

# A Note on Open Support of a Graph under Addition II

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## Abstract

In this paper we defined an open support of a vertex  $v$  under addition and open support of a graph  $G$  under addition. We calculate the open support for Dutch windmill graph, Butterfly graph and Ladder graph. Also, we generalized the value of open support under addition for any given graph  $G$ .

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## I. INTRODUCTION

In this work we consider finite, undirected, simple graphs  $G = (V, E)$  with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges. The neighbourhood of a vertex  $v \in V(G)$  is the set  $N_G(v)$  of all the vertices adjacent to  $v$  in  $G$ . For a set  $X \subseteq V(G)$ , the *open neighbourhood*  $N_G(X)$  is defined to be  $\cup_{v \in X} N_G(v)$  and the *closed neighbourhood*  $N_G[X] = N_G(X) \cup X$ . The *degree* of a vertex  $v \in V(G)$  is the number of edges of  $G$  incident with  $v$  and is denoted by  $deg_G(v)$  or  $deg(v)$ . The maximum and the minimum degrees of the vertices of  $G$  are respectively denoted by  $\Delta(G)$  and  $\delta(G)$ . A vertex of a degree 0 in  $G$  is called an *isolated* vertex and a vertex of degree 1 is called a *pendent* vertex or an *end* vertex of  $G$ . A vertex of a graph  $G$  is said to be a vertex of full degree if it is adjacent to all other vertices in  $G$ . A graph  $G$  is said to be *regular of degree  $r$*  if every vertex of  $G$  has degree  $r$ . Such graphs are called  *$r$ -regular* graphs. The *Dutch windmill graph*  $D_n^{(m)}$ , is the graph obtained by taking  $m$  copies of the cycle graph  $C_n$  with a vertex in common. The *Butterfly graph* (also called the bowtie graph and the hourglass graph) is a planar undirected graph with 5 vertices and 6 edges. It can be constructed by joining 2 copies of the cycle graph  $C_3$  with a common vertex. It is denoted by  $B_n$ . The *ladder graph*  $L_n$  is a planar undirected graph with  $2n$  vertices and  $n + 2(n - 1)$  edges. The Ladder graph obtained as the cartesian product of two graphs one of which has only one edge:  $L_{n,1} = P_n \times P_1$ .

## II. DEFINITIONS

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $G=(V,E)$  be a graph. A **open support of a vertex**,  $v$  under addition is defined by  $\sum_{u \in N(v)} deg(u)$  and it is denoted by  $supp(v)$ .

**Definition 2.2.** Let  $G=(V,E)$  be a graph. A **open support of a graph**,  $G$  under addition is defined by  $\sum_{v \in V(G)} supp(v)$  and it is denoted by  $supp(G)$ .

## III. RESULTS

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $G = P_n^+$  be a corona graph. Then  $supp(G) = 10(n - 1)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $G = P_n^+$  be a corona graph. Let  $V(P_n^+) = \{v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  such that  $deg(v_1) = deg(v_n) = 2$ ;  $deg(v_i) = 3$  for all  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n - 1$ ;  $deg(u_j) = 1$  for all  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} supp(v_1) &= \sum_{v \in N(v_1)} deg(v) \\ &= deg(v_2) + deg(u_1) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 3 + 1 = 4$$

Similarly,

$$\text{supp}(v_n) = 4;$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(v_2) &= \sum_{v \in N(v_2)} \text{deg}(v) \\ &= \text{deg}(v_1) + \text{deg}(v_3) + \text{deg}(u_2) \\ &= 2 + 3 + 1 = 6 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\text{supp}(v_{n-1}) = 6;$$

For  $i = 3, 4, \dots, n - 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(v_i) &= \sum_{v \in N(v_i)} \text{deg}(v) \\ &= \text{deg}(v_{i-1}) + \text{deg}(v_{i+1}) + \text{deg}(u_i) \\ &= 3 + 3 + 1 = 7 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(u_1) &= \sum_{v \in N(u_1)} \text{deg}(v) \\ &= \text{deg}(v_1) \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\text{supp}(u_n) = 2;$$

For  $i = 2, 3, 4, \dots, n - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(u_i) &= \sum_{v \in N(u_i)} \text{deg}(v) \\ &= \text{deg}(v_i) \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(G) &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} \text{supp}(v) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{supp}(v_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n \text{supp}(u_i) \\ &= \text{supp}(v_1) + \text{supp}(v_2) + \sum_{i=3}^{n-2} \text{supp}(v_i) + \text{supp}(v_{n-1}) + \text{supp}(v_n) \\ &\quad + \text{supp}(u_1) + \text{supp}(u_n) + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} \text{supp}(u_i) \\ &= 4 + 6 + \sum_{i=3}^{n-2} 7 + 6 + 4 + 2 + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} 3 + 2 \\ \text{supp}(G) &= 24 + 7n - 28 + 3n - 6 \\ &= 10n - 10 \\ &= 10(n - 1). \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $G=(m, m, \dots, m)$  be a caterpillar graph. Then  $\text{supp}(G) = 5mn + m^2n + 4n - 4m - 6$  **Proof.**

Let  $G=(m, m, \dots, m)$  be a caterpillar graph.

Let  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, u_n, u_{11}, \dots, u_{1m}, \dots, u_{n1}, \dots, u_{nm}\}$  such that  $\text{deg}(v_1) = \text{deg}(v_n) = m + 1$ ;  $\text{deg}(v_i) = m + 2$ , for all  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n - 1$  and  $\text{deg}(u_{ij}) = 1$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(v_1) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{deg}(u_{1i}) + \text{deg}(v_2) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m 1 + m + 2 \\ &= 2m + 2 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\text{supp}(v_n) = 2m + 2;$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(v_2) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \text{deg}(u_{2i}) + \text{deg}(v_1) + \text{deg}(v_3) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m 1 + m + 1 + m + 2 \\ &= 3m + 3 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\text{supp}(v_{n-1}) = 3m + 3;$$

For  $i = 3, 4, \dots, n - 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(v_i) &= \sum_{v \in N(v_i)} \text{deg}(v) \\ &= \text{deg}(v_{i-1}) + \sum_{j=1}^n \text{deg}(u_{ij}) + \text{deg}(v_{i+1}) \\ &= m + 2 + \sum_{j=1}^m 1 + m + 2 \\ &= 3m + 4 \end{aligned}$$

For  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(u_{1j}) &= \text{deg}(v_1) \\ &= m + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$\text{supp}(u_{nj}) = m + 1;$$

For  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n - 1$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$   
 $supp(u_{ij}) = deg(v_i)$   
 $= m + 2$

Similarly,

$$supp(u_{nj}) = m + 2;$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} supp(G) &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} supp(v) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n supp(v_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^m supp(u_{ij}) \\ &= supp(v_1) + supp(v_2) + \sum_{i=3}^{n-2} supp(v_i) + supp(v_{n-1}) + supp(v_n) \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^m supp(u_{1j}) + \sum_{j=1}^m supp(u_{nj}) + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^m supp(u_{ij}) \\ &= 2m + 2 + 3m + 3 + \sum_{i=3}^{n-2} 3m + 4 + 3m + 3 + 2m + 2 \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^m (m + 1) + \sum_{j=1}^m (m + 1) + \sum_{i=2}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^m (m + 2) \\ &= 10m + 10 + (3m + 4)(n - 4) + m(m + 1) + m(m + 1) \\ &\quad + (n - 2)m(m + 2) \\ &= 4n - 6 + 3mn + 2m^2 + m^2n - 2m^2 + 2mn - 4m \\ supp(G) &= 5mn + m^2n + 4n - 4m - 6. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $G$  be a tadpole graph. Then  $supp(G) = 4(m + n) + 2$

**Proof:** Let  $G$  be a tadpole graph. Let  $V(G) = \{x, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{m-1}, u_1, \dots, u_n\}$  such that  $deg(x) = 3; deg(v_i) = 2$ , for all  $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, m - 1$ ;  $deg(u_n) = 1$  and  $deg(u_i) = 2$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} supp(x) &= \sum_{v \in N(x)} deg(v) \\ &= deg(v_1) + deg(v_{m-1}) + deg(u_1) \\ &= 2 + 2 + 2 = 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} supp(v_1) &= \sum_{v \in N(v_1)} deg(v) \\ &= deg(x) + deg(v_2) \\ &= 3 + 2 = 5 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$supp(v_{m-1}) = 5 \text{ and } supp(u_1) = 5;$$

For  $i = 2, 3, \dots, m - 2$

$$\begin{aligned} supp(v_i) &= \sum_{v \in N(v_i)} deg(v) \\ &= deg(v_{i-1}) + deg(v_{i+1}) \\ &= 2 + 2 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

For  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n - 2$

$$\begin{aligned} supp(u_i) &= \sum_{v \in N(u_i)} deg(v) \\ &= deg(u_{i-1}) + deg(u_{i+1}) \\ &= 2 + 2 = 4 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} supp(u_{n-1}) &= \sum_{v \in N(u_{n-1})} deg(v) \\ &= deg(u_{n-2}) + deg(u_n) \\ &= 2 + 1 = 3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} supp(u_n) &= \sum_{v \in N(u_n)} deg(v) \\ &= deg(u_{n-1}) = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} supp(G) &= \sum_{v \in V(G)} supp(v) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} supp(v_i) + supp(x) + \sum_{i=1}^n supp(u_i) \\ &= supp(v_1) + supp(v_{m-1}) + \sum_{i=2}^{m-2} supp(v_i) + supp(x) \\ &\quad + supp(u_1) + \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} supp(u_i) + supp(u_{n-1}) + supp(u_n) \\ &= 5 + 5 + \sum_{i=2}^{m-2} 4 + 6 + 5 + \sum_{i=2}^{n-2} 4 + 3 + 2 \\ &= 26 + (m - 3)4 + 4(n - 3) \\ supp(G) &= 4m + 4n + 2. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.4.** Let  $G$  be a butterfly graph. Then  $supp(G) = 32$

**Proof.** Let  $G$  be a butterfly graph. Let  $V(G) = \{x, v_1, v_2, v_3, v_4\}$  such that  $deg(x) = 4; deg(v_i) = 2$ , for all  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ;

$$supp(x) = \sum_{v \in N(x)} deg(v)$$

$$= \text{deg}(v_1) + \text{deg}(v_2) + \text{deg}(v_3) + \text{deg}(v_4) \\ = 8$$

For  $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$

$$\text{supp}(v_i) = \sum_{v \in N(v_i)} \text{deg}(v) \\ = 2 + 4 \\ = 6$$

Now,

$$\text{supp}(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} \text{supp}(v) \\ = \text{supp}(v_1) + \text{supp}(v_2) + \text{supp}(v_3) + \text{supp}(v_4) + \text{supp}(x) \\ = 32$$

**Theorem 3.5** Let  $G = D_{(n)}^{(m)}$  be a Dutch windmill graph. Then  $\text{supp}(G) = 4m(n + m - 1)$

**Proof.** Let  $G = D_{(n)}^{(m)}$  be a Dutch windmill graph. Let  $V(G) = \{x, v_1^i, v_2^i, v_3^i, \dots, v_{n-1}^i\}$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  such that  $\text{deg}(x) = 2m$ ;  $\text{deg}(v_j^i) = 2$ , for all  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n - 1$ ;

$$\text{supp}(x) = \sum_{v \in N(x)} \text{deg}(v) \\ = \sum_{i=1}^m (\text{deg}(v_1^i) + \text{deg}(v_{n-1}^i)) \\ = \sum_{i=1}^m (4) \\ = 4m$$

For  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$

$$\text{supp}(v_1^i) = \sum_{v \in N(v_1^i)} \text{deg}(v) \\ = 2m + 2$$

Similarly,

$$\text{supp}(v_{n-1}^i) = 2m + 2$$

For  $j = 2, 3, \dots, n - 2$

$$\text{supp}(v_j^i) = \sum_{v \in N(v_j^i)} \text{deg}(v) \\ = 2 + 2 = 4$$

Now,

$$\text{supp}(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} \text{supp}(v) \\ = \text{supp}(x) + \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \text{supp}(v_j^i) \\ = 4m + 2m(2m + 2) + 4m(n - 3) \\ = 4m^2 - 4m + 4mn \\ = 4m(m + n - 1)$$

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $G = L_{2n}$ . Then  $\text{supp}(G) = 18n - 20$ .

**Proof.** Let  $G = L_{2n}$  be a Ladder graph with  $2n$  vertices. Let  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n, u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$  and  $\text{deg}(v_i) = \text{deg}(u_i) = 2$  for all  $i = 1, n$ ;  $\text{deg}(v_i) = \text{deg}(u_i) = 3$  for all  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n - 1$ . Then

$$\text{supp}(v_1) = \sum_{v \in N(v_1)} \text{deg}(v) \\ = \text{deg}(u_1) + \text{deg}(v_2) \\ \text{supp}(v_1) = 5$$

Similarly,

$$\text{supp}(v_n) = \text{supp}(u_1) = \text{supp}(u_n) = 5.$$

$$\text{supp}(v_2) = \sum_{v \in N(v_2)} \text{deg}(v) \\ = \text{deg}(u_2) + \text{deg}(v_1) + \text{deg}(v_3) \\ \text{supp}(v_2) = 8$$

Similarly,

$$\text{supp}(u_2) = \text{supp}(u_{n-1}) = \text{supp}(v_{n-1}) = 8.$$

For each  $i = 3, 4, \dots, n - 2$ ,

$$\text{supp}(v_i) = \sum_{v \in N(v_i)} \text{deg}(v) \\ = \text{deg}(u_i) + \text{deg}(v_{i-1}) + \text{deg}(v_{i+1}) \\ \text{supp}(v_i) = 9, \text{ for all } i = 3, 4, \dots, n - 2.$$

Similarly,

$$\text{supp}(u_i) = 9, \text{ for all } i = 3, 4, \dots, n - 2.$$

Now,

$$\text{supp}(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} \text{supp}(v) \\ = \sum_{i=1, n} \text{supp}(v_i) + \sum_{i=1, n} \text{supp}(u_i) + \sum_{i=2, n-1} \text{supp}(v_i)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \sum_{i=2, n-1} \text{supp}(u_i) + \sum_{i=3}^{n-2} \text{supp}(v_i) + \sum_{i=3}^{n-2} \text{supp}(u_i) \\
 & = \sum_{i=1, n} 5 + \sum_{i=1, n} 5 + \sum_{i=2, n-1} 8 + \sum_{i=2, n-1} 8 + \sum_{i=3}^{n-2} 9 + \sum_{i=3}^{n-2} 9 \\
 \text{supp}(G) & = 18n - 20.
 \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 3.7.** For any graph  $G$ ,  $\text{supp}(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} (\text{deg}(v))^2$ .

**Proof.** Let  $v \in V(G)$  be an arbitrary vertex of  $G$  such that  $\text{deg}(v) = k$  and let  $N(v) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_k\}$ . Then  $\text{supp}(v) = \sum_{i=1}^k \text{deg}(v_i)$ . Similarly,  $\text{supp}(v_i)$  must contain  $\text{deg}(v)$  as its summand, for each  $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . Hence, if  $\text{deg}(v) = k$ , then  $\text{supp}(G)$  must contain  $\text{deg}(v)$  as its summand at exactly  $k$  times, since  $\text{supp}(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} \text{supp}(v)$ . That is,  $\text{supp}(G)$  must contain  $k \text{deg}(v)$  as its summand. This implies that  $\text{supp}(G)$  must contain  $(\text{deg}(v))^2$  as its summand. Since  $v$  is arbitrary,  $\text{supp}(G)$  must contain  $(\text{deg}(v))^2$  as its summand for all  $v \in V(G)$ . Hence  $\text{supp}(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} (\text{deg}(v))^2$ .

**Theorem 3.8** Let  $G \circ K_1$  be a corona product of  $G$  and  $K_1$ . Then  $\text{supp}(G \circ K_1) = \text{supp}(G) + 4m + 2n$ , where  $n$  and  $m$  are the order and size of  $G$  respectively.

**Proof.** Let  $G$  be an any graph of order  $n$  and size  $m$ . Let  $G \circ K_1$  be a corona product of  $G$  and  $K_1$ . By Theorem (3.7),  $\text{supp}(G \circ K_1) = \sum_{v \in V(G \circ K_1)} (\text{deg}(v))^2 = \sum_{v \in V(G)} (\text{deg}(v) + 1)^2 + n$ , Since degree of each vertex,  $v$  in  $G \circ K_1$  increases one from its corresponding vertex in  $G$ . Therefore  $\text{supp}(G \circ K_1) = \text{supp}(G) + 4m + 2n$ .

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