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# STRONG DOMINATION IN PERMUTATION

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ABSTRACT. Adin and Roichman introduced the concept of permutation graphs and Peter Keevash, Po-Shen Loh and Benny Sudakov identified some permutation graphs with maximum number of edges. Charles J Colbourn, Lorna K.Stewart characterized the connected domination and Steiner Trees under the Permutation graphs. If i, j belong to a permutation  $\pi$  on p symbols  $A = \{1, 2, p\}$  and i < j then the line of i crosses the line of j in the permutation if i appears after j in the image sequence  $s(\pi)$  and if the no. of crossing lines of i is less than the no. of crossing lines of j then i strongly dominates j. A subset D of A, whose closed neighborhood is A in  $\pi$  is a dominating set of  $\pi$ . D is a strong dominating set of  $\pi$  if every i in A - D is strongly dominated by some j in D. In this paper the strong number of a permutation is investigated by means of crossing lines.

#### 1. Permutation Graphs

DEFINITION 1.1. Let  $\pi$  be a permutation on a finite set  $A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_p\}$ given by  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_p \\ a'_1 & a'_2 & a'_3 & \dots & a'_p \end{pmatrix}$  where  $|a_{i+1} - a_i| = c, c > 0, 0 < i \le p-1$ . The sequence of  $\pi$  is given by  $s(\pi) = \{a'_1, a'_2, a'_3, \dots, a'_p\}$ .

When elements of A are ordered in  $L_1$  and the sequence of  $\pi$  are represented in  $L_2$ , then a line joining  $a_i$  in  $L_1$  and  $a_i$  in  $L_2$  is represented by  $l_i$ . This is known as line representation of  $a_i$  in  $\pi$ .

EXAMPLE 1.1. Let  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then the line  $l_1$  crosses  $l_3$  and  $l_5$ ;  $l_2$  crosses  $l_3$ ,  $l_4$  and  $l_5$ ;  $l_3$  crosses  $l_1$  and  $l_2$ ;  $l_4$ 

crosses  $l_2$  and  $l_5$ ;  $l_5$  crosses  $l_1$ ,  $l_2$  and  $l_4$ .

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DEFINITION 1.2. Let  $a_i, a_j \in A$ . Then the residue of  $a_i$  and  $a_j$  in  $\pi$  is denoted by  $\operatorname{Res}(a_i, a_j)$  and is given by  $(a_i - a_j)(\pi^{-1}(a_i) - \pi^{-1}(a_j))$ .

DEFINITION 1.3. Let  $l_i$  and  $l_j$  denote the lines corresponding to the elements  $a_i$  and  $a_j$  respectively. Then  $l_i$  crosses  $l_j$  if Res  $(a_i, a_j) < 0$ . If  $l_i$  crosses  $l_j$  then  $(a_i, a_j) \in E_{\pi}$ .

DEFINITION 1.4. Let  $\pi$  be a permutation on a finite set  $A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_p\}$ given by  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_p \\ a'_1 & a'_2 & a'_3 & \dots & a'_p \end{pmatrix}$  where  $|a_{i+1} - a_i| = c, c > 0, 0 < i \leq p-1$ . Then the  $\pi$ -Permutation Graph  $G_{\pi}$  is given by  $G_{\pi} = (V_{\pi}, E_{\pi})$  where  $V_{\pi} = \{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_p\}$  and  $a_i a_j \in E_{\pi}$ , if  $\operatorname{Res}(a_i, a_j) < 0$ .

LEMMA 1.1. Let  $\pi$  be a permutation on a finite set  $A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, ..., a_p\}$  given by  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \cdots & a_p \\ a'_1 & a'_2 & a'_3 & \cdots & a'_p \end{pmatrix}$  where  $|a_{i+1} - a_i| = c, c > 0, 0 < i \leq p-1$ . Then there exists a 1-1 correspondence between crossing of lines in  $\pi$  and elements of  $E_{\pi}$ .

PROOF. Let there be  $a_i$ ,  $a_j \in A$  such that  $l_i$  intersects  $l_j$  in  $\pi$ . Let us assume  $a_i < a_j$ . (i.e)  $a_i - a_j < 0$ . As  $l_i$  intersects  $l_j$ , then  $a_j$  appears before  $a_i$  in  $s(\pi)$ . (i.e)  $(\pi^{-1}(a_i) - \pi^{-1}(a_j)) > 0$ . Hence Res  $(a_i, a_j) < 0$  which implies  $a_i a_j \in E_{\pi}$ .

Conversely let  $a_i a_j \in E_{\pi}$ . (i.e) Res  $(a_i, a_j) < 0$ . By assumption  $a_i - a_j < 0$ . Hence  $(\pi^{-1}(a_i) - \pi^{-1}(a_j)) > 0$  (i.e)  $a_j$  appears before  $a_i$  in  $s(\pi)$ . Hence  $l_i$  intersects  $l_j$ .  $\Box$ 

LEMMA 1.2. Let  $\pi$  be a permutation on a finite set  $A = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, ..., a_p\}$ , where  $|a_{i+1} - a_i| = c, c > 0, 0 < i \leq p - 1$ . Then  $Res(a_i, a_j) = Res(a_j, a_i)$ .

PROOF. Let  $a_i - a_j = \text{mk}, m \neq 0$ . Let  $\pi^{-1}(a_i) = a_r$  and  $\pi^{-1}(a_j) = a_s$ . Then  $a_r - a_s = \text{nk}, n \neq 0$ . Res  $(a_i, a_j) = (a_i - a_j)(\pi^{-1}(a_i) - \pi^{-1}(a_j)) = \text{mk nk} = \text{mn } k^2$ . Res  $(a_j, a_i) = (a_j - a_i)(\pi^{-1}(a_j) - \pi^{-1}(a_i)) = (-n)\text{k } (-m)\text{k} = \text{mn } k^2$ . Hence Res  $(a_i, a_j) = \text{Res } (a_j, a_i)$ .

DEFINITION 1.5. [1] A graph G is a permutation graph if there exists  $\pi$  such that  $G_{\pi} \cong G$ . (i.e) a graph is a permutation graph if it is realisable by a permutation  $\pi$ . Otherwise it is not a permutation graph.

EXAMPLE 1.2. Let  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $G_{\pi} = (V_{\pi}, E_{\pi})$  where  $V_{\pi} = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$  and  $E_{\pi} = \{(1, 3), (1, 5), (2, 3), (2, 4), (2, 5), (4, 5)\}$ .

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Note 1: [3]  $C_n$ ,  $n \ge 5$  are not realisable by means of permutations.

DEFINITION 1.6. The neighbourhood of  $a_i$  in  $\pi$  is a set of all elements of  $\pi$  whose lines cross the line of  $a_i$  and is denoted by  $N_{\pi}(a_i)$ , equal to  $\{a_r \in \pi/l_i \text{ crosses } l_r \text{ in } \pi\}$  and  $d(a_i) = |N_{\pi}(a_i)|$  is the number of lines that cross  $l_i$  in  $\pi$ .

DEFINITION 1.7.  $N_{\pi}(S)$ , neighbourhood of a subset S of V in  $\pi = \bigcup_{a_i \in S} N_{\pi}(a_i)$ = set of all elements of  $\pi$  whose lines cross the lines of all  $a_i \in S$ .

The closed neighbourhood of a subset S of V in  $\pi$  is  $N_{\pi}[S] = N_{\pi}(S) \cup S$ .

The neighbourhood of  $a_i$  in S is a set of all elements of S whose lines cross the line of  $a_i$  and is denoted by  $N_S(a_i)$ , equal to  $\{a_r \in S/l_i \text{ crosses } l_r \text{ in } S\}$ 

DEFINITION 1.8. Let A be a subset of V. Then  $\langle A \rangle = \bigcup_{a_i \in A} N_A(a_i) = \{a_i \in A/l_i \text{ crosses } l_j, a_j \in A\}$ . If  $\langle A \rangle = \phi$  then we say that A has trivial crossing. (i.e) for  $a_r, a_s$  in A,  $l_r, l_s$  do not cross in  $\pi$ .

EXAMPLE 1.3. Let  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 \\ 3 & 5 & 1 & 4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Here  $V = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5\}$ ,  $N_{\pi}(1) = \{3, 5\}$ ;  $N_{\pi}(2) = \{3, 4, 5\}$ ;  $N_{\pi}(3) = \{1, 2\}$ ;  $N_{\pi}(4) = \{2, 5\}$ ;  $N_{\pi}(5) = \{1, 2, 4\}$ . Let  $S = \{4, 5\}$ . Then  $N_{\pi}(S) = \{1, 2, 4, 5\}$ .  $N_{S}(4) = \{5\}$  and  $\langle S \rangle = \{4, 5\}$  Let  $A = \{1, 2\}$ . Then  $\langle A \rangle = \phi$  and  $N_{\pi}[A] = V$ .

## 2. Domination of a Permutation

DEFINITION 2.1. Let  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \cdots & a_p \\ a'_1 & a'_2 & a'_3 & \cdots & a'_p \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $a_i$  is said to dominate  $a_j$  if  $l_i$  and  $l_j$  cross each other in  $\pi$  (may also be trivial). (If it is trivial, then  $a_i$  dominates  $a_i$  and  $a_j$  dominates  $a_j$  itself.)

DEFINITION 2.2. The subset D of V=  $\{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_p\}$  in  $\pi$  is said to be a dominating set of  $\pi$  if  $N_{\pi}[D] = V$ . V =  $\{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_p\}$  is always a dominating set.

DEFINITION 2.3. The subset D of  $\{a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_p\}$  is said to be a minimal dominating set of  $\pi$ , MDS $(\pi)$ , if  $D - \{a_j\}$  is not a dominating set of  $\pi$  for all  $a_j \in D$ . That is D is 1-minimal.

DEFINITION 2.4. [2] The domination number of a permutation  $\pi$  is the minimum cardinality of a set of all MDS( $\pi$ ) and is denoted by  $\gamma(\pi)$ . EXAMPLE 2.1. Let  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 2 & 3 & 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Then  $G_{\pi} = (V_{\pi}, E_{\pi})$  where  $V_{\pi} = \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$  and  $E_{\pi} = \{(1, 2), (1, 3), (1, 4)\}.$ 



Here  $D_1 = \{1\}$  and  $D_2 = \{2, 3, 4\}$ . Both  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are minimal dominating sets of  $\pi$ .

THEOREM 2.1. [3] The domination number of a permutation  $\pi$  is  $\gamma(\pi) = \gamma(G_{\pi})$ , the minimum cardinality of the minimal dominating sets of  $G_{\pi}$ .

### 3. Strong Domination Number of a Permutation

DEFINITION 3.1. Let  $\operatorname{Res}(a_i, a_j) < 0$  and let  $d(a_i) \ge d(a_j)$  then we say  $a_i$  strongly dominates  $a_j$  and  $a_j$  weakly dominates  $a_i$ .

DEFINITION 3.2. A subset D of V( $\pi$ ) is said to be a strong dominating set of  $\pi$  if  $N_{\pi}[D] = V(\pi)$  and  $d(a_i) \ge d(a_j)$  such that for atleast one  $a_i \in D$ ,  $a_j \in V(\pi) - D$ , Res  $(a_i, a_j) < 0$ .

DEFINITION 3.3. The subset D of  $V(\pi)$  is said to be a minimal strong dominating set D,  $MSDS(\pi)$ , if  $D - \{a_j\}$  is not a strong dominating set of  $\pi$  for all  $a_j \in D$ .

DEFINITION 3.4. The strong domination number of  $\pi$ , is denoted by  $\gamma_s(\pi)$  which is the minimum cardinality of all minimal strong dominating sets of  $\pi$ .

THEOREM 3.1. The strong domination number of a permutation  $\pi$  is  $\gamma_s(\pi) = \gamma_s(G_{\pi})$ , the minimum cardinality of the minimal strong dominating sets (MSDS) of  $G_{\pi}$ .

PROOF. Let  $\pi$  be a permutation on a finite set  $V = \{a_1, a_2, a_3, ..., a_p\}$  given by  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & \dots & a_p \\ a'_1 & a'_2 & a'_3 & \dots & a'_p \end{pmatrix}$ . Let  $G_{\pi} = (V_{\pi}, E_{\pi})$  where  $V_{\pi} = V$  and  $a_i a_j \in E_{\pi}$ , if  $Res(a_i, a_j) < 0$ . Let  $a_i \in V$  such that  $d(a_i) = \max \{d(a_j)/a_j \in V\}$ . Then  $D = \{a_i\}$  and let  $T = N_{\pi}(a_i)$ . Let  $V_1 = V - (D \cup T)$ . If there exists only one such  $a_i$  and if  $V_1 = \phi$ , then D is  $MSDS(\pi)$ . If  $V_1 \neq \phi$ , and  $< V_1 >= \phi$  then  $D_1 = D \cup V_1$  is a  $MSDS(\pi)$ . If  $V_1 \neq \phi$ , and  $< V_1 >= \phi$  then choose  $a_r \in V - D$  such that  $d(a_r) = \max \{d(a_i)/a_i \in V_1\}$ . If  $d(a_r) > d(a_i) \forall a_i \in N_{\pi}(a_r)$  then  $D_1 = D \cup \{a_r\}$  and  $T_1 = N_{\pi}(a_r)$  and  $V_2 = V_1 - (D_1 \cup T_1)$ 

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Otherwise choose  $a_t \in N_{\pi}(a_r)$  such that  $d(a_t) = max\{d(a_i)/a_i \in N_{\pi}(a_r)\}$ . Now  $D_1 = D \cup \{a_t\}$  and  $T_1 = N_{\pi}(a_t)$  and  $V_2 = V_1 - (D_1 \cup T_1)$ . If  $V_2 = \phi$ , then  $D_1$  is MSDS( $\pi$ ).

If  $V_2 \neq \phi$ , and  $\langle V_2 \rangle_{\pi} = \phi$  then  $D_2 = D_1 \cup V_1$  is a  $MSDS(\pi)$ .

If  $V_2 \neq \phi$ , and  $\langle V_2 \rangle_{\pi} \neq \phi$ , then proceed as before to obtain a MSDS. If there are more than one  $a_i$  such  $d(a_i)$  is max then by applying the same procedure to all  $a_{r_1}, a_{r_2}, \cdots, a_{r_m}$  where  $0 \leq r_1, r_2, \cdots, r_m \leq n$  all  $MSDS(\pi)$  are obtained. V is finite and no. of subsets of  $E_{\pi}$  is finite. Hence within  $2^n$  approaches all minimal strong dominating sets including minimum strong dominating set are produced. The minimum cardinality of the sets in all  $MSDS(\pi)$  is the strong domination number of  $\pi$  which is  $\gamma_s(\pi)$ . So calculation of  $\gamma_s(\pi)$  is of polynomial time. Hence by Lemma 2. 1,  $\gamma_s(\pi) = \gamma_s(G_{\pi})$ .

EXAMPLE 3.1. Let  $\pi = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8 \\ 5 & 2 & 7 & 1 & 8 & 3 & 6 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ . Here  $D_1 = \{4, 5\}$  and  $D_2 = \{1, 4, 7\}$ .

Here  $D_1 = \{4, 5\}$  and  $D_2 = \{1, 4, 7\}$ . Both  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are minimal strong dominating sets.  $\gamma_s(\pi) = \gamma_s(G_\pi) = 2$ .



**Note 2:** If either  $\pi(a_1) = a_p$  or  $\pi(a_p) = a_1$ , then  $l_1$  crosses all  $l_i$ ,  $1 < i \leq p$ , or  $l_p$  crosses all  $l_j$ ,  $1 \leq i < p$ . In both cases  $G_{\pi}$  has at least one full degree vertex. Hence  $\gamma_s(\pi) = \gamma_s(G_{\pi}) = 1$ .

Note 3: An example for a permutation graph for which  $\gamma_s(\pi) = \gamma_s(G_{\pi}) = i(G_{\pi})$  is  $C_4$  and  $K_{2,r}$ , r-finite.

## 4. Conclusion

The permutation graphs in terms of crossing of lines and the sequence of permutations were defined and methods of arriving at a dominating set in permutations were discussed by us. The procedure was extended to find a strong dominating set in a permutation graph in this paper. Similarly independent dominating set, minimal independent dominating set and independent domination number of a permutation,  $i(\pi)$ , can be defined. Hence the domination number, strong domination number and independent domination number of the permutations realising a some standard graphs were found by means of crossing of lines.

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