

## THE ENDOWMENT STRUCTURE OF TYPE-III UNICYCLIC GRAPHS: A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY

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### ABSTRACT

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a non empty, finite, simple graph. A dominating set of a graph  $G$  containing a minimum dominating set of  $G$  is called a  $\gamma$  - endowed dominating set of  $G$ . If that set is of cardinality  $k$  then it is called a  $k\gamma$  - endowed dominating set.  $k - \gamma_r$ enresdowed graph is one in which every restrained dominating set of cardinality  $k$  contains a minimum restrained dominating set. Consider a cycle graph  $G$ , in which a set of different paths is attached to every vertex of the cycle. In this paper, the enresdowedness property for the unicyclic graphs with a set of different paths attached to every vertex of the cycle is obtained.

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### I. INTRODUCTION

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a non empty, finite, simple graph. A subset  $D$  of  $V(G)$  is called a dominating set of  $G$  if for every  $v \in V - D$ , there exists  $u \in D$  such that  $u$  and  $v$  are adjacent. The minimum cardinality of the dominating set is called the domination number and it is denoted by  $\gamma(G)$ . The restrained dominating set of a graph is a dominating set in which every vertex in  $V - D$  is adjacent to some other vertex in  $V - D$ [6]. The minimum cardinality of the restrained dominating set is called the restrained domination number and it is denoted by  $\gamma_r(G)$ . A graph is said to be  $k - \gamma_r$  enresdowed graph if every restrained dominating set of cardinality  $k$  contains a minimum restrained dominating set. Consider a unicyclic graph  $G$  which contains a cycle  $C_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ , and a set of paths  $P_t$ ,  $t \geq 2$ , where these set  $s$ ,  $s \geq 1$  of different paths are attached to each vertex of  $C_n$ . Anders Sune Pedersen, Preben Dahl Vestergaard obtained the upper and lower bounds for the number of independent sets in a unicyclic graph in terms of its order[1]. A unicyclic graph is a connected graph with a unique cycle. A unicyclic graph is called fully loaded if every vertex on its unique cycle has degree at least three[7]. Joanna Raczek characterize all connected unicyclic graphs with the domination multisubdivision number equal to three[2].

### II. RESULTS ON TYPE – III UNICYCLIC ENRESDOWED GRAPHS

#### Definition 2.1

Let  $k$  be a positive integer. A simple, finite, non trivial graph  $G = (V, E)$  is called a  $k - \gamma_r$  enresdowed graph if every restrained dominating set of  $G$  of cardinality  $k$  contains a minimum restrained dominating set  $\gamma_r$  of  $G$ . [5]

#### Definition 2.2

Let  $G$  be a unicyclic graph  $C_n P_t$ , for  $n \geq 3$ ,  $t \geq 2$ . Let  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  be the set of vertices of  $C_n$ . The graph  $G$  contains a set of  $n$  copies of distinct paths  $\{P_{it_j}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $2 \leq j \leq s_i$ , which are attached to each vertex  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  of the cycle  $C_n$ , for  $n \geq 3$ . The set of vertices  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  is considered as the initial vertex for the set of all paths  $\{P_{it_j}\}$   $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq j \leq s_i$  attached to each  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

#### Theorem 2.3

Let  $G$  be a unicyclic graph  $C_n P_t$ , for  $n \geq 3$  and  $t \geq 2$ . Let  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  be the set of vertices of  $C_n$ . The graph  $G$  contains a set of  $n$  copies of distinct paths  $\{P_{it_j}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $2 \leq j \leq s_i$ , which are attached to each vertex  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  of the cycle  $C_n$ , for  $n \geq 3$ , such that the cardinality of any path  $P_{it_j}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq j \leq s_i$  is not same as any other path  $P_{it_{j+1}}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq j \leq s_i$  which are attached to same  $v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  in  $G$ . The set of vertices  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  of the cycle  $C_n$ , for  $n \geq 3$  is considered as the initial vertices for the set of all paths  $\{P_{it_j}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,

$2 \leq j \leq S_i$ , attached to it. Let  $D$  be the minimum restrained dominating set of  $G$ , then  $G$  is  $k - \gamma_r$  enresdowed for any  $k$ , where  $\gamma_r \leq k \leq n + \left| \bigcup_{\substack{i=1 \\ 2 \leq j \leq S_i}}^n P_{it_j} - S_i \right|$

### Proof

Given  $G$  is a unicyclicgraph  $C_n P_t$ , for  $n \geq 3$  and  $t \geq 2$ . Let  $\{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_i, \dots, v_n\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , be the set of all vertices of the cycle  $C_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ . Let  $P_{1t_2}$  be a path  $P_2$ , which consist of the vertex set  $\{u_{1,21}, u_{1,22}\}$ , such that the vertex  $u_{1,21} = v_1$ ,  $P_{1t_3}$  be a path  $P_3$ , with the vertex set  $\{u_{1,31}, u_{1,32}, u_{1,33}\}$ , where the vertex  $u_{1,31} = v_1$ ,  $P_{1t_4}$  be a path  $P_4$ , with the vertex set  $\{u_{1,41}, u_{1,42}, u_{1,43}, u_{1,44}\}$  such that the vertex  $u_{1,41} = v_1$ . Without loss of generality, consider any path  $P_{1t_l}$ , where  $P_{1t_l}$  be a path  $P_l$ ,  $2 \leq l \leq S_1$ , which contains the vertex set  $\{u_{1,l1}, u_{1,l2}, u_{1,l3}, \dots, u_{1,ll}\}$  where the vertex  $u_{1,l1} = v_1$ . Proceeding similarly, consider any path  $P_{1t_{S_1}}$ , where the path  $P_{1t_{S_1}}$  is a path  $P_{S_1}$  which consist of the vertex set  $\{u_{1,S_11}, u_{1,S_12}, u_{1,S_13}, \dots, u_{1,S_1S_1}\}$ , such that the vertex  $u_{1,S_11} = v_1$ . Thus the set of vertices  $\{u_{1,21}, u_{1,22}, u_{1,31}, u_{1,32}, u_{1,33}, u_{1,41}, u_{1,42}, u_{1,43}, u_{1,44}, \dots, u_{1,l1}, u_{1,l2}, u_{1,l3}, \dots, u_{1,ll}, \dots, u_{1,S_11}, u_{1,S_12}, u_{1,S_13}, \dots, u_{1,S_1S_1}\}$ , belongs to the paths  $P_{1t_2}, P_{1t_3}, P_{1t_4}, \dots, P_{1t_l}, \dots, P_{1t_{S_1}}$  of  $G$ , where these sets of all paths are attached to the vertex  $v_1$  of  $C_n$ .

Without loss of generality, consider another new set of paths  $P_{2t_2}, P_{2t_3}, P_{2t_4}, \dots, P_{2t_l}, \dots, P_{2t_{S_2}}$  which are attached to the vertex  $v_2$  of  $C_n$  for  $n \geq 3$ . Let the path  $P_{2t_2}$  be a path  $P_2$ , with the vertex set  $\{u_{2,21}, u_{2,22}\}$ , where the vertex  $u_{2,21} = v_2$  and  $P_{2t_3}$  be a path  $P_3$ , which consist of the vertex set  $\{u_{2,31}, u_{2,32}, u_{2,33}\}$ , such that the vertex  $u_{2,31} = v_2$ . Let  $P_{2t_4}$  be a path  $P_4$  with the vertex set  $\{u_{2,41}, u_{2,42}, u_{2,43}, u_{2,44}\}$  where the vertex  $u_{2,41} = v_2$ . Without loss of generality consider any path  $P_{2t_l}$  where  $P_{2t_l}$  be a path  $P_l$ ,  $2 \leq l \leq S_2$ , with the set of vertices  $\{u_{2,l1}, u_{2,l2}, u_{2,l3}, \dots, u_{2,ll}\}$ , such that the vertex  $u_{2,l1} = v_2$ . Finally consider any path  $P_{2t_{S_2}}$ , where the path  $P_{2t_{S_2}}$  is a path  $P_{S_2}$  which consist of the vertex set  $\{u_{2,S_21}, u_{2,S_22}, u_{2,S_23}, \dots, u_{2,S_2S_2}\}$ , such that the vertex  $u_{2,S_21} = v_2$ . Thus the set of vertices  $\{u_{2,21}, u_{2,22}, u_{2,31}, u_{2,32}, u_{2,33}, u_{2,41}, u_{2,42}, u_{2,43}, u_{2,44}, \dots, u_{2,l1}, u_{2,l2}, u_{2,l3}, \dots, u_{2,ll}, \dots, u_{2,S_21}, u_{2,S_22}, u_{2,S_23}, \dots, u_{2,S_2S_2}\}$  which belongs to the set of paths  $\{P_{it_j}\}$ , for  $i = 2$ , and  $2 \leq j \leq S_2$ .

In general, consider a new set of paths,  $P_{it_2}, P_{it_3}, P_{it_4}, \dots, P_{it_l}, \dots, P_{it_{S_i}}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . These paths are attached to the vertex  $v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  of  $C_n$  for  $n \geq 3$ . Let  $P_{it_2}$  be a path  $P_2$ , with the vertex set  $\{u_{i,21}, u_{i,22}\}$ , such that the vertex  $u_{i,21} = v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . The path  $P_{it_3}$  be a path  $P_3$  which consist of the set of vertices  $\{u_{i,31}, u_{i,32}, u_{i,33}\}$ , where the vertex  $u_{i,31} = v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Let  $P_{it_4}$  be a path  $P_4$  with the vertex set  $\{u_{i,41}, u_{i,42}, u_{i,43}, u_{i,44}\}$ , such that the vertex  $u_{i,41} = v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Similarly consider any path  $P_{it_l}$ , where  $P_{it_l}$  is a path  $P_l$ ,  $2 \leq l \leq S_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  which consist of the set of vertices  $\{u_{i,l1}, u_{i,l2}, u_{i,l3}, \dots, u_{i,ll}\}$ , such that the vertex  $u_{i,l1} = v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Finally consider any path  $P_{it_{S_i}}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , where the path  $P_{it_{S_i}}$  is a path  $P_{S_i}$  which consist of the vertex set  $\{u_{i,S_i1}, u_{i,S_i2}, u_{i,S_i3}, \dots, u_{i,S_iS_i}\}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , such that the vertex  $u_{i,S_i1} = v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Then the set of vertices  $\{u_{i,21}, u_{i,22}, u_{i,31}, u_{i,32}, u_{i,33}, u_{i,41}, u_{i,42}, u_{i,43}, u_{i,44}, \dots, u_{i,l1}, u_{i,l2}, u_{i,l3}, \dots, u_{i,ll}, \dots, u_{i,S_i1}, u_{i,S_i2}, u_{i,S_i3}, \dots, u_{i,S_iS_i}\}$  belongs to the set of paths  $P_{it_2}, P_{it_3}, P_{it_4}, \dots, P_{it_l}, \dots, P_{it_{S_i}}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Proceeding similarly, consider a new set of paths in  $G$ . Let  $P_{nt_2}$  be a path  $P_2$ , with the vertex set  $\{u_{n,21}, u_{n,22}\}$ , where the vertex  $u_{n,21} = v_n$ . The path  $P_{nt_3}$  be a path  $P_3$ , which consist of the set of vertices  $\{u_{n,31}, u_{n,32}, u_{n,33}\}$  such that the vertex  $u_{n,31} = v_n$ . Let  $P_{nt_4}$  be a path  $P_4$ , with the vertex set  $\{u_{n,41}, u_{n,42}, u_{n,43}, u_{n,44}\}$ , where the vertex  $u_{n,41} = v_n$ . Proceeding similarly, consider the path  $P_{nt_l}$ , where  $P_{nt_l}$ ,  $2 \leq l \leq S_n$  is a path  $P_l$  which contains the set of vertices  $\{u_{n,l1}, u_{n,l2}, u_{n,l3}, \dots, u_{n,ll}\}$ , such that the vertex  $u_{n,l1} = v_n$ . Finally, consider the path  $P_{nt_{S_n}}$ , where the path  $P_{nt_{S_n}}$  is a path  $P_{S_n}$  with the vertex set  $\{u_{n,S_n1}, u_{n,S_n2}, u_{n,S_n3}, \dots, u_{n,S_nS_n}\}$ , where the vertex  $u_{n,S_n1} = v_n$ . Then the set of vertices  $\{u_{n,21}, u_{n,22}, u_{n,31}, u_{n,32}, u_{n,33}, u_{n,41}, u_{n,42}, u_{n,43}, u_{n,44}, \dots, u_{n,l1}, u_{n,l2}, u_{n,l3}, \dots, u_{n,ll}, \dots, u_{n,S_n1}, u_{n,S_n2}, u_{n,S_n3}, \dots, u_{n,S_nS_n}\}$ , belongs to the set of paths  $P_{nt_2}, P_{nt_3}, P_{nt_4}, \dots, P_{nt_l}, \dots, P_{nt_{S_n}}$ , where these set of paths are attached to the vertex  $v_n$  of  $C_n$ . Thus the graph  $G = C_n P_t$ , for  $n \geq 3$  and  $t \geq 2$  is obtained.

Let  $D$  be the minimum restrained dominating set of  $G$ . The set of all paths  $\{P_{it_j}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $2 \leq j \leq S_i$  will be of any one of the following types.

Case (i) Suppose if  $P_{it_l} = P_{3m-1}$ , for  $m \geq 1$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , where  $l = 2, 5, 8, \dots$ , then the path  $P_{it_l}$  be  $P_l$ , where the vertex set of  $P_l$  be  $\{u_{i,l1}, u_{i,l2}, u_{i,l3}, \dots, u_{i,ll}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , such that the vertex  $u_{i,l1} = v_i$ . Without loss of generality, choose the set of vertices  $u_{i,l2}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 2, 5, 8, \dots$  for the  $\gamma_r$  set D from the path of the type  $P_{3m-1}$ , for  $m \geq 1$ , from each  $u_i$  then the set of vertices  $u_{i,l3}$ , for  $l \neq 2$  where  $l = 5, 8, \dots$  are dominated. Similarly choose the set of vertices  $u_{i,l5}$ , for  $l = 5, 8, \dots$  for the  $\gamma_r$  set D, then the set of vertices  $u_{i,l4}$ ,  $l = 5, 8, \dots$  and  $u_{i,l6}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 8, \dots$  are dominated, such that the set of vertices  $u_{i,l3}$  and  $u_{i,l4}$   $l = 5, 8, \dots$  are adjacent in  $V - D$ , similarly choose the set of vertices  $u_{i,l8}$  for  $l \neq 2, 5$ , where  $l = 8, 11, 14, \dots$  then the set of vertices  $u_{i,l7}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $l = 8, 11, 14, \dots$  are dominated. Hence the set of vertices  $u_{i,l6}$ , for  $l = 5, 8, \dots$  and  $u_{i,l7}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $l = 8, 11, 14, \dots$  are adjacent in  $V - D$ . Thus Proceeding similarly, choose the set of all vertices  $\{u_{i,ll}\}$ ,  $l = 2, 5, 8, \dots$  for the  $\gamma_r$  set D, from the path of the type  $P_{it_\square} = P_{3m-1}$ , for  $m \geq 1$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Let  $C_1 = \{u_{i,\square 2}, u_{i,\square 5}, u_{i,\square 8}, \dots, u_{i,\square \square}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 2, 5, 8, \dots$  be the set of vertices chosen from paths of type  $P_{3m-1}$ , for  $m \geq 1$  for the  $\gamma_r$  set D.

Case (ii) If  $P_{it_\square} = P_{3m}$ , for  $m \geq 1$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , where  $l = 3, 6, 9, \dots$  then the path  $P_{it_\square}$  be  $P_\square$ , where the vertex set of  $P_\square$  be  $\{u_{i,\square 1}, u_{i,\square 2}, u_{i,\square 3}, \dots, u_{i,\square \square}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , such that the vertex  $u_{i,\square 1} = v_i$ . Without loss of generality, choose the set of vertices  $u_{i,\square 3}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 3, 6, 9, \dots$  for the  $\gamma_r$  set D from the path of the type  $P_{3m}$ , for  $m \geq 1$ , from each  $u_i$  then the set of vertices  $u_{i,\square 2}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 3, 6, 9, \dots$  and  $u_{i,\square 4}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l \neq 3$ , where  $l = 6, 9, 12, \dots$  are dominated. Since  $\{u_{i,\square 1}\} = v_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 3, 6, 9, \dots$  are already dominated by the set of vertices  $\{u_{i,\square 2}\}$ , for  $l = 2$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$  which is chosen for the  $\gamma_r$  set D from the path of the type  $P_{3m-1}$ , for  $m \geq 1$ . Thus the two set of vertices  $\{u_{i,\square 1}\} = v_i$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 3, 6, 9, \dots$  and  $\{u_{i,\square 2}\}$  for  $l = 3, 6, 9, \dots$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  are adjacent in  $V - D$  of G. Similarly choose the set of vertices  $\{u_{i,\square 6}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l \neq 3$ ,  $l = 6, 9, 12, \dots$  for the  $\gamma_r$  set D, then the set  $\{u_{i,\square 5}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l \neq 3$ ,  $l = 6, 9, 12, \dots$  are dominated. Thus the sets  $\{u_{i,\square 4}\}$  and  $\{u_{i,\square 5}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l \neq 3$ ,  $l = 6, 9, 12, \dots$  are adjacent in  $V - D$ . Proceeding similarly, choose the set of all vertices  $\{u_{i,\square \square}\}$ ,  $l = 3, 6, 9, \dots$ , for the  $\gamma_r$  set D from the path of the type  $P_{it_\square} = P_{3m}$ , for  $m \geq 1$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 3, 6, 9, \dots$ . Let  $C_2 = \{u_{i,\square 3}, u_{i,\square 6}, u_{i,\square 9}, \dots, u_{i,\square \square}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 3, 6, 9, \dots$  be the set of all vertices chosen for the  $\gamma_r$  set D.

Case (iii) If  $P_{it_l} = P_{3m+1}$ , for  $m \geq 1$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 4, 7, 10, \dots$  then the path  $P_{it_l}$  be  $P_l$ . The vertex set of the path  $P_l$  be  $\{u_{i,l1}, u_{i,l2}, u_{i,l3}, \dots, u_{i,ll}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , such that the vertex  $u_{i,l1} = v_i$ . Without loss of generality, choose the set of vertices as same as in the Case (ii). Thus choose the set of vertices  $\{u_{i,l3}\}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 4, 7, 10, \dots$  and  $\{u_{i,l6}\}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l \neq 4$ ,  $l = 7, 10, 13, \dots$  for the  $\gamma_r$  set D and similarly choose as same as in the case(ii) where the set of all vertices  $\{u_{i,l-1}\}$  and  $\{u_{i,ll}\}$ , for  $l = 4, 7, 10, \dots$ , are considered for the  $\gamma_r$  set D. Let  $C_3 = \{u_{i,l3}, u_{i,l6}, u_{i,l9}, \dots, u_{i,l-1}, u_{i,ll}\}$  for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l = 4, 7, 10, \dots$ , be the set of all vertices chosen for the  $\gamma_r$  set D from the path of the type  $P_{it_l} = P_{3m+1}$ , for  $m \geq 1$ .

Thus the set  $D = C_1 \cup C_2 \cup C_3$  where the set  $D = \{u_{i,l2}, u_{i,l5}, u_{i,l8}, u_{i,l3}, u_{i,l6}, \dots, u_{i,l-1}, u_{i,ll}\}$ , for  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $l \geq 2$  forms the  $\gamma_r$  set D of the unicyclic graph G, with cardinality  $k = \gamma_r$ . Thus G is  $k - \gamma_r$  enresdowed for any  $k = \gamma_r$ .

Consider any set  $D_1$  of cardinality  $k_1 = \gamma_r + 1$ , then there exists the following cases

Case (iii)(a) Consider any set  $D_{11}$  of cardinality  $k_{11} = \gamma_r + 1$ , where the set  $D_{11} = D \cup \{u_{i,lr}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l \leq S_i$ ,  $r \geq 2$ , then there exists the following subcases.

Subcase (iii)(a<sub>1</sub>) Consider a set  $D_{11,1} = D \cup \{u_{i,lr}\}$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l \leq S_i$ , and  $r = 2$ . Then the set of vertices  $\{u_{i,l2}\}$  is adjacent to the  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . By considering any vertices  $\{u_{i,l2}\}$  which belongs to the  $V - D$  set, for obtaining the restrained dominating set, there exists no isolates in the set  $V - D_{11,1}$ . Thus the set  $D_{11,1}$  forms the restrained dominating set of cardinality  $k_{11,1} = \gamma_r + 1$ , containing the minimum restrained dominating set D. Hence G is  $k_{11,1} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Subcase (iii)(a<sub>2</sub>) Consider a set  $D_{11,2} = D \cup \{u_{i,lr}\}$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l \leq S_i$ , and  $r > 2$ , then the set of vertices  $\{u_{i,lr}\}$  is not adjacent with any of the vertex  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Since the set of vertices  $\{u_{i,lr}\}$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq$

$l \leq S_i$ , and  $r > 2$ , belongs to the path  $P_l$ , it is adjacent only to its adjacent vertices in  $P_l$ . Thus by considering this set of vertices  $\{u_{i,l,r}\}$  there exists an set of isolated vertices in the set  $V - D_{11,2}$  and the set  $D_{11,2}$  is not a restrained dominating set of cardinality  $k_{11,2} = \gamma_r + 1$ . Thus  $G$  is not  $k_{11,2} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Case (iii)(b) Consider any set  $D_{12} = D \cup \{v_i\}, 1 \leq i \leq n$ , which is of cardinality  $k_{12} = \gamma_r + 1$ . By considering any vertex  $\{v_i\}, 1 \leq i \leq n$  from the cycle  $C_n, n \geq 3$ , then the vertex  $\{u_{i,l,r}\}$  for  $l=3$  and  $r=2, 1 \leq i \leq n$  form an isolate vertex in  $V - D_{12}$ . Therefore the set  $D_{12}$  is not a restrained dominating set of  $G$ . Hence  $G$  is not  $k_{12} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed for any  $k_{12} = \gamma_r + 1$ . Thus  $G$  is  $k_1 - \gamma_r$  enresdowed for any  $k_1 = \gamma_r + 1$ .

Consider any set  $D_2$  of cardinality  $k_2 = \gamma_r + 2$ , then there exists the following cases.

Case (iii)(b<sub>1</sub>) Consider any set  $D_{21} = D \cup \{v_{i_1}, v_{i_2}\}, 1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n$ , where the vertices  $v_{i_1}, v_{i_2}$  belong to the cycle  $C_n, n \geq 3$ . The cardinality of the set  $D_{21}$  is  $k_{21} = \gamma_r + 2$ . By considering any set of vertices  $v_{i_1}, v_{i_2}$  from the cycle  $C_n$  there exists an isolates in the set  $V - D_{21}$ . Hence the set  $D_{21}$  is not a restrained dominating set of  $G$ . Therefore  $G$  is not  $k_{21} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Case (iii)(b<sub>2</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}\}$ , where  $1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n, 2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}, r_1, r_2 \geq 2$ . The set  $D_{22}$  is of cardinality  $k_{22} = \gamma_r + 2$ , then there exists the following subcases.

Subcase (iii)(b<sub>21</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22,1} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}\}$ , such that  $1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n, 2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}, r_1, r_2 \geq 2$  and  $l_1 = l_2$ . Let  $k_{22,1} = \gamma_r + 2$  be the cardinality of the set  $D_{22,1}$ . Thus the vertices  $u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}$  and  $u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}$  belong to the same path, then there exists the following subcases.

Subcase (iii)(b<sub>21(1)</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22,11} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}\}$ , where  $1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n, 2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}, r_1, r_2 \geq 2$  and  $l_1 = l_2$ . If the given two vertices  $u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}$  and  $u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}$  are adjacent in the same path. Then the set  $V - D_{22,11}$  does not contain an isolate vertex. Thus the set  $D_{22,11}$  forms an restrained dominating set containing the minimum restrained dominating set. Hence  $G$  is  $k_{22,11} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed for any  $k_{22,11} = \gamma_r + 2$ .

Subcase (iii)(b<sub>21(2)</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22,12} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}\}$ , where  $1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n, 2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}, r_1, r_2 \geq 2$  and  $l_1 = l_2$ . If the vertices  $u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}$  are not adjacent in the same path, since these vertices belong to a path, a set of vertices adjacent to  $u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}$  in the path forms a set of isolates. Thus the set of isolate vertices exists in the set  $V - D_{22,12}$ . Thus the set  $D_{22,12}$  is not a restrained dominating set of cardinality  $k_{22,12} = \gamma_r + 2$ . Hence  $G$  is not  $k_{22,12} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Subcase (iii)(b<sub>22</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22,2} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}\}$ , such that  $1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n, 2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}, r_1, r_2 \geq 2$  and  $l_1 \neq l_2$ , then the following subcases exists.

Subcase (iii)(b<sub>22(1)</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22,21} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}\}$ , where  $1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n, 2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}, r_1, r_2 \geq 2$  and  $i_1 = i_2$ , then there exists the following subcases.

Subcase (iii)(b<sub>22(11)</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22,211} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}\}$ , where  $1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n, 2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}, r_1, r_2 \geq 2$  and  $i_1 = i_2$ , such that the vertices  $u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}$  and  $u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}$  belong to the different paths and they are attached to the same  $v_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$  of  $C_n, n \geq 3$ , which result in non – existence of an isolate vertex in the set  $V - D_{22,211}$ . Hence the set  $D_{22,211}$  forms a restrained dominating set containing the  $\gamma_r$  set  $D$ , with cardinality  $k_{22,211} = \gamma_r + 2$ . Therefore  $G$  is  $k_{22,211} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Subcase (iii)(b<sub>22(12)</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22,212} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}\}$ , where  $1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n, 2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}, r_1, r_2 \geq 2$  and  $i_1 = i_2$ , then the vertices  $u_{i_1,l_1,r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2,r_2}$  which belong to different paths are not adjacent to any vertex  $v_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$  of  $C_n, n \geq 3$ , then there exists isolates in  $V - D_{22,212}$ . Thus the set  $D_{22,212}$  is not a restrained dominating set of cardinality  $k_{22,212} = \gamma_r + 2$ . Therefore  $G$  is not  $k_{22,212} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed for any cardinality  $k_{22,212} = \gamma_r + 2$ .

Subcase (iii)(b<sub>22(2)</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22,22} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2r_2}\}$ , where  $1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}$ ,  $r_1, r_2 \geq 2$  and  $i_1 \neq i_2$ . The vertices  $u_{i_1,l_1r_1}$  and  $u_{i_2,l_2r_2}$  belong to the different paths, where the paths are attached to the different  $v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ .

Subcase (iii)(b<sub>22(21)</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22,221} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2r_2}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i_1, i_2 \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}$ ,  $r_1, r_2 \geq 2$  and  $i_1 \neq i_2$ , such that the vertices  $u_{i_1,l_1r_1}$  and  $u_{i_2,l_2r_2}$  are adjacent to the vertex  $v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ . Then there exists no isolate in the set  $V - D_{22,221}$ . Hence the set  $D_{22,221}$  forms a restrained dominating set containing the  $\gamma_r$  set  $D$  of  $G$ . The cardinality of the set  $D_{22,221}$  be  $k_{22,221} = \gamma_r + 2$ . Hence  $G$  is  $k_{22,221} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Subcase (iii)(b<sub>22(22)</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{22,222} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2r_2}\}$ , where the vertices  $u_{i_1,l_1r_1}$ ,  $u_{i_2,l_2r_2}$  which belong to different paths of  $G$  and are not adjacent to  $v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , then there exists isolated vertices in the set  $V - D_{22,222}$ . Thus the set  $D_{22,222}$  is not a restrained dominating set of  $G$  with cardinality  $k_{22,222} = \gamma_r + 2$ . Hence  $G$  is not  $k_{22,222} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Case (iv) Consider the set  $D_{23} = D \cup \{v_{i_1}, u_{i,lr}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i_1, i \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l \leq S_{i_1}$ ,  $r > 2$  and  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , be any vertex of the unicycle  $C_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$ . By choosing any vertex from the cycle, the set of vertices adjacent to the vertex  $v_i$  form an isolated set of vertices, where the cardinality of the set  $D_{23}$  be  $k_{23} = \gamma_r + 2$ . Thus the set  $V - D_{23}$  contains the isolated vertices and the set  $D_{23}$  is not a restrained dominating set. Thus  $G$  is not  $k_{23} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed and  $G$  is  $k_2 - \gamma_r$  enresdowed for any  $k_2 = \gamma_r + 2$ .

Case (v) Consider any set  $D_3$  of cardinality  $k_3 = \gamma_r + 3$ , then the following subcases exists.

Case (v)(a) Consider the set  $D_{31}$ , where  $D_{31} = D \cup \{v_{i_1}, v_{i_2}, v_{i_3}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i_1, i_2, i_3 \leq n$ . By choosing the vertices  $v_{i_1}, v_{i_2}, v_{i_3}$  from the unicycle  $C_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$  for the set  $D_{31}$ , the set  $V - D_{31}$  contains a set of isolated vertices. Thus the set  $D_{31}$  is not a restrained dominating set of cardinality  $k_{31} = \gamma_r + 3$ . Hence  $G$  is not  $k_{31} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Case (v)(b) Consider the set  $D_{32}$ , where the set  $D_{32} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2r_2}, u_{i_3,l_3r_3}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i_1, i_2, i_3 \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l_1, l_2, l_3 \leq S_{i_1}$ ,  $r_1, r_2, r_3 \geq 1$  of cardinality  $k_{32} = \gamma_r + 3$ , then there exists the following subcases.

Subcase (v)(b<sub>1</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{32,1}$ , where  $D_{32,1} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2r_2}, u_{i_3,l_3r_3}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i_1, i_2, i_3 \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l_1, l_2, l_3 \leq S_{i_1}$ ,  $r_1, r_2, r_3 \geq 1$  and  $r_1 = r_2 = r_3 \neq 1$ . If these set of vertices  $u_{i_1,l_1r_1}$ ,  $u_{i_2,l_2r_2}$  and  $u_{i_3,l_3r_3}$  are adjacent either to the same vertex  $v_i$  or different  $v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , then there exists no isolates in the set  $V - D_{32,1}$ . Thus the set  $D_{32,1}$  forms a restrained dominating set containing the minimum restrained dominating set of cardinality  $k_{32,1} = \gamma_r + 3$ . Hence  $G$  is  $k_{32,1} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Subcase (v)(b<sub>2</sub>) Consider the set  $D_{32,2} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2r_2}, u_{i_3,l_3r_3}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i_1, i_2, i_3 \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l_1, l_2, l_3 \leq S_{i_1}$ ,  $r_1, r_2, r_3 > 1$ , where the set of vertices are chosen from the same path of the type  $P_{3m-1}$ , for  $m \geq 1$ , where the paths  $P_{3m-1}$  are attached to same  $v_i$  or different  $v_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  then there exists isolates in the set  $V - D_{32,2}$ . The set  $D_{32,2}$  is not a restrained dominating set of cardinality  $k_{32,2} = \gamma_r + 3$ . Hence  $G$  is not  $k_{32,2} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Case (vi) Consider the set  $D_{33}$  where  $D_{33} = D \cup \{v_{i_1}, v_{i_2}, u_{i,lr}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i_1, i_2, i \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l \leq S_i$ ,  $r > 1$ . The cardinality of the set  $D_{33}$  be  $k_{33} = \gamma_r + 3$ . Since the vertices of the cycle are chosen, the set  $D_{33}$  is not a restrained dominating set. Hence  $G$  is not  $k_{33} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Case (vii) Consider the set  $D_{34} = D \cup \{u_{i_1,l_1r_1}, u_{i_2,l_2r_2}, v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i_1, i_2, i \leq n$ ,  $2 \leq l_1, l_2 \leq S_{i_1}$ ,  $r_1, r_2 \geq 1$ . Thus the existence of the vertex  $v_i$  of the cycle  $C_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$  in the set  $D_{34}$  results in the existence of isolates in the set  $V - D_{34}$ . Thus the set  $D_{34}$  is not a restrained dominating set of cardinality  $k_{34} = \gamma_r + 3$ . Hence  $G$  is not  $k_{34} - \gamma_r$  enresdowed.

Proceeding similarly, consider any set  $D_4$  of cardinality  $k_4 = n + \left| \bigcup_{\substack{i=1 \\ 2 \leq j \leq S_i}}^n P_{it_j} - S_i \right| - 1$ , then the set  $D_4$  is not a restrained dominating set of  $G$  since there exists an isolate vertices in the set  $V - D_4$ . Hence  $G$  is not  $k_4 - \gamma_r$  enresdowed. Without loss of generality, consider a set  $D_5$  of cardinality  $k_5$ , where the cardinality  $k_5$  is the union of the cardinality of the set of all vertices of cycle  $C_n$ ,  $n \geq 3$  and the cardinality of the set of all vertices in each path

$\{P_{it_j}\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  and  $2 \leq j \leq S_i$ , except the set of all vertices  $\{v_i\}$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  of the cycle  $C_n$ . Therefore the cardinality  $k_5$  is given by  $n + \left| \bigcup_{2 \leq j \leq S_i}^n P_{it_j} - S_i \right|$ . Hence  $G$  is  $k - \gamma_r$  enresdowed for any  $k$ , where  $\gamma_r \leq k \leq n + \left| \bigcup_{2 \leq j \leq S_i}^n P_{it_j} - S_i \right|$ .

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