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# PARTITION DIMENSION OF HONEYCOMB DERIVED NETWORKS

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**Abstract:** For a vertex v of a connected graph G and a subset S of V(G), the distance between v and S, denoted by d(v, S), is  $min\{d(v, x) \mid x \in S\}$ . Let  $\Pi = \{S_1, S_2 \dots S_k\}$  be an ordered k-partition of V(G). The representation of v with respect to  $\Pi$  is the k-vector  $r(v|\Pi) =$  $(d(v, S_1), d(v, S_2) \dots d(v, S_k))$ . The k-partition is a resolving partition if the k-vectors  $r(v|\Pi)$ , for all  $v \in V(G)$  are distinct. The minimum k for which there is a resolving k-partition of V(G) is called the partition dimension pd(G) of G. In this paper, we determine partition dimension of Hive network, Honeycomb rhombic mesh, Honeycomb rectangular mesh.

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## 1. Introduction

The vertices of a connected graph are represented by partitions of vertex set into many subsets where the distances between each vertex and subsets in the partition are calculated. Based on this concept, resolving partition of a graph has been introduced [2]. This concept has wide applications in chemistry, problems of pattern recognition, image processing and navigation of robots in networks [3, 13].

For  $v \in V(G)$  and  $S \subset V(G)$ , the distance d(v, S) between v and S is defined as  $d(v, S) = \min \{ d(v, x) \mid x \in S \}$ . The representation of v with respect to  $\Pi$  is a k-vector  $r(v|\Pi) = (d(v, S_1), d(v, S_2) \dots d(v, S_k))$ , where  $\Pi$  is an ordered

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*k*-partition  $\{S_1, S_2, \dots, S_k\}$  of V(G) and  $v \in V(G)$ . The partition  $\Pi$  is called a *resolving partition* for G if distinct vertices of G have distinct representation with respect to  $\Pi$ . The minimum k for which there is a resolving k-partition of V(G) is a *partition dimension* pd(G) of G and a resolving partition of V(G) containing pd(G) elements is called a *minimum resolving partition* [1, 2, 6, 15].

For a nontrivial connected graph G,  $pd(G) \leq dim(G) + 1$  [2, 4] and in case the order of G is  $n, n \geq 2$ , then pd(G) is 2 if and only if  $G = P_n$  [2]. The partition dimension pd(G) of a graph G with order n is n if and only if  $G = K_n$ . Chartrand et al [2] proved that for a graph G which is neither a path nor a complete graph with order  $n \geq 4, 3 \leq pd(G) \leq n-1$ .

The partition dimension of an *n*-cycle, Petersen graph, 3-cube are 3, 4 and 3 respectively [2, 15]. Partition dimension problem has been studied for circulant networks, hexagonal and honeycomb networks [1], tree [12], cartesian product [10], gear, helm, sunflower and friendship graph [8].

#### 2. Honeycomb Network

Honeycomb network HC(n) is obtained from HC(n-1) by adding a layer of hexagons around the boundary of HC(n-1).



Figure 1: (a) 4-dimensional Hexagonal Network, (b) 3-dimensional Honeycomb Network

The parameter n of HC(n) is determined by the number of hexagons between the centre and boundary of HC(n). The number of vertices and edges of HC(n)are  $6n^2$  and  $9n^2 - 3n$  respectively. The diameter is 4n - 1. A 3-dimensional Honeycomb Network is depicted in Figure 1(b). Honeycomb networks are widely used in computer graphics, cellular phone base stations, image processing and for representation of benzenoid hydrocarbons in chemistry [11].

An Hexagonal network HX(n) of dimension n has  $3n^2 - 3n + 1$  vertices and  $9n^2 - 15n + 6$  edges, where n is the number of vertices on one side of the hexagon. A 4-dimensional Hexagonal network is depicted in Figure 1(a). The bounded dual of HX(n) is HC(n-1) [5].



Figure 2: (a) Coordinate system in HX(4), (b) Channels in HX(4)

Stojmenovic [11] proposed a coordinate system for a honeycomb network. This was adapted by Paul et al [14] for assigning coordinates to the vertices in the hexagonal network. In this scheme, three axes X, Y and Z parallel to three edge directions and at mutual angle of 120 degrees between any two of them are introduced as in the Figure 2(a). Lines parallel to the coordinate axes are called as X-lines, Y-lines and Z-lines. Here X = h and X = -k are two X-lines on either side of the X-axis. Any vertex of HX(n) is assigned with coordinates (x, y, z) in the above scheme. A segment of an X-line in the Hexagonal network consisting of vertices (x, y, z), with x coordinate fixed is denoted by  $P_X$ . ie.,  $P_X = \{(x_0, y, z)/y_1 \le y \le y_2, z_1 \le z \le z_2\}$ . Similarly,  $P_Y = \{(x, y_0, z)/x_1 \le x \le x_2, z_1 \le z \le z_2\}$  and  $P_Z = \{(x, y, z_0)/x_1 \le x \le x_2, y_1 \le y \le y_2\}$  are the Y-line and Z-line of a hexagonal network respectively [14]. See Figure 2(a).

An X-channel, denoted by  $C_X$  is the strip between any consecutive X lines in HX(n). Similarly,  $C_Y$  and  $C_Z$  are defined. It can be easily seen that, for two vertices  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  of HC(n),  $x_1 = x_2$  in an X-channel. This is applicable for Y-channel and Z-channel too. The X-channel between  $P_{X,n}$  and  $P_{X,n-1}$  is represented by  $C_{X,n}$  [1].  $N_r(v)$  is the set of vertices at a distance r from the vertex v of HC(n). See Figure 2(b). **Lemma 1.** [1]  $N_r(a) \subset C_Y \circ C_Z$ , where a is the vertex in honeycomb.

**Lemma 2.** [1] For any  $r_1$  and  $r_2$ ,  $N_{r_1}(a_1) \cap N_{r_2}(C_{X,n})$  is either empty or singleton.

**Theorem 3.** [1] Let G be a honeycomb network HC(n). Then pd(G) = 3.

## 3. Hive Network

Increase in computational power demands a new design for parallel computing and the most preferable networks are the ones with less complexity than others. Hive network has less complexity.

A t-dimensional hive network HN(t) is composed of 2t - 1 interconnected honeycomb networks of dimension n and adjacent honeycombs are connected with additional vertical edges.

A vertex in the hive network is addressed by four integer coordinates (x, y, z, v). The v coordinate indicates the position of a honeycomb in the hive network. The value v is zero for the  $t^{th}$  honeycomb in hive network.

The value of v will be subsequent positive integers for the honeycombs which are located in the upward direction from the  $t^{th}$  honeycomb. Similarly, the value of v will be subsequent negative integers for the honeycombs which are located in the downward direction from the  $t^{th}$  honeycomb. A vertex in hive network has only one vertical edge but two extreme layers in hive network does not have a vertical edge for every second vertex [9].

**Lemma 4.** Let G be a hive network HN(t). Then pd(G) > 3.

*Proof.* Hive network of size t is composed of 2t - 1 interconnected honeycomb network and pd(HC(n)) = 3 [1]. Thus pd(G) > 3.



Figure 3: Channels in HN(2).

 $HC_i(n)$  denotes the  $i^{th}$  honeycomb of dimension n in the hive network HN(t)and  $a_i$ ,  $(t-1 \le i \le 1-t)$  denotes a vertex in  $HC_i(n)$ .  $C_{X_i}$ ,  $C_{Y_i}$  and  $C_{Z_i}$ -denotes the X channel, Y channel and Z channel in the  $i^{th}$  honeycomb of hive network respectively. A hive network HN(2) with channels are depicted in Figure 3.

**Lemma 5.** For any  $r_1$  and  $r_2$ ,  $N_{r_1}(a_i) \cap N_{r_2}(C_{X_{i,n}})$  is either empty or singleton.

**Theorem 6.** Let G be a hive network  $HN(t), t \ge 2$ . Then pd(G) = 4.

Proof. Let  $S_1 = \{a_{1-t}\}, S_2 = \{a_i, t-1 \le i \le 2-t\}, S_3 = \{C_{X_1,n}, t-1 \le i \le 1-t\}, S_4 = V(G) - \{S_1 \cup S_2 \cup S_3\}$ . Let  $u = (x_1, y_1, z_1, v_1)$  and  $v = (x_2, y_2, z_2, v_2)$  be two vertices of G.

**Claim**:  $\Pi \doteq \{S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4\}$  is a resolving 4-partition of G.

We consider two cases, namely when u and v are in the same honeycomb and u and v are in different honeycomb in hive network.

**Case**  $\{v_1 = v_2\}$ 

**Subcase**  $\{x_1 = x_2\}$ : Then  $u, v \in C_{X_i}$  and  $d(u, a_{1-t}) \neq d(v, a_{1-t})$ . Thus  $d(u, S_1) \neq d(v, S_1)$ .

**Subcase**  $\{y_1 = y_2\}$ : In this case,  $u, v \in C_{Y_i}$ . For  $u, v \in N_{r_1}(a_i), d(u, S_3) \neq d(v, S_3)$ . Suppose  $d(u, S_3) = d(v, S_3)$ , then  $u, v \notin N_{r_1}(a_i)$  which would imply that  $d(u, S_2) \neq d(v, S_2)$  whenever  $t-1 \leq i \leq 2-t$  and  $d(u, S_1) \neq d(v, S_1)$  when i = 1-t.

**Subcase**  $\{z_1 = z_2\}$ : Here,  $u, v \in C_{Z_i}$ . Let  $u, v \in N_{r_1}(a_i)$ . If  $d(u, S_1) = d(v, S_1)$  then  $d(u, S_3) \neq d(v, S_3)$ . Suppose  $d(u, S_3) = d(v, S_3)$  then  $u, v \notin N_{r_1}(a_i)$  which is a contradiction.

**Subcase**  $\{x_1 \neq x_2, y_1 \neq y_2, z_1 \neq z_2\}$ : Suppose that  $d(u, S_2) = d(v, S_2)$  for  $t-1 \leq i \leq 2-t$  or  $d(u, S_1) = d(v, S_1)$  for i = 1-t, then  $u, v \in N_{r_1}(a_i)$  for some  $r_1$ . Thus  $d(u, S_3) \neq d(v, S_3)$ .

**Case**  $\{v_1 \neq v_2\}$ : Then  $u \in HC_i(n)$  and  $v \in HC_j(n)$ ,  $i \neq j$ , which results in the following subcases.

**Subcase**  $\{x_1 = x_2\}$ : Either  $d(u, S_1) = d(v, S_1)$  or  $d(u, S_1) \neq d(v, S_1)$ . Suppose  $d(u, S_1) = d(v, S_1)$ , then  $u \in N_{r_1}(a_i) \subset HC_i(n)$  and  $v \in N_{r_2}(a_j) \subset HC_j(n)$ , where  $r_1 \neq r_2$ . Thus  $d(u, S_2) \neq d(v, S_2)$ .

**Subcase**  $\{y_1 = y_2\}$ : Which leads to the fact that either  $d(u, S_1) \neq d(v, S_1)$  or  $d(u, S_2) \neq d(v, S_2)$ .

Similarly, we can prove for  $z_1 = z_2$ .

Subcase  $\{x_1 \neq x_2, y_1 \neq y_2, z_1 \neq z_2\}$ : In this case, either  $d(u, S_1) \neq d(v, S_1)$  or  $d(u, S_3) \neq d(v, S_3)$ .

Hence pd(G) = 4.

## 4. Honeycomb Rhombic Mesh

A Honeycomb Rhombic Mesh of size n, denoted by HRoM(n), has n vertices on each line to the boundary of rhombus. The number of edges of HRoM(n) is  $3n^2 - 2n$ . The diameter of HRoM(n) is 4n - 3 [11]. Figure 4 shows HRoM(6).



Figure 4: HRoM(6).

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We partition the vertices of HRoM(n) into *n* segments, namely  $B_1, B_2 \dots B_n$ where each  $B_i$  consists of 2n vertices as shown in Figure 5.



Figure 5:HRoM(4) with 4 segments

**Lemma 7.** Let  $N_r(a_i) = \{u_i\}, 1 \le i \le k$ , for some k. If  $u_p, u_q \in N_r(a_i)$ , then  $u_p$  and  $u_q$  will not be in the same segment  $B_i$ .

*Proof.* It is true that  $d(u, a) \neq d(v, a)$  for all  $u, v \in B_i$ . Thus any two vertices in  $B_i$  are not equidistant from a.

The following lemma states the distance between a vertex and a segment.

**Lemma 8.** If  $v \in B_i$ , then  $d(v, B_j) = |i - j|$ .

According to lemma 7, no two vertices in the same segments are equidistant from a which helps to formulate the following lemma.

**Lemma 9.** For any  $r_1$  and  $r_2$ ,  $N_{r_1}(a) \cap N_{r_2}(B_i)$  is either empty or singleton.

**Theorem 10.** Let G = HRoM(n). Then pd(G) = 3.

*Proof.* Let  $S_1 = \{a \}$ ,  $S_2 = \{b_1\}$ ,  $S_3 = V(G) - \{S_1 \cup S_2\}$ . Let u and v be any two vertices of G.

**Claim**:  $\Pi = \{S_1, S_2, S_3\}$  is a resolving 3-partition of G.

**Case**  $\{u, v \in B_i\}$ : In view of lemma 8,  $d(u, S_2) = d(v, S_2)$  but  $d(u, S_1) \neq d(v, S_1)$  by lemma 7.

Case  $\{u \in B_i, v \in B_j, i \neq j\}$ : Then  $d(u, S_2) \neq d(v, S_2)$ .

Thus, no two vertices in G will have identical representation with respect to  $\Pi$ . Hence pd(G) = 3.

#### 5. Honeycomb Rectangular Mesh

Honeycomb Rectangular Mesh(HReM) has two parameters, the length and breadth of two sides of rectangle which is denoted by HReM(m, n), where m and n denotes length and breadth respectively. The number of edges of HReM(m, n) is 3mn - m - n and the diameter of HReM(m, n) is 2n + m - 2for  $2n \ge m$  and 2m - 2, otherwise [11].

HReM(m, n) is partitioned into 2n segments  $B_1, B_2 \dots B_{2n}$  where each  $B_i$  consists of n vertices. HReM(4, 4) with 8 segments is shown in Figure 6.



Figure 6: HReM(4, 4) with 8 segments

The following lemmas are formulated based on the particular pattern of partition shown in Figure 6.

**Lemma 11.** Let  $N_r(a_i) = \{u_i\}, 1 \le i \le k$ , for some k. If  $u_p, u_q \in N_r(a_i)$ , then  $u_p$  and  $u_q$  will not be in the same segment  $B_i$ .

**Lemma 12.** If  $v \in B_i$ , then  $d(v, B_j) = |i - j|$ .

**Lemma 13.** For any  $r_1$  and  $r_2$ ,  $N_{r_1}(a_1) \cap N_{r_2}(B_i)$  is either empty or singleton.

**Theorem 14.** Let G = HReM(m, n). Then pd(G) = 3.

Proof. Let  $S_1 = \{a \}, S_2 = \{b_1 \cup b_2\}, S_3 = V(G) - \{S_1 \cup S_2\}.$ 

**Claim**:  $\Pi = \{S_1, S_2, S_3\}$  is a resolving 3-partition of G.

**Case**  $\{u, v \in B_i\}$ : In this case,  $d(u, S_2) = d(v, S_2)$  but  $d(u, S_1) \neq d(v, S_1)$  by lemmas 11, 12.

Case  $\{u \in B_i, v \in B_j, i \neq j\}$ : Then  $d(u, S_2) \neq d(v, S_2)$ .

Thus, no two vertices in G will have identical representation with respect to II. Hence pd(G) = 3.

## 6. Conclusion

Hive network, Honeycomb rhombic mesh, Honeycomb rectangular mesh networks have considerable advantage when compare to other networks in terms of degree, diameter, total number of edges, costs, bisection width, etc. The partition dimension of these networks have been studied in this paper.

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