

# On Network Energy of Random Graphs

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**Abstract.** In this paper, the network energy of undirected graph, oriented graph, and mixed graph on random graphs will be studied. We compute energy and network energy on random undirected graphs, skew energy and network energy on random oriented graphs, and Hermitian energy and network energy on random mixed graphs by upper bounds of them with theoretical methods. By comparing network energy and other energies of undirected graph, oriented graph, and mixed graph of random graphs, we obtain some relations among network energy and other energies

**Keywords:** network energy; energy; skew energy; Hermitian energy; undirected graph; oriented graph; mixed graph; random graph.

## 1. Introduction

Let  $G = \{V(G), E(G)\}$  be a simple undirected graph with vertex set  $V(G)$  and edge set  $E(G)$ , while  $E(G) \subset V(G) \times V(G) \setminus \{\{u, u\} : u \in V(G)\}$ . If  $E(G) = m$ , at the same time,  $V(G) = n$ , the undirected graph  $G$  can be denoted as  $(n, m)$ -undirected graph, named by  $G(n, m)$ .  $NE(G)$ , the network energy of  $G(n, m)$ , can be defined as follows [1]:

$$NE(G) = n^{\sqrt{\log_s 2m}} \quad (1)$$

Let  $G\sigma = \{V(G\sigma), E(G\sigma)\}$  be an oriented graph, and  $\sigma$ , the orientation on the edge set  $E(G)$ , the oriented graph  $G\sigma$  is called an  $(n, m)$ -oriented graph, denoted by  $G\sigma(n, m)$ . The network energy  $NE(G\sigma)$  of  $G\sigma(n, m)$  is defined as [2]:

$$NE(G^\sigma) = n^{\sqrt{\log_s m}} \quad (2)$$

Let  $G\phi = \{V(G\phi), E(G\phi)\}$  be a mixed graph, and  $\bar{\sigma}$ , the orientation on a subset of the edge set  $E(G)$ . The network energy  $NE(G\phi)$  of  $G\phi$  with  $\bar{m}$  undirected edges and  $\vec{m}$  directed edges is defined as [3]:

$$NE(G^\phi) = n^{\sqrt{\log_s (2\bar{m} + \vec{m})}} \quad (3)$$

Keep in mind that:

$$\bar{m} + \vec{m} = m \quad (4)$$

If  $\bar{m}$  and  $\vec{m}$  satisfy the following equation:

$$\frac{\vec{m}}{\bar{m} + \vec{m}} = r \quad (5)$$

Joint with equations (3)-(5), the following equation can be obtained:

$$NE(G^\phi) = n^{\sqrt{\log_s (2-r)m}} \quad (6)$$

In this paper, the network energy of undirected graph, oriented graph, and mixed graph on random graphs will be studied. We compute network energy with other energies, e.g., energy, skew energy, Hermitian energy, etc, of random undirected graphs, random oriented graphs, and random mixed graphs. We obtain some relations among network energy and others energies.

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we present energies of undirected graph, oriented graph, and mixed graph, e.g., energy skew energy, and Hermitian energy, and present the bounds of network energy, energy, skew energy, Hermitian energy of random graphs. In Section 3, we show relations among network energies of undirected graph, oriented graph, and mixed graph. In Section 4, we get relations among energy, skew energy, and Hermitian energy of undirected graph, oriented graph, and mixed graph of random graphs respectively. Relations among network energy, energy, skew energy, and Hermitian energy of random graphs, including undirected graph, oriented graph, and mixed graph, etc, are obtained in Section 5. The conclusion of this paper is shown in Section 6 at last.

## 2. Preliminaries

### 2.1 Energy , Skew energy, and Hermitian energy

Let  $A(G)$  be the adjacency matrix of  $G=\{V(G), E(G)\}$ . Hence, if the vertex  $v_i$  and the vertex  $v_j$  are adjacent, thus,  $A_{ij}=A_{ji} = 1$ , otherwise,  $A_{ij}=A_{ji}=0$ ,  $v_i, v_j \in V(G)$ .  $E(G)$ , the energy of  $G$ , can be shown as follows [4]:

$$E(G) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i A(G)| \quad (7)$$

where  $\lambda_1 A(G), \lambda_2 A(G), \dots, \lambda_i A(G), \dots, \lambda_n A(G)$  are denoted of the eigenvalues of  $A(G)$ .

Let  $S(G^\sigma)$  is the skew adjacency matrix of  $G^\sigma=\{V(G^\sigma), E(G^\sigma)\}$ . Hence, if  $\overrightarrow{v_i v_j}$  is a directed edge of  $G^\sigma$ , thus,  $S_{ij}=-S_{ji} = 1$ , otherwise,  $S_{ij}=S_{ji}=0$ ,  $v_i, v_j \in V(G^\sigma)$ .  $\varepsilon S(G^\sigma)$ , the skew energy of  $G^\sigma$ , can be shown as follows [5]:

$$\varepsilon_s(G^\sigma) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i S(G^\sigma)| \quad (8)$$

where  $\lambda_1 S(G^\sigma), \lambda_2 S(G^\sigma), \dots, \lambda_i S(G^\sigma), \dots, \lambda_n S(G^\sigma)$  are denoted of the eigenvalues of  $S(G^\sigma)$ .

Let  $H(G^\phi)$  is the Hermitian adjacency matrix of  $G^\phi=\{V(G^\phi), E(G^\phi)\}$ . Hence, if  $\overrightarrow{v_i v_j}$  is a directed edge of  $G^\phi$ , thus,  $H_{ij}=-H_{ji} = i$ , while if  $\overrightarrow{v_i v_j}$  is an undirected edge of  $G^\phi$ , thus,  $H_{ij}=H_{ji} = 1$ , otherwise,  $S_{ij}=S_{ji}=0$ ,  $v_i, v_j \in V(G^\sigma)$ .  $\varepsilon H(G^\phi)$ , the Hermitian energy of  $G^\phi$ , can be shown as follows [6]:

$$\varepsilon_H(G^\phi) = \sum_{i=1}^n |\lambda_i H(G^\phi)| \quad (9)$$

where  $\lambda_1 H(G^\phi), \lambda_2 H(G^\phi), \dots, \lambda_i H(G^\phi), \dots, \lambda_n H(G^\phi)$  are denoted of the eigenvalues of  $H(G^\sigma)$ .

### 2.2 Bounds of Random Graph

Let  $G_n(p)$  be a random graph with  $n$  vertices. What's more, all the edges in the graph  $G_n(p)$  are connected with  $p$  one by one. In this paper, all  $p$  is a real constant with  $p < 1$ , and at the same time,  $p > 0$ , for convenience of our description [7].

Theorem 2.1 Let  $G$  be a simple, undirected, and a finite graph, while a random graph  $G_n(p)$ , at the same time. Thus,  $NE(G_n(p))$ , the network energy of  $G$ , enjoys the inequality as follows [1]:

$$NE(G) < n^{\frac{3}{2}} \sqrt{p} \quad (10)$$

Theorem 2.2 Let  $G^\sigma$  be a simple, oriented, and a finite graph, while  $G$ , the underlying graph is a random graph  $G_n(p)$ , at the same time. Thus,  $NE(G^\sigma)$ , the network energy of  $G^\sigma$ , enjoys the inequality as follows [2]:

$$NE(G^\sigma) < \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} n^{\frac{3}{2}} \sqrt{p} \quad (11)$$

**Theorem 2.3** Let  $G\phi$  be a simple, mixed, and a finite graph, while the underlying graph  $G$  is a random graph  $G_n(p)$  at the same time, and the cardinal numbers of sets of undirected edges and directed edges satisfy equation (5). Thus,  $NE(G\phi)$ , the network energy of  $G\phi$  enjoys the inequality as follows[6]:

$$NE(G^\phi) < \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} n^{\frac{3}{2}} \sqrt{p(2-r)} \quad (12)$$

**Theorem 2.4** Let  $G$  be a simple, undirected, and a finite graph, while a random graph  $G_n(p)$  at the same time. Thus,  $E(G_n(p))$ , the energy of  $G$  enjoys the equation asymptotically almost surely as follows [8]:

$$E(G) = 8n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{p(1-p)} + o(1) \right] \quad (13)$$

**Theorem 2.5** Let  $G\sigma$  be a simple, oriented, and a finite graph, while the underlying graph  $G$  is a random graph  $G_n(p)$  at the same time. Thus,  $\varepsilon S(G\sigma)$ , the skew energy of  $G\sigma$  enjoys the equation asymptotically almost surely as follows [9]:

$$\varepsilon_s(G^\sigma) = 8n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{p} + o(1) \right] \quad (14)$$

**Theorem 2.6** Let  $G\phi$  be a simple, mixed, and a finite graph with the maximum degree  $\Delta$ . Thus,  $\varepsilon H(G\phi)$ , the Hermitian energy of  $G\phi$ , enjoys the inequality as follows [6]:

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon_H(G^\phi) \leq \sqrt{2mn} \leq n\sqrt{\Delta} \\ 2\sqrt{m} \leq \varepsilon_H(G^\phi) \leq 2m \end{cases} \quad (15)$$

### 3. Relations among Network Energies

For undirected graph  $G$ , oriented graph  $G\sigma$ , and mixed graph  $G\phi$ , combining with equations (1), (2) and (6), the Theorem 3.1 can be obtained as follows.

**Theorem 3.1** If oriented graph  $G\sigma$  and mixed graph  $G\phi$  share the same underlying graph  $G$ ,  $NE(G\sigma)$ ,  $NE(G\phi)$ , and  $NE(G)$ , the network energy of them enjoy the inequality as follows:

$$1 \leq NE(G^\sigma) \leq NE(G^\phi) \leq NE(G) \quad (16)$$

with equality iff

$$NE(G^\sigma) \cong NE(G^\phi) \cong NE(G) \cong \overline{K_n} \quad (17)$$

while

$$\begin{cases} V(G^\sigma) = V(G^\phi) = V(G) = \emptyset \\ E(G^\sigma) = E(G^\phi) = E(G) = \emptyset \end{cases} \quad (18)$$

thus

$$\begin{cases} |V(G^\sigma)| = |V(G^\phi)| = |V(G)| = 0 \\ |E(G^\sigma)| = |E(G^\phi)| = |E(G)| = 0 \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

Combining with equations (10) and (11), the Theorem 3.2 can be obtained as follows.

**Theorem 3.2** If the underlying graph of oriented graph  $G\sigma$  is  $G$ , at the same time, if  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , thus,  $NE(G)$  and  $NE(G\sigma)$ , the network energy of  $G$  and  $G\sigma$  enjoy the following equation:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{NE(G)}{NE(G^\sigma)} = \sqrt{2} \quad (20)$$

The Theorem 3.3 can be obtained as follows combining with equations (10) and (12).

**Theorem 3.3** If the underlying graph of mixed graph  $G\phi$  is  $G$ , at the same time, if  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , thus,  $NE(G)$  and  $NE(G\phi)$ , the network energy of  $G$  and  $G\phi$  enjoy the following equation:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{NE(G)}{NE(G^\sigma)} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2-r}} \quad (21)$$

The Theorem 3.4 can be obtained as follows combining with equations (11) and (12).

Theorem 3.4 If the oriented graph  $G^\sigma$  and the mixed graph  $G^\phi$  share the same underlying graph  $G$ , at the same time, if  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , the  $NE(G^\sigma)$  and  $NE(G^\phi)$  enjoy the following equation:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{NE(G^\sigma)}{NE(G^\phi)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2-r}} \quad (22)$$

#### 4. Relations among Energy, Skew Energy, and Hermitian Energy

The Theorem 4.1 can be obtained as follows by Theorem 2.4 with equation (13).

Theorem 4.1 If the graph  $G$  is a random graph  $G_n(p)$ , thus,  $E(G_n(p))$ , the energy of  $G$ , enjoys the inequality as follows:

$$E(G) \leq \frac{4}{3\pi} n^{3/2} \quad (23)$$

with equality iff  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ .

Proof: For

$$\begin{aligned} E(G) &= 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{p(1-p)} + o(1) \right] \\ &= 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{p-p^2} + o(1) \right] \\ &= 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} - (p^2 - p + \frac{1}{4})} + o(1) \right] \\ &= 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{\frac{1}{4} - (p - \frac{1}{2})^2} + o(1) \right] \\ &\leq 8n^{3/2} \left( \frac{1}{3\pi} \times \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{4}{3\pi} n^{3/2} \end{aligned} \quad (24)$$

which completes this proof.

Theorem 4.2 If  $G_1$ , the graph is a random graph  $G_n(p)$ , and at the same time,  $G_2$ , the graph is also a random graph  $G_n(q)$ , if  $p+q=1$ , thus,  $E(G_n(p))$  and  $E(G_n(q))$ , the energies of random graphs  $G_n(p)$  and  $G_n(q)$  enjoy the following equation:

$$E(G_n(p)) = E(G_n(q)) \quad (25)$$

Proof: For

$$p = \frac{1}{2} [(p+q) + (p-q)] = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} (p-q) \quad (26)$$

$$q = \frac{1}{2} [(p+q) - (p-q)] = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} (p-q) \quad (27)$$

Combining with equations (13) and (26), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(G_n(p)) &= 8n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{p(1-p)} + o(1) \right] \\
 &= 8n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left\{ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{\left[ 1 - \left( \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(p-q) \right) \right] \left[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(p-q) \right]} p + o(1) \right\} \\
 &= 8n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left\{ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{\left[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(p-q) \right] \left[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(p-q) \right]} p + o(1) \right\} \\
 &= 4n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{1 - (p-q)^2} + o(1) \right]
 \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

Combing with equations (13) and (27), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(G_n(q)) &= 8n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{p(1-p)} + o(1) \right] \\
 &= 8n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left\{ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{\left[ 1 - \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(p-q) \right) \right] \left[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(p-q) \right]} p + o(1) \right\} \\
 &= 8n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left\{ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{\left[ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}(p-q) \right] \left[ \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}(p-q) \right]} p + o(1) \right\} \\
 &= 4n^{\frac{3}{2}} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{1 - (p-q)^2} + o(1) \right]
 \end{aligned} \tag{29}$$

Combing with equations (28) and (29), we can obtain equation (25).

Thus complete this proof.

Lemma 4.1 The energy  $E(G)$  and  $E(\bar{G})$  enjoy the following equation:

$$E(G) = E(\bar{G}) \tag{30}$$

Proof: For

$$G + \bar{G} = K_n \tag{31}$$

so  $G$  can be considered as the edges of it are connected of  $p$  with

$$p = \frac{2|E(G)|}{|V(G)|(|V(G)|-1)} \tag{32}$$

and  $\bar{G}$  can be considered as the edges of it are connected of  $q$  with

$$q = \frac{2|E(\bar{G})|}{|V(\bar{G})|(|V(\bar{G})|-1)} \tag{33}$$

while  $V(G) = V(\bar{G})$ , thus

$$E(G) + E(\bar{G}) = \frac{1}{2}|V(G)|(|V(G)|-1) = \frac{1}{2}|V(\bar{G})|(|V(\bar{G})|-1) \tag{34}$$

In this way,  $p+q=1$ , combining with equations (25), we can obtain equation (30) immediately.

The proof is thus completed.

The Theorem 4.3 can be obtained as follows combining with equations (13) and (14).

Theorem 4.3 If the underlying graph of oriented graph  $G^\sigma$  is  $G$ , and, at the same time, if  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , the  $E(G)$  and  $\varepsilon S(G^\sigma)$  enjoy the following equation:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E(G)}{\varepsilon S(G^\sigma)} = \sqrt{1-p} \tag{35}$$

Combing with equations (13), (14), and (25), we have Theorem 4.4 as follows.

Theorem 4.4 If  $G\sigma_1$  is a simple, oriented, and a finite graph, and  $G_1$ , the underlying graph of  $G\sigma_1$  is a random graph  $G_n(p)$ , while  $G\sigma_2$  is also a simple, oriented, and a finite graph, and  $G_2$ , the underlying graph of  $G\sigma_2$  is a random graph  $G_n(q)$ , if  $p+q=1$ , at the same time, thus,  $\varepsilon S(G\sigma_1)$  and  $\varepsilon S(G\sigma_2)$ , the skew energies of  $G\sigma_1$  and  $G\sigma_2$ , and  $E(G_n(p))$  and  $E(G_n(q))$ , the energies of  $G_n(p)$  and  $G_n(q)$ , enjoy the following equation:

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon_s(G\sigma_1)\varepsilon_s(G\sigma_2) = 8n^{3/2}E(G_n(p)) \\ \varepsilon_s(G\sigma_1)\varepsilon_s(G\sigma_2) = 8n^{3/2}E(G_n(q)) \end{cases} \quad (36)$$

Proof: For

$$\begin{cases} \varepsilon_s(G\sigma_1) = 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{p} + o(1) \right] \\ \varepsilon_s(G\sigma_2) = 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{q} + o(1) \right] \end{cases} \quad (37)$$

Combing with equations (13) and (37), thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \varepsilon_s(G\sigma_1)\varepsilon_s(G\sigma_2) \\ &= 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{p} + o(1) \right] \times 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{q} + o(1) \right] \\ &= 8n^{3/2} \times 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{p} + o(1) \right] \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{q} + o(1) \right] \\ &= 8n^{3/2} \times 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{pq} + o(1) \right] \\ &= 8n^{3/2} \times 8n^{3/2} \left[ \frac{1}{3\pi} \sqrt{p(1-p)} + o(1) \right] \\ &= 8n^{3/2} E(G_n(p)) = 8n^{3/2} E(G_n(q)) \end{aligned} \quad (38)$$

The proof is thus complete.

## 5. Relations among Network Energies and Others Energies

For all energies, e.g., network energy, energy, skew energy, Hermitian energy, etc., are estimated on random undirected graphs, random oriented graphs, and random mixed graphs, the relations among previous energies become another focus that appear in front of us. Energy, skew energy, and Hermitian energy will be compared with network energy within that context in this section.

The Theorem 5.1 can be obtained as follows combining with equations (10) and (13).

Theorem 5.1 Let  $G$  be a simple, undirected, and a finite graph, and a random graph  $G_n(p)$ , at the same time, if  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , thus,  $E(G_n(p))$  and  $NE(G_n(p))$ , the energy and network energy of  $G$  enjoy the following equation:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E(G)}{NE(G)} = \frac{8}{3\pi} \sqrt{1-p} \quad (39)$$

The Theorem 5.2 can be obtained as follows combining with equations (11) and (14).

Theorem 5.2 Let  $G\sigma$  be a simple, oriented, and finite graph, and  $G$ , the underlying graph, is a random graph  $G_n(p)$ , at the same time, if  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\varepsilon S(G\sigma)$  and  $NE(G\sigma)$ , the skew energy and network energy of  $G\sigma$  enjoy the following equation:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varepsilon_s(G\sigma)}{NE(G\sigma)} = \frac{8}{3\pi} \sqrt{2} \quad (40)$$

The Theorem 5.3 can be obtained as follows combining with equations (10) and (14).

Theorem 5.3 Let  $G^\sigma$  be a simple, oriented, and finite graph, and the underlying graph  $G$  is a random graph  $G_n(p)$ , at the same time, if  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\varepsilon_s(G^\sigma)$  and  $NE(G)$ , the skew energy of  $G^\sigma$  and network energy of  $G$  enjoy the following equation:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\varepsilon_s(G^\sigma)}{NE(G)} = \frac{8}{3\pi} \quad (41)$$

## 6. Conclusion

Random graph theory is one of the most important theory of graph theory and complex network from beginning. Energy of undirected graph is the basic theory of graph energy. What's more, energy, skew energy, and Hermitian energy are basic theory of undirected graph, oriented graph, and mixed graph respectively. In this paper, network energy, energy, skew energy, and Hermitian energy of random undirected graph, random oriented graph, and random mixed graph, are computed and compared, and relations among them are obtained. The relations among network energy and other energies of random graphs, and at the same time the relations among network energy and other energies of small world graph, scale free graph, etc, will be our next work.

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