

Day 4

Thursday, June 22, 2017

9:35 AM

TA's office hours each lecture day
4-5 pm Py 162 "Theory Lange"

today : Dylan

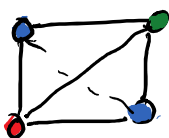
Hw grading : $\frac{a}{15} + \frac{b}{35} \rightarrow \frac{a+b}{50}$

legal coloring of a graph $f: V \rightarrow \{\text{colors}\}$
s.t. if $i \sim j$ then $f(i) \neq f(j)$.

The chromatic number is the minimum #
of colors required for a legal coloring

$$\chi(G) = \min \{k \mid G \text{ is } k\text{-colorable}\}$$

K_4^-



\uparrow
chi

$$\chi(K_4^-) = 3$$

$$\leq 3$$

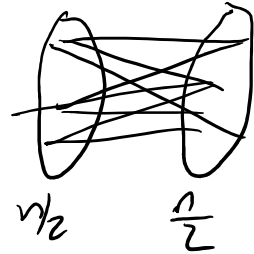
$$\geq 3$$

by exhibiting coloring

?

Just because a vertex has high degree
doesn't mean the chromatic number is high...

The complete bipartite graph with $\frac{n}{2}$ vertices on each side has a degree of $\frac{n}{2}$ for each point, but a chromatic number of 2



G is bipartite $\Leftrightarrow \chi(G) \leq 2$

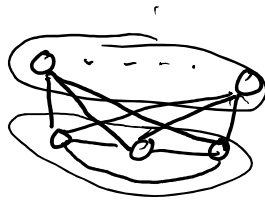
$\chi(G) = 1 \Leftrightarrow G = \overline{K_n}$ (empty graph)

Def G is k -colorable if k colors suffice (i.e. $\chi(G) \leq k$).

$\chi(K_n) = n$ (all nodes connected)

$\chi(K_n^-) = n-1$ (complete graph minus an edge)

upper bound



+ $n-2$ colors

$n-1$ colors

lower bound

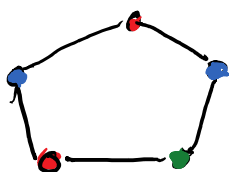
$K_n^- \geq K_{n-1} \rightarrow$ requires at least $n-1$ colors.

A clique (complete graph) of size n forces at least n colors.

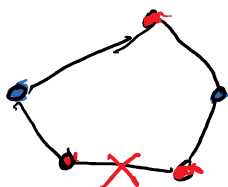
Paths and trees are bipartite - $\chi = 2$.

what about non-clique graphs?

C_5



≤ 3



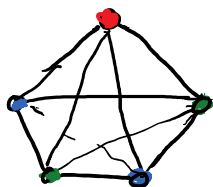
≥ 3

$$\chi(C_n) = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{if } 2|n \quad (n \text{ is even}) \\ 3 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

divides

Note bipartite \Leftrightarrow no odd cycles and
bipartite \Leftrightarrow 2-colorable.

Find $G \not\cong K_4$ s.t. $\chi(G) \geq 4$.



3-colorable.

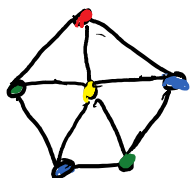
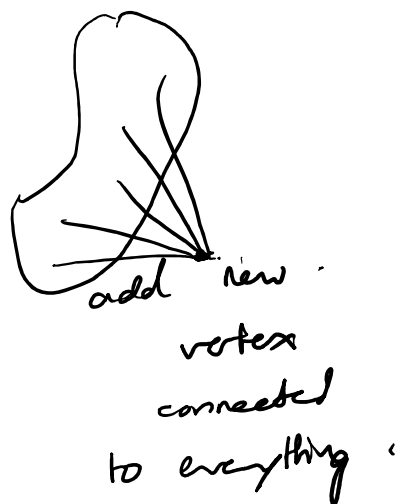
$$C_5 \geq K_3 \quad ? \quad G \geq K_4$$

$$\chi(C_5) \geq 3 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \chi(G) \geq 4$$

(DO)

L : max clique size $\leq q$
chromatic # $\geq k$

\hat{L} : max clique size $\leq q+1$
chromatic # $\geq k+1$



wheel W_6
(5-spoke)

HW (For Monday): Find a triangle-free graph that is not 3-colorable.

Hint: 11 vertices, 5-fold rotational symmetry

CH $(\forall k)(\exists \text{ triangle-free graph } G \text{ s.t. } \chi(G) > k)$

Thm. (Erdős, 1959)

$(\forall k, \ell)(\exists \text{ graph } G \text{ of } \chi(G) > k, \text{ without cycles of length } \leq \ell)$

HW Max degree + 1 colors suffice for a graph. ($x \leq \deg_{\max} + 1$)

(e.g. complete graphs)

The 4-color Theorem

Def G is planar if \exists plane drawing of G (no intersections other than the vertices).

Thm Every planar graph can be colored by 4 colors.

Proof: If computer halts, theorem proved.
If not, no.

Took 2 weeks of computer time at U of I.

Lemma. Every planar graph has a vertex of degree ≤ 5 .

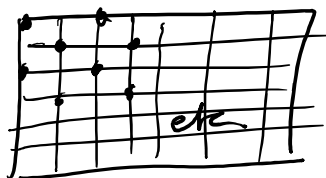
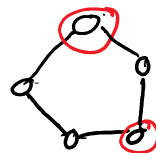
planar \Leftrightarrow spherical surface

DO Find a famous planar graph, regular of degree 5.

HW (for Monday) Use the lemma to prove the 6-color theorem: Every planar graph is 6-colorable.

$A \subseteq V$ is independent if there is no edge among vertices in A .

$\alpha(G)$: size of largest independent set.
"independence number"



$n \times n$ grid

HW (for Monday):

For $n \times n$ grid, α comes from checkerboard coloring.
(prove: upper bound)

HW If G is regular and non-empty, then
 $\alpha(G) \leq \frac{n}{2}$.

Def. Cartesian product of graphs:

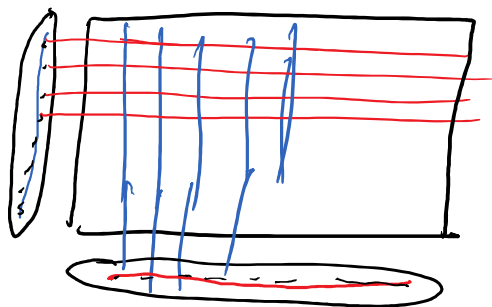
$$G = (V, E)$$

$$H = (W, F)$$

$$K = G \square H = (V, D)$$

$$U = V \times W$$

Cartesian product of
2 paths:
grid



Cartesian product of
2 cliques:
possible rook
movements

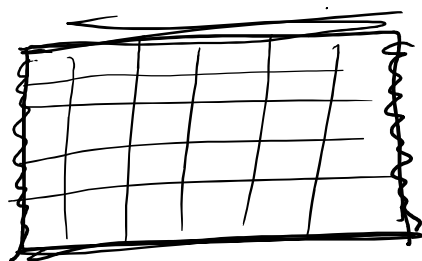
adjacency in K
 $(v_1, w_1) \sim_K (v_2, w_2)$ if
 $v_i \in V$
 $w_i \in W$

either $v_1 = v_2$ and $w_1 \sim_H w_2$
or $w_1 = w_2$ and $v_1 \sim_G v_2$

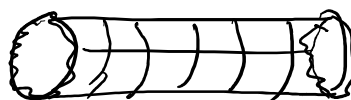
DO $\alpha(G \square H) \geq \alpha(G) \cdot \alpha(H)$

HW Find $\alpha(C_5 \square C_5)$.

What does $C_n \square C_n$ look like?

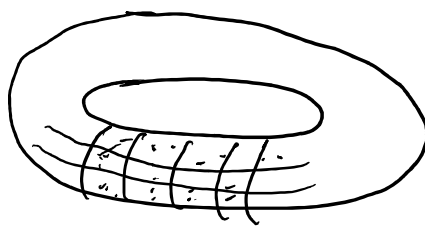


\Rightarrow



\Downarrow

If slope rational -
get back to
where you
started
(geodesics)



irrational - no

HW $\alpha(G) \cdot \chi(G) \geq n$

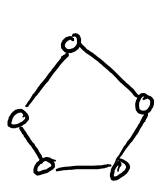
DO Find graphs s.t.

$$\alpha(G) \cdot \chi(G) > cn^2, \text{ where } c > 0 \text{ is a constant.}$$

(infinitely many graphs)

Def. An automorphism of $G = (V, E)$

is a $G \rightarrow G$ isomorphism.



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rotations
reflections

$\text{Aut}(G) =$
automorphism group
(composition remains in
group)

$$|\text{Aut}(C_5)| = 10$$

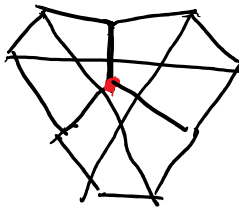
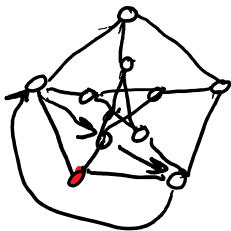
DO $|Aut(\text{dodecahedron})| = 120$

CH $Aut(\text{dodecahedron}) \not\cong S_5$ but

In 3-space
↓
orientation preserving vs. reversing.

$Aut^+(\text{dodecahedron}) \cong A_5$ (even permutations)

orientation preserving



Petersen graph

CH $|Aut(\text{Petersen})| = 120$

$Aut(\text{Petersen}) \cong S_5$

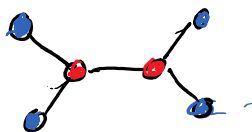
$G \leq \text{Sym}(V)$ all permutations of V
↑
subgroup (closed under operations)

G is transitive if

→ 1 orbit
(must be regular)

$(\forall x, y \in V)(\exists \sigma \in G)(x^\sigma = y)$

reflections and



2 orbits
(isomorphisms preserve degree)

"detached
rotations"

(DO) Find a regular graph with > 1 vertex
s.t. $|\text{Aut}(G)| = 1$.

[CH] If G is vertex-transitive then
 $\alpha(G) - \chi(G) \leq n(1 + \ln n)$

(discovered by Mario Szegedy)

Def. A Hamilton cycle is a cycle of
length n that passes through all
vertices.

G is Hamiltonian if \exists Hamilton-cycle.

(DO) A dodecahedron is Hamiltonian.

(DO) Petersen's graph is not Hamiltonian

Is the torus vertex-transitive? Yes.
(rotate around each loop)

Is $k \times l$ grid Hamiltonian?

(DO) If k or l is even, then $k \times l$ grid is Hamiltonian.

(there exist clear exceptions)

(HW) If k and l are odd, then AH-HA!
 $k \times l$ grid is not Hamiltonian.

(one-word answer \rightarrow 4-word complete answer)

maximal independent set : cannot extend it

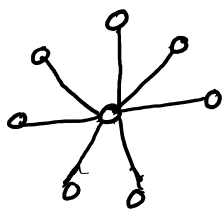
maximum independent set : largest possible

G has size

$$\alpha(G)$$

Find a graph where \exists maximal independent set that is very small compared to

$$\alpha(G).$$

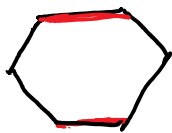


$K_{1, n-1}$ (star)

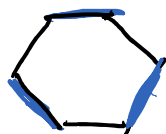
maximal : center
maximum : everything else

Ratio as high as $\frac{n-1}{1} = n-1$.

Matching in a graph is a set of disjoint edges.



maximal matching



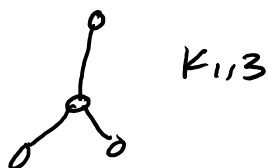
maximum matching

perfect matching:
 $\frac{n}{2}$ disjoint edges.

(hits all vertices)
 (requires even # of vertices)

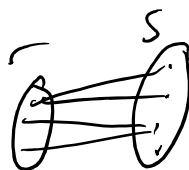
Empty graph - has
 even vertices, no
 matching

Find connected graph with even # vertices,
 no perfect matching.



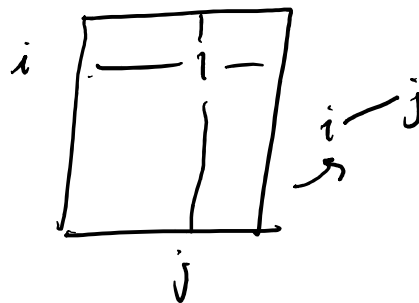
$K_{1,3}$

$K_{r,s}$ has a perfect matching $\Leftrightarrow r = s$
 (all couples paired up)

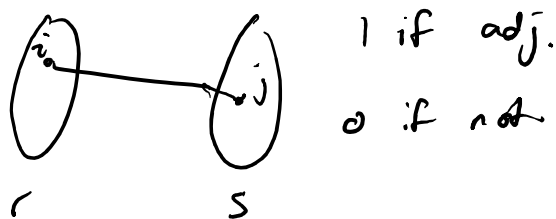
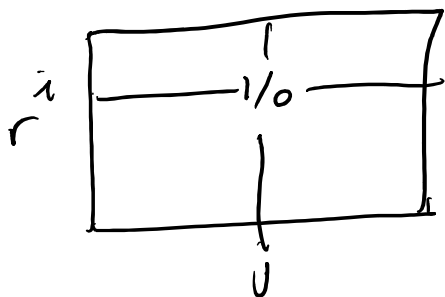


$$G \subseteq K_{\frac{n}{2}, \frac{n}{2}}$$

Do Find smallest connected bipartite graph
with equal parts and no perfect matching.
Adjacency matrices.



Bipartite adjacency matrix



B_G \nearrow S

Do $G \subseteq K_{\frac{n}{2}, \frac{n}{2}}$

B_G - bipartite adjacency matrix

$$\det(B_G) \neq 0 \Rightarrow \exists \text{ perfect matching}$$

HW \exists perfect matching $\nRightarrow \det(B_G) \neq 0$.

Question to contemplate:

Can we turn this idea into an efficient algorithm (as efficient as computing the determinant) to decide the existence of a perfect matching?

CH Hadamard's Inequality

If $\underline{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$

$$\text{norm} = \|\underline{x}\| = \sqrt{\underline{x} \cdot \underline{x}} = \sqrt{\sum x_i^2}.$$

$$A \in M_n(\mathbb{R})$$

$$A = \begin{array}{|c|} \hline \underline{a_1} \\ \hline \text{rows} \\ \hline \underline{a_n} \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow |\det(A)| \leq \prod \|\underline{a_i}\|.$$