

An Introduction to Nano Ideal Graph of a Graph

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Abstract:

Nano ideal graph of a simple, undirected graph G is introduced. As the size of the Nano ideal graph of a graph G is smaller than the graph G , we attempt to approach some of the properties like isomorphism between two graphs, connectedness and coloring properties of graphs via Nano ideal graph of the graph G . A typical u - v path of the graph G becomes an uv edge in Nano ideal graph of a graph, analysis of isomorphism between trees become simple when using Nano ideal graphs.

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1. Introduction and Preliminaries:

In this paper, we introduce Nano ideal graph of a graph which is of smaller size than the actual graph. Graphs considered here are finite, simple and undirected. The symbols $V(G)$ and $E(G)$ will denote the vertex set and edge set of a graph G . Terms not defined here are used in the sense of Harary [2] and Gary Chartrand [1]. Two Graphs G_1 and G_2 are isomorphic if there exists a one-to-one correspondence f from $V(G_1)$ to $V(G_2)$ such that $uv \in E(G_1)$ if and only if $f(u)f(v) \in E(G_2)$. By a coloring of a graph, we mean an assignment of colors to the vertices of G such that adjacent vertices are colored differently. The smallest number of colors in any coloring of a graph G is called the chromatic number of G and is denoted by $\chi(G)$. If it is possible to color G from a set of k colors, then G is said to be k -colorable. A coloring that uses k -colors is called a k -coloring. Manoharan *et.al* introduced ideal graph of a graph and approached graph properties via its ideal graph.

Definition 1.1[3] For any graph G , the ideal graph $I_d(G)$ of G is formed as follows:

- (i) Any cycles and the edges which are lying in the cycles of G will remain same in $I_d(G)$.
- (ii) Every u - v path with maximum possible length such that all the internal vertices of degree two of G will be considered as an edge uv in $I_d(G)$.

Definition 1.2 [3] The vertices of the ideal graph $I_d(G)$ are called strong vertices of the graph G and the vertices, which are not in the ideal graph $I_d(G)$ are called weak vertices of the graph G . The vanishing number of an edge uv of the ideal graph of a graph G is defined as the number of internal vertices of the u - v path in the graph G . The vanishing number of an edge e of an ideal graph by $v_0(e)$. The vanishing number of the ideal graph of a graph is denoted by vid and is defined as the sum of all vanishing numbers of the edges of $I_d(G)$ or the number of weak vertices of the graph G . The ideal number of a graph G is defined as the number of vertices in the ideal graph of the graph G or the number of strong vertices of the graph. It is denoted by p_{id} .

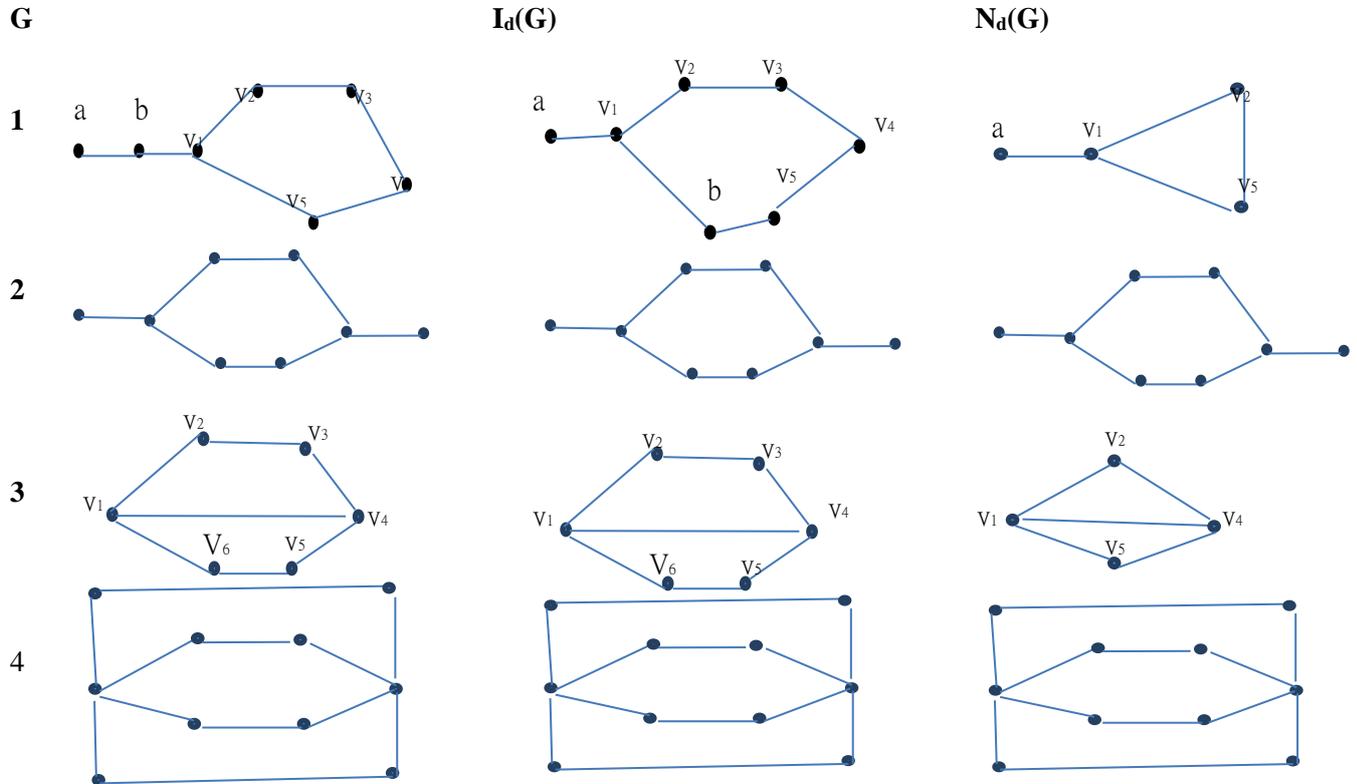
2. Nano ideal Graph of a graph:

In this section, we introduce Nano ideal graph of a graph and approach graph properties via Nano ideal graphs. Also we discuss how the results differ while using Nano ideal graph instead of ideal graph of a graph.

Definition 2.1: For any graph G , the Nano ideal graph of the graph G which is denoted by $N_d(G)$ is the ideal graph of G in which cycles with 'n' vertices ($n > 3$) $v_1v_2\dots v_nv_1$ such that $\deg(v_i) = 2$ for all

$i = 2, 3, \dots, n-1$ will be considered as $v_1 v_2 v_n v_1$, that is the path $v_2 - v_n$ in G is considered as an edge $v_2 v_n$ in $N_d(G)$.

Examples 2.2:



Definition 2.3: The vertices of the Nano ideal graph $N_d(G)$ are called N-strong vertices of the graph G and the vertices, which are not in the Nano ideal graph $N_d(G)$ are called N-weak vertices of the graph G . The vanishing number of an edge uv of $N_d(G)$ is defined as the number of internal vertices of the $u-v$ path in the graph G [3]. We denote the vanishing number of an edge e of $N_d(G)$ by $v_0(e)$. The vanishing number of the Nano ideal graph of a graph is denoted by v_{nd} and is defined as the sum of all vanishing numbers of the edges of $N_d(G)$ or the number of N-weak vertices of the graph G . The Nanoideal number of a graph G is defined as the number of vertices in the Nanoideal graph of the graph G or the number of N-strong vertices of the graph. It is denoted by p_{nd} .

The following proposition is obvious from the above definitions.

Proposition 2.4: Let G be a graph and $p = |V(G)|$. The following properties are true.

- (i) $p = p_{nd} + v_{nd}$.
- (ii) $p \geq p_{id} \geq p_{nd}$.
- (iii) $p = p_{nd}$ if and only if $G = N_d(G)$.
- (iv) $I_d(G) = N_d(G)$ if and only if G has no cycles.
- (v) $G = I_d(G) = N_d(G)$ if and only if $\delta \geq 3$, where δ is minimum of degree of vertices of G .

Remark 2.5

- (i) $N_d(P_n) = P_2$ and $N_d(C_n) = C_3$ for every $n \geq 3$.
- (ii) $N_d(W_n) = W_n$ and $N_d(K_n) = K_n$ for all n .
- (iii) $N_d(K_{m,n}) = K_{m,n}$ except for $K_{1,2}$ & $K_{2,2}$ since $N_d(K_{1,2}) = P_2$ and $N_d(K_{2,2}) = C_3$.
- (iv) $N_d(N_d(G)) = N_d(G)$ for any graph G .

Proposition 2.6: A vertex v of a graph G is a N -strong vertex if and only if $\deg(v) \leq 1$ or $\deg(v) \geq 3$.

Proposition 2.7: The following results are true for any graph G .

- (i) If a vertex v of a graph G is an N -weak vertex, then $\deg(v) = 2$.
- (ii) Every weak vertex is an N -weak vertex but not the converse.
- (iii) Every N -strong vertex is a strong vertex but not the converse.

Remark 2.8 Converse of the results discussed in the above are not true. For, consider $G = K_{2,3}$. Then there two vertices are of degree 2 but they are not N -weak vertices. The graphs given in the examples for Nano ideal graph contains the examples that indicates converse of (ii) and (iii) not true.

Proposition 2.9: A graph G is connected if and only if $N_d(G)$ is connected.

Proof: It is proved that “A graph G is connected if and only if $I_d(G)$ is connected”[2]. This proof is similar to the proof of the above theorem.

Corollary: A graph G and $I_d(G)$ have same number of connected components.

Lemma 2.10 ([1]) If a graph G is isomorphic to a graph G' under a function f , then

- (i) G and G' have same degree sequence
- (ii) if G contains a k -cycle for some integer $k \geq 3$, so does G' and
- (iii) if G contains a u - v path of length k , then G' contains a $f(u)$ - $f(v)$ path of length k .

Theorem 2.11: A graph G is isomorphic to a graph G' implies $N_d(G)$ is isomorphic to $N_d(G')$ but not the converse.

Proof: follows from the above Lemma. Take $G = C_4$ and $G' = C_5$. Here $N_d(G) = N_d(G') = C_3$ where the actual graphs are not isomorphic. Already we had a characterization for isomorphism of graphs via $I_d(G)$. But $N_d(G)$ has fewer vertices than $I_d(G)$ which motivate us to express a new characterization for isomorphism of graphs via $N_d(G)$.

Theorem 2.12: A graph G is isomorphic to the graph G' if and only if $N_d(G)$ is isomorphic to $N_d(G')$ and the isomorphic edges have same vanishing number.

In Graph theory we have “A graph G is 2-colorable if and only if G contains no odd cycles”. This result is useful to prove the following results.

Theorem 2.13: [3] A graph G is 2-colorable if and only if $I_d(G)$ is 2-colorable.

We cannot just replace $I_d(G)$ by $N_d(G)$ as we did it for characterization of isomorphism of graphs. Because $G = C_4$ is 2-colorable but $N_d(G) = N_d(C_4) = C_3$ is not 2-colorable. But luckily we have the following results.

Proposition 2.14: If $N_d(G)$ of any graph G has no odd cycles then G has no odd cycles.

Proof: Let $N_d(G)$ of the graph G has no odd cycles. Then G has no C_3 . That means the cycles in G remains same in $N_d(G)$. Hence G has no odd cycles.

Theorem 2.15: For any graph G , if $N_d(G)$ is two colorable implies G is two colorable.

Proof: Let G be a graph such that $N_d(G)$ is two colorable. Therefore, $N_d(G)$ has no odd cycles. By the previous proposition, G also does not contain any odd cycles. Hence G is 2-colorable.

Theorem 2.16: A graph G is k -colorable with $k \geq 3$ if and only if $N_d(G)$ is k -colorable. Proof Let G is k -colorable with $k \geq 3$. Since degrees of N -strong vertices remain same in $N_d(G)$, $N_d(G)$ is also k -colorable. Assume $N_d(G)$ is k -colorable. Since degrees of N -strong vertices remain same in G and $N_d(G)$ and degree of weak vertices are only two which is less k (since $k \geq 3$), G is k -colorable.

Corollary 2.17 For any graph G , $\delta(G) \leq \chi(G) \leq \chi(N_d(G))$.

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