

## Some Lower and Upper Bounds on the Third ABC Co-index

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**Abstract:** Graonac defined the second  $ABC$  index as

$$ABC_2(G) = \sum_{v_i v_j \in E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{1}{n_j} - \frac{2}{n_i n_j}}.$$

Dae Won Lee defined the third  $ABC$  index as

$$ABC_3(G) = \sum_{v_i v_j \in E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j}}$$

and studied lower and upper bounds. In this paper, we defined a new index which is called third  $ABC$  Coindex and it is defined as

$$\overline{ABC_3(G)} = \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{1}{n_j} - \frac{2}{n_i n_j}}$$

and we found some lower and upper bounds on  $\overline{ABC_3(G)}$  index.

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### §1. Introduction

The topological indices plays vital role in chemistry, pharmacology etc [1]. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a simple connected graph with vertex set  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and the edge set  $E(G)$ , with  $|V(G)| = n$  and  $|E(G)| = m$ . Let  $u, v \in V(G)$  then the distance between  $u$  and  $v$  is denoted by  $d(u, v)$  and is defined as the length of the shortest path in  $G$  connecting  $u$  and  $v$ .

The eccentricity of a vertex  $v_i \in V(G)$  is the largest distance between  $v_i$  and any other vertex  $v_j$  of  $G$ . The diameter  $d(G)$  of  $G$  is the maximum eccentricity of  $G$  and radius  $r(G)$  of  $G$  is the minimum eccentricity of  $G$ .

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The Zagreb indices have been introduced by Gutman and Trinajstić [2]-[5]. They are defined as,

$$M_1(G) = \sum_{v_i \in V(G)} d_i^2, \quad M_2(G) = \sum_{v_i v_j \in V(G)} d_i d_j.$$

The Zagreb co-indices have been introduced by Doslic [6],

$$\overline{M_1(G)} = \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} (d_i^2 + d_j^2), \quad \overline{M_2(G)} = \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} (d_i d_j).$$

Similarly Zagreb eccentricity indices are defined as

$$E_1(G) = \sum_{v_i \in V(G)} e_i^2, \quad E_2(G) = \sum_{v_i v_j \in V(G)} e_i e_j.$$

Estrada et al. defined atom bond connectivity index [7-10]

$$ABC(G) = \sum_{v_i v_j \in E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{d_i} + \frac{1}{d_j} - \frac{2}{d_i d_j}}$$

and Graovac defined second ABC index as

$$ABC_2(G) = \sum_{v_i v_j \in E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_i} + \frac{1}{n_j} - \frac{2}{n_i n_j}},$$

which was given by replacing  $d_i, d_j$  to  $n_i, n_j$  where  $n_i$  is the number of vertices of  $G$  whose distance to the vertex  $v_i$  is smaller than the distance to the vertex  $v_j$  [11-14].

Dae and Wan Lee defined the third ABC index [16]

$$ABC_3(G) = \sum_{v_i v_j \in E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j}}.$$

In this paper, we have defined the third ABC co - index;  $\overline{ABC_3(G)}$  as

$$\overline{ABC_3(G)} = \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j}}$$

found some lower and upper bounds on  $\overline{ABC_3(G)}$ .

## §2. Lower and Upper Bounds on $\overline{ABC_3(G)}$ Index

Calculation shows clearly that

- (i)  $\overline{ABC_3(K_n)} = 0$ ;
- (ii)  $\overline{ABC_3(K_{1,n-1})} = \frac{1}{2} \binom{n}{2}$ ;

$$(iii) \overline{ABC_3(C_{2n})} = 2(n-3)\sqrt{n-2};$$

$$(iv) \overline{ABC_3(C_{2n+1})} = n(n-3)\sqrt{\frac{4n-12}{(n-1)^2}}.$$

**Theorem 2.1** Let  $G$  be a simple connected graph. Then  $\overline{ABC_3(G)} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\overline{E_2(G)}}}$ , where  $\overline{E_2(G)}$  is the second zagreb eccentricity coindex.

*Proof* Since  $G \not\cong K_n$ , it is easy to see that for every  $e = v_i v_j$  in  $E(G)$ ,  $e_i + e_j \geq 3$ . By the definition of  $ABC_3$  coindex

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{ABC_3(G)} &= \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j}} \\ &\geq \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{e_i e_j}} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} e_i e_j}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\overline{E_2(G)}}}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.2** Let  $G$  be a connected graph with  $m$  edges, radius  $r = r(G) \geq 2$ , diameter  $d = d(G)$ . Then,

$$\frac{\sqrt{2m}}{d} \sqrt{d-1} \leq \overline{ABC_3(G)} \leq \frac{\sqrt{2m}}{r} \sqrt{r-1}$$

with equality holds if and only if  $G$  is self-centered graph.

*Proof* For  $2 \leq r \leq e_i, e_j \leq d$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j} &\geq \frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} \left(1 - \frac{2}{e_j}\right) \quad (\text{as } e_j \leq d, 1 - \frac{2}{e_i} \geq 0 = \frac{1}{d} + \frac{1}{e_j} \left(1 - \frac{2}{d}\right)) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{d} + \frac{1}{d} \left(1 - \frac{2}{d}\right) \quad (\text{as } e_i \leq d \text{ and } \left(1 - \frac{2}{d}\right) \geq 0) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{d} + \frac{1}{d} - \frac{2}{d^2} \\ &\geq \frac{2}{d} - \frac{2}{d^2} \geq \frac{2}{d^2} (d-1) \end{aligned}$$

with equality holds if and only if  $e_i = e_j = d$ .

Similarly we can easily show that,

$$\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j} \leq \frac{2}{r^2} (r-1)$$

for  $2 \leq r \leq e_i, e_j \leq d$  with equality holding if and only if  $e_i = e_j = r$ . □

The following lemma can be verified easily.

**Lemma 2.1** Let  $(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n)$  be a positive  $n$ -tuple such that there exist positive numbers

$A, a$  satisfying  $0 < a \leq a_i \leq A$ . Then,

$$\frac{n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i\right)^2} \leq \frac{1}{4} (\sqrt{A/a} + \sqrt{a/A})^2$$

with equality holds if and only if  $a = A$  or  $q = \frac{A/a}{(A/a) + 1}n$  is an integer and  $q$  of numbers  $a_i$  coincide with  $a$  and the remaining  $n - q$  of the  $a_i$ 's coincide with  $A$  ( $\neq a$ ).

**Theorem 2.3** Let  $G$  be a simple connected graph with  $m$  edges,  $r = r(G) \geq 2, d = d(G)$ . Then,

$$\overline{ABC}_3(G) = \sqrt{\frac{4m\sqrt{(r-1)(d-1)}}{rd\left(\frac{1}{r}\sqrt{r-1} + \frac{1}{d}\sqrt{d-1}\right)^2 E_2(G)}}.$$

*Proof* By Theorem 2.2 we know that

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{d}\sqrt{d-1} \leq \sqrt{\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j}} \leq \frac{\sqrt{2}}{r}\sqrt{r-1}, \quad v_i v_j \notin E(G). \quad (2.1)$$

Also by Lemma 2.3 we have

$$a \leq a_i \leq A. \quad (2.2)$$

Let

$$a = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{d}\sqrt{d-1} \quad \text{and} \quad a_i = \sqrt{\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j}}, \quad v_i v_j \notin E(G)$$

and

$$A = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{r}\sqrt{r-1}.$$

in equations (2.1) and (2.2). We therefore know that

$$\frac{n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2}{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i\right)^2} \leq \frac{1}{4} \left( \sqrt{\frac{A}{a}} + \sqrt{\frac{a}{A}} \right)^2,$$

i.e.,

$$\frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i\right)^2}{n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2} \geq 4 \frac{1}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{A}{a}} + \sqrt{\frac{a}{A}}\right)^2},$$

which implies that

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i\right)^2 \geq \frac{4n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2}{\left(\sqrt{\frac{A}{a}} + \sqrt{\frac{a}{A}}\right)^2} \geq \frac{4n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2}{\left[\frac{\sqrt{A}}{\sqrt{a}} + \frac{\sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{A}}\right]^2} \geq \frac{4n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2}{\left[\frac{A+a}{\sqrt{an}}\right]^2} \geq \frac{4n \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 a A}{[A+a]^2}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{v_i v_j \in E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j}} \right)^2 &\geq \frac{4n \frac{\sqrt{2}}{d} \sqrt{d-1} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{r} \sqrt{r-1}}{\left[ \frac{\sqrt{2}}{r} \sqrt{r-1} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{d} \sqrt{d-1} \right]^2} \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \left( \frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j} \right) \\ &\geq \frac{\frac{8n}{rd} \sqrt{d-1} \sqrt{r-1}}{\frac{2}{r} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{r-1}}{r} + \frac{\sqrt{d-1}}{d} \right]^2} \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \left( \frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\frac{8n \sqrt{(r-1)(d-1)}}{rd \left[ \frac{\sqrt{r-1}}{r} + \frac{\sqrt{d-1}}{d} \right]^2} \sum \left( \frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j} \right) = \frac{\frac{8n}{rd} \sqrt{(r-1)(d-1)}}{\frac{2}{r} \left[ \frac{\sqrt{r-1}}{r} + \frac{\sqrt{d-1}}{d} \right]^2} \sum_{v_i v_j} \left( \frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j} \right).$$

We know that

$$\sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \left( \frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j} \right) \geq \frac{1}{E_2(G)}$$

from Theorem 2.1. Thus,

$$\sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \left( \sqrt{\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j}} \right)^2 \geq \frac{4m \times \sqrt{(r-1)(d-1)}}{rd \left( \frac{1}{r} \sqrt{r-1} + \frac{1}{d} \sqrt{d-1} \right)} \overline{E_2(G)},$$

$$\sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \sqrt{\left( \frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j} \right)} \geq \sqrt{\frac{4m \sqrt{(r-1)(d-1)}}{rd \left( \frac{1}{r} \sqrt{r-1} + \frac{1}{d} \sqrt{d-1} \right)} \overline{E_2(G)}}. \quad \square$$

**Theorem 2.4** *Let  $G$  be a simple connected graph with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges. Then,*

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n^2 m - n \overline{M_1(G)} + \overline{M_2(G)}}} \leq \overline{ABC_3(G)} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{2nm^2 - n \overline{M_1(G)} - 2m^2}.$$

*Proof* From Theorem 2.1,

$$\sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j}} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} e_i e_j}}.$$

Since  $e_i \leq (n - d_i)$ , we know that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} e_i e_j}} &\geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum (n - d_i)(n - d_j)}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sum (n^2 - nd_i - nd_j + d_i d_j)}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{mn^2 - n \overline{M_1(G)} + \overline{M_2(G)}}}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the lower bound.

Now, since  $G \not\cong K_n$ ,  $e_i e_j \geq 2$  for  $v_i v_j \notin E(G)$ , we get that

$$\sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \sqrt{\frac{1}{e_i} + \frac{1}{e_j} - \frac{2}{e_i e_j}} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \sqrt{e_i + e_j - 2}.$$

By Cuchy-Schwarz inequality, we also know that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} \sqrt{e_i + e_j - 2} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} 1 \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} (e_i + e_j - 2)}.$$

Since  $e_i \leq n - d_i$  for  $v_i \in V(G)$ , we get that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{\sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} 1 \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} (e_i + e_j - 2)} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{m \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} (n - d_i + n - d_j - 2)} \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{m \left[ \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} 2n - \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} (d_i + d_j) - 2 \sum_{v_i v_j \notin E(G)} 1 \right]} \\ & = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{m [2nm - \overline{M_1(G)} - 2m]} \\ & = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \sqrt{2m^2 n - m \overline{M_1(G)} - 2m^2}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

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