

# Re: Three question about graph coloring

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milochen wrote:

I am sorry about that I forget that some symbol couldn't use here.

so,I repost about my question.

$X(G)$ := chromatic number of simple graph  $G$   
 $A \wedge B$ := the intersection of  $A$  and  $B$   
 $A \vee B$ := the union of  $A$  and  $B$

Define a function  $CLRS: \{\text{graphs}\} \rightarrow \{\text{sets of function(s)}\}$   
s.t.  $G \mapsto \{f \mid f: V(G) \rightarrow \{1,2,\dots,X(G)\} \text{ is proper coloring}\}$

Suppose  $G, H$  be any simple graph...  
Is " $CLRS(G)=CLRS(H) \leftrightarrow G$  is isomorphic to  $H$ " ?

If  $V(G)$  is not equal to  $V(H)$ , then  $CLRS(G)$  cannot equal  $CLRS(H)$ ; in fact, they are disjoint. ( $CLRS(G)$  contains functions with domain  $V(G)$ , and  $CLRS(H)$  contains functions with domain  $V(H)$ .)

So let's assume  $V(G) = V(H)$ ; then  $CLRS(G) = CLRS(H)$  looks equivalent.

Is always exist simple graph  $F$  s.t.  $CLRS(F)=CLRS(G) \wedge CLRS(H)$ ?

$F = G \cup H$  ? ( $V(F) := V(G) = V(H)$ ,  $E(F) = E(G) \cup E(H)$ .) This shouldn't be too difficult to prove.

Is always exist simple graph  $F$  s.t.  $CLRS(F)=CLRS(G) \vee CLRS(H)$ ?

Well,  $F = G \cap H$  doesn't work, even if  $n=3$ . Let  $V(G) = V(H) = \{1,2,3\}$ , and  $G$  has edge  $(1,2)$ , and  $H$  edge  $(1,3)$ . Then the coloring  $c = (1,1,1)$  is in  $CLRS(F)$  but not in  $CLRS(G)$  or  $CLRS(H)$ . The answer to this

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might be NO, and these graphs G and H might provide a counterexample.

At first, I never know the discussion for set of coloring.  
I just get the idea, but I'm not ensure whether it's good or bad.  
I just get a new thinking about this.

Is any book ever talk about something like this?

Not any that I know of right away. Usually colorings are only considered for one graph.

--- Christopher Heckman

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