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# **On Dimension of Some Finite Total Graphs**

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**Abstract.** In this paper we decompose  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$ , a graph with vertises  $Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}})$  and two distinct vertices x and y are adjacent if and only if there exists  $i, 1 \leq i \leq \alpha$ , such that  $p_i \mid x, y$ . We obtain dimension, edge metric dimension, strong metric dimension, and fractional metric dimension for it.

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# 1 Introduction

The concept of *metric dimension* of a general metric space was introduced in 1953 by Blumenthal [2]. About twenty years later, it was applied by Slater [12] who introduced the concept of *locating set* of a

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graph. Independently Harary and Melter [6] introduced the same concept as the *resolving sets* and calculated the metric dimension of a tree graph. Since then, it has been frequently used in graph theory, chemistry, biology, robotics and many other disciplines.

Let G = (V, E) be a simple, finite, undirected and connected graph. For graph theoretic terminology we refer to [5]. We say that a vertex  $u \in V$  distinguishes (determines or recognizes) two vertices  $x, y \in V$  if  $d(u, x) \neq d(u, y)$ , where d(x, y) represents the length of a shortest x - y-path in G. A metric generator for G is a set  $B \subseteq V$  with the property that, for each pair of vertices  $x, y \in V$ , there exists a vertex  $u \in B$  that distinguishes x and y. If for some metric generator  $A \subseteq V$ , we have that  $|A| = min\{|B| : B \text{ is a metric generator for } G\}$ , we say that A is a metric basis for G and dim(G) = |A|, is the metric dimension of G.

A set  $L \subseteq V$  is said to be a *local metric generator* for G if for each pair of vertices  $x, y \in V$  such that  $xy \in E$ , there exists a vertex  $u \in L$ that distinguishes x and y. If for some local metric generator  $M \subseteq V$ , we have that  $|\mathbf{M}| = \min\{|\mathbf{L}| : \mathbf{L} \text{ is a local metric generator for } G\}$ , then we say that M is a *local metric basis* for G and  $dim_{\ell}(G) = |M|$ , is the local metric dimension of G. The concept of adjacency generator was introduced by Jannesari and Omoomi [9] as a tool to study the metric dimension of lexicographic product of graphs. An adjacency generator for G is a set  $B \subseteq V$  such that for each  $x, y \in V - B$  there exists  $b \in B$ such that b is adjacent to exactly one of x and y. An adjancency which has the minimum cardinality among all adjacency generators of G is called an *adjacency basis* of G, and its cardinality is said to be the adjacency dimension of G, denoted by  $dim_a(G)$ . The concepts of local adjacency generator, local adjacency basis and local adjacency dimension are defined analogously, and the local adjacency dimension of a graph G is denoted by  $\dim_{a,\ell}(G)$ .

The distance between the vertex v and the edge e is defined as  $d(e, v) = min\{d(u, v), d(w, v)\}$ , where e = uw. A vertex  $w \in V$  distinguishes two edges  $e_1, e_2 \in E$  if  $d(w, e_1) \neq d(w, e_2)$ . A nonempty set  $S \subseteq V$  is an *edge metric generator* for G if any two edges of G are distinguished by some vertex of S. An edge metric generator with the smallest possible cardinality is called an *edge metric basis* for G, and its cardinality is the *edge metric dimension*, which is denoted by  $dim_e(G)$ .

A set **S** of vertices of *G* is a mixed metric generator if any two elements (vertices or edges) of *G* are distinguished by some vertex of **S**. The smallest cardinality of a mixed metric generator for *G* is called the mixed metric dimension and is denoted by  $\dim_m(G)$ . A mixed metric basis for *G* is a mixed metric generator for *G* of cardinality  $\dim_m(G)$ . It immediately follows that  $\dim_m(G) \geq \max\{\dim(G), \dim_e(G)\}$ .

For any two vertices u and v of G, the interval I[u, v] is defined as the collection of all vertices that belong to some shortest u - v-path. A vertex w strongly distinguishes u and v if  $v \in I[u, w]$  or  $u \in I[v, w]$ . A set **S** of vertices in a connected graph G is a *strong metric generator* for G if every two vertices of G are strongly distinguished by some vertex of **S**. The smallest cardinality of a strong metric generator of G is called *strong metric dimension* and is denoted by  $dim_s(G)$ .

For any two vertices x and y of G,  $R\{x, y\}$  denotes the set of vertices z such that  $d(x, z) \neq d(y, z)$ . In this view, a metric generating of G is a subset W of V such that  $W \cap R\{x, y\} \neq \emptyset$  for any two distinct vertices x and y of G. Let  $f: V(G) \longrightarrow [0,1]$  be a real valued function. For  $W \subseteq V$ , denote  $f(W) = \sum_{v \in W} f(v)$ . We call f a resolving function of G if  $f(R\{x, y\}) \geq 1$  for any two distinct vertices x and y of G. The fractional metric dimension, denoted by  $dim_f(G)$ , is given by  $dim_f(G) = min\{|g|: g \text{ is a resolving function of } G\}$ , where |g| = g(V(G)).

By definition of the different variants of generators, the following inequalities hold for any graph G. For more details see [9].

- $dim(G) \leq dim_a(G)$ ,
- $dim_l(G) \leq dim(G) \leq dim_l(G) + dim_{a,l}(G^c),$
- $dim_l(G) \leq dim_{a,l}(G)$ ,
- $dim_{a,l}(G) \leq dim_a(G)$ ,

For a non-zero commutative ring R, let Z(R) be the set of zerodivisors of R. Anderson and Badawi in [1] introduced the total graph of R, denoted by  $\Gamma(R)$ , as an undirected graph with all elements of Ras vertices, and for distinct  $x, y \in R$ , the vertices x and y are adjacent if and only if  $x + y \in Z(R)$ . They also studied the induced subgraph  $\Gamma(Z(R))$  of  $\Gamma(R)$  with vertices Z(R). In this paper, we let  $P = \{p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_\alpha\}$  as a set of odd prime numbers and consider the total graph  $\Gamma(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_\alpha})$  and its induced subgraph  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_\alpha}))$ . We define the graph  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_\alpha}))$  as a subgraph of  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_\alpha}))$ , with all elements of  $Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_\alpha})$  as vertices, and two distinct vertices x and y are adjacent if and only if there exists i,  $1 \leq i \leq \alpha$ , such that  $p_i \mid x, y$ . We find a decomposition for this graph, and investigate the various dimensions.

## 2 Decomposition

In this section we first decompose the subgraph  $\Gamma^2(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pq}))$ , where p, q are two distinct odd prime numbers and then generalize it into

 $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_{\alpha}})))$ . We know that  $Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_{\alpha}})$  is not an ideal of  $\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_{\alpha}}$ , and  $2 \notin Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_{\alpha}})$ , so by [1],  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_{\alpha}}))$  is a connected graph with diameter two.

**Remark 2.1.** It is known by Euler's formula that  $|Z(\mathbb{Z}_n)| = n - \phi(n)$ such that  $\phi(n) = n \prod_{i=1}^{\alpha} (1 - \frac{1}{n_i})$ . So we have

$$|Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}})| = p_1p_2...p_{\alpha} - \prod_{i=1}^{\alpha} (p_i - 1),$$

which is the number of vertices of  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$ .

**Remark 2.2.** One can see that  $\Gamma^2(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pq}))$  is the graph  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pq}))$ . For  $\alpha \geq 3$ ,  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  and  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  are distinct. It is easy to see that  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  is a subgraph of  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  because for any two adjacent vertices x, y in  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$ , there exists  $i, 1 \leq i \leq \alpha$ , such that  $p_i \mid x, y$  which leads to  $p_i \mid x + y$ , by [3]. So,  $x + y \in Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}})$ , and  $x \sim y$  in  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$ . Since the logical proposition  $p_i \mid x, y \Rightarrow p_i \mid x + y$ , is not reversible, there exist adjacent vertices in  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  which are nonadjacent in  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$ .

**Example 2.3.** Consider the graphs  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{105}))$  and  $\Gamma^3(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{105}))$  with  $P = \{3, 5, 7\}$ . It is clear that the number of edges in  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{105}))$  is more than  $\Gamma^3(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{105}))$ . For example,  $3 \sim 7$ ,  $33 \sim 77$  in  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{105}))$  since  $3 + 7, 33 + 77 \in Z(\mathbb{Z}_{105})$ . But  $3 \approx 7, 33 \approx 77$  in  $\Gamma^3(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{105}))$ , since there isn't any common prime factor in P.

**Lemma 2.4.** The following facts hold in  $\Gamma^2(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pq}))$ : (i) If u = kp where  $1 \le k \le q - 1$ , then deg(u) = q - 1. (ii) If v = kq where  $1 \le k \le p - 1$ , then deg(v) = p - 1. (iii) deg(0) = p + q - 2.

**Proof.** It is clear that u = kp is adjacent to zero and all of the other multiples of p. Similarly, v = kq is adjacent to zero and all of the other multiples of q. Obviously, u and v are not adjacent.  $\Box$ 

**Definition 2.5.** A decomposition of a graph G is a list of subgraphs  $G_1, G_2, \ldots, G_r$  such that each edge appears in exactly one subgraph in the list. In this terminology, we say that G is decomposed by  $G_1, G_2, \ldots, G_r$  and show it by  $G = G_1 + G_2 + \cdots + G_r$ .

**Theorem 2.6.**  $\Gamma^2(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pq}))$  has the following decomposition;

$$\Gamma^2(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pq})) = K_p + K_q.$$

**Proof.** In  $\Gamma^2(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pq}))$  we have q vertices of the form v = kp which induce  $K_q$  and p vertices of the form v = kq which induce  $K_p$ , by Lemma 2.4. It is clear that there is no other adjacency and zero is the only common vertex of them.  $\Box$ 

**Example 2.7.** In Figure 1, we see the decomposition of  $\Gamma^2(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{35}))$ .



Figure 1:  $\Gamma^2(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{35})) = K_7 + K_5$ 

**Theorem 2.8.**  $\Gamma^{3}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pqr})) = K_{pq} + K_{pr} + K_{qr} - (K_p + K_q + K_r).$ 

**Proof.** By Remark 2.1,  $V|\Gamma^3(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pqr}))| = pqr - (p-1)(q-1)(r-1)$ . These vertices are classified in multiples of p, q and r. It is clear that qr elements of them are multiples of p, pr elements are multiples of q and pq elements are multiples of r. Hence, the edges of G can be decomposed into three complete graphs  $K_{qr}, K_{pr}$  and  $K_{pq}$ .

There are also some other edges formed by common multiples of p, qand r. Since there are r common multiples of p and q, p common multiples of q and r and q common multiples of p and r, which form  $K_r, K_p$ and  $K_q$ , respectively, in order to avoid considering repeated edges, we omit  $K_r, K_p$  and  $K_q$  from the decomposition. (See Figure 2.)



Figure 2: Decomposition of  $\Gamma^3(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pqr}))$ 

**Theorem 2.9.**  $\Gamma^4(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pqrs})) = K_{pqr} + K_{pqs} + K_{prs} + K_{qrs} - (K_{pq} + K_{pr} + K_{ps} + K_{qr} + K_{qs} + K_{rs}) + K_p + K_q + K_r + K_s.$ 

**Proof.** Similar to proof of theorem 2.8, multiples of p, q, r and s form the complete graphs  $K_{qrs}, K_{prs}, K_{pqs}$  and  $K_{pqr}$ , respectively. Notice that there are  $\binom{4}{2}$  common multiples of every two factors of p, q, r and swhich are counted once in above complete graphs. So, we should omit the edges of  $K_{pq} + K_{pr} + K_{ps} + K_{qr} + K_{qs} + K_{rs}$ . Since the edges formed by common multiples of every three factors of p, q, r and s are missed by the procedure of deletion, we have to add the complete graphs  $K_p + K_q + K_r + K_s$ . (See Figure 3.)



**Figure 3:** Decomposition of  $\Gamma^4(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pqrs}))$ 

In general, we have the following theorem.

## Theorem 2.10.

$$\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_{1}p_{2}...p_{\alpha}})) = \sum_{i=1}^{\alpha} K_{\prod_{\substack{j=1\\ j\neq i}}^{\alpha} p_{j}} - \sum_{\substack{i,j=1\\ i< j}}^{\alpha} K_{\prod_{\substack{k=1\\ k\neq i,j}}^{\alpha} p_{k}} + \sum_{\substack{i,j,k=1\\ i< j< k}}^{\alpha} K_{\prod_{\substack{l=1\\ l\neq i,j,k}}^{\alpha} p_{l}} - \dots + (-1)^{\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^{\alpha} K_{p_{i}}.$$

**Proof.** The proof follows by inclusion-exclusion principle and induction on  $\alpha$  due to the proofs of Theorems 2.8, 2.9.

**Corollary 2.11.** The clique number of  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  is  $\max\{\prod_{\substack{j=1\\j\neq i}}^{\alpha} p_j \mid k_j \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ 

 $1 \leq i \leq \alpha$ . In the case  $p_1 < p_2 < \cdots < p_{\alpha}$ , the clique number is  $p_2p_3 \dots p_{\alpha}$ .

**Proof.** According to Theorem 2.10, it is clear.  $\Box$ 

Corollary 2.12.  $diam(\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))) = 2.$ 

**Proof.** The decomposition in Theorem 2.10 shows that  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  is not a complete graph. Since  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  is a subgaph of  $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$ ,  $diam(\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))) = 2$ .  $\Box$ 

# **3** Twin Equivalence Classes of $\Gamma(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$

For a vertex u, the open neighborhood of u in G is  $N(u) = \{v \in V \mid uv \in E\}$  and the closed neighborhood of u is  $N[u] = N(u) \cup \{u\}$ . Two vertices u, v are true twins of G if N[u] = N[v]. They are false twins if N(u) = N(v); and twins if they are any of the previous. Define a relation  $\equiv$  on V(G) by  $u \equiv v$  if and only if u = v or u, v are twins. By Lemma 2.6 in [7],  $\equiv$  is an equivalence relation. It is not difficult to see that the equivalence classes of the true-twin relations are cliques and those of the false-twin relations are independent sets. There are three possibilities for each twin equivalence class U:

- (a) U is a singleton set, or
- (b) |U| > 1 and N(u) = N(v) for any  $u, v \in U$ , or
- (c) |U| > 1 and N[u] = N[v] for any  $u, v \in U$ .

We will refer to the type (c) as the true twin equivalence classes.

Consider the equivalence relation  $\equiv$ . For each vertex  $v \in V(G)$ , let  $v^*$  be the set of vertices of G that are equivalent to v under  $\equiv$ . Let  $\{v_1^*, ..., v_k^*\}$  be the partition of V(G) induced by  $\equiv$ , where each  $v_i$  is a representative of the set  $v_i^*$ . The *twin graph* of G, denoted by  $G^*$ , is the graph with vertex set  $V(G^*) := \{v_1^*, ..., v_k^*\}$ , where  $v_i^* v_j^* \in E(G^*)$  if and only if  $v_i v_j \in E(G)$ . By Lemma 2.10 in [7], one can see that this definition is independent of the choice of representatives.

Note that in  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  the vertices can be classified in multiples and common multiples of  $p_i$ 's. In the next, we show that this partition forms equivalence classes. Also, we obtain the number of the equivalence classes by counting the ways of selecting common multiples of  $p_i$ 's.

**Notation 3.1.** For any nonempty subset  $S \subseteq P$ , let  $A_S = \{x \in Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}); p \mid x \iff p \in S\}$ . Set  $\mathcal{A} = \{A_S; S \subseteq P\}$  and for all  $1 \leq i \leq \alpha, \mathcal{A}_i = \{A_S; S \subseteq P, |S| = i\}$ .

One sees that  $|\mathcal{A}_i| = {\alpha \choose i}$ . In the next theorem we show that for all  $\emptyset \neq S \subseteq P$ ,  $A_S$  is an equivalence class.

**Theorem 3.2.** The number of twin equivalence classes of  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  is  $2^{\alpha} - 1$ .

**Proof.** Let  $S = \{p_{i_1}, \ldots, p_{i_s}\} \subseteq P$ . We show that N[x] = N[y] for every  $x, y \in A_S \in \mathcal{A}_s$ . Suppose that  $z \in N[x]$ . There exists  $p_i$  such that  $p_i \mid x, p_i \mid y$ . If  $p_i \in S$ , then  $p_i = p_{i_l}$ , for some  $1 \leq l \leq s$ . So,  $p_{i_l} \mid x$  and  $p_{i_l} \mid z$ . Since  $p_{i_l} \mid y$ , it leads to  $z \sim y$ . Therefore,  $z \in N[y]$ . If  $p_i \notin S$ , then  $p_{i_l} \nmid y$ . So,  $y \notin A_S$ , which contradicts to the assumption. Thus,  $A_S$ is an equivalence class. Note that  $p \mid 0$  for all  $p \in P$ . So,  $A_P$  is the zero singleton class.

By assumption, we have  $\binom{\alpha}{s}$  sets of  $A_S$ 's. Therefore, the number of the equivalence classes is  $\sum_{i=1}^{\alpha} \binom{\alpha}{i}$  which equals to  $2^{\alpha} - 1$  by [3].  $\Box$ 



**Figure 4:** Equivalence classes of  $\Gamma^3(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pqr}))$ 

**Lemma 3.3.** Let S and T be two nonempty subsets of  $P = \{p_1, \ldots, p_\alpha\}$ . For any  $v \in A_S$  and  $w \in A_T$ ;

- (i) If  $S \cap T \neq \emptyset$ , then d(v, w) = 1;
- (ii) If  $S \cap T = \emptyset$ , then d(v, w) = 2.

**Proof.** (i) If  $p_l \in S \cap T$ , then  $p_l \mid v$  and  $p_l \mid w$ . So,  $v \sim w$ . (ii) Let  $S = \{p_{i_1}, \ldots, p_{i_s}\}$  and  $T = \{p_{j_1}, \ldots, p_{j_t}\}$ . Since the intersection is empty,  $p_{i_l} \nmid w$  for any  $1 \leq l \leq s$ , and  $p_{j_r} \nmid v$  for any  $1 \leq r \leq t$ . If d(v, w) = 1, then there exists  $p_k \in P$  such that  $p_k \mid v$  and  $p_k \mid w$ . By the assumption,  $p_k \notin S \cup T$ . It means that there is no prime factor in P which aliquots both v and w. So,  $v \nsim w$ . Hence, d(v, w) = 2.  $\Box$ 

We know that a subset  $S \subseteq V$  is an *independent set* in G if no two vertices in S are adjacent. The *independence number* of G is the maximum size of all independent sets of vertices, denoted by  $\alpha(G)$ .

**Theorem 3.4.** The independence number of  $\Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  is  $\alpha$ .

**Proof.** Consider the equivalence classes  $\mathcal{A}_1 = \{A_{\{p_i\}}; 1 \leq i \leq \alpha\}$ . Let  $I = \{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_{\alpha}\}$  such that  $v_i \in A_{\{p_i\}}$ . For any two distinct vertices  $v_i, v_j \in I$ , by part (ii) of Lemma 3.3,  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  are not adjacent.



**Figure 5:** Equivalence classes of  $\Gamma^4(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{pqrs}))$ 

Therefore, I is an independent set. Suppose that  $u \notin I$ . If  $u \in \mathcal{A}_1$ , then  $u \in A_{\{p_t\}}$  for some  $1 \leq t \leq \alpha$ , so  $p_t \mid u$ . Since  $p_t \mid v_t$ , it leads to u is adjacent to  $v_t$ . Let  $u \notin \mathcal{A}_1$ , then there is an equivalence class  $A_S$  such that  $u \in A_S$ . Clearly,  $A_S \notin \mathcal{A}_1$ ,  $|S| \geq 2$ , and  $\{p_t\} \cap S \neq \emptyset$  for some  $1 \leq t \leq \alpha$ . Let  $p_r \in S$  such that  $p_r \neq p_t$ , then  $p_r \mid u$  and  $p_t \mid u$ . So,  $u \sim v_r$  and  $u \sim v_t$ . Hence, I is the maximal independent set.  $\Box$ 

## 4 Dimension

In this section we obtain some types of dimensions for the graph  $G = \Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$ . First, we note that determining whether a given set B of vertices of G is a metric generating set of G, one need only investigate the pairs of vertices in V(G) - B, since  $u \in B$  is the only vertex of G whose distance from u is 0.

**Theorem 4.1.** [8] If  $G^*$  is the twin graph of G, then  $\dim(G) \ge n(G) - n(G^*)$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** Let  $G = \Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_{\alpha}}))$ . Then  $dim(G) = n(G) - 2^{\alpha} + 1$ .

**Proof.** By Theorems 4.1 and 3.2,  $dim(G) \ge n(G) - 2^{\alpha} + 1$ . Set R as a set of representative vertices of equivalence classes. By Theorem 3.2,  $|R| = 2^{\alpha} - 1$ . We show that M = V(G) - R is a metric basis for G. For any two distinct vertices  $x, y \in M$ , d(x, x) = 0 and d(x, y) = 1 or d(x, y) = 2. So,  $d(x, x) \ne d(x, y)$ .

Let  $u, v \in R$  such that  $u, v \neq 0$ , and suppose S and T be two subsets of P such that  $u \in A_S$  and  $v \in A_T$ . There exists  $L \subseteq P$  such that  $L \cap S \neq \emptyset$  and  $L \cap T = \emptyset$ . So, for every vertex  $x \in A_L$ ,  $x \notin R$ ; d(x, u) = 1 and d(x, v) = 2, by Lemma 3.3.

Again, let  $u, v \in R$  and u = 0. There exists  $L \subseteq P$  such that  $L \cap S \neq \emptyset$  and  $L \cap T = \emptyset$ . Then for all  $x \in A_L$ , d(x, v) = 2 and d(x, u) = 1; since zero is adjacent to all vertices. Hence, M is a metric basis and  $\dim(G) \leq n(G) - 2^{\alpha} + 1$ .  $\Box$ 

**Corollary 4.3.** Let  $G = \Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_{\alpha}}))$ , Then  $dim_a(G) = n(G) - 2^{\alpha} + 1$ .

**Proof.** Since diam(G) = 2, it is easy to see that  $dim_a(G) = dim(G) = n(G) - 2^{\alpha} + 1$ .  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 4.4.** Let y and z be true twins. If  $e, f \in E(G)$  such that e = xy and f = xz, then at least one of y and z belongs to an edge metric basis of G.

**Proof.** Let  $x \in A_S$  and S be a subset of P. Consider two edges e = xy and f = xz. It is clear that d(e, x) = d(f, x) = 0. So, x does not distinguish e and f. Now for  $v \neq x, y, z$ , consider the following cases.

Case 1: Let  $y, z \in A_S$ , if  $v \in A_S$ , then d(e, v) = d(f, v) = 1. If  $v \notin A_S$ , then  $v \in A_T$  for some  $T \subseteq P$  and by Lemma 3.3, d(e, v) = d(f, v) = 1 or d(e, v) = d(f, v) = 2.

$$d(e,v) = d(f,v) = \begin{cases} 1 & S \cap T \neq \emptyset \\ 2 & S \cap T = \emptyset \end{cases}$$

Case 2: If  $y, z \notin A_S$ , since y and z are twin vertices, then by Lemma 3.3,  $y, z \in A_T$  for some  $T \subseteq P$  such that  $S \cap T \neq \emptyset$ . If  $v \in A_{S \cap T}$ , then v is adjacent to x, y and z. So, d(e, v) = d(f, v) = 1. If  $v \in A_S$  or  $v \in A_T$ , then  $v \in A_T$  is adjacent to x or y, z, respectively. Therefore, d(e, v) = d(f, v) = 1. If  $v \in A_{P \setminus \{S \cup T\}}$ , then d(e, v) = d(f, v) = 2, by Lemma 3.3.

$$d(e, v) = d(f, v) = \begin{cases} 1 & v \in A_{S \cup T} \\ 2 & v \in A_{P \setminus (S \cup T)} \end{cases}$$

So, no vertex  $v \neq x, y, z$  distinguishes e and f. Also, x does not distinguish e and f, by the first part of the proof. Thus, at least one of y and z must be in an edge metric basis E.  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 4.5.** Let  $G = \Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$  and  $S \subseteq P$ . Then every edge metric basis E of G contains at least  $|A_S| - 1$  vertices of the equivalence class  $A_S$ .

**Proof.** Let  $S \subseteq P$  and consider the true twin equivalence class  $A_S$  of G. Let x, y, z be three vertices of  $A_S$  and consider two edges e = xy and f = xz. Then by Lemma 4.4, at least one of y and z must be in an edge metric basis E. Since  $A_S$  is a clique, this argument can be repeated for any pair of such edges.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 4.6.** Let 
$$G = \Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$$
. Then  $dim_e(G) = n(G) - 2$ .

**Proof.** For any edge metric basis E of G, by Theorem 3.2 and Lemma 4.5,  $|E| \ge n(G) - 2^{\alpha} + 1$ . If  $E = V(G) - \{u, v, w\}$  such that  $u \in A_U$ ,  $v \in A_V$ , and  $w \in A_W$  where  $A_U, A_V, A_W$  are three distinct equivalence classes associated with  $U, V, W \subseteq P$ .

Let  $u, v, w \neq 0$ , then for two edges e = 0u, f = 0v, d(e, 0) = d(f, 0) = 0, and d(e, x) = d(f, x) = 1 for all  $x \in E$ . Thus, E does not distinguish

e and f. If u = 0,  $\mathbf{E} = V(G) - \{0, v, w\}$ , then the edges e = 0w, f = 0v have distance one to all vertices in  $\mathbf{E}$ , which is a contradiction to edge metric basis of  $\mathbf{E}$ . By this argument, there is no edge metric basis of size n-3. Hence,  $dim_e(G) \ge n-2$ .

Let  $\mathbf{E}'$  contains at least one of the vertices v and w. Suppose that  $w \in \mathbf{E}'$  and  $\mathbf{E}' = V(G) - \{0, v\}$ . We show that  $\mathbf{E}'$  is an edge metric basis. According to the structure of the graph, for any pair edges e and f we have the following cases. In each case, we show that there is an  $x \in \mathbf{E}'$  which distinguishes e and f.

Case 1: Let e = xy, f = zt, such that  $x, y, z, t \notin \{0, v\}$ . If e, f belong to an equivalence class  $A_S$ , then d(e, x) = 0 and d(f, x) = 1. If e, f belong to distinct equivalence classes  $A_S$ ,  $A_T$ , respectively, then d(e, x) = 0. Also, for  $T \cap S \neq \emptyset$ , d(f, x) = 1 and  $T \cap S = \emptyset$ , d(f, x) = 2.

Case 2: Let e = 0v, f = 0x, then d(f, x) = 0 and d(e, x) = 1; since zero is adjacent to all vertices.

Case 3: Let e = 0x, f = 0y, then d(e, x) = 0 and d(f, x) = 1 or 2; by Lemma 3.3.

Case 4: Let e = 0v, f = xy, then d(f, x) = 0 and d(e, x) = 1; since zero is adjacent to all vertices.

Case 5: Let e = 0v, f = vx, then d(f, x) = 0, d(e, x) = 1; since  $x \in A_V$ , or  $x \in A_S$  for some  $S \subseteq P$  such that  $V \cap S \neq \emptyset$ .

Case 6: Let e = vx, f = yz, then d(e, x) = 0, d(f, x) = 1 or 2; by Lemma 3.3.

Case 7: Let e = vx, f = vy, then d(e, x) = 0, d(f, x) = 1; since  $y \in A_V$ , or  $y \in A_T$  for some  $T \subseteq P$  such that  $V \cap T \neq \emptyset$ .

Case 8: Let e = 0x, f = yz, then d(e, x) = 0, d(f, x) = 1 or 2; by Lemma 3.3.

In each case,  $\mathsf{E}'$  is an edge metric basis of G. Thus,  $dim_e(G) \leq n-2$ .  $\Box$ 

**Definition 4.7.** A vertex  $u \in N(v)$  is said to be a maximal neighbour of v if  $N[v] \subseteq N[u]$ .

**Theorem 4.8.** [10] Let G be a connected graph of order n. Then  $\dim_m(G) = n$  if and only if every vertex of the graph G has a maximal neighbour.

**Theorem 4.9.** Let  $G = \Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2\dots p_{\alpha}}))$ . Then  $dim_m(G) = n(G)$ .

**Proof.** By the structure of the graph G, every vertex v belongs to a twin equivalence class of  $A_S$  for some  $S \subseteq P$ . So, each vertex has a maximal neighbour, and the result follows by Theorem 4.8.  $\Box$ 

**Definition 4.10.**  $X \subseteq V$  is called a twin-free clique in G if the subgraph induced by X is a clique and for every  $u, v \in X$  it follows  $N[u] \neq N[v]$ . We say that the twin-free clique number of G, denoted by  $\overline{\omega}(G)$ , is the maximum cardinality among all twin-free cliques in G.

**Theorem 4.11.** [11] Let H be a connected graph of order  $n \ge 2$ . Then  $\dim_s(H) \le n - \bar{\omega}(H)$ . Moreover, if H has diameter two, then  $\dim_s(H) = n - \bar{\omega}(H)$ .

**Remark 4.12.** Let  $G^*$  be the twin graph of G and  $\chi$  be a maximal clique in  $G^*$ . Then it induces a clique in G which is twin-free, i.e.  $\omega(G^*) \leq \overline{\omega}(G)$ . Let  $\Theta$  be a maximal twin-free clique in G, i.e. every vertex is belong to a twin equivalence class  $A_S$  for some  $S \subseteq P$ . Then it induces a clique in  $G^*$ . So,  $\overline{\omega}(G) \leq \omega(G^*)$ . Hence,  $\overline{\omega}(G) = \omega(G^*)$ .

**Theorem 4.13.** Let  $G = \Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$ , then  $\dim_s(G) = n - 2^{\alpha - 1}$ .

**Proof.** By remark 4.12,  $\bar{\omega}(G) = \omega(G^*)$ . If  $\alpha = 2$ , according to decomposition in Theorem 2.6,  $G^*$  is isomorphic to  $P_3$ . So,  $\omega(G^*) = 2$ .

For  $\alpha \geq 3$ , we claim that  $\omega(G^*) = 2^{\alpha-1}$ . Without lose of generality, let  $T = \{p_1\} \subseteq P$  and  $\mathbf{S}' = \{S \subseteq P; p_1 \in S, |S| \geq 2\}$ . Consider the equivalence classes  $\mathcal{B} = \{A_S; S \in \mathbf{S}'\} \cup \{A_{T^c}\}$ . Let X be the set of representative vertices of the equivalence classes  $\mathcal{B}$ . It is clear that  $|\mathbf{S}'| = 2^{\alpha-1} - 1$ . So,  $|X| = 2^{\alpha-1}$ . For all  $S \in \mathbf{S}', S \cap T^c \neq \emptyset$ . So, by Lemma 3.3, all the vertices of X are adjacent. It means that the graph induced by X is the complete graph  $K_{2^{\alpha-1}}$ .

Now, suppose  $R \subseteq P$  such that  $R \notin \mathbf{S}'$ . If R = T, then the representative vertex of  $A_R$  is not adjacent to the representative vertex of  $A_{T^c}$ . If  $R \neq T$ , then  $R^c = S$ , for some  $S \in \mathbf{S}'$ . So, by Lemma 3.3, the representative vertex of  $A_R$  is not adjacent to at least one vertex of the clique  $K_{2^{\alpha-1}}$ . Hence,  $K_{2^{\alpha-1}}$  is a maximal clique of  $G^*$ .  $\Box$ 

**Lemma 4.14.** [4] For any twin vertices x, y of a connected graph G,  $R\{x, y\} = \{x, y\}$ .

**Theorem 4.15.** [4] Let G be a connected graph of order at least two. Then  $\dim_f(G) = \frac{|V(G)|}{2}$  if and only if there exists a bijection  $\alpha : V(G) \longrightarrow V(G)$  such that  $\alpha(v) \neq v$  and  $|R\{v, \alpha(v)\}| = 2$  for all  $v \in V(G)$ .

**Proposition 4.16.** Let  $G = \Gamma^{\alpha}(Z(\mathbb{Z}_{p_1p_2...p_{\alpha}}))$ . Then  $\dim_f(G) = \frac{n(G)}{2}$ . **Proof.** Let  $\alpha : V(G) \longrightarrow V(G)$  such that  $\alpha(x) = x + \prod_{p_i|x} p_i$ . Then it is easy to check that  $\alpha$  is a bijection which takes any vertex x to it's twin and  $\alpha(x) \neq x$ . Moreover, by Lemma 4.14,  $R\{x, \alpha(x)\} = \{x, \alpha(x)\}$ , and the result follows by Theorem 4.15.  $\Box$ 

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