

# From domination to isolation of graphs

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In 2017, Caro and Hansberg [5] introduced the isolation problem, which generalizes the domination problem. Given a graph  $G$  and a set  $\mathcal{F}$  of graphs, the  $\mathcal{F}$ -isolation number of  $G$  is the size of a smallest subset  $D$  of the vertex set of  $G$  such that the graph obtained from  $G$  by removing the closed neighbourhood of  $D$  does not contain a copy of a graph in  $\mathcal{F}$ . When  $\mathcal{F}$  consists of a 1-clique, the  $\mathcal{F}$ -isolation number is the domination number. Caro and Hansberg [5] obtained many results on the  $\mathcal{F}$ -isolation number, and they asked for the best possible upper bound on the  $\mathcal{F}$ -isolation number for the case where  $\mathcal{F}$  consists of a  $k$ -clique and for the case where  $\mathcal{F}$  is the set of cycles. The solutions [1, 3] to these problems will be presented together with other results, including an extension of Chvátal's Art Gallery Theorem. Some of this work was done jointly with Kurt Fenech and Pawaton Kaemawichanurat.

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