

The n-Hosoya Polynomial of $W_\alpha \boxtimes C_\beta$

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المخلص

البيان المركب $W_\alpha \boxtimes C_\beta$ من بيان العجلة W_α وبيان الدارة C_β هو البيان الناتج من إتحاد W_α مع C_β وبإضافة الحافات $u_1v_2, v_1u_2, u_1u_2, v_1v_2$ ، إذ أن u_1v_1 حافة في W_α وأن u_2v_2 حافة في C_β . في هذا البحث تم إيجاد القطر - n ومتعددة حدود هوسويا - n ودليل وينر - n للبيان $W_\alpha \boxtimes C_\beta$.

ABSTRACT

For a wheel W_α and a cycle C_β the composite graphs $W_\alpha \boxtimes C_\beta$ is constructed from the union of W_α and C_β and adding the edges u_1u_2, u_1v_2, v_1u_2 and v_1v_2 , where u_1v_1 is an edge of W_α and u_2v_2 is an edge of C_β . The n - diameter, the n - Hosoya polynomial and the n - Wiener index of $W_\alpha \boxtimes C_\beta$ are obtained in this paper.

Keywords: n-distance, n-Hosoya polynomial, n-Wiener index, Wheel and cycle.

1. Introduction:

For the definitions of concepts and notations used in this paper, see the references [6, 7 and 8]. Some authors defined the minimum distance between two nonempty subsets of vertices of a connected graph G by [7]:

$$d_{\min}(A, B) = \min \{d(a, b) : a \in A, b \in B\},$$

where A and B are nonempty subsets of vertices of a connected graph G .

The n -distance in a connected graph $G = (V, E)$ [4] is the minimum distance from a singleton vertex $v \in V$ to an $(n-1)$ -subset $S, S \subseteq V$, that is

$$d_n(v, S) = \min \{d(v, u) : u \in S\}, \quad 2 \leq n \leq p, \text{ in which } p \text{ is the order of } G.$$

It is clear that :

$$d_n(v, S) = 0 ; \text{ when } v \in S,$$

$$d_n(v, S) \geq 1 ; \text{ when } v \notin S.$$

When $n=2$, we get the (ordinary) distance $d(u, v)$.

The n -diameter of G is defined by

$$\delta_n = \delta_n(G) = \max \{d_n(v, S) : v \in V(G), |S| = n-1, S \subseteq V(G)\}. \quad \dots(1.1)$$

The n -Hosoya polynomial of G of order p is defined by

$$H_n(G; x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\delta_n} C_n(G, k) x^k, \quad \dots(1.2)$$

where $C_n(G, k)$ is the number of order pairs $(v, S), v \in V(G), S \subseteq V(G), |S| = n-1$, such that $d_n(v, S) = k, 2 \leq n \leq p$.

One can easily show that [4].

$$C_n(G,1) = p \binom{p-1}{n-1} - \sum_{v \in V(G)} \binom{p-1-\deg v}{n-1}. \quad \dots(1.3)$$

The n-Hosoya polynomial of a vertex v in G , denoted by $H_n(v, G; x)$, is defined [4] by

$$H_n(v, G; x) = \sum_{k \geq 1} C_n(v, G, k) x^k, \quad \dots(1.4)$$

where $C_n(v, G, k)$ is the number of $(n-1)$ -subsets of vertices S such that $d_n(v, S) = k$. It is clear that

$$C_n(G, k) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} C_n(v, G, k), \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq \delta_n \quad \dots(1.5)$$

and

$$H_n(G; x) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} H_n(v, G; x), \quad \dots(1.6)$$

The n-Wiener index of G is defined by

$$W_n(G) = \frac{d}{dx} H_n(G; x) \Big|_{x=1} = \sum_{k=1}^{\delta_n} k C_n(G, k).$$

In [2], H. G. Ahmed gave the following result :

Lemma: Let v be any vertex of a connected graph G . If there are t_1 vertices of distance $k \geq 1$ from v , and there are t_2 vertices of distance more than k from v , then

$$C_n(v, G, k) = \binom{t_1 + t_2}{n-1} - \binom{t_2}{n-1}. \quad \dots(1.7)$$

Definition(1): [1]

Let G_1 and G_2 be disjoint connected graphs, and let u_1v_1 be an edge of G_1 and u_2v_2 be an edge of G_2 , then the composite graph $G_1 \boxtimes G_2$ is the graph constructed from G_1 and G_2 by adding the edges u_1u_2, u_1v_2, v_1u_2 and v_1v_2 . It is clear that $p(G_1 \boxtimes G_2) = p(G_1) + p(G_2)$ and $q(G_1 \boxtimes G_2) = q(G_1) + q(G_2) + 4$.

To simplify our discussion, we give the following :

Definition(2):

For every vertex v of a connected graph G and each $k, 1 \leq k \leq \delta_n$, we define : $N_k^-(v)$ is the number of vertices w of G such that $d(v, w) = k$, and $N_k^+(v)$ is the number of vertices w of G such that $d(v, w) > k$.

Finally, it seems to us that it is impossible to obtain the n – Hosoya polynomial of $G_1 \boxtimes G_2$ for any disjoint connected graphs G_1 and G_2 in terms of $H_n(G_1; x)$ and $H_n(G_2; x)$. Therefore, in [5], A. M. Ali obtained $H_n(G_1 \boxtimes G_2; x)$ where G_1 is a complete graph and G_2 is a special graph such as a complete graph, a complete bipartite, a wheel, or a cycle and in [3]; H.G. Ahmed obtained $H_n(G_1 \boxtimes G_2; x)$ where G_1 and G_2 are wheels W_α and W_β . In the continuation of such work, we take G_1 as a wheel W_α and

G_2 as a cycle C_β and find the n – diameter, n – Hosoya polynomial and n – Wiener index of $W_\alpha \boxtimes C_\beta$.

2. The n-Hosoya Polynomial of $W_\alpha \boxtimes C_\beta$:

The graph $G = W_\alpha \boxtimes C_\beta$, for $\alpha \geq 6$ and $\beta \geq 4$ is shown in Fig. 2.1. It is clear that $p(G) = \alpha + \beta$, $q(G) = 2\alpha + \beta + 2$ and $\text{diam}G = \left\lfloor \frac{\beta-1}{2} \right\rfloor + 3$.

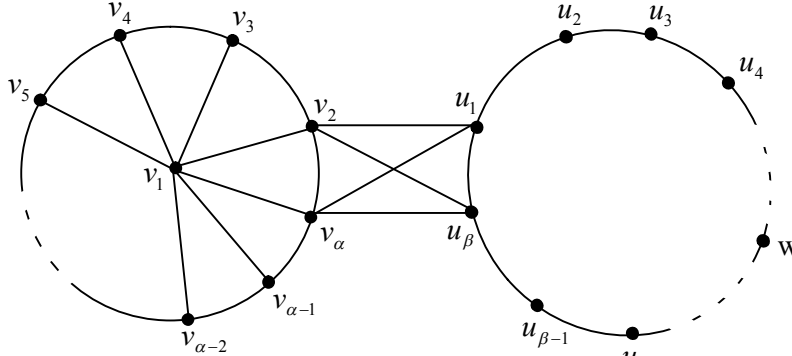


Fig. 2.1. The graph $G = W_\alpha \boxtimes C_\beta$, $\alpha \geq 6$ and $\beta \geq 4$

Let $V = V(W_\alpha) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_\alpha\}$ and $U = V(C_\beta) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_\beta\}$.

The following proposition determines the n-diameter of $G = W_\alpha \boxtimes C_\beta$.

Proposition 2.1: For $2 \leq n \leq p(= \alpha + \beta)$, $\alpha \geq 6$ and $\beta \geq 4$, we have

$$\text{diam}_n(G) = \begin{cases} \left\lfloor \frac{\beta-1}{2} \right\rfloor + 3, & \text{for } 2 \leq n \leq \alpha - 4, \\ \left\lfloor \frac{\beta-1}{2} \right\rfloor + 2, & \text{for } \alpha - 3 \leq n \leq \alpha - 1, \\ \left\lfloor \frac{\beta-1}{2} \right\rfloor + 1, & \text{for } \alpha \leq n \leq \alpha + 1, \\ \left\lfloor \frac{\alpha + \beta - n}{2} \right\rfloor + 1, & \text{for } \alpha + 2 \leq n \leq \alpha + \beta. \end{cases}$$

Proof: For $2 \leq n \leq \alpha - 4$, we take $S \subseteq \{v_4, v_5, \dots, v_{\alpha-2}\}$ and $w = u_{\beta/2}$ (or $w = u_{\beta/2+1}$) for even β and $w = u_{(\beta+1)/2}$ for odd β . Then, $d_n(w, S) = \left\lfloor \frac{\beta-1}{2} \right\rfloor + 3$ which is max. of such values of n.

For $\alpha - 3 \leq n \leq \alpha - 1$, we take $S \subseteq \{v_1, v_3, v_4, \dots, v_{\alpha-1}\}$ with $|S| = n - 1$, then $d_n(w, S) = \left\lfloor \frac{\beta-1}{2} \right\rfloor + 2 = \text{diam}_n G$.

Similarly , for $\alpha \leq n \leq \alpha + 1$, we take $|S|=n-1$ and $S \subseteq V(W_\alpha)$, then $d_n(w,S) = \left\lfloor \frac{\beta-1}{2} \right\rfloor + 1 = \text{diam}_n G$. Finally , for $\alpha + 2 \leq n \leq \alpha + \beta$, we have $2 \leq n - \alpha \leq \beta$ $\text{diam}_n(G) = \text{diam}_{n-\alpha}(C_\beta) = \left\lfloor \frac{\beta-(n-\alpha)}{2} \right\rfloor + 1 = \left\lfloor \frac{\alpha+\beta-n}{2} \right\rfloor + 1$. In this case, we take S containing $V(W_\alpha)$ with the sequence of vertices $u_1, u_\beta, u_2, u_{\beta-1}, \dots$ and so on to $\beta-1$ of vertices of $V(C_\beta)$. #

Since $H_n(G; x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\delta_n} C_n(G, k)x^k$, where δ_n is the n -diameter of G determined by

Proposition 2.1, we shall find $C_n(G, k)$, $1 \leq k \leq \delta_n$ in order to get $H_n(G; x)$.

Using (1.3), we get

$$C_n(G,1) = p \binom{p-1}{n-1} - (\alpha-3) \binom{p-4}{n-1} - (\beta-2) \binom{p-3}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-5}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-6}{n-1} - \binom{\beta}{n-1} \dots (2.1)$$

Proposition 2.2: For $2 \leq n \leq p$ and $\alpha \geq 6$, $\beta \geq 4$, we have

$$C_n(G,2) = (\beta-2) \binom{p-3}{n-1} + (\alpha-3) \binom{p-4}{n-1} + 2 \binom{p-6}{n-1} - (\alpha-6) \binom{\beta}{n-1} - 3 \binom{\beta-2}{n-1} - 2 \binom{\beta-4}{n-1} - (\beta-6) \binom{p-5}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-7}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-10}{n-1} \dots (2.2)$$

Proof: From Fig. 2.1, it is clear that $N_2^-(v_1) = 2$ and $N_2^+(v_1) = \beta - 2$. Thus, by (1.7)

$$C_n(v_1, G, 2) = \binom{\beta}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-2}{n-1}. \dots (2.3)$$

$N_2^-(v_2) = \alpha - 2$ and $N_2^+(v_2) = \beta - 4$. Thus , by (1.7)

$$C_n(v_2, G, 2) = C_n(v_\alpha, G, 2) = \binom{p-6}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-4}{n-1}. \dots (2.4)$$

$N_2^-(v_3) = \alpha - 2$ and $N_2^+(v_2) = \beta - 2$. Thus , by (1.7)

$$C_n(v_3, G, 2) = C_n(v_{\alpha-1}, G, 2) = \binom{p-4}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-2}{n-1}. \dots (2.5)$$

For $i=4,5, \dots, \alpha-2$, then $N_2^-(v_i) = \alpha - 4$ and $N_2^+(v_i) = \beta$. Thus, by (1.7)

$$C_n(v_i, G, 2) = \binom{p-4}{n-1} - \binom{\beta}{n-1}. \dots (2.6)$$

From (2.3) - (2.6) we obtain

$$C_n(V, G, 2) = (\alpha-3) \binom{p-4}{n-1} + 2 \binom{p-6}{n-1} - (\alpha-6) \binom{\beta}{n-1} - 3 \binom{\beta-2}{n-1} - 2 \binom{\beta-4}{n-1}. \dots (2.7)$$

Now, we find $C_n(U, G, 2)$.

$N_2^-(u_1) = 5$ and $N_2^+(u_1) = p - 10$. Thus, by (1.7)

$$C_n(u_1, G, 2) = C_n(u_\beta, G, 2) = \binom{p-5}{n-1} - \binom{p-10}{n-1}. \dots (2.8)$$

$N_2^-(u_2) = 4$ and $N_2^+(u_2) = p - 7$. Thus, by (1.7)

$$C_n(u_2, G, 2) = C_n(u_{\beta-1}, G, 2) = \binom{p-3}{n-1} - \binom{p-7}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.9)$$

For u_i , $i = 3, 4, \dots, \beta - 2$, then $N_2^-(u_i) = 2$ and $N_2^+(u_i) = p - 5$. Thus, by (1.7)

$$C_n(u_i, G, 2) = \binom{p-3}{n-1} - \binom{p-5}{n-1}, \quad i = 3, 4, \dots, \beta - 2. \quad \dots(2.10)$$

From (2.8), (2.9), and (2.10) we get

$$C_n(U, G, 2) = (\beta - 2) \binom{p-3}{n-1} - (\beta - 6) \binom{p-5}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-7}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-10}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.11)$$

Since $C_n(G, 2) = C_n(V, G, 2) + C_n(U, G, 2)$, then from (2.7) and (2.11), we get (2.2). #

By the method used in proving Proposition 2.2, we get $C_n(G, 3)$.

Proposition 2.3: For $2 \leq n \leq p$ and $\alpha, \beta \geq 7$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} C_n(G, 3) = & (\beta - 4) \binom{p-5}{n-1} + (\alpha - 5) \binom{\beta}{n-1} - (\alpha - 8) \binom{\beta-2}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-4}{n-1} - 2 \binom{\beta-6}{n-1} \\ & - (\beta - 8) \binom{p-7}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-9}{n-1} + 2 \binom{p-10}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-12}{n-1} - 2 \binom{\beta-7}{n-1} \quad \dots(2.12) \end{aligned}$$

Proof: From Fig. 2.1 and by using a procedure that is used in proving Proposition 2.2, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} C_n(v_1, G, 3) &= \binom{\beta-2}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-4}{n-1}, \\ C_n(v_2, G, 3) = C_n(v_\alpha, G, 3) &= \binom{\beta-4}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-6}{n-1} \\ C_n(v_3, G, 3) = C_n(v_{\alpha-1}, G, 3) &= \binom{\beta-2}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-4}{n-1}, \\ C_n(v_i, G, 3) &= \binom{\beta}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-2}{n-1}, \quad i = 4, 5, \dots, \alpha - 2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$C_n(V, G, 3) = (\alpha - 5) \binom{\beta}{n-1} - (\alpha - 8) \binom{\beta-2}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-4}{n-1} - 2 \binom{\beta-6}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.13)$$

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} C_n(u_1, G, 3) = C_n(u_\beta, G, 3) &= \binom{p-10}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-7}{n-1}, \\ C_n(u_2, G, 3) = C_n(u_{\beta-1}, G, 3) &= \binom{p-7}{n-1} - \binom{p-12}{n-1}, \\ C_n(u_3, G, 3) = C_n(u_{\beta-2}, G, 3) &= \binom{p-5}{n-1} - \binom{p-9}{n-1}, \end{aligned}$$

$$C_n(u_i, G, 3) = \binom{p-5}{n-1} - \binom{p-7}{n-1}, \quad i=4, 5, \dots, \beta-3.$$

Thus,

$$C_n(U, G, 3) = (\beta-4) \binom{p-5}{n-1} - (\beta-8) \binom{p-7}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-12}{n-1} - 2 \binom{\beta-7}{n-1} + 2 \binom{p-10}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-9}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.14)$$

Since $C_n(G, 3) = C_n(V, G, 3) + C_n(U, G, 3)$, then from (2.13) and (2.14), we obtain (2.12). #

We shall obtain $C_n(V, G, k)$ and $C_n(U, G, k)$, for $4 \leq k \leq \text{diam}_n(G) = \delta_n$.

We assume that $3 \leq n \leq p$, is the order of G , see Fig, 2.1.

It is clear that

$$N_k^-(v_2) = 2 \text{ and } N_k^+(v_2) = \beta - 2k, \text{ for } 4 \leq k \leq \delta_n - 2, \text{ and}$$

$$N_k^-(v_2) = N_k^+(v_2) = 0, \text{ for } k = \delta_n - 1 \text{ and } \delta_n \geq 6.$$

Thus,

$$C_n(v_2, G, k) = \binom{\beta-2k+2}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-2k}{n-1} = C_n(v_\alpha, G, k), \text{ for } 4 \leq k \leq \delta_n. \quad \dots(2.15)$$

Similarly, for $4 \leq k \leq \delta_n - 1$, ($\delta_n \geq 5$)

$$N_k^-(v_1) = 2 \text{ and } N_k^+(v_1) = \beta - 2k + 2,$$

$$N_{\delta_n}^-(v_1) = N_{\delta_n}^+(v_1) = 0, \text{ therefore, for } 4 \leq k \leq \delta_n, \text{ we have}$$

$$C_n(v_1, G, k) = C_n(v_3, G, k) = C_n(v_{\alpha-1}, G, k) = \binom{\beta-2k+4}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-2k+2}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.16)$$

Finally, for $4 \leq k \leq \delta_n$ and $i=4, 5, \dots, \alpha-2$

$$N_k^-(v_i) = 2 \text{ and } N_k^+(v_i) = \beta - 2k + 4, \text{ thus for } 4 \leq k \leq \delta_n, \text{ we have}$$

$$C_n(v_i, G, k) = \binom{\beta-2k+6}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-2k+4}{n-1}, \text{ for } i=4, 5, \dots, \alpha-2. \quad \dots(2.17)$$

Hence, from (2.15), (2.16) and (2.17), we have

Proposition 2.4: For $4 \leq k \leq \delta_n$ and $3 \leq n \leq p$,

$$C_n(V, G, k) = (\alpha-5) \binom{\beta-2k+6}{n-1} - (\alpha-8) \binom{\beta-2k+4}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-2k+2}{n-1} - 2 \binom{\beta-2k}{n-1} \quad \dots(2.18)$$

Remark (1): It is clear from Proposition 2.1 that for all values of n ,

$$\delta_n = \text{diam}_n(G) \leq \left\lfloor \frac{\beta-1}{2} \right\rfloor + 3 = \begin{cases} \frac{\beta}{2} + 2, & \text{for even } \beta, \\ \frac{\beta-1}{2} + 3, & \text{for odd } \beta. \end{cases}$$

To find $C_n(U, G, k)$, $4 \leq k \leq \delta_n$, we shall consider the main two cases for β , namely even or odd.

(a). Let β be even and denoted $t = \beta/2$:

From Fig.2.1 , we get for $j=1,2, \dots, k-3$, and $k=4,5, \dots, t-1$

$N_k^-(u_j) = 2$ and $N_k^+(u_j) = \beta - 2k - 1$, therefore, for $k=4,5, \dots, t-1$

$$C_n(u_j, G, k) = C_n(u_{\beta-j+1}, G, k) = \binom{\beta - 2k + 1}{n-1} - \binom{\beta - 2k - 1}{n-1}, \quad j=1,2, \dots, k-3. \quad \dots(2.19)$$

Also , for $k=4,5, \dots, t-1$,

$N_k^-(u_{k-2}) = \alpha - 3$ and $N_k^+(u_{k-2}) = \beta - 2k - 1$, therefore

$$C_n(u_{k-2}, G, k) = C_n(u_{\beta-k+3}, G, k) = \binom{p-2k-4}{n-1} - \binom{\beta-2k-1}{n-1}, \quad \text{for } 4 \leq k \leq t-1. \quad \dots(2.20)$$

Similarly , for the same values of k , namely $4 \leq k \leq t-1$,

$N_k^-(u_{k-1}) = 5$ and $N_k^+(u_{k-1}) = p - 2k - 6$, therefore

$$C_n(u_{k-1}, G, k) = C_n(u_{\beta-k+2}, G, k) = \binom{p-2k-1}{n-1} - \binom{p-2k-6}{n-1}, \quad \text{for } 4 \leq k \leq t-1. \quad \dots(2.21)$$

Also , $N_k^-(u_k) = 4$ and $N_k^+(u_k) = p - 2k - 3$, therefore

$$C_n(u_k, G, k) = C_n(u_{\beta-k+1}, G, k) = \binom{p-2k+1}{n-1} - \binom{p-2k-3}{n-1}, \quad \text{for } 4 \leq k \leq t-1. \quad \dots(2.22)$$

Moreover , for $j = k+1, k+2, \dots, \beta/2 (=t)$, we have

$N_k^-(u_j) = 2$ and $N_k^+(u_j) = p - 2k - 1$, for $4 \leq k \leq t-1$.

Therefore , for $4 \leq k \leq t-1$, we get

$$C_n(u_j, G, k) = C_n(u_{\beta-j+1}, G, k) = \binom{p-2k+1}{n-1} - \binom{p-2k-1}{n-1},$$

for $j = k+1, k+2, \dots, \beta/2 (=t)$ (2.23)

From (2.19) - (2.23) , we obtain the following statement .

Proposition 2.5: For $4 \leq k \leq t-1$ and $3 \leq n \leq p$, we have

$$C_n(U, G, k) = 2(k-3) \binom{\beta-2k+1}{n-1} + 2 \binom{\beta-2k-4}{n-1} + (\beta-2k+2) \binom{p-2k+1}{n-1}$$

$$- 2(k-2) \binom{\beta-2k-1}{n-1} - (\beta-2k-2) \binom{p-2k-1}{n-1} - 2 \binom{p-2k-6}{n-1}$$

$$- 2 \binom{p-2k-3}{n-1}. \# \quad \dots(2.24)$$

For the other values of k , we have the following result :

Proposition 2.6: For $k = t, t+1$ and $t+2$, $3 \leq n \leq p$, we have:

(I). $C_n(U, G, t) = 2 \left[\binom{\alpha+1}{n-1} + \binom{\alpha-1}{n-1} + \binom{\alpha-4}{n-1} - \binom{\alpha-2}{n-1} - \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1} \right]. \quad \dots(2.25)$

(II). $C_n(U, G, t+1) = 2 \binom{\alpha-2}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.26)$

$$(III). C_n(U, G, t+2) = 2 \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.27)$$

Proof : (I) For $k = t$, we have :

$$N_t^-(u_i) = 1 \text{ and } N_t^+(u_i) = 0, \text{ for } i=1,2, \dots, t-3, \text{ thus} \\ C_n(u_i, G, t) = C_n(u_{\beta-i+1}, G, t) = 0, \text{ for } i=1,2, \dots, t-3. \quad \dots(2.25.a)$$

$$N_t^-(u_{t-2}) = \alpha - 4 \text{ and } N_t^+(u_{t-2}) = 0, \text{ thus} \\ C_n(u_{t-2}, G, t) = C_n(u_{\beta-t+3}, G, t) = \binom{\alpha-4}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.25.b)$$

$$N_t^-(u_{t-1}) = 4 \text{ and } N_t^+(u_{t-1}) = \alpha - 5, \text{ thus} \\ C_n(u_{t-1}, G, t) = C_n(u_{\beta-t+2}, G, t) = \binom{\alpha-1}{n-1} - \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.25.c)$$

$$N_t^-(u_t) = 3 \text{ and } N_t^+(u_t) = \alpha - 2, \text{ thus} \\ C_n(u_t, G, t) = C_n(u_{\beta-t+1}, G, t) = \binom{\alpha+1}{n-1} - \binom{\alpha-2}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.25.d)$$

Hence , from (2.25.a) - (2.25.d) , we obtain (2.25) .

(II) For $k = t+1$, we have :

$$N_{t+1}^-(u_i) = N_{t+1}^+(u_i) = 0, \text{ for } i=1,2, \dots, t-2. \\ C_n(u_i, G, t+1) = C_n(u_{\beta-i+1}, G, t+1) = 0, \text{ for } i=1,2, \dots, t-2. \quad \dots(2.26.a)$$

$$N_{t+1}^-(u_{t-1}) = \alpha - 5 \text{ and } N_{t+1}^+(u_{t-1}) = 0, \text{ thus} \\ C_n(u_{t-1}, G, t+1) = C_n(u_{\beta-t+2}, G, t+1) = \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.26.b)$$

$$N_{t+1}^-(u_t) = 3 \text{ and } N_{t+1}^+(u_t) = \alpha - 5, \text{ thus} \\ C_n(u_t, G, t+1) = C_n(u_{\beta-t+1}, G, t+1) = \binom{\alpha-2}{n-1} - \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.26.c)$$

Hence , from (2.26.a) , (2.26.b) and (2.26.c) we obtain (2.26) .

(III) For $k = t+2$, we have :

$$N_{t+2}^-(u_i) = N_{t+2}^+(u_i) = 0, \text{ for } i=1,2, \dots, t-1. \quad \dots(2.27.a)$$

$$N_{t+2}^-(u_t) = \alpha - 5 \text{ and } N_{t+2}^+(u_t) = 0, \text{ thus} \\ C_n(u_t, G, t+2) = \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.27.b)$$

Hence , from (2.27.a) and (2.27.b), we obtain (2.27) . This completes the proof . #

(b). Let β be odd :

Remark (2): One may check that Proposition 2.5 holds for **odd** β and for $4 \leq k \leq \frac{\beta-1}{2}$, that is $C_n(U, G, k)$ is given in (2.24) for odd β and $4 \leq k \leq \frac{\beta-1}{2}$.

Let $t' = \frac{\beta-1}{2}$, where β is odd, $\beta \geq 9$.

Proposition 2.7: For odd β and $k = t'+1, t'+2$ and $t'+3$, $3 \leq n \leq p$, we have:

$$(I'). C_n(U, G, t'+1) = \binom{\alpha}{n-1} + \binom{\alpha-2}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.28)$$

$$(II'). C_n(U, G, t'+2) = \binom{\alpha-2}{n-1} + \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.29)$$

$$(III'). C_n(U, G, t'+3) = \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.30)$$

Proof: For each vertex u_j , there is no vertex of U which is of distance $t'+1$, $t'+2$ or $t'+3$ from u_j . Therefore, the only vertices of distance $t'+1$, $t'+2$ or $t'+3$ from each u_j are in W_α . Moreover, the vertices of U that are of distance $t'+1$, $t'+2$ or $t'+3$ from vertices of W_α are $u_{t'-1}$, $u_{t'}$ and $u_{t'+1}$, (and by symmetry $u_{t'+2}$ and $u_{t'+3}$).

(I'). For $k = t'+1$, we have

$$N_{t'+1}^-(u_{t'-1}) = \alpha - 5 \text{ and } N_{t'+1}^+(u_{t'-1}) = 0, \text{ thus}$$

$$C_n(u_{t'-1}, G, t'+1) = C_n(u_{t'+3}, G, t'+1) = \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.28.a)$$

$$N_{t'+1}^-(u_{t'}) = 3 \text{ and } N_{t'+1}^+(u_{t'}) = \alpha - 5, \text{ thus}$$

$$C_n(u_{t'}, G, t'+1) = C_n(u_{t'+2}, G, t'+1) = \binom{\alpha-2}{n-1} - \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.28.b)$$

$$N_{t'+1}^-(u_{t'+1}) = 2 \text{ and } N_{t'+1}^+(u_{t'+1}) = \alpha - 2, \text{ thus}$$

$$C_n(u_{t'+1}, G, t'+1) = \binom{\alpha}{n-1} - \binom{\alpha-2}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.28.c)$$

Hence, from (2.28.a), (2.28.b) and (2.28.c) we obtain (2.28).

(II'). For $k = t'+2$, we have

$$N_{t'+2}^-(u_{t'-1}) = N_{t'+2}^+(u_{t'-1}) = 0, \text{ thus}$$

$$C_n(u_{t'-1}, G, t'+2) = C_n(u_{t'+3}, G, t'+2) = 0. \quad \dots(2.29.a)$$

$$N_{t'+2}^-(u_{t'}) = \alpha - 5 \text{ and } N_{t'+2}^+(u_{t'}) = 0, \text{ thus}$$

$$C_n(u_{t'}, G, t'+2) = C_n(u_{t'+2}, G, t'+2) = \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.29.b)$$

$$N_{t'+2}^-(u_{t'+1}) = 3 \text{ and } N_{t'+2}^+(u_{t'+1}) = \alpha - 5, \text{ thus}$$

$$C_n(u_{t'+1}, G, t'+2) = \binom{\alpha-2}{n-1} - \binom{\alpha-5}{n-1}. \quad \dots(2.29.c)$$

Hence, from (2.29.a), (2.29.b) and (2.29.c) we obtain (2.29).

(III'). For $k = t'+3$, we have

$$N_{t'+3}^-(u_{t'-1}) = N_{t'+3}^+(u_{t'-1}) = 0, \text{ thus}$$

$$C_n(u_{t'-1}, G, t'+3) = C_n(u_{t'+3}, G, t'+3) = 0. \quad \dots(2.30.a)$$

$$N_{t'+3}^-(u_{t'}) = N_{t'+3}^+(u_{t'}) = 0, \text{ thus}$$

$$C_n(u_{t'}, G, t'+3) = C_n(u_{t'+2}, G, t'+3) = 0. \quad \dots(2.30.b)$$

$$N_{t'+3}^-(u_{t'+1}) = \alpha - 5 \text{ and } N_{t'+3}^+(u_{t'+1}) = 0, \text{ thus}$$

$$C_n(u_{t'+1}, G, t'+3) = \binom{\alpha - 5}{n - 1}. \quad \dots(2.30.c)$$

Hence, from (2.30.a), (2.30.b) and (2.30.c) we obtain (2.30).

This completes the proof. #

From (2.18) and (2.24), we obtain $C_n(G, k)$ for $4 \leq k \leq t-1$ for **even** β as given next :

$$C_n(G, k) = C_n(U, G, k) + C_n(V, G, k), \quad 4 \leq k \leq t-1, \text{ even } \beta,$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (\alpha - 5) \binom{\beta - 2k + 6}{n - 1} + 2(k - 3) \binom{\beta - 2k + 1}{n - 1} + 2 \binom{p - 2k - 4}{n - 1} + (\beta - 2k + 2) \binom{p - 2k + 1}{n - 1} \\ &\quad - (\alpha - 8) \binom{\beta - 2k + 4}{n - 1} - \binom{\beta - 2k + 2}{n - 1} - 2 \binom{\beta - 2k}{n - 1} - 2(k - 2) \binom{\beta - 2k - 1}{n - 1} \\ &\quad - (\beta - 2k - 2) \binom{p - 2k - 1}{n - 1} - 2 \binom{p - 2k - 6}{n - 1} - 2 \binom{p - 2k - 3}{n - 1}. \end{aligned}$$

For other values of k , we have from (2.18) and (2.25)-(2.28):

$$\begin{aligned} C_n(G, t) &= 2 \left[\binom{\alpha + 1}{n - 1} + \binom{\alpha - 1}{n - 1} + \binom{\alpha - 4}{n - 1} - \binom{\alpha - 2}{n - 1} - \binom{\alpha - 5}{n - 1} \right] + (\alpha - 5) \binom{6}{n - 1} \\ &\quad - (\alpha - 8) \binom{4}{n - 1} - \binom{2}{n - 1}. \quad \dots(2.32) \end{aligned}$$

$$C_n(G, t + 1) = 2 \binom{\alpha - 2}{n - 1} + (\alpha - 5) \binom{4}{n - 1} - (\alpha - 8) \binom{2}{n - 1}. \quad \dots(2.33)$$

$$C_n(G, t + 2) = 2 \binom{\alpha - 5}{n - 1} + (\alpha - 5) \binom{2}{n - 1}. \quad \dots(2.34)$$

The formula (2.31) holds also for **odd** β and $4 \leq k \leq t' = \frac{\beta - 1}{2}$. This is required to find

$C_n(G, k)$ for other values of k , namely $t' + 1$, $t' + 2$ and $t' + 3$.

Hence, for **odd** β :

$$C_n(G, t' + 1) = (\alpha - 5) \binom{6}{n - 1} - (\alpha - 8) \binom{4}{n - 1} - 2 \binom{2}{n - 1} + \binom{\alpha}{n - 1} + \binom{\alpha - 2}{n - 1} \quad \dots(2.35)$$

$$C_n(G, t' + 2) = (\alpha - 5) \binom{3}{n - 1} + \binom{\alpha - 2}{n - 1} + \binom{\alpha - 5}{n - 1}. \quad \dots(2.36)$$

$$C_n(G, t' + 3) = \binom{\alpha - 5}{n - 1}. \quad \dots(2.37)$$

Now, we can state the main theorem :

Theorem 2.8: For $3 \leq n \leq p(= \alpha + \beta)$, $\alpha \geq 8$, $\beta \geq 10$ we have:

$$H_n(G; x) = \sum_{k=1}^{\delta_n} C_n(G, k) x^k, \text{ and } W_n(G) = \sum_{k=1}^{\delta_n} k C_n(G, k)$$

where δ_n is the n-diameter determined by Proposition 2.1, and $C_n(G, k)$ is given in

(2.31) for $4 \leq k \leq \frac{\beta}{2} - 1$, for even β ; ($4 \leq k \leq \frac{\beta-1}{2}$, for odd β), and for

$k = \frac{\beta}{2}, \frac{\beta}{2} + 1$, and $\frac{\beta}{2} + 2$, $C_n(G, k)$ is given in (2.32), (2.33) and (2.34), respectively, for

even β ; but for $k = \frac{\beta+1}{2}, \frac{\beta+3}{2}$, and $\frac{\beta+5}{2}$, $C_n(G, k)$ is given by (2.35), (2.36) and

(2.37) for odd β . For $k = 1, 2$ and 3 , $C_n(G, k)$ is given by (2.1), (2.2) and (2.3), respectively. #

Remark (3): For $4 \leq \alpha \leq 7$ and $4 \leq \beta \leq 9$, one can easily find $H_n(G; x)$ and $W_n(G)$ by direct calculation of $C_n(G, k)$, $1 \leq k \leq 7$.

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