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# PACKING RELATED PARAMETERS OF GENERALIZED JAHANGIR GRAPHS

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**Abstract:** In a graph G = (V, E), a set  $S \subseteq V(G)$  is 2-packing if  $N[u] \cap N[v] = \phi$  for every  $u, v \in S$ , and S is called open packing if  $N(u) \cap N(v) = \phi$  for every  $u, v \in S$ . An open packing set S is an outer-connected open packing set if either S = V(G) or  $\langle V - S \rangle$  is connected. The largest cardinalities of 2-packing, open packing, and outer-connected open packing in S are respectively called the 2-packing number S, the open packing number S, and the outer-connected open packing number S, of a graph S. In this paper, we compute these numbers for the generalized Jahangir graphs.

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#### 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, we use only finite, simple, non-trivial and connected graphs, and we follow the notations and definitions mentioned in [4].

A set  $S \subseteq V(G)$  is called 2-packing of G if any pair of vertices in S having the distance of at least 3 in G and a set  $S \subseteq V(G)$  is called open packing of G if V(G) has no vertex which is a common neighbor between any two vertices in S. The 2-packing number and the open packing number of G are defined as the maximum cardinalities of a maximal 2-packing and a maximal open packing of G respectively and their respective notations are denoted by  $\rho$  and  $\rho^o$ . Results regarding the 2-packing number can be found in [3, 7, 5, 14]. The open packing number was introduced in [7] and further investigations about  $\rho^o$  were done in [6, 10, 11, 12] and elsewhere. An open packing set S is called an outer-connected open packing set(ocop-set) if either S = V(G) or  $\langle V - S \rangle$  is connected. The maximum cardinality of a maximal outer-connected open packing is called the outer-connected open packing number, which is denoted by  $\rho^o_{oc}(G)$ . The concept of outer-connected open packing was initiated in [13].

For  $n \geq 2$  and  $m \geq 2$ , the generalized Jahangir graph  $J_{n,m}$  is a graph on nm+1 vertices consisting of a cycle  $C_{nm}$  with one additional vertex which is adjacent to m vertices of  $C_{nm}$  at distance n to each other on  $C_{nm}$ . The generalized Jahangir graph  $J_{n,m}$  was introduced in [2]. Hereafter, several authors have worked on the generalized Jahangir graph for determining the covering number and domination related parameters of  $J_{n,m}$ , one can see [1, 8, 9]. From this motivation, we give the exact values of packing related parameters such as the 2-packing number, the open packing number and the outer-connected open packing number of  $J_{n,m}$  for all  $n \geq 2$  and  $m \geq 3$  in this paper. To accomplish this work, we consider the following note, propositions and theorems.

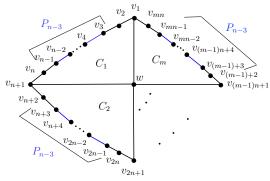


Figure 1.1. Generalized Jahangir graph  $J_{n,m}$ 

**Note 1.1.** For  $J_{n,m}$ , we follow the notations given in Figure 1.1. and we use the set  $V(C_j^*)$  instead of the set  $V(C_j) \setminus N[w]$  for all  $1 \le j \le m$ .

**Proposition 1.2.** [6] For the cycle  $C_n$  on  $n \geq 3$  vertices,

$$\rho^{o}(C_{n}) = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} - 1 & if \ n \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor & otherwise \end{cases}$$

**Proposition 1.3.** [6] For the path  $P_n$  on  $n \geq 2$  vertices,

$$\rho^{o}(P_{n}) = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{2} & if \ n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ \left\lfloor \frac{n+2}{2} \right\rfloor & otherwise \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 1.4.** [7] For any graph G,  $\rho(G) \leq \gamma(G)$ .

**Theorem 1.5.** [10] For any graph G,  $\rho^{o}(G) \leq \gamma_{t}(G)$ .

**Theorem 1.6.** [9] For  $n, m \geq 2$ ,  $\gamma(J_{n,m}) = \lceil \frac{mn}{3} \rceil$ .

**Theorem 1.7.** [9] For  $m \geq 2$ ,  $\gamma_t(J_{3,m}) = m + 1$ .

**Theorem 1.8.** [9] For  $n \ge 4$  and  $m \ge 2$ ,

$$\gamma_t(J_{n,m}) = \begin{cases} \frac{nm}{2} & if \ nm \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{nm}{2} + 1 & if \ nm \equiv 2 \pmod{4} \\ \frac{nm+1}{2} & Otherwise \end{cases}$$

**Theorem 1.9.** [13] For any graph G,  $\rho_{oc}^{o}(G) \leq \rho^{o}(G)$ .

#### 2. Main Results

In this section, we evaluate the exact values of  $\rho$ ,  $\rho^o$  and  $\rho^o_{oc}$  for  $J_{n,m}$ . Let us start with the following observations.

Observation 2.1. Let  $S \subseteq V(J_{n,m})$ . Then

- (i)  $|S \cap N(w)| \leq 1$  if S is an open packing set of  $J_{n,m}$ .
- (ii)  $|S \cap N[w]| \leq 1$  if S is a 2-packing set of  $J_{n,m}$ .

**Observation 2.2.** Let S be an open packing set of  $J_{n,m}$  and let  $v \in S$ . Then for any  $x \in N(v)$ , the set S contains no vertex from  $N(x) \setminus \{v\}$ .

The following theorem gives the value of the 2-packing number of  $J_{n,m}$ 

**Theorem 2.3.** For the generalized Jahangir graph  $J_{n,m}$  with  $m \geq 3$  and  $n \geq 2$ , we have

$$\rho(J_{n,m}) = \begin{cases} \frac{mn}{3} & if \ n \equiv 0 \pmod{3} \\ \left\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \right\rfloor m + 1 & if \ n \equiv 1 \pmod{3} \\ \left\lceil \frac{m(2n-1)}{6} \right\rceil & if \ n \equiv 2 \pmod{3} \end{cases}$$

**Proof.** First assume that n=2 and  $m\geq 3$  and let  $S=\{v_3\}\cup\{v_{2+4j}:1\leq j\leq \lceil\frac{m}{2}\rceil-1\}$ . Then S is a 2-packing set of  $J_{2,m}$  as the distance between any two vertices of S is at least 3 in  $J_{2,m}$  so that  $\rho(J_{2,m})\geq |S|=1+\lceil\frac{m}{2}\rceil-1=\lceil\frac{m}{2}\rceil$ . For the other inequality, let D be a maximal 2-packing set of  $J_{2,m}$ . Then the vertex w of  $J_{2,m}$  is either belongs to D or not belongs to D. If  $w\in D$ , then  $D=\{w\}$ . Suppose that  $w\notin D$ . Then by Observation 2.1.(ii), D contains at most one vertex from N(w) and at most  $\lceil\frac{m}{2}\rceil-1$  vertices from  $V(J_{2,m})\setminus N[w]$  and hence  $\rho(J_{2,m})\leq |D|\leq 1+\lceil\frac{m}{2}\rceil-1$ .

Now, we consider the graph  $J_{n,m}$  with  $m \geq 3$  and  $n \geq 3$ .

If  $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$ , then the set  $S_1 = \left\{ v_{3a-1} : 1 \leq a \leq \frac{mn}{3} \right\}$  is a 2-packing set of  $J_{n,m}$  and hence  $\rho(J_{n,m}) \geq |S_1| = \frac{mn}{3}$  and by Theorems 1.4 and 1.6, we obtain the inequality  $\rho(J_{n,m}) \leq \gamma(J_{n,m}) = \left\lceil \frac{mn}{3} \right\rceil$  and hence  $\rho(J_{n,m}) = \frac{mn}{3}$ . For otherwise consider the following cases.

# Case 1. $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$

Consider the set  $Q = \bigcup_{i=0}^{m-1} Q_i \cup \{w\}$ , where  $Q_i = \{v_{in+3a} : 1 \le a \le \lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor\}$  for all  $0 \le i \le m-1$ . Since the distance between any two vertices in the set Q is more than 2, the set Q is a 2-packing set of  $J_{n,m}$  and so  $\rho(J_{n,m}) \ge |Q| = 1 + m \lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor$ . Since by Observation 2.1.(ii), any maximal 2-packing set of  $J_{n,m}$  contains at most one vertex from N[w] and at most  $\lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor$  vertices from set  $V(C_j^*)$  for each  $j, 1 \le j \le m$ , it follows that  $\rho(J_{n,m}) \le 1 + m \lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor$  and therefore  $\rho(J_{n,m}) = \lfloor \frac{n}{3} \rfloor m + 1$ .

Case 2.  $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$ 

Define 
$$R_1 = \{v_{3a+1} : 0 \le a \le \frac{n-2}{3}\}, R_m = \{v_{(m-1)n+3b+3} : 0 \le b \le \frac{n-5}{3}\}$$
 and 
$$R_j = \begin{cases} v_{jn+3c+2} & \text{if } j \text{ is even} \\ v_{jn+3d+3} & \text{if } j \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

for all  $2 \leq j \leq m-1$ , where  $1 \leq c \leq \frac{n+1}{3}$  and  $1 \leq d \leq \frac{n-2}{3}$ . Let  $R = \bigcup_{j=1}^m R_j$ . Then any two vertices in R are at distance at least three, which implies that R is a 2-packing set of  $J_{n,m}$  and hence  $\rho(J_{n,m}) \geq |R| = \left(\frac{n-2}{3}+1\right)+\left(\frac{n-5}{3}+1\right)+\left(\frac{m-2}{2}\left[\frac{n-2}{3}+\frac{n+1}{3}\right]\right) = \frac{m(2n-1)}{6}$ . Let  $D_1$  be a maximal 2-packing set of  $J_{n,m}$ . If

 $w \in D_1$ , then  $D_1$  contains at most  $\left(\frac{n-2}{3}\right)$  vertices from each set  $V(C_x^*)$ , where  $1 \le x \le m$  and thus  $\rho(J_{n,m}) \le |D_1| = m \left(\frac{n-2}{3}\right)$ . For otherwise let  $|D_1 \cap N[w]| \le 1$  which is guaranteed by Observation 2.1.(ii). Suppose that  $|D_1 \cap N[w]| = 1$ . Without loss of generality, let  $D_1 \cap N[w] = \{v_1\}$ . Then  $D_1$  has at most  $\left(\frac{n-2}{3}\right)$  vertices from each set  $V(C_1^*)$ ,  $V(C_m^*)$  and  $V(C_y^*)$ , where y is odd  $(2 \le y \le m-1)$  together with at most  $\left(\frac{n+1}{3}\right)$  vertices from  $V(C_z^*)$ , where z is even  $(2 \le z \le m-1)$ , which implies that  $\rho(J_{n,m}) \le |D_1| = 1 + \left(\frac{m+2}{2}\right) \left(\frac{n-2}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{m-2}{2}\right) \left(\frac{n+1}{3}\right) = \frac{m(2n-1)}{6}$ . If  $D_1 \cap N[w] = \phi$ , then all the vertices in  $D_1$  are from  $V(C_r^*)$ , where  $1 \le r \le m$ . In particular,  $D_1$  contains  $\left(\frac{n-2}{3}\right)$  vertices for odd r and  $\left(\frac{n+1}{3}\right)$  vertices for even r. Therefore,  $\rho(J_{n,m}) \le \left(\frac{m-1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{n-2}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{m+1}{2}\right) \left(\frac{n+1}{3}\right) = \frac{2m(n-1)+3}{6}$ .

Next we determine the value of the open packing number for generalized Jahangir graph.

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $J_{n,m}$  be the generalized Jahangir graph with  $n \geq 2$  and  $m \geq 3$ . Then

$$\rho^{o}(J_{n,m}) = \begin{cases} \frac{mn}{2} & if \ n \equiv 0 \pmod{4} \\ \left\lfloor \frac{m(n-1)}{2} + 1 \right\rfloor & otherwise \end{cases}$$

**Proof.** For n=2 and  $m\geq 3$ , the set  $S=\{v_1,v_2\}\cup \{v_{2+4j}:1\leq j\leq \lfloor\frac{m+2}{2}\rfloor-2\}$  is an open packing set of  $J_{2,m}$  because of the intersection of open neighborhood of any two vertices in S is empty. Therefore,  $\rho^o(J_{2,m})\geq |S|=2+\lfloor\frac{m+2}{2}\rfloor-2$ . Now, take D as a maximal open packing of  $J_{2,m}$ . If D contains the vertex w, then by the Observation 2.1.(i), D contains at most one vertex from N(w) and thus  $\rho^o(G)\leq |D|\leq 2$ . Suppose  $w\notin D$ . Then D contains exactly one vertex from N(w) and at most  $\frac{m}{2}$  vertices from  $V(J_{2,m})\setminus N[w]$  and hence  $\rho^o(J_{2,m})\leq |D|\leq \frac{m}{2}+1=\frac{m+2}{2}$ . Now, let the graph  $J_{n,m}$  with  $n\geq 3$  and  $m\geq 3$ . Suppose that  $n\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . Then the set  $B_1=\{v_{2+4j},v_{3+4j}:0\leq j\leq \frac{nm}{4}-1\}$  forms an open packing set of  $J_{n,m}$  so that  $\rho^o(J_{n,m})\geq |B_1|=\frac{mn}{2}$  and by Theorems 1.5 and 1.8, we have  $\rho^o(J_{n,m})\leq \gamma_t(J_{n,m})=\frac{mn}{2}$ . Therefore  $\rho^o(J_{n,m})=\frac{mn}{2}$  when  $n\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ . If  $n\not\equiv 0 \pmod{4}$ , then consider the following cases.

# Case 1. $n \equiv 1 \pmod{4}$

The set  $B_2 = \bigcup_{i=1}^m S_i \cup \{w\}$ , where  $S_i = \{v_{(i-1)n+4a-1}, v_{(i-1)n+4a} : 1 \le a \le \frac{n-1}{4}\}$  is an open packing set of  $J_{n,m}$  so that  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \ge |B_2| = \frac{m(n-1)}{2} + 1$ . Let us take a maximal open packing of  $J_{n,m}$  be  $D_1$ .

## Subcase 1.1. $w \in D_1$

Suppose that  $D_1 \cap N(w) = \phi$ . Since by Observation 2.2,  $D_1$  contains the vertices only from m distinct paths  $P_{n-3}$  of  $J_{n,m}$  mentioned in Figure 1.1. Now, by Proposition 1.3,  $D_1$  has at most  $\left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rfloor$  vertices from each m paths in  $J_{n,m}$  and thus  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \leq |D_1| \leq 1 + \frac{m(n-1)}{2}$ . Suppose  $D_1 \cap N(w) \neq \phi$ . Then by Observation 2.1.(i),  $|D_1 \cap N(w)| = 1$ . Without loss of generality, let  $D_1 \cap N(w) = \{v_1\}$ . Then  $D_1$  can have at most  $\frac{n-3}{2}$  vertices from each set  $V(C_1^*)$  and  $V(C_m^*)$ . Furthermore,  $D_1$  has at most  $\frac{n-1}{2}$  vertices from each set  $V(C_j^*)$ ,  $2 \leq j \leq m-1$ , which implies that  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \leq |D_1| \leq 2 + (m-2) \left(\frac{n-2}{2}\right) + 2 \left(\frac{n-3}{2}\right) = \frac{m(n-2)}{2} + 1$ .

# Subcase 1.2. $w \notin D_1$

The set  $D_1$  contains at most  $\frac{n-1}{2}$  vertices from each set  $V(C_j^*)$ ,  $1 \le j \le m$  and exactly one vertex from N(w) so that  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \le |D_1| = \frac{m(n-1)}{2} + 1$ .

## Case 2. $n \equiv 2 \pmod{4}$

For  $1 \leq j \leq m$ , define the sets  $Q_j$  as follows. Let  $Q_1 = \{v_1, v_2\} \cup \{v_{4b+1}, v_{4b+2}\}$  and for  $2 \leq j \leq m$ , let  $Q_j = \{v_{(j-1)n+4b-1}, v_{(j-1)n+4b}\}$  if j is even and let  $Q_j = \{v_{(j-1)n+4b-2}, v_{(j-1)n+4b-1}\}$  if j is odd, where  $1 \leq b \leq \frac{n-2}{4}$ . Now, consider the set  $B_3 = \bigcup_{j=1}^m Q_j \cup \{v_{zn} : z \text{ is odd }\}$ , where  $3 \leq z \leq m-1$  when m is even and  $3 \leq z \leq m-2$  when m is odd. Since no two vertices in  $B_3$  have a common vertex in  $J_{n,m}$  and thus the set  $B_3$  is an open packing set of  $J_{n,m}$ . Hence if m is even, then  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \geq |B_3| = 2 + \frac{n-2}{2} + (m-1)\left(\frac{n-2}{2}\right) + \frac{m-2}{2} = \frac{m(n-1)}{2} + 1$  and if m if odd, then  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \geq |B_3| = 2 + \frac{n-2}{2} + (m-1)\left(\frac{n-2}{2}\right) + \frac{m-3}{2} = \frac{m(n-1)+1}{2}$ , which implies that  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \geq \left\lfloor \frac{m(n-1)}{2} + 1 \right\rfloor$ . For the other inequality, let  $D_2$  be a maximal open packing set of  $J_{n,m}$ . If  $w \in D_2$ , then by similar argument in Subcase 1.1, we have  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \leq |D_2| = \frac{m(n-1)}{2} + 1$ . Suppose  $w \notin D_2$ . Then  $|N(w) \cap D_2| = 1$ . Then  $D_2$  has at most  $\frac{n-2}{2}$  vertices from each set  $V(C_n^*)$ , (i is odd) and at most  $\frac{n-2}{2}$  vertices from each  $V(C_i^*)$ , (i is odd) and at most  $\frac{n-2}{2}$  vertices from each  $V(C_i^*)$ , (i is even) in  $J_{n,m}$ , it follows that  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \leq |D_2| = \left\lfloor \frac{m(n-1)}{2} + 1 \right\rfloor$ .

# Case 3. $n \equiv 3 \pmod{4}$

Consider the set  $B_4 = \bigcup_{k=3}^m R_k \cup R_1 \cup R_2 \cup A_t$ , where  $R_k = \{v_{(k-1)n+4c-1}, v_{(k-1)n+4c}\}$ ,  $R_1 = \{v_1, v_2\} \cup \{v_{4c+1}, v_{4c+2}\}$ ,  $R_2 = \{v_{n+4d-2}, v_{n+4d-1}\}$ ,  $A_t = \{v_{tn} : 3 \le t \le m-1\}$ ,  $1 \le c \le \frac{n-3}{4}$  and  $1 \le d \le \frac{n+1}{4}$ . Therefore  $|\bigcup_{k=3}^m R_k| = \sum_{k=3}^m |R_k| = (m-2)(\frac{n-3}{2})$ ,  $|R_1| = 2 + \frac{n-3}{2}$ ,  $|R_2| = \frac{n+1}{2}$  and  $|A_t| = m-3$ . Since no two vertices in  $B_4$  have a common neighbor so that  $B_4$  forms an open packing set of  $J_{n,m}$  and hence  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \ge |B_4| = \frac{m(n-1)}{2} + 1$ . Now, take  $D_3$  as a maximal open packing of  $J_{n,m}$ .

#### Subcase 3.1. $w \in D_3$

Suppose  $D_3 \cap N(w) = \phi$ . Then by Observation 2.2.(i),  $|D_3| = m\rho^o(P_{n-3}) + 1$  and by Proposition 1.3,  $\rho^o(P_{n-3}) = \frac{n-3}{2}$  so that  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \leq |D_3| = 1 + \frac{m(n-3)}{2}$ . If  $D_3 \cap N(w) \neq \phi$ , then by Observation 2.1.(i),  $|D_3 \cap N(w)| = 1$  and let  $D_3 \cap N(w) = \{v_1\}$ . Since  $v_1 \in D_3$  and by Observation 2.2, the vertices  $v_3$  and  $v_{mn-1}$  does not belong to  $D_3$ . Thus  $D_3$  can have vertices from each two paths  $P_{n-4}$  placed on  $C_1$  and  $C_m$  and from remaining (m-2) paths  $P_{n-3}$  (mentioned in Figure 1.2.) in  $J_{n,m}$ . It follows that  $|D_3| = 2\rho^o(P_{n-4}) + (m-2)\rho^o(P_{n-3}) + 2$  and by Proposition 1.3,  $|D_3| = 2\left\lfloor \frac{n-2}{2}\right\rfloor + (m-2)\left(\frac{n-3}{2}\right) + 2$ . Hence  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \leq |D_3|$ 

## Subcase 3.2. $w \notin D_3$

In this case  $D_3$  contains exactly one vertex from N(w) and  $D_3$  contains at most  $\frac{n+1}{2}$  vertices from  $V(C_1^*)$  and at most  $\frac{n-3}{2}$  vertices from  $V(C_m^*)$ . Moreover  $D_3$  contain at most  $\frac{n-1}{2}$  each set  $V(C_j^*)$ ,  $2 \le j \le m-1$  so that  $\rho^o(J_{n,m}) \le |D_3| = 1 + \frac{m(n-1)}{2}$ . This completes the proof.

The following theorem gives the exact value of an outer-connected open packing set for the Jahangir graph  $J_{n,m}$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** For a generalized Jahangir graph  $J_{n,m}$  with  $n \geq 2$  and  $m \geq 3$ , we have

$$\rho_{oc}^{o}(J_{n,m}) = \begin{cases} \left\lceil \frac{m-1}{2} \right\rceil + 1 & \text{if } n = 2\\ m+1 & \text{if } n = 3\\ 2m & \text{if } n \ge 4 \end{cases}$$

**Proof.** Let n=2 and  $m\geq 3$ . Then the set  $S=\{v_1\}\cup \{v_{4i+2}:0\leq i\leq \lceil\frac{m-1}{2}\rceil-1\}$  is open packing and  $\langle V(J_{2,m})\setminus S\rangle$  is connected and hence S is an ocop-set of  $J_{2,m}$  so that  $\rho_{oc}^o(J_{2,m})\geq \lceil\frac{m-1}{2}\rceil+1$ . Now, let D be a maximal ocop-set of  $J_{2,m}$ . Then D should contains exactly one vertex in N(w), let it be x. Furthermore, if  $w\in D$  then  $\langle J_{2,m}\setminus \{w,x\}\rangle$  is isomorphic to the path  $P_{nm-1}$ . Since each internal vertex of a path is a cut vertex, it follows that D does not contains any internal vertex of  $P_{nm-1}$  and by Observation 2.2, end vertices of  $P_{nm-1}$  does not belong to D and so  $D=\{w,x\}$  is the one and only ocop-set of  $J_{2,m}$ . If  $w\notin D$ , then D has exactly one vertex from each cycle  $C_i$  where  $1\leq i\leq m-1$  and i is odd, which implies that  $|D|\leq \lceil\frac{m-1}{2}\rceil+1$  and hence  $\rho_{oc}^o(J_{2,m})=\lceil\frac{m-1}{2}\rceil+1$ .

If n=3 and  $m \geq 3$ , then the set  $S_1 = \{v_1, v_2, v_5\} \cup \{v_{3j+3} : 1 \leq j \leq m-2\}$  is an ocop-set of  $J_{3,m}$  and therefore  $\rho_{oc}^o(J_{3,m}) \geq m+1$ . Now, from the Thereoms 1.5, 1.8 and 1.9, we have  $\rho_{oc}^o(G) \leq \rho^o(J_{n,m}) \leq \gamma_t(J_{n,m}) = m+1$ .

Now, consider the graph  $J_{n,m}$  for all  $n \geq 4$  and  $m \geq 3$ . For  $1 \leq i, j \leq 2m$ , define the set  $S_2 = \{v_{2i} : i \text{ is } odd\} \cup \{v_{2j-1} : j \text{ is } even\}$ . Then the graph  $\langle V(J_{n,m}) \setminus S_2 \rangle$  is connected and no two vertices of  $S_2$  have a common neighbor in  $J_{n,m}$ , which leads that  $S_2$  is an ocop-set of  $J_{n,m}$  and hence  $\rho_{oc}^o(J_{n,m}) \geq 2m$ .

For the other inequality let  $D_1$  be a maximal ocop-set of  $J_{n,m}$ . Suppose  $w \in D_1$ . Then by Observation 2.1.(i),  $|D_1 \cap N(w)| \le 1$ . If  $|D_1 \cap N(w)| = 1$ , then  $|D_1| = 2$ . Suppose  $|D_1 \cap N(w)| = 0$ . Then by Observation 2.2 and by the definition of ocop-set,  $D_1$  has exactly one vertex from  $V(J_{n,m}) \setminus N[w]$  when n = 4 and  $D_1$  has exactly one pair of adjacent vertices from  $V(J_{n,m}) \setminus N[w]$  when  $n \ge 5$  so that  $|D_1| \le 3$ .

Now, consider the set  $D_1$  such that  $w \notin D_1$ . If  $D_1 \cap N(w) = \phi$ , then  $D_1$  has exactly two adjacent vertices from each set  $V(C_r) \setminus N[w]$ , where  $1 \le r \le m$ , and hence  $|D_1| \le 2m$ ; Otherwise let  $D_1 \cap N(w) = \{z\}$ . Then  $D_1$  has exactly one vertex which is adjacent to z from the two consecutive cycles  $C_s$  and  $C_t$  in which the cycles  $C_s$  and  $C_t$  share the common edge wz, where  $1 \le s, t \le m$  and  $s \ne t$ . Moreover, from each set  $V(C_k) \setminus N[w]$ , one pair of adjacent vertices belong to  $D_1$ , where  $1 \le k \le m$  and  $k \ne s, t$ , which gives that  $|D_1| \le 2 + 2m - 4 = 2m - 2$ . Hence in all possibilities of the set  $D_1$ , we have  $\rho_{oc}^o(J_{n,m}) \le 2m$ .

#### 3. Conclusion

In this paper, we completely determined some packing related parameters such as 2-packing number, open packing number, and outer-connected open packing number for the generalized Jahangir graph. In this way, finding the values of k-limited packing number for all  $k \geq 2$  of generalized Jahangir graph  $J_{n,m}$  is an interesting one.

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