The Radial Radio Number and the Clique Number of a Graph



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Abstract: Let G(V(G), E(G)) be a graph. A radial radio labeling, f, of a connected graph G is an assignment of positive integers to vertices satisfying the following the condition: $d(u, v) + |f(u) - f(v)| \ge 1 + r(G)$, for any two distinct vertices $u, v \in V(G)$, where d(u, v) and r(G) denote the distance between the vertices u and v and the radius of the graph G, respectively. The span of a radial radio labeling f is the largest integer in the range of f and is denoted by span(f). The radial radio number of G, r(G), is the minimum span taken over all radial radio labelingsof G. In this paper, we construct a graph a graph for which the difference between the radial radio number and the clique number is the given non negative integer.

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I. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, by a graph, we mean only finite, simple, undirected and connected graph. For basic notations and terminology, we follow [4]. Let G = (V(G), E(G)) be a graph. The *distance* d(u, v) between any two vertices u and v, is the length of a shortest (u, v) - path in G. The *eccentricity*, e(u), of a vertex u in V(G) is the distance of a vertex farthest from u. The *radius* of a graph G is the minimum eccentricity among all the vertices and is denoted by r(G) or r. The *diameter* of G is the maximum eccentricity among all the vertices and is denoted by *diam*(G) or d. The relation between r(G) and *diam*(G) is given by the inequality $r(G) \leq diam(G) \leq 2r(G)$ [8]. For further details on distance in graphs, one can refer [5].

For a subset S of V(G), let $\langle S \rangle$ denote the induced subgraph of G induced by S. A *clique* C is a subset of V(G) with maximum number of vertices such that $\langle C \rangle$ is complete. The *clique number* of a graph G,

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denoted by $\omega(G)$ or ω , is the number of vertices in a clique of G.

In 1960's Rosa[12] introduced the concept of graph labeling. A graph labeling is an assignment of numbers to the vertices or edges or both, satisfying some constraints. Rosa named the labeling introduced by him as β -valuation and later on it becomes a very famous interesting graph labeling called graceful labeling, which is the origin for any graph labeling problem. Motivated by the real life problems, many mathematicians introduced various labeling concepts[9]. Here, we see one of the familiar graph labelings in graph theory.

The problem of assigning frequencies to the channels for the FM radio stations is known as *Frequency Assignment Problem* (FAP). This problem was studied by W. K. Hale[10].

In a telecommunication system, the assignment of channels to FM radio stations play a vital role. Motivated by the FAP, Chartrand et al.[6] introduced the concept of radio labeling. For a given k, $1 \le k \le diam(G)$, a radio k-coloring, f, is an assignment of positive integers to the vertices satisfying the following condition:

$$d(u,v) + |f(u) - f(v)| \ge 1 + k$$
(1)

for any two distinct vertices $u, v \in V(G)$. Whenever, diam(G) = k, the radio k- coloring is called a *radio* labeling[7] of G. The span of a radio labeling f is the largest integer in the range of f and is denoted by span(f). The *radio number* of G is the minimum span taken over all radio labelings of G and is denoted by rn(G). Motivated by the work of Chartrand et al., on radio labeling, KM. Kathiresan and S. Vimalajenifer[11] introduced the concept of radial radio labeling. A *radial radio* labeling f of G is a function $f: V \rightarrow \{1, 2, ...\}$ satisfying the condition,

 $d(u,v)+|f(u) - f(v)| \ge 1 + r(G)$ (2) for any two distinct vertices $u, v \in V(G)$. This condition is obtained by taking k = r(G) in (1). The above condition is known as *radial radio condition*. The *span* of a radial radio labeling f is the largest integer in the range of f. The *radial radio number* is the minimum span taken over all radial radio labelings of G and is denoted by rr(G).

That is,
$$rr(G) = \min_{f} \max_{v \in V(G)} f(v)$$
, where the

minimum runs over all radial radio labelings of G.

Let f be a radial radio labeling of a graph G and let C be a clique in G.

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Then the minimum label in C under f is denoted by $m_f(C)$. That is, $m_f(C) = \min_{v \in C} f(v)$.

Also, the maximum of all such $m_f(C)$, where the maximum runs over all cliques in G is denoted by $Cmm_f(G)$ and is called the *clique min max of G* under f.

In this paper, we construct some families of graphs with radial radio number $\omega + m$, for any given $m \ge 0$ and $\omega \ge 3$.

Now, we present some basic results, which are helpful for further investigation.

The following three theorems have been proved in [2]. **Theorem 1.1** Let *G* be a simple connected graph with a full vertex. Then $rr(G) \ge \omega(G)$.

Theorem 1.2 Let *G* be any simple connected graph. Then $rr(G) \ge \Delta(r-1) + 2$, where Δ and *r* are the maximum degree and the radius of *G*, respectively.

Theorem 1.3 Let f be a radial radio labeling of a graph

G. Then $span(f) \ge Cmm_f(G) + (\omega - 1)r$, where ω is the clique number of G and r is the radius of G.

The next theorem has been established in [3].

Theorem 1.4 For any G, rr(G) = 2 if and only if $G \cong K_{1,n}$, $n \ge 1$.

And we stated the following theorem which has been proved in [11].

Theorem 1.5 Let W_n , $n \ge 3$ be the wheel graph. Then

$$rr(W_n) = \begin{cases} 3, & \text{if n is even} \\ 4, & \text{if n is odd} \end{cases}$$

Throughout this paper, let \oplus denote the addition modulo n-1.

II. RADIAL RADIO NUMBER AND CLIQUE NUMBER

In this section, we construct graphs, for which the radial radio number is $\omega + m$, where $\omega \ge 3$ is the clique number and $m \ge 0$ is any given integer.

When m = 0, it is trivial that, K_{ω} is the required graph with radial radio number ω . Therefore, we assume that, $m \ge 1$.

Theorem 2.1 For any given $m \ge 1$, there is a graph G with $\omega = 3$ and $rr(G) = \omega + m$.

Proof. Given that $\omega = 3$.

When m = 1, W_n , n is odd is the required graph. We have, by Theorem 1.5 $rr(W_n) = 4$.

When m = 2, consider the graph G' with vertex set $V(G') = \{x, y, z, w, v\}$ and edges et

$$E(G') = \{xy, yz, xz, xw, vw\}.$$

Define $g: V(G') \rightarrow \{1,2,3,...\}$ such that
 $g(x) = 1$
 $g(y) = 3$

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$$g(z) = 5$$
$$g(w) = 4$$
$$g(v) = 2$$

It is obvious that, g is a radial radio labeling for G' and so span g = 5 and $rr(G) \le 5$. Also $\Delta(G') = 3$ and r = 2, by Theorem 1.2, we have $rr(G') \ge 5$. Thus rr(G') = 5. Therefore, assume that $m \ge 3$. Consider a graph G with vertex set $V(G) = \{x, y, z, w, v_1, v_2, ..., v_m\}$ and edge set $E(G) = \{xy, xz, yz, xw\} \cup \{wv_i : 1 \le i \le m\}$. We have r = 2. Define $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ...\}$ such that

$$f(x) = 1$$

$$f(y) = 3$$

$$f(z) = 5$$

$$f(v_i) = i+1, \ 1 \le i \le m$$

$$f(w) = f(v_m) + 2 = m+3$$

Now, we have to show that f is a radial radio labeling of G. That is, to prove that f satisfies the following condition:

$$d(u, v) + |f(u) - f(v)| \ge 3$$
 (3)

for any two distinct vertices $u, v \in V(G)$.

Since d(x, y) = 1 and $d(x, y) + |f(x) - f(y)| = 1 + |1 - 3| \ge 3$. Hence the pair (x, y) satisfies (3). Similarly, the pairs (x, z), (y, z) and (x, w) satisfy (3).

For the pairs (v_i, v_j) , $1 \le i \ne j \le m$, we have $d(v_i, v_j) + |f(v_i) - f(v_j)| = 2 + |i + 1 - (j + 1)| \ge 3$.

Thus the pairs (v_i, v_j) , $1 \le i \ne j \le m$, satisfies (3).Since $d(w, v_i) + |f(w) - f(v_i)| = 1 + |m + 3 - (i + 3)| > 3$, the pairs (w, v_i) , $1 \le i \le m$ satisfy (3).

From the above discussion, we conclude that f is a radial radio labeling of G. This implies that, span f = m + 3 and hence

$$rr(G) \le m + 3 \, (4)$$

Also, we have $\Delta(G) = m+1$ and r = 2, by Theorem 1.2,

 $rr(G) \ge m + 3$ (5)Combining the inequalities (4) and (5), we get rr(G) = 3 + m.

Theorem 2.2 For any given $m \ge \omega - 1 \ge 3$, there exists a graph G with $rr(G) = \omega + m$.

Proof. For m = 3 and $\omega = 4$, consider the graph G' with vertex set $V(G') = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4, u_1, u_2\}$ and the edge set $E(G') = \{v_i v_j : 1 \le i \ne j \le 4\} \cup \{v_4 u_i : i = 1, 2\}$. It is easy to verify that, $rr(G') = \omega + m = 7$.

Assume that, $\omega \ge 5$ and $m \ge 4$.

Consider the graph *G* with vertex set $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, ..., v_{\omega}, u_1, u_2, ..., u_{m-1}\}$ and the edge set $E(G) = \{v_i v_j : 1 \le i \ne j \le \omega\}$ U

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$$\{v_i u_j : 1 \le i \le \lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor + 1 \text{ and } \lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor + 1 \le j \le m-1 \} \cup$$
$$\{v_i u_j : \lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor + 2 \le i \le \omega \text{ and } 1 \le j \le \lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor \}.$$
Here, $r(G) = 2$. Define

$$f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1,2,3,\dots\} \text{ such that}$$

$$f(v_i) = 2i - 1, \ 1 \le i \le \omega$$

$$f(u_i) = f(v_i) + 1, \ 1 \le i \le \lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor$$

$$f(u_j) = f(v_i) + 1, \ \lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor + 2 \le i \le \omega \text{ and}$$

$$\lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor + 1 \le j \le \omega - 1$$

$$f(u_j) = f(u_{j-1}) + 1, \ \omega \le j \le m$$

Now, we have to show that f satisfies the following condition:

 $d(u,v) + |f(u) - f(v)| \ge 3$ (6)

for any two distinct vertices u and v of G.

Case 1 Consider the pair (v_i, v_j) , $1 \le i \ne j \le \omega$.

Now,
$$d(v_i, v_j) + |f(v_i) - f(v_j)| = 1 + |(2i-1) - (2j-1)| \ge 3$$
.

Thus the pair (v_i, v_j) , $1 \le i \ne j \le \omega$ satisfies (6).

Case 2 Consider the pair (u_i, u_j) , $1 \le i \ne j \le m-1$.

We have $d(u_i, u_j) \ge 2$, $1 \le i \ne j \le m-1$.

Subcase 2a If $1 \le i \ne j \le \omega - 1$, then $d(u_i, u_j) = 2$.

Now, $d(u_i, u_j) + |f(u_i) - f(u_j)| =$

$$2+|f(v_i)+1-(f(v_i)+1)| \ge 3$$

Subcase 2b If $\lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor + 1 \le i \ne j \le \omega - 1$, then $d(u_i, u_j) = 2$. Also, $d(u_i, u_j) + |f(u_i) - f(u_j)| =$

 $2+|f(v_s)+1-(f(v_t)+1)| \ge 3$, where

 $\lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor + 2 \le s \ne t \le \omega .$

Subcase 2c If $\omega \le i \ne j \le m-1$, then $d(u_i, u_j) = 2$. We have, $d(u_i, u_j) + |f(u_i) - f(u_j)| =$

$$2+|f(u_{i-1})+1-(f(u_{i-1})+1)|\geq 3.$$

Subcase 2d If $1 \le i \le \lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor$ and $\lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor + 1 \le j \le \omega - 1$, then $d(u_i, u_j) = 3$.

Since $d(u_i, u_j) = 3$, it is obvious that the pair (u_i, u_j) , $1 \le i \le \lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor$ and $\lfloor \omega/2 \rfloor + 1 \le j \le \omega - 1$, satisfies (6).

Thus the pair (u_i, u_j) , $1 \le i \ne j \le m-1$ satisfies (6).

Case 3 Consider the pair (v_i, u_j) , $1 \le i \le \omega$ and $1 \le j \le m-1$. It is easy to verify that the pair (v_i, u_j) , $1 \le i \le \omega$ and $1 \le j \le m-1$ satisfies (6).

Thus every pair of vertices of *G* satisfies (6) and so *f* is a radial radio labeling of *G*. Also, *span* $f = \omega + m$ and hence $rr(G) \le \omega + m$.

Also, by Theorem 1.3, we have $rr(G) \ge m + \omega$. Thus $rr(G) = \omega + m$.

Theorem 2.3 For any given $\omega \ge 4$, there exists a graph G with $rr(G) = \omega + 1$. **Proof.**

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$$\begin{split} \text{Take} & V(G) = \{x, v_1^{(1)}, v_2^{(1)}, ..., v_{\omega-1}^{(1)}, v_1^{(2)}, v_2^{(2)}, ..., v_{\omega-1}^{(2)}, v_1^{(2)}, v_2^{(2)}, ..., v_{\omega-1}^{(2)}, ..., v_{\omega-1}^{(2)}, v_1^{(2)}, v_1^{(2)}, v_{\omega-1}^{(2)} \} & \text{and} \\ & E(G) = \{xv_i^{(j)}: 1 \le i \le \omega - 1, 1 \le j \le \omega\} \cup \\ \{v_i^{(j)}v_k^{(j)}, 1 \le i \ne k \le \omega - 1, 1 \le j \le \omega\} \cup \\ \{v_i^{(1)}v_k^{(j)}: 2 \le j \le \omega\} \cup \\ \{v_i^{(2)}v_k^{(i+1)}: 2 \le i \le \omega - 1, 2 \le k \le \omega - 1\}. \\ & \text{Here, } rad(G) = 1 \text{ .Define } f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ...\} \text{ such that} \\ & f(x) = \omega \\ & f(v_i^{(2)}) = i, \ 1 \le i \le \omega - 1, \\ & f(v_i^{(2)}) = i, \ 1 \le i \le \omega - 1, \\ & f(v_j^{(i)}) = 1, \ 1 \le i \le \omega - 1, \\ & f(v_j^{(i+1)}) = \begin{cases} f(v_j^{(i)}) + 1, & \text{if } f(v_j^{(i)}) + 1 \le \omega - 1 \\ f(v_j^{(i)}) \oplus 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \\ & f(v_1^{(1)}) = \omega + 1 \\ & f(v_j^{(1)}) = j - 1, \ 2 \le j \le \omega - 1 \end{split}$$

Now, we have to show that f is a radial radio labeling for G. The radial radio condition for G is

 $d(u,v) + |f(u) - f(v)| \ge 2 (7)$

for any two distinct vertices u and v of G.

Case 1 Consider the pair $(x, v_1^{(1)})$. Since $d(x, v_1^{(1)}) = 1$, we have $d(x, v_1^{(1)}) + |f(x) - f(v_1^{(1)})| = 1 + |\omega - (\omega + 1)| \ge 2$. Therefore, the pair $(x, v_1^{(1)})$ satisfies (7).

Case 2 Consider the pair $(x, v_i^{(1)}), 2 \le i \le \omega - 1$.

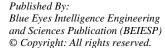
Since $d(x, v_i^{(1)}) = 1$, we have $d(x, v_i^{(1)}) + |f(x) - f(v_i^{(1)})| = 1 + |\omega - (\omega + 1)| \ge 2$. and hence the pair $(x, v_i^{(1)})$, $2 \le i \le \omega - 1$ satisfies (7).

Case 3 Consider the pair $(x,v_i^{(j)})$, $2 \le i \le \omega - 1$ and $2 \le j \le \omega$. Here, $d(x,v_i^{(j)}) = 1$, we have $d(x,v_i^{(j)}) + |f(x) - f(v_i^{(j)})| \ge 2$, since $f(v_i^{(j)}) \le \omega - 1$, for all $2 \le i \le \omega - 1$ and $2 \le j \le \omega$. Thus the pair $(x,v_i^{(j)})$, $2 \le i \le \omega - 1$ and $2 \le j \le \omega$ satisfies (7).

Case 4 Consider the pair $(v_i^{(j)}, v_s^{(t)})$, $2 \le j, t \le \omega$, $1 \le i, s \le \omega - 1$.

Subcase 4a If i = s and $j \neq t$, then $d(v_i^{(j)}, v_i^{(t)}) = 2$ and so it is easy to verify that the pair $(v_i^{(j)}, v_i^{(t)})$ satisfies (7).

Subcase 4b If $i \neq s$ and j = t, then $d(v_i^{(j)}, v_s^{(j)}) = 1$. Now, $d(v_i^{(j+1)}, v_s^{(j+1)}) + |f(v_i^{(j+1)}) - f(v_s^{(j+1)})| =$





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$$\begin{cases} 1+|\{f(v_i^{(j)})+1\}-\{f(v_s^{(j)})+1\}|, \text{ if } f(v_i^{(j)})+1, \\ f(v_s^{(j)})+1 \le \omega - 1 \\ 1+|\{f(v_i^{(j)})\oplus 1\}-\{f(v_s^{(j)})+1\}|, \text{ if } f(v_i^{(j)})+1 \ge \omega - 1 \\ f(v_s^{(j)})+1 \le \omega - 1 \\ 1+|\{f(v_i^{(j)})+1\}-\{f(v_s^{(j)})\oplus 1\}|, \text{ if } f(v_i^{(j)})+1 \le \omega - 1, \\ f(v_s^{(j)})+1 \ge \omega - 1 \\ 1+|\{f(v_i^{(j)})\oplus 1\}-\{f(v_s^{(j)})\oplus 1\}|, \text{ if } f(v_i^{(j)})+1 \ge \omega - 1, \\ f(v_s^{(j)})+1 \ge \omega - 1 \\ 1+|\{f(v_i^{(j)})\oplus 1\}-\{f(v_s^{(j)})\oplus 1\}|, \text{ if } f(v_i^{(j)})+1 \ge \omega - 1, \\ f(v_s^{(j)})+1 \ge \omega - 1 \end{cases}$$

This implies that, $d(v_i^{(j+1)}, v_s^{(j+1)}) + |f(v_i^{(j+1)}) - f(v_s^{(j+1)})| \ge 2$ and hence the pair $(v_i^{(j)}, v_s^{(j)})$ satisfies (7). Hence the pair $(v_i^{(j)}, v_s^{(t)})$, $2 \le j, t \le \omega, \ 1 \le i, s \le \omega - 1$ satisfies (7).

Case 5 Consider the pair $(v_i^{(1)}, v_k^{(j)})$, $2 \le j \le \omega$, $1 \le i, k \le \omega - 1$. Since $d(v_i^{(1)}, v_k^{(j)}) = 2$, for all $2 \le j \le \omega$ and $1 \le i, k \le \omega - 1$, it is easy to verify that the pair $(v_i^{(1)}, v_k^{(j)})$, $2 \le j \le \omega$, $1 \le i, k \le \omega - 1$ satisfies (7).

From the above discussion, we conclude that f is a radial radio labeling of G and hence span $f = \omega + 1$. This forces that, $rr(G) \le \omega + 1$.

We can see that G contains ω copies of K_{ω} .

Let $V(K_{\omega}^{(i)}) = \{x, v_1^{(i)}, v_2^{(i)}, \dots, v_{\omega-1}^{(i)}\} : 1 \le i \le \omega$. Then from the definition of *G*, we have d(x, v) = 1, for all $v \in V(G) - \{x\}$. By Theorem 1.1, we have $rr(G) \ge \omega$. Suppose $rr(G) = \omega$. Then there exists a radial radio labeling *c* such that *span* $c = \omega = rr(G)$.

Consider the copies $K_{\omega}^{(i)}$, $2 \le i \le \omega$. Since $d(v_j^{(i)}, v_k^{(i)}) = 1$, $1 \le j \ne k \le \omega - 1$ and r = 1, the integers 1,2,3,..., ω are enough to label the vertices of $K_{\nu}^{(i)}$, for some *i*. First, if we label the vertices of $K_{\omega}^{(3)}$ with integers 1,2,3,..., ω . Since $d(v_i^{(2)}, v_k^{(i+1)}) = 1$, $c(v_i^{(2)}) \ne c(v_k^{(i+1)})$, $2 \le i \le \omega - 1$, $1 \le k \le \omega - 1$. Also, $d(v_i^{(2)}, v_1^{(j)}) = 1$, $1 \le i \le \omega - 1$, $3 \le j \le \omega$, so that $c(v_i^{(2)}) = c(v_1^{(j)})$. This happens only when $c(v_i^{(2)}) \ne c(v_1^{(k)})$, $3 \le j \ne k \le \omega$.

Suppose $c(v_i^{(2)}) = c(v_1^{(k)})$, for some j and k, then we need a new label other than 1,2,3,... ω , which is a contradiction to our assumption.

Consider $K_{\omega}^{(2)}$. Since $d(v_i^{(2)}, v_j^{(i+1)}) = 1$, $2 \le i \le \omega - 1$, $2 \le j \le n$ and $d(v_i^2, v_j^{(k)}) = 2$, $2 \le i, k \le \omega - 1$ and $k \ne i+1$, $c(v_i^{(2)}) = c(v_j^{(k)})$, $2 \le i, k \le \omega - 1$, $k \ne i+1$. Also, $d(v_i^{(2)}, v_1^{(i+1)}) = 2$, $c(v_i^{(2)}) = c(v_1^{(i+1)})$, $2 \le i \le \omega - 1$. Finally, we have to label $K_{\omega}^{(1)}$. Since $d(x, v_1^{(1)}) = 1$ and $d(v_1^{(1)}, v_i^{(1)}) = 1$, $2 \le i \le \omega - 1$ and label of each $v_1^{(i)}$ is distinct, we can not label $v_1^{(1)}$ with integers 1,2,3,..., ω , which is a contradiction. From the above discussion, we conclude that $rr(G) > \omega$, which implies $rr(G) \ge \omega$. This completes the proof.

The following corollary is the generalization of the above theorem.

Corollary 2.4 For any given $\omega \ge 4$, and $2 \le m < \omega$, there exists a simple connected graph G with $rr(G) = \omega + m$.

Proof. Consider the graph G with V(G) and E(G) are defined as follows:

$$V(G) = \{x, v_i^{(j)}, 1 \le i \le \omega - 1, 1 \le j \le \omega\}$$

$$E(G) = \{xv_i^{(j)} : 1 \le i \le \omega - 1, 1 \le j \le \omega\} \cup$$

$$\{v_i^{(j)}v_k^{(j)}, 1 \le i \ne k \le \omega - 1, 1 \le j \le \omega\} \cup$$

$$\{v_i^{(1)}v_1^{(j)} : 1 \le i \le m, 2 \le j \le \omega\} \cup$$

$$\{v_i^{(2)}v_k^{(i+1)} : 2 \le i \le \omega - 1, 2 \le k \le \omega - 1\}.$$
Here, $rad(G) = 1$. Define $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, ...\}$ such that
$$f(x) = \omega$$

$$f(x) = \omega$$

$$f(v_i^{(1)}) = \omega + i, \ 1 \le i \le m$$

$$f(v_{m+i}^{(1)}) = i, \ 2 \le i \le \omega - m$$

$$f(v_i^{(2)}) = i, \ 1 \le i \le \omega - 1$$

For $1 \le j \le \omega - 1$ and $2 \le i \le \omega - 1$,

$$f(v_j^{(i+1)}) = \begin{cases} f(v_j^{(i)}) + 1, & \text{if } f(v_j^{(i)}) + 1 \le \omega - 1 \\ f(v_j^{(i)}) \oplus 1, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

By the above theorem, we can easily show that $rr(G) = \omega + m$, $\omega \ge 4$ and $m < \omega$.

By combining all the above results, we conclude the following:

Theorem 2.5 For any given $m \ge 0$, there exists a graph *G* for which $rr(G) = \omega + m$, where $\omega \ge 3$.

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