
ABOUT THEORY OF PRIMARY DECOMPOSITION OF MONOMIAL IDEAL

Abstract

In this paper, we have to R is a commutative Noetherian ring, **i.e.** **where all ideal is finitely generated**, and we have the R -module $I(G)$, **which is a monomial ideal**, where $I(G)$ is the edge ideal of a simple and finite graph G , with no isolated vertices, which is a finitely generated R -module. We consider also \mathfrak{a} an ideal of R and N a submodule of $I(G)$ such that $\mathfrak{a}I(G) \subseteq N$, an inclusion of modules together with the edge ideal. Here in the article, the edge primary decomposition and irreducible decomposition of $\mathfrak{a} \times N$ are given.

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1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, R is a commutative ring with non-zero identity.

We consider $I(G)$, which is an R -module, which is the edge ideal of a graph. In the Cartesian product $R \times I(G)$, define addition and multiplication as follows:

$$(r_1, m_1)(r_2, m_2) = (r_1 r_2, r_1 m_2 + r_2 m_1).$$

This is called the *edge idealization* of $I(G)$.

In this note, we give an edge primary decomposition of $\mathfrak{a} \times N$ via edge primary decompositions of \mathfrak{a} and N . The edge irreducible decomposition of $\mathfrak{a} \times N$ is also presented in the end of the paper.

Associated to the graph G is a monomial ideal

$$I(G) = (v_i v_j \mid v_i v_j \text{ is an edge of } G),$$

with $v_i v_j = v_j v_i$, $i \neq j$, in the polynomial ring $R = K[v_1, v_2, \dots, v_s]$ over a field K , called the *edge ideal* of G , for $i = 1, \dots, n$, and, $j = 1, \dots, m$.

We mean by a graph G , a finite simple graph with the vertex set $V(G)$ having no isolated vertex.

In the Section 2, we presented some prerequisites.

In the Section 3, we presented some results about the theory in question. We can consult the references [1] and [5].

We finalize the paper with a conclusion.

We refer to [3], and [6] for basics in commutative algebra and homological algebra.

2. Prerequisites

This section is in accordance with [2] and [7].

Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$ be a polynomial ring over a field K , and let $Z = \{z_1, \dots, z_q\}$ be a finite set of monomials in R . The *monomial subring* spanned by Z is the K -subalgebra,

$$K[Z] = K[z_1, \dots, z_q] \subset R.$$

Thus, consider any graph G , simple and finite without isolated vertices, with vertex set $V(G) = \{v_1, \dots, v_s\}$.

Let Z be the set of all monomials $v_i v_j = v_j v_i$, with $i \neq j$, in $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$, such that $\{v_i v_j\}$ is an edge of G , i.e., the graph finite and simple G , with no isolated vertices, is such that the squarefree monomials of degree two are defining the edges of the graph G .

If G is a graph without isolated vertices, simple and finite, then let R be denote the polynomial ring on the vertices of G over some fixed field K .

We presented now, the definition of the edge ideal of a graph G , which is finite and simple.

Definition 2.1 [2]. According to the previous context, the *edge ideal* of a finite simple graph G , with no isolated vertices, is defined by:

$$I(G) = (v_i v_j \mid v_i v_j \text{ is an edge of } G),$$

with $v_i v_j = v_j v_i$, and also with $i \neq j$,

3. Main Results about Primary Decomposition

Here, we take K a fixed field and we consider $K[v_1, v_2, \dots, v_s]$, which is the ring polynomial over the field K .

Since K is a field, we have that K is a Noetherian ring and then we have that $K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$ is also a Noetherian ring (by the Theorem of the Hilbert Basis).

Remark 3.1. By the previous context, $R = K[v_1, v_2, \dots, v_s]$ is a Noetherian ring. Therefore, the edge ideal $I(G)$ is a finitely generated ideal. Thus, the edge ideal $I(G)$ is a finitely generated R -module, and therefore is a Noetherian R -module.

The terminology and notations of primary decomposition of ideal or submodule, are found in [4]. We put then, the following definition.

Definition 3.2. Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$. Let N be an R -submodule of $I(G)$. We define the edge primary decomposition $N = N_1 \cap \dots \cap N_t$ of N being *irredundant* or *minimal* if

(1) the prime ideals $\sqrt{\text{Ann}_R(I(G)/N_1)}, \dots, \sqrt{\text{Ann}_R(I(G)/N_t)}$ are distinct, and

(2) for any $j = 1, \dots, t$, we have $N \neq \bigcap_{i \neq j} N_i$.

Assume, now, that \mathfrak{a} is an ideal of R . In the special case for ideals, an edge primary decomposition $\mathfrak{a} = Q_1 \cap \dots \cap Q_s$ of \mathfrak{a} is irredundant or minimal if we have $\sqrt{Q_1}, \dots, \sqrt{Q_s}$ all distinct, and $\mathfrak{a} \neq \bigcap_{i \neq j} Q_i$, for any index $j \in \{1, \dots, s\}$.

Remark 3.3. We have that $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$ is a Noetherian ring, and that $I(G)$ is finitely generated. Then there exists a minimal decomposition of \mathfrak{a} and of N .

And by [5, page 24], we remark that if N is an \mathfrak{p} -primary submodule of $I(G)$,

$$\text{Ann}_R(I(G)/N) \times I(G),$$

is $\mathfrak{p} \times I(G)$ -primary.

Definition 3.4. Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$. In the context of the Remark 3.3, if N is an \mathfrak{p} -primary submodule of $I(G)$ we said to be N an edge \mathfrak{p} -primary submodule of $I(G)$, and then we have that

$$\text{Ann}_R(I(G)/N) \times I(G),$$

is an edge $\mathfrak{p} \times I(G)$ -primary module.

We have now the following result, which we put in the form of a lemma.

Lemma 3.5. [see 7] *Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$. Let \mathfrak{a} be an ideal of R and let N be an R -submodule of $I(G)$. Then, $\mathfrak{a} \times N$ is edge primary module if and only if either*

(1) $N = I(G)$ and \mathfrak{a} is an edge primary ideal of R or

(2) $N \subset I(G)$ and $N \neq I(G)$, $\mathfrak{a}I(G) \subseteq N$, and \mathfrak{a} and N are edge \mathfrak{p} -primary where $\mathfrak{p} = \sqrt{\mathfrak{a}}$.

In either cases, $\mathfrak{a} \times N$ is an edge $\sqrt{\mathfrak{a}} \times I(G)$ -primary module.

Let \mathfrak{a} such that $\mathfrak{a}I(G) \subseteq N$. We presented now more a result. It is useful to get the edge primary decomposition of the ideal $\mathfrak{a} \times N$, which is an R -module.

Proposition 3.6. *Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$. Let \mathfrak{a} such that $\mathfrak{a}I(G) \subseteq N$. Suppose that $\text{Ass}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}) = \{\mathfrak{p}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{p}_s\}$, $\text{Ass}_R(I(G)/N) = \{\mathfrak{q}_1, \dots, \mathfrak{q}_t\}$, and*

$$\text{Ass}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}) \cap \text{Ass}_R(I(G)/N) \neq \emptyset,$$

with $\mathfrak{p}_i = \mathfrak{q}_i$, for $i = 1, \dots, r$, $1 \leq r \leq \min\{s, t\}$. Then there exists the following minimal edge primary decompositions of \mathfrak{a} and N ,

$$\mathfrak{a} = \bigcap_{i=1}^s Q_i; \quad N = \bigcap_{i=1}^t N_i$$

such that $Q_i I(G) \subseteq N_i$, for all $i = 1, \dots, r$.

Proof. Suppose that

$$\mathfrak{a} = \bigcap_{i=1}^s Q'_i; \quad N = \bigcap_{i=1}^t N'_i,$$

are minimal edge primary decompositions of \mathfrak{a} and N . Since

$\mathfrak{p}_1 = \sqrt{\text{Ann}_R(I(G)/N'_1)}$, we have that $N + \mathfrak{p}_1^n I(G) \subseteq N'_1$,

for n large enough.

Set $N_1 = (N + \mathfrak{p}_1^n I(G))_{\mathfrak{p}_1} \cap I(G)$ for n large enough. We have

$$N \subseteq N_1 \subseteq N'_1,$$

and N_1 is edge \mathfrak{p}_1 -primary submodule of $I(G)$. Since

$$N = \bigcap_{i=1}^t N'_i \supseteq N_1 \cap \left(\bigcap_{i=2}^t N'_i \right) \supseteq N,$$

we have that

$$N = N_1 \cap \left(\bigcap_{i=2}^t N'_i \right)$$

is minimal edge primary decomposition of N . Set $Q_1 = (\mathfrak{a} + \mathfrak{p}_1^n)R_{\mathfrak{p}_1} \cap R$.

It is similar as above, we have that

$$\mathfrak{a} = Q_1 \cap \left(\bigcap_{i=1}^t Q'_i \right).$$

Note that $Q_1 I(G) \subseteq N_1$.

Moreover, after r steps, set $N_i = N'_i$, for $i = r + 1, \dots, t$, $Q_i = Q'_i$, for $i = r + 1, \dots, s$. Thus, we have the requirement. This finishes the proof.

Theorem 3.7. *Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$. Let \mathfrak{a} be such that $\mathfrak{a}I(G) \subseteq N$. Set*

$$\Lambda_1 = \{i \mid \mathfrak{p}_i \in \text{Ass}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}) \cap \text{Ass}_R(I(G)/N)\},$$

$$\Lambda_2 = \{i \mid \mathfrak{p}_i \in \text{Ass}_R(R/\mathfrak{a}) \setminus \text{Ass}_R(I(G)/N)\},$$

$$\Lambda_3 = \{i \mid \mathfrak{q}_i \in \text{Ass}_R(I(G)/N) \setminus \text{Ass}_R(R/\mathfrak{a})\}.$$

Assume that

$$\mathbf{a} = \bigcap_{i=1}^s Q_i, \quad N = \bigcap_{i=1}^t N_i,$$

are minimal edge primary decomposition of \mathbf{a} and N such that $Q_i I(G) \subseteq N_i$, for all $i \in \Lambda_1$. Then

$$\mathbf{a} \times N = \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_1} (Q_i \times N_i) \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_2} (Q_i \times I(G)) \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_3} (Ann_R(I(G)/N_i) \times N_i)$$

is minimal edge primary decomposition of $\mathbf{a} \times N$.

Proof. By Lemma 3.5, $Q_i \times N_i$ is edge $\mathfrak{p}_i \times I(G)$ -primary module, if $i \in \Lambda_1$, $Q_j \times I(G)$ is edge $\mathfrak{p}_j \times I(G)$ -primary module, if $j \in \Lambda_2$,. Also, $Ann_R(I(G)/N_k) \times N_k$ is edge $\mathfrak{p}_k \times I(G)$ -primary module, if $k \in \Lambda_3$. Note that $\mathbf{a} \subseteq Q_i$ for all $i \in \Lambda_1 \cup \Lambda_2$. By the hypothesis, it follows that $Q_i I(G) \subseteq N_i$, for all $i \in \Lambda_3$. Then, we have $\mathbf{a} \subseteq Ann_R(I(G)/N_i)$, for all $i \in \Lambda_3$. On the other hand, we have $N \subseteq N_i$ for all $i \in \Lambda_1 \cup \Lambda_3$ and $N \subseteq I(G)$. Thus

$$\mathbf{a} \times N \subseteq \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_1} (Q_i \times N_i) \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_2} (Q_i \times I(G)) \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_3} (Ann_R(I(G)/N_i) \times N_i).$$

Conversely, assume that

$$(a, x) \in \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_1} (Q_i \times N_i) \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_2} (Q_i \times I(G)) \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_3} (Ann_R(I(G)/N_i) \times N_i).$$

Then, we have

$$a \in \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_1 \cup \Lambda_2} Q_i \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_3} Ann_R(I(G)/N_i) \subseteq \bigcap_{i=1}^s Q_i = \mathbf{a}.$$

On the other hand,

$$x \in \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_1 \cup \Lambda_3} N_i \cap I(G) = \bigcap_{i=1}^t N_i = N.$$

This prove that $(a, x) \in \mathfrak{a} \times N$. Thus, it follows that the edge primary decompositions of $\mathfrak{a} \times N$ is minimal. This finishes the proof.

From now on, we assume that $\dim(I(G)) = t$.

Definition 3.8. Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$. For an integer $0 \leq i < t$, let $I(G)_i$ denote the largest submodule of $I(G)$ such that $\dim_R(I(G)_i) \leq i$, and $I(G)_t = I(G)$. Since $I(G)$ is a Noetherian R -module, we have that there exists $I(G)_i$ and also, $I(G)_{i-1} \subseteq I(G)_i$.

The increasing filtration $\{I(G)_i\}_{0 \leq i \leq t}$ of submodules of $I(G)$ is called *edge dimension filtration* of $I(G)$.

Lemma 3.9. [see 1] Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$. Assume that

$$0 = \bigcap_{i=1}^t N_i$$

is a minimal edge primary decomposition of 0 in $I(G)$. Then

$$I(G)_i = \bigcap_{\dim(R/\mathfrak{p}_j) > i} N_j.$$

The following result give a description of edge dimension filtration of edge idealization of $I(G)$.

Theorem 3.10. Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$.

Assume that $\{R_i\}_{i=0, \dots, d}$ and $\{I(G)_i\}_{i=0, \dots, t}$ are edge dimension filtration of R and $I(G)$, respectively. Set $W = R \times I(G)$, $W_i = R_i \times I(G)_i$, for $i = 0, \dots, t$, and $W_i = R_i \times I(G)$, for $i = t + 1, \dots, d$. Then, we have

that $\{W_i\}_{i=0, \dots, d}$ is the edge dimension filtration of W .

Proof. Set $\Lambda_i^k = \{i \in \Lambda_i \mid \dim((R \times I(G))/(p_i \times I(G))) > k\}$, for $i = 1, 2, 3$.

Thus, we have that

$$(R \times I(G))/(Q_i \times N_i) \cong R/Q_i \times I(G)/N_i$$

and

$$\dim((R \times I(G))/(Q_i \times N_i)) = \dim(R/Q_i) = \dim(I(G)/N_i)$$

for all $i \in \Lambda_1$. Moreover, we have that

$$(R \times I(G))/(Q_i \times I(G)) \cong R/Q_i \times I(G)$$

and

$$\dim((R \times I(G))/(Q_i \times I(G))) = \dim(R/Q_i)$$

for all $i \in \Lambda_2$. Also, we have that

$$(R \times I(G))/(Ann_R(I(G)/N_i) \times N_i) \cong R/Ann_R(I(G)/N_i) \times I(G)/N_i$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & \dim((R \times I(G))/(Ann_R(I(G)/N_i) \times N_i)) \\ &= \dim(R/Ann_R(I(G)/N_i)) = \dim(I(G)/N_i) \end{aligned}$$

for all $i \in \Lambda_3$. So, by Lemma 3.9,

$$W_k = \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_2^k} (Q_i \times I(G)) = \left(\bigcap_{\dim(R/p_i) > k} Q_i \right) \times I(G) = R_k \times I(G)$$

if $k = t + 1, \dots, d$ and

$$W_k = \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_1^k} (Q_i \times N_i) \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_2^k} (Q_i \times I(G)) \bigcap_{i \in \Lambda_3^k} (Ann_R(I(G)/N_i) \times N_i)$$

$$= \left(\bigcap_{\dim(R/\mathfrak{p}_i) > k} Q_i \right) \times \left(\bigcap_{\dim(R/\mathfrak{p}_i) > k} N_i \right) = R_i \times I(G)_i$$

if $k = 0, \dots, t$. This completes the proof.

Lemma 3.11. *Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$. Let \mathfrak{a} be such that $\mathfrak{a}I(G) \subseteq N$. Then $\mathfrak{a} \times N$ is edge irreducible if and only if either*

- (1) $N = I(G)$ and \mathfrak{a} is an irreducible ideal of R , or
- (2) $N \subseteq I(G)$, and $N \neq I(G)$, $\mathfrak{a} = \text{Ann}_R(I(G)/N)$, and N is irreducible.

Proof. (1) It follows by noting that every ideal of $R \times I(G)$ which contains $\mathfrak{a} \times I(G)$ has the form $J \times I(G)$, with $\mathfrak{a} \subseteq J$.

(2) It follows from [1, Proposition 4.4]. This finishes the proof.

Theorem 3.12. *Let $R = K[v_1, \dots, v_s]$. Let \mathfrak{a} be such that $\mathfrak{a}I(G) \subset N$.*

Assume that

$$\mathfrak{a} = \bigcap_{i=1}^t Q_i; \quad N = \bigcap_{i=1}^r N_i$$

are edge irreducible decomposition of \mathfrak{a} and N . Then

$$\mathfrak{a} \times N = \bigcap_{i=1}^t (Q_i \times I(G)) \bigcap_{i=1}^r (\text{Ann}_R(I(G)/N_i) \times N_i)$$

is edge irreducible decomposition of $\mathfrak{a} \times N$.

Proof. By Lemma 3.11, we have that $Q_i \times I(G)$, is edge irreducible, for $i = 1, \dots, t$, and also we have that $\text{Ann}_R(I(G)/N_i) \times N_i$, for $i = 1, \dots, r$, is edge irreducible. Thus, we have the requirement.

Conclusion

With the results of this paper, we introduce commutative algebra theory as a useful tool for application in graph theory. And so we provide a relation of the general theory of modules in a particular case, making the necessary considerations, to obtain relevant results within the study area in question. We can also find some things from this theory in [8], [9], [10] and [11].

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