

# The Connected Detour Edge Semi Toll Number of a Graph

<sup>1</sup>S. Rekha, <sup>2</sup>M. Antony

<sup>1</sup> Register Number 19133232092004, Research Scholar,

Department of Mathematics,

St.Jude's College,Thoothoor - 629 176, India,

email: rekhajegan83@gmail.com

<sup>2</sup>Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics,

St.Jude's College,Thoothoor - 629 176, India,

Affiliated to Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Abishekapatti, Tirunelveli-627 012,  
Tamil Nadu, India

## Abstract

A detour edge semi toll set of a connected graph  $G$  is called a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  if the induced subgraph  $G[S]$  is connected. The minimum cardinality of a connected detour semi toll set of  $G$  is the connected detour semi toll number and is denoted by  $cdn_{est}(G)$ . Any connected detour semi Euler set of cardinality  $cdn_{est}(G)$  is called a  $cdn_{est}$ -set of  $G$ . Some general properties satisfied by this concept are studied . Some standard graphs are determined.It is shown that for every pair of  $a$  and  $b$  of integers with  $2 \leq a < b$ , there exists a connected graph  $G$  such that  $dn_{est}(G) = a$  and  $cdn_{est}(G) = b$ .

**Keywords:** connected detour edge semi toll number, detour edge semi toll number, detour number,

**Subject Classification:** AMS Subject Classification. 05C12.

## 1. Introduction

By a graph  $G = (V, E)$ , we mean a finite , undirected connected graph without loops or multiple edges. The order and size of  $G$  are denoted by  $n$  and  $m$  respectively. For basic graph theoretic terminology , we refer to [2]. Two vertices  $u$  and  $v$  are said to be *adjacent* if  $uv$  is an edge of  $G$ . Two edges of  $G$  are said to be adjacent if they have a common vertex. A *walk* is defined as a finite length alternating sequence of vertices and edges. The total number of edges covered in a walk is called as length of the walk. It is a trail in which neither vertices nor edges are repeated i.e. if we traverse a graph such that we do not repeat a vertex and nor we repeat an edge.Any connected graph is called as an *Euler Graph* if and only if all its vertices are of even degree.If there exists a walk in the connected graph that starts and ends at the same vertex and visits every edge of the graph exactly once with or without repeating the vertices, then such a walk is called as an *Euler circuit*.

The *distance*  $d(u, v)$  between two vertices  $u$  and  $v$  in a connected graph  $G$  is the length of a shortest  $u-v$  path in  $G$ . An  $u-v$  path of length  $d(u, v)$  is called an  $u-v$  *geodesic*.The detour distance  $D(u, v)$  between two vertices  $u$  and  $v$  in a connected graph  $G$  from  $u$  to  $v$  is defined as the length of a longest  $u-v$  path in  $G$ . An  $u-v$  path of length  $D(u, v)$  is called an  $u-v$  *detour*. A vertex  $x$  is said to lie on an  $u-v$  detour  $P$  if  $x$  is a vertex of  $P$  including the vertices  $u$  and  $v$ . A detour set of  $G$  is a set  $S \subseteq$

$V(G)$  such that every vertex of  $G$  is contained in a detour joining some pair of vertices in  $S$ . The *detour number*  $dn(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum order of a detour set and any detour set of order  $dn(G)$  is called *minimum detour set* of  $G$  or a *dn-set* of  $G$ . These concepts were studied in [3-7,9].

A tolled walk  $T$  between  $u$  and  $v$  in  $G$  is a sequence at vertices of the form  $T: u, w_1, w_2, \dots, v$  where  $k \geq 1$  which enjoys the following three conditions.

- $w_i w_{i+1} \in E(G), \forall i$
- $uw_i \in E(G)$ , iff  $i = 1$ .
- $vw_i \in E(G)$ , iff  $i = k$ .

$T[u, v]$  = set of vertices lying in the  $uv$  tolled walk including  $u$  and  $v$ .

For  $S \subseteq V(G)$ , the tolled closure of  $G$  is  $T[S] = \bigcup_{u,v \in S} T[u, v]$ . A set  $S \subseteq V(G)$  is called a tolled set if  $T[S] = V[G]$ . The minimum cardinality of a tolled set is called the *tolled number* of  $G$  and is denoted by  $T(G)$ . This concept was studied in [1,8]. The following theorems are used in sequel.

In this paper, we define a new parameter.

**Theorem 1.1[3]** Each end vertex of a connected graph  $G$  belongs to every detour set of  $G$  is called the *detour semi toll number* of a graph.

**Theorem 1.2[3]** For the star  $G = K_{1,n-1} (n \geq 2)$ ,  $dn(G) = n - 1$ .

## 2. The Connected detour edge semi toll number of a graph

**Definition 2.1.** A detour edge semi toll set of a connected graph  $G$  is called a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  if the induced subgraph  $G[S]$  is connected. The minimum cardinality of a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  is the connected detour edge semi toll number and is denoted by  $cdn_{est}(G)$ . Any connected detour edge semi toll set of cardinality  $cdn_{est}(G)$  is called a  $cdn_{est}$ -set of  $G$ .

**Example 2.2.** For the graph  $G$  given in Figure 2.1,  $S_1 = \{v_3, v_4, v_5, v_6\}$ ,  $S_2 = \{v_2, v_3, v_5, v_7\}$ ,  $S_3 = \{v_3, v_4, v_6, v_7\}$  and  $S_4 = \{v_2, v_3, v_5, v_6\}$  are four connected detour edge semi toll sets of  $G$  so that  $cdn_{est}(G) = 4$ .

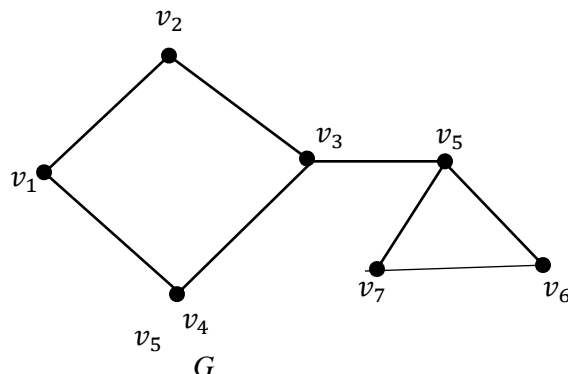


Figure 2.1

**Observation 2.3** (i) Each end vertex of  $G$  belongs to every connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$ .

(ii) Each cut vertex of  $G$  belongs to every connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$ .

(iii)  $2 \leq dn_{est}(G) \leq cdn_{est}(G) \leq n$ , where  $n \geq 2$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** For the path  $G = P_n (n \geq 3)$ ,  $cdn_{est}(G) = n$ .

**Proof.** From Observation 2.3 (i) and (ii) each end vertices and cut vertices are belongs to every connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  so that  $cdn_{est}(G) = n$ . ■

**Theorem 2.5.** For the complete graph  $G = K_n (n \geq 3)$ ,  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $u$  and  $v$  be any two adjacent vertices of  $G$ . Then  $S = \{u, v\}$  is a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  so that  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ . ■

**Theorem 2.6.** For the cycle  $G = C_n (n \geq 3)$ ,  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $u, v$  be any two adjacent vertices of  $G$ . Then  $S = \{u, v\}$  is a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  so that  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ . ■

**Theorem 2.7.** For the fan graph  $G = K_1 + P_{n-1} (n \geq 4)$ ,  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $V(K_1) = \{x\}$  and  $V(P_{n-1}) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$ . Then  $S = \{x, v_1\}$  is a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  so that  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ . ■

**Theorem 2.8.** For the wheel graph  $G = K_1 + C_{n-1} (n \geq 4)$ ,  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $V(K_1) = \{x\}$  and  $V(C_{n-1}) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n-1}\}$ . Then  $S = \{x, v_1\}$  is a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  so that  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ . ■

**Theorem 2.9.** For the star graph  $G = K_{1,n-1} (n \geq 3)$ ,  $cdn_{est}(G) = n$ .

**Proof.** Let  $S$  be the end vertices and cut vertex of  $G$ . Then by Observation 2.3 (i) and (ii),  $S$  is a subset of every connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  and that  $cdn_{est}(G) \geq |S|$ . Since  $S$  is a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  so that  $cdn_{est}(G) = n$ . ■

**Theorem 2.10.** For the Helm graph  $G = H_n$ ,  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2n$ , where  $n$  is the number of end vertices.

**Proof.** Let  $S$  be the set of end vertices and cut vertices of  $G$ . Then by Observation 2.3 (i) and (ii),  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2n$ . ■

**Theorem 2.11.** For the complete bipartite graph  $G = K_{m,n}, m \geq 2, n \geq 2$ ,  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $u, v$  be any two vertices of  $G$ . Then  $S = \{u, v\}$  is a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  so that  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ . ■

**Definition 2.12.** A vertex  $v$  is said to be detour edge toll vertex if  $v$  is not an internal vertex of any  $x$ - $y$  detour edge semi toll path of  $G$ .

**Example 2.13.** For the graph  $G$  given in Figure 2.2,  $v_9$  is not an internal vertex of any  $x$ - $y$  detour edge semi toll path of  $G$ , so that  $v_9$  is the detour edge semi toll vertex of  $G$ .

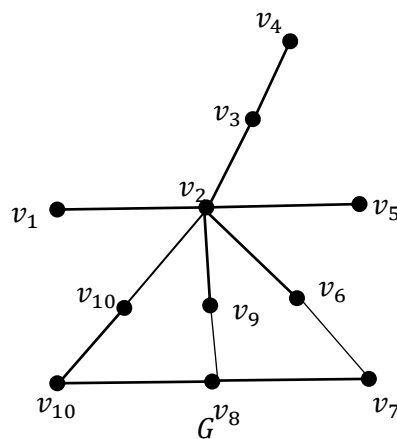


Figure 2.2

**Remark 2.14.** Every end vertex of  $G$  is the detour edge semi toll vertex of  $G$  but the converse need not be true.

**Observation 2.15.** Every detour edge semi toll vertex set belong to any connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$ .

**Theorem 2.16.** Let  $G$  be the connected graph of order  $n \geq 2$ . If  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ , then every vertex of  $G$  lies on a  $u-v$  detour edge semi toll diametral walk of  $G$ .

**Proof.** Let  $cdn_{est}(G) = 2$ . Let  $S = \{u, v\}$  be a  $cdn_{est}$ -set of  $G$ . Then every vertex of  $G$  lies on  $u-v$  detour edge semi toll diametral walk of  $G$ . On the contrary, suppose that  $P$  is not a  $u-v$  detour edge semi toll diametral walk of  $G$ . Then there exists at least one vertex, say  $x \in V(G) - V(P)$  such that  $x$  is not an internal vertex of  $u-v$  detour edge semi toll walk of  $G$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore every vertex of  $G$  lies on a  $u-v$  detour edge semi toll diametral walk of  $G$ . ■

**Remark 2.17.** The converse of Theorem 2.16 need not be true. For  $G = P_n (n \geq 3)$  with  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ , every vertex of  $G$  lies on the  $v_1-v_n$  detour edge semi toll walk of  $G$ . However by Theorem 2.3,  $cdn_{est}(G) = n (n \geq 3)$ .

**Theorem 2.18.** Let  $G$  be the connected graph of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then  $cdn_{est}(G) = n$  if and only if every vertex of  $G$  is either a cut vertex or a detour edge semi toll vertex of  $G$ .

**Proof.** If every vertex of  $G$  is either a cut vertex or a detour edge semi toll vertex of  $G$ , then the result follows from Observation 2.3 (ii) and 2.15.

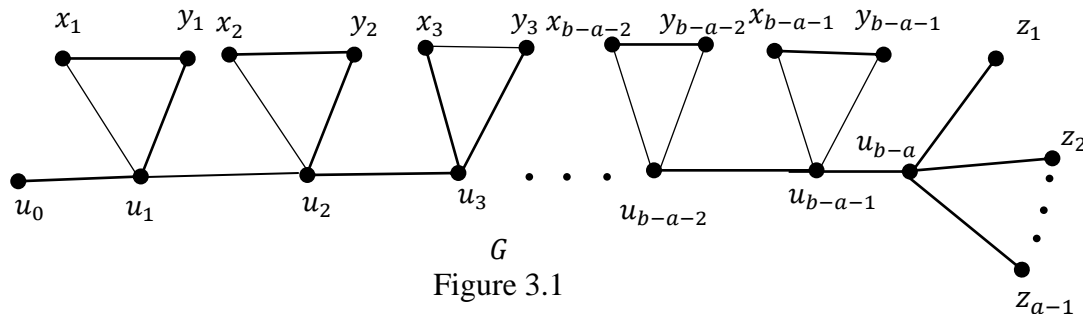
Conversely, let  $cdn_{est}(G) = n$ . We prove that every vertex of  $G$  is either a cut vertex or a detour edge semi toll vertex of  $G$ . On the contrary, suppose that there exists a vertex  $x$  such that  $x$  is neither a cut vertex nor an detour edge semi toll vertex of  $G$ . Let  $S = V(G) - \{x\}$ . Since  $x$  is not a pendant vertex of  $G$ ,  $x \in dn_{est}(G)$ . Since  $x$  is not a cut vertex of  $G$ ,  $G[S]$  is connected. Then  $S$  is a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  and so  $cdn_{est}(G) \leq n - 1$ , which is a contradiction. Therefore every vertex of  $G$  is either a cut vertex of  $G$  or a detour edge semi toll vertex of  $G$ . ■

**Theorem 2.19.** For every pair of  $a$  and  $b$  of integers with  $2 \leq a < b$ , there exists a connected graph  $G$  such that  $dn_{est}(G) = a$  and  $cdn_{est}(G) = b$ .

**Proof.** For  $a = b$  let  $G = K_{1,a}$ . Then by Theorems 1.2 and 2.9,  $dn_{est}(G) = cdn_{est}(G) = a$ . So let  $a < b$ . Let  $P_{b-a+1} : u_0, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{b-a}$  be a path of order  $b - a + 1$ . Let  $P_i : x_i, y_i (1 \leq i \leq b - a)$  be a copy of path on two vertices. Let  $G$  be the graph obtained from  $P_{b-a+1}$  and  $P_i (1 \leq i \leq b - a - 1)$  by joining  $x_i$  and  $y_i (1 \leq i \leq b - a - 1)$  with  $u_i (1 \leq i \leq b - a - 1)$ . The graph  $G$  is shown in Figure 2.3.

First we prove that  $dn_{est}(G) = a$ . Let  $Z = \{u_0, z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{a-1}\}$  be the set of all end vertices of  $G$ . Then by Observation 2.3(ii),  $Z$  is a subset of every detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  and so  $dn_{est}(G) \geq a$ . Since  $Z$  is a detour edge semi toll set of  $G$ , we have  $dn_{est}(G) = a$ .

Next we prove that  $cdn_{est}(G) = b$ . Let  $Z_1 = Z \cup \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_{b-a}\}$  be the set of all end vertices and cut vertices of  $G$ . By Observation 2.3 (i) and (ii),  $Z_1$  is a subset of every connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$  and so  $cdn_{est}(G) \geq b$ . Since  $Z_1$  is a connected detour edge semi toll set of  $G$ ,  $cdn_{est}(G) = b$ . ■



## References

- [1] M. Antony and S. Rekha, The Detour Edge semi toll number of a graph, *Neuroquantology*, 20(1),(2022), 6317-6321.
- [2] F. Buckley and F. Harary, Distance in Graphs, Addison-Wesley, Redwood City, CA, (1990).
- [3] G. Chartrand, G. Johns and P. Zhang, On the detour number and geodetic number of a graph, *Arscombinatoria*, 72 (2004), 3-15.
- [4] G. Chartrand, G. Johns and P. Zhang, The detour number of a graph, *Utilitas Mathematica*, 64(2003), 97-113.
- [5] J. John and N. Arianayagam, The detour domination number of a graph, *Discrete Mathematics Algorithms and Applications*, 09(01), 2017, 17500069.
- [6] J. John and N. Arianayagam, The total detour number of a graph, *Journal of Discrete Mathematics Sciences and Cryptography*, 17(4), 2014, 337-350.
- [7] J. John and N. Arianayagam, The open detour number of a graph, *Discrete Mathematics Algorithms and Applications*, 13(01), 2021, 2050088.
- [8] S. Rekha and M. Antony, Detour semi toll distance in graph, *Proceedings of the International Conference on Advances and Applications in Mathematical Sciences*, 2022, 1-6.
- [9] A P Santhakumaran, and S Athisayanathan, The Connected Detour Number of a Graph, *J. Combin. Math. Combin. Comput.*, to appear.