

A NEW UPPER BOUND ON THE LARGEST NORMALIZED LAPLACIAN EIGENVALUE

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Abstract. Let \mathcal{G} be a simple undirected connected graph on n vertices. Suppose that the vertices of \mathcal{G} are labelled $1, 2, \dots, n$. Let d_i be the degree of the vertex i . The Randić matrix of \mathcal{G} , denoted by R , is the $n \times n$ matrix whose (i, j) -entry is $\frac{1}{\sqrt{d_i d_j}}$ if the vertices i and j are adjacent and 0 otherwise. The normalized Laplacian matrix of \mathcal{G} is $\mathcal{L} = I - R$, where I is the $n \times n$ identity matrix. In this paper, by using an upper bound on the maximum modulus of the subdominant Randić eigenvalues of \mathcal{G} , we obtain an upper bound on the largest eigenvalue of \mathcal{L} . We also obtain an upper bound on the largest modulus of the negative Randić eigenvalues and, from this bound, we improve the previous upper bound on the largest eigenvalue of \mathcal{L} .

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