



## Irredundant Complete Domination Number of Graphs

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### Abstract

The concept of complete graphs with real life application was introduced in <sup>[17]</sup>. In <sup>[14]</sup>, A. Nellai Murugan et.al., was introduced the concept of complete dominating number of a graph. In this paper, We introduce a new domination parameter called Irredundant complete dominating set of  $K_4 - e$ , A subset  $S$  of  $V$  of a non trivial graph  $G$  is called a dominating set of  $G$  if every vertex in  $V-S$  is adjacent to at least one vertex in  $S$ . The domination number  $\gamma(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum cardinality taken over all dominating set in  $G$ . A subset  $S$  of  $V$  of a nontrivial graph  $G$  is said to be complete dominating set, If for each  $x \in V, N[x] \cap N[S - \{x\}] = V - S$  denoted by  $S'$  is the complete dominating set. The minimum cardinality taken over all complete dominating set is called the complete domination number and is denoted by  $\gamma_n(G)$ <sup>[14]</sup>. A set  $x \in S$  is said to be redundant in  $S$  if  $N[x] \subseteq N[S - \{x\}]$  otherwise  $x$  is said to be irredundant in  $S$ . Finally,  $S$  is called an irredundant set if all  $x \in S$  are irredundant in  $S$ , Otherwise  $S$  is a redundant set. A subset  $S$  of  $v$  of a nontrivial graph  $G$  is said to be an Irredundant complete dominating set if  $S$  is an irredundant and complete. The minimum cardinality taken over all an irredundant complete dominating set is called an Irredundant complete domination number and is denoted by  $\gamma_{irn}(G)$ .

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### 1 Introduction

The concept of domination in graphs evolved from a chess board problem known as the Queen problem- to find the minimum number of queens needed on an 8x8 chess board such that each square is either occupied or attacked by a queen. C.Berge <sup>[3]</sup> in 1958 and 1962 and O.Ore <sup>[8]</sup> in 1962 started the formal study on the theory of dominating sets. Thereafter several studies have been dedicated in obtaining variations of the concept. The authors in <sup>[7]</sup> listed over 1200 papers related to domination in graphs in over 75 variation.

Throughout this paper,  $G(V, E)$  a finite, simple, connected and undirected graph where  $V$  denotes its vertex set and  $E$  its edge set. Unless otherwise stated the graph  $G$  has  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges. Degree of a vertex  $v$  is denoted by  $d(v)$ , the maximum degree of a graph  $G$  is denoted by  $\Delta(G)$ . Let  $C_n$  a cycle on  $n$  vertices,  $P_n$  a path on  $n$  vertices by and a complete graph on  $n$  vertices by  $K_n$ . A graph is *connected* if any two vertices are connected by a path. A maximal connected subgraph of a graph  $G$  is called a *component* of  $G$ . The number of components of  $G$  is denoted by  $\omega(G)$ .

The complement  $\bar{G}$  of  $G$  is the graph with vertex set  $V$  in which two vertices are adjacent iff they are not adjacent in  $G$ . A tree is a connected acyclic graph. A bipartite graph is a graph whose vertex set can be divided into two disjoint sets  $V_1$  and another in  $V_2$ . A complete bipartite graph is a bipartite graph with partitions of order  $|V_1|=m$  and  $|V_2|=n$ , is denoted by  $K_{m,n}$ . A star denoted by  $K_{1,n-1}$  is a tree with one root vertex and  $n-1$  pendant vertices. A bistar, denoted by  $B(m,n)$  is the graph obtained by joining the root vertices of the stars denoted by  $F_n$  can be constructed by identifying  $n$  copies of the cycle  $C_3$  at a common vertex. A wheel graph denoted by  $W_n$  is a graph with  $n$  vertices formed by connecting a single vertex to all vertices of  $C_{n-1}$ . A Helm graph denoted by  $H_n$  is a graph obtained from the wheel  $W_n$  by attaching a pendant vertex to each vertex in the outer cycle of  $W_n$ .

The chromatic number of a graph  $G$  denoted by  $\chi(G)$  is the smallest number of colors needed to colour all the vertices of a graph  $G$  in which adjacent vertices receive different colours. For any real number  $x$ ,  $\lceil x \rceil$  denotes the largest integer greater than or equal to  $x$  and  $\lfloor x \rfloor$  the smallest integer less than or equal to  $x$ . A Nordhaus- Gaddum – type result is a lower or upper bound on the sum or product of a parameter of a graph and its complement. Throughout this paper, we only consider undirected graphs with no loops. The basic definitions and concepts used in this study are adopted from [11].

Given a graph  $G = (V(G), E(G))$ , the cardinality  $|V(G)|$  of the vertex set  $V(G)$  is the order of  $G$  is  $n$ . The distance  $d_G(u, v)$  between two vertices  $u$  and  $v$  of  $G$  is the length of the shortest path joining  $u$  and  $v$ . If  $d_G(u, v) = 1$ ,  $u$  and  $v$  are said to be adjacent.

For a given vertex  $v$  of a graph  $G$ , The open neighbourhood of  $v$  in  $G$  is the set  $N_G(v)$  of all vertices of  $G$  that are adjacent to  $v$ .

The degree  $deg_G(v)$  of  $v$  refers to  $|N_G(v)|$ , and  $\Delta(G) = \max \{deg_G(v) : v \in V(G)\}$ . The closed neighbourhood of  $v$  is the set  $N_G[v] = N_G(v) \cup v$  for  $S \subseteq V(G)$ ,  $N_G(S) = \cup_{v \in S} N_G(v)$  and  $N_G[v] = N_G(S) \cup S$ . If  $N_G[v] = V(G)$ , then  $S$  is a dominating set in  $G$ . The minimum cardinality among dominating sets in  $G$  is called the domination number of  $G$  and is denoted by  $\gamma(G)$ .

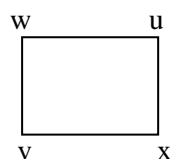
A dominating set  $S$  in a graph  $G$  is an independent dominating set if for every pair of distinct vertices  $u$  and  $v$  in  $S$ ,  $u$  and  $v$  are non adjacent in  $G$ . The minimum cardinality  $\gamma_i(G)$  of an independent dominating set in  $G$  is called the independent domination number of  $G$ .

**2. Relationships between domination and irredundant complete domination numbers:**

**2. Main Results**

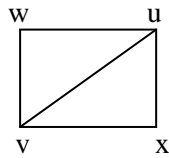
**Definition:2.0:**A subset  $S$  of  $v$  of a nontrivial graph  $G$  is said to be an Irredundant complete dominating set if  $S$  is an irredundant and complete. The minimum cardinality taken over all an irredundant complete dominating set is called an Irredundant complete domination number and is denoted by  $\gamma_{irn}(G)$ .

**Example2.1 :**For any graph  $G=C_4$  is an irredundant complete dominating set if  $S=\{u,v\}$ , since  $N[u]=\{u,w,x\}, N[v]=\{v,w,x\}$ ,  $N[u]-N[S-u]=\{u\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]=\{x,w\}=V-S$ . Hence  $S$  is an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  with  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$  by fig.1. Since  $|N_G[v]| = |N_G(S) \cup S| = (n - 2) + 2 = n$  that is,  $|N_G[v]| = |S'| \cup |S|=(n-2)+2=n$ .



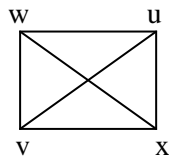
**Figure 1:**  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [n - (n - 2)]=2$

**Example2.2:** For any graph  $G=C_4 +e$  or  $K_4-e$  is an irredundant complete dominating set if  $S=\{w,x\}$ , since  $N[w]=\{u,v,w\},N[x]=\{u,v,x\}$ ,  $N[w]-N[S-w]=\{w\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[w] \cap N[S-w]=\{u,v\}=V-S$ . Hence  $S$  is an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  with  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$  by fig.2.



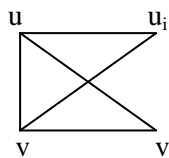
**Figure 2:**  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [n - (n - 2)]=2$

**Example2.3 :**For any graph  $G=K_4$  is not an irredundant complete dominating set if  $S=\{u,v\}$ , since  $N[u]=\{u,v,w,x\},N[v]=\{u,v,w,x\}$ , Here  $N[u]-N[S-u]=\{u\} = \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]=\{u,v,x,w\} \neq V-S$ . Hence  $S$  is not an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  by fig.3.



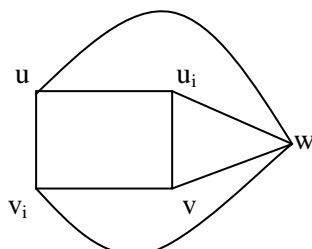
**Figure 3: It is not an irredundant complete dominating set**

**Example2.4 :** For any graph  $G=K_4 -e$  is not an irredundant complete dominating set where  $uv \in E$ . If  $S=\{u,v\}$ , since  $N[u]=\{u,v,u_i,v_i\},N[v]=\{u,v,u_i,v_i\}$ , Here  $N[u]-N[S-u]=\{u\} = \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]=\{u,v,u_i,v_i\} \neq V-S$ . Hence  $S$  is not an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  by fig.4.



**Figure 4: It is not an irredundant complete dominating set**

**Result2.5:** For any graph  $G=C_4 +v$  is an irredundant complete dominating set if  $S=\{u,v\}$ , since  $N[u]=\{u,w,u_i,v_i\},N[v]=\{v,w,u_i,v_i\}$ ,  $N[u]-N[S-u]=\{u\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]=\{u_i,v_i,w\}=V-S$ . Hence  $S$  is an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  with  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$ .

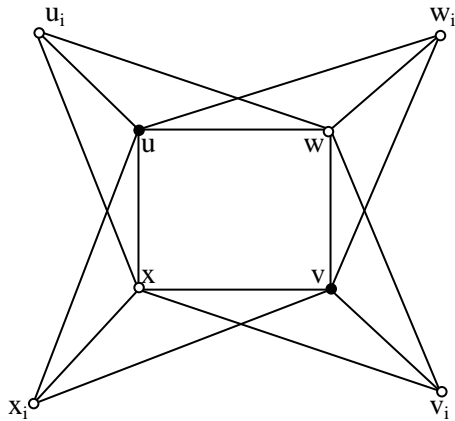


**Figure 5:**  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [n - (n - 2)]=2$

**Result2.6:**For any graph  $G=H_1 + H_2$  where  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  be the sub graph of  $G$  and if either  $H_1$  or  $H_2$  must be the irredundant complete dominating set .

**Result 2.7:** For any graph  $G=H_1 + \cup_{i=2}^n H_i$  .If  $H_1$  has the irredundant complete domination number then the graph  $G=H_1 + \cup_{i=2}^n H_i$  has an irredundant complete domination number.

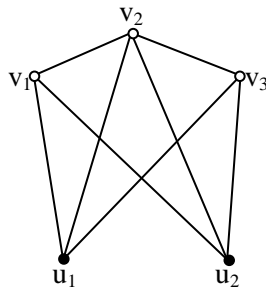
**Result 2.8:** For any graph  $G=[C_4 + \cup_{i=1}^4 H_i] - 4e$  .If each  $H_i$  is a singleton vetex then  $C_4$  has the irredundant complete domination number then the graph  $G=[C_4 + \cup_{i=1}^4 H_i] - 4e$  has an irredundant complete domination number with  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=2n-(2n-2)$  since  $|G|=|C_4| + |\cup_{i=1}^4 H_i|=4+4=8$  where each  $H_i$  is of order 1.



**Figure 6:**  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [2n - (2n - 2)]=2$

**Result 2.9:** For any graph  $G=K_5 -2e$  has an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  if  $S=\{u_1, u_2\}$

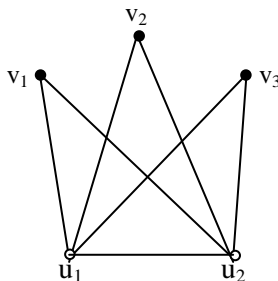
Since  $N[u_1] = \{u_1, v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ ,  $N[u_2] = \{u_2, v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ ,  $N[u_1] - N[u_2] \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u_1] \cap N[u_2]=\{v_1, v_2, v_3\} = V - S$  and its  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$ .



**Figure 7:**  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [n - (n - 2)]=2$

**Result 2.10:** For any graph  $G=K_5 -3e$  has an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  if  $S=\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$

Since  $N[u_1] = \{u_1, v_1, v_2\}$ ,  $N[u_2] = \{u_2, v_1, v_2\}$ ,  $N[u_3] = \{u_3, v_1, v_2\}$ ,  $N[u_1] - N[u_2] \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u_1] \cap N[u_2]=\{v_1, v_2\} = V - S$  and its  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-3)=3$ .



**Figure 8:**  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [n - (n - 3)]=3$

**Result 2.11:** For any graph  $G=K_6 -3e$  has an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  if  $S=\{u_1, u_2, u_3\}$ , Since  $N[u_1] = \{u_1, v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ ,  $N[u_2] = \{u_2, v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ ,  $N[u_3] = \{u_3, v_1, v_2, v_3\}$ ,  $N[u_1] - N[u_2] \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u_1] \cap N[u_2]=\{v_1, v_2, v_3\} = V - S$  and its  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-3)=3$ .

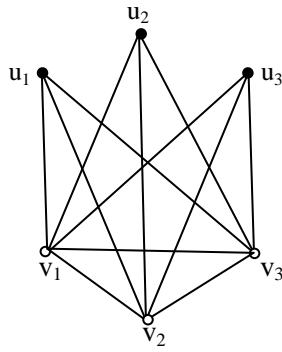


Figure 9:  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [n - (n - 3)]=3$

**Result 2.12:** For any graph  $G=K_6 - e$  has an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  if  $S=\{u_1, u_2\}$

Since  $N[ u_1 ] = \{u_1, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4 \}$ ,  $N[ u_2 ] = \{u_2, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4 \}$ ,  $N[ u_1 ] - N[ u_2 ] \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[ u_1 ] \cap N[u_2]=\{ v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4 \} = V - S$  and its  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$ .

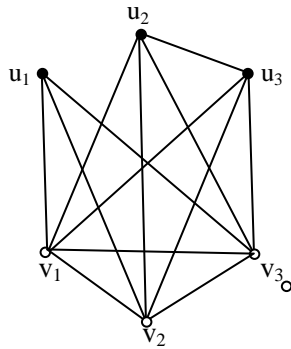


Figure 10:  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [n - (n - 2)]=2$

**Result 2.13:** For any graph  $G= [K_6 - e]+H$  where  $H$  is a subgraph of  $G$  and its  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$ .

**Result 2.14:** For any graph  $G= [K_6 - 3e]+\cup_{i=1}^n H_i$  where  $H_i$  are subgraphs of  $G$  and its  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-3)=3$ .

**Lemma 2.15:**For any graph  $G$  . Let  $S$  be an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$ . If there exists vertices  $u$  and  $v$  such that  $N[u]-N[S-u] \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]=V-S$ .

**Proof:**For any graph  $G$ . Let  $S=\{u, v\}$  such that since  $N[u]=\{u, u_i, v_i\}$ ,  $N[v]=\{v, u_i, v_i\}$  where ‘i’ is the neighbour of the respective vertex we have  $N[u]-N[S-u] \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]= \{u_i, v_i\} = V-S$ .

**Corollary 2.16:**For any graph  $G$  has an irredundant complete dominating set if there exists  $u_i, v_i \in V - S$  such that  $\cap N(V - S) = S$ .

**Proof:** By the definition of irredundant complete dominating set.

**Corollary 2.17:**For any graph  $G=H_1 + H_2$ .Let  $S$  is a irredundant complete dominating set of  $H_1$  or  $H_2$ . If there exists vertices  $u$  and  $v$  such that  $uv \notin E$  we have  $N[u]-N[S-u] \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]=V-S$

**Proof:** By the definition of irredundant complete dominating set.

**Lemma 2.18:** For any graph  $G$  . let  $S$  be an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$ .If there exists vertices  $u$  and  $v$  such that  $uv \notin E$  we have  $N[u]-N[S-u] \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]=V-S$  and  $\cup N(V - S) = V$ .

Proof: For any graph  $G$  given  $S$  be an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$ . If there exists vertices  $u$  and  $v$  such that  $uv \notin E$  we have  $N[u]=\{u, u_i, v_i\}$ ,  $N[v]=\{v, u_i, v_i\}$  and  $\cap N[S] = V - S$

also  $N(u_i) = \{v_i, u, v\}$ ,  $N(v_i) = \{u_i, u, v\}$  which implies that  $\cup N(V - S) = \{u, v, u_i, v_i\} = V$ .

**Corollary 2.19:** For any graph  $G=H_1 + H_2$ . Let  $S$  is a irredundant complete dominating set of  $H_1$  of  $H_2$ . If there exists vertices  $u$  and  $v$  such that  $uv \notin E$  we have  $N[u]-N[S-u] \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]=V-S$  and  $\cup N(V - S) = V$ .

**Proof:** By the definition of irredundant complete dominating set.

**Result 2.20:** For any Corona graph  $G \circ H$  of a graph  $G$  and  $H$  has not an irredundant complete dominating set, since if  $S=\{u, v, u_3, u_5\}$  then  $N[u]=\{u, u_1, u_6, u_2\}$ ,  $N[v]=\{v, u_1, u_6, u_4\}$ ,  $N[u_6]=\{u_1, u_3\}$ ,  $N[u_5]=\{u_5, u_6\}$ , since  $N[u] \cap N[S-u] \neq V-S$  it is not a complete dominating set. Hence for any Corona graph  $G \circ H$  of a graph  $G$  and  $H$  has not an irredundant complete dominating set.

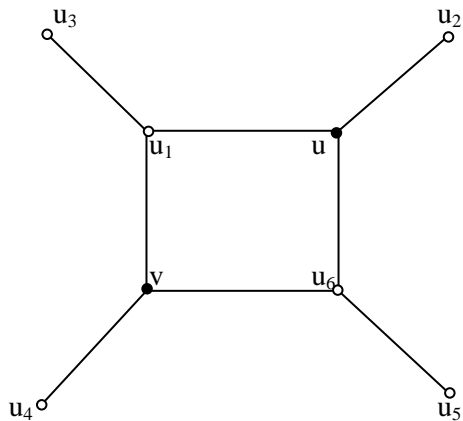


Figure 11: It is not an irredundant complete dominating set

**Theorem 2.21:** For any graph  $G$ . Let  $S$  be any irredundant complete dominating set in a graph  $G$  then their domination numbers are (i)  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$  if  $G \cong K_4 - e$  or  $K_3 - e$  (ii)  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$  if  $G \cong C_4 + H$  (or)  $G \cong C_4$  (or)  $G \cong C_4 + \cup_i^n H_i$  (iii)  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$  if  $G \cong K_5 - e$  (or)  $G \cong (K_5 - e) + H$  (Or)  $G \cong (K_5 - e) + \cup_i^n H_i$  (iv)  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-3)=3$  if  $G \cong K_6 - 3e$  (or)  $G \cong (K_5 - e) + H$  (or)  $G \cong (K_5 - 3e) + \cup_i^n H_i$  (or)  $G \cong (K_6 - 3e) + \cup_i^n H_i$

**Proof:** For any graph  $G$ , Given  $S$  and  $S'$  be any irredundant complete dominating set of a graph  $G$ , Since there exists vertices  $u, v \in S$  such that  $N[u]-N[S-u] \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]=V-S = S'$  and  $|N_G[v]| = |N_G(S)| \cup |S| = (n - 2) + 2 = n$  and it is by the definition of irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$ , we have  $N_G[S] = S'$  with  $uv \notin E$

**Case (i)** For any graph  $G=C_4 + e$  or  $K_4 - e$  is an irredundant complete dominating set if  $S=\{w, x\}$ , since  $N[w]=\{u, v, w\}$ ,  $N[x]=\{u, v, x\}$ ,  $N[w]-N[S-w]=\{w\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[w] \cap N[S-w]=\{u, v\}=V-S$ . Hence  $S$  is an irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  with  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$ . Since from the above result  $|N_G[v]| = |N_G(S)| \cup |S| = (n - 2) + 2 = n, \forall v \in G$ .

**Case (ii)** For any graph  $G \cong C_4 + H$  (or)  $G \cong C_4$  (or)  $G \cong C_4 + \cup_i^n H_i$  has a irredundant complete dominating set if  $S=\{u, v\}$  and  $uv \notin E$ , since  $N[u]=\{u, u_i, v_i\}$ ,  $N[v]=\{v, u_i, v_i\}$ ,  $N[u]-N[S-u]=\{u\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u]=\{u_i, v_i\}=V-S$  and  $|V - S|=2$ , Since it satisfies the conditions of irredundancy and complete domination,  $S$  is irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  and from the above result  $|N_G[v]| = |N_G(S)| \cup |S| = (n - 2) + 2 = n, \forall v \in G$ . We have  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$ .

**Subcase(a)** Suppose  $G \cong C_4 + H$ ,  $C_4$  has an irredundant complete dominating set by case (ii) we have by adding subgraph  $H$  of  $G$  each vertex of  $H$  is adjacent with  $S$ . Here  $S$  is the irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  and its  $\gamma_{irn}(G)=n-(n-2)=2$ .

**Subcase(b)** Suppose  $G \cong C_4 + \bigcup_i^n H_i$  then  $C_4$  has an irredundant complete dominating set by subcase (a) case (ii)  $C_4 + H$  has an irredundant complete dominating set. Also by taking union of all  $H_i, i=1,2,\dots$  then every vertex of  $H_i$  is adjacent with  $S$ . Hence  $S$  is the irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  and its  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = n - (n-2) = 2$ .

**Case(iii)**  $G \cong K_5 - e$  (or)  $G \cong (K_5 - e) + H$  (or)  $G \cong (K_5 - e) + \bigcup_i^n H_i$  has an irredundant complete dominating set if  $S = \{u, v\}$  and  $uv \notin E$ , since  $N[u] = \{u, x, y, z\}, N[v] = \{v, x, y, z\}, N[u] - N[S-u] = \{u\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u] = \{x, y, z\} = V - S$  and  $|V - S| = 2$ . Since it satisfies the conditions of irredundancy and complete domination,  $S$  is irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  and from the above result  $|N_G[v]| = |N_G(S)| \cup |S| = (n-2) + 2 = n, \forall v \in G$ . We have  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = n - (n-2) = 2$ .

**Subcase(a)** For any graph  $G \cong K_5 - 2e$  (or)  $G \cong K_5 - 3e$  (or)  $G \cong K_5 - 4e$  has an irredundant complete dominating set as from the case (iii), we have  $N[u] - N[S-u] = \{u\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u] = \{x, y, z\} = V - S$  and  $|V - S| = 2$ . Since it satisfies the conditions of irredundancy and complete domination,  $S$  is irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  and  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = n - (n-2) = 2$ .

**Subcase(b)** For any graph  $G \cong (K_5 - e) + \bigcup_i^n H_i$  (or)  $G \cong (K_5 - 2e) + \bigcup_i^n H_i$  (or)  $G \cong (K_5 - 3e) + \bigcup_i^n H_i$  (or)  $G \cong (K_5 - 4e) + \bigcup_i^n H_i$ . The proof is by Subcase(a) of case (ii) we have the  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = n - (n-2) = 2$ .

**Case(iv)** For any graph  $G \cong (K_6 - 3e) + \bigcup_i^n H_i$  (or)  $G \cong (K_6 - 3e)$  has an irredundant complete dominating set if  $S = \{u, v, w\}$  and  $uvw \notin E$ , since  $N[u] = \{u, x, y, z\}, N[v] = \{v, x, y, z\}, N[w] = \{w, x, y, z\}$  and  $N[u] - N[S-u] = \{u\} \neq \emptyset$  also  $N[u] \cap N[S-u] = \{x, y, z\} = V - S$  and  $|V - S| = 3$ . Since it satisfies the conditions of irredundancy and complete domination,  $S$  is irredundant complete dominating set of  $G$  and  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = n - (n-3) = 3$ .

**Theorem 2.22:** Every irredundant complete dominating set is a degree equitable dominating set.

**Proof:** Given  $S$  is an irredundant complete dominating set if  $S = \{u, v\}$  and  $uv \notin E$ , since  $N[u] = \{u, u_i, v_i\}, N[v] = \{v, u_i, v_i\}, N[u] - N[S-u] = \{u\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u] = \{u_i, v_i\} = V - S$ . Hence  $S = \{u, v\}$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $N(u_i) = \{u, v\}, N(v_i) = \{u, v\}$  which implies that  $\{N(u_i) \cap N(v_i)\} = \{u, v\} = S = [n - (n-2)]$ . Here  $N(u) = N(v)$  by  $|N(u)| = |N(v)|$  where  $N(u) = n$  and  $N(v) = n$  which give  $\frac{|N(u)|}{|N(v)|} = 1$ , which implies that  $|d(u) - d(v)| = 0$ . By the definition of degree equitable dominating set the given irredundant complete dominating set is a degree equitable dominating set.

**Theorem 2.23:** Every irredundant complete dominating set is an independent dominating set with  $uv \notin E$

**Proof:**  $S$  is an irredundant complete dominating set if  $S = \{u, v\}$ , since  $N[u] = \{u, u_i, v_i\}, N[v] = \{v, u_i, v_i\}, N[u] - N[S-u] = \{u\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u] = \{u_i, v_i\} = V - S$ . Hence  $S = \{u, v\}$  for  $i=1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $N(u_i) = \{u, v\}, N(v_i) = \{u, v\}$  which implies that  $\{N(u_i) \cap N(v_i)\} = \{u, v\} = S = [n - (n-2)]$  and  $\{N[u] \cap N[v]\} \neq V$ . Hence  $S$  is an independent dominating set.

**Theorem 2.24:** Every graph  $G$  has an irredundant complete dominating set  $S$  then  $G \cong H_1 + \bigcup_{i=1}^n H_i$  iff  $|V - S| = n^2 + N(m+1) - 2$  and  $H_1$  must have a irredundant complete dominating set

**Proof:** Given  $G$  be a graph with  $S$  is an irredundant complete dominating set. If there exists vertices  $u$  and  $v$  such that  $uv \notin E$  we have  $N[u] = \{u, u_i, v_i, \bigcup_{i=1}^n w_i\}, N[v] = \{v, u_i, v_i, \bigcup_{i=1}^n w_i\}$

**case(i)** suppose each  $|w_i| = 1$ , we have  $N[u] - N[S-u] = \{u\} \neq \emptyset$  and  $N[u] \cap N[S-u] = \{u_i, v_i, \bigcup_{i=1}^n w_i\} = [V - S, W]$  where  $W = \bigcup_{i=1}^n w_i$ , then we have  $|N[u] \cap N[S-u]| = |V - S| + |W| = (n-2) + 2 = 2n - 2 = 2(n-1)$  since  $H_1$  contains  $n$  vertices and  $\bigcup_{i=1}^n H_i$  contains  $n$  vertices.

**Case(ii)** Suppose each  $|w_i| = 2$  then we have  $|N[u] \cap N[S-u]| = |V - S| + |W| = (n-2) + 2n$  that is  $|V - S| = n - 2 + 2n = 3n - 2$ . Hence  $|G| = |H_1 + \bigcup_{i=1}^n H_i|, |N_G[v]| = |N_G(S)| \cup |S| = |V - S| + |S| = 3n - 2 + 2 = 3n$ .

**Case(iii)** Suppose each  $|w_i| = 2$  then we have  $|N[u] \cap N[S - u]| = |V - S| + |W| = (n - 2) + 3n$  that is  $|V - S| = n - 2 + 3n = 4n - 2$ . Hence  $|G| = |H_1 + \cup_{i=1}^n H_i|$ ,  $|N_G[v]| = |N_G(S)| \cup |S|$ ,  $|V - S| + |S| = 4n - 2 + 2 = 4n$ .

**Case(iv)** Suppose each  $|w_i| = m$  then we have  $|N[u] \cap N[S - u]| = |V - S| + |W| = (n - 2) + mn$  that is  $|V - S| = n - 2 + mn = n(m + 1) - 2$ . Hence  $|G| = |H_1 + \cup_{i=1}^n H_i|$ ,  $|N_G[v]| = |N_G(S)| \cup |S|$ ,  $|V - S| + |S| = n(m + 1) - 2 + 2 = n(m + 1)$ .

**Case(v)** Suppose each  $|w_i| = m + n$  then we have  $|N[u] \cap N[S - u]| = |V - S| + |W| = (n - 2) + (m + n)n$  that is  $|V - S| = n - 2 + (m + n)n = n^2 + n(m + 1) - 2$ . Hence  $|G| = |H_1 + \cup_{i=1}^n H_i|$ ,  $|N_G[v]| = |N_G(S)| \cup |S|$ ,  $|V - S| + |S| = n^2 + n(m + 1) - 2 + 2 = n^2 + n(m + 1)$ .

**Conversely**, let us assume that number of vertices in  $V - S$  is  $n^2 + n(m + 1) - 2$  and we have to prove that  $G \cong H_1 + \cup_{i=1}^n H_i$ . To prove  $G \cong H_1 + \cup_{i=1}^n H_i$ , suppose a subgraph  $H_1$  contains an irredundant complete dominating set  $S$  with  $|V - S| = |H_1 - S| = n - S$  where  $|H_1| = n$  and  $|H_1 - S| + |S| = n$  by adding every vertex of  $H_1$  by an edge we have  $|H_1| = n + 1$ , suppose adding every vertex of  $H_1$  by two edges then we have  $|H_1| = n + 2$  such a way that we can add every vertex of  $H_1$  by  $m$  number edges we have  $|H_1| = n + m$  and also by taking union of  $m$  number of vertices and  $n$  copies of such  $H_1$ , that is subgraphs of  $H$  and taking union of  $n$  copies of  $H_i$ , Hence we have  $G \cong H_1 + \cup_{i=1}^n H_i$ .

**Relationships with other Graph Theoretical Parameters:**

**Theorem 3.1:** For any graph  $G = K_n - e$  with  $n \geq 3$  vertices,  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \kappa(G) \leq n$  and the bound is sharp iff  $G \cong K_n - e$ , for all  $n \geq 3$ .

Proof: Let  $G$  be a complete graph with  $K_n - e$  and  $n \geq 3$  vertices. We know that  $\kappa(G) \leq (n - 1) - 1 = (n - 2)$  and by **theorem 2.21:**  $\gamma_{irn}(G) \leq [n - (n - 2)]$ . Hence  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \kappa(G) \leq [n - (n - 2)] + n - 2 = n$ . Suppose  $G$  is isomorphic to  $K_3 - e$  then clearly  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \kappa(G) = n$ . Conversely, Let  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \kappa(G) = n$  this is possible only if  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [n - (n - 2)]$  and  $\kappa(G) = n - 2$ . Since  $\kappa(G) = n - 2$ ,  $G$  is isomorphic to  $K_n - e$  for which  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = 2 = [n - (n - 2)]$ . Hence  $G \cong K_n - e$ , for all  $n \geq 3$ .

**Theorem 3.2:** For any graph  $G = K_n - e$  with  $n \geq 3$  vertices,  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \chi(G) \leq n + 1$  and the bound is sharp iff  $G \cong K_n - e$ , for all  $n \geq 3$ .

Proof: : Let  $G$  be a complete graph with  $K_n - e$  and  $n \geq 3$  vertices. We know that  $\chi(G) \leq n - 1$  and by **theorem 2.21**  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [n - (n - 2)]$  Hence  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \chi(G) \leq [n - (n - 2)] + n - 1$  that is  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \chi(G) = n + 1$ . Suppose  $G$  is isomorphic to  $K_3 - e$  then clearly  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \chi(G) = n + 1$ . Conversely, Let  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \chi(G) = n + 1$  this is possible only if  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = [n - (n - 2)]$  and  $\chi(G) = n - 1$ . Since  $\chi(G) = n - 1$ ,  $G$  is isomorphic to  $K_3 - e$  for which  $\gamma_{irn}(G) = 2 = [n - (n - 2)]$ . Hence  $G \cong K_n - e$ , for all  $n \geq 3$ .

**Theorem 3.3:** For any graph  $G = K_n - e$  with  $n \geq 3$  vertices,  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \Delta(G) \leq n$  and the bound is sharp iff  $G \cong K_n - e$ , for all  $n \geq 3$

Proof: Let  $G$  be  $n$  copies of complete graph with  $n \geq 3$  vertices. We know that  $\Delta(G) \leq n - 1$  and by **theorem 2.21:**  $\gamma_{irn}(G) \leq [n - (n - 2)]$ , Hence  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \Delta(G) \leq [n - (n - 2)] + n - 1$ , that is  $\gamma_{irn}(G) + \Delta(G) \leq n + 1$  for  $K_n - e$ , for all  $n \geq 3$ , the bound is sharp.

**Conclusion**

In this paper we found an upper bound for the irredundant complete domination number and relationship between irredundant complete domination numbers of graphs and characterized the corresponding extremal graphs. Similarly irredundant complete domination numbers with other graph theoretical parameters can be considered.



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