# ON PROPERTIES OF MODULAR AND DIRECT-CO-DIRECT PRODUCTS 

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Conjecture (Vizing 1968)

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Theorem (Oellermann and Peters-Fransen)
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$$

## Proposition

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For integers $s, t \geq 5$, $\max \{s, t\} \geq 6$, we have $\operatorname{dim}_{s}\left(\bar{C}_{s} \diamond \bar{C}_{t}\right)=s t-\left\lfloor\frac{s}{2}\right\rfloor\left\lfloor\frac{t}{2}\right\rfloor$. In addition, $\operatorname{dim}_{s}\left(\bar{C}_{5} \diamond \bar{C}_{5}\right)=20$.

## Another familly

## Proposition

For integers $s, t \geq 7$ we have $\operatorname{dim}_{s}\left(C_{s} \diamond C_{t}\right)=s t-4 \min \left\{\left\lfloor\frac{s}{3}\right\rfloor,\left\lfloor\frac{t}{3}\right\rfloor\right\}-r$, where

$$
r=\left\{\begin{array}{ccc}
0 & : & \min \{s, t\} \equiv\{0,1\}(\bmod 3) \\
1 & : & s=t \wedge \min \{s, t\} \equiv 2(\bmod 3) \\
2 & : & s \neq t \wedge \min \{s, t\} \equiv 2(\bmod 3)
\end{array}\right.
$$

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For integers $r, q \geq 3, s, t \geq 4, m_{q}=\min \{r, q\}$, $m_{t}=\min \{t-1, r-q\}, m_{s}=\min \{s, r-q\}$ and
$b=\left\{\begin{array}{ccc}r+2 & : & r \leq q+1 \\ r+1 & : & r=q+2 \vee(r \geq q+3 \wedge \max \{s+1, t\} \geq r) \\ q+m_{s}: & r \geq q+3 \wedge t \leq s<r-1 \\ q+m_{t} & : & r \geq q+3 \wedge s<t<r\end{array}\right.$,
we have $\operatorname{dim}_{s}\left(K_{1, r} \diamond H(s, t, q)\right)=(s+t+q-1) r-b+r+q+s+t$.

## Thank you for your attention!

