

Geodetic Dominating Sets and Geodetic Dominating Polynomials of Cycles

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Abstract

Let $Dsg(C_n, i)$ be the family of split geodetic dominating sets of the cycle graph C_n with cardinality i and let $dsg(C_n, i) = |Dsg(C_n, i)|$. Then the split geodetic polynomial $Dsg(C_n, x)$ of C_n is defined as $Dsg(C_n, x) = \sum_{i=\gamma_{sg}(C_n)}^n dsg(C_n, i)x^i$, where $\gamma_{sg}(C_n)$ is the split geodetic domination number of C_n . In this paper we have determined the family of split geodetic dominating sets of the cycle graph C_n with cardinality i . Also, we have obtained the recursive formula to derive the split geodetic domination polynomials of cycles and also obtain some properties of this polynomial.

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1 Introduction

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a simple graph of order $|V| = n$. A dominating set for a graph $G = (V, E)$ is a subset D of V such that every vertex not in D is adjacent to at least one member of D . The domination number $\gamma(G)$ is the number of vertices in a smallest dominating set for G [1][2]. We call a set of vertices S in a graph G a geodetic dominating set if S is both a geodetic set and a dominating set. The minimum cardinality of a geodetic dominating set of G is its geodetic domination number, and is denoted by $\gamma_g(G)$ [3][4]. Split geodetic number of a graph was studied by in [5]. A geodetic set S of a graph $G = (V, E)$ is the split geodetic set if the induced subgraph $\langle V - S \rangle$ is disconnected. The split geodetic number $g_s(G)$ of G is the minimum cardinality of a split geodetic set. A set $S \subseteq V(G)$ is said to be a split geodetic dominating set of G if S is both a split geodetic set and a dominating set of G . The minimum cardinality of the split geodetic dominating set of G is called the split geodetic domination number of G and is denoted by $\gamma_{gs}(G)$. The concept of split geodetic domination number was introduced by P. Arul

Paul Sudhahar and J. Jeba Lisa in [6]. A domination polynomial can be studied in [7][8][9] and the geodetic domination polynomial was studied in [10][11].

A simple graph of ' n ' vertices ($n \geq 3$) and n edges forming a cycle of length ' n ' is called as a cycle graph. In a cycle graph, all the vertices are of degree 2. Let $Dsg(C_n, i)$ be the family of split geodetic dominating sets of the cycle graph C_n with cardinality i and let $dsg(C_n, i) = |Dsg(C_n, i)|$. Then the split geodetic polynomial $Dsg(C_n, x)$ of C_n is defined as $Dsg(C_n, x) = \sum_{i=\gamma_{sg}(C_n)}^n dsg(C_n, i)x^i$, where $\gamma_{sg}(C_n)$ is the split geodetic domination number of C_n .

2 Split Geodetic Dominating Set of the Cycle C_n

Lemma 2.1. $\gamma_{sg}(C_n) = \left\lceil \frac{n}{3} \right\rceil$

Lemma 2.2. $Dsg(C_n, i) = \phi$ if and only if $i > n$ or $i < \left\lceil \frac{n}{3} \right\rceil$ and $Dsg(C_n, i) > 0$ if $\left\lceil \frac{n}{3} \right\rceil \leq i \leq n$.

Lemma 2.3. If $Y \in D_{sg}(C_{n-4}, i-1)$ or $Y \in D_{sg}(C_{n-5}, i-1)$ such that $Y \cup x \in C_n, i$ for some $x \in n$, then $Y \in D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1)$.

To find the split geodetic dominating set of C_n with cardinality i , we can only consider $C_{n-1}, i-1, C_{n-2}, i-1, C_{n-3}, i-1$. The families of these split geodetic dominating sets will be empty or otherwise. Thus there are eight such combinations among which three of these combinations are not possible that is, if $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$ then $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = \phi$ and if $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi, D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$ then $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$, also if $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$ then $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \phi$. Hence we can consider only the remaining five combinations.

Lemma 2.4. (i) If $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$ then $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = \phi$ (ii) If $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi, D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$ then $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$

(iii) If $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$ then $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \phi$.

Proof.

(i) If $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$ then $i-1 > n-1$ or $i-1 < \left\lceil \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rceil$ and $i-1 > n-3$ or $i-1 < \left\lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rceil \Rightarrow i-1 < \left\lceil \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rceil$ or $i-1 > n-2$ holds. Therefore $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = \phi$.

(ii) If $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi, D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$ then $\left\lceil \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rceil \leq i-1 \leq n-1$ and $\left\lceil \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rceil \leq i-1 \leq n-3 \Rightarrow \left\lceil \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rceil \leq i-1 \leq n-3$ and $\left\lceil \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rceil \leq \left\lceil \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rceil \leq i-1 \leq n-3 < n-2 \Rightarrow \left\lceil \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rceil \leq i-1 \leq n-2$. Therefore $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$.

(iii) If $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \Phi$ then $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor$ or $i-1 > n-1$; $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor$ or $i-1 > n-2$ and $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor$ or $i-1 > n-1 \Rightarrow i < \left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor + 1$ or $i > n \Rightarrow i < \left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor$ or $i > n$. Therefore $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \phi$.

Lemma 2.5. If $D_{sg}(C_n, i) \neq \Phi$ then we have

(i) $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$ if and only if $n = 3k$, $i = k$, for some positive integer k .

(ii) $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \Phi$ if and only if $i = n$.

(iii) $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi$; $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$ if and only if $i = n-1$.

(iv) $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = \phi$; $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$ if and only if $n = 3k+2$ and $i = \left\lfloor \frac{3k+2}{3} \right\rfloor$ for some $k \in N$.

(iv) $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi$; $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$ if and only if $\left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor + 1 \leq i \leq n-2$.

Proof.

(i) Since $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = \phi \Rightarrow i-1 > n-1$ or $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor$ and $i-1 > n-2$ or $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor \Rightarrow i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor$ or $i-1 > n-1$. If $i-1 > n-1$ then $i > n$ and hence $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \phi$ which is a contradiction. Therefore $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor \Rightarrow i < \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor + 1$. Also since $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$, then $\left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-3$. Hence $\left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor + 1 \leq i < \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor + 1 \rightarrow \left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i < \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor + 1$. This is true only when $n = 3k+2$ and $i = k$ for some $k \in N$. Conversely assume $n = 3k+2$ and $i = k$ for some $k \in N$ then by lemma 2.2 $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$.

(ii) Since $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$, then $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor$ or $i-1 > n-2$. If $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor$ or $i-1 > n-2$ and $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor$ or $i-1 > n-3 \Rightarrow i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor$ or $i-1 > n-2$. If $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor$ then $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = \phi$, which is a contradiction, so we have $i-1 > n-2 \Rightarrow i > n-1 \Rightarrow i \geq n$. Also since $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi$ then $\left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-1 \Rightarrow i \leq n$. Hence $i = n$. Conversely if $i = n$, then $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, n-1) = \phi$, $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, n-1) = \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, n-1) \neq \phi$ [Since $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, n-1) = 1$].

(iii) Assume $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi$, $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$. Since $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$, $i-1 > n-3$ or $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor$. Since $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq$

$\phi, \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor < i-1 \leq n-2$. That is, $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor$ is not possible. Therefore, $i-1 > n-3 \Rightarrow i-1 \geq n-2$. But $i-1 \leq n-2 \Rightarrow i-1 = n-2 \Rightarrow i = n-1$. Conversely suppose $i = n-1$, then $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, n-2) \neq \phi, D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, n-2) \neq \phi$, but $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, n-2) = \phi$.

(iv) Assume $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = \phi; D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$. Since $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = \phi, i-1 > n-1$ and $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor$. If $i-1 > n-2$ then $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1)$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1)$ are empty, which is a contradiction. Therefore $i-1 < \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor \Rightarrow i < \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor + 1$. Since $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$, we have $\left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-2$ and $\left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-3$. Therefore $\left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-3$. Hence $\left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor + 1 \leq i < \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor + 1$. This holds only when $n = 3k+2$ and $i = k+1$ for some $k \in N$. Conversely, assume $n = 3k+2$ and $i = k+1$, then $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = \phi; D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$.

(v) Assume $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi; D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi; D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$. Then $\left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-1; \left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-2$ and $\left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-3 \Rightarrow \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-3 \Rightarrow \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor + 1 \leq i \leq n-2$. Conversely, suppose $\left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor + 1 \leq i \leq n-2$. Therefore $\left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-1$; $\left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-2$ and $\left\lfloor \frac{n-3}{3} \right\rfloor \leq i-1 \leq n-3$. From these we obtain $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi; D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$.

Lemma 2.6 If $D_{sg}(C_n, i) \neq \phi$, then

(i) $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$, then $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \{1, 4, \dots, n-2\}, \{2, 5, \dots, n-1\}, \{3, 6, \dots, n\}$.

(ii) $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi$ then $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

(iii) $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi; D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$ then $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \{[n] - x/x \in n\}$.

(iv) $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = \phi; D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$, then $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \{\{1, 4, \dots, n-4, n-1\}, \{2, 5, \dots, n-3, n\}, \{3, 6, \dots, n-2, n\}\} \cup$

$$\left\{ X \cup \begin{cases} n-2 & \text{if } 1 \in X \\ n-1 & \text{if } 1 \notin X, 2 \in X/X \in C_{n-3}, i-1 \\ n & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \right.$$

(v) $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi; D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$ then $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \{\{n\} \cup X/X \in C_{n-1}, i-1\} \cup$

$$\{ X_1 \cup \begin{cases} \{n\} & \text{if } n-2 \text{ or } n-3 \in X_1 \text{ for } X_1 \in C_{n-2}, i-1 \setminus C_{n-1}, i-1 \\ \{n-1\} & \text{if } n-2 \notin X_1, n-3 \notin X_1 \text{ or } X_1 \in C_{n-1}, i-1 \cap C_{n-1}, i-1 \end{cases} \cup \\ \{ X_1 \cup \begin{cases} \{n-2\} & \text{if } 1 \in X_2 \text{ for } X_2 \in C_{n-3}, i-1 \text{ or } X_2 \in C_{n-3}, i-1 \cap C_{n-2}, i-1 \\ \{n-1\} & \text{if } n-3 \in X_2 \text{ or } n-4 \in X_2 \text{ for } X_2 \in C_{n-3}, i-1 / C_{n-2}, i-1 \end{cases}$$

Proof.

(i) Since $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$, then by Lemma 2.5(i) $n = 3k$ and $i = k$ for some $k \in N$. Hence $D_{sg}(P_n, i) = \{1, 4, 7, \dots, n-2\}, \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-1\}, \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n\}$.

(ii) Since $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) = D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi$, then by lemma 2.5 (ii) $i = n$. Therefore $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

(iii) Since $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi$; $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) = \phi$, then by lemma 2.5 (iii) $i = n-1$, then $D_{sg}(C_n, i) = \{[n] - x/x \in [n]\}$.

(iv) $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) = \phi$; $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$, then by theorem, we have $n = 3k + 2$, $i = k + 1$, for some $k \in N$. We denote $\{\{1, 4, \dots, n-4, n-1\}, \{2, 5, \dots, n-3, n\}, \{3, 6, \dots, n-2, n\}\}$ and

$$\{ X \cup \begin{cases} 3k & \text{if } 1 \in X \\ 3k+1 & \text{if } 1 \notin X, 2 \in X / X \in C_{n-3}, i-1 \\ 3k+2 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

as Y_1 and Y_2 . We have to prove that $C_{3k+2}, k+1 = Y_1 \cup Y_2$. Since $C_{3k}, k = \{1, 4, 7, \dots, n-2\}, \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-1\}, \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n\}$, then $Y_1 \subseteq C_{3k+2}, k+1$. Also it is obvious that $Y_2 \subseteq C_{3k+2}, k+1$. Hence $C_{3k+2}, k+1 = Y_1 \cup Y_2$. Now let $Y \in C_{3k+2}, k+1$, then, at least one of the vertices labelled $3k+2, 3k+1$ or $3k$ is in Y . Suppose that $3k+2 \notin Y$, then, at least one of the vertices labeled $1, 2$ or 3 and $3k+1, 3k$ or $3k-1$ are in Y . If $3k+1$ and at least one of $\{1, 2, 3\}$, and also $3k$ and at least one of $\{1, 2\}$ are in Y , then $Y - \{3k+2\} \in C_{3k+1}, k$, a contradiction. If $\{3k, k\}$ or $\{2, 3k-1\}$ is a subset of Y , then $Y = X \cup \{3k+2\}$ for some $X \in C_{3k}, k$. Hence $Y \in Y_1$. If $\{1, 3k-1\}$ is a subset of Y , then $Y - \{3k+2\} \in C_{3k+1}, k$, a contradiction. If $\{3, 3k-1\}$ is a subset of Y and $\{3k, 3k+1\}$ is not a subset of Y , then $Y - 3k+2 \in C_{3k-1}, k$. Hence $Y \in Y_2$. If $3k+1$ or $3k$ is in Y , we also have the result by the similar argument as above.

(iv) $D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, i-1) \neq \phi$; $D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, i-1) \neq \phi$ and $D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, i-1) \neq \phi$. First suppose that $X \in C_{n-1}, i-1$, then $X \cup \{n\} \in C_n, i$. So $Y_1 = \{\{n\} \cup X / X \in D_{n-1}, i-1\} \subseteq D_{sg}(C_n, i)$ we suppose that $C_{n-2}, i-1 \neq \phi$. Let $X_1 \in C_{n-2}, i-1$. We denote

$$\{ X_1 \cup \begin{cases} \{n\} & \text{if } n-2 \text{ or } n-3 \in X_1 \text{ for } X_1 \in C_{n-2}, i-1 \setminus C_{n-1}, i-1 \\ \{n-1\} & \text{if } n-2 \notin X_1, n-3 \notin X_1 \text{ or } X_1 \in C_{n-1}, i-1 \cap C_{n-1}, i-1 \end{cases}$$

by Y_2 . we know that at least one of the vertices labeled $n-3, n-2$ or 1

is in X_1 . If $n - 2$ or $n - 3$ is in X_1 , then $X_1 \cup \{n\} \in C_n, i$, otherwise $X_1 \cup \{n - 1\} \in C_n, i$. Hence $Y_2 \subseteq C_n, i$. Consider $C_{n-3}, i - 1 \neq \phi$. Let $X_2 \in C_{n-3}, i - 1$. We denote

$$\{ X_1 \cup \begin{cases} \{n - 2\} & \text{if } 1 \in X_2 \text{ for } X_2 \in C_{n-3}, i - 1 \text{ or } X_2 \in C_{n-3}, i - 1 \cap C_{n-2}, i - 1 \\ \{n - 1\} & \text{if } n - 3 \in X_2 \text{ or } n - 4 \in X_2 \text{ for } X_2 \in C_{n-3}, i - 1 / C_{n-2}, i - 1 \end{cases}$$

by Y_3 . If $n - 3$ or $n - 4$ is in X , then $X \cup \{n - 1\} \in C_n, i$, otherwise $X_2 \cup \{n - 2\} \in C_n, i$. Hence $Y_3 \subseteq Y$. Therefore we have proved that $Y_1 \cup Y_2 \cup Y_3 \subseteq C_n, i$. Now suppose that $Y \in C_n, i$, so, Y contain at least one of the vertices labeled $n, n - 1$ or $n - 2$. If $n \in Y$, so at least one of the vertices labeled $n - 1, n - 2$ or $n - 3$ and $1, 2$ or 3 are in Y . If $n - 2 \in Y$ or $n - 3 \in Y$, then $Y = X \cup \{n\}$ for some $X \in C_{n-1}, i - 1$. Hence $Y \in Y_2$. Otherwise $Y = X \cup \{n - 1\}$ for some $X \in C_{n-2}, i - 1$. Hence $Y \in Y_2$. If $n - 1$ or $n - 2$ is in Y , we also have the result by the similar argument as above.

3 Split Geodetic Domination Polynomial of a cycle.

Let $Dsg(C_n, i)$ be the family of split geodetic dominating sets of the cycle graph C_n with cardinality i and let $dsg(C_n, i) = |Dsg(C_n, i)|$. Then the split geodetic polynomial $Dsg(C_n, x)$ of C_n is defined as $Dsg(C_n, x) = \sum_{i=\gamma_{sg}(C_n)}^n dsg(C_n, i)x^i$, where $\gamma_{sg}(C_n)$ is the split geodetic domination number of C_n . In this paper we have determined the family of split geodetic dominating sets of the cycle graph C_n with cardinality i .

Lemma 3.1. For every $n \geq 9$, $D_{sg}(C_n, x) = x[D_{sg}(C_{n-1}, x) + D_{sg}(C_{n-2}, x) + D_{sg}(C_{n-3}, x)]$ with initial values

$$D_{sg}(C_3, x) = x^3;$$

$$D_{sg}(C_4, x) = 4x^3 + x^4;$$

$$D_{sg}(C_5, x) = 5x^3 + 5x^4 + x^5;$$

$$D_{sg}(C_6, x) = 12x^3 + 10x^4 + 6x^5 + x^6;$$

$$D_{sg}(C_7, x) = 14x^3 + 21x^4 + 16x^5 + 7x^6 + x^7;$$

$$D_{sg}(C_8, x) = 8x^3 + 31x^4 + 36x^5 + 23x^6 + 8x^7 + x^8;$$

$$D_{sg}(C_9, x) = 3x^3 + 34x^4 + 62x^5 + 58x^6 + 31x^7 + 9x^8 + x^9$$

Table1: $D_{sg}(C_n, j)$, the number of split geodetic dominating set of C_n with cardinality j

n/j	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
3	1											

4	4	1										
5	5	5	1									
6	12	10	6	1								
7	14	21	16	7	1							
8	8	31	36	23	8	1						
9	3	34	62	58	31	9	1					
10	0	25	86	114	88	40	10	1				
11	0	11	90	184	195	127	50	11	1			
12	0	3	70	238	356	314	176	61	12	1		
13	0	0	39	246	536	639	481	236	73	13	1	
14	0	0	14	199	668	1087	1080	707	308	86	14	1

Using lemma 2.6 ,we obtain $d_{sg}(C_n, j)$ for $3 \leq n \leq 14$ as shown in Table1.

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