

VERTEX CUT SPLITTING GRAPHS

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Abstract

Let $G(V,E)$ be a simple and undirected graph. For a graph G , the splitting graph $S(G)$, is obtained by adding a new vertex v' corresponding to each vertex v of G and joining v' to all vertices which are adjacent to v in G . Here, we introduce a new type of splitting graph called vertex cut splitting graph and we define it as follows: Let G be a graph and $S_1, S_2, S_3, \dots, S_\alpha$ be the minimum vertex cuts in G . The vertex cut splitting graph $VS(G)$ of a graph G is the graph obtained from G by adding new vertices $w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_\alpha$ and joining w_i to each vertex in S_i where $1 \leq i \leq \alpha$. In this paper, we establish some results on vertex cut splitting graphs.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Throughout this paper, we consider only finite, simple and undirected graphs. For notations and terminology, we refer [4]. Let $G(V,E)$ be any graph. A graph with n vertices and m edges is denoted by (n,m) -graph. A cycle of length n is denoted by C_n where as P_n denotes a path on n vertices. The complete graph on n vertices is denoted by K_n . The complete bipartite graph is denoted by $K_{n,m}$. In a graph G , degree of a vertex v is denoted by $d(v)$.

A full vertex is a vertex v in G which is adjacent to all other vertices of G . A graph G is said to be r -regular, if every vertex of G has degree r . For any two integers x and y , $x \neq y$, a (x,y) - biregular graph is a graph in which every vertex is of degree either x or y . A unicyclic graph is a graph it contains exactly one cycle.

For any two vertices u and v , the distance $d(u,v)$ in G is the length of a shortest path between u and v . The diameter of G is defined as $\max\{d(u,v) / u,v \in V(G)\}$ and is denoted by $\text{diam } G$. The eccentricity of u is denoted by $e(u)$ and defined by $e(v) = \max\{d(u,v) / v \in V(G)\}$. The radius of G , $r(G)$ is the minimum eccentricity of G . A vertex v of G is called a central vertex, if $e(v) = r(G)$. The set of all central vertices is called the center of G . Let $G \vee H$ denote the join of two graphs G and H . Note that $C_n \vee K_1$ is the wheel graph.