CO-REGULAR SPLIT DOMINATION IN GRAPHS

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ABSTRACT: In this paper, we introduce the new concept in domination theory. A dominating set $D \subseteq V(G)$ is a coregular split dominating set if the induced subgraph < V - D > is regular and disconnected. The minimum cardinality of such a set is called a coregular split domination number and is denoted by $\gamma_{crs}(G)$. Also we study the graph theoretic property of $\gamma_{crs}(G)$ and many bounds were obtained interms of G and its relationship with other domination parameters were found.

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1. INTRODUCTION

All graphs considered here are simple and without isolated vertices. Let G = (V, E) be a graph with |V| = P and |E| = q. We denote $\langle V - D \rangle$ to denote the subgraph induced by the set of vertices of D and N(v) and N[v] denote the open and closed neighborhood of a vertex v, respectively. Let $\deg(v)$ be the degree of a vertex v and as usual $\delta(G)$ the minimum degree and $\Delta(G)$ maximum degree. In general we follow the notation and terminology of Harary [2].

A vertex cover in a graph G is a set of vertices that covers all the edges of G. The vertex covering number $\propto_o(G)$ is a minimum cardinality of a vertex cover in G. An edge cover of a graph G without isolated vertices is a set of edges of G that covers all the vertices of G. The edge covering number $\alpha_1(G)$ is a minimum cardinality of a edge cover in G.

A line graph L(G) is the graph whose vertices corresponds to the edges of G and two vertices in L(G) are adjacent if and only if the corresponding edges in G are adjacent.

A block graph B(G) is the graph whose set of vertices is the union of set of blocks of G in which two vertices are adjacent if and only if the corresponding blocks of G are adjacent.

A graph is r-regular when all its vertices have degree r, namely $\triangle(G) = \delta(G) = r$. We begine with standard definitions from domination theory.

A set $D \subseteq V$ is a dominating set of G if for every vertex $v \in V - D$, there exists a vertex $u \in D$ such that v and u are adjacent. The minimum cardinality of a dominating set in G is the domination number and denoted by $\gamma(G)$. For comprehensive work on the subject has been done in [3].

A dominating set $D \subseteq V(G)$ of a graph G = (V, E) is called a connected dominating set if the induced subgraph < D > is connected. The connected domination number $\gamma_c(G)$ of G is the minimum cardinality of a connected dominating set of G see [4].

A dominating set $D \subseteq V(G)$ is a total dominating set of a graph G if the induced graph G > 0 does not contain an isolated vertex. The total domination number $\gamma_t(G)$ of G is the minimum cardinality of a total dominating set of G. The total domination in graph was introduced by Cockayne et al.[1] in 1980.

A dominating set $D \subseteq V(G)$ is a cotatal dominating set if the induced subgraph $\langle V - D \rangle$ has no isolated vertices. The cototal domination number $\gamma_{ct}(G)$ of G is the minimum cardinality of cototal dominating set of G.

A dominating set D of G is called split dominating set if the induced subgraph $\langle V - D \rangle$ is disconnected. The split domination number is $\gamma_s(G)$ of a graph G is the minimum cardinality of a split dominating set of G.

A dominating set D of G is called strong split dominating set of G if V - D > is totally disconnected with at least two vertices. The strong split domination number $\gamma_{ss}(G)$ of a graph G is the minimum cardinality of a strong split dominating set of G[5].

A dominating set D of G is a global dominating set if it is also dominating set of \overline{G} . A minimal cardinality of global dominating set is the global domination number and is denoted by $\gamma_g(G)$ [7].

A dominating set D of L(G) is a global dominating set if it is also dominating set of $L(\bar{G})$. A minimal cardinality of D is a global domination number of L(G) and denoted by $\gamma_{gl}(G)$ see[6].

2. RESULTS

We develope the following results for some standard graphs.

Theorem 1: a] For any path p_p with $p \ge 2$ vertices,

$$\gamma_{crs}(p_p) = \left\lfloor \frac{p}{2} \right\rfloor.$$

b] For any star $k_{1,p}$ with $p \ge 2$ vertices,

$$\gamma_{crs}(k_{1,p}) = 1.$$

Theorem 2: For any connected (p,q) graph G with $p \ge 3$, then

$$\gamma_{crs}(G) + \gamma(G) \leq p$$
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Proof: Let $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V(G)$ be the set of all non end vertices in G. The $V'_1 \subseteq V_1$ forms a $\gamma - set$ of G. Let $V_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq V_1$ where every $v_i \in V_2$ is adjacent to end vertices. Further $V_3 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\} \subseteq V_1$ be the set of vertices with maximum degree. Suppose $\langle V(G) - V_2 \cup V_3 \rangle$ is disconnected and $\forall v_i \in [V(G) - \{V_2 \cup V_3\}]$ has same degree $\langle V_2 \cup V_3 \rangle$ forms a $\gamma_{crs} - set$. Otherwise there exists a set $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ of vertices which are neighbors of some vertices in V_3 . Now $\langle V(G) - V_2 \cup V_3 \cup A \rangle$ is disconnected with isolated vertices of cardinality at least two. Then $|V_2 \cup V_3 \cup A| + |V_1| \leq V(G)$, which gives $\gamma_{crs}(G) + \gamma(G) \leq p$.

The following result gives an upper bounds for $\gamma_{crs}(G)$ in terms of γ_c and γ_t of G.

Theorem 3: For any connected (p,q) graph G with ≥ 3 , then

$$\gamma_{crs}(G) \le \gamma_c + \gamma_t$$
 and $G \ne W_p$ $(P > 5)$.

Proof: Let $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ be the vertex set of G. Now for the graph $G \neq W_p$ with $p \geq 4$, suppose $p \leq 4$ the $\gamma_c + \gamma_t = 3 = \gamma_{crs}(G)$ and result holds. Further if P > 5, $|\gamma_c + \gamma_t| = 3$ and $\gamma_{crs}[W_p] = \frac{p}{2} + 1 > |\gamma_c + \gamma_t|$. Hence $G \neq W_p$ with P > 5. Now let $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V(G)$ suppose for every $v \in \{V(G) - A\}$ is adjacent to at least one vertex of A. If A > 0 has no isolated vertices then A itself is a total dominating set of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all end vertices in $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all end vertices in $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all end vertices such that $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all end vertices such that $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all nonend vertices in $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all end vertices such that $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all nonend vertices in $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all nonend vertices. Since the exists a minimal connected dominating set of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all nonend vertices suppose there exists a minimal dominating set $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all nonend vertices suppose there exists a minimal dominating set $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all nonend vertices suppose there exists a minimal dominating set $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all nonend vertices and the exists a minimal dominating set $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all nonend vertices and the exists a minimal dominating set $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all nonend vertices are proposed that the distance between the two vertices of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the exist of $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots,$

Now the next theorem gives lower bound on the coregular split domination number of graph (G).

Theorem 4: For any connected (p,q) graph G with $p \ge 3$, then

$$\gamma_{crs}(G) \ge \gamma_{al}(G) - 1.$$

Proof: Let $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ be the set of edges in G. Now consider $E_1 = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k\} \subseteq E(G)$ be the set of edges with maximum edge degree and $E_2 = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_j\} \subseteq E(G)$ be the set of edges with minimum edge degree. Suppose $E'_1 \subseteq E_1$ and $E'_2 \subseteq E_2 \ \forall \ v \in [V[L(G)] - \{E'_1 \cup E'_2\}]$ is adjacent to at least one vertex of $\{E'_1 \cup E'_2\}$ and $\{\overline{E'_1 \cup E'_2}\}$. Since each edge of G is a vertex in L(G), then $\{E'_1 \cup E'_2\}$ is a global dominating set of L(G). Further let $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of vertices in G, such that [V(G) - N(D)] is regular and which gives more than one component. Then D

forms a minimal coregular split dominating set of G. Thus $|D| \ge |E'_1 \cup |E'_2| - 1|$ hence $\gamma_{crs}(G) \ge \gamma_{gl}(G) - 1$.

Theorem 5: For any connected (p,q) graph G with $P \ge 3$, then

$$\gamma_{crs}(G) \ge q - \propto_1 (G) + \gamma_q(G) - 1.$$

Proof: Let $A = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_l\}$ be set of all nonend vertices in G. Let $B_1 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq A$ be a set of vertices with maximum degree. $B_2 = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq A$ be set of vertices with minimum degree in G. The distance between two vertices of B_1 and B_2 is at most 2. Hence $\{B_1 \cup B_2\}$ is γ - set if $[V(G) - \{B_1\} \cup \{B_2\}]$ disconnected and having vertices with same degree forms a γ - set. Let $B = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n\}$ be the set of all end edges. Suppose $B' = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k\} \subseteq E(G) - B$ be the set of edges such that dist $(e_i, e_j) \ge 2$ $1 \le i \le n$, $1 \le j \le k$, then $B \cup F$, where $F \subseteq B'$ be the minimal set of edges which covers all the vertices in G, such that $|B \cup F| = \alpha_1$ (G). Further let $S = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_p\} \subseteq V(G)$ and $S \subseteq V(\bar{G})$. If $N[S] = V(\bar{G})$. Then S is dominating set for G and (\bar{G}) . Therefore S forms a global dominating set of G. Now, we have $|B_1 \cup B_2| \le q - |B \cup F| + |S| - 1$, which gives $\gamma_{crs}(G) \ge q - \alpha_1$ (G)+ $\gamma_g(G) - 1$.

We establish the relationship between, split domination total domination with coregular split domination number in the following theorem.

Theorem 6: For any connected (p,q) graph G with γ_{crs} is 1 –regular then

$$\gamma_{crs}(G) \le \gamma_s(G) + \gamma_t(G) - 1$$
 and $G \ne W_p$ $(P > 5)$.

Proof: Let $A_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V(G)$ be the set of all end vertices in G and $A'_1 = V(G) - A_1$. Suppose there exists vertex set $F \subset A'_1$ such that D = [V(G) - F] is a dominating set of G. Hence A' > 0 has more than one component with same degree than A' > 0 forms a A' > 0 forms a A' > 0 forms and if the subgraph A' > 0 forms and if there exists set of vertices A' > 0 forms a soluted vertex A' > 0 forms a cototal dominating set of A' > 0 forms a winimal A' > 0 forms a vertex A' > 0 forms a minimal A' > 0 forms a minima

Theorem 7: For any non-trivial tree T with $p \ge 2$, then $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \alpha_0(T)$ if and only if γ_{crs} is zero regular.

Proof: Suppose $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \alpha_0(T)$ and $\gamma_{csr} - set$ is not zero regular. Let $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be a dominating set of T such that the distance between two vertices of D be at most three. If $\langle V - D \rangle$ is disconnected we consider the following cases.

Case1: Assume there exists at least one edge $e \in V(T) - D$ which is a component of disconnected < V(T) - D >. Then γ_{crs} is not zero regular, a contradiction.

Case2: Assume there exists a vertex $v \in \gamma_{crs} - set$ and $v \notin \alpha_0 - set$. Then there exists N(v) = u. Such that an edge $uv \in \{V(T) - D\}$ a contradiction.

Conversly, suppose $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \alpha_0(T)$, and $\gamma_{csr}(T)$ is zero regular. Let $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be a set of vertices such that the distance between two vertices of D be at most two. Hence $N(u) \cup N(v) = \varphi, \forall u, v \in D$ and edge of T covered by the set D. Clearly $|D| = \alpha_0(T)$ since D is minimal dominating set of T and V - D > 0 is disconnected with $\deg(v) = 0 \forall v \in V - D > 0$. Then D is also $\gamma_{crs} - set$ which is zero regular. Hence $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \alpha_0(T)$.

In the following Theorem, we establish the upper bound for $\gamma_{crs}(T)$ in terms of vertices of graph G.

Theorem 8: For any non-trivial tree T with $p \ge 2$, then $\gamma_{crs}(T) \le p - m$. Where m is the number of end vertices in T.

Proof : Let $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq V(T)$ be the set of all end vertices in T with |A| = m. Let $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be a dominating set of T. Such that the distance between two vertices of D is at most three. If $\{V = D\}$ has more than one component. Then vertices of each component have same degree and all component are also have same degree. Then D is $\gamma_{crs} - set$ of a tree T. So that |D| = p - |A| and gives $\gamma_{crs}(T) \leq p - m$.

Theorem 9: For any non-trivial tree T with $p \ge 2$, then $\gamma_{crs}(T) = \gamma_{ss}(T)$.

Proof: Let $H_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_l\}$ be set of all vertices in V(T). Let $H_2 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_m\}$ be set of all nonend vertices adjacent to end vertices. $H_3 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\}$ be set of all nonend vertices which are not adjacent to end vertices. Let there exists $H'_3 \subseteq H_3$ such that $D = \{H_2\} \cup \{H'_3\} \subseteq V(T)$. Where $\forall v_i \in V(T) - D$ is adjacent to at least one vertex of D. Hence D is a minimal dominating set of G. Further if $\forall v_i \in V(T) - D > \deg(v_i) = 0$ with at least two vertices. Hence D is a $\gamma_{crs} - set$ of G. Simillarly by definition of strong split dominating set the subgraph $V_1 = V_2 = V_3 =$

Further if there exists a set $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_j\}$ be edges in $\langle V - D \rangle$ and each component of V - D is K_2 . Then D is a $\gamma_{crs} - set$ but not $\gamma_{ss} - set$. For equality if $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ be the set of vertices which are $N(v_m)$, $\forall v_m \in B$ where $B = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_l\}$ such that $\{A\} \cup \{B\}$ forms the component as K_2 in $\langle V - D \rangle$. Then $\forall v_i \in [\{V - D\} - \{A\}]$ or $\{V - D\} - \{V\}$ is an isolate. Thus either $\{D\} - \{V\}$ or $\{D\} - \{V\}$ is a $\{V\}$ set and also a $\{V\}$ set of a tree. Hence $\{V\}$ set $\{V\}$ is a $\{V\}$ set of a tree.

Theorem 10: For any non-trivial tree T with $p \ge 3$, then

$$\gamma_{crs}(T) + 3 \ge \left\lfloor \frac{q - \gamma_c}{2} \right\rfloor.$$

Proof: Let $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_l\}$ be vertex set of T and $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$ be edge set of T. And $A_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq V(T)$ be set of all nonend vertices which are not adjacent to end vertices. If the distance between the two vertices of A_1 and A_2 is at most 2. Suppose there exists a set $A_2' \subseteq A_2$ hence $S = [V(T) - \{A_1 \cup A_2'\}]$ is a dominating set of T with the property that $\langle S \rangle$ is totally disconnected. Then S is a $\gamma_{crs} - set$ of T. Let $H = \{A_1 \cup A_2\}$ and $\forall v_i \in V(T) - H$ is adjacent to at least one vertex of T then T is dominating set of T and T is connected. Hence T is T included and T is incident with the edges of T then T then T is adjacent to at least T is connected. Hence T is incident with the edges of T then T then T is adjacent to at least T is connected. Hence T is incident with the edges of T then T is adjacent to at least T is connected. Hence T is incident with the edges of T then T is adjacent to at least T is adjacent T in T in T in T is adjacent T in T

Next theorem gives upper bound for $\gamma_{crs}(T)$.

Theorem11: For any non-trivial tree T with $p \ge 3$, then

$$\gamma_{crs}(T) \le \gamma_t[B(T)] + \delta(G).$$

In the following two lemmas we have the sharp bound attained to γ_{crs} by considering each block of G which is complete graph K_m and K_n .

Lemma 1. If G has exactly one nonend block K_n and all vertices of K_n are incident with blocks which are K_m with $m \ge n$ (or) m < n. Then $\gamma_{crs} = n$.

Proof: Let K_n be a nonend block of G with vertex set $D = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$. Suppose all vertices of K_n are incident with blocks which are K_m . We consider the following cases.

Case1: Suppose each vertex of K_n is incident with L number of blocks which are complete graphs K_m with $m \ge n$. Then D is a dominating set of G. Also the induced subgraph $\langle V(G) - D \rangle$ is disconnected and m-1 regular. Hence $|D| = \gamma_{crs}(G)$, which is also equal to n. Clearly $\gamma_{crs} = n$.

Case2: Suppose each vertex of K_n is a cut vertex and incident with L number of blocks which are K_m with m < n. Then the induced subgraph < V(G) - D > is again disconnected and m - 1 regular. Since $\forall v_i \in D$ is adjacent to at least one vertex of V(G) - D, then D is a $\gamma_{crs} - set$ of G and |D| = n. Clearly $\gamma_{crs} = n$.

From the above lemma we concluded that, if there exists at least one block which is either K_{m-1} or K_{m+1} in L number of blocks. Then there does not exists $\gamma_{crs} - set$.

Lemma 2: If G has exactly one cut vertex C incident with blocks which are K_n , $n \ge 2$, then $\gamma_{CTS} = C$.

Proof: Suppose G has exactly one cut vertex v which is incident with m number of $K_n (n \ge 2)$ blocks. Then every vertex of $\{G - V\}$ is adjacent to v. Thus $\{v\}$ is a $\gamma - set$ of G and $\{G - V\}$ is disconnected with m number of K_{n-1} blocks. Hence each component of $\{G - V\}$ is K_{n-1} regular and $\{v\}$ is a $\gamma_{crs} - set$ of G. Since V is a cut vertex then $\gamma_{crs} = C$.

Theorem12: For any graph G with C cut vertices $\gamma_{crs} = C$ if and only if G has exactly one nonend block K_n incident with complete blocks which are K_{n-c+1} .

Proof: Suppose $\gamma_{crs} = C$. Let $H = \{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n\}$ be the set of n blocks of G. Let $A_1 = \{B_1, B_2, \dots, B_p\}$ be the end blocks in G. Such that $K_n = H - A_1$ which is nonend block of G. Let $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} = V[K_n]$. Suppose $L_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_i\} \subseteq V[K_n]$ be the set of cut vertices. We consider the following cases. Let D be a $\gamma_{crs} - set$ of G.

Case1: Suppose $|L_1|$ cut vertices are incident with blocks which are K_{n-c} . Then L_1 is dominating set of G. But $< V(G) - L_1 >$ is not regular. Hence $\gamma_{crs} = L_1$, contradiction.

Case 2: Suppose $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} \in L_1$ are incident with K_{n-c+2} blocks. Then $\{L_1\}$ is a dominating set of G. Further $\{V(G) - \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\} > \text{is not a regular, a contradiction.}$

Case 3: Suppose the number of cut vertices $|L_1| > |V[K_n] - L_1|$. Then L_1 is a dominating set of G and $< V[G] - L_1 >$ is not regular, a contradiction.

Conversly, suppose G has $\{L_1\} = C$ cut vertices and exactly one nonend block K_n incident with complete blocks K_{n-c+1} . Then $\{L_1\}$ is a dominating set of G. Further $\{V(G) - L_1\}$ is regular with more than one component. Clearly D forms a $\gamma_{crs} - set$. Hence $|D| = |L_1|$ gives $\gamma_{crs} = C$.

Theorem13: For any graph G with C cut vertices every nonend vertex of G is adjacent with at least one end vetex then $\gamma_{CTS} = C$.

Proof: For necessary condition, let $V_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_l\} \subseteq V(G)$ be set of all end vertices in G. Let $V_2 \subseteq \{V(G) - V_1\}$ forms a $\gamma - set$ of G. And let $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\} \subseteq V_2$ be the set of cut vertices of G. Suppose $V_3 = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n\} \subseteq V_2$ be the set of nonend vertices. Then there exists at least one vertex v_i which is not adjacent to an end vertex . Since $v_j \in N(v_i)$ and $v_j \notin V_2$ and $v_i \in V_2$ then $< V(G) - V_2 >$ is disconnected and we consider the following cases.

Case1: Suppose G is a tree. Then $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ be the set of all nonend vertices which are cutvertices. Suppose there exists $V'_1 \subseteq A$ which are adjacent to end vertices of T. Now assume there exists at least one vertex $v_k \in N(V'_1)$ and $v_k \notin V_2$, since v_k is a cutvertex and $\langle V(T) - V_2 \rangle$ is disconnected and regular, then $|V_2| > |V_1|$ which gives, $\gamma_{CTS} \neq C$.

Case 2: Suppose G is not a tree. Then there exists at least one block which is cycle. Let v be a vertex which is not incident with an end vertex and $v \in D$ then $\langle V - V_2 \rangle$ is not regular hence D is not a γ_{crs} - set of G. Then there exists at least one vertex $u \in \{V(G) - V_2\}$ such that $\langle V(G) - \{V_2 \cup u\} \rangle$ is regular and γ_{crs} - set of G. Hence $|V_2 \cup \{u\}| > |C|$.

For sufficient conditions, let every nonend vertex of G is adjacent with at least one end vertex. Then $V_2 = \{V(G) - V_1\}$ is a dominating set of G. Also $\langle V(G) - V_2 \rangle$ is disconnected and $\deg(v_i) = 0 \ \forall \ v_i \in \{V(G) - V_1\}$. Thus V_2 is $\gamma_{crs} - set$ of G. Since every vertex of V_2 is a cut vertex, then $|V_2| = |C|$. Clearly $\gamma_{crs} = C$.

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