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## Vertex $PI_v$ Topological Index of Titania Carbon Nanotubes $TiO_2(m,n)$

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### Abstract

A topological index of a graph  $G$  is a numeric quantity related to  $G$  which is invariant under automorphisms of  $G$ . The Padmakar-Ivan (PI) index of a graph  $G$  is defined as  $PI(G) = \sum_{e=uv \in E(G)} [n_u + n_v]$ , where  $n_u$  is the number of edges of  $G$  lying closer to  $v$  than  $u$ , analogously  $n_v$ . In this paper, we compute the vertex PI index of *Titania carbon Nanotubes*  $TiO_2[m, n]$ .

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $G$  be a connected graph with vertex and edge sets  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$ , respectively. As usual, the distance between the vertices  $u$  and  $v$  of  $G$  is the number of edges in a minimal path connecting them, denoted as  $d(u, v)$ . Define  $N_G(u)$  to be the set of all vertices adjacent to  $u$ . The *diameter* is the greatest distance between two vertices of  $G$ , denoted as  $diam(G)$ .

Let  $e=uv$  be an edge of the graph  $G$ . The number of vertices of  $G$  whose distance to the vertex  $u$  is smaller than the distance to the vertex  $v$  is denoted by  $n_u(e)$ . Analogously,  $n_v(e)$  is the number of vertices of  $G$  whose

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distance to the vertex  $v$  is smaller than the distance to the vertex  $u$ .

Suppose  $X$  denoted the class of all graphs. A map  $Top$  from  $X$  into real numbers is called a topological index if  $G \cong H$  implies that  $Top(G) = Top(H)$ . Obviously, the maps  $Top_v$  and  $Top_e$  defined as the number of edges and vertices respectively, are topological indices.

The *Wiener index* was the first reported topological index based on graph distances [1]. This index is defined as the sum of all distances between vertices of the graph under consideration. The *Wiener index* is applicable to acyclic graphs only. For cyclic compounds a novel molecular graph based descriptor, referred to as the *Szeged index* [2]. This is considered as the modification of Wiener index to cyclic graph. The Szeged index is defined as

$$Sz(G) = \sum_{e=uv \in E(G)} n_u \cdot n_v$$

Note that vertices equidistant to  $u$  and  $v$  are not counted.

For acyclic graphs the Szeged and Wiener indices coincide. As a consequence, *Padmaker* and *Ivan* introduced another index called *Padmaker-Ivan index* ( $PI_v$ ) [3,4].  $PI$  of a graph  $G$  is defined as

$$PI_v(G) = \sum_{e=uv \in E(G)} (n_u + n_v).$$

Note that vertices equidistant to  $u$  and  $v$  are not counted. Many methods for the calculation of these indices of some systems are considered in [5–11].

As a well-known semiconductor with numerous technological applications, Titania nanotubes are comprehensively studied in material sciences. Titania nanotubes were systematically synthesized during the last 10-15 years using different methods and carefully studied as prospective technological materials. Since the growth mechanism for  $TiO_2$  nanotubes is still not well defined, their comprehensive theoretical studies attract enhanced attention. The  $TiO_2$  sheets with a thickness of a few atomic layers were found to be remarkably stable.

In this paper, we compute the vertex  $PI$  index of the Titania nanotubes. For further results we refer [12–14].

## 2 Main Results

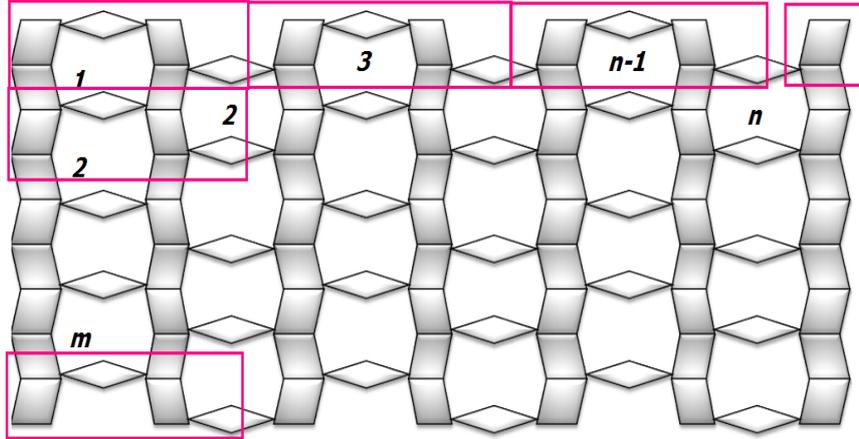
The 2-dimensional graph of the Titania nanotube,  $TiO_2[m, n]$ , is shown in Figure 1, where  $m$  and  $n$  denotes the number of octagons in a column and the number of octagons in a row of the Titania nanotube. This graph has  $2(3n+2)(m+1)$  vertices and  $10mn + 6m + 8n + 4$  edges.

By using the *orthogonal cuts* and *cut method* of the Titania nanotubes, we can determine all edge cuts of the Titania nanotubes. The edge cut  $C(e)$  is an orthogonal cut, such that the set of all edges  $f \in E(G)$  are strongly co-distant to  $e$ . For further research and study of the cut method and orthogonal cuts in some classes of chemical graphs see [8, 9, 11, 15].

By using the cut method and finding orthogonal cuts, we can compute the quantities of  $n_u(e|TiO_2[m, n])$  and  $n_v(e|TiO_2[m, n])$ ,  $\forall e \in E(TiO_2[m, n])$ , which are the number of vertices in two sub-graphs  $TiO_2[m, n]-C(e)$ . In case the Titania Nanotubes  $TiO_2[m, n]$   $\forall e=uv \in E(TiO_2[m, n])$ , we denote  $n_u(e|TiO_2[m, n])$  as the number of vertices in the left component of  $TiO_2[m, n]-C(e)$  and alternatively  $n_v(e|TiO_2[m, n])$  as the number of vertices in the right component of  $TiO_2[m, n]-C(e)$ , since all edges in  $TiO_2[m, n]$  Nanotubes sheets are oblique or horizontal.

**Theorem 1.** Let  $TiO_2[m, n]$  be the Titania Nanotubes, where  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then vertex  $PI$  index of  $TiO_2[m, n]$  is:

$$PI_v(TiO_2(m, n)) = 2(m+1)(3n+2)(n+1)(11m+9)$$



**Fig. 1** 2-dimensional model to Titania nanotube  $TiO_2[m,n]$ .

*Proof.* According to the structure of the Titania Nanotubes  $TiO_2[m,n]$  for all integer numbers  $m,n > 1$ , we have following results:

For the edge  $e_1 = u_1 v_1$  that belong to the first square of  $TiO_2[m,n]$  Nanotubes (in the first column and row), we see that

$$n_{u_1}(e_1 | TiO_2[m,n]) = 2(m+1)$$

$$n_{v_1}(e_2 | TiO_2[m,n]) = 6mn + 4m + 6n + 4 - 2(m+1) = 6mn + 2m + 6n + 2.$$

For the edge  $e_2 = u_2 v_2$ :

$$n_{u_2}(e_2 | TiO_2[m,n]) = 3 \times 2(m+1) + 1 \times 2(m+1) = 8(m+1)$$

and

$$n_{v_2}(e_2 | TiO_2[m,n]) = 6mn + 4m + 6n + 4 - 8(m+1) = 6mn - 4m + 6n - 4.$$

For the edge  $e_{n+1} = u_{n+1} v_{n+1}$ :

$$n_{u_{n+1}}(e_{n+1} | TiO_2[m,n]) = (3n+1) \times 2(m+1)$$

and

$$n_{v_{n+1}}(e_{n+1} | TiO_2[m,n]) = 6mn + 4m + 6n + 4 - (6mn + 6n + 2m + 2) = 2(m+1).$$

Thus, by a simple induction for  $i=1,2,\dots,n$ ; we can see that for the edge  $e_i = u_i v_i$ :

$$n_{u_i}(e_i | TiO_2[m,n]) = 2(m+1) \times (3(i-1) + 1)$$

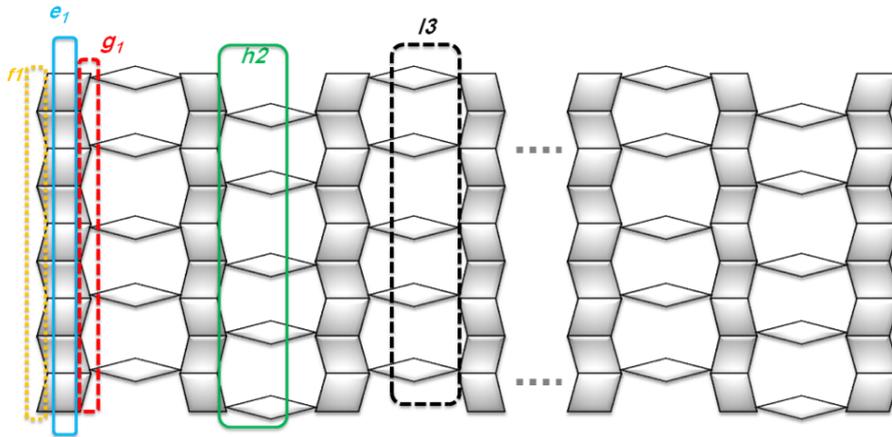
and

$$\begin{aligned} n_{v_i}(e_i | TiO_2[m,n]) &= 6mn + 4m + 6n + 4 - (6mi + 6i - 4m - 4) \\ &= 6m(n-i) + 6(n-i) + 8(m+1) \\ &= 6(m+1)(n-i) + 8(m+1) \\ &= 2(m+1)(3(n-i) + 4). \end{aligned}$$

Let the edge  $f_1 = u_1 v_1 \in E(TiO_2[m,n])$  be the first oblique edge in the first square of  $TiO_2[m,n]$  Nanotubes (in the first column and row), we see that

$$n_{u_1}(f_1 | TiO_2[m,n]) = m+1$$

and



**Fig. 2** Categories for edges of the Titania Carbon Nanotubes.

$$\begin{aligned} n_{v1}(f_1|TiO_2[m, n]) &= 6mn + 4m + 6n + 4 - (m+1) \\ &= 6mn + 3m + 6n + 3 \\ &= 6n(m+1) + 3(m+1) \\ &= (6n+3)(m+1). \end{aligned}$$

For the edge  $f_2 = u_2v_2$ :

$$n_{u2}(f_2|TiO_2[m, n]) = (m+1) + 3 \times 2(m+1) = 7(m+1)$$

and

$$n_{v2}(f_2|TiO_2[m, n]) = 6mn + 4m + 6n + 4 - 7(m+1) = 6n(m+1) - 3(m+1) = (6n-3)(m+1).$$

For the edge  $f_{(n+1)} = uv$ :

$$n_{u(n+1)}(f_{(n+1)}|TiO_2[m, n]) = (m+1) + 3n \times 2(m+1) = (6n+1)(m+1)$$

and

$$n_{v(n+1)}(f_{(n+1)}|TiO_2[m, n]) = (6n+4)(m+1) - (6n+1)(m+1) = 3(m+1).$$

Therefore, by a simple induction for  $j=1, 2, \dots, n+1$ ; we can proof the previous statement.

For the edge  $f_j = u_jv_j$ :

$$n_{u_j}(f_j|TiO_2(m, n)) = 3(j-1) \times 2(m+1) + (m+1) = (m+1)(6j-5)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} n_{v_j}(f_j|TiO_2(m, n)) &= (6n+4)(m+1) - (m+1)(6j-5) \\ &= (m+1)(6n-6j+9) \\ &= 3(m+1)(2n+3-2j). \end{aligned}$$

Let the edge  $g_1 = u_1v_1 \in E(TiO_2[m, n])$  be the second oblique edge in the first square of  $TiO_2[m, n]$  Nanotubes (in the first column and row), so we have

$$n_{u1}(g_1|TiO_2[m, n]) = 2(m+1) + (m+1)$$

and

$$n_{v1}(g_1|TiO_2[m, n]) = (6n+4)(m+1) - 3(m+1) = (6n+1)(m+1)$$

For  $g_2 = u_2v_2$ :

$$n_{u_2}(g_2|TiO_2[m,n])=3 \times 2(m+1)+2(m+1)+(m+1)=9(m+1)$$

and

$$n_{v_2}(g_2|TiO_2[m,n])=(6n+4)(m+1)-9(m+1)=(6n-5)(m+1)$$

For  $g_{n+1}=u_{n+1}v_{n+1}$ :

$$n_{u_{n+1}}(g_{n+1}|TiO_2[m,n])=3n \times 2(m+1)+2(m+1)+(m+1)=(6n+3)(m+1)$$

and

$$n_{v_{n+1}}(g_{n+1}|TiO_2[m,n])=(6n+4)(m+1)-(6n+3)(m+1)=(m+1).$$

And these imply that  $\forall j=1,2,\dots,n+1$

$$n_{u_j}(g_j|TjO_2(m,n))=3j \times 2(m+1)+3(m+1)=(m+1)(6j+3)$$

and

$$n_{v_j}(g_j|TjO_2(m,n))=(6n+4)(m+1)-(m+1)(6j+3)=(m+1)(6n-6j+1).$$

Finally, let  $h_1=u_1v_1$  &  $l_2=u_2v_2 \in E(TiO_2[m,n])$  be the first and second oblique edges in the second square of the first row (or the first square in the second column) of  $TiO_2[m,n]$  Nanotubes, then

$$n_{u_1}(h_1|TiO_2[m,n])=2 \times 2(m+1)$$

and

$$n_{u_2}(l_2|TiO_2[m,n])=3 \times 2(m+1)$$

$$n_{v_1}(h_1|TiO_2[m,n])=(6n+4)(m+1)-2(m+1)=(6n+2)(m+1)$$

and

$$n_{v_2}(l_2|TiO_2[m,n])=(6n+1)(m+1)$$

And by a simple induction on  $\forall i=1,2,\dots,n$ ; for the edges  $h_i=u_iv_i$  and  $l_i=a_i b_i$  we have

$$n_{u_i}(h_i|TiO_2[m,n])=3(i-1) \times 2(m+1)+2 \times 2(m+1)=2(m+1)(3i-1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} n_{v_i}(h_i|TiO_2[m,n]) &= (6n+4)(m+1)-2(m+1)(3i-1) \\ &= (m+1)(6n-6i+6) \\ &= 6(m+1)(n+1-i). \end{aligned}$$

$$n_{a_i}(l_i|TiO_2[m,n])=3(i-1) \times 2(m+1)+3 \times 2(m+1)=6i(m+1)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} n_{b_i}(l_i|TiO_2[m,n]) &= (6n+4)(m+1)-6i(m+1) \\ &= (m+1)(6n-6i+4) \\ &= 3(m+1)(3n+2-2i). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hands, by according to Figure 2, we can see that the size of all orthogonal cuts for these edge categories in the Titania Nanotubes  $TiO_2[m,n]$  are equal to ( $\forall i=1,2,\dots,n+1$ ):

$$|C(e_i)|=|C(h_i)|=|C(l_i)|=2(m+1)$$

and

$$|C(f_i)|=|C(g_i)|=2m+1.$$

From the above calculations and Figure 2, we can compute the vertex PI index of Titania Nanotubes  $TiO_2[m,n]$ .

$$\begin{aligned} PI_v(TiO_2[m,n]) &= \sum_{e=uv \in E(G)} (n_u(e|TiO_2(m,n)) + n_v(e|TiO_2(m,n))) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{e_i = uv \in E(TiO_2(m,n)) \\ \forall i = 1,2,\dots,n+1}} |C(e_i)| (n_u(e_i|TiO_2(m,n)) + n_v(e_i|TiO_2(m,n))) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{\substack{f_i = uv \in E(TiO_2(m,n)) \\ \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n+1}} |C(f_i)| [n_u(f_i|TiO_2(m,n)) + n_v(f_i|TiO_2(m,n))] \\
& + \sum_{\substack{g_i = uv \in E(TiO_2(m,n)) \\ \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n+1}} |C(g_i)| [n_u(g_i|TiO_2(m,n)) + n_v(g_i|TiO_2(m,n))] \\
& + \sum_{\substack{h_i = uv \in E(TiO_2(m,n)) \\ \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n}} |C(h_i)| [n_u(h_i|TiO_2(m,n)) + n_v(h_i|TiO_2(m,n))] \\
& + \sum_{\substack{l_i = uv \in E(TiO_2(m,n)) \\ \forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n}} |C(l_i)| [n_u(l_i|TiO_2(m,n)) + n_v(l_i|TiO_2(m,n))] \\
& = \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 2(m+1)(2(m+1)(3(i-1)+1) + 2(m+1)(3(n-i)+4)) \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 2(m+1)((m+1)(6i-5) + 3(m+1)(2n+3-2i)) \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} 2(m+1)((m+1)(6i+3) + (m+1)(6n-6i+1)) \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^n (2m+1)(2(m+1)(3i-1) + (m+1)(n+1-i)) \\
& + \sum_{i=1}^n (2m+1)(6i(m+1) + 3(m+1)(3n+2-2i)) \\
& = 4(m+1)^2 \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (3n+2) + (2m+1)(m+1) \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (6n+4) + (2m+1)(m+1) \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (6n+4) + \\
& \quad 4(m+1)^2 \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (3n+2) + 6(m+1)^2 \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} (3n+2) \\
& = 4(m+1)^2(3n+2)(n+1) + (2m+1)(m+1)(6n+4)(n+1) + (2m+1)(m+1)(6n+4)(n+1) \\
& \quad + 4(m+1)^2(3n+2)(n+1) + 6(m+1)^2(3n+2)(n+1) \\
& = 2(m+1)(3n+2)(n+1)(11m+9)
\end{aligned}$$

which is the required result and the proof is over

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