

Chromatic Number of Sierpriński Wheel Graph

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Abstract

The minimum number of colors needed to color the vertices of a graph such that no two adjacent vertices have the same color. In this paper we found the chromatic number of Sierpriński Wheel Graph.

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1. Introduction

In the past some years intensely those Graphs studied whose drawings can be viewed as approximations to the famous Sierpriński triangle. The curiosity for these graphs comes from many diverse sources such as games like the Chinese rings or the Hanoi Tower, physics, topology, the study of interconnection systems, and elsewhere. In 1997 Klavžar and Milutinovic were defined generalized Sierpriński graphs, $S(n,k)$. $S(1,k)$ graphs the simply complete graph K_k and $S(n,3)$ are the graphs of problem of Hanoi Tower. Hinz and Schief [1, Section 2], found the isomorphism between Hanoi graphs and a sequence of graphs obtained from approximations to The Sierpriński triangle was constructed. Hinz, Klavzar, Milutinovic and Peter, gave the definition and properties of these graphs. [2, Sections 2.3 and 5.5].

In Section 2 we described a definition of generalized Sierpriński and chromatic number and Wheel graphs. In Section 3, we study the chromatic number of Sierpriński Wheel graph. In Section 4, we gave the result between chromatic number of Sierpriński Wheel graph and chromatic number of Wheel graph.

2.1 Generalized Sierpriński Graph

From Gravier, Kovše and Aline [2011] let k be an integer and G be a finite undirected graph on a vertex set $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$. In the following, vertices of graphs will be identified with words on integers. We denote by $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}^n$ the set of words of size n on

alphabet $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}$. The letters of a word u of $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}^n$ are denoted by $u = u_1 u_2 u_3 \dots u_n$. The concatenation of two words u and v is denoted by uv .

The generalized Sierpriński graph of G of dimension n denoted by $S(n, G)$ is the graph with vertex set $\{1, 2, \dots, k\}^n$ and edge set defined by: $\{u, v\}$ is an edge if and only if there exists $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ such that:

- i.) $u_i = v_j$ if $j < i$,
- ii.) $u_i \neq v_i$ and $(u_i, v_i) \in E(G)$,
- iii.) $u_i = v_i$ and $v_j = u_i$ if $j > i$.

In other words, if $\{u, v\}$ is an edge of $S(n, G)$ there is an edge $\{x, y\}$ of G and a word z such that $u = wxz \dots y$ and $v = yxz \dots x$. We say that edge $\{u, v\}$ is using edge $\{x, y\}$ of G . Graphs $S(n, G)$ can be constructed recursively from G with the following process: $S(1, G)$ is isomorphic to G . To construct $S(n, G)$ for $n > 1$, copy k times $S(n-1, G)$ and add to labels of vertices in copy x of $S(n-1, G)$ the letter x at the beginning. Then for any edge $\{x, y\}$ of G , add an edge between vertex $xy \dots y$ and vertex $yx \dots x$. For any word u of length d , with $1 \leq d < n$, the subgraph of $S(n, G)$ induced by vertices with label beginning by u , is isomorphic to $S(n-d, G)$. For a vertex x of G , we call extreme vertex x of $S(n, G)$ the vertex with label $x \dots x$.

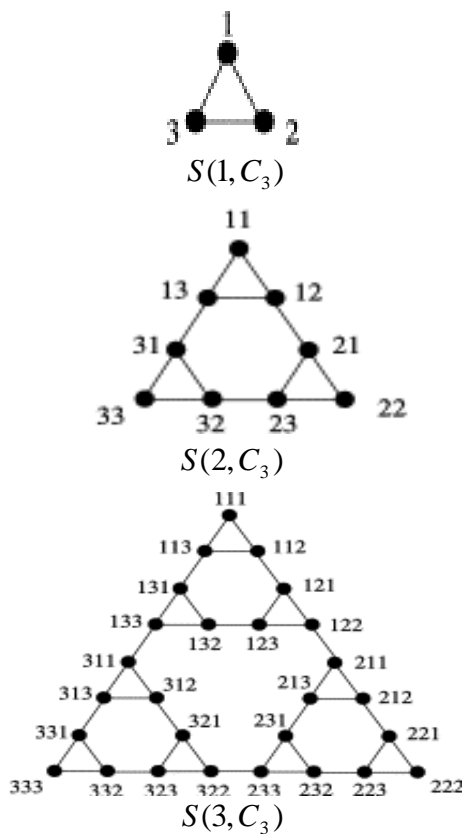


Fig.2.1

2.2 Chromatic Number

The minimum number of colors needed to color the vertices of a graph such that no two adjacent vertices have the same color. This is denoted by the

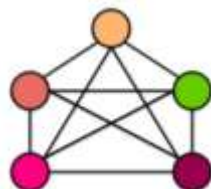


Fig.2.2

The chromatic number of above graph is 5

2.3 Wheel Graph

A wheel graph W_n contain an additional vertex to the cycle, W_n for $n \geq 3$, and connect this new vertex to each of the n vertices in C_n , by new edges. The wheel W_3, W_4, W_5 are displayed below.

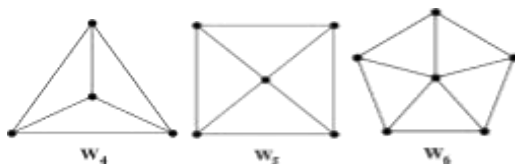
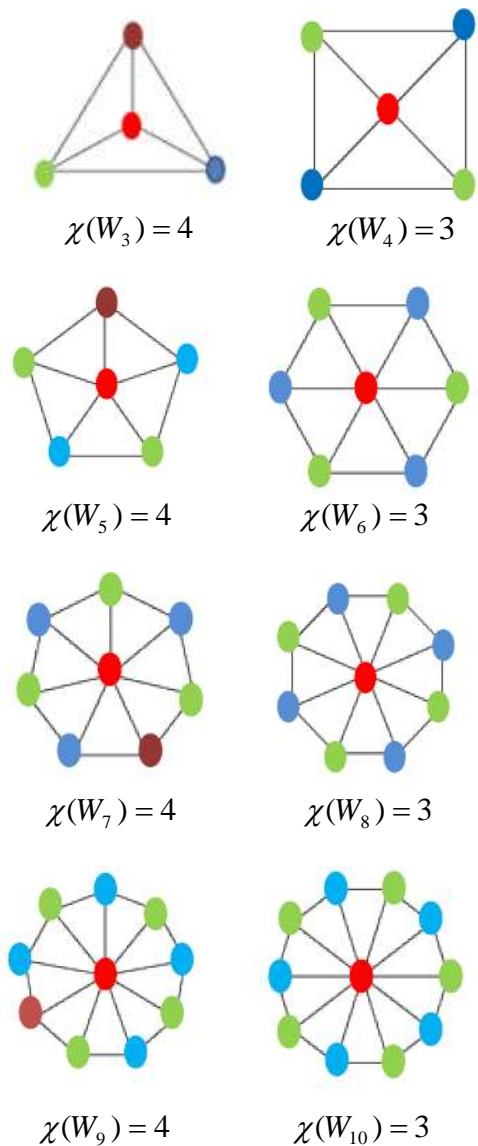


Fig.2.3 Wheel Graph

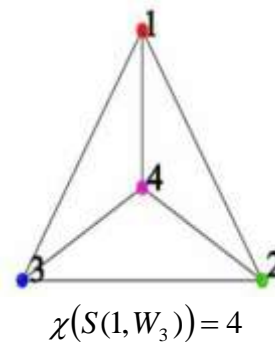
2.4 CHROMATIC NUMBER IN WHEEL GRAPH

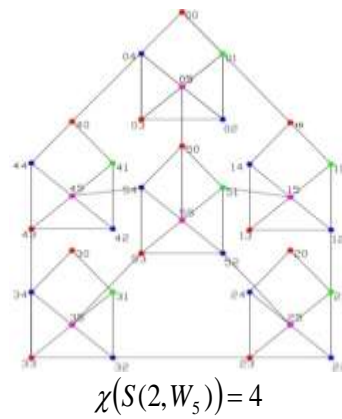
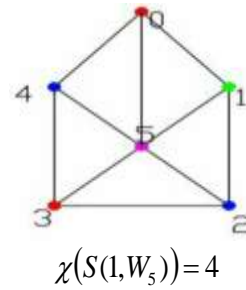
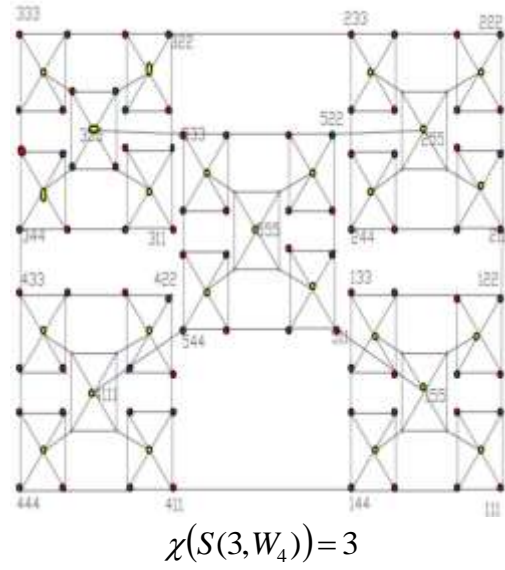
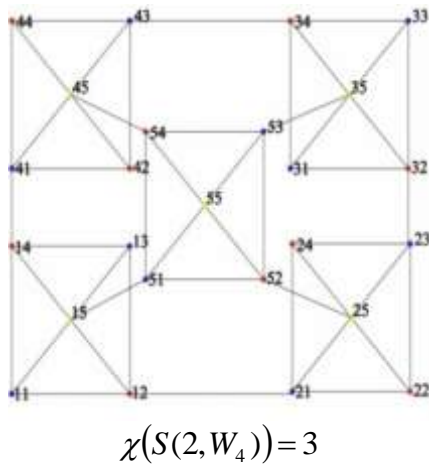
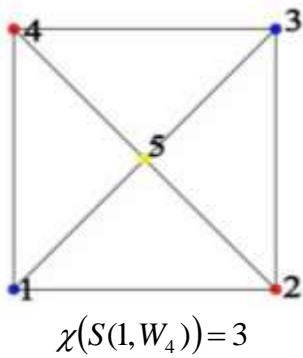
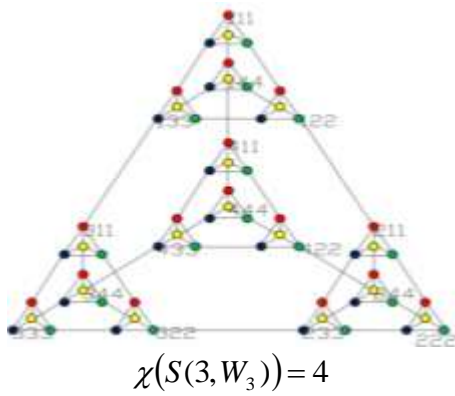
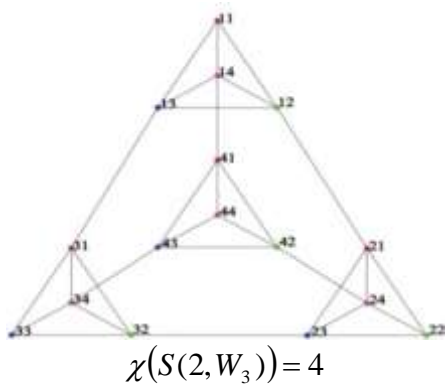


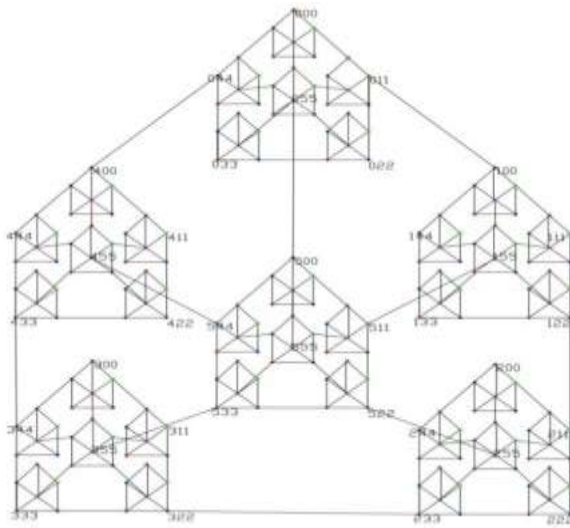
$$\chi(W_n) = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ 4 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

3. Results and Discussion

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$$\chi(S(3, W_5)) = 4$$

S	$\chi(S(k, W_n))$		
	$S(k, W_3)$	$S(k, W_4)$	$S(k, W_5)$
1	$\chi(S(1, W_3)) = \Lambda$	$\chi(S(1, W_4)) = \Lambda$	$\chi(S(1, W_5)) = \Lambda$
2	$\chi(S(2, W_3)) = \Lambda$	$\chi(S(2, W_4)) = \Lambda$	$\chi(S(2, W_5)) = \Lambda$
3	$\chi(S(3, W_3)) = \Lambda$	$\chi(S(3, W_4)) = \Lambda$	$\chi(S(3, W_5)) = \Lambda$
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k	$\chi(S(k, W_3)) = \Lambda$	$\chi(S(k, W_4)) = \Lambda$	$\chi(S(k, W_5)) = \Lambda$

4. Conclusions

From above table we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(S(1, W_3)) &= \chi(S(2, W_3)) = \chi(S(3, W_3)) = \Lambda = \chi(S(k, W_3)) = 4 = \chi(W_3) \\ \chi(S(1, W_4)) &= \chi(S(2, W_4)) = \chi(S(3, W_4)) = \Lambda = \chi(S(k, W_4)) = 3 = \chi(W_4) \\ \chi(S(1, W_5)) &= \chi(S(2, W_5)) = \chi(S(3, W_5)) = \Lambda = \chi(S(k, W_5)) = 4 = \chi(W_5) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Hence, } \chi(S(k, W_n)) = \begin{cases} 3 & \text{if } n \text{ is even} \\ 4 & \text{if } n \text{ is odd} \end{cases}$$

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