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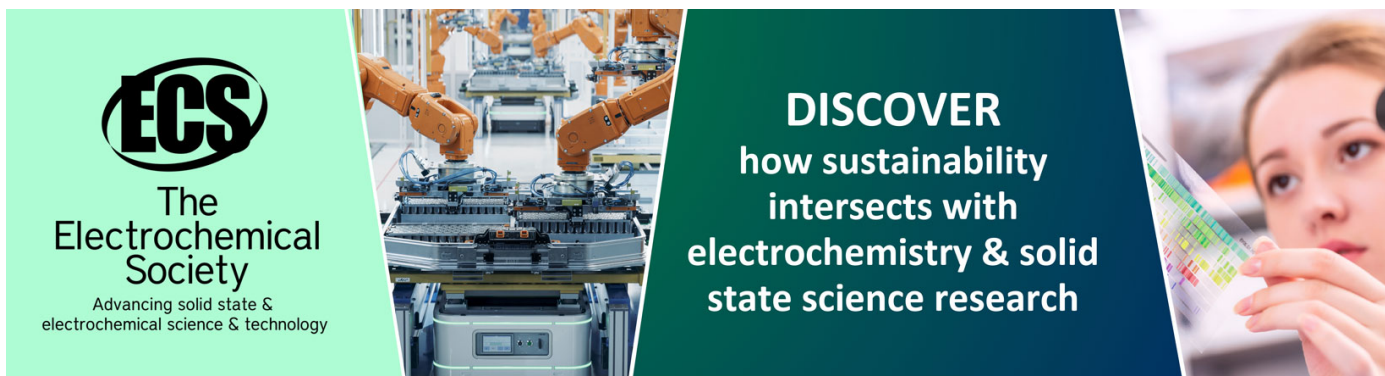
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Abstract: Let $G^* = (V, E)$ be a simple graph and A be any nonempty set of parameters. Let subset R of $A \times V$ be an arbitrary relation from A to V . A mapping F from A to $\mathcal{P}(V)$ written as $F: A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(V)$ can be defined as $F(x) = \{y \in V / x R y\}$ and a mapping K from A to $\mathcal{P}(E)$ written as $K: A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(E)$ can be defined as $K(x) = \{uv \in E / \{u, v\} \subseteq F(x)\}$. The pair (F, A) is a soft set over V and the pair (K, A) is a soft set over E . Obviously $(F(a), K(a))$ is a subgraph of G^* for all $a \in A$. The 4-tuple $G = (G^*, F, K, A)$ is called a soft graph of G . In this paper we discuss different soft graphs of graphs such as Complete graph, Star graph, Complete bipartite graph, Crown graph, Comb graph, Friendship graph, Bistar graph and Wheel graph

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1. Introduction

Molodtsov [5] initiated the novel concept of soft set theory as a new mathematical tool for dealing with uncertainties. This theory provides a parameterized point of view for uncertainty modelling and soft computing. The operations of soft sets are defined by Maji et al. [4]. At present, work on soft set theory is progressing rapidly. A new notion on soft graph using soft sets was introduced by Rajesh K. Thumbakara and Bobin George [6]. The soft graph has also been studied in more detail in many papers.

2. Preliminaries

2.1. Definition:

Let U be a universal set and E be the set of parameters related to the objects in U . Let $\mathcal{P}(U)$ denote the power set of U . Let A be any non-empty subset of E . A pair (F, A) is called **soft set** over U , where F is a set-valued function given by $F: A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(U)$. In other words, a **soft set** over U is a parameterized family of subsets of the universe U .

2.2. Definition:

Let $G^* = (V, E)$ be a simple graph and A be any nonempty set of parameters. Let subset R of $A \times V$ be an arbitrary relation from A to V . A mapping $F: A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(V)$ can be defined as $F(x) = \{y \in V / x R y\}$ and a mapping $K: A \rightarrow \mathcal{P}(E)$ can be defined as $K(x) = \{uv \in E / \{u, v\} \subseteq F(x)\}$.

A 4-tuple $G = (G^*, F, K, A)$ is called a soft graph of G if it satisfies the following properties:

- (i) $G^* = (V, E)$ is a simple graph
- (ii) A is a nonempty set of parameters
- (iii) (F, A) is a soft set over V
- (iv) (K, A) is a soft set over E
- (v) $(F(a), K(a))$ is a subgraph of G^* for all $a \in A$

The subgraph $(F(a), K(a))$ is denoted by $H(a)$

A soft graph can also be represented by $G = \langle F, K, A \rangle = \{H(x) / x \in A\}$

The set of all soft graphs of G^* is denoted by $SG(G^*)$



3. Results and Discussions:

3.1. Theorem :

Let $A \subseteq V(K_n)$ be any m element parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = k$. Then the soft graph (K_n, F, K, A) exists if and only if $k=1$ and is isomorphic to mK_{n-1} and there does not exist a soft graph if $k \geq 2$

Proof:

Let $V(K_n) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$

Let $A = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_m\}$ be any m element parameter set

Case 1: $k = 1$

Here each H_i is isomorphic to K_{n-1} and hence the soft graph (K_n, F, K, A) is isomorphic to mK_{n-1}

Case 2: $k \geq 2$

In this case there does not exist a soft graph.

3.2. Observation:

In the above theorem, define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq k$. Then the soft graph (K_n, F, K, A) is isomorphic to mK_n

3.3. Theorem:

Let $K_{1,n} = \{v, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ where v is the central vertex and $A \subseteq V(K_{1,n})$ be any m element parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = k$ where $k = 1, 2$. Then the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is totally disconnected if exist

Proof:

Let $V(K_{1,n}) = \{v, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ where v is the central vertex.

Let A be any m element parameter set.

Case 1: $k = 1$

Case 1 a: A contains v

Corresponding to v , $H(v)$ is isomorphic to $\overline{K_n}$

For all other vertices, each $H_i(v_i)$ is isomorphic to K_1

Then the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $\overline{K_{n+(m-1)}}$ and hence totally disconnected.

Case 1 b: A does not contain v

Here each $H_i(v_i)$ is isomorphic to K_1

Hence the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $\overline{K_m}$ and hence totally disconnected

Case 2: $k = 2$

Case 2 a: A contains v

Corresponding to v , $H(v)$ doesn't exist.

For all other vertices, each $H_i(v_i)$ is isomorphic to $\overline{K_{n-1}}$

Hence the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to union of $n(m-1)$ times $\overline{K_{n-1}}$

Case 2 b: A does not contain v

Here each $H_i(v_i)$ is isomorphic to $\overline{K_{n-1}}$

Hence the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to union of m times $\overline{K_{n-1}}$

Hence in general, the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is totally disconnected

3.4. Remark:

In the above theorem, if $k > 2$ and $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = k$, then there does not exist a soft graph for $K_{1,n}$

3.5. Theorem:

Let $K_{1,n} = \{v, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ where v is the central vertex and $A \subseteq V(K_{1,n})$ be any m element parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq 1$. Then the soft graph

$$(K_{1,n}, F, K, A) \text{ is } \begin{cases} K_{1,n} \cup (m-1) K_2 & \text{if } v \in A \\ mK_2 & \text{if } v \notin A \end{cases}$$

Proof:

Let $V(K_{1,n}) = \{v, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ where v is the central vertex.

Case 1: A contains v

Corresponding to v , $H(v)$ is isomorphic to $K_{1,n}$

For all other vertices, each $H_i(v_i)$ is isomorphic to K_2

Then the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $K_{1,n} \cup (m-1) K_2$

Case 2: A does not contain v

Here each $H_i(v_i)$ is isomorphic to K_2

Then the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to mK_2

3.6. Theorem:

Let $K_{1,n} = \{v, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ where v is the central vertex and $A \subseteq V(K_{1,n})$ be any m element parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq k$ where $k = 2$. Then the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $m K_{1,n}$

Proof:

Let $V(K_{1,n}) = \{v, v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n\}$ where v is the central vertex.

Case 1: A contains v

Corresponding to v , $H(v)$ is isomorphic to $K_{1,n}$

And for all other vertices, each $H_i(v_i)$ is isomorphic to $K_{1,n}$

Then the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $m K_{1,n}$

Case 2: A does not contain v

Here, each $H_i(v_i)$ is isomorphic to $K_{1,n}$

Then the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $m K_{1,n}$

3.7. Remark:

In the above theorem, the soft graph $(K_{1,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $m K_{1,n}$ if $k > 2$

3.8. Theorem:

Let $A \subseteq V(K_{m,n})$ be any t element parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = k$. Then the soft graph $(K_{m,n}, F, K, A)$ is totally disconnected if $k = 1, 2$ and there is no soft graph for $k > 2$

Proof:

Consider $V = \{U, W\}$ where $U = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}$ and $W = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$

Let A be any t element parameter set where r elements from U and s elements from W such that $r + s = t$

Case 1: $k = 1$

If the vertex belongs to U , then each $H_i(u_i)$ is isomorphic to $\overline{K_n}$

If the vertex belongs to W , then each $H_i(w_i)$ is isomorphic to $\overline{K_m}$

Then the soft graph $(K_{m,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $r \overline{K_n} \cup s \overline{K_m}$ and hence totally disconnected

Case 2: $k = 2$

If the vertex belongs to U , then each $H_i(u_i)$ is isomorphic to $\overline{K_{m-1}}$

If the vertex belongs to W , then each $H_i(w_i)$ is isomorphic to $\overline{K_{n-1}}$

Then the soft graph $(K_{m,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $r \overline{K_{m-1}} \cup s \overline{K_{n-1}}$ and hence totally disconnected

Case 3: $k > 2$

Then there does not exist a soft graph.

3.9. Theorem:

Let $A \subseteq V(K_{m,n})$ be any t element parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq k$. Then the soft graph $(K_{m,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $r K_{1,n} \cup s K_{1,m}$ if $k = 1$ and $t K_{m,n}$ if $k > 1$ where $1 \leq r \leq m$ and $1 \leq s \leq n$

Proof:

Let $V = \{U, W\}$ where $U = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_m\}$ and $W = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$

Let A be any t element parameter set where r elements from U and s elements from W such that $r + s = t$

Case 1: $k = 1$

If the vertex belongs to U , then each $H_i(u_i)$ is isomorphic to $K_{1,n}$

If the vertex belongs to W , then each $H_i(w_i)$ is isomorphic to $K_{1,m}$

Then the soft graph $(K_{m,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $r K_{1,n} \cup s K_{1,m}$

Case 2: $k > 1$

If the vertex belongs to U , then each $H_i(u_i)$ is isomorphic to $K_{m,n}$

If the vertex belongs to W , then each $H_i(w_i)$ is isomorphic to $K_{m,n}$

The soft graph $(K_{m,n}, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $(r + s)K_{m,n} = t K_{m,n}$

3.10. Observation:

(i) Let $A \subseteq V(P_n \odot K_1)$ be one element parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = k$. Then the soft graph $(P_n \odot K_1, F, K, A)$ is totally disconnected

(ii) Let $A \subseteq V(P_n \odot K_1)$ be singleton parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq k$. Then in the soft graph $(P_n \odot K_1, F, K, A)$, each H_i is Path or Star or Caterpillar

3.11. Observation:

Let $C_n \odot K_1 = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n, w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$ where u_i are the vertices of cycle and w_i are the end vertices and $A \subseteq V(C_n \odot K_1)$ be any one element parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = k$. The soft graph $(C_n \odot K_1, F, K, A)$ is depicted in the following table for $3 \leq n \leq 20$ and $1 \leq k \leq 12$

k	$d(x,y) = 1$	$d(x,y) = 2$	$d(x,y) = 3$	$d(x,y) = 4$	$d(x,y) = 5$	$d(x,y) = 6$	$d(x,y) = 7$	$d(x,y) = 8$	$d(x,y) = 9$	$d(x,y) = 10$	$d(x,y) = 11$	$d(x,y) = 12$
$C_n \odot K_1$	Soft graphs of $C_n \odot K_1$ corresponding to the cycle and pendant(end)vertices for different values of k											
	cycle	pendant	Cycle	pendant	cycle	pendant	cycle	pendant	cycle	pendant	cycle	pendant
$C_3 \odot K_1$	$K_2 \cup K_1$	K_1	$\overline{K_2}$	K_2								
$C_4 \odot K_1$	$\overline{K_3}$	K_1	$\overline{K_3}$	$\overline{K_2}$	K_1	$\overline{K_3}$	-	K_1				
$C_5 \odot K_1$	$\overline{K_3}$	K_1	$K_2 \cup \overline{K_2}$	$\overline{K_2}$	$\overline{K_2}$	$K_2 \cup \overline{K_2}$	-	$\overline{K_2}$				

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$W = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$ be the end vertices. Let A be any t element parameter set where r elements from U and s elements from W such that $r + s = t$

Let $k = 1$

Case 1: If $v = u_i$ for some i , then each $H_i(u_i)$ is isomorphic to $K_{1,3}$

Case 2: If $v = w_i$ for some i , each $H_i(w_i)$ is isomorphic to K_2

Hence the soft graph $(C_n \odot K_1, F, K, A)$ is isomorphic to $rK_{1,3} \cup sK_2$

3.13. Theorem:

Let $A \subseteq C_n \odot K_1$ be singleton parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq k$ where $k=2$. Then in the soft graph $(C_n \odot K_1, F, K, A)$, each H_i is $K_{1,3}$ if the vertex is an end vertex and any one of $C_n \odot K_1$ or $(C_n \odot K_1) - \{e_1\}$ or $(C_n \odot K_1) - \{e_1, e_2\}$ or caterpillar graph if the vertex is vertex on cycle

Proof:

Let $V = \{U, W\}$ where $U = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ be the vertices of cycle and

$W = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$ be the end vertices

Let A be any singleton parameter set

Let $k=2$

Case 1: If $v = w_i$ for some i , each $H_i(w_i)$ is $K_{1,3}$

Case 2: If $v = u_i$ for some i , then the soft graph is

(i) $C_3 \odot K_1$ for $n = 3$

(ii) a crown graph with one pendant edge removed for $n = 4$

(iii) a crown graph with consecutive pendant edges removed for $n = 5$

(iv) a caterpillar for $n > 5$

3.14. Theorem:

Let $A \subseteq C_n \odot K_1$ be any singleton parameter set. Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq k$ where $k > 2$. Then in the soft graph $(C_n \odot K_1, F, K, A)$, each H_i is $C_n \odot K_1$ or $(C_n \odot K_1) - \{e_1\}$ or $(C_n \odot K_1) - \{e_1, e_2\}$ or caterpillar graph where e_1, e_2 are the consecutive pendant edges.

Proof:

Let $V = \{U, W\}$ where $U = \{u_1, u_2, \dots, u_n\}$ be the vertices of cycle and

$W = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_n\}$ be the end vertices

Let A be singleton parameter set

Case 1: $k = 3$

Case 1 a: If $v = u_i$ for some i , then the soft graph is

(i) $C_n \odot K_1$ for $n \leq 5$

(ii) a crown graph with one pendant edge removed for $n = 6$

(iii) a crown graph with two consecutive pendant edges removed for $n = 7$

(iv) a caterpillar graph for $n > 7$

Case 1 b: If $v = w_i$ for some i , each $H_i(w_i)$ is

(i) $C_3 \odot K_1$ for $n = 3$

(ii) a crown graph with one pendant edge removed for $n = 4$

(iii) a crown graph with two pendant edges removed for $n = 5$

(iv) a caterpillar graph for $n > 5$

Case 2: $k = 4$

Case 2 a: If $v = u_i$ for some i , then each $H_i(u_i)$ is

(i) $C_n \odot K_1$ for $n \leq 7$

(ii) a crown graph with one pendant edge removed for $n = 8$

(iii) a crown graph with two consecutive pendant edges removed for $n = 9$

(iv) caterpillar graph for $n > 9$

Case 2 b: If $v = w_i$ for some i , each $H_i(w_i)$ is

(i) $C_n \odot K_1$ for $n \leq 5$

(ii) a crown graph with one pendant edge removed for $n = 6$

(iii) a crown graph with two pendant edges removed for $n = 7$

(iv) a caterpillar graph for $n > 7$

As analysing above for any $k > 2$, in the soft graph $(C_n \odot K_1, F, K, A)$, each H_i is $C_n \odot K_1$ or $(C_n \odot K_1) - \{e_1\}$ or $(C_n \odot K_1) - \{e_1, e_2\}$ or caterpillar graph where e_1, e_2 are the consecutive pendant edges.

3.15. Observation:

Consider a **friendship** graph F_n . Let $A \subset V(F_n)$ be any one element parameter set.

- (i) Suppose $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ defined by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = 1$. Then in the soft graph (F_n, F, K, A) each H_i is either isomorphic to nK_2 or K_2
- (ii) Suppose $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ defined by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = 2$. Then in the soft graph (F_n, F, K, A) , each H_i is isomorphic to $(n-1) K_2$ if exist
- (iii) Suppose $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ defined by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = k$ where $k > 2$. Then there does not exist a soft graph (F_n, F, K, A)
- (iv) Suppose $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ defined by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq 1$. Then in the soft graph (F_n, F, K, A) , each H_i is either isomorphic to F_n or C_3
- (v) Suppose $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ defined by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq k$ where $k > 2$. Then in the soft graph (F_n, F, K, A) , each H_i is isomorphic to F_n

3.16. Observation:

Consider a **bistar** graph $B_{n,n}$. Let $A \subset V(B_{n,n})$ be any one element parameter set.

- (i) Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = k$. Then the soft graph $(B_{n,n}, F, K, A)$ is totally disconnected.
- (ii) Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq 1$. Then in the soft graph $(B_{n,n}, F, K, A)$, each H_i is isomorphic to K_2 or $K_{1,n+1}$
- (iii) Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq 2$. Then in the soft graph $(B_{n,n}, F, K, A)$, each H_i is isomorphic to $K_{1,n+1}$ or $B_{n,n}$
- (iv) Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq k$ where $k > 2$. Then in the soft graph $(B_{n,n}, F, K, A)$ each H_i is isomorphic to $B_{n,n}$

3.17. Observation:

Consider a wheel graph W_n . Let $A \subset V(W_n)$ be any one element parameter set.

- (i) Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = 1$. Then in the soft graph (W_n, F, K, A) , each H_i is isomorphic to C_{n-1} or P_3 if $n > 4$
- (ii) Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = 2$. Then in the soft graph (W_n, F, K, A) , each H_i is P_{n-4} if exist where $n > 4$
- (iii) Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) = k$ where $k > 2$. Then there does not exist a soft graph (W_n, F, K, A)
- (iv) Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq 1$. Then in the soft graph (W_n, F, K, A) , each H_i is isomorphic to W_n or $K_4 - \{e\}$ where e is any edge.
- (v) Define $\rho : A \rightarrow V$ by $x \rho y \Leftrightarrow d(x, y) \leq k$. Then in the soft graph (W_n, F, K, A) each H_i is isomorphic to W_n where $k > 1$

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