Closed Support of a Graph under Multiplication

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Abstract

In this paper, the Closed support of a vertex v under multiplication and Closed support of a graph G under multiplication is defined and studied. Also, we find the value of Closed support of some namely graphs like Dutch windmill graph, Butterfly graph and Ladder graph.

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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 *n*eighbourhood 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 $\bigcup_{v \in X} N_G(v)$ and the *c*losed 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: $L_{n,1} = P_n \times P_1$.

A closed support of a vertex v under multiplication is defined by $\prod_{u \in N[v]} deg(u)$ and is denoted by mult[v]. A closed support of a graph G under multiplication is defined by $\prod_{u \in V(G)} mult[u]$ and it is denoted by mult[G].

II. DEFINITIONS

Definition 2.1. A closed support of a vertex v under multiplication is defined by $\prod_{u \in N[v]} \deg(u)$ and is denoted by mult[v].

Definition 2.2. A closed support of a graph G under multiplication is defined by $\prod_{u \in V(G)} \text{mult}[u]$ and it is denoted by mult[G].

III. RESULTS

Proposition 3.1. For a Path P_n , $(n \ge 2)$, $mult[P_n] = 8^{n-2}$. **Proof:** Let *G* be a path on *n* vertices and let $V(G) = \{u_1, u_2, ..., u_n\}$ where $deg(u_1) = deg(u_n) = 1$ and $deg(u_i) = 1$. 2 for i = 2, 3, ..., n - 1.

If n = 2, 3, or 4, then clearly mult[G] = 1, 8 and 64 respectively. Let $n \ge 5$. Then

$$mult[u_1] = mult[u_n] = 2,$$
$$mult[u_2] = mult[u_{n-1}] = 4$$

and

$$mult[u_i] = \prod_{v \in N[u_i]} deg(v) = 8.$$

Therefore

$$mult[G] = \prod_{u \in V(G)} (2^2) \times (4^2) \times (8^{(n-4)})$$

= 8ⁿ⁻².

Theorem 3.2. For any *r*-regular connected graph *G* of order $n \ge 2$, mult $[G] = r^{n(r+1)}$. **Proof.** Let G be a r-regular connected graph on n vertices and let $V(G) = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ where $deg(u_i) = r$ for all i.

Let $n \ge 2$. Then

$$mult[u_i] = \prod_{v \in N[u_i]} deg(v)$$

= $r \times r \times ... \times r$ (r + 1 - times).

Thus

$$mult[u_i] = r^{r+1}$$

and hence

$$mult[G] = r^{r+1} \times r^{r+1} \times \dots \times r^{r+1}$$
$$= r^{n(r+1)}.$$

Corollary 3.3. For a Cycle C_n , $(n \ge 3)$, $mult[C_n] = 8^n$.

Corollary 3.4. For a complete graph K_n , $(n \ge 2)$, $mult[K_n] = (n-1)^{n^2}$.

Corollary 3.5. For a Petersen graph P, $mult[P] = 3^{40}$.

Proposition 3.6. For a complete bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$, $(m, n \ge 1)$, $mult[K_{m,n}] = (mn)^{mn} \times n^m \times m^n$. **Proof.** Let $G = K_{m,n}$ be a complete bipartite graph with bipartition (V_1, V_2) where $V_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}$ and $V_2 =$ $\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}.$ Then $deg(u_i) = n$ and $deg(v_i) = m$ for all i, j.

Thus

$$mult[u_i] = \prod_{v \in N[u_i]} deg(v) = n \times m^n$$

for i = 1, 2, ..., m. Similarly,

$$mult[v_i] = m \times n^m$$

for j = 1, 2, ..., n. Therefore

$$mult[G] = n^m \times m^{nm} \times m^n \times n^{mn}$$
$$= (mn)^{mn} \times n^m \times m^n.$$

Proposition 3.7. Let $G = L_{2n}$, $(n \ge 4)$, be a Ladder graph. Then $mult[G] = 2^1 2 \times 3^{8(n-2)}$. **Proof.** Let $G = L_{2n}$, $n \ge 4$. Let $V(G) = \{u_1, u_2, ..., u_n, v_1, v_2, ..., v_n\}$ where $deg(u_1) = deg(u_n) = deg(v_1) = d$ $deg(v_n) = 2$ and $deg(u_i) = deg(v_i) = 3$ for i = 2, 3, ..., n - 1. Then

$$mult[u_1] = mult[v_1] = mult[u_n] = mult[v_n] = 12$$

 $mult[u_2] = mult[v_2] = mult[u_{n-1}] = mult[v_{n-1}] = 54$

and

$$mult[u_i] = \prod_{v \in N[u_i]} deg(v) = 81.$$

Similarly,

$$mult[v_i] = 81$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} mult[G] &= \Pi_{u \in V(G)} mult[u] \\ &= (12)^4 \times (54)^4 \times (81)^{2n-8} \\ &= 2^8 \times 3^4 \times 3^8 \times 3^4 \times 2^4 \times 3^{(4n-16)} \times 3^{(4n-16)} \\ &= 2^{12} \times 3^{(8n-16)} \\ &= 2^{12} \times 3^{8(n-2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Proposition 3.8. For a Fan F_n , $(n \ge 4)$, $mult[F_n] = 2^6 \times 3^{4(n-3)} \times (n-1)^n$. **Proof:** Let $G = F_n (n \ge 4)$. Let $V(G) = \{u, u_1, u_2, ..., u_{n-1}\}$ where deg(u) = n - 1, $deg(u_1) = deg(u_{n-1}) = 2$ and $deg(u_i) = 3$ for i = 2, 3, ..., n - 2.

Then

$$mult[u] = (n-1) \times 2^2 \times 3^{n-3},$$

$$mult[u_1] = mult[u_{n-1}] = 6 \times (n-1),$$

$$mult[u_2] = mult[u_{n-2}] = 18 \times (n-1)$$

and

$$mult[u_i] = \prod_{v \in N[u_i]} deg(v) = 27 \times (n-1)$$

for
$$i = 2, 3, ..., n - 3$$
. Therefore
 $mult[G] = \prod_{v \in V(G)} mult[v]$
 $= 2^2 \times (n-1) \times 3^{n-3} \times 6^2 \times (n-1)^2 \times (18)^2 \times (n-1)^2 \times (27)^{n-5} \times (n-1)^{n-5}$
 $= 2^2 \times (n-1) \times 3^{n-3} \times 2^2 \times 3^2 \times (n-1)^2 \times 2^2 \times 3^4 \times (n-1)^2 \times 3^{3n-15} \times (n-1)^n$
 $= 2^6 \times 3^{4(n-3)} \times (n-1)^n$.

Theorem 3.9 Let $G = L_{2n}$. Then $mult[G] = 12^4 \times 54^4 \times 81^{2(n-4)}$. **Proof:** Let $G = L_{2n}$ be a Ladder graph with 2n vertices. Let $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, ..., v_n, u_1, u_2, ..., u_n\}$ and $deg(v_i) = deg(u_i) = 2$ for all i = 1, n; $deg(v_i) = 1$ $deg(u_i) = 3$ for all i = 2, 3, ..., n - 1. Then $mult[v_1] = \prod_{v \in N[v_1]} deg(v)$ $= deg(u_1) \times deg(v_2) \times deg(v_1)$ $mult[v_1] = 2 \times 2 \times 3 = 12$ Similarly, $mult[v_n] = mult[u_1] = mult[u_n] = 12.$ $mult[v_2] = \prod_{v \in N[v_2]} deg(v)$ $= deg[u_2] \times deg[v_1] \times deg[v_3] \times deg[v_2]$ $mult[v_1] = 3 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3$ $mult[v_2] = 54$ Similarly, $mult[u_2] = mult[u_{n-1}] = mult[v_{n-1}] = 54.$ Foreachi = 3, 4, ..., n - 2, $mult[v_i] = \prod_{v \in N[v_i]} deg(v)$ $= deg(u_i) + deg(v_{i-1}) + deg(v_{i+1}) + deg(v_i)$ $mult[v_1] = 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3$ $mult[v_i] = 81$, for all i = 3, 4, ..., n - 2. Similarly, $mult[u_i] = 81$, for all i = 3, 4, ..., n - 2. Now, $mult[G] = \prod_{v \in V(G)} mult[v]$ $= \prod_{i=1,n} mult[v_i] \times \prod_{i=1,n} mult[u_i] \times \prod_{i=2,n-1} mult[v_i] \times \prod_{i=2,n-1} mult[u_i]$ $\times \prod_{i=3}^{n-2} mult[v_i] \times \prod_{i=3}^{n-2} mult[u_i]$ $= \Pi_{i=1,n} 12 \times \Pi_{i=1,n} 12 \times \Pi_{i=2,n-1} 54 \times \Pi_{i=2,n-1} 54 \times \Pi_{i=3}^{n-2} 81 \times \Pi_{i=3}^{n-2} 81$ $mult[G] = 12^4 \times 54^4 \times 81^{2(n-4)}.$

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Theorem 3.10.Let $G = K_m(a_1, a_2, ..., a_m)$. Then $mult[G] = n^{n(n+1)}$. Proof. Let $G = K_m(a_1, a_2, ..., a_m)$ be a multistar graph of order $m + a_1 + a_2 + \dots + a_m$. Let $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, ..., v_n, u_1, u_2, ..., u_n\}$ such that $deg(v_i) = n$ and $deg(u_i) = 1$ for all i = 1, 2, ..., n. $mult[u_i] = \Pi_{v \in N[u_i]} deg(v)$ $mult[u_i] = n$ $mult[v_i] = \prod_{v \in N[v_i]} deg(v)$ $mult[v_i] = n^n$ Now, $mult[G] = \prod_{v \in V(G)} mult[v]$ $= \prod_{i=1}^n mult[v_i] \times \prod_{i=1}^n mult[u_i]$ $mult[G] = n^{n(n+1)}$.

Theorem 3.11.Let G be a butterfly graph. Then $mult[G] = 2^{22}$ **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;

 $= deg(v_1) \times deg(v_2) \times deg(v_3) \times deg(v_4) \times deg(x)$ $= 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 4 = 64$

For i = 1, 2, 3, 4

Now,

$$\begin{split} mult[G] &= \Pi_{v \in V(G)} mult[v] \\ &= mult[v_1] \times mult[v_2] \times mult[v_3] \times mult[v_4] \times mult[x] \\ &= 2^{22} \end{split}$$

Theorem 3.12 Let $G = D_{(n)}^{(m)}$ be a Dutch windmill graph. Then $mult[G] = 2m^{m+1}2^{3m(n-1)}$

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

$$= deg(x) \times \prod_{i=1}^{m} (deg(v_1^i) \times deg(v_{n-1}^i))$$
$$= 4^m \times 2m$$

For i = 1, 2, ..., m

$$mult[v_1^i] = \prod_{v \in N[v_1^i]} deg(v)$$
$$= 8m$$

 $mult[x] = \prod_{v \in N[x]} deg(v)$

 $mult[v_i] = \prod_{v \in N[v_i]} deg(v)$

 $= 2 \times 4 \times 2$ = 16

Similarly,

 $mult[v_{n-1}^i] = 8m.$

For
$$j = 2, 3, ..., n - 2$$
,
 $mult[v_j^i] = \prod_{v \in N[v_i^i]} deg(v)$

 $= 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 8$

Now.

 $\begin{aligned} mult[G] &= \Pi_{v \in V(G)} mult[v] \\ &= mult[x] \times \Pi_{i=1}^{m} \Pi_{j=1}^{n-1} mult[v_{j}^{i}] \\ &= 2m^{(m+1)} 2^{3m(n-1)} \end{aligned}$

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