

1116-16-2535

**Ethan J Gegner\*** ([ethan.gegner@gmail.com](mailto:ethan.gegner@gmail.com)). *Zero Divisor Graphs of  $2 \times 2$  Upper Triangular Matrix Rings over  $\mathbb{Z}_n$ .*

We explore the directed zero-divisor graphs of the rings of  $2 \times 2$  upper triangular matrices modulo  $n$ , denoted by  $\Gamma(T_2(n))$ . For prime  $p$ , we give a complete characterization of the graph  $\Gamma(T_2(p))$  by partitioning  $T_2(p)$ , and present several key corollaries of this approach. We establish additional properties of  $\Gamma(T_2(n))$  for arbitrary  $n$ . We prove that  $\Gamma(T_2(n))$  is Hamiltonian if and only if  $n$  is prime, and we give explicit formulas for the edge connectivity and clique number of  $\Gamma(T_2(n))$  in terms of the prime factorization of  $n$ . (Received September 22, 2015)