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#### Abstract

For a given $\chi$-colouring of a graph a Eccentric dominating set $S \subseteq V(G)$ is said to be Eccentric dom- Colouring set $\left(\gamma_{e d c}\right)$ if it contains atleast one vertex of each colour class of $G$. In this paper we establish Eccentric Dom- Chromatic Number of Graphs. In a particular, we investigate Eccentric dom- Chromatic number for star, Path.


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## 1. INTRODUCTION

In the article, all the terminologies from the graph theory are used in the case of Frank Haray. A simple Undirected graph without loops or Multiple edges are Considered here. As usual $p, q$ denote the number of vertices and edges of a graph $G$ respectively. A path on $p$ vertices is denoted by $P_{p}$.

## DEFINITION 1.1

A closed walk in which no vertices, except the end vertices, are repeated is called the cycle and the number of edges in a cycle is called its length.

## DEFINITION 1.2

A set $D \subseteq V(G)$ of vertices in a graph $G$ is a dominating set if every vertex $v$ in $V-D$ is adjacent to a vertex in $D$. The Minimium Cardinality of a dominating set of $G$ is called the domination number of $G$ and is denoted by $\gamma(G)$.

## DEFINITION 1.3

A set $D \subseteq V(G)$ is an eccentric dominating set if $D$ is a dominating set of $G$ and for every $v \in V-D$, there exists atleast one eccentric point of $v$ in $D$.

If $D$ is an eccentric dominating set, then every superset $D^{\prime} \supseteq D$ is also an eccentric dominating set. But $D^{\prime \prime} \subseteq D$ is not necessarily an eccentric dominating set.

A eccentric dominating set $D$ is a minimal eccentric dominating set if no proper subset $D^{\prime \prime} \subseteq D$ is an eccentric dominating set.

## DEFINITION 1.4

The eccentric domination number $\gamma_{e d}(G)$ of a graph $G$ equals the minimum Cardinality of an eccentric dominating set, That is, $\gamma_{e d}(G)=\min |D|$ where, the minimum is taken over $D$ in $D$, Where $D$ is the set of all Minimal eccentric dominating sets of $G$.

## DEFINITION 1.5

A coloring of a graph G is an assignment of colors to its vertices so that no two adjacent vertices have the same color. The set of all vertices with any one color is independent and is called a color class. A graph which uses $k$ - colours is called $k$ - colouring. The chromatic number $(G)$ is defined as the minimum $k$ for which G has a $k$-coloring.

## DEFINITION 1.6

For a given $\chi$-colouring of a graph $G$, a dominating set $S \subseteq V(G)$ is said to be domColouring set if it contains atleast one vertex of each colour class of $G$.

## Eccentric Domination Chromatic Number of Graphs

## DEFINITION

For a given $\chi$-colouring of a graph $G$, a Eccentric dominating set $S \subseteq V(G)$ is said to be Eccentric dom- Colouring set $\left(\gamma_{e d c}\right)$ if it contains atleast one vertex of each colour class of $G$.

## Theorem 1.1

For all Star graphs $G$ denoted by $K_{1 . p}, p \geq 1$
i) $\quad \gamma_{e d c}=2$
ii) $\quad \gamma(G) \neq \gamma_{e d c}(G)$
iii) $\quad \gamma_{e d c}(G)=\gamma_{e d c}(G)$.

## Proof:

Let $G$ be any Star graph $K_{1 . p}, p \geq 1$. Label the vertices of the partite sets $v_{1}$ to indicate that they are a part of the first partite set and $\left\{v_{2}, v_{3} \ldots v_{p}\right\}$ to indicate that they are a part of the second partite set. The minimum dominating set $D$ of $G$ is $\left\{v_{1}\right\}$. That is $D=\left\{v_{1}\right\}$. Therefore $\gamma\left(K_{1 . p}\right)=1$. But $D$ is not a eccentric dominating set. Therefore it is necessary to add another vertex from the other partite set. Hence $D=\left\{v_{1}, v_{i}\right\}, i \geq 2$ is the minimum eccentric dominating set and also contains atleast one vertex from each colour class. Thus $\gamma_{\text {edc }}\left(K_{1 . p}\right)=$ 2. Since $\gamma\left(K_{1 . p}\right)=1$ and $\gamma_{e d c}\left(K_{1 . p}\right)=2$. Therefore $\gamma(G) \neq \gamma_{e d c}(G)$. The minimum eccentric dominating set $D$ of $G$ is $\left\{v_{1}, v_{2}\right\}$. Thus $\gamma_{e d c}\left(K_{1 . p}\right)=2$. We have $\gamma_{e d c}\left(K_{1 . p}\right)=$ $\gamma_{e d c}\left(K_{1 . p}\right)=2$.

## Theorem 1.2

For any path $P_{p}$ with $p \geq 3$ vertices
$\gamma_{e d c}\left(P_{p}\right)=\left\lceil\frac{p}{3}\right\rceil$, if $p=3 k+1$
$\gamma_{e d c}\left(P_{p}\right)=\left\lceil\frac{p}{3}\right\rceil+1$, if $p=3 k$ or $p=3 k+2$

## Proof:

Case i) $p=3 k$
Let $v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3}, \ldots, v_{n}$ represent the path $P_{p} . D=\left\{v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3}, \ldots, v_{3 k-1}\right\}$ is the minimum domination set of $P_{p}$, but not an eccentric dominating set.
$D_{1}=\left\{v_{1}, v_{4}, v_{7}, \ldots . v_{3 k-2}, v_{3 k}\right\}$ is the minimum eccentric dominating set and it contains at least one vertex from each class colour.

Hence $\gamma_{e d c}\left(P_{3 k}\right)=\gamma_{e d c}\left(P_{3 k}\right)$

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=\left\lceil\frac{p}{3}\right\rceil+1
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Case ii) $p=3 k+1$
Let $D=\left\{v_{1}, v_{4}, v_{7} \ldots . v_{3 k-2}, v_{3 k+1}\right\}$ is the minimum domination set and minimum eccentric dominating set in $P_{p}$ and also it contains atleast one vertex from each class colour.

Hence $\gamma_{e d c}\left(P_{p}\right)=\gamma_{e d c}\left(P_{p}\right)=\gamma\left(P_{p}\right)=\left\lceil\frac{p}{3}\right\rceil$
Case iii) $p=3 k+2$

Let $D=\left\{v_{1}, v_{5}, v_{8}, \ldots, v_{3 k+2}\right\}$ is the minimum eccentric dominating set and also it contains at least one vertex from each class colour.

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\text { Therefore } \begin{aligned}
\gamma_{e d c}\left(P_{p}\right) & =\gamma_{e d c}\left(P_{p}\right) \\
& =\left\lceil\frac{p}{3}\right\rceil+1
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