

THE SKEW DISTANCE CHARACTERISTIC POLYNOMIAL OF AN ORIENTED TREE WITH CANONICAL ORIENTATION AND AN ORIENTED EVEN CIRCUITS WITH REACHABLE AND CANONICAL ORIENTATION

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ABSTRACT. A directed graph G^ϕ is a finite simple undirected graph G with an orientation ϕ , which assigns to each edge a direction so that G^ϕ becomes a directed graph. G is called the underlying graph of G^ϕ and we denote by $SD(G^\phi)$, the Skew-Distance matrix of G^ϕ . The eigen values $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \cdots, \lambda_n$ of the $SD(G^\phi)$ are said to be the skew distance eigen values or the SD-Eigen values of G^ϕ .

The Skew Distance Energy, $E_{SD}(G^\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i - \bar{\lambda}|$, where $\bar{\lambda} = \left[\frac{\lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \cdots + \lambda_n}{n} \right]$.

In this paper, we find the coefficients of the skew distance characteristic polynomial of a oriented tree T with canonical orientation and an oriented even circuit C_{2n} with reachable and canonical orientation.

1. INTRODUCTION

Let G be a finite simple connected graph with n vertices and m edges. Let G^ϕ be a graph with an orientation ϕ , which assigns to each edge of G a direction so that G^ϕ becomes a directed graph. The skew adjacency matrix of the directed graph G^ϕ is the $n \times n$ matrix, $S(G^\phi) = (S_{ij})$, where $S_{ij} = 1 = -S_{ji}$ if $v_i \rightarrow v_j$ is an arc of G^ϕ , otherwise $S_{ij} = S_{ji} = 0$.

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Let d_{ij}^ϕ be the distance between the vertices v_i and v_j in G^ϕ . The Skew Distance Matrix (SD-matrix) of G^ϕ , $SD(G^\phi) = (Sd_{ij})$ is real skew symmetric matrix, where

$$Sd_{ij} = \begin{cases} d_{ij}^\phi & \text{if } d_{ij}^\phi \leq d_{ji}^\phi \\ -d_{ji}^\phi & \text{if } d_{ij}^\phi > d_{ji}^\phi \\ 0 & \text{if no path between } v_i \text{ and } v_j \end{cases}$$

and $Sd_{ij} = -Sd_{ji}$.

Suppose there is only one path from v_i to v_j or v_j to v_i , then $Sd_{ij} = d_{ij}^\phi$ or $Sd_{ij} = -d_{ji}^\phi$.

Let $G(V, E)$ be a bipartite graph with bi-partition (X, Y) . An orientation is said to be **canonical** if it orients all the edges from one partition set to the other. It is immaterial if it is from X to Y or from Y to X. From this point onwards, σ stands for the canonical orientation with respect to a bipartite graph G with a fixed bi-partition (X, Y) .

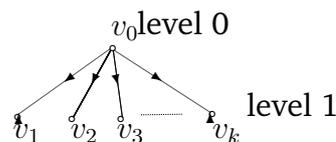
Let G be a finite simple connected graph with n vertices and m edges. An orientation is said to be a **reachable orientation** in P_n if all the edges in P_n are in one direction. An orientation is said to be a reachable orientation in G if any two vertices in G has at least one path with reachable orientation. Reachable orientation is denoted by R.

In this paper we find the skew distance characteristic polynomial of an oriented tree T having vertices upto height 3 with canonical orientation and an oriented even circuit C_{2n} with reachable orientation R and canonical orientation.

2. TREE

Theorem 2.1. *Let T_{k+1}^σ be a canonical oriented tree with $(k + 1)$ vertices in which k vertices are of level 1 and one vertex is in level zero. Then $P[SD(T_{k+1}^\sigma); x] = (-x)^{k+1} + k(-x)^{k-1} \forall k \geq 4$.*

Proof. T_{k+1}^σ is



$$(2.1) \quad SD(T_{k+1}^\sigma) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \cdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{(k+1) \times (k+1)}.$$

By [2], Theorem 3.10,

$$(2.2) \quad P[SD(T_{k+1}^\sigma); x] = (-x)^{k+1} + k(-x)^{k-1} \forall k \geq 4.$$

□

Theorem 2.2. Let T_n^σ be a canonical oriented tree with 1 vertex is of level 0, k vertices are of level one and $n_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, k)$ vertices are of level two s.t $n = 1 + k + n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} P[SD(T_n^\sigma); x] &= (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\dots+n_k+(k+1)} \\ &+ [k + \sum_{i=1}^k n_i] (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\dots+n_k+(k-1)} \\ &+ [(k-1) \sum_{i=1}^k n_i + \sum_{i \neq j=1}^k n_i n_j] (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\dots+n_k+(k-3)} \\ &+ [(k-2) \sum_{i \neq j=1}^k n_i n_j + \sum_{i \neq j \neq t=1}^k n_i n_j n_t] (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\dots+n_k+(k-5)} \\ &+ \dots + [2 \sum n_1 n_2 \dots n_{k-2} + \sum n_1 n_2 \dots n_{k-1}] (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\dots+n_k-(k-3)} \\ &+ [\sum n_1 n_2 \dots n_{k-1} + n_1 n_2 \dots n_k] (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\dots+n_k-(k-1)}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let T_n^σ be a canonical oriented tree with 1 vertex is of level 0, k vertices are of level one and $n_i (i = 1, 2, \dots, k)$ vertices are of level two s.t $n = 1 + k + n_1 + n_2 + \dots + n_k$. Then

$$(2.3) \quad |SD(T_n^\sigma) - xI| = \begin{vmatrix} S_{k+1} & V_1 & V_2 & \cdots & V_k \\ -V_1^T & D_{n_1} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ -V_2^T & \mathbf{0} & D_{n_2} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ -V_k^T & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & D_{n_k} \end{vmatrix}$$

Here,

$$|S_{k+1}| = \begin{vmatrix} -x & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ -1 & -x & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ -1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -x \end{vmatrix}_{(k+1) \times (k+1)} \quad |D_{n_i}| = \begin{vmatrix} -x & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -x & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & -x \end{vmatrix}_{n_i \times n_i} ;$$

$$V_i = \begin{matrix} i \\ (i+1) \\ (i+2) \end{matrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & \cdots & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{bmatrix}_{(k+1) \times n_i} ; 1 \leq i \leq k.$$

Let $S_{k+1}^{(i)}, i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ be the matrix obtained by deleting any i number of rows from the rows 2nd, 3rd, . . . $(k+1)$ th row of S_{k+1} and replacing i number of rows of the corresponding matrices $-V_1^T, -V_2^T, \dots, -V_k^T$ respectively. [Delete the j^{th} row $2 \leq j \leq k+1$ of S_{k+1} and replacing any one row from $-V_{j-1}^T \forall j$].

For $1 \leq i \leq k, D'_{n_i}$ be the matrix obtained from D_{n_i} by replacing any one row by $(-1, -1, \dots, -1)_{1 \times n_i}$.

By Laplace's expansion,

$$\begin{aligned} |SD(T_n^\sigma) - xI| &= |S_{k+1}| |D_{n_1}| \cdots |D_{n_k}| + |S_{k+1}^{(1)}| \sum_{i=1}^k n_i |D_{n_1}| \cdots |D'_{n_i}| \cdots |D_{n_k}| \\ &+ |S_{k+1}^{(2)}| \sum_{i \neq j=1}^k n_i n_j |D_{n_1}| \cdots |D'_{n_i}| \cdots |D'_{n_j}| \cdots |D_{n_k}| + \cdots + |S_{k+1}^{(k-1)}| \sum n_1 n_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \cdots n_{k-1} |D'_{n_1}| \cdots |D'_{n_{(k-1)}}| |D_{n_k}| + |S_{k+1}^{(k)}| n_1 n_2 \cdots n_k |D'_{n_1}| \cdots |D'_{n_k}| \\
 &= (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\cdots+n_k+(k+1)} + [k + \sum_{i=1}^k n_i] (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\cdots+n_k-(k-1)} \\
 &+ [(k-1) \sum_{i=1}^k n_i + \sum_{i \neq j=1}^k n_i n_j] (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\cdots+n_k+(k-3)} [(k-2) \sum_{i \neq j=1}^k n_i n_j + \\
 &\quad \sum_{i \neq j \neq t=1}^k n_i n_j n_t] (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\cdots+n_k+(k-5)} + \cdots + [2 \sum_{i \neq j=1}^k n_i n_j + \\
 &\quad + \sum_{i \neq j=1}^k n_1 n_2 \cdots n_{k-1}] (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\cdots+n_k-(k-3)} \\
 &+ [\sum_{i \neq j=1}^k n_1 n_2 \cdots n_{k-1} + n_1 n_2 \cdots n_k] (-x)^{n_1+n_2+\cdots+n_k-(k-1)} \quad (*)
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence the proof. □

Problem 2.1. Find the skew distance characteristic polynomial of a canonical oriented tree T_n^σ with 1 vertex is of level 0, k vertices are of level 1, $n_i (1 \leq i \leq k)$ vertices are of level 2 and $11r_1, 12r_2, \dots, 1n_1r_{n_1}, 21s_1, 22s_2, \dots, 2n_2s_{n_2}, \dots, k1t_1, k2t_2, \dots, kn_kt_{n_k}$ number of vertices are of level 3 such that $n = (1) + (k) + (n_1 + n_2 + \cdots + n_k) + (11r_1 + 12r_2 + \cdots + 1n_1r_{n_1} + 21s_1 + 22s_2 + \cdots + 2n_2s_{n_2} + \cdots + k1t_1 + k2t_2 + \cdots + kn_kt_{n_k})$.

Let T_1 be the characteristic matrix of the skew distance matrix of the canonical oriented tree with upto level **one** vertices.

Let T_2 be the characteristic matrix of the skew distance matrix of the canonical oriented tree with upto level **two** vertices.

Let $T_2^{(i)}$ be the matrix oriented from T_2 by deleting any i number of rows from r_{k+2} to $r_{k+1+n_1+n_2+\cdots+n_k}$ of T_2 and replacing i number of rows from the corresponding matrices $-V_{11r_1}^T, -V_{12r_2}^T, \dots, -V_{1n_1r_{n_1}}^T, -V_{21s_1}^T, -V_{22s_2}^T, \dots, -V_{2n_2s_{n_2}}^T, \dots, -V_{k1t_1}^T, -V_{k2t_2}^T, \dots, -V_{kn_kt_{n_k}}^T$ respectively.

For $1 \leq i \leq k; 1 \leq j \leq n_i$ D'_{ijl} be the diagonal matrix obtained from the diagonal matrix D_{ijl} by replacing any one row by $(1, 1, \dots, 1)_{1 \times l}$ where l takes the values

$$r_1, r_2, \dots, r_{n_1}, s_1, s_2, \dots, s_{n_2}, \dots, t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{n_k}.$$

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3. ORIENTED EVEN CIRCUIT

Theorem 3.1. *Let C_{2n}^R be an oriented even circuit with $2n$ vertices and with an orientation $v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow v_3 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v_{2n-2} \rightarrow v_{2n-1} \rightarrow v_{2n} \rightarrow v_1$. Let $P[SD(C_{2n}^R); x] = C_0x^{2n} + C_2x^{2n-2} + \dots + C_{2n-2}x^2 + C_{2n}$ be the skew distance characteristic polynomial of C_{2n}^R . Then*

- (i) $C_0 = 1$;
- (ii) $C_2 = \sum_{i < j} sd_{ij}^2 = \frac{n^2(2n^2+1)}{3}$;
- (iii) $C_4 = \sum$ All minors of order 4 $(sd_{12}sd_{34} + sd_{13}sd_{42} + sd_{14}sd_{23})^2$;
- (iv) $C_{2r} =$ sum of determinant of the principal minors of order $(2n - 2r)$;
- (v) $C_{2n} = (2n)^{2n-2}$.

Proof. Denote the given reachable orientation $v_1 \rightarrow v_2 \rightarrow \dots \rightarrow v_{2n} \rightarrow v_1$ by R . Now

	v_1	v_2	v_3	\dots	v_{n-1}	v_n	v_{n+1}	\dots	v_{2n-2}	v_{2n-1}	v_{2n}
$SD(C_{2n}^R) =$	0	1	2	\dots	$(n-2)$	$(n-1)$	n	\dots	-3	-2	-1
v_2	-1	0	1	\dots	$n-3$	$n-2$	$n-1$	\dots	-4	-3	-2
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
v_n	$-(n-1)$	$-(n-2)$	$-(n-3)$	\dots	-1	0	1	\dots	$n-2$	$n-1$	n
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
v_{2n-1}	2	3	4	\dots	$-n$	$-(n-1)$	$-(n-2)$	\dots	-1	0	1
v_{2n}	1	2	3	\dots	$n-1$	$-n$	$-(n-1)$	\dots	-2	-1	0

$$P[SD(C_{2n}^R); x] = |SD(C_{2n}^R) - xI| =$$

	v_1	v_2	v_3	\dots	v_{n-1}	v_n	v_{n+1}	\dots	v_{2n-2}	v_{2n-1}	v_{2n}
v_1	-x	1	2	\dots	$n-2$	$n-1$	n	\dots	-3	-2	-1
v_2	-1	-x	1	\dots	$n-3$	$n-2$	$n-1$	\dots	-4	-3	-2
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
v_n	$-(n-1)$	$-(n-2)$	$-(n-3)$	\dots	-1	-x	1	\dots	$n-2$	$n-1$	n
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
v_{2n-1}	2	3	4	\dots	$-n$	$-(n-1)$	$-(n-2)$	\dots	-1	-x	1
v_{2n}	1	2	3	\dots	$n-1$	$-n$	$-(n-1)$	\dots	-2	-1	-x

Let $D_1^{(2n)} = |SD(C_{2n}^R)|$ and $D_2^{(2n)} = \begin{vmatrix} -x & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & -x & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \end{vmatrix}_{2n \times 2n}$. Then By 22 Chapter IV

in [1],

$$\begin{aligned}
 |SD(C_{2n}^R) - xI| &= (D_1 + D_2)^{2n} \\
 (3.1) \quad &= D_1^{(2n)} + \sum D_1^{(2n-1)} D_2^{(1)} + \sum D_1^{(2n-2)} D_2^{(2)} + \cdots + D_2^{(2n)} \\
 &= D_1^{(2n)} + \sum D_1^{(2n-2)} D_2^{(2)} + \cdots + D_2^{(2n)},
 \end{aligned}$$

as $SD(C_{2n}^R)$ is skew symmetric. Further,

$$D_2^{(1)} = -x, D_2^{(2)} = (-x)(-x), \dots, D_2^{(2n)} = (-x)(-x) \cdots (-x) = (-1)^{2n} x^{2n} = x^{2n}.$$

The corresponding minors $D_1^{(2n-1)}, D_1^{(2n-2)}, \dots$ are got by erasing in $D_1^{(2n)}$ the i^{th} row and column, the i^{th} and k^{th} rows and columns, and etc.

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 |SD(C_{2n}^R) - xI| &= x^{2n} + x^{2n-2} \sum D_1^{(2n-(2n-2))} + \cdots + x^{2n-2r} \sum D_1^{(2n-(2n-2r))} \\
 &\quad + \cdots + D_1^{(2n)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

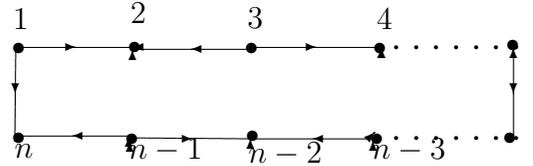
By Theorem 3.1 in [2], $C_0 = 1$ and By (3.1) , and by Theorem 3.1 in [2],

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_2 &= \sum D_1^{[2n-(2n-2)]} = \sum_{i < j} Sd_{ij}^2 \\
 &= (2n - 1)1^2 + (2n - 2)2^2 + (2n - 3)3^2 + \cdots + [2n - (n - 1)](n - 1)^2 \\
 &\quad + (2n - n)n^2 + [2n - (n + 1)][-(n - 1)^2] + \cdots + [2n - (2n - 1)](-1)^2 \\
 &= 2n1^2 + \cdots + 2n(n - 1)^2 + n^3 = \frac{n^2(2n^2 + 1)}{3}.
 \end{aligned}$$

By applying a sequence of elementary congruent row operations, column operation and rearranging rows and columns, we get the proof □

Theorem 3.2. Let C_n^σ be the canonical oriented cycle with n vertices and n is even. Then $E_{SD}(C_n^\sigma) = 2\sqrt{n}$.

Proof. C_n^σ is



$$SD(C_n^\sigma) = \begin{vmatrix} & 1 & 2 & 3 & 4 & \dots & n-2 & n-1 & n \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ n & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 & 0 \end{vmatrix}$$

As rank $(SD(C_n^\sigma)) = 2$, we have two independent solutions. As n is even C_n^σ is bipartite. Therefore, the skew distance characteristic polynomial of C_n^σ is of the form $C_0x^n + C_2x^{n-2}$. As $C_0 = 1$ and $C_2 = \sum_{i < j} Sd_{ij}^2 = n$.

Hence, the skew distance characteristic polynomial of C_n^σ is $x^n + nx^{n-2}$.

Its spectrum is

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{ni} & 0 & \sqrt{ni} \\ 1 & n-2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence, $E_{SD}(C_n^\sigma) = |-\sqrt{ni}| + |\sqrt{ni}| = 2\sqrt{n}$. □

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