

Research Article **Prime Decomposition of Zero Divisor Graph in a Commutative Ring**

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Let *R* be a commutative ring and let $\Gamma(Z_n)$ be the zero divisor graph of a commutative ring *R*, whose vertices are nonzero zero divisors of Z_n , and such that the two vertices *u*, *v* are adjacent if *n* divides *uv*. In this paper, we introduce the concept of prime decomposition of zero divisor graph in a commutative ring and also discuss some special cases of $\Gamma(Z_{3p})$, $\Gamma(Z_{5p})$, $\Gamma(Z_{7p})$, and $\Gamma(Z_{pq})$.

1. Introduction

Let us consider the finite, simple, and undirected graphs to discuss about the prime decomposition in the form of zero divisor graphs [1].

Here, complete graph with *n* vertices is represented by K_n and the complete bipartite graph is represented by $K_{m,n}$. Also, a path of length *k* is by S_k . (ie) $S_k = K_{1,k}$. Let K_{1,m_i}^{β} be the star graph of β copies where *m* be the prime number with *iit* tupes. Let *L* be the family of all subgraph and *L* is an edge disjoint decomposition with α_i copies of H_i , where $i \in \{1, 2, ..., r\}$ and α is a positive integer. Furthermore, if each H_i ($i \in \{1, 2, 3, ..., r\}$) is isomorphic to a graph *H*, then we say that *G* has an *H*- decomposition.

The zero divisor graphs play an important role in algebraic properties and algebraic structures such as a commutative ring. The concept of a zero divisor graph is a commutative ring was proposed by Beck's [2]. The general terminology and notation everything based on the papers [[3–7]]. In this paper, we investigate the prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{pq})$ into K_{1,m_i} star graph with m_i edges and obtain the following results. We already investigated the concept of decomposition of zero divisor graph for some special cases $\Gamma(Z_n)$ where n = pq, p^2 , p^2q [8].

Let *R* be the ring and *G*(*R*) be the graph of the ring. If two distinct vertices $r.s \in G(R)$ are adjacent then we can represent it as rs = 0. Beck's initiated his work with a chromatic number of the graph. In this paper, we discuss the prime decomposition of Z_{pq} into K_{1,m_i} star graph with m_i edges.

2. Preliminaries

Definition 1 (see [4]). Let R be a commutative ring (with 1) and let Z (R) be its set of zero-divisors. We associate a (simple) graph $\Gamma(R)$ to R with vertices $Z(R)^* = Z(R) - \{0\}$, the set of nonzero zero-divisor of R, and for distinct $x, y \in Z(R)^*$ the vertices x and y are adjacent if and only if xy = 0. Thus, $\Gamma(R)$ is the empty graph if and only if R is an integral domain.

Definition 2. A graph G is decomposable into H_1, H_2 , H_3, \ldots, H_k if G has subgraphs $H_1, H_2, H_3, \ldots, H_k$ such that

- (1) Each edge of *G* belongs to one of the H_i's for some i = 1, 2, 3, ..., k
- (2) If $i \neq j$, then H_i and H_i have no edges in common.

3. Prime Decomposition of Zero Divisor Graph

Theorem 1. If p is any prime number, p > 3 and $r \ge 0$ then the graph $\Gamma(Z_{3p})$ admits a $\{K_{1,m_i}^{2|p-1/m_i|}, K_{1,r}^2\}$ prime decomposition if and only if $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ where m_i is any prime less than p.

Proof 1. Suppose that *p* is any prime number, p > 3 and $r \ge 0$, we have, $\Gamma(Z_{3p})$ be the nonzero zero divisor graph. The vertex set of $\Gamma(Z_{3p})$ is $\{3, 6, 9, \dots, 3(p-1), p, 2p\}$.

Case 1. Let us consider $p - 1|m_i$. If the graph $\Gamma(Z_{3p})$ is prime decomposition into $2\lfloor p - 1/m_i \rfloor$ copies of K_{1,m_i} then there exists $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ where m_i is any prime number less than p.

Case 2. Let us consider $p - 1|/m_i$ then their exists a remainder *r*. If the graph $\Gamma(Z_{3p})$ is prime decomposition into $2\lfloor p - 1/m_i \rfloor$ copies of K_{1,m_i} and (copies of $K_{1,r} \cong r$ copies of $K_{1,2}$) then there exists $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{n_i}$ where m_i is any prime number less than *p*. Above-given case 1 and case 2 clearly show that the prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{3p})$ into $\{K_{1,m_i}^{2|p-1/m_i|}, K_{1,r}^{2}\}$ then $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$.

Conversely, suppose that $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ where *m* is any prime less than *p*.

Let us consider p = 5 and m = 2, 3. If $4 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ then there exists 4 copies of $K_{1,2}$. If $4 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ then there exists 2 copies of $K_{1,3}$ and (2 copies of $K_{1,1} \cong$ one copy of $K_{1,2}$).

Let us take p = 7 and m = 2, 3, 5. If $6 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ then there exists 6 copies of $K_{1,2}$. If $6 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ then there exists 4 copies of $K_{1,3}$. If $6 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ then there exists 2 copies of $K_{1,5}$ and (2 copies of $K_{1,1} \cong$ one copy of $K_{1,2}$).

In general, take *p* is any prime number p > 3 and m_i is prime numbers less than *p*. Clearly, If $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ then $\Gamma(Z_{3p})$ is a prime decomposition into $2\lfloor p - 1/m_i \rfloor$ copies of $K_{1,m}$ and (2 copies of $K_{1,r} \cong r$ copies of $K_{1,2}$). Hence the proof (see Figure 1).

Example 1. Let us take p = 7 and q = 11 the graph $\Gamma(Z_{15})$ as the example of Theorem 1.

Theorem 2. If p is any prime number, p > 5 and $r \ge 0$ then the graph $\Gamma(Z_{5p})$ admits a $\left\{K_{1,m_i}^{4\lfloor p-1/m_i \rfloor}, K_{1,r}^4\right\}$ – prime decomposition if and only if $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ where m_i is any prime less than p.

Proof 2. Suppose that *p* is any prime number, p > 5, we have, $\Gamma(Z_{5p})$ be the nonzero zero divisor graph with isomorphic to $K_{4,p-1}$. The vertex set of $\Gamma(Z_{5p})$ is $\{5, 10, 15, \ldots, 5(p-1), p, 2p, 3p, 4p\}$.

Case 3. Let us take $p - 1|m_i$. If the prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{5p})$ into $4\lfloor p - 1/m_i \rfloor$ copies of K_{1,m_i} then there exists $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{n_i}$ where m_i is any prime numbers less than p.

Case 4. Let us take $p - 1 | m_i$. If the prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{5p})$ into $4 \lfloor p - 1/m_i \rfloor$ copies of K_{1,m_i} . Clearly, the



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remaining edges are (*r* copies of $K_{1,4} \cong 4$ copies of $K_{1,r}$) where *r* is the remainder of $\{p-1, m_i\}$. Then, there exists $p-1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$. Clearly, shows that the above cases prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{5p})$ into $\begin{cases} K_{1,m_i}^{4|p-1/m_i|}, K_{1,r}^4 \end{cases}$ then $p-1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$.

Conversely, suppose that $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ where *m* is any prime numbers less than *p*.

Let us take p = 7 and $m_i = 2, 3, 5$. If $6 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ then 12 copies of $K_{1,2}$. If $6 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ then 8 copies of $K_{1,3}$. If $6 \equiv 1 \pmod{5}$ then 4 copies of $K_{1,5}$ and (4 copies of $K_{1,1} \cong$ one copy of $K_{1,4}$).

Let us take p = 11 and $m_i = 2, 3, 5, 7$. If $10 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ then 20 copies of $K_{1,2}$. If $10 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ then 12 copies of $K_{1,3}$ and (4 copies of $K_{1,1} \cong$ one copy of $K_{1,4}$. If $10 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ then 8 copies of $K_{1,5}$. If $10 \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$ then 4 copies of $K_{1,7}$ and (4 copies of $K_{1,3} \cong 3$ copies of $K_{1,4}$).

In general, take *p* is any prime number p > 5 and m_i is prime numbers less than *p*. Clearly, If $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ then $\Gamma(Z_{5p})$ is a prime decomposition into $4\lfloor p - 1/m_i \rfloor$ copies of K_{1,m_i} and (4 copies of $K_{1,r} \cong r$ copies of $K_{1,4}$). Hence the proof (see Figure 2).

Example 2. Let us take p = 7 and q = 11 the graph $\Gamma(Z_{15})$ as the example of Theorem 2

Theorem 3. If p is any prime number, p > 7 and $r \ge 0$ then the graph $\Gamma(Z_{7p})$ admits a $\left\{K_{1,m_i}^{6\lfloor p-1/m_i \rfloor}, K_{1,r}^6\right\}$ – prime decomposition if and only if $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{i}$ where m_i is any prime less than p.

Proof 3. Suppose that *p* is any prime number, p > 7, we have, $\Gamma(Z_{7p})$ be the nonzero zero divisor graph with isomorphic to $K_{6,p-1}$. The vertex set of $\Gamma(Z_{6p})$ is $\{7, 14, 21, \dots, 7(p-1), p, 2p, 3p, 4p, 5p, 6p\}$.

Case 5. Let us take $p - 1|m_i$ the prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{7p})$ into $6\lfloor p - 1/m_i \rfloor$ copies of K_{1,m_i} then there exists $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ where m_i is any prime numbers less than p.

Case 6. Let us take $p - 1 | /m_i$ the prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{7p})$ into $6 \lfloor p - 1/m_i \rfloor$ copies of K_{1,m_i} . Clearly, the remaining edges are (*r* copies of $K_{1,6} \cong 6$ copies of $K_{1,r}$) where *r* is the remainder of $\{p - 1, m_i\}$. Then, there exists $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$. Clearly, shows that the above-given



cases prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{7p})$ into $\left\{K_{1,m_i}^{6\lfloor p-1/m_i \rfloor}, K_{1,r}^6\right\}$ then $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$.

Conversely, suppose that $p - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ where m_i is any prime numbers less than p. Let us take p = 11 and $m_i = 2, 3, 5, 7$. If $10 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ then 30 copies of $K_{1,2}$. If $10 \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$ then 18 copies of $K_{1,3}$ and (6 copies of $K_{1,1} \cong$ one copy of $K_{1,6}$). If $10 \equiv 0 \pmod{5}$ then 12 copies of $K_{1,5}$. If $10 \equiv 3 \pmod{7}$ then 6 copies of $K_{1,7}$ and (6 copies of $K_{1,3} \cong 3$ copies of $K_{1.6}$). Let us take p = 13 and $m_i = 2, 3, 5, 7, 11$. If $12 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$ then 36 copies of $K_{1,2}$. If $12 \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ then 24 copies of $K_{1,3}$. If $12 \equiv 2 \pmod{5}$ then 12 copies of $K_{1,5}$ and (6 copies of $K_{1,2} \cong 2$ copies of $K_{1,6}$). If $12 \equiv 5 \pmod{7}$ then 6 copies of $K_{1,7}$ and (6 copies of $K_{1,5} \cong 5$ copies of $K_{1,6}$). If $12 \equiv 1 \pmod{11}$ then 6 copies of $K_{1,11}$ and (6 copies of $K_{1,1} \cong$ one copy of $K_{1,6}$). In general, take p is any prime number p > 7 and m_i is prime numbers less than p. Clearly, If p - p = 7 $1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ then $\Gamma(Z_{7p})$ is a prime decomposition into $6[p-1/m_i]$ copies of K_{1,m_i} and 6 copies of $K_{1,r} \cong r$ copies of $K_{1,6}$. Hence the proof (see Figure 3).

Example 3. Let us take p = 7 and q = 11 the graph $\Gamma(Z_{15})$ as the example of Theorem 3,

Theorem 4. If p and q are any distinct prime numbers, q > pand $r \ge 0$ then the graph $\Gamma(Z_{pq})$ admits a $\left\{K_{1,m_i}^{p-1\lfloor q-1/m_i \rfloor}, K_{1,r}^{p-1}\right\}$ – prime decomposition if and only if q – $1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ where m_i is any prime less than p.

Proof 4. Suppose that p and q are any distinct prime numbers, q > p, we have, $\Gamma(Z_{pq})$ be the nonzero zero divisor graph with isomorphic to $K_{p-1,q-1}$. The vertex set of $\Gamma(Z_{pq})$ is $\{p, 2p, 3p, \ldots, p(q-1), q, 2q, 3q, \ldots, q(p-1)\}$.

Case 7. Let us take $q - 1 | m_i$. If prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{pa})$ into $(p-1)|q-1/m_i|$ copies of K_{1,m_i} then there exists $q - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ where m_i is any prime numbers less than *p*.

Case 8. Let us take $q - 1 | / m_i$ the prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{pq})$ into $(p-1)\lfloor q-1/m_i \rfloor$ copies of K_{1,m_i} . Clearly, the remaining edges are (r copies of $K_{1,q-1} \cong q - 1$ copies of $K_{1,r}$) where r is the remainder of $\{q - 1, m_i\}$. Then, there exists $q-1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$. Clearly, shows that the above cases prime decomposition of $\Gamma(Z_{pq})$ into $\left\{K_{1,m_i}^{(p-1)\lfloor q-1/m_i \rfloor}, K_{1,r}^{p-1}\right\}$ then $q - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$.

Conversely, suppose that $q - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ where m_i is any prime numbers less than *p*.

Let us take *p* and *q* are any distinct prime numbers and m_i is any prime less than q. Clearly, the above-given theorems show. If $q - 1 \equiv r \pmod{m_i}$ then $\Gamma(Z_{pq})$ is a prime decomposition into $(p-1)[q-1/m_i]$ copies of K_{1,m_i} and p-1 copies of $K_{1,r} \cong r$ copies of $K_{1,p-1}$. Hence the proof.

4. Conclusion

In this paper, we have defined the Prime Decomposition of the Zero Divisor Graph of a commutative ring. Also, some special cases of $\Gamma(Z_{3p})$, $\Gamma(Z_{5p})$, $\Gamma(Z_{7p})$, and $\Gamma(Z_{pq})$ are established. In the future, we will study some more properties and applications of Prime Decomposition of Zero Divisor Graph. [9].

Data Availability

The data utilized for the model development of this study are included within the article.

Conflicts of Interest

The authors declare that they have no conflicts of interest.

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