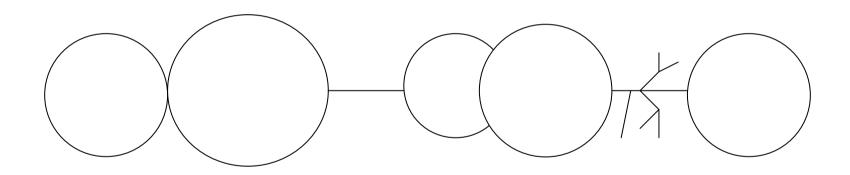
On the Graphs Whose Cycles of Length Divisible by a Given Number

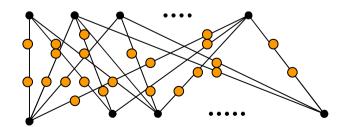
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#### *Introduction*

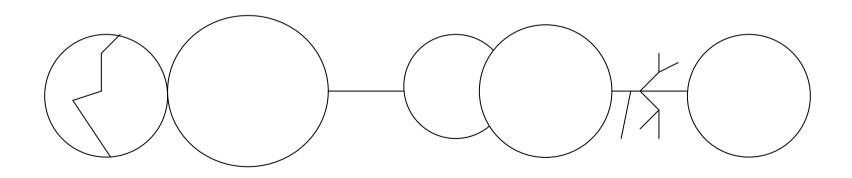
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A trail  $P = v_0 v_1 ... v_s$  in a graph G is called a branch if  $d_G(v_i) = 2$  for  $1 \le i \le s - 1$ ,  $d_G(v_0) \ne 2$ ,  $d_G(v_s) \ne 2$ . If  $v_0 = v_s$ , P is said to be closed. Otherwise, it is said to be open. *Lemma.* Let *l* be an integer with  $l \ge 3$  and *G* be a connected (0 mod *l*)-cycle graph with  $\delta(G) \ge 2$  and  $\Delta(G) \ge 3$ , then:

- If G has a closed branch C, then  $l(C) \ge l$ .
- If G has no closed branch, then G has two branches of length at least  $\frac{1}{2}$  if l is even and at least l if l is odd, which share at least one endvertex.
- If  $l \neq 4$ , then G has a pair of adjacent vertices of degree 2.
- If *l*∉ {3,4,6}, then G has three consecutive vertices of degree two.

## Vertex Coloring of Graphs

Let G be a graph. A vertex coloring of G is a function  $c:V(G) \longrightarrow L$ , where L is a set with this property: if  $u, v \in V(G)$  are adjacent, then c(u) and c(v) are different.

A vertex k-coloring is a proper vertex coloring with |L|=k.

The smallest integer k such that G has a vertex kcoloring is called the chromatic number of G and denoted by  $\chi(G)$ .

## The List Coloring of Graphs

Let G be a graph and for every  $v \in V(G)$ , let L(v)denote a list of colors available at v. A list coloring or choice function is a proper coloring f such that for every  $v \in V(G)$ ,  $f(v) \in L(v)$ .

A graph G is k-choosable if every assignment of k-elements lists to the vertices permits a proper list coloring.

The list chromatic number, choice number, or choosability of a graph  $G, \chi_l(G)$ , is the minimum number k such that G is k-choosable.

## The List Coloring of Graphs

**Theorem.** A path and cycle are 2-choosable, while an odd cycle is 3-choosable.

#### Edge Coloring of Graphs

Let G be a graph. An edge coloring of G is a function  $c: E(G) \longrightarrow L$ , where L is a set with this property: if  $s, t \in E(G)$  are adjacent, then c(t) and c(s) are different.

An edge k-coloring is an edge coloring with |L|=k.

The smallest integer k such that G has an edge kcoloring is called the edge-chromatic number of G and denoted by  $\chi'(G)$ . Edge Coloring of Graphs

Vizing's Theorem.

If G is a graph, then  $\Delta(G) \leq \chi'(G) \leq \Delta(G) + 1$ .

#### The List Edge-Coloring of Graphs

Let G be a graph and for every  $e \in E(G)$ , let L(e) denote a list of colors available for e. A list edge-coloring is a proper edge-coloring f with f(e) chosen from L(e) for each e.

The edge-choosablity,  $\chi'_{l}(G)$ , is the minimum k such that every assignment of lists of size k yields a proper list edge-coloring.

• For every graph G,  $\Delta(G) \leq \chi_l(G)$ .

#### The List Edge-Coloring of Graphs

#### Theorem.

A path and even cycle are 2-edge-choosable, while an odd cycle is 3-edge-choosable.

## **Total Coloring of Graphs**

Let G be a graph. A total coloring of G is a function  $c:V(G) \cup E(G) \longrightarrow L$ , where L is a set with this property that color objects have different colors when they are adjacent or incident.

A total k-coloring is a total coloring with |L|=k.

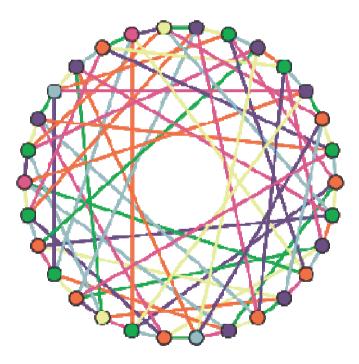
The smallest integer k such that G has a total k-coloring is called the total-chromatic number of G and denoted by  $\chi''(G)$ .

• For every graph G,  $\chi''(G) \ge \Delta(G) + 1$ .

*Total Coloring Conjecture. For every graph G,*  $\chi''(G) \leq \Delta(G) + 2$ .

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## **Total Coloring of Graphs**



 $\chi''(G) = \Delta(G) + 1 = 6$ 

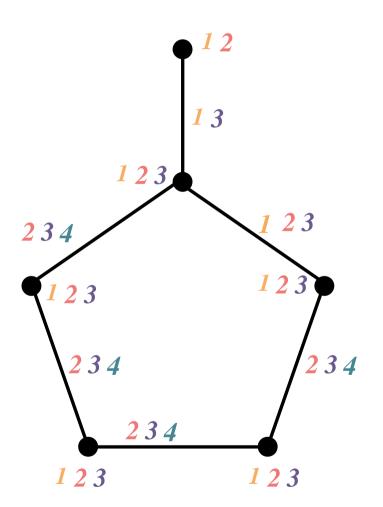
#### The List Total-Coloring of Graphs

Let G be a graph. For every  $v \in V(G)$  and  $e \in E(G)$ , L(v)and L(e) denote a list of colors available at v and a list of colors available for e, respectively. A list total-coloring is a proper total coloring f with f(v) chosen from L(v) for each v and f(e)chosen from L(e) for each e, respectively. The total-choosablity,  $\chi_{l}^{"}(G)$ , is the minimum k such that every assignment of lists of size k to every vertices and edges yields a proper list coloring and list edge-coloring for G.  $If G is a tree with \Delta(G) \ge 2$ 

then  $\chi_l^{"}(G) = \Delta(G) + 1.$ 

• For every graph G,  $\chi_l^{''}(G) \ge \Delta(G)$ 

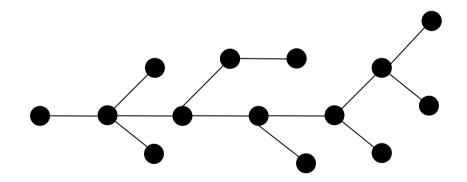
# Example.



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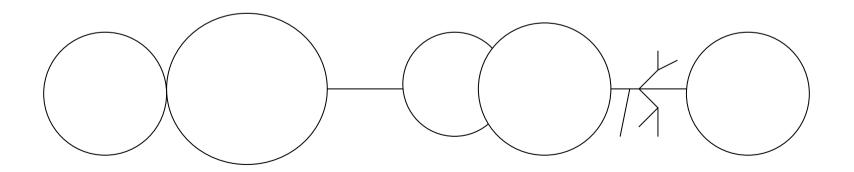
- **1.** The list chromatic number of ( For  $l \ge 3$ ,  $\chi_l(G) \le 3$ . **1.** There is a conjecture that  $for every graph G, \\ \chi'_l(G) = \chi'(G).$
- 2. The list edge-chromatic number of (0 mod l)-cycle graphs Galvin (1995). For every (0 mod l)-cycle graph G,  $\chi'_{l}(G) = \chi'(G) = \Delta(G).$

For  $l \ge 3$ ,  $\chi_l^{'}(G) =$ It is not hard to see that for every bipartite graph G,  $\chi_l^{''}(G) = \Delta(G) + 2.$ If  $l \notin \{1,2,4\}$  and  $\Delta(G) \ge 3$ , thus  $\chi_l^{''}(G) = \Delta(G) + 1.$  *Remark.* For every natural number k, there is a bipartite graph G such that  $\chi_l(G) > k$ . Theorem. Let G be a graph and  $l \ge 3$  be a natural number. If G is a (0 mod l)-cycle graph, then  $\chi_l(G) \le 3$ . And so,  $\chi(G) \le \chi_l(G) \le 3$ . For a positive integer s, a multigraph G is said to be s-degenerated if G can be reduced to  $K_1$  by successive removal of vertices of degree at most s.



It is proved that for  $l \ge 3$ , every (0 mod l)-cycle graph contains at least a vertex of degree 2.

So, for every integer l,  $l \ge 3$ , a (0 mod l)-cycle graph is 2-degenerated.



It is easy to see that every s-degenerated graph is (s+1)-choosable.

So, it is concluded that for  $l \ge 3$ , every (0 mod l)-cycle graph is 3-degenerated.

For every graph G, the average degree of G is denoted by ad(G), where  $ad(G) = \frac{2|E(G)|}{|V(G)|}$ .

The maximum average degree, denoted by mad(G), is the maximum value of ad(H), where H is taken from all the subgraphs of G.

**Theorem.** For every s-degenerated graph G, mad(G) < 2s. **Theorem.** Let k be an integer with  $k \ge 4$ , and G be a graph with  $mad(G) \le k$  and  $\Delta(G) \ge 0.5(k^2 - k + 2)$ , then  $\chi'_{l}(G) = \Delta(G)$  and  $\chi''_{l}(G) = \Delta(G) + 1$ .

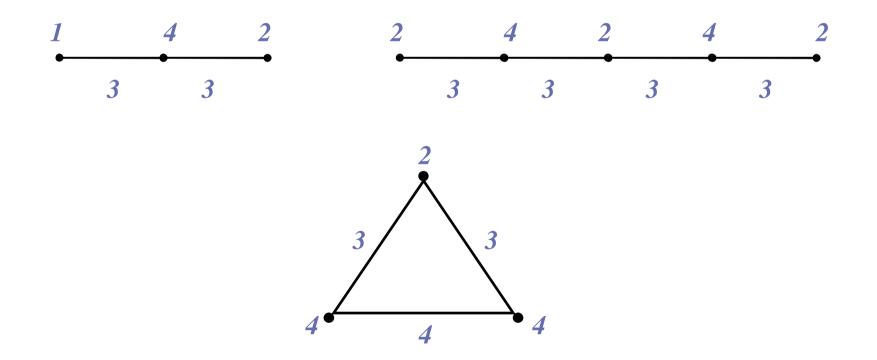
**Corollary.** Let *l* be an integer with  $l \ge 3$ . Then every (0 mod l)-cycle graph G with  $\Delta(G) \ge 7$  is  $\Delta(G)$ -edge choosable and  $(\Delta(G) + 1)$ -total choosable.

Theorem. For  $l \ge 3$ , except odd cycles and l = 4, every (0 mod l)-cycle graph G satisfies  $\chi'_{l}(G) = \chi'(G) = \Delta(G).$  Theorem. Let l be a positive integer with  $l \notin \{1,2,4\}$ . Then every (0 mod l)-cycle graph with  $\Delta(G) \ge 3$ , is  $(\Delta(G) + 1)$ -total-choosable.

Some useful Lemmas for the proof of the theorem  

$$\chi''(P_n) = 3, \qquad \chi''(C_n) = \begin{cases} 3 & n=3k \\ 4 & otherwise \end{cases}$$

Let H be a subgraph of G with  $H \neq G$ . Then  $\chi_l^{"}(H) \leq \Delta(G) + 1$ .



# Conjecture. Every (0 mod 4)-cycle graph with $3 \le \Delta(G) \le 6$ satisfies $\chi'_{l}(G) = \Delta(G)$ and $\chi''_{l}(G) = \Delta(G) + 1$ .

Thanks for your attention