

THE CONNECTED RESTRAINED DETOUR EDGE MONOPHONIC DOMINATION NUMBER OF A GRAPH

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ABSTRACT- In this paper the concept of connected restrained detour edge monophonic domination number M of a graph G is introduced. For a connected graph $G = (V, E)$ of order at least two, a connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set M of a graph G is a detour edge monophonic dominating set such that either $M = V$ or the sub graph induced by $V - M$ has no isolated vertices. The minimum cardinality a minimal restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G is the minimal restrained detour edge monophonic domination number of G and is denoted by $\gamma_{demc_r}(G)$. We determine bounds for it and characterize graphs which realize these bounds. It is shown that If p, a, b, c and d are positive integers such that $3 \leq a \leq b \leq c \leq d \leq p - 2$, then there exists a connected graph G of order $p, dm(G) = a, \gamma_{dm}(G) = b, \gamma_{dm_r}(G) = c$ and $\gamma_{dmc_r}(G) = d$.

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I. INTRODUCTION

By a graph $G = (V, E)$ we mean a finite undirected connected graph without loops or multiple edges. The order and size of G are denoted by p and q , respectively. The neighborhood of a vertex v of G is the set $N(v)$ consisting of all vertices u which are adjacent with v . A vertex v of G is an extreme vertex if the sub graph induced by its neighborhood is complete. A vertex with degree one is called an end vertex. A vertex v of a connected graph G is called a support vertex of G if it is adjacent to an end vertex of G . A vertex v in a connected graph G is a cut vertex of G , if $G - v$ is disconnected. A chord of a path $u_1, u_2, u_3, \dots, u_k$ in G is an edge $u_i u_j$ with $j \geq i + 2$. A path P is called a monophonic path if it is a chordless path. A set M of vertices of G is a edge monophonic set of G if each vertex of G lies on a $u-v$ monophonic path for some u and v in M . The minimum cardinality of a edge monophonic set of G is the edge monophonic number of G and is denoted by $e(G)$. For a subset D of vertices, we call D a dominating set for each $x \in V(G) - D$, x is adjacent to at least one vertex of D . The domination number of D is the minimum cardinality of a dominating set of G and is denoted by $\gamma_m(G)$ [4]. A set of vertices M in G is called a monophonic dominating set if M is both edge monophonic set and a dominating set. The minimum cardinality of a edge monophonic dominating set of G is the edge monophonic domination number of G and is denoted by $\gamma_{em}(G)$ [5]. A longest $x - y$ monophonic path is called an $x - y$ detour monophonic path. A set M of a graph G is a detour edge monophonic set of G if each vertex v of G is lies on an $x - y$ detour monophonic path, for some x and y in M . The minimum cardinality of a detour edge monophonic set of G is the detour edge monophonic number of G and is denoted by $dem(G)$ [6]. A minimal restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G is a detour edge monophonic dominating set M such that either $M = V$ or the sub graph induced by $V - M$ has no isolated vertices. The minimum cardinality of a connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G is the connected restrained detour edge monophonic domination number of G and is denoted by $\gamma_{demc_r}(G)$.

Theorem 1.1. [6] Each extreme vertex of a connected graph G belongs to every detour monophonic set of G . Moreover, if the set M of all extreme vertices of G is a detour monophonic set, then M is the unique minimum detour monophonic set of G .

Theorem 1.2. [6] Let G be a connected graph with cut – vertex v and let M be a detour monophonic set of G . Then every component of $G - v$ contains an element of M .

Theorem 1.3. [3] No cut vertex of a connected graph G belongs to any minimum monophonic set of G .

Theorem 1.4. [5] Each extreme vertex of a connected graph G belongs to every monophonic dominating set of G .

II. THE CONNECTED RESTRAINED DETOUR EDGE MONOPHONIC DOMINATION NUMBER OF A GRAPH

Definition 2.1 A subset M of $V(G)$ is a connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set if (i) M is a detour edge monophonic set (ii) the induced subgraph $\langle M \rangle$ is connected (iii) the subgraph $V - M$ has no isolated vertices and (iv) M is a dominating set of G .

Definition 2.2 The connected restrained detour edge monophonic domination number is the minimum counting number with all the connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating sets and is denoted by $\gamma_{demc_r}(G)$.

Theorem 2.4 Each extreme vertex of a connected graph G belongs to every connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G .

Proof. Since every connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G is a restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G , it follows from Theorem 1.2.

Corollary 2.5 For the complete graph K_p ($p \geq 2$), $\gamma_{demc_r}(K_p) = p$.

Theorem 2.5 Let G be a connected graph with cut vertices and let M be a connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G . If v is a cutvertex of G , then every component of $G - v$ contains an element of M .

Proof. Since every connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G is a restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G , it follows from Theorem 1.2.

Theorem 2.6 Every cut vertex of a connected graph G belongs to every connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G .

Proof. Let v be any cutvertex of G and let G_1, G_2, \dots, G_r ($r \geq 2$) be the components of $G - v$. Let M be any connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G . Then by Theorem 2.5, M contains at least one element from each G_i ($1 \leq i \leq r$). Since $G[M]$ is connected, it follows that $v \in M$. For a cutvertex v in a connected graph G and a component H of $G - v$, the subgraph H and the vertex v together with all edges joining v and $V(H)$ is called a branch of G at v . Since every endblock B is a branch of G at some cut vertex, it follows from Theorem 2.5 that every minimum connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G contains at least one vertex from B that is not a cutvertex.

Corollary 2.7 For any nontrivial tree T of order p , $\gamma_{demc_r}(T) = p$.

Proof. It follows from Theorems 2.4 and 2.6.

Theorem 2.8 For any connected graph G of order $p \geq 2, 2 \leq \gamma_{demc_r}(G) \leq p$.

Proof. Since $V(G)$ is a connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G , it follows that $\gamma_{demc_r}(G) \leq p$. Also it is clear that $\gamma_{demc_r}(G) \geq 2$ and so $2 \leq \gamma_{demc_r}(G) \leq p$

Theorem 2.9 For a connected graph G of order $p \geq 2, 2 \leq \gamma_{dem_r}(G) \leq \gamma_{demc_r}(G) \leq p$.

Proof. Any restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set needs at least two vertices and so $\gamma_{dem_r}(G) \geq 2$. Since every connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G is also a restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G , it follows that $\gamma_{dem_r}(G) \leq \gamma_{demc_r}(G)$. Also, since $V(G)$ induces a connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G , it is clear that $\gamma_{demc_r}(G) \leq p$.

Theorem 2.10 For a connected graph G of order $p \geq 2, 2 \leq \gamma_{mec_r}(G) \leq \gamma_{demc_r}(G) \leq p$.

Proof. Any connected restrained edge monophonic dominating set needs at least two vertices and so $\gamma_{mec_r}(G) \geq 2$. Since every connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set is also a connected restrained edge monophonic dominating set, it follows that $\gamma_{mec_r}(G) \leq \gamma_{demc_r}(G)$. Also, since $V(G)$ induces a connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G , it is clear that $\gamma_{demc_r}(G) \leq p$.

Theorem 2.11 Let G be a connected graph of order $p \geq 2$. Then $G = K_2$ if and only if $\gamma_{demc_r}(G) = 2$.

Proof. If $G = K_2$, then $\gamma_{demc_r}(G) = 2$. Conversely, let $\gamma_{demc_r}(G) = 2$. Let $M = \{u, v\}$ be a minimum connected restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set of G . Then uv is an edge. If $G \neq K_2$, there exists a vertex w different from u and v . Then w can not lie on any $u - v$ restrained detour edge monophonic dominating path, so that M is not a restrained detour edge monophonic dominating set, which is a contradiction. Thus $G = K_2$.

Corollary 2.12 For the Wheel $C_p (p \geq 6), \gamma_{demc_r}(C_p) = 3$.

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