# ST-COLORING OF SOME PRODUCTS OF GRAPHS 

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#### Abstract

For a finite set $T$ of non negative integers containing zero, a function $c: V(G) \rightarrow Z^{+} \bigcup\{0\}$ is said to be a $S T$-coloring of the graph $G=(V, E)$, if $|c(x)-c(y)|$ is not in $T$ for any any edge $(x, y)$ and for any two distinct edges $(x, y)$ and $(u, v),|c(x)-c(y)| \neq|c(u)-c(v)| \cdot s p_{S T}(G)$ is the minimum of the difference between the largest and smallest colors assigned over all the vertices and $\operatorname{esp}_{S T}(G)$ is the minimum of the maximum difference between the colors assigned to the vertices of an edge over all the edges of the graph, where the minimum is taken over all $S T$-coloring $c$. Here we establish some results related to $S T$-chromatic number, span and edge span of some graph products namely, Tensor product, Cartesian product and Corona product of graphs.


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## 1. Introduction

Graph coloring is one of the most important and extensively well known researched area in the field of graph theory. It is an important subfield of graph theory having various applications. Assignment of frequencies to various channels is one of such famous and well known problems in the field of telecommunication. Channel assignment problem [7] can be modelled with the

[^0]help of graph, where transmitter channels will be considered as some vertices and if there is any interference between any two transmitters, then that interference can be considered as an edge. $T$-coloring is one kind of vertex coloring, which was introduced by W. K. Hale [3] by setting up an interrelation between graph coloring and the channel assignment problem. For a fixed set $T$ of non negative integers containing zero, $T$-coloring of a graph $G=(V, E)$, is a function $f: V(G) \rightarrow Z^{+} \cup\{0\}$, such that the absolute values of the differences of the colors or non negative integers assigned to any two distinct vertices must not be in the fixed set $T$. $T$-chromatic number, $T$-span and $T$-edge span are some important measures of a $T$-coloring. $T$-chromatic number is the minimum number of colors or non negative integers required for an efficient $T$ coloring or the order of the $T$-coloring $f$ and $T$-span is the maximum absolute differences of the non negative integers or colors assigned to any two distinct vertices. Whereas, $T$-edge span is the maximum absolute differences of the non-negative integers or colors assigned to two vertices of all the edges. For more about $T$-colorings, we refer to [1, 2, 5, 7, 9, 11-13]. A particular type of $T$-coloring is $S T$-coloring of graphs. A Strong $T$-coloring of $G=(V, E)$ is a function $c: V(G) \rightarrow Z^{+} \bigcup\{0\}$ such that for all $u \neq w$ in $V(G),(i)(u, w) \in E(G)$ then $|c(u)-c(w)| \notin T$ and $(i i)|c(u)-c(w)| \neq|c(x)-c(y)|$ for any two distinct edges $(u, w)$ and $(x, y)$ in $E(G)$.

There are various types of graph products, such as, Cartesian product, Tensor product also called as direct product, Lexicographic product also called as graph composition, Strong product, etc. For more details on products of graph, see [4]. All graphs considered in this paper are finite, simple and undirected.

In this paper, we consider strong $T$-colorings on some graph products, viz. Tensor product, Cartesian product and Corona product of graphs. We start with some preliminary results in the next section, followed by the main results of $S T$-coloring of Tensor product, Cartesian product and Corona product in section 3. In section 4, the conclusion of the paper is drawn.

## 2. Preliminaries

Theorem 2.1. [10] Let $H$ be a subgraph of a graph G. For each finite set $T$ of positive integers containing zero,
(i) $s p_{S T}(H) \leq s p_{S T}(G) \quad$ (ii) $\operatorname{esp}_{S T}(H) \leq \operatorname{esp}_{S T}(G)$.

Theorem 2.2. [10] For all graphs $G, \quad(i) \operatorname{sp}_{T}(G) \leq \operatorname{spsT}(G) \quad$ (ii) $\operatorname{esp}_{T}(G) \leq \operatorname{esp}_{S T}(G)$.

Observation 1: [10] $\chi_{S T}(G) \geq \chi(G)=\chi_{T}(G)$.
For more results of $S T$-colorings, we refer to $[6,10]$.

## 3. Main Results

### 3.1. ST-coloring of Tensor Product of Graphs.

Theorem 3.1. For all finite set $T$ of positive integers containing zero and for any two graphs $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$
(i) $\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right) \geq \min \left\{\chi\left(G_{1}\right), \chi\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$
(ii) $s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right) \leq \min \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$
(iii) $\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right) \leq \min \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$.

Proof. (i) Since, $\chi_{S T}(G) \geq \chi_{T}(G)=\chi(G)$, by using observation $1 \Rightarrow \chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right) \geq \chi_{T}\left(G_{1} \times\right.$ $\left.G_{2}\right)=\chi\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)=\min \left\{\chi\left(G_{1}\right), \chi\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$. Hence,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right) \geq \min \left\{\chi\left(G_{1}\right), \chi\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

(ii) Let $f$ and $g$ are two $S T$-colorings of the graphs $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ respectively, such that $s p_{S T}^{f}\left(G_{1}\right)=$ $s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right)$ and $s p_{S T}^{g}\left(G_{2}\right)=s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)$. Define a $S T$-coloring of $G_{1} \times G_{2}$ as $c(u, v)=f(u)$. Let, $\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right),\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right) \in V\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)$, such that $u_{1}, u_{2} \in V\left(G_{1}\right), v_{1}, v_{2} \in V\left(G_{2}\right)$. Then,

$$
\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right|=\left|f\left(u_{1}\right)-f\left(u_{2}\right)\right| \notin \text { Tand }
$$

$\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right|$ is distinct for any two edges. Hence, $c$ is a $S T$-coloring of $G_{1} \times G_{2}$, therefore, we have,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right|=\left|f\left(u_{1}\right)-f\left(u_{2}\right)\right| \leq s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right) \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Define, $c(u, v)=g(v)$. Let, $\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right),\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right) \in V\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)$, such that $u_{1}, u_{2} \in V\left(G_{1}\right), v_{1}, v_{2} \in$ $V\left(G_{2}\right)$. Then,

$$
\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right|=\left|g\left(v_{1}\right)-g\left(v_{2}\right)\right| \notin \text { Tand }
$$

$\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right|$ is distinct for any two edges. Hence, $c$ is a ST-coloring of $G_{1} \times G_{2}$.

Therefore, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right|=\left|g\left(v_{1}\right)-g\left(v_{2}\right)\right| \leq s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right) \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

From equations (2) and (3)

$$
\begin{gather*}
s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right) \leq s p_{S T}^{c}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right) \leq \min \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} \\
s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right) \leq \min \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} . \tag{4}
\end{gather*}
$$

(iii) The proof can be obtained by using the definition of $S T-$ edge span and proceeding in the similar to the proof of $(i i)$.

Corollary 3.1. For any $T$-set, If $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ are two subgraphs of their Tensor products, $\left(G_{1} \times\right.$ $G_{2}$ ), then
(i) $s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)=\min \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$
(ii) $\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)=\min \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$.

Proof. (i) If $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ are subgraphs of $\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)$, then by using theorem $2.1(i)$
$s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right) \leq s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)$ and $s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right) \leq s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)$. Thus,

$$
\begin{equation*}
s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right) \geq \min \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Hence, by using theorem 3.1 (ii) and equation (5),

$$
s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)=\min \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}
$$

(ii) If $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ are subgraphs of $\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)$, then by using theorem 2.1 (ii)
$\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right) \leq \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)$ and $\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right) \leq \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)$. Thus,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right) \geq \min \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Hence, by using theorem 3.1 (iii) and equation (6),

$$
\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \times G_{2}\right)=\min \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} .
$$

### 3.2. ST-coloring of Cartesian Product of Graphs.

Theorem 3.2. For any $T$-sets of positive integers containing zero and for any two graphs $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$
(i) $\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right) \geq \max \left\{\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \chi_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$
(ii) $s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)=\max \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$
(iii) $\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)=\max \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$.

Proof. (i) Since the Cartesian product of two graphs $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}, G_{1} \square G_{2}$ contains subgraphs that are isomorphic to both $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$. Hence, $\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right) \geq \chi_{S T}(G 1)$ and $\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right) \geq$ $\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right)$ Hence,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right) \geq \max \left\{\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \chi_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} . \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

(ii) Since the Cartesian product of two graphs $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}, G_{1} \square G_{2}$ contains subgraphs that are isomorphic to both $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$. Hence, by using theorem $2.1(i) s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right) \leq s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)$ and $s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right) \leq s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)$. Hence,

$$
\begin{equation*}
s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right) \geq \max \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $f$ and $g$ are two $S T$-colorings of $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ respectively such that $s p_{S T}^{f}\left(G_{1}\right)=s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right)$ and $s p_{S T}^{g}\left(G_{2}\right)=s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)$. Let, c be a coloring on $\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)$ defined as

$$
c(u, v)=f(u)+g(v), \quad(u, v) \in V\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)
$$

Let, $\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right),\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right) \in E\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)$. Then we have two cases: either $u_{1}=u_{2}$ and $v_{1}$ is adjacent to $v_{2}$ in $G_{2}$ or $v_{1}=v_{2}$ and $u_{1}$ is adjacent to $u_{2}$ in $G_{1}$.

Case I: $u_{1}=u_{2}$ and $v_{1}$ is adjacent to $v_{2}$ in $G_{2}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right| & =\left|f\left(u_{1}\right)+g\left(v_{1}\right)-f\left(u_{2}\right)-g\left(v_{2}\right)\right| \\
& =\left|f\left(u_{1}\right)+g\left(v_{1}\right)-f\left(u_{1}\right)-g\left(v_{2}\right)\right| \\
& =\left|g\left(v_{1}\right)-g\left(v_{2}\right)\right| \notin T
\end{aligned}
$$

and $\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right|$ is distinct for any two edges. Hence, c is a $S T$-coloring of $G_{1} \square G_{2}$. Hence,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right|=\left|g\left(v_{1}\right)-g\left(v_{2}\right)\right| \leq s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right) \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

Case II: $v_{1}=v_{2}$ and $u_{1}$ is adjacent to $u_{2}$ in $G_{1}$

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right| & =\left|f\left(u_{1}\right)+g\left(v_{1}\right)-f\left(u_{2}\right)-g\left(v_{2}\right)\right| \\
& =\left|f\left(u_{1}\right)+g\left(v_{1}\right)-f\left(u_{2}\right)-g\left(v_{1}\right)\right| \\
& =\left|f\left(u_{1}\right)-f\left(u_{2}\right)\right| \notin T,
\end{aligned}
$$

and $\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right|$ is distinct for any two edges. Hence, c is a $S T$-coloring of $G_{1} \square G_{2}$. Hence,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right|=\left|f\left(u_{1}\right)-f\left(u_{2}\right)\right| \leq s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right) \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

Hence, from equations (9) and (10)

$$
\begin{gather*}
\left|c\left(u_{1}, v_{1}\right)-c\left(u_{2}, v_{2}\right)\right| \leq \max \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} \\
\Rightarrow s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right) \leq s p_{S T}^{c}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)=\max \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} \tag{11}
\end{gather*}
$$

Thus, from equations (8) and (11)

$$
\begin{equation*}
s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)=\max \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\} \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

(iii) The proof can be obtained by using the definition of $S T-$ edge span and proceeding in the similar to the proof of $(i i)$.

Corollary 3.2. If $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ are two graphs such that $G_{1}$ is a subgraph of $G_{2}$, then
(i) $s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)=s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)$
(ii) $\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)=\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)$.

Proof. (i) Since, $G_{1}$ is a subgraph of $G_{2}$, then,by using theorem $2.1(i), s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right) \leq s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)$. Thus,
$\max \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}=s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)$, Hence,

$$
s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)=s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right) .
$$

(ii) Since, $G_{1}$ is a subgraph of $G_{2}$, then, by using theorem 2.1 (ii), $\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right) \leq \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)$. Thus,
$\max \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}=\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)$, Hence,

$$
\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)=e s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)
$$

Now the following is the generalization of theorem 3.2 (ii) and 3.2 (iii) to Cartesian product of $n$ graphs $G_{1}, G_{2}, G_{3}, \ldots, G_{n}$ as follows:

Theorem 3.3.
(i) $s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2} \square G_{3} \ldots \square G_{n}\right)=\max \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{3}\right), \ldots s p_{S T}\left(G_{n}\right)\right\}$
(ii) $\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2} \square G_{3} \square G_{3} \ldots \square G_{n}\right)=\max \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{3}\right), \ldots \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{n}\right)\right\}$

Proof. (i) For any T-sets of positive integers containing zero, We shall prove this by the method of induction. Let, $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ are two graphs, then by using theorem $3.2(i i), s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)=$ $\max \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$. Let, the result is true for any $k \leq n-1$ such graphs. Then, $s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2} \square G_{3} \square G_{3} \ldots \square G_{n-1}\right)=\max \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{3}\right), \ldots s p_{S T}\left(G_{n-1}\right)\right\}$. Let, $H=G_{1} \square G_{2} \square G_{3} \square G_{3} \ldots . \square G_{n-1}$. Then,

$$
\begin{aligned}
s p_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2} \square G_{3} \ldots \square G_{n-1} \square G_{n}\right)=s p_{S T}\left(H \square G_{n}\right) & =\max \left\{s p_{S T}(H), s p_{S T}\left(G_{n}\right)\right\} \\
& =\max \left\{s p_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), s p_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right), \ldots s p_{S T}\left(G_{n}\right)\right\} .
\end{aligned}
$$

(ii) For any T-sets of positive integers containing zero, We shall prove this by the method of induction. Let, $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ are two graphs, then by using theorem 3.2 (iii), $\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2}\right)=$ $\max \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right)\right\}$. Let, the result is true for any $k \leq n-1$ such graphs. Then,
$\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2} \square G_{3} \square G_{3} \ldots \square G_{n-1}\right)=\max \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{3}\right), \ldots \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{n-1}\right)\right\}$. Let, $H=G_{1} \square G_{2} \square G_{3} \square G_{3} \ldots \square G_{n-1}$. Then,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1} \square G_{2} \square G_{3} \ldots . \square G_{n-1} \square G_{n}\right)=\operatorname{espST}\left(H \square G_{n}\right) & =\max \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}(H), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{n}\right)\right\} \\
& =\max \left\{\operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right), \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{2}\right), \ldots \operatorname{esp}_{S T}\left(G_{n}\right)\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

### 3.3. ST-chromatic number of Corona Product of Graphs.

Theorem 3.4. For any two vertex disjoint graph $G_{1}$ and $G_{2}$ and for any $T$-set,

$$
n+\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right) \leq \chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \circ G_{2}\right) \leq m+n .
$$

Proof. Let $T$ be a set of positive integers containing zero. Let, $V\left(G_{1}\right)=\left\{v_{1}, v_{2}, v_{3}, \ldots ., v_{m}\right\}$ and $V\left(G_{2}\right)=\left\{v_{m+1}, v_{m+2}, v_{m+3}, \ldots, v_{m+n}\right\}$. Now, let us rename the vertices of $G_{1}$ as $\left\{v_{i j}: j=0\right\}$ and the vertices of $i^{\text {th }}$ copy of $G_{2}$ after Corona product with $G_{1}$ as $\left\{v_{i j} \mid j=m+1\right.$ to $\left.m+n\right\}$, where, $i=1$ to $m$.

Let, $c$ be a coloring defined on $G_{1} \circ G_{2}$ as,

$$
c\left(v_{i j}\right)=(k+2)^{i+j}
$$

Now, we need to show that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|c\left(v_{i j}\right)-c\left(v_{l m}\right)\right| \neq\left|c\left(v_{a b}\right)-c\left(v_{c d}\right)\right| \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

where, $\left(v_{i j}, v_{l m}\right),\left(v_{a b}, v_{c d}\right) \in E\left(G_{1} \circ G_{2}\right)$.
If $\left(v_{i j}, v_{l m}\right),\left(v_{a b}, v_{c d}\right)$ are adjacent then equation (13) holds. Hence assume that, $\left(v_{i j}, v_{l m}\right),\left(v_{a b}, v_{c d}\right)$ are non-adjacent edges. Hence, $i+j, l+m, a+b, c+d$ are distinct positive integers. Without loss of generality, let $i+j$ is the largest and $c+d$ is the smallest integer. Then, we have either $c+d<a+b<l+m<i+j$ or $c+d<l+m<a+b<i+j$. Let us consider, $c+d<a+b<l+m<i+j$.

If possible equation (13) is not true. Then,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left|c\left(v_{i j}\right)-c\left(v_{l m}\right)\right|=\left|c\left(v_{a b}\right)-c\left(v_{c d}\right)\right| \\
\Rightarrow & \left|(k+2)^{i+j}-(k+2)^{l+m}\right|=\left|(k+2)^{a+b}-(k+2)^{c+d}\right| \\
\Rightarrow & (k+2)^{i+j}-(k+2)^{l+m}=(k+2)^{a+b}-(k+2)^{c+d} \\
\Rightarrow & (k+2)^{(i+j)-(c+d)}-(k+2)^{(l+m)-(c+d)}=(k+2)^{(a+b)-(c+d)}-1 \\
\Rightarrow & (k+2)^{(i+j)-(c+d)}+1=(k+2)^{(l+m)-(c+d)}+(k+2)^{(a+b)-(c+d)} \\
\Rightarrow & (k+2)^{(l+m)-(c+d)}+(k+2)^{(a+b)-(c+d)}-(k+2)^{(i+j)-(c+d)}=1
\end{aligned}
$$

which is not true for any $k$, as $(i+j)-(c+d)>(l+m)-(c+d)>(a+b)-(c+d)$, Hence,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|c\left(v_{i j}\right)-c\left(v_{l m}\right)\right| \neq\left|c\left(v_{a b}\right)-c\left(v_{c d}\right)\right| \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

where, $\left(v_{i j}, v_{l m}\right),\left(v_{a b}, v_{c d}\right) \in E\left(G_{1} \circ G_{2}\right)$
The proof for $c+d<l+m<a+b<i+j$ is analogous to the proof for $c+d<a+b<l+m<$ $i+j$.
Hence, $c$ is a ST-coloring. In $G_{1} \circ G_{2}$, each of $u_{i j}$ 's of $G_{1}$ are adjacent to all $v_{i j}$ 's of $i^{t h}$ copy of $G_{2}$. Then for all $j=1$ to $n$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left|c\left(u_{i j}-c\left(v_{i 1}\right)\right)\right| \neq\left|c\left(u_{i j}-c\left(v_{i 2}\right)\right)\right| \neq \ldots . \neq\left|c\left(u_{i j}-c\left(v_{i n}\right)\right)\right| \\
\Rightarrow & c\left(v_{i 1}\right) \neq c\left(v_{i 2}\right) \neq c\left(v_{i 3}\right) \neq \ldots \neq c\left(v_{i n}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

$\Rightarrow$ all the vertices of $i^{t h}$ copies of $G_{2}$ in $G_{1} \circ G_{2}$ will have distinct colors. Hence $\left|v\left(G_{2}\right)\right|=n$ no's of colors will be required to color the vertices of $i^{\text {th }}$ copy of $G_{2}$ in $G_{1} \circ G_{2}$ for ST-coloring and $\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right)$ is the minimum number of colors for $S T$-coloring of $G_{1}$. Hence, $\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \circ G_{2}\right) \geq$ $n+\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right)$. But in $G_{1} \circ G_{2}$, there will be $m$ copies of $G_{2}$. Now to minimize the number of positive integers (or colors) of the graph after Corona product, we can assign $m$ numbers of positive integers (or colors) to the each vertices of $G_{1}$, then every copies of $G_{2}$ can have same set of positive integers (or colors) for the vertices, because, in $G_{1}$ all the vertices are of different positive integers (or colors). Hence, $\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \circ G_{2}\right) \leq m+n$ and

$$
\chi_{S T}\left(G_{1}\right)+n \leq \chi_{S T}\left(G_{1} \circ G_{2}\right) \leq m+n .
$$

Corollary 3.3. If $K_{m}$ is a complete graph with $m$ vertices and $G$ be any graph with $n$ vertices, then ST-chromatic number of their Corona product $K_{m} \circ G$ is $m+n$, i.e., $\chi_{S T}\left(K_{m} \circ G\right)=m+n$

Proof. Let T be a set of positive integers containing zero with the largest element $k$. Let the vertices of $K_{m}$ are $\left\{v_{i j}: j=0\right\}$ and the vertices of $i^{t h}$ copy of $G$ after Corona product with $K_{m}$ as $\left\{v_{i j} \mid j=m+1\right.$ to $\left.m+n\right\}$, where $i=1$ to $m$

Let, $c$ be a coloring defined on $G_{1} \circ G_{2}$ as,

$$
c\left(v_{i j}\right)=(k+2)^{i+j} .
$$

Then, clearly $c$ is a $S T$-coloring of $\left(K_{m} \circ G\right)$.
Now, the vertices of $K_{m}$, are adjacent to each other. Hence $m$ positive integers (or colors) will be required for $S T$-coloring. Moreover, In $K_{m} \circ G$, each of $v_{i j}{ }^{\prime} s$ of $K_{m}$ are adjacent to all $v_{i j}{ }^{\prime} s$ of $i^{\text {th }}$ copy of $G$. Then, for all $j=1$ to $n$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left|c\left(u_{i j}-c\left(v_{i 1}\right)\right)\right| \neq\left|c\left(u_{i j}-c\left(v_{i 2}\right)\right)\right| \neq \ldots . \neq\left|c\left(u_{i j}-c\left(v_{i n}\right)\right)\right| \\
\Rightarrow & c\left(v_{i 1}\right) \neq c\left(v_{i 2}\right) \neq c\left(v_{i 3}\right) \neq \ldots \neq c\left(v_{i n}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

$\Rightarrow$ all the vertices of $i^{t h}$ copies of $G$ in $K_{m} \circ G$ will have distinct positive integers or colors. Hence $|v(G)|=n$ no's of positive integers or colors will be required to color the vertices of $i^{t h}$ copy of $G$ in $K_{m} \circ G_{2}$ for $S T$-coloring and every copies of $G$ can have the same set of positive integers (or colors) for the vertices, because, in $K_{m}$ all the vertices are of different positive integers (or colors). Hence, $\chi_{S T}\left(K_{m} \circ G\right)=m+n$, which verifies the lower bound of the above theorem 3.4.

Example 3.3.1. For any $T$-set, $\chi_{S T}\left(K_{4} \circ P_{3}\right)=7$.
Proof. Since, $\chi_{S T}\left(K_{4}\right)=4$ and $\left|V\left(P_{3}\right)\right|=3$. Hence by using corollary 3.3, $\chi_{S T}\left(K_{4} \circ P_{3}\right)=$ $\chi_{S T}\left(K_{4}\right)+\left|V\left(P_{3}\right)\right|=4+3=7$.

## 4. Conclusion

In the paper, we establish some results related to $S T$-chromatic number of some graph products, viz. Tensor products, Cartesian products and Corona products. We also find few results
related to $S T$-span and $S T$-edge span of Tensor products and Cartesian products of graphs. In continuation, one can consider other products of graphs for future research. Moreover, in this communication, we find closed expressions related to $S T$-span and $S T$-edge span of Tensor product and Cartesian product only. So, finding $S T$-span and $S T$-edge span of Corona product and other graph products can be considered for future study.

## CONFLICT OF InTERESTS

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