

# On Degree Product Eigenvalues and Degree Product Energy of Graphs

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## Abstract.

Let  $G$  be a simple connected graph with  $n$ -vertices and  $m$ -edges. In this paper we introduce the concept of degree product matrix  $DP(G)$  and degree product energy  $E_{DP}(G)$  of a graph  $G$  and obtain the bounds for the degree product eigenvalues and degree product energy of any connected graph  $G$ .

## 1 Introduction

In this paper we consider simple, undirected and unweighted graphs. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be such a graph with a vertex set  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and edge set  $E(G)$ , where  $|V(G)| = n$  and  $|E(G)| = m$ . For  $v_i \in V(G)$ , let  $d_i$  be the degree of vertex  $v_i$ . Let  $A(G)$  be the adjacency matrix of the graph  $G$  is a square matrix of order  $n$  whose  $(i, j)$ - entry is equal to unity if the vertices  $v_i$  and  $v_j$  are adjacent and is equal to zero otherwise. The eigenvalues of adjacency matrix  $A(G)$  are denoted by  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  and since they are real it can be ordered as  $\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n$ . The energy of graph  $G$  was first defined by Gutman in 1978 as [6]

$$E(G) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i|.$$

Its mathematical properties were extensively investigated in the literature. For details see the book [10], the recent articles [4, 5, 7, 8, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18] and references cited therein. Motivated by work on maximum degree energy [1], bounds for the degree sum eigenvalues and degree sum energy [17], we introduce in this paper a new matrix called *degree product matrix* defined as  $DP(G) = [dp_{ij}]$ , in which

$$dp_{ij} = \begin{cases} d_i d_j & \text{if } i \neq j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Denote the eigenvalues of the degree product matrix  $DP(G)$  by  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n$  and label them in non-increasing order as  $\gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq \gamma_n$ . In addition  $\phi_{DP}(G, \gamma) = \det(\gamma I_n - DP(G))$  will be referred as the  $DP$ -characteristic polynomial of  $G$ , where  $I_n$  is the identity matrix of order  $n$ . The energy of degree product matrix  $DP(G)$  is defined as

$$E_{DP}(G) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|.$$

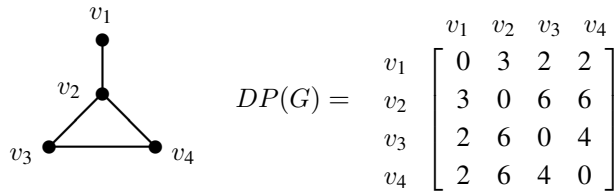


Fig. 1: Graph \$G\$ and its degree product matrix.

\$\gamma\_1 = -6.7788, \gamma\_2 = -4, \gamma\_3 = -1.3171\$ and \$\gamma\_4 = 12.0960\$.  
Therefore, \$E\_{DP}(G) = 24.1919\$.

In this paper, we obtain bounds for the degree product eigenvalues and degree product energy of graph \$G\$.

### 2 Bounds for the eigenvalues and energy

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let \$G\$ be any graph with \$n\$-vertices and let \$\gamma\_1 \ge \gamma\_2 \ge \dots \ge \gamma\_n\$ be its degree product eigenvalues.*

(i) \$\sum\_{i=1}^n \gamma\_i = 0\$.

(ii) \$\sum\_{i=1}^n \gamma\_i^2 = 2M\$, where \$M = \sum\_{1 \le i < j \le n} (d\_i d\_j)^2\$.

*Proof.*

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i = \text{trace}[DP(G)] = 0.$$

For \$i = 1, 2, \dots, n\$ the \$(i, i)\$ entry of \$(DP(G))^2\$ is equal to

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^n (d_i d_j)(d_j d_i) &= \sum_{j=1}^n (d_i d_j)^2 \\ \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i^2 &= \text{trace}[DP(G)]^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (d_i d_j)^2 \\ &= 2 \sum_{1 \le i < j \le n} (d_i d_j)^2 \\ &= 2M. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let \$G\$ be any graph with \$n\$-vertices. Then \$\gamma\_1 \le \sqrt{\frac{2M(n-1)}{n}}\$.*

*Proof.* Consider the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality,

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i \right)^2 \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 \right).$$

Choosing \$a\_i = 1, b\_i = \gamma\_i\$ for \$i = 2, 3, \dots, n\$, then

$$\left(\sum_{i=2}^n \gamma_i\right)^2 \leq (n-1) \sum_{i=2}^n \gamma_i^2 \tag{2.1}$$

From Lemma ( 2.1) ,

$$\sum_{i=2}^n \gamma_i = -\gamma_1 \text{ and } \sum_{i=2}^n \gamma_i^2 = -\gamma_1^2 + 2M,$$

Then Eq. ( 2.1) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} (-\gamma_1)^2 &\leq (n-1)(2M - \gamma_1^2) \\ \gamma_1 &\leq \sqrt{\frac{2M(n-1)}{n}}. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.3.** *Let G be any graph with n-vertices. Then*

$$\sqrt{2M} \leq E_{DP}(G) \leq \sqrt{2Mn}.$$

*Proof.* Consider the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality,

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i\right)^2 \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2\right).$$

Put  $a_i = 1$  and  $b_i = |\gamma_i|$  in Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|\right)^2 &\leq n \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i^2 \\ (E_{DP}(G))^2 &\leq n(2M) \\ E_{DP}(G) &\leq \sqrt{2nM} \end{aligned}$$

which is an upperbound.

$$\text{Now, } (E_{DP}(G))^2 = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|\right)^2 \geq \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|^2 = 2M,$$

$$\Rightarrow E_{DP}(G) \geq \sqrt{2M} \text{ which is a lower bound.}$$

□

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let G be any graph with n-vertices and Δ be the absolute value of the determinant of the degree product matrix DP(G). Then*

$$\sqrt{2M + n(n-1)\Delta^{2/n}} \leq E_{DP}(G) \leq \sqrt{2Mn}.$$

*Proof.* By the definition of degree product energy,

$$\begin{aligned} (E_{DP}(G))^2 &= \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i\right)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i^2 + 2 \sum_{i<j} |\gamma_i| |\gamma_j| \\ &= 2M + \sum_{i \neq j} |\gamma_i| |\gamma_j|. \end{aligned} \tag{2.2}$$

Since for nonnegative number the Arithmetic mean is greater than Geometric mean ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i \neq j} |\gamma_i| |\gamma_j| &\geq \left( \prod_{i \neq j} |\gamma_i| |\gamma_j| \right)^{\frac{1}{n(n-1)}} \\
&= \left( \prod_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|^{2(n-1)} \right)^{\frac{1}{n(n-1)}} \\
&= \prod_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|^{2/n} \\
&= \Delta^{2/n}.
\end{aligned} \tag{2.3}$$

Combining Eq. (2.2) and Eq. (2.3) we get a lower bound.

Consider,

$$P = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n (|\gamma_i| - |\gamma_j|)^2 \tag{2.4}$$

On simplifying,

$$= 4Mn - 2(E_{DP}(G))^2$$

Since  $P \geq 0$ ,

$$4Mn - 2(E_{DP}(G))^2 \geq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow E_{DP}(G) \leq \sqrt{2Mn} \text{ which is an upper bound.}$$

□

**Lemma 2.5.** [9] Let  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  be non-negative numbers. Then

$$n \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i - \left( \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \right)^{1/n} \right] \leq n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{a_i} \right)^2 \leq n(n-1) \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n a_i - \left( \prod_{i=1}^n a_i \right)^{1/n} \right].$$

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $G$  be a connected graph with  $n$  vertices. Then

$$\sqrt{2M + n(n-1)\Delta^{2/n}} \leq E_{DP}(G) \leq \sqrt{2M(n-1) + n\Delta^{2/n}}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $a_i = |\gamma_i|^2$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
K &= n \left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|^2 - \left( \prod_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|^2 \right)^{1/n} \right] \\
&= n \left[ \frac{2M}{n} - \left( \prod_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i| \right)^{2/n} \right] \\
&= n \left[ \frac{2M}{n} - \Delta^{2/n} \right] \\
&= 2M - n \Delta^{2/n}.
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma (2.5)

$$K \leq n \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i| \right)^2 \leq (n-1)K$$

that is

$$2M - n\Delta^{2/n} \leq 2nM - (E_{DP}(G))^2 \leq (n - 1)(2M - n\Delta^{2/n}).$$

Simplification of above equation leads to the desired result. □

**Theorem 2.7.** [16] Let  $a_i$  and  $b_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  are nonnegative real numbers. Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 \leq \frac{1}{4} \left( \sqrt{\frac{M_1 M_2}{m_1 m_2}} + \sqrt{\frac{m_1 m_2}{M_1 M_2}} \right)^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i \right)^2.$$

where  $M_1 = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} (a_i)$ ;  $M_2 = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} (b_i)$ ;  $m_1 = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} (a_i)$  and  $m_2 = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} (b_i)$ .

**Theorem 2.8.** [15] Let  $a_i$  and  $b_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  are positive real numbers. Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i \right)^2 \leq \frac{n^2}{4} (M_1 M_2 - m_1 m_2)^2.$$

where  $M_i$  and  $m_i$  are defined similar to the Theorem ( 2.7).

**Theorem 2.9.** [2] Let  $a_i$  and  $b_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  are nonnegative real numbers. Then

$$\left| n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i - \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \sum_{i=1}^n b_i \right| \leq \alpha(n) (A - a) (B - b).$$

where  $a, b, A$  and  $B$  are real constants, that for each  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $a \leq a_i \leq A$  and  $b \leq b_i \leq B$ . Further,  $\alpha(n) = n \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \right)$ .

**Theorem 2.10.** [3] Let  $a_i$  and  $b_i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$  are nonnegative real numbers. Then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 + rR \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \leq (r + R) \left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i \right),$$

where  $r$  and  $R$  are real constants, so that for each  $i$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ , holds  $ra_i \leq b_i \leq Ra_i$ .

**Theorem 2.11.** Let  $G$  be a graph of order  $n$ . Then

$$E_{DP}(G) \geq \sqrt{2Mn - \frac{n^2}{4} (\gamma_1 - \gamma_{min})^2}$$

where  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_{max} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\gamma_i|$  and  $\gamma_{min} = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\gamma_i|$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n$  are the eigenvalues of  $DP(G)$ . We assume that  $a_i = 1$  and  $b_i = |\gamma_i|$ , which by Theorem ( 2.8) implies

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n 1^2 \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i| \right)^2 &\leq \frac{n^2}{4} (\gamma_1 - \gamma_{min})^2 \\ 2Mn - (E_{DP}(G))^2 &\leq \frac{n^2}{4} (\gamma_1 - \gamma_{min})^2 \\ E_{DP}(G) &\geq \sqrt{2Mn - \frac{n^2}{4} (\gamma_1 - \gamma_{min})^2}. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.12.** Suppose zero is not an eigenvalue of  $DP(G)$ , then

$$E_{DP}(G) \geq \frac{2\sqrt{\gamma_1 \gamma_{min}} \sqrt{2Mn}}{\gamma_1 + \gamma_{min}}.$$

where  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_{max} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\gamma_i|$  and  $\gamma_{min} = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\gamma_i|$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n$  are the eigenvalues of  $DP(G)$ . We assume that  $a_i = |\gamma_i|$  and  $b_i = 1$ , which by Theorem ( 2.7) implies

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|^2 \sum_{i=1}^n 1^2 &\leq \frac{1}{4} \left( \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_1}{\gamma_{min}}} + \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_{min}}{\gamma_1}} \right)^2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i| \right)^2 \\ 2Mn &\leq \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{(\gamma_1 + \gamma_{min})^2}{\gamma_1 \gamma_{min}} \right) (E_{DP}(G))^2 \\ E_{DP}(G) &\geq \frac{2\sqrt{\gamma_1 \gamma_{min}} \sqrt{2Mn}}{\gamma_1 + \gamma_{min}}. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Theorem 2.13.** *Let  $G$  be a graph of order  $n$ . Let  $\gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq \gamma_n$  be the eigenvalues of  $DP(G)$ . Then*

$$E_{DP}(G) \geq \frac{2M + n \gamma_1 \gamma_{min}}{\gamma_1 + \gamma_{min}}.$$

where  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_{max} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\gamma_i|$  and  $\gamma_{min} = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\gamma_i|$ .

*Proof.* We assume that  $b_i = |\gamma_i|$ ,  $a_i = 1$ ,  $R = |\gamma_1|$  and  $r = |\gamma_{min}|$ . Then by Theorem ( 2.10), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|^2 + \gamma_1 \gamma_{min} \sum_{i=1}^n 1^2 &\leq (\gamma_1 + \gamma_{min}) \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i| \\ 2M + n \gamma_1 \gamma_{min} &\leq (\gamma_1 + \gamma_{min}) E_{DP}(G). \end{aligned}$$

On simplification we get the desired result. □

**Theorem 2.14.** *Let  $G$  be a graph of order  $n$ . Let  $\gamma_1 \geq \gamma_2 \geq \dots \geq \gamma_n$  be the eigenvalues of  $DP(G)$ . Then*

$$E_{DP}(G) \geq \sqrt{2Mn - \alpha(n)(\gamma_1 - \gamma_{min})^2}.$$

where  $\gamma_1 = \gamma_{max} = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\gamma_i|$  and  $\gamma_{min} = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} |\gamma_i|$  and  $\alpha(n) = n \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil \right)$ .

*Proof.* We assume that  $a_i = |\gamma_i| = b_i$ ,  $A \leq |\gamma_i| \leq B$  and  $a \leq |\gamma_n| \leq b$ , then by Theorem ( 2.9) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left| n \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i|^2 - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n |\gamma_i| \right)^2 \right| &\leq \alpha(n)(\gamma_1 - \gamma_{min})^2 \\ |2Mn - (E_{DP}(G))^2| &\leq \alpha(n)(\gamma_1 - \gamma_{min})^2 \\ E_{DP}(G) &\geq \sqrt{2Mn - \alpha(n)(\gamma_1 - \gamma_{min})^2}. \end{aligned}$$

□

**Corollary 2.15.** *If  $\alpha(n) = \frac{n^2}{4}$ , then*

$$E_{DP}(G) \geq \sqrt{2Mn - \frac{n^2}{4}(\gamma_1 - \gamma_{min})^2}.$$

This shows that inequality in the Theorem ( 2.14) is stronger than the inequality in the Theorem ( 2.12).

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