



On some topological indices of thorn graphs

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Abstract

In this paper, the relation between the reciprocal Randic index, Reduced reciprocal Randic index and Atom-bond connectivity index of a simple connected graph and its thorn graph is established and the atom-bond connectivity (*ABC*) index of a graph G is defined as $ABC(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{d_u + d_v - 2}{d_u d_v}}$, where $E(G)$ is the edge set and d_u is the degree of vertex u of G [13]. Reciprocal Randic (*RR*) index of a graph G is defined as $RR(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{d_u d_v}$, where $E(G)$ is the edge set and d_u is the degree of vertex u of G . Reduced Reciprocal Randic (*RRR*) index of a graph G is defined as $RRR(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{(d_u - 1)(d_v - 1)}$, where $E(G)$ is the edge set and d_u is the degree of vertex u of G . Results are applied to compute the reciprocal Randic index, Reduced reciprocal Randic index and Atom-bond connectivity index of thorn rings, thorn paths, thorn rods, thorn star, thorn star $S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)$.

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1. Introduction

Let G be an n -vertex simple connected graph with vertex set $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ and let $P = \{p_1, p_2, \dots, p_n\}$ be an n -tuple of nonnegative integers. The thorn graph G_p is the graph obtained by attaching p_i pendent vertices (terminal vertices or vertices of degree one) to the vertex v_i of G , for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. The p_i pendent vertices attached to the vertex v_i are called thorns of v_i . We denote the set of p_i thorns of v_i by V_i , $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Clearly, $V(G_p) = V(G) \cup V_1(G) \cup V_2(G) \cup \dots \cup V_n$. The concept of thorn graphs was introduced by Gutman et al., [6] and eventually found a variety of chemical applications, see [1, 2, 17–19].

In (Manso et al., [9]), a new topological index (namely *Fi* index) was proposed to predict the normal boiling point temperatures of hydrocarbons. In the mathematical definition of *Fi* index two terms are present. Gutman, Furtula and Elph-

ick et al., [7], recently considered one of these terms which is given below:

$$RRR(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{(d_u - 1)(d_v - 1)},$$

and they named it as reduced reciprocal Randic (*RRR*) index. In the current study, we are concerned with this recently introduced modified version of the Randic index. The reciprocal Randic index is defined as $RR = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \sqrt{(d_u)(d_v)}$.

A topological index is a numeric quantity that is mathematically derived in a direct and unambiguous manner from the structural graph of a molecule. It is used in theoretical chemistry for the design of chemical compounds with given physicochemical properties or given pharmacologic and biological activities. Estrada et al. [4] proposed a topological index named atom-bond connectivity (*ABC*) index using a modification of the Randic connectivity index, found in [12, 16]. Let G be a simple graph with vertex set $V(G)$ and edge set $E(G)$. For $u \in V(G)$, the degree of u , denoted by d_u , is the number of neighbors of u in G . The *ABC* index of G is defined as [3, 4]

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

2. Main Results

In this section, we establish relation between the reciprocal Randic index, Reduced reciprocal Randic index and Atom-bond connectivity index of a simple connected graph G and its thorn graph G_p , and examine several special cases of the result.

Thorn ring

The m -thorn ring $C_{n,m}$, has a cycle C_n as the parent, and $m - 2$ thorns at each cycle vertex, where $m > 2$. The 3-thorn ring $C_{6,3}$ is depicted in Fig.1. The m -thorn ring $C_{n,m}$, can be considered as the thorn graph $(C_n)_p$, where P is the n -tuple $P = (m - 2, m - 2, \dots, m - 2)$ [6].

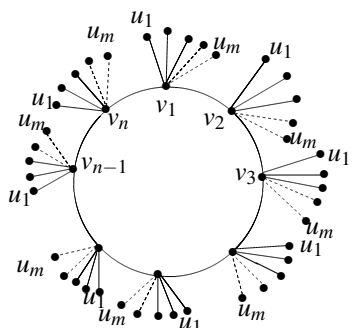


Figure 1: Thorn ring

Theorem 2.1. *The reciprocal Randic index of a thorn ring having n ring vertices is.*

$$RR(C_{n,m}) = (n_i)(m_j) \left(\sqrt{(m_j + 2)} \right) + (n_i)(m_j + 2).$$

Proof. We separately consider between pair of vertices of C_n between pair of pendent vertices of C_n^* and between pair of vertices of which one belongs to C_n and other wise pendent. Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n , be a vertices of cycle, where $i = 3, 4, \dots, n$ and let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m , be a pendent vertices of cycle where $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, (as show in Fig.1). Let $d(v_i) = m_j + 2$ and $d(u_j) = 1$. Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} RR(C_{n,m}) &= \sum_{i,j=3,1}^{n_i m_j} \sqrt{(m_j + 2)(1)} + \sum_{i=3}^{n_i} \sqrt{(m_j + 2)(m_j + 2)} \\ &= (n_i)(m_j) \left(\sqrt{(m_j + 2)} \right) + (n_i) \left(\sqrt{(m_j + 2)^2} \right) \\ &= (n_i)(m_j) \left(\sqrt{(m_j + 2)} \right) + (n_i)(m_j + 2). \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.2. *The reduced reciprocal Randic index of a thorn ring having n ring vertices is.*

$$RRR(C_{n,m}) = (n_i)(m_j + 1).$$

Proof. We separately consider between pair of vertices of C_n between pair of pendent vertices of C_n^* and between pair of vertices of which one belongs to C_n and other wise pendent. Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n , be a vertices of cycle, where $i = 3, 4, \dots, n$ and let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m , be a pendent vertices of cycle where $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, (as show in Fig.1). Let $d(v_i) = m_j + 2$ and $d(u_j) = 1$. Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} RRR(C_{n,m}) &= \sum_{i,j=3,1}^{n_i m_j} \sqrt{(m_j + 2 - 1)(1 - 1)} \\ &+ \sum_{i=3}^{n_i} \sqrt{(m_j + 2 - 1)(m_j + 2 - 1)} \\ &= 0 + \sum_{i=3}^{n_i} \sqrt{(m_j + 1)(m_j + 1)} \\ &= (n_i)(m_j + 1). \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.3. *The atom-bond connectivity index of a thorn ring having n ring vertices is.*

$$ABC(C_{n,m}) = (n_i)(m_j) \left(\sqrt{\frac{m_j + 1}{m_j + 2}} \right) + (n_i) \left(\sqrt{\frac{2m_j + 2}{(m_j + 2)^2}} \right).$$

Proof. We separately consider between pair of vertices of C_n between pair of pendent vertices of C_n^* and between pair of vertices of which one belongs to C_n and other wise pendent. Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n , be a vertices of cycle, where $i = 3, 4, \dots, n$ and let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m , be a pendent vertices of cycle where $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$, (as show in Fig.1). Let $d(v_i) = m_j + 2$ and $d(u_j) = 1$. Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} ABC(C_{n,m}) &= \sum_{i,j=3,1}^{n_i m_j} \sqrt{\frac{(1) + (m_j + 2) - 2}{(1)(m_j + 2)}} \\ &+ \sum_{i=3}^{n_i} \sqrt{\frac{(m_j + 2) + (m_j + 2) - 2}{(m_j + 2)(m_j + 2)}} \\ &= (n_i)(m_j) \left(\sqrt{\frac{m_j + 1}{m_j + 2}} \right) \\ &+ (n_i) \left(\sqrt{\frac{2m_j + 2}{(m_j + 2)^2}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

□

Thorn Path

The thorn path $P_{n,p,u}$ is obtained from the path P_n by adding p neighbors to each of its nonterminal vertices and u neighbors to each of its terminal vertices (see Fig. 2). Consider the path P_n and choose a labeling for its vertices such that its two terminal vertices have numbers 1 and n and its nonterminal vertices have numbers 2, 3, ..., $n - 1$ (as shown in Fig. 2). Then, $P_{n,p,u}$ can be considered as the thorn graph $(P_n)_p$, where P is the $n -$ tuple $P = (u, p, \dots, p, u)$ [6].



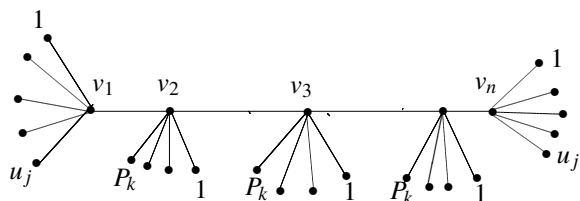


Figure 2: Thorn Path $P_{n,p,u}$

Theorem 2.4. *The reciprocal Randic index of a thorn path, $P_{n,p,u}$ if $n \geq 3$ vertices is.*

$$RR(P_{n,p,u}) = (2u_j) \left(\sqrt{(u_j + 1)} \right) + (2) \left(\sqrt{(P_k + 2)(u_j + 1)} \right) + (n - 2) \left(\sqrt{(P_k + 2)} \right) + (n - 2)(P_k + 2).$$

Proof. Let $P_{n,p,u}$, $n \geq 3$. be the thorn path is obtained from the path P_n , by adding P_k , neighbors to each of its nonterminal vertices and u_j , neighbors to each of its terminal vertices (see in Fig. 2). Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i , be a vertices of path, where $i = 3, 4, \dots, n$, let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_j , be a pendent vertices, where $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and let p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k , be a pendent vertices, where $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Let $d(v_1) = d(v_n) = u_j + 1$, $d(v_2) = d(v_{n-1}) = P_k + 2$, and $d(u_j) = d(p_k) = 1$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} RR(P_{n,p,u}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{(d(u_j))(d(v_1))} + \sum \sqrt{(d(v_1))(d(v_2))} \\ &+ \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{(d(p_k))(d(v_{n-1}))} + \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{(d(v_2))(d(v_{n-1}))} \\ &+ \sum \sqrt{(d(v_{n-1}))(d(v_n))} + \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{(d(v_n))(d(u_j))} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{(1)(u_j + 1)} + \sum \sqrt{(u_j + 1)(P_k + 2)} \\ &+ \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{(1)(P_k + 2)} + \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{(P_k + 2)(P_k + 2)} \\ &+ \sum \sqrt{(P_k + 2)(u_j + 1)} + \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{(u_j + 1)(1)} \\ &= (2u_j) \left(\sqrt{(u_j + 1)} \right) + (2) \left(\sqrt{(P_k + 2)(u_j + 1)} \right) \\ &+ (n - 2) \left(\sqrt{(P_k + 2)} \right) + (n - 2)(P_k + 2). \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.5. *The reduced reciprocal Randic index of a thorn path, $P_{n,p,u}$, if $n \geq 3$ vertices is.*

$$RRR(P_{n,p,u}) = (2) \left(\sqrt{(u_j)(P_k + 1)} \right) + (n - 2)(P_k + 1).$$

Proof. Let $P_{n,p,u}$, $n \geq 3$. be the thorn path is obtained from the path P_n , by adding P_k , neighbors to each of its nonterminal vertices and u_j , neighbors to each of its terminal vertices (see in Fig. 2). Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i , be a vertices of path, where $i = 3, 4, \dots, n$, let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_j , be a pendent vertices, where $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and let p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k , be a pendent vertices, where $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Let $d(v_1) = d(v_n) = u_j + 1$, $d(v_2) = d(v_{n-1}) = P_k + 2$, and $d(u_j) = d(p_k) = 1$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} RRR(P_{n,p,u}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{(d(u_j) - 1)(d(v_1) - 1)} \\ &+ \sum \sqrt{(d(v_1) - 1)(d(v_2) - 1)} \\ &+ \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{(d(p_k) - 1)(d(v_{n-1}) - 1)} \\ &+ \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{(d(v_2) - 1)(d(v_{n-1}) - 1)} \\ &+ \sum \sqrt{(d(v_{n-1}) - 1)(d(v_n) - 1)} \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{(d(v_{n-1}) - 1)(d(u_j) - 1)} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{(1 - 1)(u_j + 1) - 1)} \\ &+ \sum \sqrt{(u_j + 1) - 1)(P_k + 2) - 1)} \\ &+ \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{(1 - 1)(P_k + 2) - 1)} \\ &+ \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{((P_k + 2) - 1)((P_k + 2) - 1)} \\ &+ \sum \sqrt{(P_k + 2) - 1)(u_j + 1) - 1)} \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{(u_j + 1) - 1)(1 - 1)} \\ &= 0 + \sum \sqrt{(u_j)(P_k + 1)} + 0 \\ &+ \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{(P_k + 1)(P_k + 1)} + \sum \sqrt{(P_k + 1)(u_j)} + 0 \\ &= (2) \left(\sqrt{(u_j)(P_k + 1)} \right) + (n - 2)(P_k + 1). \end{aligned}$$

□



Theorem 2.6. *The atom-bond connectivity index of a thorn path, $P_{n,p,u}$, if $n \geq 3$ vertices is.*

$$\begin{aligned}
 ABC(P_{n,p,u}) &= (2u_j) \left(\sqrt{\frac{u_j}{u_j+1}} \right) \\
 &+ (2) \left(\sqrt{\frac{u_j+p_k+1}{(u_j+1)(p_k+2)}} \right) \\
 &+ (n-2) \left(\sqrt{\frac{p_k+1}{p_k+2}} \right) + (n-2) \left(\sqrt{\frac{2p_k+2}{(p_k+2)^2}} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $P_{n,p,u}$, $n \geq 3$. be the thorn path is obtained from the path P_n , by adding P_k , neighbors to each of its nonterminal vertices and u_j , neighbors to each of its terminal vertices (see in Fig. 2). Let v_1, v_2, \dots, v_i , be a vertices of path, where $i = 3, 4, \dots, n$, let u_1, u_2, \dots, u_j , be a pendent vertices, where $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ and let p_1, p_2, \dots, p_k , be a pendent vertices, where $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$. Let $d(v_1) = d(v_n) = u_j + 1$, $d(v_2) = d(v_{n-1}) = p_k + 2$, and $d(u_j) = d(p_k) = 1$. Then we have

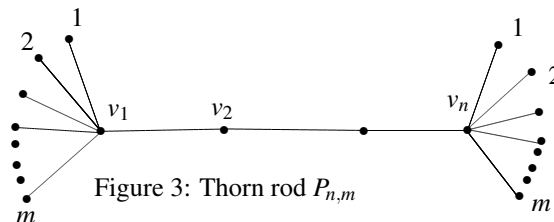
$$\begin{aligned}
 ABC(P_{n,p,u}) &= \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{\frac{d(u_j) + d(v_1) - 2}{d(u_j)d(v_1)}} \\
 &+ \sum \sqrt{\frac{d(v_1) + d(v_2) - 2}{d(v_1)d(v_2)}} \\
 &+ \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{\frac{d(p_k) + d(v_{n-1}) - 2}{d(p_k)d(v_{n-1})}} + \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{\frac{d(v_2) + d(v_{n-1}) - 2}{d(v_2)d(v_{n-1})}} \\
 &+ \sum \sqrt{\frac{d(v_{n-1}) + d(v_n) - 2}{d(v_{n-1})d(v_n)}} + \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{\frac{d(v_n) + d(u_j) - 2}{d(v_n)d(u_j)}} \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{\frac{(1) + (u_j + 1) - 2}{(1)(u_j + 1)}} + \sum \sqrt{\frac{(u_j + 1) + (p_k + 2) - 2}{(u_j + 1)(p_k + 2)}} \\
 &+ \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{\frac{(1) + (p_k + 2) - 2}{(1)(p_k + 2)}} + \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} \sqrt{\frac{(p_k + 2) + (p_k + 2) - 2}{(p_k + 2)(p_k + 2)}} \\
 &+ \sum \sqrt{\frac{(p_k + 2) + (u_j + 1) - 2}{(p_k + 2)(u_j + 1)}} + \sum_{j=1}^{u_j} \sqrt{\frac{(u_j + 1) + (1) - 2}{(u_j + 1)(1)}} \\
 &= (u_j) \left(\sqrt{\frac{(u_j)}{(u_j+1)}} \right) + \sqrt{\frac{u_j+p_k+1}{(u_j+1)(p_k+2)}} \\
 &+ (n-2) \left(\sqrt{\frac{p_k+1}{p_k+2}} \right) + (n-2) \left(\sqrt{\frac{2p_k+2}{(p_k+2)^2}} \right) \\
 &+ \sqrt{\frac{p_k+u_j+1}{(p_k+2)(u_j+1)}} + (u_j) \left(\sqrt{\frac{u_j}{u_j+1}} \right) \\
 &= (2u_j) \left(\sqrt{\frac{u_j}{u_j+1}} \right) + (2) \left(\sqrt{\frac{u_j+p_k+1}{(u_j+1)(p_k+2)}} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(n-2) \left(\sqrt{\frac{p_k+1}{p_k+2}} \right) + (n-2) \left(\sqrt{\frac{2p_k+2}{(p_k+2)^2}} \right).$$

□

Thorn rod

The thorn rod $P_{n,m}$, is a graph which includes a linear chain (termed rod) of n vertices and degree- m terminal vertices at each of the two rod ends, where $m \geq 2$ (see Fig. 3). It is easy to see that, $P_{n,m} \cong P_{n,0,m-1}$ [6].



Corollary 2.7. *The reduced reciprocal Randic index of a thorn rod $P_{n,m}$, if $n \geq 3$. Then*

$$RRR(P_{n,0,m-1}) = (2)(\sqrt{m})(n-2).$$

Corollary 2.8. *The reciprocal Randic index of a thorn rod $P_{n,m}$, if $n \geq 3$. Then*

$$RR(P_{n,0,m-1}) = (2m)(\sqrt{m+1}) + (2)(\sqrt{2(m+1)})(n-2)(2).$$

Corollary 2.9. *The atom-bond connectivity index of a thorn rod $P_{n,m}$, if $n \geq 3$. Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 ABC(P_{n,0,m-1}) &= (2m) \left(\sqrt{\frac{m}{m+1}} \right) + (2) \left(\sqrt{\frac{m+1}{(m+1)(2)}} \right) \\
 &+ (n-2) \left(\sqrt{\frac{2}{4}} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thorn star

The thorn star $S_{n,p,k}$ is obtained from the star S_n by adding p neighbors to the center of the star and k neighbors to its terminal vertices (see Fig.4). Consider the star S_n and choose a labeling for its vertices such that its terminal vertices have numbers $1, 2, \dots, n-1$ and its central vertex has number n as shown in Fig.4. Then, $S_{n,p,k}$ can be considered as the thorn graph $(S_n)P$, where P is the n -tuple $P = (k, k, \dots, k, p)$ [6].



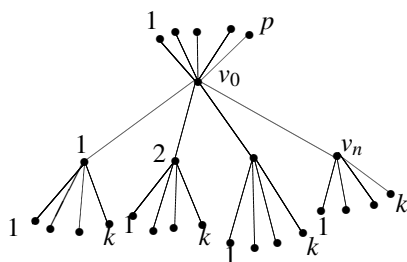


Figure 4: Thorn star $S_{n,p,k}$

Theorem 2.10. *The reciprocal Randic index of a thorn star $S_{n,p,k}$ is.*

$$RR(S_{n,p,k}) = (p) \left(\sqrt{p+v_n} \right) + (n) \left(\sqrt{(p+v_n)(k+1)} \right) + (k) \left(\sqrt{(k+1)} \right).$$

Proof. Let $S_{n,p,k}$ be a thorn star is obtained from the star S_n . Let v_0 be a central vertex of S_n . Let $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$, be the terminal vertices have number $1, 2, \dots, n-1, n$. Let $1, 2, \dots, p$ be the pendent vertices, where p is the n -tuple, $p = (k, k \dots, k, p)$. Let $d(v_0) = (p+v_n)$ where $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, $d(v_n) = k+1$, $d(p) = d(k) = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} RR(S_{n,p,k}) &= \sum_{i=1}^p \sqrt{(d(p))(d(v_0))} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(d(v_0))(d(v_n))} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^k \sqrt{(d(v_n))(d(k))} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^p \sqrt{(1)(p+v_n)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(p+v_n)(k+1)} + \sum_{i=1}^k \sqrt{(k+1)(1)} \\ &= (p) \left(\sqrt{p+v_n} \right) + (n) \left(\sqrt{(p+v_n)(k+1)} \right) + (k) \left(\sqrt{(k+1)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.11. *The reduced reciprocal Randic index of a thorn star $S_{n,p,k}$ is.*

$$RRR(S_{n,p,k}) = (n) \left(\sqrt{((p+v_n)-1)(k)} \right).$$

Proof. Let $S_{n,p,k}$ be a thorn star is obtained from the star S_n . Let v_0 be a central vertex of S_n . Let $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$, be the terminal vertices have number $1, 2, \dots, n-1, n$. Let $1, 2, \dots, p$ be the pendent vertices, where p is the n -tuple, $p = (k, k \dots, k, p)$. Let $d(v_0) = (p+v_n)$ where $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, $d(v_n) = k+1$, $d(p) = d(k) = 1$. Then

$$RRR(S_{n,p,k}) = \sum_{i=1}^p \sqrt{(d(p)-1)(d(v_0)-1)} +$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(d(v_0)-1)(d(v_n)-1)} + \sum_{i=1}^k \sqrt{(d(v_n)-1)(d(k)-1)} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^p \sqrt{(1-1)((p+v_n)-1)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{((p+v_n)-1)((k+1)-1)} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^k \sqrt{((k+1)-1)(1-1)} = (n) \left(\sqrt{((p+v_n)-1)(k)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.12. *The atom-bond connectivity index of a thorn star, S_n, p, k is.*

$$\begin{aligned} ABC(S_{n,p,k}) &= (p) \left(\sqrt{\frac{1+(p+v_n)-2}{p+v_n}} \right) + \\ &\quad (n) \left(\sqrt{\frac{(p+v_n)+(k+1)-2}{(p+v_n)(k+1)}} \right) + (k) \left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{k+1}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $S_{n,p,k}$ be a thorn star is obtained from the star S_n . Let v_0 be a central vertex of S_n . Let $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n$, be the terminal vertices have number $1, 2, \dots, n-1, n$. Let $1, 2, \dots, p$ be the pendent vertices, where p is the n -tuple, $P = (k, k \dots, k, p)$. Let $d(v_0) = (p+v_n)$ where $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, $d(v_n) = k+1$, $d(p) = d(k) = 1$. Then we have,

$$\begin{aligned} ABC(S_{n,p,k}) &= \sum_{i=1}^p \sqrt{\frac{d(p)+d(v_0)-2}{(d(p))(d(v_0))}} + \\ &\quad \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{\frac{d(v_0)+d(v_n)-2}{(d(v_0))(d(v_n))}} + \sum_{i=1}^k \sqrt{\frac{d(v_n)+d(k)-2}{(d(v_n))(d(k))}} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^p \sqrt{\frac{1+(p+v_n)-2}{(p+v_n)}} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{\frac{(p+v_n)+(k+1)-2}{(p+v_n)(k+1)}} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^k \sqrt{\frac{(k+1)+(1)-2}{(k+1)}} \\ &= (p) \left(\sqrt{\frac{1+(p+v_n)-2}{p+v_n}} \right) + (n) \left(\sqrt{\frac{(p+v_n)+(k+1)-2}{(p+v_n)(k+1)}} \right) \\ &\quad + (k) \left(\sqrt{\frac{k}{k+1}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

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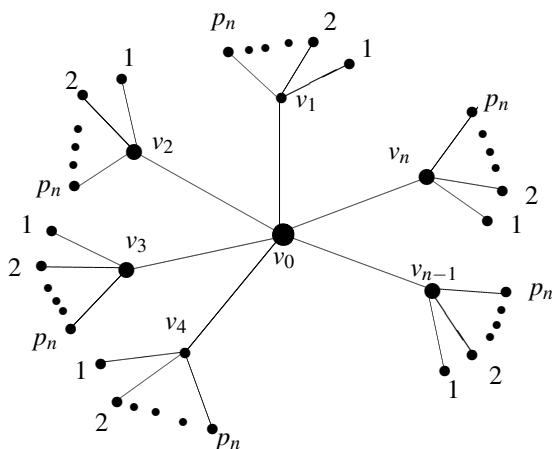


Figure 5: The thorn star $S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)$.

Theorem 2.13. The reciprocal Randic index of a thorn star $S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)$ is.

$$RR(S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)) = (n) \left(\sqrt{(n)(P_n + 1)} \right) + (p) \left(\sqrt{(P_n + 1)} \right).$$

Proof. Consider the star graph S_n and choose a labeling for its vertices such that its terminal vertices have numbers $1, 2, \dots, v_{n-1}, v_n$ and its central vertex has number v_0 . Let $S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)$ denote the thorn star obtained by attaching p_i terminal vertices to the vertex i of S_n for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1, n$ (see Fig. 5). Let $d(v_0) = n, d(v_i) = p_n + 1$ and $d(p_n) = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} (S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(d(v_0))(d(v_i))} \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^p \sqrt{(d(v_i))(d(p_n))} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(n)(p_n + 1)} + \sum_{i=1}^p \sqrt{(p_n + 1)(1)} \\ &= (n) \left(\sqrt{(n)(P_n + 1)} \right) + (p) \left(\sqrt{(P_n + 1)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.14. The reduced reciprocal Randic index of a thorn star $S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)$ is.

$$RRR(S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)) = (n) \left(\sqrt{(n-1)(P_n)} \right).$$

Proof. Consider the star graph S_n and choose a labeling for its vertices such that its terminal vertices have numbers $1, 2, \dots, v_{n-1}, v_n$ and its central vertex has number v_0 . Let $S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)$ denote the thorn star obtained by attaching p_i terminal vertices to the vertex i of S_n for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1, n$ (see Fig. 5). Let $d(v_0) = n, d(v_i) = p_n + 1$ and $d(p_n) = 1$. Then we have,

$$RRR(S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{(d(v_0) - 1)(d(v_i) - 1)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &+ \sum_{i=1}^p \sqrt{(d(v_i) - 1)(d(p_n) - 1)} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{((n) - 1)(p_n + 1 - 1)} + \sum_{i=1}^p \sqrt{(p_n + 1 - 1)(1 - 1)} \\ &= (n) \left(\sqrt{(n-1)(p_n)} \right). \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.15. The atom-bond connectivity index of a thorn star $S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)$ is.

$$\begin{aligned} ABC(S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)) &= (n) \left(\sqrt{\frac{n + (p_n + 1) - 2}{(n)(p_n + 1)}} \right) \\ &+ (p) \left(\sqrt{\frac{p_n}{(p_n + 1)}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Consider the star graph S_n and choose a labeling for its vertices such that its terminal vertices have numbers $1, 2, \dots, v_{n-1}, v_n$ and its central vertex has number v_0 . Let $S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)$ denote the thorn star obtained by attaching p_i terminal vertices to the vertex i of S_n for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1, n$ (see Fig. 5). Let $d(v_0) = n, d(v_i) = p_n + 1$ and $d(p_n) = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} ABC(S_n(p_1, p_2, \dots, p_{n-1}, p_n)) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sqrt{\frac{d(v_0) + d(v_n) - 2}{(d(v_0))(d(v_n))}} \right) + \\ &\sum_{i=1}^p \left(\sqrt{\frac{d(v_n) + d(p_n) - 2}{(d(v_n))(d(p_n))}} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\sqrt{\frac{n + (p_n + 1) - 2}{(n)(p_n + 1)}} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^p \left(\sqrt{\frac{(p_n + 1) + (1) - 2}{(p_n + 1)(1)}} \right) \\ &= (n) \left(\sqrt{\frac{n + (p_n + 1) - 2}{(n)(p_n + 1)}} \right) + (p) \left(\sqrt{\frac{p_n}{(p_n + 1)}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

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