

Independent domination in 3-regular graphs and domination in 4-regular graphs

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A set S of vertices in a graph G is a dominating set of G if every vertex not in S is adjacent to a vertex in S . An independent dominating set in G is a dominating set of G with the additional property that it is an independent set. The domination number, $\gamma(G)$, and the independent domination number, $i(G)$, are the minimum cardinalities among all dominating sets and independent dominating sets in G , respectively. The $\frac{3}{8}$ -conjecture for independent domination states that if G is connected 3-regular graph of order n different from $K_{3,3}$ and the 5-prism $C_5 \square K_2$, then $i(G) \leq \frac{3}{8}n$. The $\frac{1}{3}$ -conjecture for domination states that if G is a 4-regular graph of order n , then $\gamma(G) \leq \frac{1}{3}n$. We prove the $\frac{3}{8}$ -conjecture for independent domination (see [1]), and we prove the $\frac{1}{3}$ -conjecture for domination when the 4-regular graph has no induced 4-cycle (see [1]). A thorough treatise on dominating sets can be found in [2].

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