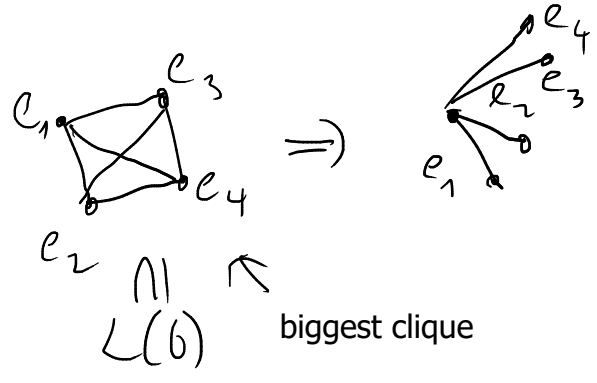


① G is bipartite.

$\omega(L(G)) = \Delta(G)$, because: $\Delta(G) \geq \omega(L(G))$:



e_1 and e_2 are adjacent in $L(G)$ means that they are incident to a vertex v . e_3 is adjacent to both of them, therefore either e_3 is adjacent to v or it is adjacent to the other endpoints of e_1 and e_2 . If that is the same vertex then let v be that vertex. Otherwise e_1, e_2 and e_3 form a triangle in G which is impossible since G is bipartite. We keep adding the edges contained in a biggest clique of $L(G)$ and all of them are adjacent to v in G , so we get that $\Delta(G) \geq \omega(L(G))$.

$\Delta(G) \leq \omega(L(G))$!

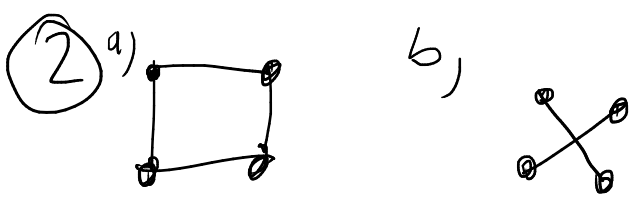
Let v be a vertex with highest degree in G . Let e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k be the edges which are incident to it. Note that there are no loops in bipartite graphs. In $L(G)$ e_1, e_2, \dots, e_k form a clique of size $\Delta(G)$.

A proper coloring of $L(G)$'s vertices correspond to a proper coloring of G 's edges. So $\chi(L(G)) = \chi_e(G)$ where $\chi_e(G)$ is the edge coloring number (chromatic index) of G .

By König's line coloring theorem if G is bipartite, then $\chi_e(G) = \Delta(G)$.

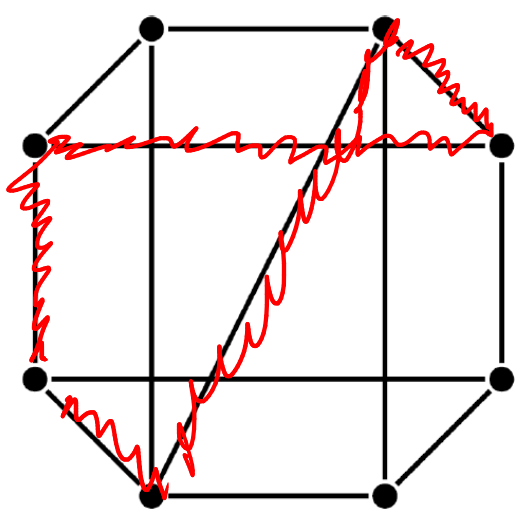
$\chi(L(G)) = \chi_e(G) = \Delta(G) = \omega(L(G))$.

Furthermore an induced subgraph of $L(G)$ is a line graph of a bipartite graph, since the deletion of vertices of $L(G)$ corresponds to the deletion of edges of G . So any induced subgraph H of $L(G)$ satisfies $\chi(H) = \omega(H)$. Therefore $L(G)$ is perfect.



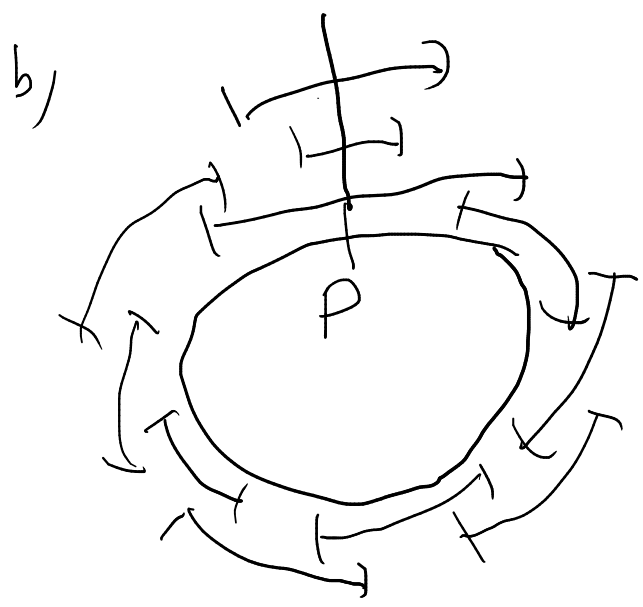
③ a) It is bipartite, therefore it is perfect.

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Here is an induced C_5 whose chromatic number is 3 and its clique number is 2, so this is not a perfect graph.

4) a) C_5 is a circular-arc graph. Here is its representation:

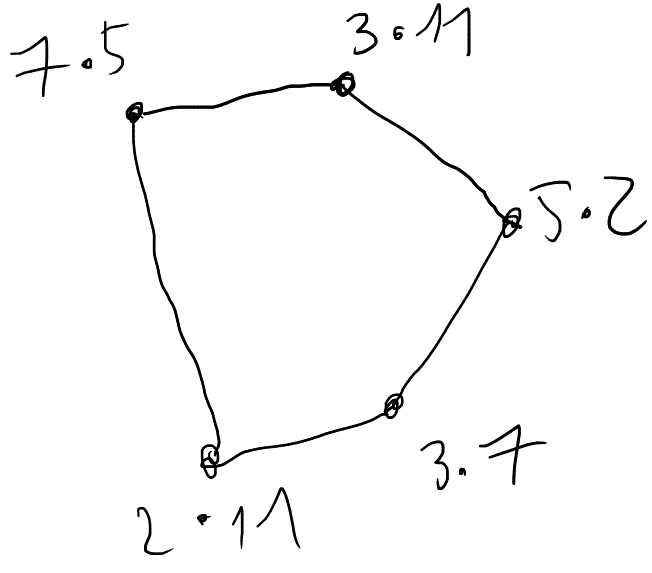


Fix a point P on the circle and throw out all the intervals which contain P . These intervals form a clique in the graph, so we have thrown out at most $w(G)$ intervals. Since no remaining interval contains P , they represent an interval graph whose clique number is at most $w(G)$ (clique number of a subgraph cannot be bigger) and it is perfect so it has a proper coloring with $w(G)$ colors. We can use a new color for each deleted interval and we obtain a proper coloring of G which uses at most $2w(G)$ colors.

5) $w(G_n) = \pi(n) + 1$ so the number of primes until $n + 1$. Because 1 is contained in all cliques and if there is a composite in the clique, then we can replace it with its prime factors and we obtain a bigger clique.

$\chi(G_n) = \pi(n) + 1$ 1 receive color 1, 2 and its multiples receive color 2, 3 and its uncolored multiples receive color 3, 5 and its uncolored multiples receive color 4, etc. In this way we create a proper coloring with $w(G_n)$ colors, so it is an optimal coloring.

It is not perfect if $n > 32$ because then it contains an induced C_5 :



6. Show that the complement of bipartite graphs are perfect graphs. Do not use the two perfect graph theorems.

Let G be a bipartite graph, so we want to show that \overline{G} is perfect.

The complement of an induced subgraph of \overline{G} is a bipartite graph, therefore it is enough to show that $\chi(\overline{G}) = \omega(\overline{G})$.

For any graph $\omega(\overline{G}) = d(G)$ and therefore $\chi(\overline{G}) \geq d(G)$.

$\chi(\overline{G})$ can be thought as a vertex coloring of G with the fewest possible colors such that any two not adjacent vertices have different colors. Assume for a while that G does not contain an isolated vertex. Pick a smallest edge cover set, whose size is $s(G)$, and go along this set and color any uncolored vertices of the i th edge with color i . This is a proper coloring of \overline{G} with $s(G)$ colors.

By Gallai's 1st theorem if G is isolated vertex free, then $d(G) + \tau(G) = |V(G)|$.

By König's theorem if G is bipartite, then $\tau(G) = \nu(G)$.

By Gallai's 2nd theorem if G is loop free, then $\nu(G) + s(G) = |V(G)|$.

G is a bipartite isolated vertex and loop free graph, so by combining these we get:

$$s(G) = |V(G)| - \nu(G) = |V(G)| - \tau(G) = d(G).$$

So we have a proper coloring of \overline{G} whose size equals its clique number so it is an optimal coloring and we are done.

If G contains some isolated vertices then they are connected to all other vertices in \overline{G} so each of them raise $\chi(\overline{G})$ and $\omega(\overline{G})$ by one. So if we remove them, then in G' we can repeat the previous reasoning and the putting back the isolated vertices we get the desired result.

7. We create graph G' from a perfect graph G in the following way: We add a new vertex v and join v to all vertices of a clique of G . Show that G' is a perfect graph.

Let H be an induced subgraph of G' . If H does not contain v , then it is also an induced subgraph of G and we are done, the equation holds for it.

So assume that H contains v . $H \setminus v$ is an induced subgraph of G , so since G is perfect $\chi(H \setminus v) = \omega(H \setminus v)$. If $d(v) < \omega(H \setminus v)$ then $\omega(H) = \omega(H \setminus v)$ and the neighbours of v do not use all colors in an optimal coloring of $H \setminus v$ therefore there is a free color for v . In this case $\chi(H) = \chi(H \setminus v) = \omega(H \setminus v) = \omega(H)$.

Otherwise $d(v) = \omega(H \setminus v)$. In this case let's use an optimal coloring of $H \setminus v$ and use a new color for v . We get a proper coloring which uses $\chi(H \setminus v) + 1 = \omega(H \setminus v) + 1 = \omega(H)$ colors, therefore it is an optimal coloring, and the required equation is satisfied.

8. The vertices of graph G is the tiles of an 8×8 chessboard. Two vertices are adjacent in G if the knight can move from one to the other in one move. (The knight moves in a 3×2 L shape.) Show that G is perfect.

This graph is bipartite, therefore it is perfect.

9. Show that a graph G is perfect if and only if each induced subgraph G' of G contains an independent set A , such that A intersects each maximum clique of G' .

First we show that if this property does not hold then G is not perfect. Let G' be an induced subgraph which does not have such an independent set. It means that if we have a proper coloring and pick the vertices colored by red it forms an independent set and there is a maximum clique which does not contain red vertices. Therefore $\chi(G') > \omega(G')$ and G is not perfect.

Now let's assume that the property holds and let G' be any induced subgraph of G . We show that we can color G' with $\omega(G')$ colors. Pick an independent set A' which intersects all largest cliques of G' . Color it with 1. The remaining vertices induce an induced subgraph G'' with one smaller clique number. It contains an independent set A'' which intersect a largest clique of G'' . Color it with 2. Repeat this procedure. After $\omega(G')$ steps no more vertex remains and G' is colored with $\omega(G')$ colors properly.