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### WHEN ZERO-DIVISOR GRAPH OF SOME SPECIAL IDEALIZATION RINGS ARE DIVISOR GRAPHS

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## INTRODUCTION

In this article, all rings are a commutative principal ideal ring with unity. Let  $S$  be a nonempty set of positive integers and let  $G_S$  be the graph whose vertices are the element of  $S$ . Two distinct vertices  $a, b$  are adjacent if and only if  $a|b$  or  $b|a$ . A graph  $G$  is called a divisor graph if there is a set of positive integers  $S$  such that  $G \cong G_S$ . For  $S = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ , the length of longest path in  $G_S$  is studied in 9,11,12. In a directed graph  $G$ , a vertex is called a receiver if its out-degree is zero and its in-degree is positive. A transmitter is a vertex having positive out-degree and zero in-degree. A vertex  $t$  with a positive in-degree and a positive out-degree is transitive if whenever  $u \rightarrow t$  and  $t \rightarrow v$  are edges in  $G$ , then  $t \rightarrow v$  is an edge in  $G$ . In 8, divisor graph are investigated. Some results are listed below:

1. No divisor graph contains an induced odd cycle of length 5 or more (proposition 2.1).
2. An induced subgraph of a divisor graph is a divisor graph (proposition 2.2).
3. Complete graphs and bipartite graphs are divisor graphs (proposition 2.5 and Theorem, 2.7).
4. A graph  $G$  is a divisor graph if and only if there is an orientation  $D$  of  $G$  in which every vertex is transmitter, receiver, or transitive (Theorem 3.1).

Divisor graphs are also studied in 1,2.

Another concept of interest in recent years in the concept of zero divisor graph which was introduced by I. Beck in [7] then studied by D. D. Anderson and M. Naseer in [4] in the context of coloring. The definition of zero-divisor graphs in its present form was given by Anderson and Livingston in 5, Theorem 2.3.

A zero-divisor graph of a commutative ring  $R$  is the graph  $\Gamma(R)$  whose vertices are the nonzero zero-divisors of  $R$ , with  $r$  and  $s$  adjacent if  $r \neq s$  and  $rs = 0$ . In [5], Anderson and Livingston proved that the graph  $\Gamma(R)$  is connected with diameter at most 3. The zero divisor graph of a commutative ring has been studied extensively by several authors 3,6.

For each  $R$ , let  $Z(R)$  be the set of all zero-divisors of  $R$  and  $Reg(R) = R - Z(R)$ .

Let  $M$  be an  $R$ - module. Consider  $R(+M) = \{(a, m) : a \in R, m \in M\}$  and let  $(a, m)$  and  $(b, n)$  be two elements of  $R(+M)$ . Define  $(a, m) + (b, n) = (a + b, m + n)$  and  $(a, m)(b, n) = (ab, an + bm)$ . Under this definition  $R(+M)$  becomes a commutative ring with unity. Call this ring the idealization ring of  $M$  in  $R$ . For more details, one can look in [10].

Let  $G$  be a graph with the vertex set  $V(G)$ . The degree of a vertex  $v$  in a graph  $G$  is the number of edges incident with  $v$ . The degree of a vertex  $v$  is denoted by  $\text{deg}(v)$ . The complete graph of order  $n$  is denoted by  $K_n$ , is a graph with  $n$  vertices in which any two distinct vertices are adjacent. A star graph is a graph with a vertex adjacent to all other vertices and has no other edges. Recall that a graph  $G$  is connected if there is a path between every two distinct vertices. For every pair of distinct vertices  $x$  and  $y$  of  $G$ , let  $d(x, y)$  be the length of the shortest path from  $x$  to  $y$  and if there is no such a path we define  $d(x, y) = \infty$ . The diameter of  $G$ ,  $\text{diam}(G)$ , is the supremum of the set  $\{d(x, y) : x \text{ and } y \text{ are distinct vertices of } G\}$ .

In our investigation, we start with the following result.

The following result (Figure 1) which was given in [8] as example of a graph which is not divisor graph.

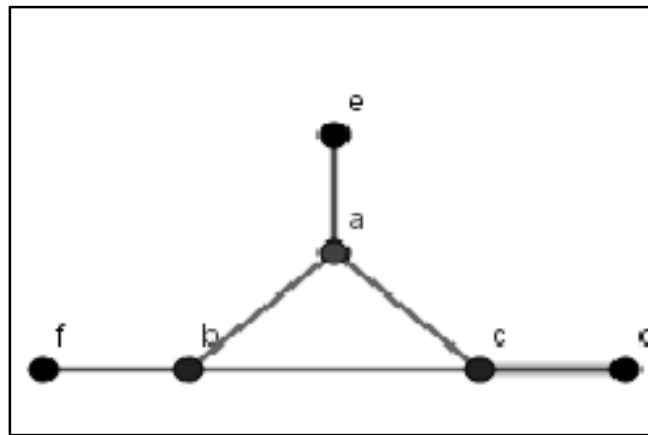


Figure 1. A graph which is not a divisor graph

**2 Divisor graph of  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+M)$**

In this section, we give when  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+M))$  is a divisor graph, where  $Z\alpha = Z(+)Z$  is called the ring of dual numbers over the ring of integers. It is clear that  $M \cong Z_n$  is a  $Z\alpha$ -module with the modulo operation defined by  $(a + bx)m = am$ . We start with the following Lemma which was given in [3].

**Lemma 1** *The zero divisor graph of  $Z\alpha(+Z_n)$ ,  $Z^*(Z\alpha(+Z_n)) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup V_3$ , where  $V_1 = \{(0, m) : m \in Z_n^*\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{(a, t) : a \in Z^*\alpha, t \in Z_n^* \text{ and for some } m \in Z_n^* \text{ we have } am = 0\}$ .*

$$V_3 = \{(a, t) : a \in^* (Z\alpha), t \in Z_n\}$$

In our investigation, when  $M \cong Z_{p_1 p_2 p_3}$ , where  $p_1, p_2$  and  $p_3$  are three distinct primes.

**Theorem 1** *If  $M$  is isomorphic to  $Z_{p_1 p_2 p_3}$ , then  $\Gamma(Z[\alpha](+M))$  is not a divisor graph.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $M \cong Z_{p_1 p_2 p_3}$ . Then we have the following induced subgraph of  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+M))$  (Figure 1). Let  $a = (0, p_2 p_3)$ ,  $d = (p_3, 0)$ ,  $b = (0, p_1 p_3)$ ,  $e = (p_1, 0)$ ,  $c = (0, p_1 p_2)$  and  $f = (p_2, 0)$ . Then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+M))$  is not a divisor graph.

**Corollary 1** *If  $M$  is isomorphic to  $Z_{p_1^{\alpha_1} p_2^{\alpha_2} p_3^{\alpha_3}}$ ,  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3 \geq 2$ , then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+M))$  is not a divisor graph.*

**Theorem 2** *If  $M$  is isomorphic to  $Z_{p_1^{\alpha_1} p_2^{\alpha_2}}$ ,  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \geq 2$ , then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+M))$  is not a divisor graph.*

*Proof.* Assume that  $M \cong Z_{p_1^{\alpha_1} p_2^{\alpha_2}}$ . Then we have the following induced subgraph of  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+M))$  (Figure 1). Let  $a = (0, p_1^{\alpha_1 - 1} p_2^{\alpha_2 - 1})$ ,  $d = (p_1^{\alpha_1}, 0)$ ,  $b = (0, p_1^{\alpha_1})$ ,  $e = (p_1 p_2, 0)$ ,  $c = (0, p_2^{\alpha_2})$  and  $f = (p_2^{\alpha_2}, 0)$ . Then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+M))$  is not a divisor graph.

**Theorem 3** *If  $M \cong Z_p$ , then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+M))$  is a divisor graph.*

*Proof.* If  $M \cong Z_p$ , then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+Z_p)) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup V_3$ . Where  $V_1 = \{(0, v) : v \in Z_p^*\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{(bx, v) : b \in Z^*, v \in Z_p\}$ ,  $V_3 = \{(pk + bx, v) : k, b \in Z^*, v \in Z_p\}$ . Let  $s_1, \dots, q_1, \dots$  and  $l_1, \dots$  be distinct odd primes. Then define the function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow N$  by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^p 2^i & , (x, y) = (0, v_i) \\ 2^p \times \prod_{l=1}^{\infty} 5^l & , (x, y) = (b_l x, v) \\ 2^p \times \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} S_i & , (x, y) = (pk_i + bx, v) \end{cases}$$

Then  $f$  is a one to one function such that  $(x, y)(\alpha, \beta) = (0, 0)$  if and only if  $f(x, y)$  divides  $f(\alpha, \beta)$  or  $f(\alpha, \beta)$  divides  $f(x, y)$ . Hence  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+)Z_p)$  is a divisor graph.

**Theorem 4** *If  $M \cong Z_{p^2}$ , then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+)M)$  is a divisor graph.*

*Proof.* If  $M \cong Z_{p^2}$ , then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+)Z_{p^2}) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup V_3$ . Where  $V_1 = \{(0, v) : v \in Z_{p^2}^*\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{(bx, v) : b \in Z^*, v \in Z_{p^2}\}$ ,  $V_3 = \{(pk + bx, v) : k, b \in Z^*, v \in Z_{p^2}\}$ . Let  $u$  be a unit in  $Z_{p^2}$  and  $v$  is an arbitrary element in  $Z_{p^2}$  and let  $s_1^1, \dots, q_1, \dots$  be distinct odd primes. Then define the function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow N$  by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^k 2^i & , (x, y) = (0, u_i) \\ 2^k \times \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} 3^j & , (x, y) = (b_j x, v) \\ \prod_{m=1}^{\infty} S_m^j & , (x, y) = (pk_m + b_j x, v) \\ 2^k \times \prod_{m=1}^{\infty} q_m & , (x, y) = (p^2 k_m + bx, v) \\ \prod_{r=1}^{\infty} 2^{k+r} \times \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} 3^j \times \prod_{m=1}^{\infty} q_m \times \prod_{m=1}^{\infty} S_m^j & , (x, y) = (0, pk_r) \end{cases}$$

Then  $f$  is a one to one function such that  $(x, y)(\alpha, \beta) = (0, 0)$  if and only if  $f(x, y)$  divides  $f(\alpha, \beta)$  or  $f(\alpha, \beta)$  divides  $f(x, y)$ . Hence  $\Gamma(Z[\alpha](+)Z_{p^2})$  is a divisor graph.

**Corollary 2** *If  $M \cong Z_{p^t}$   $t \geq 2$ , then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+)M)$  is a divisor graph.*

**Theorem 5** *If  $M$  isomorphic to  $Z_{p_1 p_2}$ , then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+)Z_{p_1 p_2})$  is a divisor graph.*

*Proof.* If  $M \cong Z_{p_1 p_2}$ , then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+)Z_{p_1 p_2}) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup V_3$ . Where  $V_1 = \{(0, v) : v \in Z_{p_1 p_2}^*\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{(bx, v) : b \in Z^*, v \in Z_{p_1 p_2}\}$ ,  $V_3 = \{(p_1 k + bx, v), p_2 k + bx, v) : b, k \in Z^*, v \in Z_{p_1 p_2}\}$ . Let  $u$  is a unit in  $Z_{p_1 p_2}$ ,  $v$  arbitrary element in  $Z_{p_1 p_2}$ , let  $s_1^1, \dots, q_1^1, \dots$  and  $l_1^1, \dots$  be distinct odd primes and  $v$  is arbitrary element in  $Z_{p_1 p_2}$ . Then define the function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow N$  by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^k 2^i & , (x, y) = (0, p_2 k_i) \\ 2^k \times \prod_{j=1}^m 3^j & , (x, y) = (0, u_j) \\ 2^k \times 3^m \times \prod_{l=1}^{\infty} 5^l & , (x, y) = (b_l x, v) \\ 2^k \times \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} q_i^j & , (x, y) = (p_1 k_i + b_j x, v) \\ 2^i \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} s_i^j & , (x, y) = (p_1 p_2 k_i + b_j x, v) \\ \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} l_i^j & , (x, y) = (p_2 k_i + b_j x, v) \\ 2^k \times 3^m \times \prod_{l=1}^{\infty} 5^l \times \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} q_i^j \times \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} s_i^j \times \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} l_i^j & , (x, y) = (p_1 k_i + b_j x, v) \end{cases}$$

Then  $f$  is a one to one function such that  $(x, y)(\alpha, \beta) = (0, 0)$  if and only if  $f(x, y)$  divides  $f(\alpha, \beta)$  or  $f(\alpha, \beta)$  divides  $f(x, y)$ . Hence  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+)Z_{p_1 p_2})$  is a divisor graph.

**Theorem 6** If  $M$  isomorphic to  $Z_{p_1^2 p_2}$ , then  $\Gamma(Z\alpha(+)Z_{p_1 p_2})$  is a divisor graph.

*Proof.* By the same procedure in the previous theorem.

### 3 Divisor graph of $\Gamma(Z_{p^{\alpha_1}}\alpha(+)Z_{p^{\alpha_2}})$

In this section, we give when  $\Gamma(Z_{p^{\alpha_1}}\alpha(+)Z_{p^{\alpha_2}})$  is a divisor graph. It is clear that  $Z_{p^{\alpha_1}}$  is a  $Z_{p^{\alpha_2}}\alpha$ -module with the modulo operation defined by  $(a + bx)m = am$  if and only if  $p^{\alpha_2}|p^{\alpha_1}$ .

In our investigation, we start the following Lemma which was given in 3.

**Lemma 2** The zero divisor graph  $Z^*(Z_m\alpha(+)Z_n) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup V_3$ , where  $V_1 = \{(0, m): m \in Z_n^*\}$ .

$V_2 = \{(a, t): a \in Z_m^*\alpha, t \in Z_n^*$  and for some  $m \in Z_n^*$  we have  $am = 0\}$ .

$V_3 = \{(a, t): a \in Z^*(Z_m\alpha), t \in Z_n\}$

**Theorem 7** If  $n = m = p$ , then  $\Gamma(Z_p\alpha(+)Z_p)$  is a divisor graph.

*Proof.* If  $n = m = p$ , then  $\Gamma(Z_p\alpha(+)Z_p) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup V_3$ . Where  $V_1 = \{(0, v): v \in Z_p^*\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{(bx, v): b \in Z_m^*\alpha, v \in Z_p\}$ . then  $\Gamma(Z_p\alpha(+)Z_p)$  is complete graph which is a divisor graph.

**Theorem 8** If  $m = p^2$  and  $n = p$ , then  $\Gamma(Z_{p^2}\alpha(+)Z_p)$  is a divisor graph.

*Proof.* If  $m = p^2$  and  $n = p$ , then  $\Gamma(Z_{p^2}\alpha(+)Z_p) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup V_3$ . Where  $V_1 = \{(0, v): v \in Z_p^*\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{(bx, v): b \in Z_{p^2}^*, v \in Z_p\}$ ,  $V_3 = \{(pk + bx, v): k \in Z_{p^2}^*, b \in Z^{-p^2}$  and  $v \in Z_p\}$ . Let  $q_1^1, \dots$  be distinct odd primes. Then define the function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow N$  by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^p 2^i & , (x, y) = (0, v_i) \\ 2^p \times \prod_{j=1}^m 3^j & , (x, y) = (pk_j x, v) \\ 2^p \times 3^m \times \prod_{j=1}^t 7^j & , (x, y) = (b_j x, v) \\ 2^p \times 3^m \times \prod_{i=1}^l 5^i & , (x, y) = (pk_i + pkx, v) \\ 2^p \times 3^m \times \prod_{i=1}^l q_i^j & , (x, y) = (pk_i + b_j x, v) \end{cases}$$

Then  $f$  is a one to one function such that  $(x, y)(\alpha, \beta) = (0, 0)$  if and only if  $f(x, y)$  divides  $f(\alpha, \beta)$  or  $f(\alpha, \beta)$  divides  $f(x, y)$ . Hence  $\Gamma(Z_{p^2}\alpha(+)Z_p)$  is a divisor graph.

**Theorem 9** If  $m = p^2$  and  $n = p^2$ , then  $\Gamma(Z_{p^2}\alpha(+)Z_{p^2})$  is a divisor graph.

*Proof.* If  $m = p^2$  and  $n = p^2$ , then  $\Gamma(Z_{p^2}\alpha(+)Z_{p^2}) = V_1 \cup V_2 \cup V_3$ . Where  $V_1 = \{(0, v): v \in Z_{p^2}^*\}$ ,  $V_2 = \{(bx, v): b \in Z_{p^2}^*, v \in Z_{p^2}\}$ ,  $V_3 = \{(pk + bx, v): k \in Z_{p^2}^*, b \in Z^{-p^2}$  and  $v \in Z_{p^2}\}$ . Let  $u_i \neq pk_i$  and  $b_j \neq pk_j$  are elements in  $Z_{p^2}$  and  $q_1^1, \dots$  be distinct odd primes. Then define the function  $f: V(G) \rightarrow N$  by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \prod_{i=1}^k 2^i & , (x, y) = (0, u_i) \\ 2^k \times \prod_{i=1}^m 3^i & , (x, y) = (0, pk_i) \\ 2^k \times 3^m \times \prod_{j=1}^t 7^j & , (x, y) = (p_j x, v) \\ 2^k \times 3^m \times 7^t \times \prod_{j=1}^f 11^j & , (x, y) = (b_j x, v) \\ 2^p \times 3^m \times 7^t \times \prod_{i=1}^l 5^i & , (x, y) = (pk_i + pkx, v) \\ 2^p \times 3^m \times \prod_{i=1}^l q_i^j & , (x, y) = (pk_i + b_j x, v) \end{cases}$$

Then  $f$  is a one to one function such that  $(x, y)(\alpha, \beta) = (0, 0)$  if and only if  $f(x, y)$  divides  $f(\alpha, \beta)$  or  $f(\alpha, \beta)$  divides  $f(x, y)$ . Hence  $\Gamma(Z_{p^2}\alpha(+)Z_{p^2})$  is a divisor graph.

**Corollary 3** If  $m = p^{\alpha_1}, n = p^{\alpha_2}$  where  $\alpha_1 \geq \alpha_2 \geq 3$ , then  $\Gamma(Z_{p^{\alpha_1}}\alpha(+)Z_{p^{\alpha_2}})$  is a divisor graph.

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