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VERTEX COLORING EDGE WEIGHTINGS OF SOME SQUARE GRAPHS

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ABSTRACT. A k -edge-weighting w of a graph G is an assignment of integer weight, $w(e) \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$, to each edge e . A k -edge-weighting w induces a vertex coloring c by defining $c(u) = \sum_{u \sim e} w(e)$ for every $u \in V(G)$, where $u \sim e$ denote that u is an end-vertex of e . A k -edge-weighting w of a graph G is a vertex coloring of G if the induced coloring c is proper, i.e., $c(u) \neq c(v)$ for any edge $uv \in E(G)$. In this paper, vertex coloring edge weighting of square of Cartesian product of paths is considered.

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1. INTRODUCTION

For graph-theoretical terminology and notation, we in general follow [1]. In this paper, we assume that the graphs G in discussion are finite, connected, undirected and simple with order $|V(G)| \geq 3$. For a vertex v of a graph $G = (V, E)$, $N_G(v)$ denotes the set of vertices which are adjacent to v in G . For $v \in V(G)$ and $e \in E(G)$, $v \sim e$ denote that v is an end-vertex of e . A k -vertex coloring c of G is an assignment of k integers, $1, 2, \dots, k$, to the vertices of G , the color of a vertex v is denoted by $c(v)$. The coloring is *proper* if no two distinct adjacent vertices share the same color. A graph G is k -colorable if G has a proper k -vertex coloring. The chromatic number $\chi(G)$ is the minimum number r such that G is r -colorable.

A k -edge-weighting w of a graph G is an assignment of an integer weight $w(e) \in \{1, 2, \dots, k\}$ to each edge e of G . An edge weighting induces a vertex coloring by defining $c(u) = \sum_{u \sim e} w(e)$ for every $u \in V(G)$. A k -edge-weighting of G is a vertex-coloring if for every edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$ and then say G admitting a *vertex-coloring k -edge weighting*. The minimum k for which G has a *vertex-coloring k -edge weighting* is denoted by $sd(G)$, called the *sum distinguishing index* of G .

The *Cartesian product* $G \square H$ of two graphs G and H has $V(G \square H) = V(G) \times V(H)$, and two vertices (u_1, u_2) and (v_1, v_2) of $G \square H$ are adjacent if and only if either $u_1 = v_1$ and $u_2 v_2 \in E(H)$ or $u_2 = v_2$ and $u_1 v_1 \in E(G)$.

Given any graph G , its *square graph* G^2 has the same vertex set G , with two vertices adjacent in G^2 whenever they are at distance 1 or 2 in G .

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If a graph has an edge as a component, clearly it cannot have a vertex-coloring k -edge-weighting.

In [4], Karonski, Luczak and Thomason initiated the study of vertex-coloring k -edge-weighting and they brought forward a conjecture as following.

1-2-3-Conjecture. *If G is a connected graph of order 3 or more, then $sd(G) \leq 3$.*

Furthermore, they proved that the conjecture holds for 3-colorable graphs. For cubic graphs, by Brooks' theorem, if $G \neq K_4$, then $\chi(G) \leq 3$ and hence by the above result $sd(G) \leq 3$. Recently, Kalkowski et al. [3] showed that every connected graph of order 3 or more admits a vertex-coloring 5-edge-weighting.

In this paper, we consider vertex coloring edge weighting of square of Cartesian product of paths.

2. RESULTS

Theorem 2.1. *If $m \geq 3$ and $n \geq 3$, then $sd((P_m \square P_n)^2) = 3$.*

Proof:

First, we consider.

Case 1. $m = n \geq 8$, $m \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$.

Subcase 1.1. $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{2(n-1)}v_{2n}\} \cup \{v_{i_1}v_{i_2} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)j}v_{(m-1)(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i_1}v_{(i+1)_1} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i_2}v_{(i+1)_2} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)_2}v_{m_2}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)_j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)_j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)_j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)_j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n)}v_{(i+1)n} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n)}v_{(i+1)n} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)_j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\}$. Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{in} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)_j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$. Next, we consider.

Subcase 1.2. $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{i_1}v_{i_2} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)j}v_{(m-1)(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{m(n-1)}v_{mn}\} \cup \{v_{i_1}v_{(i+1)_1} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i_2}v_{(i+1)_2} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)_2}v_{m_2}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)_j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)_j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)_j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)_j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{in}v_{(i+1)n} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)_j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-1\}\}$. Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{in} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{in} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)_j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Subcase 1.3. $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\} \cup \{v_{in-1}v_{in} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{i1}v_{i2} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)j}v_{(m-1)(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)(n-1)}v_{(m-1)n}\} \cup \{v_{i1}v_{(i+1)1} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i2}v_{(i+1)2} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)2}v_{m2}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)n}v_{mn}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{in}v_{(i+2)n} : i \in \{1, 4, 7, \dots, m-4\}\}$. Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{in} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Case 2. $m = n \geq 9$, $m \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$.

Subcase 2.1. $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\} \cup \{v_{2(n-1)}v_{2n}\} \cup \{v_{i1}v_{i2} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)j}v_{(m-1)(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{mj}v_{m(j+1)} : j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{mj}v_{m(j+1)} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{i1}v_{(i+1)1} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{i2}v_{(i+1)2} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)(n-1)}v_{m(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{in}v_{(i+1)n} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{in}v_{(i+1)n} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\}$.

Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{in} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{mj}v_{m(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)j}v_{mj} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Subcase 2.2. $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{1(n-1)}v_{1n}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\} \cup \{v_{i1}v_{i2} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)j}v_{(m-1)(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{mj}v_{m(j+1)} : j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{mj}v_{m(j+1)} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i1}v_{(i+1)1} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{i2}v_{(i+1)2} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-2\}\} \cup \{v_{in}v_{(i+1)n} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-1\}\}$.

Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{in} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-2\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{in} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{mj}v_{m(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)j}v_{mj} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-4\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\}$.

$\{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-2\} \cup \{v_{m(n-1)}v_{mn}, v_{(m-1)(n-1)}v_{m(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\}; w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Subcase 3.3. $n \equiv 2 \pmod 3$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{in} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{5, 8, 11, \dots, m-2\} j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)j}v_{(m-1)(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)(n-1)}v_{(m-1)n}, v_{m(n-1)}v_{mn}\} \cup \{v_{i1}v_{(i+1)1} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-2\} \cup \{v_{i2}v_{(i+1)2} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-2\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)1}v_{m1}, v_{(m-1)2}v_{m2}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+1)j} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, m-2\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{(i+1)(n-1)} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-4\} \cup \{v_{i1}v_{(i+2)1} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{in}v_{(i+2)n} : i \in \{1, 4, 7, \dots, m-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\}$.

Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{i1}v_{i2} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-4\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-4\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, m-3\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{i(n-1)}v_{in} : i \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, m-4\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{(m-1)(n-1)}v_{m(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, m-2\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\}; w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$. Thus $sd((P_m \square P_n)^2) = 3$.

Theorem 2.2. *If $n \geq 6$, then $sd((P_6 \square P_n)^2) = 3$.*

Proof:

Case 1. $n \equiv 0 \pmod 3$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\} \cup \{v_{2(n-1)}v_{2n}\} \cup \{v_{5j}v_{5(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{6j}v_{6(j+1)} : j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{6j}v_{6(j+1)} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{1, 2\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{2(n-1)}v_{3(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{5(n-1)}v_{6(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{3n}v_{4n}\} \cup \{v_{4n}v_{5n}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\};$ Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{3j}v_{3(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{4j}v_{4(j+1)} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{6j}v_{6(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{5j}v_{6j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\}; w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Case 2. $n \equiv 1 \pmod 3$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{1(n-1)}v_{1n}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\} \cup \{v_{5j}v_{5(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{6j}v_{6(j+1)} : j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{6j}v_{6(j+1)} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{1, 2\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{3(n-1)}v_{4(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{4(n-1)}v_{5(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{2n}v_{3n}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-1\}\};$ Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{3j}v_{3(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{4j}v_{4(j+1)} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{4(n-1)}v_{4n}\} \cup \{v_{6j}v_{6(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{2(n-1)}v_{3(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{5j}v_{6j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\}; w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Case 3. $n \equiv 2 \pmod 3$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\} \cup \{v_{4(n-1)}v_{4n} \cup$

$\{v_{5j}v_{5(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{5(n-1)}v_{5n}\} \cup \{v_{6j}v_{6(j+1)} : j \in \{2, 5, 8, \dots, n-3\}\}$
 $\cup \{v_{6j}v_{6(j+1)} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{1, 2\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\}$
 $\cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{2(n-1)}v_{3(n-1)}, v_{3(n-1)}v_{4(n-1)}, v_{1n}v_{3n}, v_{4n}v_{6n}\}$
 $\cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\}$; Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if
 $e \in \{v_{3j}v_{3(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{3(n-1)}v_{3n}\} \cup \{v_{4j}v_{4(j+1)} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\}$
 $\cup \{v_{6j}v_{6(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup$
 $\{v_{5j}v_{6j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{5(n-1)}v_{6(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\},$
 $j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$,
 $c(u) \neq c(v)$. Thus $sd((P_6 \square P_n)^2) = 3$.

Theorem 2.3. *If $n \geq 5$, then $sd((P_5 \square P_n)^2) = 3$.*

Proof:

First, we consider.

Case 1. $n = 5$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{23}v_{24}, v_{43}v_{44}, v_{44}v_{45}, v_{54}v_{55}, v_{21}v_{31}, v_{22}v_{32}, v_{23}v_{33}, v_{24}v_{34}, v_{33}v_{43}, v_{34}v_{44}, v_{45}v_{55}, v_{13}v_{33}, v_{23}v_{43}, v_{33}v_{53}, v_{14}v_{34}, v_{24}v_{44}, v_{34}v_{54}, v_{15}v_{35}\}$; Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{33}v_{34}, v_{34}v_{35}, v_{11}v_{21}, v_{12}v_{22}, v_{13}v_{23}, v_{14}v_{24}, v_{44}v_{54}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Case 2. $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{2(n-1)}v_{2n}\} \cup \{v_{4j}v_{4(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{1, 2, n\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{2(n-1)}v_{3(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{3n}v_{4n}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3\} j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\}$; Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{3j}v_{3(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3\} j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Case 3. $n \equiv 1 \pmod{3}$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{1(n-1)}v_{1n}\} \cup \{v_{4j}v_{4(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{5(n-1)}v_{5n}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{1, 2\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{3(n-1)}v_{4(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3\} j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-1\}\}$; Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{3j}v_{3(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{n-1, n\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3\} j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Case 4. $n \equiv 2 \pmod{3}$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{4j}v_{4(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{4(n-1)}v_{4n}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{1, 2, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{2(n-1)}v_{3(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{3(n-1)}v_{4(n-1)}\} \cup \{v_{4n}v_{5n}\} \cup \{v_{1n}v_{3n} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3\} j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\}$; Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{3j}v_{3(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{3(n-1)}v_{3n} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2, 3\} j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$. Thus $sd((P_5 \square P_n)^2) = 3$.

Theorem 2.4. *If $n \geq 4$, then $sd((P_4 \square P_n)^2) = 3$.*

Proof:

First we consider.

Case 1. $n = 4$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{23}v_{24}, v_{43}v_{44}, v_{13}v_{33}, v_{23}v_{43}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{1, 2\}\}$; Next, define $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{31}v_{32}\} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Case 2. $n \equiv 2 \pmod 3$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{2j}v_{2(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{3(j+1)} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{1, 2, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{1, 2, n\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{1n}v_{3n} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2\} j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-2\}\}$; Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{1(n-1)}v_{1n} \cup \{v_{4(n-1)}v_{4n} \cup \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2\} j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-4\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Case 3. $n \equiv 0 \pmod 3$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{2, 3\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{1, 2, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{1, 2, n\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2\} j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-3\}\}$; Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2\} j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-2\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$.

Case 4. $n \equiv 1 \pmod 3, n \neq 4$.

Let us define, $w(e) = 2$ if $e \in \{v_{1(n-1)}v_{1n}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{i(j+1)} : i \in \{2, 3\}, j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{1, 2\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-4\}\} \cup \{v_{2j}v_{3j} : j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\} \cup \{v_{3j}v_{4j} : j \in \{1, 2, n-1, n\}\} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2\} j \in \{3, 6, 9, \dots, n-1\}\}$; Next, we assign $w(e) = 3$ if $e \in \{v_{1j}v_{2j} : j \in \{1, 2, 3, \dots, n-1\}\} \cup \{v_{2(n-1)}v_{3(n-1)} \cup \{v_{ij}v_{(i+2)j} : i \in \{1, 2\} j \in \{4, 7, 10, \dots, n-3\}\}$; $w(e) = 1$ otherwise. Consequently, for any edge $e = uv$, $c(u) \neq c(v)$. Thus $sd((P_4 \square P_n)^2) = 3$.

3. CONCLUSION

In this paper, we have determined the vertex coloring edge weighings of square of Cartesian product of paths, except $(P_3 \square P_n)^2$.

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