A new upper bound for the total vertex irregularity strength of graphs

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Abstract

We investigate the following modification of the well known irregularity strength of graphs. Given a total weighting w of a graph G = (V, E) with elements of a set $\{1, 2, ..., s\}$, denote $wt_G(v) = \sum_{e \ni v} w(e) + w(v)$ for each $v \in V$. The smallest s for which exists such a weighting with $wt_G(u) \neq wt_G(v)$ whenever u and v are distinct vertices of G is called the total vertex irregularity strength of this graph, and is denoted by tvs(G). We prove that $tvs(G) \leq 3\lceil n/\delta \rceil + 1$ for each graph of order n and with minimum degree $\delta > 0$.

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