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# On topological properties of some convex polytopes by using line operator on their subdivisions

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#### Abstract

In this paper, we give theoretical results for some topological indices such as Zagreb indices  $M_1(G)$ ,  $M_2(G)$ ,  $M_3(G)$ , R(G),  $M_1(\overline{G})$ ,  $M_2(\overline{G})$ , Zagreb coindices  $\overline{M_1}(G)$ ,  $\overline{M_2}(G)$ ,  $\overline{M_2}(G)$ , hyper-Zagreb index HM(G), atom-bond connectivity index ABC(G), sum connectivity index  $\chi(G)$  and geometric-arithmetic connectivity index GA(G), by considering G as line graph of subdivision of some convex polytopes and  $\overline{G}$  denotes its complement.

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## 1. Introduction and preliminaries

According to Trinajstić and Gutman, mathematical chemistry is that part of theoretical chemistry which is concerned with applications of mathematical methods to chemical problems. Chemical graph theory, a branch of mathematical chemistry, applies graph theory to mathematical modeling of chemical phenomena. A topological index is a numerical value associated with chemical constitution for correlation of chemical structure with various physical properties, chemical reactivity or biological activity [28].

Let G be a connected graph with vertex set V(G) and edge set  $E(G) \subseteq V(G) \times V(G)$ . Let p = |V(G)|, the order of G and q = |E(G)|, the size of G. The complement of a graph G, denoted by  $\overline{G}$ , is a simple graph having same set of vertices V(G) in which any two vertices that are connected by an edge, if and only if they are not adjacent in G. Let  $K_p$  is complete graph of order P then we obtained  $E(G) \cup E(\overline{G}) = E(K_p)$  and  $|E(\overline{G})| = \frac{p(p-1)}{2} - q$ . The degree  $d_v$  of any vertex v is defined as the number of vertices joining to that vertex v and the degree  $d_e$  of an edge  $e \in E(G)$  is defined as the number of its adjacent vertices in V(L(G)), where L(G) is the line graph whose vertices are the edges of G and they are adjacent if and only if they have a common end point in G. In structural chemistry, line

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graph of a graph G is very useful. The first topological index on the basis of line graph was introduced by Bertz in 1981 (see [4]). For more details on line graph see the articles [11,13–15,18,22]. The subdivision S(G) of a graph G can be obtained by replacing each edge of G by a path of length 2, or we can say by inserting an additional vertex between each pair of vertices of G. For more details on the topological indices of L(S(G)) we refer to the articles [24–26]). Our goal is to compute topological Indices of line graph of subdivision of some convex polytopes. Convex polytopes are fundamental geometric objects. The beauty of their theory is nowadays complemented by their importance for many other mathematical subjects, ranging from integration theory, algebraic topology, and algebraic geometry to linear and combinatorial optimization (see [9]). Also people are paying attention in finding metric dimension and labeling of convex polytopes (see [2, 3, 20, 21]). From these motivational work, we take a step in finding the topological indices of line graph of subdivision of some convex polytopes.

The following lemma is helpful for computing the degree of a vertex of line graph.

**Lemma 1.1.** Let G be a graph with  $u, v \in V(G)$  and  $e = uv \in E(G)$ . Then:

$$d_e = d_u + d_v - 2.$$

**Lemma 1.2.** [12] Let G be a graph of order p and size q, then the line graph L(G) of G is a graph of order q and size  $\frac{1}{2}M_1(G) - q$ .

## 2. Line graphs of subdivision of some convex polytopes

In this section we will discuss the combinatorial aspects of subdivision of some convex polytopes and line graphs of their subdivisions.

## 2.1. Convex polytope $D_n$

The graph of convex polytope  $D_n$  consists of 5-sided faces and n-sided face as defined in [2]. The convex polytope  $D_n$  for n = 8 is shown in Figure 1.

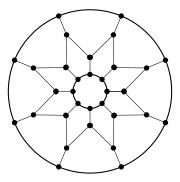


Figure 1.  $D_8$ 

**2.1.1. Subdivision of convex polytope**  $D_n$ . We obtain the subdivision  $S(D_n)$  by inserting an additional vertex between each pair of adjacent vertices of  $D_n$ . The subdivision of  $D_n$  for n = 8 is shown in Figure 2. The  $S(D_n)$  consists of 10n vertices out of which 6n vertices are of degree 2 and 4n vertices are of degree 3. Using Lemma 1.2, we have  $|E(S(D_n))| = 18n$ .

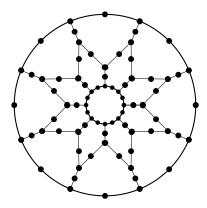


Figure 2.  $S(D_8)$ 

**2.1.2.** Line graph of subdivision of convex polytope  $D_n$ . The line graph of subdivision of  $D_n$  consists of 12n vertices and all of them are of degree 3. Using Lemma 1.2, we have  $|E(L(S(D_n)))| = 18n$ . The  $L(S(D_n))$  is shown in Figure 3 for n = 8.

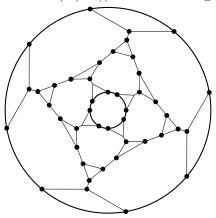


Figure 3.  $L(S(D_8))$ 

# 2.2. Convex polytope $Q_n$

The graph of convex polytope  $Q_n$  consists of 3-sided faces, 4-sided faces, 5-sided faces and n-sided face as defined in [3]. The convex polytope  $Q_n$  for n=8 is shown in Figure 4. Both  $D_n$  and  $Q_n$  have same vertex set.

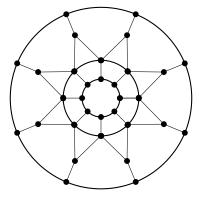


Figure 4.  $Q_8$ 

**2.2.1. Subdivision of convex polytope**  $Q_n$ . We obtain the subdivision  $S(Q_n)$  by inserting additional vertex between each pair of adjacent vertices of  $Q_n$ . The subdivision of  $Q_n$  for n=8 is shown in Figure 5. The  $S(Q_n)$  consists of 11n vertices out which 7n

vertices are of degree 2, 3n vertices are of degree 3 and n vertices are of degree 5. Using Lemma 1.2, we have  $|E(S(Q_n))| = 14n$ .

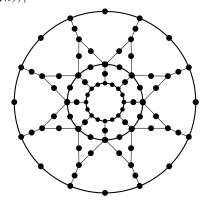


Figure 5.  $S(Q_8)$ 

**2.2.2.** Line graph of subdivision of convex polytope  $Q_n$ . The line graph of subdivision of  $Q_n$  consists of 14n vertices out which 9n vertices are of degree 3 and 5n vertices are of degree 5. Using Lemma 1.2, we have  $|E(L(S(Q_n)))| = 26n$ . The  $L(S(Q_n))$  is shown in Figure 6 for n = 8.

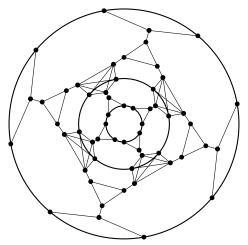
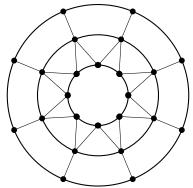


Figure 6.  $L(S(Q_8))$ 

# 2.3. Convex polytope $R_n$

The graph of convex polytope  $R_n$  is obtained as a combination of the graph of a prism and the graph of antiprism as defined in [3]. The convex polytope  $R_n$  for n = 8 is shown in Figure 7.



### Figure 7. $R_8$

**2.3.1.** Subdivision of convex polytope  $R_n$ . We obtain the subdivision  $S(R_n)$  by inserting additional vertex between each pair of adjacent vertices of  $R_n$ . The subdivision of  $R_n$  for n = 8 is shown in Figure 8. The  $S(R_n)$  consists of 8n vertices out which 6n vertices are of degree 2, n vertices are of degree 3, n vertices are of degree 4 and n vertices are of degree 5. Using Lemma 1.2, we have  $|E(S(R_n))| = 12n$ .

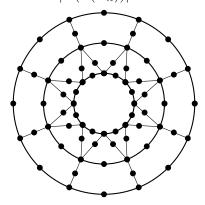


Figure 8.  $S(R_8)$ 

**2.3.2.** Line graph of subdivision of convex polytope  $R_n$ . The line graph of subdivision of  $R_n$  consists of 12n vertices out which 3n vertices are of degree 3, 4n vertices are of degree 4 and 5n vertices are of degree 5. Using Lemma 1.2, we have  $|E(L(S(R_n)))| = 25n$ . The  $L(S(R_n))$  is shown in Figure 9 for n = 8.

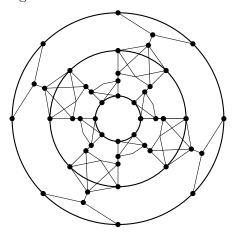


Figure 9.  $L(S(R_8))$ 

# 2.4. The edge partition of line graphs of subdivision of convex polytopes

For  $uv \in E(G)$ , let  $d_u$  and  $d_v$  are degrees of vertices u and v respectively. We partition E(G) into subsets based on the degrees of the end vertices of edges in G. The edge partition of  $L(S(D_n))$ ,  $L(S(Q_n))$  and  $L(S(R_n))$  with respect to degrees are shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

$(d_u, d_v)$	Number of edges
(3,3)	18n

**Table 1.** The edge partition of  $L(S(D_n))$ 

$(d_u, d_v)$	Number of edges
(3,3)	12n
(5,5)	11n
(3,5)	3n

**Table 2.** The edge partition of  $L(S(Q_n))$ 

$(d_u, d_v)$	Number of edges
(3,3)	4n
(3,5)	n
(5,5)	11n
(4,5)	2n
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**Table 3.** The edge partition of  $L(S(R_n))$ 

# 3. Topological indices of line graph of subdivision of some convex polytopes

In this section we will discuss different types of topological indices and as an application, we compute the topological indices of the line graph of subdivision of some convex polytopes discussed in Section 2.

## 3.1. First, second and third Zagreb indices

Analyzing the structure-dependency of total  $\pi$ -electron energy, a pair of topological indices  $M_1(G)$  and  $M_2(G)$  were introduced known as Zagreb group indices (see [15]). Soon abbriviated to "Zagreb Index" and now a days "first Zagreb index" and "second Zagreb index" respectively. They provide quantative measures of molecular branching. They are defined as follows:

$$M_1(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} d_u^2 \tag{3.1}$$

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 (3.1)  
 $M_2(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d_u d_v.$  (3.2)

We can rewrite the first Zagreb index as

$$M_1(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \left[ d_u + d_v \right].$$

Some properties of first and second Zagreb indices can be viewed in ([6, 12, 16, 19, 30]). In 1977, Alberton introduced the irregularity of graphs (see [1]). To confirm with the terminology of chemical graph theory Fath-Tabar (see [8]) called Alberton's irregularity the third Zagreb index and is defined as:

$$M_3(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} |d_u - d_v|. \tag{3.3}$$

#### 3.2. Zagreb co-indices

The first Zagreb coindex is defined as:

$$\overline{M_1}(G) = \sum_{uv \notin E(G)} [d_u + d_v].$$

The second Zagreb coindex is defined as:

$$\overline{M_2}(G) = \sum_{uv \notin E(G)} d_u d_v.$$

**Theorem 3.1.** [10] Let G be a graph of order p and size q. Then

$$M_1(\overline{G}) = M_1(G) + p(p-1)^2 - 4q(p-1);$$
 (3.4)

$$\overline{M_1}(G) = 2q(p-1) - M_1(G);$$
 (3.5)

$$\overline{M_1}(\overline{G}) = 2q(p-1) - M_1(G). \tag{3.6}$$

**Theorem 3.2.** [17] Let G be a graph of order p and size q. Then

$$M_2(\overline{G}) = \frac{1}{2}p(p-1)^3 - 3q(p-1)^2 + 2q^2 + \frac{2p-3}{2}M_1(G) - M_2(G);$$
 (3.7)

$$\overline{M_2}(G) = 2q^2 - \frac{1}{2}M_1(G) - M_2(G);$$
 (3.8)

$$\overline{M_2}(\overline{G}) = q(p-1)^2 - (p-1)M_1(G) + M_2(G).$$
 (3.9)

## 3.3. Hyper-Zagreb index

The hyper-Zagreb index was first introduced in [27]. This index is defined as follows:

$$HM(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} (d_u + d_v)^2.$$
 (3.10)

### 3.4. Randic index

Randic index is the most studied and most popular among the all topological indices. It was introduced in 1975 (see [23]) by Milan Randic. He named it branching index, but nowadays it is known as Randic index. It is defined as:

$$R(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_u d_v}}.$$
(3.11)

Later, this index was generalized by Bollobas and Erdös (see [5]) to the following form for any real number  $\alpha$ , and named the general Randic index:

$$R(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_u d_v]^{\alpha}.$$
(3.12)

## 3.5. General sum-connectivity index

The general sum-connectivity index  $\chi(G)$  is a recent invention by B. Zhou and N. Trianjstic (see [31]). They replaced product of vertex degrees  $d_u d_v$  by the sum  $d_u + d_v$  in the Randic index. This index is defined as follows:

$$\chi(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{d_u + d_v}}.$$
(3.13)

## 3.6. Geometric-arithmetic index

D. Vukicevic and B. Furtula defined the first geometric arithmetic GA index in [29]. This GA index for G is defined as

$$GA(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{2\sqrt{d_u d_v}}{d_u + d_v}.$$
(3.14)

## 3.7. Atom-bond connectivity index

Ernesto Estrda et al. in [7] introduced a new topological index that is an amended version of Randic index. He named it "atom-bond connectivity index" and defined as

$$ABC(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{d_u + d_v - 2}{d_u d_v}}.$$
(3.15)

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $L(S(D_n))$ ,  $L(S(Q_n))$  and  $L(S(R_n))$  are the line graphs of subdivision of convex polytopes  $D_n$ ,  $Q_n$  and  $R_n$  respectively then:

$$M_1(L(S(D_n)) = 108n; M_2(L(S(D_n)) = 162n; M_3(L(S(D_n)) = 0.$$
  
 $M_1(L(S(Q_n)) = 206n; M_2(L(S(Q_n)) = 428n; M_3(L(S(Q_n)) = 6n.$   
 $M_1(L(S(R_n)) = 216n; M_2(L(S(R_n)) = 478n; M_3(L(S(R_n)) = 4n.$ 

**Proof.** The first, second and third Zagreb indices can be obtained by Formulas (3.1) - (3.3) and using edge partitions as shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $L(S(D_n))$ ,  $L(S(Q_n))$  and  $L(S(R_n))$  are the line graphs of subdivision of convex polytopes  $D_n$ ,  $Q_n$  and  $R_n$  respectively then:

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\begin{array}{l} \overline{M_1((\overline{L(S(D_n))})} = 1728n^3 - 1152n^2 + 192n. \\ \overline{M_1((L(S(D_n)))} = 432n^2 - 144n. \\ \underline{M_2((L(S(D_n)))} = 10368n^4 - 10368n^3 + 3456n^2 - 222n - 162. \\ \overline{M_2((L(S(D_n)))} = 648n^2 - 54n - 162. \\ \overline{M_2(L(S(D_n)))} = 2592n^3 - 1728n^2 + 126n + 162. \\ \underline{M_1((L(S(Q_n)))} = 2744n^3 - 1848n^2 + 324n. \\ \overline{M_1((L(S(Q_n)))} = 728n^2 - 258n. \\ \underline{M_2((L(S(Q_n)))} = 19208n^4 - 19404n^3 + 6714n^2 - 822n. \\ \overline{M_2((L(S(Q_n)))} = 1352n^2 - 531n. \\ \overline{M_2((L(S(Q_n)))} = 5096n^3 - 3612n^2 + 660n. \\ \underline{M_1((L(S(R_n)))} = 1728n^3 - 1488n^2 + 328n. \\ \overline{M_1((L(S(R_n)))} = 600n^2 - 266n. \\ \underline{M_2((L(S(R_n)))} = 10368n^4 - 13392n^3 + 5858n^2 - 833n. \\ \overline{M_2((L(S(R_n)))} = 1250n^2 - 536n. \\ \overline{M_2(L(S(R_n)))} = 3600n^3 - 3192n^2 + 669n. \\ \end{array}
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**Proof.** The Zagreb co-indices can be obtained by Theorems 3.1, 3.2 and using edge partitions as shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3 respectively.  $\Box$ 

**Theorem 3.5.** Let  $L(S(D_n))$ ,  $L(S(Q_n))$  and  $L(S(R_n))$  are the line graphs of subdivision of convex polytopes  $D_n$ ,  $Q_n$  and  $R_n$  respectively then:

$$HM(L(S(D_n)) = 648n.$$
  
 $HM(L(S(Q_n)) = 1724n.$   
 $HM(L(S(R_n)) = 1918n.$ 

**Proof.** The Hyper Zagreb index can be obtained by using Formula (3.10) and using edge partitions as shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $L(S(D_n))$ ,  $L(S(Q_n))$  and  $L(S(R_n))$  are the line graphs of subdivision of convex polytopes  $D_n$ ,  $Q_n$  and  $R_n$  respectively then:

$$R(L(S(D_n)) = 6n.$$

$$R(L(S(Q_n)) = \frac{31}{5}n + \frac{1}{5}n\sqrt{15}.$$

$$R(L(S(R_n)) = \frac{317}{60}n + \frac{1}{15}n\sqrt{15} + \frac{1}{5}n\sqrt{5}.$$

**Proof.** The Randic index can be obtained by using Formula (3.11) and using edge partitions as shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

**Theorem 3.7.** Let  $L(S(D_n))$ ,  $L(S(Q_n))$  and  $L(S(R_n))$  are the line graphs of subdivision of convex polytopes  $D_n$ ,  $Q_n$  and  $R_n$  respectively then:

$$\chi((L(S(D_n))) = 3n\sqrt{6}.$$

$$\chi((L(S(Q_n))) = 2n\sqrt{6} + \frac{3}{4}n\sqrt{2} + \frac{11}{10}n\sqrt{10}.$$

$$\chi((L(S(R_n))) = 23n\sqrt{6} + 2n\sqrt{2} + \frac{2}{3}n + \frac{11}{10}n\sqrt{10}.$$

**Proof.** The general sum-connectivity index  $\chi(G)$  can be obtained by using Formula (3.13) and using edge partitions as shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

**Theorem 3.8.** Let  $L(S(D_n))$ ,  $L(S(Q_n))$  and  $L(S(R_n))$  are the line graphs of subdivision of convex polytopes  $D_n$ ,  $Q_n$  and  $R_n$  respectively then:  $GA(L(S(D_n))) = 18n$ .

$$GA(L(S(Q_n)) = 23n + \frac{3}{4}n\sqrt{15}.$$

$$GA(L(S(R_n)) = 22n + \frac{1}{4}n\sqrt{1} + \frac{8}{9}n\sqrt{5}.$$

**Proof.** The geometric-arithmetic index can be obtained by using Formula (3.14) and using edge partitions as shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

**Theorem 3.9.** Let  $L(S(D_n))$ ,  $L(S(Q_n))$  and  $L(S(R_n))$  are the line graphs of subdivision of convex polytopes  $D_n$ ,  $Q_n$  and  $R_n$  respectively then:

$$ABC(L(S(D_n)) = 12n.$$

$$ABC(L(S(Q_n)) = 8n + \frac{3}{5}n\sqrt{10} + \frac{22}{5}n\sqrt{2}.$$

$$ABC(L(S(R_n)) = \frac{8}{3}n + \frac{1}{5}n\sqrt{10} + \frac{7}{4}n\sqrt{6} + \frac{1}{5}n\sqrt{35} + \frac{22}{5}n\sqrt{2}.$$

**Proof.** The atom-bond Connectivity Index can be obtained by using Formula (3.15) and using edge partitions as shown in Tables 1, 2 and 3 respectively.

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