

Dom-Chromatic Number of Grid Graphs

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Abstract

Let G be a graph. For a given γ -coloring of a graph G , a dominating set $S \subseteq V(G)$ is said to be a dom-coloring set if it contains atleast one vertex of each color class G . The dom-chromatic number of graph G is the minimal cardinality taken over all its dom-coloring sets and is denoted by $\gamma_{d-c}(G)$ [2]. In this paper, we obtain dominator chromatic number of grid graphs.

Key words: Dominator chromatic number, grid graph.

Introduction

All graphs considered in this paper are finite, undirected graphs and we follow standard definition of graph theory as found in [1]. Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph of order n . The open neighborhood $N(v)$ of a vertex $v \in V(G)$ consists of the set of all vertices adjacent to v . The closed neighborhood of v is $N[v] = N(v) \cup \{v\}$. The path and cycle of order n are denoted by P_n and C_n respectively. For any two graphs G and H , we define the cartesian product, denoted by $G \times H$, to be the graph with vertex set $V(G) \times V(H)$ and edges between two vertices (u_1, v_1) and (u_2, v_2) if either $u_1 = u_2$ and $v_1 v_2 \in E(H)$ or $u_1 u_2 \in E(G)$ and $v_1 = v_2$. A grid graphs can be defined as $P_m \times P_n$ where, $m, n \geq 2$ and denoted by $P_{m \times n}$.

A subset S of V is called a dominating set if every vertex in $V-S$ is adjacent to at least one vertex in S . The dominating set is minimal dominating set if no proper subset of S is a dominating set of G . The domination number γ is the minimum cardinality taken over all minimal dominating set of G . A γ -set is any minimal dominating set with cardinality γ .

A proper coloring of G is an assignment of colors to the vertices of G such that adjacent vertices have different colors. The minimum number of colors for which there exists a proper

coloring of G is called chromatic number of G and is denoted by $\gamma(G)$. For a given γ -coloring of a graph G , a dominating set $S \subseteq V(G)$ is said to be a dom-coloring set if it contains at least one vertex of each color class of G . The dom-chromatic number of graph G is the minimal cardinality taken over all its dom-coloring sets and is denoted by $\gamma_{d-c}(G)$ [2].

In a proper coloring C of G , a color class of C is a set consisting of all those vertices assigned the same color. Let C^1 be a minimal dominator coloring of G . We say that a color class $c_i \in C^1$ is called a non-dominated color class (n-d color class) if it is not dominated by any vertex of G . These color classes are also called repeated color classes.

The dominator chromatic number of paths found in [2].

We have the following observation from [2].

Theorem A [2] The path P_n of order $n \geq 2$ has

$$\gamma_{d-c}(P_n) = \begin{cases} \left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor + 1 & \text{if } n = 2, 3, 4, 5, 7 \\ \left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor + 2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

In this paper, we obtain the least value for dominator chromatic number for grid graphs.

Main Results

Theorem 1: If m and n both even then $\gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n})$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{mn}{4} & \text{if } m, n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{mn}{4} + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Proof: Let the vertex set of $P_{m \times n} = V(P_{m \times n}) = \{u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} 1 \leq i \leq m \\ 1 \leq j \leq n \end{smallmatrix}\}$. We consider two cases.

Case (1): Let $m, n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$.

$$\text{Let } D^{(1)} = \left\{ \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=1,5,9,\dots,(m-3) \\ j=2,6,10,\dots,(n-2) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=2,6,10,\dots,(m-2) \\ j=4,8,12,\dots,n \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=3,7,11,\dots,(m-1) \\ j=1,5,9,\dots,(n-3) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=4,8,12,\dots,m \\ j=3,7,11,\dots,(n-1) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \right\}$$

be any arbitrary γ -set of $P_{m \times n}$. We assign two color 1, 2 respectively. So $\gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n}) = \frac{mn}{4} + 2$.

Case (2): Let *except* $m, n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. we have three sub cases.

Subcase(2.1): Let $m \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ & $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. Let $S^{(1)} = \left\{ \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=1,5,9,\dots,(m-3) \\ j=2,6,10,\dots,n \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=2,6,10,\dots,(m-2) \\ j=4,8,12,\dots,(n-2) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=3,7,11,\dots,(m-1) \\ j=1,5,9,\dots,(n-1) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=4,8,12,\dots,m \\ j=3,7,11,\dots,(n-3) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \{u_{mn}\} \right\}$ be any arbitrary γ -set of $P_{m \times n}$. We assign two color 1,2 respectively. So $\gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n}) = \frac{mn}{4} + 3$.

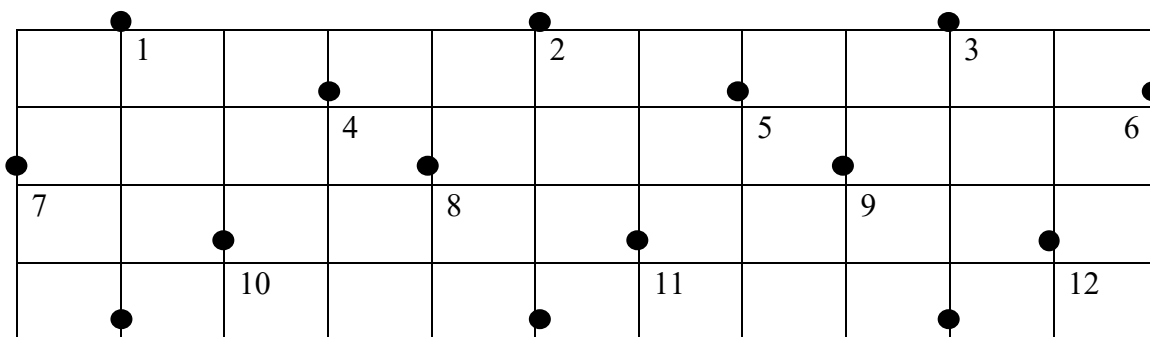
Subcase(2.2): Let $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ & $n \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$. Let $S^{(2)} = \left\{ \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=1,5,9,\dots,(m-1) \\ j=2,6,10,\dots,(n-2) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=2,6,10,\dots,m \\ j=4,8,12,\dots,n \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=3,7,11,\dots,(m-3) \\ j=1,5,9,\dots,(n-3) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=4,8,12,\dots,(m-2) \\ j=3,7,11,\dots,(n-1) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \{u_{m1}\} \right\}$ be any arbitrary γ -set of $P_{m \times n}$. We assign two color 1,2 respectively. So $\gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n}) = \frac{mn}{4} + 3$.

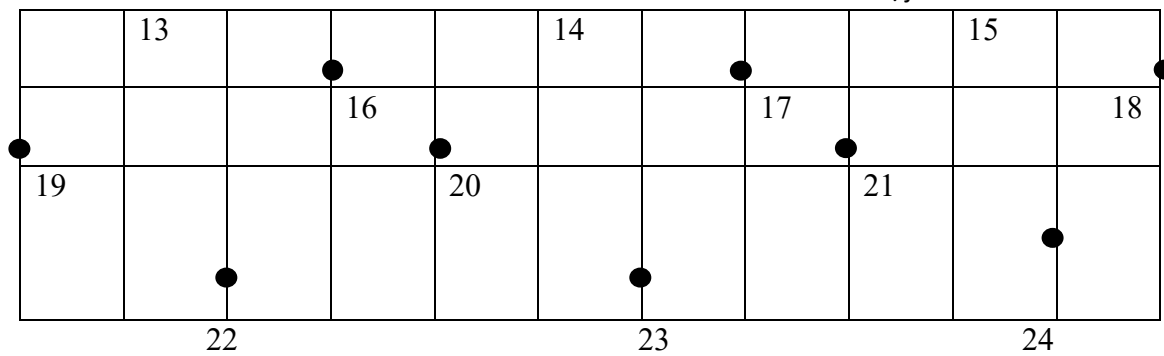
Subcase(2.3): Let $m \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$ & $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$. Let $S^{(3)} = \left\{ \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=1,5,9,\dots,(m-1) \\ j=2,6,10,\dots,n \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=2,6,10,\dots,m \\ j=4,8,12,\dots,(n-2) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=3,7,11,\dots,(m-3) \\ j=1,5,9,\dots,(n-1) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \left\{ u_{ij} / \begin{smallmatrix} i=4,8,12,\dots,(m-2) \\ j=3,7,11,\dots,(n-3) \end{smallmatrix} \right\} \cup \{u_{m1}\} \right\}$ be any arbitrary γ -set of $P_{m \times n}$. We assign two color 1,2 respectively. So $\gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n}) = \frac{mn}{4} + 3$.

$$\text{Thus } \gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n}) = \begin{cases} \frac{mn}{4} & \text{if } m, n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{mn}{4} + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

□

Illustration: Consider $P_{8 \times 12}$

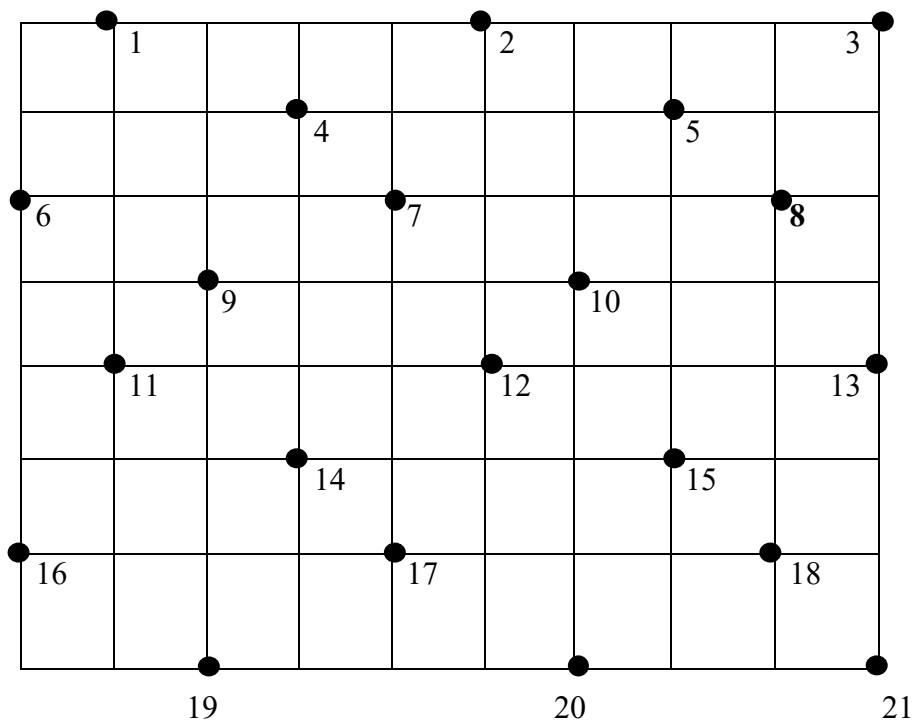




$$\gamma_{d-c}(\mathbf{P}_{8 \times 12}) = 24.$$

Fig. 1

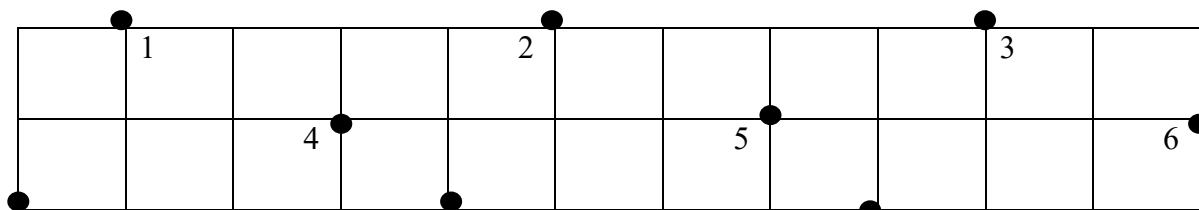
Consider $\mathbf{P}_{8 \times 10}$

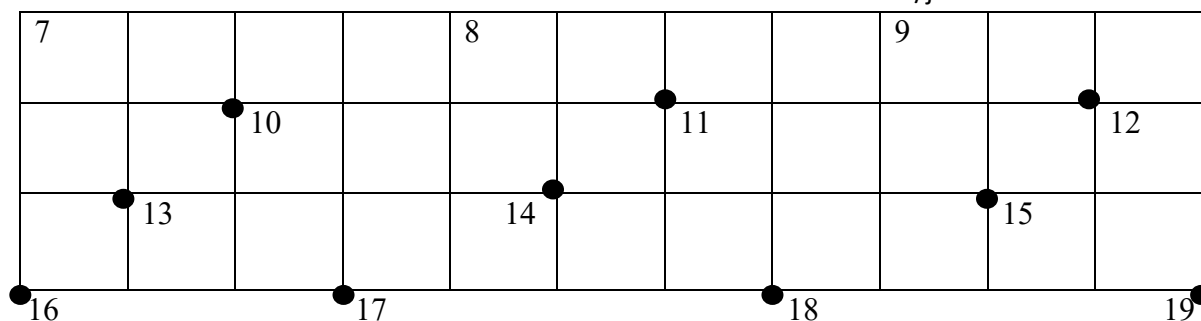


$$\gamma_{d-c}(\mathbf{P}_{8 \times 10}) = 21.$$

Fig.2

Consider $\mathbf{P}_{6 \times 12}$

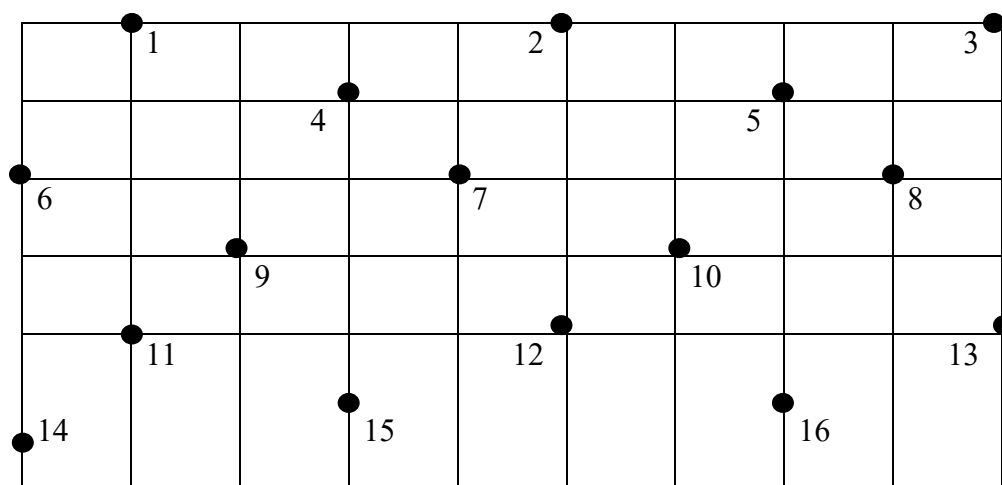




$$\gamma_{d-c}(P_{6 \times 12}) = 19$$

Fig.3

Consider $P_{6 \times 10}$



$$\gamma_{d-c}$$

$$(P_{6 \times 10}) = 16$$

Fig.4

Theorem 2: If m is odd and n is even then

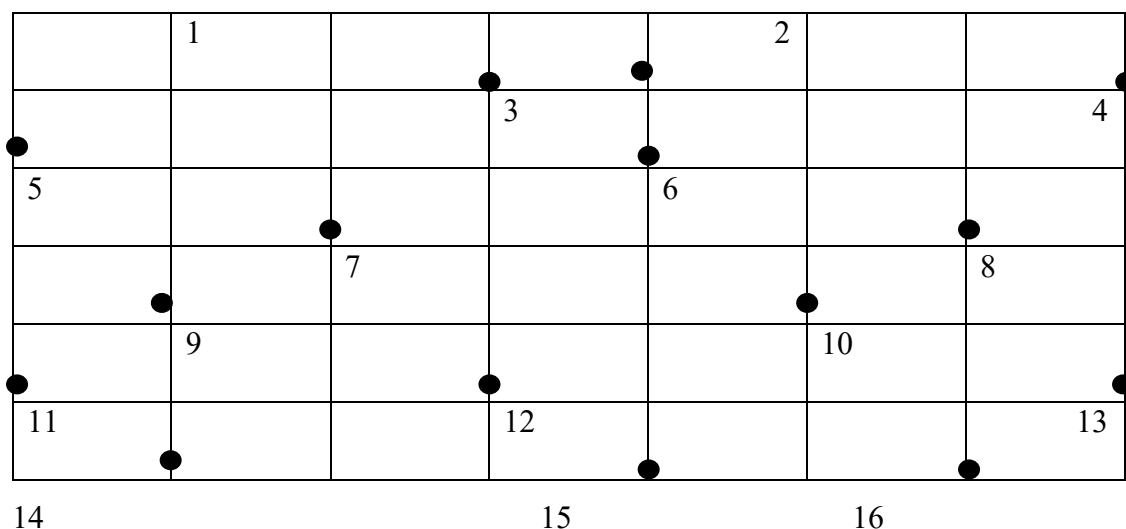
$$\gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n}) = \begin{cases} \frac{(m-1)n}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{n}{3} \right\rceil & \text{if } m-1, n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{(m-1)n}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{n}{3} \right\rceil + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Proof: We have $P_{m \times n}$ is obtained by $P_{(m-1) \times n}$ followed by P_n . Since in a dominator coloring of $P_{m \times n}$ we cannot use the non-repeated colors of vertices in P_n and we can use the same repeated colors of vertices in the graphs $P_{(m-1) \times n}$ and P_n . Since $m-1$ is even, we get by theorem 1,

$$\gamma_{d-c}(P_{(m-1) \times n}) = \begin{cases} \frac{(m-1)n}{4} & \text{if } m-1, n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{(m-1)n}{4} + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So } \gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n}) = \begin{cases} \frac{(m-1)n}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{n}{3} \right\rceil & \text{if } m-1, n \equiv 0(\text{mod } 4) \\ \frac{(m-1)n}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{n}{3} \right\rceil + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

□

Illustration:Consider $P_{7 \times 8}$ 

$$\gamma_{d-c}(P_{7 \times 8}) = 16.$$

Fig.5

Theorem 3: If m is even and n is odd then

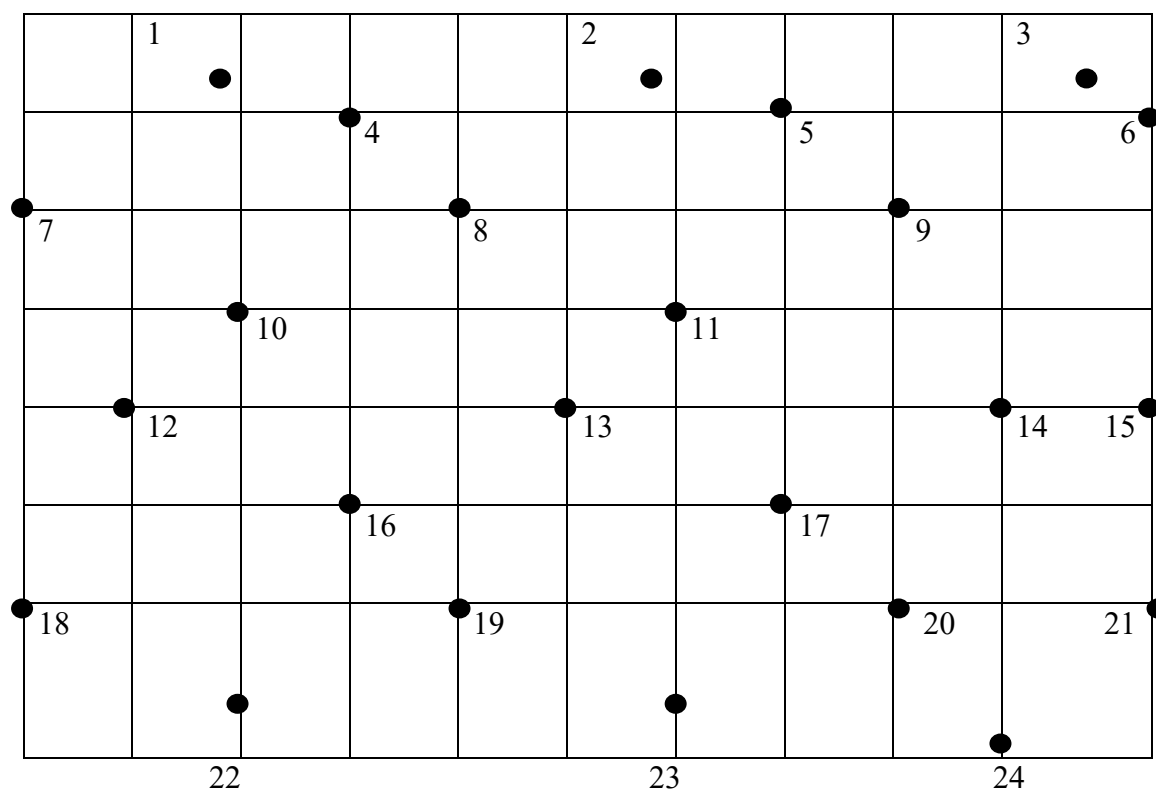
$$\gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n}) = \begin{cases} \frac{m(n-1)}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{m}{3} \right\rceil & \text{if } m, n-1 \equiv 0(\text{mod } 4) \\ \frac{m(n-1)}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{m}{3} \right\rceil + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Proof: Since m and $n-1 \equiv 0(\text{mod } 4)$ and $P_{m \times n}$ is obtained by $P_{m \times (n-1)}$ followed by P_m .By theorem 2, $\gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n}) = \gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times (n-1)}) + \gamma_{d-c}(P_m) - 2$.

$$\text{By theorem 1, } \gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times (n-1)}) = \begin{cases} \frac{m(n-1)}{4} & \text{if } m, n-1 \equiv 0(\text{mod } 4) \\ \frac{m(n-1)}{4} + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So } \gamma_{d-c}(P_{m \times n}) = \begin{cases} \frac{m(n-1)}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{m}{3} \right\rceil & \text{if } m, n-1 \equiv 0(\text{mod } 4) \\ \frac{m(n-1)}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{m}{3} \right\rceil + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

□

Illustration:Consider $P_{8 \times 11}$ 

$$\gamma_{d-c}(P_{8 \times 11}) = 24.$$

Fig.5

Theorem 4: If m is odd and n is odd then

$$\gamma_{d-c}(P_m \times n) = \begin{cases} \frac{(m-1)(n-1)}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{m+n-1}{3} \right\rceil & \text{if } m-1, n-1 \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{(m-1)(n-1)}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{m+n-1}{3} \right\rceil + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Proof: Since $(m-1)$ and $(n-1) \equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ and $P_m \times n$ is obtained by $P_{(m-1) \times (n-1)}$ followed by P_{m+n-1} .

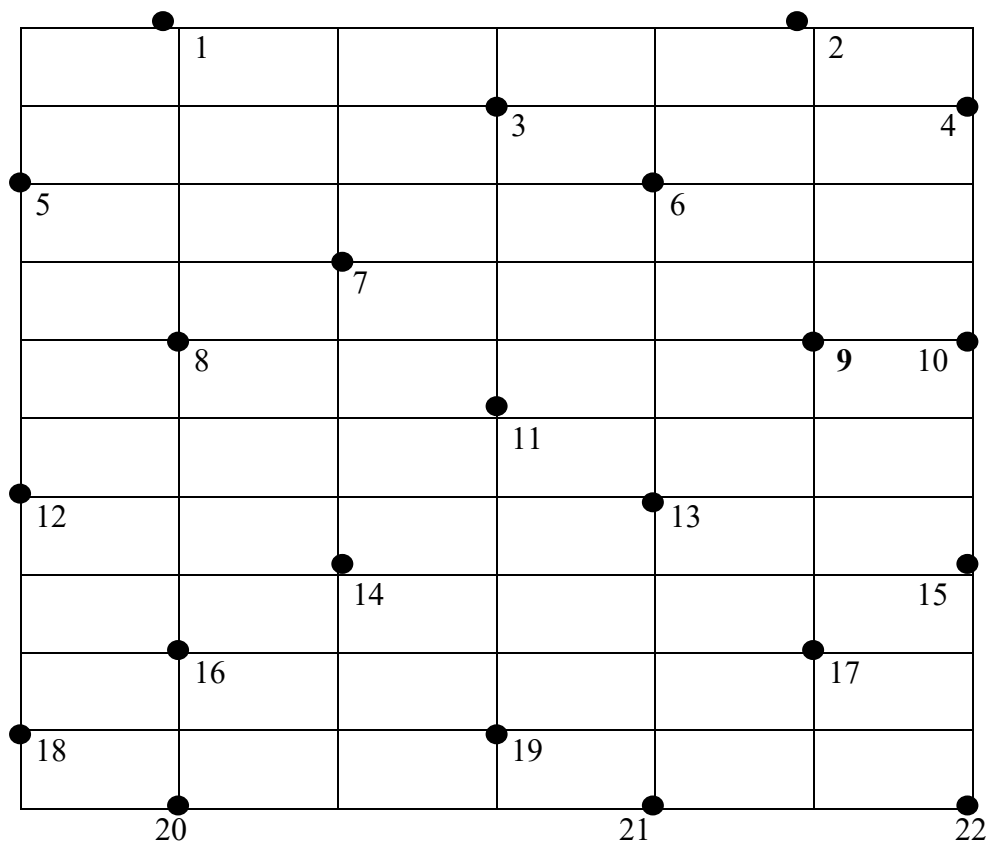
$$\text{By theorem 2, } \gamma_{d-c}(P_m \times n) = \gamma_{d-c}(P_{(m-1) \times (n-1)}) + \gamma_{d-c}(P_{m+n-1}) - 2$$

$$\text{By theorem 1, } \gamma_{d-c}(P_{(m-1) \times (n-1)}) = \begin{cases} \frac{(m-1)(n-1)}{4} & \text{if } m-1, n-1 \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{(m-1)(n-1)}{4} + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{So } \gamma_{d-c}(P_m \times n) = \begin{cases} \frac{(m-1)(n-1)}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{m+n-1}{3} \right\rceil & \text{if } m-1, n-1 \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{(m-1)(n-1)}{4} + \left\lceil \frac{m+n-1}{3} \right\rceil + 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad \square$$

Illustration:

Consider $P_{11 \times 7}$



$$\gamma_{d-c}(P_{11 \times 7}) = 22.$$

Fig.7

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