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# Distance Closed G-Eccentric Domination in Fuzzy Graphs

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Abstract. A dominating set *D* of the vertex set *V*(*G*) in a fuzzy graph  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is said to be a g-eccentric dominating set if for every  $b \in V - D$ ,  $\exists$  at least one g-eccentric vertex *a* of *b* in *D*. A subset  $D \subseteq V(G)$  of a fuzzy graph  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is said to be distance closed set if for every vertex  $a \in D$  and for every vertex  $c \in V - D$ ,  $\exists$  at least one vertex  $b \in D$ such that  $d_g(a, b)(in < D >) = d_g(a, c)(in G)$ . A subset *D* of a vertex set *V*(*G*) in a fuzzy graph  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is said to be distance closed g-eccentric dominating set if < D > is distance closed and *D* is g-eccentric dominating set. The lowest cardinality of the distance closed g-eccentric dominating set is called the distance closed g-eccentric domination number of *G*. This article discusses the distance closed g-eccentric dominating set and its number in fuzzy graphs. Bounds for the distance closed g-eccentric domination number are found for several fuzzy graph types. Several theorems, results, and observations are presented on distance closed g-eccentric dominating sets and numbers in fuzzy graph

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## I Introduction

Rosenfeld [7] is a man who invented the concept of fuzzy graphs (abbreviated as FG). In the year 2010, T.N. Janakiraman et al. [3] introduced the distance closed domination in graph. In 2010, T.N. Janakiraman et al. [4] developed the notion of eccentric domination in graph. Linda.J.P and M.S.Sunitha [5] proposed the concept of g-eccentric nodes, g-boundary nodes, and g-interior nodes of a FG in 2012. The concept of a graph's distance closed eccentric domination number was initially introduced by M. Bhanumathi and Sudha Senthil [2] in 2016. Mohamed Ismayil and Muthupandiyan proposed g-eccentric domination in FG in 2020 [6].

The concepts of a distance closed g-eccentric point set, a distance closed g-eccentric dominating set, and corresponding FG numbers are introduced in this article. Theorems and proofs on distance closed g-eccentric dominating sets are presented. For some typical FG, bounds on distance closed g-eccentric domination number are found.

For unknown graph and FG notions, the reader should refer [1, 7, 8]. In this research, only connected FG are consider.

**Definition 1.1.** [6,8] *A* FG G( $\tau, \omega$ ) is characterized with two functions  $\tau$  on *V* and  $\omega$  on  $\subseteq V \times V$ , where  $\tau : V \rightarrow [0,1]$  and  $\omega : E \rightarrow [0,1]$  such that  $\omega(a,b) \leq \tau(a) \wedge \tau(b), \forall a, b \in V$ . We anticipate that *V* is a nonempty finite set,  $\omega$  is reflexive and symmetric functions. We indicate the crisp grpah  $G^* = (\tau^*, \omega^*)$  of the fuzzy graph  $G(\tau, \omega)$  where

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 $\tau^* = \{a \in V : \tau(a) > 0\}$  and  $\omega^* = \{(a, b) \in E : \omega(a, b) > 0\}$ . The order and size of a fuzzy graph  $G(\tau, \omega)$  are denoted and defined by  $p = \sum_{a \in V} \tau(a)$  and  $q = \sum_{ab \in E} \omega(a, b)$  respectively.

**Definition 1.2.** [6, 8] An edge (a, b) is strong (or strong arc) in a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  if  $\omega(a, b) \ge \omega^{\infty}(a, b) = CONN_{G-(a,b)}(a, b)$ . A path *P* in a FG of length *n* is a sequence of distinct nodes  $a_0, a_1, \ldots, a_n$  such that  $\omega(a_{i-1}, a_i) > 0, i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$  and the strength of the path *P* is  $s(P) = min\{\omega(a_{i-1}, a_i), i = 1, 2, \ldots, n\}$ .

**Definition 1.3.** [6, 8] Let  $G(\tau, \omega)$  be a fuzzy graph. If (a, b) is strong then *b* is called strong neighbors of *a*. The strong neighborhood of *a* is the collection of all of its strong neighbors and represented by  $N_s(a)$ . The closed strong neighborhood of *a* is  $N_s[a] = N_s(a) \cup \{a\}$ . The strong degree of a vertex  $b \in \tau^*$  is defined as the sum of membership values of all strong edges occurring at *b* and it is denoted by  $d_s(b)$ . Also it is defined by  $d_s(b) = \sum_{a \in N_s(b)} \omega(a, b)$  where  $N_s(b)$  denotes the set of all strong neighbors of *b*.

**Definition 1.4.**[1, 6] The distance between two vertices in a graph G(V, E) is the number of edges in a shortest path(graph geodesic) connecting them, denoted by d(a, b). A strong path P in  $G(\tau, \omega)$  from a to b is called geodesics if there is no shorter strong path from a to b and a length of a - b geodesic is the geodesic distance(g-distance) from *a* to *b* denoted by  $d_g(a, b)$ .

**Definition 1.5.** [5, 6] The geodesic eccentricity (g-eccentricity)  $e_g(a)$  of a vertex  $a \in V$  in a connected FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is characterized by  $e_g(a) = max\{d_g(a, b), b \in V\}$ . The least g-eccentricity among the vertices of G is called g-radius and indicated by  $r_g(G) = min\{e_g(a), a \in V\}$  and the greatest g-eccentricity among the vertices of G is called g-diameter and indicated by  $d_g(G) = max\{e_g(a), a \in V\}$ . A vertex b is g-central vertex if  $e_g(b) = r_g(G)$ . Moreover, a vertex b in G is g-peripheral vertex if  $e_g(b) = d_g(G)$ .

**Definition 1.6.** [5] Let  $a, b \in V(G)$  be any two vertices in a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$ . A vertex a at g-distance  $e_g(b)$  from b is a geccentric point of b. The g-eccentric set of a vertex b is defined and the domination number is symbolised by by  $E_g(b) = \{a : d_g(a, b) = e_g(b)\}$ .

**Definition 1.7.** [6] The set  $S \subseteq V$  in a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is g-eccentric point set if for each  $b \in V - S$ , there exists at least one g-eccentric point *a* of *b* in *S*.

**Definition 1.8.** [6, 4] A dominating set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  in a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is said to be a g-eccentric dominating set if each vertex  $b \notin D$ , then  $\exists$  at least a g-eccentric vertex a of b in D. The least scalar cardinality taken over all g-eccentric dominating set is called g-eccentric domination number and the domination number is symbolised by  $\gamma_{aed}(G)$ .

**Definition 1.9.** [2] A subset  $D \subseteq V(G)$  of a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is said to be distance closed set(DC-set) if for each vertex  $a \in D$  and for each vertex  $c \in V - D$ ,  $\exists$  at least one vertex  $b \in D$  such that  $d_g(a, b)(in < D >) = d_g(a, c)(in G)$  and respectively.

#### II Distance Closed g-Eccentric Point Set in Fuzzy Graph

In this part, the distance closed g-eccentric point set and its numbers are defined in FG. Specific results, observations, and bounds on the distance closed g-eccentric number have been achieved for some classes of FG.

**Definition 2.1.** A sub set  $S \subseteq V(G)$  of a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is said to be distance closed g-eccentric point set (DCgEP-set) if (i) < S > is distance closed (ii) S is g-eccentric point set(gEP-set).

**Definition 2.2.** The least cardinality of all the distance closed g-eccentric point set S of a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is distance closed g-eccentric number and is accompanied by  $e_{dcg}(G)$ . The greatest cardinality of all the distance closed g-eccentric point set S of a fuzzy graph  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is the upper distance closed g-eccentric number and is accompanied by  $E_{dcg}(G)$ .

Note 2.3. For any FG, the distance closed set have at least two vertices. Hence  $e_{dcg} \leq 2$ .

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## Example 2.4.



In the figure (1), we see that the DCgEP-sets  $S_1 = \{b_2, b_3\}, S_2 = \{b_3, b_4\}S3 = \{b1, b2\}$  and  $S_4 = \{v_1, v_4\}$ . Hence,  $e_{dcg}(G) = 0.6$  and  $E_{dcg}(G) = 0.8$ .

## **Observation 2.5.**

- 1. If S is a DCgEP-set, then  $S^0 \supset S$  is also an DCgEP-set.
- 2. If S is a minimal DCgEP-set, then  $S^0 \subset S$  is not a DCgEP- set.
- 3. In  $T_{\tau}$ , every DCgEP-set contains at least one pendent vertex.
- 4. For any FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$ ,  $e_{dcg}(G) \leq E_{dcg}(G)$ .
- 5. The complement of an DCgEP-set need not be a DCgEP-set (See Figure 2).



**Example 2.6.** In the figure (2), the set  $S = \{b_1, b_4, b_5, b_6\}$  is DCgEP-set, but the complement of S is  $\{b_2, b_3\}$  which is not a DCgEP-set.

## **Observation 2.7.**

- 1.  $e_{dcg}(K_{\tau}) \leq 2, |\tau *| \geq 3.$
- 2.  $e_{dcg}(S_{\tau}) \leq 2, |\tau *| \geq 3.$

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#### III Distance Closed g-Eccentric Dominating set in Fuzzy Graph

The distance closed g-eccentric dominating set and its number, as well as theorems relating to the number of distance closed g-eccentric dominating sets in FG are explored in this section.

**Definition 3.1.** A sub set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  of a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is said to be a distance closed g-eccentric dominating set (DCgED-set) if

1. < D > is distance closed and

2. *D* is g-eccentric dominating set (gED-set).

The DCgED-set of a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is described as minimal if there does not exists any DCgED-set  $S^0 \subset S$  in G. The least cardinality taken over all the minimal DCgED-set is called the distance closed g-eccentric domination number and is denoted as  $\gamma_{dcged}(G)$ . The greatest cardinality taken over all the minimal DCgED-set is called the upper distance closed g-eccentric domination number and is typified by  $\Gamma_{dcged}(G)$ .

## Example 3.2.

In the figure (1), the DCgED-sets are  $D_1 = \{b_3, b_2\}, D_2 = \{b_1, b_2\}, D_3 = \{b_3, b_4\}$  and  $D_4 = \{b_1, b_4\}$ . All the sets  $D_1, D_2, D_3$  and  $D_4$  are minimal DC-set and g-ED-set. Hence,  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) = 0.6$  and  $\Gamma_{dcged}(G) = 0.8$ .

Note 3.3. The minimum DCgED-set in a FG is denoted by  $\gamma_{dcged}$ -set

Note 3.4. Every DCgED-set contains at least 2 vertices.

## **Observation 3.5.**

- 1. Clearly,  $0 < \gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq p$ .
- 2. If *D* is a minimal DCgED-set, then the subset  $D^0 \subset D$  is not a DCgED-set.
- 3. If *D* is a DCgED-set then the set  $D'' \supset D$  is also a DCgED-set.
- 4. For any connected FG  $G(\tau, \omega), \gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq \Gamma_{dcged}(G)$ .
- 5. If D is a DCgED-set then the complement V D is need not be a DCgED-set.

**Example 3.6.** In the figure (2), the set  $S = \{b_1, b_4, b_5, b_6\}$  is DCgED-set, but the complement of S is  $\{b_2, b_3\}$ , not a DCgED-set.

**Theorem 3.7.**  $\gamma_{dcged}(K_{\tau}) \leq 2, |\tau^*| \geq 3.$ 

**Proof.** Let  $K_{\tau} = G(\tau, \omega)$  be a complete FG where  $|\tau^*| \ge 3$ , then  $r_g(G) = d_g(G) = 1$ . By note 3.4 let  $D = \{a, b\}$ . Here *a* or *b* dominates other vertices and is also a g-eccentric point of other vertices. Since  $e_g(a) = e_g(b) = 1$ , *D* is a DC-set. Therefore, *D* is a DCgED-set. Hence,  $\gamma_{dcged}(K_{\tau}) \le 2$ .

**Theorem 3.8**  $\gamma_{dcged}(K_{\tau_1,\tau_2}) \leq 3$ ,  $|\tau_1^*| = 1$  and  $|\tau_2^*| = n, n \geq 3$ .

**Proof.** Let  $K_{\tau_1,\tau_2} = G(\tau, \omega)$  be a star FG where  $|\tau_1^*| = 1$ , and  $|\tau_2^*| = n, n \ge 3$ . Let  $D = \{a, b, c\}$ . Here *a* be a g-central vertex such that  $d_s(a) = p$  in *G*. Clearly  $r_g(G) = 1$  and  $d_g(G) = 2$  and also *a* dominates all vertices in V - D and every point of V - D has a g-EP in *D*. Here any two non adjacent vertices *b*, *c* of eccentricity 2 together with *a* will form a DCgED-set. Hence,  $\gamma_{dcaed}(K_{\tau_1,\tau_2}) \le 3$ .

**Theorem 3.9**  $\gamma_{dcged}(K_{\tau_1,\tau_2}) \leq 4, |\tau_1^*| = m \text{ and } |\tau_2^*| = n \text{ and } m, n \geq 3.$ 

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**Proof.** Let  $G(\tau, \omega) = (K_{\tau_1,\tau_2})$  be a complete bipartite FG where  $|\tau_1^*| = m$  and  $|\tau_2^*| = n$  and  $m, n \ge 3$  and  $\tau = \tau_1 \cup \tau_2$  such that each element  $|\tau_1^*|$  is adjacent to each element of  $|\tau_2^*|$ . Here every vertices of  $G(\tau, \omega)$  has g-eccentricity equal to two with  $r_g(G) = d_g(G) = 2$ . Let  $D = \{a, b, f, g\}, a, f \in m$  and  $b, g \in n, u$  dominates all the vertices of n and it is g-eccentricity of  $m - \{u\}$ , similarly b dominates all the vertices of m and it is the g-eccentric vertex of  $n - \{b\}$ . Hence, D is a minimum DCgED-set and hence,  $\gamma_{dcged}(K_{\tau_1,\tau_2}) \le 4$ .

#### Note 3.10.

1. If m = n = 1, then  $\gamma_{dcged}(K_{\tau_1,\tau_2}) \leq 2$ .

2. If m = n = 2, then  $\gamma_{dcged}(K_{\tau_1,\tau_2}) \leq 3$ .

3. If m = 1, n = 2 or m = 2, n = 1, then  $\gamma_{dcged}(K_{\tau_1,\tau_2}) \leq 3$ .

**Theorem 3.11.**  $\gamma_{dcged}(W_{\tau}) \leq 4, |\tau^*| \geq 4.$ 

**Proof.** Let  $G(\tau, \omega) = W_{\tau}, |\tau^*| \ge 4$ . Let  $D = \{a, b, f, c\}$  where a, b and f are any three adjacent non g-central vertices and c is the g-central vertex. Clearly,  $r_g(G) = 1$  and  $d_g(g) = 2$ . Hence, D is the DCgED-set. Therefore,  $\gamma_{dcged}(W_{\tau}) \le 4$ .

#### IV Bounds for Distance Closed g-eccentric domination number of Fuzzy graph.

Bounds on the distance closed g-eccentric domination number are examined in this section.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $K_{\tau}, |\tau^*| = n, n$  is even, and  $G(\tau, \omega)$  be a FG obtained from complete FG  $K_{\tau}$  by deleting edges of a linear factor, then  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) = p$ .

**Proof.** Let *D* be a  $\gamma_{dcged}$ -set. We know that  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq p$ . If  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) = p$ , then  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) < p$ . This implies that  $\exists a \in D$  such that  $e_g(a < D) < e_g(a/G)$ . Therefore, *D* is not a DC-set which is a contradiction to our assumption. Hence,  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) = p$ .

**Theorem 4.2.** If  $G(\tau, \omega)$  be a self centered FG with a dominating edge which is not in a triangle, then  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 4$ .

**Proof.** Let  $ab \in E(G)$  be a dominating edge of a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  which is not in a triangle and let  $ca, bf \in E(G)$ , then  $D = \{a, b, c, f\}$  is a  $\gamma_{dcged}$ -set. Hence,  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 4$ .

**Theorem 4.3.** Let  $G(\tau, \omega)$  be a self centered FG then  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 1 + 2\delta_s(G)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $b \in V(G)$  such that  $d_s(b) = \delta_s(G)$ . Let  $\{b\} \cup N_s(b)$  is a gED-set. Consider  $f \in Ns(b)$  such that f has no g-eccentric vertex in  $N_s(b)$ . Then f has g-eccentric vertex g in  $N_2(b)$ . Let  $S \subseteq N_2(b)$  such that vertices in  $N_s(b)$  have their g-eccentric vertices in D. Thus  $D = \{v\} \cup N_s(b) \cup S$  form a DCgED- set. Hence,  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 1 + \delta_s(G) + \delta_s(G) = 1 + 2\delta_s(G)$ .

**Theorem 4.4.** Let  $G(\tau, \omega)$  be FG with  $r_g(G) > 2$ . Then  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \le p - \Delta_S(G) + 2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $a \in V(G)$  such that  $d_g(a) = \Delta_s(G)$ . Since  $r_g(G) > 2$ , vertices in  $N_s(a)$  have their g-eccentric vertices in  $V - N_s(a)$  only. Hence,  $V - N_s(a)$  is a g-ED-set of  $G(\tau, \omega)$ . Consider,  $N_s(a)$ , if  $N_s(a)$  is complete,  $(V - N_s(a)) \cup \{b\}$ , where  $b \in N_s(a)$  and degree  $\geq 2$  is a DCgED- set. If  $N_s(a)$  is not complete, let  $f, g \in N_s(a)$  such that f and g are not adjacent in  $N_s(a)$ . Then  $(V - N_s(a)) \cup \{f, g\}$  is a DCgED-set. Hence,  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq p - \Delta_s(G) + 2$ .

#### **Observation 4.5.**

1. A vertex subset *D* of a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  is a DCgED-set if and only if

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(i)  $e_q(a < D) \ge e_q(a / G)$  for  $a \in D$ .

- (ii) Every node with g-eccentricity at most  $d_g(G) 1$  is a cut vertex, where  $d_g(G)$  is the diameter of G.
- 2. A FG with  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) = p$  is called a 0-distance closed g-eccentric dominating FG.
- 3.  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 2 \text{ iff } G(\tau, \omega) \text{ is complete.}$
- 4. If  $G(\tau, \omega) \neq K_{\tau}$ , then  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \geq 3$ .

**Theorem 4.6.** In a FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$ ,  $r_g(G) = 1$ ,  $d_g(G) = 2$  and  $\gamma_{ged}(G) \leq 2$ , then  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 3$ .

**Proof.** Given in a FG  $G(\tau, \omega), r_g(G) = 1, d_g(G) = 2$  and  $\gamma_{ged}(G) \le 2$ . Let  $D = \{f, g\}$  be a g-ED set,  $\gamma_{ged}(G) \le 2, E_1 = \{b \in V(G) e_g(b) = 1\}$  and  $E_2 = \{b \in V(G), e_g(b) = 2\}$ .

**Case** (i): Since,  $r_g(G) \neq g_g(G)$ ,  $e_g(f) = e_g(g) = 1$ , is not possible.

**Case(ii)**:  $e_g(f) = 1, e_g(g) = 2$ . In this case, f is g-eccentric to all other vertices of  $E_2$ . Let  $c \in E_2$ , c is not adjacent to b. Let  $D = \{f, g, c\}$  is a  $\gamma_{dcged}$ -set. Hence,  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 3$ .

**Case(iii):**  $e_g(f) = e_g(g) = 2$ . All the other vertices of  $E_2$  are adjacent to either f or b. If there is a vertex  $h \in E_2$  such that it is adjacent to both f and g then f, g are not g-eccentric to h. Hence D is not a  $\gamma_{ged}$ -set, which is a contradiction. Therefore, there is no h in  $E_2$  which is adjacent to both f, g.

Sub Case (i): f and g are adjacent in  $G(\tau, \omega)$ . Take  $D = \{a, f, g\}$  where  $e_g(a) = 1$ , then D is a  $\gamma_{dcged}$ -set. Hence,  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 3$ .

**Sub Case (ii):** f and g are not adjacent in  $G(\tau, \omega)$ . In this case take  $D = \{f, g, h\}$ , where  $e_g(h) = 2$ , then D is a  $\gamma_{dcged}$ -set. Hence,  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 3$ . Thus we see that, a FG with radius one and diameter 2, then  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 3$  if  $\gamma_{ged}(G) \leq 2$ .

#### Corollary 4.7.

1. If  $r_q(G) = 1$  and  $G(\tau, \omega)$  has a pendent vertex, then  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \leq 3$ .

**Theorem 4.8.** There is no FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  such that both G and  $\overline{G}$  are 0-DCgED-graphs.

**Proof.** Since all the 0-distance closed dominating FG  $G(\tau, \omega)$  are with  $d_g(G) \ge 3$  and there is no FG for which both G and  $\overline{G}$  are with  $d_g(G) \ge 3$ , we have the result.

#### **Observation 4.9.**

1. If  $G = \overline{K_{\tau}} + K_1 + K_1 + \overline{K_{\tau}}$ ,  $|\tau^*| = 2$ , then  $\gamma(G) \le 2$ ,  $\gamma_{ged}(G) \le 4$ ,  $\gamma_{dcl}(G) \le 4$ ,  $\gamma_{dcged}(G) \le 4$ .

2. If 
$$G = K_{\tau} + K_1 + K_1 + K_{\tau} |\tau^*| \ge 2$$
, then  $\gamma(G) \le 2, \gamma_{aed}(G) \le 2, \gamma_{dcl}(G) \le 4, \gamma_{dcaed}(G) \le 4$ .

**Theorem 4.10.** For a bi central fuzzy tree  $T_{\tau}$  with  $r_{q}(T_{\tau}) = 2$ , then  $\gamma_{dcged}(T_{\tau}) \leq 4$ .

**Proof.** All the four vertices of a bi central path form a DCgED- set. Hence the theorem follows.

**Observation 4.11.** For a bi central fuzzy tree  $T_{\tau}$ ,

1.  $\gamma_{dcged}(T_{\tau}) \leq \gamma_{ged}(T_{\tau}) + 1$ , if there exists at least one peripheral vertex with support vertex  $u, d_g(u) \leq 2$ .

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2.  $\gamma_{dcged}(T_{\tau}) = \gamma_{ged}(T_{\tau})$ , if strong degree of every support vertex is greater than two.

**Observation 4.12.** For a unicentral fuzzy tree  $T_{\tau}$ ,

1.  $\gamma_{dcged}(T_{\tau}) \leq \gamma_{ged}(T_{\tau}) + 2$ , if there exists at least one peripheral vertex with support vertex  $u, d_g(u) \leq 2$ .

2.  $\gamma_{dcged}(T_{\tau}) = \gamma_{ged}(T_{\tau})$ , if strong degree of every support vertex is greater than two.

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