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(H)$

## Theorem 3.12

For any graph $\mathrm{G}, \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)=p-\Delta(G)$ if and only if G is a star graph $\mathrm{K}_{1, \mathrm{~m}}$, for $\mathrm{m}>$

1 ,where $p$ is number of vertices.

## Theorem 3.13

For any graph G, $\gamma_{n \leq \leq 2}(G)=\delta(G)$ if and only if G is a helm graph Hn .

## Theorem 3.14

For any graph $G$, which is not a tree then $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq c(G)$ where $c(G)$ is circumference of a graph $G$.

## Theorem 3.15

For any graph G, which is not a tree then $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq g(G)$ where $g(G)$ is girth of a graph G.

## Theorem 3.16

Let $G$ be any connected graph of order greater than or equal to 3 , then $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq$ $n-3$, where $n$ is the number of vertices.

## Proof

Since $G$ is connected, there is a spanning tree $T$ of $G$ with ( $n-1$ ) vertices. If $v$ is a pendant vertex of T then ( $\mathrm{n}-3$ ) vertices of T other than v form a minimal non-split distance -2 dominating set of G , hence $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq n-3$.

## Nordhas - Gaddum Type results

## Theorem 3.17

Let G be a graph such that both G and $\bar{G}$ have no isolates. Then,
(i) $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)+\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(\bar{G}) \leq 2(n-3)$
(ii) $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \cdot \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(\bar{G}) \leq(n-3)^{2}$

## Proof

The results follow from Theorem 3.16

## Theorem 3.18

For any graph G, $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq n-\Delta(G)$

## Theorem 3.19

For any tree $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{n}}, \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq n-p$ where n is number of vertices and p is number of end vertices.

## Note 3.20

For any tree $\mathrm{T}_{\mathrm{n}}$, which is a star graph $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)=n-p$ where n is number of vertices and p is number of end vertices.

Theorem 3.21 (Kulli and Janakiram, 1997)
For any graph G, $\gamma_{s}(G) \leq \alpha_{0}(G)$
Theorem 3.22

For any graph G, $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq \alpha_{0}(G)$
Proof

Since $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n s}(G)$ and $\gamma_{n s}(G) \leq \alpha_{0}(G)$ [By Theorem 3.3]
We have $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq \alpha_{0}(G)$

## Theorem 3.23

For any graph G, $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)+\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq n$
Proof
Since $\gamma(G) \leq \beta_{0}(G), \gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma(G)$ and $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq \alpha_{0}(G)$ [By Theorem 3.22]
Thus $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)+\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq \alpha_{0}(G)+\beta_{0}(G)$
We have $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)+\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq n$

## Theorem 3.24

For any graph G, $i(G)+\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq n$
Proof
Since $i(G) \leq \beta_{0}(G)$, and $\gamma_{n s}(G) \leq \alpha_{0}(G)$ [By Theorem 3.22]
Thus $i(G)+\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq \alpha_{0}(G)+\beta_{0}(G)$
We have $i(G)+\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \leq n$

## Lemma 3.24

For $k \geq 1$, every connected graph $G$ has a spanning tree T such that $\gamma_{k}(G)=\gamma_{k}(T)$
in [24]

## Lemma 3.25

For $k \geq 1$, every connected graph $G$ has a spanning tree $T$ such that $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)=$ $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(T)$

## Proof

Since $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n \leq \leq 2}(G)$ and $\gamma_{\leq 2}(T)=\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)$ [By Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 3.25]
We have $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)=\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(T)$

## Theorem 3.26

For $k \geq 1$, if G is a connected graph with diameter d , then $\gamma_{k}(G) \geq \frac{d+1}{2 k+1}$ in [24]

## Theorem 3.27

For any graph G is a connected graph with diameter d, then $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \geq \frac{d+1}{2 k+1}$, where $\mathrm{k}=2$.

Proof
Since $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n \leq \leq 2}(G)$ and $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \geq \frac{d+1}{2 k+1}$ [By Theorem 3.26]
We have $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \geq \frac{d+1}{5}$

## Theorem 3.28

If $\mathrm{G}=\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{n}}$ where $n \equiv 0 \bmod (2 k+1)$, then $\gamma_{k}(G)=\frac{\operatorname{diam}(G)+1}{2 k+1}$ in [24]
Theorem 3.29
If $\mathrm{G}=\mathrm{P}_{\mathrm{n}}$ where $n \equiv 0 \bmod (2 k+1)$, then $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)=\frac{\operatorname{diam}(G)+1}{2 k+1}$ where $\mathrm{k}=2$.
Proof

Since $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)$ and $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G)=\frac{\operatorname{diam}(G)+1}{2 k+1}$ [By Theorem3.28]
We have $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \geq \frac{\operatorname{diam}(G)+1}{5}$

## Theorem 3.30

For any graph G is a connected graph with radius r , then $\gamma_{k}(G) \geq \frac{2 r}{2 k+1}$ in [24]

## Theorem 3.31

For any graph $G$ is a connected graph with radius $r$, then $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \geq \frac{2 r}{2 k+1}$, where $\mathrm{k}=2$.

Proof
Since $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)$ and $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \geq \frac{2 r}{2 k+1}$ [By Theorem 3.30]
We have $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \geq \frac{2 r}{5}$

## Theorem 3.32

For any graph G is a connected graph with girth g , then $\gamma_{k}(G) \geq \frac{g}{2 k+1}$ in [24]
Theorem 3.33
For any graph $G$ is a connected graph with girth $g$, then $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \geq \frac{g}{2 k+1}$, where $\mathrm{k}=2$.

Proof

Since $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \leq \gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G)$ and $\gamma_{\leq 2}(G) \geq \frac{g}{2 k+1}$ [By Theorem 3.33]
We have $\gamma_{n s \leq 2}(G) \geq \frac{g}{5}$

## CONCLUSION

In the communication network, n cities are linked via communication channels. A transmitting group is a subset of those cities that are able to transmit messages to every city in the network. Such a transmitting group is nothing else than a non-split dominating set in the network graph, and non-split distance -2 domination number of this graph is the minimum number of disjoints transmitting groups in the network.

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