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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $G(V(G), E(G))$  be a connected graph. A radial radio labeling,  $f$ , of  $G$  is an assignment of positive integers to the vertices such that  $d(u, v) + |f(u) - f(v)| \geq 1 + \text{rad}(G)$ , for any two distinct vertices  $u, v \in V(G)$ , where  $d_G(u, v)$  and  $\text{rad}(G)$  denote the distance between  $u$  and  $v$  and the radius of the graph  $G$ , respectively. The span of a radial radio labeling  $f$  is the largest integer in the range of  $f$  and is denoted by  $\text{span } f$ . The radial radio number of  $G$ ,  $rr(G)$ , is the minimum span taken over all radial radio labelings of  $G$ . The sequence  $(\mu_1(v))_{v \in V(G)}$  arranged in decreasing order is called the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of  $G$ , where  $\mu_1(v)$  is the radial radio number of the induced subgraph induced by the neighbors of  $v$  together with  $v$  in  $G$ . In this paper, we determine the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of the vertex corona, edge corona, neighborhood corona and Cartesian product of any two simple connected graphs. Also, we determine the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of the  $k$ -subdivision of a graph.

**1. INTRODUCTION**

In this paper, by a graph, we mean only a simple, connected, undirected and finite graph. For basic notations and terminology, we follow [3]. Let  $G = (V(G), E(G))$  be a simple connected graph. Let  $\deg_G(v)$  denote the degree of a vertex  $v$  in  $G$ . The distance between two vertices  $u$  and  $v$ , the eccentricity of a vertex  $u$ , the radius of  $G$  and the diameter of  $G$  are respectively denoted

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by  $d(u, v)$ ,  $e(u)$ ,  $rad(G)$  and  $diam(G)$ . For more notations and terminology on distance in graphs, one can refer [4].

For a subset  $S$  of  $V(G)$ , let  $\langle S \rangle$  denote the induced subgraph of  $G$  induced by  $S$ . A *clique*  $C$  is a subset of  $V(G)$  with maximum number of vertices such that  $\langle C \rangle$  is complete. The *clique number* of a graph  $G$ , denoted by  $\omega(G)$  or  $\omega$ , is the number of vertices in a clique of  $G$ .

Let  $G_1$  be a graph with  $n_1$  vertices and  $m_1$  edges and let  $G_2$  be a graph with  $n_2$  vertices and  $m_2$  edges. Then  $G_1 \times G_2$  denotes the *Cartesian product* of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  and  $G_1 + G_2$  denotes the *join* of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ . The *vertex corona*,  $G_1 \circ G_2$ , is the graph obtained from one copy of  $G_1$  and  $n_1$  copies of  $G_2$  by joining each vertex in the  $i$ -th copy of  $G_2$  to the  $i$ -th vertex of  $G_1$ . The *edge corona*,  $G_1 \diamond G_2$ , of  $G_1$  and  $G_2$  is obtained by taking one copy of  $G_1$  and  $m_1$  copies of  $G_2$  and then joining two end vertices of the  $i$ -th edge to every vertex in the  $i$ -th copy of  $G_2$ . The *neighborhood corona*,  $G_1 \star G_2$  is the graph obtained by taking  $n_1$  copies of  $G_2$  and for each  $i$ , making all vertices in the  $i$ -th copy of  $G_2$  adjacent with the neighbors of  $v_i$ . The  *$k$ -subdivision of a graph  $G$*  is obtained by subdividing each edge of  $G$ ,  $k$  times and is denoted by  $S_k(G)$ .

For any vertex  $v \in V(G)$ , the *neighborhood*  $N(v)$  is the set of all vertices adjacent to  $v$ . Denote  $N_\lambda[v] = \{w : d(v, w) \leq \lambda\}$ . Then  $N_0[v] = \{v\}$ . For simplicity, we write  $N_1[v]$  as  $N[v]$  or  $N_G[v]$ .

In 1960's Rosa[8] introduced the concept of graph labeling. A *graph labeling* is an assignment of numbers to the vertices or edges or both, satisfying some constraints. Rosa named the labeling introduced by him as  $\beta$ -valuation and later on it becomes a very famous interesting graph labeling called *graceful labeling*, which is the origin for many graph labeling problems. Motivated by lot many real life applications, mathematicians introduced various labeling concepts[6].

The problem of assigning frequencies to the channels for the FM radio stations is known as *Frequency Assignment Problem*. This problem was studied by W. K. Hale[7]. In a telecommunication system, the assignment of channels to FM radio stations play a vital role. Motivated by the frequency assignment problem, Chartrand et al.[5] introduced the concept of radio labeling. For a given  $k$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq diam(G)$ , a *radio  $k$ -coloring*,  $f$ , is an assignment of positive integers to the vertices satisfying the following condition:  $d(u, v) + |f(u) - f(v)| \geq 1 + k$ , for any two distinct vertices  $u, v \in V(G)$ .

Whenever,  $\text{diam}(G) = k$ , the radio  $k$ - coloring is called a *radio labeling* of  $G$ . The *span* of a radio labeling  $f$  is the largest integer in the range of  $f$  and is denoted by  $\text{span } f$ . The *radio number* of  $G$  is the minimum span taken over all radio labelings of  $G$  and is denoted by  $rn(G)$ .

In a similar way, K. M. Kathiresan and S. Vimalajenifer introduced the concept of radial radio labeling. A *radial radio labeling*  $f$  of  $G$  is a function  $f : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, 2, \dots\}$  satisfying the condition,  $d(u, v) + |f(u) - f(v)| \geq 1 + \text{rad}(G)$ , for any two distinct vertices  $u, v \in V(G)$ . This condition is obtained by taking  $k = \text{rad}(G)$ , in the radio  $k$ - coloring. The *span* of a radial radio labeling  $f$  is the largest integer in the range of  $f$  and is denoted by  $\text{span } f$ . The *radial radio number* is the minimum span taken over all radial radio labelings of  $G$  and is denoted by  $rr(G)$ . That is,  $rr(G) = \min_f \max_{v \in V} f(v)$ , where the minimum runs over all radial radio labelings of  $G$ . A radial radio labeling,  $f$  of  $G$ , is said to be an  $rr(G)$ -*radial radio labeling* if  $\text{span } f = rr(G)$ .

Let  $f$  be a radial radio labeling of a graph  $G$  and let  $C$  be a clique in  $G$ . Then the minimum label in  $C$  under  $f$  is denoted by  $m_f(C)$ . That is,  $m_f(C) = \min_{v \in C} f(v)$ . Also the maximum of all such  $m_f(C)$ , where the maximum runs over all cliques in  $G$  is denoted by  $Cmm_f(G)$ .

The concept  $(\mu_\lambda(v))$ -*rr* sequence of a graph, has been introduced by Selvam Avadayappan et al., see [1]. For a vertex  $v \in V(G)$ , let  $\mu_\lambda(v)$  denote the radial radio number of the induced subgraph induced by  $N_\lambda[v]$ . That is,  $\mu_\lambda(v) = rr(< N_\lambda[v] >)$ . Then the sequence  $(\mu_\lambda(v))_{v \in V(G)}$  arranged in decreasing order is called the  $(\mu_\lambda(v))$ -*rr* sequence of the graph  $G$ .

A graph  $G$  is said to be  $\lambda$ -*rr* regular if the  $(\mu_1(v))$ -*rr* sequence of  $G$  is  $(\lambda, \lambda, \dots, \lambda)$ , that is,  $rr(< N[u] >) = \lambda$ , for any vertex  $u$  in  $G$ . In this case,  $\lambda$  is called the *rr*- constant of  $G$ . A  $\lambda$ -*rr* regular graph  $G$  is said to be  $\lambda$ -*rr* highly regular if  $rr(G) = \lambda$ . A graph  $G$  on  $n$  vertices is said to be *rr* irregular, if it is not  $\lambda$ -*rr* regular, for any  $\lambda$ ,  $2 \leq \lambda \leq n$ . For further details on the regularity of the  $(\mu_1(v))$ -*rr* sequence of graph, one can refer [1] and [2]. Throughout this paper, let  $\delta_{rr}^1(G) = \min_{v \in V(G)} \mu_1(v)$  and  $\Delta_{rr}^1(G) = \max_{v \in V(G)} \mu_1(v)$ .

Now, we state the following results which have been proved earlier.

**Lemma 1.1.** *Let  $G$  be a simple connected graph on  $n$  vertices with radius  $\text{rad}(G)$ . Then  $\chi(G) \leq rr(G) \leq (n - 1)(\text{rad}(G) - 1) + \chi(G)$ .*

**Theorem 1.1.** [2] *Let  $f$  be a radial radio labeling of a graph  $G$ . Then  $\text{span } f \geq \text{Cmm}_f(G) + (\omega(G) - 1)(\text{rad}(G))$ .*

In this paper, we present some facts on the radial radio number and the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of  $G$  and we determine the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of the  $k$ -subdivision of  $G$ , where  $k \geq 1$ . Also, we establish the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequences of  $G \times H$ ,  $G \circ H$ ,  $G \diamond H$  and  $G \star H$ .

## 2. SOME BASIC RESULTS

From Lemma 1.1, we can easily observe that, for any simple connected graph  $G$ ,  $rr(G) = \chi(G)$  if and only if  $\text{rad}(G) = 1$ . Therefore, if  $\text{rad}(G) \geq 2$ , then  $rr(G) > \chi(G)$ .

**Fact 1.** *If  $H$  is a subgraph of  $G$  with  $\text{rad}(G) = \text{rad}(H) = 1$ , then  $rr(H) \leq rr(G)$ .*

For, if  $f$  is a  $rr(G)$ -radial radio labeling of  $G$ , then for any two distinct vertices  $u, v \in V(G)$ , we have  $|f(u) - f(v)| \geq 2 - d_G(u, v) \geq 2 - d_H(u, v)$  (since  $d_H(u, v) \geq d_G(u, v)$ ) and so  $f$  is a radial radio labeling of  $H$ . Also, for any  $rr(H)$ -radial radio labeling  $g$  of  $H$ , we have  $g(V(H)) \subseteq f(V(G))$ . Thus  $\text{span } g \leq \text{span } f$  and hence  $rr(H) \leq rr(G)$ .

**Fact 2.** *If  $\text{rad}(G) = 1$ , then  $\Delta_{rr}^1(G) = \chi(G)$ .*

For, let  $v$  be a full vertex of  $G$ . Then  $rr(< N[v] >) = rr(G) = \chi(G)$ , since  $\text{rad}(G) = 1$ . By Fact 2.1, we have  $rr(< N[u] >) \leq rr(G) = \chi(G)$ , for all  $u \in V(G)$  so that  $\Delta_{rr}^1(G) = \chi(G)$ .

**Remark 2.1.** *The converse of Fact 2 is not true. For, consider the graph shown in Figure 1.*

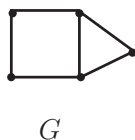


FIGURE 1

*It is clear that, the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of  $G$  is  $(3, 3, 3, 2, 2)$  and hence  $\Delta_{rr}^1(G) = 3$ . But  $\text{rad}(G) \neq 1$ .*

**Note 1.** Theorem 1.1 insists that, if  $rad(G) \geq 2$ , then  $rr(G) > \omega(G)$ . For, let  $f$  be a radial radio labeling of  $G$ . Then  $span f \geq Cmm_f(G) + (\omega(G) - 1)(rad(G)) \geq 1 + (\omega(G) - 1)2 = 2\omega(G) - 1 > \omega(G)$ .

**Fact 3.** If  $G$  is  $\lambda - rr$  highly regular, then  $rad(G) = 1$ .

For, since  $G$  is  $\lambda - rr$  highly regular,  $rr(G) = rr(< N[u] >) = \lambda$  for all  $u \in V(G)$ . We now claim that,  $rad(G) = 1$ . On contrary, assume that,  $rad(G) \geq 2$ . Then by Note 1,  $rr(G) > \omega(G)$ . Since  $\omega(G)$  is the clique number of  $G$ , there exists a vertex  $v \in K_{\omega(G)}$  such that  $rr(< N[v] >) = \omega(G)$ . This implies that,  $rr(G) \neq rr(< N[v] >)$ , which is a contradiction. Hence  $rad(G) = 1$ .

**Remark 2.2.** The converse of Fact 3 is not true. For, consider the graph shown in Figure 2.



FIGURE 2

Here, the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of  $G$  is  $(4, 4, 4, 4, 3, 2)$  and  $rad(G) = 1$ .

### 3. $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$ SEQUENCE OF PRODUCT OF GRAPHS

The following Theorem gives the radial radio number of the induced subgraph induced by  $N_{G \times H}[(u, x)]$  in the Cartesian product of  $G$  and  $H$ .

**Theorem 3.1.** The radial radio number of the induced subgraph induced by  $N_{G \times H}[(u, x)]$ , where  $u \in V(G)$  and  $x \in V(H)$  is  $rr(< N_{G \times H}[(u, x)] >) = \max\{rr(< N_G[u] >), rr(< N_H[x] >)\}$ .

*Proof.* Here,  $N_{G \times H}[(u, x)] = N_G(u) \cup N_H(x) \cup \{u = x\}$  and  $E(< N_{G \times H}[(u, x)] >) = E(< N_G[u] >) \cup E(< N_H[x] >)$ . We have, for any radial radio labeling,  $f$  of  $< N_{G \times H}[(u, x)] >$ , the restricted functions  $f|_{N_G[u]}$  and  $f|_{N_H[x]}$  are the radial radio labelings of  $< N_G[u] >$  and  $< N_H[x] >$ , respectively. This forces that,  $rr(< N_{G \times H}[(u, x)] >) = \max\{rr(< N_G[u] >), rr(< N_H[x] >)\}$ .  $\square$

Next Theorem gives the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of the  $k$ -subdivision graph of  $G$ .

**Theorem 3.2.** *Let  $G$  be any simple connected graph on  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges. Let  $(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$  be the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of  $G$ . Then the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of the  $k$ -subdivision graph of  $G$ ,  $S_k(G)$  is  $(\underbrace{2, 2, 2, \dots, 2}_{n+mk \text{ times}})$ ,  $k \geq 1$ .*

*Proof.* Here,  $|V(S_k(G))| = n + km$  and  $|E(S_k(G))| = (k + 1)m$ . We note that, for any vertex  $u \in V(G)$ ,  $\langle N_{S_k(G)}[u] \rangle \cong K_{1,t}$ , where  $t = |N_{S_k(G)}(u)|$  and  $t \geq 1$ . Since  $rr(K_{1,t}) = 2$ ,  $rr(\langle N_{S_k(G)}[u] \rangle) = 2$ , for all  $u \in V(G)$ . Also, we have  $\langle N_1[v] \rangle \cong K_{1,2}$  and so  $rr(\langle N_1[v] \rangle) = rr(K_{1,2}) = 2$ , for every  $v \in V(S_k(G)) - V(G)$ . This gives that, the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of  $S_k(G)$  is  $(\underbrace{2, 2, 2, \dots, 2}_{n+mk \text{ times}})$ .  $\square$

**Fact 4.** *If  $G$  is a connected graph on  $n$  vertices, then  $rr(G + K_m) = \chi(G) + m$ , where  $m \geq 1$ .*

For, since  $rad(G + K_m) = 1$ ,  $rr(G + K_m) = \chi(G + K_m) = \chi(G) + m$ .

**Fact 5.** *If  $rad(G) = 1$ , then  $rr(G + K_m) = rr(G) + m$ , where  $m \geq 1$ .*

For, since  $rad(G) = 1$ ,  $rr(G) = \chi(G)$ . By Fact 4,  $rr(G + K_m) = \chi(G) + m = rr(G) + m$ .

To prove the next two theorems, let us take  $G$  be a graph on  $n_1$  vertices and  $m_1$  edges and let  $H$  be a graph on  $n_2$  vertices and  $m_2$  edges. Assume that,  $(\lambda'_1, \lambda'_2, \dots, \lambda'_{n_1})$  and  $(\lambda''_1, \lambda''_2, \dots, \lambda''_{n_2})$  are the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequences of  $G$  and  $H$ , respectively.

**Theorem 3.3.** *The  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of  $G \circ H$  is given as follows:*

- (1) *If  $\chi(H) + 1 \geq \lambda'_1$ , then*  

$$(\underbrace{\chi(H) + 1, \chi(H) + 1, \dots, \chi(H) + 1}_{n_1 \text{ times}}, \underbrace{\lambda''_i + 1, \lambda''_i + 1, \dots, \lambda''_i + 1}_{n_1 \text{ times}})_{i=1}^{n_1}.$$
- (2) *If  $\lambda'_k > \chi(H) + 1$ , for some  $k$ , where  $1 \leq k \leq n_1$ , then*  

$$(\lambda'_1, \lambda'_2, \dots, \lambda'_k, \underbrace{\chi(H) + 1, \chi(H) + 1, \dots, \chi(H) + 1}_{n_1 - k \text{ times}}, \underbrace{\lambda''_i + 1, \lambda''_i + 1, \dots, \lambda''_i + 1}_{n_1 \text{ times}})_{i=1}^{n_1}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n_1}\}$  such that  $rr(< N_G[v_i] >) = \lambda'_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n_1$ . Let  $H_j \cong H$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n_1$  and let  $V(H_j) = \{u_i^j : 1 \leq i \leq n_2\}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n_1$ . We have,  $rr(< N_{H_j}[u_i^j] >) = \lambda''_i$ .

Then  $V(G \circ H) = V(G) \cup \{\bigcup_{j=1}^{n_1} V(H_j)\}$  and

$E(G \circ H) = E(G) \cup \{\bigcup_{j=1}^{n_1} E(H_j)\} \cup \{v_i u_i^j : 1 \leq i \leq n_1 \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq n_2\}$ . Now, we shall find the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of  $G \circ H$ .

**Case 1:** Consider the vertex  $u_i^j$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n_2$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n_1$ .

Here  $< N_{G \circ H}[u_i^j] > \cong < N_H[u_i^j] > + K_1$ , for all  $i, j$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n_2$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n_1$ . By Fact 5, we have  $rr(< N_H[u_i^j] > + K_1) = rr(< N_H[u_i^j] >) + 1 = \lambda''_i + 1$ . Therefore,  $rr(< N_{G \circ H}[u_i^j] >) = \lambda''_i + 1$ , for all  $i, j$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n_2$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n_1$ .

**Case 2:** Consider the vertex  $v_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n_1$ .

We have  $N_{G \circ H}[v_i] = N_G[v_i] \cup V(H_i)$ . Since  $d_{< N_{G \circ H}[v_i] >}(u, u_i^j) = 2$ , for every  $u \in N_G(v_i)$ , we can reuse the labels of the vertices of  $N_G(v_i)$  to the vertices of  $H_i$ . Also, any radial radio labeling of  $< N_{G \circ H}[v_i] >$  is a radial radio labeling of  $< N_G[v_i] >$  and  $H_i + K_1$ . Thus  $rr(< N_{G \circ H}[v_i] >) = \max\{rr(< N_G[v_i] >), rr(H + K_1)\} = \max\{\lambda'_i, \chi(H) + 1\}$ . From the above two cases, we obtain the required result.  $\square$

**Theorem 3.4.** The  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$  sequence of  $G \diamond H$  is given as follows:

(1) If  $\chi(H) + 2 \geq \lambda'_1$ , then

$$\underbrace{(\chi(H) + 2, \chi(H) + 2, \dots, \chi(H) + 2)}_{n_1 \text{ times}}, \underbrace{(\lambda''_1 + 2, \lambda''_1 + 2, \dots, \lambda''_{n_2} + 2)}_{m_1 \text{ times}}.$$

(2) If  $\lambda'_k > \chi(H) + 2$ , for some  $k$ , where  $1 \leq k \leq n_1$ , then

$$(\lambda'_1, \lambda'_2, \dots, \lambda'_k, \underbrace{(\chi(H) + 2, \chi(H) + 2, \dots, \chi(H) + 2)}_{n_1 - k \text{ times}}, \underbrace{(\lambda''_1 + 2, \lambda''_1 + 2, \dots, \lambda''_{n_2} + 2)}_{n_1 \text{ times}}).$$

*Proof.* Let  $V(G) = \{v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{n_1}\}$  such that  $rr(< N_G[v_i] >) = \lambda'_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n_1$  and let  $E(G) = \{e_1, e_2, \dots, e_{m_1}\}$ . For each  $j$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n_2$  let  $H_j \cong H$ . Let  $V(H_j) = \{u_i^j : 1 \leq i \leq n_2\}$ ,  $1 \leq j \leq n_1$ . We have  $rr(< N_{H_j}[u_i^j] >) = \lambda''_i$ , where  $1 \leq j \leq m_1$  and  $1 \leq i \leq n_2$ .

Then  $V(G \diamond H) = V(G) \cup \{\bigcup_{j=1}^{n_1} V(H_j)\}$ . Now, we shall find the  $(\mu_1(v)) - rr$

sequence of  $G \diamond H$ .

**Case 1:** Consider the vertex  $u_i^j$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n_2$  and  $1 \leq j \leq m_1$ .

Here, we have  $\langle N_{G \diamond H}[u_i^j] \rangle \cong \langle N_H[u_i^j] \rangle + K_2$ . By Fact 5,  $rr(\langle N_{G \diamond H}[u_i^j] \rangle) = rr(\langle N_H[u_i^j] \rangle + K_2) = rr(\langle N_H[u_i^j] \rangle) + 2 = \lambda_i'' + 2$ . Thus  $rr(\langle N_{G \diamond H}[u_i^j] \rangle) = \lambda_i'' + 2$ , for all  $i, j$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n_2$  and  $1 \leq j \leq m_1$ .

**Case 2:** Consider the vertex  $v_i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq n_1$ .

We note that,  $\langle N_{G \diamond H}[v_i] \rangle$  contains  $deg_G(v_i)$  copies of  $H$  and the distance between any two vertices of two copies of  $H$  is 2. Therefore, we can reuse the labels of the vertices of  $H_i$  to  $H_j$ , where  $1 \leq i \neq j \leq k$ . Also, any radial radio labeling of  $\langle N_{G \diamond H}[v_i] \rangle$  is a radial radio labeling of  $\langle N_G[v_i] \rangle$  and  $H_i + K_2$ . Thus  $rr(\langle N_{G \diamond H}[v_i] \rangle) = \max\{rr(\langle N_G[v_i] \rangle), rr(H_i + K_2)\} = \max\{\lambda_i', \chi(H) + 2\}$ , (by Fact 4). This completes the proof.  $\square$

The following two theorems deal with the radial radio numbers of  $N_{G \star H}[v]$ , for all  $v \in V(G \star H)$ .

**Theorem 3.5.** *If  $rr(\langle N_G[v] \rangle) = \lambda$ , then  $rr(\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle) = \lambda + \chi(H) - 1$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $N_G(v) = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{deg_G(v)}\}$ . In  $G \star H$ , the induced subgraph induced by  $N_{G \star H}[v]$  contains  $deg_G(v)$  copies of  $H$ , say  $H_1, H_2, \dots, H_{deg_G(v)}$ . Let  $V(H_i) = \{u_j^i : 1 \leq j \leq n_2\}$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq deg_G(v)$ . Then  $u_j^i v \notin E(G \star H)$ , for all  $i, j$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq deg_G(v)$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n_2$ . Here,  $N_{G \star H}[v] = N_G[v] \cup \{\bigcup_{i=1}^{deg_G(v)} V(H_i)\}$  and  $rad(\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle) = 1$ . Let  $f$  be a  $rr(\langle N_G[v] \rangle)$ -radial radio labeling of  $\langle N_G[v] \rangle$  such that

$rr(\langle N_G[v] \rangle) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq deg_G(v)} \{f(w_i)\}$  and let  $g$  be the proper vertex coloring of  $H$ .

Define  $h : N_{G \star H}[v] \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  such that  $h(N_G[v]) = f(N_G[v])$ ;  $h(u_j^i) = f(w_i) + g(u_j) - 1$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq deg_G(v)$  and  $1 \leq j \leq n_2$ . It is obvious that,  $h$  is a radial radio labeling of  $\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle$ . Also,  $span h = \max_{1 \leq i \leq deg_G(v)} f(w_i) + \max_{1 \leq j \leq n_2} g(u_j^i) - 1 = span f + \chi(H) - 1 = \lambda + \chi(H) - 1$ . Thus  $span h = \lambda + \chi(H) - 1$  and hence  $rr(\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle) \leq \lambda + \chi(H) - 1$ . We now claim that,  $rr(\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle) \geq \lambda + \chi(H) - 1$ . Let  $c$  be any radial radio labeling of  $\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle$ . Since  $rr(\langle N_G[v] \rangle) = \lambda$ ,  $\max_{u \in N_G(v)} c(u) \geq \lambda$ . We note that,  $H + K_1$  is an induced subgraph of  $\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle$  and  $rad(\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle) = 1$  and so we need  $\chi(H)$  positive integers to label the vertices of each copy of  $H$ . Since  $d_{\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle}(w_i, u_j^i) = 2$ ,



we can use the label of  $w_i$  to some of the vertices in the set  $\{u_j^i : 1 \leq j \leq n_2\}$ . This gives that, to label the vertices of  $H_i$ , we need  $c(v_i)$  to  $c(v_i) + \chi(H) - 1$  positive integers. Also, since  $d_{\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle}(u_j^i, u_k^i) = 2$ , for all  $j, k$ , where  $1 \leq j, k \leq n_2$ , the labels of  $V(H_j)$  can be reused to the vertices of  $V(H_k)$ . This forces that,  $\max_{1 \leq j \leq n_2} c(u_j^i) \geq \max_{u \in N_G(v)} c(u) + \chi(H) - 1 = \lambda + \chi(H) - 1$  and hence  $\text{span } c \geq \lambda + \chi(H) - 1$ . Thus  $rr(\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle) \geq \lambda + \chi(H) - 1$ . From the above discussion, we conclude that,  $rr(\langle N_{G \star H}[v] \rangle) = \lambda + \chi(H) - 1$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 3.6.** *If  $rr(\langle N_H[u] \rangle) = \lambda''$ , then  $rr(\langle N_{G \star H}[u] \rangle) = \lambda' + \lambda'' - 1$ , where  $\lambda' = rr(\langle N_G[v] \rangle)$  and  $uw \in E(G \star H)$ , for all  $w \in N_G(v)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $N_G(v) = \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{deg_G(v)}\}$ .

Then  $N_{G \star H}[u] = N_H[u] \cup \{w_1, w_2, \dots, w_{deg_G(v)}\}$  and  $uw_i \in E(G \star H)$ , for all  $i$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq deg_G(v)$ . Here  $rad(\langle N_{G \star H}[u] \rangle) = 1$ . Let  $f$  be a  $\lambda'$ -radial radio labeling of  $rr(\langle N_G[v] \rangle)$  such that  $\lambda' = \max_{1 \leq i \leq deg_G(v)} f(w_i)$  and let  $g$  be the  $\lambda''$ -radial radio labeling of  $\langle N_H[u] \rangle$ .

Define  $h : N_{G \star H}[u] \rightarrow \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$  such that  $h(N_H[u]) = g(N_H[u])$ ;  $h(w_i) = \lambda'' + f(w_i) - 1$ , where  $1 \leq i \leq deg_G(v)$ . We can easily verify that,  $h$  is a radial radio labeling of  $\langle N_{G \star H}[u] \rangle$ . Also,  $\text{span } h = \max_{1 \leq i \leq deg_G(v)} \{\lambda'' + f(w_i) - 1\} = \lambda'' + \lambda' - 1$ . This forces that,  $rr(\langle N_{G \star H}[u] \rangle) \leq \lambda'' + \lambda' - 1$ . It is enough to show that,  $rr(\langle N_{G \star H}[u] \rangle) \geq \lambda'' + \lambda' - 1$ . Since  $v \notin N_{G \star H}[u]$  and  $d_{\langle N_{G \star H}[u] \rangle}(w_i, w_j) = d_{\langle N_G[v] \rangle}(w_i, w_j)$ , for all  $i, j$ , where  $1 \leq i \neq j \leq deg_G(v)$ ,  $\lambda' - 1$  positive integers are enough to label the vertices of  $\langle N_G[v] \rangle$ . Also  $rad(\langle N_{G \star H}[u] \rangle) = rad(\langle N_H[u] \rangle)$ , we need  $\lambda''$  positive integers to label the vertices of  $\langle N_H[u] \rangle$ . We note that,  $d_{\langle N_{G \star H}[u] \rangle}(x, w_j) = 1$ , for all  $x \in N_H[u]$  and  $w_j$ , where  $1 \leq j \leq deg_G(v)$  and so we cannot reuse the labels from the set  $\{1, 2, 3, \dots, \lambda''\}$  to the vertices of  $N_G(v)$ . This gives that, for any radial radio labeling of  $c$  of  $\langle N_{G \star H}[u] \rangle$ ,  $\max_{x \in N_{G \star H}[u]} c(x) \geq \lambda'' + \lambda' - 1$  and hence  $rr(\langle N_{G \star H}[u] \rangle) \geq \lambda' + \lambda'' - 1$ . This completes the proof.  $\square$

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