

On the partition dimension of circulant graph $C_n(1, 2, 3, 4)$

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Abstract. Let $\Lambda = \{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_l\}$ be an ordered l -partition of a connected graph $G(V(G), E(G))$. The partition representation of vertex x with respect to Λ is the l -vector, $r(x|\Lambda) = (d(x, B_1), d(x, B_2), \dots, d(x, B_l))$, where $d(x, B) = \min\{d(x, y) | y \in B\}$ is the distance between x and B . If the l -vectors $r(x|\Lambda)$, for all $x \in V(G)$ are distinct then l -partition is called a resolving partition. The least value of l for which there is a resolving l -partition is known as the partition dimension of G symbolized as $pd(G)$. In this paper, the partition dimension of circulant graphs $C_n(1, 2, 3, 4)$ is computed for $n \geq 8$ as,

$$pd(C_n(1, 2, 3, 4)) = \begin{cases} n, & \text{if } 8 \leq n \leq 9; \\ 6, & \text{if } n = 10; \\ 5, & \text{if } n \geq 11. \end{cases}$$

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries

Slater et al. [20] and Melter et al. [8] independently introduced the concept of metric dimension of a graph in 1975 and 1976 which has many applications in robotics [12], chemistry [2] and optimization [19]. Later Chartrand et al. [3] presented the notion of partition dimension a modified form of metric dimension. The computing the metric dimension is NP-hard [4], the problems become even harder when it comes to partition dimension where we have to find a resolving partition which contains sets instead of vertices. Further details of metric and partition dimension can be seen in the articles [1, 9, 15, 16, 17].

Let W be a connected graph with the vertex set $V(W)$ and edge set $E(W)$. For $u, v \in V(W)$, $d(u, v)$ denotes the length of shortest path between u and v . The distance between a vertex t and a set P is given as $d(t, P) = \min\{d(t, x) | x \in P\}$. The diameter of W , symbolized by $diam(W)$, is the greatest distance between any two vertices. Let $\Omega = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_l\}$ be an ordered set of vertices, the representation of a vertex t with respect to Ω is the l -vector $r(t|\Omega) = (d(t, x_1), d(t, x_2), \dots, d(t, x_l))$. If the l -vectors $r(v|\Omega)$, for all $v \in V(W)$ are distinct then Ω is called a resolving set. The minimal value of l for which there is a resolving set is known as the metric dimension of G symbolized as $dim(G)$.

Let $\Lambda = \{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_l\}$ be an ordered l -partition of W . The partition representation of vertex v with respect to Λ is the l -vector $r(v|\Lambda) = (d(v, B_1), d(v, B_2), \dots, d(v, B_l))$. If the l -vectors $r(v|\Lambda)$, for all $v \in V$ are distinct then l -partition is called a resolving partition. The minimum l for which there is a resolving l -partition is called the partition dimension of W . The study of metric and partition dimension of different graphs has been an active area of research for the last two decades. Chartrand et al. [3] gave the comparison between the metric dimension and partition dimension and they also categorized the graphs having partition dimension 2 or n . The subsequent results from [3] have significant importance in our work.

PROPOSITION 1.1. *If W is a connected graph of order $n \geq 2$ then*

- (1) $pd(W) \leq dim(W) + 1$;
- (2) W is path if and only if $pd(W) = 2$;
- (3) W is the complete graph if and only if $pd(W) = n$.

2. Circulant graphs

In the current section, we are interested in the special class of circulant graph $C_n(1, 2, \dots, t)$ containing vertices v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{n-1} with connection set $\{1, 2, \dots, t\}$ for $1 \leq t \leq \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$. The distance between two vertices v_i and v_j in $C_n(1, 2, \dots, t)$, where $0 \leq i < j < n$, is defined in [13] as follows:

$$d(v_i, v_j) = \begin{cases} \lceil \frac{j-i}{t} \rceil, & \text{if } 0 \leq j-i \leq \frac{n}{2}; \\ \lceil \frac{n-(j-i)}{t} \rceil, & \text{if } \frac{n}{2} < j-i < n \end{cases}$$

Many authors have computed the metric and partition dimension of different classes of circulant graphs [5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 18]. Imran et al. [10] discussed the metric dimension of circulant graphs $C_n(1, 2, 5)$. Salman et al. [18] discussed the metric and partition dimension of circulant graphs $C_n(1, 2)$ and proved that partition dimension of circulant graph is 4 for $n \geq 6$ which was disproved by Grigorious et. al in [7]. Later in [14] Nadeem et al. corrected the partition dimension of $C_n(1, 2)$ for $n \equiv 2(\text{mod}4), n \geq 18$. Javaid et al. [11] studied the partition of circulant graphs $C_n(1, 3)$ and $C_n(1, 4)$. The subsequent proposition is given in [6].

PROPOSITION 2.1. [6]

Consider the circulant graphs $C_n(1, 2, \dots, t)$ with $1 < t < \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor, n \geq (t+k)(t+1)$ and $n \equiv k \pmod{2t}$, then

- (1) $pd(C_n(1, 2, \dots, t)) = t+1$, when t is even and $\gcd(k, 2t) = 1$;
- (2) $pd(C_n(1, 2, \dots, t)) = t+1$, when t is odd and $k = 2m, 1 \leq m \leq t-1$.

Elizabeth et al. [13] disproved the claims in Proposition 2.1 with counterexamples and also gave the exact values of $pd(C_n(1, 2, 3))$. We summarize their results in Proposition 2.2 and 2.3.

PROPOSITION 2.2. [13]

$pd(C_n(1, 2, \dots, t)) \leq \frac{t}{2} + 4$, whenever $n = 2lt$ for even $t \geq 4$ and $l \geq 2$.

PROPOSITION 2.3. [13]

$$pd(C_n(1, 2, 3)) = \begin{cases} n, & \text{if } 6 \leq n \leq 7; \\ 5, & \text{if } 8 \leq n \leq 9; \\ 4, & \text{if } n \geq 10. \end{cases}$$

The subsequent corollary is an easy consequence of Proposition 2.2.

COROLLARY 2.1. For $l \geq 2$, $pd(C_n(1, 2, 3, 4)) \leq 6$ for $n = 8l$.

In this paper, we generalize Corollary 2.1 and obtain the precise value of the partition dimension of $C_n(1, 2, 3, 4)$.

3. Main Results

Throughout in the remaining part of the paper, we will denote $C_n(1, 2, 3, 4)$ by G_n . It is clear from Proposition 1.1 that $pd(G_n) = n$ for $8 \leq n \leq 9$, because it is a complete graph. The diameter of G_n has been recently discussed in [5], we state this result in the following Proposition 3.1.

PROPOSITION 3.1. [5] *If we write the order of G_n , as $n = 8k + r$ where $r \in \{2, 3, \dots, 9\}$ then the diameter of G_n is $k + 1$ and there are $r - 1$ number of vertices at the diameter distance from any vertex v .*

The upper bound on $pd(G_n)$ for $n \geq 11$ is given in the subsequent theorem.

THEOREM 3.1. $pd(G_n) \leq 5$, for $n \geq 11$.

Proof. The proof has eight subcases and a resolving partition, $\Lambda = \{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5\}$ of $V(G_n)$ is given for each case. For our convenience we take $v_0 = v_n$.

Case 1: Let $n = 8k + 2$. If $k \geq 2$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq 8k - 9\}$,

$A_2 = \{v_{8k-8}, v_{8k-7}, v_{8k}\}$, $A_3 = \{v_{8k-6}, v_{8k-2}, v_{8k-1}\}$,

$A_4 = \{v_{8k-5}, v_{8k-4}, v_{8k-3}, v_{8k+2}\}$ and $A_5 = \{v_{8k+1}\}$. The Table 1, shows that Λ is resolving partition.

TABLE 1. $r(v|\Lambda)$ for $n = 8k + 2$

Distances of vertices from:	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5
$v_{4\delta+1}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+2}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+4}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 3)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{4\alpha-4}$	0	$\alpha - 1$	α	$\alpha - 1$	α
$v_{4\alpha-3}$	0	$\alpha - 1$	α	α	α
$v_{4\alpha-2}$	0	$\alpha - 1$	$\alpha - 1$	α	α
$v_{4\alpha-1}$	0	$\alpha - 1$	$\alpha - 1$	$\alpha - 1$	α
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-3}(2 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta - 1$	δ	δ	$\delta + 1$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-2}(2 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta - 1$	$\delta - 1$	δ	$\delta + 1$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-1}(2 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta - 1$	$\delta - 1$	$\delta - 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta}(3 \leq \delta \leq \alpha)$	0	$\delta - 2$	$\delta - 1$	$\delta - 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{8\alpha-8}$	1	0	1	1	3
$v_{8\alpha-7}$	1	0	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha}$	1	0	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha-6}$	1	1	0	1	2
$v_{8\alpha-2}$	2	1	0	1	1
$v_{8\alpha-1}$	1	1	0	1	1
$v_{8\alpha-5}$	1	1	1	0	2
$v_{8\alpha-4}$	2	1	1	0	2
$v_{8\alpha-3}$	2	1	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+2}$	1	1	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+1}$	1	1	1	1	0

Case 2: Let $n = 8\alpha + 3$. If $\alpha = 1$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_1, v_2\}$, $A_2 = \{v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_7, v_9\}$, $A_3 = \{v_8\}$, $A_4 = \{v_{10}\}$ and $A_5 = \{v_{11}\}$.

It can be verified easily that Λ is a resolving partition.

If $\alpha \geq 2$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq 8\alpha - 7\} \cup \{v_{8\alpha-5}, v_{8\alpha-3}, v_{8\alpha-1}\}$,

$A_2 = \{v_{8\alpha-6}, v_{8\alpha-2}, v_{8\alpha}, v_{8\alpha+2}\}$, $A_3 = \{v_{8\alpha-4}\}$, $A_4 = \{v_{8\alpha+1}\}$ and

$A_5 = \{v_{8\alpha+3}\}$. The Table 2, shows that Λ is resolving partition.

TABLE 2. $r(v|\Lambda)$ for $n = 8\alpha + 3$

Distances of vertices from:	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5
$v_{4\delta+1}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+2}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+4}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 3)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\alpha-4}$	0	α	α	α	$\alpha - 1$
$v_{4\alpha-3}$	0	α	α	α	α
$v_{4\alpha-2}$	0	$\alpha - 1$	α	α	α
$v_{4\alpha-1}$	0	$\alpha - 1$	α	$\alpha + 1$	α
$v_{4\alpha}$	0	$\alpha - 1$	$\alpha - 1$	$\alpha + 1$	α
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-3}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-2}(2 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta - 1$	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-1}(2 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta - 1$	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta}(2 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta - 1$	$\delta - 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{8\alpha-5}$	0	1	1	2	2
$v_{8\alpha-3}$	0	1	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha-1}$	0	1	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha-6}$	1	0	1	2	3
$v_{8\alpha-2}$	1	0	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha}$	1	0	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+2}$	1	0	2	1	1
$v_{8\alpha-4}$	1	1	0	2	2
$v_{8\alpha+1}$	1	1	2	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+3}$	1	1	2	1	0

Case 3: Let $n = 8\alpha + 4$. If $\alpha = 1$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_5, v_6, v_{11}\}$, $A_2 = \{v_4\}$, $A_3 = \{v_7\}$, $A_4 = \{v_8, v_9\}$, $A_5 = \{v_{10}, v_{12}\}$.

It can be verified easily that Λ is a resolving partition.

If $\alpha \geq 2$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq 8\alpha - 6\} \cup \{v_{8\alpha-4}, v_{8\alpha-1}, v_{8\alpha}\}$, $A_2 = \{v_{8\alpha-5}, v_{8\alpha-3}\}$, $A_3 = \{v_{8\alpha-2}\}$, $A_4 = \{v_{8\alpha+1}, v_{8\alpha+2}, v_{8\alpha+3}\}$ and

$A_5 = \{v_{8\alpha+4}\}$. The Table 3, shows that Λ is resolving partition.

TABLE 3. $r(v|\Lambda)$ for $n = 8\alpha + 4$

Distances of vertices from:	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5
$v_{4\delta+1}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+2}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 3)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+4}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 3)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\alpha-5}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	$\alpha - 1$	$\alpha - 1$
$v_{4\alpha-4}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	α	$\alpha - 1$
$v_{4\alpha-3}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	α	α
$v_{4\alpha-2}$	0	α	α	α	α
$v_{4\alpha-1}$	0	$\alpha - 1$	α	α	α
$v_{4\alpha}$	0	$\alpha - 1$	α	$\alpha + 1$	α
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-3}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-2}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-1}(2 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta - 1$	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta}(2 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta - 1$	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{8\alpha-4}$	0	1	1	2	2
$v_{8\alpha-1}$	0	1	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha}$	0	1	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha-5}$	1	0	1	2	3
$v_{8\alpha-3}$	1	0	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha-2}$	1	1	0	1	2
$v_{8\alpha+1}$	1	1	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+2}$	1	2	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+3}$	1	2	2	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+4}$	1	2	2	1	0

Case 4: Let $n = 8\alpha + 5$. If $\alpha = 1$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_1\}$, $A_2 = \{v_2, v_3\}$,

$A_3 = \{v_4, v_9, v_{10}, v_{13}\}$, $A_4 = \{v_5, v_6, v_7, v_8, v_{12}\}$ and $A_5 = \{v_{11}\}$. It can be verified easily that Λ is a resolving partition.

If $\alpha \geq 2$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq 8\alpha - 5\} \cup \{v_{8\alpha}, v_{8\alpha+2}\}$,

$A_2 = \{v_{8\alpha-4}, v_{8\alpha-3}, v_{8\alpha+1}, v_{8\alpha+3}, v_{8\alpha+4}\}$, $A_3 = \{v_{8\alpha-2}\}$, $A_4 = \{v_{8\alpha-1}\}$ and $A_5 = \{v_{8\alpha+5}\}$. The Table 4, shows that Λ is resolving partition.

Case 5: Let $n = 8\alpha + 6$. If $\alpha = 1$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_9\}$, $A_2 = \{v_7, v_8\}$, $A_3 = \{v_{10}, v_{13}\}$, $A_4 = \{v_{11}\}$ and

TABLE 4. $r(v|\Lambda)$ for $n = 8\alpha + 5$

Distances of vertices from:	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5
$v_{4l+1}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+2}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+4}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 3)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\alpha-4}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	$\alpha + 1$	$\alpha - 1$
$v_{4\alpha-3}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	$\alpha + 1$	α
$v_{4\alpha-2}$	0	α	α	$\alpha + 1$	α
$v_{4\alpha-1}$	0	α	α	α	α
$v_{4\alpha}$	0	$\alpha - 1$	α	α	α
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-3}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-2}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-1}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	δ	δ	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta}(2 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta - 1$	δ	δ	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha}$	0	1	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha+2}$	0	1	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha-4}$	1	0	1	1	3
$v_{8\alpha-3}$	1	0	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha+1}$	1	0	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+3}$	1	0	2	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+4}$	1	0	2	2	1
$v_{8\alpha-2}$	1	1	0	1	2
$v_{8\alpha-1}$	1	1	1	0	2
$v_{8\alpha+5}$	1	1	2	2	0

$A_5 = \{v_{12}, v_{14}\}$. It can be verified easily that Λ is a resolving partition.

If $\alpha \geq 2$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq 8\alpha - 4\} \cup \{v_{8\alpha+6}\}$, $A_2 = \{v_{8\alpha-3}, v_{8\alpha-2}\}$, $A_3 = \{v_{8\alpha-1}, v_{8\alpha}, v_{8\alpha+1}, v_{8\alpha+3}\}$, $A_4 = \{v_{8\alpha+2}, v_{8\alpha+5}\}$ and $A_5 = \{v_{8\alpha+4}\}$. The Table 5, shows that Λ is resolving partition.

Case 6: Let $n = 8\alpha + 7$. If $\alpha = 1$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6, v_9, v_{13}\}$,

$A_2 = \{v_7, v_8, v_{11}\}$, $A_3 = \{v_{10}, v_{14}\}$, $A_4 = \{v_{12}\}$ and $A_5 = \{v_{15}\}$. It can be verified easily that Λ is a resolving partition.

If $\alpha \geq 2$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq 8\alpha - 3\}$,

$A_2 = \{v_{8\alpha-2}, v_{8\alpha-1}, v_{8\alpha+1}, v_{8\alpha+2}\}$,

$A_3 = \{v_{8\alpha}, v_{8\alpha+4}\}$, $A_4 = \{v_{8\alpha+3}, v_{8\alpha+6}, v_{8\alpha+7}\}$ and $A_5 = \{v_{8\alpha+5}\}$.

The Table 6, shows that Λ is resolving partition.

TABLE 5. $r(v|\Lambda)$ for $n = 8\alpha + 6$

Distances of vertices from:	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5
$v_{4\delta+1}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+2}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{4\delta+4}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{4\alpha-3}$	0	α	α	α	α
$v_{4\alpha-2}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	α	α
$v_{4\alpha-1}$	0	α	α	α	$\alpha + 1$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-3}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-2}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-1}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha)$	0	δ	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{8\alpha+6}$	0	2	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha-3}$	1	0	1	2	2
$v_{8\alpha-2}$	1	0	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha-1}$	1	1	0	1	2
$v_{8\alpha}$	1	1	0	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+1}$	2	1	0	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+3}$	1	2	0	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+2}$	1	1	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+5}$	1	2	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+4}$	1	2	1	1	0

Case 7: Let $n = 8\alpha + 8$. If $\alpha = 1$ then consider $A_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5, v_7, v_{10}\}$,
 $A_2 = \{v_6, v_8, v_9\}$, $A_3 = \{v_{11}, v_{12}, v_{14}\}$, $A_4 = \{v_{13}, v_{15}\}$ and
 $A_5 = \{v_{16}\}$.

It can be verified easily that Λ is a resolving partition.

If $\alpha \geq 2$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq 8\alpha - 3\} \cup \{v_{8\alpha+2}\}$,
 $A_2 = \{v_{8\alpha-2}, v_{8\alpha-1}, v_{8\alpha}, v_{8\alpha+1}\}$, $A_3 = \{v_{8\alpha+3}, v_{8\alpha+6}\}$, $A_4 = \{v_{8\alpha+4}, v_{8\alpha+7}\}$ and $A_5 = \{v_{8\alpha+5}, v_{8\alpha+8}\}$. The Table 7, shows that Λ is resolving partition.

Case 8: Let $n = 8\alpha + 9$. If $\alpha \geq 1$, then consider $A_1 = \{v_i | 1 \leq i \leq 8\alpha - 2\}$,

$A_2 = \{v_{8\alpha-1}, v_{8\alpha}, v_{8\alpha+1}, v_{8\alpha+3}\}$, $A_3 = \{v_{8\alpha+2}, v_{8\alpha+8}\}$,

$A_4 = \{v_{8\alpha+4}, v_{8\alpha+7}, v_{8\alpha+9}\}$ and $A_5 = \{v_{8\alpha+5}, v_{8\alpha+6}\}$.

The Table 8, shows that Λ is resolving partition.

In all the above cases the partition representations are distinct, which completes the proof. \square

TABLE 6. $r(v|\Lambda)$ for $n = 8\alpha + 7$

Distances of vertices from:	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5
$v_{4\delta+1}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+2}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{4\delta+4}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{4\alpha-2}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	α	α
$v_{4\alpha-1}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	α	$\alpha + 1$
$v_{4\alpha}$	0	α	α	α	$\alpha + 1$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-2}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-1}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-2}$	1	0	1	2	2
$v_{8\alpha-1}$	1	0	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha+1}$	1	0	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+2}$	2	0	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha}$	1	1	0	1	2
$v_{8\alpha+4}$	1	1	0	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+3}$	2	1	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+6}$	1	1	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+7}$	1	2	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+5}$	1	1	1	1	0

THEOREM 3.2. $pd(G_n) \geq 5$ for $n \geq 10$.

Proof. We will show that $pd(G_n) \neq 4$ for $n \geq 10$

Assume that $pd(G_n) = 4$. Let $\Lambda = \{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4\}$ be a resolving partition of $V(G_n)$. Clearly one of the sets A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4 contains at least 3 vertices so assume that $|A_1| \geq 3$. It is clear that there exist one vertex $v_i \in A_1$ such that $d(v_i, A_j) > 1$ for some $j \in \{2, 3, 4\}$ otherwise $r(v|\Lambda) = (0, 1, 1, 1)$ for all $v \in A_1$. Without loss of generality consider $d(v_i, A_3) \geq 2$. Let v_j be a vertex in A_3 where $j > i$, s.t $d(v_i, v_j) = d(v_i, A_3)$. Let $V^* = \{v_{j-1}, v_{j-2}, v_{j-3}, v_{j-4}\}$ then no vertex in V^* belongs to A_3 as $d(v, v_i) < d(v_j, v_i)$ for all $v \in V^*$ also $d(v, A_3) = 1$ for all $v \in V^*$. Without loss of generality assume that $V^* \cap A_1 \neq \phi$.

Case 1: If all the elements of V^* are in A_1 . i.e. $|V^* \cap A_1| = 4$ then $r(v_{j-4}|\Lambda) = (0, a, 1, a')$, $r(v_{j-3}|\Lambda) = (0, b, 1, b')$, $r(v_{j-2}|\Lambda) = (0, c, 1, c')$, $r(v_{j-1}|\Lambda) = (0, d, 1, d')$. Since $k+1$ is the diameter so $1 \leq a, b, c, d, a', b', c', d' \leq k+1$.

Case 1.1 : If $k \leq a, a' \leq k+1$.

The possible choices for $d(v, A_2)$ and $d(v, A_4)$ for $v \in V^*$ are shown in Tables 9 to 11. It is easy to that for $r = 2$ (see Table 9) and $r \geq 4$ (see Table 11) at least two representations will

TABLE 7. $r(v|\Lambda)$ for $n = 8\alpha + 8$

Distances of vertices from:	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5
$v_{4\delta+1}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+2}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+4}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\alpha-2}$	0	α	α	α	α
$v_{4\alpha-1}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	α	α
$v_{4\alpha}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	$\alpha + 1$	α
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-2}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-1}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4l}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-2}$	1	0	2	2	2
$v_{8\alpha-1}$	1	0	1	2	2
$v_{8\alpha}$	1	0	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha+1}$	1	0	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+3}$	1	1	0	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+6}$	1	2	0	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+4}$	1	1	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+7}$	1	2	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+5}$	1	1	1	1	0
$v_{8\alpha+8}$	1	2	1	1	0

be same, leading to a contradiction. For $r = 3$, there are two vertices at $k + 1$ distance so the representation $r(v|\Lambda) \neq r(w|\Lambda)$ for $v, w \in V^*$ if we either choose 2^{nd} or 3^{rd} column of Table 10 for $d(v, A_2)$ or $d(v, A_4)$.

Since we have $v_j \in A_3$ and $v_j, v_{j-1}, v_{j-2}, v_{j-3}, v_{j-4}$ are consecutive vertices with the connection set $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$ so $r(v_j|\Lambda) = (1, k, 0, k)$.

Assume $v_{j+1} \in A_2 \cup A_4$ then v_{j+1} is either in A_2 or in A_4 . If $v_{j+1} \in A_2$, $d(v_{j-1}, A_2) = 1$ and if $v_{j+1} \in A_4$, $d(v_{j-1}, A_4) = 1$. Which results in a contradiction. Similarly $v_{j+2} \in A_2 \cup A_4$ leads to contradiction. Hence $v_{j+1}, v_{j+2} \in A_1 \cup A_3$.

If $v_{j+1}, v_{j+2} \in A_1$, then $r(v_{j+1}|\Lambda) = (0, k, 1, k) = r(v_{j+2}|\Lambda)$ results in a contradiction. If v_{j+1} is in A_1 and v_{j+2} in A_3 , then $r(v_j|\Lambda) = (1, k, 0, k) = r(v_{j+2}|\Lambda)$ results in a contradiction. Similar arguments work if we either choose 3^{rd} or 4^{th} column of Table 10 for $d(v, A_2)$ or $d(v, A_4)$.

Case 1.2: If $k \leq a \leq k + 1$ and $a' < k$.

For $d(v, A_2)$ we will have Tables 9 to 11 and $d(v, A_4)$ distances are chosen either from Table 12 or from Table 13. It can be verified easily that in all possible choices we will get at least

TABLE 8. $r(v|\Lambda)$ for $n = 8\alpha + 9$

Distances of vertices from:	A_1	A_2	A_3	A_4	A_5
$v_{4l+1}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$
$v_{4\delta+2}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{4\delta+3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{4\delta+4}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 2)$	0	$\delta + 3$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{4\alpha-1}$	0	α	α	α	$\alpha + 1$
$v_{4\alpha}$	0	α	$\alpha + 1$	α	$\alpha + 1$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-3}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-2}(0 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-4\delta-1}(1 \leq \delta \leq \alpha - 1)$	0	δ	$\delta + 1$	$\delta + 2$	$\delta + 2$
$v_{8\alpha-1}$	1	0	1	2	2
$v_{8\alpha}$	1	0	1	1	2
$v_{8\alpha+1}$	1	0	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+3}$	2	0	1	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+2}$	1	1	0	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+8}$	1	2	0	1	1
$v_{8\alpha+4}$	2	1	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+7}$	1	1	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+9}$	1	2	1	0	1
$v_{8\alpha+5}$	2	1	1	1	0
$v_{8\alpha+6}$	1	1	1	1	0

two same representations. In Table 12 and 13, we take $\lambda = a$ for $d(v, A_2)$ and $\lambda = a'$ for $d(v, A_4)$. In case of $r = 3$, if we choose 3^{rd} column from Table 10 and 2^{nd} column from Table 12 the representations might not repeat. So following the same procedure as in case (i) we will get $r(v_j|\Lambda) = (1, k, 0, \lambda - 1)$ and $v_{j+1} \notin A_2 \cup A_4$. So either $v_{j+1} \in A_1$ or A_3 so assume that $v_{j+1} \in A_1$, which implies $r(v_{j-1}|\Lambda) = (0, k, 1, \lambda - 1) = r(v_{j+1}|\Lambda)$. If $v_{j+1} \in A_3$ then $r(v_j|\Lambda) = (1, k, 0, \lambda - 1) = r(v_{j+1}|\Lambda)$. So in both cases we get contradiction. A similar argument can be given if we choose distances from Table 13 and Table 10.

Case 1.3: If $a < k$ and $a' < k$.

$d(v, A_2)$ and $d(v, A_4)$ will be chosen from Table 12 or Table 13. It can be verified easily that in all possible cases at least two representations will be same which results in a contradiction.

Case 2: If three vertices of V^* are in the set A_1 i.e. $|V^* \cap A_1| = 3$. We can assume that v_p, v_q, v_r are in $V^* \cap A_1$ and remaining one vertex v_s is in $V^* \cap A_2$. This will give $r(v_p|\Lambda) = (0, 1, 1, a), r(v_q|\Lambda) = (0, 1, 1, b), r(v_r|\Lambda) = (0, 1, 1, c)$.

If $d(v_s, A_4) = \mu$ then either $\mu - 1 \leq a, b, c \leq \mu$ or $\mu \leq a, b, c \leq \mu + 1$.

as v_p, v_q, v_r, v_s are consecutive vertices with connection set $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. So by Pigeonhole principle at least two of the vertices will have the same partition representation. Which results in a contradiction.

Case 3: If two vertices of V^* are in the set A_1 . i.e. $|V^* \cap A_1| = 2$.

Case 3.1: Assume that v_p, v_q are in $V^* \cap A_1$, v_r in $V^* \cap A_2$ and v_s in $V^* \cap A_4$ then $r(v_p|\Lambda) = (0, 1, 1, 1), r(v_q|\Lambda) = (0, 1, 1, 1)$, results in a contradiction.

Case 3.2: Assume that v_p, v_q are in $V^* \cap A_1$ and v_r, v_s are in $V^* \cap A_2$ then

$$r(v_p|\Lambda) = (0, 1, 1, 1) = r(v_q|\Lambda) \text{ and } r(v_r|\Lambda) = (1, 0, 1, 1) = r(v_s|\Lambda).$$

Which results in a contradiction.

□

TABLE 9. Possible choices for $d(v, A_2)$ and $d(v, A_4)$ where $v \in V^*$ and $r = 2$

v_{j-4}	$k + 1$	k	k	k	k
v_{j-3}	k	$k + 1$	k	k	k
v_{j-2}	k	k	$k + 1$	k	k
v_{j-1}	k	k	k	$k + 1$	k

TABLE 10. Possible choices for $d(v, A_2)$ and $d(v, A_4)$ where $v \in V^*$ and $r = 3$

v_{j-4}	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	k	k	k	k
v_{j-3}	k	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	k	k	k
v_{j-2}	k	k	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	k	k
v_{j-1}	k	k	k	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	k

TABLE 11. Possible choices for $d(v, A_2)$ and $d(v, A_4)$ where $v \in V^*$ and $r \geq 4$

v_{j-4}	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	k	k	k	k
v_{j-3}	k	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	k	k	k
v_{j-2}	k	k	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	k	k
v_{j-1}	k	k	k	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	$k + 1$	k

TABLE 12. Possible choices for $d(v, A_2)$ and $d(v, A_4)$ where $v \in V^*$

v_{j-4}	λ	λ	λ	λ
v_{j-3}	$\lambda - 1$	λ	λ	λ
v_{j-2}	$\lambda - 1$	$\lambda - 1$	λ	λ
v_{j-1}	$\lambda - 1$	$\lambda - 1$	$\lambda - 1$	λ

TABLE 13. Possible choices for $d(v, A_2)$ and $d(v, A_4)$ where $v \in V^*$

v_{j-4}	β	β	β	β
v_{j-3}	$\beta + 1$	β	β	β
v_{j-2}	$\beta + 1$	$\beta + 1$	β	β
v_{j-1}	$\beta + 1$	$\beta + 1$	$\beta + 1$	β

The subsequent lemma will be helpful in proving the partition dimension of G_{10} .

LEMMA 3.1. Let $\Lambda = \{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5\}$ be a resolving partition of G_{10} .

- (i) If $|A_j| = 1$ for some $1 \leq j \leq 5$, then $d(v, A_j) = 2$ for exactly one $v \in V(G_{10})$.
- (ii) If $|A_j| \geq 2$ for some $1 \leq j \leq 5$, then for all $v \in V(G_{10})$, we have $d(v, A_j) \leq 1$.

Proof. (i) Let $A_j = \{v_i\}$ for some $1 \leq j \leq 5$, then $d(v_{i+1}, A_j) = d(v_{i+2}, A_j) = d(v_{i+3}, A_j) = d(v_{i+4}, A_j) = d(v_{i-1}, A_j) = d(v_{i-2}, A_j) = d(v_{i-3}, A_j) = d(v_{i-4}, A_j) = 1$ and $d(v_{i+5}, A_j) = 2$.

- (ii) If $|A_j| \geq 2$ for some $1 \leq j \leq 5$, then all the vertices in $V(G_{10}) \setminus A_j$ are at distance 1 from some vertex in A_j .

□

THEOREM 3.3. $pd(G_{10}) = 6$.

Proof. Let $A_1 = \{v_0\}$, $A_2 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$, $A_3 = \{v_5, v_8\}$, $A_4 = \{v_6\}$, $A_5 = \{v_7\}$, $A_6 = \{v_9\}$. Since $\Lambda = \{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, A_6\}$ is a resolving partition of $V(G_{10})$, we have $pd(G_{10}) \leq 6$.

By Theorem 3.2 we know that $pd(G_{10}) \geq 5$. We only need to show that $pd(G_{10}) \neq 5$. Let $\Lambda = \{A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5\}$ be a resolving partition of $V(G_{10})$. Here we have the subsequent cases.

Case 1: If $|A_j| = 2$ for all $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$. It is clear from Lemma 3.1 that $d(v, A_j) \leq 1$ for all $v \in V(G_{10})$. Therefore, $r(v|\Lambda) = (0, 1, 1, 1, 1)$ for both vertices in A_1 . Which contradicts our assumption.

Case 2: If $|A_j| \geq 3$ for some $j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$, consider $|A_1| \geq 3$. Let $x_1, x_2, x_3 \in A_1$. Since the partition representation of x_1, x_2

and x_3 are distinct therefore, there exist $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$ such that $r(v_i|\Lambda)$ and $r(v_j|\Lambda)$ have 2 as one of its coordinates. We can consider, $x_1 \in A_1$ with $d(x_1, A_4) = 2$ and $x_2 \in A_1$ with $d(x_2, A_5) = 2$. Lemma 3.1 implies that all other vertices of G_{10} have the representations with fourth and fifth coordinates at most 1. Since $r = 2$ for G_{10} so there is only one vertex at the diameter distance from any given vertex. This implies that $r(x_1|\Lambda) = (0, 1, 1, 2, 1), r(x_2|\Lambda) = (0, 1, 1, 1, 2)$.

Moreover there is exactly one vertex in G_{10} with the representation having the fifth coordinate 0 and at most two vertices with the representation having fourth coordinate 0. Thus G_{10} contains at least five vertices, say u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5 with the representations having fourth and fifth coordinates equal to 1. Let $V^* = \{u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4, u_5\}$. We distinguish the subcases.

Case 2.1: Four vertices of V^* are in A_1 or A_2 or A_3 .

We can assume that $u_1, u_2, u_3, u_4 \in V^* \cap A_1$ then $r(u_1|\Lambda) = (0, b_1, c_1, 1, 1), r(u_2|\Lambda) = (0, b_2, c_2, 1, 1), r(u_3|\Lambda) = (0, b_3, c_3, 1, 1)$ and $r(u_4|\Lambda) = (0, b_4, c_4, 1, 1)$

where $b_1, b_2, b_3, b_4, c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 \in \{1, 2\}$.

Case 2.1.1: If $b_1 = 2$ or $c_1 = 2$. Suppose $b_1 = 2$ then we must have $c_1 = 1$ as $r = 2$ and Lemma 3.1 implies that $b_2 = b_3 = b_4 = 1$. Also only one of c_2, c_3 and c_4 can be 2. Assume that $c_2 = 2$ then we must have $c_3 = c_4 = 1$. This means that u_3 and u_4 will have same representations, which results in a contradiction.

Case 2.1.2: Suppose $b_1 = 1$ and $c_1 = 1$ then only one of the coordinates of u_2, u_3 and u_4 can be 2. Suppose $b_2 = 2$ then we must have $c_2 = 1$ as $r = 2$ and Lemma 3.1 implies that $b_3 = b_4 = 1$. Also only one of c_3 and c_4 can be 2. Assume that $c_3 = 2$ then $c_4 = 1$. This means u_1 and u_4 will have same representations, which results in a contradiction.

Case 2.2: Three vertices of V^* are in A_1 or A_2 or A_3 and two vertices in one of the other sets. Suppose u_1, u_2, u_3 are in $V^* \cap A_1$ and u_4, u_5 in $V^* \cap A_2$ then $r(u_1|\Lambda) = (0, b_1, c_1, 1, 1), r(u_2|\Lambda) = (0, b_2, c_2, 1, 1), r(u_3|\Lambda) = (0, b_3, c_3, 1, 1)$
 $r(u_4|\Lambda) = (a_1, 0, c_4, 1, 1)$ and $r(u_5|\Lambda) = (a_2, 0, c_5, 1, 1)$

Since $|A_1| \geq 3$ and $|A_2| \geq 2$, so by Lemma 3.1 we must have

$a_1 = a_2 = b_1 = b_2 = b_3 = 1$ and only one of c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 and c_5 can be 2.

So assume that $c_1 = 2$ then $c_2 = c_3 = c_4 = 1$ which means u_2 and u_3 will have same representations, which results in a contradiction. Now if we take $c_4 = 2$ then u_1, u_2 and u_3 will have same representations again we get a contradiction.

Case 2.3: Two vertices of V^* are in A_1 and three in A_2 .

Suppose u_1, u_2 are in $V^* \cap A_1$ and u_3, u_4, u_5 are in $V^* \cap A_2$ then

$$r(u_1|\Lambda) = (0, b_1, c_1, 1, 1), r(u_2|\Lambda) = (0, b_2, c_2, 1, 1)$$

$$r(u_3|\Lambda) = (a_1, 0, c_3, 1, 1), r(u_4|\Lambda) = (a_2, 0, c_4, 1, 1) \text{ and}$$

$$r(u_5|\Lambda) = (a_3, 0, c_5, 1, 1)$$

Since $|A_1| \geq 3$ and $|A_2| \geq 3$, so by Lemma 3.1 we must have

$a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = b_1 = b_2 = 1$ and only one of c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 and c_5 can be 2.

Assume that $c_1 = 2$ then $c_2 = c_3 = c_4 = c_5 = 1$ which means u_3, u_4 and u_5 will have same representations, which results in a contradiction. Now if we take $c_3 = 2$ then u_1 and u_2 will have same representations and also u_4 and u_5 will have same representations. Again we get a contradiction.

Case 2.4: One vertex of V^* is in A_1 , two in A_2 and two in A_3 . Suppose u_1 is in $V^* \cap A_1$, u_2, u_3 are in $V^* \cap A_2$ and u_4, u_5 are in $V^* \cap A_3$ then

$$r(u_1|\Lambda) = (0, b_1, c_1, 1, 1), r(u_2|\Lambda) = (a_1, 0, c_2, 1, 1)$$

$$r(u_3|\Lambda) = (a_2, 0, c_3, 1, 1), r(u_4|\Lambda) = (a_3, b_2, 0, 1, 1) \text{ and}$$

$$r(u_5|\Lambda) = (a_4, b_3, 0, 1, 1)$$

Since $|A_1| \geq 3, |A_2| \geq 2$ and $|A_3| \geq 2$, so by Lemma 3.1 we must have

$$a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = b_1 = b_2 = b_3 = c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 1.$$

Which will give at least two same representations, which results in a contradiction.

Case 2.5: Two vertices of V^* are in each of A_1 and A_2 and one in A_3 . Suppose u_1, u_2 are in $V^* \cap A_1$, u_3, u_4 are in $V^* \cap A_2$ and u_5 is in $V^* \cap A_3$ then

$$r(u_1|\Lambda) = (0, b_1, c_1, 1, 1), r(u_2|\Lambda) = (0, b_2, c_2, 1, 1), r(u_3|\Lambda) = (a_1, 0, c_3, 1, 1),$$

$$r(u_4|\Lambda) = (a_2, 0, c_4, 1, 1) \text{ and } r(u_5|\Lambda) = (a_3, b_3, 0, 1, 1).$$

Since $|A_1| \geq 3, |A_2| \geq 2$, so by Lemma 3.1 we must have

$a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = b_1 = b_2 = b_3 = 1$ and only one of c_1, c_2 and c_3 can be 2 so as in the previous case we will get at least two same representations, which results in a contradiction.

Case 2.6: Three vertices of V^* are in A_2 and two in A_3 .

Suppose u_1, u_2, u_3 are in $V^* \cap A_2$ and u_4, u_5 are in $V^* \cap A_3$ then

$$r(u_1|\Lambda) = (a_1, 0, c_1, 1, 1), r(u_2|\Lambda) = (a_2, 0, c_2, 1, 1)$$

$$r(u_3|\Lambda) = (a_3, 0, c_3, 1, 1), r(u_4|\Lambda) = (a_2, b_1, 0, 1, 1) \text{ and}$$

$$r(u_5|\Lambda) = (a_3, b_2, 0, 1, 1)$$

Since $|A_1| \geq 3, |A_2| \geq 3$ and $|A_3| \geq 2$, so by Lemma 3.1 we must have

$$a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = b_1 = b_2 = c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 1.$$

Which will give at least two same representations, which results in a contradiction. So in each case we concluded that $pd(G_{10}) \neq 5$. Hence $pd(G_{10}) = 6$.

□

4. CONCLUSION

In this article, we concluded that

$$pd(G_n) = \begin{cases} n, & \text{if } 8 \leq n \leq 9; \\ 6, & \text{if } n = 10; \\ 5, & \text{if } n \geq 11. \end{cases}$$

Here we conclude with the following open problem.

OPENPROBLEM 4.1. Calculate the $pd(C_n(1, 2, \dots, t))$ for positive integer n and $t \geq 5$.

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