

## Three Indices Calculation of Certain Crown Molecular Graphs

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**Abstract:** As molecular graph invariant topological indices, harmonic index, zeroth-order general Randic index and Co-PI index have been studied in recent years for prediction of chemical phenomena. In this paper, we determine the harmonic index, zeroth-order general Randic index and Co-PI index of certain r-crown molecular graphs.

**Keywords:** Molecule graph; harmonic index; zeroth-order general Randic index; Co-PI index; r-crown molecular graph



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## 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $G$  be the class of connected molecular graphs, then a topological index can be regarded as a score function  $f: G \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ , with this property that  $f(G_1) = f(G_2)$  if  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are isomorphic. As numerical descriptors of the molecular structure obtained from the corresponding molecular graph, topological indices have found several applications in theoretical chemistry, especially in QSPR/QSAR study. For instance, Wiener index, Hyper-Wiener index and edge average Wiener index are introduced to reflect certain structural features of organic molecules. Several papers contributed to determine these distance-based indices of special molecular graph (See Yan et al., [1], Gao et al., [2], Gao and Shi [3], Gao and Wang [4], and Xi and Gao [5] for more detail).

The molecular graphs considered in our paper are all simple. The vertex and edge sets of  $G$  are denoted by  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$ , respectively. We denote  $P_n$  and  $C_n$  are path and cycle with  $n$  vertices. The molecular graph  $F_n = \{v\} \vee P_n$  is called a fan molecular graph and the molecular graph  $W_n = \{v\} \vee C_n$  is called a wheel molecular graph. Molecular graph  $I_r(G)$  is called  $r$ -crown molecular graph of  $G$  which splicing  $r$  hang edges for every vertex in  $G$ . By adding one vertex in every two adjacent vertices of the fan path  $P_n$  of fan molecular graph  $F_n$ , the resulting molecular graph is a subdivision molecular graph called gear fan molecular graph, denote as  $\tilde{F}_n$ . By adding one vertex in every two adjacent vertices of the wheel cycle  $C_n$  of wheel molecular graph  $W_n$ , The resulting molecular graph is a subdivision molecular graph, called gear wheel molecular graph, denoted as  $\tilde{W}_n$ .

For a molecular graph  $G$ , the harmonic index is defined as:

$$H(G) = \sum_{uv \in E(G)} \frac{2}{d(u) + d(v)},$$

where  $d(v)$  denotes as the degree of vertex  $v$  in molecular graph  $G$ .

Favaron et al., [6] presented the relation between harmonic index and the eigenvalues of molecular graphs. Zhong [7] determined the minimum and maximum values of the harmonic index for connected molecular graphs and trees, and characterized the corresponding extremal molecular graphs. Recently, Wu et al., [8] obtained the minimum value of the harmonic index among the molecular graphs with the minimum degree at least two. Liu [9] gave several relations between the harmonic index and diameter of molecular graphs.

The zeroth-order general Randić index of molecular graph  $G$  is defined as

$$\chi_\alpha(G) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} d(v)^\alpha,$$

where  $\alpha$  is a real number.

For  $\alpha > 1$  or  $\alpha < 0$ , Zhang and Zhou [10] characterized respectively the  $n$ -vertex trees and the  $n$ -vertex unicyclic molecular graphs of fixed number of pendent vertices with the first three largest zeroth-order general Randić indices, and they also discussed respectively the  $n$ -vertex trees and the  $n$ -vertex unicyclic molecular graphs of fixed maximum degree with the first two largest zeroth-order general Randić indices. Pavlovic [11] yielded the zeroth-order general Randić index of connected graph without loops and multiple edges.

Let  $e=uv$  be an edge of the molecular graph  $G$ . The number of vertices of  $G$  whose distance to the vertex  $u$  is smaller than



the distance to the vertex  $v$  is denoted by  $n_u(e)$ . Analogously,  $n_v(e)$  is the number of vertices of  $G$  whose distance to the vertex  $v$  is smaller than the distance to the vertex  $u$ . Note that vertices equidistant to  $u$  and  $v$  are not counted. Hasani et al., [12] introduced Co-PI index as

$$Co-PI_v(G) = \sum_{e=uv \in E(G)} |n_u(e) - n_v(e)|.$$

Su et al., [13] proved that  $Co-PI_v(G) = \sum_{e=uv \in E(G)} |T(u) - T(v)|$ , where  $T(u) = T_G(u) = \sum_{v \in V} d_G(u, v)$ .

The contributions of our paper are three-fold. We first study the harmonic index for several molecular graphs with specific structure:  $r$ -crown molecular graph of fan molecular graph, wheel molecular graph, gear fan molecular graph and gear wheel molecular graph. Then, the zeroth-order general Randić indexes of these molecular graphs are determined. At last, we present the Co-PI index of these molecular graphs.

### 1. HARMONIC INDEX

**Theorem 1.**  $H(I_r(F_n)) = \frac{2r}{n+r+1} + \frac{4}{n+2r+2} + \frac{2(n-2)}{n+2r+3} + \frac{4}{2r+5} + \frac{n+4r-3}{r+3} + \frac{2(n-2)r}{r+4}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $P_n = v_1 v_2 \dots v_n$  and the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_i$  be  $v_i^1, v_i^2, \dots, v_i^r$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ). Let  $v$  be a vertex in  $F_n$  beside  $P_n$  and the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v$  be  $v^1, v^2, \dots, v^r$ . □

In view of the definition of harmonic index, we deduce

$$H(I_r(F_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{2}{d(v) + d(v^i)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2}{d(v) + d(v_i)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{2}{d(v_i) + d(v_{i+1})} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{2}{d(v_i) + d(v_i^j)}$$

$$= \frac{2r}{n+r+1} + \left(\frac{4}{n+2r+2} + \frac{2(n-2)}{n+2r+3}\right) + \left(\frac{4}{2r+5} + \frac{2(n-3)}{2r+6}\right) + \left(\frac{4r}{r+3} + \frac{2(n-2)r}{r+4}\right). \square$$

**Corollary 1.**  $H(F_n) = \frac{4}{n+2} + \frac{2(n-2)}{n+3} + \frac{4}{5} + \frac{n-3}{3}$ .

**Theorem 2.**  $H(I_r(W_n)) = \frac{2r}{n+r+1} + \frac{2n}{n+2r+3} + \frac{n}{r+3} + \frac{2nr}{r+4}$ .

**Proof.** Let  $C_n = v_1 v_2 \dots v_n$  and  $v_i^1, v_i^2, \dots, v_i^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq n$ ). Let  $v$  be a vertex in  $W_n$  beside  $C_n$  and  $v^1, v^2, \dots, v^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v$ . We denote  $v_n v_{n+1} = v_n v_1$ .

In terms of the definition of harmonic index, we infer

$$H(I_r(W_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{2}{d(v) + d(v^i)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2}{d(v) + d(v_i)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2}{d(v_i) + d(v_{i+1})} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{2}{d(v_i) + d(v_i^j)}$$



$$= \frac{2r}{n+r+1} + \frac{2n}{n+2r+3} + \frac{2n}{2r+6} + \frac{2nr}{r+4} . \square$$

**Corollary 2.**  $H(W_n) = \frac{2n}{n+3} + \frac{n}{3} .$

**Theorem 3.**  $H(I_r(\tilde{F}_n)) = \frac{2r}{n+r+1} + \frac{4}{n+2r+2} + \frac{2(n-2)}{n+2r+3} + \frac{2(n-2)r}{r+4} + \frac{2}{r+2} + \frac{4(n-2)}{2r+5} + \frac{2(n+1)r}{r+3} .$

**Proof.** Let  $P_n = v_1 v_2 \dots v_n$  and  $v_{i,i+1}$  be the adding vertex between  $v_i$  and  $v_{i+1}$ . Let  $v_i^1, v_i^2, \dots, v_i^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$ . Let  $v_{i,i+1}^1, v_{i,i+1}^2, \dots, v_{i,i+1}^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_{i,i+1} (1 \leq i \leq n-1)$ . Let  $v$  be a vertex in  $F_n$  beside  $P_n$ , and the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v$  be  $v^1, v^2, \dots, v^r$ .

Using the definition of harmonic index, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} H(I_r(\tilde{F}_n)) &= \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{2}{d(v)+d(v^i)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2}{d(v)+d(v_i)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{2}{d(v_i)+d(v_i^j)} + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{2}{d(v_{i,i+1})+d(v_{i,i+1}^1)} \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{2}{d(v_{i,i+1})+d(v_{i,i+1}^j)} \\ &= \frac{2r}{n+r+1} + \left( \frac{4}{n+2r+2} + \frac{2(n-2)}{n+2r+3} \right) + \left( \frac{4r}{r+3} + \frac{2(n-2)r}{r+4} \right) + \left( \frac{2}{2r+4} + \frac{2(n-2)}{2r+5} \right) + \left( \frac{2}{2r+4} + \frac{2(n-2)}{2r+5} \right) + \frac{2(n-1)r}{r+3} . \square \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 3.**  $H(\tilde{F}_n) = \frac{4}{n+2} + \frac{2(n-2)}{n+3} + 1 + \frac{4(n-2)}{5} .$

**Theorem 4.**  $H(I_r(\tilde{W}_n)) = \frac{2r}{n+r+1} + \frac{2n}{n+2r+3} + \frac{2nr}{r+4} + \frac{4n}{2r+5} + \frac{2nr}{r+3} .$

**Proof.** Let  $C_n = v_1 v_2 \dots v_n$  and  $v$  be a vertex in  $W_n$  beside  $C_n$ , and  $v_{i,i+1}$  be the adding vertex between  $v_i$  and  $v_{i+1}$ . Let  $v^1, v^2, \dots, v^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v$  and  $v_i^1, v_i^2, \dots, v_i^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_i (1 \leq i \leq n)$ . Let  $v_{n,n+1} = v_{1,n}$  and  $v_{i,i+1}^1, v_{i,i+1}^2, \dots, v_{i,i+1}^r$  be the  $r$  hanging vertices of  $v_{i,i+1} (1 \leq i \leq n)$ . Let  $v_{n,n+1} = v_{n,1}, v_{n+1} = v_1$ .

By virtue of the definition of harmonic index, we get

$$\begin{aligned} H(I_r(\tilde{W}_n)) &= \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{2}{d(v)+d(v^i)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2}{d(v)+d(v_i)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{2}{d(v_i)+d(v_i^j)} + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{2}{d(v_i)+d(v_{i,i+1})} \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \frac{2}{d(v_{i,i+1})+d(v_{i,i+1}^j)} \end{aligned}$$



$$= \frac{2r}{n+r+1} + \frac{2n}{n+2r+3} + \frac{2nr}{r+4} + \frac{2n}{2r+5} + \frac{2n}{2r+5} + \frac{2nr}{r+3} . \square$$

**Corollary 4.**  $H(\tilde{W}_n) = \frac{2n}{n+3} + \frac{4n}{5} .$

## 2. ZERO-ORDER GENERAL RANDIC INDEX

Using the notations defined in above section, and combining with the definitions of zeroth-order general Randic index, we get the following computational formulas.

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_\alpha(I_r(F_n)) &= (d(v))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^r (d(v^i))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n (d(v_i))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r (d(v_i^j))^\alpha \\ &= (n+r)^\alpha + 2(2+r)^\alpha + (n-2)(3+r)^\alpha + r(n+1) . \end{aligned}$$

$$\chi_\alpha(F_n) = n^\alpha + 2^{\alpha+1} + (n-2) \cdot 3^\alpha .$$

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_\alpha(I_r(W_n)) &= (d(v))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^r (d(v^i))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n (d(v_i))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r (d(v_i^j))^\alpha \\ &= (n+r)^\alpha + n(3+r)^\alpha + r(n+1) . \end{aligned}$$

$$\chi_\alpha(W_n) = n^\alpha + n \cdot 3^\alpha .$$

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_\alpha(I_r(\tilde{F}_n)) &= (d(v))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^r (d(v^i))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n (d(v_i))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r (d(v_i^j))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} (d(v_{i,i+1}))^\alpha \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^r (d(v_{i,i+1}^j))^\alpha \end{aligned}$$

$$= (n+r)^\alpha + r + 2(2+r)^\alpha + (n-2)(3+r)^\alpha + nr + (n-1)(2+r)^\alpha + r(n-1)$$

$$= (n+r)^\alpha + (n-2)(3+r)^\alpha + (n+1)(2+r)^\alpha + 2rn .$$

$$\chi_\alpha(\tilde{F}_n) = n^\alpha + (n-2) \cdot 3^\alpha + (n+1) \cdot 2^\alpha .$$

$$\chi_\alpha(I_r(\tilde{W}_n)) = (d(v))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^r (d(v^i))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n (d(v_i))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r (d(v_i^j))^\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n (d(v_{i,i+1}))^\alpha$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r (d(v_{i,i+1}^j))^\alpha \\
& = (n+r)^\alpha + r + n(3+r)^\alpha + nr + n(2+r)^\alpha + nr \\
& = (n+r)^\alpha + n(3+r)^\alpha + n(2+r)^\alpha + r(2n+1).
\end{aligned}$$

$$\chi_\alpha(\tilde{W}_n) = n^\alpha + n \cdot 3^\alpha + n \cdot 2^\alpha.$$

### 3. CO-PI INDEX

The notations for certain special molecular graphs can refer to Theorem 1- Theorem 4.

**Theorem 5.**  $Co-PI_v(I_r(F_n)) = r^2(n+1)^2 + r(2n^2 - 3n + 3) + (n^2 - 3n + 4).$

**Proof.** Using the definition of Co-PI index, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
Co-PI_v(I_r(F_n)) & = \sum_{i=1}^r |n_v(vv^i) - n_{v_i}(vv^i)| + \sum_{i=1}^n |n_v(vv_i) - n_{v_i}(vv_i)| + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} |n_{v_i}(v_i v_{i+1}) - n_{v_{i+1}}(v_i v_{i+1})| + \\
& \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r |n_{v_i}(v_i v_i^j) - n_{v_i^j}(v_i v_i^j)| \\
& = r|(r+n(r+1))-1| + (2|(n-1)(r+1)-(r+1)| + (n-2)|(n-2)(r+1)-(r+1)|) \\
& + 2|2(r+1)-(r+1)| + (n-3)|2(r+1)-2(r+1)| + nr|(r+n(r+1))-1| \\
& = 2(n-2)(r+1) + (n-2)(n-3)(r+1) + 2(r+1) + r(n+1)((r+n(r+1))-1) \\
& = r^2(n+1)^2 + r(2n^2 - 3n + 3) + (n^2 - 3n + 4). \square
\end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 5.**  $Co-PI_v(F_n) = n^2 - 3n + 4.$

**Theorem 6.**  $Co-PI_v(I_r(W_n)) = r^2(n+1)^2 + r(2n^2 - 3n - 1) + (n^2 - 3n).$

**Proof.** In view of the definition of Co-PI index, we infer

$$Co-PI_v(I_r(W_n)) = \sum_{i=1}^r |n_v(vv^i) - n_{v_i}(vv^i)| + \sum_{i=1}^n |n_v(vv_i) - n_{v_i}(vv_i)| + \sum_{i=1}^n |n_{v_i}(v_i v_{i+1}) - n_{v_{i+1}}(v_i v_{i+1})| +$$



$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \left| n_{v_i}(v_i v_i^j) - n_{v_i^j}(v_i v_i^j) \right| \\ &= r|(r+n(r+1))-1| + n|(n-2)(r+1)-(r+1)| + n|2(1+r)-2(1+r)| + nr|(r+n(r+1))-1| \\ &= r((r+n(r+1))-1) + n(n-3)(r+1) + nr((r+n(r+1))-1) \\ &= r^2(n+1)^2 + r(2n^2 - 3n - 1) + (n^2 - 3n). \square \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 6.**  $Co-PI_v(W_n) = n^2 - 3n$ .

**Theorem 7.**  $Co-PI_v(I_r(\tilde{F}_n)) = 4r^2n^2 + r(22n^2 - 54n + 32) + (18n^2 - 50n + 32)$ .

**Proof.** By virtue of the definition of Co-PI index, we yield

$$\begin{aligned} Co-PI_v(I_r(\tilde{F}_n)) &= \sum_{i=1}^r \left| n_v(vv^i) - n_{v^i}(vv^i) \right| + \sum_{i=1}^n \left| n_v(vv_i) - n_{v_i}(vv_i) \right| + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r \left| n_{v_i}(v_i v_i^j) - n_{v_i^j}(v_i v_i^j) \right| \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left| n_{v_i}(v_i v_{i,i+1}) - n_{v_{i,i+1}}(v_i v_{i,i+1}) \right| + \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \left| n_{v_{i,i+1}}(v_{i,i+1} v_{i+1}) - n_{v_{i+1}}(v_{i,i+1} v_{i+1}) \right| \\ &+ \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^r \left| n_{v_{i,i+1}}(v_{i,i+1} v_{i,i+1}^j) - n_{v_{i,i+1}^j}(v_{i,i+1} v_{i,i+1}^j) \right| \\ &= r|r+(r+1)(2n-1)-1| + 2|2(n-1)(r+1)-2(r+1)| + (n-2)|3(2n-3)(r+1)-(r+1)| + nr|2n(r+1)-2| \\ &+ (n-1)|3(2n-3)(r+1)-(r+1)| + (n-1)|3(2n-3)(r+1)-(r+1)| + (n-1)r|2n(r+1)-2| \\ &= r(2nr+2n-2) + 4(n-2)(r+1) + (n-2)(6n-10)(r+1) + nr(2nr+2n-2) + (n-1)(6n-10)(r+1) + \\ &(n-1)(6n-10)(r+1) + (n-1)r(2nr+2n-2) \\ &= 4r^2n^2 + r(22n^2 - 54n + 32) + (18n^2 - 50n + 32). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 7.**  $Co-PI_v(\tilde{F}_n) = 18n^2 - 50n + 32$ .

**Theorem 8.**  $Co-PI_v(I_r(\tilde{W}_n)) = r^2(2n^2 + 1)^2 + r(22n^2 - 21n - 1) + (18n^2 - 21n)$ .

**Proof.** In view of the definition of Co-PI index, we deduce



$$\begin{aligned}
Co-PI_v(I_r(\tilde{W}_n)) &= \sum_{i=1}^r |n_v(vv^i) - n_{v^i}(vv^i)| + \sum_{i=1}^n |n_v(vv_i) - n_{v_i}(vv_i)| + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r |n_{v_i}(v_i v_i^j) - n_{v_i^j}(v_i v_i^j)| \\
&+ \sum_{i=1}^n |n_{v_i}(v_i v_{i,i+1}) - n_{v_{i,i+1}}(v_i v_{i,i+1})| + \sum_{i=1}^n |n_{v_{i,i+1}}(v_{i,i+1} v_{i+1}) - n_{v_{i+1}}(v_{i,i+1} v_{i+1})| \\
&+ \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^r |n_{v_{i,i+1}}(v_{i,i+1} v_{i,i+1}^j) - n_{v_{i,i+1}^j}(v_{i,i+1} v_{i,i+1}^j)| \\
&= r|r+2n(r+1)-1| + n|3(2n-2)(r+1)-(r+1)| + nr|r+2n(r+1)-1| \\
&+ n|3(2n-2)(r+1)-(r+1)| + n|3(2n-2)(r+1)-(r+1)| + nr|(2n+1)(r+1)-2| \\
&= r^2(2n^2+1)^2 + r(22n^2-21n-1) + (18n^2-21n). \quad \square
\end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 8.**  $Co-PI_v(\tilde{W}_n) = 18n^2 - 21n$ .

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