



On some bounds of degree based topological indices for total graphs

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Abstract

In this paper, we discuss the concept of total graph and computed some topological indices. If Θ is a simple graph, then the elements of Θ are the vertices Θ_V and edges Θ_E . For $e = u\acute{u} \in \Theta_E$, the vertex u and edge e , as well as \acute{u} and e , are incident. We define the general harmonic (GH) index and general sum connectivity (GS) index for graph Θ regarding incident vertex-edge degrees as: $H^\alpha(\Theta) = \sum_{e\acute{u}} \left(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e}\right)^\alpha$ and $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Theta) = \sum_{e\acute{u}} (\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha$, where α is any real number. In this article, we derive the closed formulas for a few standard graphs for (GH) and (GS) indices and then go on to calculate the lowest and the greatest general harmonic index, as well as the general sum-connectivity index, for various graphs that correspond to their total graphs.

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1. Introduction

Chemical Graph Theory is a branch of Mathematical Chemistry that uses graph theory tools numerically to analyze chemical phenomena [3, 23]. It has a significant impact on the realm of chemical sciences [10]. The vertices of a molecule are the atoms, and the links between the atoms are the valency bonds. A topological descriptor is an extracted numerical value from the molecular graph [24, 25]. It is used to understand the physicochemical properties of chemical compounds [11, 12]. The interesting characteristic of topological indices is to apprehend a couple of the features of an atomic structure in a single number. Starting with Wiener's foundational work [29], plenty of topological descriptor have been anticipated and investigated [28].

Let $\Theta = (\Theta_V, \Theta_E)$ be a simple graph having l vertices and m edges, with vertex and edge sets Θ_V and Θ_E , individually. And \aleph_u is used to symbolize the degree of vertex u [17, 18]. In a simple graph Θ , $u\acute{u}$ is the symbol for the edge e that connects the vertices u and \acute{u} .

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For the edge $e = u\acute{u}$ of the graph Θ , then the vertices u and \acute{u} are associated with edge e . The degree of an edge \aleph_e is calculated by the formula $\aleph_e = \aleph_u + \aleph_{\acute{u}} - 2$, where $u\acute{u} = e$. The total $\Gamma(\Theta)$ graph is a derived graph with $(\Gamma(\Theta))_V = \Theta_V + \Theta_E$ and $u\acute{u} \in (\Gamma(\Theta))_E \Leftrightarrow u$ and \acute{u} are associated or incident in Θ . For more details see [26, 27].

During the past few decades, edge end-vertex degrees were employed to calculate topological indices. Several indices have been recognized as helpful tools in theoretical-chemistry. The most familiar of these descriptors is discussed in [22]. This molecular descriptor (Randić sum connectivity) has been the subject of over a thousand studies and a number of books [14, 21]. Scientists have been working on improving the Randić index's predictive power for many years. As a result, a significant amount of additional topological indices, analogous to the novel Randić index, are introduced. The Zagreb type indices are the most important Randić successors [13]. The harmonic index, described in [8], is another noteworthy topological descriptor and is defined as:

$$H(\Theta) = \sum_{u\acute{u} \in \Theta_E} \frac{2}{(\aleph_u + \aleph_{\acute{u}})}.$$

Favaron et al. in [9] explored the connection between the harmonic index and graph eigenvalues. Zhong [31, 32] calculates the extreme values of harmonic indices for trees, general graphs, and unicyclic graphs. The general harmonic index is introduced by Yan et al. in [30] and is defined as:

$$H^\alpha(\Theta) = \sum_{u\acute{u} \in \Theta_E} \left(\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_{\acute{u}}}\right)^\alpha.$$

Getting inspiration from the Randić [1], Zagreb [12], and harmonic indices, two new indices namely, the sum connectivity and the general sum connectivity indices were defined by Zhou and Trinajstić in [33, 34] as:

$$\hat{\chi}(\Theta) = \sum_{u\acute{u} \in \Theta_E} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\aleph_u + \aleph_{\acute{u}}}}.$$

$$\hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Theta) = \sum_{u\acute{u} \in \Theta_E} (\aleph_u + \aleph_{\acute{u}})^\alpha.$$

Some extremal characteristics of $\hat{\chi}(\Theta)$ and $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Theta)$ are discussed in [5, 6, 35]. To account for contributions from pairs of nearby vertices, the Zagreb type indices were suggested. Following them, a slew of other indices are calculated [2, 7]. After being inspired by Kulli's work [15, 16, 19, 20], we define the generalized harmonic index and generalized sum connectivity index regarding incident vertex-edge degrees.

Definition 1.1. We establish the general harmonic (GH) index for graphs with regard to incident vertex-edge degrees as:

$$H^\alpha(\Theta) = \sum_{e\acute{u}} \left(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e}\right)^\alpha. \quad (1.1)$$

Definition 1.2. We establish the general sum-connectivity (GS) index for graphs with regard to incident vertex-edge degrees as:

$$\hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Theta) = \sum_{e\acute{u}} (\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha. \quad (1.2)$$

Firstly, we'll derive the closed formulas for a few standard graphs for equation (1.1) and equation (1.2). Secondly, we'll calculate the lowest and the greatest general harmonic (GH) index, as well as the general sum-connectivity (GS) index, across various graphs that correspond to their total graphs.

For $n \geq 4$, the path graph P_n has two types of edges $|\Theta_{E_{12}}| = 2$ and $|\Theta_{E_{22}}| = n - 3$ while total graph graph of P_n has four types of edges. i.e. $|\Gamma_{E_{23}}| = 2$, $|\Gamma_{E_{24}}| = 2$, $|\Gamma_{E_{34}}| = 4$, and $|\Gamma_{E_{44}}| = 4n - 13$, see details in Figure 1.

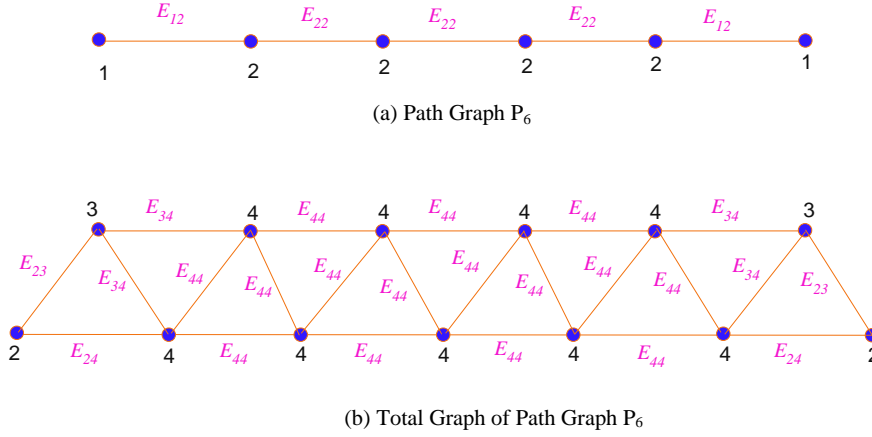


Figure 1. Graphical illustration of (a)path graph P_6 and (b)its total graph $\Gamma(P_6)$

Theorem 1.3. For $n \geq 4$, if $\Gamma(P_n)$ is the total graph of P_n (path graph), then for $\alpha > -2$ and $\alpha < -2$, P_n has the largest and smallest GS index, respectively.

Proof. By using equation (1.2), we can see that

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\chi}^\alpha(P_n) &= \sum_{\dot{u}e} [(\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{\dot{u}e \in E_i(P_n)} [(\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha + (\aleph_u + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\ &= (2^\alpha + 3^\alpha) \times 2 + 2 \times 4^\alpha(-3 + n) \\ &= 2^{\alpha+1} + 2 \times 3^\alpha + 2^{2\alpha+1}(n - 3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(P_n)) &= \sum_{\dot{u}e} [(\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{\dot{u}e \in E_i(\Gamma(P_n))} [(\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha + (\aleph_u + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\ &= 2(6^\alpha + 8^\alpha) + 2(5^\alpha + 6^\alpha) + 4(8^\alpha + 9^\alpha) + 2 \times 10^\alpha(-13 + 4n) \\ &= 2 \times 10^\alpha(-13 + 4n) + 2 \times (5^\alpha + 9^\alpha) + 4 \times (6^\alpha + 8^\alpha) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\chi}^\alpha(P_n) - \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(P_n)) &= 2 \times 4^\alpha(-3 + n) - 2 \times 10^\alpha(-13 + 4n) + 2^{\alpha+1} \\ &\quad + 2 \times 3^\alpha - 2 \times 5^\alpha - 4 \times 6^\alpha - 6 \times 8^\alpha - 4 \times 9^\alpha \end{aligned} \quad (1.3)$$

Define $h(\nu) = 2 \times 4^\alpha(-3 + \nu) - 2 \times 10^\alpha(-13 + 4\nu)$.

For $\nu \geq 4$, $h(\nu)$ is strictly decreasing function when $\alpha > -2$, also

$$\begin{aligned} h(4) &= 2 \times 4^\alpha - 6 \times 10^\alpha + 2 \times 2^\alpha + 2 \times 3^\alpha - 2 \times 5^\alpha - 4 \times 6^\alpha - 6 \times 8^\alpha - 4 \times 9^\alpha \\ &= 2 \times (2^\alpha + 3^\alpha - 5^\alpha - 6^\alpha) - 2 \times (3 \times 8^\alpha + 2 \times 9^\alpha + 3 \times 10^\alpha) \\ &< 0, \quad \text{for } \alpha > -2. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(P_n) - \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(P_n)) \leq h(\nu) \leq h(4) < 0$ for $\alpha > -2$. Which implies that $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(P_n) < \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(P_n))$ for $\alpha > -2$. By similar calculations, $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(P_n) > \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(P_n))$ for $\alpha < -2$ and hence the the proof. \square

Theorem 1.4. For $n \geq 4$, if $\Gamma(P_n)$ is the total graph of P_n (path graph), then for $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}$ and $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha < \frac{1}{4}$, P_n has the smallest and largest GH index, respectively.

Proof. By using equation (1.1), we can see that

$$\begin{aligned} H^\alpha(P_n) &= \sum_{\acute{u}e} \left(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e}\right)^\alpha \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{\acute{u}u \in E_i(P_n)} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e}\right) + \left(\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e}\right)\right] \\ &= 2 \times \left(1 + \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^\alpha\right) + 2 \times \left(\frac{1}{2^\alpha}\right)(-3 + n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H^\alpha(\Gamma(P_n)) &= \sum_{\acute{u}e} \left(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e}\right)^\alpha \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{\acute{u}u \in E_i(\Gamma(P_n))} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e}\right) + \left(\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e}\right)\right] \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{5^\alpha}\right)(-13 + 4n) + 4 \times \left[\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^\alpha + \left(\frac{2}{9}\right)^\alpha\right] + 2 \times \left[\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^\alpha + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^\alpha\right] \\ &\quad + 2 \times \left[\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^\alpha + \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^\alpha\right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} H^\alpha(P_n) - H^\alpha(\Gamma(P_n)) &= \frac{2}{2^\alpha} \times (-3 + n) - \left(\frac{2}{5^\alpha}\right) \times (-13 + 4n) + 2 \\ &\quad + 2 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^\alpha - 2 \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^\alpha - \left(\frac{4}{3^\alpha}\right) - \left(\frac{2}{4^\alpha}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{2^\alpha}\right) - 4 \times \left(\frac{2}{9}\right)^\alpha \end{aligned} \quad (1.4)$$

Define $g(\mu) = \frac{2}{2^\alpha}(\mu - 3) - (-13 + 4\mu) \times \left(\frac{2}{5^\alpha}\right)$.

For $\mu \geq 4$, $g(\mu)$ is strictly decreasing function when $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}$, also $g(4) < 0$ also holds for $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}$. Consequently, $H^\alpha(P_n) - H^\alpha(\Gamma(P_n)) \leq g(\mu) \leq g(4) < 0$ for $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}$. Which implies that $H^\alpha(P_n) < H^\alpha(\Gamma(P_n))$ for $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}$. By similar calculations, $H^\alpha(P_n) > H^\alpha(\Gamma(P_n))$ for $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha < \frac{1}{4}$ and hence the the proof. \square

For $n \geq 3$, the cyclic graph C_n is 2 regular graph, so there is only one type of edges $\Theta_{E_{22}}$ with frequency n . If $\Gamma(C_n)$ is the total graph of cycle C_n , then it is a 4 regular graph. There is only one type of edges $\Gamma_{E_{44}}$ with frequency $4n$. The total graph derived from the cyclic graph C_n has $2n$ vertices and edges $4n$, see details in Figure 2.

Theorem 1.5. For $n \geq 3$, $\Gamma(C_n)$ has the greatest and the smallest GS index for $\alpha < -2$ and $\alpha > -2$, respectively.

Proof. By using equation (1.2), we can see that

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\chi}^\alpha(C_n) &= \sum_{\acute{u}e} [(\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\ &= \sum_{\acute{u}u \in E(C_n)} [(\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha + (\aleph_u + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\ &= 2n \times 4^\alpha \end{aligned}$$

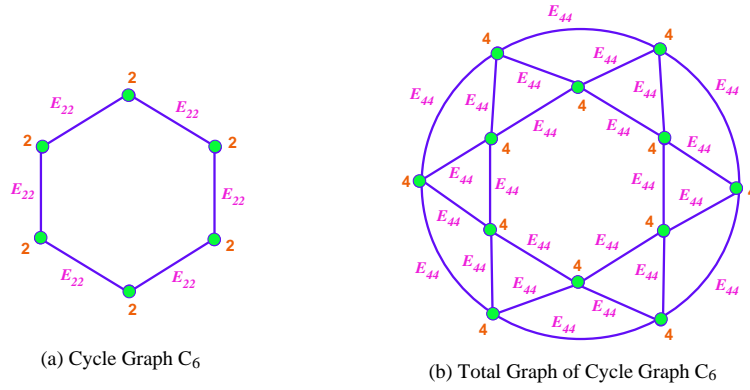


Figure 2. Graphical illustration of (a)cycle graph C_6 and (b)its total graph $\Gamma(C_6)$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(C_n)) &= \sum_{ue} [(\aleph_u + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\ &= \sum_{uu \in E(\Gamma(C_n))} [(\aleph_u + \aleph_e)^\alpha + (\aleph_u + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\ &= 8n \times 10^\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{\chi}^\alpha(C_n) - \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(C_n)) = 2n \times 4^\alpha - 8n \times 10^\alpha \tag{1.5}$$

Define $h(\nu) = 2\nu \times 4^\alpha - 8\nu \times 10^\alpha$. Also,

$$\begin{aligned} h(3) &= 6 \times 4^\alpha - 12 \times 10^\alpha \\ &= 6 \times 4^\alpha (1 - 2(\frac{5}{2})^\alpha) \\ &< 0, \Leftrightarrow (\frac{5}{2})^\alpha > \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

which holds for $\alpha > -2$, so $h(3) < 0$ for $\alpha > -2$. And $h'(\nu) = 2(4^\alpha - 4 \times 10^\alpha) < 0$ for $\alpha > -2$. Consequently, $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(C_n) - \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(C_n)) \leq h(\nu) \leq h(3) < 0$ for $\alpha > -2$. Which implies that $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(C_n) < \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(C_n))$ for $\alpha > -2$. By similar calculations, $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(C_n) > \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(C_n))$ for $\alpha < -2$ and hence the the proof. \square

Theorem 1.6. For $n \geq 3$, $\Gamma(C_n)$ has the greatest and the smallest GH index for $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha < \frac{1}{4}$ and $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}$, respectively.

Proof. By using equation (1.1), we can see that

$$\begin{aligned} H^\alpha(C_n) &= \sum_{ue} (\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e})^\alpha \\ &= \sum_{uu \in E(C_n)} [(\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e})^\alpha + (\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e})^\alpha] \\ &= 2 \times (\frac{2}{2+2})^\alpha \times n = 2n \times (\frac{1}{2})^\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
H^\alpha(\Gamma(C_n)) &= \sum_{ue} \left(\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e}\right)^\alpha \\
&= \sum_{uu \in E(\Gamma(C_n))} \left[\left(\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e}\right)^\alpha + \left(\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e}\right)^\alpha\right] \\
&= 2 \times \left(\frac{2}{4+6}\right)^\alpha \times 4n = 8n \times \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^\alpha \\
H^\alpha(C_n) - H^\alpha(\Gamma(C_n)) &= 2n \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^\alpha - 8n \times \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^\alpha \tag{1.6}
\end{aligned}$$

Define $f(\nu) = 2\nu \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^\alpha - 8\nu \times \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^\alpha$. Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
f(3) &= \frac{6}{2^\alpha} - \frac{24}{5^\alpha} \\
&= 6 \times \left(\frac{1}{2^\alpha} - \frac{4}{5^\alpha}\right) \\
&< 0, \Leftrightarrow \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}
\end{aligned}$$

So $f(3) < 0$ for $\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}$. And $f'(\nu) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2^\alpha} - 4 \times \frac{1}{5^\alpha}\right) < 0$ for $\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}$. Consequently, $H^\alpha(C_n) - H^\alpha(\Gamma(C_n)) \leq f(\nu) \leq f(3) < 0$ for $\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}$. Which implies that $H^\alpha(C_n) < H^\alpha(\Gamma(C_n))$ for $\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^\alpha > \frac{1}{4}$. By similar calculations, $H^\alpha(C_n) > H^\alpha(\Gamma(C_n))$ for $\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^\alpha < \frac{1}{4}$ and hence the the proof. \square

Lemma 1.7. $\Gamma(K_n)$ is $(2n - 2)$ regular graph and has order and size $\frac{n^2+n}{2}$ and $\frac{n}{2} \cdot (n - 1)(n + 1)$ respectively.

Proof. Each vertex, say u' , will be connected to $n - 1$ vertices, see details in Figure 3. As a result, these vertices will be connected to u' by $n - 1$ edges. Therefore, the degree of u' in $\Gamma(K_n)$ will be $2n - 2$. i.e. $\Gamma(K_n)$ is $2n - 2$ regular. As $|V(K_n)| = n$ and $|E(K_n)| = \frac{n}{2} \times (n - 1)$, so by using definition of $\Gamma(K_n)$, $|V(\Gamma(K_n))| = \frac{n}{2} \times (n - 1) + n = \frac{n^2+n}{2}$. Using the regularity and order of $\Gamma(K_n)$, we have $\sum_{u' \in V(\Gamma(K_n))} (\aleph_{u'}) = \frac{n^2+n}{2} \cdot (2n - 2)$. With the help of Hand shaking lemma, $|E(\Gamma(K_n))| = \frac{n}{2} \cdot (n - 1)(n + 1)$. \square

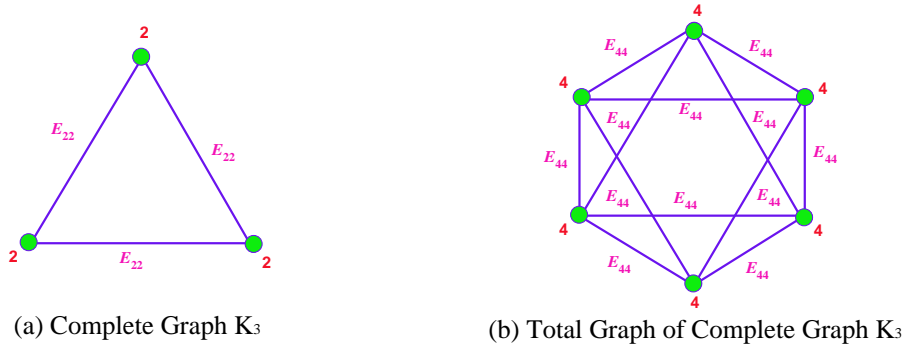


Figure 3. Graphical illustration of (a)complete graph K_3 and (b) its total graph $\Gamma(K_3)$

Lemma 1.8. Let $\beta \geq 3$, the function $\phi(\beta)$ is a strictly decreasing and increasing function for $\alpha > \frac{-1}{3}$ and $\alpha < \frac{-1}{3}$ respectively, where

$$\phi(\beta) = \beta(\beta - 1)[(3\beta - 5)^\alpha - (\beta + 1)(6\beta - 8)^\alpha]$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi'(\beta) &= (3\beta - 5)^{\alpha-1} [(2\beta - 1)(3\beta - 5) + 3\alpha\beta(\beta - 1)] \\
&- (6\beta - 8)^{\alpha-1} [(2\beta - 1)(\beta + 1) + (\beta^2 - \beta)(6\beta - 8) + (\beta^2 - \beta)(\beta + 1) \times 6\alpha] \\
&= (3\beta - 5)^{\alpha-1} [(6 - 3\alpha)\beta^2 + (-13 + 3\alpha)\beta + 5] \\
&- (6\beta - 8)^{\alpha-1} [6(1 + \alpha)\beta^3 - 12\beta^2 + 9\beta - 1]
\end{aligned} \tag{1.7}$$

The convexity of $x^{\alpha-1}$ together with the Jensen's inequality implies that

$$(6\beta - 8)^{\alpha-1} < (3\beta - 5)^{\alpha-1} + 3(\beta - 1)^{\alpha-1}$$

Therefore, by using above inequality in equation (1.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\phi'(\beta) &< (3\beta - 5)^{\alpha-1} [(-6 - 6\alpha)\beta^3 + (18 - 3\alpha)\beta^2 + (-22 + 3\alpha)\beta + 6] \\
\phi(\beta) &< (3\beta - 5)^{\alpha-1} g(\beta) < 0
\end{aligned}$$

for $\beta \geq 4$ and $\alpha > \frac{-1}{3}$, where $g(\beta) = a_1\beta^3 + a_2\beta^2 + a_3\beta + 6$, and $a_1 = -6 - 6\alpha$, $a_2 = 18 - 3\alpha$, $a_3 = -22 + 3\alpha$. Since $1 \leq \alpha - 1 \leq 2$ implies that $2 \leq \alpha \leq 3$. Consequently, $\phi(\beta)$ is strictly decreasing for $\alpha > \frac{-1}{3}$. Similarly, we can show $\phi(\beta)$ strictly increasing for $\alpha < \frac{-1}{3}$. \square

Lemma 1.9. *Let $\vartheta \geq 3$, the function $\Omega(\vartheta)$ is a strictly decreasing and increasing function for $\alpha < \frac{-1}{2}$ and $\alpha > \frac{-1}{2}$ respectively, where*

$$\Omega(\vartheta) = 2^\alpha \vartheta (\vartheta - 1) \left[\frac{1}{(3\vartheta - 5)^\alpha} - \frac{(\vartheta + 1)}{(6\vartheta - 8)^\alpha} \right]$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega'(\vartheta) &= 2^\alpha (2\vartheta - 1) \left[\frac{1}{(3\vartheta - 5)^\alpha} - \frac{\vartheta + 1}{(6\vartheta - 8)^\alpha} \right] \\
&+ 2^\alpha (\vartheta^2 - \vartheta) \left[\frac{3\alpha}{(3\vartheta - 5)^\alpha} - \frac{1}{(6\vartheta - 8)^\alpha} + \frac{6\alpha(\vartheta + 1)}{(6\vartheta - 8)^2} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{(3\vartheta - 5)^\alpha} [2\vartheta - 1 + \frac{3\alpha(\vartheta^2 - \vartheta)}{3\vartheta - 5}] \\
&- \frac{1}{(6\vartheta - 8)^\alpha} [(2\vartheta - 1)(\vartheta + 1) - (\vartheta^2 - \vartheta)] + \frac{6(\vartheta + 1)\vartheta(\vartheta - 1)}{(6\vartheta - 8)^2} \times \alpha \\
&= \frac{1}{(3\vartheta - 5)^\alpha} [(6 + 3\alpha)\vartheta^2 + (-13 - 3\alpha)\vartheta - 5] + \frac{6\alpha(\vartheta + 1)\vartheta(\vartheta - 1)}{(6\vartheta - 8)^2} \\
&- \frac{1}{(6\vartheta - 8)^\alpha} [\vartheta^2 + 2\vartheta - 1] \\
&\leq \frac{1}{(3\vartheta - 5)^\alpha} [(6 + 3\alpha)\vartheta^2 + (-13 - 3\alpha)\vartheta - 5] + \frac{6\alpha(\vartheta + 1)\vartheta(\vartheta - 1)}{(6\vartheta - 8)^2} \\
&= f(\vartheta) + g(\vartheta)
\end{aligned} \tag{1.8}$$

where $f(\vartheta) = \frac{1}{(3\vartheta - 5)^\alpha} [(6 + 3\alpha)\vartheta^2 + (-13 - 3\alpha)\vartheta - 5]$ and $g(\vartheta) = \frac{6\alpha(\vartheta + 1)\vartheta(\vartheta - 1)}{(6\vartheta - 8)^2}$ both are strictly decreasing for $\alpha < \frac{-1}{2}$ and are strictly increasing for $\alpha > \frac{-1}{2}$. Consequently, inequality 1.8 implies that $\Omega(\vartheta)$ is strictly decreasing for $\alpha < \frac{-1}{2}$. Similarly, we can show $\Omega(\vartheta)$ is strictly increasing for $\alpha > \frac{-1}{2}$. \square

Theorem 1.10. *If $\Gamma(K_n)$ is the total graph of complete graph where $n \geq 3$, then K_n give the largest and the smallest GS index for $\alpha < \frac{-1}{3}$ and $\alpha > \frac{-1}{3}$ respectively. Furthermore, for $\alpha = \frac{1}{3}$ and $\beta = 3$*

$$\hat{\chi}^\alpha(K_n) = \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(K_n))$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\chi}^\alpha(K_n) &= \sum_{\dot{u}e} [(\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\
&= \sum_{\dot{u}u \in E(K_n)} [(\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha + (\aleph_u + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\
&= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} \times 2 \times (3n-5)^\alpha \\
&= n(n-1)(3n-5)^\alpha \\
\hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(K_n)) &= \sum_{\dot{u}e} [(\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\
&= \sum_{\dot{u}u \in E(\Gamma(K_n))} [(\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha + (\aleph_u + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\
&= n(n-1)(n+1)(6n-8)^\alpha
\end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{\chi}^\alpha(K_n) - \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(K_n)) = n(n-1)[(3n-5)^\alpha - (n+1)(6n-8)^\alpha].$$

By using Lemma 1.8, the function $\psi(n) = n(n-1)[(3n-5)^\alpha - (n+1)(6n-8)^\alpha]$ is increasing and decreasing for $\alpha < \frac{-1}{3}$ and $\alpha > \frac{-1}{3}$ respectively. Also $\psi(3) = 6(4^\alpha - 4 \cdot 10^\alpha) < 0$ if and only if $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha < 4$ which holds for $\alpha > \frac{-1}{3}$. Therefore $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(K_n) < \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(K_n))$. By the similar argument for $\alpha < \frac{-1}{3}$, we have the result $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(K_n) > \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(K_n))$. Finally, for $\alpha = \frac{-1}{3}$ and $n = 3$, we have $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(K_n) = \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(K_n))$. \square

Theorem 1.11. *If $\Gamma(K_n)$ is the total graph of complete graph where $n \geq 3$, then K_n give the largest and the smallest GH index for $\alpha > \frac{-1}{2}$ and $\alpha < \frac{-1}{2}$ respectively.*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
H^\alpha(K_n) &= \sum_{\dot{u}e} [(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e})^\alpha] \\
&= \sum_{\dot{u}u \in E(K_n)} [(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e})^\alpha + (\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e})^\alpha] \\
&= 2 \times (\frac{2}{3n-5})^\alpha \times \frac{n}{2} \cdot (n-1) \\
&= \frac{n2^\alpha}{(3n-5)^\alpha} \times (n-1) \\
H^\alpha(\Gamma(K_n)) &= \sum_{\dot{u}e} [(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e})^\alpha] \\
&= \sum_{\dot{u}u \in E(\Gamma(K_n))} [(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\dot{u}} + \aleph_e})^\alpha + (\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e})^\alpha] \\
&= 2 \times (\frac{2}{2n-2+4n-6})^\alpha \times \frac{n(n-1)(n+1)}{2} \\
&= \frac{2^\alpha}{(6n-8)^\alpha} \times n(n-1)(n+1)
\end{aligned}$$

$$H^\alpha(K_n) - H^\alpha(\Gamma(K_n)) = 2^\alpha n(n-1) \left[\frac{1}{(3n-5)^\alpha} - \frac{(n+1)}{(6n-8)^\alpha} \right].$$

By using Lemma 1.9, the function $\Omega(\vartheta) = 2^\alpha \vartheta(\vartheta-1) \left[\frac{1}{(3\vartheta-5)^\alpha} - \frac{(\vartheta+1)}{(6\vartheta-8)^\alpha} \right]$ is increasing and decreasing for $\alpha > \frac{-1}{2}$ and $\alpha < \frac{-1}{2}$ respectively. Also $\Omega(3) = 6 \cdot 2^\alpha \left[\frac{1}{4^\alpha} - \frac{4}{10^\alpha} \right] < 0$ if and only if $(\frac{2}{5})^\alpha < \frac{1}{4}$ which holds for $\alpha < \frac{-1}{2}$. Therefore $H^\alpha(K_n) < H^\alpha(\Gamma(K_n))$. By the similar argument for $\alpha > \frac{-1}{2}$, we have the result $H^\alpha(K_n) > H^\alpha(\Gamma(K_n))$. \square

Lemma 1.12. For $\beta \geq 2$, the function defined by $\tau(\beta) = 2^\beta[\beta \times (-2 + 3\beta)^\alpha - \beta \times (2 + \beta)(-2 + 6\beta)^\alpha]$ is strictly increasing and decreasing for $\alpha < -3$ and $\alpha > -3$ respectively.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \tau'(x) &= 2^\beta(1 + \beta \ln 2)[(-2 + 3\beta)^\alpha - (\beta + 2)(-2 + 6\beta)^\alpha] \\ &+ 2^\beta \times \beta[3\alpha(-2 + 3\beta)^\alpha - 1 - (-2 + 6\beta)^\alpha - (2 + \beta) \times 6\alpha(-2 + 6\beta)^{\alpha-1}] \\ &= 2^\alpha(-2 + 3\beta)^{\alpha-1}[(-2 + 3\beta)(1 + x \ln 2) + 3\alpha\beta] \\ &- 2^\alpha(-2 + 2\beta)^{\alpha-1}[(-2 + 6\beta)(\ln 2(\beta)^2 + 2(1 + \ln 2)\beta + 2) + 6\alpha\beta(\beta + 2)] \end{aligned} \quad (1.9)$$

The convexity of $u^{\alpha-1}$ together with the Jensens inequality implies that

$$(3\beta)^{\alpha-1} > (-2 + 6\beta)^{\alpha-1} - (-2 + 3\beta)^{\alpha-1}$$

Using above inequality in equation (1.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \tau'(\beta) &< 2^\beta(-2 + 3\beta)^{\alpha-1}[3\beta - 2 + 3 \ln 2\beta^2 - 2 \ln 2\beta + 3\beta\alpha - (12\beta^2 + 8x - 4 \\ &+ 6\beta^3 \ln 2 - 2\beta^2 \ln 2 + 12\beta^2 \ln 2 - 4\beta \ln 2 + 6\beta^2\alpha + 12\beta\alpha)] \\ &= 2^\beta(3\beta - 2)^{\alpha-1}[(-6 \times \ln 2)\beta^3 + (\ln 8 - 10 \times \ln 2 - 12 - 6\alpha)\beta^2 \\ &+ (-5 - \ln 4 + 4 \ln 2 - 9\alpha)\beta + 2] \\ \tau'(\beta) &< 2^\beta(-2 + 3\beta)^{\alpha-1} \times g(\beta) \end{aligned} \quad (1.10)$$

where $g(\beta) = [(-6 \times \ln 2)\beta^3 + (\ln 8 - 10 \times \ln 2 - 12 - 6\alpha)\beta^2 + (-5 - \ln 4 + 4 \ln 2 - 9\alpha)\beta + 2]$ $g'(\beta) < 0$ for $\alpha > -3$ and $g'(\beta) > 0$ for $\alpha < -3$, where $\beta \geq 2$. Consequently, $\tau(\beta)$ is increasing for $\alpha < -3$ and $\tau(\beta)$ is decreasing for $\alpha > -3$; $\beta \geq 2$. \square

Lemma 1.13. For $w \geq 3$, the function defined by $\phi(w) = w \times 2^{w+\alpha}[\frac{1}{(3w-2)^\alpha} - \frac{(w+2)}{(6w-2)^\alpha}]$ is strictly increasing and decreasing for $(\frac{7}{16})^\alpha < \frac{1}{5}$ and $(\frac{7}{16})^\alpha > \frac{1}{5}$ respectively.

Lemma 1.13 can be proved analogously. The hypercube Q_n is n regular graph with order and size as 2^n and $n \times 2^{n-1}$ respectively, see details in Figure 4. By definition of total graph, $\Gamma(Q_n)$ has order and size as $n \cdot 2^{n-1} + 2 \cdot 2^{n-1} = (n + 2) \cdot 2^{n-1}$ and $2^{n-1} \cdot n(2n + n^2)$, respectively. Now for the hypercube Q_n , we calculate the smallest and

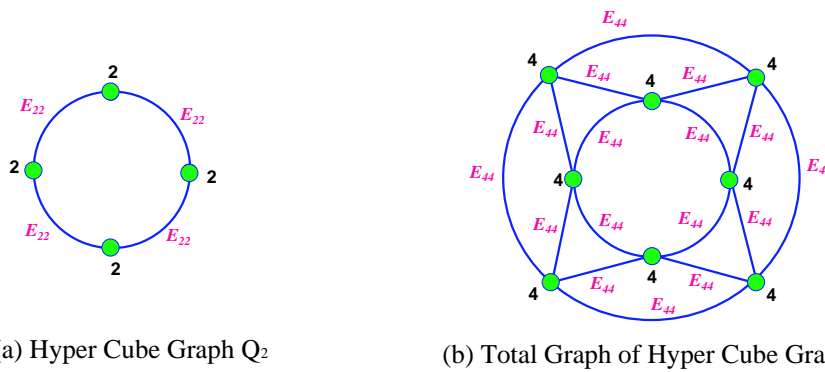


Figure 4. Graphical illustration of (a) hypercube Q_2 and (b) its total graph $\Gamma(Q_2)$

the largest GS index.

Theorem 1.14. Let $\Gamma(Q_n)$ be the total graph of Q_n , then for $n \geq 2$, Q_n has the smallest and the greatest GS index for $\alpha < -3$ and $\alpha > -3$ respectively.

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\chi}^\alpha(Q_n) &= \sum_{\acute{u}e} [(\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\
&= \sum_{\acute{u}u \in E(Q_n)} [(\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha + (\aleph_u + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\
&= [(n + 2(-1 + n)^\alpha + (n + 2(-1 + n)^\alpha)] \cdot 2^{n-1} \cdot n \\
&= 2^n \times n(3n - 2)^\alpha
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(Q_n)) &= \sum_{\acute{u}e} [(\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\
&= \sum_{\acute{u}u \in E(\Gamma(Q_n))} [(\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e)^\alpha + (\aleph_u + \aleph_e)^\alpha] \\
&= [(2n + 2(-1 + 2n)^\alpha + (2n + 2(-1 + 2n)^\alpha)] \cdot 2^{n-1} \cdot (2 + n) \cdot n \\
&= 2^n \times (6n - 2)^\alpha (2 + n)n
\end{aligned}$$

$$\hat{\chi}^\alpha(Q_n) - \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(Q_n)) = n \times 2^n [(3n - 2)^\alpha - (n + 2)(6n - 2)^\alpha] \quad (1.11)$$

Let $\tau(u) = x \times 2^u [(3u - 2)^\alpha - (u + 2)(6u - 2)^\alpha]$, then by using Lemma 1.12, $\tau(u)$ is strictly increasing and decreasing for $\alpha < -3$ and $\alpha > -3$ respectively. Also $\tau(3) = 24(7^\alpha - 5 \times (16)^\alpha) < 0$ for $(\frac{7}{16})^\alpha < 5$, which also satisfied by $\alpha > -3$. Consequently, $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(Q_n) - \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(Q_n)) \leq \tau(u) \leq \tau(3) < 0$ for $\alpha > -3$, which implies that $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(Q_n) < \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(Q_n))$ for $\alpha > -3$. By similar calculations, we can show that $\hat{\chi}^\alpha(Q_n) > \hat{\chi}^\alpha(\Gamma(Q_n))$ for $\alpha < -3$. \square

Theorem 1.15. *Let $\Gamma(Q_n)$ be the total graph of Q_n , then for $n \geq 3$, Q_n has the smallest and the greatest GH index for $(\frac{16}{7})^\alpha > \frac{1}{5}$ and $(\frac{16}{7})^\alpha > \frac{1}{5}$ respectively.*

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned}
H^\alpha(Q_n) &= \sum_{\acute{u}e} [(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e})^\alpha] \\
&= \sum_{\acute{u}u \in E(Q_n)} [(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e})^\alpha + (\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e})^\alpha] \\
&= n \times [(\frac{2}{n + 2(-1 + n)})^\alpha + (\frac{2}{n + 2(-1 + n)})^\alpha] \times 2^{n-1} \\
&= n \times \frac{2^{n+\alpha}}{(3n - 2)^\alpha} \\
H^\alpha(\Gamma(Q_n)) &= \sum_{\acute{u}e} [(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e})^\alpha] \\
&= \sum_{\acute{u}u \in E(\Gamma(Q_n))} [(\frac{2}{\aleph_{\acute{u}} + \aleph_e})^\alpha + (\frac{2}{\aleph_u + \aleph_e})^\alpha] \\
&= [(\frac{2}{2(n - 1 + 2n)})^\alpha + (\frac{2}{2(n - 1 + 2n)})^\alpha] \cdot (2n + n^2) \cdot 2^{n-1} \\
&= (2n + n^2) \times \frac{2^{n+\alpha}}{(6n - 2)^\alpha}
\end{aligned}$$

$$H^\alpha(Q_n) - H^\alpha(\Gamma(Q_n)) = n \times 2^{n+\alpha} [\frac{1}{(3n - 2)^\alpha} - \frac{(n + 2)}{(6n - 2)^\alpha}]. \quad (1.12)$$

Let $\phi(u) = u \times 2^{u+\alpha} [\frac{1}{(3u-2)^\alpha} - \frac{(u+2)}{(6u-2)^\alpha}]$, then by using Lemma 1.13, $\phi(u)$ is strictly increasing and decreasing for $(\frac{7}{16})^\alpha < \frac{1}{5}$ and $(\frac{7}{16})^\alpha > \frac{1}{5}$ respectively. Also $\phi(3) = 16(\frac{1}{7^\alpha} - \frac{5}{(16)^\alpha}) < 0$ for $(\frac{7}{16})^\alpha > \frac{1}{5}$. Consequently, $H^\alpha(Q_n) - H^\alpha(\Gamma(Q_n)) \leq \phi(u) \leq \phi(3) < 0$, for $(\frac{7}{16})^\alpha > \frac{1}{5}$, which implies that $H^\alpha(Q_n) < H^\alpha(\Gamma(Q_n))$ for $(\frac{7}{16})^\alpha > \frac{1}{5}$. By similar calculations, we can show that $H^\alpha(Q_n) > H^\alpha(\Gamma(Q_n))$ for $(\frac{7}{16})^\alpha < \frac{1}{5}$. \square

2. Conclusion

The study of structural Graphs Theory is a large and growing field of study. First strategy for analysing structural qualities is to obtain quantitative measurements that scramble structural data of the entire system by a real number. The entire structure of networks has been examined using a vast compendium of quantitative descriptors and related graphs. The importance of degree-related topological indices in theoretical chemistry and nanotechnology is highlighted in these studies. As a result, one of the most successful study areas is the computation of degree-related indices.

This study deals with the derivation of closed expression of (GH) and (GS) indices in terms of incident vertex-edge degrees for the path graph P_n , cyclic graph C_n , complete graph K_n , and the hypercube graph Q_n for a definite pendent vertex for various estimations of α . Computing favourable results for the extremal (GS) and (GH) indices of various graphs with fixed parameters would be the most appealing.

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