

## Topological Indices of a Kind of Altans

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### ABSTRACT

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Altans are a class of molecular graphs introduced recently. These graphs are attractive to many chemists and mathematicians. A topological index is a numerical invariant calculated for a description of molecular graphs. In this paper, we compute a few topological indices of Altans such as Wiener index, second Zagreb index, atom-bond connectivity ( $ABC$ ) index,  $ABC_4$  index, etc.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

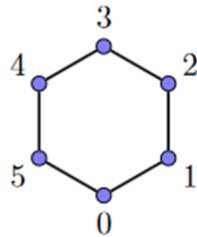
In First-time Altans, having been obtained from benzenoids by adding a ring to all outer vertices of valence two [1], were introduced as planner systems. Later, Ivan Gutman generalized altans to arbitrary graphs [3]. In this paper, we follow Gutman's model for altans. Suppose  $\Gamma$  is an arbitrary connected graph of order  $n$ ,  $S$  is a subset of  $\Gamma$  of cardinality  $k$  and  $V(\Gamma) = \{0, 1, \dots, n-1\}$ . Consider  $S_0 = \{n, n+1, \dots, n+k-1\}$  and  $S_1 = \{n+k, n+k+1, \dots, n+2k-1\}$ . We map the pair  $(\Gamma, S)$  to the pair  $(\Gamma_1, S_1)$  by adding the cycle  $C$  of cardinality  $2k$  with operation  $A(G, S)$ , where  $C$  is the circle  $C = \{n, n+k, n+1, n+k+1, \dots, n+k-1, n+2k-1, n\}$ . Finally, we attach  $C$  to  $\Gamma$  by edges between  $S$  and  $S_0$  of the form  $(s_i, s_{n+i})$  where  $0 \leq i \leq k$  and  $S_i$  is the  $i$ -th vertex of

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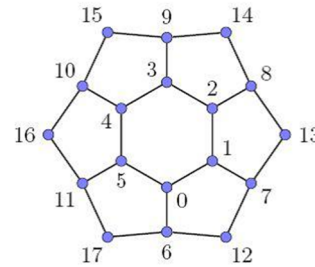
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$S$ . The vertices of degree 2 of  $C$  are the new peripheral root of the altan; suppose  $A(G, S) = (\Gamma_1, S_1)$ . By continue of this method, iterated altans by  $A^n(G, S)$ , called the  $n$ -th altan of  $(G, S)$ , can be obtained. For example, by considering  $\Gamma = C_6$  and  $S = \{0,1,2,3,4,5\}$ , the graph in Figure 1 is extended to the one depicted in Figure 2.

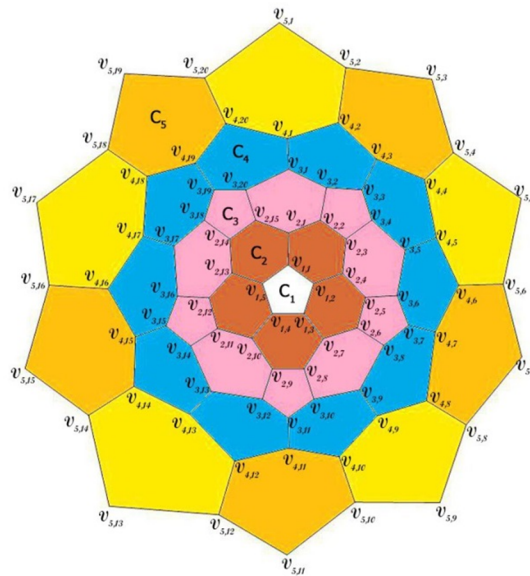


**Figure 1.** Benzene molecule ( $C_6$ ).



**Figure 2.** Altan of benzene by considering  $S = \{0,1,2,3,4,5\}$ .

By continuing to use this method, we can obtain the altan of Figure 3 and finally the altan with  $n$  circles.



**Figure 3.** Altan with  $n$  circles.

First, we denote the circles of this altan by  $C_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$ . Also, we mark the vertices of  $C_1$  by  $v_{i,1}, 1 \leq i \leq 5$ , the vertices of  $C_2$  by  $v_{i,2}$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq 15$  and finally the vertices of other cycles by  $v_{i,j}$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq 20$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n$ .

Up to now, many papers published about computation of some topological indices. For example see the references [6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13]. In this paper, we compute some topological indices for this kind of altans.

## 2. SOME TOPOLOGICAL INDICES OF ALTAN

The Wiener index of a connected graph is the sum of all distances between its distinct vertices. In fact, the Wiener index of a connected graph  $\Gamma$ , defined in [5] as:

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

where  $V$  is the set of vertices of  $\Gamma$ , and  $d(u, v)$  is the distance between vertices  $u$  and  $v$ .

**Lemma 1.** The sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_1$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $n$  circles such that  $n > 10$  is denoted by  $D(C_1)$  and is equal to  $D(C_1) = 100n^2 - 650n + 5545$ . For  $n \leq 10$ , the sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_1$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $n$  circles can be taken from the Table 1.

**Table 1.** The sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_1$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $n$  circles,  $n \leq 10$ .

Number of Cycles	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$D(C_1)$	30	245	705	1345	2165	3165	4350	5725	7290	9045

**Proof.** By using simple computation, it is effortless to obtain the table above. Suppose  $n > 10$ . Since  $C_1$  is a symmetric pentagon, it would suffice to compute the sum of all distances between  $v_{1,1}$  and other vertices of the altan, and deduce it for other vertices of  $C_1$ . By using straightforward computation, we can infer that the sum of all distances between  $v_{1,1}$  and vertices of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are 6 and 43 respectively. In Table 1, the sum of all distances between  $v_{1,1}$  and vertices of  $C_i$ ,  $3 \leq i \leq 10$ , are specified. Obviously, we can conclude that there is a regular case for distances between  $v_{1,1}$  and vertices of  $C_i$ ,  $i \geq 11$ . Therefore, distances between  $v_{1,1}$  and vertices of  $C_{i+1}$  can be computed by using the distances between  $v_{1,1}$  and vertices of  $C_i$ .

If  $i$  is even, then the distances between  $v_{1,1}$  and vertices of  $C_i$ ,  $3 \leq i \leq n$ , are as follows :

$$d(v_{1,1}, v_{i,k}) = \begin{cases} d(v_{1,1}, v_{i,k-1}) + 1 & \text{If } k \text{ is odd,} \\ \min\{d(v_{1,1}, v_{i,k-1}), d(v_{1,1}, v_{i,k+1})\} & \text{If } k \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

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Using by the above relations, the sum of distances between  $v_{1,1}$  and other vertices of altan is computed in follow:

$$\begin{aligned}
D(v_{1,1}) &= 6 + 43 + 92 + \sum_{i=3}^5 (i(4 + 2(i - 3)) + 4(5 + 2(i - 3))) \\
&\quad + (6 - i)(6 + 2(i - 3)) + 10) + \sum_{i=4}^6 (i(4 + 2(i - 3)) + 4(5 + 2(i - 3))) \\
&\quad + (6 - i)(6 + 2(i - 3))) + \sum_{i=6}^9 (i(4 + 2(i - 3)) + (10 - i)(5 + 2(i - 3)) + 10) \\
&\quad + \sum_{i=6}^9 (i(4 + 2(i - 3)) + (10 - i)(5 + 2(i - 3))) \\
&\quad + \sum_{i=10}^{n-1} (i(4 + 2(i - 3)) + 10) + \sum_{i=11}^n (i(4 + 2(i - 3))) \\
&= 20n^2 - 130n + 1109.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $C_1$  is symmetric, the relations above show that the sum of distances between all vertices of  $C_1$  and those of altan with  $n$  circles such that  $n > 10$  is  $D(C_1) = 5(20n^2 - 130n + 1109) = 100n^2 - 650n + 5545$ . ■

**Lemma 2.** The sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_2$  and all other vertices which belong to circles  $C_i$ ,  $i \geq 2$ , of the altan with  $n$  circles such that  $n > 11$  is  $D(C_2) = 350n^2 - 460n - 1920$ . For  $n \leq 11$ , the sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_2$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $n \geq 2$  circles can be derived from the Table 2.

**Table 2.** The sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_2$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $2 \leq n \leq 11$  circles.

Number of Cycles	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
$D(C_2)$	770	2200	3980	6290	9050	12285	16020	20275	25070	30430

**Proof.** We divide the vertices of  $C_2$  in two parts:

The vertices located on interface of hexagons, and those not located on interface of hexagons. Thus, we consider the vertices  $v_{2,1}$  and  $v_{2,2}$ . The sum of all distances between  $v_{2,1}$  and vertices of  $C_2$  is equal to 48. By using a method similar to Lemma 1, we can show that the sum of all distances between  $v_{2,1}$  and vertices of  $C_i$ ,  $3 \leq i \leq 14$ , is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
D(v_{2,1}) &= 48 + 94 + \sum_{i=4}^6 (16i - 6) + \sum_{i=3}^5 (16i + 4) + \sum_{i=4}^6 (17i - 12) \\
&\quad + \sum_{i=6}^7 (17i - 2) + \sum_{i=8}^9 (19i - 20) + \sum_{i=7}^8 (17i + 6) \\
&\quad + \sum_{i=10}^n (20i + 24) + \sum_{i=10}^{n-1} (20i + 34) + 350 \\
&= 30n^2 + 48n - 440.
\end{aligned}$$

The sum of all distances between  $v_{2,2}$  and vertices of  $C_2$  is equal to 53. Similarly, the sum of all distances between  $v_{2,2}$  and vertices of  $C_i$ ,  $3 \leq i \leq 14$ , is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
D(v_{2,2}) &= 2008 + \sum_{i=12}^n 10(2 + 2(i - 3)) + \sum_{i=11}^{n-1} (10(2 + 2(i - 3)) + 10) \\
&= 2008 + \sum_{i=12}^n (20i - 40) + \sum_{i=11}^{n-1} (20i - 30) = 20n^2 - 70n + 28.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_2$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $n$  circles is  $D(C_2) = 5(30n^2 + 48n - 440) + 10(20n^2 - 70n + 28) = 350n^2 - 460n - 1920$ . ■

**Lemma 3.** The sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_3$  and all other vertices of  $C_i$ ,  $3 \leq i \leq n$ , such that  $n > 12$  is  $D(C_3) = 400n^2 - 200n + 10080$ . For  $n \leq 12$ , the sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_3$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $n \geq 3$  circles can be extracted from Table 3.

**Table 3.** The sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_3$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $3 \leq n \leq 12$  circles.

Number of Cycles	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
$D(C_3)$	1980	4400	7280	10660	14580	19080	24200	29980	36460	43680

**Proof.** We divide the vertices of  $C_3$  of the form  $v_{3,i}$  into two parts where  $i$  is either odd or even. Thus, we consider two vertices  $v_{3,1}$  and  $v_{3,2}$ . By employing a method remarkably similar to Lemma 1 and preparing a table such as Table 1, the following results can be achieved:

$$\begin{aligned} D(v_{31}) &= 2140 + \sum_{i=13}^n 10(2(i-3)) + \sum_{i=12}^{n-1} (10(2(i-3)) + 10) \\ &= 2140 + \sum_{i=13}^n (20i - 60) + \sum_{i=12}^{n-1} (20i - 50) \\ &= 20n^2 - 110n + 580. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D(v_{32}) &= 1858 + \sum_{i=12}^n 10(1 + 2(i-3)) + \sum_{i=12}^{n-1} (10(1 + 2(i-3)) + 10) \\ &= 1858 + \sum_{i=12}^n (20i - 50) + \sum_{i=11}^{n-1} (20i - 40) \\ &= 20n^2 - 90n + 428. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_3$  and all other vertices of  $C_i$ ,  $3 \leq i \leq n$ , is  $D(C_3) = 10(20n^2 - 110n + 580) + 10(20n^2 - 90n + 428) = 400n^2 - 2000n + 10080$ . ■

**Lemma 4.** The sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_4$  and all other vertices of  $C_i$ ,  $4 \leq i \leq n$ , such that  $n > 13$  is  $D(C_4) = 400n^2 - 2800n + 12480$ . For  $n \leq 13$ , the sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_4$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $n \geq 4$  circles can be drawn out from Ttable 4.

**Table 4.** The sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_4$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $4 \leq n \leq 12$  circles.

Number of Cycles	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
$D(C_4)$	2000	4420	7300	10680	14600	19100	24220	30000	36480	43770

**Proof.** Similar to Lemma 3, we divide the vertices of  $C_4$  of the form  $v_{4,i}$  into two parts where  $i$  is either odd or even. Therefore, we consider two vertices  $v_{4,1}$  and  $v_{4,2}$ . Similar to the previous lemma, the following results can be shown:

$$\begin{aligned} D(v_{4,1}) &= 1858 + \sum_{i=13}^n 10(1 + 2(i - 4)) + \sum_{i=12}^{n-1} (10(1 + 2(i - 4)) + 10) \\ &= 1858 + \sum_{i=12}^n (20i - 70) + \sum_{i=11}^{n-1} (20i - 60) = 20n^2 - 130n + 538. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D(v_{4,2}) &= 2140 + \sum_{i=14}^n 10(2(i - 4)) + \sum_{i=13}^{n-1} (10(2(i - 4)) + 10) \\ &= 2140 + \sum_{i=14}^n (20i - 80) + \sum_{i=12}^{n-1} (20i - 70) \\ &= 20n^2 - 150n + 710. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_4$  and all other vertices of  $C_i, 4 \leq i \leq n$ , is  $D(C_4) = 10(20n^2 - 130n + 538) + 10(20n^2 - 150n + 710) = 400n^2 - 2800n + 12480$ . ■

**Lemma 5.** The sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_k, k \geq 5$ , and all other vertices of  $C_i, 5 \leq i \leq n$ , such that  $n > k + 9$  is  $D(C_i) = 400n^2 - 2800n + 12480$ . For  $n \leq k + 9$ , the sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_k$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $n \geq k$  circles can be obtained from Table 5.

**Table 5.** The sum of all distances between vertices of  $C_k$  and all other vertices of the altan with  $k \leq n \leq k + 9$  circles and  $k \geq 5$ .

Number of Cycle	$k$	$k + 1$	$k + 2$	$k + 3$	$k + 4$	$k + 5$	$k + 6$	$k + 7$	$k + 8$	$k + 9$
$D(C_k)$	2000	4420	7300	10680	14600	19100	24220	30000	36480	43770

**Proof.** By having considered the figure of the altan and computed all distances between vertices of  $C_k, k \geq 5$ , and all other vertices of  $C_i, 5 \leq i \leq n$ , the following results are yielded:

If  $k$  is odd, then we have  $D(v_{k,i}) = D(v_{4,i+1})$  and if  $k$  is even, then  $D(v_{k,i}) = D(v_{4,i})$ . Since the number of vertices  $v_{ki}$  where  $i$  is even is equal to vertices  $v_{ki}$  where  $i$  is odd, the result is confirmed. ■

By using the above lemmas for each case, we can compute the Wiener index. The second Zagreb index of  $\Gamma$  is defined as  $M_2(\Gamma) = \sum_{uv \in E(\Gamma)} d(u)d(v)$ , where  $d(u)$  is the degree of vertex  $u$ .

**Proposition 6.** Let  $\Gamma$  be the altan in Figure 3. The second Zagreb index of  $\Gamma$  is  $M_2(\Gamma) = 270n - 375$ .

**Proof.** The number of vertices of  $\Gamma$  is  $|V| = 5 + 15 + \sum_{i=3}^n 20 = 20n - 20$ . The sum of all degrees of vertices of  $\Gamma$  where  $n > 1$  is  $\sum_{v \in V(\Gamma)} d(v) = 5 \times 3 + 15 \times 3 +$

$\sum_{i=3}^{n-1} (20 \times 3) + 10 \times 3 + 10 \times 2 = 60n - 70$ . Thus, the cardinality of edges of  $\Gamma$  is  $|E| = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{v \in V(\Gamma)} d(v) = 30n - 35$ . Therefore, the second Zagreb index of  $\Gamma$  is  $M_2(\Gamma) = 9(30n - 55) + 20 \times 6 = 270n - 375$ . ■

The first and the second product Zagreb index of  $\Gamma$  is denoted by  $PM_1(\Gamma)$  and  $PM_2(\Gamma)$  respectively and defined as  $PM_1(\Gamma) = \prod_{uv \in E(\Gamma)} (d(u) + d(v))$  and  $PM_2(\Gamma) = \prod_{uv \in E(\Gamma)} d(u)d(v)$  [2,4].

**Proposition 7.** The first and the second product Zagreb index of  $\Gamma$  are

$$PM_1(\Gamma) = 6^{(30n-55)} \times 5^{20}, \quad PM_2(\Gamma) = 3^{(90n-145)} \times 2^{20}.$$

**Proof.**  $\Gamma$  has  $30n - 55$  edges with vertices of degree 3 and 20 edges in circle  $C_n$  such that one edge is of degree 2 and the other one is of degree 3. So we have  $PM_1(\Gamma) = (3 + 3)^{(30n-55)} \times (2 + 3)^{20} = 6^{(30n-55)} \times 5^{20}$  and  $PM_2(\Gamma) = (3 \times 3)^{(3n-55)} \times (2 \times 3)^{20} = 3^{(90n-145)} \times 2^{20}$ . ■

$$\text{Set } M_{r,s}(\Gamma) = \sum_{u,v \in V} (d(u)^r d(v)^s + d(v)^r d(u)^s).$$

**Proposition 8.**  $M_{r,s}(\Gamma) = 60 \times 3^r 3^s n - 1103^r 3^s + 20(3^r 2^s + 2^r 3^s)$ .

**Proof.** Since  $\Gamma$  has  $30n - 55$  edges with vertices of degree 3 and 20 edges in circle  $C_n$  such that one edge is of degree 2 and the other edge is of degree 3, the  $M_{r,s}(\Gamma)$  index of  $\Gamma$  is  $M_{r,s}(\Gamma) = 2 \times 3^r 3^s (30n - 55) + 20(3^r 2^s + 2^r 3^s) = (60 \times 3^r 3^s n - 1103^r 3^s + 20(3^r 2^s + 2^r 3^s))$ . ■

The atom-bond connectivity (*ABC*) index [8] is defined as

$$ABC(\Gamma) = \sum_{uv \in E(\Gamma)} \sqrt{\left(\frac{d(u)+d(v)-2}{d(u)d(v)}\right)}.$$

**Proposition 9.** The *ABC* index of  $\Gamma$  is  $ABC(\Gamma) = 20n - \frac{110}{3} + 10\sqrt{2}$ .

**Proof.** By argument similar to the above mentioned theorem, we have  $ABC(\Gamma) = (30n - 55) \sqrt{\frac{3+3-2}{3 \times 3}} + 20 \sqrt{\frac{3+2-2}{3 \times 2}} = 20n - \frac{110}{3} + 10\sqrt{2}$ . ■

The  $ABC_4(\Gamma)$  index is defined as

$$ABC_4(\Gamma) = \sum_{uv \in E(\Gamma)} \sqrt{\left(\frac{s(u)+s(v)-2}{s(u)s(v)}\right)},$$

where  $s(u)$  and  $s(v)$  are the sum of all vertices which adjacent to  $u$  and  $v$  respectively.

**Proposition 10.** The  $ABC_4$  index of  $\Gamma$  is  $ABC_4(\Gamma) = \frac{40}{3}n - \frac{260}{9} + 10\sqrt{\frac{14}{63}} + 20\sqrt{\frac{11}{42}}$ .

**Proof.** By argument similar to Theorem 8, we can show that  $ABC_4(\Gamma) = (30n - 65) \times \sqrt{\frac{9+9-2}{9 \times 9}} + 10\sqrt{\frac{9+7-2}{9 \times 7}} + 20\sqrt{\frac{6+7-2}{6 \times 7}} = \frac{40}{3}n - \frac{260}{9} + 10\sqrt{\frac{14}{63}} + 20\sqrt{\frac{11}{42}}$ . ■

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