

# Modified Zagreb Indices of Product of Graphs

Dhanalakshmi K<sup>1</sup>, Selvarani P<sup>2</sup>, Irudaya Monica Catherine J<sup>3</sup>  
<sup>1,2,3</sup>Department of Mathematics, Holy Cross College, Trichy 620002, India  
 (e-mail: dhanalakshmi.kannusamy@gmail.com)

## Abstract

*In this paper, we obtain the oremson modified Zagreb index of Cartesian product, Strong product and Tensor product of graphs. Graph slike path and cycle are considered in this work.*

**MATHEMATICS Subject Classification:** 05C15, 05B20.

**Keywords:** Modified Zagreb indices; Product graphs; Graph Opera- tors.

## 1 Introduction

In this article, we are concerned with simple graphs, that is finite and undirected graphs without loops or multiple edges. Let  $G$  be such a graph and  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$  be its vertex set and edge set respectively. An edge of  $G$ , connecting the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  will be denoted by  $uv$ . The degree  $d(v)$  of a vertex  $v \in V(G)$  is the number of vertex of  $G$  adjacent to  $v$ . The most elementary constituents of a (molecular) graph are vertices, edges, vertex-degrees, walks and paths [7]. They are the basis of many graph-theoretical invariants referred to as topological index, which have found considerable use in Zagreb index. The Modified first Index is denoted by

${}^m M_1(G)$ , and defined as  ${}^m M_1(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} \frac{1}{d(v)^2}$ . These have been conceived in the 1970s and found considerable applications in chemistry [2,5,6]. The Zagreb indices were subject to a large number of mathematical studies, of which we mention only a few nearest [3,4].

The **Cartesian Product**  $G \square H$  is a graph such that, the vertex set of  $G \square H$  is the Cartesian product  $V(G) \times V(H)$  and two vertices  $(u, u')$  and  $(v, v')$  are adjacent in  $G \square H$  if and only if either  $u=v$  and  $u'$  is adjacent to  $v'$  and  $u$  is adjacent to  $v$  in  $G$ . The **Strong Product**  $G \boxtimes H$  is the Cartesian product  $V(G) \times V(H)$  and distinct vertices  $(u, u')$  and  $(v, v')$  are adjacent in  $G \boxtimes H$  if and only if either  $u=v$  and  $u'$  is adjacent to  $v'$  or  $u'=v'$  and  $u$  is adjacent to  $v$  or  $u$  is adjacent to  $v$  and  $u'$  is adjacent to  $v'$ . The **Tensor Product**  $G \times H$  of graphs  $G$  and  $H$  is a graph such that, the vertex set of  $G \times H$  is the Cartesian product  $V(G) \times V(H)$  and distinct vertices  $(u, u')$  and  $(v, v')$  are adjacent in  $G \times H$  if and only if  $u$  is adjacent to  $v$  and  $u'$  is adjacent to  $v'$ .

All the definitions and notations in graphs and digraphs, which are not mentioned in this paper, one may refer [1].

## 2 MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we obtain results on modified first Zagreb indices of Cartesian, strong and Tensor product of paths and cycles.

**Theorem 1:**

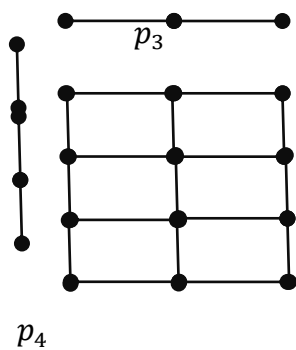
The Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  of a Cartesian product of two path  $p_n$  and  $p_m$

$${}^m M_1(G) = \frac{9nm + 14n + 14m + 52}{144}$$

**Proof:**

The Cartesian Product of two path  $p_n$  and  $p_m$  has 4 vertices of degree 2,  $2n-4$  vertices degree 3,  $2m-4$  vertices degree 3 and  $3(nm-2n-2m+4)$  vertices of degree 4, then the Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  is  ${}^m M_1(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} \frac{1}{d(v)^2}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{4}{2^2} + \frac{2n-4}{3^2} + \frac{2m-4}{3^2} + \frac{nm-2n-2m+4}{4^2} \\ &= \frac{4}{4} + \frac{2n-4}{9} + \frac{2m-4}{9} + \frac{nm-2n-2m+4}{16} \\ &= \frac{144 + (2n-4)(16) + (2m-4)(16) + (nm-2n-2m+4)(9)}{144} \\ &= \frac{144 + 32n - 64 + 32m - 64 + 9nm - 18n + 36}{144} \\ &= \frac{9nm + 14n + 14m + 52}{144} \end{aligned}$$



$G \square H$   
Figure 1

**Theorem 2:**

The Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  of a strong product of two path  $p_n$  and  $p_m$   ${}^m M_1(G) = \frac{225nm + 702n + 702m + 2692}{14400}$

**Proof:**

The strong product of two path  $p_n$  and  $p_m$  has 4 vertices of degree 3,  $2n-4$  vertices of degree 5,  $2m-4$  vertices of degree 5 and  $(nm-2n-2m+4)$  vertices of 8, then the Modified first Zagreb index

$$\begin{aligned}
 G \text{ is } {}^m M_1(G) &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} \frac{1}{d(v)^2} \\
 &= \frac{4}{3^2} + \frac{2n-4}{5^2} + \frac{2m-4}{5^2} + \frac{(nm-2n-2m+4)}{8^2} \\
 &= \frac{4}{9} + \frac{2n-4}{25} + \frac{2m-4}{25} + \frac{(nm-2n-2m+4)}{64} \\
 &= \frac{6400+(2n-4)576+(2m-4)+ (nm-2n-2m+4)225}{14400} \\
 &= \frac{225nm+702n+702m+2692}{14400}
 \end{aligned}$$

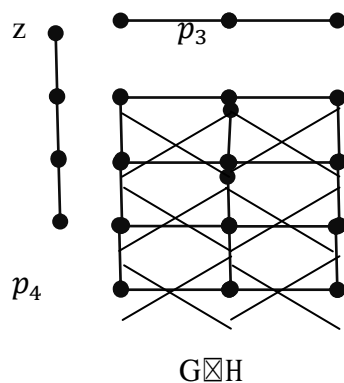


Figure 2

**Theorem 3:**

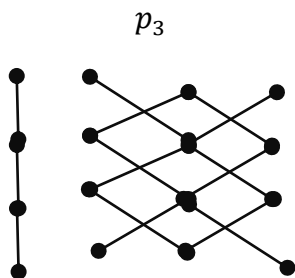
The Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  of a Tensor product of two path  $p_n$  and  $p_m$  is  ${}^m M_1(G) = \frac{nm+6n+6m+36}{16}$

**Proof:**

The Tensor product of two path  $p_n$  and  $p_m$  has 4 vertices of degree 1,  $2n-4$  vertices of degree 2,  $2m-4$  vertices of degree 2 and  $(nm-2n-2m+4)$  vertices of degree 4, then the Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  is  ${}^m M_1(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} \frac{1}{d(v)^2}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{4}{1^2} + \frac{2n-4}{2^2} + \frac{2m-4}{2^2} + \frac{nm-2n-2m+4}{4^2} \\
 &= \frac{4}{1} + \frac{2n-4}{4} + \frac{2m-4}{4} + \frac{nm-2n-2m+4}{16} \\
 &= \frac{64+(2n-4)4+(2m-4)4+(nm-2n-2m+4)}{16} \\
 &= \frac{nm+6n+6m+36}{16}
 \end{aligned}$$





**Theorem 4:**

The Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  of a Cartesian product of two cycle  $c_n$  and  $c_m$  is  ${}^m M_1(G) = \frac{nm}{16}$

**Proof:**

The Cartesian product of two cycle  $c_n$  and  $c_m$  has  $nm$  vertices of degree 4, then the Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^m M_1(G) &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} \frac{1}{d(v)^2} \\
 &= \frac{nm}{4^2} \\
 &= \frac{nm}{16}.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 5:**

The Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  of a strong product of two cycle  $c_n$  and  $c_m$  is  ${}^m M_1(G) = \frac{225nm+350n+350m+900}{14400}$

**Proof:**

The strong product of two cycle  $c_n$  and  $c_m$  has 4 vertices of degree 5,  $2n-4$  vertices of degree 6,  $2m-4$  vertices of degree 6 and  $(nm-2n-2m+4)$  vertices of degree 8, then the Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  is

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^m M_1(G) &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} \frac{1}{d(v)^2} \\
 &= \frac{4}{5^2} + \frac{2n-4}{6^2} + \frac{2m-4}{6^2} + \frac{nm-2n-2m+4}{8^2} \\
 &= \frac{4}{25} + \frac{2n-4}{36} + \frac{2m-4}{36} + \frac{nm-2n-2m+4}{64} \\
 &= \frac{2304+(2n-4)400+(2m-4)400+(nm-2n-2m+4)225}{14400} \\
 &= \frac{2304+800n-1600+800-1600+225nm-450n-450m+1800}{14400} \\
 &= \frac{225nm+350n+350m+900}{14400}
 \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 6:**

The modified first Zagreb index  $G$  of a tensor product of two cycle  $c_n$  and  $c_m$  is

$${}^m M_1(G) = \frac{nm+6n+6m+36}{16}$$

**Proof:**

The Tensor product of two cycle  $c_n$  and  $c_m$  has 4 vertices of degree 1,  $2n-4$  vertices of degree 2,  $2m-4$  vertices of degree 2 and  $(nm-2n-2m+4)$  vertices of degree 4, then the modified first Zagreb index  $G$  is  ${}^m M_1(G) =$

$$\sum_{v \in V(G)} \frac{1}{d(v)^2}$$

$$= \frac{4}{1^2} + \frac{2n-4}{2^2} + \frac{2m-4}{2^2} + \frac{nm-2n-2m+4}{4^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{4}{1} + \frac{2n-4}{4} + \frac{2m-4}{4} + \frac{nm-2n-2m+4}{16} \\ &= \frac{64+(2n-4)4+(2m-4)4+(nm-2n-2m+4)4}{16} \\ &= \frac{64+8n-16+8m-16+nm-2n-2m+4}{16} \\ &= \frac{nm+6n+6m+36}{16} \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 7:**

The Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  of a Cartesian product of path  $p_n$  and cycle  $c_m$  is  ${}^m M_1(G) = \frac{9nm+14m}{144}$

**Proof:**

The Cartesian product of path  $p_n$  and cycle  $c_m$  has  $2m$  vertices of degree 3 and  $(nm-2m)$  vertices of degree 4, then the Modified first Zagreb index  $G$

$$\text{is } {}^m M_1(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} \frac{1}{d(v)^2}$$

$$= \frac{2m}{3^2} + \frac{nm-2m}{4^2}$$

$$= \frac{2m}{9} + \frac{nm-2m}{16}$$

$$= \frac{32m+(nm-2m)9}{144}$$

$$= \frac{32m+9m-18m}{144}$$

$$= \frac{9nm-14m}{144}$$

**Theorem 8:**

The Modified first Zagreb index  $G$  of a strong product of path  $p_n$  and cycle  $c_m$  is

$${}^m M_1(G) = \frac{225nm+350n+720m+596}{14400}$$

**Proof:**

The Strong Product of path  $p_n$  and cycle  $c_m$  has 4 vertices of degree 4,  $(2n-4)$  vertices of degree 6,

(2m-4) vertices of degree 5 and (nm-2n-2m+4) vertices of degree 8, then the Modified first Zagreb index G is

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^m M_1(G) &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} \frac{1}{d(v)^2} \\
 &= \frac{4}{2^2} + \frac{2n-4}{6^2} + \frac{2m-4}{5^2} + \frac{(nm-2n-2m+4)}{8^2} \\
 &= \frac{4}{16} + \frac{2n-4}{36} + \frac{2m-4}{25} + \frac{(nm-2n-2m+4)}{64} \\
 &= \frac{4(900) + (2n-4)400 + (2m-4)576 + (nm-2n-2m+4)225}{14400} \\
 &= \frac{3600 + 800n - 1600 + 1152m - 2304 + 225nm - 450n + 450m + 900}{14400} \\
 &= \frac{225nm + 350n + 702m + 596}{14400}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Theorem 9:

The Modified first Zagreb index G of a Tensor product of path  $p_n$  and cycle  $c_m$  is

$${}^m M_1(G) = \frac{nm+6n+6m+36}{16}$$

### Proof:

The Tensor product of path  $p_n$  and cycle  $c_m$  has 4 vertices of degree 1, 2n-4 vertices of degree 2, 2m-4 vertices of degree 2 and (nm-2n-2m+4) vertices of degree 4, then the Modified first Zagreb index G is

$$\begin{aligned}
 {}^m M_1(G) &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} \frac{1}{d(v)^2} \\
 &= \frac{4}{1^2} + \frac{2n-4}{2^2} + \frac{2m-4}{2^2} + \frac{(nm-2n-2m+4)}{4^2} \\
 &= \frac{4}{1} + \frac{2n-4}{4} + \frac{2m-4}{4} + \frac{(nm-2n-2m+4)}{16} \\
 &= \frac{64 + (2n-4)4 + (2m-4)4 + (nm-2n-2m+4)}{16} \\
 &= \frac{64 + 8n - 16 + 8m - 16 + nm - 2n - 2m + 4}{16} \\
 &= \frac{nm + 6n + 6m + 36}{16}
 \end{aligned}$$

### 3 CONCLUSION

In this paper, modified first Zagreb index of product of graphs are obtained. This index can be used as a numerical description in comparison with chemical, physical and biological parameters to study about its relationships.

### REFERENCES

- [1] Balakrishnan R, Ranganathan K, A Text book of Graph Theory, Springer-verlog, New York, 2000.
- [2] Ghorbani M, Hossenizadeh M.A, A note on Zagreb indices of nanostar

dendrimers, *Optoelectron.Adv.Mater.*, 4(2010), 1887-1880

[3] Ghorbani M, Hossenizadeh M.A, A new version of Zagreb indices, *Filomat*, 26(2012),93-100.

[4] Li S, Zhang M, Sharp upper bounds for Zagreb indices of bipartite graphs with given diameter, *Appl. Math.Lett.*, 24(2011), 131-137.

[5] Nikolic S, Kovacevic G, Milicevic A, Trinajstic N, the zagreb indices 30 years after, *Croat. Chem. Acta* 76(2003) 113-124.

[6] Trinajstic N, Nikolic S, Milicevic A, Gutman I, on Zagreb indices, *Kem.Ind.*, 59(2010),577-589.

[7] Tutte W.T, *Connectivity in graphs*, University of Toronto Press/Oxford University Press, London, 1996.