## **CO-REGULAR SPLIT DOMINATION IN GRAPHS**

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**ABSTRACT:** In this paper, we introduce the new concept in domination theory. A dominating set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  is a coregular split dominating set if the induced subgraph < V - D > is regular and disconnected. The minimum cardinality of such a set is called a coregular split domination number and is denoted by  $\gamma_{crs}(G)$ . Also we study the graph theoretic property of  $\gamma_{crs}(G)$  and many bounds were obtained interms of G and its relationship with other domination parameters were found.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

All graphs considered here are simple and without isolated vertices. Let G = (V, E) be a graph with |V| = P and |E| = q. We denote  $\langle V - D \rangle$  to denote the subgraph induced by the set of vertices of D and N(v) and N[v] denote the open and closed neighborhood of a vertex v, respectively. Let  $\deg(v)$  be the degree of a vertex v and as usual  $\delta(G)$  the minimum degree and  $\Delta(G)$  maximum degree. In general we follow the notation and terminology of Harary [2].

A vertex cover in a graph G is a set of vertices that covers all the edges of G. The vertex covering number  $\propto_O(G)$  is a minimum cardinality of a vertex cover in G. An edge cover of a graph G without isolated vertices is a set of edges of G that covers all the vertices of G. The edge covering number  $\alpha_1(G)$  is a minimum cardinality of a edge cover in G.

A line graph L(G) is the graph whose vertices corresponds to the edges of G and two vertices in L(G) are adjacent if and only if the corresponding edges in G are adjacent.

A block graph B(G) is the graph whose set of vertices is the union of set of blocks of G in which two vertices are adjacent if and only if the corresponding blocks of G are adjacent.

A graph is r-regular when all its vertices have degree r, namely  $\triangle(G) = \delta(G) = r$ . We begine with standard definitions from domination theory.

A set  $D \subseteq V$  is a dominating set of G if for every vertex  $v \in V - D$ , there exists a vertex  $u \in D$  such that v and u are adjacent. The minimum cardinality of a dominating set in G is the domination number and denoted by  $\gamma(G)$ . For comprehensive work on the subject has been done in [3].

A dominating set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  of a graph G = (V, E) is called a connected dominating set if the induced subgraph < D > is connected. The connected domination number  $\gamma_c(G)$  of G is the minimum cardinality of a connected dominating set of G see [4].

A dominating set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  is a total dominating set of a graph G if the induced graph G does not contain an isolated vertex. The total domination number  $\gamma_t(G)$  of G is the minimum cardinality of a total dominating set of G. The total domination in graph was introduced by Cockayne et al.[1] in 1980.

A dominating set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  is a cotatal dominating set if the induced subgraph  $\langle V - D \rangle$  has no isolated vertices. The cototal domination number  $\gamma_{ct}(G)$  of G is the minimum cardinality of cototal dominating set of G.

A dominating set D of G is called split dominating set if the induced subgraph  $\langle V - D \rangle$  is disconnected. The split domination number is  $\gamma_s(G)$  of a graph G is the minimum cardinality of a split dominating set of G.

A dominating set D of G is called strong split dominating set of G if (V - D) is totally disconnected with at least two vertices. The strong split domination number  $\gamma_{ss}(G)$  of a graph G is the minimum cardinality of a strong split dominating set of G[5].

A dominating set D of G is a global dominating set if it is also dominating set of  $\bar{G}$ . A minimal cardinality of global dominating set is the global domination number and is denoted by  $\gamma_g(G)$ [7].

A dominating set D of L(G) is a global dominating set if it is also dominating set of L(G). A minimal cardinality of D is a global domination number of L(G) and denoted by  $\gamma_{gl}(G)$  see[6].

## 2. RESULTS

We develope the following results for some standard graphs.

**Theorem 1: a**] For any path  $p_p$  with  $p \ge 2$  vertices,

$$\gamma_{crs}(p_p) = \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor.$$

**b**] For any star  $k_{1,p}$  with  $p \ge 2$  vertices,

$$\gamma_{crs}(k_{1,p}) = 1.$$

**Theorem 2:** For any connected (p, q) graph G with  $p \ge 3$ , then

$$\gamma_{crs}(G) + \gamma(G) \leq p$$
.

**Proof:** Let  $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V(G)$  be the set of all non end vertices in G. The  $V'_1 \subseteq V_1$  forms a  $\gamma - set$  of G. Let  $V_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq V_1$  where every  $v_i \in V_2$  is adjacent to end vertices. Further  $V_3 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq V_1$  be the set of vertices with maximum degree. Suppose  $\langle V(G) - V_2 \cup V_3 \rangle$  is disconnected and  $\forall v_i \in [V(G) - \{V_2 \cup V_3\}]$  has same degree  $\langle V_2 \cup V_3 \rangle$  forms a  $\gamma_{crs} - set$ . Otherwise there exists a set  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  of vertices which are neighbors of some vertices in  $V_3$ . Now  $\langle V(G) - V_2 \cup V_3 \cup A \rangle$  is disconnected with isolated vertices of cardinality at least two. Then  $|V_2 \cup V_3 \cup A| + |V_1| \leq V(G)$ , which gives  $\gamma_{crs}(G) + \gamma(G) \leq p$ .

The following result gives an upper bounds for  $\gamma_{crs}(G)$  in terms of  $\gamma_c$  and  $\gamma_t$  of G.

**Theorem 3:** For any connected (p, q) graph G with  $\geq 3$ , then

$$\gamma_{crs}(G) \le \gamma_c + \gamma_t$$
 and  $G \ne W_p$   $(P > 5)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  be the vertex set of G. Now for the graph  $G \neq W_p$  with  $p \geq 4$ , suppose  $p \leq 4$  the  $\gamma_c + \gamma_t = 3 = \gamma_{crs}(G)$  and result holds. Further if P > 5,  $|\gamma_c + \gamma_t| = 3$  and  $\gamma_{crs}[W_p] = \frac{p}{2} + 1 > |\gamma_c + \gamma_t|$ . Hence  $G \neq W_p$  with P > 5. Now let  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V(G)$  suppose for every  $v \in \{V(G) - A\}$  is adjacent to at least one vertex of A. If A > 0 has no isolated vertices then A itself is a total dominating set of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all end vertices in  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all end vertices in  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all end vertices such that  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all end vertices such that  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all end vertices such that  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all nonend vertices in  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all nonend vertices in  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all nonend vertices. Since the exists a minimal connected dominating set of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all nonend vertices suppose there exists a minimal dominating set  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all nonend vertices suppose there exists a minimal dominating set  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all nonend vertices suppose there exists a minimal dominating set  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all nonend vertices of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  such that the distance between the two vertices of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and the vertices of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and the vertices of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and the vertices of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and the vertices of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and the vertices of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and the vertices of  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and the vertices of

Now the next theorem gives lower bound on the coregular split domination number of graph (G).

**Theorem 4:** For any connected (p,q) graph G with  $p \ge 3$ , then

$$\gamma_{crs}(G) \ge \gamma_{al}(G) - 1.$$

**Proof:** Let  $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  be the set of edges in G. Now consider  $E_1 = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k\} \subseteq E(G)$  be the set of edges with maximum edge degree and  $E_2 = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_j\} \subseteq E(G)$  be the set of edges with minimum edge degree. Suppose  $E'_1 \subseteq E_1$  and  $E'_2 \subseteq E_2 \ \forall \ v \in [V[L(G)] - \{E'_1 \cup E'_2\}]$  is adjacent to at least one vertex of  $\{E'_1 \cup E'_2\}$  and  $\{\overline{E'_1 \cup E'_2}\}$ . Since each edge of G is a vertex in G, then  $\{E'_1 \cup E'_2\}$  is a global dominating set of G. Further let G is a vertex in G is the set of vertices in G, such that G is regular and which gives more than one component. Then G

forms a minimal coregular split dominating set of G. Thus  $|D| \ge |E'_1 \cup |E'_2| - 1|$  hence  $\gamma_{crs}(G) \ge \gamma_{al}(G) - 1$ .

**Theorem 5:** For any connected (p, q) graph G with  $P \ge 3$ , then

$$\gamma_{crs}(G) \ge q - \propto_1 (G) + \gamma_q(G) - 1.$$

**Proof:** Let  $A = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_l\}$  be set of all nonend vertices in G. Let  $B_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq A$  be a set of vertices with maximum degree.  $B_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq A$  be set of vertices with minimum degree in G. The distance between two vertices of  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  is at most 2. Hence  $\{B_1 \cup B_2\}$  is  $\gamma$ - set if  $[V(G) - \{B_1\} \cup \{B_2\}]$  disconnected and having vertices with same degree forms a  $\gamma - set$ . Let  $B = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$  be the set of all end edges. Suppose  $B' = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k\} \subseteq E(G) - B$  be the set of edges such that dist  $(e_i, e_j) \ge 2$   $1 \le i \le n$ ,  $1 \le j \le k$ , then  $B \cup F$ , where  $F \subseteq B'$  be the minimal set of edges which covers all the vertices in G, such that  $|B \cup F| = \alpha_1$  (G). Further let  $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\} \subseteq V(G)$  and  $S \subseteq V(\bar{G})$ . If  $N[S] = V(\bar{G})$ . Then S is dominating set for G and  $(\bar{G})$ . Therefore S forms a global dominating set of G. Now, we have  $|B_1 \cup B_2| \le q - |B \cup F| + |S| - 1$ , which gives  $\gamma_{crs}(G) \ge q - \alpha_1$  (G) +  $\gamma_g(G) - 1$ .

We establish the relationship between, split domination total domination with coregular split domination number in the following theorem.

**Theorem 6:** For any connected (p, q) graph G with  $\gamma_{crs}$  is 1 –regular then

$$\gamma_{crs}(G) \le \gamma_s(G) + \gamma_t(G) - 1 \text{ and } G \ne W_p \ (P > 5).$$

**Proof:** Let  $A_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V(G)$  be the set of all end vertices in G and  $A'_1 = V(G) - A_1$ . Suppose there exists vertex set  $F \subset A'_1$  such that D = [V(G) - F] is a dominating set of G. Hence  $A'_1 = A'_1 = A'_1$ 

**Theorem 7:** For any non-trivial tree T with  $p \ge 2$ , then  $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \alpha_0(T)$  if and only if  $\gamma_{crs}$  is zero regular.

**Proof**: Suppose  $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \alpha_0(T)$  and  $\gamma_{csr} - set$  is not zero regular. Let  $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be a dominating set of T such that the distance between two vertices of D be at most three. If  $\langle V - D \rangle$  is disconnected we consider the following cases.

**Case1:** Assume there exists at least one edge  $e \in V(T) - D$  which is a component of disconnected < V(T) - D >. Then  $\gamma_{crs}$  is not zero regular, a contradiction.

**Case2:** Assume there exists a vertex  $v \in \gamma_{crs} - set$  and  $v \notin \alpha_0 - set$ . Then there exists N(v) = u. Such that an edge  $uv \in \{V(T) - D\}$  a contradiction.

Conversly, suppose  $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \alpha_0(T)$ , and  $\gamma_{csr}(T)$  is zero regular. Let  $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be a set of vertices such that the distance between two vertices of D be at most two. Hence  $N(u) \cup N(v) = \varphi, \forall u, v \in D$  and edge of T covered by the set D. Clearly  $|D| = \alpha_0(T)$  since D is minimal dominating set of T and V - D > 0 is disconnected with  $\deg(v) = 0 \forall v \in V - D > 0$ . Then D is also  $\gamma_{crs} - set$  which is zero regular. Hence  $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \alpha_0(T)$ .

In the following Theorem, we establish the upper bound for  $\gamma_{crs}(T)$  in terms of vertices of graph G.

**Theorem 8:** For any non-trivial tree T with  $p \ge 2$ , then  $\gamma_{crs}(T) \le p - m$ . Where m is the number of end vertices in T.

**Proof :** Let  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq V(T)$  be the set of all end vertices in T with |A| = m. Let  $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be a dominating set of T. Such that the distance between two vertices of D is at most three. If  $\{V = D\}$  has more than one component. Then vertices of each component have same degree and all component are also have same degree. Then D is  $\gamma_{crs} - set$  of a tree T. So that |D| = p - |A| and gives  $\gamma_{crs}(T) \leq p - m$ .

**Theorem 9:** For any non-trivial tree T with  $p \ge 2$ , then  $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \gamma_{ss}(T)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $H_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_l\}$  be set of all vertices in V(T). Let  $H_2 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_m\}$  be set of all nonend vertices adjacent to end vertices.  $H_3 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$  be set of all nonend vertices which are not adjacent to end vertices. Let there exists  $H'_3 \subseteq H_3$  such that  $D = \{H_2\} \cup \{H'_3\} \subseteq V(T)$ . Where  $\forall v_i \in V(T) - D$  is adjacent to at least one vertex of D. Hence D is a minimal dominating set of G. Further if  $\forall v_i \in V(T) - D > \deg(v_i) = 0$  with at least two vertices. Hence D is a  $\gamma_{crs} - set$  of G. Simillarly by definition of strong split dominating set the subgraph  $V_{crs}(T) = V_{crs}(T)$ .

Further if there exists a set  $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_j\}$  be edges in  $\langle V - D \rangle$  and each component of V - D is  $K_2$ . Then D is a  $\gamma_{crs} - set$  but not  $\gamma_{ss} - set$ . For equality if  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$  be the set of vertices which are  $N(v_m)$ ,  $\forall v_m \in B$  where  $B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_l\}$  such that  $\{A\} \cup \{B\}$  forms the component as  $K_2$  in  $\langle V - D \rangle$ . Then  $\forall v_i \in [\{V - D\} - \{A\}]$  or  $[\{V - D\} - \{B\}]$  is an isolate. Thus either  $\{D\} - \{A\}$  or  $\{D\} - \{B\}$  is a  $\gamma_{crs} - set$  and also a  $\gamma_{ss}(T) - set$  of a tree. Hence  $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \gamma_{ss}(T)$ .

**Theorem 10:** For any non-trivial tree T with  $p \ge 3$ , then

$$\gamma_{crs}(T) + 3 \ge \left| \frac{q - \gamma_c}{2} \right|$$
.

**Proof:** Let  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_l\}$  be vertex set of T and  $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$  be edge set of T. And  $A_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq V(T)$  be set of all nonend vertices which are not adjacent to end vertices. If the distance between the two vertices of  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  is at most 2. Suppose there exists a set  $A_2' \subseteq A_2$  hence  $S = [V(T) - \{A_1 \cup A_2'\}]$  is a dominating set of T with the property that  $\langle S \rangle$  is totally disconnected. Then S is a  $\gamma_{crs} - set$  of T. Let  $H = \{A_1 \cup A_2\}$  and  $\forall v_i \in V(T) - H$  is adjacent to at least one vertex of T then T is dominating set of T and T is connected. Hence T is T included and T is incident with the edges of T then T is adjacent to at least T is connected. Hence T is T is adjacent to at least T is connected. Hence T is T included and T is adjacent to at least T is connected. Hence T is T included and T is adjacent to at least T is adjacent to at least T is connected. Hence T is T is adjacent to at least T is T included and T is adjacent to at least T is adjacent T in T in T is adjacent T in T i

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**Theorem11:** For any non-trivial tree T with  $p \ge 3$ , then

$$\gamma_{crs}(T) \leq \gamma_t[B(T)] + \delta(G).$$

In the following two lemmas we have the sharp bound attained to  $\gamma_{crs}$  by considering each block of G which is complete graph  $K_m$  and  $K_n$ .

**Lemma 1.** If G has exactly one nonend block  $K_n$  and all vertices of  $K_n$  are incident with blocks which are  $K_m$  with  $m \ge n$  (or) m < n. Then  $\gamma_{crs} = n$ .

**Proof**: Let  $K_n$  be a nonend block of G with vertex set  $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ . Suppose all vertices of  $K_n$  are incident with blocks which are  $K_m$ . We consider the following cases.

**Case1**: Suppose each vertex of  $K_n$  is incident with L number of blocks which are complete graphs  $K_m$  with  $m \ge n$ . Then D is a dominating set of G. Also the induced subgraph  $\langle V(G) - D \rangle$  is disconnected and m-1 regular. Hence  $|D| = \gamma_{crs}(G)$ , which is also equal to n. Clearly  $\gamma_{crs} = n$ .

Case2: Suppose each vertex of  $K_n$  is a cut vertex and incident with L number of blocks which are  $K_m$  with m < n. Then the induced subgraph < V(G) - D > is again disconnected and m - 1 regular. Since  $\forall v_i \in D$  is adjacent to at least one vertex of V(G) - D, then D is a  $\gamma_{crs} - set$  of G and |D| = n. Clearly  $\gamma_{crs} = n$ .

From the above lemma we concluded that, if there exists at least one block which is either  $K_{m-1}$  or  $K_{m+1}$  in L number of blocks. Then there does not exists  $\gamma_{crs} - set$ .

**Lemma 2:** If G has exactly one cut vertex C incident with blocks which are  $K_n$ ,  $n \ge 2$ , then  $\gamma_{crs} = C$ .

**Proof**: Suppose G has exactly one cut vertex v which is incident with m number of  $K_n (n \ge 2)$  blocks. Then every vertex of  $\{G - V\}$  is adjacent to v. Thus  $\{v\}$  is a  $\gamma - set$  of G and  $\{G - V\}$  is disconnected with m number of  $K_{n-1}$  blocks. Hence each component of  $\{G - V\}$  is  $K_{n-1}$  regular and  $\{v\}$  is a  $Y_{crs} - set$  of G. Since V is a cut vertex then  $Y_{crs} = C$ .

**Theorem12:** For any graph G with C cut vertices  $\gamma_{crs} = C$  if and only if G has exactly one nonend block  $K_n$  incident with complete blocks which are  $K_{n-c+1}$ .

**Proof:** Suppose  $\gamma_{crs} = C$ . Let  $H = \{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n\}$  be the set of n blocks of G. Let  $A_1 = \{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_p\}$  be the end blocks in G. Such that  $K_n = H - A_1$  which is nonend block of G. Let  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} = V[K_n]$ . Suppose  $L_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_i\} \subseteq V[K_n]$  be the set of cut vertices. We consider the following cases. Let D be a  $\gamma_{crs} - set$  of G.

Case1: Suppose  $|L_1|$  cut vertices are incident with blocks which are  $K_{n-c}$ . Then  $L_1$  is dominating set of G. But  $\langle V(G) - L_1 \rangle$  is not regular. Hence  $\gamma_{crs} = L_1$ , contradiction.

Case 2: Suppose  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \in L_1$  are incident with  $K_{n-c+2}$  blocks. Then  $\{L_1\}$  is a dominating set of G. Further  $\{V(G) - \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} > 1\}$  is not a regular, a contradiction.

Case 3: Suppose the number of cut vertices  $|L_1| > |V[K_n] - L_1|$ . Then  $L_1$  is a dominating set of G and  $|V[G]| - |L_1| > 1$  is not regular, a contradiction.

Conversly, suppose G has  $\{L_1\} = C$  cut vertices and exactly one nonend block  $K_n$  incident with complete blocks  $K_{n-c+1}$ . Then  $\{L_1\}$  is a dominating set of G. Further  $\{V(G) - L_1\}$  is regular with more than one component. Clearly D forms a  $\gamma_{crs} - set$ . Hence  $|D| = |L_1|$  gives  $\gamma_{crs} = C$ .

**Theorem13:** For any graph G with C cut vertices every nonend vertex of G is adjacent with at least one end vetex then  $\gamma_{CTS} = C$ .

**Proof:** For necessary condition, let  $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_l\} \subseteq V(G)$  be set of all end vertices in G. Let  $V_2 \subseteq \{V(G) - V_1\}$  forms a  $\gamma - set$  of G. And let  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq V_2$  be the set of cut vertices of G. Suppose  $V_3 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V_2$  be the set of nonend vertices. Then there exists at least one vertex  $v_i$  which is not adjacent to an end vertex. Since  $v_j \in N(v_i)$  and  $v_j \notin V_2$  and  $v_i \in V_2$  then  $< V(G) - V_2 >$  is disconnected and we consider the following cases.

**Case1:** Suppose G is a tree. Then  $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the set of all nonend vertices which are cutvertices. Suppose there exists  $V'_1 \subseteq A$  which are adjacent to end vertices of T. Now assume there exists at least one vertex  $v_k \in N(V'_1)$  and  $v_k \notin V_2$ , since  $v_k$  is a cutvertex and  $\langle V(T) - V_2 \rangle$  is disconnected and regular, then  $|V_2| > |V_1|$  which gives,  $\gamma_{CTS} \neq C$ .

Case 2: Suppose G is not a tree. Then there exists at least one block which is cycle. Let v be a vertex which is not incident with an end vertex and  $v \in D$  then  $\langle V - V_2 \rangle$  is not regular hence D is not a  $\gamma_{crs}$  - set of G. Then there exists at least one vertex  $u \in \{V(G) - V_2\}$  such that  $\langle V(G) - \{V_2 \cup u\} \rangle$  is regular and  $\gamma_{crs}$  - set of G. Hence  $|V_2 \cup \{u\}| > |C|$ .

For sufficient conditions, let every nonend vertex of G is adjacent with at least one end vertex. Then  $V_2 = \{V(G) - V_1\}$  is a dominating set of G. Also  $\langle V(G) - V_2 \rangle$  is disconnected and  $\deg(v_i) = 0 \ \forall \ v_i \in \{V(G) - V_1\}$ . Thus  $V_2$  is  $\gamma_{crs} - set$  of G. Since every vertex of  $V_2$  is a cut vertex, then  $|V_2| = |C|$ . Clearly  $\gamma_{crs} = C$ .

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