



## The Maximum Edge Eccentricity Energy of a Graph

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### ABSTRACT

In this paper, we introduce the concept of a maximum edge eccentricity matrix  $M_{e_e}(G)$  of a connected graph  $G$  and obtain some coefficients of the characteristic polynomial  $P(G, \nu)$  of the maximum edge eccentricity matrix of  $G$ . We also introduce the maximum edge eccentricity energy  $EM_{e_e}(G)$  of a connected graph.

**KEYWORDS:** Edge distance in graph, maximum edge eccentricity matrix, maximum edge eccentricity eigenvalue, maximum edge eccentricity energy of a graph

### 1 INTRODUCTION

In this paper, all graphs are assumed to be simple, finite and connected. A graph  $G = (V, E)$  is a simple graph, that is, having no loops, no multiple and directed edges. As usual, we denote by  $n = |V|$  and  $m = |E|$  to the number of vertices and edges in a graph  $G$ , respectively. For an Edge  $e \in E$ , the open neighborhood of  $e$  in a graph  $G$ , denoted  $N(e)$ , is the set of all edges that are adjacent to  $e$ . The edge distance  $d(e, e')$  between any two edges  $e$  and  $e'$  in a graph  $G$  is the minimum number of edges between  $e$  and  $e'$ . For an edge  $e$  of  $G$ , the edge eccentricity is  $e(e) = \max \{d(e, e') ; e' \in E(G)\}$ . The concept energy of a graph introduced by I. Gutman [4], in the year 1978. Let  $G$  be a graph with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges and let  $A(G) = (a_{ij})$  be the adjacency matrix of  $G$ , where

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v_i v_j \in E(G) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  of a matrix  $A(G)$ , assumed in non-increasing order, are the eigenvalues of the graph  $G$ . The energy  $E(G)$  of a graph  $G$  is defined to be the sum of the absolute values of the eigenvalues of  $G$ , i.e.,  $E(G) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|$ . Prof. C. Adiga and M. Smitha [5], have defined the maximum degree energy  $EM(G)$  of a graph  $G$  which depend on the maximum degree matrix  $M(G)$  of  $G$ . Let  $G$  be a simple graph with  $n$  vertices  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ . Then the maximum degree matrix  $M(G)$  of a graph  $G$  defines as, where

$$d_{ij} = \begin{cases} \max\{d(v_i), d(v_j)\} & \text{if } v_i v_j \in E(G) \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

As  $M(G)$  is real symmetric with zero trace, then the eigenvalues of  $G$  being real with sum equal to zero. Motivated by this paper, we introduce the concept of a maximum edge eccentricity matrix  $M_{e_e}(G)$  of a connected graph  $G$  and obtain some coefficients of the characteristic polynomial  $P(G, \nu)$  of the maximum edge eccentricity matrix of  $G$ . We also introduce the maximum eccentricity energy  $EM_{e_e}(G)$  of a connected graph  $G$ .

## 2 THE MAXIMUM EDGE ECCENTRICITY ENERGY OF A GRAPH

**Definition:** For an edge  $e_i$  of  $G$ , the edge eccentricity is  $e(e_i) = \max\{d(e_i, e_j); e_j \in E(G)\}$  that the edge distance  $d(e_i, e_j)$  in a graph  $G$  is the minimum number of edges between  $e_i$  and  $e_j$ . Let  $G(V, E)$  be a simple connected graph with  $m$  edge  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m$  and let  $e(e_i)$  be the eccentricity of edge  $e_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . The Maximum edge eccentricity matrix of  $G$  defining as,

$$M_{e_e}(G) = \begin{pmatrix} e^*_{11} & e^*_{12} & \cdots & e^*_{1m} \\ e^*_{21} & e^*_{22} & \cdots & e^*_{2m} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ e^*_{m1} & e^*_{m2} & \cdots & e^*_{mm} \end{pmatrix}$$

where

$$e^*_{ij} = \begin{cases} \max\{e(e_i), e(e_j)\} & \text{if } e_i, e_j \text{ are adjacent} \\ 0 & \text{if } i = j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The characteristic polynomial of the maximum edge eccentricity matrix  $M_{e_e}(G)$  is defined by  $P(G, \nu) = \det(\nu I - M_{e_e}(G))$ . Where  $I$  is the unit matrix of order  $m$ . The maximum edge eccentricity eigenvalues of  $G$  are the eigenvalues of  $M_{e_e}(G)$ . Since  $M_{e_e}(G)$  is real and symmetric with zero trace, then its eigenvalues are real numbers with sum equals to zero. We label them in non-increasing order  $\nu_1 \geq \nu_2 \geq \dots \geq \nu_m$ . The maximum edge eccentricity energy of a graph  $G$  is defined as

$$EM_{e_e}(G) = \sum_{i=1}^m |\nu_i|$$

To illustrate this concept, we study the following examples.

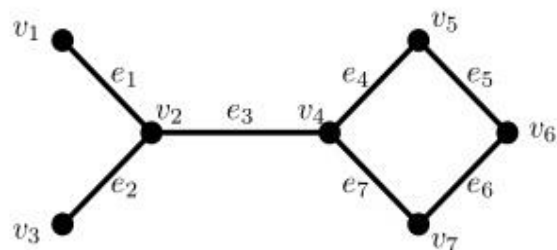


Figure 1: Graph  $G_1$

## 2.1 Example 1

let  $G_1$  be a graph in figure 1, with 7 edge  $e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4, e_5, e_6$  and  $e_7$ . The edge distance matrix of  $G_1$  is

$$M_{e_e}(G_1) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The characteristic polynomial of  $M_{e_e}(G_1)$  is  $P(G_1, v) = \det(vI - M_{e_e}(G_1))$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} v & -2 & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & v & -2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ -2 & -2 & v & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & v & -2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & v & -2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -2 & v & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & -1 & 0 & -2 & v \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= v^7 - 27v^5 - 18v^4 + 184v^3 + 208v^2 - 112v - 32$$

Then the maximum edge eccentricity eigenvalues of  $G_1$  are  $v_1 = -3.5616, v_2 = -2.5251, v_3 = -2, v_4 = -0.2159, v_5 = 0.5616, v_6 = 3.3159, v_7 = 4.4251$ . The maximum edge eccentricity energy of  $G_1$  is

$$EM_{e_e}(G_2) = 16.6052$$

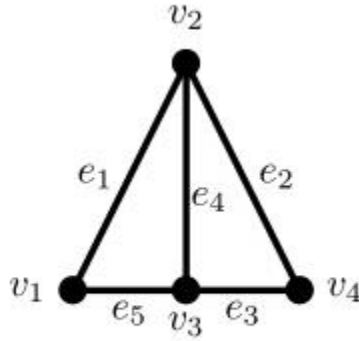


Figure 2: Graph  $G_2$

## 2.2 Example 2

Let  $G_2$  be the graph in figure 2, with 5 edge  $e_1, e_2, e_3, e_4$  and  $e_5$ . The maximum edge eccentricity matrix of  $G_2$  is

$$M_{e_e}(G_2) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The characteristic polynomial of  $M_{e_e}(G_2)$  is  $P(G_2, v) = \det(vI - M_{e_e}(G_2))$

$$= \begin{vmatrix} v & -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & v & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & v & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & v & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & v \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= v^5 - 8v^3 - 8v^2$$

Then the maximum edge eccentricity eigenvalues of  $G_2$  are  $v_1=-2, v_2=-1.2361, v_3=0, v_4=0, v_5=3.2361$ . The maximum edge eccentricity energy of  $G_2$  is

$$EM_{e_e}(G_2) = 6.4722$$

## 3 PROPERTIES OF MAXIMUM EDGE ECCENTRICITY ENERGY

In this section, we obtain the values of some coefficients of the characteristic polynomial of the maximum edge eccentricity matrix and investigate some properties of maximum edge eccentricity of a graph  $G$ .

### 3.1 Theorem 1

Let  $G$  be a graph of order  $m$  and let  $P(G, v) = c_0 v^m + c_1 v^{m-1} + \dots + c_m$  be the characteristic polynomial of maximum edge eccentricity matrix of  $G$ . Then

- i.  $c_0 = 1$
- ii.  $c_1 = 0$
- iii.  $c_2 = - \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} (e^*_{ij})^2$
- iv.  $c_3 = -2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} e^*_{ij} e^*_{ik} e^*_{jk}$
- v.  $c_m = (-1)^m \det(M_{e_e})$

#### 3.1.1 Proof

- i. Directly from the definition of  $P(G, v)$ , it follows that  $c_0 = 1$ .
- ii. Since the sum of diagonal elements of  $M_{e_e}(G)$  is equal to 0 sum of determinants of all  $1 \times 1$  principal submatrices of  $M_{e_e}(G)$  is the trace of  $M_{e_e}(G)$  which evidently equal to 0. Thus  $c_1 = 0$ .
- iii.  $(-1)^2 c_2$  is equal to sum of determinants of all the  $2 \times 2$  principal submatrices of  $M_{e_e}(G)$ , that is

$$\begin{aligned} c_2 &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} \begin{vmatrix} e^*_{ii} & e^*_{ij} \\ e^*_{ji} & e^*_{jj} \end{vmatrix} = \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (e^*_{ii} e^*_{jj} - e^*_{ij} e^*_{ji}) \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} e^*_{ii} e^*_{jj} - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (e^*_{ij})^2 = 0 - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (e^*_{ij})^2 \\ &= - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (e^*_{ij})^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{iv. } c_3 &= (-1)^3 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} \begin{vmatrix} e^*_{ii} & e^*_{ij} & e^*_{ik} \\ e^*_{ji} & e^*_{jj} & e^*_{jk} \\ e^*_{ki} & e^*_{kj} & e^*_{kk} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} [e^*_{ii} (e^*_{jj} e^*_{kk} - e^*_{kj} e^*_{jk}) - e^*_{ij} (e^*_{ji} e^*_{kk} - e^*_{ki} e^*_{jk}) \\ &\quad + e^*_{ik} (e^*_{ji} e^*_{kj} - e^*_{ki} e^*_{jj})] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= - \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} e^*_{ii} e^*_{jj} e^*_{kk} + \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} [e^*_{ii} (e^*_{jk})^2 + e^*_{jj} (e^*_{ik})^2 + e^*_{kk} (e^*_{ij})^2] \\
&\quad - \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} e^*_{ij} e^*_{jk} e^*_{ki} - \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} e^*_{ik} e^*_{kj} e^*_{ji} \\
&= -0 + 0 - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} e^*_{ij} e^*_{ik} e^*_{jk}
\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$c_3 = -2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} e^*_{ij} e^*_{ik} e^*_{jk}$$

v. The proof is obvious.

**Note :** In Theorem 1, we can write  $c_2$  as follows:

$$c_2 = - \sum_{i=1}^m (x_i + y_i) e^2(e_i), \text{ where}$$

$$x_i = |\{ e' \in N(e_i) : e(e') < e(e_i), 1 \leq i \leq m \}| \quad \text{and}$$

$$y_i = |\{ e_j \in N(e_i), j > i : e(e_j) = e(e_i), 1 \leq i \leq m \}|.$$

### 3.2 Theorem 2

Let  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  be the maximum edge eccentricity eigenvalues of  $M_{e_e}(G)$ . Then

- i.  $\sum_{i=1}^m v_i = 0$
- ii.  $\sum_{i=1}^m v_i^2 = 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} (e^*_{ij})^2$
- iii.  $\sum_{i=1}^m v_i^3 = 6 \sum_{1 \leq i < j < k \leq m} e^*_{ij} e^*_{ik} e^*_{jk}$

#### 3.2.1 Proof

The proof is consequences of Newton's identity and Theorem 1.

### 3.3 Theorem 3

If the maximum edge eccentricity energy of a graph G is rational, then it must be an even integer.

#### 3.3.1 Proof

Let G be a graph of order m and  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m$  be the maximum edge eccentricity eigenvalues of G. since,  $\sum_{i=1}^m v_i = 0$ , then  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  be the positive eigenvalues of G and the remaining are non positive. Then

$$EM_{e_e} = v_1 + v_2 + \cdots + v_r - (v_{r+1} + v_{r+2} + \cdots + v_m)$$

$$= 2(v_1 + v_2 + \cdots + v_r)$$

Since,  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_r$  are algebraic numbers, so is their sum and hence must be integer if  $EM_{e_e}$  is rational.

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