

## ON THE TOTAL $k$ -DOMINATION IN GRAPHS

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### Abstract

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph; a set  $S \subseteq V$  is a total  $k$ -dominating set if every vertex  $v \in V$  has at least  $k$  neighbors in  $S$ . The total  $k$ -domination number  $\gamma_{kt}(G)$  is the minimum cardinality among all total  $k$ -dominating sets. In this paper we obtain several tight bounds for the total  $k$ -domination number of a graph. In particular, we investigate the relationship between the total  $k$ -domination number of a graph and the order, the size, the girth, the minimum and maximum degree, the diameter, and other domination parameters of the graph.

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