

## VERTEX-WEIGHTED WIENER POLYNOMIALS OF SUBDIVISION-RELATED GRAPHS

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**Abstract.** Singly and doubly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials are generalizations of both vertex-weighted Wiener numbers and the ordinary Wiener polynomial. In this paper, we show how the vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials of a graph change with subdivision operators, and apply our results to obtain vertex-weighted Wiener numbers.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we are concerned with connected finite graphs without loops or multiple edges. Let  $G$  be such a graph with the vertex set  $V(G)$  and the edge set  $E(G)$ . The shortest-path distance between vertices  $u$  and  $v$  in  $G$  is denoted by  $d_G(u, v)$ . The degree of a vertex  $u$  in  $G$  is denoted by  $d_G(u)$ . If there is no ambiguity on  $G$ , we omit the subscript  $G$  in  $d_G(u, v)$  and  $d_G(u)$ . We denote by  $|S|$  the cardinality of a set  $S$ .

In theoretical chemistry, the physico-chemical properties of chemical compounds are often modeled by means of molecular-graph-based *structure-descriptors*, which are also referred to as *topological indices* [9, 26]. The *Wiener number* (or Wiener index), introduced by Wiener in 1947 [27], is the first reported distance-based topological index. This index was used for modeling the shape of organic molecules and for calculating several of their physico-chemical properties. The Wiener number of  $G$  is defined as

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

where the summation is taken over all unordered pairs of vertices  $u$  and  $v$ . Details on the Wiener index, and its theory and applications can be found in [7, 8, 10, 12, 14, 20, 24].

The (unweighted) *Wiener polynomial* of  $G$  is defined as

$$P_0(G; x) = \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} x^{d(u,v)},$$

with  $x$  a dummy variable. This coincides with definitions of Hosoya [17] and Sagan *et al.* [23]. Some authors prefer the name *Hosoya polynomial*.

A corresponding *singly vertex-weighted* Wiener polynomial of  $G$  is defined as [19]

$$P_v(G; x) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d(u) + d(v)] x^{d(u,v)+1}.$$

A *doubly vertex-weighted* Wiener polynomial of  $G$  is defined as [19]

$$P_{vv}(G; x) = \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d(u)d(v)] x^{d(u,v)+2}.$$

The following relationship between the Wiener number and the Wiener polynomial of  $G$  was noted in [17]:

$$W(G) = P'_0(G; 1).$$

The corresponding generalizations for the singly and doubly vertex-weighted cases were given in [19]:

$$W_v(G) = \left[ \frac{1}{x} P_v(G; x) \right]'_{x=1}, \quad W_{vv}(G) = \left[ \frac{1}{x^2} P_{vv}(G; x) \right]'_{x=1}.$$

Here,  $W_v(G)$  denotes the singly vertex-weighted Wiener number of  $G$ ,

$$W_v(G) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d(u) + d(v)] d(u, v).$$

Also,  $W_{vv}(G)$  denotes the doubly vertex-weighted Wiener number of  $G$ ,

$$W_{vv}(G) = \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d(u)d(v)] d(u, v).$$

The *Zagreb indices* were introduced by Gutman and Trinajstić in 1972 [16]. The first Zagreb index  $M_1(G)$  of  $G$  is defined as

$$M_1(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} d(u)^2.$$

It can also be expressed as a sum over edges of  $G$ ,

$$M_1(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d(u) + d(v)].$$

The second Zagreb index  $M_2(G)$  of  $G$  is defined as

$$M_2(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d(u)d(v).$$

Obviously, the Zagreb indices can be viewed as the contributions of pairs of adjacent vertices to vertex-weighted Wiener numbers. We refer the reader to [2, 4, 13, 15, 21, 22], for more information about these indices.

It is well-known that many graphs of general, and in particular of chemical interest, arise from simpler graphs via various *graph operators*. It is, hence, important to understand how certain invariants of a graph change under graph operators. In this paper, we show how the singly and doubly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials change with subdivision operators, and apply our results to singly and doubly vertex-weighted Wiener numbers. Readers interested in more information on computing topological indices and polynomials of graph operations are referred to [1, 3, 5, 6, 11, 18, 25, 28].

## 2. DEFINITIONS AND PRELIMINARIES

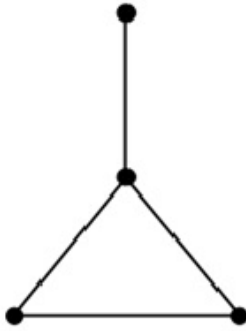
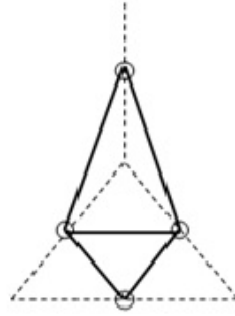
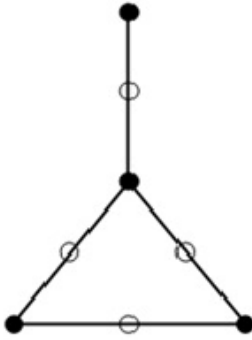
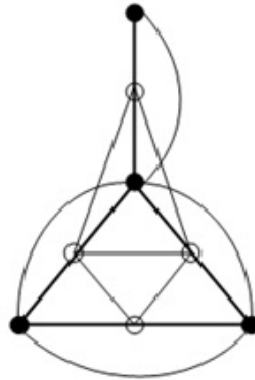
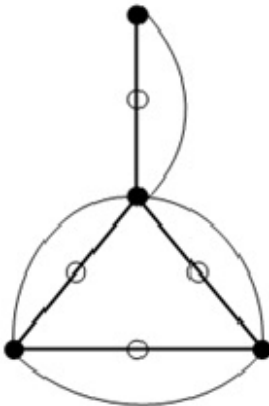
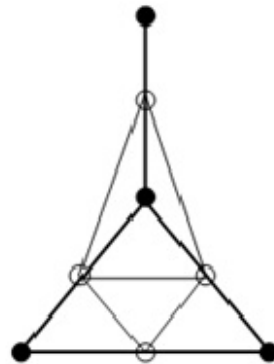
In this section, we recall the definitions of subdivision related graphs from the reference [28], and state some preliminary results about them.

Suppose  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  is a connected graph with the vertex set  $V(G)$  and the edge set  $E(G)$ . Let  $V(e)$  denote the set of two end vertices of an edge  $e$  of  $G$ . Related to the graph  $G$ , the *line graph*  $L(G)$ , the *subdivision graph*  $S(G)$ , and the *total graph*  $T(G)$  are defined as follows:

- **Line graph:**  $L(G)$  is the graph whose vertices correspond to the edges of  $G$  with two vertices being adjacent if and only if the corresponding edges in  $G$  have a vertex in common; see Figure 1(b).
- **Subdivision graph:**  $S(G)$  is the graph obtained from  $G$  by replacing each of its edges by a path of length two, or equivalently, by inserting an additional vertex of degree 2 into each edge of  $G$ ; see Figure 1(c).
- **Total graph:**  $T(G)$  is the graph whose vertex set is  $V(G) \cup E(G)$ , with two vertices of  $T(G)$  being adjacent if and only if the corresponding elements of  $G$  are adjacent or incident; see Figure 1(d).

Two extra subdivision operators named  $R(G)$  and  $Q(G)$  are defined as follows:

- $R(G)$  is the graph obtained from  $G$  by adding a new vertex corresponding to each edge of  $G$ , and by joining each new vertex to the end vertices of the edge corresponding to it; see Figure 2(a).
- $Q(G)$  is the graph obtained from  $G$  by inserting a new vertex into each edge of  $G$ , and by joining with edges those pairs of new vertices which lie on adjacent edges of  $G$ ; see Figure 2(b).

(a) A graph  $G$ (b) The line graph  $L(G)$ (c) The subdivision-graph  $S(G)$ (d) The total graph  $T(G)$ **Fig. 1.** A graph  $G$  and the subdivision operators  $L(G)$ ,  $S(G)$ , and  $T(G)$ (a) The graph  $R(G)$ (b) The graph  $Q(G)$ **Fig. 2.** The two additional subdivision operators  $R(G)$  and  $Q(G)$

Now, consider the sets  $EE(G)$  and  $EV(G)$  for the graph  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  as follows:

$$EE(G) = \{ee' | e, e' \in E(G), |V(e) \cap V(e')| = 1\}, \quad EV(G) = \{ev | e \in E(G), v \in V(e)\}.$$

It is easy to see that

$$|EE(G)| = \sum_{u \in V(G)} \binom{d(u)}{2} = \frac{1}{2}M_1(G) - |E(G)|, \quad |EV(G)| = 2|E(G)|.$$

Based on the definitions of these sets, we may write the subdivision-related graphs as

$$\begin{aligned} L(G) &= (E(G), EE(G)), \\ S(G) &= (V(G) \cup E(G), EV(G)), \\ T(G) &= (V(G) \cup E(G), E(G) \cup EE(G) \cup EV(G)), \\ R(G) &= (V(G) \cup E(G), E(G) \cup EV(G)), \\ Q(G) &= (V(G) \cup E(G), EE(G) \cup EV(G)). \end{aligned}$$

Obviously,

$$\begin{aligned} |V(L(G))| &= |E(G)|, \\ |V(S(G))| &= |V(T(G))| = |V(R(G))| = |V(Q(G))| = |V(G)| + |E(G)|. \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} |E(S(G))| &= 2|E(G)|, \quad |E(R(G))| = 3|E(G)|, \quad |E(T(G))| = \frac{1}{2}M_1(G) + 2|E(G)|, \\ |E(Q(G))| &= \frac{1}{2}M_1(G) + |E(G)|, \quad |E(L(G))| = \frac{1}{2}M_1(G) - |E(G)|. \end{aligned}$$

In the following lemma, we find the relationship among the degrees of vertices in subdivision-related graphs.

**Lemma 2.1.** *For any vertex  $v \in V(G)$ ,*

$$d_{T(G)}(v) = d_{R(G)}(v) = 2d_{S(G)}(v) = 2d_{Q(G)}(v) = 2d_G(v),$$

and for any edge  $e = uv \in E(G)$ ,

$$d_{S(G)}(e) = d_{R(G)}(e) = 2, \quad d_{T(G)}(e) = d_{Q(G)}(e) = d_{L(G)}(e) + 2 = d_G(u) + d_G(v).$$

*Proof.* By definition of the subdivision-related graphs, the proof is obvious.  $\square$

We define the third Zagreb index  $M_3(G)$  of the graph  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  as follows:

$$M_3(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} d(u)^3 = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d(u)^2 + d(v)^2].$$

Now, we use Lemma 2.1 to determine the first Zagreb index of subdivision-related graphs.

**Theorem 2.2.**

- (i)  $M_1(L(G)) = M_3(G) + 2M_2(G) - 4M_1(G) + 4|E(G)|$ ,
- (ii)  $M_1(S(G)) = M_1(G) + 4|E(G)|$ ,
- (iii)  $M_1(T(G)) = M_3(G) + 2M_2(G) + 4M_1(G)$ ,
- (iv)  $M_1(R(G)) = 4M_1(G) + 4|E(G)|$ ,
- (v)  $M_1(Q(G)) = M_3(G) + 2M_2(G) + M_1(G)$ .

*Proof.* (i) By definition of the line graph  $L(G)$  and Lemma 2.1,

$$\begin{aligned}
M_1(L(G)) &= \sum_{e \in V(L(G))} d_{L(G)}(e)^2 = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v) - 2]^2 \\
&= \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_G(u)^2 + d_G(v)^2] + 4|E(G)| + 2 \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d_G(u)d_G(v) \\
&\quad - 4 \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v)] \\
&= M_3(G) + 2M_2(G) - 4M_1(G) + 4|E(G)|.
\end{aligned}$$

(ii) By definition of the subdivision graph  $S(G)$  and Lemma 2.1,

$$M_1(S(G)) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} d_G(u)^2 + \sum_{e \in E(G)} 2^2 = M_1(G) + 4|E(G)|.$$

(iii) By definition of the total graph  $T(G)$  and Lemma 2.1,

$$\begin{aligned}
M_1(T(G)) &= \sum_{u \in V(G)} (2d_G(u))^2 + \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v)]^2 \\
&= 4 \sum_{u \in V(G)} d_G(u)^2 + \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_G(u)^2 + d_G(v)^2] + 2 \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d_G(u)d_G(v) \\
&= M_3(G) + 2M_2(G) + 4M_1(G).
\end{aligned}$$

(iv) By definition of  $R(G)$  and Lemma 2.1,

$$M_1(R(G)) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} (2d_G(u))^2 + \sum_{e \in E(G)} 2^2 = 4M_1(G) + 4|E(G)|.$$

(v) By definition of  $Q(G)$  and Lemma 2.1,

$$\begin{aligned}
M_1(Q(G)) &= \sum_{u \in V(G)} d_G(u)^2 + \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v)]^2 \\
&= M_1(G) + \sum_{uv \in E(G)} [d_G(u)^2 + d_G(v)^2] + 2 \sum_{uv \in E(G)} d_G(u)d_G(v) \\
&= M_3(G) + 2M_2(G) + M_1(G).
\end{aligned}$$

□

In the following lemma, we summarize the relations among distances between vertices in subdivision-related graphs.

**Lemma 2.3** ([28]).

(i) For any two vertices  $v, v' \in V(G)$ ,

$$\frac{1}{2}d_{S(G)}(v, v') = d_{T(G)}(v, v') = d_{R(G)}(v, v') = d_{Q(G)}(v, v') - 1 = d_G(v, v').$$

(ii) For any two edges  $e, e' \in E(G)$ ,

$$\frac{1}{2}d_{S(G)}(e, e') = d_{T(G)}(e, e') = d_{R(G)}(e, e') - 1 = d_{Q(G)}(e, e') = d_{L(G)}(e, e').$$

(iii) For any vertex  $v \in V(G)$  and edge  $e \in E(G)$ ,

$$\frac{1}{2}(d_{S(G)}(e, v) + 1) = d_{T(G)}(e, v) = d_{R(G)}(e, v) = d_{Q(G)}(e, v).$$

### 3. MAIN RESULTS

In this section, we prove several interesting relationships among vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials of subdivision operators. Then, by taking the first derivative of these relations at  $x = 1$ , we get the corresponding relationships for vertex-weighted Wiener numbers. Throughout this section, let  $G$  be a simple connected graph with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges. We start this section with the following simple lemma. Results follow easily from the definitions, so their proofs are omitted.

**Lemma 3.1.**

- (i)  $P_0(G; 1) = \binom{n}{2}$ ,
- (ii)  $P_v(G; 1) = m(n - 1)$ ,
- (iii)  $P_{vv}(G; 1) = 2m^2 - \frac{1}{2}M_1(G)$ ,
- (iv)  $P'_v(G; 1) = W_v(G) + m(n - 1)$ ,
- (v)  $P'_{vv}(G; 1) = W_{vv}(G) + 4m^2 - M_1(G)$ .

**Theorem 3.2.**

$$\begin{aligned} P_v(S(G); x) &= \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^2}\right)P_v(G; x^2) + \frac{1}{2x^2}P_v(R(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{2}P_0(G; x^2) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2}P_0(T(G); x^2) + \left(2x - x^2 - \frac{1}{2}\right)P_0(L(G); x^2). \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

*Proof.* By definition of the singly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomial and Lemma 2.1, the polynomial  $P_v(S(G); x)$  can be obtained by adding three polynomials as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
P_v(S(G); x) &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) + d_{S(G)}(v)] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,v)+1} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [2 + 2] x^{d_{S(G)}(e,f)+1} \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) + 2] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+1}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.2}$$

Now, we use Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.3 to compute each polynomial, separately.

The first polynomial is computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) + d_{S(G)}(v)] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,v)+1} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v)] x^{2d_G(u,v)+1} = \frac{1}{x} P_v(G; x^2).
\end{aligned}$$

The second polynomial is computed as follows:

$$2 \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{d_{S(G)}(e,f)+1} = 2 \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{2d_L(G)(e,f)+1} = 2x P_0(L(G); x^2).$$

The third polynomial is computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) + 2] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+1} = \frac{1}{4} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{R(G)}(u) + 4] x^{2d_{R(G)}(u,e)} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} x^{2d_{T(G)}(u,e)} + \frac{1}{4} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{R(G)}(u) + 2] x^{2d_{R(G)}(u,e)} \\
&= \left[ \frac{1}{2} P_0(T(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} x^{2d_{T(G)}(u,v)} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{2d_{T(G)}(e,f)} \right] \\
&\quad + \left[ \frac{1}{2x^2} P_v(R(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{R(G)}(u) + d_{R(G)}(v)] x^{2d_{R(G)}(u,v)} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [2 + 2] x^{2d_{R(G)}(e,f)} \right]
\end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left[ \frac{1}{2} P_0(T(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} x^{2d_G(u,v)} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{2d_{L(G)}(e,f)} \right] \\
&\quad + \left[ \frac{1}{2x^2} P_v(R(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{4} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [2d_G(u) + 2d_G(v)] x^{2d_G(u,v)} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{2d_{L(G)}(e,f)+2} \right] \\
&= \left[ \frac{1}{2} P_0(T(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{2} P_0(G; x^2) - \frac{1}{2} P_0(L(G); x^2) \right] \\
&\quad + \left[ \frac{1}{2x^2} P_v(R(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{x^2} P_v(G; x^2) - x^2 P_0(L(G); x^2) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2x^2} P_v(R(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{x^2} P_v(G; x^2) - \frac{1}{2} P_0(G; x^2) + \frac{1}{2} P_0(T(G); x^2) \\
&\quad - \left( x^2 + \frac{1}{2} \right) P_0(L(G); x^2).
\end{aligned}$$

Now, Eq. (3.1) is obtained by adding the above three polynomials and simplifying the resulting expression.  $\square$

By taking the first derivative from Eq. (3.1) with respect to  $x$ , and then by substituting  $x = 1$ , we can prove the following corollary. We also use Lemma 3.1 to simplify the relation.

**Corollary 3.3.**

$$W_v(S(G)) = W_v(R(G)) + W(T(G)) + W(L(G)) - W(G) - m(n + 2m - 1).$$

By rearranging the terms in the proof of Theorem 3.2, we can obtain an alternative expression for  $P_v(S(G); x)$ .

**Theorem 3.4.**

$$\begin{aligned}
P_v(S(G); x) &= \left( 1 + \frac{1}{x} - \frac{2}{x^2} \right) P_v(G; x^2) - \frac{1}{x^2} P_v(Q(G); x^2) + \frac{1}{x^2} P_v(T(G); x^2) \\
&\quad - P_0(G; x^2) + P_0(T(G); x^2) + (2x - 1) P_0(L(G); x^2).
\end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

*Proof.* Using Eq. (3.2) and the proof of Theorem 3.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P_v(S(G); x) &= \frac{1}{x} P_v(G; x^2) + 2x P_0(L(G); x^2) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) + 2] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+1}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

By Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.3, the last polynomial in Eq. (3.4) can also be computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) + 2] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+1} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{T(G)}(u) - d_{Q(G)}(u)] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+1} + \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+1} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{T(G)}(u) + d_{T(G)}(e)] x^{2d_{T(G)}(u,e)} \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{Q(G)}(u) + d_{Q(G)}(e)] x^{2d_{Q(G)}(u,e)} + \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} x^{2d_{T(G)}(u,e)} \\
&= \left[ \frac{1}{x^2} P_v(T(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{T(G)}(u) + d_{T(G)}(v)] x^{2d_{T(G)}(u,v)} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [d_{T(G)}(e) + d_{T(G)}(f)] x^{2d_{T(G)}(e,f)} \right] \\
&\quad - \left[ \frac{1}{x^2} P_v(Q(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{Q(G)}(u) + d_{Q(G)}(v)] x^{2d_{Q(G)}(u,v)} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [d_{Q(G)}(e) + d_{Q(G)}(f)] x^{2d_{Q(G)}(e,f)} \right] \\
&\quad + \left[ P_0(T(G); x^2) - \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} x^{2d_{T(G)}(u,v)} - \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{2d_{T(G)}(e,f)} \right] \\
&= \left[ \frac{1}{x^2} P_v(T(G); x^2) - \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v)] x^{2d_G(u,v)} \right] \\
&\quad - \left[ \frac{1}{x^2} P_v(Q(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v)] x^{2(d_G(u,v)+1)} \right] \\
&\quad + \left[ P_0(T(G); x^2) - \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} x^{2d_G(u,v)} - \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{2d_L(G)(e,f)} \right] \\
&= \left( 1 - \frac{2}{x^2} \right) P_v(G; x^2) - \frac{1}{x^2} P_v(Q(G); x^2) + \frac{1}{x^2} P_v(T(G); x^2) - P_0(G; x^2) \\
&\quad + P_0(T(G); x^2) - P_0(L(G); x^2).
\end{aligned}$$

Now, using Eq. (3.4), we can get the desired result.  $\square$

By taking the first derivative from Eq. (3.3) with respect to  $x$ , and then by substituting  $x = 1$ , we easily arrive at:

**Corollary 3.5.**

$$W_v(S(G)) = 2W_v(T(G)) - 2W_v(Q(G)) + 2W(T(G)) + 2W(L(G)) - 2W(G) + m(n - m - 2).$$

By eliminating the term  $P_v(S(G); x)$  in Eq. (3.1) and Eq. (3.3), we can obtain a formula for  $P_v(R(G); x)$  similar to Eq. (3.3).

**Corollary 3.6.**

$$P_v(R(G); x) = 2(x - 1)P_v(G; x) - 2P_v(Q(G); x) + 2P_v(T(G); x) - xP_0(G; x) + xP_0(T(G); x) + (2x^2 - x)P_0(L(G); x). \quad (3.5)$$

From Eq. (3.5), we obtain the following relationship among vertex-weighted Wiener numbers.

**Corollary 3.7.**

$$W_v(R(G)) = 2W_v(T(G)) - 2W_v(Q(G)) + W(T(G)) + W(L(G)) - W(G) + m(2n + m - 3).$$

By combining Eqs. (3.3) and (3.5), we get a relation among the singly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials of  $S(G)$ ,  $R(G)$ ,  $Q(G)$ ,  $T(G)$ , and  $G$ .

**Corollary 3.8.**

$$x^2P_v(S(G); x) + (x^2 - x)P_v(G; x^2) - P_v(Q(G); x^2) + P_v(T(G); x^2) - P_v(R(G); x^2) + (2x^4 - 2x^3)P_0(L(G); x^2) = 0. \quad (3.6)$$

*Proof.* By Eq. (3.5),

$$x^2[P_0(T(G); x^2) - P_0(G; x^2)] = P_v(R(G); x^2) - 2(x^2 - 1)P_v(G; x^2) + 2P_v(Q(G); x^2) - 2P_v(T(G); x^2) - (2x^4 - x^2)P_0(L(G); x^2).$$

Also, by multiplying the Eq. (3.3) by  $x^2$ , we have

$$x^2P_v(S(G); x) = (x^2 + x - 2)P_v(G; x^2) - P_v(Q(G); x^2) + P_v(T(G); x^2) + x^2(2x - 1)P_0(L(G); x^2) + x^2[P_0(T(G); x^2) - P_0(G; x^2)].$$

Now, by eliminating the term  $x^2[P_0(T(G); x^2) - P_0(G; x^2)]$  between the above two equations, we can get the desired result.  $\square$

From Eq. (3.6) we obtain the following relation for the vertex-weighted Wiener numbers of four subdivisions.

**Corollary 3.9.**

$$2W_v(Q(G)) + 2W_v(R(G)) - 2W_v(T(G)) - W_v(S(G)) = m(3n + 3m - 4).$$

We notice that the result does not depend neither on  $W(G)$  nor on  $W_v(G)$ .

Now, we turn our attention toward doubly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials. In the next theorem, we obtain a relation among doubly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials of  $S(G)$ ,  $R(G)$ , and  $G$ .

**Theorem 3.10.**

$$P_{vv}(S(G); x) = \left(\frac{1}{x^2} - \frac{2}{x^3}\right)P_{vv}(G; x^2) + \frac{1}{2x^3}P_{vv}(R(G); x^2) + (4x^2 - 2x^3)P_0(L(G); x^2). \quad (3.7)$$

*Proof.* By definition of the doubly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomial and Lemma 2.1, the polynomial  $P_{vv}(S(G); x)$  can be obtained by adding three polynomials as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{vv}(S(G); x) &= \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u)d_{S(G)}(v)]x^{d_{S(G)}(u,v)+2} \\ &+ \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [2 \times 2]x^{d_{S(G)}(e,f)+2} \\ &+ \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) \times 2]x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+2}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

Now, we use Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.3 to compute these polynomials.

The first polynomial is computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u)d_{S(G)}(v)]x^{d_{S(G)}(u,v)+2} \\ &= \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_G(u)d_G(v)]x^{2d_G(u,v)+2} = \frac{1}{x^2}P_{vv}(G; x^2). \end{aligned}$$

The second polynomial is computed as follows:

$$4 \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{d_{S(G)}(e,f)+2} = 4 \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{2d_L(G)(e,f)+2} = 4x^2P_0(L(G); x^2).$$

The third polynomial is computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) \times 2] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+2} \\
&= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{R(G)}(u) \times 2] x^{2d_{R(G)}(u,e)+1} \\
&= \frac{1}{2x^3} P_{vv}(R(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{R(G)}(u)d_{R(G)}(v)] x^{2d_{R(G)}(u,v)+1} \\
&\quad - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [2 \times 2] x^{2d_{R(G)}(e,f)+1} \\
&= \frac{1}{2x^3} P_{vv}(R(G); x^2) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [2d_G(u) \times 2d_G(v)] x^{2d_G(u,v)+1} \\
&\quad - 2 \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{2d_{L(G)}(e,f)+3} \\
&= \frac{1}{2x^3} P_{vv}(R(G); x^2) - \frac{2}{x^3} P_{vv}(G; x^2) - 2x^3 P_0(L(G); x^2).
\end{aligned}$$

Now, Eq. (3.7) is obtained by adding the above three polynomials, and simplifying the resulting expression.  $\square$

By taking the first derivative from Eq. (3.7) with respect to  $x$ , and then by substituting  $x = 1$ , we can prove the following corollary. We also use Theorem 2.2 and Lemma 3.1, to simplify the relation.

**Corollary 3.11.**

$$W_{vv}(S(G)) = W_{vv}(R(G)) - 2W_{vv}(G) + 4W(L(G)) + 2m(1 - 3m).$$

In the following theorem, we find a relation between the Wiener polynomials and the singly and doubly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials of  $S(G)$  and  $G$ .

**Theorem 3.12.**

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{vv}(S(G); x) - \frac{1}{x^2} P_{vv}(G; x^2) &= 4[xP_v(S(G); x) - P_v(G; x^2)] \\
&\quad - 4x^2[P_0(S(G); x) - P_0(G; x^2)].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.9}$$

*Proof.* Using Eq. (3.8) and the proof of Theorem 3.10, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{vv}(S(G); x) &= \frac{1}{x^2} P_{vv}(G; x^2) + 4x^2 P_0(L(G); x^2) \\
&\quad + \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) \times 2] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+2}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.10}$$

By Lemma 2.1 and Lemma 2.3, the last polynomial in Eq. (3.10) can also be computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) \times 2] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+2} \\
&= 2 \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) + 2] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+2} - 4 \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} x^{d_{S(G)}(u,e)+2} \\
&= \left[ 4xP_v(S(G); x) - 2 \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{S(G)}(u) + d_{S(G)}(v)] x^{d_{S(G)}(u,v)+2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - 2 \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [2 + 2] x^{d_{S(G)}(e,f)+2} \right] \\
&\quad - \left[ 4x^2P_0(S(G); x) - 4 \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} x^{d_{S(G)}(u,v)+2} - 4 \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{d_{S(G)}(e,f)+2} \right] \\
&= \left[ 4xP_v(S(G); x) - 2 \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_G(u) + d_G(v)] x^{2d_G(u,v)+2} \right. \\
&\quad \left. - 8 \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{2d_L(G)(e,f)+2} \right] \\
&\quad - \left[ 4x^2P_0(S(G); x) - 4 \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} x^{2d_G(u,v)+2} - 4 \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} x^{2d_L(G)(e,f)+2} \right] \\
&= [4xP_v(S(G); x) - 4P_v(G; x^2) - 8x^2P_0(L(G); x^2)] \\
&\quad - [4x^2P_0(S(G); x) - 4x^2P_0(G; x^2) - 4x^2P_0(L(G); x^2)] \\
&= 4[xP_v(S(G); x) - P_v(G; x^2)] - 4x^2[P_0(S(G); x) - P_0(G; x^2)] \\
&\quad - 4x^2P_0(L(G); x^2).
\end{aligned}$$

Now, by Eq. (3.10), we can get the desired result.  $\square$

From Eq. (3.9) we have the following relation for vertex-weighted Wiener numbers.

**Corollary 3.13.**

$$W_{vv}(S(G)) - 2W_{vv}(G) = 4W_v(S(G)) - 8W_v(G) - 4W(S(G)) + 8W(G).$$

The following theorem is similar to Theorem 3.12 and gives a relationship between the Wiener polynomials and the singly and doubly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials of  $R(G)$  and  $G$ .

**Theorem 3.14.**

$$\begin{aligned}
P_{vv}(R(G); x) - 4P_{vv}(G; x) &= 4x[P_v(R(G); x) - 2P_v(G; x)] \\
&\quad - 4x^2[P_0(R(G); x) - P_0(G; x)].
\end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

*Proof.* Using the same argument as in the proof of Theorem 3.12, we can get Eq. (3.11).  $\square$

By taking the first derivative of Eq. (3.11) at  $x = 1$ , we easily obtain the following result.

**Corollary 3.15.**

$$W_{vv}(R(G)) - 4W_{vv}(G) = 4W_v(R(G)) - 8W_v(G) - 4W(R(G)) + 4W(G).$$

In the next theorem, we prove a relation among doubly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials of  $L(G)$ ,  $Q(G)$ ,  $T(G)$ , and  $G$ .

**Theorem 3.16.**

$$\begin{aligned} P_{vv}(Q(G); x) &= (x - 2)P_{vv}(G; x) + \frac{1}{2}P_{vv}(T(G); x) + \frac{1}{2}P_{vv}(L(G); x) \\ &\quad + 2xP_v(L(G); x) + 2x^2P_0(L(G); x). \end{aligned} \quad (3.12)$$

*Proof.* By definition of the doubly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomial and Lemma 2.1, the polynomial  $P_{vv}(Q(G); x)$  can be obtained by adding three polynomials as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P_{vv}(Q(G); x) &= \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{Q(G)}(u)d_{Q(G)}(v)]x^{d_{Q(G)}(u,v)+2} \\ &\quad + \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [d_{Q(G)}(e)d_{Q(G)}(f)]x^{d_{Q(G)}(e,f)+2} \\ &\quad + \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{Q(G)}(u)d_{Q(G)}(e)]x^{d_{Q(G)}(u,e)+2}. \end{aligned}$$

The first polynomial is computed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{Q(G)}(u)d_{Q(G)}(v)]x^{d_{Q(G)}(u,v)+2} \\ &= \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_G(u)d_G(v)]x^{d_G(u,v)+3} = xP_{vv}(G; x). \end{aligned}$$

The summation of the second and third polynomials is equal to

$$\begin{aligned}
& \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [d_{Q(G)}(e)d_{Q(G)}(f)]x^{d_{Q(G)}(e,f)+2} \\
& + \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{Q(G)}(u)d_{Q(G)}(e)]x^{d_{Q(G)}(u,e)+2} \\
& = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [(d_{L(G)}(e) + 2)(d_{L(G)}(f) + 2)]x^{d_{L(G)}(e,f)+2} \\
& + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{e,f\} \subseteq E(G)} [d_{T(G)}(e)d_{T(G)}(f)]x^{d_{T(G)}(e,f)+2} \\
& + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u \in V(G)} \sum_{e \in E(G)} [d_{T(G)}(u)d_{T(G)}(e)]x^{d_{T(G)}(u,e)+2} \\
& = \left[ \frac{1}{2}P_{vv}(L(G); x) + 2xP_v(L(G); x) + 2x^2P_0(L(G); x) \right] \\
& + \left[ \frac{1}{2}P_{vv}(T(G); x) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [d_{T(G)}(u)d_{T(G)}(v)]x^{d_{T(G)}(u,v)+2} \right] \\
& = \left[ \frac{1}{2}P_{vv}(L(G); x) + 2xP_v(L(G); x) + 2x^2P_0(L(G); x) \right] \\
& + \left[ \frac{1}{2}P_{vv}(T(G); x) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\{u,v\} \subseteq V(G)} [2d_G(u) \times 2d_G(v)]x^{d_G(u,v)+2} \right] \\
& = \frac{1}{2}P_{vv}(L(G); x) + 2xP_v(L(G); x) + 2x^2P_0(L(G); x) \\
& + \frac{1}{2}P_{vv}(T(G); x) - 2P_{vv}(G; x).
\end{aligned}$$

Now, Eq. (3.12) is obtained by adding the above polynomials and simplifying the resulting expression.  $\square$

From Eq. (3.12), we get the following relationship among the considered vertex-weighted Wiener numbers.

**Corollary 3.17.**

$$\begin{aligned}
2W_{vv}(Q(G)) & = W_{vv}(T(G)) - 2W_{vv}(G) + W_{vv}(L(G)) + 4W_v(L(G)) \\
& + 4W(L(G)) - M_1(G) + 4m^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, by combining Eqs. (3.7) and (3.12), we can get an interesting relation among doubly vertex-weighted Wiener polynomials of the graph  $G$  and all subdivision operators.



**Corollary 3.18.**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{x-2}[2x^3 P_{vv}(S(G); x) - P_{vv}(R(G); x^2)] &= 2(x^3 - 2x + 1)P_{vv}(G; x^2) \\ - 2xP_{vv}(Q(G); x^2) + xP_{vv}(T(G); x^2) + xP_{vv}(L(G); x^2) &+ 4x^3 P_v(L(G); x^2). \end{aligned} \quad (3.13)$$

*Proof.* By Eq. (3.12),

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^4 P_0(L(G); x^2) &= P_{vv}(Q(G); x^2) - (x^2 - 2)P_{vv}(G; x^2) - \frac{1}{2}P_{vv}(T(G); x^2) \\ &- \frac{1}{2}P_{vv}(L(G); x^2) - 2x^2 P_v(L(G); x^2). \end{aligned}$$

Now, the result follows by eliminating the term  $P_0(L(G); x^2)$  in the above relation and Eq. (3.7).  $\square$

The corresponding relationship for vertex-weighted Wiener numbers is given in the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.19.**

$$\begin{aligned} W_{vv}(S(G)) - W_{vv}(R(G)) &= 2W_{vv}(Q(G)) - W_{vv}(T(G)) - W_{vv}(L(G)) - 4W_v(L(G)) \\ &+ M_1(G) - 2m(5m - 1). \end{aligned}$$

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