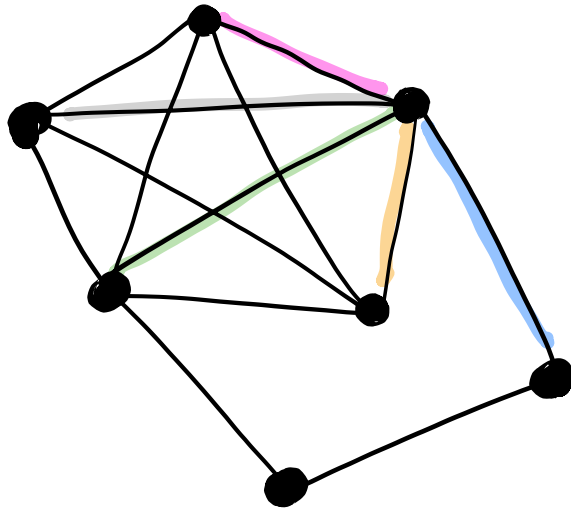


Brook's Theorem

If G is connected, not an odd cycle,
 not a complete graph, then $\chi(G) \leq \Delta(G)$
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 max degree of
 a vertex.

In general (thm 6.7)

$$\chi(G) \leq 1 + \Delta(G)$$



$$\Delta(G) + 1 \geq \chi'(G) \geq \Delta(G)$$

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Q: How hard is it to determine $\chi(G)$ & $\chi'(G)$

in general $2 \leq \chi(G) \leq \Delta(G) \text{ or } \Delta(G) + 1$
 G connected $\Delta(G) \leq \chi'(G) \leq \Delta(G) + 1$

χ - NP complete $\leftarrow \exists$ poly algorithms to get reasonable bounds on χ ,
 χ' - NP hard good algorithms for various classes of graphs

We will discuss some algorithms related to vertex colors.

Contraction-deletion algorithm:

$$\text{runtime} \sim \left(\frac{1+\sqrt{5}}{2} \right)^{n+m}$$

golden
ratio



n vertices
m edges