



## Degree Distance and Reverse Degree Distance of one Tetragonal Carbon Nanocones

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### ABSTRACT

Let  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  be a simple connected graph with vertex and edge sets  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$ , respectively. The degree distance of  $G$  is defined as  $DD(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} \deg(u)D(u)$ , where  $\deg(u)$  is the degree of  $u$  and  $D(u) = \sum_{v \in V(G)} d(u, v)$  is the sum of all distances from the vertex  $u$ . The reverse degree distance is a connected graph invariant closely related to the degree distance proposed in the mathematical chemistry and it is defined as,  $DD(G) = 2q(p-1)\text{Diam}(G) - DD(G)$  Where  $p, q, \text{Diam}(G)$  are the number of vertices, the number of edges and diameter of  $G$ , respectively. In this paper we compute the degree distance and reverse degree distance of one tetragonal carbon nanocones.

**Key words:** Carbon nanocones; degree distance; reverse degree distance; topological index.

### INTRODUCTION

A molecular graph is a simple graph such that its vertices correspond to the atoms and the edges to the bonds. A path of a length  $n$  in a graph  $G$  is a sequence of  $n + 1$  vertices such that from each of these vertices there is an edge to the next vertex in the sequence. Let  $G$  be a molecular graph, with the vertex and edge sets of which are represented by  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$ , respectively. The distance,  $d(u, v)$  is defined as the length of the shortest path between  $u$  and  $v$  in  $G$ .  $D(u)$  denotes the sum of distances between  $u$  and all other vertices of  $G$ . For a given vertex  $u$  of  $V(G)$  its eccentricity,  $\text{ecc}(u)$  is the largest distance between  $u$  and any other vertex  $v$  of  $G$ . The maximum eccentricity over all vertices of  $G$  is called the diameter

of  $G$  and denoted by  $\text{Diam}(G)$  and the minimum eccentricity among the vertices of  $G$  is called radius of  $G$  and denoted by  $R(G)$ .

Research into carbon nanocones (CNC) started almost at the same time as the discovery of carbon nanotubes (CNT) in 1991. Ball studied the closure of (CNT) and mentioned that (CNT) could be sealed by a conical cap<sup>1</sup>. The official report of the discovery of isolated CNC was made in 1994, when Ge and Sattler reported their observations of carbon nanocones mixed together with tubules and a flat graphite surface<sup>2</sup>. These are constructed from a graphene sheet by removing a  $120^\circ$  wedge and joining the edges produces a cone with a single tetragonal defect at the apex.

Topological indices are graph invariants and are used for Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationship (QSAR) and Quantitative Structure-Property Relationship (QSPR) studies<sup>3,4</sup>. The Wiener index of a graph  $G$  denoted by  $W(G)$  is defined  $W(G) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{u,v \in V(G)} d(u,v)$ . The parameter  $DD(G)$  is called the degree distance of  $G$  and it was introduced by Dobrynin and Kochetova<sup>5</sup> and Gutman<sup>6</sup> as a graph theoretical descriptor for characterizing alkanes; it can be considered as a weighted version of the Wiener index. It is defined as

$$DD(G) = \sum_{u \in V(G)} \deg(u) D(u) = \sum_{\{u,v\} \in E(G)} (\deg(u) + \deg(v)) d(u,v).$$

When  $G$  is a tree on  $n$  vertices, it has been demonstrated the Wiener index and degree distance are closely related by  $DD(G) = 4W(G) - n(n-1)$ . The reverse degree distance of the graph  $G$  is defined as  $RD(G) = 2q(p-1) - DD(G)$ , where  $p, q$  are the number of vertices and the number of edges of  $G$ , respectively. Some properties of the reverse degree distance, especially for trees, have been given in<sup>7,8</sup>. There are two reasons for the study of this graph invariant. One is that the reverse degree distance itself is a topological index satisfying the basic requirement to be a branching index and with potential for application in chemistry<sup>9</sup>. The other is the study of the reverse degree distance is actually the study of the degree distance, which is important in both

mathematical chemistry and in discrete mathematics.

In this paper, we calculate the degree distance and reverse degree distance of one tetragonal carbon nanocones  $CNC_4[n]$ .

## RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The aim of this section is to compute the degree distance and reverse degree distance of one tetragonal carbon nanocones ( $C[n] = CNC_4[n]$ ). To do this, the following lemmas are necessary.

### Lemma 1

$$|V(C[n])| = 4(n+1)^2, \quad |E(C[n])| = 6n^2 + 10n + 4.$$

Proof. It is clear

In the following lemma, the diameter and radius of this nanocone are computed

### Lemma 2

$$R(C[n]) = 2n + 2 \text{ and } \text{Diam}(C[n]) = 4n + 2.$$

Proof. It is clear

The Lemma 2 shows that eccentricities of vertices of  $C[n]$  are varied between  $2n+2$  and  $4n+2$ . Furthermore, we observe that there are two types of vertices in  $C[n]$ .  $4n^2$  internal vertices of degree 3 have eccentricities between  $2n+2$  and  $4n$  and  $4n$  external vertices of degree 3 and  $4n+4$  external vertices of degree 2 have eccentricities between  $3n+2$

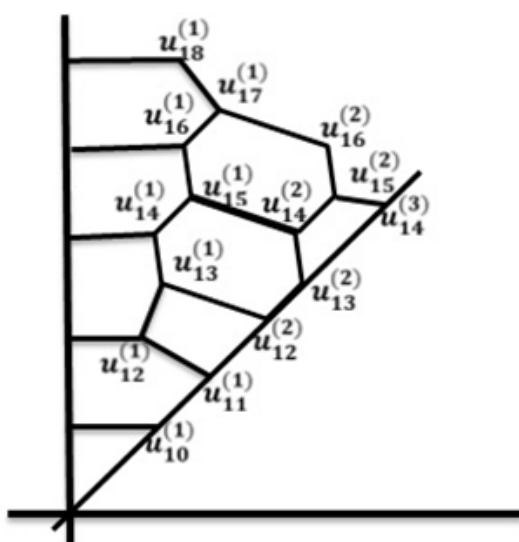


Fig. 1: The notation of vertices of  $C[4]$

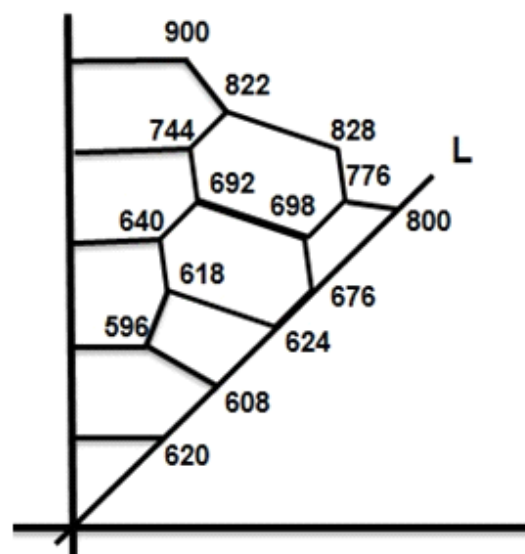


Fig. 2: The distance sum of vertices of  $C[4]$

and  $4n+2$ . Now we use an algebraic method for computing the degree distance of one tetragonal carbon nanocones  $C[n]$ . When  $n$  is odd, the external vertices of  $C[n]$  are made of  $\frac{n+1}{2}$  types of vertices of degree 3 with eccentricity equal to  $3n+2k+2$  and  $3n+2k+2$  and  $\frac{n+1}{2}$  types of vertices of degree 2 with eccentricity equal to  $3n+2k+3$  for  $0 \leq k \leq \frac{n-1}{2}$ . But when  $n$  is even, the external vertices of  $C[n]$  are made of  $\frac{n}{2}$  types of vertices of degree 3 with eccentricity equal to  $3n+2k+3$  for  $0 \leq k \leq \frac{n-2}{2}$  and also  $\frac{n+2}{2}$  types of vertices of degree 2 with eccentricity equal to  $3n+2k+2$  for  $0 \leq k \leq \frac{n}{2}$ . From Figure 2, in one eighth of  $C[n]$ , when  $1 \leq k \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1$ , there are  $k$  numbers of vertices and when  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 2 \leq k \leq n+1$ , there are  $n-k+2$  numbers of vertices with eccentricity equal to  $2n+2k$ . Similarly, when  $k$  numbers and when  $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $n-k+1$  numbers of vertices have eccentricity equal to  $2n+2k+1$ , see Table 1. For computing the degree distance of one tetragonal carbon nanocones, at first we compute distance sum of all vertices. From Figure 2 (left to right) if  $u$  be  $t$ -th vertex of  $G$  with eccentricity equal to  $m$  then we denote its distance

**Table 1: Types of vertices of  $C[n]$**

$k$	Number	Eccentricity
$1 \leq k \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1$	$8k-4$	$2n+2k$
$\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 2 \leq k \leq n+1$	$8(n-k+2)$	$2n+2k$
$1 \leq k \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$	$8k-4$	$2n+2k+1$
$\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1 \leq k \leq n$	$8(n-k+1)$	$2n+2k+1$

sum by  $D(u_i^{(l)})$ . Distance sum of all vertices of  $C[n]$  is computed in the following lemma.

**Lemma 3**

Distance sum of all vertices of  $C[n]$  is computed by two relations as:

$$D(u_{2n+2k}^{(l)}) = A(n) + 2 \sum_{l=2}^k B(n,l) + \sum_{l=k+1}^{n+1} B(n,l) + \sum_{l=2}^k 6(l-1)^2 \text{ for } 1 \leq k \leq n+1,$$

$$D(u_{2n+2k+1}^{(l)}) = A(n) + 2 \sum_{l=2}^k B(n,l) + \sum_{l=k+1}^{n+1} B(n,l) + \sum_{l=2}^k 6(l-1)^2 \text{ for}$$

where

$$A(n) = \frac{16n^2 + 42n + 38n + 12}{3} \quad B(n,l) = -2((n+3)^2 + (l-3)^2 - 4ln - 12)$$

Proof. If  $u$  be a vertex of central tetragon with eccentricity equal to  $2n+2$  then for  $1 \leq k \leq n$ ,  $2k+1$  numbers of vertices have distances equal to  $k$  and also  $3n+2$  numbers of vertices have distances equal

**Table 2: Categorization of vertices of  $C[n]$**

$k$	$t$	Degree	Number
$1 \leq k \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$	$k$	3	4
$2 \leq k \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$	$1 \leq t \leq k-1$	3	8
$\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1 \leq k \leq n$	$1 \leq t \leq n-k+1$	3	8
$1 \leq k \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$	$k$	3	4
$2 \leq k \leq n$	1	3	8
$n+1$	1	2	8
$3 \leq k \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 1$	$2 \leq t \leq k-1$	3	8
$\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor + 2 \leq k \leq n-1$	$2 \leq t \leq n-k+1$	3	8
$\frac{n+2}{2}$ ( $n$ even)	$\frac{n+2}{2}$	2	4

to  $2n+1$  and  $n+1$  numbers of vertices have distances equal to  $2n+2$  from  $u$  Thus

$$D(u_{2n+2}^{(2)}) = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} k(2k+1) + (3n+2)(2n+1) + (2n+2)(n+1) - \frac{1}{3}(16n^2 + 42n^2 + 38n + 12).$$

Also for  $2 \leq k \leq n+1$ , we have

$$D(u_{2n+2k}^{(1)}) = D(u_{2n+2k-1}^{(1)}) + \frac{1}{3}(-6n^2 + (24k-36)n + \sum_{t=2}^{k-1} (30-12t) + 12) \\ = D(u_{2n+2k-1}^{(1)}) + \frac{1}{3}(-6n^2 + 24kn - 36n - 6k^2 + 36k - 36) = D(u_{2n+2k-1}^{(1)}) + B(n, k).$$

Furthermore for , and also for we have

$$\text{Also for } 1 \leq k \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor, 1 \leq t \leq k \text{ and for } \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor + 1 \leq k \leq n$$

$$, 1 \leq t \leq n - k + 1 ,$$

We have

$$D(u_{2n+2k}^{(t)}) = D(u_{2n+2k-1}^{(t)}) + \frac{1}{3}(-6n^2 + (24k+24t-36)n + \sum_{i=2}^{t-1} (30-12i) + 12)$$

$$= D(u_{2n+2k}^{(t)}) + B(n, k+t).$$

$$\text{Also for } 2 \leq k \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor, 2 \leq t \leq k \text{ and for } \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor + 1 \leq k \leq n,$$

$$1 \leq t \leq n - k + 2$$

$$D(u_{2n+2k}^{(t)}) = D(u_{2n+2k-1}^{(t-1)}) + 6(t-1)^2.$$

Now by using above relations alternatively this proof is completed.  $\phi$

**Theorem 1**

The degree distance of  $C[n]$  is computed as  $DD(C[n]) = \frac{348}{5}n^5 + 319n^4 + 572n^3 + 502n^2 + \frac{1052}{5}n + 31$ , where  $n \geq 1$  is an odd number.

Proof. The distance sum of 4 numbers of vertices is equals to  $D(u_{2n+2k}^{(k)})$ , where  $1 \leq k \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$ . Similarly, the distance sum of 4 numbers of vertices is equals to  $D(u_{2n+2k+1}^{(k)})$ , where . Other vertices with the same distance sum are eight numbers. All vertices are of degree 3, except external vertices with eccentricity equal to  $4n+2k$  where their degrees are equal to 2, when  $0 \leq k \leq \frac{n+1}{2}$ . See Table 2. Thus from Lemma 3 we have

$$DD(CNC_4[1]) = 12D(u_4^{(1)}) + 12D(u_5^{(1)}) + 16D(u_6^{(1)}) = 1704,$$

$$DD(CNC_4[3]) = 24D(u_{11}^{(1)}) + \sum_{k=1}^2 12D(u_{7+2k}^{(k)}) + \sum_{k=1}^2 12D(u_{6+2k}^{(k)})$$

$$+ \sum_{k=2}^3 24D(u_{6+2k}^{(1)}) + 24D(u_{13}^{(1)}) + 16D(u_{14}^{(1)}) + 16D(u_{12}^{(2)}) = 63376,$$

and for  $n \geq 5$

$$DD(C[n]) = \sum_{k=2}^{\frac{n+1}{2}} \sum_{t=1}^{k-1} 24D(u_{2n+2k+1}^{(t)}) + \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n+1}{2}} 12D(u_{2n+2k+1}^{(k)}) + \\ \sum_{k=\frac{n+3}{2}}^n \sum_{t=1}^{n-k+1} 24D(u_{2n+2k+1}^{(t)}) + \sum_{k=2}^n 24D(u_{2n+2k}^{(1)}) + \sum_{k=3}^{\frac{n+1}{2}} \sum_{t=2}^{k-1} 24D(u_{2n+2k}^{(t)}) \\ + \sum_{k=\frac{n+3}{2}}^{n-1} \sum_{t=2}^{n-k+1} 24D(u_{2n+2k}^{(t)}) + \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n+1}{2}} 12D(u_{2n+2k}^{(k)}) + 16D(u_{4n+2}^{(1)}) + \sum_{k=\frac{n+3}{2}}^n 16D(u_{2n+2k}^{(n-k+2)}).$$

Therefore with little calculation by Matlab software we obtain

$$DD(C[n]) = \frac{348}{5}n^5 + 319n^4 + 572n^3 + 502n^2 + \frac{1052}{5}n + 31.$$

**Theorem 2** The degree distance of  $C[n]$  is computed as

$$DD(C[n]) = \frac{348}{5}n^5 + 319n^4 + 572n^3 + 502n^2 + \frac{1052}{5}n + 32.$$

where  $n \geq 2$  is an even number.

Proof. The distance sum of 4 numbers of vertices is equals to  $D(u_{2n+2k}^{(k)})$ , where

$$1 \leq k \leq \frac{n+2}{2}. \text{ Similarly, the distance sum of 4 numbers} \\ = \frac{1}{3}(-6n^2 + 24kn + 24n - 36n - 6t^2 - 6k^2 - 12kt + 36(k+t-1))$$

of vertices is equals to  $D(u_{2n+2k+1}^{(k)})$ , where  $1 \leq k \leq \frac{n}{2}$

. These vertices are on the line L in Figure 2. Other vertices with the same distance sum are eight numbers. All vertices are of degree 3, except external vertices with eccentricity equal

to  $4n+2-k$ , where their degrees are 2, when  $0 \leq k \leq \frac{n}{2}$ .

See Table 2. Thus from Lemma 3 we have

$$DD(CNC_4[2]) = 12D(u_6^{(1)}) + 12D(u_7^{(1)}) + 24D(u_8^{(1)}) + \\ 24D(u_9^{(1)}) + 16D(u_{10}^{(1)}) + 8D(u_8^{(2)}) = 14368,$$

$$DD(CNC_4[4]) = 24D(u_{13}^{(1)}) + \sum_{k=1}^2 12D(u_{9+2k}^{(k)}) + \sum_{k=1}^2 12D(u_{8+2k}^{(k)}) + \sum_{k=3}^4 \sum_{t=1}^{5-k} 24D(u_{9+2k}^{(t)}) \\ + \sum_{k=2}^4 24D(u_{8+2k}^{(1)}) + 24D(u_{14}^{(2)}) + 16D(u_{18}^{(1)}) + 16D(u_{16}^{(2)}) + 8D(u_{14}^{(3)}) = 198448,$$

and for  $n \geq 6$

$$DD(C[n]) = \sum_{k=2}^{\frac{n}{2}} \sum_{t=1}^{k-1} 24D(u_{2n+2k+1}^{(t)}) + \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} 12D(u_{2n+2k+1}^{(k)}) +$$

$$\sum_{k=\frac{n+2}{2}}^n \sum_{t=1}^{n-k+1} 24D(u_{2n+2k+1}^{(t)}) + \sum_{k=2}^n 24D(u_{2n+2k}^{(1)}) + \sum_{k=3}^{\frac{n+2}{2}} \sum_{t=2}^{k-1} 24D(u_{2n+2k}^{(t)}) + 8D(u_{4n+2}^{(\frac{n+2}{2})})$$

$$+ \sum_{k=\frac{n+4}{2}}^{n-1} \sum_{t=2}^{n-k+1} 24D(u_{2n+2k}^{(t)}) + \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} 12D(u_{2n+2k}^{(k)}) + 16D(u_{4n+2}^{(1)}) + \sum_{k=\frac{n+4}{2}}^n 16D(u_{2n+2k}^{(n-k+2)}).$$

Therefore with little calculation by Matlab software we obtain

**Theorem 3** The reverse degree distance of  $C[n]$  is computed as

$$rDD(C[n]) = \frac{612}{5}n^5 + 481n^4 + 692n^3 + 450n^2 + \frac{668}{5}n + 17,$$

where  $n \geq 1$  is an odd number.

Proof. It is clear from Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 and Theorem 1.

**Theorem 4** The reverse degree distance of  $C[n]$  is computed as

$$rDD(C[n]) = \frac{612}{5}n^5 + 481n^4 + 692n^3 + 450n^2 + \frac{668}{5}n + 16,$$

where  $n \geq 2$  is an even number.

**Proof**

It is clear from Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 and Theorem 2.

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