

# ON SOME BOUNDS OF THE MINIMUM EDGE DOMINATING ENERGY OF A GRAPH

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**Abstract:** Let  $G$  be a simple graph of order  $n$  with vertex set  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and edge set  $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$ . A subset of  $E$  is called an edge dominating set of  $G$  if every edge of  $E -$  is adjacent to some edge in .Any edge dominating set with minimum cardinality is called a minimum edge dominating set [2]. Let be a minimum edge dominating set of a graph  $G$ . The minimum edge dominating matrix of  $G$  is the  $m \times m$  matrix defined by

$$D'(G) = (d'_{ij}), \text{ where } (d'_{ij}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } e_i \text{ and } e_j \text{ are incident} \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \text{ and } e_i \in \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The characteristic polynomial of  $D'(G)$  is denoted by

$$f_n(G, \rho) = \det(\rho I - D'(G)).$$

The minimum edge dominating eigen values of a graph  $G$  are the eigen values of  $D'(G)$ . Minimum edge dominating energy of  $G$  is defined as

$$l(G) = \sum_{i=1}^m | \lambda_i | \quad [12]$$

In this paper we have computed the Minimum Edge Dominating Energy of a graph. Its properties and bounds are discussed. All graphs considered here are simple, finite and undirected.

**Key Words:** Edge Adjacency Matrix, Edge Energy, Edge Dominating set, Minimum Edge Dominating Eigen values, Minimum Edge Dominating Energy

## 1. Introduction

Euler’s work on Konigsberg bridge problem in 1736 paved the way to a new branch of Mathematics called Graph theory. In the year 1978, Ivan Gutman [5] introduced the concept of energy of a graph. The various upper and lower bounds for energy of a graph have been found [4, 6].

Recently the interest in graph energy has increased and various energies have been introduced and their properties were discussed. Adiga. C, Bayad. A, Gutman .I, Srinivas .S. A, has introduced a new energy Minimum covering energy of a graph and its properties were dicussed [1]. Recently Rajesh Kanna. M. R, Dharmendra. B. N, Sridhara .G introduced the minimum dominating energy of a graph which depends on the minimum dominating set [11]. The concept of edge domination was introduced by Mitchell and Hedetniemi [10]. Meenakshi. S, Lavanya. S has introduced a new energy Minimum Dom Strong Dominating Energy and its properties and bounds were found [9].

Motivated by these papers, we have introduced the Minimum Edge Dominating Energy of a graph [12]. In this paper we are concerned with finite, simple and undirected graphs. In this paper we have computed the Minimum Edge Dominating Energy of a graph. Its properties and bounds are discussed.

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

### Definition: 2.1

The **adjacency matrix**  $A(G)$  of a graph  $G(V, E)$  with a vertex set  $V = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and an edge set  $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$  is an  $n \times n$  matrix

$$A = (a_{ij}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v_i \text{ is adjacent to } v_j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$A$  is a real symmetric matrix.

### Definition: 2.2

The Eigen values  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  of A, assumed in non increasing order, are the Eigen values of the graph G. As A is real symmetric, the Eigen values of G are real with sum equal to zero. The **Energy** E (G) of G is defined to be the sum of the absolute values of the Eigen values of G.

$$\text{i.e., } E(G) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i| \quad [5].$$

**Definition: 2.3**

Let G be a simple graph of order n with vertex set  $V=\{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$  and edge set  $E = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_m\}$ . A subset of E is called an Edge Dominating set of G if every edge of E is adjacent to some edge in . Any edge dominating set with minimum cardinality is called a Minimum Edge Dominating Set [10]. Let be a Minimum Edge Dominating Set of a graph G. The Minimum Edge Dominating Matrix of G is the m x m matrix defined by

$$D'(G) = (d'_{ij}), \text{ where } (d'_{ij}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } e_i \text{ and } e_j \text{ are adjacent} \\ 1 & \text{if } i = j \text{ and } e_i \in D \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

The characteristic polynomial of  $D'(G)$  is denoted by

$$f_m(G, \rho) = \det(\rho I - D'(G)).$$

The Minimum Edge Dominating Eigen values of a graph G are the eigen values  $\rho_1, \rho_2, \dots, \rho_m$  of  $D'(G)$ . **Minimum Edge Dominating Energy** of G is defined as

$$E(G) = \sum_{i=1}^m |\rho_i| \quad [12].$$

**Example: 1**

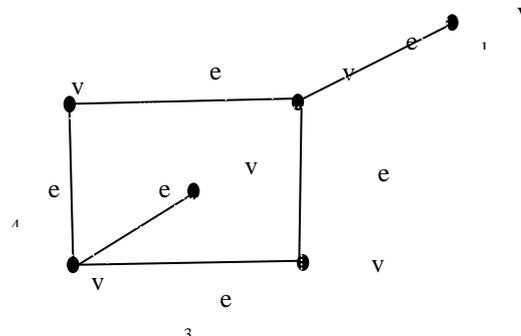


Figure 1

Consider the above graph G.

(i) Let the Minimum Edge Dominating set be  $D = \{e_1, e_3\}$ .

Then the Minimum Edge Dominating adjacency matrix is

$$D'(G) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The characteristic equation is  $\rho^6 - 2\rho^5 - 7\rho^4 + 7\rho^3 + 13\rho^2 - 0\rho - 1 = 0$ .

The Minimum Edge Dominating eigen values are

$$\rho_1 \approx -1.8363, \rho_2 \approx -1.1157, \rho_3 \approx -0.3132, \rho_4 \approx 0.2642, \rho_5 \approx 1.9050, \rho_6 \approx 3.0962.$$

The Minimum Edge Dominating Energy,  $E_{D'}(G) \approx 8.5306$ .

(ii) If we take another Minimum Edge Dominating set  $D = \{e_2, e_3\}$ .

$$(G) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The characteristic equation is  $\rho^6 - 2\rho^5 - 7\rho^4 + 6\rho^3 + 13\rho^2 - 0\rho - 3 = 0$

The Minimum Edge Dominating Eigen values are

$$\rho_1 \approx -1.7321, \rho_2 \approx -1, \rho_3 \approx -0.6751, \rho_4 \approx 0.4608, \rho_5 \approx 1.7321, \rho_6 \approx 3.2143$$

The Minimum Edge Dominating Energy,  $E_D(G) \approx 8.8144$ .

This example illustrates the fact that the Minimum Edge Dominating Energy of a graph G depends on the choice of the Minimum Edge Dominating Set.

i.e. The Minimum Edge Dominating Energy is not a graph invariant.

### 3. PROPERTIES OF MINIMUM EDGE DOMINATING ENERGY:

#### Theorem: 3.1

Let G be a simple graph of order n and size m, let  $S$  be the Minimum Edge Dominating Set and let  $f_m(G, \rho) = c_0\rho^m + c_1\rho^{m-1} + c_2\rho^{m-2} + \dots + c_m$  be the characteristic polynomial of the Minimum Edge Dominating Matrix of the graph G. Then

$$c_2 = \binom{|D'|}{2} - \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\text{deg } v_i}{2}$$

Proof:

The sum of the determinants of all  $2 \times 2$  principal sub matrices of  $D'(G) = (-1)^2 c_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, } c_2 &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} \begin{vmatrix} d'_{ii} & d'_{ij} \\ d'_{ji} & d'_{jj} \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} (d'_{ii} d'_{jj} - d'_{ij} d'_{ji}) \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} d'_{ii} d'_{jj} - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m} d'_{ij} d'_{ji} \\ &= \binom{|D'|}{2} - \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\text{deg } v_i}{2} \end{aligned}$$

#### Theorem: 3.2

Let  $G = (V, E)$  be a simple graph of order n and size m. Let  $\rho_1, \rho_2, \rho_3, \dots, \rho_m$  be the eigen values of  $D'(G)$ .

Then  $\sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i^2 = |D'| - 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\text{deg } v_i}{2} \right]$ .

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The sum of the squares of the eigen values of } D'(G) \text{ (is the trace of } [D'(G)]^2 \text{)} \\ \text{Therefore, } \sum_{i=1}^m \rho_i^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m d'_{ij} d'_{ji} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m d_{ii}^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} d'_{ij} d'_{ji} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m d_{ii}^2 + 2 \sum_{i < j} d'_{ij} d'_{ji} \\ &= |D'|^2 - 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\text{deg } v_i}{2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

### 4. BOUNDS FOR MINIMUM EDGE DOMINATING ENERGY

In this section we find some bounds for  $E_D(G)$  of a graph.

#### Theorem: 4.1

Let  $G$  be a simple graph with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges. If  $E(G)$  is the Minimum Edge Dominating Energy of the graph, then

$$\sqrt{|D'| + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2}} \leq E(G) \leq \sqrt{m \left[ |D'| + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]}$$

**Proof:**

Consider the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality

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

If  $a_i = 1, b_i = |\rho_i|, i = 1, \dots, m$

Then,  $\left( \sum_{i=1}^m |\rho_i| \right)^2 \leq \left( \sum_{i=1}^m 1 \right) \left( \sum_{i=1}^m |\rho_i|^2 \right)$   
 $(E_{D'}(G))^2 \leq m \left[ |D'| + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]$

[Theorem: 3.2]

$$\Rightarrow E(G) \leq \sqrt{m \left[ |D'| + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]}$$

Therefore, the upper bound holds. For the lower bound, since

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{i=1}^m |\rho_i| \right) &\geq \sum_{i=1}^m |\rho_i| \\ \Rightarrow (E_{D'}(G)) &\geq \sqrt{L + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2}} \\ \Rightarrow E(G) &\geq \sqrt{|D'| + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\sqrt{|D'| + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2}} \leq E(G) \leq \sqrt{m \left[ |D'| + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]}$

Similar to Mc Clellands [8] bounds for energy of a graph, bounds for  $E(G)$  are given in the following theorem.

**Theorem: 4.2**

Let  $G$  be a simple graph with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges. If  $E(G)$  is the Minimum Edge Dominating Energy of the graph and let  $P = \det(D'(G))$ , then

$$E(G) \geq \sqrt{\left[ |D'| + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] + m(m-1)P}$$

**Proof:**

From the relation between the arithmetic mean and geometric mean, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{m(m-1)} \sum_{i \neq j} |\rho_i| |\rho_j| &\geq \left[ \prod_{i \neq j} |\rho_i| |\rho_j| \right]^{\frac{1}{m(m-1)}} \\ &= \left[ \prod_{i=1}^m |\rho_i|^{2(m-1)} \right]^{\frac{1}{m(m-1)}} \\ &= \left[ \prod_{i=1}^m |\rho_i| \right] \\ &= \det(D'(G)) \\ &= P \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\sum_{i \neq j} |\rho_i| |\rho_j| \geq m(m-1)P$  ..... (1)

Now consider,

$$\begin{aligned} (E_{D'}(G))^2 &= \left( \sum_{i=1}^m |\rho_i| \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^m |\rho_i|^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} |\rho_i| |\rho_j| \\ &\geq \sum_{i=1}^m |\rho_i|^2 + m(m-1)P \quad \text{[From (1)]} \\ &= \left[ |D'| + 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] + m(m-1)P \end{aligned}$$

[Theorem: 3.1]

$$\therefore E_{(G)} = \sqrt{\left[ |D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] \right] + m(m-1)}$$

**Theorem: 4.3**

If  $\rho_1$  is the largest Minimum Edge Dominating Eigen value of  $(G)$ , then

$$\rho_1(G) \geq \frac{|D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]}{m}$$

**Proof:**

Let X be any non zero vector. Then by [3], we have

$$\rho_1(G) = \max_{X \neq 0} \left\{ \frac{X'D}{X'v} \right\}$$

Therefore,

$$\rho_1(G) \geq \frac{J'D'J}{J'J} = \frac{|D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]}{m}$$

where  $J = [1,1,1,\dots,1]'$  is a unit column matrix of order  $m \times 1$ .

Similar to Koolen and Moulton's [7] upper bound for energy of a graph, upper bound for  $E_{(G)}$ , is given in the following theorem.

**Theorem: 4.4**

If G is a simple graph with n vertices and m edges and  $|D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] \geq$  then

$$\frac{E_{D'}(G)}{|D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]} + \sqrt{(m-1) \left[ |D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] - \left( \frac{|D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]}{m} \right)^2 \right]}$$

**Proof:**

Consider the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality

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

If  $a_i = 1, b_i = |D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] - \rho_1, i = 2, \dots, m$

Then,  $\left( \sum_{i=2}^m |D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] - \rho_1 \right)^2 \leq \left( \sum_{i=2}^m 1 \right) \left( \sum_{i=2}^m \left( |D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] - \rho_1 \right)^2 \right)$

$$\Rightarrow [E_{D'}(G) - \rho_1]^2 \leq (m-1) \left[ |D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] - \rho_1 \right]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow E_{D'}(G) \leq \rho_1 + \sqrt{(m-1) \left[ |D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] - \rho_1 \right]}$$

Let  $f(x) = x + \sqrt{(m-1) \left[ |D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] - x \right]}$

For decreasing function

$$f'(x) = 1 - \frac{(m-1)x}{\sqrt{(m-1) \left[ |D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] - x \right]}} \leq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x \geq \frac{|D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]}{m}$$

Since  $|D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right] \geq$ ,

$$\text{We have } \sqrt{\frac{|D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]}{m}} \leq \frac{|D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]}{m} \leq$$

[Theorem: 3.1]

$$\therefore f(\rho_1) \leq f\left(\frac{|D'| + 2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2} \right]}{m}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow E_{D'}(G) &\leq f(\rho_1) \leq f\left(\frac{|D'| + 2\left[\sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2}\right]}{m}\right) \\ \Rightarrow E_{D'}(G) &\leq f\left(\frac{|D'| + 2\left[\sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2}\right]}{m}\right) \\ \therefore E_{D'}(G) &= \frac{|D'| + 2\left[\sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2}\right]}{m} + \sqrt{(m-1)\left[|D'| + 2\left[\sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2}\right]\right] - \left(\frac{|D'| + 2\left[\sum_{i=1}^m \binom{\deg v_i}{2}\right]}{m}\right)^2} \end{aligned}$$

**5. CONCLUSION:**

In this paper we have found the Minimum Edge Dominating energy of a graph. The various upper and lower bounds for the Minimum Edge Dominating Energy of a graph have been found. Analogous works can be carried by us for other graphs also.

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