

MINIMUM DEGREE ENERGY FOR SOME CLASSES OF GRAPHS

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Abstract

In this paper we find minimum degree energy for graphs like $C_n \times P_2$, Totalgraph of C_n , Totalgraph of regular graph of degree r and Cocktail party graph

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1 Introduction

Let G be a simple graph and let its vertex set be $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$. The adjacency matrix $A(G)$ of the graph G is a square matrix of order n whose (i, j) -entry is equal to unity if the vertices v_i and v_j are adjacent, and is equal to zero otherwise. The eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ of $A(G)$, assumed in non increasing order, are the eigenvalues of the graph G .

The energy of G was first defined by I.Gutman[4] in 1978 as the sum of the absolute values of its eigenvalues:

$$E(G) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|.$$

Ever since the graph energy $E(G)$ of a simple graph G was introduced by I.Gutman [4], there is a constant stream of papers devoted to this topic. Survey of development before 2001 can be found in [5]. For recent developments one can consult [3]. The energy of a graph has close links to chemistry(see for instance [6]). Let G be a simple graph with n vertices v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n and let d_i be the degree of v_i , $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$. Define

$$d_{ij} = \begin{cases} \min\{d_i, d_j\} & \text{if } v_i \text{ and } v_j \text{ are adjacent,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then the $n \times n$ matrix $m(G) = (d_{ij})$ is called the minimum degree matrix of G . This was introduced and studied in[1, 2]. The characteristic polynomial of the minimum degree matrix $m(G)$ is defined by

$$\phi(G; \mu) = \det(\mu I - m(G))$$

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$$= \mu^n + c_1 \mu^{n-1} + c_2 \mu^{n-2} + \dots + c_{n-1} \mu + c_n,$$

where I is the unit matrix of order n . The minimum degree eigenvalues $\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n$ of the graph G , assumed in the non increasing order, are the eigenvalues of its minimum degree matrix $m(G)$. The minimum degree energy of a graph G is defined as

$$E_m(G) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\mu_i|.$$

Since $m(G)$ is real symmetric matrix with zero trace, these minimum degree eigenvalues are all real with sum equal to zero. In this paper, we compute the minimum degree Energy $E_m(G)$ of some classes of graphs like $C_n \times P_2$, Totalgraph of C_n , Totalgraph of regular graph of degree r and Cocktail party graph.

2 MINIMUM DEGREE ENERGY

In this section we find minimum degree energy of some classes of graphs.

Definition 2.1 If $G_1 = (V_1, E_1)$ and $G_2 = (V_2, E_2)$ are two graphs then the cartesian product of G_1 and G_2 denoted by $G_1 \times G_2 = G(V, E)$ consists a vertex set $V = V_1 \times V_2$ and $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2) \in V_1 \times V_2$ are adjacent if $x_1 x_2 \in E_1$ and $y_1 = y_2$ or $y_1 y_2 \in E_2$ and $x_1 = x_2$.

Theorem 2.1 The minimum degree energy of $C_n \times P_2$ is

$$E_m(C_n \times P_2) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left| 1 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \right| + \sum_{i=1}^n \left| 1 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \right|.$$

Proof. The minimum degree characteristic polynomial of C_n is

$$P_{C_n}(\mu) = -2^{n+1} + 2^n \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} (-1)^k \frac{n}{n-k} \binom{n}{k} \left(\frac{\mu}{2} \right)^{n-2k}.$$

The minimum degree eigenvalues of cycle C_n are the numbers $4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n}$, for $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$. The minimum degree characteristic polynomial of P_2 is

$$P_{P_2}(\mu) = \mu^2 - 1,$$

the minimum degree eigenvalues of P_2 are -1 and 1 . The eigenvalues of $C_n \times P_2$ are $1 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n}$

and $1 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n}$ ($i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$). Thus

$$E_m(C_n \times P_2) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left| -1 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \right| + \sum_{i=1}^n \left| 1 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \right|.$$

Also the minimum degree energy of $C_n \times P_3$ is

$$E_m(C_n \times P_3) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left| 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \right| + \sum_{i=1}^n \left| 2 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \right| + \sum_{i=1}^n \left| 2 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \right|.$$

Definition 2.2 The total graph $T(G)$ of graph G is that graph whose set of vertices is the union of the set of vertices and of the set of edges of G , with two vertices of $T(G)$ being adjacent if and only if the corresponding elements of G are adjacent or incident.

Let G be regular graph of degree r , having n vertices and m edges, then the minimum degree matrix $m(T(G))$ of total graph $T(G)$ with vertex set $(v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, e_{n+1}, e_{n+1}, \dots, e_{m+n})$ can be written in the form,

$$m(T(G)) = \begin{pmatrix} A & R \\ R^T & B \end{pmatrix},$$

where $A = [a_{ij}]$,

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 2r & \text{if } v_i \text{ and } v_j \text{ are adjacent} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

$B = [b_{ij}]$,

$$b_{ij} = \begin{cases} 2r & \text{if } e_{n+1} \text{ and } e_{n+j} \text{ are adjacent} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and $R = [r_{ij}]$,

$$r_{ij} = \begin{cases} 2r & \text{if } v_i \text{ and } e_{n+j} \text{ are adjacent} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Hence the characteristic polynomial $\phi(T(G); \mu)$ of $m(T(G))$ is obtained as follows,

$$P_{T(G)}(\mu) = (2r)^{m+n} \begin{vmatrix} \frac{\mu}{2r} I + rI & RR^T & R \\ -R^T & \frac{\mu}{2r} I + 2I - R^T R \end{vmatrix}.$$

where $\rho = \frac{\mu}{2r}$.

$$P_{T(G)}(\mu) = (2r)^{m+n} \begin{vmatrix} (\rho + r)I - RR^T + \frac{R}{\rho+2} (-(\rho + r + 1)R^T + R^T RR^T) & 0 \\ -(\rho + r + 1)R^T + R^T RR^T & (\rho + 2)I \end{vmatrix}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{T(G)}(\mu) &= (2r)^{m+n}(\rho + 2)^m \left| \rho I - m(G) + \frac{1}{\rho + 2} (m(G) + rI)(m(G) - (\rho + 1)I) \right| \\ &= (2r)^{m+n}(\rho + 2)^{m-n} \left| (m(G))^2 - (2\rho - r + 3)m(G) + (\rho^2 - (r - 2)\rho - r)I \right| \\ &= (2r)^{m+n}(\rho + 2)^{m-n} \prod_{i=1}^n (\rho_i^2 - (2\rho - r + 3)\rho_i + \rho^2 - (r - 2)\rho - r) \\ &= (2r)^{m+n}(\rho + 2)^{m-n} \prod_{i=1}^n (\rho^2 - (2\rho_i + r - 2)\rho + \rho_i^2 + (r - 3)\rho_i - r), \end{aligned}$$

where ρ_i , ($i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$) are minimum degree eigenvalues of A . Now we prove the following theorems.

Theorem 2.2 *If G is a regular graph of degree r , with n vertices and m edges, then*

$$\begin{aligned} E_m(T(G)) &= |4r(m - n)| + n \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \left(2r\rho_i + r^2 - 2r + r\sqrt{r^2 + 4 + 4\rho_i} \right) \right| \\ &\quad + n \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \left(2r\rho_i + r^2 - 2r - r\sqrt{r^2 + 4 + 4\rho_i} \right) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. The minimum degree characteristic polynomial of $T(G)$ is

$$\phi(T(G); \mu) = (2r)^{m+n} \left(\frac{\mu}{2r} + 2 \right)^{m-n} \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\mu^2}{4r^2} - (2\rho_i + r - 2) \frac{\mu}{2r} + \rho_i^2 + (r - 3)\rho_i - r \right).$$

Hence minimum degree eigenvalues of $T(G)$ are $-4r$ [$(m - n)$ times] and $2\rho_i r + r^2 - 2r \pm r\sqrt{r^2 + 4 + 4\rho_i}$ [n times]. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} E_m(T(G)) &= 4r(m - n) + n \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \left(2r\rho_i + r^2 - 2r + r\sqrt{r^2 + 4 + 4\rho_i} \right) \right| \\ &\quad + n \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \left(2r\rho_i + r^2 - 2r - r\sqrt{r^2 + 4 + 4\rho_i} \right) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.3 *For all $n \geq 3$, the minimum degree of $T(C_n)$ is ,*

$$E_m(T(C_n)) = 8(m - n) + n \sum_{i=1}^n \left(16 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} + 4\sqrt{2 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n}} \right)$$

$$+n \sum_{i=1}^n \left(16 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} - 4\sqrt{2 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n}} \right) \Big|.$$

Proof. Since C_n is a regular graph of degree 2, the minimum degree characteristic polynomial of $T(C_n)$ is

$$\phi(T(C_n); \mu) = (4)^{m+n} \left(\frac{\mu}{4} + 2 \right)^{m-n} \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\mu^2}{16} - 2 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \mu + 16 \cos^2 \frac{2\pi i}{n} - 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} - 2 \right).$$

Hence the minimum degree eigenvalues of $T(C_n)$ is $8[(m-n) \text{ times}]$ and $16 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} \pm 4\sqrt{2 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n}}$ [n times]. Thus

$$E_m(T(C_n)) = |8(m-n)| + n \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \left(16 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} + 4\sqrt{2 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n}} \right) \right| + n \sum_{i=1}^n \left| \left(16 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n} - 4\sqrt{2 + 4 \cos \frac{2\pi i}{n}} \right) \right|.$$

Theorem 2.4 If G is a cocktail party graph with $n = 2k$ vertices, then

$$E_m(G) = 2(n-2)^2.$$

Proof. Since G is a cocktail party graph with $n = 2k$, it is regular graph of degree $n-2$. Then minimum degree characteristic polynomial of G is

$$\phi(G; \mu) = (\mu - 2(k-1)(2k-2))\mu^k(\mu + 2(2k-2))^{k-1}.$$

Therefore, the minimum degree eigenvalues of G are $2(k-1)(2k-2)$, 0 , $-2(2k-2)$ with multiplicity 1 , k and $(k-1)$. Hence

$$\begin{aligned} E_m(G) &= |2(k-1)(2k-2)| + |0|k + |-2(2k-2)|(k-1) \\ &= 4(k-1)(2k-2) \\ &= 2(n-2)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2.5 For $n \geq 2$, the minimum degree energy of the crown S_n^0 is equal to

$$E_m(S_n^0) = 4(n-1)^2.$$

Proof. The minimum degree characteristic polynomial of S_n^0 is

$$\phi(S_n^0 : \mu) = (\mu^2 - (n-1)^2)^{n-1} (\mu^2 - (n-1)^2),$$

hence minimum degree eigenvalues of S_n^0 are $(n-1)((n-1)\text{times})$, $-(n-1)((n-1)\text{times})$, $(n-1)^2(1\text{time})$ and $-(n-1)^2(1\text{time})$, thus, minimum degree energy of S_n^0 is

$$E_m(S_n^0) = |n-1|(n-1) + |-(n-1)|(n-1) + |-(n-1)^2| + |(n-1)^2|$$

$$E_m(S_n^0) = 4(n-1)^2.$$

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