# Some Edge Cut Sets and an Upper Bound for Edge Tenacity of Organic Compounds $C_nH_{2n+2}$

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Abstract The graphs play an important role in our daily life. For example, the urban transport network can be represented by a graph, as the intersections are the vertices and the streets are the edges of the graph. Suppose that some edges of the graph are removed, the question arises, how damaged the graph is. There are some criteria for measuring the vulnerability of graph; the tenacity is the best criteria for measuring it. In this paper, we find some edge cut sets for organic compounds  $C_nH_{2n+2}$  and obtain an upper bound for  $T_e(C_nH_{2n+2})$  by these edge cut sets.

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# **1** Introduction

Let G = (V(G), E(G)) be a graph. Consider some edges of G are deleted, so a problem is mentioned, how much the graph G is damaged. Some items are important to check the vulnerability of G, (1) the number of elements that are omitted, (2) the number of remaining connected subgraphs, (3) and the number of edges in the largest components of the graph after deleting the edges.

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With these items some criteria are defined, edge connectivity, toughness, scattering, integrity, tenacity, rupture degree, etc. The connectivity is a parameter defined based on Quantity (1). Both toughness and scattering number take into account Quantities (1) and (2). The integrity is defined based on Quantities (1) and (3). Both the tenacity and rupture degree take into account all the three Quantities [2]. Some researchers compare these criteria and result shows the tenacity and the edge-tenacity are best criteria for measuring the vulnerability of G [3], [5], [6], [8]. We try on Edge Tenacity of  $C_nH_{2n+2}$  by using the definition of Edge Tenacity. In section 2 we obtain the Edge Tenacity for Methane, Ethan and Propane. Obtaining all edge cut sets is difficult so we reach some edge cut sets, and we calculate these YAFs, we work it in section 3. In section 4 we compare these amounts by  $\frac{1}{2}$  or other case and obtain a bound for Edge Tenacity of  $C_nH_{2n+2}$ .

### 2 Background

**Definition 1** Consider a graph G = (V, E), V is the set of vertices of G and E is the set of edges of G. Show the number of vertices by  $\nu$  and the number of edges of G by  $\epsilon$ . We call G is empty if  $\epsilon = 0$ . If  $\nu$  and  $\epsilon$  are finite G is called finite.

A tree is a connected acyclic graph. For every tree,  $\epsilon = \nu - 1$ . The graph of  $C_n H_{2n+2}$  is a tree.

**Definition 2** A cut edge of G is an edge e such that  $\omega(G - e) > \omega(G)$ . Let X and Y be subsets of V(G) (not necessary disjoint). We denote by [X, Y], the set of edges of G with one end in X and the other end in Y. When X is a proper subset of V(G) and  $Y = V \setminus X$ , the set [X, Y] is called an edge cut of G.

**Definition 3** Tenacity of a graph is defined as

$$T(G) = min\{\frac{|S| + \tau(G - S)}{\omega(G - S)}\}.$$

where the minimization is over S, vertex cut set of G; |S| is the number of vertices in S,  $\tau(G-S)$  is the number of vertices in the largest component of G-S, and  $\omega(G-S)$  is the number of components of G-S. A Connected graph G is called T-tenacious, if for any subset S of vertices of G with  $\omega(G-S) \ge 1$ , we have  $|S| + \tau(G-S) \ge T.\omega(G-S)$ . If G is not a complete graph, then there is a largest T such that G is T-tenacious; this T is the tenacity of G. On the other hand, a complete graph contains no vertex cutset and so it is T-tenacious for every T. Accordingly, we define  $T(K_p) = \infty$  for every p ( $p \ge 1$ ). A set  $S \subset V(G)$  is said to be a T-set of G if  $T(G) = \frac{|S| + \tau(G-S)}{\omega(G-S)}$  [2]. Edge tenacity is defined similarly,

$$T_e(G) = min\{\frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)}\},\tag{1}$$

where the minimization is over edge cut sets E,  $\tau(G-S)$  is the number of edges in the largest component of G-S and  $\omega(G-S)$  is the number of components of G-S.

In this paper, the amount of  $\frac{|E|+\tau(G-E)}{\omega(G-E)}$  is called the "YIELD AMOUNT OF FRACTION (YAF)", made by a set E, and will be represented by a symbol YAF(E).



Fig. 1 Graph of  $C_n H_{2n+2}$ 

As we see the edge tenacity of a graph is depended on edge cut sets of this graph, so first we obtain some edge cut sets of  $C_nH_{2n+2}$ . Assign to the Carbon atom by  $C_1, C_2, \dots, C_n$ ; and assign to the edge joining Carbon atom and Hydrogen atom by e, and the edge joining two Carbon atoms by  $\alpha$ . The graph of  $C_nH_{2+2}$  is in Figure 1.

### 3 Some example of Edge Tenacity of $C_n H_{2n+2}$

**Proposition 1** Every edge in a tree is a cut edge [1].

The graph of  $C_n H_{2n+2}$  is a tree, so all edges are cut edges. We work on all edges of the graph. First, we obtain the edge tenacity for simple cases.

Edge Tenacity of  $CH_4$ 

The graph of Methane doesn't have any edge of the type  $\alpha$  and all of its edges are of the type e. Let E be a subset of E(G) that has i edge of the type e, so  $|E| = i, 1 \le i \le 4, \ \omega(G - E) = 1 + i \text{ and } \tau(G - E) = 4 - i$ , thus

$$T_e(CH_4) = min_E\{\frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)}\} = min_{1 \le i \le 4}\{\frac{4}{1 + i}\} = \frac{4}{5}$$



Fig. 2 Graph of methane

Edge Tenacity of  $C_2H_6$ 



Fig. 3 Graph of ethane

The graph of Ethane has an edge of the type  $\alpha$  and six edges of the type e, see Figure 3. If E just has i edges of the type e, then

$$YAF(E) = \frac{\epsilon}{1+i} = \frac{7}{1+i}, 1 \le i \le 6$$



**Fig. 4** Graph of  $C_2H_6 - \alpha$ 

Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1\}$ , so

$$|E_0| = 1, \omega_0 = \omega(G - E_0) = 2, \tau_0 = \tau(G - E_0) = 3$$

and  $YAF(E_0) = 2$ , see Figure 4.

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains 1 edge of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 1, \tau(G - E) = \tau_0, \omega(G - E) = \omega_0 + 1,$$

then  $YAF(E) = \frac{5}{3}$ . Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains 2 edges of the type e. If both edges e belong to  $G_1$  or belong to  $G_2$ , then

$$|E| = |E_0| + 2, \omega = \omega_0 + 2, \tau = \tau_0$$

and thus  $YAF(E) = \frac{6}{4}$ . If one edge e belongs to  $G_1$  and the other edge belongs to  $G_2$ , then

$$|E| = |E_0| + 2, \omega = \omega_0 + 2, \tau = \tau_0 - 1,$$

and thus  $YAF(E) = \frac{5}{4}$ . Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains three edges of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 3, \omega = \omega_0 + 3$$

If these edges belong to one component of  $G - E_0$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{7}{5}$ . If one edge belongs to a component and other edges belong to the other component, so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 1$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{6}{5}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains four edges of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 4, \omega = \omega_0 + 4$$

If three edges e belong to one component of  $G - E_0$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 1$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{7}{6}$ . If two edges e belong to one component of  $G - E_0$  and other edges belong to other component, so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 2$  and then YAF(E) = 1. Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains five edges of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 5, \omega = \omega_0 + 5$$

In this case, three edges of the type e are in a component and other edges belong to other component, then  $\tau = \tau_0 - 2 = 1$ , and thus YAF(E) = 1. Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains all of edges of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 6, \omega = \omega_0 + 6, \tau = \tau_0 - 3 = 0,$$

thus  $YAF(E) = \frac{7}{8}$ .

We checked all edge cut sets and their YAFs. By Definition 3, we have

$$T_e(C_2H_6) = \min_{\{E|E \text{ is an edge cut set}\}} \{\frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)}\} = \frac{7}{8}.$$

Edge Tenacity of  $C_3H_8$ 



Fig. 5 Graph of  $C_3H_8$ 



**Fig. 6** Graph of  $C_3H_8 - \{\alpha_1\}$ 

Graph of molecule propane is symmetric, so all cases for  $\alpha_1$  is true for  $\alpha_2$ .

Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1\}$ . Name the components of  $G - E_0$  by  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ , so

$$E_0| = 1, \omega_0 = \omega(G - E_0) = 2, \tau_0 = \tau(G - E_0) = 6$$

thus  $YAF(E_0) = \frac{7}{2}$ . Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains one edge of the type e,

$$|E| = |E_0| + 1, \omega = \omega_0 + 1.$$

The amount of  $\tau$  is changed, depending on the edge e belongs to  $G_1$  or  $G_2$ . If  $e \in E(G_1)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{8}{3}$ . If  $e \in E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 1$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{7}{3}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains two edges of the type e, then

$$|E| = |E_0| + 2, \omega = \omega_0 + 2$$

If both edges belong to  $G_1$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{9}{4}$ . If both edges belong to  $G_2$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 2$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{7}{4}$ . If one edge belongs to  $G_1$  and other one belongs to  $G_2$ , then  $\tau = \tau_0 - 1$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{8}{4}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains three edges of the type e, thus

$$|E| = |E_0| + 3, \omega = \omega_0 + 3$$

If three edges belong to  $G_1$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0$  and thus  $YAF(E) = \frac{10}{5}$ . If exactly two edges belong to  $G_1$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 1$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{9}{5}$ . If just one edge belongs to  $G_1$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 2$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{8}{5}$ . If no one edges belong to  $G_1$ , we have  $\tau = \tau_0 - 3$  and therefore  $YAF(E) = \frac{7}{5}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains four edges of the type e, then

$$|E| = |E_0| + 4, \omega = \omega_0 + 4$$

If four edges are in  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = |E(G_1)| = 3$  and thus  $YAF(E) = \frac{8}{6}$ . If three are in  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 3 = 3$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{8}{6}$ . If two edges are in  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 2 = 4$  and thus  $YAF(E) = \frac{9}{6}$ . If just one edge is in  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 1 = 5$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{10}{6}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains five edges of the type e, therefore

$$|E| = |E_0| + 5, \omega = \omega_0 + 5$$

If two edges belong to  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 2 = 4$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{10}{7}$ . If three edges belong to  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 3 = 3$  and thus  $YAF(E) = \frac{9}{7}$ . If four edges belong to  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = 2$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{8}{7}$ . If five edges belong to  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = |E(G_1)| = 3$  and thus  $YAF(E) = \frac{9}{7}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains six edges of the type e, therefore

$$|E| = |E_0| + 6, \omega = \omega_0 + 6.$$

If three edges are in  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 3 = 3$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{10}{8}$ . If four edges are in  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 4 = 2$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{9}{8}$ . If five edges are in  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = 2$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{9}{8}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains seven edges of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 7, \omega = \omega_0 + 7$$

If four edges belong to  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = 2$  and thus  $YAF(E) = \frac{10}{9}$ . If five edges belong to  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = 1$  and YAF(E) = 1.

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains eight edges of the type e, therefore

$$|E| = |E_0| + 8, \omega = \omega_0 + 8, \tau = 1,$$

and then YAF(E) = 1. Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$ , so

$$|E_0| = 2, \omega_0 = 3, \tau_0 = 3$$

and  $YAF(E_0) = \frac{5}{3}$ .

If  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains one edge of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 1, \omega = \omega_0 + 1, \tau = \tau_0,$$

therefore  $YAF(E) = \frac{6}{4}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains two edges of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 2, \omega = \omega_0 + 2.$$

If both edges belong to  $E(G_1)$  or  $E(G_2)$ , then  $\tau = \tau_0$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{7}{5}$ . If one edge belongs to  $E(G_1)$  or  $E(G_3)$  and other one belongs to  $E(G_2)$ , then  $\tau = \tau_0$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{7}{5}$ . If one edge belongs to  $E(G_1)$  and other edge belongs to  $E(G_3)$ , then  $\tau = \tau_0 - 1$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{6}{5}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains three edges of the type e, therefore

$$|E| = |E_0| + 3, \omega = \omega_0 + 3$$

If three edges are in  $E(G_1)$  or  $E(G_3)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{8}{6}$ . If three edges are in  $E(G_1 \cup G_2)$  or  $E(G_3) \cup E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{8}{6}$ . If three edges belong to  $E(G_1) \cup E(G_3)$  (not only in one), so  $\tau = \tau_0 - 1 = 2$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{7}{6}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains four edges of the type e, therefore

$$|E| = |E_0| + 4, \omega = \omega_0 + 4$$

If these edges are in  $E(G_1) \cup E(G_2)$  or  $E(G_2) \cup E(G_3)$ , then  $\tau = \tau_0$  and  $YAF(E) = \frac{9}{7}$ . If these edges are in  $E(G_1) \cup E(G_3)$ , so  $\tau = 2$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{8}{7}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains five edges of the type e, therefore

$$|E| = |E_0| + 5, \omega = \omega_0 + 5$$

If these edges belong to  $E(G_1) \cup E(G_3)$ , so  $\tau = 2$ , and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{9}{8}$ . If these edges belong to  $E(G_1) \cup E(G_2)$  or  $E(G_2) \cup E(G_3)$ , so  $\tau = \tau_0 = 3$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{10}{8}$ .

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A contains six edges of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 6, \omega = \omega_0 + 6.$$

If no one edges belong to  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = 2$  and thus  $YAF(E) = \frac{10}{9}$ . If just one edge belongs to  $E(G_2)$ , so  $\tau = 1$  and then YAF(E) = 1. If two edges are in  $E(G_2)$  and three edges belong to  $E(G_1)$  or  $E(G_3)$ , so  $\tau = 2$  and then  $YAF(E) = \frac{10}{9}$ . If two edges belong to  $E(G_2)$ , two edges belong to  $E(G_1)$  and two edges belong to  $E(G_3)$ , so  $\tau = 1$  and thus YAF(E) = 1. Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A has seven edges of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 7, \omega = \omega_0 + 7.$$

In this case one edge is or two edges are in  $E(G_2)$ , by any way,  $\tau = 1$  and therefore YAF(E) = 1.

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A has eight edges of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + 8, \omega = \omega_0 + 8, \tau = 0,$$

therefore  $YAF(E) = \frac{10}{11} < 1$ .

Therefore by Definition 3,

$$T_e(C_3H_8) = \frac{10}{11}$$



**Fig. 7** Graph of  $C_3H_8 - \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$ 

#### 4 Some Edge-Cut Sets and their YAFs for General Cases

By Definition 3 we need all edge-cut sets, But it is hard to find all the cut edge sets. Therefore we use some edge-cut set and reach these YAFs. We work on  $n \ge 4$ .

**Theorem 1** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1\}$  and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type  $e, 0 \le s \le 2n+2$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}.$$

*Proof.* The graph of  $G - E_0$  has two components, also

$$|E_0| = 1, \omega_0 = 2, \tau_0 = 3(n-1)$$

Consider  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A has s edges of the type e, and i edges of A incident with  $C_1$ , that  $0 \le i \le 3$ , so

$$|E| = |E_0| + s, \omega(G - E) = \omega_0 + s, \tau = \tau_0 - (s - i),$$

therefore

$$YAF(E) = \frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)} = \frac{|E_0| + s + \tau_0 - (s - i)}{\omega_0 + s} = \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0 + i}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}.$$

**Note.** The above relations are commised firmly for  $E_0 = \{\alpha_{n-1}\}$ .



**Fig. 8** Graph of  $G - \{\alpha_1\}$ 

**Theorem 2** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$  and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type e,  $0 \le s \le 2n+2$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}.$$



**Fig. 9** Graph of  $G - \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2\}$ 

*Proof.* The graph of  $G - E_0$  is in Figure 9.

$$|E_0| = 2, \omega(G - E_0) = 3, \tau(G - E_0) = 3(n - 2), YAF(E_0) = \frac{3n - 4}{3}.$$

Let  $E^1$  be a set of edges of the type e don't incident with  $C_1$  and/or  $C_2$ . Consider  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A has s edges of the type e and let  $|A \cap E^1| = i$ ,  $(0 \le i \le s)$ , so

$$|E| = |E_0| + s, \omega(G - E) = \omega_0 + s, \tau(G - E) = \tau_0 - i.$$

Therefore

$$YAF(E) = \frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)} = \frac{|E_0| + s + \tau_0 - i}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}$$

**Note.** If  $E_0 = \{\alpha_{n-1}, \alpha_{n-2}\}$  then the above relations are established.

**Theorem 3** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_k\}$  and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type  $e, 0 \le s \le 2n+2$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}.$$

*Proof.*  $E_0 = \{\alpha_k\}$ , so

$$|E_0| = 1, \, \omega(G - E_0) = 2.$$



**Fig. 10** Graph of  $G - \{\alpha_k\}$ 

Name the components of  $G - E_0$  by  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ .

$$|E(G_1)| = 3(n-k), |E(G_2)| = 3k.$$

Also  $|E(G_1)| \ge |E(G_2)|$  iff  $n \ge 2k$ , therefore if  $n \ge 2k$  so  $\tau_0 = \tau(G - E_0) = |E(G_1)| = 3(n-k)$  and if n < 2k then  $\tau_0 = \tau(G - E_0) = |E(G_2)| = 3k$  (Note the function  $\tau_0$  is continues). So

$$|E_0| = 1, \omega_0 = 2, \tau_0 = \begin{cases} 3(n-k) , n \ge 2k, \\ 3k , n < 2k. \end{cases}$$

Consider  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type e, so

$$|E| = |E_0| + s, \omega(G - E) = \omega_0 + s.$$

Assume *i* edges of *A* are in  $E(G_1)$  and *j* edges of *A* are in  $E(G_2)$  (i + j = s). Without loss of generality assume  $|E(G_1)| \ge |E(G_2)|$ , so  $\tau_0 = |E(G_1)|$ .  $G_1$  translates to  $G'_1$  and  $G_2$  translates to  $G'_2$  after removing *E* from *G*, so

$$|E(G_1')| = |E(G_1)| - i = \tau_0 - i, |E(G_2')| = |E(G_2)| - j.$$

Note  $|E(G_1)| + |E(G_2)| + 1 = \epsilon$  thus  $|E(G'_2)| = 3n - \tau_0 - j$ . For reaching  $\tau(G - E)$ , we see  $|E(G'_1)| \ge |E(G'_2)|$  iff  $2\tau_0 \ge 3n - j + i$ , therefore if  $2\tau_0 \ge 3n - j + i$  then  $\tau(G - E) = |E(G'_1)| = \tau_0 - i$  and

$$YAF(E) = \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0 + j}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}$$

and if  $2\tau_0 < 3n - j + i$ , then  $\tau(G - E) = |E(G'_2)| = 3n - \tau_0 - j$ , note  $i \le s$  so  $\tau_0 < 3n - \tau_0 + i$  and thus

$$YAF(E) = \frac{|E_0| + s + 3n - \tau_0 - j}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}.$$

**Theorem 4** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_k\}$   $(3 \le k \le n-2)$ , and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type  $e, 0 \le s \le 2n+2$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}$$



**Fig. 11** Graph of  $G - \{\alpha_1, \alpha_k\}$ 

*Proof.* Graph of  $G - \{\alpha_1, \alpha_k\}$  is in Figure 11.

$$|E_0| = 2, \omega_0 = 3.$$

Also  $|E(G_1)| = 3(k-1) - 1$  and  $|E(G_2)| = 3(n-k)$  and  $|E(G_1)| \ge |E(G_2)|$ iff  $3n \le 6k - 4$ . Thus if  $3n \le 6k - 4$  then  $\tau_0 = |E(G_1)| = 3(k-1) - 1$  and if 3n > 6k - 4 then  $\tau_0 = |E(G_2)| = 3(n-k)$ . So

$$|E_0| = 2, \omega_0 = 3, \tau_0 = \begin{cases} 3(k-1) - 1, & 3n \le 6k - 4\\ 3(n-k), & 3n > 6k - 4 \end{cases}$$

Consider  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A has s edges of the type e. Let  $E^1$  be a set of edges of the form e incident with  $C_1$ . Without reducing the generality, assume  $G_1$  is the largest component of  $G - E_0$ , therefore  $|E(G_1)| = \tau_0$  and we have  $|E(G_1)| + |E(G_2)| + 5 = \epsilon$ , so  $|E(G_2)| = 3n - \tau_0 - 4$ .

Let  $|A \cap E^1| = l$ ,  $|A \cap E(G_1)| = i$  and  $|A \cap E(G_2)| = j$ , so i + j + l = s.  $G_1$  is changed to  $G'_1$  by deleting *i* edges from  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is changed by deleting *j* edges of the from  $G_2$ , so

$$|E(G'_1)| = |E(G_1)| - i, |E(G'_2)| = |E(G_2)| - j,$$

$$|E| = |E_0| + s, \omega(G - E) = \omega_0 + s$$

Note  $|E(G'_1)| \ge |E(G'_2)$  iff  $2\tau_0 \ge 3n+i-j-4$ . Therefore if  $2\tau_0 \ge 3n+i-j-4$ , then  $\tau(G-E) = |E(G'_1)| = \tau_0 - i$ , so

$$YAF(E) = \frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)} = \frac{|E_0| + s + \tau_0 - i}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s},$$

and if  $2\tau_0 < 3n + i - j - 4$ , then  $\tau(G - E) = |E(G'_2)| = 3n - \tau_0 - 4 - j$ , so

$$YAF(E) = \frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)} = \frac{|E_0| + s + 3n - \tau_0 - 4 - j}{\omega_0 + s}$$

because  $2\tau_0 < 3n + i - j - 3$  and  $i \leq s$ , we have  $2\tau_0 < 3n + s - j - 4$  so  $s + 3n - \tau_0 - 4 - j \geq \tau_0$ , therefore

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}.$$

Note Butane doesn't have this edge-cut set, so we have this set for  $n \ge 5$ .

**Theorem 5** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_k, \alpha_{k+1}\}$  and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type  $e, 0 \le s \le 2n+2$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}.$$



**Fig. 12** Graph of  $G - \{\alpha_k, \alpha_{k+1}\}$ 

*Proof.* The graph of  $G - E_0$  is in Figure 12,

$$|E_0| = 2, \omega_0 = 3.$$

Also  $|E(G_1)| = 3k$  and  $|E(G_2)| = 3(n - (k + 1))$ , so  $|E(G_1)| \ge |E(G_2)|$  iff  $n \le 2k+1$ . If  $2k \ge n-1$ , then  $\tau_0 = 3k$  and if 2k < n-1, then  $\tau_0 = 3(n - (k+1))$ , so

$$|E_0| = 2, \omega_0 = 3, \tau_0 = \begin{cases} 3k & , 2k \ge n-1, \\ 3(n-(k+1)) & , 2k < n-1. \end{cases}$$

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , where A contains s edges of the form e. Let  $E^1$  be a set of edges of the type e incident with  $C_{k+1}$ . Also consider  $|A \cap E^1| = l$   $(0 \le l \le 2)$ ,  $|A \cap E(G_1)| = i$  and  $|A \cap E(G_2)| = j$  (i.e. i+j+l=s). Consider  $G_1$  is changed to  $G'_1$  by omitting i edges of the form e, and  $G_2$  is changed to  $G'_2$  by omitting j edges of the form e,  $|E(G_1)| = |E(G_1)| - i$  and  $|E(G'_2)| = |E(G_2)| - j$ . Without reducing the generality, consider  $G_1$  is the largest component of  $G - E_0$ , thus  $\tau_0 = |E(G_1)|$ . We have  $|E(G_1)| + |E(G_2)| + 4 = \epsilon$ , so  $|E(G_2)| = 3n - \tau_0 - 3$ . Note  $|E(G'_1)| \ge |E(G'_2)|$  iff  $2\tau_0 \ge 3n + i - j - 3$ . Therefore if  $2\tau_0 \ge 3n + i - j - 2$  then  $\tau = |E(G'_1)| = \tau_0 - i$  and

$$YAF(E) = \frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)} = \frac{|E_0| + s + \tau_0 - i}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}$$

If  $2\tau_0 < 3n + i - j - 3$  then  $\tau = |E(G'_2)| = 3n - \tau_0 - j - 2$  and because  $i \le s$  we have  $s + 3n - \tau_0 - 3 - j \ge \tau_0$ , and

$$YAF(E) = \frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)} = \frac{|E_0| + s + 3n - \tau_0 - 3 - j}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}.$$

**Theorem 6** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k\}$  (k < n-1) and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type  $e, 0 \le s \le 2n+2$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}$$

*Proof.* We have

$$E_0| = k, \omega_0 = k + 1, \tau_0 = 3(n - k).$$

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$  where A has s edges of the type e. Let  $E^1$  be a set of edges of form e incident with  $C_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$ , and let  $E^2$  the set of edges of form e don't incident with  $C_i$ ,  $1 \le i \le k$ . If  $|A \cap E^2| = l$   $(l \le 2(n-k) + 1 \le s)$ , so  $|E| = |E_0| + s$ ,  $\omega = \omega_0 + s$  and  $\tau = \tau_0 - l$ . Therefore

$$YAF(E) = \frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)} = \frac{|E_0| + s + \tau_0 - l}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}$$

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$$H \xrightarrow{-1} C_1 \xrightarrow{1} C_2 \cdots \xrightarrow{1} C_k \xrightarrow{1} C_{k+1} \cdots \xrightarrow{1} C_n \xrightarrow{-1} H$$

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**Fig. 13** Graph of  $G - \{\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_k\}$ 

**Theorem 7** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \cdots, \alpha_{n-1}\}$  and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type  $e, 0 \le s \le 2n+2$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}.$$

*Proof.* We have

$$E_0| = n - 1, \omega_0 = n, \tau_0 = 3.$$

Assume  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A contains s edges of the type e. Let l edges of A incident with  $C_1$  or  $C_n$  ( $0 \le l \le 6$ ),  $|E| = |E_0| + s$  and  $\omega = \omega_0 + s$ . There are some relations between  $\tau$ ,  $\tau_0$  and l. Thus  $\tau = \tau_0$  or  $\tau = \tau_0 - 1$ ; therefore  $\tau \le \tau_0$ . So  $\tau + s \ge \tau_0$ , and then

$$YAF(E) = \frac{|E| + \tau(G - E)}{\omega(G - E)} = \frac{|E_0| + s + \tau}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s}.$$

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Fig. 14 The table of  $l, \tau$  and  $\tau_0$ 



**Fig. 15** Graph of  $G - \{\alpha_1, \cdots, \alpha_n\}$ 

## 5 Finding a best upper bound for Edge Tenacity

As we seen, in every cases of E in the previous section, the yield amount of fraction of E is grater than or equal  $\frac{|E_0|+\tau_0}{\omega_0+s}$ ,  $(0 \le s \le 2n+2)$ . We compare YAF(E) by  $\frac{1}{2}$  for every E and we show  $T_e(C_nH_{2n+2}) \le \frac{n+3}{3n+2}$ .

**Theorem 8** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_k\}$   $(1 \le k \le n-1)$  and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type e  $(0 \le s \le 2n+2)$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{1}{2}.$$
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*Proof.*  $E_0 = \{\alpha_k\}, 1 \le k \le n-1$ . Let  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A has s edges of the type e. Consider  $n \ge 2k$ , so for all  $s, 0 \le s \le 2n+2$ ,

$$\frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{3n - 3k + 1}{2n + 4},$$

and because  $n \ge 2k$ , we have 2n > 3k and therefore

$$\frac{6n - 6k + 1}{2n + 4} \ge 1,$$

thus  $YAF(E) > \frac{1}{2}$ .

Now Consider  $n \leq 2k$ , so for all  $s, 0 \leq s \leq 2n+2$ , we have

$$\frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{3k + 1}{2n + 4},$$

and because n < 2k, we have n + 1 < 3k and therefore 6k + 2 > 2n + 4, thus  $YAF(E) > \frac{1}{2}$ .

**Theorem 9** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1, \alpha_k\}$   $(1 \le k \le n-1)$  and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type e  $(0 \le s \le 2n+2)$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{1}{2}.$$

*Proof.* Consider  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type e. Assume  $3n \le 6k - 4$ . For all  $s, 0 \le s \le 2n + 2$ ,

$$\frac{|E_0|+\tau_0}{\omega_0+s} \geq \frac{2+3(k-1)-1}{2n+5}$$

On the other hand  $3n \le 6k-4$ , so  $2n \le 6k-n-4$  and n > 5, thus  $6k-n-4 \le 6k-9$ , therefore  $2n \le 6k-9$  and

$$6k - 4 \ge 2n + 5,$$

so  $YAF(E) > \frac{1}{2}$ . Assume 3n > 6k - 4. For all  $s, 0 \le s \le 2n + 2$ ,

$$\frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{3n - 3k + 2}{2n + 5},$$

 $n\geq 4,$  so 4n>3n+3 and 3n+3>6k-1, therefore 4n>6k-1 and thus

$$6n - 6k + 4 > 2n + 5$$

and then  $YAF(E) > \frac{1}{2}$ .

**Theorem 10** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_k, \alpha_{k+1}\}$   $(1 \le k \le n-1)$  and  $E = E_0 \cup A$ that A has s edges of the type  $e (0 \le s \le 2n+2)$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{1}{2}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type e. Assume  $2k \ge n-1$ , for all  $s (0 \le s \le 2n+2)$ ,

$$\frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{3k + 2}{2n + 5}.$$

n > 4, so 3n - 3 > 2n + 1 and also  $2k \ge n - 1$ , so  $6k \ge 3n - 3$ , therefore 6k > 2n + 1, thus

$$6k + 4 > 2n + 5$$
,

and then  $YAF(E) > \frac{1}{2}$ . Assume 2k < n-1 and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type e. For all s,

$$\frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{3n - 3k - 1}{2n + 5}$$

2k < n-1 and n > 4, so 6k + 7 < 3n + 4 < 4n and

$$6n - 6k - 2 > 2n + 5,$$

therefore  $YAF(E) > \frac{1}{2}$ .

**Theorem 11** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k\}$  and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type  $e (0 \le s \le 2n+2)$ , then

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{n+2}{3n+2}.$$

*Proof.* Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k\}$ . Let  $E = E_0 \cup A$ , that A has s edges of the type e,

$$\frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{3n - 2k}{2n + k + 3}$$

for all  $s, 0 \le s \le 2n + 2$ . Let

$$f(k) := \frac{3n-2k}{2n+k+3}$$

the function f is a decreasing function, so

$$k < n - 1 \to f(k) > f(n - 1) \to \frac{3n - 2k}{2n + k + 3} > \frac{n + 2}{3n + 2}.$$
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**Theorem 12** Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n-1}\}$  and  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type e  $(0 \le s \le 2n+2)$ , then

$$YAF(E) \le \frac{1}{2}.$$

*Proof.* Consider  $E_0 = \{\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_{n-1}\}$ . Let  $E = E_0 \cup A$  that A has s edges of the type e. We have

$$\frac{|E_0| + \tau_0}{\omega_0 + s} \ge \frac{n+2}{3n+2}.$$

Beacause n > 2, thus

$$\frac{n+2}{3n+2} \le \frac{1}{2}.\tag{4}$$

The below conclusion is the main result of this paper.

**Conclusion.** As we seen, for any cut-edge set E, except 3 and 4, therefore

$$YAF(E) \ge \frac{1}{2}.$$

Because of relationship between Theorems 11 and 12 we have

$$\frac{n+2}{3n+2} \le \min\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3n-2k}{2n+k+3}\}, k < n-1.$$

Therefore by Definition 3,

$$T_e(C_n H_{2n+2}) \le \frac{n+3}{3n+2}.$$

By the above we had a best upper bound for Edge tenacity of the organic compounds  $C_n H_{2n+2}$ . May be there is an organic compound by the edge tenacity equal to the upper bound we had.

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