

## HUB NUMBER OF GENERALIZED TRANSFORMATION GRAPHS

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**ABSTRACT.** A *hub set* in a graph  $G$  is a set  $S \subseteq V(G)$  such that any two vertices outside  $S$  are connected by a path whose all internal vertices are members of  $S$ . The minimum cardinality of hub set is called *hub number*. In this paper, we give results for the hub number of generalized transformation graphs.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

In 2006, Walsh [11] have defined hub number of a graph to study a network related problem. A graph which represents the buildings in a large industrial complex, with an edge between two buildings if it is an easy walk from one to the other.

Let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $V(G)$  and  $S$  be a hubset in a graph  $G$  such that  $S \subseteq V(G)$  and let  $x, y \in V(G)$ . An  $S$ -path between  $x$  and  $y$  is a path where all intermediate vertices are from  $S$ . A set  $S \subseteq V(G)$  is a hub set of  $G$  if it has the property that, for any  $x, y \in V(G) \setminus S$  there is an  $S$ -path in  $G$  between  $x$  and  $y$ . The minimum cardinality of hub set is called *hub number* and is denoted by  $h(G)$  [11].

The above definition of hub number of a graph  $G$  is applied on this problem by Walsh. The corporation is considering implementing a rapid transit system (RTS), and wants to place its stations in buildings so that to travel between two nonadjacent buildings. The corporation would like to implement this plan as cheaply as possible, which involves converting as few building as possible into transit stations. In this problem, what is the smallest size of a hub set in  $G$ ?. We shall call this the hub number of  $G$ , and denoted by  $h(G)$ . This inspired us to study the hub number of generalized transformation graphs.

Grauman et al. [5] obtained the relationship between hub number, connected hub number and connected domination number of a graph. Cauresma et al. [4] obtained hub number of join, corona and Cartesian product of two connected graphs. Basavanagoud et al. [1, 2] obtained hub number of some wheel related graphs and hub number of generalized middle graphs. In this paper, we obtain hub number of generalized transformation graphs.

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## 2. PRELIMINARIES

All graphs considered in this paper are nontrivial, connected, simple and undirected graphs. Let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and edge set  $E(G) = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$ . Thus  $|V(G)| = n$  and  $|E(G)| = m$  where,  $n$  and  $m$  are called *order* and *size* of graph  $G$  respectively. The pendant vertices are called leaf vertices of graph  $G$ , it is denoted by  $l$ . An edge incident to a pendant vertex  $l$  of a graph  $G$  is called pendant edge and denoted by  $l_e$ . The *complement* of a graph  $G$  [6] is denoted by  $\overline{G}$  whose vertex set is  $V(G)$  and two vertices of  $\overline{G}$  are adjacent if and only if they are not adjacent in  $G$ . The *line graph*  $L(G)$  of a graph  $G$  [10] is the graph with vertex set as the edge set of  $G$  and two vertices of  $L(G)$  are adjacent whenever the corresponding edges in  $G$  have a vertex in common. The *subdivision graph*  $S(G)$  of a graph  $G$  [6] whose vertex set is  $V(G) \cup E(G)$  where two vertices are adjacent if and only if one is a vertex of  $G$  and other is an edge of  $G$  incident with it. The *partial complement of subdivision graph*  $\overline{S}(G)$  of a graph  $G$  [7] whose vertex set is  $V(G) \cup E(G)$  where two vertices are adjacent if and only if one is a vertex of  $G$  and the other is an edge of  $G$  not incident with it. For undefined terminology and notations refer [6].

**2.1. Generalized transformation graphs  $G^{xy}$ .** Sampathkumar and Chikkodimath [9] defined the semitotal-point graph  $T_2(G)$  as the graph whose vertex set is  $V(G) \cup E(G)$ , and where two vertices are adjacent if and only if (i) they are adjacent vertices of  $G$  or (ii) one is a vertex of  $G$  and other is an edge of  $G$  incident with it. Inspired by this definition, Basavanagoud et al. [3] introduced some new graphical transformations. These generalize the concept of semitotal-point graph.

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph, and let  $\alpha, \beta$  be two elements of  $V(G) \cup E(G)$ . We say that associativity of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  is  $+$  if they are adjacent or incident in  $G$ , otherwise  $-$ . Let  $xy$  be a 2-permutation of the set  $\{+, -\}$ .

The *generalized transformation graph*  $G^{xy}$  [3], is a graph whose vertex set is  $V(G) \cup E(G)$ , and  $\alpha, \beta \in V(G^{xy})$ . The vertices  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are adjacent in  $G^{xy}$  if and only if (a) and (b) holds:

- (a)  $\alpha, \beta \in V(G)$ ,  $\alpha, \beta$  are adjacent in  $G$  if  $x = +$  and  $\alpha, \beta$  are not adjacent in  $G$  if  $x = -$ .
- (b)  $\alpha \in V(G)$  and  $\beta \in E(G)$ ,  $\alpha, \beta$  are incident in  $G$  if  $y = +$  and  $\alpha, \beta$  are not incident in  $G$  if  $y = -$ .

One can obtain the four graphical generalized transformation of graphs as  $G^{++}$ ,  $G^{+-}$ ,  $G^{-+}$  and  $G^{--}$ . An example of generalized transformation graphs and their complements are depicted in Figure 1. Note that,  $G^{++}$  is just the *semitotal-point graph* of  $G$ , which was introduced in [9]. The vertex  $v$  of  $G^{xy}$  corresponding to a vertex  $v$  of  $G$  is referred to as a *point vertex*. The vertex  $e$  of  $G^{xy}$  corresponding to an edge  $e$  of  $G$  is referred to as a *line vertex*. Recently, Ramane et al. [8] studied generalized transformation graphs.

**Proposition 2.1.** [11] *The hub number of*

- i) *The path  $P_n$ ,  $h(P_n) = n - 2$ ,*
- ii) *The cycle  $C_n$ ,  $h(C_n) = n - 3$ ,*

- iii) The complete graph  $K_n$ ,  $h(K_n) = 0$ ,  
iv) The tree  $T$ ,  $h(T) = n - l$ .

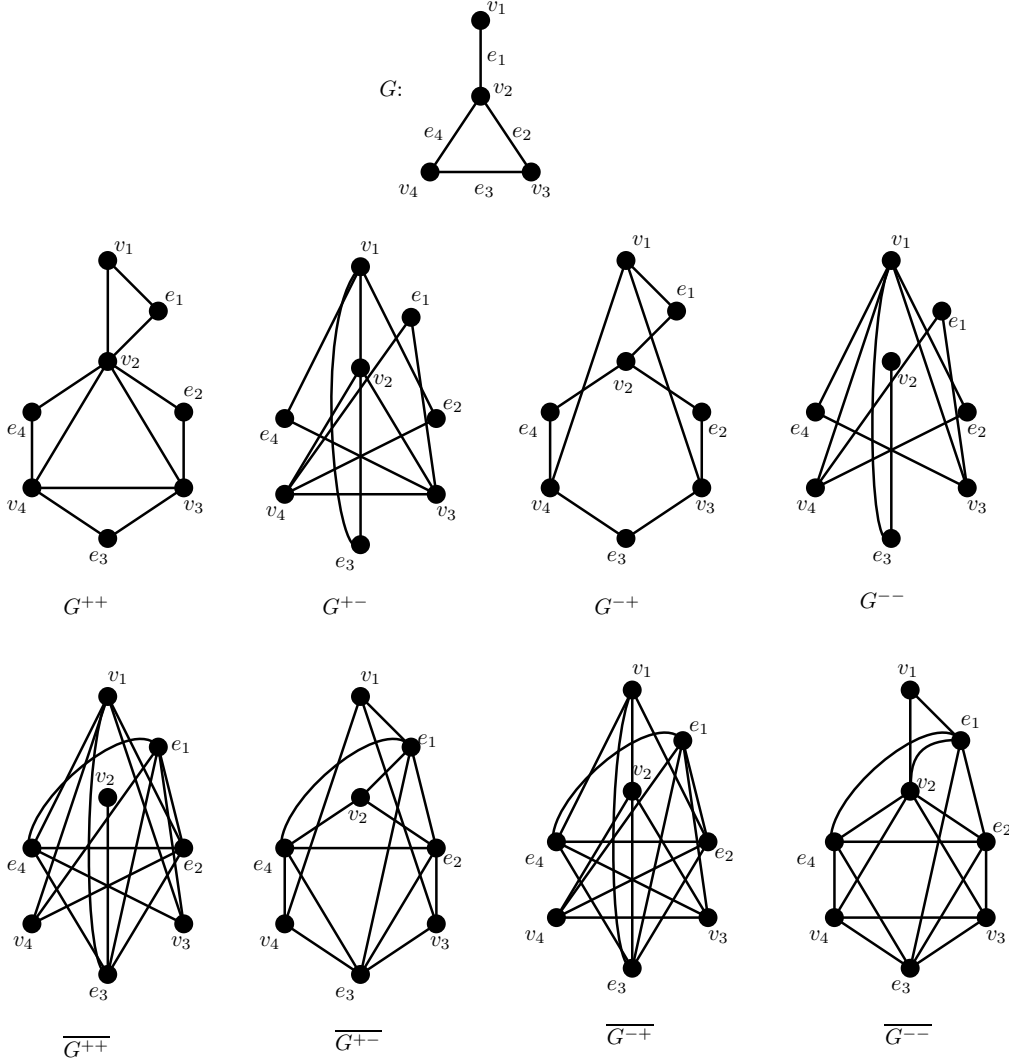


FIGURE 1. Graph  $G$ , its generalized transformation graph  $G^{xy}$  and their complements  $\overline{G^{xy}}$ .

### 3. HUB NUMBER OF GENERALIZED TRANSFORMATION GRAPHS

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $T$  be tree of order  $n$ . Then*

$$h(T^{++}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 2, \\ n - l & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $T^{++}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $T^{++}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 2$ ,  $P_2^{++}$  is isomorphic to complete graph  $K_3$ . By Proposition 2.1,  $h(P_2^{++}) = 0$ .

**Case 2:** If  $n \geq 3$ , then choose nonpendant vertices, which is required to form  $S$ -path in  $T^{++}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-l}\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = n - l$ . Hence,  $h(T^{++}) = n - l$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $G$  be cycle or complete graph of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(G^{++}) = n - 1.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $G^{++}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $G^{++}$ . Let  $S \subset V(G^{++})$ . Choose a set  $S$  containing  $n - 1$  adjacent vertices in such way that it forms required  $S$ -path in  $G^{++}$ . Therefore,  $|S| = n - 1$ . Hence,  $h(G^{++}) = n - 1$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $T$  be tree of order  $n$ . Then*

$$h(T^{+-}) = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } n = 3, 4, \\ 4 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $T^{+-}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $T^{+-}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 3$ ,  $P_3^{+-}$  is isomorphic to  $P_5$ . By Proposition 2.1,  $h(P_3^{+-}) = 3$ .

**Case 2:** If  $n = 4$ , then choose nonpendant vertices  $v_1, v_2$  and an edge  $e_1$  which is incident to both nonpendant vertices in  $T$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, e_1\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = 3$ . Hence,  $h(T^{+-}) = 3$ .

**Case 3:** If  $n \geq 5$ , then choose two pendant vertices  $v_1, v_2$  and two edges  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  which are incident to vertices  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  in  $T$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, e_1, e_2\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = 4$ . Hence,  $h(T^{+-}) = 4$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4.** *Let  $C_n$  be cycle graph of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(C_n^{+-}) = 3.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $C_n^{+-}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $C_n^{+-}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 3$ ,  $C_3^{+-}$  is isomorphic to crown graph  $CW_3$ . Therefore,  $h(C_3^{+-}) = 3$  (since  $h(CW_n) = n$  [1]).

**Case 2:** If  $n = 4$ , then choose any three vertices  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  in  $C_4$ , which forms a  $S$ -path in  $C_4^{+-}$ . Therefore,  $h(C_4^{+-}) = 3$ .

**Case 3:** If  $n \geq 5$ , then choose a set  $S$  such that it contains any two nonadjacent edges  $e_1, e_2$  and a vertex  $v_1$  which is nonincident to edges  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  in  $C_n$ . Thus,  $S = \{e_1, e_2, v_1\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = 3$ . Hence,  $h(C_n^{+-}) = 3$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.5.** *Let  $K_n$  be complete graph of order  $n \geq 4$ . Then*

$$h(K_n^{+-}) = 3.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $K_n^{+-}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $K_n^{+-}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 4$ , then choose three vertices  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  in  $K_4$ , which forms a  $S$ -path in  $K_4^{+-}$ . Therefore,  $h(K_4^{+-}) = 3$ .

**Case 2:** If  $n \geq 5$ , then choose a set  $S$  such that it contains any two nonadjacent

vertices  $v_1, v_2$  and an edge  $e_1$  which is nonincident to vertices  $v_1$  or  $v_2$  in  $K_n$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, e_1\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = 3$ . Hence,  $h(K_n^{+-}) = 3$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.6.** *Let  $K_{1,n}$  be star graph of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(K_{1,n}^{+-}) = 3.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $K_{1,n}^{+-}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $K_{1,n}^{+-}$ . If  $n \geq 3$ , then choose a set  $S$  such that it contains central vertex  $v_i$  and any two vertices  $v_1, v_2$  in  $K_{1,n}$ . Then for any two vertices  $x, y \in K_{1,n}^{+-} \setminus S$ , there exist an  $S$ -path between them in  $K_{1,n}^{+-}$ . Therefore  $S$  is a hub set of  $K_{1,n}^{+-}$  which gives the minimum cardinality. Hence,  $h(K_{1,n}^{+-}) = 3$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.7.** *Let  $P_n$  be path graph of order  $n$ . Then*

$$h(P_n^{-+}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 2, \\ 2 & \text{if } n = 3, \\ \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $P_n^{-+}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $P_n^{-+}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 2$ ,  $P_2^{-+}$  is isomorphic to  $P_3$ . By Proposition 2.1,  $h(P_2^{-+}) = 1$ .

**Case 2:** If  $n = 3$ ,  $P_3^{-+}$  is isomorphic to  $C_5$ . By Proposition 2.1,  $h(P_3^{-+}) = 2$ .

**Case 3:** If  $n \geq 4$ , then choose  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$  vertices in  $P_n$ , which forms a required  $S$ -path in  $P_n^{-+}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor}\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ . Hence,  $h(P_n^{-+}) = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.8.** *Let  $C_n$  be cycle graph of order  $n$ . Then*

$$h(C_n^{-+}) = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } n = 3, \\ \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $C_n^{-+}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $C_n^{-+}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 3$ ,  $C_3^{-+}$  is isomorphic to  $C_6$ . By Proposition 2.1,  $h(C_3^{-+}) = 3$ .

**Case 2:** If  $n = 4$ , then choose any three vertices  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  in  $C_4$ , which forms a  $S$ -path in  $C_4^{-+}$ . Therefore,  $h(C_4^{-+}) = 3$ .

**Case 3:** If  $n \geq 5$ , then choose  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$  vertices in  $C_n$ , which forms a required  $S$ -path in  $C_n^{-+}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ . Hence,  $h(C_n^{-+}) = \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.9.** *Let  $K_{1,n}$  be star graph of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(K_{1,n}^{-+}) = 3.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $K_{1,n}^{-+}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $K_{1,n}^{-+}$ . If  $n \geq 3$ , then choose central vertex  $v_i$  and any two vertices in  $K_{1,n}$  which gives the minimum hub set. Thus,  $S = \{v_i, v_1, v_2\}$ . Therefore,  $|S| = 3$ . Hence,  $h(K_{1,n}^{-+}) = 3$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.10.** *Let  $T$  be tree graph of order  $n \geq 4$ . Then*

$$h(T^{-+}) = n + m - l - l_e.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $T^{-+}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $T^{-+}$ . If  $n \geq 4$ , then choose all nonpendant vertices ( $n - l$ ) and nonpendant edges ( $m - l_e$ ), which is incident to only nonpendant vertices in  $T$ , which forms a required  $S$ -path in  $T^{-+}$  and gives the minimum hub set. Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-l}, e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{m-l_e}\}$ . Therefore,  $|S| = n + m - l - l_e$ . Hence,  $h(T^{-+}) = n + m - l - l_e$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.11.** *Let  $K_n$  be complete graph of order  $n \geq 4$ . Then*

$$h(K_n^{-+}) = 2n - 2.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $K_n^{-+}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $K_n^{-+}$ . If  $n \geq 4$ , then choosing  $(n - 1)$  adjacent vertices and  $(n - 1)$  edges in  $K_n$ , which forms a hub set in  $K_n^{-+}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-1}, e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_{n-1}\}$ . Therefore,  $|S| = 2n - 2$ . Hence,  $h(K_n^{-+}) = 2n - 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.12.** *Let  $T$  be tree of order  $n \geq 4$ . Then*

$$h(T^{--}) = 2.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $T^{--}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $T^{--}$ . Let  $S \subset V(T^{--})$ . Then choose any two pendant vertices of  $T$  are sufficient to form  $S$ -path in  $T^{--}$ , as every other vertices of  $T^{--}$  can be reached by these two points. Thus,  $|S| = 2$ . Therefore,  $h(T^{--}) = 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.13.** *Let  $C_n$  be cycle graph of order  $n \geq 4$ . Then*

$$h(C_n^{--}) = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } n = 4, 5, \\ 2 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $C_n^{--}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $C_n^{--}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 4$ , then choose any three vertices  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  in  $C_4$ , which forms a  $S$ -path in  $C_4^{--}$ . Therefore,  $h(C_4^{--}) = 3$ .

**Case 2:** If  $n = 5$ , then choose any three vertices  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3\}$  in that two are adjacent in  $C_5$ , which forms a  $S$ -path in  $C_5^{--}$ . Therefore,  $h(C_5^{--}) = 3$ .

**Case 3:** If  $n \geq 6$ , choose a set  $S$  such that it contains any two nonadjacent vertices  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  in  $C_n$  which forms a  $S$ -path in  $C_n^{--}$ . Thus,  $|S| = \{v_1, v_2\}$  which gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $h(C_n^{--}) = 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.14.** *Let  $K_n$  be complete graph of order  $n \geq 5$ . Then*

$$h(K_n^{--}) = n.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $K_n^{--}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $K_n^{--}$ . Let  $S \subset V(K_n^{--})$ . Then choose all vertices in  $K_n$ , which forms a  $S$ -path in  $K_n^{--}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = n$ . Hence,  $h(K_n^{--}) = n$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.15.** *Let  $T$  be tree graph of order  $n \geq 4$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{T^{++}}) = 2.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{T^{++}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{T^{++}}$ . If  $n \geq 4$ , then choose any two pendant edges  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  in  $T$  which forms a required  $S$ -path in  $\overline{T^{++}}$  and gives the minimum hub set. Thus,  $S = \{e_1, e_2\}$ . Therefore,  $|S| = 2$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{T^{++}}) = 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.16.** *Let  $G$  be cycle or complete graph of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{G^{++}}) = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } n = 3, \\ 2 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{G^{++}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{G^{++}}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 3$ ,  $\overline{G^{++}}$  is isomorphic to crown graph  $CW_3$ . Therefore,  $h(\overline{G^{++}}) = 3$  (since  $h(CW_n) = n$  [1]).

**Case 2:** If  $n \geq 4$ , then choose a set  $S$  such that it contains any two nonadjacent edges  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  in  $G$ . Thus,  $|S| = \{e_1, e_2\}$  which gives the minimum hub set in  $\overline{G^{++}}$ . Therefore,  $h(\overline{G^{++}}) = 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.17.** *Let  $T$  be tree of order  $n$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{T^{+-}}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } n = 2, \\ 2 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{T^{+-}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{T^{+-}}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 2$ ,  $\overline{P_2^{+-}}$  is isomorphic to  $P_3$ . By Proposition 2.1,  $h(\overline{P_2^{+-}}) = 3$ .

**Case 2:** If  $n \geq 3$ , then choose a vertex  $v_1$  and next choose an edge  $e_1$  which is incident to  $v_1$  in  $T$ , which forms a required  $S$ -path in  $\overline{T^{+-}}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, e_1\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = 2$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{T^{+-}}) = 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.18.** *Let  $C_n$  be cycle graph of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{C_n^{+-}}) = 3.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{C_n^{+-}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{C_n^{+-}}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 3$ , then choose all the three line vertices in  $\overline{C_3^{+-}}$  which gives the  $S$ -path. Therefore,  $|S| = 3$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{C_3^{+-}}) = 3$ .

**Case 2:** If  $n \geq 4$ , then choose any two adjacent vertices  $v_1, v_2$  of  $C_n$  and an edge  $e_1$  which is incident to  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  in  $C_n$  which gives the minimum hub set to forms  $S$ -path in  $\overline{C_n^{+-}}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, e_1\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = 3$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{C_n^{+-}}) = 3$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.19.** *Let  $K_n$  be complete graph of order  $n \geq 4$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{K_n^{+-}}) = \left\lceil \frac{n}{2} \right\rceil.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{K_n^{+-}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{K_n^{+-}}$ . Choose  $\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$  nonadjacent edges in  $K_n$ , which forms a  $S$ -path in  $\overline{K_n^{+-}}$ . Thus,  $S = \{e_1, e_2, e_3, \dots, e_{\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{K_n^{+-}}) = \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.20.** *Let  $T$  be tree of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{T^{-+}}) = 2.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{T^{-+}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{T^{-+}}$ . If  $n \geq 3$ , then choose any two pendant edges  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  in  $T$ , which is sufficient to forms a required  $S$ -path in  $\overline{T^{-+}}$ . Thus,  $S = \{e_1, e_2\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Therefore,  $|S| = 2$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{T^{-+}}) = 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.21.** *Let  $C_n$  be cycle of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{C_n^{-+}}) = 2.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{C_n^{-+}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{C_n^{-+}}$ . Let  $S \subset V(\overline{C_n^{-+}})$ . Choose a set  $S$  containing any two nonadjacent edges  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  in  $C_n$  which forms required  $S$ -path in  $\overline{C_n^{-+}}$ . Therefore,  $|S| = 2$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{C_n^{-+}}) = 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.22.** *Let  $K_{1,n}$  be star graph of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{K_{1,n}^{-+}}) = 3.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{K_{1,n}^{-+}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{K_{1,n}^{-+}}$ . Let  $S \subset V(\overline{K_{1,n}^{-+}})$ . Choose a set  $S$  containing a central vertex  $v_i$  and vertex  $v_1$ , next choose an edge  $e_1$  which is nonincident to vertex  $v_1$  in  $K_{1,n}$ , which gives the required  $S$ -path in  $\overline{K_{1,n}^{-+}}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_i, v_1, e_1\}$ . Therefore,  $|S| = 3$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{K_{1,n}^{-+}}) = 3$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.23.** *Let  $K_n$  be complete graph of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{K_n^{-+}}) = 2.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{K_n^{-+}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{K_n^{-+}}$ . Let  $S \subset V(\overline{K_n^{-+}})$ . Choose a set  $S$  containing a vertex  $v_1$  and next choose an edge  $e_1$  which is nonincident to vertex  $v_1$  in  $K_n$ , which gives the minimum hub set in  $\overline{K_n^{-+}}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, e_1\}$ . Therefore,  $|S| = 2$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{K_n^{-+}}) = 2$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.24.** *Let  $G$  be path or cycle of order  $n$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{G^{--}}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } n = 2, \\ 1 & \text{if } n = P_3, \\ 2 & \text{if } G = C_3, \\ \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{G^{--}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{G^{--}}$ . We consider the following cases:

**Case 1:** If  $n = 2$ ,  $\overline{P_2^{--}}$  is isomorphic to  $K_3$ . By Proposition 2.1,  $h(\overline{P_2^{--}}) = 0$ .



**Case 2:** If  $n = 3$ , then arises two graphs  $P_3$  and  $C_3$ . If  $G = P_3$ , then choose a central vertex of  $P_3$  is adjacent to every other vertex in  $\overline{G^{--}}(P_3)$ . Thus,  $h(\overline{P_3^{--}}) = 1$ . If  $G = C_3$ , then choose any two edges in  $C_3$  which gives  $S$ -path in  $\overline{C_3^{--}}$ . Thus,  $h(\overline{C_3^{--}}) = 2$ .

**Case 3:** If  $n \geq 4$ , then each line vertex  $e_i$  is adjacent to incident point vertices and  $(m - 1)$  line vertices. Now choose  $S = \{e_i | e_i \in E(\overline{G^{--}})\}$  such that  $e_i$  has maximum degree in  $\overline{G^{--}}$ , i.e,  $d_{\overline{G^{--}}}(e_i) = \max\{m + 1 | e_i \in V(\overline{G^{--}})\}$  then each  $e_i$  is adjacent to  $m + 1$  vertices in  $\overline{G^{--}}$ . Choosing  $S = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{\lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}\}$  gives the minimum hub set. Thus,  $|S| = \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ . Therefore,  $h(\overline{G^{--}}) = \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.25.** *Let  $T$  be tree of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{T^{--}}) = n - l.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{T^{--}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{T^{--}}$ . Let  $S \subset V(\overline{T^{--}})$ . Choose a nonpendant vertices in  $T$  are sufficient to forms a  $S$ -path in  $\overline{T^{--}}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n-l}\}$  which gives the minimum hub set in  $\overline{T^{--}}$ . Therefore,  $|S| = n - l$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{T^{--}}) = n - l$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.26.** *Let  $K_n$  be complete graph of order  $n \geq 3$ . Then*

$$h(\overline{K_n^{--}}) = 2.$$

*Proof.* Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  be point vertices of  $\overline{K_n^{--}}$  and  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  be line vertices of  $\overline{K_n^{--}}$ . Let  $S \subset V(\overline{K_n^{--}})$ . Choose a set  $S$  containing a vertex  $v_1$  and next choose an edge  $e_1$  which is incident to vertex  $v_1$  in  $K_n$ , which gives the minimum hub set in  $\overline{K_n^{--}}$ . Thus,  $S = \{v_1, e_1\}$ . Therefore,  $|S| = 2$ . Hence,  $h(\overline{K_n^{--}}) = 2$ .  $\square$

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