

Study on the molecular structure of hyaluronic acid conjugates using a new class of topological indices

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Abstract

Based on medical experiments, the molecular structure of drugs includes information about their physical-chemical properties. A theoretical descriptor tool for assessing these features is known as a topological index. In this study, the molecular structure of two anticancer drugs hyaluronic acid-Paclitaxel/Curcumin conjugates using an edge-division strategy in graph theory are evaluated. To ensure the correctness of calculations in this study, we use Mathematica and Matlab software. Several new invariants based on the vertex degree are computed for the molecular structures of ayaluronic acid conjugated with curcumin and paclitaxel. We obtain the exact values of these topological indices. The calculation of topological indices for these anticancer drugs provides a more comprehensive understanding of their molecular properties and biological behavior.

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1. Introduction

The polymer-anticancer drug conjugates are the efficient approach to developing new drugs in cancer treatment [1]. Hyaluronic acid (HA) is an anionic natural polymer and has unique features such as biodegradable and chemically modifiable [2][3].

HA is naturally found within the extracellular matrix of many tissues and is extensively for improving targeted drug delivery [4]. Its molecular formula is $(C_{14}H_{21}NO_{11})_n$ (see Figure 1(a)).

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In general, HA and its conjugates can aid in overcoming the chemical agents of anticancer medications' poor water solubility and stability [5-7].

Paclitaxel (PTX) is one of well know anticancer drugs for the treatment of ovarian cancer, breast cancer, and other malignant tumors [8]. PTX has the molecular formula $C_{47}H_{51}NO_{14}$ the chemical structure is shown in Figure 1(b). Xin, Wang, and Xiang [9] presented that the conjugate of PTX with HA using amino acids between them has more stability in vivo conditions. Curcuma longa is a nutraceutical that has the important role as antineoplastic agent, an antifungal agent, a hepatoprotective agent, and an anti-inflammatory agent. Curcumin disrupts cell signal transduction by using different mechanisms such as inhibition of protein kinase C and can inhibit of tumor cell multiplication and tumor growth [10][11]. Since the water solubility of Curcumin is limited and its absorption in biological systems is poor, it is unsuitable for clinical practice [12]. Curcumin conjugates with hyaluronic acid are considered as a useful therapeutic approach to optimize tissue dispersion, extend curcumin release, and improve clinical results [6] (see Figure 1(c)). Because of the importance of derivatives of hyaluronic acid in anticancer drugs, the analysis of its molecular structure can be an effective role in those studies. The chemical, pharmacological, and biological properties of the chemical compounds and drugs can be investigated and predicated using topological indices as a well-known method of chemical graphs.

A subfield of mathematical chemistry is chemical graph theory which uses graph theory to model molecule structure and analyzes its chemical graph [13]. In such a way, the molecular structure is represented as a molecular graph with atoms as vertices and the bond (between the atoms). Topological indices are the numerical values related to the chemical structure that are used to explain the relationship between the chemical structure and numerous chemical characteristics [14] in the Quantitative Structure-Property Relationship (QSPR) studies to predict various properties [15][16].

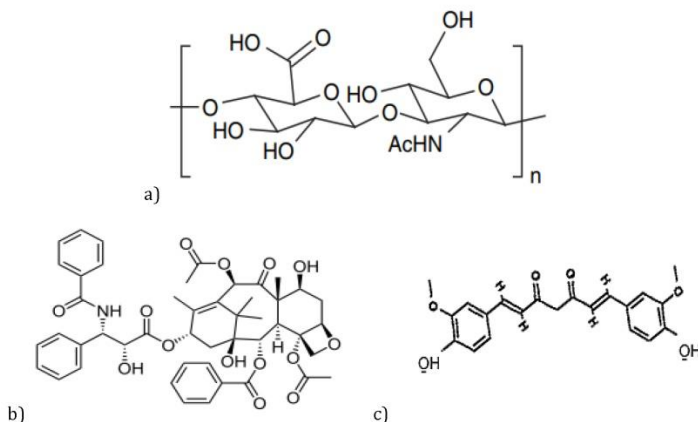


Figure 1

The molecular structure of a) Hyaluronic Acid, b) Paclitaxel, and c) Curcumin.

While researching alkane molecule boiling temperatures, Wiener [17] developed the idea of the topological index. Nowadays, numerous topological indices are introduced and studied on different molecular structures. For more studies on the topological indices and their applications, readers might refer to [18-26]. Topological Indices based on degree have been used in chemical engineering and pharmacology to investigate the structure of chemical compounds and drug properties.

Recently, many studies have been done on topological indices of the molecular graph of drugs. Rauf et al. [27] presented the results related to the EV-degree and the ve-degree-based topological indices for some molecular structures to study the pharmaceutical properties of drugs. In [28], some topological indices based on vertex degree of HA conjugated with curcumin are computed.

Mondal, De, and Pal [29] obtained some topological indices and neighborhood topological indices based on vertex degree using a polynomial approach for the drug treatment of COVID-19. Liu et al. [30] investigated the properties of various antiviral drugs including lopinavir, ritonavir, hydroxychloroquine, nafamostat, and camostat by using the distance in their molecular graph and bond measures.

Kirmani and Ali [31] analyzed the molecular graphs of HA-methotrexate/paclitaxel/curcumin conjugates to compute the topological coincides by applying CoM-polynomial. In [32], the structures of various COVID-19 drugs are analyzed to compute the CoM-polynomial and some degree-based topological coincides.

Throughout this paper, consider $G = (V_G, E_G)$ a molecular graph containing $|V_G| = n$ vertices and $|E_G| = m$ edges. loops. For two vertices $y, w \in V_G$, if u and v are adjacent in G , then the edge joining between them is denoted by $e = yw$ where $e \in E$. The open neighborhood of $y \in V$ is $N_G(y) = \{w \in V_G : yw \in E_G\}$ and $|N_G(y)|$ is the degree of y and is denoted by $\xi(y)$.

Gutman [33] introduced a novel class of topological invariants based on Euclidian metric space with the geometric interpretation of the degree radius. The topological indices in this new class are called the Sombor index (SO),

$$SO(G) = \sum_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2},$$

the reduced Sombor index (SO_{red}),

$$RSO(G) = SO_{red}(G) = \sum_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{(\xi(y) - 1)^2 + (\xi(w) - 1)^2},$$

and the average Sombor index (SO_{avg}),

$$ASO(G) = SO_{avg}(G) = \sum_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{\left(\xi(y) - \frac{2|E_G|}{|V_G|}\right)^2 + \left(\xi(w) - \frac{2|E_G|}{|V_G|}\right)^2}.$$

Various topological indices of a graph are presented with motivation of defining of the Sombor indices and well-known indices.

In [34], the authors defined the modified Sombor as follows

$$MSO(G) = \sum_{yw \in E_G} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2}}.$$

They computed this index for certain chemical importance compounds [34].

In [35], the degree-based descriptors were extended by introducing multiplicative topological indices as follows

$$SOII(G) = \prod_{yw \in E_G} F(\xi(y), \xi(w)).$$

Due to much attention to calculation of the multiplicative indices of a graph and their applications, several multiplicative Sombor indices are defined including the multiplicative Sombor index (SOII) [36],

$$SOII(G) = \prod_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2},$$

the multiplicative modified Sombor index (MSOII),

$$MSOII(G) = \prod_{yw \in E_G} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2}},$$

and the multiplicative reduced Sombor index (RSOII) [37],

$$RSOII(G) = \prod_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{(\xi(y) - 1)^2 + (\xi(w) - 1)^2}.$$

In [38], the discriminative and predictive potential of a few Sombor indices were investigated. The study's findings demonstrate that these descriptors can be effectively used to simulate the thermodynamic characteristics of chemical substances.

In [39] is reported that there is a highly correlation between boiling points and Sombor indices of some chemical compounds such as benzenoid hydrocarbons. The authors showed that the index *RSO* can predict some chemical and physical properties including acentric Factors, *SNar*, *HNar* and Entropy. In [40], the chemical importance of the index *SO* was investigated and it was shown that this index has high accuracy for predicting physical properties compared to some established indices. In [41], the authors showed that the *RSO* has better predictive power compared to some known indices including the Forgotten index, the Randić index, and the Zagreb indices. Research exploring the chemical applications of these indices is presented in [39-48].

2. Materials and Methods

2.1 Motivation

Currently, one of the significant goals of medicine and pharmacology is successful cancer treatment. One of the types of cancer treatment is targeted therapy that targets proteins that control the division, growth and spread of cell cancer. With the improvements in pharmacology and nanotechnology, scientists are able to appreciate the basic biology of cancer and extend new treatments [49][50]. Targeted therapy with interfering specific proteins helps to decrease tumors' growth and spread in the body [51].

The HA plays a critical role in maintaining the stability of tissue. On the other hand, HA has the features such as non-toxic, biodegradable, non-immunogenic, and chemically modifiable. Therefore, it attracts remarkable interest from researchers for applications in biomedical science such as drug delivery approaches [2][52].

Delivery carriers of HA-based drugs enable several advantages such the stability of drugs in cancer treatment in physiological conditions, solving drawbacks of anticancer drugs, and chemically modifying for obtaining HA conjugates through functional groups [3].

One of the most well-known drugs in cancer treatment is PTX [53]. Because of several limitations of PTX such as poor solubility in water and lack of activity against drug-resistant cell lines, HA-PTX conjugates can improve these problems. In [54], the authors developed HA-based paclitaxel prodrug micelles to effectively target and treat human breast cancer. In [55], the authors developed the HA conjugated with paclitaxel to improve anticancer activity. Therefore, HA-PTX conjugates play an important role in the protection of the injured area against microorganisms.

HA-Curcumin conjugates are considered an effective therapeutic approach to optimize tissue distribution and improve clinical outcomes. HA-Curcumin conjugates are considered an effective therapeutic approach for optimizing tissue dispersion. Also, HA-Curcumin conjugates target tumor metastases in the treatment of many types of cancer [6]. Therefore, HA conjugated with curcumin is considered a pharmaceutical strategy to improve solubility in water, tissue distribution, and the promising outcomes of cancer treatment [56].

Computing the topological indices for drugs can provide a theoretical basis for a better understanding of their biological and physical properties that led to the preparation of new drugs [57].

2.2 Molecular structure analysis of Hyaluronic Acid conjugates

In this section, we study the molecular graphs of HA conjugated with paclitaxel and curcumin. To do this, we consider the molecular graphs $(HA - PTX)_n$ and $(HA - CC)_n$ of HA-paclitaxel conjugate and HA-curcumin conjugate, respectively, with n units' linear iteration. We obtain some topological degree-based indices including SO , MSO , RSO , $SOII$, $RSOII$, and $MSOII$. We used Matlab software for validation and plotting the mathematical results. We also used the Mathematica software for mathematical calculations.

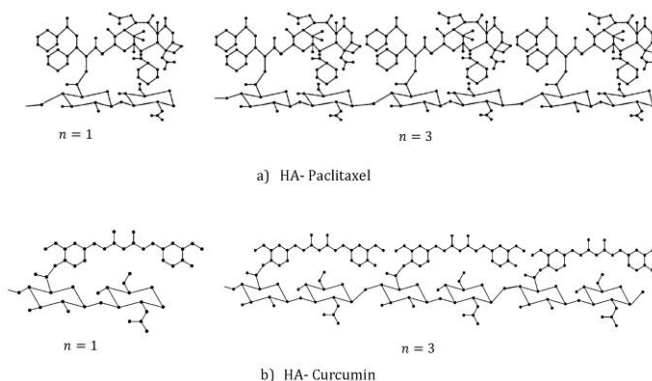


Figure 2

The molecular graphs of HA-conjugates when $n = 1$ and $n = 3$.

First, we consider the molecular graph $(HA - PTX)_n$ which is shown in Figure 2(a) for $n = 1, 3$. From the graph structure of $(HA - PTX)_n$, $|V| = 87n + 1$ and $|E| = 96n$. For computing Sombor indices, we use the edge-partition approach for classifying edges of the molecular graph $(HA - PTX)_n$. The edge set of the graph $(HA - PTX)_n$ is divided as

$$\begin{aligned} E_{11} &= \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 1, \xi(w) = 1\}, & E_{12} &= \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 1, \xi(w) = 2\}, \\ E_{13} &= \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 1, \xi(w) = 3\}, & E_{14} &= \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 1, \xi(w) = 4\}, \\ E_{22} &= \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 2, \xi(w) = 2\}, & E_{23} &= \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 2, \xi(w) = 3\}, \\ E_{24} &= \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 2, \xi(w) = 4\}, & E_{33} &= \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 3, \xi(w) = 3\}, \\ E_{34} &= \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 3, \xi(w) = 4\}, & E_{44} &= \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 4, \xi(w) = 4\}. \end{aligned}$$

The number of edges in E_{ij} 's is shown in Table 1 and clearly, $|E_G| = \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq 4} |E_{ij}|$.

Table 1
The number of edges in subsets E_{ij} 's of $(HA - PTX)_n$.

E_{ij}	E_{11}	E_{12}	E_{13}	E_{14}	E_{22}	E_{23}	E_{24}	E_{33}	E_{34}	E_{44}
$ E_{ij} $	0	$n + 1$	$16n$	$4n$	$13n + 1$	$32n - 1$	$3n$	$19n - 1$	$7n$	n

First, we investigate the graph $(HA - PTX)_n$ for computing some Sombor-type indices that are stated in this study.

Theorem 1: For the molecular graph $(HA - PTX)_n$,

- i) $SO((HA - PTX)_n) = (87\sqrt{2} + 7\sqrt{5} + 16\sqrt{10} + 32\sqrt{13} + 4\sqrt{17} + 35)n - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{13} - \sqrt{5})$,
- ii) $RSO((HA - PTX)_n) = (54\sqrt{2} + 32\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{10} + 7\sqrt{13} + 45)n - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5} - 1)$,
- iii) $MSO((HA - PTX)_n) = \left(\frac{16}{\sqrt{10}} + \frac{32}{\sqrt{13}} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{17}} + \frac{157}{24}\sqrt{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + \frac{7}{5}\right)n + \left(\frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right)$,
- iv) $ASO((HA - PTX)_n) = \sqrt{2}(13n + 1)\sqrt{\frac{(1-9n)^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 3\sqrt{2}(19n - 1)\sqrt{\frac{(1+23n)^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 4\sqrt{2}n\sqrt{\frac{(1+39n)^2}{(1+87n)^2}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + (32n - 1) \sqrt{\frac{13+342n+5085n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 6n \sqrt{\frac{5+294n+6165n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 16\sqrt{2}n \sqrt{\frac{5+102n+7893n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} \\
& + (n + 1) \sqrt{\frac{5-282n+11349n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 7n \sqrt{\frac{25+1662n+29097n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 4n \sqrt{\frac{17+1038n+35361n^2}{(1+87n)^2}}, \\
& \text{for } n \geq 1.
\end{aligned}$$

Proof: Suppose that G is the molecular graph $(HA - PTX)_n$ with $|V| = 87n + 1$ and $|E| = 96n$. According to Table 1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{i)} \quad SO(G) &= \sum_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2} \\
&= \sum_{yw \in E_{12}} \sqrt{5} + \sum_{yw \in E_{13}} \sqrt{10} + \sum_{yw \in E_{14}} \sqrt{17} + \sum_{yw \in E_{22}} \sqrt{8} \\
&\quad + \sum_{yw \in E_{23}} \sqrt{13} + \sum_{yw \in E_{24}} \sqrt{20} + \sum_{yw \in E_{33}} \sqrt{18} \\
&\quad + \sum_{yw \in E_{34}} \sqrt{25} + \sum_{yw \in E_{44}} \sqrt{32} \\
&= \sqrt{5}(n + 1) + \sqrt{10}(16n) + 4\sqrt{17}n + 2\sqrt{2}(13n + 1) \\
&\quad + \sqrt{13}(32n - 1) + 6n\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{2}(19n - 1) + 35n + 4\sqrt{2}n \\
&= (87\sqrt{2} + 7\sqrt{5} + 16\sqrt{10} + 32\sqrt{13} + 4\sqrt{17} + 35)n \\
&\quad - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{13} - \sqrt{5}). \\
\text{ii)} \quad RSO(G) &= \sum_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{(\xi(y) - 1)^2 + (\xi(w) - 1)^2} \\
&= \sum_{yw \in E_{12}} \sqrt{1} + \sum_{yw \in E_{13}} \sqrt{4} + \sum_{yw \in E_{14}} \sqrt{9} + \sum_{yw \in E_{22}} \sqrt{2} \\
&\quad + \sum_{yw \in E_{23}} \sqrt{5} + \sum_{yw \in E_{24}} \sqrt{10} + \sum_{yw \in E_{33}} \sqrt{8} + \sum_{yw \in E_{34}} \sqrt{13} \\
&\quad + \sum_{yw \in E_{44}} \sqrt{18} \\
&= (n + 1) + 32n + 12n + \sqrt{2}(13n + 1) + \sqrt{5}(32n - 1) \\
&\quad + 3\sqrt{10}n + 2\sqrt{2}(19n - 1) + 7n\sqrt{13} + 6\sqrt{2}n \\
&= (54\sqrt{2} + 32\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{10} + 7\sqrt{13} + 45)n \\
&\quad - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5} - 1). \\
\text{iii)} \quad MSO(G) &= \sum_{yw \in E_G} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2}} \\
&= \sum_{yw \in E_{12}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} + \sum_{yw \in E_{13}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} + \sum_{yw \in E_{14}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} + \sum_{yw \in E_{22}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \\
&\quad + \sum_{yw \in E_{23}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} + \sum_{yw \in E_{24}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}} + \sum_{yw \in E_{33}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} \\
&\quad + \sum_{yw \in E_{34}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{25}} + \sum_{yw \in E_{44}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{32}} \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(n + 1) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}(16n) + \frac{4}{\sqrt{17}}n + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(13n + 1) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}(32n - 1) + \frac{3n}{2\sqrt{5}} + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}(19n - 1) + \frac{7n}{5} + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}}n \\
&= \left(\frac{16}{\sqrt{10}} + \frac{32}{\sqrt{13}} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{17}} + \frac{157}{24}\sqrt{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + \frac{7}{5}\right)n + \left(\frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right).
\end{aligned}$$

iv) Since $|V_G| = 87n + 1$ and $|E_G| = 96n$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 ASO(G) &= \sum_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{\left(\xi(y) - \frac{2|E_G|}{|V_G|}\right)^2 + \left(\xi(w) - \frac{2|E_G|}{|V_G|}\right)^2} \\
 &= (n+1) \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2 + \left(2 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2} \\
 &\quad + 16n \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2 + \left(3 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2} \\
 &\quad + 4n \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2 + \left(4 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2} \\
 &\quad + (13n+1) \sqrt{\left(2 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2 + \left(2 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2} \\
 &\quad + (32n-1) \sqrt{\left(2 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2 + \left(3 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2} \\
 &\quad + 3n \sqrt{\left(2 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2 + \left(4 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2} \\
 &\quad + (19n-1) \sqrt{\left(3 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2 + \left(3 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2} \\
 &\quad + 7n \sqrt{\left(3 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2 + \left(4 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2} \\
 &\quad + n \sqrt{\left(4 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2 + \left(4 - \frac{192n}{1+87n}\right)^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{2}(13n+1) \sqrt{\frac{(1-9n)^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 3\sqrt{2}(19n-1) \sqrt{\frac{(1+23n)^2}{(1+87n)^2}} \\
 &\quad + 4\sqrt{2}n \sqrt{\frac{(1+39n)^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + (32n-1) \sqrt{\frac{13+342n+5085n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} \\
 &\quad + 6n \sqrt{\frac{5+294n+6165n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 16\sqrt{2}n \sqrt{\frac{5+102n+7893n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} \\
 &\quad + (n+1) \sqrt{\frac{5-282n+11349n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 7n \sqrt{\frac{25+1662n+29097n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} \\
 &\quad + 4n \sqrt{\frac{17+1038n+35361n^2}{(1+87n)^2}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

In the next theorem, we compute the multiplicative Sombor-type indices of the molecular graph $(HA - PTX)_n$ that are stated in this study.

Theorem 2: For the molecular graph $(HA - PTX)_n$,

- i) $SOII((HA - PTX)_n) = (\sqrt{2})^{85n+2} \times (\sqrt{5})^{34n+1} \times (\sqrt{13})^{32n-1} \times 3^{19n-1} \times 289^n$,
- ii) $RSOII((HA - PTX)_n) = (\sqrt{5})^{35n-1} \times (\sqrt{13})^{7n} \times 2^{53n-1} \times 243^n$,

$$\text{iii) } MSH((HA - PTX)_n) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^{49n} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{18n+1} \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{19n-1} \times \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{17n} \times \left(\frac{1}{17}\right)^{2n},$$

for $n \geq 1$.

Proof: Suppose that G is the molecular graph $(HA - PTX)_n$. According to Table 1 and the definition of the multiplicative Sombor indices, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } SOH(G) &= \prod_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2} \\ &= \prod_{yw \in E_{12}} \sqrt{5} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{13}} \sqrt{10} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{14}} \sqrt{17} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{22}} \sqrt{8} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{yw \in E_{23}} \sqrt{13} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{24}} \sqrt{20} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{33}} \sqrt{18} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{yw \in E_{34}} \sqrt{25} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{44}} \sqrt{32} \\ &= (\sqrt{5})^{n+1} \times (\sqrt{5})^{16n} \times (\sqrt{17})^{4n} \times (\sqrt{8})^{13n+1} \times (\sqrt{13})^{32n-1} \\ &\quad \times (\sqrt{20})^{3n} \times (\sqrt{18})^{19n-1} \times (\sqrt{25})^{7n} \times (\sqrt{32})^n \\ &= (\sqrt{5})^{n+1} \times (\sqrt{5})^{16n} \times (17)^{2n} \times (2\sqrt{2})^{13n+1} \times (\sqrt{13})^{32n-1} \\ &\quad \times (2\sqrt{5})^{3n} \times (3\sqrt{2})^{19n-1} \times (5)^{7n} \times (4\sqrt{2})^n \\ &= (\sqrt{2})^{85n+2} \times (\sqrt{5})^{34n+1} \times (\sqrt{13})^{32n-1} \times 3^{19n-1} \times 289^n. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) } RSH(G) &= \prod_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{(\xi(y) - 1)^2 + (\xi(w) - 1)^2} \\ &= \prod_{yw \in E_{12}} \sqrt{1} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{13}} \sqrt{4} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{14}} \sqrt{9} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{22}} \sqrt{2} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{yw \in E_{23}} \sqrt{5} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{24}} \sqrt{10} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{33}} \sqrt{8} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{yw \in E_{34}} \sqrt{13} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{44}} \sqrt{18} \\ &= (2)^{16n} \times (3)^{4n} \times (\sqrt{2})^{13n+1} \times (\sqrt{5})^{32n-1} \times (\sqrt{10})^{3n} \\ &\quad \times (\sqrt{8})^{19n-1} \times (\sqrt{13})^{7n} \times (\sqrt{18})^n \\ &= (\sqrt{5})^{35n-1} \times (\sqrt{13})^{7n} \times 2^{53n-1} \times 243^n. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{iii) } MSH(G) &= \prod_{yw \in E_G} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2}} \\ &= \prod_{yw \in E_{12}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{13}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{14}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{17}} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{22}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{yw \in E_{23}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{24}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{20}} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{33}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{yw \in E_{34}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{25}} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{44}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{32}} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^{n+1} \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}\right)^{16n} \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{17}}\right)^{4n} \times \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^{13n+1} \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right)^{32n-1} \\ &\quad \times \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{5}}\right)^{3n} \times \left(\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}\right)^{19n-1} \times \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{7n} \times \left(\frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}}\right)^n \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)^{49n} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{18n+1} \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{19n-1} \times \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{17n} \times \left(\frac{1}{17}\right)^{2n}. \end{aligned}$$

Next, we study the molecular graph $(HA - CC)_n$ of HA-curcumin conjugate which is shown in Figure 2(b) for $n = 1, 3$. From the graph structure of $(HA - CC)_n$, we have $|V_G| = 52n + 1$ and $|E_G| = 56n$. According to the edge-partition method, for graph $(HA - PTX)_n$ we have

$$E_{11} = \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 1, \xi(w) = 1\},$$

$$E_{12} = \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 1, \xi(w) = 2\},$$

$$E_{13} = \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 1, \xi(w) = 3\},$$

$$E_{22} = \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 2, \xi(w) = 2\},$$

$$E_{23} = \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 2, \xi(w) = 3\},$$

$$E_{33} = \{yw \in E_G, \xi(y) = 3, \xi(w) = 3\}.$$

The number of edges in E_{ij} 's is shown in Table 2 and we have $|E_G| = \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq 3} |E_{ij}|$.

Table 2
The number of edges in subsets E_{ij} 's of $(HA - CC)_n$.

E_{ij}	E_{11}	E_{12}	E_{13}	E_{22}	E_{23}	E_{33}
$ E_{ij} $	0	$3n + 1$	$9n$	$4n + 1$	$29n - 1$	$11n - 1$

Theorem 3: For the molecular graph $(HA - CC)_n$ with n units' linear iteration, we have

- i) $SO((HA - CC)_n) = (41\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{5} + 9\sqrt{10} + 29\sqrt{13})n - (\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{13})$,
- ii) $RSO((HA - CC)_n) = (26\sqrt{2} + 29\sqrt{5} + 21)n - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5} - 1)$,
- iii) $MSO((HA - CC)_n) = \left(\frac{17}{3\sqrt{2}} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}} + \frac{9}{\sqrt{10}} + \frac{29}{\sqrt{13}}\right)n + \left(\frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right)$,
- iv) $ASO((HA - CC)_n) = 2\sqrt{2}(4n + 1)\sqrt{\frac{(1-4n)^2}{(1+52n)^2}} + \sqrt{2}(11n - 1)\sqrt{\frac{(3+44n)^2}{(1+52n)^2}}$
 $+ (29n - 1)\sqrt{\frac{13+232n+2000n^2}{(1+52n)^2}} + 9\sqrt{2}n\sqrt{\frac{5+72n+2768n^2}{(1+52n)^2}}$
 $+ (3n + 1)\sqrt{\frac{5-152n+3664n^2}{(1+52n)^2}},$

for $n \geq 1$.

Proof: Suppose that G is the molecular graph $(HA - CC)_n$ with $|V_G| = 52n + 1$ and $|E_G| = 56n$. According to Table 2, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } SO(G) &= \sum_{uv \in E} \sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2} \\ &= \sum_{yw \in E_{12}} \sqrt{5} + \sum_{yw \in E_{13}} \sqrt{10} + \sum_{yw \in E_{22}} \sqrt{8} + \sum_{yw \in E_{23}} \sqrt{13} \\ &\quad + \sum_{yw \in E_{33}} \sqrt{18} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sqrt{5}(3n+1) + \sqrt{10}(9n) + \sqrt{8}(4n+1) + \sqrt{13}(29n-1) \\
&\quad + \sqrt{18}(11n-1) \\
&= (41\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{5} + 9\sqrt{10} + 29\sqrt{13})n - (\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{13}).
\end{aligned}$$

ii) $RSO(G) = \sum_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{(\xi(y)-1)^2 + (\xi(w)-1)^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{yw \in E_{12}} \sqrt{1} + \sum_{yw \in E_{13}} \sqrt{4} + \sum_{yw \in E_{22}} \sqrt{2} + \sum_{yw \in E_{23}} \sqrt{5} \\
&\quad + \sum_{yw \in E_{33}} \sqrt{8} \\
&= (3n+1) + 18n + \sqrt{2}(4n+1) + \sqrt{5}(29n-1) \\
&\quad + 2\sqrt{2}(11n-1) \\
&= (26\sqrt{2} + 29\sqrt{5} + 21)n - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5} - 1).
\end{aligned}$$

iii) $MSO(G) = \sum_{yw \in E_G} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum_{yw \in E_{12}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} + \sum_{yw \in E_{13}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} + \sum_{yw \in E_{22}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} + \sum_{yw \in E_{23}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} \\
&\quad + \sum_{yw \in E_{33}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}(3n+1) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}(9n) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}(4n+1) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}(29n-1) \\
&\quad + \frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}(11n-1) \\
&= \left(\frac{17}{3\sqrt{2}} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}} + \frac{9}{\sqrt{10}} + \frac{29}{\sqrt{13}}\right)n + \left(\frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right).
\end{aligned}$$

iv) $ASO(G) = \sum_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{\left(\xi(y) - \frac{2|E_G|}{|V_G|}\right)^2 + \left(\xi(w) - \frac{2|E_G|}{|V_G|}\right)^2}$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (3n+1)\sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{112n}{52n+1}\right)^2} + \left(2 - \frac{112n}{52n+1}\right)^2 \\
&\quad + 9n\sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{112n}{52n+1}\right)^2} + \left(3 - \frac{112n}{52n+1}\right)^2 \\
&\quad + (4n+1)\sqrt{\left(2 - \frac{112n}{52n+1}\right)^2} + \left(2 - \frac{112n}{52n+1}\right)^2 \\
&\quad + (29n-1)\sqrt{\left(2 - \frac{112n}{52n+1}\right)^2} + \left(3 - \frac{112n}{52n+1}\right)^2 \\
&\quad + (11n-1)\sqrt{\left(3 - \frac{112n}{52n+1}\right)^2} + \left(3 - \frac{112n}{52n+1}\right)^2 \\
&= 2\sqrt{2}(4n+1)\sqrt{\frac{(1-4n)^2}{(1+52n)^2}} + \sqrt{2}(11n-1)\sqrt{\frac{(3+44n)^2}{(1+52n)^2}} \\
&\quad + (29n-1)\sqrt{\frac{13+232n+2000n^2}{(1+52n)^2}} \\
&\quad + 9\sqrt{2}n\sqrt{\frac{5+72n+2768n^2}{(1+52n)^2}} + (3n+1)\sqrt{\frac{5-152n+3664n^2}{(1+52n)^2}}.
\end{aligned}$$

Theorem 4: For the molecular graph $(HA - CC)_n$ with n units' linear iteration, we have

- i) $SOII((HA - CC)_n) = (\sqrt{5})^{12n+1} \times (\sqrt{13})^{29n-1} \times 2^{16n+1} \times 3^{11n-1}$,
 - ii) $RSOII((HA - CC)_n) = (\sqrt{2})^{15n} \times (\sqrt{5})^{29n-1} \times 2^{20n-1}$,
 - iii) $MSOII((HA - CC)_n) = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^{12n+1} \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right)^{29n-1} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{16n+1} \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{11n-1}$,
- for $n \geq 1$.

Proof: Suppose that G is the molecular graph $(HA - CC)_n$. According to Table 2, we have

- i)
$$\begin{aligned} SOII(G) &= \prod_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2} \\ &= \prod_{yw \in E_{12}} \sqrt{5} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{13}} \sqrt{10} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{22}} \sqrt{8} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{23}} \sqrt{13} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{yw \in E_{33}} \sqrt{18} \\ &= (\sqrt{5})^{3n+1} \times (\sqrt{10})^{9n} \times (\sqrt{8})^{4n+1} \times (\sqrt{13})^{29n-1} \\ &\quad \times (\sqrt{18})^{11n-1} \\ &= (\sqrt{5})^{12n+1} \times (\sqrt{13})^{29n-1} \times 2^{16n+1} \times 3^{11n-1}. \end{aligned}$$
- ii)
$$\begin{aligned} RSOII(G) &= \prod_{yw \in E_G} \sqrt{(\xi(y) - 1)^2 + (\xi(w) - 1)^2} \\ &= \prod_{yw \in E_{12}} \sqrt{1} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{13}} \sqrt{4} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{22}} \sqrt{2} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{23}} \sqrt{5} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{yw \in E_{33}} \sqrt{8} \\ &= 2^{9n} \times (\sqrt{2})^{4n+1} \times (\sqrt{5})^{29n-1} \times (2\sqrt{2})^{11n-1} \\ &= (\sqrt{2})^{15n} \times (\sqrt{5})^{29n-1} \times 2^{20n-1}. \end{aligned}$$
- iii)
$$\begin{aligned} MSOII(G) &= \prod_{yw \in E_G} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\xi(y)^2 + \xi(w)^2}} \\ &= \prod_{yw \in E_{12}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{13}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{22}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{8}} \times \prod_{yw \in E_{23}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}} \\ &\quad \times \prod_{yw \in E_{33}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{18}} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^{3n+1} \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}\right)^{9n} \times \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^{4n+1} \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right)^{29n-1} \times \left(\frac{1}{3\sqrt{2}}\right)^{11n-1} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}\right)^{12n+1} \times \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right)^{29n-1} \times \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{16n+1} \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{11n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

3. Results and discussions

Calculating topological indices of drug structure enables researchers to better understand the biological, physicochemical properties of drugs. Hence, we studied the structures of HA-PTX/Curcumin conjugates and obtained some Sombor indices and the multiplicative Sombor indices.

Tables 5-8 show the numerical outcomes of the topological indices studied of HA-Paclitaxel and HA-Curcumin. Also, the graphical comparison of the results for the indices of SO , RSO , ASO , and MSO is shown in Figures 3 and 4.

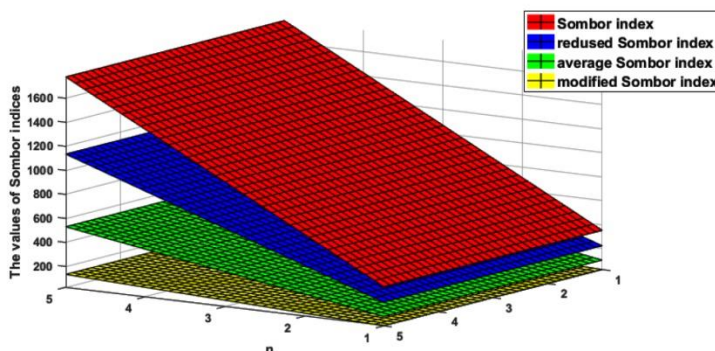


Figure 3
Comparison of SO , RSO , ASO , and MSO for the HA-Paclitaxel structure.

It can be observed from Figures 3 and 4, that SO (with red color), RSO (with blue color), MSO (with green color), and ASO (with yellow color) for the HA-PTX and HA-Curcumin increase with the increase in n . According to the results in Theorems 1 and 3, the linear functions of these four Sombor indices of the molecular graphs HA-Paclitaxel and HA-Curcumin are obtained. Based on Tables 3 and 4, the following relations of SO , RSO , MSO , and ASO functions for $(HA - PTX)_n$ and $(HA - CC)_n$ are obtained.

For any $n \geq 1$,

$$MSO((HA - PTX)_n) \leq ASO((HA - PTX)_n) \leq RSO((HA - PTX)_n) \leq SO((HA - PTX)_n),$$

and

$$MSO((HA - CC)_n) \leq ASO((HA - CC)_n) \leq RSO((HA - CC)_n) \leq SO((HA - CC)_n).$$

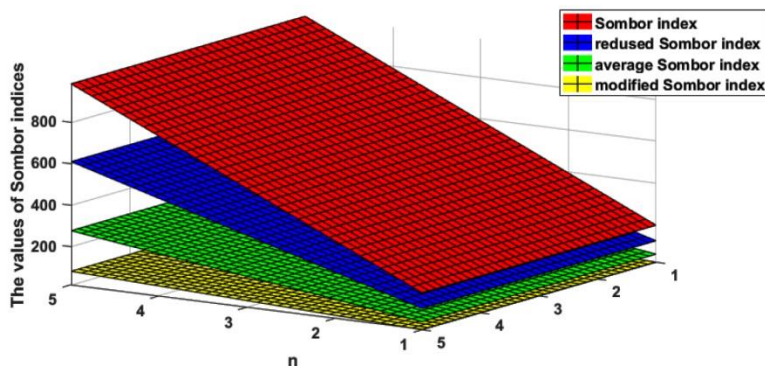


Figure 4
Comparison of SO , RSO , ASO , and MSO for the HA-Curcumin structure.

Table 3
The results obtained for *SO*, *RSO*, *ASO*, and *MSO* of the molecular graph HA-Paclitaxel.

Sombor indices	The exact values in terms of n	Function
$SO((HA - PTX)_n)$	$(41\sqrt{2} + 3\sqrt{5} + 9\sqrt{10} + 29\sqrt{13})n - (\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{5} + \sqrt{13})$	$\approx 356.156n - 2.7837$
$RSO((HA - PTX)_n)$	$(26\sqrt{2} + 29\sqrt{5} + 21)n - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5} - 1)$	$\approx 227.647n - 2.6503$
$MSO((HA - PTX)_n)$	$\left(\frac{16}{\sqrt{10}} + \frac{157}{24}\sqrt{2} + \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} + \frac{32}{\sqrt{13}} + \frac{4}{\sqrt{17}} + \frac{7}{5}\right)n + \left(\frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right)$	$\approx 26.6743n - 0.2877$
$ASO((HA - PTX)_n)$	$\sqrt{2}(13n + 1)\sqrt{\frac{(1-9n)^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 3\sqrt{2}(19n - 1)\sqrt{\frac{(1+23n)^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 4\sqrt{2}n\sqrt{\frac{(1+39n)^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + (32n - 1)\sqrt{\frac{13+342n+5085n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 6n\sqrt{\frac{5+294n+6165n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 16\sqrt{2}n\sqrt{\frac{5+102n+7893n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + (n + 1)\sqrt{\frac{5-282n+11349n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 7n\sqrt{\frac{25+1662n+29097n^2}{(1+87n)^2}} + 4n\sqrt{\frac{17+1038n+35361n^2}{(1+87n)^2}},$	$\approx 105.996n - 0.4242$

Table 4
The results obtained for *SO*, *RSO*, *ASO*, and *MSO* of the molecular graph HA-Curcumin.

Sombor indices	The exact values in terms of n	Function
$SO((HA - CC)_n)$	$(87\sqrt{2} + 7\sqrt{5} + 16\sqrt{10} + 32\sqrt{13} + 4\sqrt{17} + 35)n - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{13} - \sqrt{5})$	$\approx 197.712n - 2.7837$
$RSO((HA - CC)_n)$	$(54\sqrt{2} + 32\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{10} + 7\sqrt{13} + 45)n - (\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5} - 1)$	$\approx 122.616n - 2.6503$
$MSO((HA - CC)_n)$	$\left(\frac{17}{3\sqrt{2}} + \frac{3}{\sqrt{5}} + \frac{9}{\sqrt{10}} + \frac{29}{\sqrt{13}}\right)n + \left(\frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{13}}\right)$	$\approx 16.2378n + 0.2877$
$ASO((HA - CC)_n)$	$2\sqrt{2}(4n + 1)\sqrt{\frac{(1-4n)^2}{(1+52n)^2}} + \sqrt{2}(11n - 1)\sqrt{\frac{(3+44n)^2}{(1+52n)^2}} + (29n - 1)\sqrt{\frac{13+232n+2000n^2}{(1+52n)^2}} + 9\sqrt{2}n\sqrt{\frac{5+72n+2768n^2}{(1+52n)^2}} + (3n + 1)\sqrt{\frac{5-152n+3664n^2}{(1+52n)^2}}$	$\approx 55.3439n - 0.675$

Based on Theorems 2 and 4, the multiplicative Sombor indices exhibit exponential growth. Tables 6 and 8 demonstrate this behavior, showing that the indices $SOII$ and $RSOII$ increase as the value of n increases. The function of $MSOII$ decreases in any two structures of HA-conjugates. Therefore, the functions of $SOII$ and $RSOII$ are increasing functions and the function $MSOII$ is the decreasing function for the molecular graphs $(HA - PTX)_n$ and $(HA - CC)_n$ (see Figures 5 and 6).

Table 5
Numerical results for SO , RSO , ASO , and MSO of HA-Paclitaxel.

$(HA - PTX)_n$	SO	RSO	ASO	MSO
$n = 1$	353.3718	224.9971	106.4831	26.9620
$n = 2$	709.5274	452.6445	212.5301	53.6363
$n = 3$	1065.6829	680.2919	318.5429	80.3107
$n = 4$	1421.8385	907.9393	424.5470	106.9850
$n = 5$	1777.9941	1135.5867	530.5478	133.6594

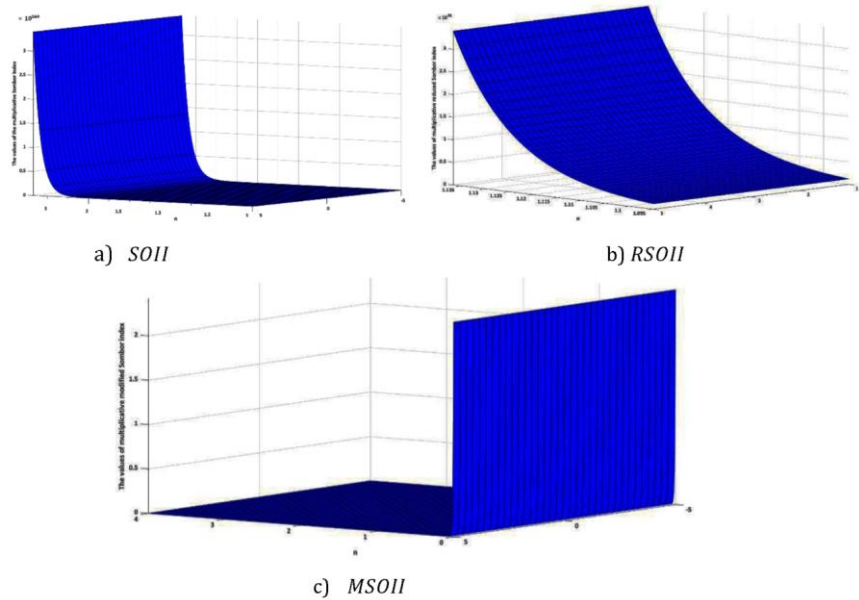


Figure 5
Charts of $SOII$, $RSOII$, and $MSOII$ for the HA-Paclitaxel structure.

Table 6
Numerical results related to of *SOII*, *RSOII*, and *MSOII* for the HA-Paclitaxel structure.

$(HA - PTX)_n$	<i>SOII</i>	<i>RSOII</i>	<i>MSOII</i>
$n = 1$	4.38×10^{53}	6.61×10^{33}	2.28×10^{-54}
$n = 2$	4.65×10^{107}	1.95×10^{68}	2.15×10^{-108}
$n = 3$	4.93×10^{161}	5.78×10^{102}	2.02×10^{-162}
$n = 4$	5.23×10^{215}	1.71×10^{137}	1.91×10^{-216}
$n = 5$	5.54×10^{269}	5.06×10^{171}	1.80×10^{-270}

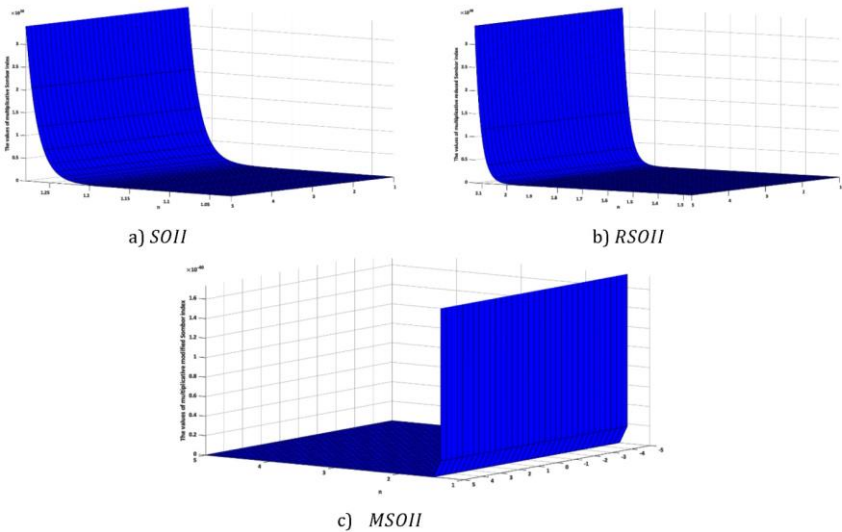


Figure 6
Charts of *SOII*, *RSOII*, and *MSOII* for the HA-Curcumin structure.

Table 7
Numerical results related to *SO*, *RSO*, *ASO*, and *MSO* of the HA-Curcumin structure.

$(HA - CC)_n$	<i>SO</i>	<i>RSO</i>	<i>ASO</i>	<i>MSO</i>
$n = 1$	194.9287	119.9652	55.6583	16.5254
$n = 2$	392.6411	242.5807	111.0861	32.7632
$n = 3$	590.3536	365.1962	166.4580	49.0010
$n = 4$	788.0660	487.8118	221.8159	65.2388
$n = 5$	985.7785	610.4273	277.1683	81.4766

Table 8
Numerical results related to *SOII*, *RSOII*, and *MSOII* of the HA-Curcumin structure.

$(HA - CC)_n$	<i>SOII</i>	<i>RSOII</i>	<i>MSOII</i>
$n = 1$	1.06×10^{30}	5.79×10^{17}	9.39×10^{-31}
$n = 2$	2.74×10^{60}	1.50×10^{36}	3.64×10^{-61}
$n = 3$	7.06×10^{90}	3.88×10^{54}	1.41×10^{-91}
$n = 4$	1.81×10^{121}	1.007×10^{73}	5.49×10^{-122}
$n = 5$	4.68×10^{151}	2.60×10^{91}	2.13×10^{-152}

4. Conclusion

Recent studies have shown that some Sombor indices are able to predict the physical and chemical properties of structures. In this work, some new topological indices of HA-PTX and HA-curcumin conjugates are computed by using the graph theory.

Tables 5-8 present the numerical outcomes of Sombor-type indices of the structures HA-Paclitaxel/Curcumin conjugates. These results can predict physical and chemical properties including Entropy, boiling points, molar volume, SNar, density, and HNar of HA-Paclitaxel/curcumin conjugates.

According to Figures 3-6 for the two molecular structures of HA-Paclitaxel and HA-Curcumin, the Sombor indices and the multiplicative Sombor indices increase with the increase in n except for the index *MSOII* which decreases in any two structures of HA-conjugates.

The linear functions of Sombor indices of the molecular graphs HA-Paclitaxel and HA-Curcumin conjugated computed based on the results obtained in Theorems 1 and 3. These results are shown in Tables 3 and 4.

The results in this study can be used in applications of QSPR models including anticancer drug research. The computation of other Sombor indices of the molecular structure of anticancer drugs would be an interesting topic for further study.

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