

Domination Number of Complement Graph

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Abstract- In this paper the domination number of complement graph of a graph G are characterized and the relation between the domination number of complement graph of a graph G and the minimum degree of G are established.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a simple graph of order p and size q . The distance $d_G(u, v)$ or $d(u, v)$ between two vertices u and v in G is the length of a shortest path joining u and v in the graph G . For $u \in V(G)$, let $N(u) = \{v \in V(G) : uv \in E(G)\}$ and $d(u) = |N(u)|$. The eccentricity of a vertex u is given by $e(u) = \max\{d(u, v) : v \in V(G)\}$. The radius and diameter of the graph G are given by $rad(G) = \min\{e(u) : u \in V(G)\}$ and $diam(G) = \max\{e(u) : u \in V(G)\}$ respectively. The minimum degree of a graph G is given by $\delta(u) = \min\{d(u) : v \in V(G)\}$. The complement graph \overline{G} is a graph with vertex set $V(G)$ and two vertices are adjacent in \overline{G} if and only if $d_G(u, v) > 1$. In [3] the authors introduced the concept of Domination number of distance k -complement graph and in this paper the domination number of the complement graph \overline{G} of a graph G are characterized and the relation between the domination number of \overline{G} and the minimum degree of G are established.

Definition 1.1. For an integer $k \geq 0$, the distance k -complement graph, denoted by G^c_k , of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is a graph whose vertex set is $V(G)$ and two vertices are adjacent in G^c_k if and only if $d_G(u, v) > k$. That is, the edge set is $\{uv : d_G(u, v) > k\}$.

Definition 1.2. Let v be a vertex of the graph G the degree $d(v)$ of v is the number of edges of G incident with v .

II. DOMINATION IN COMPLEMENT GRAPH

Definition 2.1. Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph. A subset D of V is said to be a dominating set of G if every vertex in $V - D$ is adjacent to some vertex in D . The minimum cardinality of a dominating set is called the domination number of G and is denoted by $\gamma(G)$.

Definition 2.2. Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph and $k \geq 1$ be an integer. A subset D of V is said to be a distance k -dominating set of G if for every vertex u in $V - D$, there is some vertex v in D such that $d_G(u, v) \leq k$.

The minimum cardinality of a distance k -dominating set is called the distance k -domination number of G and is denoted by $\gamma_k(G)$.

By using the following theorem, we characterize the graphs attaining the upper bound on the domination number of the complement graph.

Theorem 2.3. [3] If a graph G has no isolated vertices and $\text{diam}(G) \geq 2k + 1$, then $\gamma(G^c_k) = 2$

Theorem 2.4. [3] A graph G has an isolated vertex if and only if $\gamma(G^c_k) = 1$.

Theorem 2.5. A graph G has an isolated vertex if and only if $\gamma(\overline{G}) = 1$

Proof: Let u be an isolated vertex in G , then it has no adjacent vertices in G , clearly u is adjacent to all other vertices in \overline{G} , Now $\{u\}$ is a dominant set of \overline{G} with one element, hence $\gamma(\overline{G}) = 1$.

Proposition 2.6 Let G be a graph with $\delta(G) = 1$, then $\gamma(\overline{G}) = 2$

Proof: Let G be a graph with $\delta(G) = 1$, Let u be a vertex of G with degree 1, ie, u is adjacent with only one vertex in G (say v). Clearly u is adjacent to all other vertices in \overline{G} except v , Now $\{u,v\}$ is a dominant set of \overline{G} with two elements, hence $\gamma(\overline{G}) = 2$

Theorem 2.7 Let G be a graph with $\delta(G) \geq 2$, then $2 \leq \gamma(\overline{G}) \leq \delta(G) + 1$

Proof: Let u be a vertex of G with $N(u) = \delta(G)$,

Case : 1

If there is a vertex v such that $N(u) \cap N(v) = \emptyset$, then all the vertices of $N(u)$ are adjacent to v in \overline{G} , similarly all the vertices of $N(v)$ are adjacent to u in \overline{G} , Now $\{u,v\}$ is a dominant set of \overline{G} with two vertices. Hence the lower bound holds. $\gamma(\overline{G}) = 2$

Case: 2

If all the vertices of $N(u)$ has degree $n-1$ in G , clearly all the vertices of $N(u)$ should be isolated vertices in \overline{G} and u should be adjacent with all the vertices in $\{V(\overline{G}) - N(u)\}$ Now \overline{G} has a dominant set $\{u, N(u)\}$ with $(1 + N(u))$ vertices, Now \overline{G} has a dominant number, Hence the upper bound holds. Hence the Theorem.

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