

CALCULATION OF SOME GENERALIZED RAMSEY NUMBERS

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A generalized Ramsey number $R(G_1; G_2)$ is the minimum n , such that every 2-coloring of the edges of the complete graph K_n contains a monochromatic subgraph isomorphic to G_1 or a monochromatic subgraph isomorphic to G_2 .

Consider the graphs $G_1 \neq G_2$ with no loops or multiply edges and no isolated points with maximum 4 and 5 vertices.

In this paper are proved with details some of the values of the generalized Ramsey numbers with 4 and 5 vertices, which proofs are not accessible or are not known.

A generalized Ramsey number $R(G_1; G_2)$ is the minimum n , such that every 2-coloring (for example black-white coloring) of the edges of the complete graph K_n contains a monochromatic (black) subgraph isomorphic to G_1 or a monochromatic (white) subgraph isomorphic to G_2 .

Solid lines are used for black coloring of the edges and dashed lines for white.

The graphs with maximum 4 vertices without any isolated vertex are represented on the Figure 1:

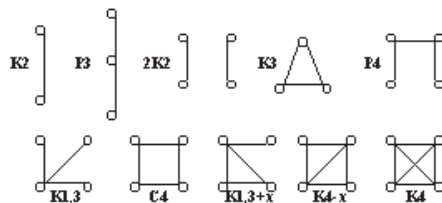


Figure 1.

Theorem 1. $R(K_{1,3+x}; K_{4-x}) = 7$: Every 2-coloring of the edges of the complete graph K_7 contains a black subgraph $K_{1,3+x}$ or a white subgraph K_{4-x} . (See Figure 2.)



Figure 2.

Proof. We assume that there is a 2-coloring of K_7 without black $K_{1,3+x}$ and white K_{4-x} . Then there is a vertex, which has at least 4 monochromatic edges. In the opposite case, every vertex has to have 3 adjacent black and 3 adjacent white edges. But there is no regular graph with an even number of odd degree vertices.

1). Let the vertex V_1 be adjacent to black edges $[V_1, V_i]$, $i = 2, 3, 4, 5$. If any two vertices between $[V_2, V_3, V_4, V_5]$ are connected with black edges x , then there is black graph $K_{1,3+x}$. But if the last four vertices are connected with white edges, then there is white K_{4-x} .

2). Let the vertex V_1 be adjacent to white edges $[V_1, V_i]$, $i = 2, 3, 4, 5$. This induces 2-coloring in subgraph K_4 , created from V_2, V_3, V_4, V_5 without white P_3 . But $R(P_3, C_4) = 4$ and thus in the subgraph K_4 there is a black C_4 . Both diagonals of C_4 are white. See Figure 3.

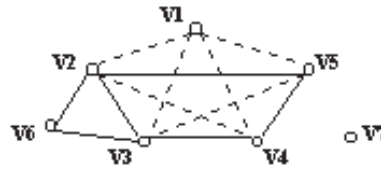


Figure 3

At least one of two edges $[V_6, V_2]$, $[V_6, V_4]$ or $[V_6, V_3]$, $[V_6, V_5]$ must be black, in which case, $K_{1,3+x}$ must also be black, and thus it is proven that:

$$(1) \quad R(K_{1,3+x}; K_{4-x}) \leq 7.$$

Figure 4 shows 2-coloring of K_6 without a black $K_{1,3+x}$ or white K_{4-x} and thus:

$$(2) \quad (K_{1,3+x}; K_{4-x}) \geq 7.$$

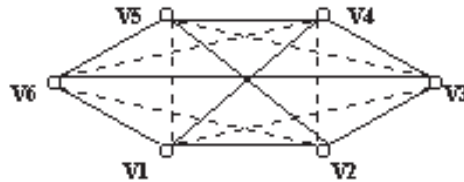


Figure 4.

From (1) and (2) it follows that $R(K_{1,3+x}; K_{4-x}) = 7$.

Theorem 2. $R(C_4; k_{4-x}) = 7$. Every 2-coloring of the edges of the complete K_4 graph contains a black C_4 subgraph or a white K_{4-x} subgraph. See Figure 5:



Figure 5

Proof.

$$(3) \quad R(C4; K4 - x) \leq 7.$$

Consider an arbitrary black-white coloring of $K7$, and assume that there is no white $K4 - x$ or black $C4$.

1). Let vertex $V0$ be a white neighbour of $V1, V2, V3$ and $V4$, and let the edge $[V1, V2]$ be black. Vertex $V3$ is a black neighbour with at least one of the vertices being $V1$ or $V2$ (e.g. $[V2, V4]$ is black). In the same way, $V4$ is a black neighbour of $V1$ or $V3$ (e.g. $[V3, V4]$ is black), and then $[V1, V2, V3, V4]$ will be a black $C4$. This is why $[V1, V4]$ must be white. It follows that $[V2, V4]$ and $[V1, V3]$ must be black, and $[V1, V2, V4, V3]$ must be a black $C4$. See Figure 6.

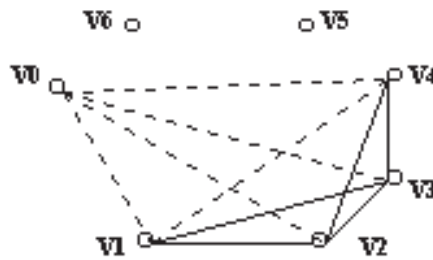


Figure 6

2). Let the vertex $V0$ be a black neighbour of $V1, V2, V3$ and $V4$. At least two vertices among $V1, V2, V3$ and $V4$ are neighbours with a black edge. For example, if the edge $[V1, V2]$ is black, then the edges $[V2, V3]$, $[V2, V4]$, $[V1, V3]$ and $[V1, V4]$ must be white. The vertices $V1, V2, V3$ and $V4$ are adjacent to one black edge and to vertices $V5$ and $V6$. So a black $C4$ is obtained, and thus $R(C4; K4) \leq 7$. See Figure 7.

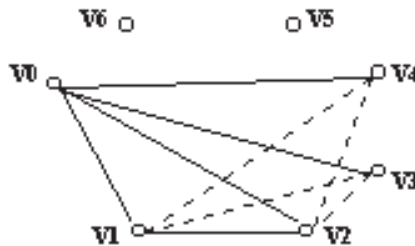


Figure 7

$$(4) \quad R(C4; K4 - x) \geq 7$$

follows from Figure 8 (with only black edges) which represents 2-coloring of $K6$ without a black $C4$ or a white $K4 - x$:

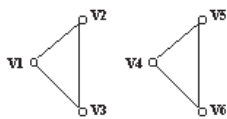


Figure 8

From (3) and (4) it follows that $R(C4; K4 - x) = 7$.

Theorem 3. $R(G7) = 10$: Every 2-coloring of the edges of the complete K_{10} graph contains a monochromatic $G7$ subgraph. See Figure 9:

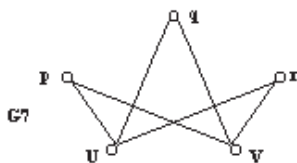


Figure 9

Proof. The inequality

$$(5) \quad R(G7) \geq 10,$$

follows from figure 10, which represents a 2-coloring of K_9 without a black $G7$ or white $G7$.

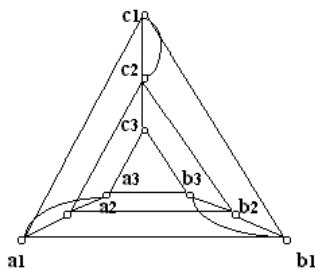


Figure 10

Next, the inequality

$$(6) \quad R(G7) \leq 10$$

will be proven.

Consider the arbitrary black-white coloring of the edges of K_{10} . A vertex is considered “black” if its black edges have a degree of at least 5, otherwise it is considered “white”. The black neighbours of $V2$ are $U1, U2, U3, U4$ and $U5$. See Figure 11:

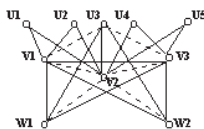


Figure 11

Since there is no black $G7$, vertex $V1$ has a maximum of two black neighbours among the vertices $U1, U2, U3, U4$ and $U5$. The same is true for $V3$.

Therefore, among the vertices U_i ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ or 5) there is one (e.g. $U3$), which is a white neighbour of $V1$ and $V3$. There are also two other vertices, $W1$ and $W2$. Vertex $V1$ must be a black neighbour of $W1, W2$, and $V3$. Furthermore, $V1$ must also be a black neighbour of exactly two of the vertices U_i ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$ or 5) (e.g. $U1$ and $U2$). $V3$ is a black neighbour of $W1, W2, U4, U5$ and $V1$. Vertex $V2$ is a white neighbour of $W1$ and also of $W2$. $U3$ is a black neighbour of $W1$ and also of $W2$. Hence $W1$ and $W2$, together with $V1, U3$ and $V3$, create a black $G7$, which is a contradiction. Thus, $R(G7) \leq 10$.

From (5) and (6) it follows that $R(G7) = 10$.

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ИЗЧИСЛЯВАНЕ НА НЯКОИ ОБОБЩЕНИ ЧИСЛА НА РЕМЗИ

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Обобщено число на Ремзи $R(G1; G2)$ е минималното естествено число n , такова че при всяко две-оцветяване на ребрата на пълния граф K_n се съдържа или едноцветен подграф, изоморфен на $G1$ или едноцветен подграф, изоморфен на $G2$. Разглеждат се графи $G1 \neq G2$ без примки, без двойни ребра и без изолирани върхове.

В тази статия са доказани подробно някои от стойностите на числата на Ремзи с 4 и 5 върха, чиито доказателства не са достъпни или са неизвестни.