

# New bounds of arboricity of graph

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**ABSTRACT:** let  $G$  be a graph with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edge and  $\gamma, \theta, \theta_0$  denote, respectively, the arboricity, thickness and outer thickness of  $G$ . we establish inequalities; each of which is best possible up to a constant, between pairs of these parameters. In particular, we show.

$$\gamma(G) \leq 4\theta(G)$$

$$\gamma(G) \leq \frac{3}{2}\theta_0(G)$$

$$\gamma(G) \leq \sqrt{m} + O(1)$$

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## INTRODUCTION

There are several different ways to characterize the embeddability of a graph  $G$ . the thickness  $\theta(G)$  of a graph is the minimum number of planar sub graph into which the graph can be decomposed. The thickness problem, asking for the thickness of a given graph  $G$ , is NP-hard so there is little hope to find a polynomial time algorithm for the thickness problem on general graphs. The thickness problem has application is VLSI design.[ G.chartland and et al] the outer thickness  $\theta_0(G)$  of a graph  $G$  is minimum number of outer planar sub graph into which the graph can be decomposed. The arboricity  $\gamma(G)$  of a graph  $G$  is the minimum number of forests whose union in  $G$ . is the minimum number of forests whose union in  $G$ .

### Theoretical bounds

In this section we give some bounds for the thickness and outer thickness of a graph.

**Theorem (2.1)** [F.harary]. Let  $G'=(V,E')$  be a maximum planar sub graph of graph  $G=(V,E)$ . then  $|E'| \leq 3|V| - 6$ .

**Theorem (2.2)** [ F.harary] let  $G'=(V,E')$  be a maximum planar sub graph of a graph  $G=(V,E)$  which does not contain any triangle. then  $|E'| \leq 2|V| - 4$ .

**Theorem (2.3)** [K.S.Kedlaya] let  $G'=(V,E')$  be a maximum outer planar sub graph of a graph  $G=(V,E)$  then  $|E'| \leq 2|V| - 3$ .

**Theorem (2.4)** [K.S.Kedlaya] let  $G'=(V,E')$  be a maximum outer planer sub graph of a graph  $G=(V,E)$  which does not .contain any triangle. then

$$|E'| \leq \frac{3|V|}{2} - 2.$$

**Def (2.1)** the thickness of a graph, denoted by  $\theta(G)$ , is the minimum of planar sub graph in to which the graph can be decomposed. Evidently,  $\theta(G) = 1$  if and only if  $G$  is planar.

**Theorem (2.1)** if  $G=(V,E)$  is a graph with  $(|V| = n > 2)$  and  $|E| = m$ , then :

- i)  $\theta(G) \geq \left\lceil \frac{m}{3n-6} \right\rceil$
- ii)  $\theta(G) \geq \left\lceil \frac{m}{2n-4} \right\rceil$ , if  $G$  has no triangle.

**Proof.** by theorem (2.1) , the denominator is the maximum size of each planar sub graph. The pigeonhole principle then yields the inequality.

**Theorem (2.2)** [C.st.j.Nash-Williams] if  $G=(V,E)$  is a graph with  $(|V| = n > 10)$  and  $|E| = m$  maximal degree  $d$ , then

- i)  $\theta(k_n) \leq \left\lceil \frac{n+7}{6} \right\rceil$
- ii)  $\theta(G) \leq \left\lceil \sqrt{\frac{m}{3}} + \frac{7}{6} \right\rceil$
- iii)  $\theta(G) \geq \left\lceil \frac{d}{2} \right\rceil$

**Theorem (2.3)** [Beink , L and et al] . The thickness of the complete bipartite graph  $k_{m,n}$  is  $\theta(k_{m,n}) = \left\lceil \frac{m.n}{2(m+n-2)} \right\rceil$  except if  $m$  and  $n$  are both odd ,  $m \leq n$  and there is an integer  $k$  satisfying  $n = \left\lfloor \frac{2k(m-2)}{m-2k} \right\rfloor$

**Theorem (2.4)** [Beink , L and et al] . the thickness of the complete bipartite graph  $k_{n,n}$  is

$$\theta(K_{n,n}) = \left\lceil \frac{n+5}{4} \right\rceil.$$

**Theorem (2.5)** [A.M.dean and et al] let  $G$  be a graph with minimum degree  $\delta$  and maximum degree  $\Delta$  . then  $\left\lceil \frac{\delta+1}{4} \right\rceil \leq \theta(G) \leq \left\lceil \frac{\Delta}{2} \right\rceil$ .

**Theorem (2.6)** [Kleiner and et al] the thickness of the hypercube  $Q_n$  is

$$\theta(Q_n) = \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{4} \right\rceil$$

**New bounds of arboricity**

It is well-known that thickness , outer thickness, arboricity re within a constant factor of each other . in particular conclave recently proved a longstanding conjecture that every planar graph  $G$  has outer thickness  $\theta(G) \leq 2$ .

Thus  $\theta_0(G) \leq 2 \theta(G)$ .

Also health has shown that a planar graph can be divided into two outer planar graphs . There fore  $\theta_0(G) \leq 2 \theta(G)$

Nash-Williams gave the exact solution for arboricity.

**Theorem (3.1)** [C.st.j.Nash-Williams] ( Nash-Williams )

Let  $G$  be a graph . then  $\gamma = \max \left\lceil \frac{m_H}{n_H-1} \right\rceil$

Where the maximum is taken over all nontrivial subgraph  $H$  of  $G$ .

**Claim(3.1)** if  $G$  be a graph then  $\gamma(G) \leq 3\theta(G)$

**Proof.** according to theorem (2.4)  $m \leq 3n/2 - 2$

$$m \leq 3n/2 - 2 = \frac{3n-4}{2} \rightarrow m \leq \frac{3n-4}{2} \leq \frac{3n-3}{2} = \frac{3(n-1)}{2}$$

$$\xrightarrow{\text{theorem (3.1)}} \gamma(G) \leq 3/2 \theta_0(G).$$

By the way since  $\theta_0(G) \leq 2 \theta(G)$  then

$$\gamma(G) \leq 3/2 \times 2 \theta(G) = 3\theta(G)$$

**Claim (3.2)** every planar graph  $G$  satisfies  $m \leq 2(n-1)$  .thus  $\gamma(G) \leq 2\theta_0(G)$

**Proof** . according to theorem (2.3)  $m \leq 2n-3$

$$m \leq 2n-3 \leq 2n-2 \rightarrow m \leq 2(n-1) \xrightarrow{\text{theorem (3.1)}} \gamma(G) \leq 2 \theta_0(G)$$

**relation between thickness and arboricity** [B.Nikfarjam and et al]

Now we show that new results for arboricity of a graph.

**Claim (4.1)** . if  $G$  be a graph then

- i.  $\gamma(G) \leq 2\theta(G)$
- ii.  $\gamma(G) \leq 4\theta(G)$

**Proof.** According to theorem (2.2)  $m \leq 2n-4$

$$m \leq 2n-4 \leq 2n-2 = 2(n-1) \rightarrow m \leq 2(n-1) \xrightarrow{\text{theorem (3.1)}} \gamma(G) \leq 2 \theta(G)$$

also since  $\theta(G) \leq \theta_0(G)$  and by claim (3.2)  $\theta_0(G) \leq 2 \theta(G)$  then

$$\gamma(G) \leq 2 \theta_0(G) \leq 2 \times 2 \theta(G) = 4 \theta(G).$$

But by applying Nash-Williams , results , dean et al showed that  $\gamma(G) \leq \left\lceil \sqrt{\frac{m}{2}} \right\rceil$ .

This gives also a lower bound for outer thickness . the upper bound is of the right order , since the outer thickness of the complete graph with n vertices is  $\Theta(n)$  . on the other hand , since  $\theta_0(k_n)$  is approximately  $\sqrt{\frac{m}{8}}$  and  $\theta_0(k_{n,n})$  is approximately  $\sqrt{\frac{m}{8}}$  , it seems that the constant is not the best possible . also conjecture the following upper bound for outer thickness. [T.Poranen]

**Conjecture (4.1)**  $\theta_0(G) \leq \sqrt{\frac{m}{8}} + o(1)$  for an arbitrary graph G with m edges.

**Theorem (4.1)** [A.M.dean and et al]  $\theta(G) \leq \sqrt{\frac{m}{16}} + o(1)$  for an arbitrary graph G with m edges.

**Claim (4.2)**  $\gamma(G) \leq \sqrt{m} + o(1)$  for an arbitrary graph G with m edges.

**Proof.** According to theorem (4.1) since  $\theta(G) \leq \sqrt{\frac{m}{16}} + o(1)$

$$4\theta(G) \leq 4\sqrt{\frac{m}{16}} + 4o(1)$$

$$4\theta(G) \leq \sqrt{m} + o(1)$$

But by claim (4.1)  $\gamma(G) \leq 4\theta(G)$  then  $\gamma(G) \leq \sqrt{m} + o(1)$ .

**Claim (4.3)**  $\gamma(G) \leq \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{m} + o(1)$  for an arbitrary graph G with m edges.

**Proof.** According to theorem (4.1) since  $\theta(G) \leq \sqrt{\frac{m}{16}} + o(1)$

$$2\theta(G) \leq 2\sqrt{\frac{m}{16}} + 2o(1) \rightarrow 2\theta(G) \leq \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{m} + o(1).$$

But by claim (4.1)  $\gamma(G) \leq 2\theta(G)$  then  $\gamma(G) \leq \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{m} + o(1)$ .

## CONCLUSION

In this paper we present some results have concerning the thickness and edge of a graph. In particular, bounds on the arboricity of graph are given. It seems that bounds are not unique.

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