

Szeged and Balaban indices of zigzag polyhex nanotubes

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Abstract

The Szeged index of a graph G is defined as $Sz(G) = \sum_{e \in E(G)} n_u(e)n_v(e)$, where $n_u(e)$ is the number of vertices of G lying closer to u than to v , $n_v(e)$ is the number of vertices of G lying closer to v than to u and the summation goes over all edges $e = uv$ of G . Also Balaban index of G is defined by $J(G) = \frac{m}{(\mu + 1)} \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d(u)d(v)]^{-0.5}$, where $d(v) = \sum_{x \in V(G)} d(v, x)$, is the summation of distances between v and all vertices of G , m is the number of edges in G and μ is the cyclomatic number of G . In this paper we find an exact expression for Szeged and Balaban indices of $TUHC_6[2p, q]$, the zigzag polyhex nanotubes, using a theorem of Dobrynin and Gutman on connected bipartite graphs (see Ref [11]).

1. Introduction

Let G be an undirected connected graph without loops or multiple edges. The set of vertices and edges of G are denoted by $V(G)$ and $E(G)$ respectively. For vertices x and y in $V(G)$, we denote by $d(x, y)$ (or $d_G(x, y)$ when we deal with more than one graph) the topological distance i.e., the number of edges on the shortest path, joining the two vertices of G . Since G is connected, $d(x, y)$ exists for all $x, y \in V(G)$. The distance of a vertex u of G is defined as

$$d(u) = \sum_{x \in V(G)} d(u, x),$$

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the summation of distances between u and all vertices of G .

A topological index is a real number related to a structural graph of a molecule. It does not depend on the labeling or pictorial representation of a graph. Wiener index is one of the most studied topological indices and is connected to the problem of distances in graph. In 1947, Harold Wiener published a paper entitled "Structural Determination of Paraffin Boiling Points". In this work the quantity $W(G)$, eventually named Wiener index or Wiener number, was introduced for the first time. In 1947 and 1948, Wiener published a whole series of papers [1]-[5] showing that there are excellent correlations between $W(G)$ and a variety of physicochemical properties of organic compounds. The Wiener index of the graph G is the half sum of distances over all its vertex pairs (u, v) :

$$W(G) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u,v \in V(G)} d(u, v) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} d(u).$$

Gutman proposed a new index which was named the Szeged index. Many properties of Szeged index are discussed (see for example [6]-[10]). Let u and v be two adjacent vertices of the graph G and $e = uv$ be the edge between them. Let $B_u(e)$ be the set of all vertices of G lying closer to u than to v and $B_v(e)$ be the set of all vertices of G lying closer to v than to u , that is

$$\begin{aligned} B_u(e) &= \{x \mid x \in V(G), d_G(x, u) < d_G(x, v)\} \\ B_v(e) &= \{x \mid x \in V(G), d_G(x, v) < d_G(x, u)\}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $n_u(e) = |B_u(e)|$ and $n_v(e) = |B_v(e)|$. The Szeged index of G is defined as

$$Sz(G) = \sum_{e \in E(G)} n_u(e)n_v(e).$$

The Balaban J index of G is defined by

$$J(G) = \frac{m}{(\mu + 1)} \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d(u)d(v)]^{-0.5},$$

where m is the number of edges in G and μ is the cyclomatic number of G (see [12]-[13]). The cyclomatic number μ of a connected graph G is defined as $\mu(G) = |E(G)| - |V(G)| + 1$ (see [14]).

In a series of papers, Diudea and coauthors [22]-[29] computed the Wiener index of some nanotubes. In this paper we find exact expressions for Szeged and Balaban indices of the zigzag polyhex nanotubes, $G := TUHC_6[2p, q]$. For this purpose we choose a coordinate label for vertices of G as shown in Figure 1. In Appendix we include a MATHEMATICA [30] program to produce the graph of $TUHC_6[2p, q]$ and compute the Szeged and Balaban indices of the graph, using the definitions. First we note that G is a bipartite graph. Recall that a graph G is bipartite if the vertices can be colored with white and black so that adjacent vertices have different color, or equivalently, every cycle has even length. So we can use a theorem of Dobrynin and Gutman [11] on connected bipartite graphs. We state the theorem for convenience of the reader.

Theorem 1 ([11, Theorem 3]) *If G is a connected bipartite graph with n vertices and m edges, then*

$$Sz(G) = \frac{1}{4} \left(n^2 m - \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d(u) - d(v))^2 \right). \quad (1)$$

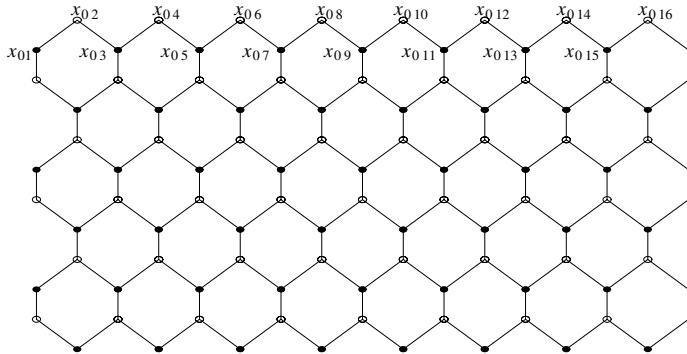


Figure 1: A $TUHC_6[2p, q]$ Lattice with $p = 8$ and $q = 6$.

Obviously the number of vertices and the number of edges of $G = TUHC_6[2p, q]$ is $n = |V(G)| = 2pq$ and $m = |E(G)| = 3pq - p$, respectively. Thus we need to compute $d(u) - d(v)$, for all edges $e = uv$. Throughout this paper $G := TUHC_6[2p, q]$, denotes an arbitrary zigzag polyhex nanotube in terms of their circumference $2p$ and their length q , see Figure 1.

2. Szeged index of zigzag polyhex nanotubes

In this section we derive an exact formula for the Szeged index of $G := TUHC_6[2p, q]$. John and Diudea in [22] mentioned a formula for the distances of one white (black) vertex of level 0 to all vertices on level k (see Figure 1). In Lemma below we give a proof for this formula.

Lemma 1. The distances of one white vertex of level 0 to all vertices is given by

$$\begin{aligned} w_k &:= \sum_{x \in \text{level } k} d(x_{02}, x) = \sum_{x \in \text{level } k} d(x_{04}, x) \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= \begin{cases} (p+k)^2 + k & \text{if } 0 \leq k < p \\ p(4k+1) & \text{if } p \leq k \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

and the distances of one black vertex of level 0 to all vertices of level k is given by

$$\begin{aligned} b_k &:= \sum_{x \in \text{level } k} d(x_{01}, x) = \sum_{x \in \text{level } k} d(x_{03}, x) \\ &\quad \vdots \\ &= \begin{cases} (p+k)^2 - k & \text{if } 0 \leq k < p \\ p(4k-1) & \text{if } p \leq k. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof: We compute b_k . It is suffices for considering x_{01} . For other black vertices, the argument is similar. At first note that the lattice is symmetric (with respect to the line joining x_{01} to x_{11}). We distinguish three cases:

Case 1: $k \geq p$ and k is even. In this case

$$x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{12} \rightarrow x_{13} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k-1,p+1} \rightarrow x_{k,p+1}$$

is a shortest path between x_{01} and $x_{k,p+1}$ and its length is $2k$, and

$$x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{12} \rightarrow x_{13} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k,p}$$

is a shortest path between x_{01} and $x_{k,p}$, and its length is $2k - 1$. Also

$$x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{1,2p} \rightarrow x_{2,2p} \rightarrow x_{2,1} \rightarrow x_{3,1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k-1,p-1} \rightarrow x_{k,p-1}$$

is a shortest path between x_{01} and $x_{k,p-1}$ and its length is $2k$ and

$$x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{1,2p} \rightarrow x_{2,2p} \rightarrow x_{2,1} \rightarrow x_{3,1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k-1,p-1}$$

is a shortest path between x_{01} and $x_{k,p}$, and its length is $2k - 1$.

By this algorithm, for all $1 \leq j \leq p + 1$, we have

$$d(x_{01}, x_{kj}) = \begin{cases} 2k - 1 & \text{if } j \text{ is even} \\ 2k & \text{if } j \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Now by considering these vertices and their symmetric vertices we obtain p vertices having distance $2k - 1$ from x_{01} , and p vertices having $2k$ distance from with x_{01} . So

$$\sum_{u \in \text{level } k} d(x_{01}, u) = \sum_{j \text{ is even}} d(x_{01}, x_{kj}) + \sum_{j \text{ is odd}} d(x_{01}, x_{kj}) = p(2k - 1) + p(2k) = p(4k - 1).$$

Case 2: $k \geq p$ and k is odd. In this case

$$x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{12} \rightarrow x_{13} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k-1,p+1} \rightarrow x_{k,p+1}$$

is a shortest path between x_{01} and $x_{k,p+1}$ and its length is $2k - 1$, and

$$x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{1,2p} \rightarrow x_{2,2p} \rightarrow x_{21} \rightarrow x_{31} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k-1,p} \rightarrow x_{k,p}$$

is a shortest path between x_{01} and $x_{k,p}$, and its length is $2k$. Also

$$x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{1,2p} \rightarrow x_{2,2p} \rightarrow x_{21} \rightarrow x_{31} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k-1,p-1} \rightarrow x_{k,p-1}$$

is a shortest path between x_{01} and $x_{k,p-1}$, and its length is $2k - 1$, and

$$\begin{aligned} x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{1,2p} \rightarrow x_{2,2p} \rightarrow x_{2,2p-1} \rightarrow x_{3,2p-1} \rightarrow x_{3,2p} \rightarrow x_{4,2p} \rightarrow x_{41} \rightarrow \cdots \\ \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k,p-3} \rightarrow x_{k,p-2} \end{aligned}$$

is a shortest path between x_{01} and $x_{k,p-2}$ and its length is $2k$. By this algorithm, for all $1 \leq j \leq p+1$, we have

$$d(x_{01}, x_{kj}) = \begin{cases} 2k & \text{if } j \text{ is even} \\ 2k-1 & \text{if } j \text{ is odd.} \end{cases}$$

Now by considering these vertices and their symmetric vertices we obtain p vertices having distance $2k-1$ from x_{01} , and p vertices having $2k$ distance from with x_{01} . So

$$\sum_{u \in \text{level } k} d(x_{01}, u) = \sum_{j \text{ is even}} d(x_{01}, x_{kj}) + \sum_{j \text{ is odd}} d(x_{01}, x_{kj}) = p(2k) + p(2k-1) = p(4k-1).$$

Case 3: $k \leq p-1$. For all $p+1 \leq j$ and $j > k+1$, the path

$$x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{12} \rightarrow x_{13} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k,k+1} \rightarrow x_{k,k+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k,j}$$

is a shortest path between x_{01} and $x_{k,j}$ and its length is $k+j-1$. Thus the summation of the distances between x_{01} and x_{kj} (for all j such that $p+1 \leq j$ and $j > k+1$) and their symmetric vertices is

$$S_1 = 2 \sum_{j=k+2}^p (k+j-1) + k + p + 1 - 1 = 2kp - 2k + p^2 - 3k^2.$$

Also if $1 \leq j \leq k+1$, then the path

$$x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{12} \rightarrow x_{13} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k,k} \rightarrow x_{k,k+1}$$

is a shortest path between x_{01} and $x_{k,k+1}$ and its length is $2k$. The above path shows that the distance between x_{01} and $x_{k,k}$ is $2k-1$. Now the path

$$x_{01} \rightarrow x_{11} \rightarrow x_{1,2p} \rightarrow x_{2,2p} \rightarrow x_{21} \rightarrow x_{31} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{r,s} \rightarrow x_{r,s+1} \rightarrow \cdots \rightarrow x_{k,k-1}$$

is a shortest path from x_{01} to $x_{k,k-1}$ and its length is $2k$. The above path also shows that the distance between x_{01} and $x_{k,k-2}$ is $2k-1$. By repeating this process and considering the symmetry of these vertices we obtain $k+1$ vertices having distance $2k$, and k vertices having distance $2k-1$ from x_{01} , respectively. Therefore the summation of the distances between x_{01} and x_{kj} (for all j such that $1 \leq j \leq k+1$) and their symmetric vertices is

$$S_2 = (k+1)2k + k(2k-1) = 4k^2 + k.$$

Hence

$$b_k = S_1 + S_2 = 2kp - 2k + p^2 - 3k^2 + 4k^2 + k = (p+k)^2 - k.$$

In a similar manner we can compute w_k . □

Corollary 2. (a) $d_G(x_{02}) = d_G(x_{04}) = \cdots = d_G(x_{0,2p}) = w_0 + w_1 + \cdots + w_{q-1}$.
(b) $d_G(x_{01}) = d_G(x_{03}) = \cdots = d_G(x_{0,2p-1}) = b_0 + b_1 + \cdots + b_{q-1}$.

Proof: By Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} d_G(x_{02}) &= \sum_{x \in \text{level } 0} d_G(x_{02}, x) + \sum_{x \in \text{level } 1} d_G(x_{02}, x) + \cdots + \sum_{x \in \text{level } q-1} d_G(x_{02}, x) \\ &= w_0 + w_1 + \cdots + w_{q-1} \end{aligned}$$

and so $d_G(x_{02}) = d_G(x_{04}) = \cdots = d_G(x_{0,2p}) = w_0 + w_1 + \cdots + w_{q-1}$.

The proof of (b) is similar. \square

Lemma 3. If $0 \leq j \leq q-1$ is an odd number, then

- (a) $d_G(x_{j1}) = d_G(x_{j3}) = \cdots = d_G(x_{j,2p-1}) = w_0 + w_1 + \cdots + w_{q-(j+1)} + b_1 + \cdots + b_j$.
- (b) $d_G(x_{j2}) = d_G(x_{j4}) = \cdots = d_G(x_{j,2p}) = b_0 + b_1 + \cdots + b_{q-(j+1)} + w_1 + \cdots + w_j$.

Proof: First suppose $j = 1$. We consider the tube that can be built up from two halves collapsing at level 1. The bottom part is the graph $G_1 = TUHC_6[2p, q-1]$ and we can consider x_{11} as one of the white edges in the first row of the graph G_1 . According to Corollary 2, we have

$$d_{G_1}(x_{11}) = d_{G_1}(x_{13}) = \cdots = d_{G_1}(x_{1,2p-1}) = w_0 + w_1 + \cdots + w_{q-2}.$$

The top part is the graph $TUHC_6[2p, 2] = \widehat{G}_1$ and level 1 of graph G is the first its row and x_{11} is such a black vertex of \widehat{G}_1 . Therefore by Lemma 2, $d_{\widehat{G}_1}(x_{11}) = b_0 + b_1$ and

$$d_{\widehat{G}_1}(x_{11}) = d_{\widehat{G}_1}(x_{13}) \cdots = d_{\widehat{G}_1}(x_{1(2p-1)}) = b_0 + b_1.$$

Since $w_0 = b_0$ and $d_G(x_{11}) = d_{G_1}(x_{11}) + d_{\widehat{G}_1}(x_{11}) - b_0$, we have $d_G(x_{11}) = w_0 + \cdots + w_{q-2} + b_1$ and similarly

$$d_G(x_{11}) = d_G(x_{13}) = \cdots = d_G(x_{1,2p-1}) = w_0 + \cdots + w_{q-2} + b_1.$$

Similarly for x_{12} we can see that

$$d_G(x_{12}) = d_G(x_{14}) = \cdots = d_G(x_{1,2p}) = b_0 + \cdots + b_{q-2} + w_1.$$

By repetition of this argument we obtain the result. \square

Lemma 4. If $0 \leq j \leq q-1$ is an even number, then

- (a) $d_G(x_{j1}) = d_G(x_{j3}) = \cdots = d_G(x_{j,2p-1}) = b_0 + b_1 + \cdots + b_{q-(j+1)} + w_1 + \cdots + w_j$.
- (b) $d_G(x_{j2}) = d_G(x_{j4}) = \cdots = d_G(x_{j,2p}) = w_0 + w_1 + \cdots + w_{q-(j+1)} + b_1 + \cdots + b_j$.

Proof: First Suppose that $j = 2$. We consider the tube can be built up from two halves collapsing at level 2. The bottom part is the graph $G_2 = TUHC_6[2p, q-2]$ and the level 2 of G is the first level of G_2 and we can consider x_{21} one of the black edges in the first row of graph G_2 . According to Corollary 2, we have

$$d_{G_2}(x_{21}) = d_{G_2}(x_{23}) = \cdots = d_{G_2}(x_{2,2p-1}) = b_0 + b_1 + \cdots + b_{q-3}.$$

The top part is the graph $TUHC_6[2p, 3] = \widehat{G}_2$ and level 2 of graph G is the first level of \widehat{G}_2 and x_{21} is such a white vertex of \widehat{G}_2 . Therefore by Corollary 2, $d_{\widehat{G}_2}(x_{21}) = w_0 + w_1 + w_2$ and

$d_{\widehat{G}_2}(x_{21}) = d_{\widehat{G}_2}(x_{23}) = \dots = d_{\widehat{G}_2}(x_{2,2p-1}) = w_0 + w_1 + w_2$. Since $w_0 = b_0$ and $d_G(x_{21}) = d_{G_2}(x_{21}) + d_{\widehat{G}_2}(x_{21}) - w_0$, we have

$$d_G(x_{21}) = b_0 + \dots + b_{q-3} + w_1 + w_2$$

and similarly

$$d_G(x_{21}) = d_G(x_{23}) = \dots = d_G(x_{2,2p-1}) = b_0 + \dots + b_{q-3} + w_1 + w_2.$$

We can similarly repeat this process for x_{22} and see that

$$d_G(x_{22}) = d_G(x_{24}) = \dots = d_G(x_{2,2p}) = w_0 + \dots + w_{q-3} + b_1 + b_2.$$

By repetition of this argument we obtain the result. \square

Now we want to determine the sum $\sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_G(v) - d_G(u))^2$, in Theorem 1, that we need to compute $Sz(G)$. For all $0 \leq j \leq q-1$, put

$$f(j) = w_0 + w_1 + \dots + w_{q-(j+1)} + b_1 + \dots + b_j$$

and

$$g(j) = b_0 + b_1 + \dots + b_{q-(j+1)} + w_1 + \dots + w_j.$$

Note that $g(j) = f(q - (j + 1))$.

There are two types of edges in the graph G , horizontal and vertical. At level 1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} (d(x_{01}) - d(x_{02}))^2 &= (g(0) - f(0))^2 \\ &\vdots \\ &\vdots \\ (d(x_{01}) - d(x_{0(2p)}))^2 &= (g(0) - f(0))^2. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by adding both sides of the above identities, we have

$$\sum_{uv \in \text{level } 0} (d_G(v) - d_G(u))^2 = 2p(f(0) - g(0))^2.$$

Similarly for each $1 \leq j \leq q-1$ we have

$$\sum_{uv \in \text{level } j} (d_G(v) - d_G(u))^2 = 2p(f(j) - g(j))^2.$$

Thus, summing up on levels j , for $1 \leq j \leq q-1$, we obtain that

$$\sum_{\substack{uv \text{ is horizontal}}} (d_G(v) - d_G(u))^2 = 2p \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} (f(j) - g(j))^2. \quad (2)$$

Similarly we can obtain

$$\sum_{uv \text{ is vertical}} (d_G(v) - d_G(u))^2 = p \sum_{j=0}^{q-2} (f(j+1) - g(j))^2. \quad (3)$$

Finally, by adding both sides of (2) and (3) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_G(v) - d_G(u))^2 &= p \sum_{j=0}^{q-2} (f(j+1) - g(j))^2 + 2p \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} (f(j) - g(j))^2 \\ &= p \sum_{j=0}^{q-2} (f(j+1) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 + \\ &\quad 2p \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} (f(j) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

Now we are in the position to prove the main result of this section.

Theorem 2. The Szeged index of $G := TUHC_6[2p, q]$ nanotubes is given by

$$Sz(G) = \begin{cases} \frac{pq}{6}(16p^2q^2 - 4p^2 - q^4 + q^2) & \text{if } p \geq q \\ \frac{p}{30}(20q^3p^2 + 4p - 4q - 10p^3 + 6p^5 - q^5 - 30pq^2 + 10pq^4 + 80q^2p^3 + 20p^2q - 40p^4q + 5q^3) & \text{if } 2p > q \\ \frac{p^2}{15}(30q^3p - 2 - 13p^4 - 20pq + 15p^2 + 20p^3q) & \text{if } 2p < q \\ \frac{p^2}{15}(267p^4 - 25p^2 - 2) & \text{if } 2p = q \end{cases}$$

Proof: The number of vertices and edges of the graph G are $m = p(3q - 1)$ and $n = 2pq$, respectively. Thus we need to compute $\sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_G(v) - d_G(u))^2$ and use Theorem 1. To compute this summation we may use equation (4).

First suppose that $p \geq q$. Then, by Lemma 1, for each $0 \leq k \leq q-1$ we have $w_k = (p+k)^2 + k$ and $b_k = (p+k)^2 - k$. So, by definition of $f(j)$ and performing some computations we have

$$p \sum_{j=0}^{q-2} (f(j+1) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 + 2p \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} (f(j) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 = \frac{2pq}{3}(q-1)(q^3 + q^2 + 2p^2q - 4p^2).$$

Therefore by (4) and Theorem 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Sz(G) &= \frac{1}{4}n^2m - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d(u) - d(v))^2 \\ &= \frac{pq}{6}(p^2q^2 - 4p^2 - q^4 + q^2). \end{aligned}$$

Now suppose that $q > p$. Let

$$A_1 := \{j \mid 0 \leq j \leq p-1, 0 \leq q-j-1 \leq p-1\}$$

$$A_2 := \{j \mid 0 \leq j \leq p-1, p \leq q-j-1 \leq q-1\}$$

$$A_3 := \{j \mid p \leq j \leq q-1, 0 \leq q-j-1 \leq p-1\}$$

$$A_4 := \{j \mid p \leq j \leq q-1, p \leq q-j-1 \leq q-1\}.$$

Note that if $A_1 \neq \emptyset$, then $2p > q$. Also if $A_4 \neq \emptyset$, then $2p < q$. Therefore first suppose that $A_1 \neq \emptyset$. Thus $A_4 = \emptyset$ and $2p > q$. So, by Lemma 1

$$\begin{aligned} j \in A_1 \implies f(j) &= \sum_{k=0}^{q-j-1} ((p+k)^2 + k) + \sum_{k=1}^j ((p+k)^2 - k). \\ j \in A_2 \implies f(j) &= \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} ((p+k)^2 + k) + \sum_{k=p}^{q-j-1} p(4k+1) + \sum_{k=1}^j ((p+k)^2 - k). \\ j \in A_3 \implies f(j) &= \sum_{k=0}^{q-j-1} ((p+k)^2 + k) + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} ((p+k)^2 - k) + \sum_{k=p}^j p(4k-1). \end{aligned}$$

Also, by Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} j \in A_1 \implies f(q-(j+1)) &= \sum_{k=0}^{j-1} ((p+k)^2 + k) + \sum_{k=1}^{q-j-1} ((p+k)^2 - k). \\ j \in A_2 \implies f(q-(j+1)) &= \sum_{k=0}^j ((p+k)^2 + k) + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} ((p+k)^2 - k) + \sum_{k=p}^{q-j-1} p(4k-1). \\ j \in A_3 \implies f(q-(j+1)) &= \sum_{k=0}^p ((p+k)^2 + k) + \sum_{k=p}^j p(4k+1) + \sum_{k=1}^{q-j-1} ((p+k)^2 - k). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore straightforward computations show that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} (f(j) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 &= \sum_{j \in A_1} (f(j) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 + \\ &\quad \sum_{j \in A_2} (f(j) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 + \sum_{j \in A_3} (f(j) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 \\ &= \sum_{j=q-p}^{p-1} (1 + 2j - q - (j+1)^2 + (q-j)^2)^2 + \\ &\quad \sum_{j=0}^{q-p-1} (1 - p + j - p^2 - (j+1)^2 + 2p(q-j))^2 + \\ &\quad \sum_{j=p}^{q-1} (p + j - q + p^2 - 2p(j+1) + (q-j)^2)^2 \\ &= -\frac{4}{15}p + \frac{4}{15}q + \frac{2}{3}p^3 - \frac{2}{5}p^5 + \frac{1}{1}5q^5 + 2pq^2 - \\ &\quad \frac{2}{3}pq^4 + 4q^3p^2 - \frac{16}{3}q^2p^3 - \frac{8}{3}p^2q + \frac{8}{3}p^4q - \frac{1}{3}q^3 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Now let $OA_1 = A_1 - \{p-1\}$, $OA_2 = A_2 - \{p-1\}$ and $OA_3 = A_3 - \{q-1\}$. Since $f(j+1) = f(j) + b_{j+1} - w_{q-j-1}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} j \in OA_1 \implies f(j+1) &= \sum_{k=0}^{q-j-2} ((p+k)^2 + k) + \sum_{k=1}^{j+1} ((p+k)^2 - k). \\ j \in OA_2 \implies f(j+1) &= \sum_{k=0}^{p-1} ((p+k)^2 + k) + \sum_{k=p}^{q-j-2} p(4k+1) + \sum_{k=1}^{j+1} ((p+k)^2 - k). \\ j \in OA_3 \implies f(j+1) &= \sum_{k=0}^{q-j-2} ((p+k)^2 + k) + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} ((p+k)^2 - k) + \sum_{k=p}^{j+1} p(4k-1). \\ j = p-1 \implies f(p-1+1) &= \sum_{k=0}^{q-p-2} ((p+k)^2 + k) + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} ((p+k)^2 - k) + p(4p-1). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, by straightforward computations we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^{q-2} (f(j+1) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 &= \sum_{j \in OA_1} (f(j+1) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 + \\ &\quad \sum_{j \in OA_2} (f(j+1) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 + \\ &\quad \sum_{j \in OA_3} (f(j+1) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 + \\ &\quad f(p-1+1) - f(q-(p+1)) \\ &= \sum_{j=q-p}^{p-2} (1 + 2j - q - (j+1)^2 + (q-j)^2)^2 + \\ &\quad \sum_{j=0}^{q-p-1} (1 - p + j - p^2 - (j+1)^2 + 2p(q-j))^2 + \\ &\quad \sum_{j=p}^{q-2} (p + j - q + p^2 - 2p(j+1) + (q-j)^2)^2 + (2p(2p-q))^2 \\ &= \frac{4}{3} p^2 q (q-1)(q-2) \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Therefore by (4), (5), (6) and Theorem 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Sz(G) &= \frac{1}{4} n^2 m - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d(u) - d(v))^2 \\ &= p \sum_{j=0}^{q-2} (f(j+1) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 + 2p \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} (f(j) - f(q-(j+1)))^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{30} p (20q^3 p^2 + 4p - 4q - 10p^3 + 6p^5 - q^5 - 30pq^2 + 10pq^4 + \\ &\quad 80q^2 p^3 + 20p^2 q - 40p^4 q + 5q^3). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we can handle the cases $q > 2p$ and $q = 2p$. \square

| p | q | $Sz(G)$ | p | q | $Sz(G)$ |
|-----|-----|---------|-----|-----|----------|
| 4 | 1 | 128 | 5 | 2 | 2480 |
| 4 | 2 | 1264 | 5 | 3 | 8570 |
| 4 | 3 | 4336 | 5 | 4 | 20200 |
| 4 | 4 | 10112 | 5 | 5 | 38750 |
| 5 | 1 | 250 | 6 | 5 | 68280 |
| 10 | 10 | 2495000 | 15 | 15 | 28451250 |
| 10 | 9 | 1840800 | 15 | 9 | 6394950 |
| 10 | 8 | 1306240 | 15 | 8 | 4509360 |
| 10 | 7 | 882560 | 15 | 7 | 3030090 |
| 10 | 6 | 559400 | 15 | 6 | 1911600 |

Table 1: Szeged index of short $TUHC_6[2p, q]$ tubes, $q \leq p$

| p | q | $Sz(G)$ | p | q | $Sz(G)$ |
|-----|-----|----------|-----|-----|-----------|
| 2 | 5 | 2120 | 3 | 9 | 41406 |
| 2 | 6 | 3608 | 4 | 9 | 101536 |
| 2 | 7 | 5672 | 4 | 10 | 137504 |
| 3 | 7 | 19986 | 4 | 11 | 181152 |
| 3 | 8 | 29400 | 1 | 6 | 432 |
| 10 | 21 | 20437320 | 15 | 31 | 222515970 |
| 10 | 22 | 23343320 | 15 | 32 | 243618720 |
| 10 | 23 | 26513320 | 15 | 33 | 266017470 |
| 10 | 24 | 29959320 | 15 | 34 | 289752720 |
| 10 | 25 | 33693320 | 15 | 35 | 314864970 |

Table 2: Szeged index of long $TUHC_6[2p, q]$ tubes, $q > 2p$

If $T(p, q) = TUHC_6[2p, q]$, then by Theorem 2, $Sz(T(p, 1)) = 2p^3$ and so $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{Sz(T(p, p))}{p^6} = \frac{5}{2}$. If p is fix, then $\lim_{q \rightarrow \infty} \frac{Sz(T(p, q))}{q^3} = 2p^3$ and $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{Sz(T(p, 2p))}{p^6} = \frac{89}{5}$.

In Tables (1) and (2) the numerical data for Szeged index in tubes $TUHC_6[2p, q]$ of various dimensions are given.

3. Balaban index of zigzag polyhex nanotubes

In this section we use the method given in Theorem 2 and write an algorithm and implement a computer program in MAPLE [37] to computing a formula for the Balaban index of zigzag polyhex nanotubes. The number of vertices and edges of the graph $G := TUHC_6[2p, q]$ are $m = p(3q - 1)$ and $n = 2pq$, respectively. Now we compute $J(TUHC_6[2p, q])$. There are two types of edges in the graph G , horizontal and vertical. At level 1 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (d(x_{01})(d(x_{02}))^{-0.5} &= (g(0)f(0))^{-0.5} = (g(0)f(0))^{-0.5} \\
 &\vdots \\
 (d(x_{01})d(x_{0,2p}))^{-0.5} &= (g(0)f(0))^{-0.5} = (f(0)g(0))^{-0.5}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by adding both sides of the above identities, we have

$$\sum_{uv \in \text{level } 0} (d_G(v)d_G(u))^{-0.5} = 2p(f(0)g(0))^{-0.5}.$$

Similarly for each $1 \leq j \leq q-1$ we have

$$\sum_{uv \in \text{level } j} (d_G(v)d_G(u))^{-0.5} = 2p(f(j)g(j))^{-0.5}.$$

Thus, summing up on levels j , for $1 \leq j \leq q-1$ we obtain that

$$\sum_{\substack{uv \text{ is horizontal}}} (d_G(v)d_G(u))^{-0.5} = 2p \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} (f(j)g(j))^{-0.5}. \quad (7)$$

Similarly we can obtain

$$\sum_{\substack{uv \text{ is vertical}}} (d_G(v)d_G(u))^{-0.5} = p \sum_{j=0}^{q-2} (f(j+1)g(j))^{-0.5}. \quad (8)$$

Finally, by adding (7) and (8) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_G(v)d_G(u))^{-0.5} &= p \sum_{j=0}^{q-2} (f(j+1)g(j))^{-0.5} + 2p \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} (f(j)g(j))^{-0.5} \\
 &= p \sum_{j=0}^{q-2} (f(j+1)f(q-(j+1)))^{-0.5} + 2p \sum_{j=0}^{q-1} (f(j)f(q-(j+1)))^{-0.5}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Now by this algorithm and the proof of Theorem 1, we write a MAPLE program to derive the exact expression for the Balaban index of $TUHC_6[2p, q]$.

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when p\leq q
J1:=proc(p,q)
restart;
f:=j->sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(q-(j+1)))+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=0..j):
l:=factor(p*sum((f(j+1)*f(q-(j+1)))^(-1/2),j=0..q-2)+
2*p*sum((f(j)*f(q-(j+1)))^(-1/2),j=0..q-1)):
d:=unapply(l,p,q):
s:=factor(d(p,q)):
balaban2:=unapply(s,p,q):
J:=(p*(3*q-1))/(p*(3*q-1)-2*p*q+2)*balaban2(p,q):
return(J):
end proc;

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$$\begin{aligned}
 J = & (p(3q-1))/(p(3q-1)-2pq+2) \\
 & p\left(\sum_{j=0}^{q-2}(3/((-3q^2j+3qj^2+3p^2q-3q^2+6qj+q^3+12p+2q+3pq^2-9qp+6pj^2+18pj-6pqj)\right. \\
 & \left.(-3q^2j+3qj^2+3p^2q-3q^2+6qj+q^3+2q+3pq^2-3qp+6pj^2+6pj-6pqj))^{(1/2)}\right) + \\
 & 2\sum_{j=0}^{q-1}(3/((-3q^2j+3qj^2+3p^2q+q^3-q+3pq^2-3qp+6pj^2+6pj-6pqj)\right. \\
 & \left.(-3q^2j+3qj^2+3p^2q-3q^2+6qj+q^3+2q+3pq^2-3qp+6pj^2+6pj-6pqj))^{(1/2)}) \\
 \text{when } 2p > q > p \\
 \text{J2:=proc}(p,q) \\
 \text{restart;} \\
 \text{a_1:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..j)+} \\
 \text{sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(q-(j+1))))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(q-(j+1)))+} \\
 \text{sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..j)) :} \\
 \text{a_2:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))+} \\
 \text{sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..j))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..j)+} \\
 \text{sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))) :} \\
 \text{a_3:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(q-(j+1)))+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+} \\
 \text{sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..j))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+} \\
 \text{sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..j)+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(q-(j+1)))) :} \\
 \text{sa_1:=sum(a_1)^(-1/2),j=(q-p)..(p-1)):} \\
 \text{sa_2:=sum(a_2)^(-1/2),j=0..(q-p-1)):} \\
 \text{sa_3:=sum(a_3)^(-1/2),j=p..(q-1)):} \\
 \text{oo:=factor(sa_1+sa_2+sa_3):} \\
 \text{sig1:=2*p*oo: oa_1:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..j)+} \\
 \text{sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(q-(j+1)))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(q-(j+2)))+} \\
 \text{sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(j+1))):} \\
 \text{oa_2:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..(q-(j+2)))+} \\
 \text{sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(j+1))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..j)+} \\
 \text{sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))) :} \\
 \text{oa_3:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(q-(j+2)))+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+} \\
 \text{sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(j+1))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+} \\
 \text{sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..j)+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(q-(j+1)))) :} \\
 \text{oa_5:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(q-(p+1)))+} \\
 \text{sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+p*(4*p-1)*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+} \\
 \text{sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(q-p))):} \\
 \text{osa_1:=sum((oa_1)^(-1/2),j=(q-p)..(p-2)):} \\
 \text{osa_3:=sum((oa_3)^(-1/2),j=p..(q-2)):} \\
 \text{osa_2:=sum((oa_2)^(-1/2),j=0..(q-p-1)):} \\
 \text{oooo:=factor(osa_1+osa_2+osa_3+(oa_5)^(-1/2)) :} \\
 \text{sig2:=p*oooo:} \\
 \text{dd:=sig1+sig2:} \\
 \text{balabani:=unapply(dd,p,q):} \\
 \text{J:=(p*(3*q-1))/(p*(3*q-1)-2*p*q+2)*balabani(p,q):} \\
 \text{return(J):} \\
 \text{end proc:}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 J &= (p(3q-1))/(p(3q-1) - 2pq + 2) \\
 &\quad 2p \left(\sum_{j=q-p}^{p-1} (3/((6pj^2 + 6pj + 3p^2q - 3q^2 + 6qj + 3pq^2 - 3qp - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 + q^3 - 6pqj + 2q))^{(\frac{1}{2})}) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. (6pj^2 + 6pj + 3p^2q + 3pq^2 - 3qp - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 + q^3 - 6pqj - q))^{(\frac{1}{2})} \right) \\
 &+ \sum_{j=0}^{-p+q-1} (3/((p^3 - p - 3qp + 6pj + 6pq^2 - 12pqj + 9pj^2 + 3p^2j - j + j^3) \\
 &\quad (3p^2j + 3p^2 + 9pj^2 + 12pj + 2p + 2j + j^3 + 3j^2 + p^3 - 9qp + 6pq^2 - 12pqj))^{(\frac{1}{2})}) \\
 &+ \sum_{j=p}^{q-1} (3/((3p^2q - 3p^2j + 3pq^2 - 6pqj + 9pj^2 - 3qp + 6pj - q + j + q^3 - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 - j^3 + p^3 - p) \\
 &\quad (p^3 - 3p^2 + 2p + 12pj + 9pj^2 + 3p^2q - 3p^2j + 3pq^2 - 6pqj - 3qp - 3q^2 + 6qj - \\
 &\quad 3j^2 + 2q - 2j + q^3 - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 - j^3))^{(\frac{1}{2})})) \\
 &+ p \left(\sum_{j=q-p}^{p-2} (3/((6pj^2 + 6pj + 3p^2q - 3q^2 + 6qj + 3pq^2 - 3qp - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 + q^3 - 6pqj + 2q))^{(\frac{1}{2})}) \right. \\
 &\quad (6pj^2 + 18pj + 3p^2q - 3q^2 + 6qj + 3pq^2 - 9qp - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 + q^3 - 6pqj + 12p + 2q))^{(\frac{1}{2})}) \\
 &\quad ((6p^3 - 3qp + 6p^2 - q + q^3)(3qp + q^3 + 6p^3 - q - 6p^2))^{(\frac{1}{2})} \\
 &+ \sum_{j=0}^{-p+q-1} (3/((3p^2j + 3j^2 + 9pj^2 + 24pj + 6pq^2 - 15qp + j^3 + p^3 - 12pqj + 14p + 2j + 3p^2) \\
 &\quad (3p^2j + 3p^2 + 9pj^2 + 12pj + 2p + 2j + j^3 + 3j^2 + p^3 - 9qp + 6pq^2 - 12pqj))^{(\frac{1}{2})}) \\
 &\quad ((6p^3 - 3qp + 6p^2 - q + q^3)(3qp + q^3 + 6p^3 - q - 6p^2))^{(\frac{1}{2})} \\
 &+ \sum_{j=p}^{q-1} (3/((-3p^2j - 3j^2 + 9pj^2 + 24pj + 3p^2q - 3q^2 + 6qj + 3pq^2 - 9qp - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 - \\
 &\quad j^3 + q^3 + p^3 - 6pqj + 14p - 2j + 2q - 3p^2)(p^3 - 3p^2 + 2p + 12pj + 9pj^2 + 3p^2q - 3p^2j + 3pq^2 \\
 &\quad - 6pqj - 3qp - 3q^2 + 6qj - 3j^2 + 2q - 2j + q^3 - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 - j^3))^{(\frac{1}{2})}) \\
 &\quad ((6p^3 - 3qp + 6p^2 - q + q^3)(3qp + q^3 + 6p^3 - q - 6p^2))^{(\frac{1}{2})} + 3)/((6p^3 - 3qp + 6p^2 - q + q^3) \\
 &\quad (3qp + q^3 + 6p^3 - q - 6p^2))^{(\frac{1}{2})}
 \end{aligned}$$

when q=2p

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J3:=proc(p,q)
restart;
a_2:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))+
      sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..j))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..j)+
      sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))):
a_3:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(q-(j+1)))+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+
      sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..j))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+
      sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..j)+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(q-(j+1)))):
oo:=factor(sum((a_2)^(-1/2),j=0..(p-1))+sum((a_3)^(-1/2),j=p..(q-1))):
q:=2*p:sig1:=2*p*oo:
aa:=((sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..(2*p-(j+2)))+
      sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(j+1)))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..j))+
      sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(2*p-(j+1)))))^(-1/2):
bb:=((sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(2*p-(j+2)))+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+
      sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(j+1)))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+
      sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..j)+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(2*p-(j+1)))))^(-1/2):
oooo:=factor(sum(aa,j=0..(p-1))+sum(bb,j=p..(2*p-1))):

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sig2:=p*oooo:
t:=sig1+sig2:
balaban3:=unapply(t,p):
J:=(p*(3*q-1))/(p*(3*q-1)-2*p*q+2)*balaban3(p):
return(J):
end proc:

J = p(6p - 1)/(2p2 - p + 2)
2p(∑j=0p-1(3/((25p3 - p - 6p2 + 6pj - 21p2j + 9pj2 - j + j3)(1/2)) +
( - 21p2j - 15p2 + 9pj2 + 12pj + 2p + 2j + j3 + 3j2 + 25p3))(1/2)) +
∑j=p2p-1(3/((27p3 - 27p2j + 15pj2 - 6p2 + 6pj - 3p + j - j3)
(27p3 - 21p2 + 6p + 24pj + 15pj2 - 27p2j - 3j2 - 2j - j3))(1/2)) +
p(∑j=0p-1p - 1(3/((25p3 + 14p - 27p2 + 24pj - 21p2j + 9pj2 + 2j + j3 + 3j2)
(- 21p2j - 15p2 + 9pj2 + 12pj + 2p + 2j + j3 + 3j2 + 25p3))(1/2)) +
∑j=p2p-2(3/((-j3 + 27p3 + 18p - 2j - 33p2 + 36pj - 3j2 + 15pj2 - 27p2j)
(27p3 - 21p2 + 6p + 24pj + 15pj2 - 27p2j - 3j2 - 2j - j3))(1/2)))

when q>2p
J4:=proc(p,q)
a_2:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))+
sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..j))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..j)+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+
sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))):
a_3:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(q-(j+1)))+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+
sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..j))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+
sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..j)+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(q-(j+1)))):
a_4:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))+
sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..j))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+
sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..j)+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))):
bs_4:=sum((a_4)^(-1/2),j=p..(q-p-1)):
bs_3:=sum((a_3)^(-1/2),j=(q-p)..(q-1)):
bs_2:=sum((a_2)^(-1/2),j=0..(p-1)):
oo:=factor((bs_3+bs_2+bs_4)):
oa_2:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))-(p*(4*(q-j-1)+1))+
sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(j+1))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..j)+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+
sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))):
oa_3:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(q-(j+1)))-(p+q-j-1)^2+q-j-1)+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+
sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(j+1))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..j)+
sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(q-(j+1)))):
oa_4:=(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))-(p*(4*(q-j-1)+1))+
sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(j+1))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+
sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..j)+sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(q-(j+1)))):
obs_4:=sum((oa_4)^(-1/2),j=p..(q-p-1)):
obs_3:=sum((oa_3)^(-1/2),j=(q-p)..(q-2)):

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obs_2:=sum((oa_2)^(-1/2),j=0..(p-2)):

ob_5:=((sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k+1),k=p..(q-p-1))+
      sum((p+k)^2+k,k=1..(p-1))+p*(4*p-1))*(sum((p+k)^2+k,k=0..(p-1))+
      sum((p+k)^2-k,k=1..(p-1))+sum(p*(4*k-1),k=p..(q-p))))^(-1/2):

oooo:=factor(obs_3+obs_2+obs_4+ob_5):

sig1:=2*p*ooo:      sig2:=p*oooo:
t:=sig1+sig2:
balaban1:=unapply(t,p,q):
J:=(p*(3*q-1))/(p*(3*q-1)-2*p*q+2)*balaban1(p,q):
return(J):
end proc:

J   =  (p(3q - 1))/(p(3q - 1) - 2pq + 2)p(2(p^2(14p^2 + 6p - 2 - 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq)
      (14p^2 - 6p - 2 + 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq))^(1/2))
      ∑_{j=q-p}^{q-1} (3/((3p^2q - 3p^2j + 3pq^2 - 6pqj + 9pj^2 - 3pq + 6pj - q + j + q^3 - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 - j^3 + p^3 - p)
      (p^3 - 3p^2 + 2p + 12pj + 9pj^2 + 3p^2q - 3p^2j + 3pq^2 - 6pqj - 3pq - 3q^2 + 6qj - 3j^2 +
      2q - 2j + q^3 - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 - j^3))^(1/2)) +
      2(p^2(14p^2 + 6p - 2 - 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq)(14p^2 - 6p - 2 + 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq))^(1/2)
      ∑_{j=0}^{p-1} (3/((p^3 - p - 3pq + 6pj + 6pq^2 - 12pqj + 9pj^2 + 3p^2j - j + j^3)
      (3p^2j + 3p^2 + 9pj^2 + 12pj + 2p + 2j + j^3 + 3j^2 + p^3 - 9pq + 6pq^2 - 12pqj))^(1/2)) +
      2(p^2(14p^2 + 6p - 2 - 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq)(14p^2 - 6p - 2 + 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq))^(1/2)
      ∑_{j=p}^{-p+q-1} (3/(p^2(2p^2 - 2 - 3q + 6j + 6q^2 - 12qj + 12j^2)(2p^2 + 4 + 18j + 12j^2 - 9q + 6q^2 - 12qj))^(1/2)) +
      ∑_{j=q-p}^{q-1} (3/((-3p^2 + 3p^2q + q^3 - j^3 + 3qj^2 - 3q^2j - 3q^2 + 6qj - 3j^2 + 14p + 2q - 2j - 6pqj +
      24pj + 9pj^2 - 9pq + 3pq^2 - 3p^2j + p^3)(p^3 - 3p^2 + 2p + 12pj + 9pj^2 + 3p^2q - 3p^2j + 3pq^2 - 6pqj -
      3pq - 3q^2 + 6qj - 3j^2 + 2q - 2j + q^3 - 3q^2j + 3qj^2 - j^3))^(1/2)) +
      (p^2(14p^2 + 6p - 2 - 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq)(14p^2 - 6p - 2 + 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq))^(1/2) +
      ∑_{j=0}^{p-2} (3/((3p^2 + j^3 + 3j^2 + 14p + 2j - 12pqj + 24pj + 9pj^2 - 15pq + 6pq^2 + 3p^2j + p^3)
      (3p^2j + 3p^2 + 9pj^2 + 12pj + 2p + 2j + j^3 + 3j^2 + p^3 - 9pq + 6pq^2 - 12pqj))^(1/2)) +
      (p^2(14p^2 + 6p - 2 - 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq)(14p^2 - 6p - 2 + 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq))^(1/2)
      + ∑_{j=p}^{-p+q-1} (3/(p^2(2p^2 + 16 - 15q + 30j + 6q^2 - 12qj + 12j^2)(2p^2 + 4 + 18j + 12j^2 - 9q + 6q^2 - 12qj))^(1/2)) +
      (p^2(14p^2 + 6p - 2 - 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq)(14p^2 - 6p - 2 + 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq))^(1/2) + 3) +
      (p^2(14p^2 + 6p - 2 - 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq)(14p^2 - 6p - 2 + 3q + 6q^2 - 12pq))^(1/2)

balaban:=proc(p,q)
  if p>q or p= q then return(J1(p,q));
  elif q>2p then return(J4(p,q));
  elif 2p>q and q>p then return(J2(p,q));
  elif 2p=q then return(J3(p,q));
  end if;
end proc:
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| p | q | $J(G)$ | p | q | $J(G)$ |
|-------|-------|-----------------|--------------|-------|-----------------------|
| 3 | 2 | 1.816153384 | 3 | 3 | 1.570369020 |
| 4 | 2 | 1.634533430 | 4 | 3 | 1.419631938 |
| 4 | 4 | 1.243417185 | 5 | 1 | 2.000000000 |
| 5 | 2 | 1.468736612 | 5 | 3 | 1.277119467 |
| 10000 | 10000 | 0.0004978663204 | 100000 | 553 | 0.00008972330154 |
| 10000 | 9999 | 0.0004978924006 | 100000000 | 1000 | 0.00000009002944001 |
| 10000 | 9998 | 0.0004979184861 | 100000000000 | 55300 | 0.0000000009000020881 |
| 10000 | 9997 | 0.0004979445685 | 15 | 7 | 0.4671996224 |
| 10000 | 9996 | 0.0004979706549 | 15 | 6 | 0.4671996224 |

Table 3: Balaban index of short $TUHC_6[2p, q]$ tubes, $q \leq p$

| p | q | $J(G)$ | p | q | $J(G)$ |
|-------|-------|-----------------|-----|-----|--------------|
| 1 | 5 | 1.055419721 | 5 | 11 | 0.5868560594 |
| 2 | 5 | 1.190105784 | 2 | 6 | 1.028989158 |
| 3 | 7 | 0.9032034971 | 3 | 8 | 0.8076749363 |
| 4 | 9 | 0.7140624259 | 4 | 10 | 0.653287625 |
| 10000 | 21000 | 0.0003021584021 | 15 | 31 | 0.2062347925 |
| 10000 | 22000 | 0.0002909149996 | 15 | 32 | 0.2009448960 |
| 10000 | 23000 | 0.0002804011873 | 15 | 33 | 0.1958934458 |
| 10000 | 24000 | 0.0002705559202 | 15 | 34 | 0.1910664974 |
| 10000 | 25000 | 0.0002613237687 | 15 | 35 | 0.1864510072 |

Table 4: Balaban index of long $TUHC_6[2p, q]$ tubes, $q > 2p$

In Tables (1) and (2) the numerical data for Balaban index in tubes $T(p, q) = TUHC_6[2p, q]$ of various dimensions are given. Note that $J(T(p, 1)) = 2$ and $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} pJ(T(p, 2)) = 12.5$. We conclude this section by the following conjecture

Conjecture: For all positive integer q we have $\lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} pJ(T(p, q)) < \infty$.

Appendix

In this appendix we include a MATHEMATICA [30] program to produce the graph of $T(p, q)$ and compute the Szeged and Balaban indices of the graph.

```
<<Graphics`Arrow`
<<DiscreteMath`Combinatorica`
verlin[x_,y_]:={{x,y},{x,y+1/2}};
oddlin[x_,y_]:={{{x,y},{x+1/2,y+1/2}},{{{x+1/2,y+1/2},{x+1,y}}}};
evelin[x_,y_]:={{{x,y},{x+1/2,y-1/2}},{{{x+1/2,y-1/2},{x+1,y}}}};
positiveslop[x_,y_]:={{{x,y},{x+1/2,y+1/2}}};
negativeslop[x_,y_]:={{{x,y},{x+1/2,y-1/2}}};
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pts[x_,y_]:={{x,y},{x+1,y}};
(*generating the coordinates*)

zigzag[p_,q_]:=Join[Flatten[Table[oddlin[x,y],{y,q,1,-2},{x,0,p-2,1}],2],
Table[positiveslop[p-1,y],{y,q,1,-2}],
Flatten[Table[evelin[x,y],{y,-1/2,1,-2},{x,0,p-2,1}],2],
Table[negativeslop[p-1,y],{y,-1/2,1,-2}],
Flatten[Table[verlin[x,y],{y,-q-1/2,1,-2},{x,0,p-1,1}],1],
Flatten[Table[verlin[x,y],{y,-q-3/2,1,-2},{x,1/2,p,1}],1],
Table[{{0,y},{p-1/2,y+1/2}},{y,q,1,-2}],
Table[{{0,y-1/2},{p-1/2,y-1}},{y,q,2,-2}]
]

p=5; q=3; (* for example*)
pic=zigzag[p,q];(*show picture *)
(*generating the graph *)
Show[Graphics[Map[Line,pic]],AspectRatio->Automatic];
drawgraph[edges_]:=Module[{vert,G,n,t,e,vv},
vert=Union[Flatten[edges,1]];
n=Length[vert];
t=Length[edges];
e={}; vv=Table[{vert[[t]],VertexLabel->t},{t,1,n}];
For[i=1,i<=t,
z=edges[[i]];
AppendTo[e,{Position[vert,z[[1]]][[1,1]],Position[vert,z[[2]]][[1,1]]}];
i++];
G=Graph[e,vv]; ShowGraph[G]; Return[G];
]
K=drawgraph[pic];(* Show graph*)
(* computing the Szeged index *)
sz[G_]:=Module[{vert,findnij,edges},
edges=Edges[G];
vert=Union[Flatten[edges,1]];
findnij[ed_]:=Module[{i,j,ni,nj,L1,L2,t},
ni=0;nj=0;i=ed[[1]];j=ed[[2]];
For[t=1,t<=Length[vert],
L1=Length[ShortestPath[G,i,vert[[t]]]]-1;
L2=Length[ShortestPath[G,j,vert[[t]]]]-1;
If[L1<L2,ni=ni+1];
If[L1>L2,nj=nj+1];
t++ ];
Return[ni*nj];
];
Return[Sum[findnij[edges[[i]]],{i,1,Length[edges]}]];
]
sz[K] (* The Szeged index of the graph *)
(* computing the Balaban index *)
bal[G_]:=Module[{vert,finddudv,edges,n,m},
edges=Edges[G]; m=Length[edges];
vert=Union[Flatten[edges,1]]; n=Length[vert];
finddudv[ed_]:=Module[{u,v,du,dv,t},

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u=ed[[1]]; v=ed[[2]];
du=Sum[Length[ShortestPath[G,u,vert[[t]]]]-1,{t,1,n}];
dv=Sum[Length[ShortestPath[G,v,vert[[t]]]]-1,{t,1,n}];
Return[1/Sqrt[du*dv]];
];
Return[N[m*Sum[finddudv[edgs[[i]]],{i,1,Length[edgs]}]/(m-n+2),10]];
]
bal[K] (* The Balaban index of the graph *)
```

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