

COMPUTING OMEGA AND SADHANA POLYNOMIALS OF C_{12N+4} FULLERENE

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The omega polynomial $\Omega(G,x)$ for counting qoc strips in G was defined by Diudea as $\Omega(G,x) = \sum_c m(G,c) \times x^c$ with $m(G,c)$ being the number of strips of length c . The Sadhana polynomial $Sd(G,x)$ was defined by Ashrafi and co-authors as $Sd(G,x) = \sum_c m(G,c) \times x^{|E|-c}$. In this paper we compute the omega polynomial and then Sadhana polynomial of an infinite family of fullerenes .

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1. Introduction

Fullerenes are molecules in the form of cage-like polyhedra, consisting solely of carbon atoms. Fullerenes C_n can be drawn for $n = 20$ and for all even $n \geq 24$. They have n carbon atoms, $3n/2$ bonds, 12 pentagonal and $n/2 - 10$ hexagonal faces. The most important member of the family of fullerenes is C_{60} [1,2].

Mathematical calculations are absolutely necessary to explore important concepts in chemistry. Mathematical chemistry is a branch of theoretical chemistry for discussion and prediction of the molecular structure using mathematical methods without necessarily referring to quantum mechanics. Chemical graph theory is an important tool for studying molecular structures [3-5]. This theory had an important effect on the development of the chemical sciences. This paper reflects an attempt for studying nanostructures by using graph theory. We now recall some algebraic definitions that will be used in the paper. Let G be a simple molecular graph without directed and multiple edges and without loops, the vertex and edge-sets of which are represented by $V(G)$ and $E(G)$, respectively. Suppose G is a connected molecular graph and $x, y \in V(G)$. The distance $d(x,y)$ between x and y is defined as the length of a minimum path between x and y . Two edges $e = ab$ and $f = xy$ of G are called co-distant, “ e co f ”, if and only if $d(a,x) = d(b,y) = k$ and $d(a,y) = d(b,x) = k+1$ or vice versa, for a non-negative integer k . It is easy to see that the relation “co” is reflexive and symmetric but it is not necessary to be transitive.

Set $C(e) := \{f \in E(G) \mid f \text{ co } e\}$. If the relation “co” is transitive on $C(e)$ then $C(e)$ is called an orthogonal cut “oc” of the graph G . The graph G is called co-graph if and only if the edge set $E(G)$ is the union of disjoint orthogonal cuts. The Omega polynomial $\Omega(G,x)$ for counting qoc strips in G was defined by Diudea as $\Omega(G,x) = \sum_c m(G,c) \times x^c$ with $m(G,c)$ being the number of strips of length c . The summation runs up to the maximum length of qoc strips in G . If G is bipartite then a qoc starts and ends out of G and so $\Omega(G,1) = r/2$, in which r is the number of edges in out of G [6-10].

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The CI index was introduced by P. E. John and co-authors¹¹ for plane bipartite graphs as $CI(G) = \Omega'(G, x)^2 - (\Omega'(G, x) + \Omega''(G, x))|_{x=1}$. Klavzar¹² noticed that $CI(G)=0$ provided that G contains a single quasi-orthogonal cut. He also introduced an infinite series of such examples by complete bipartite graphs $K_{2,2k+1}$, $k \geq 1$, that is, $CI(K_{2,2k+1})=0$ for any $k \geq 1$.

The Sadhana index $Sd(G)$ for counting qoc strips in G was defined by Khadikar et al^{13,14} as $Sd(G, x) = \sum_c m(G, c)(|E(G)| - c)$, where $m(G, c)$ is the number of strips of length c . The Sadhana polynomial $Sd(G, x)$ was defined by Ashrafi and co-authors¹⁵ as $Sd(G, x) = \sum_c m(G, c) \times x^{|E|-c}$. By definition of Omega polynomial, one can obtain the Sadhana polynomial by replacing x^c with $x^{|E|-c}$ in Omega polynomial. Then the Sadhana index will be the first derivative of $Sd(G, x)$ evaluated at $x = 1$.

The aim of this study is to compute the Omega polynomial and then Sadhana polynomial of some nano structures. To do this, we first draw these compounds by HeperChem [16] and then compute their adjacency and distance matrices by TopoCluj [17]. Next, we apply some GAP [18] programs to compute the number of parallel edges for a given edge of these nanomaterials. Final step of this process is analyzing data obtained by our GAP programs. These programs are accessible from the authors upon request. Herein, our notation is standard and taken from the standard book of graph theory [19-26].

2. Results

The aim of this section is to compute the Omega and Sadhana polynomials of an infinite family of fullerenes with $12n+4$ carbon atoms and $18n+6$ bonds (figure 1).

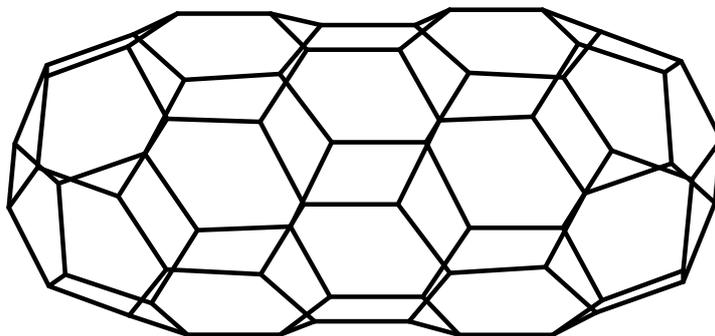


Fig. 1. graph of fullerene C_{12n+4} .

Theorem 1. The omega polynomial of fullerene graph C_{12n+4} is as follows:

$$\Omega(C_{12n+4}, x) = 18x + 4x^2 + (n-2)x^6 + 8x^{n-1} + 4x^n.$$

proof. By fig. 2, there are five distinct cases of qoc strips. We denote the corresponding edges by e_1, e_2, \dots, e_5 . By table 1 one can see that $|C(e_1)|=2$, $|C(e_2)| = n-1$, $|C(e_3)| = n$, $|C(e_4)| = 1$ and $|C(e_5)| = 6$. On the other hand, there are 4, 8, 4, 18 and $n-2$ similar edges for each of edges e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4 and e_5 , respectively. So, we have $\Omega(C_{12n+4}, x) = 18x + 4x^2 + (n-2)x^6 + 8x^{n-1} + 4x^n$.

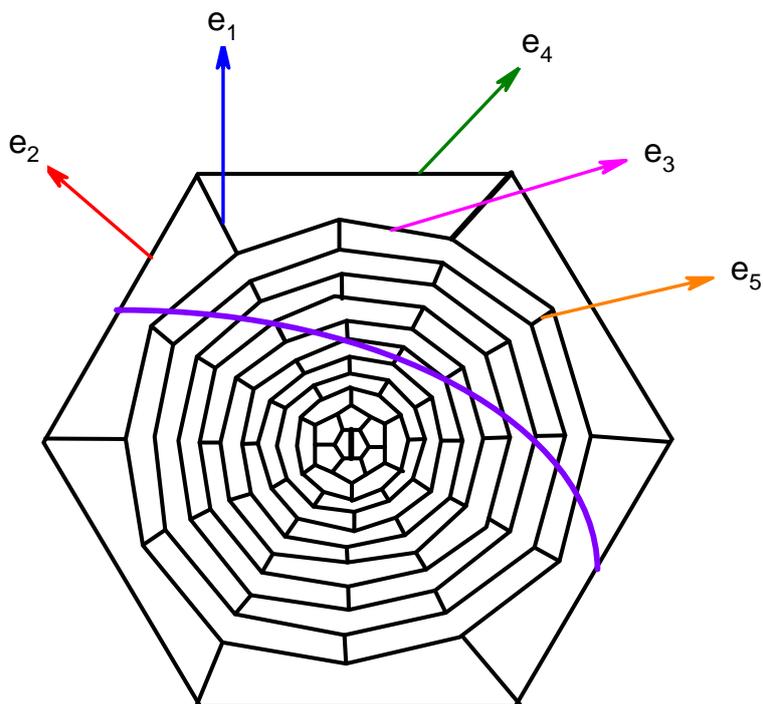


Fig. 2. The qoc strips of edges e_1, e_2, \dots, e_5 in graph of fullerene C_{12n+4} .

Table 1. The number of co-distant edges of $e_i, 1 \leq i \leq 5$.

No.	Number of co-distant edges	Type of Edges
4	2	e_1
8	$n-1$	e_2
4	n	e_3
18	1	e_4
$n-2$	6	e_5

Corollary2. The Sadhana polynomial of fullerene graph C_{12n+4} is as follows:

$$Sd(C_{12n+4}, x) = 4x^{17n+6} + 8x^{17n+7} + (n-2)x^{18n} + 4x^{18n+4} + 18x^{18n+5}.$$

Corollary3. The Sadhana index of fullerene graph C_{12n+4} is $18n^2 + 564n + 186$.

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