

# The Clique Neighbourhood Domination Number in Graphs

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**Abstract** - A dominating set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  of graph  $G=(V,E)$  is a *clique neighbourhood dominating set* (cln-set) of  $G$ , if  $D$  is a clique dominating set of  $G$  and dominating set of  $N(G)$ . The *clique neighbourhood domination number* is the minimum cardinality taken over all clique neighbourhood dominating sets of  $G$  and is denoted by  $\gamma_{cln}(G)$ . In this paper,  $\gamma_{cln}(G)$  are obtained for some standard graphs.

**Key words:** Domination number, Clique domination number, Neighbourhood domination number, Clique Neighbourhood Domination number.

## 1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper,  $G=(V,E)$  is a finite, undirected, simple, connected graph. In general the graph has  $p$  vertices and  $q$  edges. Terms not defined here are used in the sense of Harary[1]. 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  $G$ . Degree of a vertex  $v$  is denoted by  $d(v)$ . The maximum (minimum) degree of a graph  $G$  is denoted by  $\Delta(G)$  ( $\delta(G)$ ). A vertex  $v$  is said to be isolated vertex if  $d(v)=0$ .

A set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  of a graph  $G=(V,E)$  is a *dominating set* of  $G$ , if every vertex in  $V \setminus D$  is adjacent to some vertex in  $D$ . The *domination number*  $\gamma(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum cardinality of a dominating set of  $G$ . This concept was introduced by Ore in [6].

The concept of clique domination number was introduced by Cozzers and Kelleher in [2], in which a set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  is said to a *dominating clique*, if the induced subgraph  $\langle D \rangle$  is a complete graph. The *clique domination number*  $\gamma_{cl}(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum cardinality of a dominating clique.

In [3], S.V. Siva Rama Raju, I.H. Nagaraja Rao introduced the concept of global neighbourhood domination number as follows: A set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  is called a *global neighbourhood dominating set* (gnd-set), if  $D$  is a dominating set for both  $G$  and  $N(G)$ , where  $N(G)$  is the neighbourhood graph of  $G$ . The *global neighbourhood domination number*  $\gamma_{gn}(G)$  is the minimum cardinality of a global neighbourhood dominating set of  $G$ .

In this paper, we introduced the clique neighbourhood domination by combining the concept of clique domination and global neighbourhood domination for a connected graph. The characteristics was studied and the exact value of the parameter was found for some standard graphs.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS

Definition 2.1

A dominating set  $D \subseteq V(G)$  of graph  $G=(V,E)$  is a *clique neighbourhood dominating set* (cln-set) of  $G$ , if  $D$  is a clique dominating set of  $G$  and dominating set of  $N(G)$ . The *clique neighbourhood domination number* is the minimum cardinality taken over all clique neighbourhood dominating sets of  $G$  and is denoted by  $\gamma_{cln}(G)$ .

Example :2.2

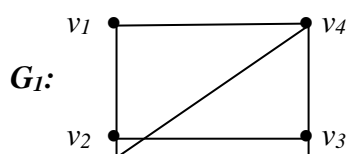


Figure 2.1

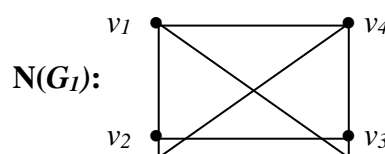


Figure 2.2

For the graph  $G_1$ , figure 2.1&2.2, the vertex set  $D=\{v_2\}$  is the  $\gamma_{cln}$  - set and hence  $\gamma_{cln}(G_1) = 1$ . And also the clique domination, global domination is 1.  $\gamma(G_1) = \gamma_{cln}(G_1) = \gamma_g(G_1) = 1$

Theorem: 2.3

$$\text{For the complete graph } K_n, \gamma_{cln}(K_n) = \begin{cases} 2, & n = 2 \\ 1, & n \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

Proof:

Let  $G$  be a complete graph  $K_n$  with atleast 1 vertex.

Case (i):  $n=2$

Since the vertex set  $V(G)$  itself is a  $\gamma_{cln}$ -set of  $G$  and hence  $\gamma_{cln}(G) = |V(G)|$  which proves the result

Case(ii):  $n \geq 3$

Let  $u \in V(G)$  be the maximum degree in  $G$  then the set  $S = \{u\}$  forms a clique neighbourhood set of  $G$ .

$$\text{Hence } \gamma_{cln}(G) \leq |S| = 1 \quad \dots(1)$$

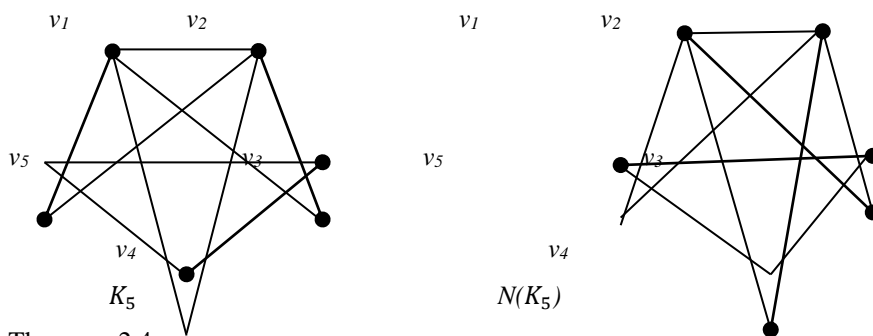
Let  $S$  be the  $\gamma_{cln}$ -set of  $G$ . The domination set in  $N(G)$  must contain atleast one vertex in  $N(G)$ . Hence the  $\gamma_{cln}$ -set has atleast one vertex.

$$\gamma_{cln}(G) = |S| \geq 1 \quad \dots(2)$$

The result follows from (1) and (2) ■

Example

In the below example  $K_5$ , A vertex set  $D = \{v_1\}$  is a minimum clique neighborhood dominating set. Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(K_5) = 1$ .



Theorem: 2.4

$$\text{For the complete bipartite graph } K_{m,n}, \gamma_{cln}(K_{m,n}) = 2 \text{ for } m, n \geq 2$$

Proof:

Let  $G$  be a complete bipartite graph with atleast 3 vertices and let the vertex set of  $G$  is  $V(G) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ .

Let  $u_i \in V(G)$  has the maximum degree in  $G$  and  $v_i$  be any vertex adjacent to  $u_i$  in  $G$  then the set  $S = \{u_i, v_i\}$  forms a clique neighbourhood set of  $G$ .

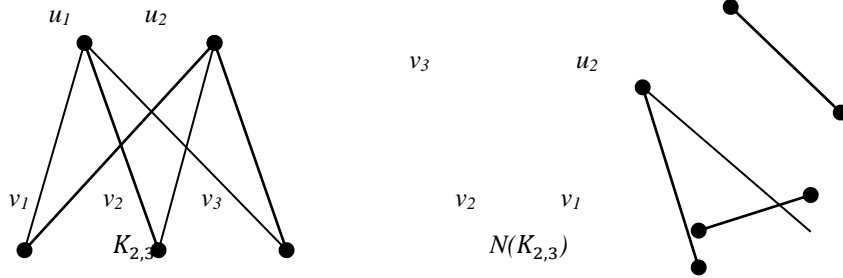
$$\text{Hence } \gamma_{cln}(G) \leq |S| = 2 \quad \dots(1)$$

Let  $S$  be the  $\gamma_{cln}$ -set of  $G$ . Since  $N(G)$  contains two complete components, then for the domination of  $N(G)$ ,  $S$  must contain atleast one vertex from each component. Hence  $S$  has atleast two vertices.

$$\text{Therefore } \gamma_{cln}(G) = |S| \geq 2 \quad \dots(2)$$

The result follows from (1) and (2).

Example



In the above example  $K_{2,3}$ , A vertex set  $D = \{u_1, v_1\}$  is a minimum clique neighborhood dominating set. Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(K_{2,3}) = 2$

Theorem: 2.5

For star graph  $K_{1,n}$ ,  $\gamma_{cln}(K_{1,n}) = 2$  for  $n \geq 2$ .

Proof:

Let  $G$  be a star graph  $K_{1,n}$  with atleast 3 vertices and  $V(G) = \{u, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ . be the vertex set of  $G$ .

Let  $u \in V(G)$  has the maximum degree in  $G$ , and  $v_i$  be any vertex adjacent to  $u$  in  $G$  then the set  $S = \{u, v_i\}$  forms a clique neighbourhood set of  $G$ .

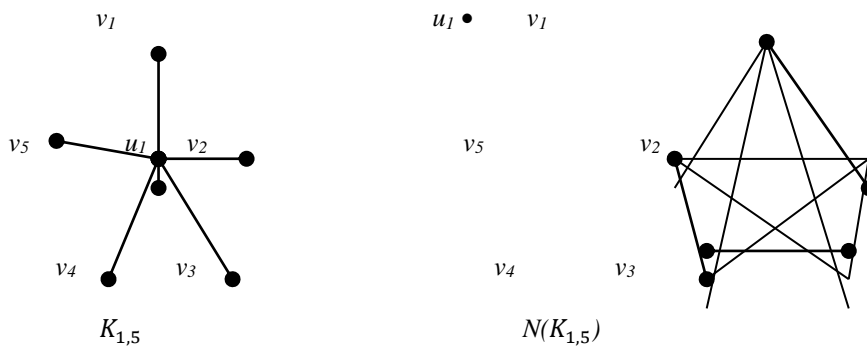
$$\text{Hence } \gamma_{cln}(G) \leq |S| = 2 \quad \dots(1)$$

Let  $S$  be the  $\gamma_{cln}$ -set of  $G$ . The dominating set in  $N(G)$  must contain atleast one isolated vertex and one maximum degree vertex in  $N(G)$ . Hence the clique neighbourhood set must contain atleast 2 vertices.

$$\text{Therefore } \gamma_{cln}(G) = |S| \geq 2 \quad \dots (2)$$

The result follows from (1) and (2).

Example



In the above example  $K_{1,5}$ ,

A vertex set  $D = \{u_1, v_1\}$  is a minimum clique neighborhood dominating set, therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(K_{1,5}) = 2$

Theorem: 2.6

For the Wheel  $W_n$ ,  $\gamma_{cln}(W_n) = 1, n \geq 2$ .

Proof:

Let  $G$  be a wheel graph  $W_n$  with atleast 3 vertices and  $V(G) = \{u, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the vertex set of  $G$ .

Let  $u \in V(G)$  has the maximum degree in  $G$ , then the set  $S = \{u\}$  forms a clique neighbourhood set of  $G$ .

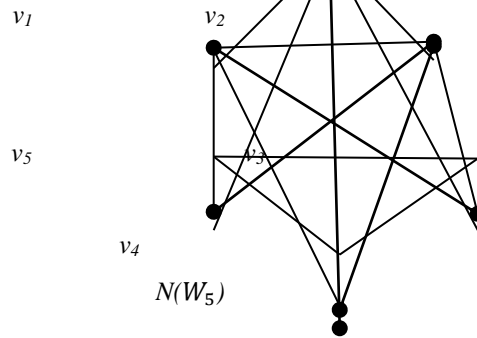
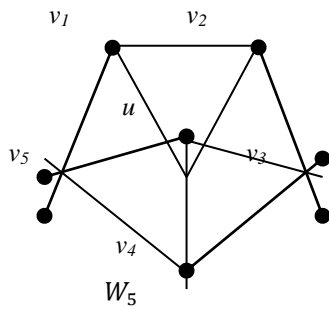
$$\text{Hence } \gamma_{cln}(G) \leq |S| = 1 \quad \dots(1)$$

Let  $S$  be the  $\gamma_{cln}$ -set of  $G$ . The dominating set in  $N(G)$  must contain atleast one vertex in  $N(G)$  and hence the clique neighbourhood set has atleast 1 vertex.

Hence  $\gamma_{cln}(G) = |S| \geq 1$  ... (2)

The result follows from (1) and (2)

Example



In the above example  $W_5$ ,

A vertex set  $D = \{u\}$  is a minimum clique neighborhood dominating set. Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(W_5) = 1$

Theorem: 2.7

For the fan  $F_n$ ,  $\gamma_{cln}(F_n) = 1$ , for  $n \geq 2$ .

Proof:

Let  $G$  be a fan graph  $F_n$  with atleast 3 vertices and  $V(G) = \{u, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the vertex set of  $G$ .

Let  $u \in V(G)$  has the maximum degree in  $G$  then the set  $S = \{u\}$  forms a clique neighbourhood set of  $G$ .

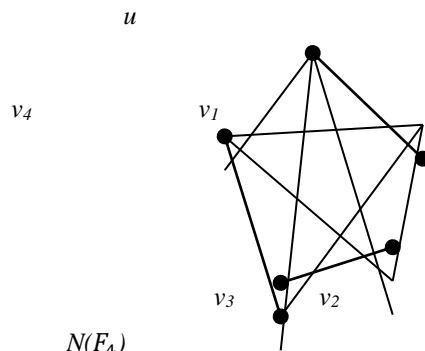
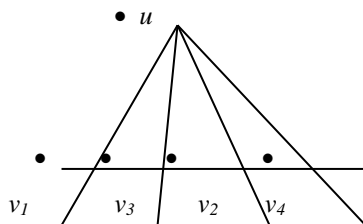
Hence  $\gamma_{cln}(G) \leq |S| = 1$  ... (1)

Let  $S$  be the  $\gamma_{cln}$ -set of  $G$ . The dominating set in  $N(G)$  must contain atleast one vertex in  $N(G)$  and hence the clique neighbourhood set has atleast 1 vertex.

Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(G) = |S| \geq 1$  ... (2)

The result follows from (1) and (2)

Example



In the above example  $F_4$ , A vertex set  $D = \{u\}$  is a minimum clique neighborhood dominating set. Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(F_4) = 1$

Theorem: 2.8

For the banana tree  $B_{n,n}$ ,  $\gamma_{cln}(B_{n,n}) = 2$  for  $n \geq 2$ .

Proof:

Let  $G$  be a banana tree with atleast 6 vertices and  $V(G) = \{u, v, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the vertex set of  $G$ .

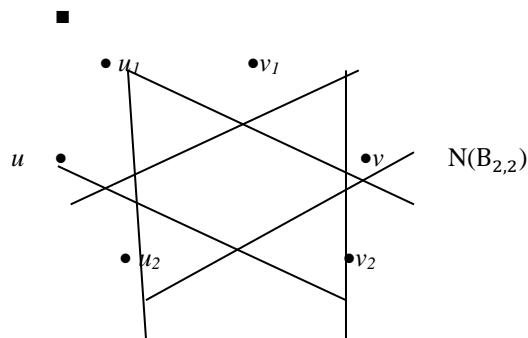
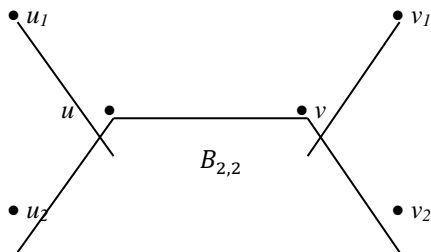
Let  $u, v \in V(G)$  such that  $d(u)=d(v)=\Delta(G)$  in  $G$  then the set  $S = \{u, v\}$  forms a clique neighbourhood set of  $G$ .

Hence  $\gamma_{cln}(G) \leq |S| = 2$  ... (1)

Let  $S$  be the  $\gamma_{cln}$ -set of  $G$ . Since  $N(G)$  contains two complete components, then for the domination of  $N(G)$ ,  $S$  must contain atleast one vertex from each component. Hence  $S$  has atleast two vertices.

Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(G) = |S| \geq 2 \dots (2)$

The result follows from (1) and (2).



In the above example  $B_{2,2}$ , A vertex set  $D = \{u, v\}$  is a minimum clique neighborhood dominating set. Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(B_{2,2}) = 2$

Theorem: 2.9

For the book graph  $B_n, \gamma_{cln}(B_n) = 2$  for  $n \geq 2$ .

Proof:

Let  $G$  be a book graph  $B_n$  with atleast 6 vertices and  $V(G) = \{u, v, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the vertex set of  $G$ .

Let  $u, v \in V(G)$  such that  $d(u)=d(v)= \Delta(G)$  in  $G$  then the set  $S = \{u, v\}$  forms a clique neighbourhood set of  $G$ .

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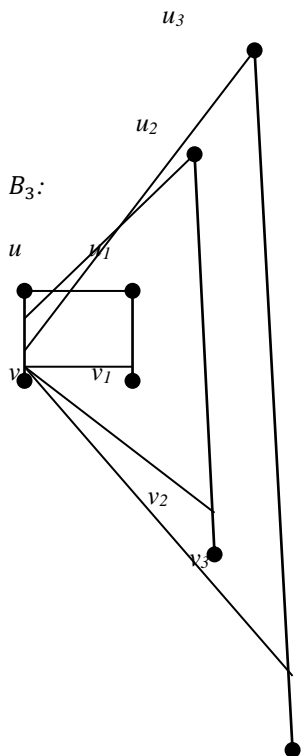
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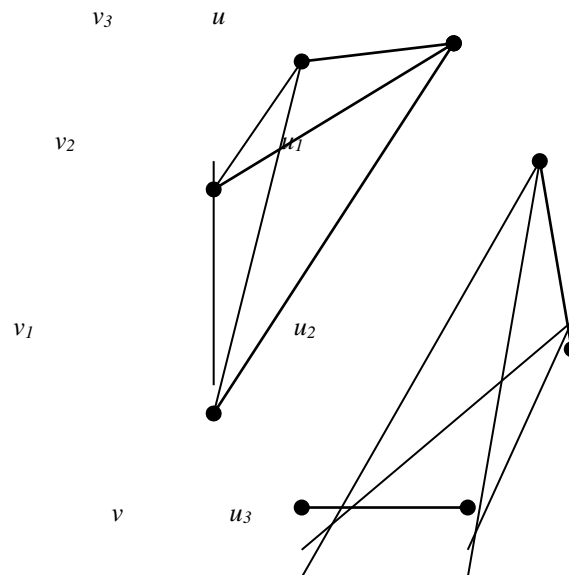
Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(G) = |S| \geq 2 \dots (2)$

From (1) and (2) the result follows. ■

Example



$N(B_3)$



In the above example  $B_3$ , A vertex set  $D = \{u, v\}$  is a minimum clique neighborhood dominating set, therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(B_3) = 2$

Theorem: 2.10

For the n-barbell graph,  $\gamma_{cln}(G) = 2$ , for  $n \geq 2$ .

Proof:

Let G be a n-barbell graph with atleast 6 vertices and  $V(G) = \{u, v, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the vertex set of G.

Let  $u, v \in V(G)$  such that  $d(u)=d(v)=\Delta(G)$  in G then the set  $S = \{u, v\}$  forms a clique neighbourhood set of G.

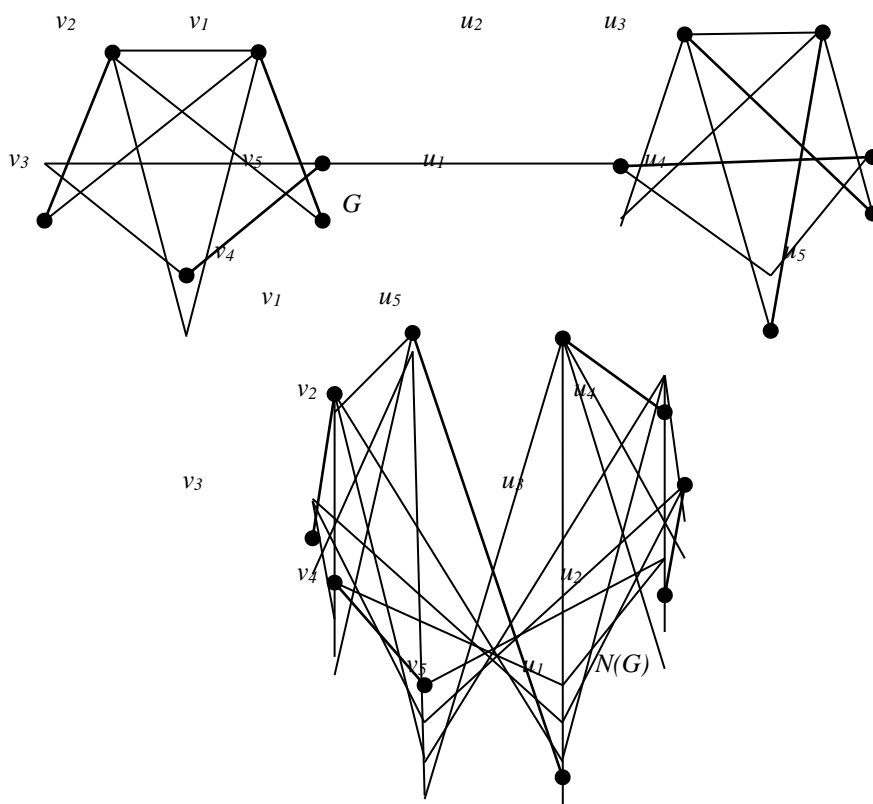
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Let S be the  $\gamma_{cln}$ -set of G. Since  $N(G)$  contains two complete components, then for the domination of  $N(G)$ , S must contain atleast one vertex from each component. Hence S has atleast two vertices.

Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(G) = |S| \geq 2 \dots (2)$

From (1) and (2) the result follows. ■

Example



In the above example 5-barbell graph,

A vertex set  $D = \{u_1, v_1\}$  is a minimum clique neighborhood dominating set, therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(G) = 2$

Theorem: 2.11

For the friendship graph,  $\gamma_{cln}(C_3^m) = 1$ , for  $m \geq 2$ .

Proof:

Let G be a friendship graph with atleast 5 vertices and  $(G) = \{u, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  be the vertex set of G.

Let  $u \in V(G)$  has the maximum degree in G then the set  $S = \{u\}$  forms a clique neighbourhood set of G.

Hence  $\gamma_{cln}(G) \leq |S| = 1 \dots(1)$

Let S be the  $\gamma_{cln}$ -set of G. The dominating set in  $N(G)$  must contain atleast one vertex in  $N(G)$  and hence the clique neighbourhood set has atleast 1 vertex.

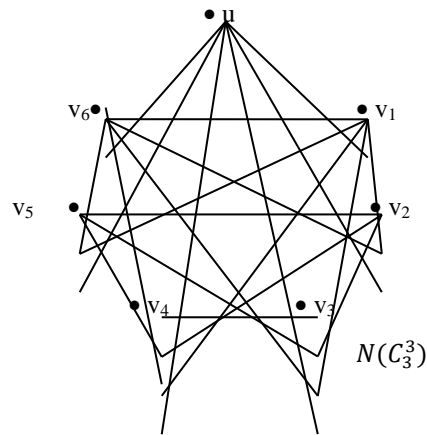
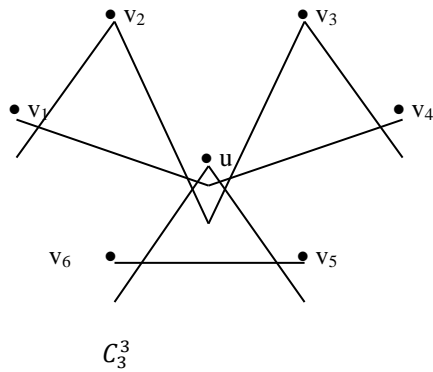
Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(G) = |S| \geq 1$

The result follows from (1) and (2)

...(2)

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Example:



In the above example  $C_3^3$

The vertex set  $S = \{u\}$  is a minimum clique neighbourhood dominating set.

Therefore  $\gamma_{cln}(G) = 1$ .

### 3. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we found the exact values of clique neighbourhood domination number for Complete graph, Complete bipartite graph, Star graph, Wheel graph, Fan graph, Banana tree, Book graph, n-barbell graph, Friendship graph.

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