

## DISTANCE BASED F-INDEX OF SOME GRAPH PRODUCTS

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**ABSTRACT.** In this paper, distance based  $F$  index of various types of products of graphs have been found.

### 1. Introduction

In this paper, all graphs considered are simple, connected and finite. Let  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  be a connected graph of order  $p_i$ . For a graph  $G$ , the degree of a vertex  $v$  is the number of edges incident to  $v$  and denoted by  $d_G(v)$ . The number of edges of  $G$  is denoted by  $q_i$ .

For any  $u, v \in V(G)$ , the distance between  $u$  and  $v$  in  $G$ , symbolized by  $d_G(u, v)$ , is the length of a shortest  $(u, v)$ -path in  $G$ .

A topological index is a numerical quantity related to a graph that is invariant under graph automorphism. H. Wiener [10] in 1947, introduced a topological index based on the distance  $d_G(u, v)$  which is named as Wiener index and it is established as

$$W(G) = \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} d_G(u, v) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u,v \in V(G)} d_G(u, v).$$

There are some degree based topological indices of a graph which are known as Zagreb indices, established by Gutman et al. in [3]. The first Zagreb index  $M_1(G)$

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and the second Zagreb index  $M_2(G)$  of a graph  $G$  are established respectively:

$$\begin{aligned} M_1(G) &= \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v)] = \sum_{v \in V(G)} d_G^2(v) \\ M_2(G) &= \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d_G(u)d_G(v) \end{aligned}$$

In [6], Khalifeh et. al derived the first and second Zagreb indices of some graph operations. The degree distance was proposed by Dobrynin and Kochetova [1] and Gutman [4] as a weighted version of the Wiener index. The degree distance of  $G$ , symbolized by  $DD(G)$ , is established as

$$DD(G) = \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} d_G(u,v)[d_G(u) + d_G(v)] = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u,v \in V(G)} d_G(u,v)[d_G(u) + d_G(v)].$$

In [4], the sum of cubes of vertex degrees was involved in the investigation of the total  $\pi$ - electron energy and it was again investigated by B.Furtula et. al. in [2] as "Forgotten Topological index" or "F-index" . It is established for a graph  $G$  as

$$F(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} d_G(v)^3 = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_G(u)^2 + d_G(v)^2].$$

Nilanjan De et. al. in [8] derived the exact values for  $F$ - index of certain graph operations.

In [7], Muruganandam et al. have introduced the concept of distance version of F-index which is symbolized by  $DF(G)$  and it is established as

$$\begin{aligned} DF(G) &= \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} d_G(u,v)[d_G(u)^2 + d_G(v)^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u,v \in V(G)} d_G(u,v)[d_G(u)^2 + d_G(v)^2]. \end{aligned}$$

The *strong product* of the graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , symbolized by  $G_1 \boxtimes G_2$ , is the graph with vertex set  $V(G_1) \times V(G_2)$  and two vertices  $(u_1, u_2)$  and  $(v_1, v_2)$  are adjacent whenever (i)  $u_1 = v_1$  and  $u_2v_2 \in E(G_2)$ , or, (ii)  $u_2 = v_2$  and  $u_1v_1 \in E(G_1)$ , or, (iii)  $u_1v_1 \in E(G_1)$  and  $u_2v_2 \in E(G_2)$ .

The *tensor product* of the graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , symbolized by  $G_1 \times G_2$ , is the graph with vertex set  $V(G_1 \times G_2)$  and  $E(G_1 \times G_2) = \{(u_1, v_1)(u_2, v_2) | u_1u_2 \in E(G_1) \text{ and } v_1v_2 \in E(G_2)\}$ .

The *corona product* of the graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , symbolized by  $G_1 \odot G_2$ , is the graph attained by taking one copy of  $G_1$  and  $|V(G_1)|$  disjoint copies of  $G_2$ , and then joining the  $i^{th}$  vertex of  $G_1$  to every vertex in  $i^{th}$  copy of  $G_2$ .

In [9], degree distance and Gutman index of corona product of graphs are attained.

In this present work, we attain the absolute values of distance based  $F$ - index of strong, corona and tensor products of graphs.

**2. Distance Based  $F$ -index of Strong Product of Graphs**

In this section, we find the exact value of the distance based  $F$ - index of strong product  $G_1 \boxtimes G_2$ .

LEMMA 2.1 ([5]). *The degree of the vertex  $(u_i, v_l)$  of  $V(G_1 \boxtimes G_2)$  is*

$$d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_1}(u_i)d_{G_2}(v_l).$$

That is

$$d_{G_1 \boxtimes G_2}(u_i, v_l) = d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_1}(u_i)d_{G_2}(v_l).$$

LEMMA 2.2 ([5]). *Let  $w_{il} = (u_i, v_l)$  and  $w_{mn} = (u_m, v_n)$  be in  $V(G_1 \boxtimes G_2)$ . Then the distance between  $w_{il}$  and  $w_{mn}$  is*

$$d_{G_1 \boxtimes G_2}(w_{il}, w_{mn}) = \begin{cases} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n), & i = m, l \neq n \\ d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m), & i \neq m, l = n \\ d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n), & i \neq m, l \neq n. \end{cases}$$

THEOREM 2.1. *Let  $G_i, i = 1, 2$ , be a  $(p_i, q_i)$ - graph. Then*

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \times DF(G_1 \boxtimes G_2) = & 2p_2DF(G_1) + 4M_1(G_2)W(G_1) + 2DF(G_1)M_1(G_2) + 8DD(G_1)q_2 \\ & + 4DD(G_1)M_1(G_2) + 8DF(G_1)q_2 + 2p_1DF(G_2) + 4M_1(G_1)W(G_2) \\ & + 2DF(G_2)M_1(G_1) + 8DD(G_2)q_1 + 4DD(G_2)M_1(G_1) + 8DF(G_2)q_1 \\ & + 2p_1(p_1 - 1)DF(G_2) + 4(p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)W(G_2) + 8M_1(p_1 - 1)DD(G_2) \\ & + 2(p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)DF(G_2) + 8q_1(p_1 - 1)DF(G_2) \\ & + 4(p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)DD(G_2) \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. Let  $G = G_1 \boxtimes G_2$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \times DF(G) &= \sum_{w_{il}, w_{mn} \in V(G)} d_G(w_{il}, w_{mn})[d_G^2(w_{il}) + d_G^2(w_{mn})] \\ &= \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} \sum_{i, m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_G(w_{il}, w_{ml})[d_G^2(w_{il}) + d_G^2(w_{ml})] \\ &+ \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l, n=0, l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_G(w_{il}, w_{in})[d_G^2(w_{il}) + d_G^2(w_{in})] \\ &+ \sum_{l, n=0, l \neq n}^{p_2-1} \sum_{i, m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_G(w_{il}, w_{mn})[d_G^2(w_{il}) + d_G^2(w_{mn})] \\ &= S_1 + S_2 + S_3, \end{aligned}$$

where  $S_1, S_2, S_3$  are the sums of the above terms in order. We calculate  $S_1, S_2,$  and  $S_3$  separately. First we calculate  $S_1$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
S_1 &= \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_G(w_{il}, w_{ml}) [d_G^2(w_{il}) + d_G^2(w_{ml})] \\
&= \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left[ d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_1}(u_i) d_{G_2}(v_l) \right]^2 \\
&\quad + \left[ d_{G_1}(u_m) + d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_1}(u_m) d_{G_2}(v_l) \right]^2 \\
&= \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left\{ \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_1}^2(u_i) d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \right. \right. \\
&\quad + 2d_{G_1}(u_i) d_{G_2}(v_l) + 2d_{G_1}(u_i) d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + 2d_{G_1}^2(u_i) d_{G_2}(v_l) \left. \right. \\
&\quad + \left. \left. \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_m) + d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \right. \right. \right. \\
&\quad + 2d_{G_1}(u_m) d_{G_2}(v_l) + 2d_{G_1}(u_m) d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + 2d_{G_1}^2(u_m) d_{G_2}(v_l) \left. \left. \right. \right\} \\
&= \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left\{ \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \right] \right. \\
&\quad + 2d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \right] d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \\
&\quad + 2\left[ d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_1}(u_m) \right] d_{G_2}(v_l) + 2\left[ d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_1}(u_m) \right] d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \\
&\quad + \left. \left. 2\left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \right] d_{G_2}(v_l) \right\} \right. \\
&= \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \right] \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} 1 \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \\
&\quad + \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \right] \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left[ d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_1}(u_m) \right] \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l) \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left[ d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_1}(u_m) \right] \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \right] \sum_{l=0}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l) \\
&= 2p_2 DF(G_1) + 4M_1(G_2)W(G_1) + 2DF(G_1)M_1(G_2) + 8DD(G_1)q_2 \\
&\quad + 4DD(G_1)M_1(G_2) + 8DF(G_1)q_2
\end{aligned}$$

Next we compute  $S_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_2 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_G(w_{il}, w_{in}) [d_G(w_{il})^2 + d_G(w_{in})^2] \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) \left\{ \left[ d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_1}(u_i)d_{G_2}(v_l) \right]^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \left[ d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_2}(v_n) + d_{G_1}(u_i)d_{G_2}(v_n) \right]^2 \right\} \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) \left\{ \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_1}^2(u_i)d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + 2d_{G_1}(u_i)d_{G_2}(v_l) + 2d_{G_1}(u_i)d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + 2d_{G_1}^2(u_i)d_{G_2}(v_l) \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + d_{G_1}^2(u_i)d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + 2d_{G_1}(u_i)d_{G_2}(v_n) + 2d_{G_1}(u_i)d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2d_{G_1}^2(u_i)d_{G_2}(v_n) \right] \right\} \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) \left\{ \left[ d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \right] + 2d_{G_1}^2(u_i) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \left[ d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \right] d_{G_1}^2(u_i) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2[d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)]d_{G_1}(u_i) + 2[d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)]d_{G_1}^2(u_i) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2[d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n)]d_{G_1}(u_i) \right\} \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} 1 \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) [d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n)] \\
 &\quad + 2 \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}^2(u_i) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}^2(u_i) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) [d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n)] \\
 &\quad + 2 \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) [d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)] \\
 &\quad + 2 \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}^2(u_i) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) [d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)] \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}^2(v_l, v_n) [d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n)] \\
 &= 2p_1 DF(G_2) + 4M_1(G_1)W(G_2) + 2DF(G_2)M_1(G_1) + 8DD(G_2)q_1 \\
 &\quad + 4DD(G_2)M_1(G_1) + 8DF(G_2)q_1
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally we compute  $S_3$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
S_3 &= \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_G(w_{il}, w_{mn}) [d_G(w_{il})^2 + d_G(w_{mn})^2] \\
&= \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) \left\{ \left[ d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_1}(u_i) d_{G_2}(v_l) \right]^2 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left[ d_{G_1}(u_m) + d_{G_2}(v_n) + d_{G_1}(u_m) d_{G_2}(v_n) \right]^2 \right\} \\
&= \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) \left\{ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_1}^2(u_i) d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \right. \\
&\quad + 2d_{G_1}(u_i) d_{G_2}(v_l) + 2d_{G_1}^2(u_i) d_{G_2}(v_l) + 2d_{G_1}(u_i) d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \\
&\quad + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \\
&\quad \left. + 2d_{G_1}(u_m) d_{G_2}(v_n) + 2d_{G_1}^2(u_m) d_{G_2}(v_n) + 2d_{G_1}(u_m) d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \right\} \\
&= \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} 1 \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) [d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n)] \\
&\quad + \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} [d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m)] \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) d_{G_2}(v_l) \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_m) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) d_{G_2}(v_n) \\
&\quad + \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}^2(u_i) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \\
&\quad + \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_m) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}^2(u_i) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) d_{G_2}(v_l) \\
&\quad + 2 \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) d_{G_2}(v_n)
\end{aligned}$$

and finally

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_3 &= 2p_1(p_1 - 1)DF(G_2) + 4(p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)W(G_2) + 8q_1(p_1 - 1)DD(G_2) \\
 &+ 2(p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)DF(G_2) + 8q_1(p_1 - 1)DF(G_2) \\
 &+ 4(p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)DD(G_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

Adding  $S_1, S_2$  and  $S_3$  we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \times DF(G_1 \boxtimes G_2) &= \\
 2p_2DF(G_1) + 4M_1(G_2)W(G_1) + 2DF(G_1)M_1(G_2) + 8DD(G_1)q_2 \\
 + 4DD(G_1)M_1(G_2) + 8DF(G_1)q_2 + 2p_1DF(G_2) + 4M_1(G_1)W(G_2) \\
 + 2DF(G_2)M_1(G_1) + 8DD(G_2)q_1 + 4DD(G_2)M_1(G_1) + 8DF(G_2)q_1 \\
 + 2p_1(p_1 - 1)DF(G_2) + 4(p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)W(G_2) + 8q_1(p_1 - 1)DD(G_2) \\
 + 2(p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)DF(G_2) + 8q_1(p_1 - 1)DF(G_2) + 4(p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)DD(G_2). \quad \square
 \end{aligned}$$

### 3. Distance Based of $F$ -index of Corona Product of Graphs

In this section, we find the exact value of the distance based  $F$ - index of corona product  $G_1 \odot G_2$ .

Let  $V(G_1) = \{u_0, u_1, \dots, u_{p_1-1}\}$  and  $V(G_2) = \{v_0, v_1, \dots, v_{p_2-1}\}$ . For  $0 \leq i \leq p_1 - 1$ , denote by  $G_2^i$  the  $i^{th}$  copy of  $G_2$  joined to the vertex  $u_i$  and  $V(G_2^i) = \{v_{i0}, v_{i1}, \dots, v_{i(p_2-1)}\}$ .

LEMMA 3.1 ([9]). *The degree of  $w \in V(G_1 \odot G_2)$  is*

$$d_{G_1 \odot G_2}(w) = \begin{cases} d_{G_1}(w) + p_2 & \text{if } w \in V(G_1) \\ d_{G_1}(w) + p_2 & \text{if } w \in V(G_1^i) \text{ for some } 0 \leq i \leq p_1 - 1. \end{cases}$$

LEMMA 3.2 ([9]). *Let  $G_1$  be arbitrary graph. Let  $G_2^i$  be the  $i^{th}$  copy of  $G_2$  in  $d_{G_1 \odot G_2}$  and let  $V(G_2^i) = \{v_{i0}, v_{i1}, \dots, v_{i(p_2-1)}\}$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_{(G_1 \odot G_2)}(u_i, u_m) &= d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m), \text{ if } 0 \leq i, m \leq p_1 - 1, \\
 d_{(G_1 \odot G_2)}(u_i, v_{mn}) &= d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) + 1, \text{ if } 0 \leq i, m \leq p_1 - 1, 0 \leq n \leq p_2 - 1,
 \end{aligned}$$

$$d_{G_1 \odot G_2}(v_{il}, v_{mn}) = \begin{cases} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) + 2, & \text{if } i \neq m, \\ 1, & \text{if } i = m, \text{ and } v_l v_n \in E(G_2), \\ 2, & \text{if } i = m, \text{ and } v_l v_n \notin E(G_2). \end{cases}$$

THEOREM 3.1. *Let  $G_i, i = 1, 2$ , be a  $(p_i, q_i)$ - graph. Then*

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \times DF(G_1 \odot G_2) &= \\
 2DF(G_1) + 4p_2^2W(G_1) + 4p_2DD(G_1) + 2p_1 \left[ 2p_2M_1(G_2) + 8p_2q_2 \right. \\
 &+ \left. 2p_2(p_2 - 1) - F(G_2) - 4M_1(G_2) - 10q_2 \right] + 2p_2DF(G_1) + 4p_2^2DD(G_1) \\
 &+ 4W(G_1)[p_2(p_2^2 + 1)M_1(G_2) + 4q_2] + 2p_1p_2[M_1(G_1) + 4q_1p_2] \\
 &+ 2p_1^2[M_1(G_2) + 4q_2 + p_2(p_2^2 + 1)] + 4[W(G_1) + p_1(p_1 - 1)][p_2M_1(G_2) \\
 &+ 4p_2q_2 + p_2^2].
 \end{aligned}$$

PROOF. Let  $G = G_1 \odot G_2$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \times DF(G) &= \sum_{u,v \in V(G)} d_G(u,v)[d_G(u)^2 + d_G(v)^2] \\
 &= \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_G(u_i, u_m)[d_G(u_i)^2 + d_G(u_m)^2] \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq m}^{p_2-1} d_G(v_{il}, v_{in})[d_G(v_{il})^2 + d_G(v_{in})^2] \\
 &\quad + 2 \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{n=0}^{p_2-1} [d_G(u_i, v_{mn})[d_G(u_i)^2 + d_G(v_{mn})^2] \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l,n=0}^{p_2-1} d_G(v_{il}, v_{mn})[d_G(v_{il}) + d_G(v_{mn})] \\
 &= S_1 + S_2 + S_3 + S_4
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $S_1, S_2, S_3, S_4$  are the sums of the above terms in order. We calculate  $S_1, S_2, S_3$  and  $S_4$  separately.

First we compute  $S_1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_1 &= \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_G(u_i, u_m)[d_{G_1}(u_i)^2 + d_{G_1}(u_m)^2] \\
 &= \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left[ (d_{G_1}(u_i) + p_2)^2 + (d_{G_1}(u_m) + p_2)^2 \right] \\
 &= \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + p_2^2 + 2p_2 d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + p_2^2 + 2p_2 d_{G_1}(u_m) \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_1 &= \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \right] \\
 &\quad + 2p_2^2 \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \\
 &\quad + 2p_2 \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \left[ d_{G_1}(u_i) + d_{G_1}(u_m) \right] \\
 &= 2DF(G_1) + 4p_2^2 W(G_1) + 4p_2 DD(G_1)
 \end{aligned}$$



Next we compute  $S_2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_2 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_G(v_{il}, v_{in}) [d_G^2(v_{il})^2 + d_G(v_{in})^2] \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \left\{ \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \in E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} d_G(v_{il}, v_{in}) [d_G(v_{il})^2 + d_G(v_{in})^2] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \notin E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} d_G(v_{il}, v_{in}) [d_G(v_{il})^2 + d_G(v_{in})^2] \right\} \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \left\{ \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \in E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} \left[ (d_{G_2}(v_l) + 1)^2 + (d_{G_2}(v_n) + 1)^2 \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \notin E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} 2 \left[ (d_{G_2}(v_l) + 1)^2 + (d_{G_2}(v_n) + 1)^2 \right] \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_2 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \left\{ \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \in E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} \left[ d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2 \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \notin E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} 2 \left[ d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2 \right] \right\} \\
 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \left\{ \left[ \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \in E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} \left[ d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2 \right] \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \notin E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} \left[ d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2 \right] \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \notin E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} \left[ d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2 \right] \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
S_2 &= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \left\{ \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n}^{p_2-1} [d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2] \right. \\
&+ \left[ \sum_{v_l v_n \in E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} [d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2] \right] \\
&+ \sum_{v_l v_n \in E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} [d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2] \\
&- \left. \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \notin E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} [d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2] \right\} \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \left\{ 2 \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n}^{p_2-1} [d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2] \right. \\
&- 2 \sum_{l,n=0, l \neq n, v_l v_n \notin E(G_2)}^{p_2-1} [d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2(d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n)) + 2] \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} [4(p_2 - 1)q_1(G_2) + 16(p_2 - 1)q_2 + 8p_2C_2 - 2F(G_2) - 4q_1(G_2) - 4q_2] \\
&= \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} [4p_2M_1(G_2) + 16p_2q_2 + 4p_2(p_2 - 1) - 2F(G_2) - 8M_1(G_2) - 20q_2] \\
&= 2p_1 [2p_2M_1(G_2) + 8p_2q_2 + 2p_2(p_2 - 1) - F(G_2) - 4M_1(G_2) - 10q_2]
\end{aligned}$$

Next we compute  $S_3$

$$\begin{aligned}
S_3 &= 2 \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{n=0}^{p_2-1} d_G(u_i, v_{mn}) [d_G(u_i)^2 + d_G(v_{mn})^2] \\
&= 2 \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{n=0}^{p_2-1} [d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) + 1] \left[ (d_{G_1}(u_i) + p_2)^2 + (d_{G_2}(v_n) + 1)^2 \right] \\
&= 2 \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{n=0}^{p_2-1} \left\{ d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) [d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + 2p_2d_{G_1}(u_i) + (p_2^2 + 1) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + 2d_{G_2}(v_n)] \right. \\
&\quad \left. + [d_G^2(u_i) + 2p_2d_{G_1}(u_i) + (p_2^2 + 1) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) + 2d_{G_2}(v_n)] \right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_3 &= 2 \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} \left[ p_2 d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + 2p_2^2 d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) d_{G_1}(u_i) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) p_2 (p_2^2 + 1) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) q_1(G_2) + 4q_2 d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) + p_2 d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + 2p_2^2 d_{G_1}(u_i) + p_2 (p_2^2 + 1) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + q_1(G_2) + 4q_2 \right] \\
 &= 2 \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} p_2 d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) d_{G_1}^2(u_i) + 2p_2^2 \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) d_{G_1}(u_i) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + p_2 (p_2^2 + 1) \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) + M_1(G_2) \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 4q_2 \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) + p_2 \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}^2(u_i) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2p_2^2 \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}(u_i) + p_2 (p_2^2 + 1) \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} 1 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + M_1(G_2) \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} 1 + 4q_2 \sum_{m=0}^{p_1-1} \sum_{i=0}^{p_1-1} 1 \right\} \\
 &= 2p_2 DF(G_1) + 4p_2^2 DD(G_1) + 4W(G_1) [p_2(p_2^2 + 1)M_1(G_2) + 4q_2] \\
 &\quad + 2p_1 p_2 [M_1(G_1) + 4q_1 p_2] + 2p_1^2 [M_1(G_2) + 4q_2 + p_2(p_2^2 + 1)]
 \end{aligned}$$

Finally, we calculate  $S_4$

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_4 &= \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l,n=0}^{p_2-1} d_G(v_{il}, v_{mn}) \left( d_G^2(v_{il}) + d_G^2(v_{mn}) \right) \\
 &= \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l,n=0}^{p_2-1} \left( d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) + 2 \right) \left[ \left( d_{G_2}(v_l) + 1 \right)^2 + \left( d_{G_2}(v_n) + 1 \right)^2 \right] \\
 &= \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} \left( d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) + 2 \right) \sum_{l,n=0}^{p_2-1} \left[ d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + 2 \left( d_{G_2}(v_l) + d_{G_2}(v_n) \right) + 2 \right] \\
 &= \sum_{i,m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} \left( d_{G_1}(u_i, u_m) + 2 \right) 2 \sum_{l,n=0}^{p_2-1} \left[ d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + 2d_{G_2}(v_l) + 1 \right] \\
 &= 4 \left[ W(G_1) + p_1(p_1 - 1) \right] \left[ p_2 M_1(G_2) + 4p_2 q_2 + p_2^2 \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Adding  $S_1, S_2, S_3$  and  $S_4$  we get,

$$2 \times DF(G_1 \odot G_2)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= 2DF(G_1) + 4p_2^2W(G_1) + 4p_2DD(G_1) + 2p_1 \left[ 2p_2M_1(G_2) + 8p_2q_2 \right. \\
&\quad \left. + 2p_2(p_2 - 1) - F(G_2) - 4M_1(G_2) - 10q_2 \right] + 2p_2DF(G_1) + 4p_2^2DD(G_1) \\
&\quad + 4W(G_1)[p_2(p_2^2 + 1)M_1(G_2) + 4q_2] + 2p_1p_2[M_1(G_1) + 4q_1p_2] \\
&\quad + 2p_1^2[M_1(G_2) + 4q_2 + p_2(p_2^2 + 1)] + 4[W(G_1) + p_1(p_1 - 1)][p_2M_1(G_2) \\
&\quad + 4p_2q_2 + p_2^2].
\end{aligned}$$

□

#### 4. Distance Based $F$ -index of Tensor Product of Graphs

In this section, we find the exact value of the distance based  $F$ - index of tensor product  $G_1 \times G_2$ .

LEMMA 4.1 ([5]). *The following hold*

- (i)  $|V(G_1 \times G_2)| = |V(G_1)||V(G_2)|$
- (ii)  $|E(G_1 \times G_2)| = 2|E(G_1)||E(G_2)|$
- (iii)  $d_{G_1 \times G_2}(u_i, v_l) = d_{G_1}(u_i)d_{G_2}(v_l)$ .

LEMMA 4.2. *Let  $w_{il} = (u_i, v_l)$  and  $w_{mn} = (u_m, v_n)$  be in  $V(G_1 \times G_2)$ . Then the distance between  $w_{il}$  and  $w_{mn}$  is*

$$d_{G_1 \times G_2}(w_{il}, w_{mn}) = \begin{cases} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n), & \text{if, } i \neq m, l \neq n \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

PROOF. It can be easily derived from the definition of the tensor product of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ . □

THEOREM 4.1. *Let  $G_i, i = 1, 2$ , be a  $(p_i, q_i)$ - graph. Then*

$$DF(G) = (p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)DF(G_2).$$

PROOF. Let  $G = G_1 \times G_2$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
2 \times DF(G) &= \sum_{w_{il}, w_{mn} \in V(G)} d_G(w_{il}, w_{mn}) \left[ d_G^2(w_{il}) + d_G^2(w_{mn}) \right] \\
&= \sum_{i, m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l, n=0, l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_G(w_{il}, w_{mn}) \left[ d_G^2(w_{il}) + d_G^2(w_{mn}) \right] \\
&= \sum_{i, m=0, i \neq m}^{p_1-1} \sum_{l, n=0, l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) \left[ d_{G_1}^2(u_i)d_{G_2}^2(v_l) + d_{G_1}^2(u_m)d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \right]
\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 2 \times DF(G) &= \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}^2(u_i) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) d_{G_2}^2(v_l) \\
 &+ \left[ \sum_{i,m=0,i \neq m}^{p_1-1} d_{G_1}^2(u_m) \sum_{l,n=0,l \neq n}^{p_2-1} d_{G_2}(v_l, v_n) d_{G_2}^2(v_n) \right] \\
 &= (p_1 - 1)q_1(G_1)DF(G_2) + (p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)DF(G_2) \\
 2 \times DF(G) &= 2(p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)DF(G_2) \\
 DF(G) &= (p_1 - 1)M_1(G_1)DF(G_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

□

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