

## Experiment 19

**Objective:** To implement backtracking based algorithms for solving the Graph Coloring Problem and the Hamiltonian Cycle Problem.

**Brief Theory:**

**Graph Coloring:** 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.

**Task:** 1) Write a program to find the minimum number of colors to color the vertices of a given graph.

**Apparatus and components required:** Computer with C or C++ Compiler and Linux platform.

**Experimental/numerical procedure:** Coding, compilation, editing, run and debugging.

**Observation table and calculations based on observations:** Not Applicable.