### DOMINATION IN SOFT GRAPHS

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#### **ABSTRACT**

 $m{I}$ n this paper we introduce domination in soft graphs and some of their properties.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Soft set theory [1] was introduced by molodstov in 1999 as a general mathematical tool for dealing with uncertainties. The operation of soft sets are defined by maji *et al.* [2] rajesh k.thumbakara *et al.* have been introduced soft graph [4] & investigated some of their properties.

#### 2. PRELIMINARIES

#### 2.1 Soft sets:

**Definition 2.21:** [2] let U be a non empty finite set of objects is called universe and let E be a nonempty set called parameters.

An ordered pair (F,E) is said to be a soft set over U, Where F is a mapping from E into the set of all subsets of the set U. that is  $F: E \to P(U)$ . The set of all soft sets over U is denoted by S(U).

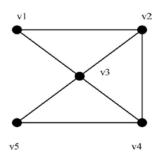
**Definition 2.2.2:** [4] Let (F, A) be a soft set over V. then (F, A) is said to be a soft graph of G if the sub graph induced by F(x) in G, F(x) is a connected sub graph of G for all  $x \in A$ .

The set of all soft graph of G is denoted by SG(G).

#### 3. DOMINATION IN SOFT GRAPHS

**Definition 3.1:** A set D is said to be a dominating set of a soft graph (F, A) if for every  $x \in A$ , every vertices of f(x) in V-D is adjacent to at least one vertex in D

**Example 3.2:** A graph G = (V, E) is



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Let  $A = \{v_1, v_4, v_5\}$ . define the set value function F by

 $F(x) = \{y/x \text{ is adjacent to } y\}$ 

$$F(v_1) = \{v_2, v_3\}, F(v_4) = \{v_2, v_3, v_5\}, F(v_5) = \{v_2, v_3, v_4\}$$

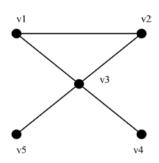
In this graph  $\{v_2, v_3\}$  is a dominating set.

**Definition 3.3:** A dominate set D of a soft graph is a minimal dominating set D' if no proper subset  $D' \subset D$  is a dominating set. The dominating number  $\gamma(F,A)$  of a soft graph (F,A) is the minimum cardinality of a dominating set of (F,A).

In the example 3.2, {v3} is a minimal dominating set of that soft graph

**Proposition 3.4:** Dominating set of a soft graph and dominating set of a graph (which gives that soft graph) are independent.

### **Example 3.5:** A graph G is



Dominating set of G  $\{v_1, v_3\}$ .

Let 
$$A = \{v_2, v_5\}$$

Let  $F(x) = \{y \mid \text{ is adjacent to } y\}$ 

$$F(v_2) = \{v_1, v_3, v_5\}$$

$$F(v_5) = \{v_2, v_3\}$$

 $\{v_3\}$  is a dominating set of a soft graph (F, A).

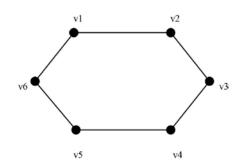
**Theorem 3.6:** A dominating set D of a soft graph is a minimal dominating set if for each  $d \in A$ , one of the following holds.

- 1. d is not adjacent to any vertex in D
- 2. there is a vertex  $c \in D \ni N(c) \cap D = \{d\}$ , Where  $N(c) = \{v \in V : V \in E\}$ .

**Theorem 3.7:** For every soft graph (F, A) if D is a minimal dominating set then for every  $x \in A$ , F(x) - D is a null graph.

**Definition 3.8:** An independent set of a soft graph (F, A) is a subset S of  $V \ni$ : for every  $x \in A \subseteq V$  no two vertices of F(x) are adjacent in (F,A).

## **Example 3.9:** A graph G = (V, E) is



Let  $A = \{v_1, v_4\}$ 

Let 
$$F(x) = \{ y/d(x, y) \le 2 \}$$

 $\{v_2, v_3, v_5, v_6\}$  is the independent set of a soft graph (F, A).

**Definition 3.10:** For  $n \ge 2$  a soft graph (F,A) is n-partite soft graph if A can be partitioned into n non-empty subsets  $v_1, v_2, ..., v_n$  3: for every  $x \in A$ , no edge of f(x) joins vertices in the same set. The sets  $v_1, v_2, ..., v_n$  are called partite sets of G.

**Theorem 3.11:** Let (F, A) be a soft graph which is not complete and  $P \ge 4$ . Then a set consisting of any two adjacent vertices of (F, A) forms a minimal dominating set of (F, A) iff (F, A) is soft isomorphic to the complete K-partite soft graph  $K_{p1,p2,\dots,pk}$  for some K and  $P_i \ge 2$  for each i

**Theorem 3.11:** If D is an independent dominating set of a soft graph (F, A) then D is both a minimal dominating set of (F, A) and a maximal independent set of (F, A). conversely, if D is a maximal independent set of (F, A) then D is an independent dominating set of (F, A)

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