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## ON GRAPHS WITH ANTI-RECIPROCAL EIGENVALUE PROPERTY

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $A(G)$  be the adjacency matrix of a simple connected undirected graph  $G$ . A graph  $G$  of order  $n$  is said to be non-singular (respectively singular) if  $A(G)$  is non-singular (respectively singular). The spectrum of a graph  $G$  is the set of all its eigenvalues denoted by  $spec(G)$ . The anti-reciprocal (respectively reciprocal) eigenvalue property for a graph  $G$  can be defined as “ Let  $G$  be a non-singular graph  $G$  if the negative reciprocal (respectively positive reciprocal) of each eigenvalue is likewise an eigenvalue of  $G$ , then  $G$  has anti-reciprocal (respectively reciprocal) eigenvalue property .” Furthermore, a graph  $G$  is said to have strong anti-reciprocal eigenvalue property (resp. strong reciprocal eigenvalue property) if the eigenvalues and their negative (resp. positive) reciprocals are of same multiplicities. In this article, graphs satisfying anti-reciprocal eigenvalue (or property  $(-R)$ ) and strong anti-reciprocal eigenvalue property (or property  $(-SR)$ ) are discussed.

### 1. Introduction

In this article, we only consider simple connected undirected graphs. A graph  $G$  of order  $n$  is an ordered pair  $G = (V, E)$  with vertex set  $V$  and edge set  $E$ , respectively. The adjacency matrix of a graph  $G$  can be written as  $A(G) = [a_{ij}]$  is an  $n \times n$  square symmetric matrix with  $ij$  - *th* entry 1 if there is an edge between the vertices  $i$  and  $j$  and 0, otherwise. We call a graph  $G$  to be non-singular (resp. singular) if  $A(G)$  is non-singular (resp. singular). The roots of the characteristic polynomial  $\mathcal{P}_G(\lambda)$  associated with  $A(G)$  are called the eigenvalues of graph  $G$ . The fact that  $A(G)$  is symmetric

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implies all of its eigenvalues are real. Let  $\lambda_1(\mathbf{G}) \geq \lambda_2(\mathbf{G}) \geq \dots \geq \lambda_n(\mathbf{G})$  are the eigenvalues of the graph  $\mathbf{G}$ . The spectrum of a graph  $\mathbf{G}$  is the set consisting of all its eigenvalues denoted as,  $spec(\mathbf{G})$ .

$$spec(\mathbf{G}) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & \lambda_2 & \dots & \lambda_n \\ m(\lambda_1) & m(\lambda_2) & \dots & m(\lambda_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $m(\lambda_i)$  is the multiplicity of  $\lambda_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . Pavithra and Rajkumar, [16] introduced the  $M$ -bicone product of graphs and discussed the spectra of these graphs. (for reader's interest [3], [4], [17])

The reciprocal eigenvalue property (or property (R)) is satisfied by  $\mathbf{G}$  if for each eigenvalue  $\lambda$  there exist  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  in the spectrum of  $\mathbf{G}$ . Note that, for a graph  $\mathbf{G}$  with property (R), the multiplicities of eigenvalues and their reciprocals may or may not be equal but if there exist at least one eigenvalue  $\lambda$  such that  $m(\lambda) \neq m(\frac{1}{\lambda})$  then we say that graph strictly satisfies property (R). In addition, if  $\lambda$  and  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  have same multiplicities for each eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $\mathbf{G}$  then the graph  $\mathbf{G}$  satisfies strong reciprocal eigenvalue property (or property (SR)).

Barik et al. started the investigation on graphs having property (R) in [9]. In [12] and [10] authors explored the property (SR) for trees under the titles symmetric property and property C. The authors (in [12], [10]) established the concept that a non-singular tree satisfies property (SR) if and only if it is a simple corona graph, and they also proved in [7] that property (R) and property (SR) are equivalent for non-singular trees. In [6], authors studied unicyclic graphs with property (SR). In [8], authors presented some classes of non-bipartite graphs having property (R) but not property (SR).

In the year 2012, Lagrange proposed the concept of anti-reciprocal eigenvalue property (or property ( $-\mathbf{R}$ )) and strong anti-reciprocal eigenvalue property (or property ( $-\mathbf{SR}$ )) for the graphs [14]. For a nonsingular graph  $\mathbf{G}$ , if for each eigenvalue  $\lambda$  there exist  $-\frac{1}{\lambda}$  in the spectrum of  $\mathbf{G}$  then that graph is said to have property ( $-\mathbf{R}$ ). Note that, for a graph  $\mathbf{G}$  with property ( $-\mathbf{R}$ ) the multiplicities of eigenvalues and their negative reciprocals may or may not be equal but if there exist at least one eigenvalue  $\lambda$  such that  $m(\lambda) \neq m(-\frac{1}{\lambda})$  then we say that graph strictly satisfies property ( $-\mathbf{R}$ ). Consequently, a nonsingular graph  $\mathbf{G}$  is said to have strong anti-reciprocal eigenvalue property (or property ( $-\mathbf{SR}$ )), if for each eigenvalue  $\lambda$  there exist  $-\frac{1}{\lambda}$  in the spectrum of  $\mathbf{G}$  along with  $m(\lambda) = m(-\frac{1}{\lambda})$ .

Lagrange [14] studied property ( $-\mathbf{SR}$ ) for the zero-divisor graphs of finite commutative rings with non-zero divisors. In [1], authors carried out investigation for the graphs with property ( $-\mathbf{SR}$ ). They investigated a class of connected simple weighted graphs with unique perfect matching  $M$ , denoted by  $\mathbf{G}_M$  for property ( $-\mathbf{SR}$ ). It was shown that, a weighted graph  $\mathbf{G}_w$  satisfies the property ( $-\mathbf{SR}$ ) for any  $w \in W(\mathbf{G})$  if and only if it is a corona graph.

Later on, they also investigated the property ( $-\mathbf{SR}$ ) for different non-corona families of graphs [2]. In [5], authors further generalized these families and they also studied non-bipartite unicyclic graphs for property ( $-\mathbf{SR}$ ) and it was proved that they must be simple corona graphs. A family of graphs with unique perfect matching along with diagonal entries zero in the inverse of their adjacency matrix was investigated by Hameed et al. in [13]. Authors showed that this family does not satisfy

property  $(-SR)$  not even for a single weight function  $w$ . Non-bipartite graphs with property  $(R)$  are investigated in [15] and [8]. A lot of work has been done on non-bipartite graphs with properties  $(R)$ ,  $(SR)$  and  $(-SR)$ . Until now, non-bipartite graphs with property  $(-R)$  are not studied. So, the main motivation of this article is to investigate non-bipartite graphs with property  $(-R)$  or property  $(-SR)$ . We begin with some basic concepts which will be used in our work.

**Definition 1.1.** [11] Consider two simple connected graphs  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  of order  $n$  and  $m$ , respectively. The corona product  $G_1 \circ G_2$  is a graph formed by one copy of graph  $G_1$  and  $n$ -copies of  $G_2$  and by connecting each vertex of  $j$ th copy of  $G_2$  with the  $j$ th vertex of  $G_1$ , for  $1 \leq j \leq n$ .

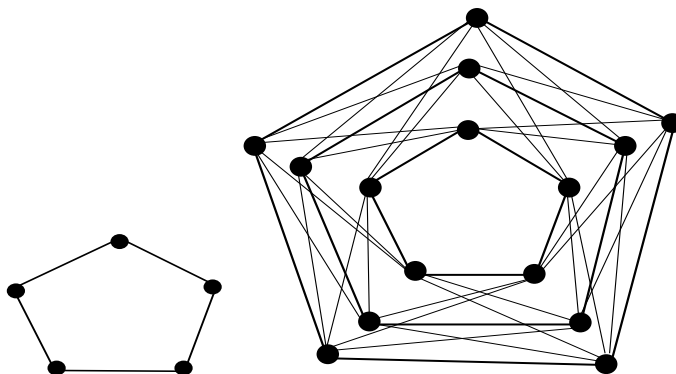


FIGURE 1.  $C_5$  and  $D_3(C_5)$ .

**Definition 1.2.** [18] Let  $G$  be a simple connected graph, the shadow graph  $D_2(G)$  of graph  $G$  is constructed by taking two copies of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  of  $G$  and joining each vertex  $u_1$  of  $G_1$  to the neighbors of the corresponding vertex  $u_2$  of  $G_2$ .

**Definition 1.3.** [18] Let  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_m$  be  $m$  copies of a simple connected graph  $G$ , the  $m$ -shadow graph  $D_m(G)$  of graph  $G$  is constructed by joining each vertex  $v$  of  $G_i$  to the neighbors of the corresponding vertex  $u$  of  $G_j$  for  $1 \leq i, j \leq m$ .

**Lemma 1.4.** [9] Let  $H$  be a simple graph and  $H_1 = H \circ K_1$ . Then, if  $\mu$  is an eigenvalue of  $H$  afforded by the eigenvector  $\mathbf{x}$ , then  $\lambda = \frac{\mu + \sqrt{\mu^2 + 4}}{2}$  and  $-\frac{1}{\lambda} = \frac{\mu - \sqrt{\mu^2 + 4}}{2}$  are eigenvalues of  $H_1$  afforded by the eigenvectors  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ \frac{1}{\lambda} \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix}$  and  $\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x} \\ -\lambda \mathbf{x} \end{bmatrix}$ .

## 2. Main Results

In this section, some new families of graphs namely,  $\mathbf{Z}$  and  $\mathbf{A}$  are presented and investigation is carried out whether these families satisfy property  $(-SR)$  or strictly satisfy property  $(-R)$ . For this purpose we first construct a family of graphs in the following definition.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $G_1, G_2, \dots, G_p$  be  $p$  copies of a graph  $G$ . Then  $D_p(G)$ ,  $p \geq 6$  be the  $p$ -shadow graph obtained from  $p$  copies of  $G$  according to the Definition 1.3. Let  $Z = \{Z_p(G) : p \in \mathbb{N}, p \geq 6\}$  be the family of graphs which can be obtained from  $D_p(G)$  by deleting all edges of the  $p$ -shadow graph of  $D_p(G)$  except the joining edges of the following copies

$$\begin{cases} G_i \text{ and } G_{i+1}, & \text{for } 1 \leq i < \frac{p}{2}; \\ G_1 \text{ and } G_{\frac{p}{2}}, & \text{for } i = \frac{p}{2}; \\ G_i \text{ and } G_{i-\frac{p}{2}}, & \text{for } \frac{p}{2} < i \leq p. \end{cases}$$

For example the graph  $Z_6(C_4)$  is shown in Figure 2, obtained from 6 copies of  $C_4$  and deleting all the edges in the 6-shadow graph  $D_6(C_4)$  except the joining edges of the following copies

$$\begin{cases} G_i \text{ and } G_{i+1}, & \text{for } 1 \leq i < 3; \\ G_1 \text{ and } G_3, & \text{for } i = 3; \\ G_i \text{ and } G_{i-3}, & \text{for } 3 < i \leq 6. \end{cases}$$

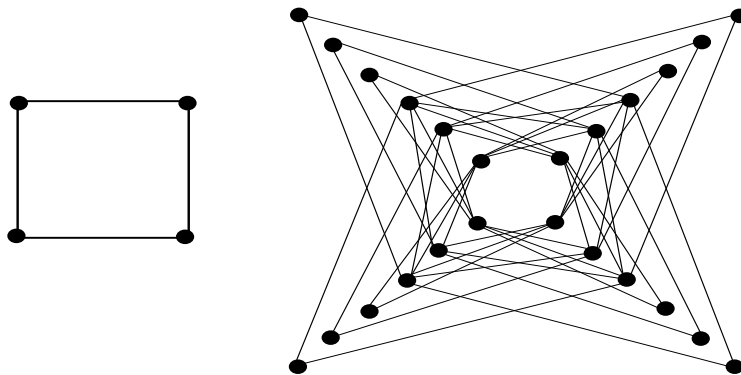


FIGURE 2.  $C_4$  and  $Z_6(C_4)$ .

The following result tells us that each graph in  $Z$  strictly satisfies property  $(-R)$  for  $p \cong 2 \pmod 4$ ,  $p \geq 6$  and satisfy property  $(-SR)$  for  $p \cong 0 \pmod 4$ ,  $p \geq 8$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $G$  be any graph which strictly satisfy property  $(R)$ . Then the graph  $Z_p(G) \in Z$ ,

- (1) Satisfies property  $(-SR)$  if  $p \cong 0 \pmod 4$  and  $p \geq 8$ ,
- (2) Strictly satisfies property  $(-R)$  if  $p \cong 2 \pmod 4$  and  $p \geq 6$ .

*Proof.* Consider  $p$  copies a graph  $G$  of order  $n$  strictly satisfying property  $(R)$ .

**Case 1:** When  $p \cong 0 \pmod 4$ ,  $p \geq 8$ . Let  $A = \{\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \dots, \sigma_k\}$  be the set of all those eigenvalues of  $G$  for which

$$m(\sigma_i) \neq m\left(\frac{1}{\sigma_i}\right)$$

$i = 1, 2, \dots, k$  where  $k < n$  and  $B = \{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_l\}$ ,  $l < n$  be the set of all those eigenvalues such that

$$m(\lambda_j) = m\left(\frac{1}{\lambda_j}\right)$$

where  $j = 1, 2, \dots, l$ . Let

$$t_i = \frac{2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2} \pm \sqrt{(2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2})^2 + 4}}{2}, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{p}{2} - 1, i \neq \frac{p}{4},$$

and for  $i = 0$  or  $i = \frac{p}{4}$ ,  $t_i$  becomes  $t_{0,p/4} = \pm 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$ . For each  $\sigma \in A$  and  $\lambda \in B$  the spectrum of the graph  $\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G})$  can be written as,

$$\left( \begin{array}{cc} t_i \lambda = \begin{cases} t_i \lambda, & \text{for } t_i \neq \pm \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } t_i = \pm \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{cases} & -\frac{1}{t_i} \lambda = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{t_i} \lambda, & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} \neq \pm \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} = \pm \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{cases} \\ m(t_i \lambda) = \begin{cases} 2m(\lambda), & \text{for } t_i \neq \pm \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ 4m(\lambda), & \text{for } t_i = \pm \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{cases} & m(-\frac{1}{t_i} \lambda) = \begin{cases} 2m(\lambda), & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} \neq \pm \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ 4m(\lambda), & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} = \pm \frac{1}{\lambda} \end{cases} \\ t_i \sigma = \begin{cases} t_i \sigma, & \text{for } t_i \neq \pm \frac{1}{\sigma} \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } t_i = \pm \frac{1}{\sigma} \end{cases} & -\frac{1}{t_i} \sigma = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{t_i} \sigma, & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} \neq \pm \frac{1}{\sigma} \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} = \pm \frac{1}{\sigma} \end{cases} \\ m(t_i \sigma) = \begin{cases} 2[m(\sigma) + m(\frac{1}{\sigma})], & \text{for } t_i \neq \pm \frac{1}{\sigma} \\ 4[m(\sigma) + m(\frac{1}{\sigma})], & \text{for } t_i = \pm \frac{1}{\sigma} \end{cases} & m(-\frac{1}{t_i} \sigma) = \begin{cases} 2[m(\sigma) + m(\frac{1}{\sigma})], & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} \neq \pm \frac{1}{\sigma} \\ 4[m(\sigma) + m(\frac{1}{\sigma})], & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} = \pm \frac{1}{\sigma} \end{cases} \\ t_{0,p/4} \lambda & -\frac{1}{t_{0,p/4}} \lambda \\ m(\lambda) & m(\lambda) \\ t_{0,p/4} \sigma & -\frac{1}{t_{0,p/4}} \sigma \\ m(\sigma) + m(\frac{1}{\sigma}) & m(\sigma) + m(\frac{1}{\sigma}) \end{array} \right).$$

Let  $\alpha \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G}))$  and

$$\alpha = t_i \lambda = \frac{2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2} + \sqrt{(2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2})^2 + 4}}{2} \lambda.$$

Then

$$-\frac{1}{\alpha} = -\frac{1}{t_i \lambda} = -\frac{2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2} - \sqrt{(2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2})^2 + 4}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G}))$$

as  $\mathbf{G}$  strictly satisfies property (R). Moreover,  $\lambda \in B$  then for each  $\lambda$ ,  $m(\lambda) = m(\frac{1}{\lambda})$  so we can conclude that  $m(\alpha) = m(-\frac{1}{\alpha})$ . Now let,

$$\beta = t_i \sigma = \frac{2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2} + \sqrt{(2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2})^2 + 4}}{2} \sigma.$$

Then

$$-\frac{1}{\beta} = -\frac{1}{t_i\sigma} = -\frac{2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2} - \sqrt{(2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2})^2 + 4}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma}\right) \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G}))$$

as  $\mathbf{G}$  strictly satisfies property (R). Moreover,

$$m(\beta) = m(t_i\sigma) = \begin{cases} 2[m(\sigma) + m(\frac{1}{\sigma})], & \text{for } t_i \neq \pm\frac{1}{\sigma} \\ 4[m(\sigma) + m(\frac{1}{\sigma})], & \text{for } t_i = \pm\frac{1}{\sigma} \end{cases}$$

and

$$m(-\frac{1}{\beta}) = m(-\frac{1}{t_i}\sigma) = \begin{cases} 2[m(\sigma) + m(\frac{1}{\sigma})], & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} \neq \pm\frac{1}{\sigma} \\ 4[m(\sigma) + m(\frac{1}{\sigma})], & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} = \pm\frac{1}{\sigma} \end{cases}$$

which implies that  $m(\beta) = m(-\frac{1}{\beta})$ . Similarly, for  $\gamma = t_{0,p/4} \lambda \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G}))$  there exist  $-\frac{1}{\gamma} = -\frac{1}{t_{0,p/4}\lambda} \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G}))$  with  $m(\gamma) = m(-\frac{1}{\gamma})$  and for  $\nu = t_{0,p/4} \sigma \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G}))$  there exist  $-\frac{1}{\nu} = -\frac{1}{t_{0,p/4}\sigma} \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G}))$  with same multiplicity. Thus, we conclude that each graph in  $\mathbf{Z}$  satisfies property (-SR).

**Case 2:** When  $p \cong 2 \pmod 4$  and  $p \geq 8$ . Let

$$t_i = \frac{2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2} \pm \sqrt{(2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2})^2 + 4}}{2}, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq \frac{p}{2} - 1,$$

and for  $i = 0$ ,  $t_i$  becomes  $t_0 = 1 \pm \sqrt{2}$ . Then the spectrum of the graph  $\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G})$  for each  $\lambda \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{G})$  can be written as,

$$\text{spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G})) = \left( \begin{array}{cc} t_i\lambda = \begin{cases} t_i\lambda, & \text{for } t_i \neq \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } t_i = \pm\frac{1}{\lambda} \end{cases} & -\frac{1}{t_i}\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{t_i}\lambda, & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} \neq \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} = \pm\frac{1}{\lambda} \end{cases} \\ m(t_i\lambda) = \begin{cases} 2m(\lambda), & \text{for } t_i \neq \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ 4m(\frac{1}{\lambda}), & \text{for } t_i = \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ 4m(\lambda), & \text{for } t_i = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \end{cases} & m(-\frac{1}{t_i}\lambda) = \begin{cases} 2m(\lambda), & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} \neq \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ 4m(\lambda), & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} = \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ 4m(\frac{1}{\lambda}), & \text{for } \frac{1}{t_i} = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \end{cases} \\ t_0\lambda & -\frac{1}{t_0}\lambda \\ m(\lambda) & m(\lambda) \end{array} \right).$$

Let  $\omega \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G}))$  where

$$\omega = t_i\lambda = \frac{2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2} + \sqrt{(2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2})^2 + 4}}{2}\lambda.$$

Then

$$-\frac{1}{\omega} = -\frac{1}{t_i\lambda} = -\frac{2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2} - \sqrt{(2\cos\frac{2\pi i}{p/2})^2 + 4}}{2} \left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{Z}_p(\mathbf{G})).$$

Moreover,

$$m(t_i\lambda) = \begin{cases} 2m(\lambda), & \text{for } t_i \neq \pm\frac{1}{\lambda} \\ 4m(\frac{1}{\lambda}), & \text{for } t = \frac{1}{\lambda} \\ 4m(\lambda), & \text{for } t = -\frac{1}{\lambda} \end{cases}$$

and

$$m(-\frac{1}{t_i\lambda}) = \begin{cases} 2m(\frac{1}{\lambda}), & \text{for } \frac{1}{t} \neq \pm\lambda \\ 4m(\frac{1}{\lambda}), & \text{for } \frac{1}{t} = -\lambda \\ 4m(\lambda), & \text{for } \frac{1}{t} = \lambda, \end{cases}$$

since the graph  $G$  strictly satisfies property (R) then there must exist at least one eigenvalue  $\lambda$  in the spectrum of  $G$  such that  $m(\lambda) \neq m(\frac{1}{\lambda})$  which implies that at least, for one eigenvalue  $\lambda$ ,

$$m(\omega) \neq m(\frac{1}{\omega}).$$

Similarly, for  $\nu = t_0\lambda \in spec(\mathbb{Z}_p(G))$  there exist  $-\frac{1}{\nu} = -\frac{1}{t_0\lambda} \in spec(\mathbb{Z}_p(G))$  as  $\frac{1}{\lambda} \in spec(G)$  with different multiplicities. Thus, we conclude that  $\mathbb{Z}_p(G)$  satisfies strictly satisfies property (-R).  $\square$

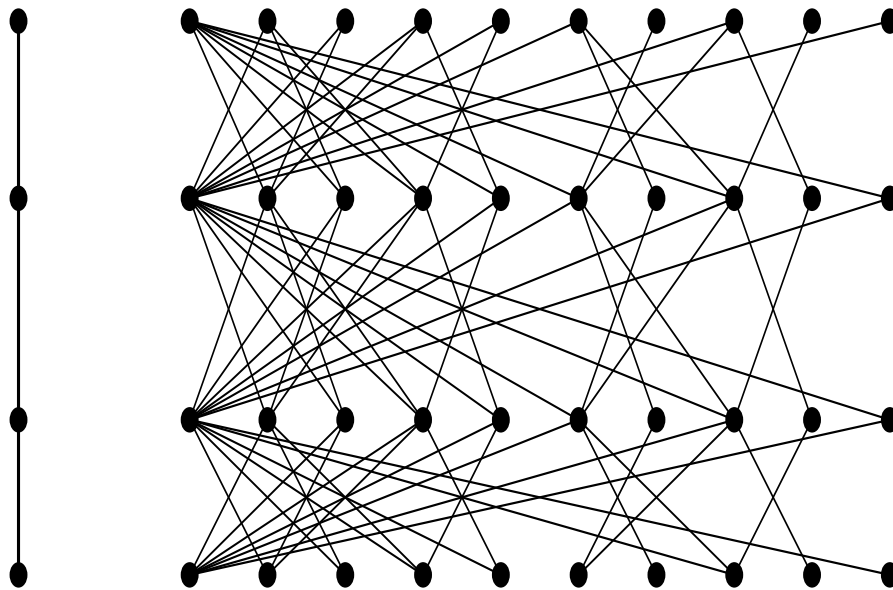


FIGURE 3.  $P_4$  and  $A_{10}(P_4)$ .

Now we construct a family of graphs which strictly satisfies property (-R) under some conditions.

**Definition 2.3.** Consider  $p$  copies of a graph  $H$  say  $H_1, H_2, \dots, H_p$ . Then  $D_p(H)$ ,  $p \geq 10$  be the  $p$ -shadow graph obtained from  $p$  copies of  $H$  according to the Definition 1.3. Let

$$A = \{A_p(H) : p \in \mathbb{N}, p \geq 10\}$$

be the family of non-bipartite graphs which can be obtained from  $D_p(H)$  by deleting all edges except the joining edges of the following copies

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} H_1 \text{ and } H_{2i+1}, \text{ for } i = 1, 2; \\ H_1 \text{ and } H_i, \text{ for even values of } i \leq p; \\ H_i \text{ and } H_{i+1}, \text{ for even values of } i < p; \\ H_{2i} \text{ and } H_{2i+2}, \text{ for odd values of } i < \frac{p}{2}. \end{array} \right.$$

For example the graph  $A_{10}(H)$  is shown in Figure 2, obtained from 10 copies of  $P_4$  and deleting all the edges in the 10-shadow graph  $D_{10}(P_4)$  except the joining edges of the following copies

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} H_1 \text{ and } H_{2i+1}, \text{ for } i = 1, 2; \\ H_1 \text{ and } H_i, \text{ for even values of } i \leq 10; \\ H_i \text{ and } H_{i+1}, \text{ for even values of } i < 10; \\ H_{2i} \text{ and } H_{2i+2}, \text{ for odd values of } i < 5. \end{array} \right.$$

The following result tells us that each graph in  $\mathbf{A}$  strictly satisfies property  $(-R)$  for  $p \cong 2 \pmod 4$ .

**Theorem 2.4.** *Let  $H$  be any graph with property  $(-SR)$  but not  $(SR)$ . Then the graph  $A_p(H) \in \mathbf{A}$  as defined in Definition 2.3 strictly satisfies property  $(-R)$  for  $p \cong 2 \pmod 4$ .*

*Proof.* Given that  $H$  be any graph with property  $(-SR)$  but not  $(SR)$ ,  $p$  be the number of copies of  $H$  such that  $p \cong 2 \pmod 4$  and  $\lambda$  be any eigenvalue in the spectrum of  $H$ . Let

$$\mu = \frac{-1 + \sqrt{5}}{2},$$

$$\kappa = \frac{1 + \sqrt{2p + 21} + \sqrt{2p + 6 + 2\sqrt{2p + 21}}}{4},$$

and

$$\delta = \frac{1 - \sqrt{2p + 21} + \sqrt{2p + 6 - 2\sqrt{2p + 21}}}{4}.$$



Then the spectrum of the graph  $\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbf{H})$  can be written as,

$$\left( \begin{array}{ll} \kappa\lambda = \begin{cases} \kappa\lambda, & \text{for } \lambda \neq \pm\frac{1}{\kappa}; \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \lambda = \pm\frac{1}{\kappa}. \end{cases} & \frac{1}{\kappa}\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\kappa}\lambda, & \text{for } \lambda \neq \pm\kappa; \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \lambda = \pm\kappa. \end{cases} \\ m(\kappa\lambda) = \begin{cases} m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda \neq \pm\frac{1}{\kappa}; \\ (\frac{p-6}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = \frac{1}{\kappa}; \\ (\frac{p-2}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = -\frac{1}{\kappa}. \end{cases} & m(\frac{1}{\kappa}\lambda) = \begin{cases} m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda \neq \pm\kappa; \\ (\frac{p-6}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = \kappa; \\ (\frac{p-2}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = -\kappa. \end{cases} \\ \delta\lambda = \begin{cases} \delta\lambda, & \text{for } \lambda \neq \pm\frac{1}{\delta}; \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \lambda = \pm\frac{1}{\delta}. \end{cases} & \frac{1}{\delta}\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\delta}\lambda, & \text{for } \lambda \neq \pm\delta; \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \lambda = \pm\delta. \end{cases} \\ m(\delta\lambda) = \begin{cases} m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda \neq \pm\frac{1}{\delta}; \\ (\frac{p-6}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = \frac{1}{\delta}; \\ (\frac{p-2}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = -\frac{1}{\delta}. \end{cases} & m(\frac{1}{\delta}\lambda) = \begin{cases} m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda \neq \pm\delta; \\ (\frac{p-6}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = \delta; \\ (\frac{p-2}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = -\delta. \end{cases} \\ \mu\lambda = \begin{cases} \mu\lambda, & \text{for } \lambda \neq \pm\frac{1}{\mu}; \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \lambda = \pm\frac{1}{\mu}. \end{cases} & \frac{1}{\mu}\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\mu}\lambda, & \text{for } \lambda \neq \pm\mu; \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \lambda = \pm\mu. \end{cases} \\ m(\mu\lambda) = \begin{cases} (\frac{p-2}{4})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda \neq \pm\frac{1}{\mu}; \\ (\frac{p-6}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = \frac{1}{\mu}; \\ (\frac{p-2}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = -\frac{1}{\mu}. \end{cases} & m(\frac{1}{\mu}\lambda) = \begin{cases} (\frac{p-6}{4})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda \neq \pm\mu; \\ (\frac{p-6}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = \mu; \\ (\frac{p-2}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = -\mu. \end{cases} \\ -\mu\lambda = \begin{cases} -\mu\lambda, & \text{for } \lambda \neq \pm\frac{1}{\mu}; \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \lambda = \pm\frac{1}{\mu}. \end{cases} & -\frac{1}{\mu}\lambda = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{\mu}\lambda, & \text{for } \lambda \neq \pm\mu; \\ \pm 1, & \text{for } \lambda = \pm\mu. \end{cases} \\ m(-\mu\lambda) = \begin{cases} (\frac{p-6}{4})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda \neq \pm\frac{1}{\mu}; \\ (\frac{p-2}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = \frac{1}{\mu}; \\ (\frac{p-6}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = -\frac{1}{\mu}. \end{cases} & m(-\frac{1}{\mu}\lambda) = \begin{cases} (\frac{p-2}{4})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda \neq \pm\mu; \\ (\frac{p-2}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = \mu; \\ (\frac{p-6}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = -\mu. \end{cases} \end{array} \right).$$

Since, the graph  $\mathbf{H}$  satisfies property  $(-SR)$ , therefore for each eigenvalue  $\lambda \in spec(\mathbf{H})$  there exist  $-\frac{1}{\lambda} \in spec(\mathbf{H})$  such that  $m(\lambda) = m(-\frac{1}{\lambda})$ . Let  $\alpha \in spec(\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbf{H}))$  where

$$\alpha = \kappa\lambda = \frac{1 + \sqrt{2p + 21} + \sqrt{2p + 6 + 2\sqrt{2p + 21}}}{4}\lambda,$$

then

$$-\frac{1}{\alpha} = -\frac{1}{\kappa\lambda} = \frac{1}{\kappa}(-\frac{1}{\lambda}) \in spec(\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbf{H}))$$

as  $\mathbf{H}$  satisfies property  $(-SR)$ . Moreover, from  $spec(\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbf{H}))$  we can see that

$$m(\kappa\lambda) = \begin{cases} m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda \neq \pm\frac{1}{\kappa}; \\ (\frac{p-6}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = \frac{1}{\kappa}; \\ (\frac{p-2}{2})m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = -\frac{1}{\kappa}. \end{cases}$$

and

$$m\left(-\frac{1}{\kappa\lambda}\right) = \begin{cases} m(\lambda), & \text{if } \frac{1}{\lambda} \neq \pm\kappa; \\ \left(\frac{p-6}{2}\right)m(\lambda), & \text{if } \frac{1}{\lambda} = -\kappa; \\ \left(\frac{p-2}{2}\right)m(\lambda), & \text{if } \frac{1}{\lambda} = \kappa. \end{cases}$$

which implies that there exist atleast one eigenvalue  $\alpha \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbb{H}))$  such that  $m(\alpha) \neq m(-\frac{1}{\alpha})$ . Now, let  $\beta \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbb{H}))$  and

$$\beta = \delta\lambda = \frac{1 - \sqrt{2p+21} + \sqrt{2p+6-2\sqrt{2p+21}}}{4},$$

then

$$-\frac{1}{\beta} = -\frac{1}{\delta\lambda} = \frac{1}{\delta}\left(-\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbb{H}))$$

as  $\mathbb{H}$  satisfies property  $(-\text{SR})$ . Moreover, from  $\text{spec}(\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbb{H}))$  we can see that

$$m(\delta\lambda) = \begin{cases} m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda \neq \pm\frac{1}{\delta}; \\ \left(\frac{p-6}{2}\right)m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = \frac{1}{\delta}; \\ \left(\frac{p-2}{2}\right)m(\lambda), & \text{if } \lambda = -\frac{1}{\delta}. \end{cases}$$

and

$$m\left(-\frac{1}{\delta\lambda}\right) = \begin{cases} m(\lambda), & \text{if } \frac{1}{\lambda} \neq \pm\delta; \\ \left(\frac{p-6}{2}\right)m(\lambda), & \text{if } \frac{1}{\lambda} = -\delta; \\ \left(\frac{p-2}{2}\right)m(\lambda), & \text{if } \frac{1}{\lambda} = \delta. \end{cases}$$

which implies that  $m(\delta\lambda) \neq m(-\frac{1}{\delta\lambda})$ . Similarly for  $\pm\gamma = \pm\mu\lambda \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbb{H}))$  there exist  $\pm\frac{1}{\gamma} = \pm\frac{1}{\mu\lambda} = \frac{1}{\mu}\left(\pm\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) \in \text{spec}(\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbb{H}))$  with different multiplicities. Hence, we conclude that  $\mathbf{A}_p(\mathbb{H})$  strictly satisfies property  $(-\text{R})$ . □

**Example 2.1.** Consider the graph  $\mathbb{G}$  which strictly satisfies property  $(\text{R})$ , shown in Figure 4. Then the  $\text{spec}(\mathbb{G})$  is:

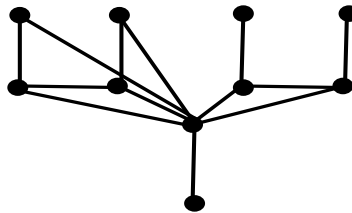


FIGURE 4. Graph  $\mathbb{G}$  satisfying property  $(\text{R})$

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccccc} \frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} & \frac{-1+\sqrt{5}}{2} & \frac{1+\sqrt{41}+\sqrt{26+2\sqrt{41}}}{4} & \frac{1+\sqrt{41}-\sqrt{26+2\sqrt{41}}}{4} & \frac{1-\sqrt{41}+\sqrt{26-2\sqrt{41}}}{4} & \frac{1-\sqrt{41}-\sqrt{26-2\sqrt{41}}}{4} \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

**Case 1:** Consider 12 copies of  $G$ , join them according to the Definition 2.1. Then the spectrum of resulting graph  $Z_{12}(G)$  is:

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccccc} \pm 8.22799615 & \pm 5.51449865 & \pm -5.45337325 & \pm 3.9062796 & \pm 3.65491413 & \pm 2.61803399 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 6 \\ \pm 2.10635105 & \pm 1.49206604 & \pm 1.41170096 & \pm 1.39605297 & \pm 1.06877466 & \pm 1 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 12 \\ \pm 0.93565093 & \pm 0.7163052 & \pm 0.70836532 & \pm 0.67021162 & \pm 0.47475467 & \pm 0.38196601 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 6 \\ \pm 0.27360424 & \pm 0.25599806 & \pm 0.18337274 & \pm 0.18134015 & \pm 0.12153627 & \\ 2 & 3 & 1 & 2 & 1 & \end{array} \right)$$

Hence the graph  $Z_{12}(G)$  satisfies property  $(-SR)$ .

**Case 2:** Now, consider 6 copies of  $G$ , join them according to the Definition 2.1. Then the spectrum of resulting graph  $Z_6(G)$  is:

$$\left( \begin{array}{cccccc} -5.51449865 & -5.45337325 & -3.9062796 & -2.61803399 & -1.49206604 & -1.41170096 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ -1.39605297 & -1.06877466 & -1 & -0.67021162 & -0.47475467 & -0.38196601 \\ 2 & 1 & 8 & 1 & 2 & 2 \\ -0.27360424 & -0.25599806 & -0.12153627 & 0.18134015 & 0.18337274 & 0.25599806 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 0.38196601 & 0.67021162 & 0.70836532 & 0.7163052 & 0.93565093 & +1 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 1 & 4 \\ 1.49206604 & 2.10635105 & 2.61803399 & 3.65491413 & 3.9062796 & 8.22799615 \\ 2 & 2 & 4 & 2 & 1 & 1 \end{array} \right)$$

Hence the graph  $Z_6(G)$  strictly satisfies property  $(-R)$ .

**Example 2.2.** Consider the graph  $H$ , shown in Figure 5.

$$spec(H) = \left( \begin{array}{cccccc} -2.09529399 & -0.73764031 & -0.41421356 & 0.47726 & 1.35567429 & 2.41421356 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 1 \end{array} \right),$$

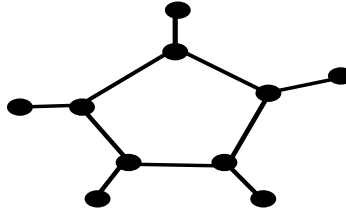


FIGURE 5. Graph H satisfying property  $(-SR)$

here the graph H satisfies property  $(-SR)$  but not  $(SR)$ . Now, consider 14 copies of H, join them according to the Definition 2.3. Then the spectrum of resulting graph  $A_{14}(H)$  is:

$$\begin{pmatrix} -7.81974 & -6.32049 & -3.90627 & -3.5492 & -3.39025 & -2.75291 & -0.25599 \\ 2 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 4 & 2 & 3 \\ -2.19352 & -1.54586 & -1.49206 & -1.29496 & -1.24948 & -1.19352 & -0.45588 \\ 6 & 1 & 2 & 6 & 2 & 4 & 6 \\ -0.92214 & -0.83785 & -0.77222 & -0.67021 & -0.56143 & -0.51782 & -0.29496 \\ 1 & 4 & 6 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 4 \\ -0.19765 & -0.18229 & -0.11098 & 1.08442 & 1.19352 & 1.29496 & 1.49206 \\ 2 & 2 & 1 & 1 & 6 & 4 & 3 \\ 0.12788 & 0.15821 & 0.25599 & 0.281753 & 0.29496 & 0.36325 & 1.78115 \\ 2 & 1 & 2 & 2 & 6 & 2 & 2 \\ 0.45588 & 0.64688 & 0.67021 & 0.77222 & 0.80033 & 0.83785 & 1.93116 \\ 4 & 1 & 3 & 4 & 2 & 6 & 2 \\ 2.19352 & 3.39025 & 3.90627 & 5.05944 & 5.48555 & 9.00996 & \\ 4 & 6 & 2 & 2 & 2 & 1 & \end{pmatrix}$$

Hence the graph  $A_{14}(H)$  strictly satisfies property  $(-R)$ .

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