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# On The Genus of Extended Dot Product Graph and The Crosscap of Dot Product Graph

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### **Abstract**

Let  $S=C\times\cdots\times C$  (k times) and  $1\leq k<\infty$  be an integer, where C is a commutative ring with unity  $1\neq 0$ . In this paper, we classify the rings S such that the extended total dot product graph  $\overline{TD}(S)$  and the extended zero-divisor dot product graph  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  have genus one and two. Furthermore, we characterize S such that the total dot product graph TD(S) and the zero-divisor dot product graph ZD(S) have crosscap one and two.

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## 1 Introduction

The exploration of algebraic graph assignments to commutative rings began with Beck's work [10], which primarily focused on graph coloring. In 1999, Anderson and Livingston [7] studied ring theory in relation to graph theory by introducing zero-divisor graph  $\Gamma(S)$ , where S is a commutative ring with unity. The vertex set of this graph consists of  $Z(S)^*$  (nonzero zero-divisors), and two distinct vertices  $r,s\in Z(S)^*$  form an edge if and only if rs=0. Anderson and Livingston studied the connectedness, diameter and girth of  $\Gamma(S)$ . Further this work is continued by Akbari and Mohammadian [2, 3]. Since then, investigations into the characteristics of a ring through its zero-divisor graph have developed into a rich field of study, marked by continuous inquiries and valuable insights [6]. The extended zero-divisor graph, denoted by  $\overline{\Gamma}(S)$ , was introduced by Bennis et al. [11], in which the vertex set of  $\overline{\Gamma}(S)$  is taken as  $Z(S)^*$ . The adjacency between w and z from  $Z(S)^*$  is contingent upon the condition  $w^kz^\ell=0$ , where  $w^k\neq 0$  and  $z^\ell\neq 0$ , where k and  $\ell$  are positive integers. There are various other extensions of the zero-divisor graph has been done two of them are studied [4, 13].

Let  $S=C\times\cdots\times C$  (k times) and  $1\leq k<\infty$  be an integer, where C is a commutative ring with  $1\neq 0$ . In 2015, Badawi [8] introduced the idea of dot product graph. The author defined total dot product graph TD(S) with vertex set  $S^*=S\setminus\{(0,0,\ldots,0)\}$  and zero-divisor dot product graph ZD(S) with vertex set  $Z(S)^*$ . Two vertices are taken from  $S^*$  and  $Z(S)^*$ , respectively and two distinct vertices  $t=(t_1,t_2,\ldots,t_m)$  and  $s=(s_1,s_2,\ldots,s_m)$  are adjacent if and only if  $t\cdot s=0$ . Badawi [8] proved some results regarding the connectedness, diameter and girth of this graph. In 2020, Selvakumar et al. [14] further explored these graphs, categorized S, for which TD(S) and ZD(S) have a genus of zero, one, or two. Also there are work related to topological properties of zero-divisor graph and its extended zero-divisor graph are studied in [16, 15].

In 2024, Asma et al. [5] extended the dot product graph and defined two new types of graphs: the extended total dot product graph  $\overline{TD}(S)$ , with the set  $S^*$  as the vertex set, and the extended zero-divisor dot product graph  $\overline{ZD}(S)$ , with the set  $Z(S)^*$  as the vertex set. Two vertices w and z (distinct) are adjacent if and only if  $w^k \cdot z^\ell = 0$ , where  $w^k \neq 0$  and  $z^\ell \neq 0$ . The main objective of [5] was to examine the basic properties of these graphs and also classify the rings S for which  $\overline{TD}(S)$  and  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  are planar/outerplanar. This paper aims to determine the if and only if conditions under which these graphs have a genus one or two, and also classify the ring S such that TD(S) and ZD(S) have a crosscap number of one or two.

Throughout the paper, we consider C to be a commutative ring with unity  $1 \neq 0$ , and  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where k is a positive integer. We also consider  $S^\times$  as the set of units of S and  $C^\times$  as the set of units of C. A ring S with no nonzero nilpotent element is called reduced. Let H be a graph with vertex set V and edge set E. A graph is said to be connected if there is a path between every pair of distinct vertices in H; if not, it is termed disconnected. A complete bipartite graph  $K_{|V_1|,|V_2|}$  splits the vertex set V into two subsets,  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ . In this graph, each vertex in  $V_1$  is adjacent to every vertex in  $V_2$ , but no two distinct vertices within the same subset are adjacent, where  $|V_1|$  and  $|V_2|$  denote the cardinalities of the sets  $V_1$  and  $V_2$ , respectively. A planar graph is one that can be embedded on a plane such that its edges meet only at their endpoints.

Let  $\mathbb{S}_n$  represent a sphere with n handles, where n is a natural number; in other words,  $\mathbb{S}_n$  is an orientable surface characterized by having n handles. The minimum value of n that permits a graph H to be embedded in the orientable surface in  $\mathbb{S}_n$  is known as the genus of the graph, denoted by  $\gamma(H)$ . In other words, the smallest number of handles needed for its embedding on an orientable surface is called the genus of a graph. A graph is termed as planar if  $\gamma(H)=0$ . If  $\gamma(H)=1$ , then, the graph is referred as toroidal and a graph having genus two is known as

bi-toriodal. The crosscap number  $\overline{\gamma}(H)$  is the minimum number of projective planes k required to embed H in  $\overline{\mathbb{S}}_n$ , where  $\overline{\mathbb{S}}_n$  denote a sphere with k projective planes. If a graph H that can be embedded into  $\overline{\mathbb{S}}_1$  but cannot be embedded into a plane, then, it is called crosscap one of H and if a graph that can be embedded into  $\overline{\mathbb{S}}_2$  but not in  $\overline{\mathbb{S}}_1$ , then, it is called crosscap two of H. The minor subgraph H' of a graph H is a graph obtained through the contraction of its edges and isolation of vertices. The contracted edges of a minor subgraph are symbolized by the vertex [u,z], where u and z belong to the vertex set V(H). If the graph H have a minor subgraph H', then, the genus and crosscap of H' is less than or equal to the genus and crosscap of H.

# **2** Genus of $\overline{TD}(S)$ and $\overline{ZD}(S)$

In this section, we categorize the rings  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times) such that  $\overline{TD}(S)$  and  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  are of genus one and two.

**Lemma 2.1.** [17, Theorem 6.37] If  $r, s \ge 2$  are integers, then,

$$\gamma(K_{r,s}) = \left\lceil \frac{(r-2)(s-2)}{4} \right\rceil.$$

**Lemma 2.2.** [14, Lemma 4.2] If H be a simple connected graph with n vertices, m edges and girth gr, then,

$$\gamma(H) \ge \frac{m(gr-2)}{2qr} - \frac{n}{2} + 1.$$

**Lemma 2.3.** [9, Theorem 4.3] The genus of a graph is the total of the genera of its individual blocks.

**Theorem 2.1.** [5, Theorem 4.1] Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . Then,  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  is planar if and only if  $S \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** [5, Theorem 4.2] Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . Then,  $\overline{TD}(S)$  is planar if and only if  $S \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** If  $C \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$  and  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $4 \leq k < \infty$ , then,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \geq 3$ .

*Proof.* Suppose  $k \geq 4$ , and consider the set  $H = H_1 \cup H_2$ , where

$$H_{1} = \left\{ h_{1} = (1, 0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), h_{2} = (0, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0), h_{3} = (1, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \right.$$

$$h_{4} = (0, 1, 0, 1, \dots, 0), h_{5} = (1, 1, 0, 0, \dots, 0), h_{6} = (0, 0, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \right\},$$

$$H_{2} = \left\{ h'_{1} = (0, 1, 0, 0, \dots, 0), h'_{2} = (1, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0), h'_{3} = (0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \right.$$

$$h'_{4} = (1, 1, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), h'_{5} = (0, 0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), h'_{6} = (1, 1, 0, 1, \dots, 0),$$

$$h'_{7} = (1, 0, 0, \dots, 0), h'_{8} = (0, 1, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \right\}.$$

Then, H is the smallest set of vertices contained in  $V(\overline{ZD}(S))$ . On contracting the vertices  $[h_1, h_2]$ ,  $[h_3, h_4]$  and  $[h_5, h_6]$ , we get the graph which is the minor subgraph of  $\overline{ZD}(S)$ , shown in Figure 1. Since we observe that the minor subgraph has eleven vertices and forty edges, so, by Lemma 2.2, we get  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \geq 3$ .

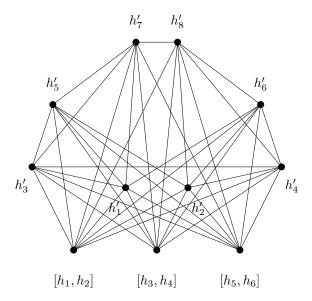


Figure 1: Minor subgraph of  $\overline{ZD}(S)$ .

Selvakumar et al. [14, Theorem 5.1] proved that  $\gamma(ZD(C \times C \times C)) \geq 3$ , if  $|C| \geq 3$ . Since  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  span ZD(S) (spanning subgraph of  $\overline{ZD}(S)$ ), then,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(C \times C \times C)) \geq 3$ . Hence, we deduce the following:

**Lemma 2.5.** If  $|C| \ge 3$ , and  $S = C \times C \times C$ . Then,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \ge 3$ .

The lemma can also be extended as follows:

**Lemma 2.6.** Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$  and C is a nonreduced ring. Then,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \ge 3$ .

*Proof.* Since C is nonreduced, then,  $|C| \ge 4$ . Let  $z \in N(C)^*$  (nonzero nilpotent elements of C) and  $1 \ne k \in C^{\times}$  (units of C). Consider the set  $D = \{r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4, r_5, s_1, s_2, s_3, s_4, s_5\}$ , where,

$$r_1 = (1, 0, ..., 0), \quad r_2 = (z, 0, ..., 0), \quad r_3 = (k, 0, ..., 0), \quad r_4 = (1, z, 0, ..., 0), \quad r_5 = (k, z, 0, ..., 0), \\ s_1 = (0, 1, 0, ..., 0), \quad s_2 = (0, z, 0, ..., 0), \quad s_3 = (0, k, 0, ..., 0), \quad s_4 = (z, 1, 0, ..., 0), \quad s_5 = (z, k, 0, ..., 0).$$

Then, the graph obtained from the set D contains the induced subgraph, which is isomorphic to  $K_{5,5}$  in Figure 2. Since C is nonreduced, then,  $D \subseteq V(\overline{ZD}(S))$ . Hence,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \ge 3$ .

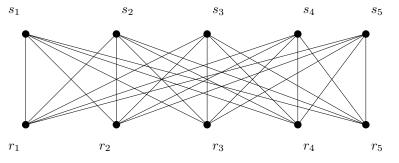


Figure 2: Subgraph of  $\overline{ZD}(S)$ .

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . Then,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) = 1$ , if and only if,

$$S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}, \quad \text{or } \mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5.$$

*Proof.* If  $k \geq 4$ , then by Lemma 2.4, we get  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \geq 3$ . If k = 3 and  $|C| \geq 3$ , then by Lemma 2.5,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \geq 3$ . Also, if  $S \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ , then from Theorem 2.1,  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  is planar. Hence,

Now, if *C* is nonreduced ring, then from Lemma 2.6,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \geq 3$ , not possible by assumption. Let k=2 and C is reduced (not a field). Then,  $|C| \geq 6$ . Since  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  has an induced subgraph  $K_{5,5}$ , then by Lemma 2.1,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \geq 3$ , not possible by assumption. Now, we check the rings;  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ ,  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ . If we consider the rings  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ , then from Theorem 2.1,  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  is a planar, a contradiction. So, the possible rings S for which  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  is of genus one are  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ .

Conversely, if  $S\cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ . Then, the graph obtained from  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle} imes \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_5 imes \mathbb{Z}_5$  are isomorphic to  $K_{3,3}$  and  $K_{4,4}$ , respectively. Therefore, from Lemma 2.1, we have  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) = 1$ . 

**Theorem 2.4.** Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . Then,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) = 0$  or 1 or  $\ge 3$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) = 2$ . If we consider  $k \geq 4$ , then from Lemma 2.4, we get  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \geq 4$ 3, a contradiction. Hence,  $k \leq 3$ .

- Case (a) k = 3. If  $|C| \ge 3$ , then from Lemma 2.5,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \ge 3$ , a contradiction. Hence, |C| = 2. Also, if  $S \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ , then from Theorem 2.1,  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  is planar.
- Case (b) k = 2. If  $|C| \ge 6$ , then, clearly  $K_{5,5}$  is a subgraph of  $\overline{ZD}(S)$ . Therefore, from Lemma 2.1,  $\overline{\gamma}(\overline{ZD}(S)) \ge 3$ , a contradiction. Hence,  $|C| \le 5$ . So the following rings are under consideration:  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ ,  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[x]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ . Thus, from Theorem 2.1 and Theorem 2.3, we obtain that  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  is either planar or of genus 1, again a contradiction. Hence,  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) \geq 3$ .

**Remark 2.1.** Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where C is a ring with  $1 \neq 0$  and  $2 \leq k < \infty$ . Then from Theorem 2.4, we conclude that there is no ring S for which  $\gamma(\overline{ZD}(S)) = 2$ .

**Theorem 2.5.** Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . Then, the nonzero genus of  $\overline{TD}(S)$ is at least 2.

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*Proof.* Since  $\overline{TD}(S)$  has an induced subgraph  $\overline{ZD}(S)$ , then, from Theorem 2.4, the only possibility of rings S such that  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(S))=2$  are  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ . If we consider  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ , then, it contains a subgraph which have disjoint copies of two  $K_{4,4}$  in Figures 3 and 4. Thus from Lemmas 2.1 and 2.3,  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5)) \geq 2$ .

Similarly, if we consider  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}$ , then, it contain two disjoint copies of  $K_{3,3}$ . Therefore, from Lemmas 2.1 and 2.3,  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}\times\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle})\geq 2$ . Hence, genus of  $\overline{TD}(S)$  is at least 2.

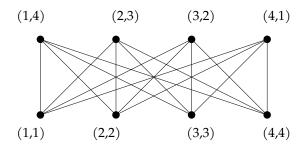


Figure 3: Subgraph of  $\overline{TD}(\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5)$ .

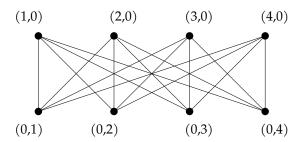


Figure 4: Subgraph of  $\overline{TD}(\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5)$ .

**Remark 2.2.** Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . Then from Theorem 2.5, we conclude that there is no ring S for which  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(S)) = 1$ .

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . Then,  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(S)) = 2$  if and only if  $S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $k \geq 4$  and  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(S)) = 2$ . As  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  is an induced subgraph of  $\overline{TD}(S)$ , then from Lemma 2.4  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(S) \geq 3$ , a contradiction. Thus,  $k \leq 3$ . Let,  $k \leq 3$ . Then from Lemma 2.5,  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(S) \geq 3$ . Hence, k=2. Assume that  $|C| \geq 6$ . Then,  $K_{5,5}$  is a subgraph of  $\overline{TD}(S)$ . Therefore, from Lemma 2.1  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(S) \geq 3$ . Thus,  $|C| \leq 5$ . Also, if  $S \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ , then from Theorem **2.2**,  $\overline{TD}(S)$  is planar, which is not possible by assumption. So, the possible rings such that  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(S)) = 2 \text{ are } \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \text{ or } \mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5.$ 

Conversely, let 
$$S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle}$$
 or  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ . Then by [5, Theorem 8],  $\overline{TD}(S) = TD(S)$ . Thus from [14, Theorem 5.2],  $\gamma(\overline{TD}(S)) = 2$ .

## 3 Crosscap Characterizations of TD(S) and ZD(S)

Let  $S = C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $1 \le k < \infty$ . The unit dot product graph UD(S) is defined as the graph whose vertex set is  $S^{\times}$ , where two distinct vertices  $c_1, c_2 \in S^{\times}$  are connected by an edge if and only if  $c_1 \cdot c_2 = 0$ . The graph UD(S) is a subgraph of TD(S), which is introduced and studied by Abdulla and Badawı in [1]. In this section, we classify the rings S for which TD(S) and ZD(S) are of crosscap one and two.

**Lemma 3.1.** [17, Theorem 11.23] 
$$\overline{\gamma}(K_p,q) = \left\lceil \frac{(p-2)(q-2)}{2} \right\rceil$$
, where  $p \ge 1$  and  $q \ge 1$ . In particular,  $\overline{\gamma}(K_{3,3}) = 1$  and  $\overline{\gamma}(K_{3,4}) = 1$ .

**Corollary 3.1.** [12, Corollary 1.5] Let H be a graph with two subgraphs  $H_1$  and  $H_2$ , where  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  are isomorphic to  $K_5$  or  $K_{3,3}$ . If  $H_1 \cap H_2 = v$ , then,  $\overline{\gamma}(H) \geq 2$ .

**Example 3.1.** Let 
$$S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle}$$
. Then,  $\overline{\gamma}(UD(S)) = 1$ .

Proof. Here,

$$V(UD(S)) = \Big\{ (\overline{1}, \overline{1}), (\overline{1}, \overline{1+t}), (\overline{t}, \overline{t}), (\overline{1+t}, \overline{1+t}), (\overline{1+t}, \overline{1}), (\overline{t}, \overline{1+t}), (\overline{1}, \overline{t}), (\overline{t}, \overline{1}), (\overline{t+t}, \overline{t}) \Big\}.$$

Embedding of  $UD\left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}\right)$  in  $\overline{\mathbb{S}}_1$  is shown in the Figure 5.

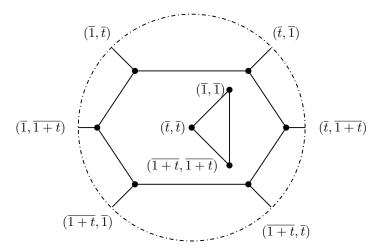


Figure 5: Embedding of  $UD\left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle} imes \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}\right)$  in  $\overline{\mathbb{S}}_1$ .

**Lemma 3.2.** If  $C \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$  and  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$   $(k \ge 4 \ times)$ , then,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) \ge 3$ .

*Proof.* Let us consider the set  $H = H_1 \cup H_2$ , where

$$H_1 = \Big\{ \ell_1 = (1, 1, 0, 0, \dots, 0), \ell_2 = (0, 0, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \ell_3 = (0, 1, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0),$$
 
$$\ell_4 = (1, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \ell_5 = (0, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0), \ell_6 = (1, 0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \Big\}, \quad \text{and}$$
 
$$H_2 = \Big\{ t_1 = (1, 0, 0, 0, \dots, 0), t_2 = (0, 0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0), t_3 = (0, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0),$$
 
$$t_4 = (1, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0), t_5 = (0, 1, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0), t_6 = (1, 1, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0),$$
 
$$t_7 = (1, 0, 1, 1, 0, \dots, 0) \Big\}.$$

Then,  $H \subseteq V(ZD(S))$ . On contracting the edges  $[\ell_1, \ell_2]$ ,  $[\ell_3, \ell_4]$  and  $[\ell_5, \ell_6]$ , then, the graph obtained from the set H contains an induced subgraph  $K_{3,7}$  in Figure 6. Therefore, from Lemma 3.1,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) \geq 3$ .

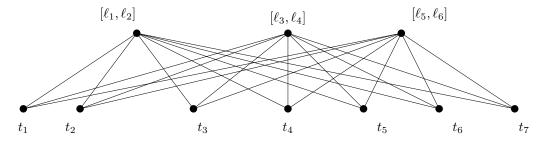


Figure 6: Minor subgraph of ZD(S).

**Example 3.2.** Let  $C \cong \mathbb{Z}_3$  and  $S = C \times C \times C$ . Then,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) \geq 2$ .

Proof. Let,

$$I_1 = \Big\{ (1,2,0), (0,0,1), (0,1,0), (2,1,0), (0,0,2), (1,1,0), (2,2,0) \Big\}, \quad \text{ and } \\ I_2 = \Big\{ (1,0,0), (0,1,2), (0,2,1), (0,1,1), (2,0,0), (0,2,0), (0,2,2) \Big\}.$$

Then,  $I_1 \cup I_2 \subset V(ZD(S))$ . On contracting the edges [(0,0,1),(0,1,0)], [(2,0,0),(0,2,0)] and [(0,0,2),(1,0,0)], we see that the graphs obtained from  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  are  $K_{3,3}$  (shown in Figure 7). Let the graph obtained by set  $I_1$  is  $H_1$  and the graph obtained by set  $I_2$  is  $H_2$  Then, clearly  $H_1 \cap H_2 = \{[(0,0,2),(1,0,0)]\}$ . Thus, the graph in the Figure 7 satisfies the condition of Corollary 3.1. Therefore,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) \geq 2$ .

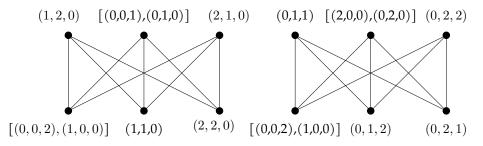


Figure 7: Minor subgraphs of  $ZD(\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3)$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . Then,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) = 1$  if and only if  $S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle}$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S))=1$ . Assume  $k\geq 4$ . Then from Lemma 3.2,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S))\geq 3$ , not possible by assumption. Thus,  $k\leq 3$ . If k=3 and  $|C|\geq 3$ , then,  $ZD(\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3)$  is a subgraph of ZD(S). Therefore, from Example 3.2,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S))\geq 2$ , not possible by assumption. Hence, k=2.

Now, assume that  $|C| \geq 5$ , then,  $K_{4,4}$  is a subgraph of ZD(S). Therefore, from Lemma 3.2,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) \geq 2$ , not possible by assumption. So, possible rings under consideration are  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  and  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle}$ . If  $S \cong \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2 \times \mathbb{Z}_2$ , then, ZD(S) is planar by [14, Corollary 3.5]. Thus,  $S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle}$ .

Conversely, if  $S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1 \rangle}$ , then,  $ZD(S) \cong K_{3,3}$ . Hence, from Lemma 3.1,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) = 1$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . Then,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) = 2$  if and only if,  $S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ .

*Proof.* Suppose that  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S))=2$ . Assume  $k\geq 4$ . Then from Lemma 3.2,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S))\geq 3$ , not possible by assumption. Thus,  $k\leq 3$ .

Let k=3 and  $C\cong\mathbb{Z}_3$ , then from Example 3.2,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3))\geq 2$ . Claim  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3))\geq 3$ . Since  $\{(1,0,1),(1,0,2),(2,0,2),(2,0,1)\}\subset V\big(ZD(\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3)\big)$ . Clearly (1,0,1)-(1,0,2)-(2,0,2)-(2,0,1)-(1,0,1) forms a cycle. Therefore, these vertices lie on the same face during the imbedding into  $N_2$ . Now, if (0,1,0) and (0,2,0) lie on the distinct copies of  $K_{3,3}$ , then, there is edge crossing in the embedding.

Also, if (0,1,0) and (0,2,0) lie on the same copies of  $K_{3,3}$ , then, there is an edge crossing, again a contradiction. Hence,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3)) \geq 3$ . Now,  $ZD(\mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3 \times \mathbb{Z}_3)$  is a subgraph of  $ZD(C \times C \times C)$ . Therefore,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(C \times C \times C)) \geq 3$ .

Assume that k=2. If  $|C|\geq 6$ , then, clearly  $K_{5,5}$  is a subgraph of  $ZD(C\times C)$ , from Lemma 3.1, a contradiction. Hence,  $|C|\leq 5$ . Thus, the following rings under consideration are  $\mathbb{Z}_2\times\mathbb{Z}_2,\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3,\mathbb{Z}_3$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_2\times\mathbb{Z}_2\times\mathbb{Z}_2\times\mathbb{Z}_2$ ,  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}\times\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle},\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2\rangle}\times\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2\rangle}$ ,  $\mathbb{Z}_4\times\mathbb{Z}_4$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_5\times Z_5$ . If  $S\cong\mathbb{Z}_2\times\mathbb{Z}_2\times\mathbb{Z}_2\times\mathbb{Z}_2$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_2\times\mathbb{Z}_2$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_3\times\mathbb{Z}_3$ , then, by [14, Corollary 3.5], ZD(S) is planar, leading to a contradiction. Now, if  $S\cong\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}\times\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}$ , then from Theorem 3.1, ZD(S) is of crosscap one, again a contradiction. Hence, the possible rings such that ZD(S) is of crosscap two are  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2\rangle}\times\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2\rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_4\times\mathbb{Z}_4$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_5\times\mathbb{Z}_5$ .

Conversely, if  $S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle x^2 \rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ , then, the embedding of ZD(S) is shown in the

Figure 8. Also, if S is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ , then,  $ZD(S) \cong K_{4,4}$ . Therefore, from Lemma 3.1,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5)) = 2$ .

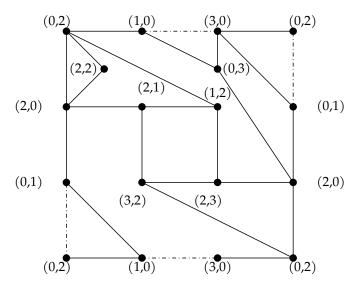


Figure 8: Embedding of  $ZD(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4) \cong ZD\left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle}\right)$  in  $\overline{\mathbb{S}}_2$ .

**Remark 3.1.** If H is a disconnected graph with connected components  $H_1, H_2, ..., H_k$  such that  $\bigcap_{i=1}^k H_i = \phi$  and  $\overline{\gamma}(H_i)$  is the non-orientable genus of i-th connected component, then,  $\overline{\gamma}(H) = \sum_{1}^k \overline{\gamma}(H_i)$ . This relationship holds due to the additive nature of the non-orientable genus when dealing with disconnected graphs. So, we use this concept in next result whenever graph is disconnected.

**Theorem 3.3.** Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . Then,  $\overline{\gamma}(TD(S)) = 2$  if and only if,  $S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle}$  or  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ .

*Proof.* Since TD(S) contains ZD(S), then, from Theorems 3.1 and 3.2, the only possibility of TD(S) is of crosscap two are  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}$  or  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2\rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2\rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ . Let  $S \cong \mathbb{Z}_5 \times \mathbb{Z}_5$ . Then from Theorem 3.2,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) = 2$ . Also UD(S) has a subgraph  $K_{4,4}$ , therefore from Lemma 3.1,  $\overline{\gamma}(UD(S)) \geq 2$ . Since ZD(S) and UD(S) have total three connected components of TD(S) with  $V(ZD(S)) \cap V(UD(S)) = \phi$  and  $E(ZD(S)) \cap E(UD(S)) = \phi$ .

Therefore, due to additive nature of crosscap, we have  $\overline{\gamma}(TD(S)) \geq 4$ , a contradiction. Thus,  $S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 + t + 1 \rangle}$  or  $\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ .

Conversely, if  $S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle}$  or  $\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4$ . Then, the embedding of TD(S) is shown in the

Figure 9. Next, if  $S \cong \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2+t+1\rangle}$ , then, TD(S) is disconnected graph. Since  $TD(S) = ZD(S) \cup UD(S)$  with  $E(ZD(S)) \cap E(UD(S)) = \phi$  and  $V(ZD(S)) \cap V(UD(S)) = \phi$ . Thus,  $\overline{\gamma}(TD(S)) = \overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) + \overline{\gamma}(UD(S))$ . From Theorem 3.1,  $\overline{\gamma}(ZD(S)) = 1$  and from Example 3.1,  $\overline{\gamma}(UD(S)) = 1$ . Therefore, due to additive nature of the non-orientable genus, we have  $\overline{\gamma}(TD(S)) = 2$ .

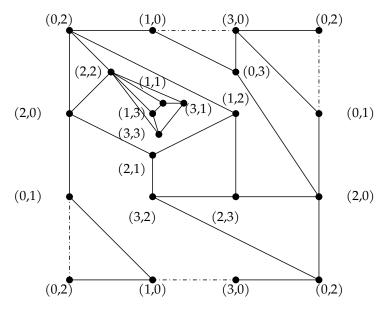


Figure 9: Embedding of  $TD(\mathbb{Z}_4 \times \mathbb{Z}_4) \cong TD\left(\frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle} \times \frac{\mathbb{Z}_2[t]}{\langle t^2 \rangle}\right)$  in  $\overline{\mathbb{S}}_2$ .

## 4 Conclusion

Let  $S = C \times C \times \cdots \times C$  (k times), where  $2 \le k < \infty$ . In this work, we first consider the graphs  $\overline{ZD}(S)$  and  $\overline{TD}(S)$  introduced by Asma et al. [5] and categorize the commutative rings that exhibit toroidal and bi-toroidal graphs. We also examine the graphs ZD(S) and TD(S) introduced by Badawi, and obtain the rings S for which these graphs have crosscap numbers one and two.

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