

# Generalized power domination in regular graphs

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## Problem :

Monitor all vertices and edges of a network with PMU (Phase Measurement Units) using rules :

1. a PMU monitors its vertex and its incident edges
2. vertex incident to a monitored edge  $\Rightarrow$  monitored (Ohm law)
3. edge joining 2 monitored vertices  $\Rightarrow$  monitored (Ohm law)
4. degree  $d$  monitored vertex incident to  $d - 1$  monitored edges  $\Rightarrow d^{\text{th}}$  edge monitored (Kirchhoff law).

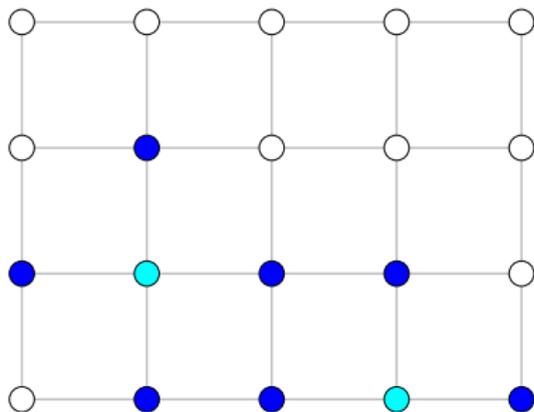
## Equivalent rules :

Monitor all vertices of the network ( $\Rightarrow$  edges monitored from 3)

**domination** a PMU monitors the closed neighborhood of its vertex  $(1 + 2)$

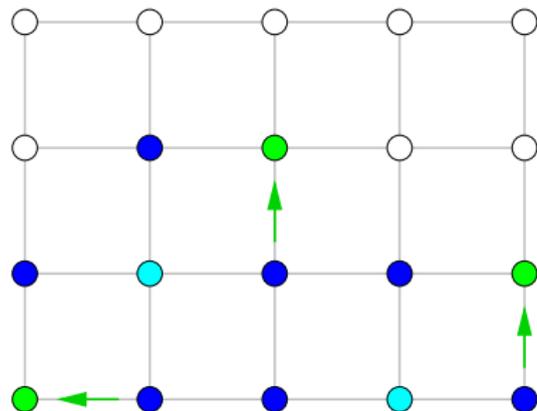
**propagation** degree  $d$  monitored vertex with  $d - 1$  monitored neighbours  $\Rightarrow d^{\text{th}}$  neighbour monitored  $((3 + 4) + 2)$ .

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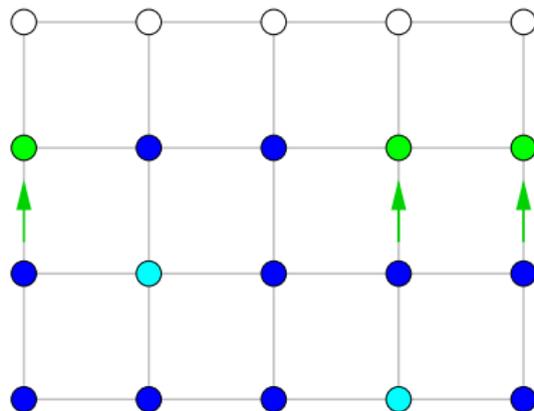
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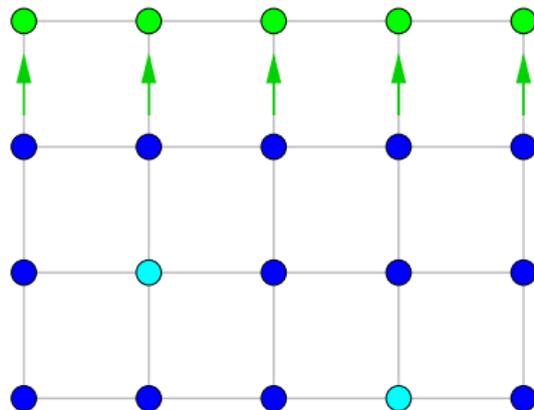
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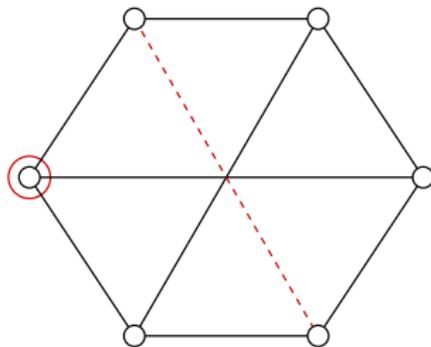


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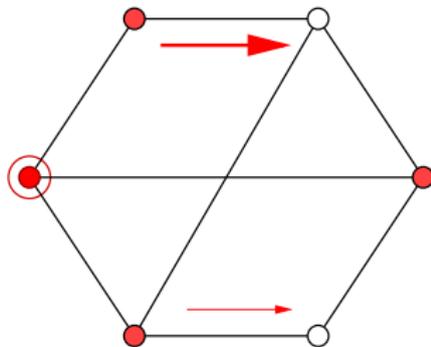
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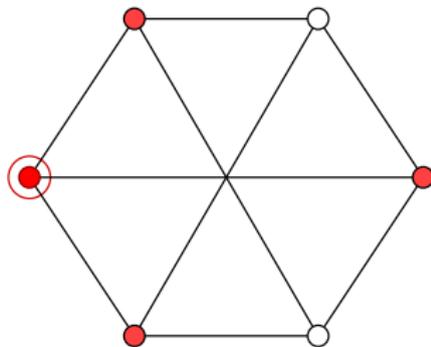
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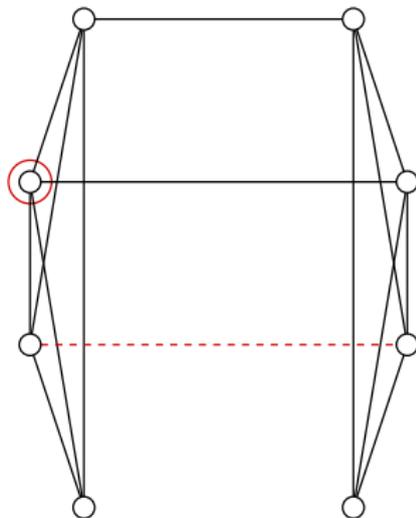
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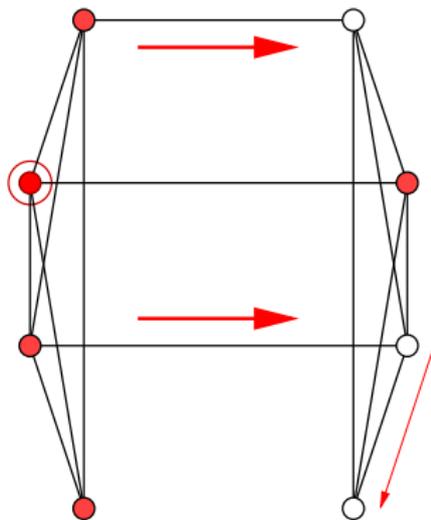
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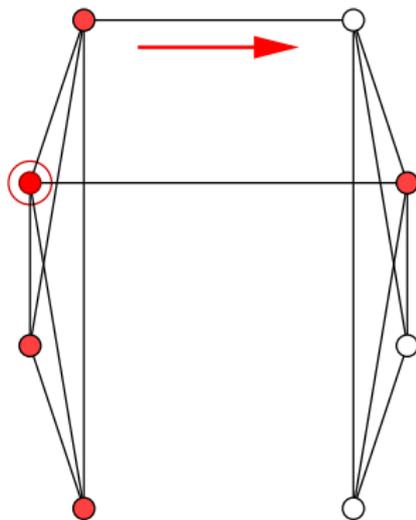
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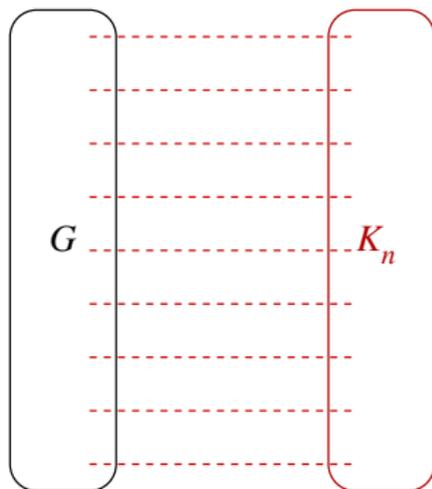
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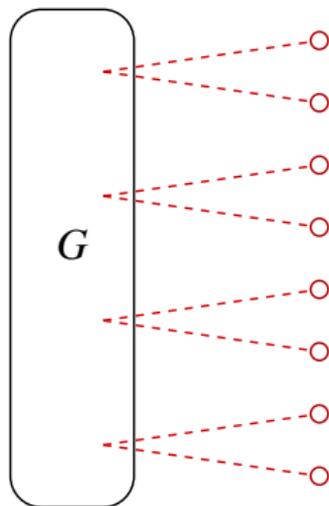


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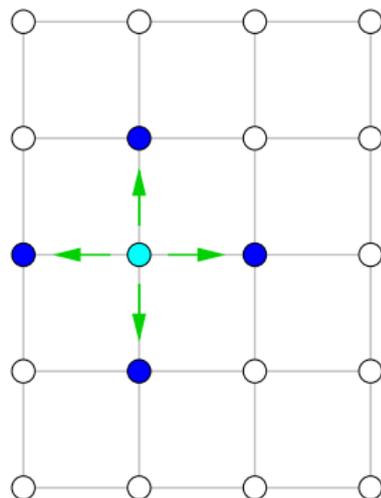
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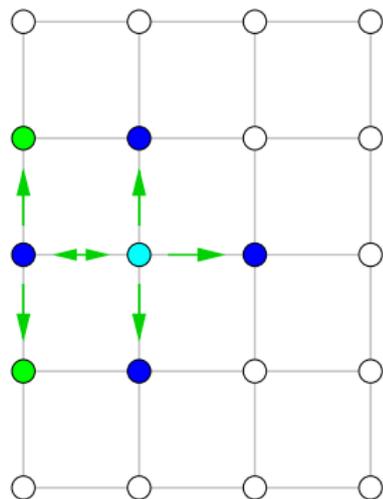
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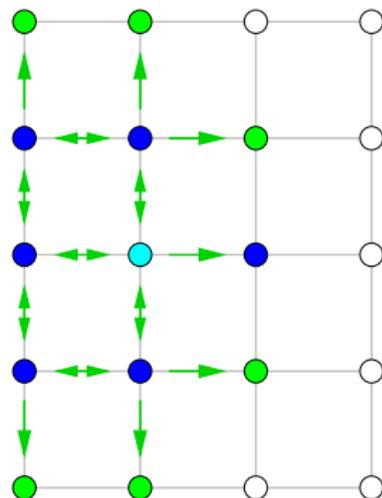
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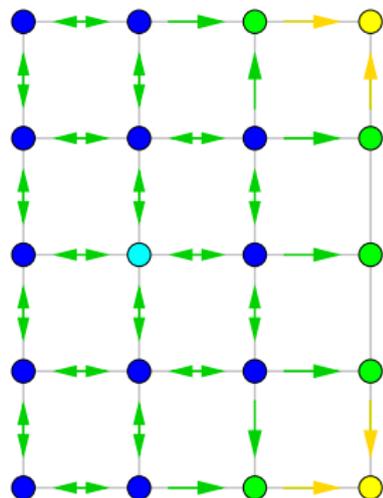
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# Generalized power domination

## Problem

Given a graph  $G$ , find its  $k$ -power domination number  $\gamma_{P,k}(G)$   
= smallest size of  $S$  such that  $\mathcal{P}^\infty(S) = V(G)$ .

- ▶ generalizes power domination ( $\gamma_{P,1} = \gamma_P$ )
- ▶ generalizes domination ( $\gamma_{P,0} = \gamma$ )
- ▶ helps to understand how power-domination is related to domination :
  - ▶ critical graphs :  $(k + 1)$ -crowns
  - ▶ general bounds
  - ▶ common linear algorithm on trees (and bounded treewidth)
  - ▶ other bounds for families of graphs...

## Common general bound

For  $G$  connected of order  $n$

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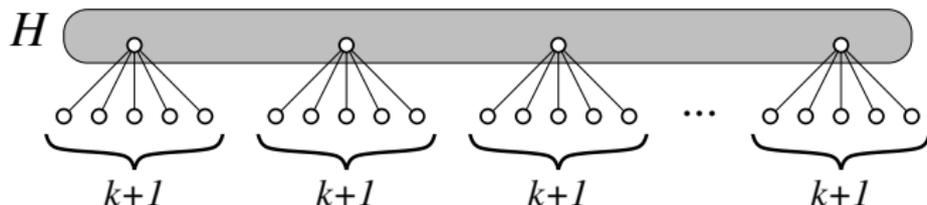
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### Lemma

Otherwise, there exist a minimum  $k$ -power dominating set containing only vertices of degree  $\geq k + 2$

### Theorem

If  $G$  is of order  $n \geq k + 2$ , then  $\gamma_{P,k}(G) \leq \frac{n}{k+2}$



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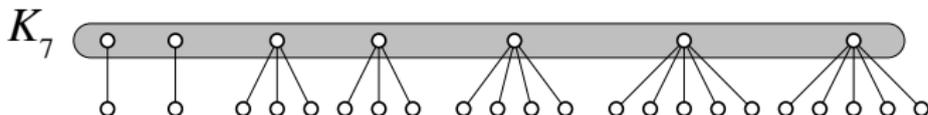
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### Obs : No

For any sequence  $(x_k)_k > 0$  finite and non-increasing, there exist  $G$  such that  $\gamma_{P,k}(G) = x_k$ .



A graph for the sequence (7, 5, 5, 3, 2)

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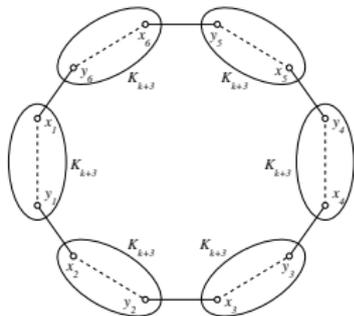
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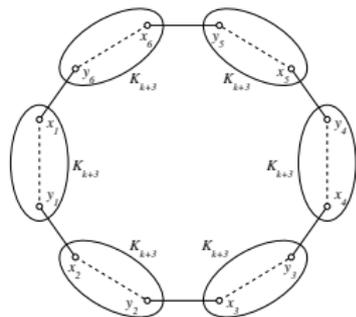
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- ▶ then we show they can't intersect too much... exemple  $A \cap A' > 1$ .
- ▶ Remains some family  $\mathcal{F}_k$ ...

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- ▶ take a vertex in every other  $(A, B)$ -configurations.
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- ▶ propagate, then increase the set iterately : possible since no  $(A, B)$ -configurations left...

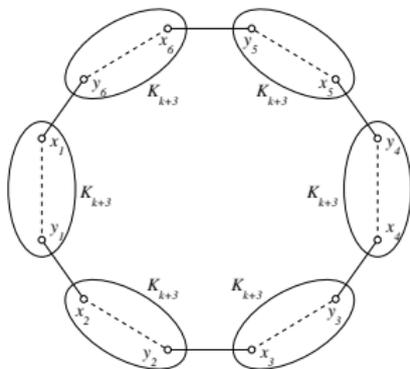
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What next ? Another bound ? (I think not  $\frac{n}{r+1}$ )

Thanks for your attention.

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