



## Wiener Index of Gear Fan Graph and Gear Wheel Graph

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Chemical compounds and drugs are often modeled as graphs where each vertex represents an atom of molecule and covalent bonds between atoms are represented by edges between the corresponding vertices. This graph derived from a chemical compounds is often called its molecular graph and can be different structures. An indicator defined over this molecular graph, the Wiener index, has been shown to be strongly correlated to various chemical properties of the compounds. The Wiener index of a graph is defined as the sum of distances between all pairs of vertices of the graph. It has been found extensive applications in chemistry. In this paper, we determine the Wiener index of gear fan graph, gear wheel graph and their  $r$ -corona graphs.

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### INTRODUCTION

Wiener index, Szeged index and PI index are introduced to reflect certain structural features of organic molecules. The Wiener index is the sum of distances between all pairs of vertices in a (connected) graph. It is an important topological index in chemistry since Harold Wiener defined it in 1947. It is used for the structure of molecule. Scientists found that there is a very close relation between the physical, chemical characteristics of many compounds and the topological structure of that. The Wiener index is such a topological index and it has been widely used in Chemistry fields. After several years, mathematician began to pay attention to the Wiener index and study it from the mathematical point of view. In such background, since each structural feature of organic molecule can be expressed as a graph, chemical graph theory as a branch of combinatorial chemistry is introduced to research the structure of molecule from graph theory standpoint. Some conclusion for PI index can refer to Yan *et al.*<sup>1</sup>

The graphs considered in this paper are simple and connected. The vertex and edge sets of  $G$  are denoted by  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$ , respectively. The Wiener index is defined as the sum of distances between all unordered pair of vertices of a graph  $G$ , *i.e.*,

$$W(G) = \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} d(u,v)$$

where  $d(u, v)$  is the distance between  $u$  and  $v$  in  $G$ .

Several papers contributed to determine the Wiener index of special graphs. A polyomino system is a finite 2-connected plane graph such that each interior face (say a cell) is surrounded by a regular square of length one. Furthermore, a polyomino chain is a polyomino system, in which the joining of the centers of its adjacent regular squares forms a path  $c_1c_2\dots c_n$ , where  $c_i$  is the center of the  $i$ -th square ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ). A generalized polyomino chain is defined as follows: a generalized polyomino chain of length 1 is a unit square, a generalized polyomino chain of length  $k + 1$  can be obtained by attaching a new unit square to a generalized polyomino chain of length  $k$ , there are two ways attaching the new unit square: either attaching with two vertices of degree 2, or attaching with a vertex of degree 2 and a vertex of degree 3. The helical polyomino system  $Z(km, (k - 1)n)$  and  $Z(km, kn)$  are geometrically non-planar polyomino systems. Pan<sup>2</sup> determined the wiener index of  $W[Z(km, kn)]$  and  $W[Z((k+1)m, kn)]$ . Chen *et al.*<sup>3</sup> gained the exact expression for general pepoid graph. Xing and Cai<sup>4</sup> characterized the tree with third-minimum wiener index and introduce the method of obtaining the order of the Wiener indices among all the trees with given order and diameter, respectively. A tricyclic graph is a connected graph with  $n$  vertices and  $n + 2$  edges. Wan and Ren<sup>5</sup> studied the Wiener index of tricyclic graph  $\tau_n^3$  which have at most a common vertex between any two circuits and the smallest, the

second-smallest Wiener indices of the tricyclic graphs are given. The Hyper-Wiener index WW is one of the recently distance-based graph invariants. That WW clearly encodes the compactness of a structure and the WW of G is define as:

$$WW(G) = \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} d(u,v)^2 + \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} d(u,v) \right)$$

Pan<sup>6</sup> deduced the formula of Wiener number and Hyper-Wiener number of two types of polyomino systems. More results on Wiener index can refer to<sup>7-14</sup>.

$$W(P_n) = \frac{n(n-1)(n+1)}{6}$$

is determined by Dobrymin *et al.*<sup>15</sup>. The graph  $F_n = \{v\} P_n$  is called a fan graph and the graph  $W_n = \{v\} C_n$  is called a wheel graph, where  $P_n$  is a path with  $n$  vertices and  $C_n$  is a cycle with  $n$  vertices. Graph  $I_r(G)$  is called  $r$ -crown graph of  $G$  which splicing  $r$  hang edges for every vertex in  $G$ . The vertex set of hang edges that splicing of vertex  $v$  is called  $r$ -hang vertices, note  $v^*$ . By adding one vertex in every two adjacent vertices of the fan path  $P_n$  of fan graph  $F_n$ , the resulting graph is a subdivision graph called gear fan graph, denote as  $\tilde{F}_n$ . By adding one vertex in every two adjacent vertices of the wheel cycle  $C_n$  of wheel graph  $W_n$ , the resulting graph is a subdivision graph, called gear wheel graph, denoted as  $\tilde{W}_n$ .

In this paper, we present the Wiener index of  $I_r(F_n)$  and  $I_r(W_n)$  first; then, the wiener index of gear fan graph and gear wheel graph are determined; at last, the wiener index of  $r$ -corona graph for  $\tilde{F}_n$  and  $\tilde{W}_n$  are derived.

**Main results and proof**

**Theorem 1:**  $W(I_r(F_n)) = r^2(2n^2 + n + 1) + r(3n^2 - n + 3) + (n^2 - n + 1)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $P_n = v_1v_2 \dots v_n$  and the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_i$  be  $v_i^1, v_i^2, \dots, v_i^r$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ). Let  $v$  be a vertex in  $F_n$  beside  $P_n$  and the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v$  be  $v^1, v^2, \dots, v^r$ .

By the definition of Wiener index, we have

$$\begin{aligned} W(I_r(F_n)) &= \sum_{i=1}^r d(v, v^i) + \sum_{i=1}^n d(v, v_i) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v, v_i^j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v_i, v_j) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_i^j, v^k) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n d(v_i, v_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v_i, v_i^j) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}} \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_i, v_j^k) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} \sum_{k=j+1}^r d(v_i^j, v_i^k) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{t=1}^r d(v_i^k, v_j^t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= r + n + 2nr + 2nr + 3nr^2 + (n-1)^2 + nr + r(3n^2 - 5n + 2) \\ &\quad + nr(r-1) + r^2(n-1)(2n-1) \\ &= r^2(2n^2 + n + 1) + r(3n^2 - n + 3) + (n^2 - n + 1). \end{aligned}$$

In this way, we get the decision.

**Theorem 2:**  $W(I_r(W_n)) = r^2(2n^2 + n) + r(3n^2 - n + 1) + (n^2 - n)$ .

**Proof:** Let  $C_n = v_1v_2 \dots v_n$  and  $v_i^1, v_i^2, \dots, v_i^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ). Let  $v$  be a vertex in  $W_n$  beside  $C_n$  and  $v^1, v^2, \dots, v^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v$ .

By the definition of Wiener index, we have

$$\begin{aligned} W(I_r(W_n)) &= \sum_{i=1}^r d(v, v^i) + \sum_{i=1}^n d(v, v_i) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v, v_i^j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v_i, v_j) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_i^j, v^k) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n d(v_i, v_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v_i, v_i^j) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}} \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_i, v_j^k) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} \sum_{k=j+1}^r d(v_i^j, v_i^k) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{t=1}^r d(v_i^k, v_j^t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= r + n + 2nr + 2nr + 3nr^2 + n(n-2) + nr + r(3n^2 - 5n) + nr(r-1) + r^2n(2n-3) \\ &= r^2(2n^2 + n) + r(3n^2 - n + 1) + (n^2 - n). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we derivethe desire conclusion.

**Theorem 3:**  $W(\tilde{F}_n) = 6n^2 - 13n + 10$ .

**Proof:** Let  $P_n = v_1v_2 \dots v_n$  and  $v_{i,i+1}$  be the adding vertex between  $v_i$  and  $v_{i+1}$ . Let  $v$  be a vertex in  $F_n$  beside  $P_n$ . By virtue of the definition of Wiener index, we get

$$\begin{aligned} W(\tilde{F}_n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n d(v, v_i) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} d(v, v_{i,i+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n d(v_i, v_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} d(v_i, v_{j,j+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n-1} d(v_{i,i+1}, v_{j,j+1}) \\ &= n + 2(n-1) + n(n-1) + (3n^2 - 7n + 4) + 2(n-2)^2 \\ &= 6n^2 - 13n + 10. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the desire result is given.

**Theorem 4:**  $W(\tilde{W}_n) = 6n^2 - 6n$ .

**Proof:** Let  $C_n = v_1v_2 \dots v_n$  and  $v$  be a vertex in  $W_n$  beside  $C_n$ . Let  $v_{i,i+1}$  be the adding vertex between viand  $v_{i+1}$ . In view of the definition of Wiener index, we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} W(\tilde{W}_n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n d(v, v_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n d(v, v_{i,i+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n d(v_i, v_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n d(v_i, v_{j,j+1}) \end{aligned}$$

$$+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n d(v_{i,i+1}, v_{j,j+1})$$

$$= n + 2n + n(n-1) + (3n^2-4n) + n(2n-4) = 6n^2 - 6n.$$

Hence, we get the desire conclusion.

**Theorem 5:**  $W(I_r(\tilde{F}_n)) = r^2(10n^2-13n + 9) + r(16n^2-28n + 21) + (6n^2-13n + 10).$

**Proof:** Let  $P_n = v_1v_2 \dots v_n$  and  $v_{i,i+1}$  be the adding vertex between viand  $v_{i+1}$ . Let  $v_i^1, v_i^2, \dots, v_i^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ). Let  $v_{i,i+1}^1, v_{i,i+1}^2, \dots, v_{i,i+1}^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_{i,i+1}$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ ). Let  $v$  be a vertex in  $F_n$  beside  $P_n$  and the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v$  be  $v^1, v^2, \dots, v^r$ .

By virtue of the definition of Wiener index, we get

$$\begin{aligned} W(I_r(\tilde{F}_n)) &= \sum_{i=1}^r d(v, v^i) + \sum_{i=1}^n d(v, v_i) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v, v_i^j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v_i, v_j) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_i^j, v^k) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n d(v_i, v_j) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v_i, v_i^j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j \in \{1,2,\dots,n\}-i} \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_i, v_j^k) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} \sum_{k=j+1}^r d(v_i^j, v_i^k) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{t=1}^r d(v_i^k, v_j^t) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} d(v, v_{i,i+1}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^r d(v, v_{i,i+1}^j) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} d(v^i, v_{j,j+1}) + \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^r d(v^i, v_{j,j+1}^k) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} d(v_i, v_{j,j+1}) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_i, v_{j,j+1}^k) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} d(v_i^j, v_{k,k+1}) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \sum_{t=1}^r d(v_i^j, v_{k,k+1}^t) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n-1} d(v_{i,i+1}, v_{j,j+1}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^r d(v_{i,i+1}, v_{i,i+1}^j) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j \in \{1,2,\dots,n-1\}-i} \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_{i,i+1}, v_{j,j+1}^k) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} \sum_{k=j+1}^r d(v_{i,i+1}^j, v_{i,i+1}^k) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-2} \sum_{j=i+1}^{n-1} \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{t=1}^r d(v_{i,i+1}^k, v_{j,j+1}^t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= r + n + 2nr + 2nr + 3nr^2 + n(n-1) + nr + 3n(n-1)r + nr(r-1) + 2r^2n(n-1) + 2(n-1) + 3r(n-1) + 3r(n-1) + 4r^2(n-1) + (n-1)(3n-4) \\ &+ 4r(n-1)^2 + 4r(n-1)^2 + r^2(5n-4)(n-1) + 2(n-2)^2 + r(n-1) + r(5n^2-19n + 18) + r(n-1)(r-1) + (n-2)(3n-5)r^2 \\ &= r^2(10n^2-13n + 9) + r(16n^2-28n + 21) + (6n^2-13n + 10). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the result is hold.

**Theorem 6:**  $W(I_r(\tilde{W}_n)) = r^2(10n^2-4n) + r(16n^2-8n + 1) + (6n^2-6n).$

**Proof:** Let  $C_n = v_1v_2 \dots v_n$  and  $v$  be a vertex in  $W_n$  beside  $C_n$ .  $v_{i,i+1}$  be the adding vertex between viand  $v_{i+1}$ . Let  $v^1, v^2, \dots, v^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v$  and  $v_i^1, v_i^2, \dots, v_i^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ). Let  $v_{n,n+1} =$  and  $v_{i,i+1}^1, v_{i,i+1}^2, \dots, v_{i,i+1}^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $(1 \leq i \leq n)$ . In view of the definition of Wiener index, we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} W(I_r(\tilde{W}_n)) &= \sum_{i=1}^r d(v, v^i) + \sum_{i=1}^n d(v, v_i) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v, v_i^j) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v_i, v_j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_i^j, v^k) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n d(v_i, v_j) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v_i, v_i^j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j \in \{1,2,\dots,n\}-i} \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_i, v_j^k) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} \sum_{k=j+1}^r d(v_i^j, v_i^k) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{t=1}^r d(v_i^k, v_j^t) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n d(v, v_{i,i+1}) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v, v_{i,i+1}^j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v^i, v_{j,j+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^r d(v^i, v_{j,j+1}^k) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n d(v_i, v_{j,j+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^n d(v_i, v_{j,j+1}^k) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^n d(v_i^j, v_{k,k+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^r d(v_i^j, v_{k,k+1}^t) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n d(v_{i,i+1}, v_{j,j+1}) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r d(v_{i,i+1}, v_{i,i+1}^j) + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j \in \{1,2,\dots,n\}-i-1} \sum_{k=1}^r d(v_{i,i+1}, v_{j,j+1}^k) \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{r-1} \sum_{k=j+1}^r d(v_{i,i+1}^j, v_{i,i+1}^k) + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=i+1}^n \sum_{k=1}^r \sum_{t=1}^r d(v_{i,i+1}^k, v_{j,j+1}^t) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= r + n + 2nr + 2nr + 3nr^2 + n(n-1) + nr + 3n(n-1)r - nr(r-1) + 2n(n-1)r^2 + 2n + 3rn + 3rn + 4r^2n + n(3n-4) + 4rn(n-1) + 4rn(n-1) \\ &+ r^2n(5n-4) + 2n(n-2) + rn + r(5n^2-9n) + nr(r-1) + (3n^2-5n)r^2 \\ &= r^2(10n^2-4n) + r(16n^2-8n + 1) + (6n^2-6n). \end{aligned}$$

As conclusion, we obtain the final conclusion.

## Conclusion

Combinatorial chemistry is a new powerful technology in molecular recognition and drug design. It is a wet-laboratory methodology purposed to massively parallel screening of chemical compounds for the founding of compounds that have certain biological activities. The power of trick draws from the interaction between computational modeling and experimental design.

Fan graph, wheel graph, gear fan graph, gear wheel graph and their  $r$ -corona graphs are common structural features of organic molecules. The contributions of our paper are determining the Wiener index of these special structural features of organic molecules.

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