

ALGORITHM TO FIND MAXIMUM NUMBER OF EDGE COLORING.

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Abstract :

A graph G be a mathematical structure consisting of two set vertices of G ($V(G)$) and edge of G ($E(G)$). Graph Coloring is one of the popular and broadly researched subject in Graph theory .Now we discuss about the edge coloring of some graph using algorithm.

Key Word:

Graph coloring, edge coloring, algorithm to find edge coloring.

Introduction:

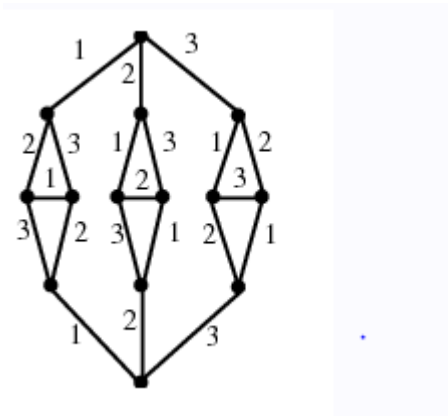
In Graph theory, **Graph coloring** is a special case of Graph labeling; it is an assignment of labels traditionally called “colors” to element of a Graph subject to certain constraint. In its simplest form, it is a way of coloring the vertices of a graph such that no two adjacent vertices share the same color; this is called a **vertex coloring**. Similarly, an edge coloring assigns a color to each edge so that no two adjacent edge share the same color, and a face that share a boundary have the same color.

Vertex coloring is the starting point of the subject, and other coloring problem can be transformed into a vertex version .for example, an edge coloring of a graph is just a vertex coloring of its line graph , and a face coloring of a plane graph is just a vertex coloring of its dual.

Edge coloring:

An **edge coloring** of a graph is a proper coloring of the edges, meaning an assignment of colors to edge so that no vertex is incident to two edges of the same color. An edge coloring with κ -colors is called a κ -edge-coloring and is equivalent to the problem of partitioning the edge set into κ matchings.The smallest number of colors needed for an edge coloring of a graph G is the **chromatic index** , or **edge chromatic number** $\chi'(G)$.

EXAPMLE:



Edge coloring

ALGORITHM:

STEP 1:

Start node, finding the maximum degree and number of edge of the graph.

Maximum of the degree = n.

Number of edges = m.

STEP 2:

For $i = 1; i \leq m; i++$)

Color (e_i) = min {set of total color used – colors of adjacent edge of e_i }

Where the set of total color used = {1,2,3,...n}

If

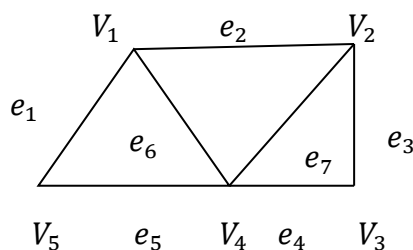
Color (e_i) == 0

Color (e_i) = n+1

STEP 3:

End node

EXAMPLE:



STEP 1:

Maximum degree = $n = 4$

No of degree $m = 7$

STEP 2:

For $i = 1, 1 \leq 7$

Color (e_1) = $\min \{ \{1,2,3,4\} - \{0\} \}$

Color (e_1) = $\min \{ \{1,2,3,4\} \}$

Color (e_1) = 1

STEP 3:

For $i = 2, 2 \leq 7$

Color (e_2) = $\min \{ \{1,2,3,4\} - \{1\} \}$

Color (e_2) = $\min \{ \{2,3,4\} \}$

Color (e_2) = 2

STEP 4:

For $i = 3, 3 \leq 7$

Color (e_3) = $\min \{ \{1,2,3,4\} - \{2\} \}$

Color (e_3) = $\min \{ \{1,3,4\} \}$

Color (e_3) = 1

STEP 5:

For $i = 4, 4 \leq 7$

Color (e_4) = $\min \{ \{1,2,3,4\} - \{1\} \}$

Color (e_4) = $\min \{ \{2,3,4\} \}$

Color (e_4) = 2

STEP 6:

For $i = 5, 5 \leq 7$

Color (e_5) = $\min \{ \{1,2,3,4\} - \{1,2\} \}$

Color (e_5) = $\min \{ \{3,4\} \}$

Color (e_5) = 3



STEP 7:

For $i=6, 6 \leq 7$

Color (e_6) = $\min \{ \{1,2,3,4\} - \{1,2,3\} \}$

Color (e_6) = $\min \{ \{4\} \}$

Color (e_6) = 4

STEP 8:

For $i=6, 7=7$

Color (e_7) = $\min \{ \{1,2,3,4\} - \{1,2,3,4\} \}$

Color (e_7) = $\min \{ \{0\} \}$

Color (e_7) = 0 (if condition)

Color (e_7) = 5

The colors of the edges are tabulated below :-

EDGES	(e_1)	(e_2)	(e_3)	(e_4)	(e_5)	(e_6)	(e_7)
COLORS	1	2	1	2	3	4	5

**CONCLUSION :**

In this paper we discuss about a new algorithm and an example.

Also we discuss how to find maximum coloring for edges for a graph.

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