

Connected Edge Monophonic Domination Number of a Graph

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ABSTRACT

In this paper the concept of connected edge monophonic domination number of a graph is introduced. A set of vertices M of a graph G is a connected edge monophonic domination set (CEMD set) if it is edge monophonic set, a domination set of G and the induced sub graph $\langle M \rangle$ is connected. The connected edge monophonic domination number (CEMD number) of G , $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G)$ is the cardinality of a minimum CEMD set. CEMD number of some connected graphs are realized. Connected graphs of order n with CEMD number n are characterised. It is shown that for every pair of integers m and n such that $3 \leq m \leq n$, there exist a connected graph G of order n with $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = m$. Also, for any positive integers p, q and r there is a connected graph G such that $m(G) = p, m_e(G) = q$ and $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = r$. Again, for any connected graph G , $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G)$ lies between $\frac{n}{1+\Delta(G)}$ and n .

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1. INTRODUCTION

By a graph $G = (V, E)$ we consider a finite undirected graph without loop or multiple edges. The order and size of a graph are denoted by m and n respectively. For basic graph theoretic notations and terminology we refer to [4] and [5]. For vertices u and v in a connected graph G , the distance $d(u, v)$ is the length of a shortest $u - v$ path in G . A $u - v$ path of length $d(u, v)$ is called $u - v$ geodesic. A chord of a path $P: u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n$ is an edge $u_i u_j$ with $j \geq i + 2$. A $u - v$ path is *monophonic path* if it is chord less path. A *monophonic set* of G is a set $M \subset V(G)$ such that every vertex of G is contained in a monophonic path of some pair of vertices of M (See [2], [9] and [10]).

The *degree* of a vertex v in G is the number of edges incident with v . The *maximum degree* of G is the maximum degree among all the vertices of G and is denoted by $\Delta(G)$. The *neighborhood* of a vertex v is the set $N(v)$ consisting of all vertices which are adjacent with v . A vertex v is an *extreme vertex* if the sub graph induced by its neighbourhood is complete. A vertex v in a connected graph G is a *cut-vertex* of G , if $G - v$ is disconnected. A vertex v in a connected graph G is said to be *semi-extreme vertex* of G if $\Delta(\langle N(v) \rangle) = |N(v)| - 1$. A graph G is said to be *semi-*

extreme graph if every vertex of G is a semi extreme vertex. Every extreme vertex is a semi extreme vertex. Converse need not be true. An acyclic connected graph is called *tree*.

A *dominating set* in a graph G is a subset of vertices of G such that every vertex outside the subset has a neighbour in it. The size of a minimum dominating set in a graph G is called the *domination number* of G and is denoted $\gamma(G)$ (See [6]). A *monophonic domination set* of G is a sub set of $V(G)$ which is both monophonic and dominating set of G . The minimum cardinality of a monophonic domination set is denoted by $\gamma_m(G)$. An *edge monophonic set* of G is a subset $M \subset V(G)$ such that every edge of G is contained in a monophonic path joining some vertices of M . The minimum cardinality among all the edge monophonic sets of G is called *edge monophonic number* and is denoted by $m_e(G)$. (See [3] and [8]).

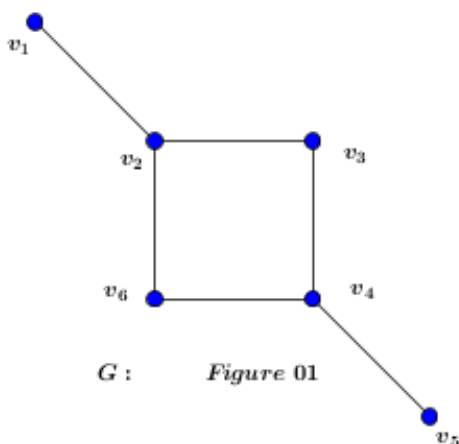
A set of vertices of G is said to be *edge monophonic domination set* or EMD set if it is both edge monophonic set and a domination set of G . The minimum cardinality among all the EMD sets of G is called *edge monophonic domination number* and is denoted by $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G)$. If G is a connected graph of order $n \geq 3$ and G contains exactly one universal vertex, then $m_e(G) = n - 1$. (See [1])

The *Petersen graph* is a 3-regular graph of order 10. A *caterpillar* is a tree of order 3 or more, the removal of whose end-vertices produce a path called *spine*. The graph $C_4 \times K_2$ is denoted by Q_3 and is called *3-cube graph*. More generally, we define Q_1 to K_2 and for $n \geq 2$, define Q_n to be $Q_{n-1} \times K_2$ and are called *n-cubes* or *hyper cubes*. The *Greenwood-Gleason graph* is a 16 vertex graph with 40 edges which is a 5-regular graph and Hamiltonian. It is also vertex-transitive and edge-transitive with girth 4. A vertex v is a *universal vertex* of a graph G if $\deg(v) = n - 1$.

2. CONNECTED EDGE MONOPHONIC DOMINATION NUMBER OF GRAPHS

2.1 Definition: A set M of vertices of a graph G is *connected edge monophonic domination set* (abbreviated as CEMD set) if it is (i) an edge monophonic set of G (ii) a domination set of G and (iii) the induced sub graph of M , $\langle M \rangle$ is connected. The minimum cardinality among all the CEMD set of G is called CEMD number and is denoted by $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G)$.

2.2 Example: Consider the graph given in Figure 01



$$\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = \begin{cases} 2, & \text{if } m = n = 1 \\ n, & \text{if } n \geq 2, m = 1 \\ \min\{m, n\} + 1, & \text{if } m, n \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Proof: Case (i) is trivial. Here the graph is K_2 . Case (ii). Here the graph is a tree. Every vertex is either an extreme vertex or a cut vertex. For case (iii) take $X = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$, $Y = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$ be a partition of G . Assume $m \leq n$. Consider $D = X$. Then D is a minimum edge monophonic set (By Theorem 2.11 of [1]). But its induced sub graph is not connected. Take $M = D \cup \{y_i\}$ for $1 \leq i \leq n$. Then C is a minimum CEMD set. There for $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = |M| = m + 1 = \min\{m, n\} + 1$.

Here $M_1 = \{v_1, v_5\}$ is an edge monophonic set, $M_2 = \{v_1, v_2, v_5\}$ is an edge monophonic domination set and $M_3 = \{v_1, v_2, v_4, v_5, v_6\}$ is a minimum CEMD set. Therefore $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = 5$.

2.10 Theorem: For cycle graph C_n , $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(C_n) = n - 2$, for $n \geq 5$.

2.3 Theorem: Let G be a connected graph. Then $2 \leq \gamma_{m_e}(G) \leq \gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) \leq n$.

Proof: Take any consecutive $n - 2$ vertices in C_n . These vertices dominates C_n . Also that set is a connected edge monophonic set. Therefore $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) \leq n - 2$. Now if the vertices are not consecutive it is not connected. Any $n - 3$ or less consecutive vertices not dominate C_n . Thus $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) \geq n - 2$.

Proof: Since any monophonic set contains at least two vertices, $2 \leq \gamma_{m_e}(G)$. Again, every CEMD set is an edge monophonic domination set, $\gamma_{m_e}(G) \leq \gamma_{m_{ce}}(G)$. Since the set of all vertices of G is always a CEMD set, $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) \leq n$.

2.11 Theorem: Each cut-vertex of a connected graph belongs to every CEMD set of G .

2.4 Remark: The bounds in Theorem 2.3 are sharp. In the example given in figure 01, $n = 6$, $\gamma_{m_e}(G) = 3$, $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = 5$.

Proof: By theorem 2.7 of [9], each cut vertex of a connected graph G belongs to every minimum connected edge monophonic set of G . Since every CEMD set is an edge monophonic set, the result follows.

2.5 Theorem: For any connected graph of order n , $2 \leq m_{ce}(G) \leq \gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) \leq n$.

2.12 Theorem: For any non-trivial tree T of order n , $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = n$.

Proof: Every connected edge monophonic set has at least two vertices. Also, every CEMD set is a connected edge monophonic set.

Proof: Since every vertex of T is either a cut vertex or an end vertex, the result follows from Theorem 2.11 and corollary 2.6.1.

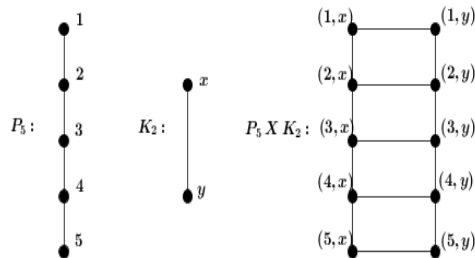
2.6 Theorem: Each extreme vertex belongs to every CEMD set.

2.13 Example: Let G be the Cartesian product of two graphs P_n and K_2 . That is $G = P_n \times K_2$. Then $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = n$ for $n \geq 4$.

Proof: Since each extreme vertex belongs to every monophonic set (see Theorem 2.3 [10]), these extreme vertices also belongs to every CEMD set.

Proof: Let $P_n = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ and $K_2 = \{x, y\}$. Then the set $M = \{(v_1, x), (v_2, x) \dots (v_n, x)\}$ is a minimum CEMD set. Therefore $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = n$.

2.6.1 Corollary: Each end vertices of a connected graph G belongs to every CEMD set. This is due to end vertices are also extreme vertices.



2.7 Theorem: Each semi- extreme vertex belongs to every CEMD set.

Figure 02 ; Cartesian product to two graphs

Proof: Each semi extreme vertex belongs to every connected edge monophonic set of G (see Theorem 2.4[9]). Also every CEMD set is connected edge monophonic set, the result follows.

3 CEMD NUMBER OF SOME STANDERD GRAPHS

2.8 Theorem: For complete graph K_p , $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = p$.

3.1 Peterson Graph:

Proof: In a complete graph G every vertex is an extreme vertex and results follows from theorem 2.6

Consider the Peterson graph G given in Figure 03. Here monophonic number, $m(G) = 2$. Edge monophonic number $m_e(G) = 3$. Monophonic domination number $\gamma_m(G) = 3$. Edge monophonic domination number $\gamma_{m_e}(G) = 3$. CEMD

2.9 Theorem: For complete bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$

number $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = 5$. The set $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, v_5\}$ is a minimum CEMD set.

3.2 Caterpillar Graph:

If G is a caterpillar graph of n vertices then $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = n$. (See the Figure 04). Every vertices of caterpillar is either a cut vertex or an end vertex. The result follows from the theorem 2.12.

3.3 Hyper cube graphs:

Consider the 3-cube graph $G = C_4 \times K_2$ given figure 05. $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = 4$. For a hyper cube graph Q_n , $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(Q_n) = 2^{n-1}$ for $n \geq 3$

3.4 The Greenwood-Gleason graph:

This is a five-regular connected graph with CEMD number 5. In Figure 06, the set $\{v_6, v_7, v_8, v_9, v_{10}\}$ is a minimum CEMD set.

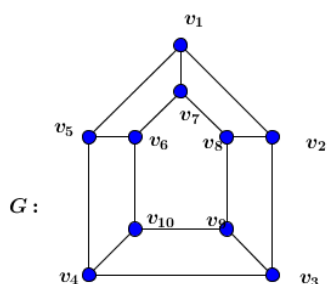


Figure 03 : Petersen graph

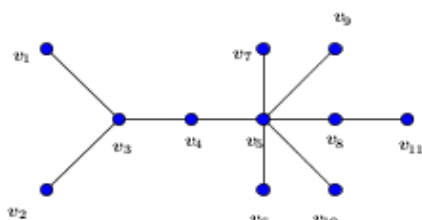


Figure 04 : Caterpillar graph

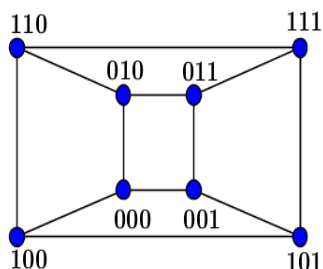


Figure 05 : 3-cube graph

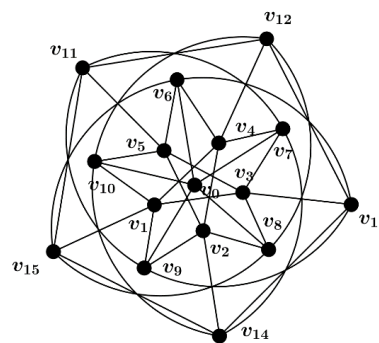


Figure 06 : The Greenwood-Gleason Graph

4 GENERALISATION RESULTS

4.1 Theorem: Let G be a connected graph. Then every vertex of G is either a cut vertex or a semi-extreme vertex of G if and only if $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = n$.

Proof: Since every cut vertex and semi extreme vertex belongs to every CEMD set, the necessary part is true. Conversely, let $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = n$. Suppose there exist a vertex p in G which is neither a cut vertex nor a semi-extreme vertex. Since p is not semi-extreme, the neighborhood of p , $N(p)$ does not induce a complete sub graph so that there exist two vertices x and y in $N(p)$ such that $d(x, y) = 2$. That is p lies on a $x - y$ monophonic path in G . Since p is not a cut vertex of G , $G - p$ is connected. Thus $V(G) - \{p\}$ is a connected edge monophonic set of G . Since every $n - 1$ vertices dominate $V(G)$, these vertices form a CEMD set which is a contradiction to the fact that $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = n$. Hence p is either a cut vertex or semi-extreme vertex.

4.2 Theorem: For every pair m, n of integers with $3 \leq m \leq n$, there exist a connected graph G of order n such that $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = m$.

Proof: Let $P_m: v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$ be a path of m vertices. Take $n - m$ new vertices x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-m} and join each x_i with v_1 and v_3 , we get the connected graph G (see the figure 07). Its order is $(n - m) + m = n$. Now let $D_1 = \{v_3, v_4, \dots, v_m\}$. All these vertices are cut vertices of G and belongs to minimum CEMD set. Thus $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) \geq m - 2$. Neither $D_1 \cup \{x_i\}$ nor $D_1 \cup \{v_2\}$ are EMD set and $D_1 \cup \{v_1\}$ is not connected. Thus $M = D_1 \cup \{v_1, v_2\}$ is a CEMD set and is minimum. Now $|M| = m - 2 + 2 = m$ as desired.

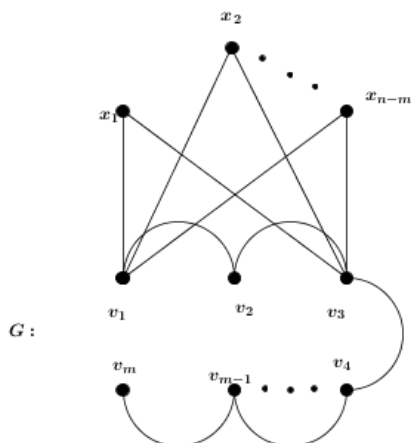


Figure 07

4.3 Theorem: Let G be a connected graph of order n . Then $\frac{n}{1+\Delta(G)} \leq \gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) \leq n$, where $\Delta(G)$ is the maximum degree of G .

Proof: First, for the connected graph G , the set of all vertices is a CEMD set. Therefore $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) \leq n$. Suppose $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = k$. Take $M = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ be a minimum CEMD set. Next, any vertex u_i dominate $1 + \deg(u_i)$ vertices for $1 \leq i \leq k$ and vertices of M dominate all n vertices of G . Therefore $n \leq \sum_{i=1}^k 1 + \deg v_i$. Now $\deg v_i \leq \Delta(G)$. Therefore $1 + \deg v_i \leq 1 + \Delta(G)$. That is $n \leq \sum_{i=1}^k 1 + \deg v_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^k 1 + \Delta(G) \leq k(1 + \Delta(G))$. Therefore $k \geq \frac{n}{1+\Delta(G)}$. Thus $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) \geq \frac{n}{1+\Delta(G)}$.

5. CONCLUSION

We can extend connected edge monophonic number to find upper connected EMD set, forcing connected EMD set and CEMD number of join of graphs, CEMD number of composition of graphs and CEMD hull number of graphs and so on. It has so many application in security of buildings and communication networks.

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4.4 Theorem: For any positive integer p, q, r with $p \leq q \leq r$ there exist a connected graph G such that $m(G) = p, m_e(G) = q$ and $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = r$.

Proof: Let G be the graph given in Figure 08, having a path $x_1, x_2, x_3 \dots x_{r-q+2}$ and by adding $q-2$ vertices $y_1, y_2 \dots y_{q-p}, z_1, z_2 \dots z_{p-2}$ with this path, and join each y_i with x_1 and x_3 and join each z_i with x_2 . Then $M = \{z_1, z_2 \dots z_{p-2}, x_1, x_{r-q+2}\}$ is a minimum monophonic set so that $m(G) = p$. Now $E = M \cup \{y_1, y_2 \dots y_{q-p}\}$ is a minimum edge monophonic set. Thus $m_e(G) = |E| = q$. Take $C = E \cup \{x_2, x_3 \dots x_{r-q+1}\}$. Clearly C is a CEMD set and is the minimum. Hence $\gamma_{m_{ce}}(G) = |C| = q + (r - q + 1) - 1 = r$.

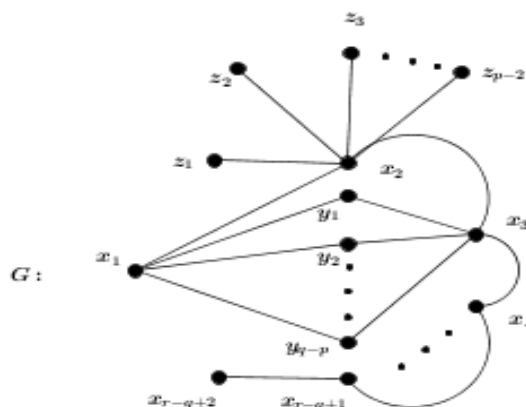


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