

## UPPER BOUNDS ON THE SIGNED TOTAL ( $k, k$ )-DOMATIC NUMBER OF GRAPHS

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### Abstract

Let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $V(G)$ , and let  $f : V(G) \longrightarrow \{-1, 1\}$  be a two-valued function. If  $k \geq 1$  is an integer and  $\sum_{x \in N(v)} f(x) \geq k$  for each  $v \in V(G)$ , where  $N(v)$  is the neighborhood of  $v$ , then  $f$  is a signed total  $k$ -dominating function on  $G$ . A set  $\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_d\}$  of distinct signed total  $k$ -dominating functions on  $G$  with the property that  $\sum_{i=1}^d f_i(x) \leq k$  for each  $x \in V(G)$ , is called a signed total  $(k, k)$ -dominating family (of functions) on  $G$ . The maximum number of functions in a signed total  $(k, k)$ -dominating family on  $G$  is the signed total  $(k, k)$ -domatic number of  $G$ .

In this article we mainly present upper bounds on the signed total  $(k, k)$ -domatic number, in particular for regular graphs.

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