

# An Induced $P_3$ -packing $k$ -partition Number for Benzenoid System

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## ABSTRACT

A subfield of chemistry known as mathematical chemistry uses mathematical techniques to discuss chemical structures. A chemical graph is the representation of a chemical/molecular structure in terms of a graph, such that each of its atoms is represented by a vertex with an edge representing a bond/multiple bonds between two of its atoms. Such a graph  $G = (V, E)$  is simple, undirected, finite, and connected. The order and size of  $G$  are, respectively, the number of vertices and edges in it. For the connection of vertex set  $V(G)$  and edge set  $E(G)$  of a graph, there must be an existence of linking between any pair of vertices in  $G$ . A benzenoid system is a combinatorial object obtained by arranging congruent regular hexagons in a plane so that two hexagons are either disjoint or have a common edge. Mathematically, assembling in predictable patterns is equivalent to packing in graphs. An  $H$ -packing of a graph  $G$  is the set of vertex disjoint sub graphs of  $G$ , each of which is isomorphic to a fixed graph  $H$ . In this paper we determine a  $H$ -packing and an induced  $H$ -packing  $k$ -partition number for Rhombic Benzenoid System, triangular benzenoid system and Benzene Ring-Molecular graph of  $P[m, n]$  with  $H \simeq P_3$ . A chemical graph is the representation of a chemical/molecular structure in terms of a graph, such that each of its atoms is represented by a vertex with an edge representing a bond/multiple bonds between two of its atoms. Such a graph  $G = (V, E)$  is simple, undirected, finite, and connected. The order and size of  $G$  are, respectively, the number of vertices and edges in it. For the connection of vertex set  $V(G)$  and edge set  $E(G)$  of a graph, there must be an existence of linking between any pair of vertices in  $G$ . A benzenoid system is a combinatorial object obtained by arranging congruent regular hexagons in a plane so that two hexagons are either disjoint or have a common edge. Mathematically, assembling in predictable patterns is equivalent to packing in graphs. An  $H$ -packing of a graph  $G$  is the set of vertex disjoint sub graphs of  $G$ , each of which is isomorphic to a fixed graph  $H$ . In this paper we determine a  $H$ -packing and an induced  $H$ -packing  $k$ -partition number for Rhombic Benzenoid System, triangular benzenoid system and Benzene Ring-Molecular graph of  $P[m, n]$  with  $H \simeq P_3$ .

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