

## SIGNED CLIQUE EDGE DOMINATION NUMBERS OF GRAPHS

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**Abstract:** In this paper, we study signed clique edge domination number of graph. By using pigeonhole principle, we obtain the signed clique edge domination numbers of graphs  $K_n \vee P_m$  and  $K_n \vee C_m$ , which extend the known results.

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### 1 Introduction

In this paper, the graphs are undirected simple graphs and for other terminologies we follow [1]. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph with vertex set  $V = V(G)$  and edge set  $E = E(G)$ . Every maximal complete subgraph  $K$  of graph  $G$  is called a clique of  $G$ , the order of a largest complete subgraph is called the clique number of  $G$ , denoted by  $\omega(G)$ . A clique  $K$  is called non-trivial if  $K \neq K_1$ . Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be any two disjoint graphs. Then  $G_1 \vee G_2$  denotes the join graphs of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} V(G_1 \vee G_2) &= V(G_1) \cup V(G_2), \\ E(G_1 \vee G_2) &= E(G_1) \cup E(G_2) \cup \{uv : u \in V(G_1), v \in V(G_2)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph. For a function  $f : E \rightarrow \{+1, -1\}$  and a subset  $S$  of  $E(G)$ , define  $f(S) = \sum_{e \in S} f(e)$ . For convenience, for a given graph  $G = (V, E)$ , an edge  $e \in E(G)$  is said to be a +1 edge of  $G$  if  $f(e) = +1$ , analogously, an edge  $e \in E(G)$  is said to be a -1 edge of  $G$  if  $f(e) = -1$ . Write  $E_1 = \{e \in E(G) | f(e) = +1\}$ ,  $E_2 = \{e \in E(G) | f(e) = -1\}$ .

**Definition 1.1** [2] Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a simple graph. A function  $f : E \rightarrow \{+1, -1\}$  is said to be a signed clique edge dominating function of  $G$  if  $\sum_{e \in E(K)} f(e) \geq 1$  for every

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non-trivial clique  $K$  in  $G$ . The signed clique edge domination number of  $G$  is defined to be  $\gamma'_{scl}(G) = \min\{\sum_{e \in E(G)} f(e) : f \text{ is a signed clique edge dominating function of } G\}$ . In particular, for empty graph  $\overline{K_n}$ , define  $\gamma'_{scl}(\overline{K_n}) = 0$ .

In recent years, domination number and its variations were studied extensively. The monographs [2] contain extensive reviews of topics. Signed edge domination was studied in [3, 4], signed clique edge domination was studied in [5], signed star domination in [6], signed cycle domination in [7], minus edge domination in [8], signed edge total domination in [9]. In this paper, we determine the signed clique edge domination numbers of graphs  $K_n \vee P_m$  and  $K_n \vee C_m$ .

## 2 Main Result

**Theorem 2.1** For any positive integer  $n \geq 3$  and  $m \geq 3$ ,

$$\gamma'_{scl}(K_n \vee P_m) = \begin{cases} 2(6-n)\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - (n+1)m + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + 1, & \text{when } n = 3, 4, 5, \\ -(n+1)m + 2n + 3 + \frac{(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1} + 1}{2}, & \text{when } n \geq 6. \end{cases}$$

**Proof** Let  $f$  be a signed clique edge dominating function of graph  $G = K_n \vee P_m$  such that  $\gamma'_{scl}(G) = f(E) = \sum_{e \in E} f(e)$ . The vertices of  $K_n$  are  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  in this order, and the vertices of  $P_m$  are  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m$  in this order. Then  $|E(G)| = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + (n+1)m - 1$ . Let  $A = \{v_i u_j | i = 1, 2, \dots, n, j = 1, 2, \dots, m\} \cup \{u_i u_{i+1} | i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1\}$ .

We first prove lower bound.

**Case 1**  $n = 3, 4, 5$ , then

$$\gamma'_{scl}(G) \geq 2(6-n)\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - (n+1)m + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + 1. \quad (2.1)$$

Let  $s$  (respectively  $t$ ) be the number of  $+1$  (respectively  $-1$ ) edges of  $G$ , thus  $\frac{n(n-1)}{2} + (n+1)m - 1 = s + t$ ,  $\gamma'_{scl}(G) = s - t$ .

Suppose that (2.1) does not hold. Then  $\gamma'_{scl}(G) < 2(6-n)\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - (n+1)m + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + 1$ , Hence  $t > (n+1)m - (6-n)\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - 1$ . Let the number of  $-1$  edges in  $A$  be  $r$ .

**Case 1.1**  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ .

Suppose  $3(n-2)\frac{m}{2} + (m-1) < r \leq (n+1)m - 1$ . By the pigeonhole principle, there exists a clique  $K_{n+2} \in G$ , that the number of  $-1$  edges is at least  $3n-4$ , such that

$$\sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \leq 0. \text{ This is a contradiction.}$$

If

$$(n+1)m - (6-n)\frac{m}{2} - \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \leq r \leq 3(n-2)\frac{m}{2} + (m-1),$$

then the number of  $-1$  edges in  $E(G) \setminus A$  is at least 1. By the pigeonhole principle, there exists a  $K_{n+2} \in G$ , such that  $\sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \leq 0$ . This is a contradiction.

**Case 1.2**  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ .

Suppose  $n \lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil + 2(n-3) \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor + (m-1) < r \leq (n+1)m - 1$ . By the pigeonhole principle, there exists a clique  $K_{n+2} \in G$ , that the number of -1 edges is at least  $3n - 4$ , such that  $\sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \leq 0$ . This is a contradiction.  
 If

$$(n+1)m - (6-n) \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \leq r \leq 3(n-2) \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor + n + (m-1),$$

then the number of -1 edges in  $E(G) \setminus A$  is at least 1. By the pigeonhole principle, there exists a  $K_{n+2} \in G$ , such that  $\sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \leq 0$ . This is a contradiction.

Hence  $\gamma'_{scl}(G) \geq 2(6-n) \lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - (n+1)m + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + 1$ .

**Case 2**  $n \geq 6$ . Then

$$\gamma'_{scl}(G) \geq -(n+1)m + 2n + 3 + \frac{(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1} + 1}{2}.$$

Let  $f$  be a signed clique edge dominating function of  $G$  such that  $\gamma'_{scl}(G) = f(G)$ , and  $s$  the number of +1 edges of  $G$ . Then  $\gamma'_{scl}(G) = 2s - |E(G)|$ . And  $\sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \geq 1$  for every non-trivial clique  $K_{n+2}$  in  $G$ . Hence  $s \geq s_0 = |\{e \in E(K_{n+2}) \mid f(e) = 1\}|$ .

Note that

$$|E(G)| = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + (n+1)m - 1, \quad |E(K_{n+2})| = \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{2}.$$

Since  $f(K_{n+2}) \geq 1$ ,  $s_0 \geq \lfloor \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{4} \rfloor + 1$ . Then  $s \geq \lfloor \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{4} \rfloor + 1$ . Hence

$$\gamma'_{scl}(G) = 2s - |E(G)| \geq -(n+1)m + 2n + 3 + \frac{(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1} + 1}{2}.$$

Next consider the upper bound.

We define the signed clique edge dominating function  $f$  of graph  $G$  as follows:

For  $n = 3$ , let

$$f(e) = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{when } e \in K_3 \cup \{v_i u_j \mid i = 1, 2, 3, j \equiv 0 \pmod{2}\}; \\ -1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For  $n = 4$ , let

$$f(e) = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{when } e \in K_4 \cup \{v_i u_j \mid i = 3, 4, j \equiv 0 \pmod{2}\}; \\ -1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For  $n = 5$ , let

$$f(e) = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{when } e \in K_5 \cup \{v_i u_j \mid i = 5, j \equiv 0 \pmod{2}\}; \\ -1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For  $n = 3, 4, 5$ , every non-trivial clique  $K_{n+2}$  in  $G$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) &= \sum_{e \in E_1 \cap E(K_{n+2})} f(e) - \sum_{e \in E_2 \cap E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \\ &= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + (6-n) - (3n-5) \\ &= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} - 4n + 11 \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\gamma'_{scl}(G) \leq \sum_{e \in E(G)} f(e) = 2(6-n)\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor - (n+1)m + \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + 1$ .

For  $n \geq 6$ , let the number of +1 edges in  $K_n$  is  $\lfloor \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{4} \rfloor + 1$ . All other edges are assigned -1. For every non-trivial clique  $K_{n+2}$  in  $G$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) &= \sum_{e \in E_1 \cap E(K_{n+2})} f(e) - \sum_{e \in E_2 \cap E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \\ &= 2\lfloor \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{4} \rfloor + 2 - \frac{(n+2)(n+1)}{2} \\ &= \begin{cases} 1, & n \equiv 0, 1 \pmod{4}; \\ 2, & n \equiv 2, 3 \pmod{4}. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\gamma'_{scl}(G) \leq \sum_{e \in E(G)} f(e) = -(n+1)m + 2n + 3 + \frac{(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1} + 1}{2}.$$

**Theorem 2.2** For any positive integer  $n \geq 3$  and  $m \geq 3$ ,

$$\gamma'_{scl}(K_n \vee C_m) = \begin{cases} 2(6-n)\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil - (n+1)m + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}, & \text{when } n = 3, 4, 5 \\ -(n+1)m + 2n + 2 + \frac{(-1)^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1} + 1}{2}, & \text{when } n \geq 6. \end{cases}$$

**Proof** Let  $f$  be a signed clique edge dominating function of graph  $G = K_n \vee C_m$  such that  $\gamma'_{scl}(G) = f(E) = \sum_{e \in E} f(e)$ . The vertices of  $K_n$  are  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  in this order, and the vertices of  $C_m$  are  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m$  in this order. Then  $|E(G)| = \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + (n+1)m$ . Write

$$A = \{v_i u_j \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, n, j = 1, 2, \dots, m\} \cup \{u_i u_{i+1} \mid i = 1, 2, \dots, m-1\} \cup \{u_1 u_n\}.$$

$n = 3, 4, 5$ , we first prove lower bound.

$$\gamma'_{scl}(G) \geq 2(6-n)\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil - (n+1)m + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}. \tag{2.2}$$

Let  $s$  (respectively  $t$ ) be the number of +1 (respectively -1) edges of  $G$ . Thus

$$\frac{n(n-1)}{2} + (n+1)m = s + t, \quad \gamma'_{scl}(G) = s - t.$$

Suppose that (2.2) does not hold. Then  $\gamma'_{scl}(G) < 2(6-n)\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil - (n+1)m + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}$ . Hence  $t > (n+1)m - (6-n)\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil$ . Let the number of -1 edges in  $A$  be  $r$ .

**Case 1**  $m \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ .

Suppose  $3(n - 2)\frac{m}{2} + m < r \leq (n + 1)m$ . By the pigeonhole principle, there exists a clique  $K_{n+2} \in G$ , That the number of -1 edges is at least  $3n - 4$ , such that  $\sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \leq 0$ .

This is a contradiction.

If

$$(n + 1)m - (6 - n)\frac{m}{2} - \frac{n(n - 1)}{2} + 1 \leq r \leq 3(n - 2)\frac{m}{2} + m.$$

Then the number of -1 edges in  $E(G) \setminus A$  is at least 1. By the pigeonhole principle, there exists a  $K_{n+2} \in G$ , such that  $\sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \leq 0$ . This is a contradiction.

**Case 2**  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ .

Suppose  $n\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor + 2(n - 3)\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil + m < r \leq (n + 1)m$ . By the pigeonhole principle, there exists a clique  $K_{n+2} \in G$ , that the number of -1 edges is at least  $3n - 4$ , such that  $\sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \leq 0$ . This is a contradiction.

If

$$(n + 1)m - (6 - n)\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil - \frac{n(n - 1)}{2} + 1 \leq r \leq n\lfloor \frac{m}{2} \rfloor + 2(n - 3)\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil + m,$$

then the number of -1 edges in  $E(G) \setminus A$  is at least 1. By the pigeonhole principle, there exists a  $K_{n+2} \in G$ , such that  $\sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) \leq 0$ . This is a contradiction.

In summary,

$$\gamma'_{scl}(G) \geq 2(6 - n)\lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil - (n + 1)m + \frac{n(n - 1)}{2}.$$

Next we consider the upper bound. The upper bound is obtained by specifying a signed clique edge dominating function. We define the signed clique edge dominating function  $f$  of  $G$  as follows:

For  $n = 3$ , let

$$f(e) = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{when } e \in K_3 \cup \{v_i u_j | i = 1, 2, 3, j \equiv 1 \pmod{2}\}; \\ -1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For  $n = 4$ , let

$$f(e) = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{when } e \in K_4 \cup \{v_i u_j | i = 3, 4, j \equiv 1 \pmod{2}\}; \\ -1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For  $n = 5$ , let

$$f(e) = \begin{cases} +1, & \text{when } e \in K_5 \cup \{v_i u_j | i = 5, j \equiv 1 \pmod{2}\}; \\ -1, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For  $n = 3, 4, 5$ ,  $m \equiv 1 \pmod{2}$ , consider clique  $K_{n+2}$  of include edge  $u_1u_m$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{e \in E(K_{n+2})} f(e) &= \sum_{e \in E_1} f(e) - \sum_{e \in E_2} f(e) \\ &= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} + 2(6-n) - (4n-11) \\ &= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} - 6n + 23 \geq 1. \end{aligned}$$

We have

$$\gamma'_{scl}(G) \leq \sum_{e \in E(G)} f(e) = 2(6-n) \lceil \frac{m}{2} \rceil - (n+1)m + \frac{n(n-1)}{2}.$$

For other cases the proof is similar to Theorem 2.1.

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## 图的符号团边控制数

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**摘要:** 本文研究了图的符号团边控制数的问题. 利用鸽巢原理, 获得了图  $K_n \vee P_m$  和  $K_n \vee C_m$  的符号团边控制数, 推广了已有的结果.

**关键词:** 图; 符号团边控制数; 符号团边控制函数

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