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On the entire Zagreb indices of the line graph and line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph

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graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph.

Abstract: Let G = (V, E) be a graph. Then the first and second entire Zagreb indices of G are defined, respectively, as $M_1^{\varepsilon}(G) = \sum_{x \in V(G) \cup E(G)} (d_G(x))^2$ and $M_2^{\varepsilon}(G) = \sum_{\{x,y\} \in B(G)} d_G(x)d_G(y)$, where B(G) denotes the set of all 2-element subsets $\{x, y\}$ such that $\{x, y\} \subseteq V(G) \cup E(G)$ and members of $\{x, y\}$ are adjacent or incident to each other. In this paper, we obtain the entire Zagreb indices of the line graph and line cut-vertex

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1. Introduction

hroughout this paper, only the finite, undirected, and simple graphs will be considered. Let *G* be such a graph with vertex set $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, ..., v_n\}$ and edge set E(G), where |V(G)| = n and |E(G)| = m. These two basic parameters *n* and *m* are called the *order* and *size* of *G*, respectively. The edge connecting the vertices *u* and *v* will be denoted by *uv*. The *degree* of a vertex *v*, written $d_G(v)$, is the number of edges of *G* incident with *v*, each loop counting as two edges.

Among the oldest and most studied topological indices, there are two classical vertex-degree based topological indices - the first Zagreb index and second Zagreb index. These two indices first appeared in [1], and were elaborated in [2]. The main properties of $M_1(G)$ and $M_2(G)$ were summarized in [3,4]. The first Zagreb index $M_1(G)$ and the second Zagreb index $M_2(G)$ of a graph *G* are defined, respectively, as

$$M_1 = M_1(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} d_G(v)^2,$$
(1)

$$M_2 = M_2(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d_G(u) d_G(v).$$
 (2)

In fact, one can rewrite the first Zagreb index as

$$M_1 = M_1(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v)].$$
(3)

During the past decades, numerous results concerning Zagreb indices have been put forward [5–9], for historical details, see [3].

In 2008, bearing in mind expression (3), Došlić put forward the first Zagreb coindex, defined as [10]

$$\overline{M_1} = \overline{M_1}(G) = \sum_{uv \notin E(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v)].$$
(4)

In view of expression (4), the second Zagreb coindex is defined analogously as [10]

$$\overline{M_2} = \overline{M_2}(G) = \sum_{uv \notin E(G)} d_G(u) d_G(v).$$
(5)

In expressions (4) and (5), it is assumed that $u \neq v$.



Figure 1. A graph *G* and its line cut-vertex graph $L_c(G)$

Furtula and Gutman [11] introduced the forgotten index of *G*, written F(G), as the sum of cubes of vertex degrees as follows;

$$F(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} d_G(v)^3 = \sum_{e=uv \in E(G)} \left[d_G(u)^2 + d_G(v)^2 \right]$$

Milićević *et al.*, [12] introduced the first and second reformulated Zagreb indices of a graph *G* as edge counterpart of the first and second Zagreb indices, respectively, as follows;

$$EM_1(G) = \sum_{e \sim f} [d_G(e) + d_G(f)] = \sum_{e \in E(G)} d_G(e)^2,$$
$$EM_2(G) = \sum_{e \sim f} d_G(e) d_G(f),$$

where $d_G(e) = d_G(u) + d_G(v) - 2$ for the edge e = uv and $e \sim f$ means that the edges e and f are incident.

Alwardi et al., [13] introduced the first and second entire Zagreb indices of a graph G as follows;

$$M_1^{\varepsilon}(G) = \sum_{x \in V(G) \cup E(G)} (d_G(x))^2,$$
$$M_2^{\varepsilon}(G) = \sum_{\{x,y\} \in B(G)} d_G(x) d_G(y),$$

where B(G) denotes the set of all 2-element subsets $\{x, y\}$ such that $\{x, y\} \subseteq V(G) \cup E(G)$ and members of $\{x, y\}$ are adjacent or incident to each other.

The *subdivision graph* of a graph *G*, written *S*(*G*), is the graph obtained from *G* by replacing each of its edges by a path of length 2, or equivalently by inserting an additional vertex into each edge of *G*. The *friendship graph*, written F_n , $n \ge 2$, is a planar undirected graph with 2n + 1 vertices and 3n edges. The friendship graph can be constructed by joining *n* copies of the cycle graph C_3 with a vertex in common.

There are many graph operators (or graph valued functions) with which one can construct a new graph from a given graph, such as the line graphs, line cut-vertex graphs; total graphs; and their generalizations. The *line graph* of a graph *G*, written L(G), is the graph whose vertices are the edges of *G*, with two vertices of L(G) adjacent whenever the corresponding edges of *G* have a vertex in common.

In [14], the Zagreb indices and coindices of the line graphs of the subdivision graphs were studied.

The author in [15] gave the following definition. The *line cut-vertex graph* of *G*, written $L_c(G)$, is the graph whose vertices are the edges and cut-vertices of *G*, with two vertices of $L_c(G)$ adjacent whenever the corresponding edges of *G* have a vertex in common; or one corresponds to an edge e_i of *G* and the other corresponds to a cut-vertex c_j of *G* such that e_i is incident with c_j . Clearly, $L(G) \subseteq L_c(G)$, where \subseteq is the subgraph notation. Figure 1 shows an example of a graph *G* and its line cut-vertex graph $L_c(G)$.

In this paper we study the line graph and line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph; and calculate the entire Zagreb indices of the graphs $L(S(F_n))$ and $L_c(S(F_n))$. Notations and definitions not introduced here can be found in [16].

2. Entire Zagreb indices of the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph F_n , $n \ge 2$

In this section we calculate the entire Zagreb indices of the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph.

Theorem 1. Let G be the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $M_1(G) = 8n^3 + 16n$ and $M_2(G) = 8n^4 - 4n^3 + 8n^2 + 12n$.

Proof. The subdivision graph $S(F_n)$ contains 5n + 1 vertices and 6n edges, so that the line graph of $S(F_n)$ contains 6n vertices, out of which 2n vertices of are of degree 2n and the remaining 4n vertices are of degree 2. Thus $M_1(G) = 8n^3 + 16n$.

Now, in order to find $M_2(G)$, we first find the size of $L(S(F_n))$. Every $L(S(F_n))$ contains exactly one copy of K_{2n} and 5n edges. Thus the size of $L(S(F_n))$ is $|E(L(S(F_n))| = 2n^2 + 4n$. Out of these edges, 3n edges whose end vertices are of degree 2; 2n edges whose end vertices have degree 2 and 2n; and the remaining n(2n - 1) edges whose end vertices have degree 2n. Thus $M_2(G) = 8n^4 - 4n^3 + 8n^2 + 12n$. \Box

Gutman *et al.*, in [8] established a complete set of relations between first and second Zagreb index and coindex of a graph as follows;

Theorem 2. Let G be a graph with n vertices and m edges. Then

$$\overline{M_1}(G) = 2m(n-1) - M_1(G),$$

$$\overline{M_2}(G) = 2m^2 - \frac{1}{2}M_1(G) - M_2(G).$$

We now give the expressions for the first and second Zagreb coindices of the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph using Theorem 2.

Theorem 3. Let *G* be the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $\overline{M_1}(G) = 16n^3 + 44n^2 - 24n$.

Proof. The order and size of *G* are 6n and $2n^2 + 4n$, respectively. Then Theorem 1 and Theorem 2, give us the result. \Box

Theorem 4. Let G be the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $\overline{M_2}(G) = 32n^3 + 24n^2 - 20n$.

Proof. Theorem 1 and Theorem 2, give us the result. \Box

We now find the forgotten index; and first and second reformulated Zagreb indices of the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph.

Proposition 1. Let G be the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $F(G) = 16n^4 + 32n$.

Theorem 5. Let *G* be the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $EM_1(G) = 32n^4 - 40n^3 + 24n^2 + 8n$.

Proof. The size of *G* is $2n^2 + 4n$, out of which 3n edges are of degree 2; 2n edges are of degree 2n; and the remaining n(2n-1) edges are of degree 4n - 2. Then $EM_1(G) = 32n^4 - 40n^3 + 24n^2 + 8n$. \Box

Theorem 6. Let G be the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $EM_2(G) = \frac{1}{2} (108n^8 - 300n^7 + 128n^6 + 219n^5 - 179n^4 - 4n^3 + 36n^2 - 8n).$

Proof. Let *G* be the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. We consider the following four cases:

Case 1: There are 2*n* pairs of edges with degree 2. Then the second reformulated Zagreb index is 8*n*.

Case 2: There are 2n pairs of edges with degree 2 and 2n. Then the second reformulated Zagreb index is $8n^2$. **Case** 3: There are 2n(n-1) pairs of edges with degree 2n and 4n - 2. Then the second reformulated Zagreb

index is $4n^2(2n-1)(4n-2)$. **Case** 4: There are $\frac{(2n^2-n)(2n^2-n-1)(2n^2-n-2)}{2}$ pairs of edges with degree 4n-2. Then the second reformulated Zagreb index is $(4n-2)^2 \left(\frac{(2n^2-n)(2n^2-n-1)(2n^2-n-2)}{2}\right)$.

From all the cases mentioned above, we get $EM_2(G) = \frac{1}{2} \left(108n^8 - 300n^7 + 128n^6 + 219n^5 - 179n^4 - 4n^3 + 36n^2 - 8n \right).$

Ghalavand and Ashrafi in [17] established a complete set of relations between entire Zagreb indices with the Zagreb and reformulated Zagreb indices of graphs as follows;

Theorem 7. Let G be a graph with n vertices and m edges. Then

$$M_1^{\varepsilon}(G) = M_1(G) + EM_1(G),$$

$$M_2^{\varepsilon}(G) = 3M_2(G) + EM_2(G) + F(G) - 2M_1(G).$$

We now give the expressions for the entire Zagreb indices of the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph.

Theorem 8. Let G be the line graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then

$$\begin{split} M_1^{\varepsilon}(G) &= 32n^4 - 32n^3 + 24n^2 + 24n, \\ M_2^{\varepsilon}(G) &= \frac{1}{2} \left(108n^8 - 300n^7 + 128n^6 + 219n^5 - 99n^4 - 60n^3 + 84n^2 + 64n \right). \end{split}$$

Proof. Theorem 1, Proposition 1, and Theorems 5, 6, 7, give us the results. \Box

3. Entire Zagreb indices of the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph

In this section we calculate the entire Zagreb indices of the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph.

Theorem 9. Let G be the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $M_1(G) = 8n^3 + 12n^2 + 18n$ and $M_2(G) = 8n^4 + 12n^3 + 10n^2 + 15n$.

Proof. The line cut-vertex graph of $S(F_n)$ contains 6n + 1 vertices, out of which 2n vertices of are of degree 2n + 1; 4n vertices are of degree 2; and the remaining single vertex is of degree 2n. Thus $M_1(G) = 8n^3 + 12n^2 + 18n$.

Every $L_c(S(F_n))$ contains exactly one copy of K_{2n+1} and 5n edges. Thus the size of $(S(L_c(F_n)))$ is $|E(L_c(S(F_n))| = \frac{4n^2+12n}{2})$. Out of these edges, 3n edges whose end vertices are of degree 2; 2n edges whose end vertices have degree 2 and 2n + 1; n(2n - 1) edges whose end vertices have degree 2n + 1; and the remaining 2n edges whose vertices have degree 2n and 2n + 1. Thus $M_2(G) = 8n^4 + 12n^3 + 10n^2 + 15n$. \Box

We now give the expressions for the first and second Zagreb coindices of the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph using Theorem 2.

Theorem 10. Let G be the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $\overline{M_1}(G) = 16n^3 + 60n^2 - 18n$.

Proof. The order and size of *G* are 6n + 1 and $2n^2 + 6n$, respectively. Then Theorem 9 and Theorem 2, give us the result. \Box

Theorem 11. Let G be the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $\overline{M_2}(G) = 32n^3 + 56n^2 - 24n$.

Proof. Theorem 9 and Theorem 2, give us the result. \Box

We now find the forgotten index; and first and second reformulated Zagreb indices of the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph.

Proposition 2. Let G be the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $F(G) = 16n^4 + 32n^3 + 12n^2 + 34n$.

Theorem 12. Let G be the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $EM_1(G) = 32n^4 + 24n^3 - 8n^2 + 16n$.

Proof. The size of *G* is $\frac{4n^2+12n}{2}$, out of which 3n edges are of degree 2; 2n edges are of degree 2n + 1; n(2n - 1) edges are of degree 4n; and the remaining 2n edges are of degree 4n - 1. Then $EM_1(G) = 32n^4 + 24n^3 - 8n^2 + 16n$. \Box

Theorem 13. Let G be the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then $EM_2(G) = 64n^8 - 96n^7 - 48n^6 + 88n^5 + 104n^4 - 48n^3 - 12n^2 + 10n$.

Proof. Let *G* be the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. We consider the following six cases:

Case 1: There are 2*n* pairs of edges with degree 2. Then the second reformulated Zagreb index is 8*n*.

Case 2: There are 2n pairs of edges with degree 2 and 2n + 1. Then the second reformulated Zagreb index is $8n^2 + 4n$.

Case 3: There are 2n pairs of edges with degree 2n + 1 and 4n - 1. Then the second reformulated Zagreb index is $16n^3 + 4n^2 - 2n$.

Case 4: There are $4n^2 - 2n$ pairs of edges with degree 2n + 1 and 4n. Then the second reformulated Zagreb index is $32n^4 - 8n^2$.

Case 5: There are $\frac{(2n^2-n)(2n^2-n-1)(2n^2-n-2)}{2}$ pairs of edges with degree 4*n*. Then the second reformulated Zagreb index is $(4n)^2 \left(\frac{(2n^2-n)(2n^2-n-1)(2n^2-n-2)}{2}\right)$.

Case 6: There are $(4n^2 - 2n)$ pairs of edges with degree 4n - 1 and 4n. Then the second reformulated Zagreb index is $64n^4 - 48n^3 + 8n^2$.

From all the cases mentioned above, we get $EM_2(G) = 64n^8 - 96n^7 - 48n^6 + 88n^5 + 104n^4 - 48n^3 - 12n^2 + 10n$. \Box

We now give the expressions for the entire Zagreb indices of the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph.

Theorem 14. Let G be the line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. Then

$$\begin{split} M_1^{\varepsilon}(G) &= 32n^4 + 32n^3 + 4n^2 + 34n, \\ M_2^{\varepsilon}(G) &= 64n^8 - 96n^7 - 48n^6 + 88n^5 + 144n^4 + 4n^3 + 6n^2 + 53n. \end{split}$$

Proof. Theorem 9, Proposition 2, and Theorems 8, 12, 13, give us the results.

4. Conclusion

In this paper we have investigated the entire Zagreb indices of the line graph and line cut-vertex graph of the subdivision graph of the friendship graph. However, to determine the Zagreb indices and coindices of some other graph operators still remain open and challenging problem for researchers.

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