

# Some Properties of the Fibonacci-difference Graph and Bounds for its Energy

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**Abstract**The 'Fibonacci sequence', a unique and acclaimed series of integers, albeit simple and abstract in principle, plays a significant role in modern mathematics. In this paper, we introduce the Fibonacci-difference graph  $G_n$  and investigate some of its properties. We also present various bounds for the energy of  $G_n$ . Finally we introduce a new variant of graph energy called the equi-degree energy and obtain its spectrum for  $G_n$  whenever  $n$  is a Fibonacci number.

## 1 Introduction

The Fibonacci sequence  $\{F_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  is defined by  $F_1 = 1, F_2 = 2$  and for  $n \geq 3, F_n = F_{n-1} + F_{n-2}$ . For millennia, the Fibonacci sequence has been a mainstay of mathematical theory due to its remarkable precision in modeling real-world phenomena and its ability to provide elegant solutions to technical quandaries. The simplistic sequence, whose elements are derived by adding the previous two terms together, is ostensibly unrivalled in its applicability to patterns in nature, art, and technical disciplines. It is an invaluable implement utilized in algorithm development in computer science. Unlike binary search, Fibonacci search divides large arrays into unequal intervals and uses simple addition and subtraction operations rather than the division operation used in binary search. As a result, Fibonacci search examines relatively more nearby elements in subsequent steps, narrowing down data location search. Inspired by the work of A. Arman, David S. Gunderson, Pak Ching Li's [[2]] on the Fibonacci-sum graph, in this paper we introduce the Fibonacci-difference graph and analyze some of its properties.

For each positive integer  $n \geq 1$ , the Fibonacci-difference graph  $G_n = (V, E)$  is a simple graph defined on the vertex set  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and the edge set  $E = \{v_i v_j \mid |i - j| \text{ is a Fibonacci number for } i \neq j\}$ .

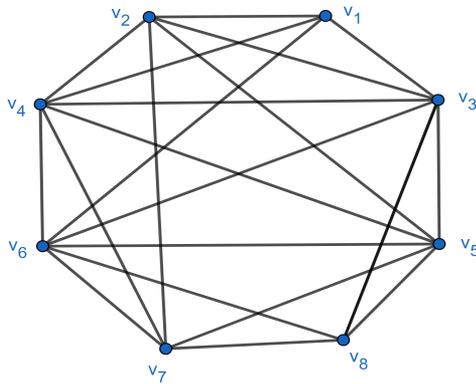
The graph shown in the figure below is the Fibonacci-difference graph  $G_8$ .

In this paper the results corresponding to the Fibonacci-difference graph is structured as follows: In Section 2, some properties of Fibonacci-difference graph related to the vertex degree, the degree sequence and the connectivity of the graphs are discussed. In Section 3, we derive two upper bounds and a lower bound for the energy of the Fibonacci-difference graph. In Section 4, the adjacency matrix of the Fibonacci-difference graph which is a toeplitz matrix is studied by expressing it as a sum of two known matrices and hence a bound for its energy is obtained. Section 5 investigates a new variant of graph energy called equi-degree energy for the Fibonacci-difference graph.

## 2 Properties of the Fibonacci-difference graph

In this section we study certain basic properties of Fibonacci-difference graph.

**Proposition 2.1.** *The Fibonacci-difference graph  $G_n$  has a Hamiltonian path for all  $n \geq 2$ . Moreover it is not unique for  $n \geq 3$ .*



**Figure 1.** The Fibonacci-difference graph  $G_8$

*Proof.* Since  $v_i v_{i+1}$  is an edge in  $G_n$  for  $i = 1$  to  $n - 1$ , we have  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$  is a Hamiltonian path in  $G_n$ . For  $n \geq 3$ ,  $v_1, v_3, v_2, v_4, v_5, \dots, v_n$  is also a Hamiltonian path in  $G_n$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.2.** *The Fibonacci-difference graph  $G_n$  is complete if and only if  $n$  is either 2,3 or 4.*

*Proof.* For  $n = 2, 3$  and  $4$ ,  $G_n$  is complete. If  $n \geq 5$ , then there is no edge between  $v_1$  and  $v_5$ . Hence  $G_n$  is not complete for  $n \geq 5$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.3.** *For  $n \geq 3$ , in  $G_n$ , every vertex has more than one neighbor.*

*Proof.* Note that  $v_2$  and  $v_3$  are neighbors of  $v_1$ . For,  $2 \leq i \leq n - 1$ ,  $v_{i-1}$  and  $v_{i+1}$  are neighbors of  $v_i$ . Also,  $v_{n-1}$  and  $v_{n-2}$  are adjacent to  $v_n$ . Thus each vertex has at least two neighbors.  $\square$

**Proposition 2.4.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  and let  $d$  be such that  $F_d \leq n < F_{d+1}$ . Then*

$$\deg(v_n) = \begin{cases} d - 1 & \text{if } n = F_d, \\ d & \text{if } F_d < n < F_{d+1}. \end{cases}$$

*Proof.* In  $G_n$ , the vertex  $v_n$  is adjacent to

$$v_{n-F_1}, v_{n-F_2}, \dots, v_{n-F_{d-1}} \quad \text{if } n = F_d,$$

and  $v_n$  is adjacent to

$$v_{n-F_1}, v_{n-F_2}, \dots, v_{n-F_d} \quad \text{if } F_d < n < F_{d+1}.$$

Thus

$$\deg(v_n) = \begin{cases} d - 1 & \text{if } n = F_d, \\ d & \text{if } F_d < n < F_{d+1}. \end{cases}$$

$\square$

**Proposition 2.5.** *For each  $n \geq 1$ ,  $G_n$  is connected.*

*Proof.* For  $n = 1$ , the proof is obvious. Suppose  $1 \leq i < j \leq n$ . Then,  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  are connected by the path  $v_i, v_{i+1}, v_{i+2}, \dots, v_j$ .  $\square$

**Proposition 2.6.** *Let  $n \geq 2$  and  $d$  be such that  $F_d \leq n < F_{d+1}$ . Then in  $G_n$ ,  $\deg(v_{F_d}) = d - 1 + k$ , where ‘ $k$ ’ is the number of Fibonacci numbers less than or equal to  $n - F_d$ .*

*Proof.* The neighbors of  $v_{F_d}$  are

$$v_{F_d-F_1}, v_{F_d-F_2}, \dots, v_{F_d-F_{d-1}},$$

and

$$v_{F_d+F_1}, v_{F_d+F_2}, \dots, v_{F_d+F_k},$$

where  $F_k$  is the largest Fibonacci number such that  $F_k \leq n - F_d$ . Thus,  $deg(v_{F_d}) = d - 1 + k$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.7.** Let  $n \geq 2$  and let  $k \in [1, n]$ . Let  $N(0) = 0$  and for  $m \geq 1$ ,  $N(m)$  be the number of Fibonacci numbers less than or equal to  $m$ . Then

$$deg(v_k) = N(k - 1) + N(n - k).$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $1 \leq i < k$ . Then  $v_k$  is adjacent to  $v_i$ , if  $k - i$  is a Fibonacci number. Thus among  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{k-1}$  there are  $N(k - 1)$  vertices adjacent to  $v_k$ . Suppose  $k < i \leq n$ . Then  $v_k$  and  $v_i$  are adjacent if and only if  $i - k$  is a Fibonacci number. Thus among  $v_{k+1}, v_{k+2}, \dots, v_n$  there are  $N(n - k)$  vertices adjacent to  $v_k$ . Hence the result.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.8.** If  $F_d \leq n < F_{d+1}$ , then

$$deg(v_1) = N(0) + N(n - 1) = \begin{cases} d - 1 & \text{if } n = F_d, \\ d & \text{if } n > F_d. \end{cases}$$

**Corollary 2.9.**

$$deg(v_k) = deg(v_{n-k+1}).$$

*Proof.* We have

$$deg(v_k) = N(k - 1) + N(n - k),$$

and

$$deg(v_{n-k+1}) = N(n - k) + N(k - 1).$$

Hence

$$deg(v_k) = deg(v_{n-k+1}).$$

This implies

$$deg(v_1) = deg(v_n), \quad deg(v_2) = deg(v_{n-1}), \quad deg(v_3) = deg(v_{n-2}), \dots$$

$\square$

**Corollary 2.10.** If  $n$  is even, there are at least two vertices having maximum degree  $\Delta$  in  $G_n$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $n$  is even. Since  $N(m)$  is monotonically increasing function,  $v_{\frac{n}{2}}$  and  $v_{\frac{n}{2}+1}$  have maximum degree in  $G_n$ . Also, we have

$$deg(v_{\frac{n}{2}}) = deg(v_{\frac{n}{2}+1})$$

and hence

$$\Delta = deg(v_{\frac{n}{2}}) = N\left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right) + N\left(\frac{n}{2}\right) = \begin{cases} 2N\left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right) & \text{if } \frac{n}{2} \text{ is not a Fibonacci number,} \\ 2N\left(\frac{n}{2} - 1\right) + 1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$\square$

**Corollary 2.11.** If  $n$  is odd, then  $v_{\frac{n+1}{2}}$  has maximum degree in  $G_n$ . In fact

$$\Delta = deg(v_{\frac{n+1}{2}}) = 2N\left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right).$$

**Remark 2.12.** 1. If  $n$  is even, then maximum degree of  $G_n$  is even if  $\frac{n}{2}$  is not a Fibonacci number and maximum degree of  $G_n$  is odd if  $\frac{n}{2}$  is a Fibonacci number.  
 2. If  $n$  is odd, then maximum degree of  $G_n$  is even.

**Corollary 2.13.** Let  $n \geq 2$  and  $F_d \leq n - 1 < F_{d+1}$ . Then the number of edges in  $G_n$  is given by

$$|E(G_n)| = nd + 2 - F_{d+2}.$$

*Proof.* By Theorem 2.7, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |E(G_n)| &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \deg(v_k) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \{N(k-1) + N(n-k)\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n N(k-1) + \sum_{k=1}^n N(n-k) \right\} \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} N(k) = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} N(k) \\ &= (F_2 - F_1) + 2(F_3 - F_2) + 3(F_4 - F_3) + \dots + (d-1)(F_d - F_{d-1}) + d(n - F_d) \\ &= -F_1 - F_2 - F_3 - \dots - F_d + nd \\ &= -(F_{d+2} - 2) + nd \\ &= nd + 2 - F_{d+2}. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Example 2.14.** For  $n = 5$ , since  $F_3 < 4 < F_4$ , by above theorem

$$|E(G_5)| = 9.$$

**Theorem 2.15.** The degree sequence of  $G_{F_d}$ , ( $d \geq 6$ ) is

$$(2d-4)^{F_{d-1}-F_{d-5}}, (2d-5)^{2F_{d-5}}, \dots, (d+2)^{2F_2}, (d+1)^{2F_1}, d^2, (d-1)^2.$$

Here,  $\alpha^m$  means degree  $\alpha$  appears  $m$  times.

*Proof.* For  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, (d-4)$ , define

$$A_m = B_m \cup C_m$$

where

$$B_0 = \{v_1\}, C_0 = \{v_{F_d}\},$$

and

$$B_m = \{v_k \mid F_m < k \leq F_{m+1}\},$$

$$C_m = \{v_k \mid F_d - F_{m+1} + 1 \leq k < F_d - F_m + 1\}, (1 \leq m \leq d-4).$$

Also, define  $A_{d-3} = \{v_k \mid F_{d-3} + 1 \leq k \leq F_d - F_{d-3}\}$ .

It is easy to check that  $B_m \cap C_m = \phi$  for  $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots, (d-4)$ ,  $A_i \cap A_j = \phi$  for  $i \neq j$  and

$$V(G_{F_d}) = \bigcup_{m=0}^{d-3} A_m.$$

Note that,  $|B_0| = |C_0| = 1$ ,  $|B_1| = |C_1| = 1$ ,  $|B_m| = |C_m| = F_{m-1}$ , ( $2 \leq m \leq d-4$ ).

Hence,  $|A_0| = 2$ ,  $|A_1| = 2$ ,  $|A_m| = |B_m| + |C_m| = 2F_{m-1}$ , ( $2 \leq m \leq d-4$ ).

Moreover,  $|A_{d-3}| = F_d - 2F_{d-3} = F_{d-1} - F_{d-5}$ .

Now, we shall show that degree of each vertex in  $A_m$  is same.

**Case (i):** Degree of each vertex in  $A_0$  is  $d-1$ .

In fact neighbors of  $v_1$  are  $v_{F_1+1}, v_{F_2+1}, \dots, v_{F_{d-1}+1}$  and hence  $d(v_1) = d-1$ . Also  $d(v_{F_d}) = d(v_1) = d-1$  ( $\because d(v_k) = d(v_{F_d-k+1})$ ).

Thus degree  $(d-1)$  repeat 2 times.

**Case (ii):** Degree of each vertex in  $A_1$  is  $d$ .

The neighbors of  $v_2$  are  $v_{F_1+2}, v_{F_2+2}, \dots, v_{F_{d-1}+2}, v_{2-F_1}$ .

So,  $d(v_2) = d$ . Also,  $d(v_{F_d-1}) = d(v_2) = d$ .

Hence two vertices have degree  $d$ .

**Case (iii):** Degree of each vertex in  $A_m, (2 \leq m \leq d - 4)$  is  $(d - 1 + m)$ .

Suppose  $v_k \in B_m$ , i.e.,  $F_m < k \leq F_{m+1} \leq F_{d-3}$ .

The neighbors of  $v_k$  are  $v_{F_1+k}, v_{F_2+k}, \dots, v_{F_{d-1}+k}, v_{k-F_1}, v_{k-F_2}, \dots, v_{k-F_m}$ .

Thus,  $d(v_k) = d - 1 + m$ . Since  $d(v_k) = d(v_{F_d-k+1})$ , it follows that degree of each vertex in  $C_m (2 \leq m \leq d - 4)$  is also  $(d - 1 + m)$ . Hence  $(d - 1 + m)$  repeat  $|A_m| = 2F_{m-1}$  times  $(2 \leq m \leq d - 4)$ .

**Case (iv):** Degree of each vertex in  $A_{d-3}$  is  $(2d - 4)$ .

Suppose  $v_k \in A_{d-3}$ . Then,  $k \in [F_{d-3} + 1, F_d - F_{d-3}]$ .

Since  $[F_{d-3} + 1, F_d - F_{d-3}] = [F_{d-3} + 1, F_{d-2}] \cup [F_{d-2}, F_{d-1}] \cup [F_{d-1}, F_d - F_{d-3}]$ ,

$k \in [F_{d-3} + 1, F_{d-2}]$  or  $k \in [F_{d-2}, F_{d-1}]$  or  $k \in [F_{d-1}, F_d - F_{d-3}]$ .

Suppose  $k \in [F_{d-3} + 1, F_{d-2}]$ . We shall show that  $d(v_k) = 2d - 4$ .

In fact neighbors of  $v_k$  are  $v_{k+F_1}, v_{k+F_2}, \dots, v_{k+F_{d-1}}, v_{k-F_1}, v_{k-F_2}, v_{k-F_{d-3}}$ .

Thus  $d(v_k) = 2d - 4$ .

Similarly in other two cases we can show that  $d(v_k) = 2d - 4$ . Hence,  $(2d - 4)$  repeat  $|A_{d-3}| = F_d - 2F_{d-3} = F_{d-1} - F_{d-5}$  times.

So, the degree sequence of  $G_{F_d} (d \geq 6)$  is

$$(2d - 4)^{F_{d-1} - F_{d-5}}, (2d - 5)^{2F_{d-5}}, \dots, (d + 2)^{2F_2}, (d + 1)^{2F_1}, d^2, (d - 1)^2.$$

□

**Example 2.16.** The degree sequence of  $G_{F_6}$  is  $\{8^7, 7^2, 6^2, 5^2\}$ .

The degree sequence of  $G_{F_7}$  is  $\{10^{11}, 9^4, 8^2, 7^2, 6^2\}$ .

**Theorem 2.17.** If  $n \geq 3$ , then  $G_n$  has no pendent vertices.

*Proof.*  $G_3$  has no pendent vertices. For  $n \geq 4$  and  $F_d \leq n < F_{d+1}$ , the minimum degree  $\delta$  of  $G_n$  is given by

$$\delta = \deg(v_1) = \deg(v_n) = \begin{cases} d - 1 & \text{if } n = F_d, \\ d & \text{if } n > F_d. \end{cases}$$

Thus

$$\deg(v_k) \in \{d - 1, d, d + 1, \dots, \Delta\},$$

and

$$2 \leq d - 1 \leq \delta.$$

Thus

$$\deg(v_k) \neq 1 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq k \leq n.$$

□

**Theorem 2.18.** For  $n \geq 3$ ,  $G_n$  is not bipartite.

*Proof.*  $G_2$  is bipartite. For  $n \geq 3$ ,  $v_1v_2, v_1v_3, v_2v_3$  are adjacent in  $G_n$  which implies  $G_n$  contains a triangle. Hence  $G_n$  is not bipartite. □

**Proposition 2.19.** For  $n \geq 3$ , girth of  $G_n$  is 3.

*Proof.* In  $G_n (n \geq 3)$ ,  $(v_1, v_2, v_3)$  is a cycle. More generally,  $(v_i, v_{i+1}, v_{i+2})$  for  $1 \leq i \leq (n - 2)$ , is a 3-cycle. Hence, the length of the shortest cycle in  $G_n$  is 3. □

**Theorem 2.20.** Let  $n$  be a Fibonacci number. Then  $G_{n+1}$  contains a cycle of length  $n + 1$ .

*Proof.* Observe that  $(v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_{n+1}, v_1)$  is a cycle in  $G_{n+1}$  of length  $n + 1$ . □

**Theorem 2.21.** *Let  $n \geq 5$ . If  $C = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m)$  is a cycle in Fibonacci-difference graph  $G_n$ , then there do exist edges  $(v_i v_k)$  and  $(v_j v_l)$  in  $C$  with  $i < j < k < l$ . That is, there exists crossing chords inside  $C$ .*

*Proof.* If  $C = (v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m)$  is a cycle in  $G_n$ , ( $n \geq 5$ ). Then  $\{v_2 v_4\}$  and  $\{v_3 v_5\}$  are the crossing chords inside  $C$ . □

**Theorem 2.22.**  $G_n$  is non outer planar.

*Proof.* For  $n \geq 4$ ,  $G_n$  contains a complete graph  $K_4$  and also number of edges in  $G_n$  is greater than  $2n - 3$  for  $n > 1$ . Therefore  $G_n$  is non outer planar. □

### 3 Bounds for energy of $G_n$

The eigen structure of the toeplitz matrices is a task and often required in variety of problems, including trigonometric moment problems, optimum filtering, stochastic processes and signal processing. The adjacency matrix of the graph  $G_n$  denoted by  $A(G_n)$  is a symmetric toeplitz matrix of order  $n$  with the elements of the first row as  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$ , where

$$a_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } |i - 1| \text{ is a Fibonacci number,} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The purpose of this section is to obtain bounds for the energy of  $G_n$ .

Let  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \lambda_3 \dots \geq \lambda_n$  be the eigenvalues of  $A(G_n)$  and  $m$  be the number of edges in  $G_n$ . As well known,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = 0,$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2 = 2m,$$

and

$$\det A = \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i.$$

Also, The energy of  $G_n$ , denoted by  $\varepsilon(G_n)$  is defined as

$$\varepsilon(G_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|.$$

This concept was introduced by I. Gutman and extensive research has been done on energy of graphs. We make use of the following well known lemmas to prove our results.

**Lemma 3.1.** [5] *Let  $G$  be a graph with  $n \geq 2$  vertices and  $m$ -edges. Then for  $1 \leq r \leq n$ , we have*

$$\sqrt{\frac{2m(n-1)}{nr}} \geq \lambda_r \geq \sqrt{\frac{2m(r-1)}{n(n-r+1)}}.$$

**Lemma 3.2** ([5]). *Let  $G$  be a simple graph with  $n$  vertices and having degree sequence  $d_1 \geq d_2 \geq d_3 \geq \dots \geq d_n$ . Then,  $\lambda_1 \geq \frac{d_1+d_2}{\sqrt{2n}}$ .*

**Lemma 3.3.** [5] *We have  $\lambda_1(G) \leq \sqrt{2m - (n-1)d_n + (d_n - 1)d_1}$ , where  $d_1$  and  $d_n$  are the maximum and the minimum degrees of the vertices of the graph  $G$  respectively.*

**Theorem 3.4.** For the graph  $G_n$ , we have

$$\varepsilon(G_n) \leq \sqrt{\frac{(n-1)(4mn - (d_1 + d_2)^2)}{2n}} + \sqrt{\frac{2m(n-1)}{n}},$$

where  $m$  is the number of edges and  $d_1$  and  $d_2$  are the first and the second largest degrees respectively.

*Proof.* Let

$$f(x) = x^2 - kx + 1.$$

The function  $f(x)$  is increasing for  $x \geq \frac{k}{2}$  and decreasing for  $x < \frac{k}{2}$ . So,  $f(x) \geq f(\frac{k}{2})$ .

$$x^2 + \frac{k^2}{4} \geq kx.$$

Or equivalently,

$$x \leq \frac{x^2}{k} + \frac{k}{4}, \quad k > 0. \tag{3.1}$$

We have,

$$\varepsilon(G_n) = \lambda_1 + \sum_{i=2}^n |\lambda_i|.$$

Using (3.1), we have

$$\varepsilon(G_n) \leq \lambda_1 + \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{|\lambda_i|^2}{k} + \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{k}{4}.$$

Employing Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.2 in the above inequality we deduce

$$\varepsilon(G_n) \leq \sqrt{\frac{2m(n-1)}{n}} + \frac{2m}{k} - \frac{(d_1 + d_2)^2}{2nk} + \frac{k(n-1)}{4}.$$

Let

$$g(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2m(n-1)}{n}} + \frac{2m}{x} - \frac{(d_1 + d_2)^2}{2nx} + \frac{x(n-1)}{4}. \tag{3.2}$$

Then we can verify that the point at which the function  $g(x)$  attains its minimum value is

$$x = \sqrt{\frac{2(4mn - (d_1 + d_2)^2)}{n(n-1)}}. \tag{3.3}$$

On substituting (3.3) in (3.2) we get the required result. □

**Lemma 3.5.** [4] If  $G$  is a graph with  $n$  vertices with  $\lambda_1$  being the largest eigenvalue, then

$$\lambda_1(G) \geq \sqrt{d_1}$$

where  $d_1$  is the highest degree.

**Lemma 3.6.** [3] If  $G$  is a graph with  $n$  vertices and the clique number  $\omega$ , then,

$$\lambda_1 \leq \sqrt{\frac{2m(\omega-1)}{\omega}}.$$

**Theorem 3.7.** If  $G_n$  is non-singular, then we have

$$\varepsilon(G_n) \leq \sqrt{\frac{3m}{2}} + \frac{1}{4} \ln \left( \frac{\sqrt{\frac{3m}{2}}}{|\det A|} \right) + \frac{m}{2} - \frac{d_1}{4} + 2(n-1),$$

where  $m$  is the number of edges and  $d_1$  is the highest degree in  $G_n$ .

*Proof.* If  $G_n$  is non-singular, we have  $|\lambda_i| > 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Thus,

$$|\det A| = \prod_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i| > 0.$$

Also we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2 = 2m.$$

Now consider the function  $f(x) = x^2 - 4x - \ln x$ ,  $x > 0$ .

Since  $f'(x) = 2x - 4 - \frac{1}{x}$ ,  $f(x)$  increases for  $x \geq 1 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$  and decreases for  $x < 1 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}$ . Thus,

$$f(x) \geq f\left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}\right).$$

This implies,

$$x^2 - 4x - \ln x \geq \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}\right)^2 - 4\left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}\right) - \ln\left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}\right),$$

which implies,

$$x \leq \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{\ln x}{4} + \frac{\ln\left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2}\right)}{4} + \frac{2\sqrt{6} + 3}{8},$$

or

$$x \leq \frac{x^2}{4} - \frac{\ln x}{4} + 2. \tag{3.4}$$

Using (3.4), Lemma 3.5 and Lemma 3.6 we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon(G_n) &= \lambda_1 + \sum_{i=2}^n |\lambda_i| \\ &\leq \lambda_1 + \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{|\lambda_i|^2}{4} - \sum_{i=2}^n \frac{\ln|\lambda_i|}{4} + \sum_{i=2}^n 2 \\ &\leq \sqrt{\frac{3m}{2}} + \frac{1}{4}(2m - \lambda_1^2) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\ln|\lambda_i|}{4} + \frac{\ln(\lambda_1)}{4} + 2(n-1) \\ &\leq \sqrt{\frac{3m}{2}} + \left(\frac{m}{2} - \frac{d_1}{4}\right) - \frac{\ln|\det A|}{4} + \frac{1}{4}\ln\left(\sqrt{\frac{3m}{2}}\right) + 2(n-1). \end{aligned}$$

Hence the result. □

**Theorem 3.8.** *We have*

$$\varepsilon(G_n) \geq \frac{2md_1 - n\sqrt{2m - (n-1)d_n} + (d_n - 1)d_1}{d_1\sqrt{2m - (n-1)d_n} + (d_n - 1)d_1 - 1}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $p_1, p_2, p_3, \dots, p_n$  and  $q_1, q_2, q_3 \dots q_n$  be the real numbers for which there exists real constants  $r$  and  $R$  such that for each  $i, i = 1, 2, 3 \dots n$  and  $rp_i \leq q_i \leq Rp_i$ , the following inequality is valid [7]:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n q_i^2 + rR \sum_{i=1}^n p_i^2 \leq (r + R) \sum_{i=1}^n p_i q_i. \tag{3.5}$$

Equality in equation (3.5) holds if and only if for at least one  $i, 1 \leq i \leq n, rp_i = q_i = Rp_i$ .

For  $p_i = \frac{1}{d_1}, r = -1, R = d_1\sqrt{2m - (n-1)d_n} + (d_n - 1)d_1$  and  $q_i = |\lambda_i|$  in equation (3.5) we

get,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|^2 - \frac{n}{d_1} \sqrt{2m - (n-1)d_n + (d_n - 1)d_1} \\ & \leq \left( \sqrt{2m - (n-1)d_n + (d_n - 1)d_1} - \frac{1}{d_1} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|. \end{aligned}$$

Using the fact that  $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^2 = 2m$ , in the above equation, we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2md_1 - n\sqrt{2m - (n-1)d_n + (d_n - 1)d_1}}{d_1} \\ & \leq \left( \sqrt{2m - (n-1)d_n + (d_n - 1)d_1} - \frac{1}{d_1} \right) \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the result. □

### 4 Bounds for the energy of the graph $G_{F_d}$

Graphs with Fibonacci number of vertices are mathematically similar to hypercube graphs. These graphs support efficient protocol for routing and broadcasting in distributed computations. They serve as a network topological descriptor in parallel computing. In this section, we derive a new bound for the energy of the graph  $G_{F_d}$ .

#### 4.1 Splitting of a toeplitz matrix as the sum of Circulant and Skew Circulant matrices

Using the concept explained in the papers [8] and [6], we split the adjacency matrix  $A(G_{F_d})$  as the sum of a circulant matrix  $C$  and a skew-circulant matrix  $S$  whose first rows  $(c_1, c_2, c_3, \dots, c_n)$  and  $(c'_1, c'_2, c'_3, \dots, c'_n)$  are given by

$$c_1 = a_1 = 0, c_2 = \frac{a_2 + a_n}{2}, c_3 = \frac{a_3 + a_{n-1}}{2}, \dots, c_{n-1} = \frac{a_{n-1} + a_3}{2}, c_n = \frac{a_n + a_2}{2},$$

and

$$c'_1 = a_1 = 0, c'_2 = \frac{a_2 - a_n}{2}, c'_3 = \frac{a_3 - a_{n-1}}{2}, \dots, c'_{n-1} = \frac{a_{n-1} - a_3}{2}, c'_n = \frac{a_n - a_2}{2}.$$

Here  $a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_n$  are the first row elements of  $A(G_{F_d})$ . If  $\nu_1, \nu_2, \nu_3, \dots, \nu_n$  are non-increasing eigenvalues of  $C$  and  $\tau_1, \tau_2, \tau_3, \dots, \tau_n$  are the non-increasing eigenvalue of  $S$ , then

$$\nu_j = \sum_{k=1}^n c_k e^{\frac{2\pi i(j-1)(k-1)}{n}} \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

and

$$\tau_j = \sum_{k=1}^n c'_k e^{\frac{\pi i(2j-1)(k-1)}{n}} \quad \text{for } j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Nikiforov [9] recognized that the energy of the graph is equal to the sum of the singular values of its adjacency matrix and hence

$$\sum_{j=1}^n s_j(C) = \sum_{j=1}^n |\nu_j|$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^n s_j(S) = \sum_{j=1}^n |\tau_j|$$

where  $s_j(C), j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$  are the singular values of  $C$  and  $s_j(S), j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$  are the singular values of  $S$  respectively. Now we state the Fan’s lemma [10] which we will be using to prove our main result.

**Lemma 4.1.** *Let  $X, Y$  and  $Z$  be the square matrices of order  $n$  such that  $Z = X + Y$ . Then*

$$\sum_{i=1}^n s_i(Z) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n s_i(X) + \sum_{i=1}^n s_i(Y).$$

*Equality holds if and only if there exists an orthogonal matrix  $P$ , such that  $PX$  and  $PY$  are both positive semi-definite.*

**Theorem 4.2.** *If  $\lambda_j$  for  $j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$  are the eigenvalues of the toeplitz adjacency matrix  $A(G_{F_d})$  and  $\nu_j$  and  $\tau_j$  are the eigenvalues of circulant and skew-circulant matrices respectively, then*

$$\varepsilon(G_{F_d}) \leq 2n(d - 1).$$

*Proof.* Using Fan’s Lemma 4.1, we have,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n s_j(C + S) &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n s_j(C) + \sum_{j=1}^n s_j(S) \\ \sum_{j=1}^n |\lambda_j| &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n |\nu_j| + \sum_{j=1}^n |\tau_j| \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |c_k e^{\frac{2\pi i(j-1)(k-1)}{n}}| + \sum_{k=1}^n |c'_k e^{\frac{\pi i(k-1)(2j-1)}{n}}| \right) \\ &\leq n \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |c_k| + \sum_{k=1}^n |c'_k| \right) \\ &= n \left( \sum_{k=2}^n \left| \frac{a_k + a_{n-k+2}}{2} \right| + \sum_{k=2}^n \left| \frac{a_k - a_{n-k+2}}{2} \right| \right) \\ &\leq n \left( \sum_{k=2}^n |a_k| + \sum_{k=2}^n |a_{n-k+2}| \right) \\ &= 2n \sum_{k=2}^n |a_k| \\ &= 2n(d - 1). \end{aligned}$$

Hence the result. □

### 5 Equi-degree energy

Many authors have defined various types of graph energy. Inspired by the work of Color energy by C. Adiga et al. [1], in this paper we introduce a new graph energy called equi-degree energy of a graph  $G$ . We define the equi-degree adjacency matrix  $[e_{ij}], i, j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$ . Where,

$$e_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } d(v_i) = d(v_j) \text{ for } i \neq j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The graph  $G_{F_d}$  has many vertices with equal degree. We can observe that the equi-degree matrix is a real symmetric matrix. In the next theorem we shall show that equi-degree eigenvalues of  $G_{F_d}$  are all integers.

**Theorem 5.1.** *The equi-degree eigenvalues of  $G_{F_d}$  graph are  $F_{d-1} - F_{d-5} - 1, 2F_{d-5} - 1, \dots, 2F_2 - 1, 1(3 \text{ times}), -1(F_d + 2 - d) \text{ times}$ , and hence the equi-degree energy is given by*

$$\varepsilon(EDE(G_{F_d})) = 2(F_d + 2 - d).$$

*Proof.* Let  $E = (e_{ij})_{F_d \times F_d}$  where,

$$e_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } d(v_i) = d(v_j) \text{ for } i \neq j, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The rows of  $E - \lambda I$  are as follows:

$R_1 = (e_{11}, e_{12}, \dots, e_{1F_d})$ , where

$$e_{1j} = \begin{cases} -\lambda & \text{if } j = 1, \\ 1 & \text{if } j = F_d, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$R_2 = (e_{21}, e_{22}, \dots, e_{2F_d})$ , where

$$e_{2j} = \begin{cases} -\lambda & \text{if } j = 2, \\ 1 & \text{if } j = F_d - 1, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$R_3 = (e_{31}, e_{32}, \dots, e_{3F_d})$ , where

$$e_{3j} = \begin{cases} -\lambda & \text{if } j = 3, \\ 1 & \text{if } j = F_d - 2, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let

$$E_s = \{F_s + 1, F_s + 2, \dots, F_{s+1}, F_d - F_{s+1} + 1, F_d - F_{s+1} + 2, \dots, F_d - F_s\}, \text{ for } (3 \leq s \leq d - 4)$$

and

$$E_{d-3} = \{F_{d-3} + 1, F_{d-3} + 2, \dots, F_d - F_{d-3}\}.$$

Observe that  $|E_s| = 2F_{s-1}$  for  $(3 \leq s \leq d - 4)$  and  $|E_{d-3}| = F_{d-1} - F_{d-5}$ .

If  $m \in E_s, (3 \leq s \leq d - 4)$ , then

$R_m = (e_{m1}, e_{m2}, \dots, e_{mF_d})$  where

$$e_{mj} = \begin{cases} -\lambda & \text{if } j = m, \\ 1 & \text{if } j \in E_s, \quad j \neq m, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

If  $m \in E_{d-3}$  then  $R_m = (e_{m1}, e_{m2}, \dots, e_{mF_d})$  where

$$e_{mj} = \begin{cases} -\lambda & \text{if } j = m, \\ 1 & \text{if } j \in E_{d-3}, \quad j \neq m, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$R_{F_d-2} = (0, 0, 1, 0, 0, \dots, 0, -\lambda, 0, 0),$$

$$R_{F_d-1} = (0, 1, 0, 0, \dots, 0, -\lambda, 0),$$

and

$$R_{F_d} = (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0, 0, -\lambda).$$

Replacing

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 &\text{ by } R_1 + R_{F_d}, R_2 \text{ by } R_2 + R_{F_d-1}, R_3 \text{ by } R_3 + R_{F_d-2}, \\ R_{F_2+1} &\text{ by } R_{F_3+1} + R_{F_3+2} + \dots + R_{F_4} + R_{F_d-F_4+1} + R_{F_d-F_4+2} + \dots + R_{F_d-F_3}, \\ &\vdots \\ R_{F_{d-4}+1} &\text{ by } R_{F_{d-4}+1} + R_{F_{d-4}+2} + \dots + R_{F_{d-3}} + R_{F_d-F_{d-3}+1} + \dots + R_{F_d-F_{d-4}}, \\ R_{F_{d-3}+1} &\text{ by } R_{F_{d-3}+1} + R_{F_{d-3}+2} + \dots + R_{F_d-F_{d-3}}, \end{aligned}$$

and after some simplifications we get

$$|E - \lambda I| = (1 - \lambda)^3 (2F_2 - 1 - \lambda) (2F_3 - 1 - \lambda) \dots (2F_{d-5} - 1 - \lambda) (F_{d-1} - F_{d-5} - 1 - \lambda) |F|$$

where  $F$  is  $F_d \times F_d$  matrix whose rows are

$$\begin{aligned} R'_1 &= R_1 \text{ with } -\lambda \text{ replaced by } 1 \\ R'_2 &= R_2 \text{ with } -\lambda \text{ replaced by } 1 \\ R'_3 &= R_3 \text{ with } -\lambda \text{ replaced by } 1 \\ R'_{F_3+1} &= R_{F_3+1} \text{ with } -\lambda \text{ replaced by } 1 \\ R'_{F_4+1} &= R_{F_4+1} \text{ with } -\lambda \text{ replaced by } 1 \\ &\vdots \\ R'_{F_{d-4}+1} &= R_{F_{d-4}+1} \text{ with } -\lambda \text{ replaced by } 1 \\ R'_{F_{d-3}+1} &= R_{F_{d-3}+1} \text{ with } -\lambda \text{ replaced by } 1 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$R'_m = R_m \text{ if } m \neq 1, 2, 3, F_3 + 1, F_4 + 1, \dots, F_{d-3} + 1.$$

Perform the following row operations on  $F$ :

$$\begin{aligned} R'_{F_d} &\rightarrow (-R'_1) + R'_{F_d} \\ R'_{F_d-1} &\rightarrow (-R'_2) + R'_{F_d-1} \\ R'_{F_d-2} &\rightarrow (-R'_3) + R'_{F_d-2} \\ R'_k &\rightarrow (-R'_{F_s+1}) + R'_k, \quad k \in E_s, \quad k \neq F_s + 1, \quad (3 \leq s \leq d-4) \\ R'_{F_{d-3}+2} &\rightarrow (-R'_{F_{d-3}+1}) + R'_{F_{d-3}+2} \\ &\vdots \\ R'_{F_d-F_{d-3}} &\rightarrow (-R'_{F_{d-3}+1}) + R'_{F_d-F_{d-3}}. \end{aligned}$$

After some simplifications we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |F| &= (-1 - \lambda)^{3+(2F_2-1)+(2F_3-1)+\dots+(2F_{d-5}-1)+(F_{d-1}-F_{d-5}-1)} |C| \\ &= (-1 - \lambda)^{F_d+2-d} |C|, \end{aligned}$$

where  $C$  is an upper triangle matrix whose diagonal entries are 1. Hence  $|C| = 1$ . Thus equi-degree spectrum of  $G_{F_d}$  is

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccccccc} F_{d-1} - F_{d-5} - 1, & 2F_{d-5} - 1, & 2F_{d-4} - 1, & \dots, & 2F_2 - 1, & 1, & -1 \\ 1, & 1, & 1, & \dots, & 1, & 3, & F_d + 2 - d \end{array} \right).$$

□

This completes the proof.

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