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DISTANCE RELATED SPECTRUM OF THE ZERO-DIVISOR GRAPH ON THE RING OF INTEGERS MODULO *n*

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Abstract. For a commutative ring R with non-zero identity, let $Z^*(R)$ denote the set of non-zero zero-divisors of R. The zero-divisor graph of R, denoted by $\Gamma(R)$, is a simple undirected graph with all non-zero zero-divisors as vertices and two distinct vertices $x, y \in Z^*(R)$ are adjacent if and only if xy = 0. In this paper, the distance, distance Laplacian and the distance singless Laplacian spectrum of $\Gamma(\mathbb{Z}_n)$, for $n = p^3$, pq are investigated.

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1. INTRODUCTION

Let G = (V(G), E(G)) be a simple, finite, undirected graph where V(G) denotes vertex set and E(G) denotes edge set. The cardinality of V(G) is the order of G. A graph G, is connected if there is a path between any two vertices. For distinct vertices u and v, let $d_G(u, v)$ denote the distance between them, that is the length of a shortest path between u and v. Clearly $d_G(u, u) = 0$ and $d_G(u, v) = \infty$, if there is no path between u and v. If $u \in V(G)$, the open neighborhood of u; denoted by $N_G(u)$ is the set of vertices adjacent to u in G. The cardinality of $N_G(u)$ is

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