

# Partial Complement Energy of Special Graphs

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**Abstract**—Partial complement of a graph  $G$  with respect to a set  $S$  is a graph obtained from  $G$  by removing edges of  $\langle S \rangle$  and adding the edges which are not in  $\langle S \rangle$ . In this article, we obtain partial complement energy and partial complement characteristic polynomial of few classes of graph.

**Index Terms**—Partial complement, Partial complement eigenvalue, Partial complement characteristic polynomial.

## I. INTRODUCTION

ONE of the fundamental question in graph theory concerns the efficiency of recognition of a graph class  $\mathcal{G}$ . For instance, how quick we can predict whether a graph is planar, 2-connected, triangle free, bipartite, chordal, 3-colorable etc. for modifying an input graph into the desired graph class  $\mathcal{G}$ , is one of the main focus of partial complementation. An atomic operation is the change of adjacency required for modifying an input graph into the desired graph class  $G$ , and it is one of the main focus of partial complementation. One may be interested to find whether it is possible to add or delete at most  $k$  edges to make a graph 2-connected or chordal or triangle free etc. In literature, atomic operation is the change of adjacency i.e., for a pair of vertices  $x$  and  $y$ , either one can add or delete an edge  $xy$ .

Let  $G$  be a graph with  $n$  vertices  $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and  $m$  edges. Let  $A = (a_{ij})$  be an adjacency matrix of graph. The eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  of  $A$ , assumed in non increasing order, are called eigenvalues of  $G$ . The energy of  $G$  [2] is defined to be sum of absolute values of the eigenvalues of  $G$ . This graph invariant is very closely connected to a chemical quantity known as the total  $\pi$ -electron energy of conjugated hydro carbon molecules. The carbon atoms are represented by the vertices and two vertices are adjacent if and only if there is a carbon-carbon bond. Hydrogen atoms are ignored. The energy level of  $\pi$ -electron in molecules of conjugated hydrocarbons are related to the eigenvalues of a molecular graph. An interesting quantity in Huckel theory is sum of energies of all the electrons in a molecule, so called  $\pi$ -electron energy of a molecule.

For all terminologies we refer [1].

Recently Fedor V Fomin et al. introduced partial complements of graph [3]. This motivated us to study the energy of partial complement of a graph.

**Definition 1.1:** Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a graph and  $S \subseteq V$ . The partial complement of a graph  $G$  with respect to  $S$ , denoted by  $G \oplus S$ , is a graph  $(V, E_S)$ , where for any two

vertices  $x, y \in V$ ,  $xy \in E_S$  if and only if one of the following conditions hold good:

- 1)  $x \notin S$  or  $y \notin S$  and  $xy \in E$ .
- 2)  $x, y \in S$  and  $xy \notin E$ .

Partial complement of graph  $G$  with respect to a set  $S$  is also defined as a graph obtained from  $G$  by removing edges of  $\langle S \rangle$  and adding the edges which are not in  $\langle S \rangle$ .

**Definition 1.2:** [4] Let  $G \oplus S$  be partial complement of a graph  $G$  with respect to  $S$ . We define partial complement adjacency matrix of  $G \oplus S$  as  $n \times n$  matrix defined by  $A_p(G \oplus S) = (a_{ij})$ , where

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } v_i \text{ and } v_j \text{ are adjacent with } i \neq j \\ 1, & \text{if } i = j \text{ and } v_i \in S \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Adjacency matrix and partial complement adjacency matrix of a graph  $G$  are related as follows:

If  $A(G) = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} L & M \\ \hline M' & N \end{array} \right]$  then  $A_p(G \oplus S) = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c} \bar{L} + I & M \\ \hline M' & N \end{array} \right]$  where  $L$  is an adjacency matrix of induced subgraph  $\langle S \rangle$  and  $I$  is an identity matrix.

The eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  of  $A_p(G \oplus S)$  is called spectrum of  $G \oplus S$ . Partial complement energy of  $G \oplus S$ , denoted by  $E_p(G \oplus S)$  is defined as  $\sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|$ . In [5], authors have introduced the concept of distance energy of connected partial complements of a graph, and obtained distance energy of connected partial complement of some families of graphs. For more information on energy of graph we refer [5]–[7]. For convenience, throughout this paper  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the eigenvalues of  $G \oplus S$ .

## II. PARTIAL COMPLEMENT ENERGY OF SPECIAL GRAPHS

In this section, the partial complement energy of some families of graphs is computed.

### A. Partial complement energy of Amalgamation of $m$ copies of $K_n$

A graph amalgamation is a relationship between two graphs (one graph is an amalgamation of another). Amalgamations can provide a way to reduce a graph to a simpler graph while keeping certain structure intact.

**Definition 2.1:** Let  $\{G_1, G_2, G_3, \dots, G_m\}$  be a finite collection of graphs and each  $G_i$  has a fixed vertex  $v_{0i}$  called a terminal. The amalgamation  $Amal(v_{0i}, G_i)$  is formed by taking all the  $G_i$ 's and identifying their terminals. In particular, if we take  $G_i = K_n$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  we get amalgamation of  $m$  copies of  $K_n$  denoted by  $Amal(m, K_n)$ ,  $m \geq 2$ . For convenience we denote  $v_0$  as the vertex of amalgamation and  $v_{j2}, v_{j3}, \dots, v_{jn}$  are the remaining vertices of the  $j^{th}$  copy of  $K_n$ , where  $1 \leq j \leq m$ .

The amalgamation of 3 copies of  $K_4$  is shown in Figure 1.

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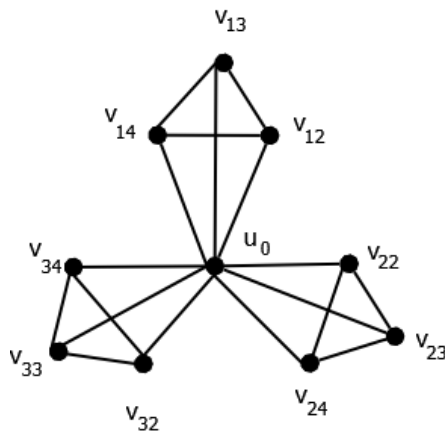


Fig. 1. Amal(3, K<sub>4</sub>)

Let  $v_0, v_{12}, v_{13}, \dots, v_{1n}, v_{22}, \dots, v_{2n}, \dots, v_{m1}, v_{m2}, \dots, v_{mn}$  be the vertices of  $Amal(m, K_n)$ . We obtain partial complement energy of  $Amal(m, K_n)$  when  $S = \{v_0\}$  and  $S = \{v_{ij} | i = 1, 2, \dots, m, j = 2, 3, \dots, n\}$  and partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $Amal(m, K_n)$  when  $S = \{v_{12}, v_{13}, \dots, v_{1n}\}$  in the following theorems.

**Theorem 2.1:** Let  $v_0, v_{12}, v_{13}, \dots, v_{1n}, v_{22}, v_{23}, \dots, v_{2n}, \dots, v_{m1}, v_{m2}, \dots, v_{mn}$  be the vertices of  $Amal(m, K_n)$  and  $S = \{v_0\}$ . Then,  $E_P(Amal(m, K_n) \oplus S) = (n - 2)(2m - 1) + \sqrt{(n - 3)^2 + 4m(n - 1)}$ .

*Proof:* Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & J_{1 \times n-1} & J_{1 \times n-1} & \dots & J_{1 \times n-1} \\ J_{n-1 \times 1} & B_{n-1} & 0_{n-1} & \dots & 0_{n-1} \\ J_{n-1 \times 1} & 0_{n-1} & B_{n-1} & \dots & 0_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ J_{n-1 \times 1} & 0_{n-1} & 0_{n-1} & \dots & B_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}_{m(n-1)+1}$$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $Amal(m, K_n)$ . Here  $J$  is matrix of all 1's, 0 is the zero matrix and  $B$  is the adjacency matrix of complete subgraph.

Step 1: Consider  $|\lambda I - A|$ .

Applying row operation  $R'_{v_{ij}} \leftarrow R_{v_{ij}} - R_{v_{ij+1}}, i = 1, 2, \dots, m, j = 2, 3, \dots, n - 1$  and column operation  $C'_{v_{ij}} \leftarrow C_{v_{ij}} + C_{v_{ij-1}} + C_{v_{ij-2}} + \dots + C_{v_{i2}}, i = 1, 2, \dots, m, j = n, n - 1, \dots, 3$  on  $|\lambda I - A|$ , we get  $(\lambda + 1)^{m(n-2)} \det(C)$ , where  $\det(C)$  is of the order  $m + 1$ .

Step 2: On performing row operation  $R'_i \leftarrow R_i - R_{i+1}, i = 2, 3, \dots, m$  and column operation  $C'_i \leftarrow C_i + C_{i-1} + C_{i-2} + \dots + C_2, i = m + 1, m, \dots, 3$  on  $\det(C)$ , we obtain  $(\lambda - n + 2)^{m-1} \det(D)$  which is of order 2.

Step 3: Expanding  $\det(D)$  leads to the polynomial  $\lambda^2 - (n - 1)\lambda + m + n - mn - 2$ .

Hence partial complement spectrum of  $Amal(m, K_n)$  is

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc} -1 & n - 2 & \frac{P + Q}{2} & \frac{P - Q}{2} \\ m(n - 2) & m - 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right),$$

where  $P = (n - 1)$  and  $Q = \sqrt{(n - 1)^2 - 4(m + n - mn - 2)}$ . Hence, the result follows. ■

**Theorem 2.2:** Let  $v_0, v_{12}, v_{13}, \dots, v_{1n}, v_{22}, v_{23}, \dots, v_{2n}, \dots, v_{m1}, v_{m2}, \dots, v_{mn}$  be the vertices of  $Amal(m, K_n)$  with  $S = \{v_{ij} | i = 1, 2, \dots, m, j = 2, 3, \dots, n\}$ . Then  $E_P(Amal(m, K_n) \oplus S) = (n - 2)(2m - 1) + \sqrt{(m + n - mn - 2)^2 + 4m(n - 1)}$ .

*Proof:* Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0_1 & J_{1 \times n-1} & J_{1 \times n-1} & \dots & J_{1 \times n-1} \\ J_{n-1 \times 1} & I_{n-1} & J_{n-1} & \dots & J_{n-1} \\ J_{n-1 \times 1} & J_{n-1} & I_{n-1} & \dots & J_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ J_{n-1 \times 1} & J_{n-1} & J_{n-1} & \dots & I_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}_{m(n-1)+1}$$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $Amal(m, K_n)$ . Repeating Step 1 to Step 3 of Theorem 2.1, we get the polynomial

$$(\lambda - 1)^{m(n-2)} (\lambda + n - 2)^{m-1} [\lambda^2 + (m + n - mn - 2)\lambda - mn + m].$$

Hence the partial complement spectrum of  $Amal(m, k_n)$  is

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccc} 1 & 2 - n & \frac{P + Q}{2} & \frac{P - Q}{2} \\ m(n - 2) & m - 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right),$$

where  $P = -(m + n - mn - 2)$  and  $Q = \sqrt{(m + n - mn - 2)^2 + 4m(n - 1)}$ .

Therefore,  $E_P(Amal(m, K_n) \oplus S)$  is  $(n - 2)(2m - 1) + \sqrt{(m + n - mn - 2)^2 + 4m(n - 1)}$ . ■

**Theorem 2.3:** Let  $v_0, v_{12}, v_{13}, \dots, v_{1n}, v_{22}, v_{23}, \dots, v_{2n}, \dots, v_{m1}, v_{m2}, \dots, v_{mn}$  be the vertices of  $Amal(m, K_n)$  and  $S = \{v_{12}, v_{13}, \dots, v_{1n}\}$ . Then, partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $Amal(m, K_n)$  is given by  $\{\lambda^3 + (1 - n)\lambda^2 + (m + n - mn - 2)\lambda + (mn - m - 4n + n^2 + 3)\}(\lambda - (n - 2))^{m-2}(\lambda - 1)^{n-2}(\lambda + 1)^{(m-1)(n-2)}$ .

*Proof:* Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 0_1 & J_{1 \times n-1} & J_{1 \times n-1} & \dots & J_{1 \times n-1} \\ J_{n-1 \times 1} & I_{n-1} & 0_{n-1} & \dots & 0_{n-1} \\ J_{n-1 \times 1} & 0_{n-1} & B_{n-1} & \dots & 0_{n-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ J_{n-1 \times 1} & 0_{n-1} & 0_{n-1} & \dots & B_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}_{m(n-1)+1}$$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $Amal(m, K_n)$ . Repeating row and column operation on  $|\lambda I - A|$  as in step 1 of Theorem 2.1, we get

$|\lambda I - A| = (\lambda + 1)^{(m-1)(n-2)} (\lambda - 1)^{n-2} \det(C)$ , where  $\det(C)$  is of the order  $m + 1$  and

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 - n & (1 - n)J_{1, m-1} \\ -1 & \lambda - 1 & 0_{1, m-1} \\ -J_{m-1, 1} & 0_{m-1, 1} & (\lambda - n + 2)I_{m-1} \end{pmatrix}_{m+1}$$

Applying the row operation  $R'_i \leftarrow R_i - R_{i+1}, i = 3, 4, \dots, m$  on  $\det(C)$  we get

$|\lambda I - A| = (\lambda + 1)^{(m-1)(n-2)} (\lambda - 1)^{n-2} (\lambda - (n - 2))^{m-2} \det(D)$ , where  $\det(D)$  is of the order 3 and

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 - n & (1 - n)(m - 1) \\ -1 & \lambda - 1 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & \lambda - n + 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Expanding  $\det(D)$  leads to the polynomial  $\{\lambda^3 + (1 - n)\lambda^2 + (m + n - mn - 2)\lambda + (mn - m - 4n + n^2 + 3)\}$ .

Hence the result follows. ■

### B. Partial complement energy of a Double star

A double star is the graph denoted by  $S(l, m)$ , consisting of union of two stars  $K_{1, l}$  and  $K_{1, m}$  together with the line joining their centers. Let  $V = \{u_i, v_j | i = 0, 1, \dots, l, j = 0, 1, \dots, m\}$  be the vertex set of the double star  $S(l, m)$  with  $u_0$  and  $v_0$  as its centers. We obtain the partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $S(l, m)$  when  $S = \{u_0, v_0\}$ ,  $S = \{u_i, v_j | i = 1, 2, \dots, l, j = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$ ,  $S = \{u_i | i =$

$0, 1, 2, \dots, l\}$  and  $S = \{u_0, v_j | j = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$  in the following theorems.

**Theorem 2.4:** Partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $S(l, m)$  with  $S = \{u_0, v_0\}$  is given by  $\lambda^{l+m-2}(\lambda^2 - \lambda - l)(\lambda^2 - \lambda - m)$ .

*Proof:* Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 0_1 & J_{1 \times l} & 0_{1 \times m} \\ 0_1 & J_1 & 0_{1 \times l} & J_{1 \times m} \\ J_{l \times 1} & 0_{l \times 1} & 0_l & 0_{l \times m} \\ 0_{m \times 1} & J_{m \times 1} & 0_{m \times l} & 0_m \end{pmatrix}_{l+m+2}$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $S(l, m)$ . Consider  $|\lambda I - A|$ .

Step 1: Applying row operation  $R_i \leftarrow R_i - R_{i+1}, i = 2, 3, \dots, l-1, l+1, \dots, m-1$  and column operations  $C_i \leftarrow C_i + C_{i-1} + \dots + C_3, i = l, l-1, \dots, 4$  and  $C_j \leftarrow C_j + C_{j-1} + \dots + C_{l+1}, j = m, m-1, \dots, l+2$  on  $|\lambda I - A|$ , we obtain  $\lambda^{l+m-2} \det(C)$ .

Step 2: On further simplification of  $\det(C)$  which is of order 4, we get  $\det(C) = (\lambda^2 - \lambda - l)(\lambda^2 - \lambda - m)$ . Hence, the result. ■

From Theorem 2.4, we note the following.

**Note 2.1:** Partial complement energy of  $S(l, m)$  when  $S = \{u_0, v_0\}$  is  $\sqrt{1+4l} + \sqrt{1+4m}$ .

**Theorem 2.5:** Partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $S(l, m)$  when  $S = \{u_i, v_j | i = 1, 2, \dots, l, j = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$  is  $\lambda^{l+m-2}[\lambda^4 - (l+m)\lambda^3 - (l+m+1)\lambda^2 + (l+m+2lm)\lambda - lm]$ .

*Proof:* Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0_1 & J_1 & J_{1 \times l} & 0_{1 \times m} \\ J_1 & 0_1 & 0_{1 \times l} & J_{1 \times m} \\ J_{l \times 1} & 0_{l \times 1} & J_l & J_{l \times m} \\ 0_{m \times 1} & J_{m \times 1} & J_{m \times l} & J_m \end{pmatrix}_{l+m+2}$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $S(l, m)$ . Repeating Step 1 and Step 2 of Theorem 2.4, the result follows. ■

**Theorem 2.6:** Partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $S(l, m)$  with  $S = \{u_i | i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, l\}$  is  $\lambda^{l+m-2}(\lambda - l)[\lambda^3 - \lambda^2 - \lambda(m+1) + m]$ .

*Proof:* Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & J_1 & 0_{1 \times l} & 0_{1 \times m} \\ J_1 & 0_1 & 0_{1 \times l} & J_{1 \times m} \\ 0_{l \times 1} & 0_{l \times 1} & J_l & 0_{l \times m} \\ 0_{m \times 1} & J_{m \times 1} & 0_{m \times l} & 0_m \end{pmatrix}_{l+m+2}$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $S(l, m)$ . Repeating Step 1 and Step 2 of Theorem 2.4, we get the result. ■

**Theorem 2.7:** Partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $S(l, m)$  with  $S = \{u_0, v_j | j = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$  is  $\lambda^{l+m-2}[\lambda^4 - (m+1)\lambda^3 - (l+m+1)\lambda^2 + lm\lambda + lm]$ .

*Proof:* Let  $A = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & J_1 & J_{1 \times l} & J_{1 \times m} \\ J_1 & 0_1 & 0_{1 \times l} & J_{1 \times m} \\ J_{l \times 1} & 0_{l \times 1} & 0_l & 0_{l \times m} \\ J_{m \times 1} & J_{m \times 1} & 0_{m \times l} & J_m \end{pmatrix}_{l+m+2}$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $S(l, m)$ . Repeating Step 1 and 2 of Theorem 2.4, the result follows. ■

**Theorem 2.8:** Let  $H$  be a graph which is the union of two star graphs  $K_{1,l}$  and  $K_{1,m}$ . Let  $V = \{u_i, v_j | i = 0, 1, \dots, l, j = 0, 1, \dots, m\}$  be the vertex set of two star graphs  $K_{1,l}$  and  $K_{1,m}$  with  $u_0$  and  $v_0$  as its centers. Let  $G$  be a graph obtained by adding a new vertex  $w_0$  to the graph  $H$  and joining  $w_0$  with  $u_0$  and  $v_0$ .

1. If  $S = \{u_0, w_0, v_0\}$ , then partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $G$  is  $\lambda^{l+m-2}(\lambda - 1)[\lambda^4 - 2\lambda^3 - (l+m)\lambda^2 + (l+m)\lambda + lm]$ .

- If  $S = \{u_i, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, l\}$ , then partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $G$  is  $\lambda^{l+m-2}(\lambda - 1)[\lambda^4 - 2\lambda^3 - (2+m)\lambda^2 + (1+m)\lambda + m]$ .
- If  $S = \{u_i, v_j | i = 1, 2, \dots, l, j = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$ , then partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $G$  is  $\lambda^{l+m-2}[\lambda^5 - (l+m)\lambda^4 - (l+m+2)\lambda^3 + 2(l+m+lm)\lambda^2 + (l+m+lm)\lambda - 4lm]$ .
- If  $S = \{u_0, v_i | i = 1, 2, \dots, m\}$ , then partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $G$  is  $\lambda^{l+m-2}[\lambda^5 - (1+m)\lambda^4 - (l+m+2)\lambda^3 + (1+3m+lm)\lambda^2 + (l-m+lm)\lambda - lm]$ .
- If  $S = \{w_0\}$ , then partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $G$  is  $\lambda^{l+m-2}[\lambda^5 - \lambda^4 - (l+m+2)\lambda^3 + (l+m)\lambda^2 + (l+m+lm)\lambda - lm]$ .

**C. Partial complement energy of Banana tree graph  $B_{l,m}$ .**

A banana tree is a family of stars with a new vertex adjoined to one end vertex of each star. The Banana tree graph  $B_{3,5}$  is shown in Figure 2.

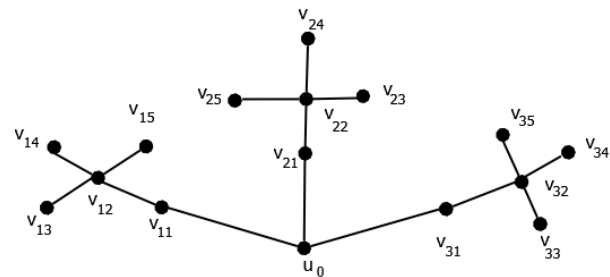


Fig. 2. Banana tree graph  $B_{3,5}$

Let  $v_0, v_{11}, v_{12}, \dots, v_{1m}, v_{21}, \dots, v_{2m}, \dots, v_{l1}, \dots, v_{lm}$  be the vertices of  $B_{l,m}$ . We obtain partial complement characteristic polynomial when  $S = \{v_0\}$  and  $S = \{v_0, v_{11}, v_{21}, \dots, v_{l1}\}$  in the following theorems.

**Theorem 2.9:** Let  $v_0, v_{11}, v_{12}, \dots, v_{1m}, v_{21}, v_{22}, \dots, v_{2m}, \dots, v_{l1}, v_{l2}, \dots, v_{lm}$  be the vertices of  $B_{l,m}$  and  $S = \{v_0\}$ . Then partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $B_{l,m}$  is  $\lambda^{l(m-2)-1}[\lambda^2 - (m-1)\lambda]^{l-1}[\lambda^4 - \lambda^3 + (1-m-l)\lambda^2 + (m-1)\lambda + l(m-2)]$ .

*Proof:* Let

$A = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & C_{1 \times m} & C_{1 \times m} & \dots & C_{1 \times m} \\ C_{m \times 1} & B_m & 0_m & \dots & 0_m \\ C_{m \times 1} & 0_m & B_m & \dots & 0_m \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ C_{m \times 1} & 0_m & 0_m & \dots & B_m \end{pmatrix}_{lm+1}$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $B_{l,m}$ , where  $C = [1 \ 0 \ 0 \ \dots \ 0]$  and

$B_m = \begin{pmatrix} 0_1 & J_1 & 0_{1 \times m-2} \\ J_1 & 0_1 & J_{1 \times m-2} \\ 0_{m-2 \times 1} & J_{m-2 \times 1} & 0_{m-2} \end{pmatrix}$ .

Step 1: Consider  $|\lambda I - A|$ . Applying block row operation  $R'_i \leftarrow R_i - R_{i+1}, i = 2, 3, \dots, l$  and block column operation  $C'_i \leftarrow C_i + C_{i-1} + \dots + C_2, i = l+1, l, l-1, \dots, 3$  on  $|\lambda I - A|$ , we obtain  $(\det(\lambda I - B))^{l-1} \det D$ .

Step 2: On further simplification we get,  $\lambda^{l(m-2)-1}[\lambda^2 - (m-1)\lambda]^{l-1}[\lambda^4 - \lambda^3 + (1-m-l)\lambda^2 + (m-1)\lambda + l(m-2)]$ . ■

**Theorem 2.10:** Let  $v_0, v_{11}, v_{12}, \dots, v_{1m}, v_{21}, v_{22}, \dots, v_{2m}, \dots, v_{l1}, v_{l2}, \dots, v_{lm}$  be the vertices of  $B_{l,m}$  and

$S = \{v_0, v_{11}, v_{21}, \dots, v_{l1}\}$ . Then partial complement characteristic polynomial of  $B_{l,m}$  is  $\lambda^{l(m-2)-1}[\lambda^2 - m + 1]^{l-1}(\lambda - 1)[\lambda^3 - l\lambda^2 + (1 - m)\lambda + l(m - 2)]$ .

*Proof:* Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 0_{1 \times m} & 0_{1 \times m} & \dots & 0_{1 \times m} \\ 0_{m \times 1} & E_m & D_m & \dots & D_m \\ 0_{m \times 1} & D_m & E_m & \dots & D_m \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0_{m \times 1} & D_m & D_m & \dots & E_m \end{pmatrix}_{lm+1}$$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $B_{l,m}$ , where

$$D_m = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } E_m = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

The result follows by repeating Step 1 and Step 2 of Theorem 2.9. ■

**D. Partial complement energy of Friendship graph  $F_n$ .**

The friendship graph  $F_n$  can be constructed by joining  $n$  copies of the cycle graph  $C_3$  with a common vertex. The friendship graph  $F_4$  is shown in Figure 3.

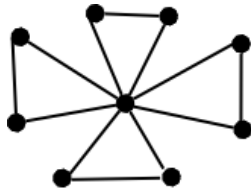


Fig. 3. Friendship graph  $F_4$

In the next theorem we obtain  $E_p(F_n \oplus S)$ , when  $\langle S \rangle = K_3$ .

**Theorem 2.11:** Let  $F_n$  be the friendship graph with  $\langle S \rangle = K_3$ . Then,  $E_p(F_n \oplus S) = 2\sqrt{2(n-1)} + 2n - 1$ .

*Proof:* Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} J_1 & 0_{1 \times 2} & J_{1 \times 2} & J_{1 \times 2} & \dots & J_{1 \times 2} \\ 0_{2 \times 1} & I_2 & 0_2 & 0_2 & \dots & 0_2 \\ J_{2 \times 1} & 0_2 & (J - I)_2 & 0_2 & \dots & 0_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ J_{2 \times 1} & 0_2 & 0_2 & \dots & (J - I)_2 \end{pmatrix}_{2n+1}$$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $F_n$ .

Expanding  $|\lambda I - A|$  along second block row gives  $|\lambda I - A| = (\lambda - 1)^2 B$ . Applying block row operation  $R'_i \leftarrow R_i - R_{i+1}$ ,  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n - 1$  and column operations  $C'_i \leftarrow C_i + C_{i-1} + \dots + C_2$ ,  $i = n, n - 1, \dots, 3$  on  $B$  we get the polynomial

$$(\lambda - 1)^n (\lambda + 1)^{n-1} [\lambda^2 - 2\lambda - 2n + 3].$$

Hence the partial complement spectrum of  $F_n$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 + \sqrt{2(n-1)} & 1 - \sqrt{2(n-1)} \\ n & n-1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

Therefore  $E_P(F_n \oplus S)$  is  $\sqrt{2(n-1)} + 2n - 1$ . ■

**E. Partial complement energy of Cocktail party graph  $K_{n \times 2}$**

The cocktail party graph,  $K_{n \times 2}$  is a regular graph of degree  $2n - 2$  on  $2n$  vertices. It is obtained from  $K_{2n}$  by deleting a perfect matching. The cocktail party graph  $K_{3 \times 2}$

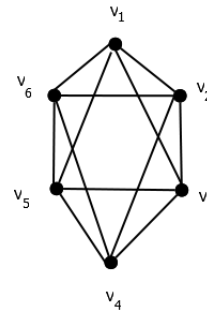


Fig. 4. Cocktail party graph  $K_{3 \times 2}$

is shown in Figure 4.

We obtain  $E_p(K_{n \times 2} \oplus S)$ , when  $\langle S \rangle = K_n$  and  $|S| = 2n$  in the following theorems.

**Theorem 2.12:** Let  $K_{n \times 2}$  be the cocktail party graph with  $\langle S \rangle = K_n$ . Then,  $E_p(K_{n \times 2} \oplus S) = 2\sqrt{2(n-1)} + \sqrt{5n^2 - 12n + 8}$ .

*Proof:* Let  $A_p = \begin{bmatrix} I_n & (J - I)_n \\ (J - I)_n & (J - I)_n \end{bmatrix}_{2n \times 2n}$  be the adjacency matrix of  $K_{n \times 2} \oplus S$ .

Let  $W = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix}$  be an eigenvector of order  $2n$  partitioned conformally with  $A_p$ .

Consider

$$(A_p - \lambda I) \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [(1 - \lambda)I]X + (J - I)Y \\ (J - I)X + [J - (\lambda + 1)I]Y \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

**Case 1:** Let  $X = X_j, j = 2, 3, \dots, n$  and

$Y = -\frac{\lambda - n + 1}{\lambda^2 - (n - 2)\lambda - (n - 1)} X_j$ , where  $\lambda$  is any root of the equation

$$\lambda^2 - 2 = 0.$$

From Equation (1)

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - \lambda)IX_j - (J - I) \left( \frac{\lambda - n + 1}{\lambda^2 - (n - 2)\lambda - (n - 1)} X_j \right) \\ = \left[ \frac{(\lambda - n + 1)(2 - \lambda^2)}{\lambda^2 - (n - 2)\lambda - (n - 1)} \right] X_j. \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\lambda = \sqrt{2}$  and  $\lambda = -\sqrt{2}$  are the eigenvalues with multiplicity of at least  $n - 1$ , as there are  $n - 1$  eigenvectors of the form  $X_j$ .

**Case 2:** Let  $X = \mathbf{1}_n$  and  $Y = \frac{(n - 1)(\lambda + 1)}{\lambda^2 - (n - 2)\lambda - (n - 1)} \mathbf{1}_n$ , where  $\lambda$  is any root of the equation

$$\lambda^2 - n\lambda + 3n - n^2 - 2 = 0.$$

From Equation (1),

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - \lambda)I\mathbf{1}_n + (J - I) \left( \frac{(n - 1)(\lambda + 1)}{\lambda^2 - (n - 2)\lambda - (n - 1)} \right) \mathbf{1}_n \\ = \left[ \frac{(\lambda + 1)(\lambda^2 - n\lambda + 3n - n^2 - 2)}{\lambda^2 - (n - 2)\lambda - (n - 1)} \right] \mathbf{1}_n. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\lambda = \frac{n + \sqrt{5n^2 - 12n + 8}}{2}$  and

$\lambda = \frac{n - \sqrt{5n^2 - 12n + 8}}{2}$  are the eigenvalues with multiplicity of at least one.

Thus, partial complement spectrum of  $k_{n \times 2}$  with  $|S| = n$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{2} & -\sqrt{2} & \frac{n + \sqrt{5n^2 - 12n + 8}}{2} & \frac{n - \sqrt{5n^2 - 12n + 8}}{2} \\ n-1 & n-1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and  $E_p(K_{n \times 2} \oplus S) = 2\sqrt{2}(n-1) + \sqrt{5n^2 - 12n + 8}$ . ■  
**Theorem 2.13:** Let  $K_{n \times 2} \oplus S$  be the partial complement of a cocktail party graph with  $|S| = 2n$ . Then,  $E_p(K_{n \times 2} \oplus S) = 2n$ .

**Proof:** Let  $A_p = \begin{bmatrix} I_n & I_n \\ I_n & I_n \end{bmatrix}_{2n \times 2n}$  be the adjacency matrix of  $K_{n \times 2} \oplus S$ . Let  $W = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix}$  be an eigenvector of order  $2n$  partitioned conformally with  $A_p$ . Consider

$$(A_p - \lambda I) \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [(1-\lambda)I]X + IY \\ IX + [(1-\lambda)I]Y \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

**Case 1:** Let  $X = X_j, j = 2, 3, \dots, n$  and  $Y = -\frac{1}{1-\lambda}X_j$ , where  $\lambda$  is any root of the equation

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda = 0$$

From Equation (2),

$$(1-\lambda)IX_j + I\left(\frac{1}{1-\lambda}\right)X_j = \frac{\lambda^2 - 2\lambda}{\lambda - 1}X_j.$$

Hence  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\lambda = 2$  are the eigenvalues with multiplicity of at least  $n-1$ , as there are  $n-1$  eigenvectors of the form  $X_j$ .

**Case 2:** Let  $X = 1_n$  and  $Y = -\frac{1}{1-\lambda}1_n$ , where  $\lambda$  is any root of the equation

$$\lambda^2 - 2\lambda = 0.$$

From Equation (2),

$$(1-\lambda)I1_n + I\left(\frac{1}{1-\lambda}\right)1_n = \frac{\lambda^2 - 2\lambda}{\lambda - 1}1_n.$$

Hence  $\lambda = 0$  and  $\lambda = 2$  are the eigenvalues with multiplicity of at least 1.

Thus, partial complement spectrum of  $K_{n \times 2}$  with  $|S| = 2n$  is  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 \\ n & n \end{pmatrix}$  and  $E_p(K_{n \times 2} \oplus S) = 2n$ . ■

### F. Partial complement energy of Ladder rung graph $LR_n$

The ladder rung graph  $LR_n$  is a regular graph of degree one on  $2n$  vertices. Let the vertices of  $LR_n$  be  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2n}$  and the vertex  $v_i$  is adjacent to  $v_{i+1}, i = 1, 3, \dots, 2n-1$ . We obtain  $E_p(LR_n \oplus S)$ , when  $S = \{v_1, v_3, \dots, v_{2n-1}\}$  and  $S = \{v_1, v_2\}$  in the following theorems.

**Theorem 2.14:** Let  $LR_n$  be the ladder rung graph with  $S = \{v_1, v_3, \dots, v_{2n-1}\}$ . Then,  $E_p(LR_n \oplus S) = \sqrt{n^2 + 4} + 2n - 2$ .

**Proof:** Let  $A_p = \begin{bmatrix} J_n & I_n \\ I_n & 0_n \end{bmatrix}_{2n \times 2n}$  be the adjacency matrix of  $LR_n \oplus S$ .

Let  $W = \begin{bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{bmatrix}$  be an eigenvector of order  $2n$  partitioned conformally with  $A_p$ .

Consider

$$(A_p - \lambda I) \begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} [J - \lambda I]X + IY \\ IX - \lambda IY \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

**Case 1:** Let  $X = X_j, j = 2, 3, \dots, n$ . Then,  $(J - \lambda I)X_j + IY = 0$   
 $-\lambda X_j + Y = 0 \Rightarrow Y = \lambda X_j$ .

Substituting  $Y = \lambda X_j$  in the equation  $IX_j - \lambda IY = 0 \Rightarrow (1 - \lambda^2)X_j = 0$ .

Thus,  $\lambda = \pm 1$  occurs  $(n-1)$  times as there are  $(n-1)$  eigenvectors of the form  $X_j$ .

**Case 2:** Substituting  $X = 1_n$  in  $IX - \lambda IY = 0$ , we get  $Y_n = \frac{1_n}{\lambda}$ .

Now substituting  $X = 1_n$  and  $Y_n = \frac{1_n}{\lambda}$  in  $(J - \lambda I)X_j + IY = 0$ , we get,

$$(n - \lambda + \frac{1}{\lambda})1_n = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda^2 - \lambda n - 1 = 0.$$

Thus,  $\lambda = \frac{n + \sqrt{n^2 + 4}}{2}$  and  $\lambda = \frac{n - \sqrt{n^2 + 4}}{2}$  are the eigenvalues with multiplicity at least one.

Thus, the partial complement spectrum of  $LR_n$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & \frac{n + \sqrt{n^2 + 4}}{2} & \frac{n - \sqrt{n^2 + 4}}{2} \\ n-1 & n-1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Hence,  $E_p(LR_n \oplus S) = \sqrt{n^2 + 4} + 2n - 2$ . ■

**Theorem 2.15:** Let  $LR_n$  be the ladder rung graph with  $S = \{v_1, v_2\}$ . Then,  $E_p(LR_n \oplus S) = 2n$ .

**Proof:** Let

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} I_2 & 0_2 & 0_2 & 0_2 & \dots & 0_2 \\ 0_2 & J - I_2 & 0_2 & 0_2 & \dots & 0_2 \\ 0_2 & 0_2 & (J - I)_2 & 0_2 & \dots & 0_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0_2 & 0_2 & 0_2 & \dots & (J - I)_2 \end{pmatrix}_{2n}$$

be a partial complement adjacency matrix of  $LR_n$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |\lambda I - A| &= |\lambda - I|_{2 \times 2} |\lambda - J + I|_2^{n-1} \\ &= (\lambda - 1)^2 (\lambda^2 - 1)^{n-1} \\ &= (\lambda - 1)^2 (\lambda + 1)^{n-1} (\lambda - 1)^{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

Hence the partial complement spectrum of  $LR_n$  is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 \\ n+1 & n-1 \end{pmatrix},$$

Therefore  $E_p(LR_n \oplus S) = 2n$ . ■

### III. CONCLUDING REMARKS

An atomic operation is the change of adjacency required for modifying an input graph into the desired graph class  $G$ , and it is one of the main focus of partial complementation. Many problems in graph theory come under this graph modification category. Graph energy has so many application in the field of chemistry, physics and mathematics. We have obtained partial complement energy and partial complement characteristic polynomial of a few classes of the graph.

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