

# Machine Learning for Graph Coloring

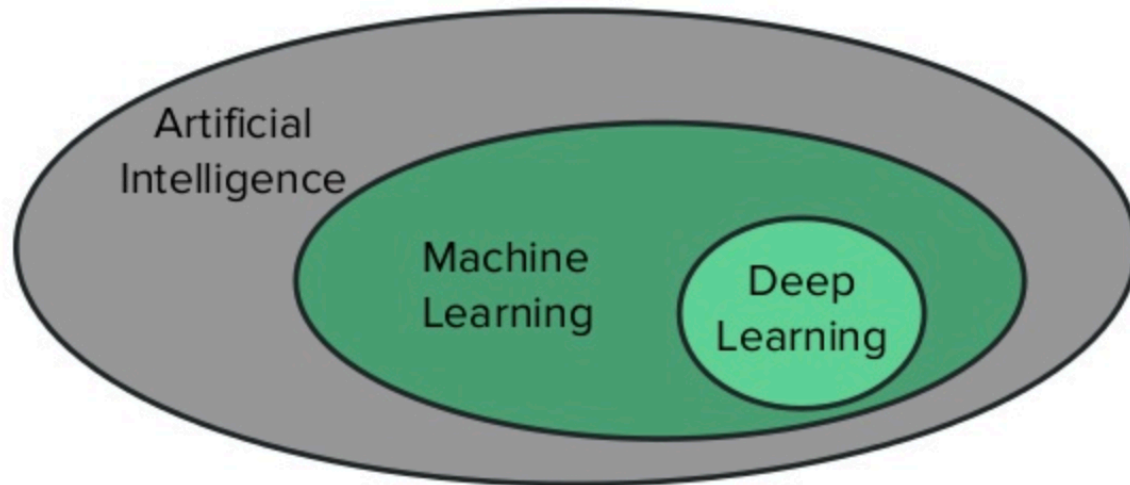
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# Machine Learning

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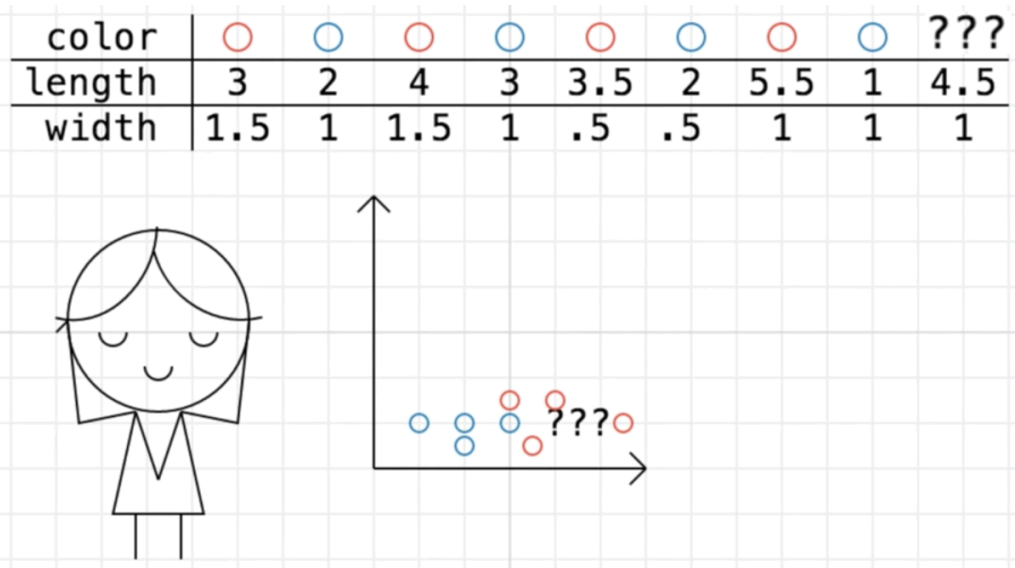
- ✓ Artificial Intelligence (AI) & Machine Learning (ML) & Deep Learning (DL)
- ✓ AI ~ anything related to making computers do stuff that are traditionally done by humans; sorting, gaming, etc.
- ✓ ML ~ algorithms that learn models from data; neural nets, SVMs, etc.
- ✓ DL ~ application of multi-layer neural nets to learning tasks.



# Machine Learning

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- ✓ How do we decide the best class?
- ✓ Experience the past (training) and decide accordingly (query).

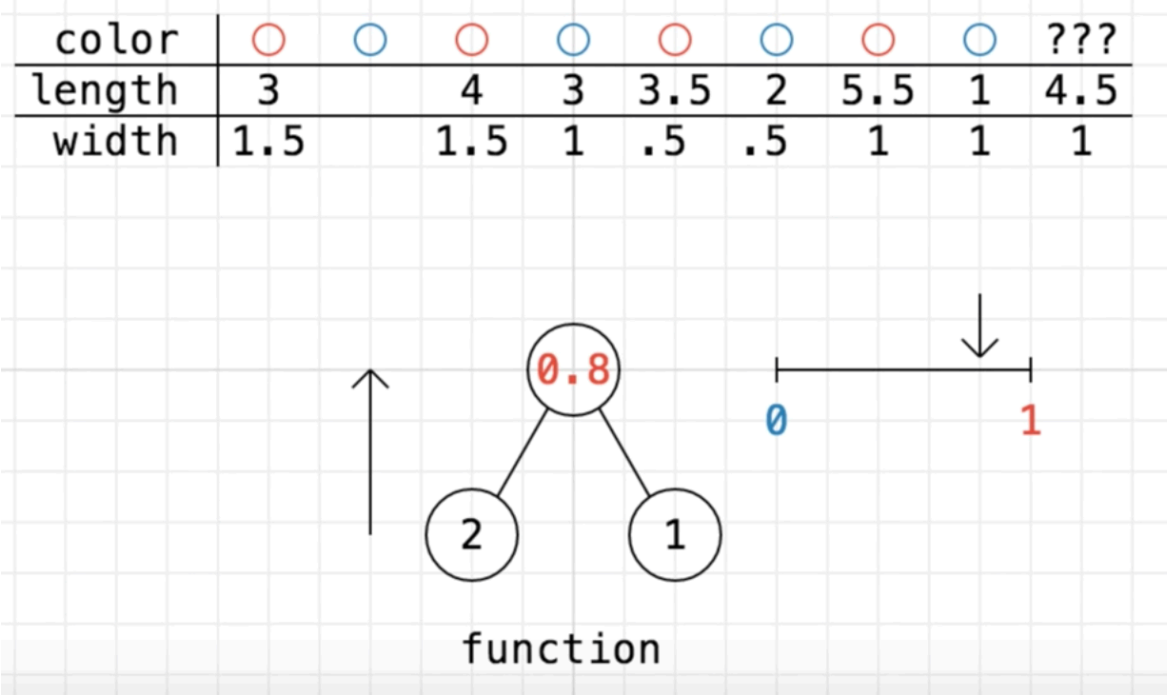


- ✓ Plot your experience.
- ✓ Mystery flower above (???) lands closer to reds, so decision: red.

# Machine Learning using Neural Networks (NNs)

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- ✓ Neural nets can do this classification for us w/o any plotting or such.

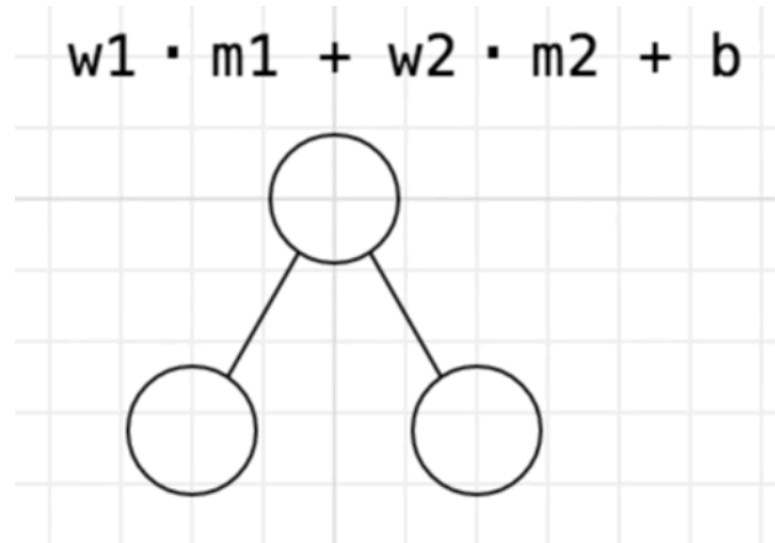
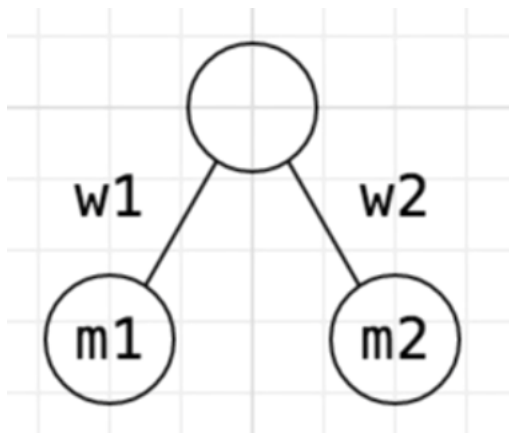


- ✓ Feed the input (width, length) to our net (bottom) and get an output as their **weighted** combination (top). If closer to 1, net tells us it is red.
- ✓ Currently net is wrong (cos 2 & 1 from a blue flower). Adjust **weights**.

# Weights of the NN

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- ✓ Output is a weighted ( $w_1$  and  $w_2$ ) combination of the input.



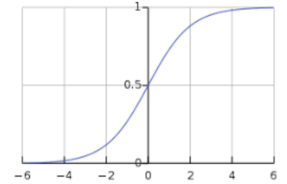
- ✓ Adjust these weights and the bias term ( $b$ ) to make your net behave the way you want.
- ✓ We want: respect the input-output pairs we provide (train with):
  - ✓ 2 & 1 → Blue (so output  $\leq 0.5$ ), 5.5 & 1 → Red (so output  $> 0.5$ ), etc.

color	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
length	3		4	3	3.5	2	5.5	1
width	1.5		1.5	1	.5	.5	1	1

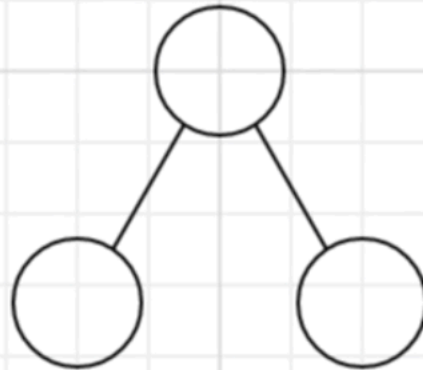
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- ✓ Squash the values to be in  $[0,1]$ :  $\text{sigmoid}(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$



`sigmoid( w1 * m1 + w2 * m2 + b )`

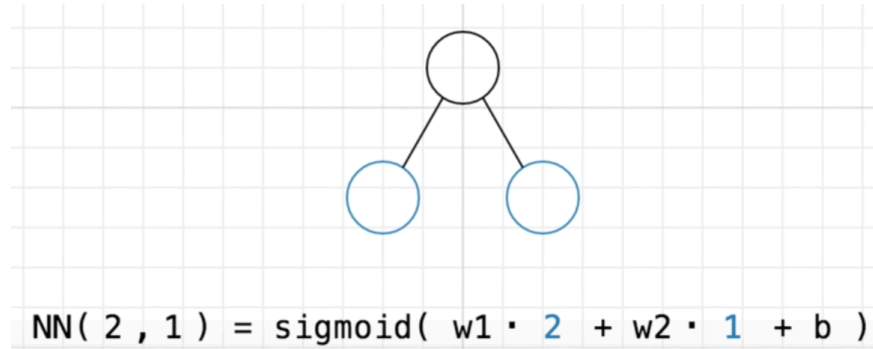


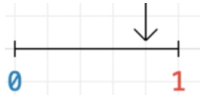
# Weights of the NN

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- ✓ Weights and biases start randomly (to be adjusted later).

color	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	???	
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width	1.5	1	1.5	1	.5	.5	1	1	1



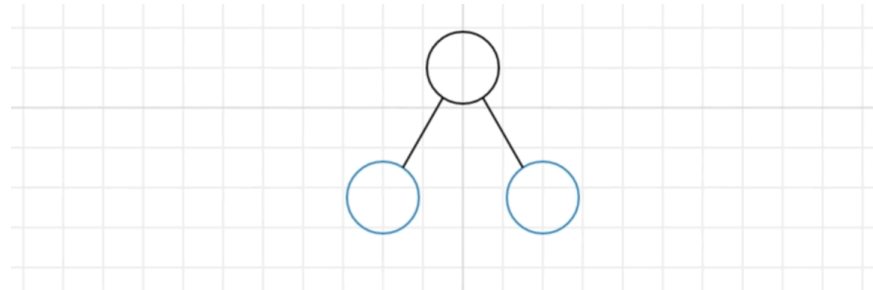
- ✓  $w1 = .5, w2 = .2, b = .3 \rightarrow NN(2,1) = \text{sigmoid}(1.5) = .8$  
- ✓ NN thinks it is red; we'd have preferred output to be closer to 0 😞.
- ✓ Solution: adjust weights & biases (via Backpropagation method).
  - ✓ Cost function:  $(\text{prediction} - \text{target})^2 = (.8 - 0)^2$
  - ✓ Since prediction depends on weights & biases variables, take partial derivative w.r.t. those (gradient descent) and get the adjustment that minimizes the cost.

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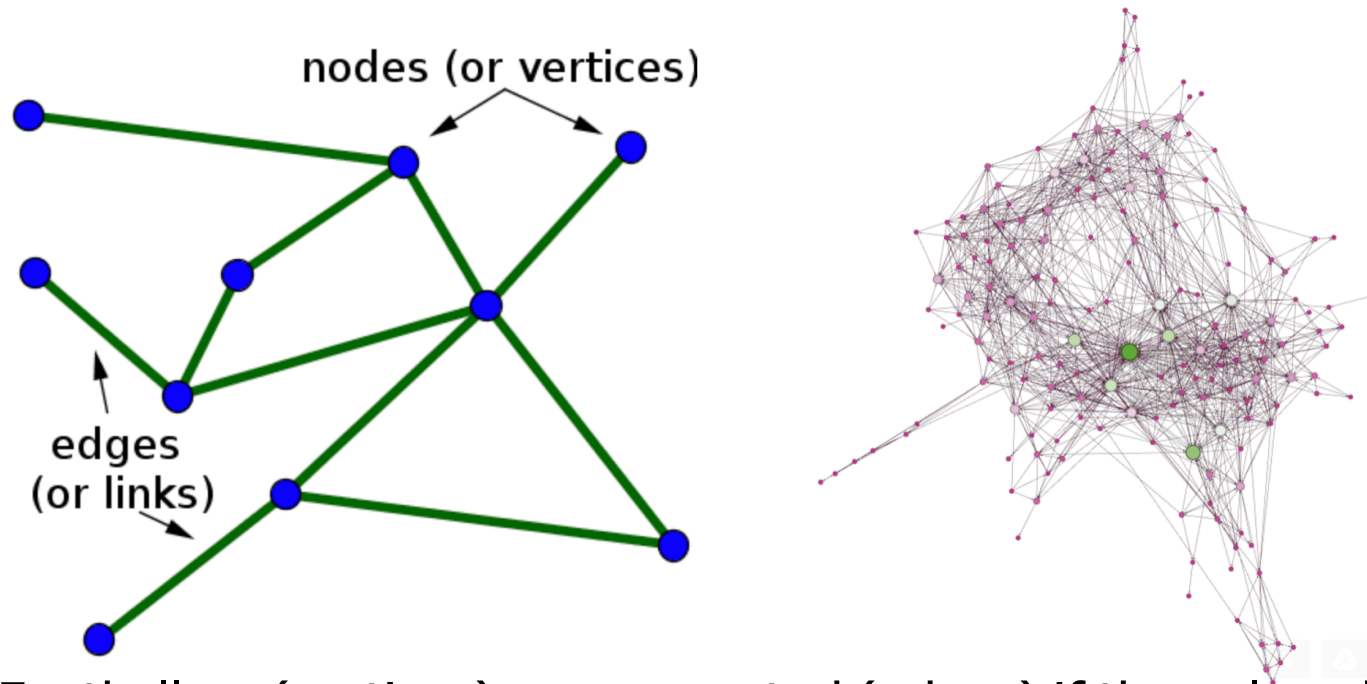
- ✓ Once all weights & biases are adjusted based on the observed data, we essentially constructed our model (NN).
- ✓ Feed the parameters of the new flower to this constructed model in order to classify it instantly (and hopefully accurately).



# Graph

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- ✓ Graph: set of vertices and edges that model many problems in CS.

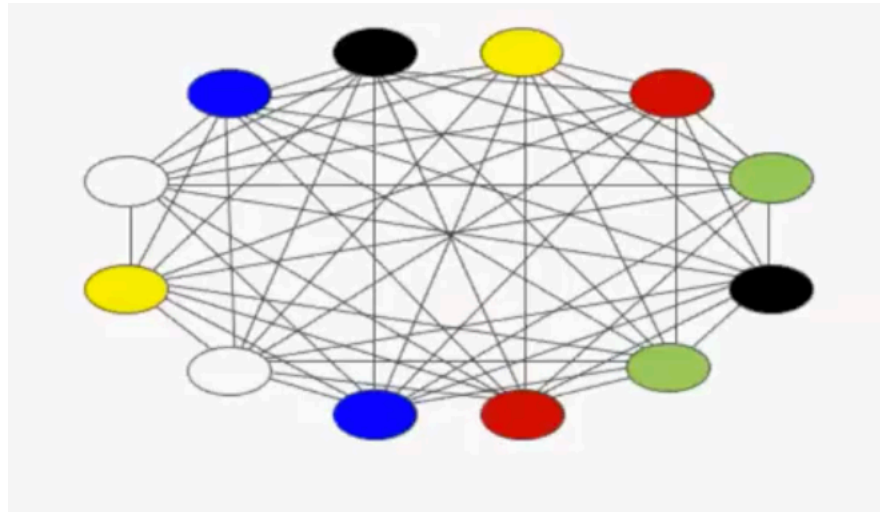


- ✓ Footballers (vertices) are connected (edges) if they played at the same team anytime in their careers.
- ✓ People are connected if they are friends, e.g., Facebook network.

# Graph Coloring

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- ✓ Assignment of colors to vertices s.t. neighbor verts've different colors.

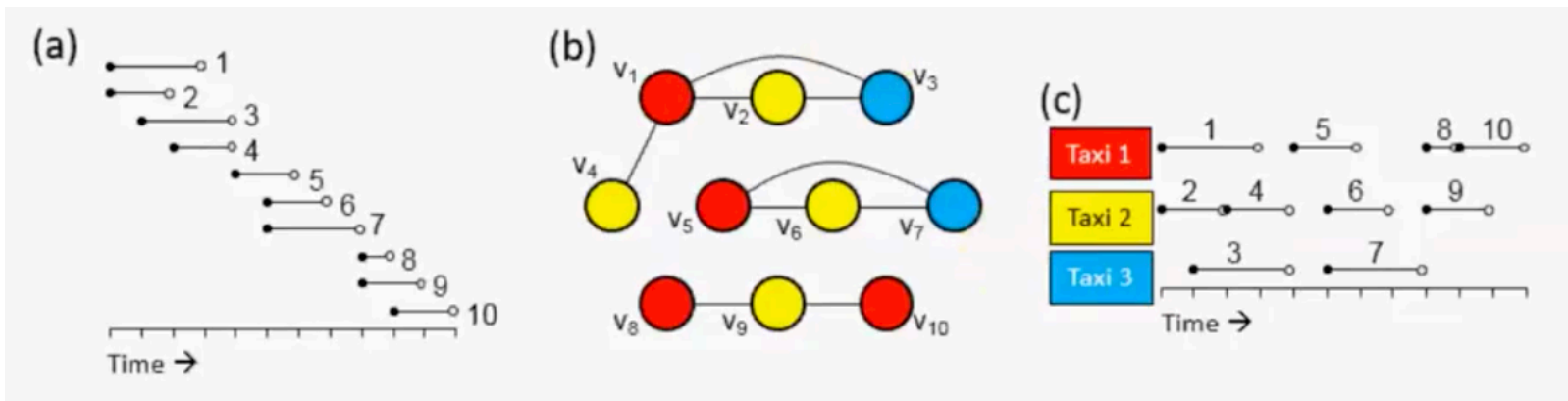


- ✓ Use as few colors as possible (chromatic number).
- ✓ Why do we care?

# Graph Coloring for Scheduling

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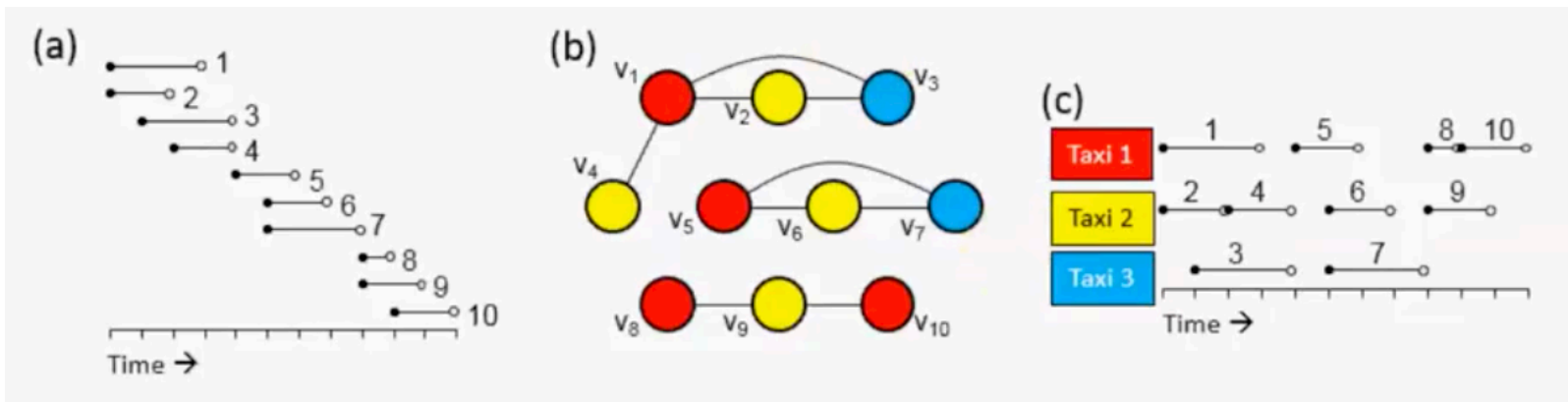
- ✓ Series of taxi journeys with a start time (filled) and an end time (empty).
- ✓ A taxi cannot be used on another journey until it returns.
- ✓ 10 taxis obviously suffice to serve these requests but expensive 😞.
- ✓ Can do with just 3 😊.
- ✓ Graph: journey (vertex), overlapping in time (edge).



# Graph Coloring for Scheduling

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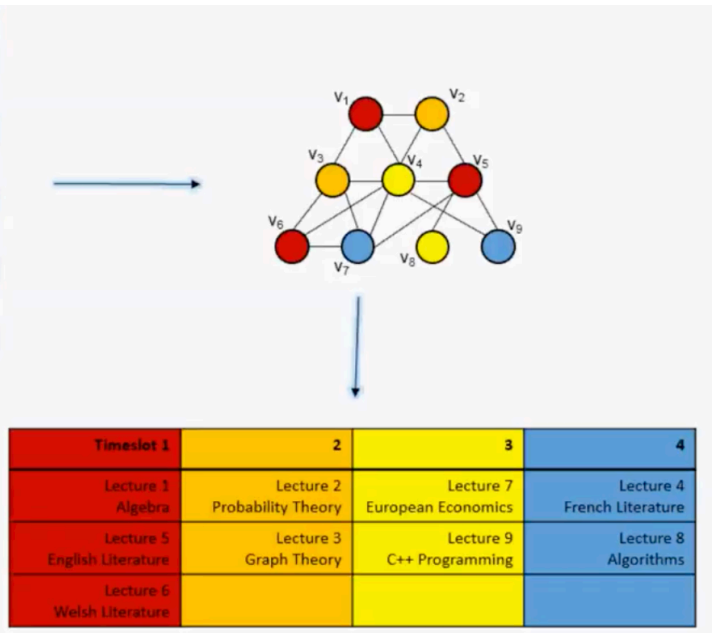
- ✓ Series of flights with a start time (filled) and an end time (empty).
- ✓ A gate cannot be used while occupied by a plane.
- ✓ 10 gates obviously suffice to serve these requests but expensive 😞.
- ✓ Can do with just 3 😊. Min # of gates for these flights is 3.
- ✓ Graph: flight (vertex), overlapping in time (edge).



# Graph Coloring for Scheduling

- ✓ Schedule exams for courses.
- ✓ Two courses clash if some student taking them both.
- ✓ 9 timeslots obviously suffice to serve these requests but expensive 😞.
- ✓ Can do with just 4 😊.
- ✓ Graph: course (vertex), clashing (edge).

Lecture Name	Clashes with...
1) Algebra	2, 3, 4
2) Probability Theory	1, 4, 5
3) Graph Theory	1, 4, 6, 7
4) French Literature	1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9
5) English Literature	2, 4, 7, 8, 9
6) Welsh Literature	3, 4, 7
7) European Economics	3, 4, 5, 6
8) Algorithms	5
9) C++ Programming	4, 5



# Graph Coloring for Scheduling

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- ✓ Separate cages in a zoo.
- ✓ Two species may not get along together.
- ✓ Graph: animals (vertex), hating (edge). Min # of cages.

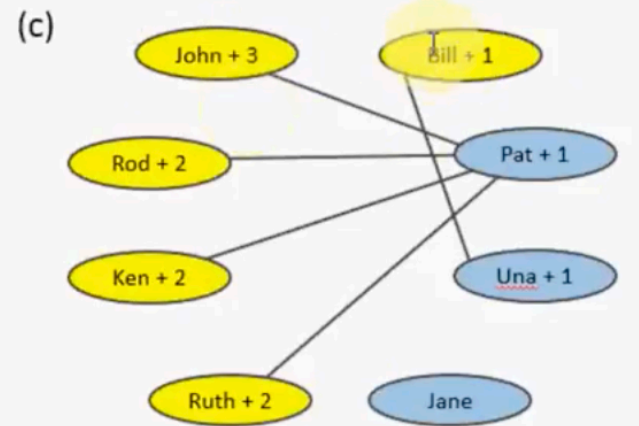
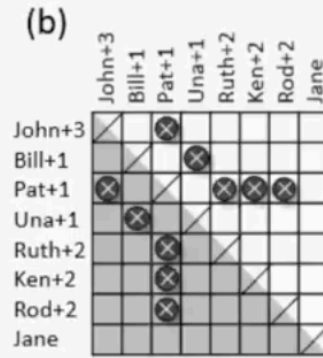


# Graph Coloring for Scheduling

- ✓ Design seating plans for weddings.
- ✓ Some people do not want to seat together (drama).
- ✓ 9 tables obviously suffice to serve these requests but expensive 😞.
- ✓ Can do with just 2 😊.
- ✓ Graph: party (vertex), hating each other (edge).

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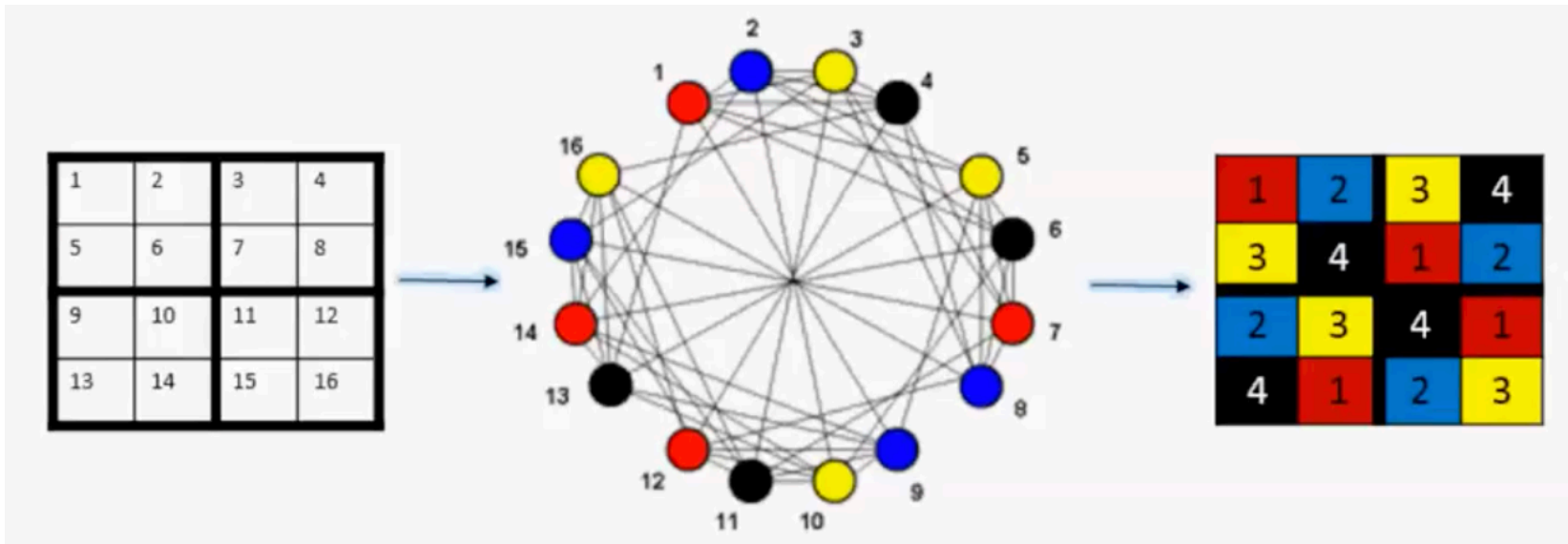
Top table?	Guest name	Companion 1	Companion 2	Companion 3
1	☹ Cath	Michael	Kurt	Rosie
2	John	Sarah	Jack	Jill
3	Bill	June		
4	Pat	Susan		
5	Una	Tom		
6	Ruth	Kevin	Gareth	
7	Ken	Frank	Bobby	
8	Rod	Dereck	Freddy	
9	Jane			



# Graph Coloring for Sudoku

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- ✓ Solve Sudoku puzzles.
- ✓ Fill in the blank cells s.t. each row, col, and 2x2 box has 1-4 just once.
- ✓ Graph: cell (vertex), same row, col, or box (edge).
- ✓ 4-coloring of this graph corresponds to a Sudoku solution.
- ✓ Some cells filled already (clues) = some vertices already colored for u.

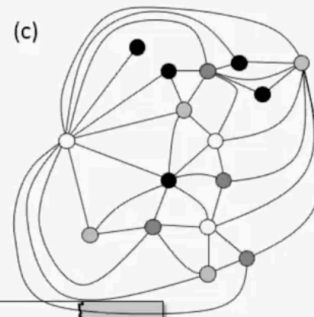
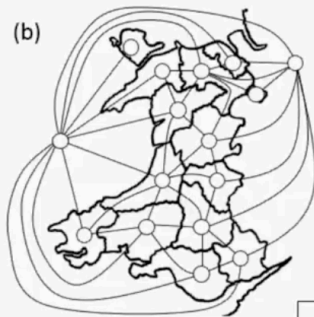




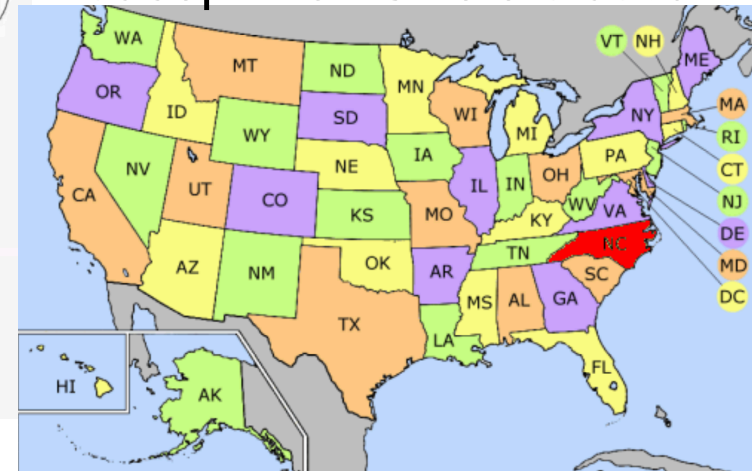
# Graph Coloring for Maps

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- ✓ Color maps to separate neighboring regions robustly.
- ✓ Theorem: 4 colors suffice for all possible maps.
- ✓ Graph: region (vertex), neighboring (edge).



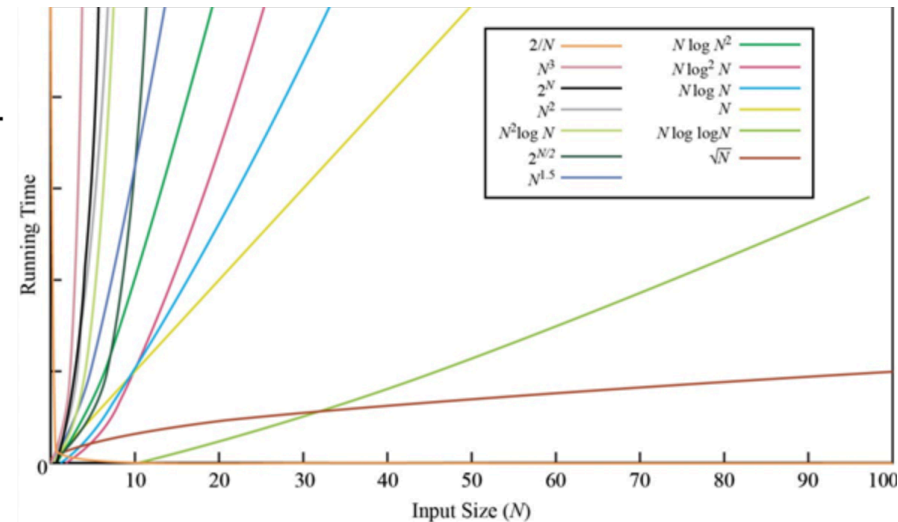
Suboptimal: 5 colors used.



# Graph Coloring Algorithms

- ✓ So how to solve this problem?
- ✓ Exact solution: Check each of the  $k^n$  assignments of  $k$  colors to  $n$  vertices for legality. Repeat for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ .
- ✓ Too slow 'cos this is a brute-force exponential solution.
  - ✓ Growth-rates of functions.

Function	n					
	10	100	1,000	10,000	100,000	1,000,000
1	1	1	1	1	1	1
$\log_2 n$	3	6	9	13	16	19
$n$	10	$10^2$	$10^3$	$10^4$	$10^5$	$10^6$
$n * \log_2 n$	30	664	9,965	$10^5$	$10^6$	$10^7$
$n^2$	$10^2$	$10^4$	$10^6$	$10^8$	$10^{10}$	$10^{12}$
$n^3$	$10^3$	$10^6$	$10^9$	$10^{12}$	$10^{15}$	$10^{18}$
$2^n$	$10^3$	$10^{30}$	$10^{301}$	$10^{3,010}$	$10^{30,103}$	$10^{301,030}$



<b><math>O(n^2)</math> algorithm</b>	<b><math>2n^2</math> instructions</b>	<b><math>10^9</math> inst/second</b>	<b>2000 secs.</b>
<b><math>O(n \lg n)</math> algorithm</b>	<b><math>100 n \lg n</math> instructions</b>	<b><math>10^7</math> inst/second</b>	<b>60 secs.</b>

# Graph Coloring Algorithms

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- ✓ So how to solve this problem?
- ✓ Approximate solution: Based on heuristics. No optimality guarantees.
- ✓ This is where machine learning comes in.
  - ✓ Some heuristics goods for some graphs.
  - ✓ Train a neural network: input graph  $G_1$ , output Heuristic2.  
input graph  $G_7$ , output Heuristic1.  
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input graph  $G_{166}$ , output Heuristic 2.  
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- ✓ Given a query graph, decide the best heuristic for it and apply it.

# Graph Coloring Algorithms

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- ✓ So how to solve this problem?
- ✓ Previously, we used flower features (width, length) to flower color (red, blue) mappings to train our NN. Then, decided the color of a new query point using this NN.
- ✓ Now, use graph features\* to preferred heuristic (H1, H2) maps to train the NN and decide the better heuristic for a new query graph.

\* 13 features measured on graphs:

1: **no. of nodes:**  $n$

2: **no. of edges:**  $m$

3,4: **ratio:**  $\frac{n}{m}, \frac{m}{n}$

5: **density:**  $\frac{2 \cdot m}{n \cdot (n-1)}$

6-13: **nodes degree statistics:** min, max, mean, median,  $Q_{0.25}$ ,  $Q_{0.75}$ , variation coefficient, entropy

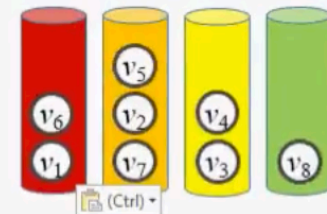
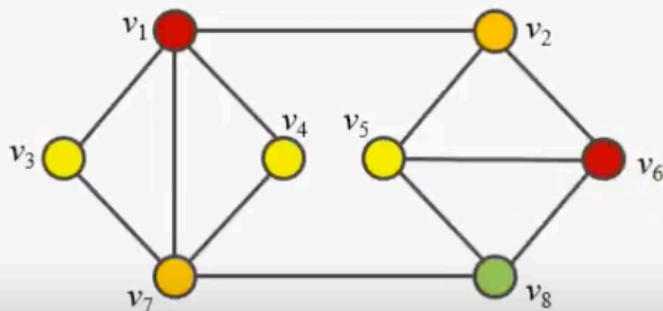
\*\* Heuristic preference: run both heuristics on each training graph and pick the one using fewer colors (or taking less time).

# Graph Coloring Algorithms

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- ✓ So how to solve this problem?
- ✓ Heuristic 1: order vertices arbitrarily  $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_n$ . You have available colors  $c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n$ .
- ✓ For  $i=1$  to  $n$ : Color  $v_i$  with the lowest legal color  $c_j$  //make it optimal by calling this loop  $n!$  times for each possible ordering. ( $O(n) \rightarrow O(n!)$ ).

Example ordering:  $(v_1, v_7, v_3, v_4, v_2, v_6, v_5, v_8)$



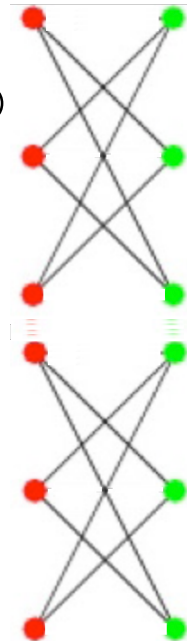
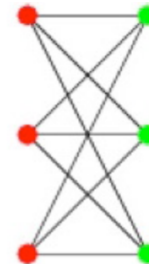
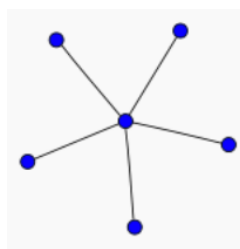
Solution with four colours achieved!!

(Though the minimum number of colours needed for this particular graph is actually three.)

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- ✓ Bad ordering: left-right-down-left-right-down-..  $\rightarrow n/2$  colors ☹️
- ✓ Good ordering: left-down-left-down-..right-down-..  $\rightarrow 2$  colors 😊

- ✓ Always optimal regardless of ordering (2 colors):



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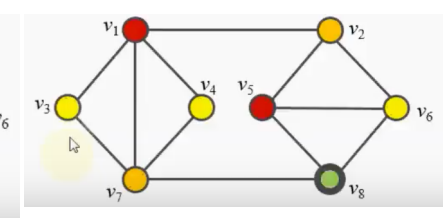
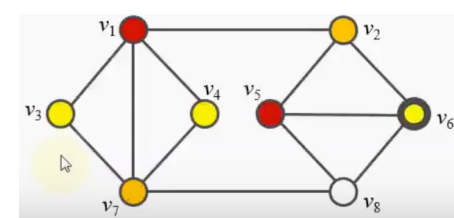
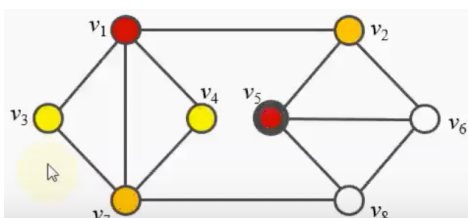
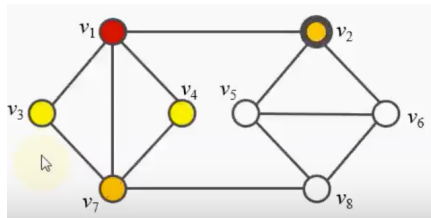
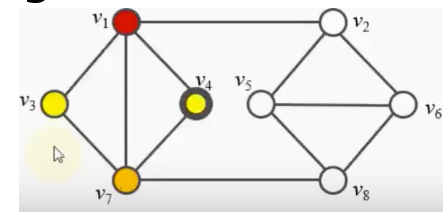
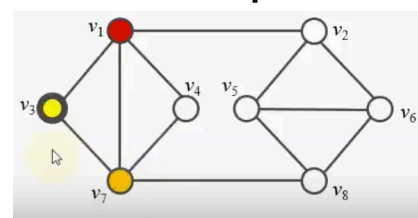
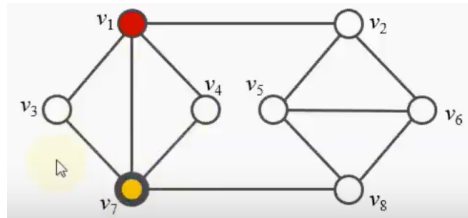
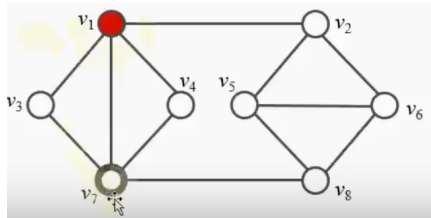
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- ✓ Upper bound on # of colors to be used:  $d+1$ , if max degree is  $d$ .
- ✓ Proof:
  - ✓ Basis: 1-vertex graph (max degree is  $d=0$ ) requires  $0+1=1$  color. Done.
  - ✓ Induction: Assume statement is True for all  $n$ -vertex graphs. Show also True for  $n+1$ -vertex graphs. Here I show:  $v_1, v_2, v_3, \dots, v_n, v_{n+1}$ .
  - ✓ **Red subgraph** has  $n$  vertices and max degree  $\leq d$ , so by induction it uses at most  $d+1$  colors.
  - ✓ For  $v_{n+1}$ , even if all its neighbors (at most  $d$  neighbors) have different colors (worst-case), pick the  $(d+1)^{\text{th}}$  color for  $v_{n+1}$ . Done.

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- ✓ Heuristic 2: Choose the uncolored vertex w/ the highest # of different neighbor colors and color it legally. Break ties by choosing the vertex w/ the highest degree.
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