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# Certain Topological Indices and their Polynomials of Dendrimer Nanostars

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*Abstract.* Chemical graph theory is a branch of graph theory whose focus of interest is to finding topological indices of chemical graphs, which correlate well with chemical properties of the chemical molecules. In this paper, we introduce several new Zagreb polynomials of a molecular graph and compute their polynomials of dendrimer nanostars.

*Keywords:* Zagreb polynomial, *F*-polynomial, hyper-Zagreb polynomial, *K*-edge polynomial, reformulated Zagreb polynomial, dendrimer nanostar.

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#### 1. Introduction

Let *G* be a connected graph. The degree  $d_G(v)$  of a vertex *v* is the number of vertices adjacent to *v*. The edge connecting the vertices *u* and *v* will be denoted by *uv*. Let  $d_G(e)$  denote the degree of an edge *e* in *G*, which is defined by  $d_G(e) = d_G(u) + d_G(v) - 2$  with e = uv. For all further notation and terminology we refer to reader to [1].

A molecular graph is a simple graph related to the structure of a chemical compound. Chemical graph theory is a branch of graph theory which has an important effect on the development of the chemical sciences. A topological index is a numeric quantity from the structure of a molecule. There are several topological descriptors that have applications in Theoretical Chemistry, especially in QSPR/QSAR research see [2].

In [3], the first and second Zagreb indices of a graph G are defined as

$$M_1(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} d_G(u)^2 \text{ or } M_1(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \left\lfloor d_G(u) + d_G(v) \right\rfloor$$
$$M_2(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d_G(u) d_G(v).$$

Considering Zagreb indices, Fath-Tabar defined first and second Zagreb polynomials [4] of a graph G as

$$M_1(G, x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{d_G(u) + d_G(v)} \quad \text{or} \quad M_2(G, x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{d_G(u) d_G(v)}$$

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Considering another first Zagreb index, we define vertex Zagreb polynomial of a graph G as

$$M_{v}(G,x) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} x^{d_{G}(u)^{2}}$$

In [5], Furtula and Gutman studied the forgotten topological index or F-index and defined it as

$$F(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} d_G(u)^3$$
 or  $F(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \left[ d_G(u)^2 + d_G(v)^2 \right]$ 

In [6], De et al. defined F-polynomial of a graph G as

$$F(G, x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{d_G(u)^2 + d_G(v)^2}.$$

Also considering another F-index, we define vertex F-polynomial of a graph G as

$$F_1(G, x) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} x^{d_G(u)^3}$$

In [7], Chaluvaraju et al. defined first and second hyper-Zagreb polynomials as

$$HM_{1}(G, x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{\left[d_{G}(u) + d_{G}(v)\right]^{2}}, HM_{2}(G, x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{\left[d_{G}(u)d_{G}(v)\right]^{2}}.$$

In [8], Kulli defined general first and second Zagreb polynomails as

$$M_{1}^{a}(G,x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{\left[d_{G}(u) + d_{G}(v)\right]^{a}}, \quad M_{2}^{a}(G,x) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} x^{\left[d_{G}(u)d_{G}(v)\right]}$$

where *a* is a real number.

In [9], Miličević et al. introduced the reformulated first and second Zagreb indices of a graph G and they are defined as

$$EM_1(G) = \sum_{e \in E(G)} d_G(e)^2$$
,  $EM_2(G) = \sum_{e \sim f} d_G(e) d_G(f)$ .

Considering the reformulated Zagreb indices, we define reformulated first and second Zagreb polynomials as

$$EM_1(G, x) = \sum_{e \in E(G)} x^{d_G(e)^2}, \qquad EM_2(G, x) = \sum_{e \sim f} x^{d_G(e)d_G(f)}.$$

where  $e \sim f$  means that the edges e, f are adjacent.

In [10], Kulli introduced the K-edge index of a graph G and defined it as

$$K_{e}(G) = \sum_{e \in E(G)} d_{G}(e)^{3}$$

Considering the K-edge index, we define the K-edge polynomial as

$$K_e(G, x) = \sum_{e \in E(G)} x^{d_G(e)^3}$$

We introduce another polynomial related to the first reformulated Zagreb index as

$$EM_0(G, x) = \sum_{e \in E(G)} x^{d_G(e)}.$$

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Also we define the general reformulated first and second Zagreb polynomials as

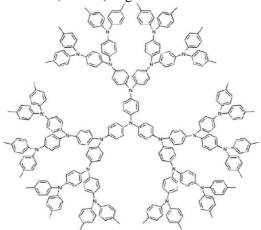
$$EM_{1}^{a}(G,x) = \sum_{e \in E(G)} x^{d_{G}(e)^{a}}, \qquad EM_{2}^{a}(G,x) = \sum_{e \sim f} x^{\lfloor d_{G}(e)d_{G}(f) \rfloor^{a}}$$

Recently, some topological indices were studied in [11,12,13].

In this paper, certain Zagreb polynomials of dendrimer nanostars are determined. For dendrimer nanostars  $D_3[n]$  see [14] and references cited therein.

#### 2. Results

We consider the dendrimer nanostar with *n* growth stages, denoted by  $D_3[n]$ , where  $n \ge 0$ , see Figure 1. Let *G* be the dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$ . From Figure 1, it is easy to see that the vertices of  $D_3[n]$  are either of degree 1, 2 or 3. By calculation, we obtain that  $D_3[n]$  has  $24 \times 2^n - 20$  vertices and  $24(2^{n+1} - 1)$  edges.



**Figure1:** Dendrimer nanostar with 3-growth  $D_3[n]$ 

We partition V(G) into three sets, vertices of degree 1, 2 and 3 respectively.  $V_1 = \{u \in V(G) \mid d_G(u) = 1\}, \qquad |V_1| = 3 \times 2^n.$   $V_2 = \{u \in V(G) \mid d_G(u) = 2\}, \qquad |V_2| = 6 \times 2^n - 12.$  $V_3 = \{u \in V(G) \mid d_G(u) = 3\}, \qquad |V_3| = 15 \times 2^n - 8.$ 

Also by algebraic method, we partition E(G) into four sets, based on the sum of degrees of the end vertices of each edge.

 $E_{13} = \{uv \in E(G) \mid d_G(u) = 1, d_G(v) = 3\}, |E_{13}| = 3 \times 2^n.$   $E_{22} = \{uv \in E(G) \mid d_G(u) = d_G(v) = 2\}, |E_{22}| = 12 \times 2^n - 6.$   $E_{23} = \{uv \in E(G) \mid d_G(u) = 2, d_G(v) = 3\}, |E_{23}| = 24 \times 2^n - 12.$  $E_{33} = \{uv \in E(G) \mid d_G(u) = d_G(v) = 3\}, |E_{33}| = 9 \times 2^n - 6.$ 

The edge degree partition of G is given in Table 1.			
$d_G(u) d_G(v) \setminus uv \in E(G)$	$E_4 = (1, 3) \cup (2, 2)$	$E_5 = (2,3)$	$E_6 = (3, 3)$
$d_G(e)$	2	3	4
Number of edges	$15 \times 2^{n} - 6$	$24 \times 2^{n} - 12$	$9 \times 2^{n} - 6$

 Table 1: Edge degree partition of G.

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**Theorem 1.** The vertex Zagreb polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$  is  $M_v(D_3[n], x) = (15 \times 2^n - 8)x^9 + (6 \times 2^n - 12)x^4 + 3 \times 2^n x$ 

**Proof:** For the vertex Zagreb polynomial of  $D_3[n]$ , we have

$$M_{\nu} (D_{3}[n], x) = \sum_{u \in V} x^{d_{G}(u)^{2}} = \sum_{V_{1}} x^{d_{G}(u)^{2}} + \sum_{V_{2}} x^{d_{G}(u)^{2}} + \sum_{V_{3}} x^{d_{G}(u)^{2}}$$
  
= 3×2<sup>n</sup> x<sup>1<sup>2</sup></sup> + (6×2<sup>n</sup> - 12) x<sup>2<sup>2</sup></sup> + (15×2<sup>n</sup> - 8) x<sup>3<sup>2</sup></sup>  
= (15×2<sup>n</sup> - 8) x<sup>9</sup> + (6×2<sup>n</sup> - 12) x<sup>4</sup> + 3×2<sup>n</sup> x

**Theorem 2.** The vertex *F*-polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$  is

$$F_{\nu}(D_{3}[n],x) = (15 \times 2^{n} - 8)x^{27} + (6 \times 2^{n} - 12)x^{8} + 3 \times 2^{n}x$$

**Proof:** For the vertex *F*-polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$  is

$$F_{\nu}(D_{3}[n], x) = \sum_{u \in V} x^{d_{G}(u)^{3}} = \sum_{V_{3}} x^{d_{G}(u)^{3}} + \sum_{V_{2}} x^{d_{G}(u)^{3}} + \sum_{V_{1}} x^{d_{G}(u)}$$
$$= (15 \times 2^{n} - 8) x^{3^{3}} + (6 \times 2^{n} - 12) x^{2^{3}} + 3 \times 2^{n} x^{1^{3}}.$$
$$= (15 \times 2^{n} - 8) x^{27} + (6 \times 2^{n} - 12) x^{8} + 3 \times 2^{n} x$$

**Theorem 3.** The *F*-polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$  is  $F(D_3[n], x) = 3 \times 2^n x^{10} + (12 \times 2^n - 6) x^8 + (24 \times 2^n - 12) x^{13} + (9 \times 2^n - 6) x^{18}$ . **Proof:** For the *F*-polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$  is

$$F(D_{3}[n], x) = \sum_{uv \in E} x^{d_{G}(u)^{2} + d_{G}(v)^{2}}$$
  
=  $\sum_{E_{13}} x^{d_{G}(u)^{2} + d_{G}(v)^{2}} + \sum_{E_{22}} x^{d_{G}(u)^{2} + d_{G}(v)^{2}} + \sum_{E_{23}} x^{d_{G}(u)^{2} + d_{G}(v)^{2}} + \sum_{E_{33}} x^{d_{G}(u)^{2} + d_{G}(v)^{2}}$   
=  $3 \times 2^{n} x^{10} + (12 \times 2^{n} - 6) x^{8} + (24 \times 2^{n} - 12) x^{13} + (9 \times 2^{n} - 6) x^{18}.$ 

**Theorem 4.** The general first Zagreb polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$  is  $M_1^a (D_3[n], x) = (15 \times 2^n - 6) x^{4^a} + (24 \times 2^n - 12) x^{5^a} + (9 \times 2^n - 6) x^{6^a}$ .

**Proof:** For the general first Zagreb polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$ , we have  $M_i^a(D_2[n], x) = \sum x^{[d_G(u)+d_G(v)]^a}$ 

$$= \sum_{E_{13}} x^{\left[d_{G}(u)+d_{G}(v)\right]^{a}} + \sum_{E_{22}} x^{\left[d_{G}(u)+d_{G}(v)\right]^{a}} + \sum_{E_{23}} x^{\left[d_{G}(u)+d_{G}(v)\right]^{a}} + \sum_{E_{33}} x^{\left[d_{G}(u)+d_{G}(v)\right]^{a}} = 3 \times 2^{n} x^{4^{a}} + (12 \times 2^{n} - 6) x^{4^{a}} + (24 \times 2^{n} - 12) x^{5^{a}} + (9 \times 2^{n} - 6) x^{6^{a}}.$$

**Corollary 4.1.** The first Zagreb polynomial of  $D_3[n]$  is  $M_1(D_3[n], x) = M_1^1(D_3[n], x) = (15 \times 2^n - 6)x^4 + (24 \times 2^n - 12)x^5 + (9 \times 2^n - 6)x^6.$  Certain Topological Indices and their Polynomials of Dendrimer Nanostars

**Corollary 4.2.** The first hyper-Zagreb polynomial of  $D_3[n]$  is  $HM_1(D_3[n], x) = M_1^2(D_3[n], x) = (15 \times 2^n - 6)x^{16} + (24 \times 2^n - 12)x^{25} + (9 \times 2^n - 6)x^{36}.$ 

**Theorem 5.** The general second Zagreb polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$  is  $M_2^a (D_3[n], x) = 3 \times 2^n x^{3^a} + (12 \times 2^n - 6) x^{4^a} + (24 \times 2^n - 12) x^{6^a} + (9 \times 2^n - 6) x^{9^a}$ .

**Proof:** For the general second Zagreb polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$ , we have  $M_2^a(D_2[n], x) = \sum x^{\lfloor d_G(u) d_G(v) \rfloor^a}$ 

$$= \sum_{E_{13}} x^{\left[d_G(u)d_G(v)\right]^a} + \sum_{E_{22}} x^{\left[d_G(u)d_G(v)\right]^a} + \sum_{E_{23}} x^{\left[d_G(u)d_G(v)\right]^a} + \sum_{E_{33}} x^{\left[d_G(u)d_G(v)\right]^a} = 3 \times 2^n x^{3^a} + (12 \times 2^n - 6) x^{4^a} + (24 \times 2^n - 12) x^{6^a} + (9 \times 2^n - 6) x^{9^a}.$$

**Corollary 5.1.** The second Zagreb polynomial of  $D_3[n]$  is  $M_2(D_3[n], x) = M_2^1(D_3[n], x) = 3 \times 2^n x^3 + (12 \times 2^n - 6)x^4 + (24 \times 2^n - 12)x^6 + (9 \times 2^n - 6)x^9.$ 

**Corollary 5.2.** The second hyper-Zagreb polynomial of 
$$D_3[n]$$
 is  
 $HM_2(D_3[n], x) = M_2^2(D_3[n], x) = 3 \times 2^n x^9 + (12 \times 2^n - 6) x^{16} + (24 \times 2^n - 12) x^{36} + (9 \times 2^n - 6) x^{81}.$ 

**Theorem 6.** The general reformulated first Zagreb polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$  is

 $EM_{1}^{a}(D_{3}[n],x) = (15 \times 2^{n} - 6)x^{2^{a}} + (24 \times 2^{n} - 12)x^{3^{a}} + (9 \times 2^{n} - 6)x^{4^{a}}.$ 

**Proof:** For the general reformulated first Zagreb polynomial of a dendrimer nanostar  $D_3[n]$  is

$$EM_{1}^{a} (D_{3}[n], x) = \sum_{e \in E(G)} x^{d_{G}(e)^{a}}$$
  
=  $\sum_{e \in E_{4}} x^{d_{G}(e)^{a}} + \sum_{e \in E_{5}} x^{d_{G}(e)^{a}} + \sum_{e \in E_{6}} x^{d_{G}(e)^{a}}$   
=  $(15 \times 2^{n} - 6) x^{2^{a}} + (24 \times 2^{n} - 12) x^{3^{a}} + (9 \times 2^{n} - 6) x^{4^{a}}$ 

**Corollary 6.1.** The reformulated Zagreb polynomial of  $D_3[n]$  is  $EM_0(D_3[n], x) = EM_1^1(D_3[n], x) = (15 \times 2^n - 6)x^2 + (24 \times 2^n - 12)x^3 + (9 \times 2^n - 6)x^4.$ 

**Corollary 6.2.** The reformulated first Zagreb polynomial of  $D_3[n]$  is  $EM_1(D_3[n], x) = EM_1^2(D_3[n], x) = (15 \times 2^n - 6)x^4 + (24 \times 2^n - 12)x^9 + (9 \times 2^n - 6)x^{16}$ .

**Corollary 6.3.** The *K*-edge polynomial of  $D_3[n]$  is  $K_e(D_3[n], x) = EM_1^3(D_3[n], x) = (15 \times 2^n - 6)x^8 + (24 \times 2^n - 12)x^{27} + (9 \times 2^n - 6)x^{64}.$ 

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