

# Extremal Graphs for Vertex–Degree–Based Indices with Given Matching Number

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## Abstract

The question of finding extremal structures with respect to various graph indices has received a lot of attention. Among these indices, a large number are defined on vertex degrees. We consider a typical generalization of the vertex-degree based indices of a graph  $G$  defined by

$$I_f(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} f(d(u), d(v)),$$

where  $f(x, y)$  is symmetric bivariate function. We define a property concerning  $f(x, y)$  and show that if  $f(x, y)$  admits this property and  $G$  has a given matching number, then  $I_f(G)$  is upper bounded by a graph with certain structure. Further, we show that the above property is admitted by a large number of degree-based indices. This means that the extremal structures of the graphs that have given matching number and attain the maximum values of these indices are the same.

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# 1 Introduction

In mathematical chemistry, particularly in QSPR/QSAR (quantitative structure-property/activity relationship) investigation, a large number of topological indices were introduced in an attempt to characterize the physico-chemical properties of molecules. In terms of graph theory, a molecule is conveniently modeled as a graph or chemical graph and, thus, a topological index can be measured by the distances between vertices, the graph spectra or the degrees of the vertices in the graph. Among these indices, the vertex-degree-based indices play important roles. Indeed, several dozens of vertex-degree-based indices have been introduced and extensively studied in the literature [16, 27, 40]. Probably the most studied are the Randić connectivity index  $R$  and the first and second Zagreb indices  $M_1$  and  $M_2$ , respectively, which were introduced for the total  $\pi$ -energy of alternant hydrocarbons [14, 17].

A natural consideration in studying various degree-based indices is to find a general approach that can be applied to as many indices as possible in some way [25]. To this end, a general form of the degree-based indices of a graph  $G$  was introduced [32], which is represented as the sum of a function  $f(d(u), d(v))$  among all the edges of  $G$ , i.e.,

$$I_f(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} f(d(u), d(v)), \quad (1)$$

where  $f(x, y)$  is a real function with  $f(x, y) = f(y, x) \geq 0$ ,  $E(G)$  is the edge set of  $G$  and, for a vertex  $v$  of  $G$ ,  $d(v)$  is the degree of  $v$ . In the literature,  $I_f(G)$  is also called the *connectivity function* [36] or *bond incident degree index* [3, 38].

In this paper, we focus on the maximum value of  $I_f(G)$  for the graphs  $G$  with given matching number. In fact, for some particular functions  $f(x, y)$ , the extremal value of  $I_f(G)$  received much attention in the literature. In particular, when  $f(x, y) = x + y$  or  $f(x, y) = xy$ ,  $I_f(G)$  is known as the first Zagreb index  $M_1(G)$  or second Zagreb index  $M_2(G)$ , respectively. In [8], Feng and Ilić showed that if  $G$  is a graph with matching number  $\beta$  (the

size of a maximum matching), then

$$M_i(G) \leq \max \{M_i(H_1), M_i(H_\beta)\}, \quad i = 1, 2,$$

and the equality holds if and only if  $G = H_1$  or  $G = H_\beta$ , where  $H_1 = K_1 \vee (K_{2\beta-1} \cup \overline{K_{n-2\beta}})$  and  $H_\beta = K_\beta \vee \overline{K_{n-\beta}}$ .

Other particular forms of  $I_f(G)$  were also considered. In [37], using the majorization of degree sequence, Yao et al. determined the extremal graphs for general sum-connectivity index where  $f(x, y) = (x+y)^\alpha$  ( $\alpha \geq 1$ ) and the reformulated Zagreb index where  $f(x, y) = (x+y-2)^\alpha$  among the class of trees, unicyclic graphs and bicyclic graphs with fixed matching number, respectively.

Motivated by the results above, we try to give a universal method to characterize the extremal structures of the graphs with given matching number that attain the maximum value of  $I_f(G)$ . To this end, we introduce the notion of the property  $\mathcal{P}$  as follows:

**Property  $\mathcal{P}$ :** A real function  $f(x, y)$  is called satisfying Property  $\mathcal{P}$  if

$$f(x, y) > 0, \quad \frac{\partial f(x, y)}{\partial x} \geq 0, \quad \frac{d^2 f(x, x)}{dx^2} \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d^2 f(x, n-1)}{dx^2} \geq 0$$

for any  $x \geq 1$  and  $y \geq 1$ .

For two positive integers  $i$  and  $\beta$ , define the graph  $H_i$  as

$$H_i = K_i \vee (K_{2\beta+1-2i} \cup \overline{K_{n-2\beta-1+i}}).$$

Let

$$\begin{aligned} Q(x) &= \frac{x(x-1)}{2} f(n-1, n-1) + x(2\beta-2x+1)f(2\beta-x, n-1) \\ &+ \frac{(2\beta-2x+1)(2\beta-2x)}{2} f(2\beta-x, 2\beta-x) \\ &+ x(n-2\beta-1+x)f(x, n-1). \end{aligned}$$

We note that  $Q(i) = I_f(H_i)$  for any  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, \beta\}$ . In the following section, we show that if  $f(x, y)$  satisfies Property  $\mathcal{P}$  in the interval  $[1, \beta] \times [1, \beta]$ , then for any graph  $G$  with given matching number  $\beta$ ,  $I_f(G) \leq \max\{I_f(H_i) : i = 1, 2, \dots, \beta\}$ . In addition, if  $\frac{d^2 Q(x)}{dx^2} \geq 0$  for  $x \in [1, \beta]$ ,

then  $I_f(G) \leq \max\{I_f(H_1), I_f(H_\beta)\}$ .

## 2 Main results

Let  $G$  be a simple graph. As usual, we use  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$  to denote the vertex set and edge set of  $G$ . For  $e \in E(G)$  (resp.  $e \notin E(G)$ ), we denote by  $G - e$  (resp.  $G + e$ ) the graph obtained from  $G$  by removing (resp. adding) the edge  $e$ . A set  $M$  of edges in  $G$  is called a *matching* if  $M$  is independent. In particular, if a matching  $M$  has  $|V(G)|/2$  edges, then we call  $M$  a *perfect matching*. The *matching number*  $\beta(G)$  of  $G$  is the number of edges in a maximum matching.

A *component* of  $G$  is a maximal connected subgraph of  $G$ . For an integer  $n > 0$ , we denote by  $K_n$  and  $\bar{K}_n$  the complete graph and the empty graph of  $n$  vertices, respectively. A component is called *even* (resp., *odd*) if it has an even (resp., odd) number of vertices. Let  $o(G)$  be the number of odd components of  $G$ .

For two disjoint graphs  $G$  and  $H$ , we use  $G \cup H$  to denote the *union* of  $G$  and  $H$ , that is,  $V(G \cup H) = V(G) \cup V(H)$  and  $E(G \cup H) = E(G) \cup E(H)$ . Let  $G \vee H$  denote the graph obtained from  $G \cup H$  by adding an edge  $xy$  for any  $x \in V(G)$  and  $y \in V(H)$ , that is,  $V(G \vee H) = V(G) \cup V(H)$  and  $E(G \vee H) = E(G) \cup E(H) \cup \{(x, y) : x \in V(G), y \in V(H)\}$ .

Before proving the main result, we introduce some known results, which will be used in our forthcoming argument.

**Theorem 1.** (*Tutte-Berge formula, [28]*) *Let  $G$  be a graph with  $n$  vertices. Then*

$$\beta(G) = \frac{1}{2}(n - \max\{o(G - S) - |S| : S \subset V(G)\}). \quad (2)$$

For a real function  $f(x)$ , in the following we also use  $f'(x)$  and  $f''(x)$  to denote  $\frac{df(x)}{dx}$  and  $\frac{d^2f(x)}{dx^2}$ , respectively, if no confusion can occur.

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$  be two real functions in the same domain. If  $f(x) > 0$ ,  $f'(x) \geq 0$ ,  $f''(x) \geq 0$  and  $g(x) > 0$ ,  $g'(x) \geq 0$ ,  $g''(x) \geq 0$ , then  $f(x)g(x)$  and  $f(x) + g(x)$  are both convex. Further, if  $f''(x) > 0$  or  $g''(x) > 0$ , then  $f(x)g(x)$  is strictly convex.*

*Proof.* Let  $h(x) = f(x).g(x)$  and  $k(x) = f(x) + g(x)$ . Then

$$h'(x) = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x), \quad h''(x) = f''(x)g(x) + f(x)g''(x) + 2f'(x)g'(x)$$

and

$$k'(x) = f'(x) + g'(x), \quad k''(x) = f''(x) + g''(x).$$

Therefore, the lemma follows immediately. ■

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $G$  be a graph and  $e \notin E(G)$ . If  $f(x, y)$  satisfies Property  $\mathcal{P}$ , then*

$$I_f(G) < I_f(G + e).$$

*Proof.* Since adding new edges in a graph increases some vertex degrees, the lemma obviously holds. ■

Based on the above two results, we now give our main result as follows:

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $G$  be a connected graph with  $n$  vertices and matching number  $\beta$ ,  $n > 2\beta$ . If  $f(x, y)$  is a symmetric bivariate function with Property  $\mathcal{P}$ , then*

$$I_f(G) \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq \beta} \{I_f(H_i)\}.$$

*Further, a graph  $G$  attains the maximum value of  $I_f(G)$  if and only if  $G$  is one in  $\{H_1, H_2, \dots, H_\beta\}$  that attains  $\max_{1 \leq i \leq \beta} \{I_f(H_i)\}$ .*

*Proof.* We may assume that  $G$  admits the maximum value of  $I_f(G)$ . By Theorem 1,  $G$  has a set  $S_0$  of vertices such that

$$\beta = \frac{1}{2}(n - o(G - S_0) + |S_0|).$$

Denote  $i = |S_0|$  and  $q = o(G - S_0)$ . Then  $n - 2\beta = q - i$ . Let  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_q$  be all the odd components of  $G - S_0$ . If  $G - S_0$  has an even component, then we obtain a new graph  $G^*$  by adding an edge in  $G$  between a vertex of an even component and a vertex of an odd component of  $G - S_0$ , then  $\beta(G^*) \geq \beta$  and  $\beta(G^*) \leq \frac{1}{2}(n - o(G^* - S_0) + |S_0|) = \frac{1}{2}(n - o(G - S_0) + |S_0|) = \beta$ . Further, by Lemma 2,  $I_f(G^*) > I_f(G)$ , which is a contradiction to the maximality of  $G$ . Therefore,  $G - S_0$  does not contain any even component.

Let  $|V(G_j)| = n_j$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, q$ . We note that adding an edge in any component  $G_j$  or the subgraph induced by  $S_0$  does not increase the matching number but increases the value of  $I_f(G)$  by Lemma 2. So, again by the maximality of  $G$ , we have

$$G = K_i \vee \left( \bigcup_{1 \leq j \leq q} K_{n_j} \right).$$

Without loss of generality, we assume that  $n_1 \geq n_2 \geq \dots \geq n_q$ .

**Claim 1.**  $n_2 = n_3 = \dots = n_q = 1$ .

*Proof.* Recall that  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_q$  are all odd. Suppose to the contrary that  $n_2 \geq 3$ . Let

$$G' = K_i \vee (K_{n_1+2} \cup K_{n_2-2} \cup \bigcup_{3 \leq j \leq q} K_{n_j}).$$

Let  $E^*$  be the set of edges incident with no vertex in  $V(G_1 \cup G_2)$ . We note that, for any  $uv \in E^*$ ,  $f(d_G(u), d_G(v)) = f(d_{G'}(u), d_{G'}(v))$ . Recall that  $G$  is a connected graph and  $f(x, y)$  is a nonnegative symmetric function. We may assume that  $y \geq x \geq 1$ . Then by (1) and a direct computation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_f(G) &= in_1 f(n_1 + i - 1, n - 1) + \binom{n_1}{2} f(n_1 + i - 1, n_1 + i - 1) \\ &\quad + in_2 f(n_2 + i - 1, n - 1) + \binom{n_2}{2} f(n_2 + i - 1, n_2 + i - 1) \\ &\quad + \sum_{uv \in E^*} f(d(u), d(v)) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} I_f(G') &= i(n_1 + 2) f(n_1 + i + 1, n - 1) + \binom{n_1+2}{2} f(n_1 + i + 1, n_1 + i + 1) \\ &\quad + i(n_2 - 2) f(n_2 + i - 3, n - 1) + \binom{n_2-2}{2} f(n_2 + i - 3, n_2 + i - 3) \\ &\quad + \sum_{uv \in E^*} f(d(u), d(v)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} I_f(G') - I_f(G) &= i(n_1 + 2)f(n_1 + i + 1, n - 1) - in_1f(n_1 + i - 1, n - 1) \\ &\quad + i(n_2 - 2)f(n_2 + i - 3, n - 1) - in_2f(n_2 + i - 1, n - 1) \\ &\quad + \binom{n_1+2}{2}f(n_1 + i + 1, n_1 + i + 1) - \binom{n_1}{2}f(n_1 + i - 1, n_1 + i - 1) \\ &\quad + \binom{n_2-2}{2}f(n_2 + i - 3, n_2 + i - 3) - \binom{n_2}{2}f(n_2 + i - 1, n_2 + i - 1). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $S(x) = xf(x + i - 1, n - 1)$  and  $T(x) = \frac{x(x-1)}{2}f(x + i - 1, x + i - 1)$ . Recall that  $f(x, y)$  satisfies Property  $\mathcal{P}$ , i.e.,

$$\frac{\partial f(x, y)}{\partial x} \geq 0, \frac{d^2 f(x, x)}{dx^2} \geq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{d^2 f(x, n-1)}{dx^2} \geq 0$$

for any  $x \geq 1$  and  $y \geq 1$ . Then we have  $\frac{df(x, n-1)}{dx} \geq 0$ ,  $\frac{d^2 f(x, n-1)}{dx^2} \geq 0$  and  $\frac{df(x, x)}{dx} \geq 0$ ,  $\frac{d^2 f(x, x)}{dx^2} \geq 0$ . Note that  $\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{x(x-1)}{2} \right) = x - \frac{1}{2} > 0$  and  $\frac{d^2}{dx^2} \left( \frac{x(x-1)}{2} \right) = 1 > 0$ . So by Lemma 1,  $S(x)$  is convex and  $T(x)$  is strictly convex. Therefore, we have

$$S(n_1 + 2) - S(n_1) \geq S(n_2) - S(n_2 - 2)$$

and

$$T(n_1 + 2) - T(n_1) > T(n_2) - T(n_2 - 2).$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} I_f(G') - I_f(G) &= i(S(n_1 + 2) - S(n_1) + S(n_2 - 2) - S(n_2)) \\ &\quad + T(n_1 + 2) - T(n_1) + T(n_2 - 2) - T(n_2) \\ &> 0, \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts the maximality of  $G$ . ■

By Claim 1,  $n_2 = n_3 = \dots = n_q = 1$  and thus  $n_1 = n - i - (q - 1) = 2\beta - 2i + 1$ . Therefore

$$G = H_i = K_i \vee (K_{2\beta-2i+1} \cup \overline{K_{n-2\beta+i-1}}),$$

where  $1 \leq i \leq \beta$ . As a result,

$$I_f(H_i) = \binom{i}{2} f(n-1, n-1) + i(2\beta - 2i + 1) f(2\beta - i, n-1) \\ + \binom{2\beta - 2i + 1}{2} f(2\beta - i, 2\beta - i) + i(n - 2\beta + i - 1) f(i, n-1)$$

and we deduce that

$$I_f(G) \leq \max_{1 \leq i \leq \beta} \{I_f(H_i)\}.$$

The second part of the theorem follows directly from the argument above, which completes our proof.  $\blacksquare$

The following corollary is a direct consequence of Theorem 2.

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $G$  be a connected graph, and let  $f(x, y)$  be a real symmetric function satisfying Property  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\frac{d^2 Q(x)}{dx^2} \geq 0$  for any real number  $x$  with  $1 \leq x \leq \beta < \frac{n}{2}$ . Then*

$$I_f(G) \leq \max\{H_f(H_1), H_f(H_\beta)\}.$$

*The equality holds if and only if  $G = K_1 \vee (K_{2\beta-1} \cup \overline{K_{n-2\beta}})$  when  $H_f(H_1) > H_f(H_\beta)$  or  $G = K_\beta \vee \overline{K_{n-\beta}}$  when  $H_f(H_1) < H_f(H_\beta)$  or both when  $H_f(H_1) = H_f(H_\beta)$ .*

### 3 Application

In this section we apply Theorem 2 and Corollary 1 to some known degree-based indices. Recall that  $Q(1) = H_f(H_1)$  and  $Q(\beta) = H_f(H_\beta)$ .

**Example** (Forgotten index  $F(G)$ ). Let  $G$  be a connected graph of order  $n$  with  $n \geq 10$  and matching number  $\beta$ . The Forgotten index of  $G$  is defined as [10]

$$F(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u^2 + d_v^2).$$

Let  $r$  be the largest real root of

$$17x^3 + (-n - 15)x^2 + (9 - n)x + 3n^2 - n^3 - 4n = 0.$$



Then  $F(G) \leq Q(\beta)$  if  $\beta < r$  and  $F(G) \leq Q(1)$  if  $\beta > r$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} Q(\beta) &= -\beta^4 + \beta^3 n + \beta n^3 - 3\beta n^2 + 3\beta n - \beta, \\ Q(1) &= 16\beta^4 - 32\beta^3 + 24\beta^2 - 10\beta + n^3 - 3n^2 + 4n. \end{aligned}$$

The two upper bounds are attained only by  $H_\beta$  or  $H_1$ , respectively.

*Proof.* The weight function of  $F(G)$  is  $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2$ . By a direct calculation, we have  $\partial f(x, y)/\partial x = 2x \geq 0$ ,  $d^2 f(x, x)/dx^2 = 4 > 0$  and  $d^2 f(x, n-1)/dx^2 = 2 > 0$ . This means that  $f(x, y)$  satisfies Property  $\mathcal{P}$ . Further, again by a direct calculation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} Q(i) &= i(i-1)(n-1)^2 + i(2\beta - 2i + 1)((2\beta - i)^2 + (n-1)^2) \\ &\quad + 2(2\beta - 2i + 1)(\beta - i)(2\beta - i)^2 + i(n - 2\beta + i - 1)(i^2 + (n-1)^2), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dQ(i)}{di} &= -40\beta^3 + 12\beta^2(6i - 1) + 12\beta(1 - 4i)i + n^3 \\ &\quad - 3n^2 + 3n(i^2 + 1) + 12i^3 - 6i^2 - 1, \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{d^2 Q(i)}{di^2} = 72\beta^2 - 96\beta i + 12\beta + 6ni + 36i^2 - 12i.$$

Since  $1 \leq i \leq \beta < \frac{n}{2}$ ,  $12\beta - 12i \geq 0$ . In addition, we have

$$72\beta^2 + 36i^2 \geq 12\sqrt{72}\beta i > 96\beta i.$$

Then we obtain  $\frac{d^2 Q(i)}{di^2} > 0$ . Hence,  $Q(i)$  is strictly convex function. So by Corollary 1, we have

$$F(G) \leq \max\{Q(1), Q(\beta)\} \tag{3}$$

with equality only if  $G = H_1$  or  $H_\beta$ . Further, we can see by a direct

calculation that

$$\begin{aligned} Q(1) &= 16\beta^4 - 32\beta^3 + 24\beta^2 - 10\beta + n^3 - 3n^2 + 4n, \\ Q(\beta) &= -\beta^4 + \beta^3n + \beta n^3 - 3\beta n^2 + 3\beta n - \beta. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} Q(1) - Q(\beta) &= 17\beta^4 - \beta^3n - 32\beta^3 + 24\beta^2 - \beta n^3 + 3\beta n^2 \\ &\quad - 3\beta n - 9\beta + n^3 - 3n^2 + 4n \\ &= (\beta - 1)(17\beta^3 + (-n - 15)\beta^2 + (9 - n)\beta - n^3 + 3n^2 - 4n). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $H(x) = 17x^3 + (-n - 15)x^2 + (9 - n)x + (-n^3 + 3n^2 - 4n)$  and  $H'(x) = 51x^2 - 10(2n + 3)x + 9 - n = 0$ . Then, by a direct calculation we obtain that for  $n \geq 10$ , there are two real roots

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 &= \frac{1}{51} \left( -\sqrt{100n^2 + 351n - 234} + 10n + 15 \right) < 0, \\ x_2 &= \frac{1}{51} \left( \sqrt{100n^2 + 351n - 234} + 10n + 15 \right) > 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $H'(x) > 0$  in the interval  $(-\infty, x_1)$ ,  $H'(x) < 0$  in the interval  $(x_1, x_2)$  and  $H'(x) > 0$  in the interval  $(x_2, +\infty)$ . Let  $s(n) = \frac{1}{51} (\sqrt{100n^2 + 351n - 234} + 10n + 15)$ . It is easy to see for  $n \geq 4$ ,  $x_2 \geq s(4) > 2$ . Further, for  $n \geq 10$ , we have  $H(0) = -n^3 + 3n^2 - 4n < 0$ , which implies  $H(x_2) < 0$ , and  $H(\frac{n}{2}) = \frac{1}{8}n(7n^2 - 10n + 4) > 0$  by a direct calculation. Recall that  $r$  is the largest root of  $H(x) = 0$ , meaning that  $r$  lies in  $(x_2, \frac{n}{2})$  and, hence  $r > x_2 > 2$ . Therefore,  $r$  is the largest root of  $Q(1) - Q(x) = 0$ . As a result, we have  $Q(1) < Q(\beta)$  if  $\beta < r$  and  $Q(1) > Q(\beta)$  if  $\beta > r$ . Combining with (3), the proof is completed.  $\blacksquare$

In the following table we list some vertex-degree-based indices and give the calculating results for whether these indices satisfy Property  $\mathcal{P}$  and further satisfy  $\frac{d^2Q(x)}{dx^2} \geq 0$  (in the table, the degree  $d(v)$  of a vertex  $v$  is written by  $d_v$  for simplicity).

**Table 1.** Some vertex-degree-based indices, Property  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $Q''(i)$ .

Indices	$f(d_u, d_v)$	$\mathcal{P}$	$Q''(i) \geq 0$
Augmented Zagreb index [9]	$AZI(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \left(\frac{d_u d_v}{d_u + d_v - 2}\right)^3$	No	Yes
Atom-bond connectivity index [5]	$ABC(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u + d_v - 2)^{1/2}$	No	No
Albertson index [2]	$Alb(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)}  d_u - d_v $	No	No
Dharwad index [19]	$D(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{d_u^3 + d_v^3}$	Yes	?
Extended Estrada index [26]	$EE(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \left(\frac{d_u}{d_v} + \frac{d_v}{d_u}\right)/2$	No	?
First Zagreb index [17]	$Z_1(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d_u + d_v$	Yes	Yes
First hyper-Zagreb index [31]	$HM(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u + d_v)^2$	Yes	Yes
Forgotten index [10]	$F(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} (d_u)^3 = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u^2 + d_v^2)$	Yes	Yes
First Gourava index [20]	$GO_1(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u + d_v + d_u d_v)$	Yes	Yes
First hyper-Gourava index [21]	$HGO_1(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u + d_v + d_u d_v)^2$	Yes	Yes
General Sum connectivity index [41]	$\chi_\alpha(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u + d_v)^\alpha, \alpha \geq 1$	Yes	Yes
Generalized Randić index [4]	$R(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u d_v)^\alpha, \alpha \geq 1$	Yes	Yes
Geometric-arithmetic index [34]	$GA(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \left(\frac{2d_u d_v}{d_u + d_v}\right)^{1/2}$	No	Yes
Hyper F-index [11]	$HF(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u^2 + d_v^2)^2$	Yes	Yes
Harmonic index [6]	$H(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{2}{d_u + d_v}$	No	Yes
Inverse sum Indeg Index [35]	$ISI(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{d_u d_v}{d_u + d_v}$	No	Yes
Modified second Zagreb index [33]	$M_2^*(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{d_u d_v}$	No	No
Modified Albertson index [39]	$Alb^*(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)}  d_u^2 - d_v^2 $	No	No
Nirmala index [22]	$N(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{d_u + d_v}$	No	No
Product connectivity Gourava index [23]	$PGO(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(d_u + d_v)(d_u d_v)}}$	No	?
Randić connectivity index [30]	$R(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_u d_v}}$	No	No
Reformulated Zagreb index [29]	$Z(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u + d_v - 2)^2$	Yes	Yes
Reciprocal Randić index [12]	$RR(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{d_u d_v}$	No	Yes
Second Zagreb index [17]	$Z_2(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d_u d_v$	Yes	Yes
Sum connectivity index [18]	$SCI(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_u + d_v}}$	No	Yes
Sigma index [15]	$\sigma(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u - d_v)^2$	No	Yes
Sombor index [13]	$SO(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{d_u^2 + d_v^2}$	Yes	?
Second Gourava index [20]	$GO_2(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u + d_v) d_u d_v$	Yes	Yes
Second hyper-Gourava index [21]	$HGO_2(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [(d_u + d_v) d_u d_v]^2$	Yes	Yes
Sum connectivity Gourava index [24]	$SGO(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_u + d_v + d_u d_v}}$	No	?
Second hyper-Zagreb index [7]	$HZ_2(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u d_v)^2$	Yes	?
Y-index [1]	$Y(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} d_u^4 = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u^3 + d_v^3)$	Yes	Yes

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