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THE MINIMUM ALGEBRAIC CONNECTIVITY OF CATERPILLAR UNICYCLIC GRAPHS[*]

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Abstract. A caterpillar unicyclic graph is a unicyclic graph in which the removal of all pendant vertices makes it a cycle. In this paper, the unique caterpillar unicyclic graph with minimum algebraic connectivity among all caterpillar unicyclic graphs is determined.

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