

## ON SIX PLATONIC GRAPHS

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### Abstract

We have computed here the  $\gamma_t$  refereed as total domination number of the six platonic graphs. Incidentally we found that the octahedron graph is a counter example to the following result: If  $G$  is a connected graph of order at least two, then  $\gamma_t(G) \geq ecc(C(G)) + 1$  which appeared in [1].

**Keywords:** Domination set (DS), total domination set (TDS), Domination number (DN), total domination number (TDN), Platonic Graphs.

### 1 Introduction

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a  $(p, q)$  graph with  $p = |V(G)|$  and  $q = |E(G)|$ . We adopt the standard notations for graph theoretic terms as per Bondy and Murty [2]. The distance  $d(u, v)$  between  $u$  and  $v$  in  $G$  is the length of a least  $u$ - $v$  path in  $G$ . The eccentricity  $ecc(v)$  of  $v$  in  $G$  is the distance between  $v$  and a vertex at farthest from  $v$  in  $G$ . The minimum (maximum) eccentricity among the elements of  $V(G)$  is called the radius(diameter) of  $G$  and is denoted by  $rad(G)$ ( $diam(G)$ ). The center  $C(G)$  of  $G$  is the set of all vertices of least eccentricity and the periphery  $B(G)$  is the set of all vertices of greatest eccentricity. A set  $P \subseteq V(G)$  is called a DS of  $G$  if every vertex in  $V-P$  is adjacent to some vertex in  $P$ . The least number of elements in a DS of  $G$  is called the DN  $\gamma(G)$  of  $G$ . A DS  $P$  is called a TDS if the subgraph induced by  $P$  has no vertex of degree 0. The TDN of  $G$  is the least number of elements in a TDS of  $G$  and is denoted by  $\gamma_t(G)$  [2]. we define  $P \subseteq V(G)$  and  $v$  in  $P$ , then  $pn(v, P) = \{w \in V \mid N(w) \cap P = \{v\}\}$ ,  $ipn(v, P) = pn(v, P) \cap P$  and  $epn(v, P) = pn(v, P) \setminus P$ .

### 2 Six Platonic Graphs

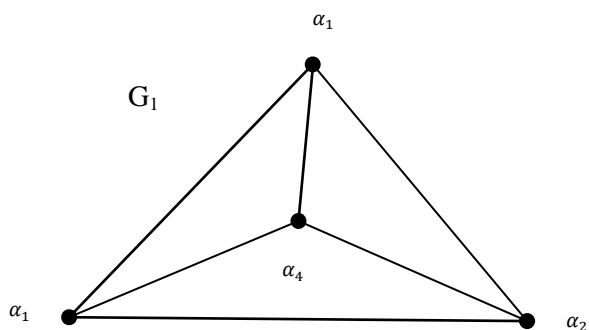


Fig 1(a) Tetrahedron Graph

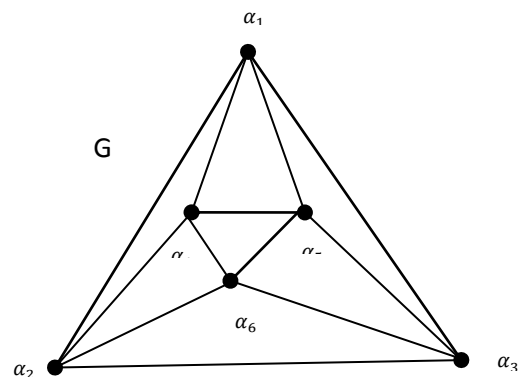


Fig 1(b) Octahedron graph

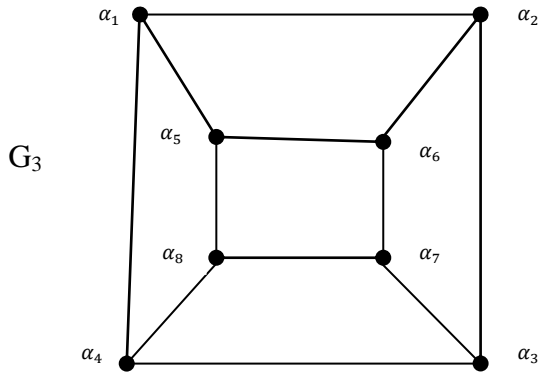


Fig 1(c) Hexahedron graph

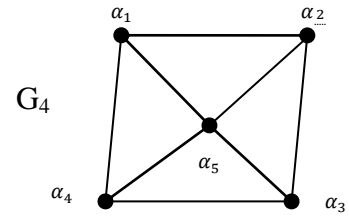


Fig 1(d) The Square Pyramid graph

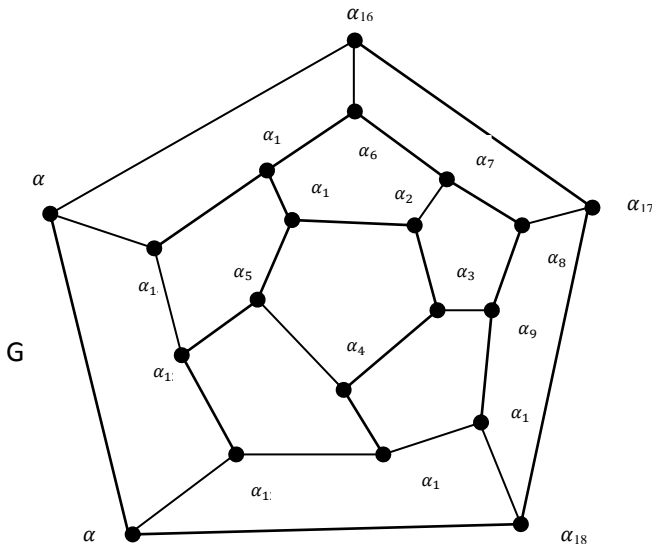
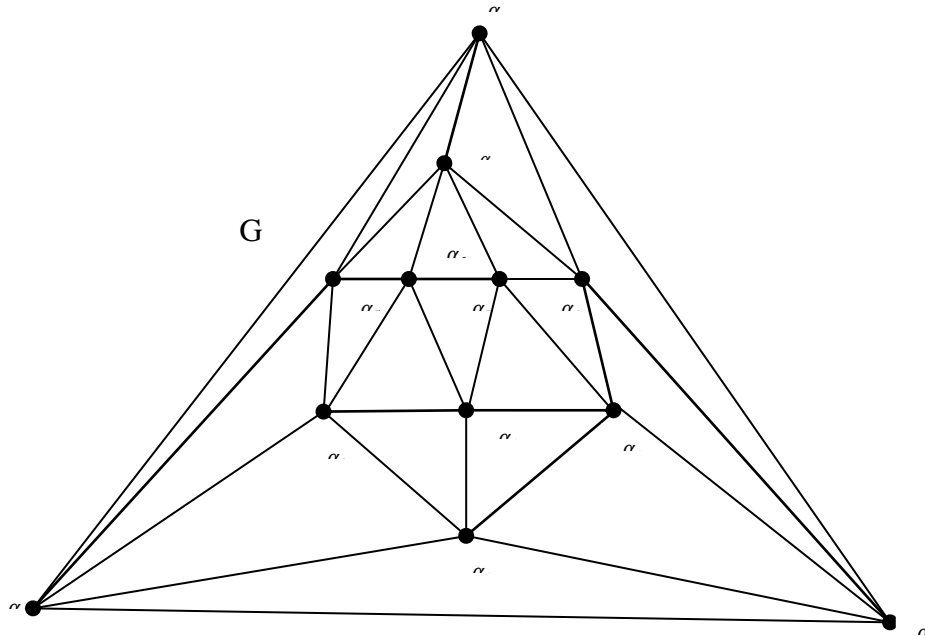


Fig 1(e) The Dodecahedron graph

Fig 1(f) The Icosahedron graph



### 3. Total domination number of six Platonic Graphs

**Theorem 3.1**  $\gamma_t(G_1) = 2$

**Proof:** Consider the graph  $G_1$ . Let  $V(G_1) = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4\}$  and  $E(G_1) = \{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\alpha_1, \alpha_3), (\alpha_1, \alpha_4), (\alpha_2, \alpha_3), (\alpha_2, \alpha_4), (\alpha_3, \alpha_4)\}$ . We see from Theorem 2 and Theorem 8 of Table 1 that  $2 \leq \gamma_t(G_1) \leq 2$ . Let  $P = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$ . Then  $P$  is a DS as  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_3), (\alpha_1, \alpha_4)$  are edges of  $G_1$ . Also  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in E(G_1)$  implies  $P$  is a TDS of  $G_1$ . As  $P - \{\alpha_1\}$  and  $P - \{\alpha_2\}$  are not TDS, we conclude that  $P$  is a minimal TDS.

**Note 3.1.1** As one can find more minimal TDS of  $G_1$  like  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_3\}, \{\alpha_1, \alpha_4\}, \{\alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$  we can say that the minimum TDS for  $G_1$  does not exist.

Statements of Well Known Results	$G_1$	$G_2$	$G_3$
1.If $G$ is connected with $p \geq 3$ , then $\gamma_t(G) \leq 2p/3$ [3].	$\gamma_t(G_1) \leq (2 \times 4)/3 = 2.67$	$\gamma_t(G_2) \leq (2 \times 6)/3 = 4$	$\gamma_t(G_3) \leq \frac{2 \times 8}{3} = 5.33$
2.If $G(p, q)$ has maximum degree atmost 3 and of order $p$ and size $q$ , then $\gamma_t(G) \leq p - q/3$ [4].	$\gamma_t(G_1) \leq 4 - \frac{6}{3} = 2$	—	$\gamma_t(G_3) \leq 8 - \frac{12}{3} = 4$
3. If $G$ has no vertex of degree 0, then $\gamma_t(G) \geq p/\Delta(G)$ [3].	$\gamma_t(G_1) \geq 4/3 = 1.33$	$\gamma_t(G_2) \geq 6/4 = 1.5$	$\gamma_t(G_3) \geq 8/3 = 2.67$
4. If $G(p,q)$ with maximum degree at most $n-2$ ,then $\gamma_t(G) \leq p - \Delta(G)$ .	—	$\gamma_t(G_2) \leq 6 - 4 = 2.$	$\gamma_t(G_3) \leq 8 - 3 = 5$
5. If $G(p, q)$ graph with $p \geq 2$ , then $\gamma_t(G) \geq rad(G)$ [1].	$\gamma_t(G_1) \geq 1$	$\gamma_t(G_2) \geq 2$	$\gamma_t(G_3) \geq 3$
6. Let $G(p,q)$ with $p \geq 2$ and let $P$ be a $\gamma_t$ set. Then necessary and Sufficient for $\gamma_t(G) = rad(G)$ is $G[P]$ has $rad(G)/2$ edges [1].	—	$\gamma_t(G_2) = 2.$	—
7. If $G(p, q)$ , with $p \geq 2$ is connected then $(diam(G) + 1)/2 \leq \gamma_t(G)$ [1].	$(1 + 1)/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_1) = 1$	$(2 + 1)/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_2) = 1.5$	$(3 + 1)/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_3) = 2$
8.If $G(p, q)$ , with $p \geq 2$ is connected, then $\gamma_t(G) \geq ecc(C(G) + 1)$ [1].	$\gamma_t(G_1) \geq 2$	—	$\gamma_t(G_3) \geq 4$
9.If $G(p, q)$ with $p \geq 2$ is connected, then $(3 ecc(B) + 2)/4 \leq \gamma_t(G)$ [5]	$\frac{(3 \times 1) + 2}{4} \leq \gamma_t(G_1) = 1.25$	$\frac{(3 \times 2) + 2}{4} \leq \gamma_t(G_2) = 2$	$\frac{(3 \times 3) + 2}{4} \leq \gamma_t(G_3) = 2.75$
10.If $G(p, q)$ is graph of girth $g$ , then $g/2 \leq \gamma_t(G)$ [1].	$3/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_1) = 1.5$	$3/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_2) = 1.5$	$4/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_3) = 2$
11.If $G(p, q)$ is connected with girth $g \geq 3$ and with $\delta(G) \geq 2$ , then $\frac{p}{2} + \max\left(1, \frac{p}{2(g+1)}\right) \geq \gamma_t$ [6].	$\frac{4}{2} + \max\left(1, \frac{4}{2(3+1)}\right) \geq \gamma_t(G_1) = 3$	$\frac{6}{2} + \max\left(1, \frac{6}{2(3+1)}\right) \geq \gamma_t(G_2) = 4$	$\frac{8}{2} + \max\left(1, \frac{8}{2(4+1)}\right) \geq \gamma_t(G_3) = 5$
12.If $G(p, q)$ is connected with minimum at least two and girth $g \geq 3$ , then $\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{g}\right)p \geq \gamma_t$ [7].	$\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\right)4 \geq \gamma_t(G_1) = 3.35$	$\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\right)6 \geq \gamma_t(G_2) = 5$	$\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}\right)8 \geq \gamma_t(G_3) = 6$

13.For every $G(p, q)$ graph with no vertex of degree 0, $\gamma(G) \leq \gamma_t(G) \leq 2\gamma(G)$ [8].	$\gamma(G_1) = 1 \leq \gamma_t(G_1) \leq 2\gamma(G_1) = 2$	$\gamma(G_2) = 2 \leq \gamma_t(G_2) \leq 2\gamma(G_2) = 4$	$\gamma(G_3) = 3 \leq \gamma_t(G_3) \leq 2\gamma(G_3) = 6$
14.If $G(p, q)$ is connected with $\delta(G) \geq 2$ , then $\lfloor \frac{4}{7}(n+1) \rfloor \geq \gamma_t$ [9].	$\lfloor \frac{4}{7}(4+1) \rfloor \geq \gamma_t(G_1) = 3$	$\lfloor \frac{4}{7}(6+1) \rfloor \geq \gamma_t(G_2) = 4$	$\lfloor \frac{4}{7}(8+1) \rfloor \geq \gamma_t(G_3) = 5$
15.If $G(p, q)$ is connected with $\delta(G) \geq 3$ , then $n/2 \geq \gamma_t$ [9].	$4/2 \geq \gamma_t(G_1) = 2$	$6/2 \geq \gamma_t(G_2) = 3$	$8/2 \geq \gamma_t(G_3) = 4$
16.If a planar graph $G$ with $\text{diam}(G) = 2$ , then the domination number $\gamma(G)$ is at most 3. [10].	-	$\gamma(G_2) = 2 \leq 3$	-
17.If a planar graph $G$ with $\text{diam}(G) = 2$ , then the total domination number $\gamma_t(G)$ is at most 3.[10].	-	$\gamma_t(G_2) = 2 \leq 3$	-

**Table 1 Upper and lower bounds of  $\gamma_t(G_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$  with reference to various structural parameters.**

Statements of Well Known Results	$G_4$	$G_5$	$G_6$
1.If $G$ is connected with $p \geq 3$ , then $\gamma_t(G) \leq 2p/3$ [3].	$\gamma_t(G_4) \leq (2 \times 5)/3 = 3.33$	$\gamma_t(G_5) \leq (2 \times 20)/3 = 13.33$	$\gamma_t(G_6) \leq \frac{2 \times 12}{3} = 8$
2. If $G(p, q)$ has maximum degree at most 3 and of order $p$ and size $q$ , then $\gamma_t(G) \leq p - q/3$ [4].	-	-	-
3. If $G$ has no vertex of degree 0, then $\gamma_t(G) \geq p/\Delta(G)$ [3].	$\gamma_t(G_4) \geq 5/4 = 1.25$	$\gamma_t(G_5) \geq 20/3 = 6.67$	$\gamma_t(G_6) \geq 12/5 = 2.4$
4. If $G(p, q)$ with maximum degree at most $n-2$ , then $\gamma_t(G) \leq p - \Delta(G)$ .	-	$\gamma_t(G_5) \leq 20 - 3 = 17$	$\gamma_t(G_6) \leq 12 - 5 = 7$
5. If $G(p, q)$ graph with $p \geq 2$ , then $\gamma_t(G) \geq \text{rad}(G)$ [1].	$\gamma_t(G_4) \geq 1$	$\gamma_t(G_5) \geq 5$	$\gamma_t(G_6) \geq 3$
6. . Let $G(p, q)$ with $p \geq 2$ and let $P$ be a $\gamma_t$ set. Then necessary and Sufficient for $\gamma_t(G) = \text{rad}(G)$ is $G[P]$ has $\text{rad}(G)/2$ edges [1].	-	-	-

7.If $G(p, q)$ ,with $p \geq 2$ is connected then $(diam(G) + 1)/2 \leq \gamma_t(G)$ [1].	$(2 + 1)/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_4)$ $= 1.5$	$(5 + 1)/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_5)$ $= 3$	$(3 + 1)/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_6)$ $= 2$
8. .If $G(p, q)$ , with $p \geq 2$ is connected,then $\gamma_t(G) \geq ecc(C(G) + 1$ [1].	$\gamma_t(G_4) \geq 2$	$\gamma_t(G_5) \geq 6$	$\gamma_t(G_6) \geq 4$
9.If $G(p, q)$ with $p \geq 2$ is connected, then $(3 ecc(B) + 2)/4 \leq \gamma_t(G)$ [5 ]	$\frac{(3 \times 2) + 2}{4} \leq \gamma_t(G_4)$ $= 2$	$\frac{(3 \times 5) + 2}{4} \leq \gamma_t(G_5)$ $= 4.25$	$\frac{(3 \times 3) + 2}{4} \leq \gamma_t(G_6)$ $= 2.75$
10.If $G(p, q)$ is graph of girth $g$ , then $g/2 \leq \gamma_t(G)$ [1]	$3/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_4) = 1.5$	$4/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_5) = 2$	$3/2 \leq \gamma_t(G_6) = 1.5$
11. If $G(p, q)$ is connected with girth $g \geq 3$ and with $\delta(G) \geq 2$ , then $\frac{p}{2} + \max\left(1, \frac{p}{2(g+1)}\right) \geq \gamma_t$ [6].	$\frac{5}{2} + \max\left(1, \frac{5}{2(3+1)}\right) \geq \gamma_t(G_4) = 3.5$	$\frac{20}{2} + \max\left(1, \frac{20}{2(4+1)}\right) \geq \gamma_t(G_5) = 12$	$\frac{12}{2} + \max\left(1, \frac{12}{2(3+1)}\right) \geq \gamma_t(G_6) = 7.5$
12.If $G(p, q)$ is connected with minimum at least two and girth $g \geq 3$ , then $\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{g}\right)p \geq \gamma_t$ [7].	$\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\right)5 \geq \gamma_t(G_4) = 4.16$	$\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4}\right)20 \geq \gamma_t(G_5) = 15$	$\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\right)12 \geq \gamma_t(G_6) = 10$
13. For every $G(p, q)$ graph with no vertex of degree 0, $\gamma(G) \leq \gamma_t(G) \leq 2\gamma(G)$ [8].	$\gamma(G_4) = 1 \leq \gamma_t(G_4) \leq 2\gamma(G_4) = 2$	$\gamma(G_5) = 6 \leq \gamma_t(G_5) \leq 2\gamma(G_5) = 12$	$\gamma(G_6) = 3 \leq \gamma_t(G_6) \leq 2\gamma(G_6) = 6$
14. If $G(p, q)$ is connected with $\delta(G) \geq 2$ ,then $\left\lfloor \frac{4}{7}(n+1) \right\rfloor \geq \gamma_t$ [9].	$\left\lfloor \frac{4}{7}(5+1) \right\rfloor \geq \gamma_t(G_4) = 3$	$\left\lfloor \frac{4}{7}(20+1) \right\rfloor \geq \gamma_t(G_5) = 12$	$\left\lfloor \frac{4}{7}(12+1) \right\rfloor \geq \gamma_t(G_6) = 7.42$
15.If $G(p, q)$ is connected with $\delta(G) \geq 3$ , then $n/2 \geq \gamma_t$ [9].	$5/2 \geq \gamma_t(G_4) = 2.5$	$20/2 \geq \gamma_t(G_5) = 10$	$12/2 \geq \gamma_t(G_6) = 6$
16.If a planar graph $G$ with $diam(G) = 2$ , then the domination number $\gamma(G)$ is at most 3. [10].	$\gamma(G_4) = 1 \leq 3$	—	—
17. If a planar graph $G$ with $diam(G) = 2$ , then the total domination number $\gamma_t(G)$ is at most 3.[10].	$\gamma_t(G_4) = 2 \leq 3$	—	—

**Table 2 Upper and lower bounds of  $\gamma_t(G_i)$  for  $i = 4, 5, 6$  with reference to various structural parameters.**

**Theorem 3.2**  $\gamma_t(G_2) = 2$ .

**Proof** Consider the graph  $G_2$ . Let  $V(G_2) = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6\}$  and  $E(G_2) = \{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\alpha_1, \alpha_3), (\alpha_1, \alpha_4), (\alpha_1, \alpha_5), (\alpha_2, \alpha_3), (\alpha_2, \alpha_4), (\alpha_2, \alpha_6), (\alpha_3, \alpha_5), (\alpha_3, \alpha_6), (\alpha_4, \alpha_5), (\alpha_4, \alpha_6), (\alpha_5, \alpha_6)\}$ . We see from Theorem 4 and Theorem 5 of Table 1 that  $2 \leq \gamma_t(G_2) \leq 2$ . Hence  $\gamma_t(G_2) = 2$ . Let  $P = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$ . Then  $P$  is a DS as  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_3), (\alpha_1, \alpha_4), (\alpha_1, \alpha_5), (\alpha_2, \alpha_6)$  are edges of  $G_2$ . Also  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in E(G_2)$  implies  $P$  is a TDS. As  $P - \{\alpha_1\}$  and  $P - \{\alpha_2\}$  are not TDS, we conclude that  $P$  is a minimal TDS.

**Note 3.2.1** As one can find more minimal TDS of  $G_2$  like  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_3\}, \{\alpha_1, \alpha_4\}, \{\alpha_2, \alpha_3\}$  we can say that the minimum TDS for  $G_2$  does not exist.

**Theorem 3.3**  $\gamma_t(G_3) = 4$ .

**Proof** Consider the graph  $G_3$ . Let  $V(G_3) = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \alpha_7, \alpha_8\}$  and  $E(G_3) = \{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\alpha_1, \alpha_4), (\alpha_1, \alpha_5), (\alpha_2, \alpha_3), (\alpha_2, \alpha_6), (\alpha_3, \alpha_4), (\alpha_3, \alpha_7), (\alpha_4, \alpha_8), (\alpha_5, \alpha_6), (\alpha_5, \alpha_8), (\alpha_6, \alpha_7), (\alpha_7, \alpha_8)\}$ . We see from Theorem 2 and Theorem 8 of Table 1 that  $4 \leq \gamma_t(G_3) \leq 4$ . Hence  $\gamma_t(G_3) = 4$ . Let  $P = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_7, \alpha_8\}$ . Then  $P$  is a DS as  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_4), (\alpha_1, \alpha_5), (\alpha_2, \alpha_3), (\alpha_2, \alpha_6)$  are edges of  $G_3$ . Also  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\alpha_7, \alpha_8) \in E(G_3)$ . Therefore  $P$  is a TDS. Now

$G[P - \{\alpha_1\}]$  contains isolated vertex  $u_2$ ;  $G[P - \{\alpha_2\}]$  contains isolated vertex  $u_1$ ,  $G[P - \{\alpha_7\}]$  contains isolated vertex  $u_8$ ;  $G[P - \{\alpha_8\}]$  contains isolated vertex  $u_7$ . So we conclude that  $P$  is a minimal TDS.

**Note 3.3.1** As one can find more minimal TDS of  $G_3$  like  $\{\alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6\}$  we can say that the minimum TDS for  $G_3$  does not exist.

**Theorem 3.4**  $\gamma_t(G_4) = 2$ .

**Proof** Consider the graph  $G_4$ . Let  $V(G_4) = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5\}$  and  $E(G_4) = \{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\alpha_1, \alpha_4), (\alpha_1, \alpha_5), (\alpha_2, \alpha_3), (\alpha_2, \alpha_5), (\alpha_3, \alpha_4), (\alpha_3, \alpha_5), (\alpha_4, \alpha_5)\}$ . We see from Theorem 8 and Theorem 13 of Table 2 that  $2 \leq \gamma_t(G_4) \leq 2$ . Hence  $\gamma_t(G_4) = 2$ . Let  $P = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$ . Then  $P$  is a DS as  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_4), (\alpha_1, \alpha_5), (\alpha_2, \alpha_3)$  are edges of  $G_4$ . Also  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2) \in E(G_4)$ . Therefore  $P$  is a TDS. Now  $P - \{\alpha_2\}$  and  $P - \{\alpha_1\}$  are not TDS. So we conclude that  $P$  is a minimal TDS.

**Note 3.4.1** As one can find more minimal TDS of  $G_4$  like  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_4\}, \{\alpha_1, \alpha_5\}$  we can say that the minimum TDS for  $G_4$  does not exist.

**Theorem 3.5** Let  $P$  be a TDS in a graph  $G$ . Then  $P$  is a minimal TDS if and only if  $|\text{epn}(v, P)| \geq 1$  or  $|\text{ipn}(v, P)| \geq 1$  for every  $v$  in  $P$  [4].

**Theorem 3.6**  $\gamma_t(G_5) = 8$ .

**Proof**

Let  $V(G_5) = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \alpha_7, \alpha_8, \alpha_9, \alpha_{10}, \alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12}, \alpha_{13}, \alpha_{14}, \alpha_{15}, \alpha_{16}, \alpha_{17}, \alpha_{18}, \alpha_{19}, \alpha_{20}\}$  and  $E(G_5) = \{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\alpha_1, \alpha_5), (\alpha_1, \alpha_{15}), (\alpha_2, \alpha_3), (\alpha_2, \alpha_7), (\alpha_3, \alpha_4), (\alpha_3, \alpha_9), (\alpha_4, \alpha_5), (\alpha_4, \alpha_{11}), (\alpha_5, \alpha_{13}), (\alpha_6, \alpha_7), (\alpha_6, \alpha_{15}), (\alpha_6, \alpha_{16}), (\alpha_7, \alpha_8), (\alpha_8, \alpha_9), (\alpha_8, \alpha_{17}), (\alpha_9, \alpha_{10}), (\alpha_{10}, \alpha_{11}), (\alpha_{10}, \alpha_{18}), (\alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12}), (\alpha_{12}, \alpha_{13}), (\alpha_{12}, \alpha_{19}), (\alpha_{13}, \alpha_{14}), (\alpha_{14}, \alpha_{15}), (\alpha_{14}, \alpha_{20}), (\alpha_{16}, \alpha_{17}), (\alpha_{16}, \alpha_{20}), (\alpha_{17}, \alpha_{18}), (\alpha_{18}, \alpha_{19}), (\alpha_{19}, \alpha_{20})$ . Consider the set  $P = \{\alpha_2, \alpha_4, \alpha_7, \alpha_8, \alpha_{10}, \alpha_{11}, \alpha_{14}, \alpha_{20}\}$ . As  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\alpha_3, \alpha_4), (\alpha_4, \alpha_5), (\alpha_6, \alpha_7), (\alpha_8, \alpha_9), (\alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12}), (\alpha_{13}, \alpha_{14}), (\alpha_{14}, \alpha_{15}), (\alpha_{16}, \alpha_{20}), (\alpha_8, \alpha_{17}), (\alpha_{10}, \alpha_{18}), (\alpha_{19}, \alpha_{20})$  in  $E(G_5)$  we TDS see that  $P$  is a DS of  $G_5$ . Moreover  $(\alpha_2, \alpha_7), (\alpha_4, \alpha_{11}), (\alpha_7, \alpha_8), (\alpha_{10}, \alpha_{11}), (\alpha_{14}, \alpha_{20})$  in  $E(G_5)$ . So  $P$  is a TDS. Now we claim that  $P$  is a minimal TDS of  $G_5$ . This can be easily seen from the fact that  $P - \{w\}$  either violates dominance property or violates the total dominance property for all  $w$  in  $P$ . Hence we conclude that  $P$  is a minimal TDS. We can also double check this assertion by verifying the following fact. Fact : If  $P$  is a minimal TDS of a graph  $G$  with  $n \geq 3$  vertices then every element  $\alpha$  of  $P$  satisfies one of the two criteria given below: 1) there exist a  $w$  in  $V - P$  such that  $N(w) - P = \{\alpha\}$  2) The subgraph induced by  $P - \{\alpha\}$  includes in it an isolated vertex. It is easy to verify that  $\alpha_2, \alpha_4, \alpha_8, \alpha_{10}, \alpha_{14}, \alpha_{20}$  satisfies the criteria 1 and  $\alpha_7, \alpha_{11}$  satisfies the criteria 2. Hence  $\gamma_t(G_5) = 8$ .

**Note 3.6.1** As  $\{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_{10}, \alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12}, \alpha_{16}, \alpha_{17}, \alpha_{20}\}$  is an alternative minimal TDS of  $G_5$ , we conclude that the minimum TDS does not exist for  $G_5$ .

**Theorem 3.7**  $\gamma_t(G_6) = 4$ .

**Proof** Consider the graph  $G_6$ . Let  $V(G_6) = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6, \alpha_7, \alpha_8, \alpha_9, \alpha_{10}, \alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12}\}$  and  $E(G_6) = \{(\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\alpha_1, \alpha_3), (\alpha_1, \alpha_4), (\alpha_1, \alpha_5), (\alpha_1, \alpha_8), (\alpha_2, \alpha_3), (\alpha_2, \alpha_5), (\alpha_2, \alpha_9), (\alpha_2, \alpha_{12}), (\alpha_3, \alpha_8), (\alpha_3, \alpha_{11}), (\alpha_3, \alpha_{12}), (\alpha_4, \alpha_5), (\alpha_4, \alpha_6), (\alpha_4, \alpha_7), (\alpha_4, \alpha_8), (\alpha_5, \alpha_9), (\alpha_5, \alpha_6), (\alpha_6, \alpha_7), (\alpha_6, \alpha_9), (\alpha_6, \alpha_{10}), (\alpha_7, \alpha_8), (\alpha_7, \alpha_{10}), (\alpha_7, \alpha_{11}), (\alpha_8, \alpha_{11}), (\alpha_9, \alpha_{10}), (\alpha_9, \alpha_{12}), (\alpha_{10}, \alpha_{11}), (\alpha_{10}, \alpha_{12}), (\alpha_{11}, \alpha_{12})\}$ . We see from Theorem 8 and Theorem 13 of Table 2 that  $4 \leq \gamma_t(G_6) \leq 6$ . Let  $P = \{\alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_6, \alpha_7\}$ . Then  $P$  is a DS as  $(\alpha_1, \alpha_2), (\alpha_4, \alpha_6), (\alpha_2, \alpha_5), (\alpha_7, \alpha_8), (\alpha_6, \alpha_9), (\alpha_6, \alpha_{10}), (\alpha_7, \alpha_{11}), (\alpha_2, \alpha_{12})$  are edges of  $G_6$ . Also  $(\alpha_2, \alpha_3), (\alpha_6, \alpha_7) \in E(G_6)$ . Therefore  $P$  is a TDS. We know from Theorem 3.5 [4] that  $P$  is a minimal TDS. This is because,  $pn(\alpha_2, P) = \{\alpha_3\}$  as  $N(\alpha_3) \cap P = \{\alpha_2\}$  implies  $ipn(\alpha_2, P) = pn(\alpha_2, P) \cap P = \{\alpha_3\}$ . Similarly  $ipn(\alpha_3, P) = \{\alpha_2\}$ ;  $ipn(\alpha_6, P) = \{\alpha_7\}$ ;  $ipn(\alpha_7, P) = \{\alpha_6\}$ . Hence  $|ipn(\alpha, P)| \geq 1$  for every  $\alpha$  in  $P$  of  $G_6$ . Hence  $P$  is a minimal TDS of  $G_6$ .



**Note 3.7.1** As  $\{\alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_5, \alpha_6\}$  is an alternative minimal TDS of  $G_6$  the minimum TDS does not exist for  $G_6$ .

#### 4. Counter Example

Note that the Octahedron  $G_2$  is a counter example for Theorem 8 [1] which says : “ If  $G$  is a connected graph of order at least 2, then  $\gamma_t(G) \geq ecc(C(G) + 1$ ”. In  $G_2$ , note that  $C(G_2) = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3, \alpha_4, \alpha_5, \alpha_6\}$  as all vertices of  $G_2$  have equal eccentricity. So  $ecc(C(G_2)) = \max \{d_{G_2}(\alpha, C(G_2)) : \forall \alpha \in V(G_2)\} = 2$ . This implies  $\gamma_t(G_2) \geq 2 + 1 = 3$ , a contradiction to the fact that  $\gamma_t(G_2) = 2$  indicated by Theorem 4 and Theorem 5 stated in Table.1.

#### 5. Conclusion

For all the six platonic graphs we have verified the various bounds (both lower and upper) for the TDN provided by 17 different results of various authors found in the literature. we have found the exact TDN for all the six platonic graphs. Also we have incidentally found a counterexample to one of the results obtained by DeLaVina et.al [1].

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