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# AN IDEAL BASED ZERO DIVISOR GRAPH OF GAMMA NEAR-RINGS

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## ABSTRACT

In this paper, we study the notion of ideal based zero divisor graph structure of Gamma Near- ring M with respect to reflexive ideal I of M denoted by  $\Gamma_{I}(M)$  whose vertices are the set  $\{x \in M - I/\text{there exists } y \in M \text{-}I \text{ such that } x \Gamma y \subseteq I\}$  with distinct vertices x and y are adjacent if and only if  $x \Gamma y \subseteq I$ .

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### INTRODUCTION

The concept of a Gamma near –rings [9] was introduced by Satyanarayana and the ideal theory in Gamma near-rings was studied by Bh. Satyanarayana and G.L.Booth.

Let (M, +) be a group (not necessarily abelian) and  $\Gamma$  be a nonempty set. Then M is said to be a  $\Gamma$ - near ring if there exists a mapping  $M \times \Gamma \times M \to M$  (denote the image of  $(m_1, \alpha_1, m_2)$  by  $m_1\alpha_1m_2$  for  $m_1, m_2 \in M$  and  $\alpha_1 \in \Gamma$ ) satisfying the following conditions.

1.  $(m_1 + m_2)\alpha_1m_3 = m_1\alpha_1m_3 + m_2\alpha_1m_3$  and

2.  $(m_1\alpha_1m_2)\alpha_2m_3 = m_1\alpha_1(m_2\alpha_2m_3)$  for all  $m_1, m_2, m_3 \in M$  and  $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \Gamma$ .

Furthermore, M is said to be a zero symmetric  $\Gamma$ - near ring if  $m\alpha 0 = 0$  for all  $m \in M$  and  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  (where 0 is an additive identity in M.)

A normal subgroup L of M is called a left (resp right) ideal of M if  $u \alpha(x + v) - u \alpha v \in L$  (resp  $x \alpha u \in L$ ) for all  $x \in L, \alpha \in \Gamma$  and  $u, v \in M$ . A normal subgroup I of M is called an ideal if I is a both left and right ideal of M. An ideal I of M is said to be reflexive if  $a\gamma b \in I =>b\gamma a \in I$  for  $a, b \in M$  and  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ . A proper ideal P of M is said to be prime if for any ideals A, B of M such that  $A \Gamma B \subseteq P$ , we have  $A \subseteq P$  or  $B \subseteq P$ . An ideal P is called completely prime if  $a \Gamma b \subseteq P$  implies  $a \in P$  or  $b \in P$ . It is clear that if I is a reflexive ideal of M then I is prime iff I is completely prime. For any two nonempty subsets A, B of M, we write the set (A: B) = { $m \in M/m \Gamma B \subseteq A$ }. We denote by I(a) the ideal of M generated by a. In [3], Beck introduced the concept of a zero divisor graph of a commutative ring with identity, but this work was mostly concerned with coloring of rings. In[2], Anderson and Livingston associate to a commutative ring with identity a (simple) graph  $\Gamma(R)$ , whose vertex set is  $Z(R)^* = Z(R) - \{0\}$ , the set of non zero divisor of R, in which two distinct x,  $y \in Z(R)^*$  are joined by an edge if and only if xy = 0. They investigated the interplay between the ring theoretic properties of R and the graph theoretic properties of  $\Gamma(R)$ . Let I be a completely reflexive ideal ((ie.,)) ab  $\in I$  implies ba  $\in I$  for a, b  $\in R$  then the ideal based zero divisor graph, denoted by  $\Gamma_I(R)$ , is the graph whose vertices are the set { $x \in R - I/x \Gamma y \in I$  for some  $y \in R - I$ } with distinct vertices x and y are adjacent if and only if  $x \gamma y \in I$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$ .

In this paper, we study the undirected graph  $\Gamma_I(M)$  of Gamma near rings for any completely reflexive ideal I of M. Throughout this paper M stands for a non zero Gamma near -ring with zero element and I is a completely reflexive ideal of M. For distinct vertices x and y of a Graph G, let d(x, y) be the length of the shortest path from x to y. The diameter of a connected graph is the supremum of the distances between vertices. For any graph G, the girth of G is the length of a shortest cycle in G and is denoted by gr(G). If G has no cycle, we define the girth of G to be infinite. A clique of a graph is a maximal complete subgraph and the number of graph vertices in the largest clique or graph G, denoted by  $\omega(G)$  is called the clique number of G. A graph G is bipartite with vertex classes  $V_1$ ,  $V_2$  if the set of all vertices of G is  $V_1 \cup V_2$ ,  $V_1 \cap V_2 = \emptyset$ , and edge of G joins a vertex from  $V_1$  to a vertex of  $V_2$ .

A complete bipartite graph is a bipartite graph containing all edges joining the vertices of  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ . A complete bipartite graph on vertex sets of size m an n is denoted by  $K^{m,n}$  for any positive integer,  $K^{1,n}$  is called a star graph.

#### Theorem: 1

a) If I = (0) then  $\Gamma_I(M) = \Gamma(M)$ 

b) Let I be a nonzero completely reflexive ideal of M. Then  $\Gamma_I(M) = \Phi$  if and only if I is a completely prime ideal of M.

#### **Proof:**

- a) Proof is Obivious.
- b) Suppose that I is a completely prime ideal of M. For  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ , Then  $x \alpha y \in I \Longrightarrow x \in I$  or  $y \in I$ . Hence the vertex set  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is empty.

Conversely suppose that  $\Gamma_I(M) = \Phi$ . Therefore if  $x \in M - I$  and  $x \alpha y \in I$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$  for some  $y \in M$ . We must have  $y \in I$ . (otherwise x is a vertex of  $\Gamma_I(M)$ ). Hence I is a completely prime ideal of M.

**Theorem: 2** Let I be a completely reflexive ideal of a gamma near-ring M. Then  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is connected with diam $(\Gamma_I(M)) \le 3$ . Furthermore if  $\Gamma_I(M)$  contains a cycle, then  $gr(\Gamma_I(M)) \le 7$ .

**Proof:** Let x and y be distinct vertices of  $\Gamma_I(M)$ . Then there exists  $z \in M - I$  and  $w \in M - I$  with  $x \Gamma z \subseteq I$  and  $w \Gamma y \subseteq I$ . If  $x \Gamma y \subseteq I$  then x – y is a path of length 1. If  $x \Gamma y \not\subseteq I$  and  $z \Gamma w \subseteq I$ , then x-z-w-y is a path of length 3. If  $x \Gamma y \not\subseteq I$  and  $z \Gamma w \not\subseteq I$  then there exists  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  such that x-z  $\gamma$ w-y is a path of length 2. Thus  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is connected and diam $(\Gamma_I(M)) \leq 3$ .

For any undirected graph G,  $gr(G) \le 2diam(G) + 1$ , if G contains a cycle. Thus  $gr(G) \le 2(3) + 1 = 7$ .

Therefore  $gr(\Gamma_I(M)) \leq 7$ .

**Theorem: 3** Let I be a completely reflexive ideal of M. For any x,  $y \in \Gamma_I(M)$ , if x-y is an edge in  $\Gamma_I(M)$ , then for each  $m \in M - I$ , either m-y or x-y' is an edge in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  for some  $y' \in \langle y \rangle - I$ 

**Proof:** Let  $x, y \in M - I$ , with x-y be an edge in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  and suppose that m-y is not an edge in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  for some  $m \in M - I$ . Then  $x_1 \Gamma y_1 \in I$  for some  $x_1 \in \langle x \rangle - I$ ,  $y_1 \in \langle y \rangle - I$  and  $m \Gamma y_1 \notin I$ . But  $m \Gamma y_1 \Gamma x_1 \in I$ . So x-y ' is an edge in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  for some y' $\in \langle y \rangle - I$ 

**Theorem:** 4 Let I be a completely reflexive ideal of M and if a-x-b is a path in  $\Gamma_I(M)$ , then either IU  $\{x_1\}$  is an ideal of M for some  $x_1 \in \langle x \rangle - I$  or a-x-b is contained in a cycle of length  $\leq 4$ .

**Proof:** Let a-x-b be a path in  $\Gamma_I(M)$ . Then there exists  $x_1, x_2 \in \langle x \rangle - I, a_1 \in \langle a \rangle - I$  and  $b_1 \in \langle b \rangle - I$  such that  $a_1 \Gamma x_1 \in I$  and  $b_1 \Gamma x_2 \in I$ . If  $a' \Gamma b' \in I$  for some  $a' \in \langle a \rangle - I$  and  $b' \in \langle b \rangle - I$ . Then a-x-b-a is contained in a cycle of length  $\leq 4$ . So let us assume that  $a_1 \Gamma b_1 \notin I$  for all  $a_1 \in \langle a \rangle - I$  and  $b_1 \in \langle b \rangle - I$ .

**Case:** (i) Let  $x_1 = x_2$  then either  $I_{a_1} \cap I_{b_1} = I \cup \{x_1\}$  or there exists  $c \in I_{a_1} \cap I_{b_1}$  such that  $c \notin I \cup \{x_1\}$ . Then  $c \cap a_1, c \cap b_1 \in I$ . In the first case,  $I \cup \{x_1\}$  is an ideal. In the second case a-x-b-c-a is contained in a cycle of length  $\leq 4$ .

**Case:** (ii) Let  $x_1 \neq x_2$ , then clearly  $\langle a_1 \rangle \cap \langle b_1 \rangle \not\subseteq I$ . Then for each  $z \in \langle a_1 \rangle \cap \langle b_1 \rangle - I$ . We have,  $z \Gamma x_1 \in \langle a_1 \rangle \langle x_1 \rangle \subseteq I$  and  $z \Gamma x_2 \in I$ . Clearly either  $x_1 \neq x$  or  $x_2 \neq x$ . Say  $x_1 \neq x$ . Then we have a path a-  $x_1$ -b and hence a-x-b-  $x_1$ -a is contained in a cycle of length  $\leq 4$ 

**Theorem: 5** Let I be a completely reflexive ideal of M. Then  $\Gamma_I(M)$  can be neither a pentagon nor a hexagon

**Proof:** Suppose that  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is a-b-c-d-e-a a pentagon. Then by theorem:4, For one of the vertices say  $(b_1)$ ,  $I \cup \{b_1\}$  is an ideal of M for some  $b_1 \in \langle b \rangle - I$ . Then in the pentagon, there exists  $d_1 \in \langle d \rangle - I$  and  $e_1 \in \langle e \rangle - I$  such that  $d_1 \Gamma e_1 \subseteq I$ . Since  $I \cup \{b_1\}$  is an ideal,  $b_1 \gamma d_1 = b_1 = b_1 \gamma_1 e_1$  for some  $\gamma$ ,  $\gamma_1 \in \Gamma$ . But  $b_1 \gamma (d_1 \gamma_1 e_1) \in I$ ,  $\gamma_1 \in \Gamma$ . Then  $b_1 = b_1 \gamma_1 e_1 = (b_1 \gamma d_1) \gamma_1 e_1 = b_1 \gamma (d_1 \gamma_1 e_1) \in I$ . (ie).,  $b_1 \in I$  which is a contradiction. The proof for the hexagon is the same

**Theorem: 6** Let I be an reflexive ideal of a Gamma near ring M and let x,  $y \in M - I$  Then

- 1. If x+I is adjacent to y+I in  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$  then x is adjacent to y in  $\Gamma_I(M)$
- 2. If x is adjacent to y in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  and x+I  $\neq$  y+I then x+I is adjacent to y+I in  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{T}\right)$
- 3. If x is adjacent to y in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  and x+I = y+I then  $x^2, y^2 \in I$

Clearly there is a strong relationship between  $\Gamma_I(M)$  and  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$ 

Let I be an ideal of a gamma near-ring M. One can verify that the following method can be used to construct a graph  $\Gamma_I(M)$ . Let  $\{a_\lambda\}_{\lambda\in\Lambda} \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  be a set of coset representatives of the vertices of  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$ . For each  $i \in I$ , define a graph  $G_i$  with vertices  $\{a_\lambda + i/\lambda \in \Lambda\}$  where edges are defined by the relationship  $a_\lambda + i$  is adjacent to  $a_\beta + i$  in  $G_i iff a_\lambda + I$  is adjacent to  $a_\beta + I$  in  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$  ((ie.,) $a_\lambda \Gamma a_\beta \in I$ )

Theorem: 7 Let I be a completely reflexive ideal of M. Then the following are hold

- i. If M has identity, then  $\Gamma_I(M)$  has no cut vertices.
- ii. If M has no identity and if I is a nonzero completely reflexive ideal of M then  $\Gamma_I(M)$  has no cut vertices.

**Proof:** Suppose that the vertex x of  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is cut vertex. Let u-x-w be a path in  $\Gamma_I(M)$ . Since x is a cut vertex, x lies in every path from u to w.

i) Assume that M is Gamma near ring with identity. For any  $u, v \in \Gamma_I(M)$ , there exists a path u-1-w which shows  $x(\neq 1)$  in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is not a cut vertex. Suppose x = 1. Then there exists  $u_1 \in \langle u \rangle - I, w_1 \in \langle w \rangle - I, \gamma \in \Gamma$  and  $t_1, t_2 \in M - I$  such that  $u_1\gamma t_1, w_1\gamma t_2 \in I$  which implies  $u_1, w_1 \in \Gamma_I(M)$ . Since  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is connected, there exists  $m, m_1 \in M - I \cup \{x\}$  such that  $u_1 - m - w_1(or)u_1 - m - m_1 - w_1$  is a path in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  which implies u - m - w - 1 - u (or) $u - m - m_1 - w - 1 - u$  is a cycle in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  contradicting x=1 is a cut vertex

ii) Let M be a  $\Gamma$ -near-ring without identity and I be a non zero completely reflexive ideal of M. Since u - x - w is a path from u - w, then there exists  $u_1 \in \langle u \rangle - I$ ,  $w_1 \in \langle w \rangle - I$  and  $x_1, x_2 \in \langle x \rangle - I$ ,  $\gamma \in \Gamma$  such that  $u_1\gamma x_1 \in I$  and  $w_1\gamma x_2 \in I$ .

#### **Case:** (i) $x_1 = x_2$

If  $u_1 + I = x_1 + I$  then  $u_1\gamma w_1 \in I \implies u$  is adjacent to w. Similarly, If  $x_2 + I = w_1 + I$ , u is adjacent to w. So assume that  $u_1 + I \neq x_1 + I$  and  $x_2 + I \neq w_1 + I$ . Let  $0 \neq i \in I$ . Then  $u_1\gamma w_1 \in I$  and  $w_1\gamma x_2 \in I$  which implies  $u_1\gamma(x_1 + i, w_1\gamma x_1 + i\in I)$ . If  $x = x_1 + i$  then  $x \neq x_1 \implies u$ -  $x_1$ -w is path in  $\Gamma IM$ . otherwise,  $u - x_1 + i$ -w is a path in  $\Gamma IM$ . Thus there exists a path from u to w not passing through x which is a contradiction.

**Case:** (ii) Either  $x_1$  or  $x_2$  equal to x.

Without loss of generality, let us assume that  $x_1 = x$  and  $x_2 \neq x$ . Then  $u_1\gamma x \in I$  and  $x_2\gamma w_1 \in I => u_1\gamma x_1 \in I$  and  $x_2\gamma w_1 \in I$ . Also we have a path u-  $x_2$ -w which is a contradiction

**Case:** (iii) Neither  $x_1$  nor  $x_2$  equal to x.

If  $x_1\gamma x_2 \in I$  then we have a path u-  $x_1 - x_2$ -which is a contradiction. So assume that  $x_1\gamma x_2 \neq x$ , then we have a path u- $x_1\gamma x_2$ -w which is a contradiction.

Thus x cannot be a cut vertex.

**Definition:** 8 Using the notation as in the above construction, we call the subset  $a_{\lambda} + I$  a column of  $\Gamma_{I}(M)$ . If  $a_{\lambda}^{2} \in I$  then we call  $a_{\lambda} + I$  a connected column of  $\Gamma_{I}(M)$ .

**Lemma:** 9 Let I be an reflexive ideal of a Gamma near- ring M. Then  $\operatorname{gr}(\Gamma_{I}(M)) \leq \operatorname{gr}(\Gamma(\frac{M}{I}))$ . Inparticular if  $\Gamma(\frac{M}{I})$  contains a cycle then so does  $\Gamma_{I}(M)$  and therefore  $\operatorname{gr}(\Gamma_{I}(M)) \leq \operatorname{gr}(\Gamma(\frac{M}{I})) \leq 4$ .

**Proof:** If  $gr(\Gamma(\frac{M}{l})) = \infty$  we are done. So suppose  $gr(\Gamma(\frac{M}{l})) = n < \infty$ .

Let  $x_1 + I - x_2 + I - \dots - x_n + I - x_1 + I$  be a cycle in  $\Gamma(\frac{M}{I})$  through n distinct vertices

Then  $x_1 - x_2 - \dots - x_n - x_1$  is a cycle in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  of length n. Hence  $gr(\Gamma_I(M)) \le n$ .

**Lemma: 10** Let I be an reflexive ideal of a gamma near ring M. If  $|I| \ge 3$  and  $\Gamma_I(M)$  contains a connected column, then  $gr(\Gamma_I(M)) = 3$ 

**Proof:** Let x +I be a connected column of  $\Gamma_I(M)$ . Then  $x^2 \in I$ . Let i,  $j \in I - \{0\}$ . Then  $x \cdot (x+i) \cdot (x+j) \cdot x$  is a cycle of length 3 in  $\Gamma_I(M)$ .

**Lemma: 11** Let I be a reflexive ideal of a gamma near ring M. If  $I \neq 0$  and  $\Gamma(\frac{M}{I})$  has only one vertex, then  $\operatorname{gr}\Gamma_{I}(M) = \begin{cases} 3if|I| \geq 3\\ \infty \ if|I| = 2 \end{cases}$ 

**Proof:** If  $\Gamma(\frac{M}{I})$  has only one vertex then  $\Gamma_I(M)$  consist of a single connected column. Thus  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is a complete graph, and therefore has a cycle of length 3 unless  $\Gamma_I(M)$  has only two vertices.

**Lemma:** 12 Let I be a reflexive ideal of a gamma near ring M. If I has two elements,  $\Gamma(\frac{M}{I})$  has at least two vertices and  $\Gamma_I(M)$  has at least two vertices, and  $\Gamma_I(M)$  has at least one connected column, then  $\operatorname{gr}(\Gamma_I(M)) = 3$ 

**Proof:** Let x+I be a connected column of  $\Gamma_I(M)$ . Then  $x^2 \in I$ . Let y+I be a vertex adjacent to x+I in  $\Gamma(\frac{M}{I})$ . Write I = {0,i}. Then y-x-x+i-y is a cycle of length 3 in  $\Gamma_I(M)$ 

**Theorem: 13** Let I be a nonzero reflexive ideal of a gamma near ring M that is not a completely prime ideal. Then  $\operatorname{Gr}(\Gamma_I(M) = \infty if \Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$  has only one cut vertex &|I| = 2

 $\begin{cases} 4 \text{ if } gr(\Gamma(\frac{M}{l}) > 3 \text{ and } \Gamma_{l}(M) \text{ has no connected columns} \\ 3 \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$ 

**Proof:** The only remaining case is  $I \neq (0)$ ,  $\Gamma_I(M)$  has no connected columns, and  $gr((\Gamma(\frac{M}{I}))>3)$ .

Since  $\Gamma_I(M)$  has no connected columns,  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$  must have at least two vertices. By lemma 9,  $\operatorname{Gr}(\Gamma_I(M)) \leq 4$ . Assume x-y-z-x is a cycle in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  of length 3 and we provide a contradiction. Since  $\operatorname{gr}\left(\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)\right) > 3, x+I-y+I-z+I-x+I$  cannot be a cycle in  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$ . Therefore we have either x+I=y+I, y+I =z+I (or) z+I=x+I. If x+I =y+I, then  $(x + I)^2 = (x + 1)(y + I = 0 + I)$  and so x+I is a connected column of  $\Gamma/M$ . But this is a contradiction. We get a similar contradiction if y+I=z+I (or) z+I=x+I. Hence  $\operatorname{gr}(\Gamma_I(M)) = 4$ 

**Theorem: 14** Let I be a nonzero reflexive ideal of a gamma near ring M. Then  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is bipartite if and only if either a)  $gr(\Gamma_I(M)) = \infty$  (*or*)

b)  $gr(\Gamma_I(M)) = 4$  and  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$  is bipartite.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is bipartite. Since  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$  is isomorphic to a subgraph (or)  $\Gamma_I(M)$ ,  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$  is bipartite (or a single vertex). By theorem 13,  $\operatorname{gr}(\Gamma_I(M))$  is 3,4,  $\infty$ . By theorem 1 of sec1.2 of Bollobas (1979), a graph is bipartite if and only if it does not contain an odd cycle. Hence  $\operatorname{gr}(\Gamma_I(M)) \neq 3$ .

If  $\operatorname{gr}(\Gamma_{I}(M)) = \infty$ , then by theorem: 13,  $\Gamma_{I}(M)$  is a graph on two vertices and therefore bipartite. Suppose  $\operatorname{gr}(\Gamma_{I}(M)) = 4$ and  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$  is bipartite. Let  $W_{1}, W_{2}$  be the two vertex classes of  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$ . Define  $V_{j} = \{x + i/i \in I, x + I \in W_{j}\}$  for j = 1, 2. Then  $V_{1} \cap V_{2} = \varphi$  and the vertex set of  $\Gamma_{I}(M)$  is  $V_{1} \cup V_{2}$ .

Let x and y be adjacent vertices of  $\Gamma_I(M)$ . Without loss of generality, say  $x \in V_1$  By theorem: 13,  $\Gamma_I(M)$  has no connected columns. Thus x+I  $\neq$ y+I. Hence x+I-y+I is an edge in  $\Gamma\left(\frac{M}{I}\right)$ (By theorem: 6, Since x+I  $\in W_1$ ,y+I $\in W_2$ . Therefore y $\in V_2$ . Hence all edges of  $\Gamma_I(M)$  join vertices from  $V_1$  to those of  $V_2$ . Thus  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is bipartite.

**Theorem: 15** Let I be a reflexive ideal of M and let S be a clique in  $\Gamma_I(M)$  such that  $x^2 = 0$  for all  $x \in S$ . Then  $S \cup I$  is a reflexive ideal of M.

**Proof:** Suppose that  $x, y \in S \cup I$ . consider the following three cases

**Case:** (i) If x,  $y \in I$  then  $x \alpha y \in S \cup I$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma$ 

**Case:** (ii) If x,  $y \in S$  with  $x\alpha y \notin I$  then for all  $c \in S$   $c\Gamma(x\alpha y) \in I$  and hence  $S \cup \{x\alpha y\}$  is a clique. Now since S is a clique,  $x\alpha y \in S$ 

**Case:** (iii) If  $x \in I$  and  $y \in S$  then  $x\alpha y \notin I$  and hence for any  $c \in S c\Gamma(x\alpha y) \in I$ . Therefore  $x\alpha y \in S$ . Now let  $x \in S \cup I$  and  $r \in M$ . Suppose that  $r, x \notin I, \alpha \in \Gamma$ . If  $r\Gamma x \subseteq I$  then  $r\Gamma x \subseteq S \cup I$ . If  $r\Gamma x \notin I$ . Since for any  $c \in S$ ,  $(r\Gamma x) \Gamma c \subseteq I$ . We have  $r\Gamma x \in S$ 

**Theorem: 16** Let I be a nonzero reflexive ideal of M and  $a \in \Gamma_I(M)$  adjacent to every vertex of  $\Gamma_I(M)$ . Then (I: a) is a maximal element of the set {(I: x)/ x  $\in M$ }. Moreover (I: a) is a completely prime ideal.

**Proof:** Let  $V = V(\Gamma_I(M))$ . Choose  $0 \neq x \in I$ . It is easy to see that  $a \neq a + x \in \Gamma_I(M)$ . Thus  $a\Gamma(a + x) \in I$  and hence  $a^2 \in I$ .

Therefore  $V \cup I = (I: a)$  and so for any  $x \in M, (I:x)$  is contained in  $V \cup I = (I: a)$ . Thus the first assertion holds.

Now we prove that (I: a) is a completely prime ideal. Let  $x\alpha y \in (I:a)$  and x,  $y \notin (I:a)$ . Therefore  $x\alpha y \Gamma a \in I$ . If  $y\Gamma a \nsubseteq I$  then  $x \in (I: y\Gamma a)$ . We know that (I: a)  $\subseteq (I: y\Gamma a)$ . And therefore (I: a)  $= (I: y\Gamma a)$ . Hence  $x \in (I:a)$  which is a contradiction.

Theorem: 17 Let I be a non-zero reflexive ideal of M. Then the followings are hold.

- a) If  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are completely prime ideals of M and  $I = P_1 \cap P_2 \neq \varphi$ Then  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is a complete bipartite graph
- b) If  $I \neq 0$  is a reflexive ideal of M for which  $I = \sqrt{I}$  then  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is a complete bipartite graph if and only if there exists prime ideals  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  of M such that  $I = P_1 \cap P_2$

#### **Proof:**

a) Let a,  $b \in M - I$  with  $a\alpha b \in I$ . Then  $a\alpha b \in P_1$  and  $a\alpha b \in P_2$ . Since  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  are completely prime, we have  $a \in P_1$ or  $b \in P_1$  and  $a \in P_2$  (or) $b \in P_2$ . Therefore suppose  $a \in \frac{P_1}{P_2}$  and  $b \in \frac{P_2}{P_1}$ . Thus  $\Gamma_I(M)$  is a complete bipartite graph with parts  $\frac{P_1}{P_2}$  and  $\frac{P_2}{P_1}$ 

b) Suppose that the parts of  $\Gamma_I(M)$  are  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ . Set  $P_1 = V_1 \cup I$  and  $P_2 = V_2 \cup I$ . It is clear that  $I = P_1 \cap P_2$ . We now prove that  $P_1$  is a reflexive ideal of M

To show this let  $a, b \in P_1$ 

**Case:** (i) If  $a, b \in I, \gamma \in \Gamma$  then  $a \gamma b \in I$  and so  $a \gamma b \in P_1$ 

**Case:** (ii) If  $a, b \in V_1, \gamma \in \Gamma$  then there is  $c \in V_2$  such that  $c \gamma a \in I$  and  $c \gamma b \in I$ . So  $c \Gamma(a \gamma b) \in I$ . If  $a \gamma b \in I$  then  $a \gamma b \in P_1$ . Otherwise  $a \gamma b \subset V_1 => a \gamma b \in P_1$ 

**Case:** (iii) If  $a \in V_1$  and  $b \in I$  then  $a \gamma b \notin I$ . So there is  $c \in V_2$  such that  $c \Gamma(a \gamma b) \in I \Rightarrow a \gamma b \in V_1$  and so  $a \gamma b \in P_1$ . Now let  $r \in M$  and  $a \in P_1$ 

**Case:** (1) If  $a \in I$  then  $r \gamma a \in I$  and so  $r \gamma a \in P_1$ 

**Case:** (2) If  $a \in V_1$  then there exists  $c \in V_2$  such that  $c \gamma a \in I$ . So,  $c \Gamma(r \gamma a) \in I$ . If  $r \gamma a \in I$  then  $r \gamma a \in P_1$ . And so  $r\gamma a \notin I$  then  $r \gamma a \in V_1 \Rightarrow r \gamma a \in P_1 \Rightarrow P_1 \trianglelefteq M$ . We now prove  $P_1$  is prime. For proving this let  $a \gamma b \in P_1$  and  $a, b \notin P_1$ . Since  $P_1 = V_1 \cup Ia \gamma b \in I$  or  $a \gamma b \in V_1$  and so in any case there exists  $c \in V_2$  such that  $c \Gamma(r \gamma a) \in I$ . Thus  $a\Gamma(c \gamma b) \in I$ . If  $c \gamma b \in I$  then by the definition of  $\Gamma_I(M)$  we have  $b \in V_1$  which is a contradiction. Hence  $c \gamma b \notin I$  and  $c \gamma b \in V_1$ . Therefore  $c^2 \gamma b \in I$ . Since  $I = \sqrt{I}$ ,  $c^2 \notin I$ . Hence  $c^2 \in V_2$  so  $b \in V_1$  which is a contradiction. Therefore  $P_1$  is a completely prime ideal of M.

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