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THE TOTAL VERTEX IRREGULARITY STRENGTH OF AN AMALGAMATION OF STARS

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Abstract

For a simple graph G with the vertex set V and the edge set E , a labeling $\lambda : V(G) \cup E(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ is called a vertex irregular total k -labeling of G , if for any two different vertices x and y in V , we have

$wf(x) \neq wf(y)$, where $wf(x) = \lambda(x) + \sum_{e \in E} \lambda(xe)$. The total vertex irregularity strength of G , denoted by $tvs(G)$, is the smallest positive integer k for which G has a vertex irregular total k -labeling. In this paper, we determine the total vertex irregularity strength of an amalgamation of stars.

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