



# Computing Edge Metric Dimension of One-Pentagonal Carbon Nanocone

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Minimum resolving sets (edge or vertex) have become an integral part of molecular topology and combinatorial chemistry. Resolving sets for a specific network provide crucial information required for the identification of each item contained in the network, uniquely. The distance between an edge  $e = cz$  and a vertex  $u$  is defined by  $d(e, u) = \min\{d(c, u), d(z, u)\}$ . If  $d(e_1, u) \neq d(e_2, u)$ , then we say that the vertex  $u$  resolves (distinguishes) two edges  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  in a connected graph  $G$ . A subset of vertices  $R_E$  in  $G$  is said to be an edge resolving set for  $G$ , if for every two distinct edges  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  in  $G$  we have  $d(e_1, u) \neq d(e_2, u)$  for at least one vertex  $u \in R_E$ . An edge metric basis for  $G$  is an edge resolving set with minimum cardinality and this cardinality is called the edge metric dimension  $edim(G)$  of  $G$ . In this article, we determine the edge metric dimension of one-pentagonal carbon nanocone (1-PCNC). We also show that the edge resolving set for 1-PCNC is independent.

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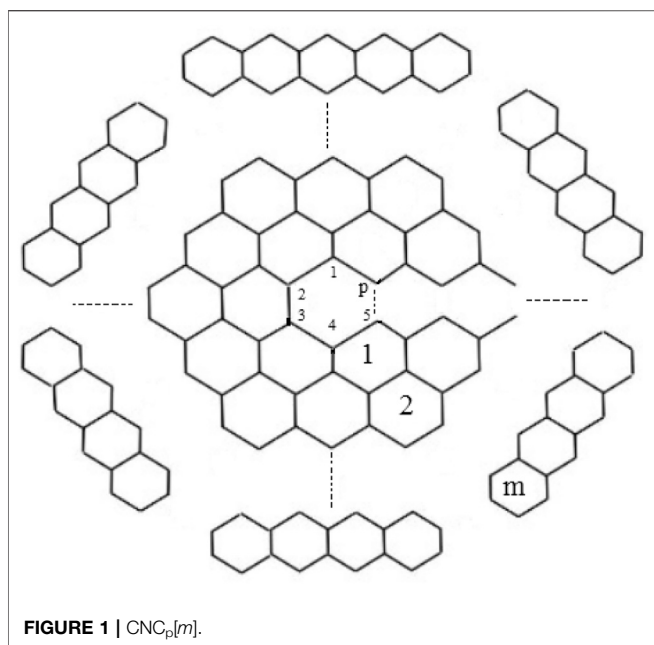
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## 1 INTRODUCTION

Carbon nanocones (CNC) made their first appearance in 1968, or perhaps earlier, on the surface of graphite occurring naturally [25]. These chemical structures are exciting due to their conceivable uses in gas sensors, gas storage, bio-sensors, energy storage, chemical probes, and nano-electronic devices, see [2, 3, 8, 17, 29]. Nanocones are the networks of the carbon that can be represented mathematically as cubic planar infinite graphs. Iijima [19], mainly addressed graphitic carbon helical microtubules. The existence of CNC and their combinatorial properties have been discussed in [14, 24]. Depending upon the positive signed curvature, Klein et al. [25] categorized CNC into eight groups. Brinkmann et al. have classified these structures [7]. Justus et al. [20] have given the expander constants and boundaries of these nanocones triangle patches. CNC has recently gained considerable scientific attention due to its peculiar properties and promising applications such as hydrogen storage and energy [7].

The chemical graph of carbon nanocones  $CNC_p[m]$ , as shown in **Figure 1**, comprises of conical structures with a cycle of size and order  $p$  at their center and  $(m - 1)$ -layers of six-sided faces (hexagons) placed at the conical surface around its center. Here we are interested for the case  $p = 5$  i.e.,  $CNC_5[m]$ . When one pentagon is inserted in the honeycomb layer, a disclination defect in the graphenic plane is generated, resulting in the formation of a conic structure with positive curvature in which the pentagon is surrounded by the first belt of five hexagons.  $CNC_5[m]$  denotes an  $(m - 1)$ -dimensional one-pentagonal carbon nanocone (1-PCNC), where  $m$  represents  $(m - 1)$ -number of layers consisting of six-sided faces, which include the conical surface of the nanocone, and five denotes the presence of a single five-sided face on the tip known

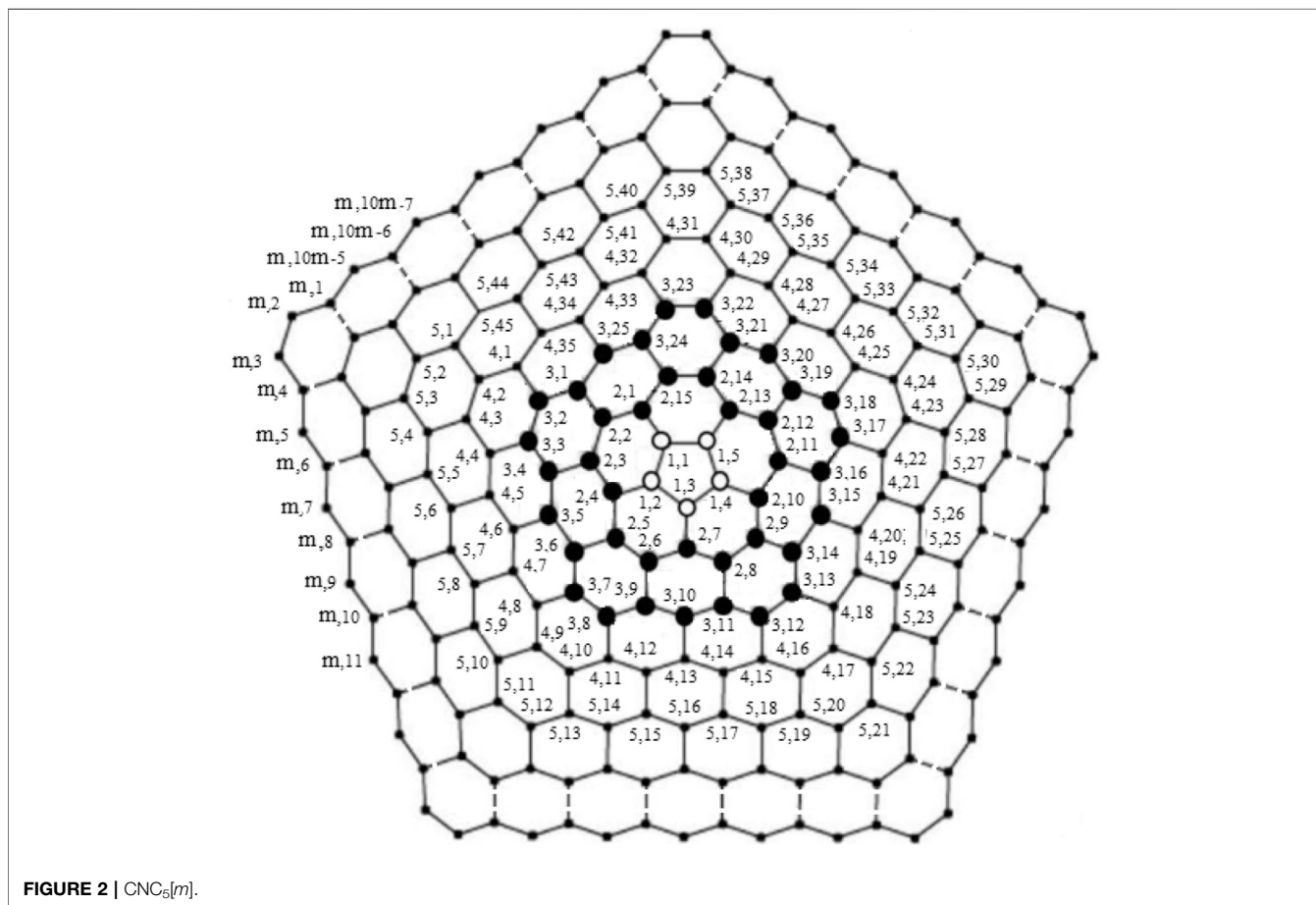


as its center. Along with it, a two-dimensional planar graph of a 1-PCNC is constructed, with carbon atoms representing vertices and bonds representing edges between them (see **Figure 2**).

Resolvability in graph theory aims to understand the behavior of real-world distance-based frameworks. It has been used in chemistry, molecular topology, industrial chemistry, and computer science. It attracts authors from various fields, including mathematics, because of the fascinating problems that arise from the symmetries and structures involved. It is always highly beneficial in an enigmatic network to identify uniquely the location of vertices (such as atoms) by establishing an identity with respect to a specific set. Such a specific set with minimum cardinality is called the *metric basis* and this cardinality is the *metric dimension* [16, 34]. These findings have been used effectively in drug patterns to access specific atoms.

The researchers are motivated by the fact that the metric dimension has a variety of practical applications in everyday life and so it has been extensively investigated. Metric dimension is utilized in a wide range of fields of sciences, including robot navigation [23], geographical routing protocols [27], connected joints in network and chemistry [10, 11], telecommunications [6], combinatorial optimization [31], network discovery and verification [6], etc. NP-hardness and computational complexity for the resolvability parameters are addressed in [15, 26].

Many authors have introduced and analyzed certain variations of resolving sets, such as local resolving set, partition resolving set, fault-tolerant resolving set, resolving



dominating set, strong resolving set, independent resolving set, and so on. For further details the reader is referred to [1, 6, 10, 21, 22, 32, 33]. In addition to defining other variants of resolving sets in graphs, Kelenc et al. [22], introduced a parameter used to uniquely distinguish graph edges and called it the *edge metric dimension*. In general, a graph metric was used to describe each pair of edges based on distances to a specific set of vertices. This was based on the assumption that a minimum resolving set  $R$  of a connected graph  $G$  identifies uniquely all the vertices of  $G$  using distance-vector, but does not necessarily recognize all the edges of  $G$ .

CNCs are a significant class of carbon nanomaterials that have been discovered in 1994 by Ge and Sattler [23]. This class of CNC has recently received considerable attention. Bultheel and Ori [9], analyzed topological modeling techniques used to study 1-PCNC and obtained significant findings about the chemical reactivity and desired sizes. Moreover, they also addressed the topological roundness and efficiency of  $CNC_5[m]$  as the long-range topological potential whose local minima correspond to magic sizes of nanocones with a greater percentage of formation. In [36], Zhang et al. calculated analytic expressions of Hosoya polynomial and certain distance-related indices such as the hyper Harary and Weiner indices for 1-PCNC. Fereshteh and Mehdi [13], obtained the adjacent eccentric distance sum index of 1-PCNC. In [5], Ashrafi et al. proved that  $W(CNC_5[m]) = (\frac{62}{3})m^5 + (\frac{310}{3})m^4 + (\frac{1205}{6})m^3 + (\frac{1135}{6})m^2 + 86m + 15$ .

In [30], Saheli et al. proved that  $\xi(CNC_5[m]) = 5(10m^3 + \frac{43}{2}m^2 + \frac{31}{2}m + 4)$ . For more on  $CNC_5[m]$ , one can refer to [4, 18, 28].

The flexibility and strength of carbon nanotubes make them suitable for manipulating another nanoscale structures, implying that they will play an important part in nanotechnology engineering. These 3D all-carbon architectures may be used to create the next generation of power storage, field emission transistors, photovoltaics, supercapacitors, biomedical devices & implants, and high-performance catalysis. Because of its applications, uses, and significance in numerous fields of study, we are interested in contributing more to this subject. For our purpose, in 1-PCNC bonds represent the edges and carbon atoms represent vertices. Recently, a study [17] reveals that 1-PCNC possesses the minimum metric generator of cardinality three correspondings to the atoms (vertices) therein. We now obtain some important results regarding the edges (bonds) present in 1-PCNC, as there is no such study regarding the edge metric dimension of 1-PCNC network. So, in this article, we study some basic properties of 1-PCNC along with its edge metric dimension.

The main results obtained are as follows:

- The edge metric dimension of 1-PCNC is three.
- Metric dimension (1-PCNC) = Edge metric dimension (1-PCNC).
- The resolving set and edge resolving set for 1-PCNC are independent.

The remainder of this paper is structured as: **Section 2** introduces some basic concepts related to the metric dimension and the edge

metric dimension. Some proven outcomes of 1-PCNC with respect to the metric dimension are also discussed. We study the edge metric dimension of 1-PCNC in Sect. 3 and discuss some of its properties. Finally, the conclusion and future work of the present study are discussed in Sect. 4.

## 2 PRELIMINARIES

In this section, we list some basic properties of 1-PCNC, the definition of metric dimension & edge metric dimension, and recall some existing results regarding these notions.

Suppose  $G = (V, E)$  is a non-trivial, simple, and connected graph, where  $V$  represents a set of vertices and  $E$  represents a set of edges. The distance between two vertices  $u$  and  $w$  in an undirected graph  $G$ , denoted by  $d(u, w)$ , is the length of a shortest  $u - w$  path in  $G$ .

**Definition 1.** Chemical Graph: A chemical graph (molecular graph) is a simple labeled graph in which the vertices correspond to the atoms of the molecule and the edges relate to chemical bonds.

**Definition 2.** One-Pentagonal carbon nanocone: 1-PCNC is denoted by  $CNC_5[m]$ ; ( $m \geq 2$ ).  $CNC_5[m]$  consists of conical structures with a cycle of length five at its core and  $m$  represents  $m - 1$  layers of hexagons placed at the conical surface around its center as shown in **Figure 2**. The bounded-face boundaries of  $CNC_5[m]$  comprises of one five-sided face and  $\frac{5m(m-1)}{2}$  number of six sided faces. It has  $5m^2$  number of vertices (or atoms) and  $5(m^2 + \frac{m(m-1)}{2})$ ;  $m \geq 1$  number of edges (or bonds). By  $V(CNC_5[m])$  and  $E(CNC_5[m])$  respectively, we denote the vertex set and the edge set of 1-PCNC, where  $V(CNC_5[m]) = \{u_{i,1}, u_{i,2}, u_{i,3}, u_{i,4}, \dots, u_{i,10i-5} | 1 \leq i \leq m\}$  and  $E(CNC_5[m]) = \{u_{i,1}u_{i,2}, u_{i,2}u_{i,3}, u_{i,3}u_{i,4}, \dots, u_{i,10i-7}u_{i,10i-6}, u_{i,10i-6}u_{i,10i-5}, u_{i,10i-5}u_{i,10i-4} | 1 \leq i \leq m\} \cup \{u_{1,1}u_{2,1}, u_{1,2}u_{2,2}, u_{1,3}u_{2,3}, u_{1,4}u_{2,4}, u_{1,5}u_{2,5}, u_{1,6}u_{2,6}, u_{1,7}u_{2,7}, u_{1,8}u_{2,8}, u_{1,9}u_{2,9}, u_{1,10}u_{2,10}\} \cup \{u_{i,2}u_{i+1,1}, u_{i,2j+1}u_{i+1,2j+2} | 1 \leq j \leq i \& 2 \leq i \leq m - 1\} \cup \{u_{i,2j}u_{i+1,2j+3} | i + 1 \leq j \leq 2i \& 2 \leq i \leq m - 1\} \cup \{u_{i,2j-1}u_{i+1,2j+4} | 2i + 1 \leq j \leq 3i \& 2 \leq i \leq m - 1\} \cup \{u_{i,2j-2}u_{i+1,2j+5} | 3i + 1 \leq j \leq 4i \& 2 \leq i \leq m - 1\} \cup \{u_{i,2j-3}u_{i+1,2j+6} | 4i + 1 \leq j \leq 5i - 1 \& 2 \leq i \leq m - 1\}$ .

**Definition 3.** Metric dimension: A vertex  $w \in V(G)$  resolves (recognize) a pair of distinct vertices  $w_1, w_2 \in V(G)$  if  $d(w, w_1) \neq d(w, w_2)$ . A set of vertices  $R \subseteq V(G)$  is said to be a resolving set for  $G$  if every pair of different vertices in  $G$  are recognized by at least one vertex from  $R$ . For a subset of distinct (ordered) vertices  $R = \{w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_z\} \subseteq V(G)$ , the metric co-ordinate (code) of  $w \in V(G)$  with respect to  $R$  is the  $z$ -vector  $r(w) = r(w|R) = (d(w, w_1), d(w, w_2), d(w, w_3), \dots, d(w, w_z))$ . The metric dimension of  $G$ , denoted by  $dim(G)$ , is defined as  $dim(G) = \min\{|R| : R \text{ is resolving set in } G\}$ . These notions were introduced, independently by Slater [34] and Harary and Melter [16].

**Definition 4.** Independent set: A set of vertices  $I$  in a graph  $G$  is said to be an independent set (also known as stable set) if no two vertices in  $I$  are adjacent [12].

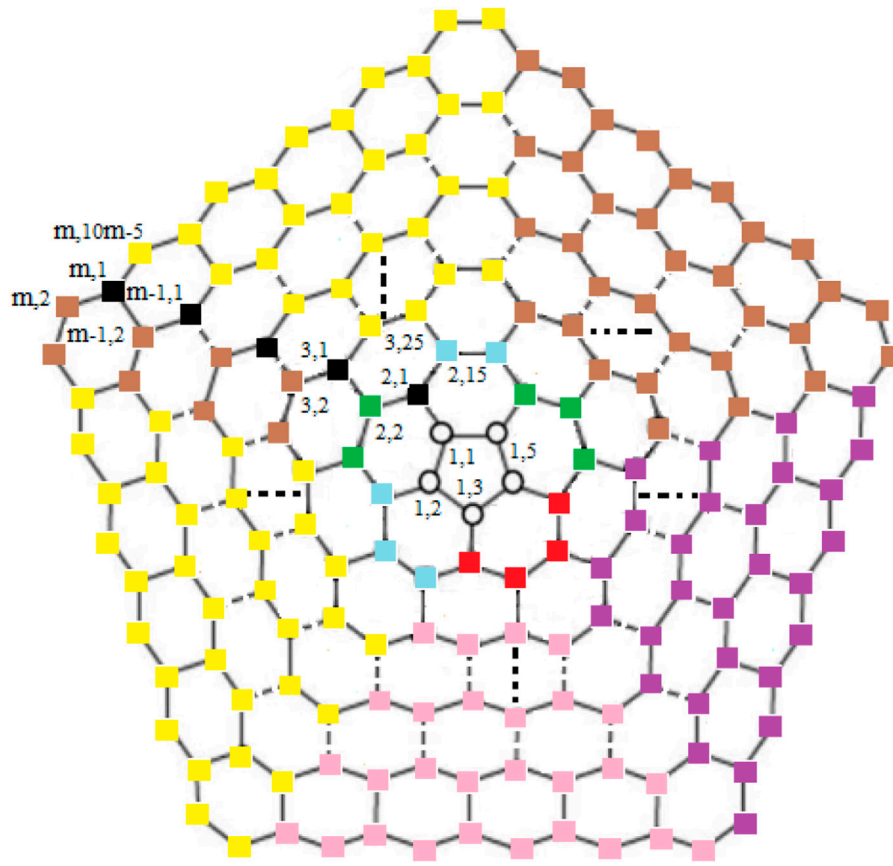


FIGURE 3 |  $CNC_5 [m]$  for Case 1.

TABLE 1 | Case 1: When both of the vertices  $u_{i,1}, u_{z,j}$  lie on the same  $i^{th}$ -cycle i.e.,  $l = z = i$

Subcase	$R_E$	Contradictions
1	$R_E = \{u_{i,1}, u_{ij}\}; i = 1 \text{ \& } 2 \leq j \leq 5$	$r_E(u_{2,1}u_{2,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{2,1}u_{2,15} R_E)$ , a contradiction.
2	$R_E = \{u_{i,1}, u_{ij}\}; i = 2 \text{ \& } 2 \leq j \leq 10i - 5$	$r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i-1,1} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i-1,1} R_E)$ , a contradiction.
3	$R_E = \{u_{i,1}, u_{ij}\}; 3 \leq i \leq m \text{ \& } 2 \leq j \leq 10i - 5$	$r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{1,2}u_{2,4} R_E)$ , a contradiction.

**Definition 5.** Independent resolving set: A subset of vertices  $R$  in  $G$  is said to be an independent resolving set for  $G$ , if  $R_E$  is resolving as well as independent set [12].

One can see that the metric dimension deals with the vertices of the graph by its definition, a similar concept dealing with the edges of the graph introduced by Kelenc et al. in [22], called the edge metric dimension of graph  $G$ , which uniquely identifies the edges related to graph  $G$ .

**Definition 6.** Edge metric dimension: For an edge  $e = cz$  and a vertex  $w$  the distance between them is defined as  $d(e, w) = \min \{d(c, w), d(z, w)\}$ . A subset  $R_E$  is called an edge resolving set for  $G$ , if for any two distinct edges  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  of  $G$  are recognized by at least one vertex  $w$  of  $R_E$ . For a subset of distinct (ordered) vertices  $R_E = \{w_1, w_2, w_3, \dots, w_z\} \subseteq V(G)$ , the edge metric co-

ordinate (edge code) of  $e \in E(G)$  with respect to  $R_E$  is the  $z$ -vector  $r_E(e) = r_E(e|R_E) = (d(e, w_1), d(e, w_2), d(e, w_3), \dots, d(e, w_z))$ . The edge resolving set with minimum cardinality is termed as edge metric basis, and that cardinality is known as the edge metric dimension of graph  $G$ , denoted by  $edim(G)$  [22].

**Definition 7.** Independent edge resolving set (IERS): A subset  $R_E$  of distinct vertices in  $G$  is said to be an IERS for  $G$ , if  $R_E$  is edge resolving as well as independent set.

In [17], Hussain et al. obtained the metric dimension of  $CNC_5 [m]$ . They proved that  $CNC_5 [m]$  denotes a class of plane graph with constant and bounded metric dimension i.e., the metric dimension does not depend upon the value of  $m$ . For metric dimension, they gave the following result.

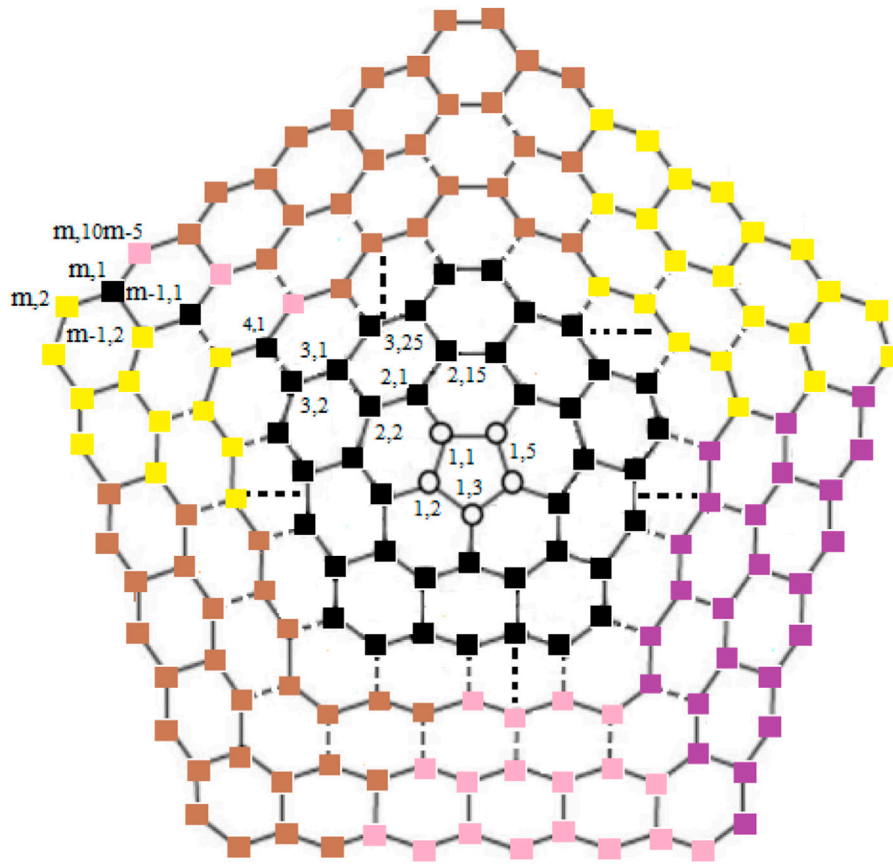


FIGURE 4 |  $CNC_5[m]$  for Case 2.

**Proposition 1.**  $dim(CNC_5[m]) = 3$ , for every  $m \geq 1$ .

Using the definition of an independent set and Theorem 2 in [17], we obtain the following result regarding  $CNC_5[m]$ .

**Proposition 2.** For every  $m \geq 2$ , the independent resolving number is three for  $CNC_5[m]$ .

### 3 MAIN RESULTS

Each chemical structure can be represented as a graph in chemical graph theory, where edges are alternated to bonds and atoms to vertices. The recent advanced topic is resolvability parameters of a graph, in which the entire structure is designed in such a way that

each atom (bond) has a unique position. In this section, we show that the minimum edge resolving set for 1-PCNC has cardinality three, with atoms/vertices chosen from all possible atom/vertex combinations.

**Theorem 1.**  $edim(CNC_5[m]) \geq 3$ , for every  $m \geq 2$ .

**Proof.** To show this, we have to prove that there exists no edge resolving set  $R_E$  for  $CNC_5[m]$  such that  $|R_E| \leq 2$ . Since 1-PCNC is not a path graph, so the possibility of a singleton edge resolving set for  $CNC_5[m]$  is ruled out [32]. Next, suppose on the contrary that  $|R_E| = 2$ , such that  $R_E = \{u_{i,1}, u_{z,j}\}$ . Then, we have the following possibilities to be considered (see, Table 1, Table 2, and Table 3).

TABLE 2 | Case 2: When one vertex  $u_{i,1}$  lies on  $i^{th}$  cycle and other  $u_{z,j}$  lies on the  $z = (i + 1)^{th}$  cycle.

Subcase	$R_E$	Contradictions
1	$R_E = \{u_{i,1}, u_{z,j}\}; i = 1 \ \& \ 1 \leq j \leq 15$	$r_E(u_{3,1}u_{3,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{3,1}u_{3,25} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{2,2}u_{3,1} R_E) = r_E(u_{2,2}u_{2,3} R_E)$ , a contradiction.
2	$R_E = \{u_{i,1}, u_{z,j}\}; i = 2 \ \& \ 1 \leq j \leq 25$	$r_E(u_{2,1}u_{1,1} R_E) = r_E(u_{2,1}u_{2,15} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{2,1}u_{2,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{2,1}u_{1,1} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{2,1}u_{2,15} R_E) = r_E(u_{2,1}u_{2,15} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{3,25}u_{3,24} R_E) = r_E(u_{3,24}u_{3,23} R_E)$ , a contradiction.
3	$R_E = \{u_{i,1}, u_{z,j}\}; 3 \leq i \leq m-1 \ \& \ 1 \leq j \leq 10z-5$	$r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,10z-5} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,10z-5} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{1,1}u_{1,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{1,2}u_{2,4} R_E)$ , a contradiction.



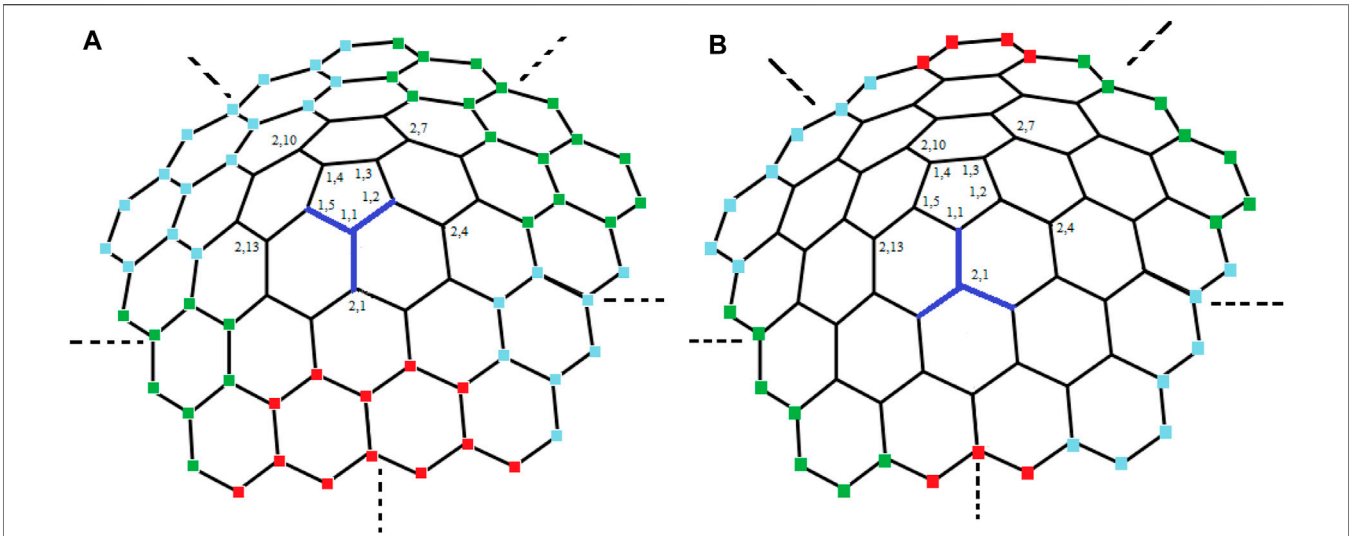


FIGURE 5 |  $CNC_5 [m]$  for Case 3 (Subcase 1 (Panel A) and 2 (Panel B)).

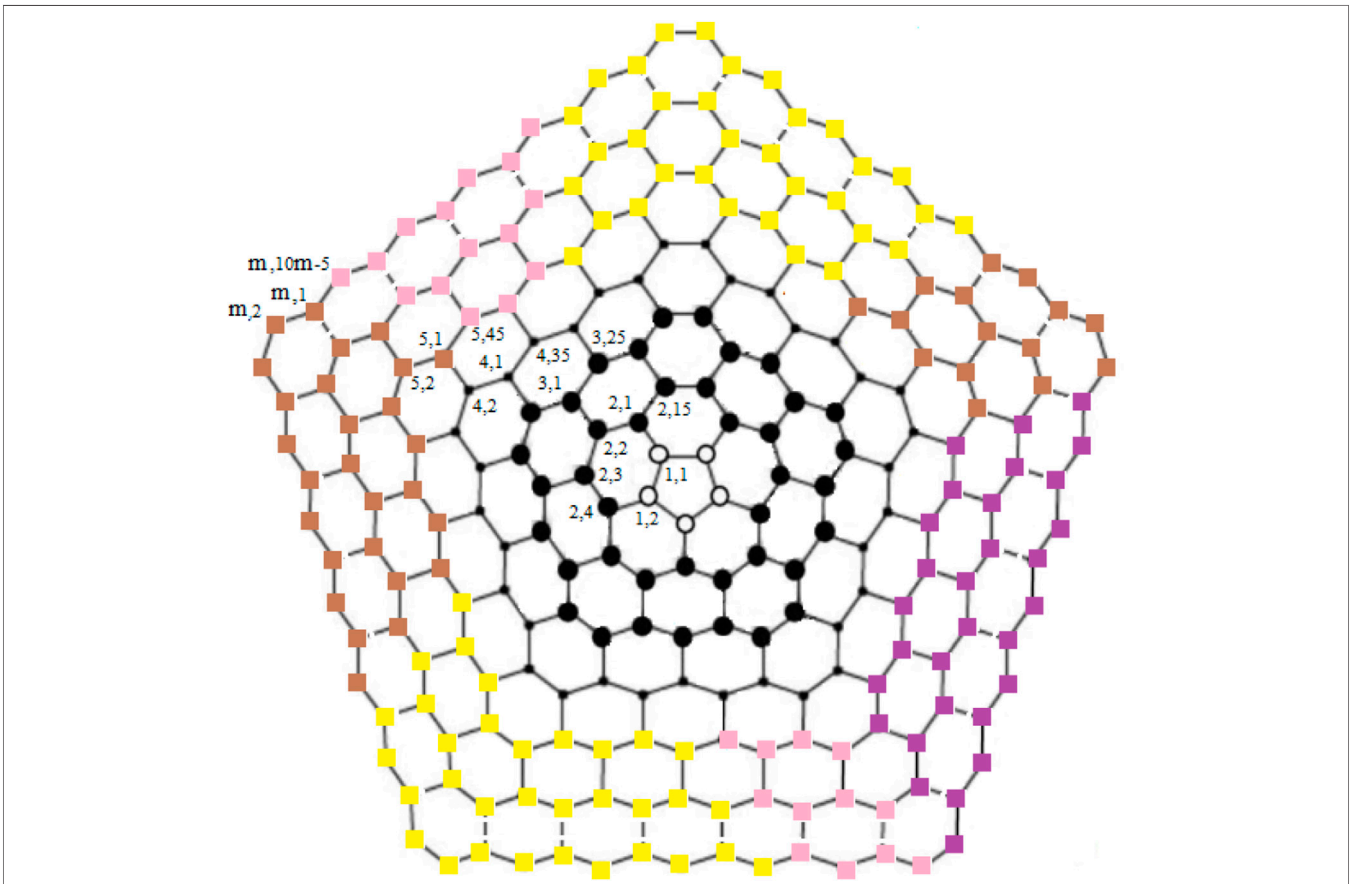


FIGURE 6 |  $CNC_5 [m]$  for Case 3 (Subcase 3).

For subcases 1 and 2 (Table 1), one can find contradictions easily. Now, for  $3 \leq i \leq m$ , we find that the vertex  $u_{i,1}$  (in black color) and the vertices in yellow, brown, pink, and purple color on  $i^{th}$  cycle as

shown in Figure 3 are at the same distance from the edges  $\{u_{i,1}u_{i,2}, u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2}\}$ ,  $\{u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5}, u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2}\}$ ,  $\{u_{i,1}u_{i,2}, u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5}\}$ , and  $\{u_{1,1}u_{1,2}, u_{1,2}u_{2,4}\}$  respectively, a contradiction.

**TABLE 3 |** Case 3: When the vertices  $u_{i,1}$  and  $u_{z,j}$  lie on two distinct cycles that are not neighboring.

Subcase	$R_E$	Contradictions
1	$R_E = \{u_{i,1}, u_{j,j}\}; 3 \leq i \leq m \ \& \ 1 \leq j \leq 10i - 5$	$r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,5} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{2,1} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{2,1} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,5} R_E)$ , a contradiction.
2	$R_E = \{u_{i,1}, u_{k,j}\}; i = 2; 4 \leq k \leq m \ \& \ 1 \leq j \leq 10k - 5$	$r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i-1,1} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i-1,1} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5} R_E)$ , a contradiction.
3	$R_E = \{u_{i,1}, u_{k,j}\}; 3 \leq i \leq m - 2; i + 2 \leq k \leq m \ \& \ 1 \leq j \leq 10k - 5$	$r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5} R_E)$ or $r_E(u_{i,1}u_{i,2} R_E) = r_E(u_{i,2}u_{2,4} R_E)$ , a contradiction.

**Case 3A |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$u_{1,2}^1$	(2 m-3,2 m-2,2 m-1)	$u_{5,1}^1$	(2 m-3,2 m-1,2 m)	$u_{3,7}^{1,2}$	(2 m-1,2 m-1,2 m-3)
$u_{2,3}^1$	(2 m-2,2 m-2,2 m-2)	$u_{1,1}^{1,2}$	(2 m-4,2 m-2,2 m)	$u_{4,10}^{1,2}$	(2 m-1,2 m,2 m-1)
$u_{3,4}^1$	(2 m-1,2 m-1,2 m-2)	$u_{2,4}^1$	(2 m-3,2 m-3,2 m-2)	$u_{5,13}^{1,2}$	(2 m-2,2 m,2 m)
$u_{4,5}^1$	(2m-2,2 m,2m-1)				

**Case 3B |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$u_{1,2}^2$	(2 m-5,2 m-3,2 m)	$u_{10,11}^2$	(2 m,2 m + 1,2 m)	$u_{5,6}^{2,3}$	(2 m-3,2 m-3,2 m-4)
$u_{2,3}^2$	(2 m-5,2 m-4,2 m-1)	$u_{11,12}^2$	(2 m,2 m + 2,2 m + 1)	$u_{6,9}^{2,3}$	(2 m-1,2 m-1,2 m-5)
$u_{3,4}^2$	(2 m-4,2 m-4,2 m-2)	$u_{12,13}^2$	(2m-1,2 m + 1,2 m + 1)	$u_{8,11}^{2,3}$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 1,2m-3)
$u_{4,5}^2$	(2m-3,2 m-3,2 m-3)	$u_{13,14}^2$	(2m-2,2 m,2 m + 1)	$u_{9,14}^{2,3}$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 2,2 m-1)
$u_{5,6}^2$	(2 m-2,2m-2,2m-4)	$u_{14,15}^2$	(2m-3,2m-1,2 m + 2)	$u_{11,16}^{2,3}$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 2,2 m + 1)
$u_{6,7}^2$	(2m-1,2m-1,2m-4)	$u_{15,1}^2$	(2m-4,2m-2,2 m + 1)	$u_{12,19}^{2,3}$	(2 m,2 m + 2,2 m + 2)
$u_{7,8}^2$	(2 m,2 m,2m-3)	$u_{2,1}^{2,3}$	(2m-6,2m-4,2 m)	$u_{14,21}^{2,3}$	(2m-2,2 m,2 m + 2)
$u_{8,9}^2$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 1,2m-2)	$u_{3,4}^{2,3}$	(2m-5,2m-5,2m-2)	$u_{15,24}^{2,3}$	(2m-4,2m-2,2 m + 2)
$u_{9,10}^2$	(2 m,2 m + 1,2m-1)				

**Case 3C |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$u_{1,2}^3$	(2 m-7,2 m-5,2 m)	$u_{10,11}^3$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 1,2m-4)	$u_{18,19}^3$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 3,2 m + 3)
$u_{2,3}^3$	(2 m-7,2 m-6,2 m-1)	$u_{11,12}^3$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 2,2m-3)	$u_{19,20}^3$	(2 m,2 m + 2,2 m + 3)
$u_{3,4}^3$	(2 m-6,2 m-6,2 m-2)	$u_{12,13}^3$	(2 m + 3,2 m + 3,2m-2)	$u_{20,21}^3$	(2m-1,2 m + 1,2 m + 3)
$u_{4,5}^3$	(2 m-5,2 m-5,2 m-3)	$u_{13,14}^3$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 3,2m-1)	$u_{21,22}^3$	(2m-2,2 m,2 m + 3)
$u_{5,6}^3$	(2 m-4,2 m-4,2 m-4)	$u_{14,15}^3$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 3,2 m)	$u_{22,23}^3$	(2m-3,2m-1,2 m + 4)
$u_{6,7}^3$	(2 m-3,2 m-3,2 m-5)	$u_{15,16}^3$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 3,2 m + 1)	$u_{23,24}^3$	(2m-4,2m-2,2 m + 3)
$u_{7,8}^3$	(2 m-2,2 m-2,2 m-6)	$u_{16,17}^3$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 3,2 m + 2)	$u_{24,25}^3$	(2m-5,2m-3,2 m + 2)
$u_{8,9}^3$	(2 m-1,2 m-1,2 m-6)	$u_{17,18}^3$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 4,2 m + 3)	$u_{25,1}^3$	(2m-6,2m-4,2 m + 1)
$u_{9,10}^3$	(2 m,2 m,2m-5)				

**Case 3D |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$u_{2,1}^{3,4}$	(2 m-8,2 m-6,2 m)	$u_{10,13}^{3,4}$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 1,2m-5)	$u_{18,25}^{3,4}$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 4,2 m + 4)
$u_{3,4}^{3,4}$	(2 m-7,2 m-7,2 m-2)	$u_{12,15}^{3,4}$	(2 m + 3,2 m + 3,2m-3)	$u_{20,27}^{3,4}$	(2 m,2 m + 2,2 m + 4)
$u_{5,6}^{3,4}$	(2 m-5,2 m-5,2 m-4)	$u_{13,18}^{3,4}$	(2 m + 3,2 m + 4,2 m-1)	$u_{22,29}^{3,4}$	(2m-2,2 m,2 m + 4)
$u_{7,8}^{3,4}$	(2 m-3,2 m-3,2 m-6)	$u_{15,20}^{3,4}$	(2 m + 3,2 m + 4,2 m + 1)	$u_{23,32}^{3,4}$	(2m-4,2m-2,2 m + 4)
$u_{8,11}^{3,4}$	(2 m-1,2 m-1,2 m-7)	$u_{17,22}^{3,4}$	(2 m + 3,2 m + 4,2 m + 3)	$u_{25,34}^{3,4}$	(2m-6,2m-4,2 m + 2)

**Case 3E |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$U_{1,2}^4$	(2 m-9,2 m-7,2 m)	$U_{13,14}^4$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 2,2m-5)	$U_{25,26}^4$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 4,2 m + 5)
$U_{2,3}^4$	(2 m-9,2 m-8,2 m-1)	$U_{14,15}^4$	(2 m + 3,2 m + 3,2m-4)	$U_{26,27}^4$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 3,2 m + 5)
$U_{3,4}^4$	(2 m-8,2 m-8,2 m-2)	$U_{15,16}^4$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 4,2m-3)	$U_{27,28}^4$	(2 m,2 m + 2,2 m + 5)
$U_{4,5}^4$	(2 m-7,2 m-7,2 m-3)	$U_{16,17}^4$	(2 m + 5,2 m + 5,2m-2)	$U_{28,29}^4$	(2m-1,2 m + 1,2 m + 5)
$U_{5,6}^4$	(2 m-6,2 m-6,2 m-4)	$U_{17,18}^4$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 5,2m-1)	$U_{29,30}^4$	(2m-2,2 m,2 m + 5)
$U_{6,7}^4$	(2 m-5,2 m-5,2 m-5)	$U_{18,19}^4$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 5,2 m)	$U_{30,31}^4$	(2m-3,2m-1,2 m + 6)
$U_{7,8}^4$	(2 m-4,2 m-4,2 m-6)	$U_{19,20}^4$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 5,2 m + 1)	$U_{31,32}^4$	(2m-4,2m-2,2 m + 5)
$U_{8,9}^4$	(2 m-3,2 m-3,2 m-7)	$U_{20,21}^4$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 5,2 m + 2)	$U_{32,33}^4$	(2m-5,2m-3,2 m + 4)
$U_{9,10}^4$	(2 m-2,2 m-2,2 m-8)	$U_{21,22}^4$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 5,2 m + 3)	$U_{33,34}^4$	(2m-6,2m-4,2 m + 3)
$U_{10,11}^4$	(2 m-1,2 m-1,2 m-8)	$U_{22,23}^4$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 5,2 m + 4)	$U_{34,35}^4$	(2m-7,2m-5,2 m + 2)
$U_{11,12}^4$	(2 m,2 m,2m-7)	$U_{23,24}^4$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 6,2 m + 5)	$U_{35,1}^4$	(2m-8,2m-6,2 m + 1)
$U_{12,13}^4$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 1,2 m-6)	$U_{24,25}^4$	(2 m + 3,2 m + 5,2 m + 5)		

**Case 3F |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$U_{2,1}^{4,5}$	(2 m-10,2 m-8,2 m)	$U_{14,17}^{4,5}$	(2 m + 3,2 m + 3,2m-5)	$U_{26,33}^{4,5}$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 4,2 m + 6)
$U_{3,4}^{4,5}$	(2 m-9,2 m-9,2 m-2)	$U_{16,19}^{4,5}$	(2 m + 5,2 m + 5,2m-3)	$U_{28,35}^{4,5}$	(2 m,2 m + 2,2 m + 6)
$U_{5,6}^{4,5}$	(2 m-7,2 m-7,2 m-4)	$U_{17,22}^{4,5}$	(2 m + 5,2 m + 6,2m-1)	$U_{30,37}^{4,5}$	(2m-2,2 m,2 m + 6)
$U_{7,8}^{4,5}$	(2 m-5,2 m-5,2 m-6)	$U_{19,24}^{4,5}$	(2 m + 5,2 m + 6,2 m + 1)	$U_{31,40}^{4,5}$	(2m-4,2m-2,2 m + 6)
$U_{9,10}^{4,5}$	(2 m-3,2 m-3,2 m-8)	$U_{21,26}^{4,5}$	(2 m + 5,2 m + 6,2 m + 3)	$U_{33,42}^{4,5}$	(2m-6,2m-4,2 m + 4)
$U_{10,13}^{4,5}$	(2 m-1,2 m-1,2 m-9)	$U_{23,28}^{4,5}$	(2 m + 5,2 m + 6,2 m + 5)	$U_{35,44}^{4,5}$	(2m-8,2m-6,2 m + 2)
$U_{12,15}^{4,5}$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 1,2 m-7)	$U_{24,31}^{4,5}$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 6,2 m + 6)		

**Case 3G |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$U_{1,2}^5$	(2 m-11,2 m-9,2 m)	$U_{16,17}^5$	(2 m + 3,2 m + 3,2m-6)	$U_{31,32}^5$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 6,2 m + 7)
$U_{2,3}^5$	(2 m-11,2 m-10,2 m-1)	$U_{17,18}^5$	(2 m + 4,2 m + 4,2m-5)	$U_{32,33}^5$	(2 m + 3,2 m + 5,2 m + 7)
$U_{3,4}^5$	(2 m-10,2 m-10,2 m-2)	$U_{18,19}^5$	(2 m + 5,2 m + 5,2m-4)	$U_{33,34}^5$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 4,2 m + 7)
$U_{4,5}^5$	(2 m-9,2 m-9,2 m-3)	$U_{19,20}^5$	(2 m + 6,2 m + 6,2m-3)	$U_{34,35}^5$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 3,2 m + 7)
$U_{5,6}^5$	(2 m-8,2 m-8,2 m-4)	$U_{20,21}^5$	(2 m + 7,2 m + 7,2m-2)	$U_{35,36}^5$	(2 m,2 m + 2,2 m + 7)
$U_{6,7}^5$	(2 m-7,2 m-7,2 m-5)	$U_{21,22}^5$	(2 m + 6,2 m + 7,2m-1)	$U_{36,37}^5$	(2m-1,2 m + 1,2 m + 7)
$U_{7,8}^5$	(2 m-6,2 m-6,2 m-6)	$U_{22,23}^5$	(2 m + 6,2 m + 7,2 m)	$U_{37,38}^5$	(2m-2,2 m,2 m + 7)
$U_{8,9}^5$	(2 m-5,2 m-5,2 m-7)	$U_{23,24}^5$	(2 m + 6,2 m + 7,2 m + 1)	$U_{38,39}^5$	(2m-3,2m-1,2 m + 8)
$U_{9,10}^5$	(2 m-4,2 m-4,2 m-8)	$U_{24,25}^5$	(2 m + 6,2 m + 7,2 m + 2)	$U_{39,40}^5$	(2m-4,2m-2,2 m + 7)
$U_{10,11}^5$	(2 m-3,2 m-3,2 m-9)	$U_{25,26}^5$	(2 m + 6,2 m + 7,2 m + 3)	$U_{40,41}^5$	(2m-5,2m-3,2 m + 6)
$U_{11,12}^5$	(2m-2,2m-2,2m-10)	$U_{26,27}^5$	(2 m + 6,2 m + 7,2 m + 4)	$U_{41,42}^5$	(2m-6,2m-4,2 m + 5)
$U_{12,13}^5$	(2 m-1,2 m-1,2 m-10)	$U_{27,28}^5$	(2 m + 6,2 m + 7,2 m + 5)	$U_{42,43}^5$	(2m-7,2m-5,2 m + 4)
$U_{13,14}^5$	(2 m,2 m,2m-9)	$U_{28,29}^5$	(2 m + 6,2 m + 7,2 m + 6)	$U_{43,44}^5$	(2m-8,2m-6,2 m + 3)
$U_{14,15}^5$	(2 m + 1,2 m + 1,2m-8)	$U_{29,30}^5$	(2 m + 6,2 m + 8,2 m + 7)	$U_{44,45}^5$	(2m-9,2m-7,2 m + 2)
$U_{15,16}^5$	(2 m + 2,2 m + 2,2m-7)	$U_{30,31}^5$	(2 m + 5,2 m + 7,2 m + 7)	$U_{45,1}^5$	(2m-10,2m-8,2 m + 1)

**Case 3H |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$U_{2,1}^{j+1}$	(2 m-2i-2, 2 m-2i, 2 m)
$U_{2j+1,2j+2}^{j+1}; 1 \leq j \leq i$	(2 m+2j-2i-3, 2 m+2j-2i-3, 2m-2j)
$U_{2j+2,2j+3}^{j+1}; i + 1 \leq j \leq 2i$	(2 m+2j-2i-3, 2 m+2j-2i-3, 2m-4i+2j-3)
$U_{2j-1,2j+4}^{j+1}; 2j + 1 \leq j \leq 3i$	(2 m+2i-3, 2 m+2i-2, 2m-4i+2j-3)
$U_{2j-2,2j+5}^{j+1}; 3j + 1 \leq j \leq 4i$	(2 m+8i-2j-2, 2 m+8i-2j, 2 m+2i-2)
$U_{2j-3,2j+6}^{j+1}; 4j + 1 \leq j \leq 5i - 1$	(2 m+8i-2j-2, 2 m+8i-2j, 2 m + 10i-2j)

**Case 3I |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$U_{2,1}^{m-1,m}$	(0, 2, 2 m)
$U_{2j+1,2j+2}^{m-1,m}; 1 \leq j \leq m - 1$	(2j, 2j-1, 2 m-2j)
$U_{2j,2j+3}^{m-1,m}; m \leq j \leq 2m - 2$	(2j-1, 2j-1, 2j-2m + 1)
$U_{2j-1,2j+4}^{m-1,m}; 2m - 1 \leq j \leq 3m - 3$	(4m-5, 4m-4, 2j-2m + 1)
$U_{2j-2,2j+5}^{m-1,m}; 3m - 2 \leq j \leq 4m - 4$	(10m-2j-10, 10m-2j-8, 4m-4)
$U_{2j-3,2j+6}^{m-1,m}; 4m - 3 \leq j \leq 5m - 6$	(10m-2j-10, 10m-2j-8, 12m-2j-10)

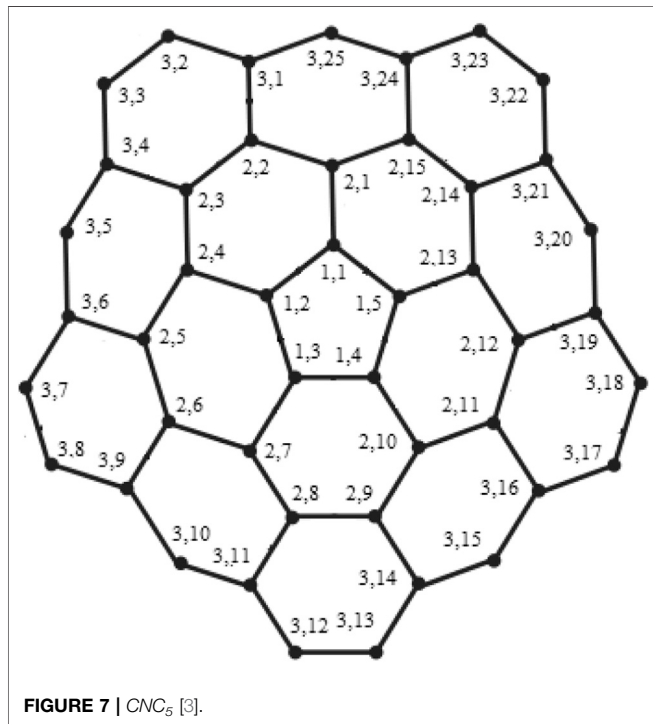


**Case 3J |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$u_{1,2}^j$	$(2m-2i-1, 2m-2i+1, 2m)$
$u_{2,3}^j$	$(2m-2i-1, 2m-2i, 2m-1)$
$u_{j,j+1}^j; 3 \leq j \leq 2i+1$	$(2m-2i+j-3, 2m-2i+j-3, 2m-j+1)$
$u_{j,j+1}^j; 2i+2 \leq j \leq 4i$	$(2m-2i+j-3, 2m-2i+j-3, 2m-4i+j-2)$
$u_{j,j+1}^j; 4i+1 \leq j \leq 6i-2$	$(2m+2i-4, 2m+2i-3, 2m-4i+j-2)$
$u_{j,j+1}^j; 6i-1 \leq j \leq 8i-3$	$(2m+8i-j-5, 2m+8i-j-3, 2m+2i-3)$
$u_{j,j+1}^j; 8i-2 \leq j \leq 10i-5$	$(2m+8i-j-5, 2m+8i-j-3, 2m+10i-j-4)$

**Case 3K |**

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$u_{1,2}^m$	$(0, 1, 2m)$
$u_{2,3}^m$	$(1, 0, 2m-1)$
$u_{j,j+1}^m; 3 \leq j \leq 2m+1$	$(j-1, j-3, 2m-j+1)$
$u_{j,j+1}^m; j = 2m+2$	$(2m, j-3, 0)$
$u_{j,j+1}^m; 2m+3 \leq j \leq 4m$	$(j-3, j-3, j-2m-2)$
$u_{j,j+1}^m; 4m+1 \leq j \leq 6m-2$	$(4m-4, 4m-3, j-2m-2)$
$u_{j,j+1}^m; 6m-1 \leq j \leq 8m-3$	$(10m-j-5, 10m-j-3, 4m-3)$
$u_{j,j+1}^m; 8m-2 \leq j \leq 10m-5$	$(10m-j-5, 10m-j-3, 12m-j-4)$



For subcases 1 and 2 (Table 2), one can find contradictions easily. Now, for  $3 \leq i \leq m-1$ , we find that the vertex  $u_{i,1}$  (in black color) and the vertices in yellow, brown, pink, and purple color on  $(i+1)^{th}$  cycle as shown in Figure 4 are at the same distance from the

edges  $\{u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2}, u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5}\}$ ,  $\{u_{i,1}u_{i,2}, u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2}\}$ ,  $\{u_{i,1}u_{i,2}, u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5}\}$ , and  $\{u_{1,1}u_{1,2}, u_{1,2}u_{2,4}\}$  respectively, a contradiction. From subcase 1 (Table 3), we find that the vertex  $u_{1,1}$  and the vertices in red, green, and blue color on  $i^{th}$  ( $3 \leq i \leq m$ ) cycle as shown in Figure 5A are at the same distance from the edges  $\{u_{1,1}u_{1,5}, u_{1,1}u_{1,2}\}$ ,  $\{u_{1,1}u_{1,5}, u_{1,1}u_{2,1}\}$ , and  $\{u_{1,1}u_{2,1}, u_{1,1}u_{1,2}\}$  respectively, a contradiction.

Next, from subcase 2, we find that the vertex  $u_{2,1}$  and the vertices in red, green, and blue color on  $k^{th}$  ( $4 \leq k \leq m$ ) cycle as shown in Figure 5B are at the same distance from the edges  $\{u_{2,1}u_{2,2}, u_{2,1}u_{2,15}\}$ ,  $\{u_{2,1}u_{2,2}, u_{2,1}u_{1,1}\}$ , and  $\{u_{1,1}u_{2,1}, u_{2,1}u_{2,15}\}$  respectively, a contradiction.

Finally, for subcase 3, we find that the vertex  $u_{i,1}$  (for  $i = 3$ , see Figure 6) and the vertices on the  $k^{th}$  ( $i+2 \leq k \leq m$ ) cycle are at the same distance from the edges  $\{u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2}, u_{i,1}u_{i,2}\}$  or  $\{u_{i,1}u_{i-1,2}, u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5}\}$  or  $\{u_{i,1}u_{i,2}, u_{i,1}u_{i,10i-5}\}$  or  $\{u_{1,1}u_{1,2}, u_{1,2}u_{2,4}\}$ , a contradiction.

Now, by symmetry of graphs other relations can be obtain (i.e., for  $4 \leq i \leq m-2$ ;  $i+2 \leq k \leq m$  and  $1 \leq j \leq 10k-5$ ), which shows the same kind of contradictions as we obtained for  $i = 3$ , a contradiction.

Hence, from the above cases, we conclude that there is no edge metric generator  $R_E$  for 1-PCNC such that  $|R_E| = 2$ . However, symmetry of graphs can be used to derive alternative relations that show the same kind of contradictions. Therefore, we must have  $|R_E| \geq 3$  i.e.,  $edim(CNC_5[m]) \geq 3$ .

Next, we prove that the upper bound for the edge metric dimension of 1-PCNC is also three.

**Theorem 2.**  $edim(CNC_5[m]) \leq 3$ , for every  $m \geq 2$ .

**Proof.** Suppose  $R_E$  is an edge resolving set for  $CNC_5[m]$ . To prove that the edge resolving set  $R_E$  of 1-PCNC has cardinality less than or equal to three (i.e.,  $|R_E| = 3$ , because of Theorem 1), we have to show that the edge codes corresponding to  $R_E$  are distinct for any pair of different edges in  $CNC_5[m]$ . Let  $R_E = \{u_{m,1}, u_{m,3}, u_{m,2m+2}\}$ . Then, we will show that  $R_E$  is an edge resolving set for  $CNC_5[m]$  with cardinality three. Next, we give edge codes to every edge of  $CNC_5[m]$  with respect to  $R_E$ . For our convenience, we denote the edges on the  $CNC_5[m]$  by  $u_{i,j}u_{i,k} = u_{j,k}^i$  and  $u_{i,j}u_{k,l} = u_{j,l}^{i,k}$ .

The edge metric codes for the edges of first cycle and edges joining first and second cycles are as shown in Case 3A.

The edge metric codes for the edges of second cycle and edges joining second and third cycles are as shown in Case 3B.

The edge metric codes for the edges of third cycle are as shown in Case 3C.

The edge metric codes for the edges joining the third and fourth cycle are as shown in Case 3D.

The edge metric codes for the edges of fourth cycle are as Case 3E.

The edge metric codes for the edges joining the fourth and fifth cycle are as shown in Case 3F.

The edge metric codes for the edges of fifth cycle are Case 3G.

Next, the edge metric codes for the edges joining the  $i^{th}$  and  $(i+1)^{th}$ ; ( $5 \leq i \leq m-2$ ) cycles are as shown in Case 3H.

The edge metric codes for the edges joining the  $i = (m-1)^{th}$  and  $i+1 = m^{th}$  cycles are as shown in Case 3I.

## Case 3L |

Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$	Edges	Codes $r_E(e)$
$u_{1,2}^1$	(3,4,5)	$u_{6,7}^2$	(5,5,2)	$u_{9,14}^{2,3}$	(7,8,5)	$u_{1,12}^3$	(8,8,3)
$u_{2,3}^1$	(4,4,4)	$u_{7,8}^2$	(6,6,3)	$u_{11,16}^{2,3}$	(7,8,7)	$u_{12,13}^3$	(9,9,4)
$u_{3,4}^1$	(5,5,4)	$u_{8,9}^2$	(7,7,4)	$u_{12,19}^{2,3}$	(6,8,8)	$u_{13,14}^3$	(8,9,5)
$u_{4,5}^1$	(4,6,5)	$u_{9,10}^2$	(6,7,5)	$u_{14,21}^{2,3}$	(4,6,8)	$u_{14,15}^3$	(8,9,6)
$u_{5,1}^1$	(3,5,6)	$u_{10,11}^2$	(6,7,6)	$u_{15,24}^{2,3}$	(2,4,8)	$u_{15,16}^3$	(8,9,7)
$u_{1,1}^{1,2}$	(2,4,6)	$u_{11,12}^2$	(6,8,7)	$u_{1,2}^3$	(0,1,6)	$u_{16,17}^3$	(8,9,8)
$u_{2,4}^{1,2}$	(3,3,4)	$u_{12,13}^2$	(5,7,7)	$u_{2,3}^3$	(1,0,5)	$u_{17,18}^3$	(8,10,9)
$u_{3,7}^{1,2}$	(5,5,3)	$u_{13,14}^2$	(4,6,7)	$u_{3,4}^3$	(2,0,4)	$u_{18,19}^3$	(7,9,9)
$u_{4,10}^{1,2}$	(5,6,5)	$u_{14,15}^2$	(3,5,8)	$u_{4,5}^3$	(3,1,3)	$u_{19,20}^3$	(6,8,9)
$u_{5,13}^{1,2}$	(4,6,6)	$u_{15,1}^2$	(2,4,7)	$u_{5,6}^3$	(4,2,2)	$u_{20,21}^3$	(5,7,9)
$u_{1,2}^2$	(1,3,6)	$u_{2,1}^{2,3}$	(0,2,6)	$u_{6,7}^3$	(5,3,1)	$u_{21,22}^3$	(4,6,9)
$u_{2,3}^2$	(1,2,5)	$u_{3,4}^{2,3}$	(2,1,4)	$u_{7,8}^3$	(6,4,0)	$u_{22,23}^3$	(3,5,10)
$u_{3,4}^2$	(2,2,4)	$u_{5,6}^{2,3}$	(4,3,2)	$u_{8,9}^3$	(6,5,0)	$u_{23,24}^3$	(2,4,9)
$u_{4,5}^2$	(3,3,3)	$u_{6,9}^{2,3}$	(5,5,1)	$u_{9,10}^3$	(6,6,1)	$u_{24,25}^3$	(1,3,8)
$u_{5,6}^2$	(4,4,2)	$u_{8,11}^{2,3}$	(7,7,3)	$u_{10,11}^3$	(7,7,2)	$u_{25,1}^3$	(0,2,7)

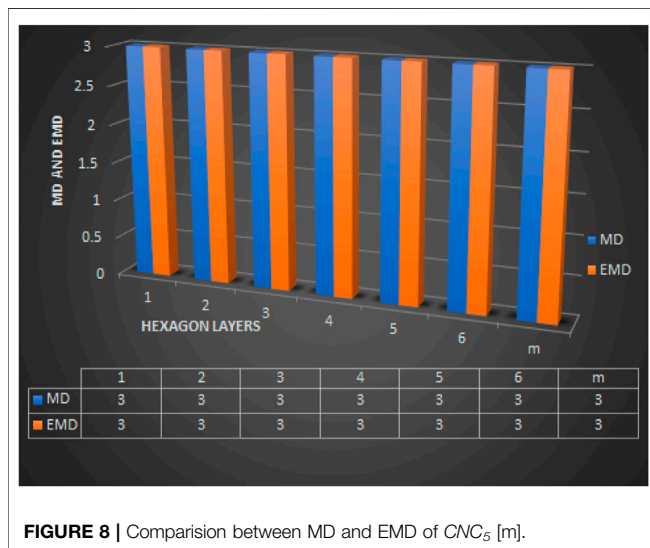


FIGURE 8 | Comparison between MD and EMD of  $CNC_5[m]$ .

The edge metric codes for the edges of  $i^{th}$  ( $6 \leq i \leq m-1$ ) cycle are as shown in Case 3J.

The edge metric codes for the edges of  $i = m^{th}$  cycle are as shown in Case 3K.

From these edge codes, we find that these are distinct from one and another in at least one coordinate, implying  $R_E$  to be an edge resolving set with cardinality three for  $CNC_5[m]$ . Hence,  $edimCNC_5[m] \leq 3$ .

By using Theorem 1 and Theorem 2, we obtain the following result

**Theorem 3.**  $edim(CNC_5[m]) = 3$ , for every  $m \geq 2$ .

Next, if the edge resolving set is independent for  $CNC_5[m]$ , then we have the following important result.

**Theorem 4.** For every  $m \geq 2$ , the independent edge resolving number is three for  $CNC_5[m]$ .

**Proof.** For proof, refer to Theorem 3.

**Example 3.1.** If  $m = 3$  and  $R_E = \{u_{3,1}, u_{3,3}, u_{3,8}\}$ , the edge metric codes for  $CNC_5[3]$  (Figure 7), are shown in Case 3L:

**Remark 3.1.** For 1-PCNC  $CNC_5[m]$ , we find that  $edim(CNC_5[m]) = dim(CNC_5[m]) = 3$  (using proposition 1 and Theorem 3). The comparison between metric dimension (MD) and edge metric dimension (EMD) of  $CNC_5[m]$  is clearly shown in Figure 8 and the value of these two dimensions are independent of the number of hexagon layers  $m$  and vertices in  $CNC_5[m]$ .

## 4 CONCLUSION

Edge metric generators for a given connected chemical graph contain crucial information required for the identification of each bond (edge) present in the graph, uniquely. In this article, for an important class of carbon nanocone, viz., one-pentagonal carbon nanocone  $CNC_5[m]$ , we prove that  $edim(CNC_5[m]) = 3$  and it does not depend upon the value of  $m$ . We show that the minimum edge resolving set for 1-PCNC is also independent. The contributions of this research may be beneficial to those working in the fields of micro-devices built with  $CNC_5[m]$ , nano-devices, nano-biotechnology, nano-engineering, and pharmacy. Following the metric dimension and edge metric dimension of  $CNC_5[m]$ , the natural problem that arises from the text is:

What should be the minimal cardinality of mixed metric resolving set (edge, as well as vertex, resolving set [35]) for  $CNC_5[m]$ ?

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