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A book  $B_p$  is a union of  $p$  triangles sharing one edge, and a generalized book  $B_{b,p}$  is the union of  $p$  copies of a  $K_{b+1}$  sharing a common  $K_b$ . A graph  $G$  is called an  $H$ -saturated graph if  $G$  does not contain  $H$  as a subgraph, but  $G \cup \{e\}$  contains a copy of  $H$  for any edge not in  $G$ . The *saturation number* of  $H$ , denoted by  $sat(H, n)$ , is the minimum number of edges in  $G$  for all  $H$ -saturated graphs  $G$  of order  $n$ . We show that

$$sat(B_p, n) = \frac{1}{2}(((p+1)(n-1) + \lceil \frac{p}{2} \rceil \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor) + \theta(n, p)),$$

where  $\theta(n, p) = 1$  if  $p \equiv n - p/2 \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and 0 otherwise, and  $n \geq 2p^3 + p^2 + p$ .

Also, it is shown that

$$sat(B_{b,p}, n) = \frac{1}{2}(((p+2b-3)(n-b+1) + \lceil \frac{p}{2} \rceil \lfloor \frac{p}{2} \rfloor) + \theta(n, p, b)),$$

where  $\theta(n, p, b) = 1$  if  $p \equiv n - p/2 - b \equiv 0 \pmod{2}$  and 0 otherwise, and  $n \geq 4(p+2b)^{b+2}$ . (Received September 08, 2007)