

MONOCHROMATIC INDEPENDENT DOMINATION IN EDGE-COLOURED QUASITRANSITIVE DIGRAPHS

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We call the digraph D an m -coloured digraph if the arcs of D are coloured with m colours. A subdigraph H of D is called *monochromatic* (resp. *quasi-monochromatic*) if all of its arcs (resp. with at most one exception all of its arcs) are coloured alike.

A set $N \subseteq V(D)$ is said to be a *kernel by monochromatic paths* if it satisfies the two following conditions:

- (i) For every pair of different vertices $u, v \in N$, there is no monochromatic directed path between them.
- (ii) For every vertex $x \in V(D) - N$, there is a vertex $y \in N$ such that there is an xy -monochromatic directed path.

In this talk we show that if D is an m -coloured quasitransitive digraph then each one of the two following conditions implies that D has a kernel by monochromatic paths:

- (1) Every directed cycle of length 3 is monochromatic.
- (2) Every directed cycle of length 3 and every T_5 is quasi-monochromatic and every T_3 is monochromatic (T_3 is the digraph with $V(T_3) = \{u, v, w\}$ and $A(T_3) = \{(u, v), (v, w), (u, w)\}$; T_5 is the digraph with $V(T_5) = \{u, v, w, x, y\}$, $T = (u, v, w, x, y)$ is a directed path and $A(T_3) = A(T) \cup \{(u, y)\}$).

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