

# Relaxations of coloring squares of graphs

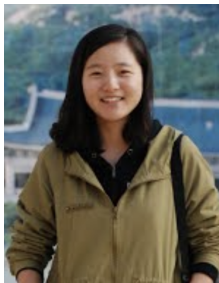
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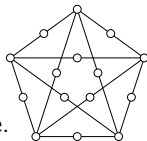
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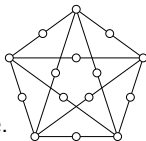
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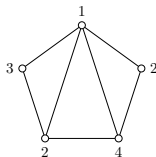
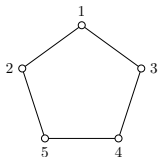
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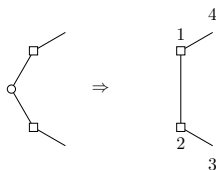
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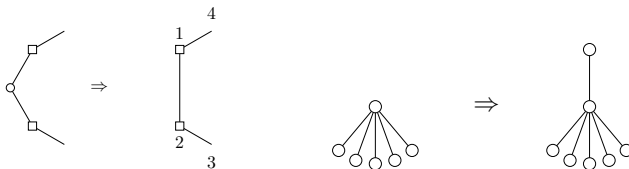
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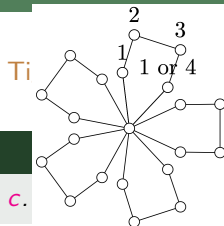
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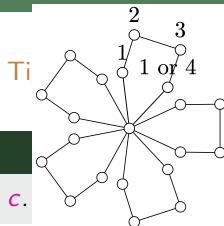
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Corollary (2022.01+ Cranston, 2022.02+ Cho, C., Kwon, Park)

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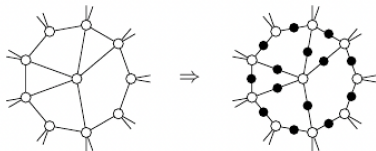
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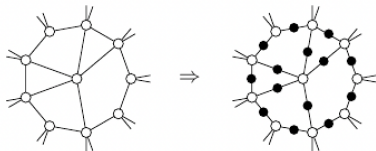
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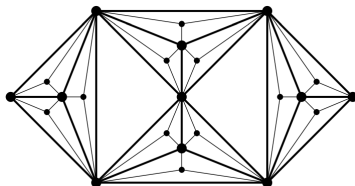
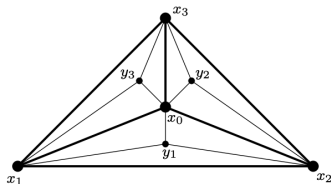
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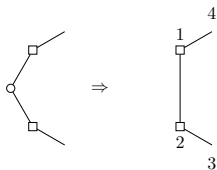
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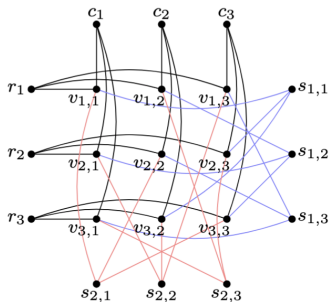
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Orthogonal Latin squares of order  $n$

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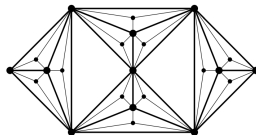
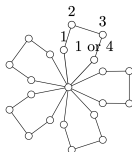
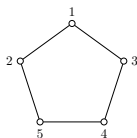
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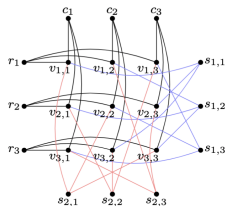
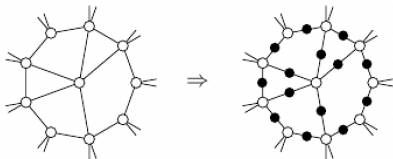
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Thank you for your attention!





### Theorem (2022.03+ Liu)

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If  $G$  has *Euler genus*  $\gamma \geq 2$ , then  $\chi_{\text{pcf}}(G) \leq \frac{13 + \sqrt{73 + 48\gamma}}{2}$ .

### Theorem (2022.05+ Metrebian)

If  $G$  is *projective planar* or *toroidal*, then  $\chi_{\text{odd}}(G) \leq 9$ .

### Theorem (2022.03+ Cranston, Lafferty, Song, 2022.06+ Liu, Wang, Yu)

If  $G$  is *1-planar*, then  $\chi_{\text{odd}}(G) \leq 23$ .

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### Theorem (2022.02+ Dujmović, Morin, Odak, 2022.03+ Hickingbotham, 2022.03+ Liu)

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