

## Spectra of a New Join in Duplication Graph

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**Abstract:** The *duplication graph*  $D_G(G)$  of a graph  $G$  is obtained by inserting new vertices corresponding to each vertex of  $G$  and making the vertex adjacent to the neighborhood of the corresponding vertex of  $G$  and deleting the edges of  $G$ . Let  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  be two graph with vertex sets  $V(G_1)$  and  $V(G_2)$  respectively. The  $D_G$ -vertex join of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is denoted by  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  and it is the graph obtained from  $D_G(G_1)$  and  $G_2$  by joining every vertex of  $V(G_1)$  to every vertex of  $V(G_2)$ . The DG-add vertex join of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is denoted by  $G_1 \bowtie G_2$  and is the graph obtained from  $D_G(G_1)$  and  $G_2$  by joining every additional vertex of  $D_G(G_1)$  to every vertex of  $V(G_2)$ . In this paper we determine the A-spectra and L-spectra of the two new joins of graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  when  $G_1$  is a regular graph and  $G_2$  is an arbitrary graph. As an application we give the number of spanning tree, the Kirchhoff index and Laplace energy like invariant of the new join. Also we obtain some infinite family of new class of integral graphs.

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### §1. Introduction

All graphs described in this paper are simple and undirected. Let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ . The adjacency matrix of  $G$ , denoted by  $A(G) = (a_{ij})_{n \times n}$  is an  $n \times n$  symmetric matrix with

$$a_{ij} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } v_i \text{ and } v_j \text{ are adjacent} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Let  $d_i$  be the degree of the vertex  $v_i$  in  $G$  and  $D(G) = \text{diag}(d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n)$  be the diagonal matrix of  $G$ . The Laplacian matrix is defined as  $L(G) = D(G) - A(G)$ . The characteristic polynomial of  $A(G)$  is defined as  $f_G(A : x) = \det(xI_n - A)$ , where  $I_n$  is the identity matrix of order  $n$ . The roots of the characteristic equation of  $A(G)$  are called the *eigenvalues* of  $G$ . It is

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denoted by  $\lambda_1(G) \geq \lambda_2(G) \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n(G)$ . It is called the *A - Spectrum* of  $G$ . The eigen values of  $L(G)$  is denoted by  $0 = \mu_1(G) \leq \mu_2(G), \dots \leq \mu_n(G)$  and it is called the *L - Spectrum* of  $G$ . Since  $A(G)$  and  $L(G)$  are real and symmetric, their eigen values are all real numbers. A graph is *A - integral*, if the A - spectrum consists only of integers [4,14]. Two graphs are said to be *A - Cospectral* if they have the same A - spectrum.

The characteristic polynomial and spectra of graphs help to investigate some properties of graphs such as energy [8,16], number of spanning trees [18, 9,1], the Kirchhoff index [2, 5, 11], Laplace energy like invariants [7] etc.

The first result on Laplacian matrix, which was discovered by Kirchhoff, appeared in a paper published in the year 1847 is related to electrical network. There exists a vast literature that studies the Laplacian eigen values and their relationship with various properties of graphs [12,13]. Most of the studies of the Laplacian eigen values has naturally concentrated on external non trivial eigen values. Gutman et al. [16] discovered the connection between photoelectron spectra of standard hydrocarbons and the Laplacian eigen values of the underlying molecular graphs.

In a recent paper Reji Kumar and Renny P. Varghese [18] introduced subdivision graph vertex join of two given graphs and studies its spectral properties. They also studied [19] the spectral properties of some classes of hypergraphs.

In the next section we define DG - vertex join and DG - add vertex join of two graphs and discuss some important results, which are found essential to prove the results given in the subsequent sections. In the third section we find the A - spectrum and the L - spectrum of the new join and prove some related results. As an application, we find the number of spanning trees, Kirchhoff index and Laplacian - energy like invariant. Fourth section contains a discussion on some infinite family of integral graphs.

## §2. Preliminaries

In a paper published in 1973 on duplicate graphs, which appeared in the *Journal of Indian Mathematical Society*, Sampathkumar [10] defined duplicate graphs. Let  $G$  be a graph with vertex set  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ . Take another set  $U = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ . Make  $u_i$  adjacent to all the vertices in  $N(v_i)$ , the neighbourhood set of  $v_i$ , in  $G$  for each  $i$  and remove all edges of  $G$ . The resulting graph is called the *duplication graph* of  $G$  and is denoted by  $D(G)$ . The following result tells us an easy way to find the determinant of a bigger matrix using the determinant of relatively smaller matrices.

**Proposition 2.1** *Let  $M_1, M_2, M_3, M_4$  be respectively  $p \times p, p \times q, q \times p, q \times q$  matrix with  $M_1$  and  $M_4$  are invertible then*

$$\begin{aligned} \det \begin{pmatrix} M_1 & M_2 \\ M_3 & M_4 \end{pmatrix} &= \det(M_1) \det(M_4 - M_3 M_1^{-1} M_2) \\ &= \det(M_4) \det(M_1 - M_2 M_4^{-1} M_3), \end{aligned}$$

where  $M_4 - M_3M_1^{-1}M_2$  and  $M_1 - M_2M_4^{-1}M_3$  are called the Schur complements of  $M_1$  and  $M_4$  respectively.

Let  $G$  be a graph on  $n$  vertices, with the adjacency matrix  $A$ . The characteristic matrix  $xI - A$  of  $A$  has determinant  $\det(xI - A) = f_G(A : x) \neq 0$ , so is invertible. The  $A$  - coronal ([6]),  $\Gamma_A(x)$  of  $G$  is defined to be the sum of the entries of the matrix  $(xI - A)^{-1}$ . This can be calculated as

$$\Gamma_A(x) = \mathbf{1}_n^T (xI - A)^{-1} \mathbf{1}_n.$$

The  $A$  - coronal of some classes of graphs are given here.

**Lemma 2.2**([6]) *Let  $G$  be  $r$  - regular on  $n$  vertices. Then*

$$\Gamma_A(x) = \frac{n}{x - r}.$$

Since for any graph  $G$  with  $n$  vertices, each row sum of the Laplacian matrix  $L(G)$  is equal to 0, we have  $\Gamma_L(x) = \frac{n}{x}$ .

**Lemma 2.3**([6]) *Let  $G$  be the bipartite graph  $K_{pq}$ , where  $p + q = n$ . Then*

$$\Gamma_A(x) = \frac{nx + 2pq}{x^2 - pq}.$$

The following results on an  $n \times n$  real matrix is useful in this context.

**Proposition 2.4**([15]) *Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  real matrix, and  $J_{s \times t}$  denote the  $s \times t$  matrix with all entries equal to one. Then*

$$\det(A + \alpha J_n \times n) = \det(A) + \alpha \mathbf{1}_n^T \text{adj}(A) \mathbf{1}_n.$$

Here  $\alpha$  is a real number and  $\text{adj}(A)$  is the adjugate matrix of  $A$ .

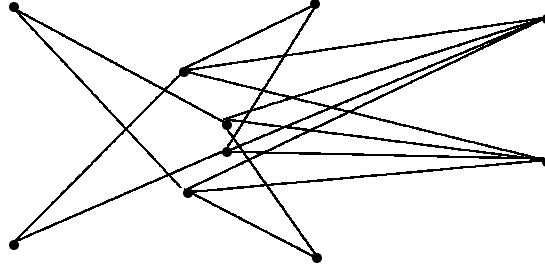
**Corollary 2.5**([15]) *Let  $A$  be an  $n \times n$  real matrix. Then*

$$\det(xI_n - A - \alpha J_{n \times n}) = (1 - \alpha \Gamma_A(x)) \det(xI_n - A).$$

Next we proceed to define the  $DG$  - vertex join and the  $DG$  - advertex join of two graphs.

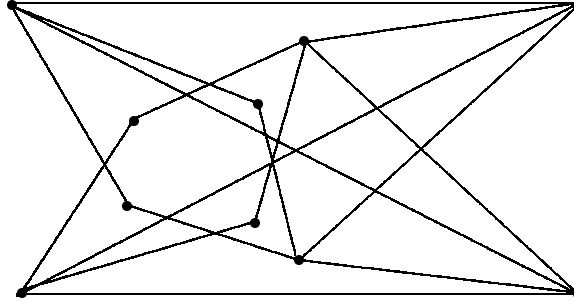
**Definition 2.6** *Let  $G_1$  be a graph on  $n_1$  vertices and  $m_1$  edges.  $G_2$  be an arbitrary graph on  $n_2$  vertices. The  $DG$  - vertex join of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is denoted by  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  and is the graph obtained from  $D(G_1)$  and  $G_2$  by joining every vertex of  $V(G_1)$  to every vertex of  $V(G_2)$ . Where  $D(G_1)$  is the duplication graph of  $G_1$ .*

In Figure 1 an example of  $DG$  - vertex join of the graphs  $C_4$  and  $K_2$  is given.

Figure 1  $C_4 \sqcup K_2$ 

**Definition 2.7** The  $DG$  – addvertex join of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is denoted by  $G_1 \bowtie G_2$  and is the graph obtained from  $D(G_1)$  and  $G_2$  by joining the additional vertices of  $D(G_1)$  corresponding to the vertices of  $G_1$  with every vertex of  $V(G_2)$ .

In Figure 2 an example of  $DG$  - advertex join of the graphs  $C_4$  and  $K_2$  is given.

Figure 2  $C_4 \bowtie K_2$ 

### §3. Spectrum of $G_1 \sqcup G_2$ for Some Classes of Graphs $G_1$ and $G_2$

In this section we study the spectrum of  $DG$  - vertex join of some classes of graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ . We prove the following results in this connection.

**Theorem 3.1** Let  $G_1$  be an  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices and  $m_1$  edges.  $G_2$  be an arbitrary graph on  $n_2$  vertices. Then, the Characteristic polynomial of  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  is

$$f_{G_1 \sqcup G_2}(A : x) = (x^2 - n_1 x \Gamma_{A_2}(x) - r_1^2) \prod_{i=2}^{n_2} (x - \lambda_i(G_2)) \prod_{i=2}^{n_1} (x^2 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2).$$

*Proof* The adjacency matrix of  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & A_1 & J_{n_1 \times n_2} \\ A_1 & 0_{n_1} & 0_{n_1 \times n_2} \\ J_{n_2 \times n_1} & 0_{n_2 \times n_1} & A_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are the adjacency matrix of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  respectively and  $J$  is a matrix with each entries 1.

The characteristic polynomial of  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{G_1 \sqcup G_2}(A : x) &= \begin{vmatrix} xI_{n_1} - A_1 & -J \\ -A_1 & xI_{n_1} & 0 \\ -J & 0 & xI_{n_2} - A_2 \end{vmatrix} \\ &= \det(xI_{n_2} - A_2) \det S, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \begin{pmatrix} xI_{n_1} & -A_1 \\ -A_1 & xI_{n_1} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} -J_{n_1 \times n_2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} (xI_{n_2} - A_2)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} -J_{n_2 \times n_1} & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} xI_{n_1} & -A_1 \\ -A_1 & xI_{n_1} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{A_2}(x)J_{n_1 \times n_1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} xI - \Gamma_{A_2}(x)J_{n_1 \times n_1} & -A_1 \\ -A_1 & xI \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Whence,

$$\begin{aligned} \det S &= \det(xI) \det \left( (xI - \Gamma_{A_2}(x)J - \frac{A_1^2}{x}) \right) \\ &= x^{n_1} \det \left( xI - \Gamma_{A_2}(x)J - \frac{A_1^2}{x} \right) \\ &= x^{n_1} \det \left( xI - \frac{A_1^2}{x} - \Gamma_{A_2}(x)J \right) \\ &= x^{n_1} \det \left( xI - \frac{A_1^2}{x} \right) \left( 1 - \Gamma_{A_2}(x) \Gamma_{\frac{A_1^2}{x}}(x) \right), \end{aligned}$$

Notice that  $G_1$  is  $r_1$  - regular and the row sum of  $A_1^2$  is  $r_1^2$ . We get

$$\Gamma_{\frac{A_1^2}{x}} = \frac{n_1}{x - \frac{r_1^2}{x}} = \frac{n_1 x}{x^2 - r_1^2}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \det S &= x^{n_1} \det \left( xI - \frac{A_1^2}{x} \right) \left( 1 - \frac{n_1 x}{x^2 - r_1^2} \Gamma_{A_2}(x) \right) \\ &= \det(x^2 I - A^2) \left( \frac{x^2 - r_1^2 - n_1 x \Gamma_{A_2}(x)}{x^2 - r_1^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\det(xI - A) = (x^2 - n_1 x \Gamma_{A_2}(x) - r_1^2) \prod_{i=1}^{n_2} (x - \lambda_i(G_2)) \prod_{i=2}^{n_1} (x^2 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2). \quad \square$$

**Corollary 3.2** *Let  $G_1$  be an  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices,  $G_2$  be  $r_2$  - regular graph on  $n_2$  vertices. Then the  $A$  - Spectrum of  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  consists of*

- (i)  $\lambda_i(G_2)$  , for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n_2$ ;
- (ii)  $\pm \lambda_i(G_1)$  , for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n_1$ ;
- (iii) Three roots of the equation

$$x^3 - r_2 x^2 - (n_1 n_2 + r_1^2) x + r_1^2 r_2.$$

*Proof* If  $G_2$  is  $r_2$  - regular then

$$\Gamma_{A_2}(x) = \frac{n_2}{x - r_2}.$$

We get

$$\begin{aligned} \det(xI - A) &= (x^3 - r_2 x^2 - (n_1 n_2 + r_1^2) x + r_1^2 r_2) \\ &\quad \times \prod_{i=2}^{n_2} (x - \lambda_i(G_2)) \prod_{i=2}^{n_1} (x^2 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 3.3** *Let  $G_1$  be an  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices,  $A$  - Spectrum of  $G_1 \sqcup \overline{K_n}$  consists of*

- (i) 0, repeats  $n_2$  times;
- (ii)  $\pm \lambda_i(G_1)$  , for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n_1$ ;
- (iii)  $\pm \sqrt{n_1 n_2 + r_1^2}$ .

**Corollary 3.4** *Let  $G_1$  be an  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices.  $A$  - Spectrum of  $G_1 \sqcup K_{pq}$  consists of*

- (i) 0, repeats  $p + q - 2$  times;
- (ii)  $\pm \lambda_i(G_1)$  , for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n_1$ ;
- (iii) Four roots of the equation

$$x^4 - (pq + r_1^2 + n_1 p + n_1 q) x^2 - 2pq n_1 x + r_1^2 pq.$$

### 3.1 Laplacian Spectrum of $G_1 \sqcup G_2$ for Some Classes of Graphs $G_1$ and $G_2$

**Theorem 3.5** *Let  $G_1$  be an  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices and  $m_1$  edges.  $G_2$  be an arbitrary graph on  $n_2$  vertices. then,*

$$\begin{aligned} f_{G_1 \sqcup G_2}(L : x) &= x(x^2 - (n_1 + n_2 + 2r_1)x + r_1(2n_1 + n_2)) \\ &\quad \times \prod_{i=2}^{n_2} (x - n_1 - \mu_i(G_2)) \prod_{i=2}^{n_1} (x^2 - (2r_1 + n_2)x + n_2r_1 + r_1^2 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof* The Laplace adjacency matrix of  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  is

$$L = \begin{bmatrix} (r_1 + n_2)I & -A_1 & J_{n_1 \times n_2} \\ -A_1 & r_1I & 0_{n_1 \times n_2} \\ -J_{n_2 \times n_1} & 0_{n_1 \times n_1} & n_1I_{n_2} + L_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $L_2$  is the Laplacian adjacency matrix of  $G_2$

The Laplacian characteristic polynomial of  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  is

$$f_{G_1 \sqcup G_2}(L : x) = \begin{vmatrix} (x-r_1-n_2)I_{n_1} & A_1 & J \\ A_1 & (x-r_1)I_{n_1} & 0 \\ J & 0 & (x-n_1)I_{n_2} - L_2 \end{vmatrix}.$$

Using proposition 2.2 we get

$$f_{G_1 \sqcup G_2}(L : x) = \det((x - n_1)I_{n_2} - L_2) \det S,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S &= \begin{pmatrix} (x - r_1 - n_2)I_{n_1} & A_1 \\ A_1 & (x - r_1)I_{n_1} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} J \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} ((x - n_1)I_{n_1} - L_2)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} J & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (x - r_1 - n_2)I & A_1 \\ A_1 & (x - r_1)I \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} \Gamma_{L_2}(x - n_1)J_{n_1 \times n_1} & 0 \\ 0 & o \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} (x - r_1 - n_2)I - \Gamma_{L_2}(x - n_1)J & A_1 \\ A_1 & (x - r_1)I \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\det S = (x - r_1)^{n_1} \det \left( (x - r_1 - n_2)I - \Gamma_{L_2}(x - n_1)J - \frac{A_1^2}{x - r_1} \right).$$

By Corollary 2.7

$$\begin{aligned} \det S &= (x - r_1)^{n_1} \det \left( (x - r_1 - n_2)I - \frac{A_1^2}{x - r_1} \right) \\ &\quad \times \left( 1 - \Gamma_{L_2}(x - n_1) \Gamma_{\frac{A_1^2}{x - r_1}}(x - r_1 - n_2) \right) \\ &= \det \left( (x - r_1 - n_2)(x - r_1)I - A^2 \right) \left( 1 - \Gamma_{L_2}(x - n_1) \Gamma_{\frac{A_1^2}{x - r_1}}(x - r_1 - n_2) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $G_1$  is  $r_1$  regular graph, the row sum of  $\frac{A_1^2}{x - r_1}$  is  $\frac{r_1^2}{x - r_1}$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_{\frac{A_1^2}{x - r_1}}(x - r_1 - n_2) &= \frac{n_1(x - r_1)}{x^2 - (2r_1 + n_2)x + n_2r_1}, \\ 1 - \Gamma_{L_2}(x - n_1) \Gamma_{\frac{A_1^2}{x - r_1}}(x - r_1 - n_2) &= \frac{x(x^2 - (n_1 + n_2 + 2r_1)x + r_1(2n_1 + n_2))}{(x - n_1)(x^2 - (2r_1 + n_2)x + n_2r_1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} f_{G_1 \sqcup G_2}(L : x) &= x(x^2 - (n_1 + n_2 + 2r_1)x + r_1(2n_1 + n_2)) \\ &\quad \times \prod_{i=2}^{n_2} (x - n_1 - \mu_i(G_2)) \prod_{i=2}^{n_1} (x^2 - (2r_1 + n_2)x + n_2r_1 + r_1^2 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2). \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Let  $t(G)$  denote the number of spanning tree of the graph  $G$ , the total number of distinct spanning subgraphs of  $G$  that are trees. The number of spanning trees of the graph describe the network which is one of the natural characteristics of its reliability. If  $G$  is a connected graph with  $n$  vertices and the Laplacian spectrum  $0 = \mu_1(G) \leq \mu_2(G), \dots, \mu_n(G)$  then ([17])

$$t(G) = \frac{\mu_2(G)\mu_3(G) \cdots \mu_n(G)}{n}$$

**Corollary 3.6** *Let  $G_1$  be an  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices and  $G_2$  be an arbitrary graph on  $n_2$  vertices. Then*

$$t(G_1 \sqcup G_2) = \frac{r_1(2n_1 + n_2) \prod_{i=2}^{n_1} (n_1 + \mu_i(G_2)) \prod_{i=2}^{n_2} (r_1^2 + n_2r_1 - \lambda_i^2(G_1))}{2n_1 + n_2}.$$

*Proof* By Theorem 3.5 the roots of  $f_{G_1 \sqcup G_2}(L : x)$  are as follows:

- (i) 0;
- (ii)  $n_1 + \mu_i(G_2)$  for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n_2$ ;
- (iii) Two roots say  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  of the equation  $x^2 - (n_1 + n_2 + 2r_1)x + r_1(2n_1 + n_2)$ ;
- (iv) Two roots say  $x_{i1}$  and  $x_{i2}$  of the equation  $x^2 - (2r_1 + n_2)x + n_2r_1 + r_1^2 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2$  for  $i = 2, 3, \dots, n_2$ .

For Case (iii),  $x_1x_2 = r_1(2n_1 + n_2)$ , and for Case (iv),  $x_{i1}x_{i2} = n_2r_1 + r_1^2 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2$ ,



$i = 2, 3, \dots, n_2$ . Then, we get that

$$t(G_1 \sqcup G_2) = \frac{r_1(2n_1 + n_2) \prod_{i=2}^{n_1} (n_1 + \mu_i(G_2)) \prod_{i=2}^{n_2} (r_1^2 + n_2 r_1 - \lambda_i^2(G_1))}{2n_1 + n_2}. \quad \square$$

Another Laplacian spectrum based on graph invariant was defined by Liu and Liu [3] called the Laplacian - energy - like invariant. The Laplacian - energy - like invariant(LEL) of a graph  $G$  of  $n$  vertices is defined as

$$LEL(G) = \sum_{i=2}^n \sqrt{\mu_i}.$$

**Corollary 3.7** *Let  $G_1$  be an  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices and  $G_2$  be an arbitrary graph on  $n_2$  vertices. Then Laplace - energy - like invariant*

$$\begin{aligned} LEL &= \left( n_1 + n_2 + 2r_1 + 2\sqrt{r_1(2n_1 + n_2)} \right)^{1/2} + \sum_{i=2}^{n_2} (n_1 + \mu_i(G_1)^2)^{1/2} \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=2}^{n_1} \left( \frac{2r_1 + n_2 + \sqrt{r_1^2 + n_2 r_1 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2}}{r_1^2 + n_2 r_1 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2} \right)^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof* Using Theorem 3.5 and Corollary 3.6 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{x_1} + \sqrt{x_2} &= (x_1 + x_2 + 2\sqrt{x_1 x_2})^{1/2} \\ &= \left( n_1 + n_2 + 2\sqrt{r_1(2n_1 + n_2)} \right)^{1/2}, \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_{i1}}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{x_{i2}}} &= \frac{\sqrt{x_{i1}} + \sqrt{x_{i2}}}{2\sqrt{x_{i1} x_{i2}}} \\ &= \left( \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \sqrt{x_1 x_2}}{x_{i1} x_{i2}} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= \left( \frac{2r_1 + n_2 + \sqrt{r_1^2 + n_2 r_1 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2}}{r_1^2 + n_2 r_1 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2} \right)^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence the required result is obtained using the formula for LEL.  $\square$

Klein [5] propounder of *resistance distance* defined electric resistance in network corresponding to the considered graph as the resistance distance between any two adjacent nodes is 1 ohm. The sum of the resistance distance between all pairs of the vertices of a graph is conceived as a new graph invariant. The electric resistance is calculated by means of the Kirchhoff laws called *kirchhoff index*.

Kirchhoff index of a connected graph  $G$  with  $n(n \geq 2)$  vertices is defined as

$$Kf(G) = n \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{\mu_i}$$

**Corollary 3.8** *Let  $G_1$  be an  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices.  $G_2$  be an arbitrary graph on  $n_2$*

vertices. Then

$$Kf(G_1 \sqcup G_2) = (2n_1 + n_2) \left[ \frac{n_1 + n_2 + 2r_1}{r_1(2n_1 + n_2)} + \sum_{i=2}^{n_2} \frac{1}{n_1 + \mu_i(G_2)} + \sum_{i=2}^{n_1} \frac{2r_1 + n_2}{r_1^2 + n_2r_1 - \lambda_i(G_1)^2} \right].$$

*Proof* Using Theorem 3.5, Corollary 3.7 and the formula for Kirchhoff index we obtain the required result.  $\square$

### 3.2 Spectra of DG - add Vertex Graph of Some Classes of Graphs

Next we discuss some spectral properties of the DG - add vertex graph of some classes of graphs.

**Proposition 3.9** *Let  $G_1$  be an  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices and  $G_2$  be an arbitrary graph on  $n_2$  vertices. Then  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  and  $G_1 \bowtie G_2$  are A - cospectral*

*Proof* Notice that the characteristic polynomials of  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  and  $G_1 \bowtie G_2$  are same. Hence we get the result.  $\square$

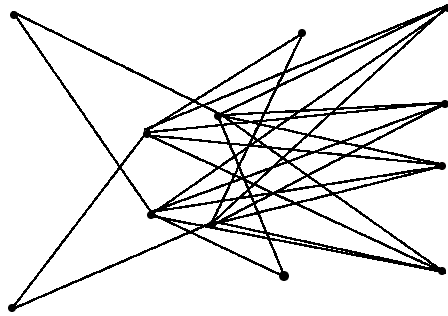
**Proposition 3.10** *Let  $G_1$  be an  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices and  $G_2$  be an arbitrary graph on  $n_2$  vertices then  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  and  $G_1 \bowtie G_2$  are L - cospectral.*

### §4. Infinite Families of Integral Graphs

The following properties give a necessary and sufficient condition for DG - vertex join and DG - add vertex join of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  to be integral.

**Proposition 4.1** *Let  $G_1$  be  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$  vertices and  $G_2$  be  $r_2$  - regular graph on  $n_2$  vertices.  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  ( respectively  $G_1 \bowtie G_2$  ) is an integral graph if and only if  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  are integral graphs and the roots of  $x^3 - r_2x^2 - (n_1n_2 + r_1^2)x + r_1^2r_2$  are integers.*

In particular if  $G_2 = \overline{K_n}$  (totally disconnected) then  $r_2 = 0$  then  $G_1 \sqcup G_2$  (respectively  $G_1 \bowtie G_2$ ) is integral iff  $G_1$  is an integral graph and  $n_1n_2 + r_1^2$  is a perfect square.



**Figure 3**  $K_4 \sqcup \overline{K_4}$  with spectrum  $\{-5, -1^3, 0^4, 1^3, 5\}$

**Proposition 4.2** *Let  $G_1$  be  $r_1$  - regular graph on  $n_1$ .  $G_1 \sqcup K_{pq}$  ( respectively  $G_1 \bowtie K_{pq}$  ) is an integral graph if and only if  $G_1$  is an integral graph and the roots of  $x^4 - (pq + r_1^2 + n_1p + n_1q)x^2 - 2pqn_1x + r_1^2pq$  are integers.*

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