# Cluj-Tehran Index 

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#### Abstract

A novel topological index, called Cluj-Tehran $C T$, is defined on the ground of Shell polynomials. The polynomial coefficients are calculated by means of Shell matrices, built up according to the vertex distance partitions of a graph. Close formulas for calculating the Shell polynomial in case of Cluj matrices and the corresponding Cluj-Tehran $C T$ index in several particular classes of graphs are given.


## Introduction

Finite sequences of some graph invariants, such as the distance degree sequence or the sequence of the number of $k$-independent edge sets can be written as polynomials, as was introduced by Hosoya with his Z-counting polynomial. ${ }^{1}$ Later, a variety of counting polynomials have been defined and their properties investigated. ${ }^{2-6}$ Interested readers are invited to consult some recent books in the field. ${ }^{7-10}$

Among the counting polynomial, of particular interest proved to be the Shell polynomials, proposed by Diudea, ${ }^{11}$ which are Hosoya polynomials ${ }^{12}$ weighted with

[^0]topological or physico-chemical local properties, useful in Mathematical Chemistry and correlating studies.

Let's define the entries in a Shell matrix $\mathbf{S h M}$ as: ${ }^{8,13}$

$$
\begin{equation*}
[\mathbf{S h M}]_{i, k}=\sum_{v d_{i, v}=k}[\mathbf{M}]_{i, v} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\mathbf{M}$ is any square topological matrix. Any other operation over the square matrix entries $[\mathbf{M}]_{i, v}$ can be used. The Shell matrix is a collection of the above defined entries:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{S h M}=\left\{[\mathbf{S h M}]_{i, k} ; i \in V(G) ; k \in[0,1, . ., d(G)]\right\} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

The zero column $[\mathbf{S h M}]_{i, 0}$ is the diagonal entries in the info matrix $\mathbf{M}$.
Define now the Shell polynomial ${ }^{10,11}$ as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{ShM}(x)=\sum_{k} p(G, k) \cdot x^{k} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

with $p(G, k)$ being sets of local contributions (of extent $k$ ) to the global (molecular) property $P(G)=\cup p(G, k)$ and summation running up to $d(G)$.

The polynomial coefficients are calculable from the above defined shell matrices, as the half sums on columns. Any square matrix M can be used as info matrix in calculating the Shell-polynomials.

## Cluj-Tehran index

On the ground of Shell polynomials and the first two derivatives, in $x=1$, we define here the Cluj-Tehran index ${ }^{10}$ as:

$$
\begin{equation*}
C T(S h M, G)=\operatorname{Sh}^{\prime}(1)+(1 / 2) S h M^{\prime \prime}(1) \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

The formula is the same as that used in calculating the Hyper-Wienner $W W$ index ${ }^{14}$ on Hosoya polynomial, with the difference the actual index is more general; in the name of actual index, the name/symbol of the info matrix must be specified.

The index $W W$ can be obtained from the $\operatorname{ShD}(x)$ as the half sum of the zero and first derivatives, in $x=1$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
W W(G)=\left[S h D(1)+S h D^{\prime}(1)\right] / 2 \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Relation (5) is true in any graph. Note, the value of $\operatorname{Sh} D(x)$, in $\mathrm{x}=1$, equals the Wiener index ${ }^{15}$ $W(G)$. The above formulas are exemplified on the graph $G_{1}$ in Table 1.

$G_{1}$

Table 1. Polynomial $\operatorname{Sh} D(x)$ and $C T$ index in $G_{1}$.

|  | $\mathbf{S h D}\left(G_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  | D ( $G_{1}$ ) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $i \backslash k$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | RS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | $R S$ |
| 1 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 15 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 15 |
| 2 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 10 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 10 |
| 3 | 3 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| 4 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 12 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 2 | 12 |
| 5 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 8 | 17 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 17 |
| 6 | 1 | 4 | 6 | 4 | 15 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 0 | 3 | 15 |
| 7 | 1 | 4 | 9 | 0 | 14 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 14 |
| CS | 12 | 28 | 36 | 16 | 92 | 15 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 17 | 15 | 14 | 92 |
| $\operatorname{ShD}(x)$ | $6 \mathrm{x}+14 \mathrm{x}^{2}+18 \mathrm{x}^{3}+8 \mathrm{x}^{4}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{P}\left(1, G_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  |  | 46 | $\begin{aligned} & W \\ & W W=(46+120) / 2=83 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{P}^{\prime}\left(1, G_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  |  | 120 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{P}\left(1, G_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  |  | 232 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $C T(S h D)$ |  |  |  |  | 236 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Shell-Cluj polynomial

A Cluj fragment ${ }^{7,10,16} C J_{i, j, p}$ collects vertices $v$ lying closer to $i$ than to $j$, the endpoints of a path $p(i, j)$. It collects the vertex proximities of $i$ against any vertex $j$, joined by the path $p$, with the distances measured in the subgraph $G-p$ :

$$
\begin{equation*}
C J_{i, j, p}=\left\{v \mid v \in V(G) ; D_{(G-p)}(i, v)<D_{(G-p)}(j, v)\right\} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

In graphs containing rings, more than one path could join the pair $(i, j)$, thus resulting more than one fragment related to $i$ (with respect to $j$ and a given path $p$ ). The entries in the Cluj matrix are taken, by definition, as the maximum cardinality among all such fragments:

$$
\begin{equation*}
[\mathbf{U C J}]_{i, j}=\max _{p}\left|C J_{i, j, p}\right| \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

In trees, due to the unique nature of paths joining any two vertices, $C J_{i, j, p}$ represents the set of paths going to $j$ through $i$. In this way, the path $p(i, j)$ is characterized by a single endpoint, which is sufficient to calculate the unsymmetric matrix UCJ. When the path $p$
belongs to the set of distances $\mathrm{DI}(\mathrm{G})$, the suffix DI is added to the name of matrix, as in UCJDI. When path $p$ belongs to the set of detours $\operatorname{DE}(\mathrm{G})$, the suffix is DE . In trees, due to the uniqueness of the paths, the two variants of Cluj matrices superimpose. When the matrix symbol is not followed by a suffix, it is implicitly DI. Thus, UCJ can be calculated on path $\mathbf{U C J} \mathbf{J}_{p}$ or on edges $\mathbf{U C J} \mathbf{J}_{e}$, the last one being obtained as the Hadamard pair-wise product of $\mathbf{U C} \mathbf{J}_{p}$ with the adjacency matrix A (having the entries 1 if the pair $(i, j)$ belongs to $E(G)$ or zero, otherwise):

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{U C J}_{e}=\mathbf{U C} \mathbf{J}_{p} \bullet \mathbf{A} \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

The Cluj matrices are defined in any graph; they are non-symmetric matrices, excepting some symmetric graphs, when are symmetric ones. They can be symmetrized by the Hadamard multiplication with the corresponding transposes:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathbf{S C J} \mathbf{J}_{p}=\mathbf{U C J} \mathbf{J}_{p} \bullet\left(\mathbf{U C J} \mathbf{J}_{p}\right)^{\mathrm{T}} \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

To calculate the Shell-Cluj polynomial $\operatorname{Sh} U C J(x)$, only the unsymmetric matrix UCJ will be used. It is worthy mentioned that, in tree graphs, the polynomial derivatives, in $x=1$, are: $P(1, G)=W(G)$ and $P^{\prime}(1, G)=W W(G)$, properties which come out from the properties of Cluj matrices. The above formulas are exemplified on the graph $G_{1}$ in Table 2.

Table 2. Polynomial $\operatorname{Sh} U C J(x)$ and $C T$ index in $G_{1}$.

|  | $\mathbf{S h U C J}\left(G_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  | $\mathbf{U C J}\left(G_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $i \backslash k$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | RS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | RS |
| 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| 2 | 15 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 24 | 6 | 0 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 24 |
| 3 | 15 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 28 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 28 |
| 4 | 8 | 4 | 4 | 0 | 16 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 16 |
| 5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 6 |
| 6 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| 7 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 6 |
| CS | 42 | 30 | 16 | 4 | 92 | 15 | 10 | 9 | 12 | 17 | 15 | 14 | 92 |
| $\operatorname{ShUCJ}(x)$ | $21 \mathrm{x}+15 \mathrm{x}^{2}+8 \mathrm{x}^{3}+2 \mathrm{x}^{4}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{P}\left(1, G_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  |  | 46 | W |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{P}^{\prime}\left(1, G_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  |  | 83 | WW |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{P}^{\prime \prime}\left(1, G_{1}\right)$ |  |  |  |  | 102 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CT(ShUCJ) |  |  |  |  | 134 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

For cycles, an example of the Shell-Cluj polynomial is given in Table 3. It can be seen that the relations with $W$ and $W W$ indices are not obeyed in cycle-containing graphs.

Table 3. Polynomial $\operatorname{Sh} U C J(x)$ and $C T$ index in the simple cycle $C_{6}$.

|  | ShUCJ( $C_{6}$ ) |  |  | $\mathrm{UCJ}\left(C_{6}\right)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $i \backslash k$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | RS | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | $R S$ |
| 1 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 12 |
| 2 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 12 |
| 3 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 12 |
| 4 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 12 |
| 5 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 12 |
| 6 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 12 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 12 |
| CS | 36 | 24 | 12 | 72 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 72 |
| $\operatorname{ShUCJ}(x)$ | $18 \mathrm{x}+12 \mathrm{x}^{2}+6 \mathrm{x}^{3}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{P}(1)$ |  |  |  | 36 | Compare: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| P'(1) |  |  |  | 60 | $W=27$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| P"(1) |  |  |  | 60 | $W W=42$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $C T(S h U C J)$ |  |  |  | 90 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Shell-Cluj polynomial and CT-index in particular graphs

Three classes of graphs are next investigated to find close formulas for calculating the Shell-Cluj $\operatorname{ShUCJ}(x)$ polynomial and Cluj-Tehran $C T$ index: paths $\boldsymbol{P}_{\boldsymbol{n}}$, stars $\boldsymbol{S}_{1, m}$, and simple cycles $\boldsymbol{C}_{\boldsymbol{n}}$.

## Paths $\boldsymbol{P}_{\boldsymbol{n}}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(P_{n}, x\right)=\sum_{k=0}^{n-2}\binom{n-k}{2} \cdot x^{k+1} \\
& \operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(P_{n}, 1\right)=\sum_{k=0}^{n-2}\binom{n-k}{2}=\binom{n}{2}\left(\frac{n+1}{3}\right)=\frac{n(n-1)(n+1)}{6} \\
& \operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(P_{n}, 1\right)=\sum_{k=0}^{n-2}(k+1)\binom{n-k}{2}=\binom{n}{2} \frac{(n+1)(n+2)}{12}=\frac{n(n-1)(n+1)(n+2)}{24} \\
& \operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(P_{n}, 1\right)=\sum_{k=1}^{n-2} k(k+1)\binom{n-k}{2}=\binom{n}{2} \frac{(n+1)(n-2)(n+2)}{30}=\frac{n(n-1)(n+1)(n-2)(n+2)}{60} \\
& \operatorname{CT}\left(\operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(P_{n}\right)\right)=P^{1}+P^{2} / 2=\binom{n}{2} \frac{(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)}{60}=\frac{n(n-1)(n+1)(n+2)(n+3)}{120}
\end{aligned}
$$

Examples: $C T\left(\operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(P_{n}\right)\right) ; n=\overline{2,10}: 1 ; 6 ; 21 ; 56 ; 126 ; 252 ; 462 ; 792 ; 1287$.

Stars $\boldsymbol{S}_{\mathbf{1}, \boldsymbol{m} ;} n=1+m$.

$$
\operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(S_{1, m}, x\right)=\binom{n+1}{2} \cdot x+\binom{n}{2} \cdot x^{2}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(S_{1, m}, 1\right)=\binom{n+1}{2}+\binom{n}{2}=n^{2} \\
& \operatorname{ShUCJ}^{\prime}\left(S_{1, m}, 1\right)=\binom{n+1}{2}+2\binom{n}{2}=\frac{n(3 n-1)}{2} \\
& \operatorname{ShUCJ}^{\prime \prime}\left(S_{1, m}, 1\right)=2\binom{n}{2}=n(n-1) \\
& \operatorname{CT}\left(\operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(S_{1, m}\right)\right)=P^{1}+P^{2} / 2=\binom{n+1}{2}+3\binom{n}{2}=n(2 n-1)
\end{aligned}
$$

Examples: $C T\left(\operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(S_{1, m}\right)\right) ; n=\overline{3,10}: \quad 15 ; 28 ; 45 ; 66 ; 91 ; 120 ; 153 ; 190$.

## Cycles $\boldsymbol{C}_{\boldsymbol{n}}$

Case: $0(\bmod 4)$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(C_{n}, x\right)=\frac{n^{2}}{2} \cdot x+\sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n-4}{4}} n\left(\frac{n}{2}-k\right) \cdot\left(x^{2 k}+x^{2 k+1}\right)+\frac{n^{2}}{8} \cdot x^{\frac{n}{2}} \\
& \operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n^{2}(3 n+8) / 32 \\
& \operatorname{ShUCJ}^{\prime}\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n^{2}\left(4 n^{2}+3 n-4\right) / 96 \\
& \operatorname{Sh} U C J^{\prime \prime}\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n^{3}\left(5 n^{2}-12 n-8\right) / 384 \\
& \operatorname{CT}\left(\operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(C_{n}(0(\bmod 4))\right)=n^{2}\left(5 n^{3}+20 n^{2}+16 n-32\right) / 768\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

Examples: $C T\left(\operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(\mathrm{C}_{n}, 0(\bmod 4)\right)\right) ; n=8,12,16: \quad 328 ; 2190 ; 8608$
Case: $1(\bmod 4)$.

$$
\operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(C_{n}, x\right)=\sum_{k=0}^{\frac{n-5}{4}}\left[n \frac{n-(2 k+1)}{2}\right] \cdot\left(x^{2 k+1}+x^{2 k+2}\right)
$$

$$
\operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n(n-1)(3 n+1) / 32
$$

$$
\operatorname{ShUCJ}^{\prime}\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n(n-1)\left(4 n^{2}+7 n+9\right) / 96
$$

$$
\operatorname{ShUCJ}^{\prime \prime}\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n(n-1)\left(5 n^{3}-7 n^{2}-9 n-21\right) / 384
$$

$$
C T\left(\operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(C_{n}(1(\bmod 4))\right)=n(n-1)(n+3)\left(5 n^{2}+10 n+17\right) / 768\right.
$$

Examples: $C T\left(\operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(\mathrm{C}_{n}, 1(\bmod 4)\right)\right) ; n=9,13,17: \quad 576 ; 3224 ; 11560$
Case: $2(\bmod 4)$.
$\operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(C_{n}, x\right)=\frac{n^{2}}{2} \cdot x+\sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n-6}{4}} n\left(\frac{n}{2}-k\right) \cdot\left(x^{2 k}+x^{2 k+1}\right)+\frac{n(n+2)}{4} \cdot\left(x^{\frac{n}{2}-1}+\frac{1}{2} x^{\frac{n}{2}}\right)$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n(n+2)(3 n+2) / 32 \\
& \operatorname{Sh} U C J^{\prime}\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n(n+2)\left(4 n^{2}-5 n+6\right) / 96 \\
& \operatorname{Sh} U C J^{\prime \prime}\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n(n-2)(n+2)\left(5 n^{2}-12 n+12\right) / 384 \\
& C T\left(\operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(C_{n}(2(\bmod 4))\right)=n(n+2)\left(5 n^{3}+10 n^{2}-4 n+24\right) / 768\right.
\end{aligned}
$$

Examples: $C T\left(\operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(\mathrm{C}_{n}, 2(\bmod 4)\right)\right) ; n=6,10,14: \quad 90 ; 935 ; 4564$

Case: $3(\bmod 4)$.

$$
\operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(C_{n}, x\right)=\sum_{k=0}^{\frac{n-7}{4}}\left[n \frac{n-(2 k+1)}{2}\right] \cdot\left(x^{2 k+1}+x^{2 k+2}\right)+\frac{n(n+1)}{4} \cdot x^{\frac{n-1}{2}}
$$

$$
\operatorname{ShUCJ}\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n(n+1)(3 n-1) / 32
$$

$$
\operatorname{ShUCJ} J^{\prime}\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n(n+1)\left(4 n^{2}-n-9\right) / 96
$$

$$
\operatorname{ShUCJ} J^{\prime \prime}\left(C_{n}, 1\right)=n(n+1)(n-3)\left(5 n^{2}-2 n-15\right) / 384
$$

$$
C T\left(\operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(C_{n}(3(\bmod 4))\right)=n(n+1)^{2}\left(5 n^{2}+10 n-27\right) / 768\right.
$$

Examples: $\operatorname{CT}\left(\operatorname{Sh} U C J\left(\mathrm{C}_{n}, 3(\bmod 4)\right)\right) ; n=7,11,15: 168 ; 1419 ; 6240$

In the above, the last row in each case gives examples of $C T$ index. The calculations were performed by the TOPOCLUJ software package.

## Correlating ability of CT index

Topological indices TIs are among the simplest and efficient descriptors for $Q S P R / Q S A R$. We tested the newly proposed Cluj-Tehran CT index, namely $\mathrm{CT}(\mathrm{Sh}(\mathrm{DegDI})$ in predicting some physico-chemical properties of Octane alkanes. ${ }^{17}$ The best correlations have been obtained with the values of boiling point BP, entropy $S$ and total surface area TSA (Table 5). The results were compared with those obtained for the simple Degree-Distance DegDI index and with those available online in the IAMC database. ${ }^{18}$

Table 4. Octanes and their boiling point BP, entropy $S$ and total surface area TSA values

|  | Molecule | BP | S | TSA | CT(ShDegDI) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  | 9.153 | 111.67 | 415.3 | 1470 |
| 2 |  | 9.120 | 109.84 | 407.85 | 1155 |
| 3 |  | 9.115 | 111.26 | 397.34 | 978 |
| 4 |  | 9.114 | 109.32 | 396.04 | 921 |
| 5 |  | 9.108 | 109.43 | 379.04 | 744 |
| 6 |  | 9.065 | 103.42 | 405.11 | 767 |
| 7 |  | 9.079 | 108.02 | 384.93 | 693 |
| 8 |  | 9.082 | 106.98 | 388.11 | 727 |
| 9 |  | 9.088 | 105.72 | 395.08 | 875 |
| 10 |  | 9.056 | 104.74 | 389.79 | 585 |
| 11 |  | 9.074 | 106.59 | 376.91 | 602 |
| 12 |  | 9.073 | 106.06 | 368.1 | 545 |
| 13 |  | 9.049 | 101.48 | 366.99 | 460 |


|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 18 | 9.023 | 101.31 | 371.75 | 443 |
| 18 | 9.031 | 104.09 | 392.19 | 545 |

Table 5. Statistics of QSPR study on Octanes

|  | $\mathrm{R}^{2}$ | BP | S | TSA |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | DegDI $^{17}$ | 0.913 | 0.771 | 0.520 |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | CT(ShDegDI) |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\mathbf{0 . 8 1 8 2}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 6 4 6 0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 6 1 3}$ |
| 3 | Best in Octanes <br> (monovariate) | 0.782 | 0.920 | 0.721 |

One can see, CI index shows a moderately good ability in predicting some physicochemical properties of alkanes, which could be useful in multi-variate regression studies.

## Conclusions

A novel topological index, called Cluj-Tehran $C T$, is defined on the ground of Shell polynomials. The polynomial coefficients are calculated as the column half sums of Shell matrices, built up according to the vertex distance partitions of a graph. Close formulas to calculate the Shell-Cluj polynomial and the corresponding Cluj-Tehran index in several particular classes of graphs were given.

The $C T$ descriptors have been tested in prediction of some physico-chemical properties of octane alkanes, with promising results, particularly those defined on combination ShDegDI
and are continuing tested in our labs on any combination ShM for correlating and discriminating abilities.

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