

# Design and Analysis of Algorithm

Lecture-22:  
Backtracking

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# 4-Queen Problem

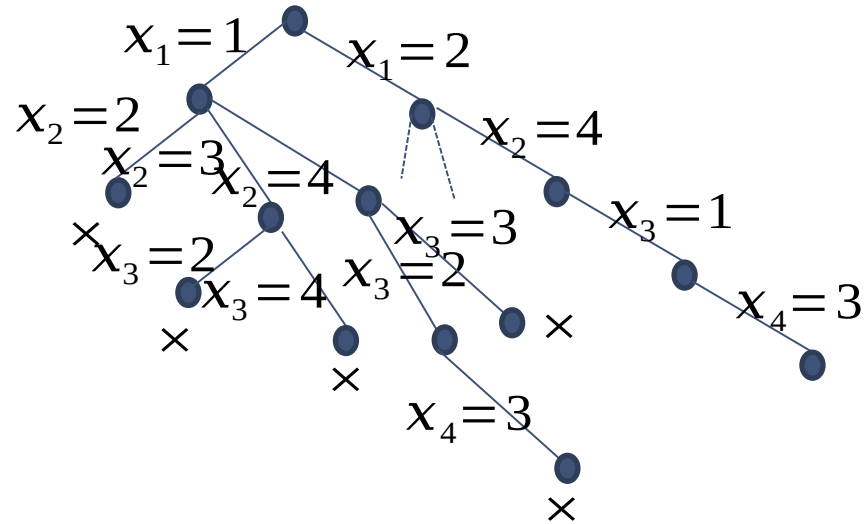
Bounding condition: The condition which needs to be checked before placing the queen at a particular cell location is called bounding condition

Brute Force approach

$${}^{16}C_4$$

Condition: The Queen should not be under attack of any other queen

# Finding all Solution



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## No. of solution

											("N")	Total Solutions	Unique Solutions		
Rows	10								Q				1	1	1
	9						Q						0	0	0
	8			Q									2	1	2
	7											Q	4	1	6
	6							Q					40	46	92
	5					Q							352	92	12
	4		Q										724	46	92
	3											Q	2,680	341	341
	2							Q					14,200	1,787	1,787
	1				Q								73,712	9,233	9,233
											1	365,596	45,752		
											2	2,279,184	285,053		
											3	14,772,512	1,846,955		
											4	95,815,104	11,977,939		
											5	666,090,624	83,263,591		
											6	4,968,057,848	621,012,754		
											7	39,029,188,884	4,878,666,808		
											8	314,666,222,712	39,333,324,973		
											9	2,691,008,701,644	336,376,244,042		
											10	24,233,937,684,440	3,029,242,658,210		
											11	227,514,171,973,736	28,439,272,956,934		
											12	2,207,893,435,808,352	275,986,683,743,434		
											13	22,317,699,616,364,044	2,789,712,466,510,289		

# Objective Questions

Q1: Backtracking algorithm is implemented by constructing a tree of choices called as?

- a) State-space tree
- b) State-chart tree
- c) Node tree
- d) Backtracking tree

Q1: In what manner is a state-space tree for a backtracking algorithm constructed?

- a) Depth-first search
- b) Breadth-first search
- c) Twice around the tree
- d) Nearest neighbor first

# Sum of Subsets

Given positive integers  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n$  and a positive integer  $S$ . Find all subset of  $\{a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n\}$  that sum to  $S$ .

Example

Solution:

# Sum of subsets

We create a binary state space tree

*Time Complexity* =  $O(2^n)$

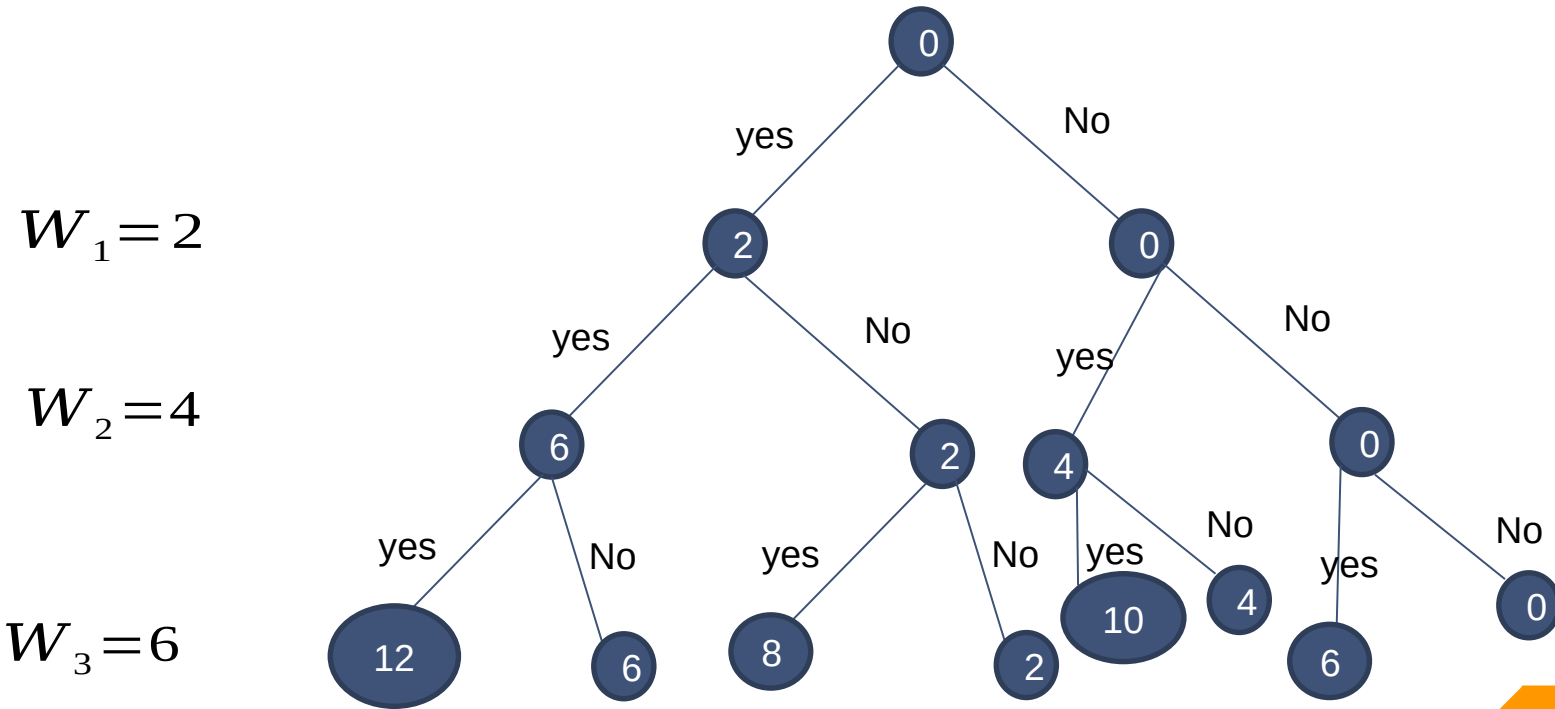
The left child indicates the inclusion and right child indicates the exclusion of the element.

Node at each depth (or level) indicates inclusion or exclusion of the elements of the set

Nodes contain the sum of weights included so far



# State Space tree for Three Items



# Concept

The element of the solution is marked one or zero depending on whether the weight is included or not.

As discussed in the last example, For a node at level the left child corresponds to and right side corresponds to

**Bounding Function**      —



# Objective Questions

Q1: In general, backtracking can be used to solve?

- a) Numerical problems
- b) Exhaustive search
- c) Combinatorial problems
- d) Graph coloring problems

Q1: In what manner is a state-space tree for a backtracking algorithm constructed?

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- b) Breadth-first search
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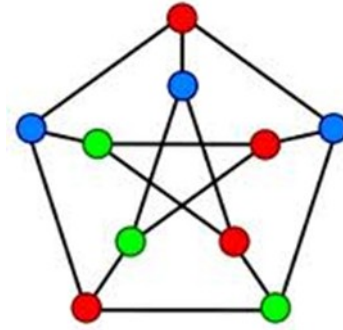
## 1 Graph Coloring Problem

# Graph Coloring Problem

## decision problem

Let  $G$  be a graph and  $m$  be a given positive integer. We want to discover whether the nodes of  $G$  can be colored in such a way that no two adjacent nodes have the same color yet only  $m$  colors are used

if  $\Delta$  is the degree of the given graph, then it can be colored with  $\Delta + 1$  colors.

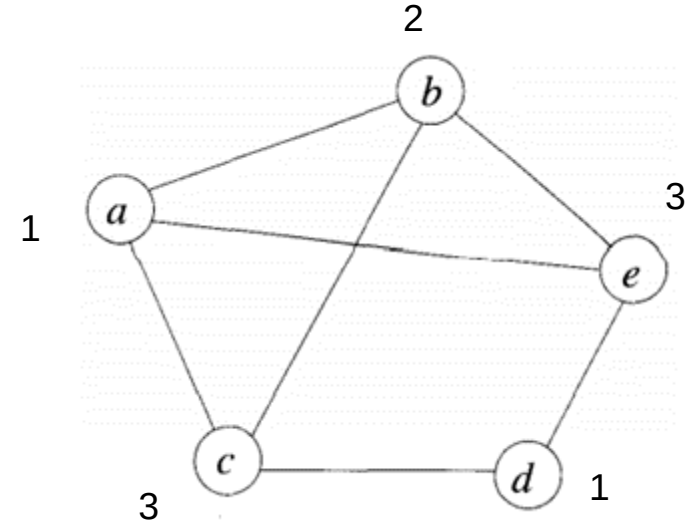


The optimization problem asks for the smallest integer  $k$  for which the graph  $G$  can be colored

# Example

The graph can be colored with three colors 1, 2, and 3.

It can also be seen that three colors are needed to color this graph and hence this graph's chromatic number is 3.



# 4-color Problem

A graph is said to be planar if it can be drawn in a plane in such a way that no two edges cross each other

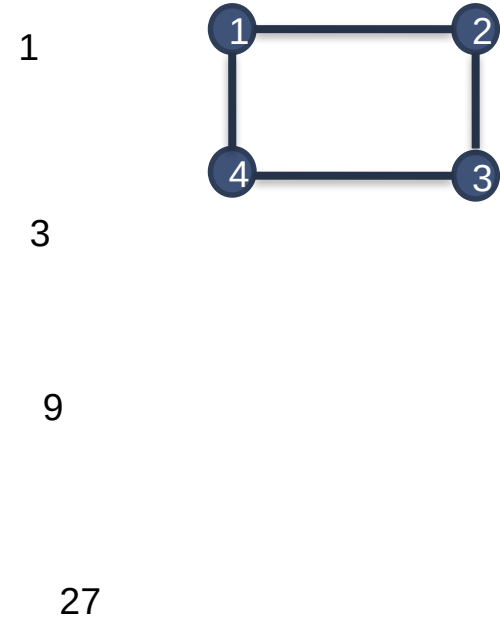
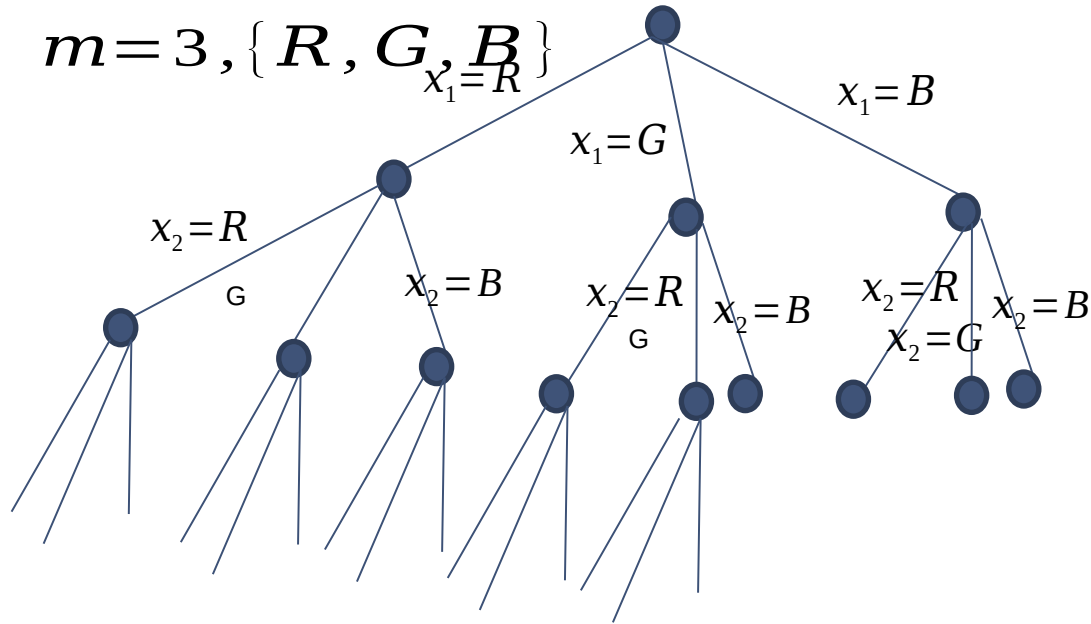
This problem asks the following question:

Given any map, can the regions be colored in such a way that no two adjacent regions have the same color yet only four colors are needed

We are interested in determining all the different ways in which a given graph can be colored using at most four colors



# Example

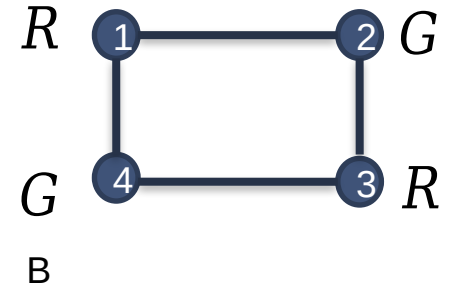
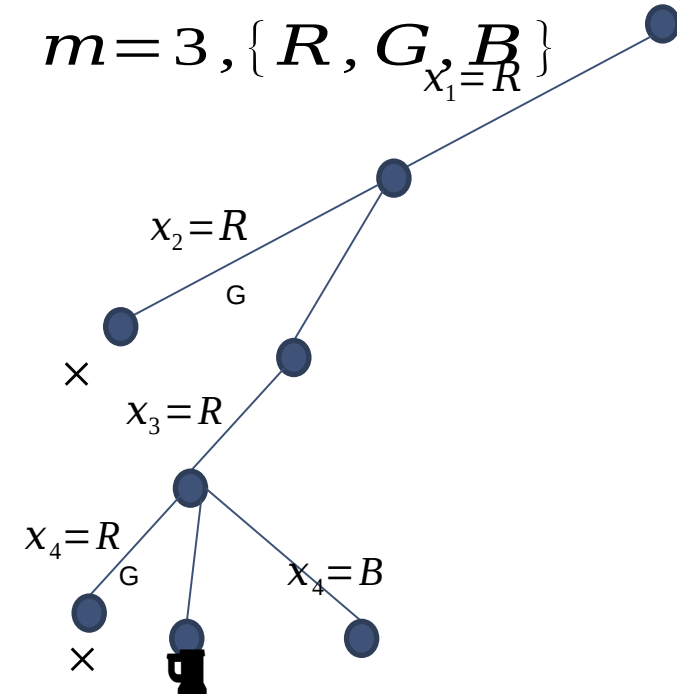


$$1+3+9+27 \dots 3^n = \frac{3^{n+1}-1}{3-1} = O(3^n)$$

In general for colors and nodes=

# Example

$$m=3, \{R, G, B_{\chi_1=R}\}$$



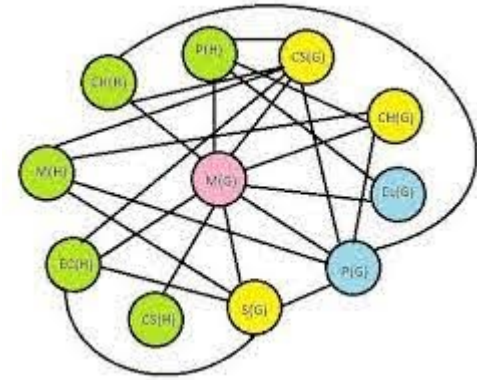
# Application

As there are very busy cities in this world they may face a problem with train tracks. In some cities we have very few tracks and many trains in which their will be a moving trains one after the other from both sides. So , their shouldn't be any colliding they must have some perception before itself. This may help in avoiding train trafficking and train accidents.



# Solution

This problem can be solved by using graph coloring concept by coloring the vertices by using chromatic number concept to color vertices with minimum number of colours. Colors got by edges are the tracks for which we are allocating tracks for trains.



## Example

- Let's consider seven trains are to be scheduled to a station at their respective time. How we can group the train so that the trains can be scheduled at the station without waiting.

Train : Time duration

A : 1-3

B : 6-8

C : 2-5

D : 10-12

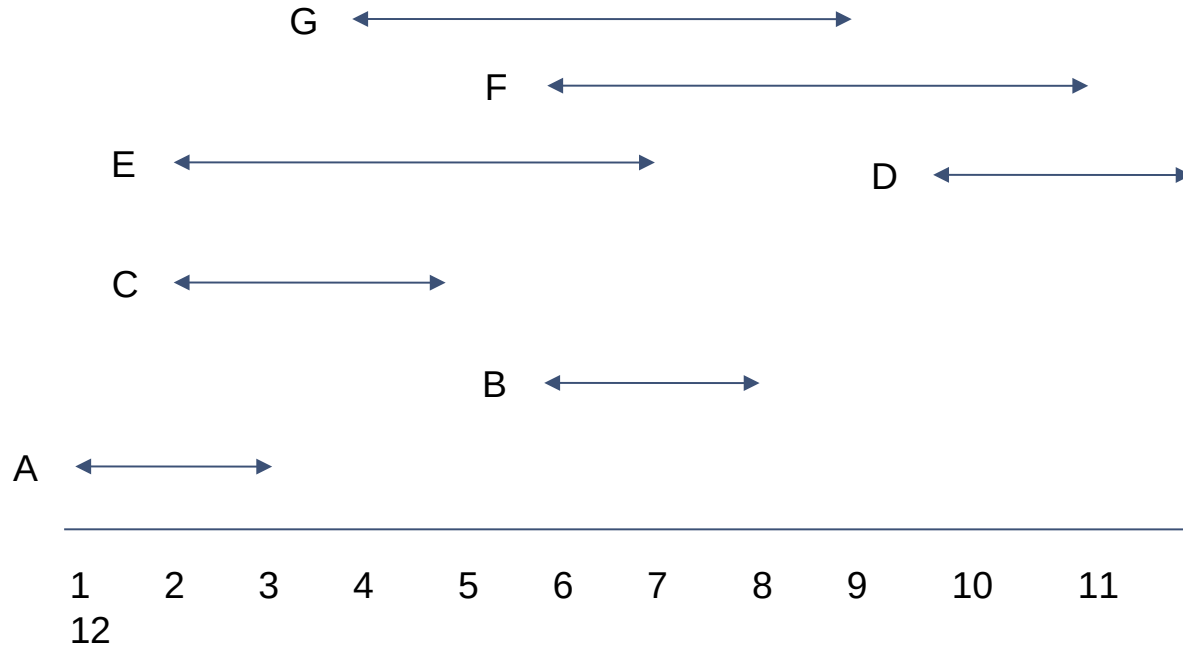
E : 2-7

F : 6-11

G : 4-9

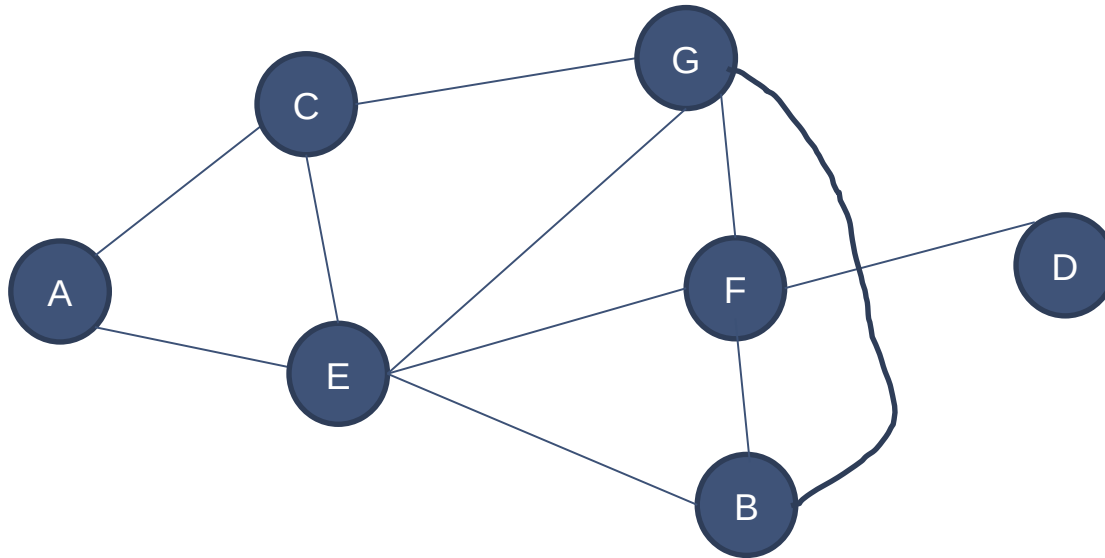
# Solution

Arrange the schedule of trains in interval graph.

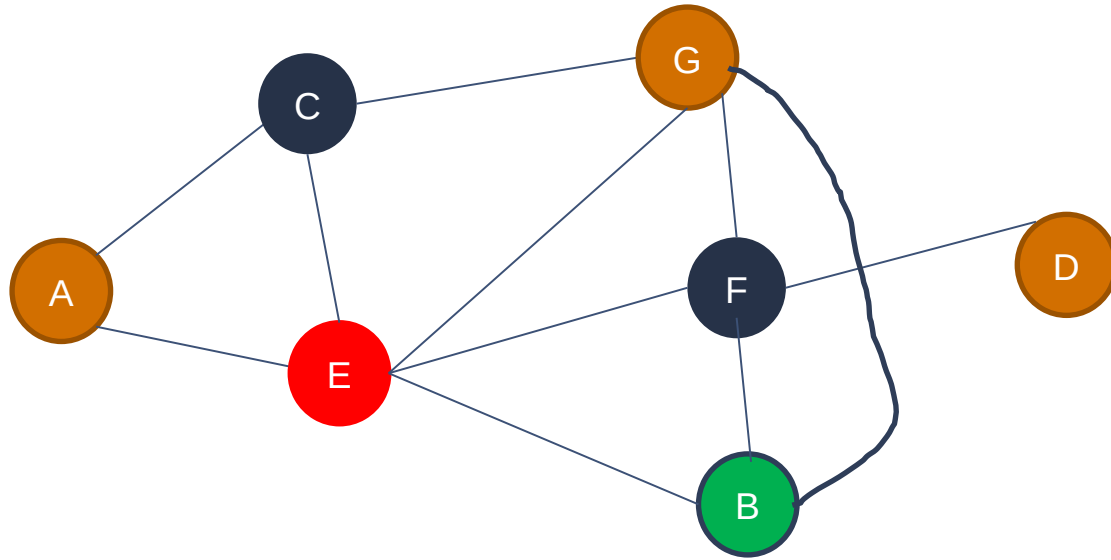


A : 1-3  
B : 6-8  
C : 2-5  
D : 10-12  
E : 2-7  
F : 6-11  
G : 4-9

# Solution



# Solution



1	2	3	4
Purple	Yellow	Blue	Green
A,G,D	C,F	E	B



# Assignment

Suppose want to schedule some final exams for CS courses with following course numbers:

1007, 3137, 3157, 3203, 3261, 4115, 4118, 4156

Suppose also that there are no students in common taking the following pairs of courses:

1007-3137

1007-3157, 3137-3157

1007-3203

1007-3261, 3137-3261, 3203-3261

1007-4115, 3137-4115, 3203-4115, 3261-4115

1007-4118, 3137-4118

1007-4156, 3137-4156, 3157-4156

How many exam slots are necessary to schedule exams?