

Graph Coloring:-

The assign of colors to the vertices of G , one color to each vertex, so that adjacent vertex assigned different colors is called proper coloring of G or simple vertex coloring.

Chromatic Number:- A graph G is called m chromatic if it required exactly m colors to paint it properly & the number m is called chromatic number of graph G .

$$\text{i.e. } \chi(G) = m$$

* Some observation that follows directly from the definition :-

1) A graph consist of only isolated vertices is - 1 chromatic.

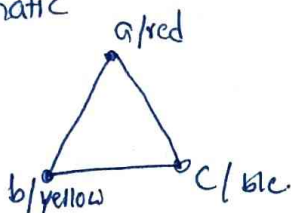
1) A graph consist of only isolated vertices is - 1 chromatic.

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 1 \\ m &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

2) A graph with one or more edges (not a self loop) is at least 2 chromatic (also called bichromatic).

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 2 \\ m &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

3) A Complete graph of n vertices is n -chromatic, as all its vertices are adjacent. Hence a graph containing a complete graph of p vertices is at least n chromatic. For instance, every graph having a triangle is at least 3 chromatic.



$$\begin{aligned} n &= 3 \\ m &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

4) a graph having a maximum degree Δ . so the chromatic no. is

$$\chi(G) \leq 1 + \Delta(G)$$

5) a graph having minimum degree δ . so the chromatic no. is

$$\chi(G) \geq \frac{n}{n - \delta(G)}$$

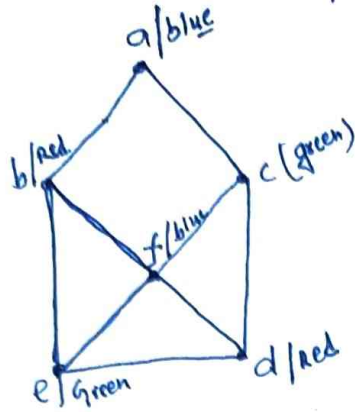
6) If G has no complete graph of $(\Delta(G) + 1)$ vertex. The chromatic no. of this graph is

$$\chi(G) \geq \Delta(G)$$

Problem:-

Find the chromatic number of the following graph G.

Complete graph.



$$n = 6$$

$$\max \text{ degree } (4) = 4$$

$$\min \text{ degree } (f) = 2$$

Firstly we calculate the range of no. of required color.

$$\chi(G) \leq 1 + \Delta(G)$$

$$\leq 1 + 4$$

$$\leq 5$$

$$\chi(G) \geq \frac{n}{n - \delta(G)} \geq \frac{6}{6-2} \geq \frac{6}{4} \geq \frac{3}{2}$$

range $\uparrow 1.5 \approx 2$

$$\frac{3}{2} \leq \chi(G) \leq 5$$

Graph contain a triangle means

$$\chi(G) = 3$$

So, the range $\boxed{3 \leq \chi(G) \leq 5}$

So, Consider

$$\Delta(b, e, f) \rightarrow (\text{Red, green, blue})$$

vertex d adjacent to - e and f

$$d \rightarrow \text{Red.}$$

$$c \xrightarrow{\text{adjacent}} f \text{ and } d$$

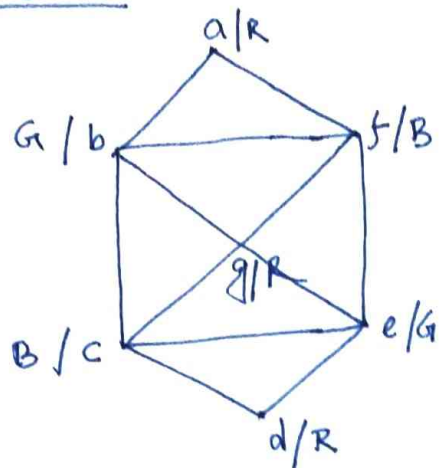
$$c \rightarrow \text{green.}$$

$$a \xrightarrow{\text{adjacent}} b \text{ and } c$$

$$a \rightarrow \text{blue.}$$

So, the chromatic no of this graph $\chi(G) = 3$

Problem-2 Find chromatic for the following graph:-



$$n = 7$$

graph contain triangle.

$$n = 3.$$

(a, b, f) - (Red, green, blue).

adjacent vertex

g - (b, f) - Red.

e - (g, f) - green.

c - (b, g) - blue.

d - (c, e) - Red.

So, $\chi(G) = 3$ (chromatic no.)

Chromatic polynomial:-

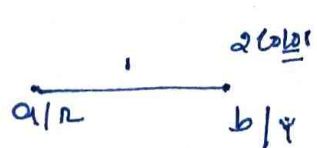
- A graph G of n vertices can be colored properly in different ways by a sufficiently large no. of colors.

- This property of a graph is expressed by a means of polynomial is called chromatic polynomial.

- It is denoted by $P_n(\lambda)$ of a graph of n vertices

$$P_n(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n C_i \left(\frac{\lambda}{i} \right)$$

where C_i - different ways of properly coloring of graph G using i different colors.



n vertices = n!

$C_0 = 0$
 $C_1 = 0$
 $C_2 = n!$
 $C_n = n!$

- 1) Each C_i has to be evaluated individually for the given graph. For

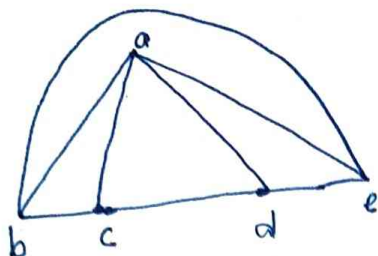
example, any graph with even one edge requires at least two colors for proper coloring and therefore $C_1 = 0$.

- A graph with n vertices and using n different colors can be properly colored in n! ways. that is

$$C_n = n!$$

Problem:-

Find chromatic polynomial for following graph.



$$n=5$$

So, formula is

$$P_n(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \left(\frac{\lambda}{i} \right)$$

$$P_5(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^5 c_i \left(\frac{\lambda}{i} \right).$$

So, we calculate c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, c_5

- Graph G has a triangle so we require atleast 3 colors to paint (a, b, c) triangle.

$$c_1 = c_2 = 0$$

- Now 3 colors can be assigned to 3 vertices

a, b, c in $3! = 6$ different ways.

$$c_3 = 6.$$

- c_4 \Rightarrow out of 4 colors 3 can be selected and assigned to a, b, c in $4P_3 = 24$ ways.

- Now d will have two choices $\begin{cases} \text{forth color} \\ \text{color as b} \end{cases}$

$$c_4 = 24 \cdot 2 = 48 \text{ ways.}$$

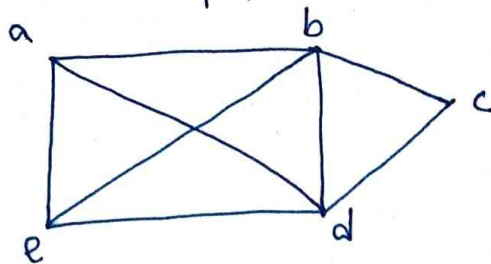
$$c_5 = 5! = 120.$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_5(\lambda) &= c_1 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)}{1!} + c_2 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)}{2!} + c_3 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)}{3!} + c_4 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)(\lambda-4)}{4!} \\ &\quad + c_5 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)(\lambda-4)(\lambda-5)}{5!} \\ &= 0 + 0 + 6 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)}{3!} + 48 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)}{4!} + 120 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)(\lambda-4)}{5!} \\ &= \boxed{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)(\lambda^2 - 5\lambda + 7)} \end{aligned}$$

This is the chromatic polynomial of following graph.

Prob

Find the chromatic polynomial of following graph.



$$P_n(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \left(\frac{\lambda}{i} \right)$$

$$P_5(\lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^5 c_i \left(\frac{\lambda}{i} \right)$$

So, we calculate c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4, c_5

Graph contains a complete graph (a, b, d, e) of 4 vertices. So it requires at least 4 color to color it.

$$\text{So, } \boxed{c_1 = c_2 = c_3 = 0}$$

c_4 - 4 color be c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 assigned vertex a, b, d, e in $4! = 24$.

There are two color for vertex c .

$$c_4 = 24 \cdot 2 = 48 \text{ ways.}$$

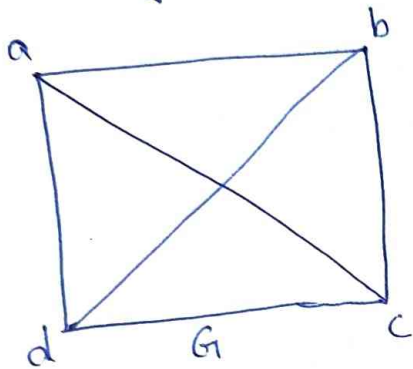
$$c_5 - 5! = 120.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, } P_5(\lambda) &= c_1 \frac{\lambda}{1!} + c_2 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)}{2!} + c_3 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)}{3!} + c_4 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)}{4!} \\ &\quad + c_5 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)(\lambda-4)}{5!} \\ &= 0 + 0 + 0 + 48 \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)}{4!} + 120 \cdot \frac{\lambda(\lambda-1)(\lambda-2)(\lambda-3)(\lambda-4)}{5!} \\ &= \boxed{\lambda^5 + 8\lambda^4 - 23\lambda^3 - 28\lambda^2 + 20\lambda} \end{aligned}$$

So, this is the chromatic polynomial of the given graph.

Covering

- In a graph G , a set of edges h is said to be cover G if every vertex in G is incident on at least one edge in h .
- A set of edges that cover a graph G is called an edge covering or a covering subgraph or simply a covering of G .



$$\begin{aligned} G &= \{a, b, c, d\} \\ h &= \{ab, cd\} \\ h &= \{ac, bd\} \end{aligned}$$

So, both set of h edges are the cover of graph G .

Observation

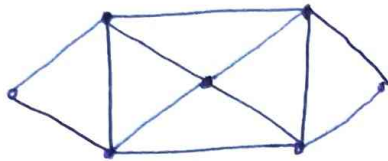
- i) A graph G is its own covering.
- ii) A spanning tree in a connected graph G is also a cover of G .
- iii) Hamiltonian circuit in G is also a covering in G .
- iv) The covering exist in a graph G if G has no isolated vertex.

Four Color problem:-

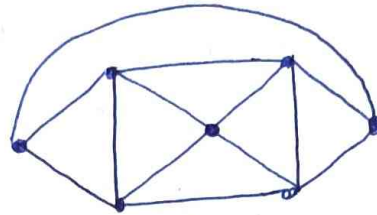
- The four color Theorem: The chromatic number of a planar graph is no greater than 4.

example:- G_1 , chromatic number = 3,

G_2 chromatic number = 4.



G_1



G_2

If the regions of a planar graph are colored so that adjacent regions have different colors, then no more than 4 colors are required.

i.e., $\chi(G) \leq 4$.

Algorithm for graph coloring :-

Backtracking: Graph coloring Algorithm.

Algorithm m Coloring (K)

// This algorithm was formed using recursive backtracking.

Schema, The graph is represented by its boolean adjacency.

matrix $G[1:n, 1:n]$. All assignments of $1, 2, \dots, m$ to the

vertices of the graph such that adjacent vertices are assigned.

distinct integers are printed x is the index of the next vertex.

to color.

{ repeat

{

next value (x)

if ($x[x] == 0$) then return.

if ($x == n$) then write ($x[1:n]$)

else

mcoloring ($x+1$)

} until (false).

}

Finding all m colorings of a graph

Algorithm Next Value (k).

// $x[1] \dots x[k-1]$ have been assigned integer values in the range 1 to m such that adjacent vertices have distinct integers. A value for $x[k]$ is determined in the range 0 to m . $x[k]$ is assigned next highest number color ~~between~~ $x[k]$ is assigned while maintaining distinctness from the adjacent vertices of vertex k if no such color exists, then $x[k]$ is 0.

} repeat
{

$x[k] = (x[k] + 1) \bmod (m+1)$

// next highest node.

if $(x[k] == 0)$ then return

// color exhausted

for $j = 1$ to n do

{ if $(G[k, j] \neq 0)$ and $(x[k] == x[j])$

then break

// adjacent with same color

}

if $j == (n+1)$ then return

// new color found.

} until (false)

// otherwise find other

}

Generating the next color.