## 1023-05-968 S. Jeremy Lyle\* (slyle@clemson.edu) and Renu Laskar (rclsk@clemson.edu). Fall Coloring of Cartesian Products of Graphs. Preliminary report.

The question of whether a graph can be partitioned into k independent dominating sets is considered. For k = 3, it is shown that a graph G can be partitioned into three independent dominating sets if and only if the cartesian product  $G \Box K_2$  can be partitioned into three independent dominating sets. The graph  $K_2$  can be replaced by any graph H such that  $f: Q_n \to H$ , where f is a type-II graph homomorphism.

The cartesian product of two trees is considered, as well as the complexity of partitioning a bipartite graph into three independent dominating sets, which is shown to be NP-complete. For other values of k, repeated cartesian products are considered, leading to a result that shows for what values of k the hypercubes can be partitioned into k independent dominating sets. (Received September 23, 2006)