

7.5 G is m -colorable if and only if $\alpha(G \square K_m) \geq n(G)$.

Proof. Necessity $\chi(G \square K_m) = \max\{\chi(G), \chi(K_m)\} = m$ since G is m -colorable. And since $\chi(H) \geq \frac{n(H)}{\alpha(H)}$, $\alpha(G \square K_m) \geq \frac{n(G)m}{m} = n(G)$.

Sufficiency

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- (a) *Proof.* Construct a graph G , area as vertex, adjacent if areas share a common edge. Because no three intersecting at a point, $\omega(G) = 2$ and no odd cycle exists; i.e. G is a bipartite. We can find an orientation D (from partite X to Y) such that $l(D) = 1$. According to **Gallai's Thm**, then $\omega(G) \leq \chi(G) \leq 1 + l(D) = 2$. □
- (b) We can always map the vertices to a line disjointly, forming an ordering of vertex. Since no three intersect at a point, each vertex has at most 2 neighbors earlier in the ordering. Thus, $\chi(G) \leq 3$.

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7.10 $\chi(G_{n,k}) = k + 1$ if $k + 1$ divides n and $\chi(G_{n,k})$ does not divides n .

Proof. According to the construction of the graph $G_{n,k}$, cliques of size $k + 1$ are formed. Then color the graph $G_{n,k}$ with $k + 1$ colors. If $k + 1$ divides n , $1, 2, 3, \dots, k + 1, 1, 2, 3, \dots, k + 1$ will be a proper coloring of graph $G_{n,k}$.

If $k + 1$ does not divides n , let $n = q(k+1)+r = (q-r)(k+1)+r(k+2)$, $1 \leq r < (k+1)$. Since $n \geq k(k + 1)$, $q \geq k \geq r$. Therefore, a proper coloring exists that color $q - r$ times with $k + 1$ colors and r times with $k + 2$ colors. $\chi(G_{n,k}) = k + 2$. □

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Bibliography