

# The Wiener Index of an Undirected Power Graph

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# Abstract

The undirected power graph  $P(Z_n)$  of a finite group  $Z_n$  is the graph with vertex set G and two distinct vertices u and v are adjacent if and only if  $u \neq v$ and  $\langle u \rangle \subseteq \langle v \rangle$  or  $\langle v \rangle \subseteq \langle v \rangle$ . The Wiener index  $W(P(Z_n))$  of an undirected power graph  $P(Z_n)$  is defined to be sum  $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(P(Z_n))} d(u,v)$  of distances between all unordered pair of vertices in  $P(Z_n)$ . Similarly, the edge-Wiener index  $W_e(P(Z_n))$  of  $P(Z_n)$  is defined to be the sum  $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{e,f} d(e,f)$  of distances between all unordered pairs of edges in  $P(Z_n)$ . In this paper, we concentrate on the wiener index of a power graph  $P(Z_{p^k})$ ,  $P(Z_{pq})$  and  $P(Z_p)$ . Firstly, we obtain new results on the wiener index and edge-wiener index of power graph  $P(Z_n)$ , using m,n and Euler  $\varphi$  function. Also, we obtain an equivalence between the edge-wiener index and wiener index of a power graph of  $Z_n$ .

#### **Keywords**

Wiener Index, Edge-Wiener Index, An Undirected Power Graph, Line Graph

# **1. Introduction**

We define an undirected power graph P(G) for a group G as follows. Let us denote the cylic subgroup genarated by  $u \in G$  by  $\langle u \rangle$ , that is,  $\langle u \rangle = \{u^m \mid m \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , where  $\mathbb{N}$  denotes the set of naturel numbers. The graph P(G) is an undirected graph where vertex set is G and two vertices  $u, v \in G$  are adjacent if and only if  $u \neq v$  and  $\langle u \rangle \subseteq \langle v \rangle$  or  $\langle v \rangle \subseteq \langle v \rangle$  (which is equivalent to say  $u \neq v$  and  $u^m = v$  or  $v^m = u$  for some positive integer m.) [1] [2] [3] [4].

For a graph G, let deg(u) and d(u,v) denote the degree of a vertex  $u \in V(G)$  and the distance between vertices  $u, v \in V(G)$ , respectively. Let L(G) denote the line graph of G, that is, the graph with vertex set E(G) and two distinct edges  $e, f \in E(G)$  adjacent in L(G) whenever they share an end-vertex in G. Furthermore, for,  $f \in E(G)$ , we let d(e, f) denote the distance between e and f in the line graph L(G).

We consider the power graph  $P(Z_n)$  for the additive group  $Z_n$  of integers modulo *n*. The diameter of a graph *G* is the greatest distance between any pair of vertices, and denoted by diam(G). In  $P(Z_n)$ , the distance is one if the vertices is adjacent and the distance is two if the vertices is non adjacent. Therefore,  $diam(P(Z_n)) = 2$ . The order an element  $\overline{g}$  in  $Z_n$  is denoted by  $(\overline{g})$  or |g|. For a positive integer *n*,  $\phi(n)$  denotes the Euler's totient function of n.

In this paper, the wiener index and the edge-wiener index, denoted by W(G)and  $W_e(G)$ , respectively and they are defined as follows:

$$W(G) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} d(u,v)$$
$$W_e(G) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} d(e,f)$$

Now, we give some theorem and corollary in literature. Using our main theorems;

Theorem 1. ([5]) For each finite group, the number of edges of the undirected power graph P(G) is given by the formula

$$E(P(G)) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{g \in G} \left\{ 2o(g) - \phi(o(g)) - 1 \right\}$$

Corollary 2. ([6]) The number of edges of the undirected power graph  $P(Z_n)$ 

is given by  $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} \{ 2d - \phi(d) - 1 \} \phi(d)$ .

Theorem 3. ([3]) Let G be connected graph with n vertices and m edges. If  $diam(G) \le 2$ , Then W(G) = n(n-1) - m.

Theorem 4. ([5]) A finite group has a complete undirected power graph if and only if it is cyclic and has order equal to  $p^k$ , where p is a prime and k is a non-negative integer.

#### 2. Main Results

In this section, our aim is to give our main results on the Wiener index and the edge-Wiener index of an undirected power graph  $P(Z_n)$  for  $n = p^k$ , or n = pq, where p and q are distinct prime numbers and k is a nonnegative integer.

Theorem 5. Let  $P(Z_n)$  be an undirected power graph of with *n* vertices and *m* edges. Then

$$W(P(Z_n)) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(P(Z_n))} \begin{cases} 1, & u \sim v \\ 2, & u \nsim v \end{cases}$$

Proof. Let

 $R = \{\{u, v\} \subseteq V(P(Z_n)) | u \sim v \text{ if only if } u \neq v, \langle u \rangle \subseteq \langle v \rangle \text{ or } \langle v \rangle \subseteq \langle u \rangle\} \text{ be a set.}$ In  $P(Z_n)$ , for  $\{u, v\} \subseteq V(P(Z_n))$ , there are two cases; If  $u \approx v$  then d(u, v) = 2. Otherwise, *i.e.*  $u \sim v$ , then d(u, v) = 1. Therefore

$$W(P(Z_n)) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(P(Z_n))} d(u,v)$$
  
=  $\frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq R} d(u,v) + \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq R} d(u,v) \right)$   
=  $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq R} 1 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq R} 2$   
=  $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(P(Z_n))} \begin{cases} 1, \{u,v\} \subseteq R \\ 2, \{u,v\} \subseteq R \end{cases}$ 

For definition of *R*, we obtain. Thus

$$W(G) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(P(Z_n))} \begin{cases} 1, & u \sim v \\ 2, & u \nsim v \end{cases}$$

the proof is complete.

Corollary 6. Let p and k is prime number and nonnegative integer, respectively. For  $P(Z_{p^k})$  power graph of order  $p^k$  and m edges,

$$W\left(P\left(Z_{p^k}\right)\right) = \begin{pmatrix} p^k \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Proof. In [2], If  $n = p^k$  then  $P(Z_n) = K_n$ . For any  $u \in V(Z_{p^k})$ ,  $d(u) = p^k - 1$ .

$$R^{c} = \left\{ \left\{ u, v \right\} \subseteq V\left(P\left(Z_{n}\right)\right) \mid u \nsim v \right\} = \emptyset$$

Thus

$$W\left(P\left(Z_{p^{k}}\right)\right) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V\left(P(Z_{n})\right)} \begin{cases} 1, & u \sim v \\ 2, & u \sim v \end{cases}$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq R} d\left(u,v\right) + \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq \varnothing} d\left(u,v\right) \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq R} 1 + \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq \varnothing} d\left(u,v\right) \right)$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq R} 1 = \frac{1}{2} p^{k} \left(p^{k} - 1\right) = \binom{p^{k}}{2}$$

Therefore the proof is proved.

Theorem 7. Let  $P(Z_n)$  be a power graph of with *n* vertices and *m* edges. Then

$$W(P(Z_n)) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \binom{2n}{2} + \sum_{g=0}^{n-1} \left( \phi(|\overline{g}|) - 2|\overline{g}| \right) \right\}$$

Proof. If we consider Theorem 3. for  $= P(Z_n)$ , we write

$$W(P(Z_n)) = n(n-1) - m$$

$$m = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{g \in \mathbb{Z}_n} \left\{ 2o(g) - \phi(o(g)) - 1 \right\}.$$

If we put the value of *m* into the formula, we obtain

$$W(P(Z_n)) = n(n-1) - m$$
  
=  $n(n-1) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{g \in Z_n} \{2o(g) - \phi(o(g)) - 1\}$   
=  $n^2 - n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{g \in Z_n} \{\phi(o(g)) - 2o(g)\} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{g \in Z_n} 1$   
=  $n^2 - n + \frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{g \in Z_n} \{\phi(o(g)) - 2o(g)\}$   
=  $\left\{n^2 - \frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{g \in Z_n} (\phi(|\overline{g}|) - 2|\overline{g}|)\right\}$   
 $W(P(Z_n)) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{\binom{2n}{2} + \sum_{g \in Q} (\phi(|\overline{g}|) - 2|\overline{g}|)\right\}$ 

Thus, the proof is complete.

Corollary 8. Let  $P(Z_n)$  be a power graph of with n = p, where p is a prime number. Then

$$W(P(Z_n)) = \binom{P}{2}$$

Proof. Let n = p be a prime number. Then

$$\begin{split} & W\left(P\left(Z_{p}\right)\right) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \binom{2p}{2} + \sum_{g=0}^{p-1} \left(\phi\left(|\overline{g}|\right) - 2|\overline{g}|\right) \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{2p(2p-1)}{2} + \phi\left(|\overline{0}|\right) + \phi\left(|\overline{1}|\right) + \dots + \phi\left(|\overline{p-1}|\right) - 2\left(|\overline{0}| + |\overline{1}| + \dots + |\overline{p-1}|\right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ 2p^{2} - p - 1 + \left(\phi\left(|\overline{1}|\right) + \dots + \phi\left(|\overline{p-1}|\right)\right) - 2\left(|\overline{1}| + \dots + |\overline{p-1}|\right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ 2p^{2} - p - 1 + \left(p - 1\right)\phi\left(p\right) - 2\left(p - 1\right)p \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left[ 2p^{2} - p - 1 + \left(p - 1\right)^{2} - 2p^{2} + 2p \right] = \binom{p}{2} \end{split}$$

Theorem 9. Let  $P(Z_n)$  be a power graph of with *n* vertices and m edges. Then

$$W(P(Z_n)) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \binom{2n}{2} + \sum_{d|n} \phi(d) (\phi(d) - 2d) \right\}.$$

Proof. Where  $P(Z_n)$  is power graph  $= P(Z_n)$ , using theorem 3. And corollary 2, we obtain

$$W(P(Z_n)) = n(n-1) - m$$
$$m = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} \{2d - \phi(d) - 1\}\phi(d)$$

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If we write this *m* in formula for  $W(P(Z_n))$ 

$$W(P(Z_n)) = n(n-1) - m$$
  
=  $n(n-1) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} \{2d - \phi(d) - 1\} \phi(d)$   
=  $n^2 - n + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} \phi(d)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} \phi(d) - \sum_{d|n} d\phi(d)$   
=  $n^2 - \frac{n}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{d|n} \phi(d) (\phi(d) - 2d)$   
 $W(P(Z_n)) = \frac{1}{2} \{ \binom{2n}{2} + \sum_{d|n} \phi(d) (\phi(d) - 2d) \}.$ 

End of proof.

Corollary 10. Let  $P(Z_n)$  be a power graph of with n = pq vertices and m edges, where p and q are distinct prime numbers. Then

$$W\left(P\left(Z_{pq}\right)\right) = m + 2\phi(pq)$$

or equiently

$$W\left(P\left(Z_{pq}\right)\right) = \begin{pmatrix} pq\\ 2 \end{pmatrix} + \phi(pq).$$

Proof. If we write n = pq in theorem 9., we obtain

$$W(P(Z_{pq})) = \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \binom{2pq}{2} + \sum_{d \mid pq} \phi(d)(\phi(d) - 2d) \right\}$$
  

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ pq(2 \cdot pq - 1) + \phi(1)(\phi(1) - 2 \cdot 1) + \phi(p)(\phi(p) - 2 \cdot p) + \phi(q)(\phi(q) - 2 \cdot q) + \phi(pq)(\phi(pq) - 2 \cdot pq) \right]$$
  

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ p^2 q^2 + pq - 2 \cdot p - 2 \cdot q + 2 \right]$$
  

$$= \left[ \frac{p^2 q^2 - pq}{2} + pq - p - q + 1 \right]$$
  

$$= \left[ \binom{pq}{2} - \phi(pq) \right] + 2 \cdot \phi(pq)$$
  
(\*)

On the other hand;

$$W(P(Z_{pq})) = pq(pq-1) - m = \binom{pq}{2} + \phi(pq)$$

where

$$m = \begin{pmatrix} pq \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} - \phi(pq) \tag{**}$$

(\*\*) equation put in (\*) equation, we obtain,

$$W(P(Z_{pq})) = m + 2\phi(pq).$$

This completes the proof.

On the other hand using m in (\*\*), we obtain

$$W(P(Z_{pq})) = m + 2\phi(pq)$$
$$= {pq \choose 2} - \phi(pq) + 2\phi(pq)$$
$$= {pq \choose 2} + \phi(pq)$$

This completes the proof.

Theorem 11. If  $P(Z_n)$  is a power graph of order  $n = p^k$  or n = pq and m edges, where p and q are distinct prime and k is a nonnegative integer. Then

$$maks\left\{W\left(P\left(Z_{n}\right)\right)\right\} = \binom{n+1}{2}$$

and

$$\min\left\{W\left(P\left(Z_{n}\right)\right)\right\} = \binom{n}{2}$$

Proof. If  $n = p^k$  in Corollary 6.

$$W\left(P\left(Z_{p^k}\right)\right) = \begin{pmatrix} p^k \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

And so

$$\min\left\{W\left(P\left(Z_{n}\right)\right)\right\} = \binom{n}{2}$$

And if n = pq in Corollary 10.

$$W\left(P\left(Z_{pq}\right)\right) = \binom{pq}{2} + \phi(pq)$$

therefore

$$W(P(Z_n)) \leq {n \choose 2} + \phi(n).$$

Also

$$\phi(n) \le n \; .$$

 $W(P(Z_n)) \leq {n \choose 2} + \phi(n) \leq {n \choose 2} + n.$ 

And so,

We write

maks 
$$\left\{W\left(P\left(Z_{n}\right)\right)\right\} = \binom{n+1}{2}.$$

Theorem 12. If  $P(Z_n)$  is a power graph of order  $n = p^k$  and *m* edges, where *p* is prime and *k* is a nonnegative integer. Then

$$W_e(P(Z_n)) = 3\left\{\binom{n}{3} + diam(L(P(Z_n)))\binom{n}{4}\right\}.$$

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Proof. For  $P(Z_{p^k})$  power graph,  $E(P(Z_n)) = \binom{n}{2}$  and  $\forall u \in V(P(Z_n))$ , d(u) = n-1.

Let's consider to this figure in  $P(Z_{p^k})$  power graph any  $e_{\overline{n},\overline{n-1}} \in E(P(Z_{p^k}))$ . For  $P(Z_{p^k})$  power graph of Line graph as shown in Figure 1.

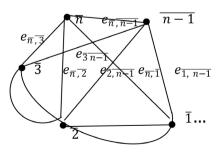
Choose the random  $e_{\overline{n},\overline{n-1}} \in E\left(P\left(Z_{p^k}\right)\right)$  edge and this corner in neighborhood  $L\left(P\left(Z_n\right)\right)$  line graph in Figure 2. In the same way, with  $e_{\overline{n},\overline{n-1}} \in V\left(L\left(P\left(Z_{p^k}\right)\right)\right)$  point neighborhood amount of points 2(n-2). In the same way  $e_{\overline{n},\overline{n-1}}$  neighborhood with corner amount of point m-1-2(n-2) and therefore  $V\left(L\left(P\left(Z_{p^k}\right)\right)\right)$  if each elements for calculated and if edge-Wiener index identified we have the following result.

In edge-Wiener index

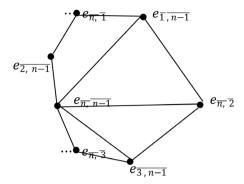
$$\begin{split} W_{e}\Big(P\Big(Z_{p^{k}}\Big)\Big) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(P(Z_{n}))} d(e,f) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \bigg\{ \sum_{uv=e} \Big[ diam \Big(L(P(Z_{n}))\Big) \cdot \big((m-1) - \big(d(u) + d(v) - 2\big)\big) \Big] \bigg\} \\ &+ \sum_{uv=e} \Big[ diam \Big(L(P(Z_{n}))\Big) \cdot \big((m-1) - \big(d(u) + d(v) - 2\big)\big) \Big] \bigg\} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \bigg\{ \binom{n}{2} \bigg[ 2(n-2) + diam \big(L(P(Z_{n}))\big) \bigg( \binom{n}{2} - 1 - 2(n-2)\big) \bigg] \bigg\} \\ &= \bigg[ \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)}{2} + \frac{n(n-1)}{4} diam \big(L(P(Z_{n}))\big) \bigg( \frac{n^{2} - 5n - 6}{2} \bigg) \bigg] \\ &= 3\binom{n}{3} + \frac{n(n-1)(n-2)(n-3)}{8} diam \big(L(P(Z_{n}))\big) \bigg( \frac{n}{4} \bigg) \bigg] \end{split}$$

Concluded, namely the prove end.

Theorem 13. If  $P(Z_n)$  is a power graph of order  $n = p^k$  and *m* edges, where *p* is prime and *k* is a nonnegative integer. Then



**Figure 1.** Power grap of  $Z_{n^k}$ .



**Figure 2.** Line graph of  $P(Z_n)$ .

$$W_e\left(P\left(Z_n\right)\right) = \binom{n-1}{2}W\left(P\left(Z_n\right)\right)$$

Proof.  $n = p^k$  ( $\in Z^+$ ) is in  $W(P(Z_n)) = \binom{n}{2}$ . In the same way,

Case 1. for n = 2,3 and according to  $diam(L(P(Z_n))) = 1$ ,  $W_e(P(Z_2)) = 0$ , therefore  $W_e(P(Z_3)) = W(P(Z_3))$  ve  $\binom{3-1}{2} = 1$ , namely this equation the proof.

Case 2. For  $n \neq 2,3$  is  $diam(L(P(Z_n))) = 2$  in theorem 12.,

$$W_{e}(P(Z_{n})) = 3\left[\binom{n}{3} + diam(L(P(Z_{n})))\binom{n}{4}\right]$$
$$= 3\left[\binom{n}{3} + 2\binom{n}{4}\right]$$
$$= \frac{1}{2}n(n-1)\left[(n-2) + \left(\frac{(n-2)(n-3)}{2}\right)\right]$$
$$= \binom{n}{2}(n-2)\left[1 + \frac{n-3}{2}\right]$$
$$= \binom{n-1}{2}W(P(Z_{n}))$$

Thus the proof is completed.

# **3. Conclusion**

We will show the undirected power graph of a Group *G* with P(G). Here, the undirected  $P(Z_n)$  Power graph of the group  $(Z_n, +)$  according to  $N = p^k$  and n = pq, with *p*, *q* being different primes and *k* being positive integers, is considered and new theorems and results on the Wiener index calculations of these power graphs with the help of Euler function are have been obtained.

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