



## Degree, Order and Size of Single-Valued Quadripartitioned Neutrosophic Graphs

*Grado, orden y tamaño de grafos neutrosóficos cuadriparticionado*

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### Resumen

En este artículo se introduce y estudia el concepto de gráfico neutrosófico cuadriparticionado de un solo valor (SVQN-grafo) extendiendo la idea de la teoría del gráfico neutrosófico de un solo valor (SVN-grafo). Además, se define la noción de grado, orden y tamaño de los SVQN-grafos. Además, proporcionamos algunos ejemplos ilustrativos para justificar los resultados.

**Palabras clave:** SVNS; SVN-grafo; SVQN-grafo; SVQN-conjunto.

### Abstract

In this article an attempt is made to introduce and study the concept of single-valued quadripartitioned neutrosophic graph (SVQN-graph) by extending the idea of single-valued neutrosophic graph (SVN-graph) theory. Besides, we introduce the notion of degree, order and size of SVQN-graphs. Further, we furnish few illustrative examples to justify the results.

**Keywords:** SVNS; SVN-graph; SVQN-graph; SVQN-set.

## 1. Introduction

Graph theory is generally used as a tool to deal with the combinatorial problems in number theory, geometry, topology, algebra, etc. In the year 1986, Biggs et al. [7] presented the concept of graph theory. Bollobas [8] introduced the idea of modern graph theory. Later on, Gonzalez et al. [15] metric locating dominating sets of graphs. To deal with the situation having uncertainty, Sunitha and Mathew [23] presented a survey of fuzzy graph in 2013. Recently, Pal et al. [21] further studied F-graph theory. Shannon and Atanassov [24] developed intuitionistic F-graph based on intuitionistic FS (in short IFS). Afterwards, Dhavudh and Srinivasan [13] introduced the idea of intuitionistic fuzzy graph of second type. Intuitionistic F-graph have been further studied by Nagoor Gani and Shajitha Begum [20], Sahoo and Pal [25]. Later on, Akram and Akmal [1] studied the intuitionistic fuzzy graph structure in the year 2017. The notion of intuitionistic fuzzy graph from the point of view of  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ , and  $(\alpha;\beta)$ -levels was introduced by Shannon and Atanassov [26]. Afterwards, Parvathi and Karunambigai [22] further studied intuitionistic fuzzy graphs. To deal with inconsistency and indeterminacy Prof. F. Smarandache developed the notion of neutrosophic set (NS) in the year 1998. Broumi et al. [9] introduced the idea of single valued neutrosophic graph and studied their

degree, order, and size. Later on Akram and Sitara [2], Akram [3] further studied the structure of single valued neutrosophic graphs. Afterwards, Akram [4] introduced the notion of single valued neutrosophic planar graphs. In the year 2017, Akram and Shahzadi [5] presented the idea of neutrosophic soft graph and give a real life application of neutrosophic soft graph. Akram et al. [6] grounded the concept of neutrosophic soft rough graph and proposed a MADM strategy. Thereafter, Sayed et al. [27] introduced the notion of rough neutrosophic digraphs with a real life application. The concept of neutrosophic vague graph was introduced and studied by Hussain et al. [16]. In the year 2020, Hussain et al. [17] presented the notion of neutrosophic vague line graph. The idea of homomorphism and isomorphism in strong neutrosophic graphs was grounded by Mullai et al. [19] in the year 2020. The notion of interval-valued neutrosophic graph was introduced and studied by Singh [28]. In the year 2020, Mukherjee and Das [18] introduced the neutrosophic bipolar vague soft set and proposed an application of it. In the year 2016, Chatterjee et al. [11] grounded the notion of quadripartitioned neutrosophic set and proposed a multi criteria decision making strategy based on the similarity measure. Later on, Das et al. [14] applied the concept of topology on quadripartitioned neutrosophic sets and introduced the notion of quadripartitioned neutrosophic topological space.

The rest of this article has been organized into four sections:

Section-2 is on preliminaries and definitions those are relevant for developing the main results of this article. In section-3, the notion of degree, order and size of SVQN-graphs have been procured and some properties of those have been investigated. In section-4, we conclude the paper, and state some future scope of research in this direction.

## 2. Some relevant results

**Definition 2.1.**[11] Suppose that  $\hat{G}$  be a fixed set. Then, a single valued quadripartitioned neutrosophic set (SVQN-set)  $H$  over  $\hat{G}$  is defined by:

$$H = \{(\omega, T_H(\omega), C_H(\omega), U_H(\omega), N_H(\omega)) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}.$$

Here,  $T_H, C_H, U_H, N_H$  are the truth, contradiction, unknown and falsity membership functions respectively from  $\hat{G}$  to  $[0, 1]$ . So,  $0 \leq T_H(\omega) + C_H(\omega) + U_H(\omega) + N_H(\omega) \leq 4$ , for each  $\omega \in \hat{G}$ .

**Definition 2.2.**[11] Suppose that  $A = \{(\omega, T_A(\omega), C_A(\omega), U_A(\omega), N_A(\omega)) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}$  and  $B = \{(\omega, T_B(\omega), C_B(\omega), U_B(\omega), N_B(\omega)) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}$  be two SVQN-sets over  $\hat{G}$ . Then,  $A$  is said to be a subset of  $B$  (i.e.,  $A \subseteq B$ ) if and only if  $T_A(\omega) \leq T_B(\omega), C_A(\omega) \leq C_B(\omega), U_A(\omega) \geq U_B(\omega), N_A(\omega) \geq N_B(\omega)$ , for each  $\omega \in \hat{G}$ .

**Definition 2.3.**[11] Suppose that  $A = \{(\omega, T_A(\omega), C_A(\omega), U_A(\omega), N_A(\omega)) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}$  and  $B = \{(\omega, T_B(\omega), C_B(\omega), U_B(\omega), N_B(\omega)) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}$  be two SVQN-sets over  $\hat{G}$ . Then, the union of  $A$  and  $B$  is defined by  $A \cup B = \{(\omega, \max\{T_A(\omega), T_B(\omega)\}, \max\{C_A(\omega), C_B(\omega)\}, \min\{U_A(\omega), U_B(\omega)\}, \min\{N_A(\omega), N_B(\omega)\}) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}$ .

**Definition 2.4.**[11] Suppose that  $A = \{(\omega, T_A(\omega), C_A(\omega), U_A(\omega), N_A(\omega)) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}$  be a SVQN-set over  $\hat{G}$ . Then, the complement of  $A$  is defined by  $A^c = \{(\omega, N_A(\omega), U_A(\omega), C_A(\omega), T_A(\omega)) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}$ .

**Definition 2.5.**[11] Suppose that  $A = \{(\omega, T_A(\omega), C_A(\omega), U_A(\omega), N_A(\omega)) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}$  and  $B = \{(\omega, T_B(\omega), C_B(\omega), U_B(\omega), N_B(\omega)) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}$  be two SVQN-sets over  $\hat{G}$ . Then, the intersection of  $A$  and  $B$  is defined by  $A \cap B = \{(\omega, \min\{T_A(\omega), T_B(\omega)\}, \min\{C_A(\omega), C_B(\omega)\}, \max\{U_A(\omega), U_B(\omega)\}, \max\{N_A(\omega), N_B(\omega)\}) : \omega \in \hat{G}\}$ .

**Definition 2.6.**[10] Suppose that  $\Theta$  be a fixed set of  $n$  vertex. Assume that  $\Delta$  be the set of edges between the vertices. Then,  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is called a single-valued neutrosophic graph (SVN-graph),

where (i)  $T_\Psi, I_\Psi, F_\Psi : \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1]$  denotes the truth, indeterminacy and false membership functions of a vertex  $\omega_i \in \Theta$  respectively such that  $0 \leq T_\Psi(\omega_i) + I_\Psi(\omega_i) + F_\Psi(\omega_i) \leq 3 \forall \omega_i \in \Theta, (i=1, 2, \dots, n)$ .

(ii)  $T_\Omega, I_\Omega, F_\Omega : \Delta \subseteq \Theta \times \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1]$  defined by

$$T_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) \leq \min\{T_\Omega(\omega_i), T_\Omega(\omega_j)\},$$

$$I_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) \geq \max\{I_\Omega(\omega_i), I_\Omega(\omega_j)\},$$

$$F_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) \geq \max\{F_\Omega(\omega_i), F_\Omega(\omega_j)\},$$

denotes the truth, indeterminacy and false membership functions of the edge  $(\omega_i, \omega_j) \in \Delta$ , respectively such that  $0 \leq T_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) + I_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) + F_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) \leq 3 (\forall (\omega_i, \omega_j) \in \Delta, i=1, 2, \dots, n)$ .

Here,  $\Psi$  is called the SVQN vertex set of  $\Theta$  and  $\Omega$  is said to be the SVQN edge set of  $\Delta$  respectively.

## 3. Single-valued quadripartitioned neutrosophic graph

**Definition 3.1.** Suppose that  $\Theta = \{\omega_i : i=1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be a fixed set of vertices and  $\Delta = \{(\omega_i, \omega_j) : i, j=1, 2, \dots, n\}$  be the set of edges between the vertices of  $\Theta$ . An SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G} = (\Theta, \Delta)$  is defined by  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ , where (i)  $T_\Psi : \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1], C_\Psi : \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1], U_\Psi : \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and  $N_\Psi : \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1]$  denotes the truth, contradiction, unknown and false membership functions of the vertices  $\omega_i \in \Theta$  respectively such that  $0 \leq T_\Psi(\omega_i) + C_\Psi(\omega_i) + U_\Psi(\omega_i) + N_\Psi(\omega_i) \leq 4, \forall \omega_i \in \Theta (i=1, 2, \dots, n)$ ;

(ii)  $T_\Omega : \Delta \subseteq \Theta \times \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1], C_\Omega : \Delta \subseteq \Theta \times \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1], U_\Omega : \Delta \subseteq \Theta \times \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1]$  and  $N_\Omega : \Delta \subseteq \Theta \times \Theta \rightarrow [0, 1]$  defined by  $T_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) \leq \min\{T_\Psi(\omega_i), T_\Psi(\omega_j)\},$

$$C_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) \leq \min\{C_\Psi(\omega_i), C_\Psi(\omega_j)\},$$

$$U_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) \geq \max\{U_\Psi(\omega_i), U_\Psi(\omega_j)\},$$

$$\text{and } N_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) \geq \max\{N_\Psi(\omega_i), N_\Psi(\omega_j)\},$$

indicates the truth, contradiction, unknown and false-membership functions from  $\Delta \subseteq \Theta \times \Theta$  to  $[0, 1]$ , respectively such that  $0 \leq T_\Psi(\omega_i) + C_\Psi(\omega_i) + U_\Psi(\omega_i) + N_\Psi(\omega_i) \leq 4, \forall (\omega_i, \omega_j) \in \Delta (i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n)$ .

Here,  $\Psi$  is the SVQN vertex set of  $\Theta$  and  $\Omega$  is the SVQN edge set of  $\Delta$  respectively. Therefore,  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is an SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  if  $T_\Omega(\omega_i, \omega_j) \leq \min\{T_\Psi(\omega_i), T_\Psi(\omega_j)\}; C_\Psi(\omega_i, \omega_j) \leq \min\{C_\Psi(\omega_i), C_\Psi(\omega_j)\}; U_\Psi(\omega_i, \omega_j) \geq \max\{U_\Psi(\omega_i), U_\Psi(\omega_j)\};$  and  $N_\Psi(\omega_i, \omega_j) \geq \max\{N_\Psi(\omega_i), N_\Psi(\omega_j)\}$ . Clearly, both  $\Psi$  and  $\Omega$  are the SVQN-set over  $\Theta$  and  $E$  respectively.

**Example 3.1.** Assume that  $\hat{G} = (\Theta, \Delta)$  is a graph, where  $\Theta = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3, \omega_4\}$  and  $\Delta = \{(\omega_1, \omega_2), (\omega_2, \omega_3), (\omega_3, \omega_4), (\omega_4, \omega_1)\}$ . Suppose that  $\Psi$  is an SVQN vertex set of  $\Theta$  and  $\Omega$  is an SVQN edge set of  $\Delta$  defined by the Table 1.

Table 1: Tabular representation of Example 3.1

	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2$	$\omega_5$	$(\omega_1, \omega_2)$	$(\omega_1, \omega_5)$
$T_\Psi$	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
$C_\Psi$	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.1	0.1
$U_\Psi$	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.8
$F_\Psi$	0.8	0.6	0.7	0.9	1.0

The graph of Example 3.1 is presented in Fig. 1

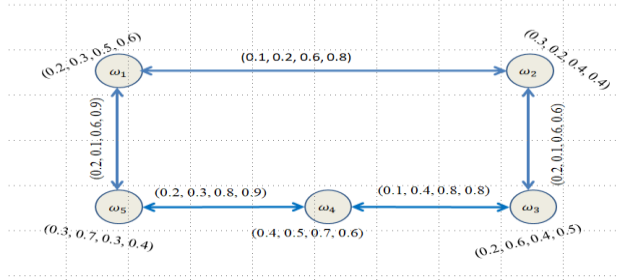


Figure 1: SVQN-graph

Therefore,  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is an SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$ .

**Remark 3.1.** Assume that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is an SVQN-graph.

Then, the edge  $(\omega_i, \omega_j)$  is said to be incident at  $\omega_i$  and  $\omega_j$ .

**Definition 3.2.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph.

Then,

(i)  $(\omega_i, \mathbb{T}_\Psi(\omega_i), \mathbb{C}_\Psi(\omega_i), \mathbb{U}_\Psi(\omega_i), \mathbb{N}_\Psi(\omega_i))$  is called a single valued quadripartitioned neutrosophic vertex (in short SVQN-vertex).

(ii)  $((\omega_i, \omega_j), \mathbb{T}_\Omega((\omega_i, \omega_j)), \mathbb{C}_\Omega((\omega_i, \omega_j)), \mathbb{U}_\Omega((\omega_i, \omega_j)), \mathbb{N}_\Omega((\omega_i, \omega_j)))$  is called an SVQN edge (in short SVQN-edge).

**Definition 3.3.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$ . Then,  $H = (\Psi', \Omega')$  is called an SVQN sub-graph (in short SVQN-sub-graph) of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  if  $H = (\Psi', \Omega')$  is also an SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  such that

(i)  $\Psi' \subseteq \Psi$  i.e.,  $\mathbb{T}'_{\Psi}(\omega_i) \leq \mathbb{T}_{\Psi}(\omega_i)$ ,  $\mathbb{C}'_{\Psi}(\omega_i) \leq \mathbb{C}_{\Psi}(\omega_i)$ ,  $\mathbb{U}'_{\Psi}(\omega_i) \geq \mathbb{U}_{\Psi}(\omega_i)$ , and  $\mathbb{N}'_{\Psi}(\omega_i) \geq \mathbb{N}_{\Psi}(\omega_i)$ , for all  $\omega_i \in \Theta$ ;

(ii)  $\Omega' \subseteq \Omega$  i.e.,  $\mathbb{T}'_{\Omega}((\omega_i, \omega_j)) \leq \mathbb{T}_{\Omega}((\omega_i, \omega_j))$ ,  $\mathbb{C}'_{\Omega}((\omega_i, \omega_j)) \leq \mathbb{C}_{\Omega}((\omega_i, \omega_j))$ ,  $\mathbb{U}'_{\Omega}((\omega_i, \omega_j)) \geq \mathbb{U}_{\Omega}((\omega_i, \omega_j))$ , and  $\mathbb{N}'_{\Omega}((\omega_i, \omega_j)) \geq \mathbb{N}_{\Omega}((\omega_i, \omega_j))$ ,  $\forall (\omega_i, \omega_j) \in \Delta$ .

**Example 3.2.** Assume that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  as shown in Example 1. Then,  $H = (\Psi', \Omega')$ , where  $\Psi' = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_5\}$ ,  $\Omega' = \{(\omega_1, \omega_2), (\omega_1, \omega_5)\}$  defined by the Table 2:

Table 2. Tabular representation of Example 3.2

	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2$	$\omega_3$	$\omega_4$	$\omega_5$	$(\omega_1, \omega_2)$	$(\omega_2, \omega_3)$	$(\omega_3, \omega_4)$	$(\omega_4, \omega_5)$	$(\omega_5, \omega_1)$
$\mathbb{T}_{\Psi}$	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2
$\mathbb{C}_{\Psi}$	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.5	0.7	0.2	0.1	0.4	0.3	0.1
$\mathbb{U}_{\Psi}$	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.7	0.3	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.6
$\mathbb{N}_{\Psi}$	0.6	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.9

The graph of Example 3.2 is presented in Fig. 2

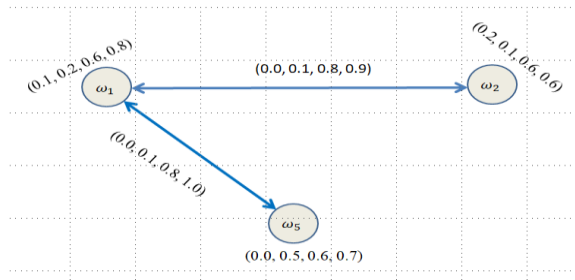


Figure 2: SVQN-sub-graph

Here,  $H = (\Psi', \Omega')$  is an SVQN-sub-graph of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ .

**Definition 3.4.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$ . Then, the complement of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is an SVQN-graph  $\bar{\hat{G}}$  of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$ , where

(i)  $\bar{\mathbb{T}}_{\Psi}(\omega_i) = \mathbb{T}_{\Psi}(\omega_i)$ ,  $\bar{\mathbb{C}}_{\Psi}(\omega_i) = \mathbb{C}_{\Psi}(\omega_i)$ ,  $\bar{\mathbb{U}}_{\Psi}(\omega_i) = \mathbb{U}_{\Psi}(\omega_i)$ ,  $\bar{\mathbb{N}}_{\Psi}(\omega_i) = \mathbb{N}_{\Psi}(\omega_i)$ ,  $\forall \omega_i \in \Theta$ ;

(ii)  $\bar{\mathbb{T}}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) = \min \{ \mathbb{T}_{\Omega}(\omega_i), \mathbb{T}_{\Omega}(\omega_j) \} - \mathbb{T}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j)$ ,  $\bar{\mathbb{C}}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) = \min \{ \mathbb{C}_{\Omega}(\omega_i), \mathbb{C}_{\Omega}(\omega_j) \} - \mathbb{C}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j)$ ,

$\bar{\mathbb{U}}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) = \max \{ \mathbb{U}_{\Omega}(\omega_i), \mathbb{U}_{\Omega}(\omega_j) \} - \mathbb{U}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j)$ , and  $\bar{\mathbb{N}}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) = \max \{ \mathbb{N}_{\Omega}(\omega_i), \mathbb{N}_{\Omega}(\omega_j) \} - \mathbb{N}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j)$ ,  $\forall (\omega_i, \omega_j) \in \Delta$ .

**Definition 3.5.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph.

Then, the vertices  $\omega_i$  and  $\omega_j$  are called adjacent in  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  if and only if  $\mathbb{T}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) = \min \{ \mathbb{T}_{\Psi}(\omega_i), \mathbb{T}_{\Psi}(\omega_j) \}$ ,  $\mathbb{C}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) = \min \{ \mathbb{C}_{\Psi}(\omega_i), \mathbb{C}_{\Psi}(\omega_j) \}$ ,  $\mathbb{U}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) = \max \{ \mathbb{U}_{\Psi}(\omega_i), \mathbb{U}_{\Psi}(\omega_j) \}$  and  $\mathbb{N}_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) = \max \{ \mathbb{N}_{\Psi}(\omega_i), \mathbb{N}_{\Psi}(\omega_j) \}$ .

**Example 3.3.** Assume that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVPN-graph, which is defined in following Table 3.

Table 3. Tabular representation of Example 3.3

	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2$	$\omega_3$	$(\omega_1, \omega_2)$	$(\omega_2, \omega_3)$	$(\omega_3, \omega_1)$
$\mathbb{T}_{\Psi}$	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1
$\mathbb{C}_{\Psi}$	0.2	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.2
$\mathbb{U}_{\Psi}$	0.9	0.6	0.5	0.9	0.6	0.9
$\mathbb{N}_{\Psi}$	0.8	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.6	0.8

The graph of Example 3.3 is presented in Fig. 3

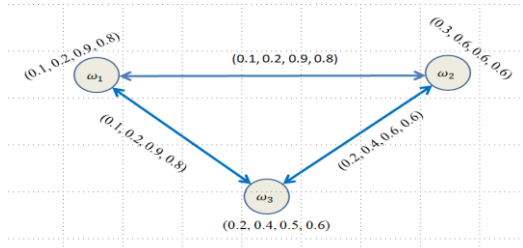


Figure 3: SVQN-graph of Adjacent Vertices

Here, the vertices  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_2$  are adjacent in the SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ . Similarly, the vertices  $\omega_3$  and  $\omega_1$  are adjacent in the SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ . But the vertices  $\omega_2$  and  $\omega_3$  are not adjacent in the SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ .

**Definition 3.6.** In an SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ , a vertex  $\omega_j \in \Omega$  is called an isolated vertex if there exists no edge incident at  $\omega_j$ .

**Example 3.4.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph, which is defined in Table 4.

Table 4. Tabular representation of Example 3.4

	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2$	$\omega_3$	$\omega_4$	$(\omega_1, \omega_2)$	$(\omega_2, \omega_4)$	$(\omega_4, \omega_1)$
$\mathbb{T}_\Psi$	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2
$\mathbb{C}_\Psi$	0.3	0.4	0.8	0.9	0.2	0.3	0.2
$\mathbb{U}_\Psi$	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.8	0.9
$\mathbb{N}_\Psi$	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.9	0.4	0.5	1.0

The graph of Example 3.4 is represented in Fig. 4

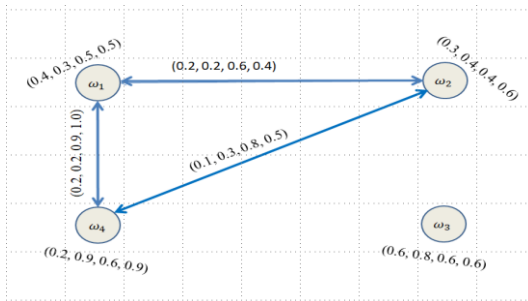


Figure 4: SVQN-graph with Isolated vertex

In the above SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ , the vertex  $\omega_3$  is an isolated vertex.

**Definition 3.7.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is an SVQN-graph. Assume that  $\omega_0$  and  $\omega_n$  be two vertices in  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ . Then, an SVQN path  $P(\omega_0, \omega_n)$  in an SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is a sequence of distinct vertices  $\omega_0, \omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3, \dots, \omega_n$  such that  $\mathbb{T}_\Omega(\omega_{i-1}, \omega_i) > 0$ ,  $\mathbb{C}_\Omega(\omega_{i-1}, \omega_i) > 0$ ,  $\mathbb{U}_\Omega(\omega_{i-1}, \omega_i) > 0$  and  $\mathbb{N}_\Omega(\omega_{i-1}, \omega_i) > 0$ , where  $0 \leq i \leq n$ . Here,  $n (\geq 1)$  is called the length of the path  $P(\omega_0, \omega_n)$ . The consecutive pairs  $(\omega_{i-1}, \omega_i)$  ( $0 \leq i \leq n$ ) are called the edges of the

path  $P(\omega_0, \omega_n)$ . The path  $P(\omega_0, \omega_n)$  is called a cycle if  $\omega_0 = \omega_n$ , where  $n \geq 3$ .

**Definition 3.8.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph. Then,  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is said to be an SVQN connected graph (in short SVQN-C-graph) if there exists at least one SVQN-path between two vertices.

**Definition 3.9.** Assume that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph. Then, a vertex having exactly one edge incident on it is called a pendent vertex. If a vertex is not a pendent vertex, then it is called a non-pendent vertex.

**Remark 3.2.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph.

(i) If an edge is incident with a pendent vertex, then the edge is said to be a pendent edge. Otherwise, it is called a non-pendent edge.

(ii) If a vertex is adjacent to a pendent vertex, then the vertex is said to be a support of that pendent edge.

**Example 3.5.** Let  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph, which is defined by Table 5 and Table 10.

Table 5: Tabular representation of Example 3.5

	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2$	$\omega_3$	$\omega_4$	$(\omega_1, \omega_2)$	$(\omega_2, \omega_3)$	$(\omega_3, \omega_4)$
$\mathbb{T}_\Psi$	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.4
$\mathbb{C}_\Psi$	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1
$\mathbb{U}_\Psi$	0.6	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.9	0.9	1.0
$\mathbb{N}_\Psi$	0.8	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.9	0.9	0.9

The graph of Example 3.5 is represented in Fig. 5

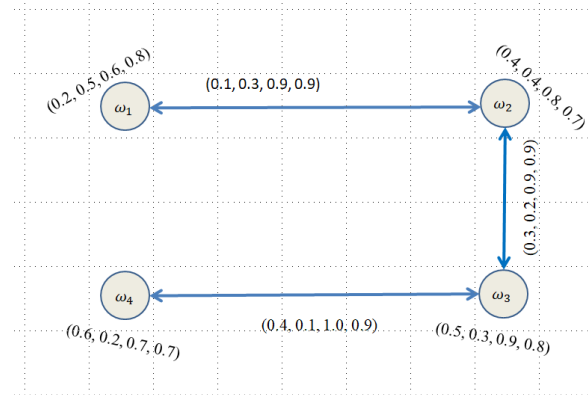


Figure 5: SVQN-graph with Pendent Vertex

In the above SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ , the vertices  $\omega_1$  and  $\omega_4$  are the pendent vertices. But the vertices  $\omega_2$  and  $\omega_3$  are the non-pendent vertices. Similarly, the edges  $(\omega_1, \omega_2)$  and  $(\omega_3, \omega_4)$  are the pendent edges. But the edge  $(\omega_2, \omega_3)$  is a non-pendent edge. The

vertex  $\omega_3$  is support of the pendent edge  $(\omega_3, \omega_4)$ . But  $\omega_2$  is not the support of the pendent edge  $(\omega_1, \omega_2)$ .

**Definition 3.10.** A SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  is said to be a complete SVQN-graph if

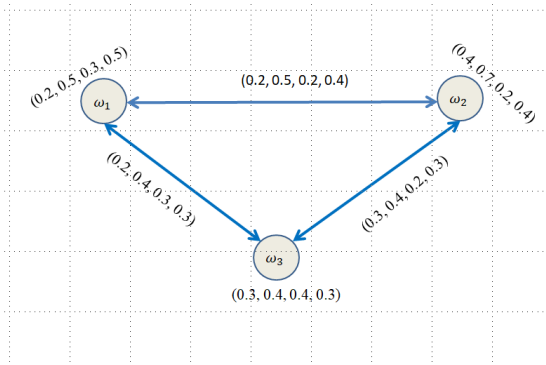
$$\begin{aligned} T_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) &= \min \{T_{\Psi}(\omega_i), T_{\Psi}(\omega_j)\}; \\ C_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) &= \min \{C_{\Psi}(\omega_i), C_{\Psi}(\omega_j)\}; \\ U_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) &= \max \{U_{\Psi}(\omega_i), U_{\Psi}(\omega_j)\}; \\ \text{and } N_{\Omega}(\omega_i, \omega_j) &= \max \{N_{\Psi}(\omega_i), N_{\Psi}(\omega_j)\}, \forall \omega_i, \omega_j \in \Theta. \end{aligned}$$

**Example 3.6.** Assume that  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  is a graph, where  $\Theta = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3\}$  and  $\Delta = \{(\omega_1, \omega_2), (\omega_2, \omega_3), (\omega_3, \omega_1)\}$ . Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph defined by Table 6.

**Table 6.** Tabular representation of Example 3.6

	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2$	$\omega_3$	$\omega_1, \omega_2$	$\omega_2, \omega_3$	$\omega_3, \omega_1$
$T_{\Psi}$	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
$C_{\Psi}$	5	4	2	6	5	2
$U_{\Psi}$	4	4	2	4	5	1
$N_{\Psi}$	1	5	4	5	4	6
$T_{\Omega}$	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
$C_{\Omega}$	5	4	2	6	5	2
$U_{\Omega}$	4	4	2	4	5	1
$N_{\Omega}$	1	5	4	5	4	6

The graph of Example 3.6 is represented in Fig. 6



**Figure 6:** Complete SVQN-graph

Here, the above graph is a complete SVQN-graph.

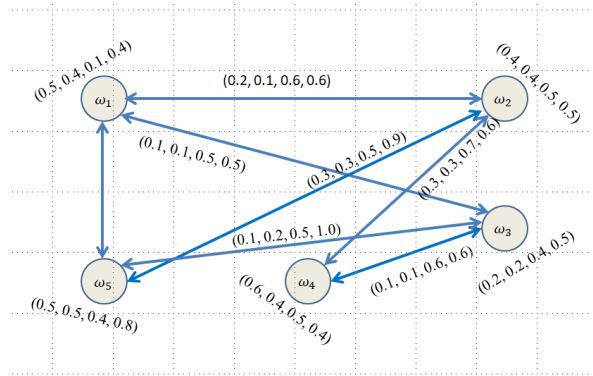
**Table 7.** Tabular representation of Example 3.7

	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2$	$\omega_3$	$(\omega_1, \omega_2)$	$(\omega_2, \omega_3)$	$(\omega_3, \omega_1)$
$T_{\Psi}$	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2
$C_{\Psi}$	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.4
$U_{\Psi}$	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.3
$N_{\Psi}$	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3

**Definition 3.11.** A SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  is called a bipartite SVQN-graph if the graph  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  is a bipartite graph.

**Example 3.7.** Assume that  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  be a graph, where  $\Theta = \{\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3, \omega_4, \omega_5, \omega_6\}$  and  $\Delta = \{(\omega_1, \omega_2), (\omega_2, \omega_3), (\omega_3, \omega_1)\}$ . Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph defined by Table 7.

The representation of the graph of Example 3.7 is presented in Fig. 7



**Figure 7:** Bipartite SVQN-graph

Here, the crisp graph  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  is a bipartite graph and  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is a SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$ . Hence,  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is a bipartite SVQN-graph.

**Definition 3.12.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph. Then, the degree of the vertex  $\omega$  is defined by

$$d(\omega) = (d_T(\omega), d_C(\omega), d_U(\omega), d_N(\omega)),$$

where  $d_T(\omega)$  = degree of the truth-membership vertex = sum of the truth-membership of all edges those are incident on the vertex  $\omega = \sum_{u \neq \omega} T_{\Omega}(u, \omega)$ ;

**Table 8.** Tabular representation of Example 3.8

	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2$	$\omega_3$	$\omega_4$	$(\omega_1, \omega_2)$	$(\omega_2, \omega_3)$	$(\omega_3, \omega_4)$	$(\omega_4, \omega_1)$
$T_\Psi$	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2
$\Psi$	3	5	5	8				
$C_\Psi$	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.2
$\Psi$	4	3	5	6				
$U_\Psi$	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.5	0.6	0.5	0.6
$\Psi$	5	4	4	5				
$N_\Psi$	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.6	0.9	0.6	0.9
$\Psi$	6	5	3	8				

$d_C(\omega)$  = degree of the contradiction-membership vertex = sum of the contradiction-membership of all edges those are incident on the vertex  $\omega = \sum_{u \neq \omega} C_\Psi(u, k)$ ;

$d_U(\omega)$  = degree of the unknown-membership vertex = sum of the unknown-membership of all edges those are incident on the vertex  $\omega = \sum_{u \neq \omega} U_\Psi(u, \omega)$ ;

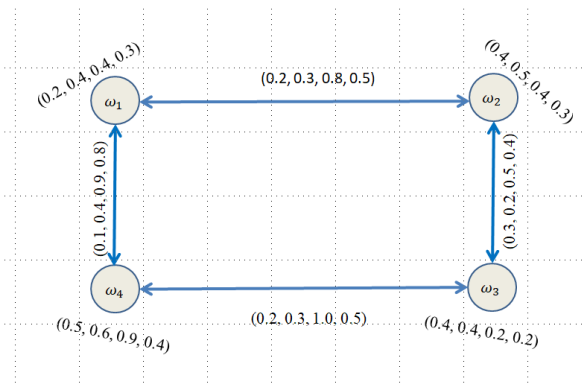
$d_N(\omega)$  = degree of the falsity-membership vertex = sum of the false-membership of all edges those are incident on the vertex  $\omega = \sum_{u \neq \omega} N_\Psi(u, \omega)$ .

**Example 3.8.** Assume that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  defined by Table-8.

**Table 9:** Tabular representation of Example 3.9

	$\omega_1$	$\omega_2$	$\omega_3$	$\omega_4$	$(\omega_1, \omega_2)$	$(\omega_2, \omega_3)$	$(\omega_3, \omega_4)$	$(\omega_4, \omega_1)$
$T_\Psi$	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1
$C_\Psi$	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4
$U_\Psi$	0.4	0.4	0.2	0.9	0.8	0.5	1.0	0.9
$N_\Psi$	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.8

The representation of the graph of Example 3.8 is shown in Fig. 8



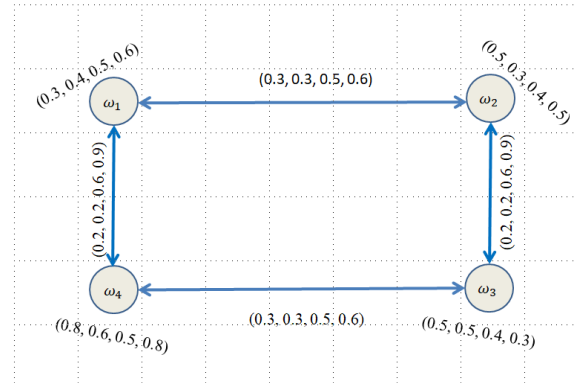
**Figure 8:** SVQN-graph for Example 8

Then,  $d(\omega_1) = (0.3, 0.7, 1.7, 1.3)$ ,  $d(\omega_2) = (0.5, 0.5, 1.3, 0.9)$ ,  $d(\omega_3) = (0.5, 0.5, 1.5, 0.9)$ , and  $d(\omega_4) = (0.3, 0.7, 1.9, 1.3)$ .

**Definition 3.13.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is an SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$ . Then,  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is called a constant SVQN-graph if degree of each vertices is same i.e.,  $d(\omega) = (d_T(\omega), d_C(\omega), d_U(\omega), d_N(\omega)), \forall \omega \in \Theta$ .

**Example 3.9.** Assume that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph, which is defined by Table 9

The representation of the graph for Example 3.9 is shown in Fig. 9



**Figure 9:** SVQN-graph for Example 9

In the above SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ , the degree of the vertices  $\omega_1, \omega_2, \omega_3$ , and  $\omega_4$  are  $d(\omega_1) = (0.5, 0.5, 1.1, 1.5)$ ,  $d(\omega_2) = (0.5, 0.5, 1.1, 1.5)$ ,  $d(\omega_3) = (0.5, 0.5, 1.1, 1.5)$  and  $d(\omega_4) = (0.5, 0.5, 1.1, 1.5)$ . Hence,  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is a constant SVQN-graph.

**Definition 3.14.** Assume that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be a SVQN-graph.

Then, the order of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ , denoted by  $O(\hat{G})$  is defined by

$$O(\hat{G}) = (O_T(\hat{G}), O_C(\hat{G}), O_U(\hat{G}), O_N(\hat{G})),$$

where  $O_T(\hat{G}) = \sum_{\omega \in V} T_\Psi$  denotes the T-order of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ ;

$O_C(\hat{G}) = \sum_{\omega \in V} C_\Psi$  denotes the C-order of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$

$O_U(\hat{G}) = \sum_{\omega \in V} U_\Psi$  denotes the U-order of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ ;

$O_N(\hat{G}) = \sum_{\omega \in V} N_\Psi$  denotes the N-order of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ .

**Example 3.10.** Assume that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  as shown in Example 8. Then, the order of the SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is  $O(\hat{G}) = (1.5, 1.9, 1.9, 1.2)$ .

**Definition 3.15.** Suppose that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is an SVQN-graph.

Then, the size of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ , denoted by  $S(\hat{G})$  is defined by

$$S(\hat{G}) = (S_T(\hat{G}), S_C(\hat{G}), S_U(\hat{G}), S_N(\hat{G})),$$

where  $S_T(\hat{G}) = \sum_{u \neq \omega} T_\Omega(u, k)$  denotes the T-size of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ ;

$S_C(\hat{G}) = \sum_{u \neq \omega} C_\Omega(u, k)$  denotes the C-size of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ ;

$S_U(\hat{G}) = \sum_{u \neq \omega} U_\Omega(u, k)$  denotes the U-size of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ ;

$S_N(\hat{G}) = \sum_{u \neq \omega} N_\Omega(u, k)$  denotes the N-size of  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$ .

**Example 3.11.** Assume that  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  be an SVQN-graph of  $\hat{G}^* = (\Theta, \Delta)$  as shown in Example 8. Then, the size of the SVQN-graph  $\hat{G} = (\Psi, \Omega)$  is  $S(\hat{G}) = (0.8, 1.2, 3.2, 2.2)$ .

## 4. Conclusions

This article presents the notion of degree, order, and size of SVQN-graphs. Further, few examples have been furnished to justify the definitions and results established. It is hoped that, the notion presented in this paper will open up new avenues of research on SVQN-graph for its application in real problems in the current single valued quadripartitioned neutrosophic area.

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