

UNIT-5 Backtracking and Branch and Bound

- Try assigning a color to a vertex.
- Check if it's safe (i.e., no adjacent vertex has the same color).
- If valid, proceed to the next vertex.
- If a conflict occurs, backtrack and try another color.

Program 17- Write a program to implement Graph coloring problems using Backtracking

```
class GraphColoring {
    final int V = 4; // Number of vertices
    int graph[][] = {
        { 0, 1, 1, 1 },
        { 1, 0, 1, 0 },
        { 1, 1, 0, 1 },
        { 1, 0, 1, 0 }
    };

    int colors[]; // Stores the color assigned to each vertex

    // Function to check if it's safe to assign a color to vertex v
    boolean isSafe(int v, int c) {
        for (int i = 0; i < V; i++) {
            if (graph[v][i] == 1 && colors[i] == c) {
                return false; // If adjacent vertex has same color, return false
            }
        }
        return true;
    }

    // Backtracking function to solve m-coloring problem
    boolean solveGraphColoring(int v, int m) {
        if (v == V) {
            return true; // All vertices are assigned colors successfully
        }

        for (int c = 1; c <= m; c++) {
            if (isSafe(v, c)) {
                colors[v] = c; // Assign color

                if (solveGraphColoring(v + 1, m)) {
                    return true; // Recur for next vertex
                }
            }
        }

        colors[v] = 0; // Backtrack if no valid color found
    }
}
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    }
}

return false; // If no color can be assigned, return false
}

// Function to print the solution
void printSolution() {
    System.out.println("Solution Exists: Following are the assigned colors:");
    for (int i = 0; i < V; i++) {
        System.out.print(colors[i] + " ");
    }
    System.out.println();
}

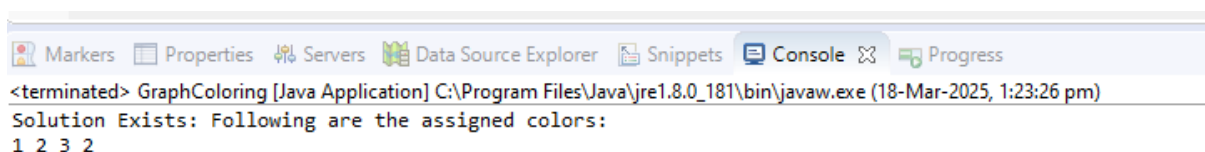
// Main function to check if solution exists
boolean graphColoring(int m) {
    colors = new int[V]; // Initialize color array with 0

    if (!solveGraphColoring(0, m)) {
        System.out.println("Solution does not exist.");
        return false;
    }

    printSolution();
    return true;
}

// Driver Code
public static void main(String args[]) {
    GraphColoring g = new GraphColoring();
    int m = 3; // Number of colors
    g.graphColoring(m);
}
}

```



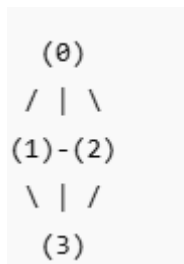
The screenshot shows the IDE's console window with the following content:

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<terminated> GraphColoring [Java Application] C:\Program Files\Java\jre1.8.0_181\bin\javaw.exe (18-Mar-2025, 1:23:26 pm)
Solution Exists: Following are the assigned colors:
1 2 3 2

```

This means:



- **Vertex 0** → Color 1
- **Vertex 1** → Color 2
- **Vertex 2** → Color 3
- **Vertex 3** → Color 2

Explanation:

Function Breakdown:

- `isSafe(int v, int c)`: Checks if color `c` can be assigned to vertex `v`.
- `solveGraphColoring(int v, int m)`: Tries to color the graph using `m` colors with backtracking.
- `graphColoring(int m)`: Initializes the coloring process.
- `printSolution()`: Displays the assigned colors for each vertex.

Step 1: Initial Function Call

```
int m = 3;  
g.graphColoring(m);
```

- `colors[] = {0, 0, 0, 0}` (Initially, no colors assigned)
- Calls `solveGraphColoring(0, 3)`, meaning we start coloring **vertex 0**.

Step 2: Coloring Vertex 0

```
solveGraphColoring(0, 3)
```

- **Loop Iteration for `c = 1` (Trying Color 1)**
 - `isSafe(0, 1) → Yes, it's safe!`
 - Assign `colors[0] = 1`
 - **Recursive Call:** `solveGraphColoring(1, 3)`

✓ Current Color Assignment:

```
colors[] = {1, 0, 0, 0}
```

Step 3: Coloring Vertex 1

solveGraphColoring(1, 3)

- **Loop Iteration for c = 1 (Trying Color 1)**
 - $\text{isSafe}(1, 1) \rightarrow \text{✗ Not Safe}$ (Vertex 1 is adjacent to Vertex 0, which already has color 1)
- **Loop Iteration for c = 2 (Trying Color 2)**
 - $\text{isSafe}(1, 2) \rightarrow \text{✓ Safe}$
 - Assign $\text{colors}[1] = 2$
 - **Recursive Call:** $\text{solveGraphColoring}(2, 3)$

✓ **Current Color Assignment:**

$\text{colors}[] = \{1, 2, 0, 0\}$

Step 4: Coloring Vertex 2

solveGraphColoring(2, 3)

- **Loop Iteration for c = 1 (Trying Color 1)**
 - $\text{isSafe}(2, 1) \rightarrow \text{✗ Not Safe}$ (Vertex 2 is adjacent to Vertex 0, which has color 1)
- **Loop Iteration for c = 2 (Trying Color 2)**
 - $\text{isSafe}(2, 2) \rightarrow \text{✗ Not Safe}$ (Vertex 2 is adjacent to Vertex 1, which has color 2)
- **Loop Iteration for c = 3 (Trying Color 3)**
 - $\text{isSafe}(2, 3) \rightarrow \text{✓ Safe}$
 - Assign $\text{colors}[2] = 3$
 - **Recursive Call:** $\text{solveGraphColoring}(3, 3)$

✓ **Current Color Assignment:**

$\text{colors}[] = \{1, 2, 3, 0\}$

Step 5: Coloring Vertex 3

solveGraphColoring(3, 3)

- **Loop Iteration for c = 1 (Trying Color 1)**
 - $\text{isSafe}(3, 1) \rightarrow \text{✗ Not Safe}$ (Vertex 3 is adjacent to Vertex 0, which has color 1)
- **Loop Iteration for c = 2 (Trying Color 2)**
 - $\text{isSafe}(3, 2) \rightarrow \text{✓ Safe}$
 - Assign $\text{colors}[3] = 2$
 - **Recursive Call:** $\text{solveGraphColoring}(4, 3)$

✓ **Current Color Assignment:**

$\text{colors}[] = \{1, 2, 3, 2\}$

Detailed Loop Execution for Each Vertex

Vertex 0

Color	isSafe()	Assigned?
1	✓ Safe	✓ Yes
2	-	-
3	-	-

Vertex 1

Color	isSafe()	Assigned?
1	✗ Not Safe	✗ No
2	✓ Safe	✓ Yes
3	-	-

Vertex 3

Color	isSafe()	Assigned?
1	✗ Not Safe	✗ No
2	✓ Safe	✓ Yes
3	-	-

Program 18- Write a program to implement the Hamiltonian cycle using Backtracking

- **Graph Representation:**

- The graph is stored as an adjacency matrix (`graph[][]`).
- A `path[]` array is used to store the Hamiltonian cycle.

- **Backtracking Approach:**

- Start at `path[0] = 0` (vertex 0).
- Try adding vertices **one by one** to the cycle while ensuring:
 - The vertex is **connected** to the previous vertex.
 - The vertex is **not already in the path**.

- **Recursive Exploration (`cycleFound()`):**

- If all vertices are added (`k == NODE`), check if the last vertex connects to the first.

- If valid, return **true** (cycle found). Otherwise, **backtrack** by removing the last added vertex and trying the next one.
- **Final Check & Output (hamiltonianCycle()):**
 - If a cycle is found, print the path.
 - If no solution exists, print "Solution does not exist".

Code:

```
public class HamiltonianCycle {

    static final int NODE = 5;
    static int[][] graph = {
        {0, 1, 0, 1, 0},
        {1, 0, 1, 1, 1},
        {0, 1, 0, 0, 1},
        {1, 1, 0, 0, 1},
        {0, 1, 1, 1, 0}
    };
    static int[] path = new int[NODE];
    // method to display the Hamiltonian cycle
    static void displayCycle() {
        System.out.print("Cycle Found: ");
        for (int i = 0; i < NODE; i++)
            System.out.print(path[i] + " ");
        // Print the first vertex again
        System.out.println(path[0]);
    }
    // method to check if adding vertex v to the path is valid
    static boolean isValid(int v, int k) {
        // If there is no edge between path[k-1] and v
        if (graph[path[k - 1]][v] == 0)
            return false;
        // Check if vertex v is already taken in the path
        for (int i = 0; i < k; i++)
            if (path[i] == v)
                return false;
        return true;
    }
    // method to find the Hamiltonian cycle
    static boolean cycleFound(int k) {
        // When all vertices are in the path
        if (k == NODE) {
            // Check if there is an edge between the last and first vertex
            if (graph[path[k - 1]][path[0]] == 1)
                return true;
            else
                return false;
        }
    }
}
```

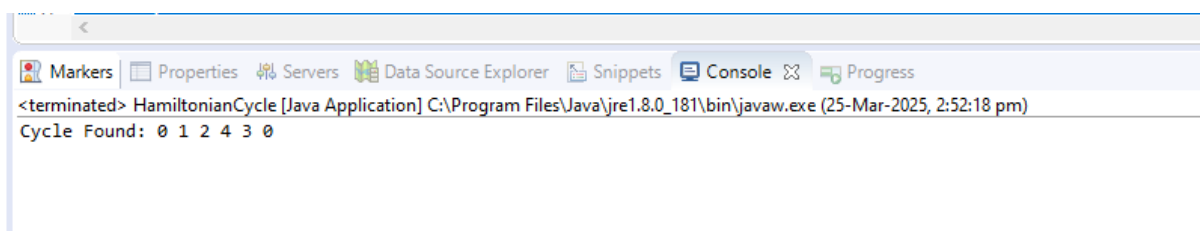
```

    }
    // adding each vertex (except the starting point) to the path
    for (int v = 1; v < NODE; v++) {
        if (isValid(v, k)) {
            path[k] = v;
            if (cycleFound(k + 1))
                return true;
            // Remove v from the path
            path[k] = -1;
        }
    }
    return false;
}

// method to find and display the Hamiltonian cycle
static boolean hamiltonianCycle() {
    for (int i = 0; i < NODE; i++)
        path[i] = -1;
    // Set the first vertex as 0
    path[0] = 0;
    if (!cycleFound(1)) {
        System.out.println("Solution does not exist");
        return false;
    }
    displayCycle();
    return true;
}

public static void main(String[] args) {
    hamiltonianCycle();
}
}

```



19 Write a program to implement Travelling Salesman using branch and bound. (Assignment)