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Locating and Multiplicative Locating Indices of Graphs with QSPR Analysis

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In this paper, by introducing a new version of locating indices called multiplicative locating indices, we compute exact values of these indices on well-known families of graphs and graphs obtained by some operations. Also, we determine the importance of locating and multiplicative locating indices of hexane and its isomers. Furthermore, we show that locating indices actually have a reasonable correlation using linear regression with physico-chemical characteristics such as enthalpy, melting point, and boiling point. This approximation can be extended into several chemical compounds.

1. Introduction

As an example of a molecular descriptor, a topological graph index is defined as a mathematical formula which is applied to any graph that models some molecular structure. These indices make analyzing mathematical values and examining certain molecules physico-chemical properties more feasible and efficient by enabling us to bypass costly and lengthy laboratory experiments. The role of molecular descriptors is well established in mathematical chemistry. They include but are not limited to QSPR or quantitative structure-property relationship. There are various topological indices in the literature, and many of them have broad applications in chemistry. The structural properties of the graphs employed in the calculations can be used to classify them. For instance, the Zagreb type indices are computed using the degrees of vertices in a graph. They helped to compare some alkane isomers boiling points and have aided in the discovery, along with other indices, of a few thousand topological graph indices enrolled in the chemical data bases. In fact there has been a rapidly increasing interest of this topic, and thus topological graph indices have been studied worldwide by both mathematicians and chemists (see [1–8]). The most widely known topological indices are the first and second Zagreb indices, which have been introduced by Gutman and Trinajstic in [9], and defined as $M_1(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} (d(u))^2$ and $M_2(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d(u)d(v)$, respectively. Actually, several new versions of the Zagreb indices have been established for similar purposes (cf. [10–17]).

Different topological indices for some chemical compounds such as “aspirin” and the anticancer drug “carbidopa” have been studied in detail by Wazzan (cf. [18, 19]). Moreover, in a recent work, Wazzan et al. (see [20]) introduced novel topological indices called the first and second locating indices. To do that, the authors used the locating matrix $L_0(G)$ over a graph $G$ (cf. [21]). Let $G = (V,E)$ be a connected graph with the vertex set $V = \{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n\}$. A locating function of $G$ denoted by $L(G)$ is a function $L(G) : V(G) \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}^+ \cup \{0\}$ such that \(L(v_i) = \overrightarrow{v_i} = (d(v_1, v_i), d(v_2, v_i), \ldots, d(v_n, v_i))\), where $d(v_i, v_j)$ is the distance between the vertices $v_i$ and $v_j$ in $G$. The vector $\overrightarrow{v_i}$ is called the locating vector corresponding to the vertex $v_i$, where $\overrightarrow{v_i} \cdot \overrightarrow{v_j}$ is actually the dot product of the vectors $\overrightarrow{v_i}$ and $\overrightarrow{v_j}$ in the integers space $\mathbb{Z}^+ \cup \{0\}$ such that $v_i$ is adjacent to $v_j$. In the present paper, as a next step of the work in [20], we introduce the first and second multiplicative locating indices for a connected graph $G$ as in the following definition.
Definition 1. For a connected graph $G = (V, E)$ with an edge set $E(G)$ and vertex set $V = \{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_n\}$, the first and second multiplicative locating indices are defined as follows:

$$\prod_{1}^{\mathcal{L}} (G) = \prod_{v \in V(G)} \left( \overrightarrow{v} \right)^2,$$

$$\prod_{2}^{\mathcal{L}} (G) = \prod_{v, v' \in E(G)} \overrightarrow{v} \cdot \overrightarrow{v'},$$

respectively.

In this paper, we only consider simple graphs with no multiple edges. For the terminologies, we may recommend citation [22] to readers.

2. Certain Values of Multiplicative Locating Indices

In this section, by considering Definition 1, we will determine the first and second multiplicative locating indices for some special graphs such as $K_m$, $K_{m,n}$, $C_m$, $W_m$, and $P_m$, and also we will compute the same indices for the graph $G$ such that $G$ is obtained by joining two graphs $G_1$ and $G_2$ (notationally $G \cong G_1 \cup G_2$, where $G_1$ and $G_2$ are connected with diameter 2. In particular, we will assume that as $C_3$- and $C_5$-free graphs.

Let $G \cong K_{m,n}$ be the complete graph with $m \geq 2$. Then,

$$\prod_{1}^{\mathcal{L}} (K_{m,n}) = (m-1)^n,$$

$$\prod_{2}^{\mathcal{L}} (K_{m,n}) = (\sqrt{m-2})^{m(m-1)}.$$ 

Proof

(i) Let $G \cong K_{m,n}$ be the complete graph with $m \geq 2$ and let $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_m\}$, and for each vertex $v_i \in V(G)$, we let $\overrightarrow{v_i}$ be the locating vector associated with the vertex $v_i$. Then, $\overrightarrow{v_i} = (a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n)$ such that $a_i = 0$ and all the other components are equal to 1. Hence, $(\overrightarrow{v_i})^2 = m - 1$. However, the total amount of vertices in $G$ is $m$ vertices, and so, $\prod_{1}^{\mathcal{L}} (K_{m,n}) = (m-1)^n$.

(ii) For any arbitrary locating vectors $\overrightarrow{v_i}$ and $\overrightarrow{v_j}$, where $i \neq j$, we gain $\overrightarrow{v_i} \cdot \overrightarrow{v_j} = m - 2$. Therefore, $\prod_{2}^{\mathcal{L}} (K_{m,n}) = (\sqrt{m-2})^{m(m-1)}$. \qed

Theorem 2. Let $G \cong K_{m,n}$, where $1 \leq m \leq n$. Then,

$$\prod_{1}^{\mathcal{L}} (K_{m,n}) = (4m - 4 + n)^m + (4n - 4 + m)^n,$$

$$\prod_{2}^{\mathcal{L}} (K_{m,n}) = (2m + 2n - 4)^m.$$ 

Proof. We identify the adjacent vertices $v_i$ and $v_{m+i}$ of $K_{m,n}$, for all $1 \leq j \leq n$ and $1 \leq i \leq m$. Then, the locating vectors $\overrightarrow{v_i}$ of $v_i$ are given by

$$\overrightarrow{v_1} = (0, 2, \ldots, 2, 1, 1, \ldots, 1), \overrightarrow{v_2} = (2, 0, 2, \ldots, 2, 1, 1, \ldots, 1)$$

$$\overrightarrow{v_3} = (2, 0, 2, \ldots, 2, 1, 1, \ldots, 1), \ldots, \overrightarrow{v_m} = (2, 0, 2, \ldots, 2, 1, 1, \ldots, 1),$$

$$\overrightarrow{v_{m+1}} = (1, 1, \ldots, 1, 0, 2, 2, \ldots, 2), \overrightarrow{v_{m+2}} = (1, 1, \ldots, 1, 2, 0, 2, \ldots, 2), \ldots, \overrightarrow{v_{2m}} = (1, 1, \ldots, 1, 2, \ldots, 2, 0).$$

$$\prod_{1}^{\mathcal{L}} (K_{m,n}) = 2(5m - 4)^m, \prod_{2}^{\mathcal{L}} (K_{m,n}) = (4m - 4)^m.$$ 

Corollary 2. Let $G$ be any star graph $K_{1,n}$. Then,

$$\prod_{1}^{\mathcal{L}} (K_{1,n}) = n + (4n + 3)^n, \prod_{2}^{\mathcal{L}} (K_{1,n}) = (2n - 2)^n.$$ 

Theorem 3. For an even integer $m \geq 2$, let $G \cong C_m$. Then,

$$\prod_{1}^{\mathcal{L}} (C_m) = \left(\frac{m^3 + 2m}{12}\right)^m, \prod_{2}^{\mathcal{L}} (C_m) = \left(\frac{m(m-2)}{12}\right)^m.$$ 

Proof. By identifying the vertices of the cycle \( C_m \) as \( \{v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_m\} \) in the anticlockwise direction, we obtain

\[
\vec{v}_1 = 0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots, m \frac{m - 1}{2} - 1, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 1, \frac{m - 1}{2} - 2, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 1.
\]

\[
\vec{v}_2 = 1, 0, 1, 2, \ldots, m \frac{m - 1}{2} - 1, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 2, \frac{m - 1}{2} - 2, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 1.
\]

\[
\vec{v}_3 = 2, 1, 0, 1, \ldots, m \frac{m - 1}{2} - 2, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 3, \frac{m - 1}{2} - 2, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 1.
\]

\[
\vdots
\]

\[
\vec{v}_m = 1, 2, 3, \ldots, m \frac{m - 1}{2} - 1, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 0.
\]

which gives \( \prod_2^x (C_m) = (m(m - 2)^2/12)^m \).

\[\square\]

**Theorem 4.** Let \( G \equiv C_m \) with an odd number of vertices \( m \geq 3 \). Then,

\[
\prod_1^x (C_m) = \left( \frac{(m(m - 1)/12)^m}{x} \right)^m, \prod_2^x (C_m) = \left( \frac{(m(m - 2)(m + 3)/12)}{x} \right)^m.
\]

Proof. Following the steps in the proof of Theorem 4, we get

\[
\vec{v}_1 = 0, 1, 2, 3, \ldots, m \frac{m - 1}{2} - 1, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 1.
\]

\[
\vec{v}_2 = 1, 0, 1, 2, \ldots, m \frac{m - 1}{2} - 1, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 2, \frac{m - 1}{2} - 2, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 1.
\]

\[
\vec{v}_3 = 2, 1, 0, 1, \ldots, m \frac{m - 1}{2} - 2, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 3, \frac{m - 1}{2} - 2, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 1.
\]

\[
\vdots
\]

\[
\vec{v}_m = 1, 2, 3, \ldots, m \frac{m - 1}{2} - 1, m - 1 \frac{1}{2} - 2, \ldots, 0.
\]

which implies \( \prod_2^x (C_m) = (m(m - 1)/12)^m \). Further, by the symmetry,

\[
\prod_1^x (C_m) = (m(m - 2)(m + 3)/12)^m.
\]

Hence, \( \prod_2^x (C_m) = (m(m - 2)(m + 3)/12)^m \), as required.

\[\square\]

**Theorem 5.** Let \( G \) be wheel graph \( W_m \) with \( m + 1 \) vertices such that \( m \geq 4 \). Then,

\[
\prod_1^x (W_m) = m(4m - 9)^m, \prod_2^x (W_m) = (8m^2 - 38m + 44)^m.
\]
Proof. Let \( G \equiv W_m \) with \( m + 1 \) vertices. Suppose that the vertices \( v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_m, v_{m+1} \in V(G) \) are labeling in the anticlockwise direction where the center of the wheel is labeled \( v_{m+1} \). Hence, we get

\[
\overrightarrow{v_i} = (0, 1, 2, \ldots, 1, 1), \quad \overrightarrow{v_j} = (1, 0, 1, 2, \ldots, 2, 1), \quad \overrightarrow{v_k} = (2, 1, 0, 1, 2, \ldots, 2, 1), \quad \overrightarrow{v_l} = (1, 2, 0, 1, 2, \ldots, 2, 1), \quad \overrightarrow{v_m} = (2, 1, 0, 1, 2, \ldots, 2, 1), \quad \overrightarrow{v_{m+1}} = (1, 1, \ldots, 1, 0).
\]

Therefore, for each corresponding locating vector \( \overrightarrow{v_j} \) with the vertex \( v_j \) \((i \in \{1, 2, \ldots, m\})\), we have \( \overrightarrow{v_i} = 4m - 9 \) and \( \overrightarrow{v_{m+1}} = m \). So,
\[
\prod_{1}^{m} (W_m) = (m(4m - 9))^{m}.
\]

For any path \( P_m \) with \( (m \geq 3) \) vertices,
\[
\prod_{1}^{m} (P_m) = \frac{(m - j)(m - j + 1)(2m - 2j + 1) + j(j - 1)(2j - 1)}{6}, \quad \prod_{1}^{m} (P_m) = \prod_{j=1}^{m-1} (m - j)(m - j + 1)(m - j - 1).
\]

Proof. Assume that \( P_m \) is the path with \( (m \geq 3) \) vertices. Suppose that the locating function is constructed by identifying the vertices as \( v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_m \) from left to right. Hence,

\[
\overrightarrow{v_1} = (0, 1, 2, \ldots, 1, m - 1), \quad \overrightarrow{v_2} = (1, 0, 1, 2, \ldots, m - 2), \ldots, \overrightarrow{v_m} = (m - 2, m - 1, \ldots, 0, 1), \quad \overrightarrow{v_{m+1}} = (m - 1, m - 2, m - 3, \ldots, 0).
\]

A straightforwardly calculation implies that
\[
\prod_{1}^{m} (P_m) = \prod_{j=1}^{m} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{m-j} i^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} i^2 \right) = \prod_{j=1}^{m} \frac{(m - j)(m - j + 1)(2m - 2j + 1) + j(j - 1)(2j - 1)}{6}.
\]

For the other case \( \prod_{1}^{m} (P_m) \),
\[ \nabla_v^1 \cdot \nabla_v^2 = (0 \cdot 1) + (1 \cdot 0) + \cdots + (m - 1)(m - 2) = \frac{m(m-1)}{2}, \]
\[ \nabla_v^2 \cdot \nabla_v^3 = (1 \cdot 2) + (0 \cdot 1) + \cdots + (m - 2)(m - 3) = \frac{m(m-1)(m-2)}{6}, \]
\[ \nabla_v^3 \cdot \nabla_v^4 = \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} i(i-1). \] (21)

So, we get
\[ \prod_{2}^{m}(P_m) = \prod_{j=1}^{m-1} i(i-1) = \prod_{j=1}^{m-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^{j-1} i - \sum_{i=1}^{j} i \right). \] (22)

Therefore, \( \prod_{2}^{m}(P_m) \) is obtained as required in the statement of theorem.

In the following result, we will give our attention to the join \( G \equiv G_1 \cup G_2 \) of graphs \( G_1 \) and \( G_2 \) for computing multiplicative locating indices.

**Theorem 7.** Let \( G \equiv G_1 \cup G_2 \) such that \( G_1 \) and \( G_2 \) are both connected graphs, where \( G_1 \) and \( G_2 \) have \( m_1 \) edges; \( n_1 \) vertices and \( m_2 \) edges \( n_2 \) vertices, respectively. Then,

\[ \alpha = (n_2 + 2n_1 - 4)(n_1 + 2n_2 - 4), \]
\[ \beta = \prod_{uv \in V(G_1) \cup V(G_2)} \left( 2(n_1 + n_2) - 4 - \left( \deg_{G_1}(u) - \deg_{G_2}(u) \right) \right)^{n_1}. \] (28)

**Proof.** Under the assumptions on \( G \) as in the statement of the theorem, the partition sets edges are defined by
\[ A = \{uv: u, v \in V(G_1)\}, \]
\[ B = \{uv: u, v \in V(G_2)\}, \]
\[ C = \{uv: u \in V(G_1), v \in V(G_2)\}. \] (29)

Hence, \( \prod_{2}^{m}(G) \) is expressed as
\[ \sum_{uv \in A} \nabla_v \cdot \nabla_u \prod_{uv \in B} \nabla_v \cdot \nabla_u \prod_{uv \in C} \nabla_v \cdot \nabla_u. \] (30)

For any two adjacent vertices \( u, v \in V(G_1) \) to obtain \( \prod_{uv \in A} \nabla_v \cdot \nabla_u \), we assume that the first two vertices as follows:
\[ \nabla_u = \left( 0, 1, \ldots, 1, \frac{2}{\deg_{G_1}(u)}, \frac{1}{\deg_{G_1}(u)-1}, \frac{1}{n_1} \right), \]
\[ \nabla_v = \left( 1, 0, 2, \ldots, 2, \frac{1}{\deg_{G_1}(v)-1}, \frac{1}{n_2} \right). \] (31)

Since \( G_1 \) and \( G_2 \) are \( C_3 \)- or \( C_5 \)-free graph, for any two vertices \( u \) and \( v \) in \( V(G_1) \), we can obtain
\[ \nabla_u \cdot \nabla_v = 2\deg_{G_1}(u) - 1 + 2\left( n_1 - \deg_{G_1}(u) - 1 \right) + n_2 = n_2 + 2n_1 - 4, \] (32)
which implies \( \prod_{u \in V} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = (n_2 + 2n_1 - 4)^{m_1} \).

With the same way of calculation, we get \( \prod_{v \in B} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = (n_1 + 2n_2 - 4)^{m_2} \). Now, to achieve the computation of \( \prod_{u \in C} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} \), let us take \( u \in V(G_1) \) and \( v \in V(G_2) \). Thus,

\[
\mathbf{u} = \left( \frac{0, 1, \ldots, 1, 2, \ldots, 2, 1, \ldots, 1}{\deg_{G_1}(u) - \deg_{G_1}(u) + 1, \deg_{G_1}(u) + 1} \right),
\]

\[
\mathbf{v} = \left( \frac{1, \ldots, 1, 2, \ldots, 2, 1, \ldots, 1}{\deg_{G_2}(v) - \deg_{G_2}(v) + 1, \deg_{G_2}(v) + 1} \right).
\]

(33)

\[
\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \deg_{G_1}(u) + 2(n_1 - \deg_{G_1}(u) - 1) + \deg_{G_2}(v) + 2(n_2 - \deg_{G_2}(v) - 1)
\]

\[
= 2(n_1 + n_2) - 4 - \left( \deg_{G_1}(u) - \deg_{G_2}(v) \right).
\]

(34)

and so \( \prod_{u \in C} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \prod_{u \in V(G_1), v \in V(G_2)} (2(n_1 + n_2) - 4 - \left( \deg_{G_1}(u) - \deg_{G_2}(v) \right))^{m_1 m_2} \). Then, by all above calculations, we finally get \( \prod_{G_1} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = \prod_{G} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} \), where

\[
\alpha = (n_1 + 2n_2 - 4)^{m_1} (n_1 + 2n_2 - 4)^{m_2},
\]

\[
\beta = \prod_{u \in V(G_1), v \in V(G_2)} (2(n_1 + n_2) - 4 - \left( \deg_{G_1}(u) - \deg_{G_2}(v) \right))^{m_1 m_2}.
\]

(35)

Hence, the result is obtained.

\[
\mathbf{v} = (0, 1, 1, 1, \ldots, 1, 2, 2, \ldots, 2), \quad \mathbf{u} = (1, 0, 2, 2, \ldots, 2, 1, 1, \ldots, 1)
\]

\[
\mathbf{v}_1 = (1, 2, 0, 2, \ldots, 2, 1, 3, \ldots, 3),
\]

\[
\mathbf{u}_1 = (2, 1, 1, 3, \ldots, 3, 0, 2, \ldots, 2)
\]

\[
\mathbf{v}_2 = (1, 2, 2, 0, 2, \ldots, 2, 3, 1, 3, \ldots, 3),
\]

\[
\mathbf{u}_2 = \left( \frac{1, 3, 1, 3, \ldots, 3, 2, 0, 2, \ldots, 2}{t-2, t-2, \ldots, t-2} \right)
\]

\[
\vdots
\]

\[
\mathbf{v}_t = (1, 2, \bar{2}, \ldots, 2, 0, \bar{3}, \ldots, 3),
\]

\[
\mathbf{u}_t = (2, 1, \bar{5}, \ldots, 3, 1, \bar{2}, \ldots, 2, 0).
\]

(37)

Considering the components of the locating vectors of the book graph, we get \( \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} = (t + 1) + 4t = 5t + 1 \), and for \( i = 1, 2, 3, \ldots, t \), we have \( \mathbf{v}_i = \mathbf{u}_i = (13t - 7) \). Hence,

\[
\prod_{G} \mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = (5t + 1)^{2} (13t - 7)^{2l}.
\]

Similarly, we have \( \mathbf{v} \cdot \mathbf{u} = 4t \) and for any \( i = 1, 2, 3, \ldots, t \), \( \mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{u}_i = 4 + 6(t - 1) + 6(t - 1) = 12t - 8 \), and in the same
way, \( \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j = u_i \cdot u_j = 8t - 4 \). Hence, \( \prod_{1}^{d} (G) = 4t((12t-8)(8t-4)) \).

3. Multiplicative Locating Indices of Firefly Graphs

A firefly graph \( F_{s,t,n-2s-2t-1} \) \((s \geq 0, t \geq 0,\) and \(n - 2s - 2t - 1 \geq 0)\) is a graph of order \( n \) that consists of \( s \) triangles, \( t \) pendant paths of length 2, and \( n - 2s - 2t - 1 \) pendant edges that are sharing a common vertex \([23]\). Let \( \mathcal{F}_n \) be the set of all firefly graphs \( F_{s,t,n-2s-2t-1} \). Note that \( \mathcal{F}_n \) contains the stars \( S_n \), stretched stars \( \geq F_{0,t,n-2s-2t-1} \), friendship graphs \( \geq F_{s,t,n-2s-2t-1} \), and butterfly graphs \( \geq F_{s,t,n-2s-2t-1} \).

In the following result, the first and second multiplicative locating indices for the firefly graph are calculated. To simplify the calculations, let us denote \( n - 2s - 2t - 1 \) by \( l \).

\[
\prod_{1}^{d} (G) = (2s + 5t + l)^2 (8s + 13t + 4l - 6)^2 (8s + 13t + 4l - 3)^2 (8s + 13t + 4l - 11)^2 (18s + 25t + 9l - 20)^2, \\
\prod_{2}^{d} (G) = (8s + 13t + 4l - 7)^{2s-1} (4s + 8t + 2l - 3)^{2t} (4s + 8t + 2l - 2)^{2t} (4s + 8t + 2l - 6)^{2l} (12s + 8t + 6l - 16)^{2l}.
\]

**Theorem 10.** Let \( G \cong F_{s,t,l} \) \((s,t,l \geq 0)\) be a firefly graph of order \( n \). Then,

\[
\prod_{1}^{d} (G) = (2s + 5t + l)^2 (8s + 13t + 4l - 6)^2 (8s + 13t + 4l - 3)^2 (8s + 13t + 4l - 11)^2 (18s + 25t + 9l - 20)^2, \\
\prod_{2}^{d} (G) = (8s + 13t + 4l - 7)^{2s-1} (4s + 8t + 2l - 3)^{2t} (4s + 8t + 2l - 2)^{2t} (4s + 8t + 2l - 6)^{2l} (12s + 8t + 6l - 16)^{2l}.
\]

**Proof.** Suppose that \( G \cong F_{s,t,l} \) \((s,t,l \geq 0)\) is a firefly graph of \( n = 2s + 2t + l + 1 \) vertices. Let us label the vertices of the graph (see Figure 2) with clockwise direction.

So, in the set
\[
V(G) = \{v, v_1, v_2, \ldots, v_s, u_1, u_2, \ldots, u_t, w_1, w_2, \ldots, w_t, z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_l\},
\]

where \( v \) is the center vertex of the firefly graph, \( v_1, \ldots, v_s \) is the vertices of the triangles, \( u_1, \ldots, u_t \) is the vertices of the pendant edges, \( w_1, \ldots, w_t \) is the first vertices of the pendant paths, and \( z_1, \ldots, z_l \) be the second vertices of the pendant paths. Therefore, we obtain the corresponding vectors \( \vec{v}_i \) for each vertex \( v_i \in V(G) \) where \( i = 1, 2, \ldots, 2s + 2t + l + 1 \) as follows:
Obviously, we obtain the equality in (38).

\[ \prod_{i=1}^{\mathcal{F}} (G) = \mathcal{V}^2 \prod_{i=1}^{2s} \mathcal{V}_i \prod_{i=1}^{l} u_i^2 \prod_{i=1}^{t} w_i^2 \prod_{i=1}^{t} z_i^2. \]  

(42)

\[ \prod_{i=1}^{\mathcal{F}} (G) = (2s + 5t + l)^2 (8s + 13t + 4l - 6)^2 (8s + 13t + 4l - 3)^2 (8s + 13t + 4l - 11)^2 (18s + 25t + 9l - 20)^2. \]  

(43)
Similarly, as in the above process, since
\[
\prod_{2} (G) = \prod_{i=1}^{2} v_{i} \cdot \bar{v}_{i}^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^{2} \bar{v}_{i} \cdot v_{i} \prod_{i=1}^{2} v_{i} \cdot \bar{w}_{i} \prod_{i=1}^{2} \bar{w}_{i} \cdot \bar{z}_{i},
\]
we get the equality in (39) as required. □

**Corollary 3**

(1) For any friendship graph of \( n \) vertices,
\[
\prod_{1} (G) = (n - 1)^{2} (4n - 10)^{2n-2} (4n - 7)^{n-1},
\]
\[
\prod_{2} (G) = \prod_{i=1}^{2} (4n - 9)^{2n-1} (2n - 5)^{2} (2n - 4)^{n-2} - 1.
\]

(2) For any butterfly graph \( F_{s,0,n-2s-1} \) of \( n \) vertices.

4. Locating and Multiplicative Locating Indices of Hexane and Its Isomers

In this section, we will compute some first and second locating and multiplicative indices for hexane and its isomers. Recall that the first and second locating indices [20] are defined as follows:

\[
M_{1}^{\mathcal{F}} (G) = \sum_{v \in V} (\bar{v}_{i})^{2},
\]
\[
M_{2}^{\mathcal{F}} (G) = \sum_{v \notin E} \bar{v}_{i} \cdot v_{j}.
\]

Hexane and its four structural isomers, namely, 2-methylpentane, 3-methylpentane, 2,2-dimethylbutane, and 2,3-dimethylbutane, were fully optimized free of any structural constraints using the one of the well-known functional of the density functional theory (DFT), i.e., B3LYP. B3LYP stands for the Lee–Yang–Parr correlation functional (B3LYP) (see [24, 25]). This functional was combined with a quite large basis set, i.e., \( 6 - 311 + +G(2d,2p) \). 0 - 311 + +G(2d,2p) stands for a split-valance triple zeta (ξ) enlarged with two diffuse basis functions (+), one is sp-orbitals added for the carbon atoms and s-orbital added to all hydrogen atoms. Additionally, larger polarization functionals, 2 \( d^{-} \) and 2 \( p^{-} \) orbitals added for the carbon and hydrogen atoms, respectively, were included. The frequency calculations were performed on all optimized geometries, and the absence of negative frequencies implies that the geometries are all minima points. Optimization and frequency calculations were performed using Gaussian 09 (see [5]), and data were visualized using GaussView (version 5.0.8) (see [26]) programs. The chemical structures, optimized geometries, the distributions, and energies of the highest occupied molecular orbitals (HOMOs) and the lowest unoccupied molecular orbitals (LUMOs) and also the total densities mapped with electrostatic potentials (ESPMs) at isovalue = 0.2 a.u. are all included in Figure 3.

The ESPM is referring to a three-dimensional plot of the total electronic densities mapped with electrostatic potentials. Therefore, it helps in visualizing the electron density distribution around each atom/region of the molecule. The five isomers energies are all large negative values which confirm on the suitability of the applied level of theory. The five isomers can be arranged according to their total electronic energies and thus to their stability as follows: 2,3-dimethylbutane < 3-methylpentane < 2,2-dimethylbutane < 2-methylpentane < hexane. By Figure 3, the energies of highest occupied molecular orbitals (HOMOs) and the lowest unoccupied molecular orbitals (LUMOs) are all negative and arranged the isomers in terms of their ability to donate/accept electrons during a chemical reaction.

The molecular graph of hexane and its isomers is shown in Figure 4. In this figure, while the vertices represent the atoms, the edges represent the chemical bond. We should note that the hydrogen atom is omitted.

**Theorem 11.** The first locating and multiplicative indices of Hexane are 222 and 1712237725, respectively. The second locating and multiplicative indices of Hexane are 140 and 12390400, respectively.

**Proof.** By taking into account Figure 4(a), let us first compute \( \bar{v}_{i} \) for each \( v_{i} \in V \) (hexane). Thus, we have

\[
\bar{v}_{1} = (0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5),
\]
\[
\bar{v}_{2} = (1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4),
\]
\[
\bar{v}_{3} = (2, 1, 0, 1, 2, 3),
\]
\[
\bar{v}_{4} = (3, 2, 1, 0, 1, 2),
\]
\[
\bar{v}_{5} = (4, 3, 2, 1, 0, 1),
\]
\[
\bar{v}_{6} = (5, 4, 3, 2, 1, 0).
\]

Then, by using equations (47) and (1), the first locating and multiplicative indices of hexane are presented by
Figure 3: The chemical structures, optimized geometries, the distributions, and energies of the highest occupied molecular orbitals (HOMOs) and the lowest unoccupied molecular orbitals (LUMOs) and also the total densities mapped with electrostatic potentials (ESPMs) at isovalue = 0.2 a.u. of (a) hexane, (b) 2-methylpentane, (c) 3-methylpentane, (d) 2,2-dimethylbutane, and (e) 2,3-dimethylbutane.

Figure 4: Molecular graphs of hexane and its isomers: (a) hexane; (b) 2-methylpentane; (c) 3-methylpentane; (d) 2,2-dimethylbutane; (e) 2,3-dimethylbutane.
\[ M_1^Z (\text{hexane}) = \sum_{v_i \in V} \left( \vec{v}_i \right)^2 = 55 + 31 + 31 + 19 + 31 + 55 = 222, \]
\[ \prod_{v_i \in V} (\text{hexane}) = \prod_{v_i \in V} \left( \vec{v}_i \right)^2 = 55 \times 31 \times 31 \times 19 \times 31 \times 55 = 1712237725. \] (50)

On the other hand, by using equations (48) and (2), the second locating and multiplicative indices of hexane are presented by

\[ M_2^Z (\text{hexane}) = \sum_{v_i, v_j \in E} \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j = (\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2) + (\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_3) + (\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_4) + (\vec{v}_4 \cdot \vec{v}_5) + (\vec{v}_5 \cdot \vec{v}_6) \]
\[ = 40 + 22 + 16 + 22 + 40 = 140, \] (51)

\[ \prod_{v_i, v_j \in E} (\text{hexane}) = \prod_{v_i, v_j \in E} \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j = (\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2) \times (\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_3) \times (\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_4) \times (\vec{v}_4 \cdot \vec{v}_5) \times (\vec{v}_5 \cdot \vec{v}_6) = 12390400. \]

Hence, the result is obtained.

In the following results, although we will follow completely the same way as in the proof of Theorem 11, we prefer to write some of those proofs again separately since the classification structural isomers is so important. \(\square\)

**Theorem 12.** The first locating and multiplicative indices of 2-methylpentane are 168 and 285874176, respectively. The second locating and multiplicative indices of 2-methylpentane are 94 and 2044416, respectively.

**Proof.** Considering Figure 4(b), let us calculate \(\vec{v}_i\) for each \(v_i \in V\) (2 – methylpentane). So, we have

\[ M_1^Z (\text{2 - methylpentane}) = \sum_{v_i \in V} \left( \vec{v}_i \right)^2 = 46 + 24 + 14 + 16 + 34 + 34 = 168, \]
\[ \prod_{v_i \in V} (\text{2 - methylpentane}) = \prod_{v_i \in V} \left( \vec{v}_i \right)^2 = 46 \times 24 \times 14 \times 16 \times 34 \times 34 = 285874176. \] (53)

Similarly as previous proofs, by equations (48) and (2), the second locating and multiplicative indices of 2-methylpentane are given by

\[ M_2^Z (\text{2 - methylpentane}) = \sum_{v_i, v_j \in E} \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j = (\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2) + (\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_3) + (\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_4) + (\vec{v}_4 \cdot \vec{v}_5) + (\vec{v}_5 \cdot \vec{v}_6) \]
\[ = 22 + 16 + 12 + 22 + 22 = 94, \] (54)

\[ \prod_{v_i, v_j \in E} (\text{2 - methylpentane}) = \prod_{v_i, v_j \in E} \vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j = (\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2) \times (\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_3) \times (\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_4) \times (\vec{v}_4 \cdot \vec{v}_5) \times (\vec{v}_5 \cdot \vec{v}_6) = 22 \times 16 \times 12 \times 22 \times 22 = 2044416. \]
These all above progresses complete the proof. \( \square \)

**Theorem 13.** The first locating and multiplicative indices of 3-methylpentane are 118 and 163077057, respectively. The second locating and multiplicative indices of 3-methylpentane are 92 and 1557504, respectively.

**Proof.** By taking into account Figure 4(c), we compute \( \vec{v}_i \) for each \( v_i \in V \) (3-methylpentane), then we get

\[
\begin{align*}
\vec{v}_1 & = (0, 1, 2, 3, 4), \\
\vec{v}_2 & = (1, 0, 1, 2, 2), \\
\vec{v}_3 & = (2, 1, 0, 1, 1), \\
\vec{v}_4 & = (3, 2, 1, 0, 2), \\
\vec{v}_5 & = (3, 2, 1, 2, 0), \\
\vec{v}_6 & = (4, 3, 2, 3, 1, 0).
\end{align*}
\]

Similarly as previous proofs, by equations (47) and (1), the first locating and multiplicative indices of 3-methylpentane are given by

\[
M_1^{x} (3 - \text{methylpentane}) = \sum_{v_i \in V} (\vec{v}_i) = 39 + 19 + 11 + 27 + 19 + 39 = 118,
\]

\[
\prod_{1}^{x} (3 - \text{methylpentane}) = \prod_{v_i \in V} (\vec{v}_i) = 39 \times 19 \times 11 \times 27 \times 19 = 163077057.
\]

By equations (48) and (2), the second locating and multiplicative indices of 3-methylpentane are given by

\[
M_2^{x} (3 - \text{methylpentane}) = \sum_{v_i, v_j \in E} (\vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j) = (\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2) + (\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_3) + (\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_4) + (\vec{v}_4 \cdot \vec{v}_5) + (\vec{v}_5 \cdot \vec{v}_6) = 26 + 12 + 16 + 12 + 26 = 92,
\]

\[
\prod_{2}^{x} (3 - \text{methylpentane}) = \prod_{v_i, v_j \in E} (\vec{v}_i \cdot \vec{v}_j) = (\vec{v}_1 \cdot \vec{v}_2) \times (\vec{v}_2 \cdot \vec{v}_3) \times (\vec{v}_3 \cdot \vec{v}_4) \times (\vec{v}_4 \cdot \vec{v}_5) \times (\vec{v}_5 \cdot \vec{v}_6) = 26 \times 12 \times 16 \times 12 \times 26 = 1557504.
\]

These all above progresses complete the proof. \( \square \)

**Theorem 14.** The first locating and multiplicative indices of 2,2-dimethylbutane are 120 and 38162432, respectively. The second locating and multiplicative indices of 2,2-dimethylbutane are 65 and 290304, respectively.

**Proof.** By Figure 4(d), for \( 1 \leq i \leq 3 \), the vectors \( \vec{v}_i \) for each \( v_i \in V \) (2,2-dimethylbutane) can be obtained as

\[
\begin{align*}
\vec{v}_1 & = (0, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3), \\
\vec{v}_2 & = (1, 0, 1, 2, 2), \\
\vec{v}_3 & = (2, 1, 0, 1, 1), \\
\vec{v}_4 & = (3, 2, 1, 0, 2), \\
\vec{v}_5 & = (3, 2, 1, 2, 0), \\
\vec{v}_6 & = (4, 3, 2, 3, 1, 0).
\end{align*}
\]

Thus, as previously, by equations (47) and (1) and equations (48) and (2), we obtain the required results on the first and second locating and multiplicative locating indices for 2,2-dimethylbutane.

Finally, let us consider Figure 4(e). Then, the vectors \( \vec{v}_i \) for each \( v_i \in V \) (2,3-dimethylbutane) can be obtained as

\[
\begin{align*}
\vec{v}_1 & = (0, 1, 2, 2, 3, 3), \\
\vec{v}_2 & = (1, 0, 1, 1, 2, 2), \\
\vec{v}_3 & = (2, 1, 0, 2, 3, 3), \\
\vec{v}_4 & = (2, 1, 2, 0, 1, 1), \\
\vec{v}_5 & = (3, 2, 3, 1, 0, 2), \\
\vec{v}_6 & = (3, 2, 3, 1, 2, 0),
\end{align*}
\]

with the same approach as before, by equations (47) and (1) and equations (48) and (2), we get the next final theorem for
Table 1: Hexane and its isomers with their physico-chemical properties and topological indices values.

| Isomer name         | F.L.I | S.L.I | F.M.I | S.M.I | B.P. F° | M.P. F° | E.C./eV | F.P. |
|---------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---------|---------|---------|------|
| Hexane              | 222   | 140   | 171   | 1239 | 155.7   | −139.5  | −6448.22| 247.2|
| 2-Methylpentane     | 168   | 94    | 285   | 2044 | 140.5   | −244.7  | −6448.21| 266  |
| 3-Methylpentane     | 118   | 92    | 163   | 1557 | 145.9   | −180.4  | −6448.16| 266  |
| 2,2-Dimethylbutane  | 120   | 65    | 381   | 2903 | 121.5   | −147.6  | −6448.20| 244  |
| 2,3-Dimethylbutane  | 130   | 72    | 643   | 5242 | 136.4   | −199.5  | −6448.15| 244  |

![Graphical relationships between the boiling points (B.P.), melting points (M.P.), flashpoints (F.P.), enthalpy change (E.G.), and the calculated topological indices of hexane and its four isomers, where R2 represents the correlation coefficient.](image-url)
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Theorem 15. The first locating and multiplicative indices of 2,3-dimethylbutane are 130 and 64304361, respectively. The second locating and multiplicative indices of 2,3-dimethylbutane are 72 and 524288, respectively.

Table 1 indicates the exact values of first and second locating and multiplicative locating indices of hexane and its isomers with their physico-chemical properties such as boiling point (B.P.), melting point (M.P.), enthalpy change (E.C.), and flash point (F.P.). Figure 5 indicates how much the obtained topological indices are correlated with the well-known physio-chemical properties, i.e., the five investigated isomers. The degree of correlation between any two data sets is measured by the value of the correlation coefficient ($R^2$). When the value of $R^2$ becomes close to unity, two data sets are more correlated. We can also note from Figure 5 that $R^2$ of the plot between F.L.I and boiling points (B.P.) equals 0.458 while it is equal to 0.781 for the plot between S.L.I and boiling points. In fact these two obtained values of $R^2$ for these two plots are quite satisfactory. Similar conclusion can be obtained for the plots among F.L.I and S.L.I data, and the enthalpy changes values since $R^2$ equals 0.538 and 0.324 for these two plots, respectively. The values of $R^2$ are not big enough but still indicates good correlations between these two data sets. However, the achieved correlation coefficients between two topological indices and the melting points of five isomers are too small and so should be indicated a poor correlation between them since the values of $R^2$ in these two plots are less than 0.2. The plots between F.L.I and the flash points (F.P.) are equal to 0.108 while a better correlation is obtained between S.L.I and F.P. as the value $R^2 = 0.369$. Therefore, the former plot represents a poor correlation and the later can be considered as a better correlation.

5. Conclusion

This study combined pure data from the chemistry textbooks and a mathematical effort to find new topological indices of five well-known chemical compounds. The cases in which good correlations were obtained suggested the validity of the calculated topological indices to be further used to predict the physio-chemical properties of much complicated chemical compounds.

Data Availability

The chemical data used in this paper are strictly personal since most of those are obtained with some payments in a computing center after the theoretical parts obtained. However, the reader may contact the corresponding author for more details and special permissions of data.

Conflicts of Interest

The authors declare that they have no conflicts of interest.
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