

Further Evidence Towards the Multiplicative 1-2-3 Conjecture

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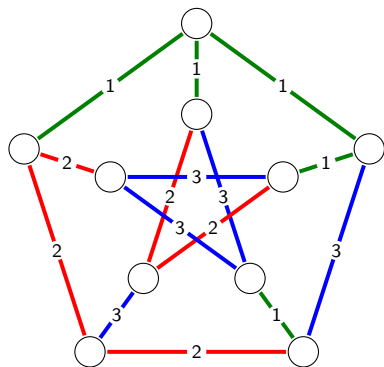
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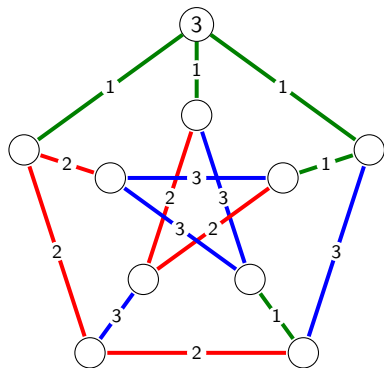


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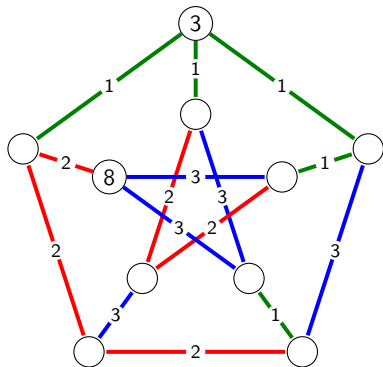
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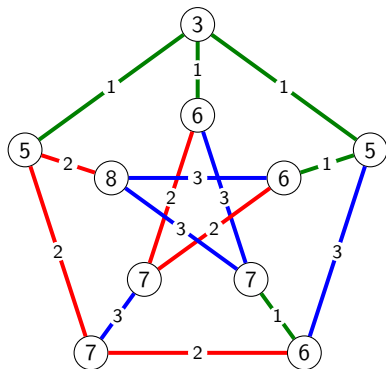
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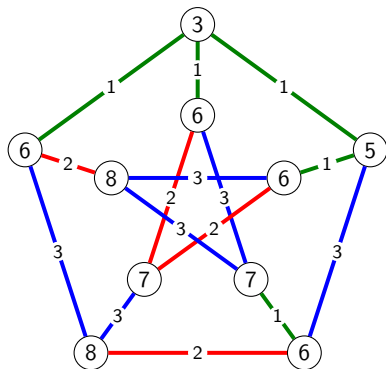
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1-2-3-Conjecture

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A *nice* graph is a graph with no connected component isomorphic to K_2 .

Conjecture (1-2-3-Conjecture, Karonski, Luczak, and Thomason 2004)

*Every nice graph G admits an **s-proper** 3-labelling.*

Overview of some results

Theorem (Kalkowski, Karoński and Pfender 2010)

Every nice graph G admits an **s-proper 5-labelling**.

Theorem

Every nice graph G such that

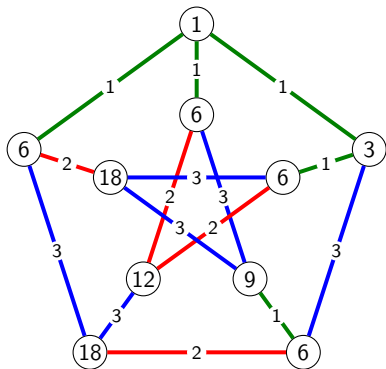
- G has **chromatic number at most 3** (Karoński, Łuczak, Thomason 2004), or
- G has **chromatic number at most 4** and is **4-edge-connected** (Wu, Zhang, Zhu 2017),

admits an **s-proper 3-labelling**.

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Variations



$$\pi_\ell(u) = \prod_{uv \in E(G)} \ell(uv)$$

The function π_ℓ is a proper coloring of G .

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Theorem (Skowronek-Kaziów 2012)

Every nice graph G admits a **p -proper 4-labelling**.

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Others 1-2-3-Conjecture

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For a labelling ℓ of a graph G , let μ_ℓ be the function which associates with a vertex u the multiset $\mu_\ell(u)$ containing the labels of the edges incident with u . If μ_ℓ is a proper coloring of G , we say that ℓ is **m -proper**.

Observation

If ℓ is s -proper or p -proper then it is m -proper.

Theorem (Vučković 2018)

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Main results

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Every nice graph G of **chromatic number at most 4** admits a **p -proper** 3-labelling.

Theorem

Every graph G admits a 3-labelling such that:

- if u and v are adjacent and $\pi_\ell(u) = \pi_\ell(v)$ then $\pi_\ell(u) = \pi_\ell(v) = 1$,
- the subgraph of G induced by the vertices u with $\pi_\ell(u) = 1$ contains only connected components with at most two vertices.

We say that ℓ is **almost p -proper**.

Regular graphs

Theorem

Every nice **regular** graph G admits a **p -proper** 3-labelling.

Proof. Let ℓ be an m -proper 3-labelling of G . Suppose

$$\begin{aligned}\pi_\ell(u) &= \pi_\ell(v) \\ 1^a 2^b 3^c &= 1^d 2^e 3^f\end{aligned}$$

As 2 and 3 are coprime, $b = e$ and $c = f$.

As G is k -regular, $k = a + b + c = d + e + f$.

Hence $a = d$, a contradiction.



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We say that

- u is **1-monochromatic** if $\pi_\ell(u) = 1$,
- u is **2-monochromatic** if $d_2(u) > 0$ and $d_3(u) = 0$,
- u is **3-monochromatic** if $d_2(u) = 0$ and $d_3(u) > 0$, and
- u is **bichromatic** if $d_2(u) > 0$ and $d_3(u) > 0$.

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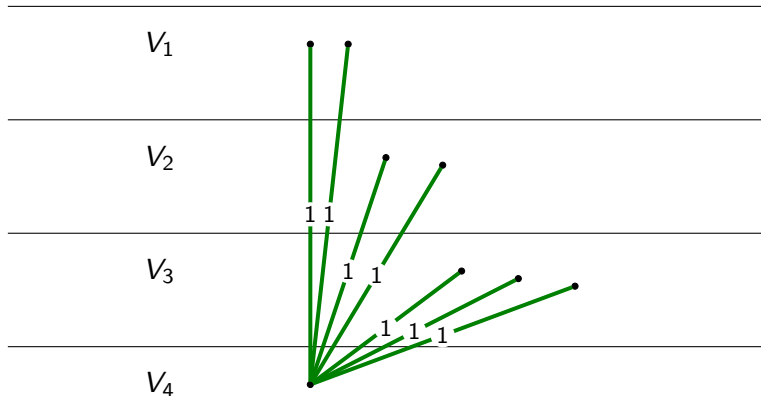
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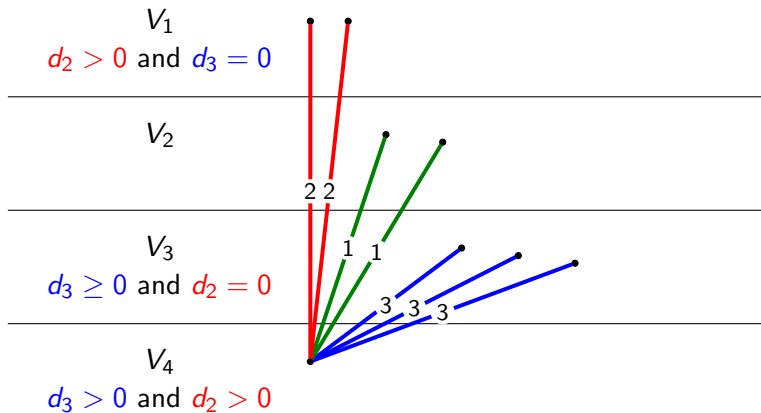
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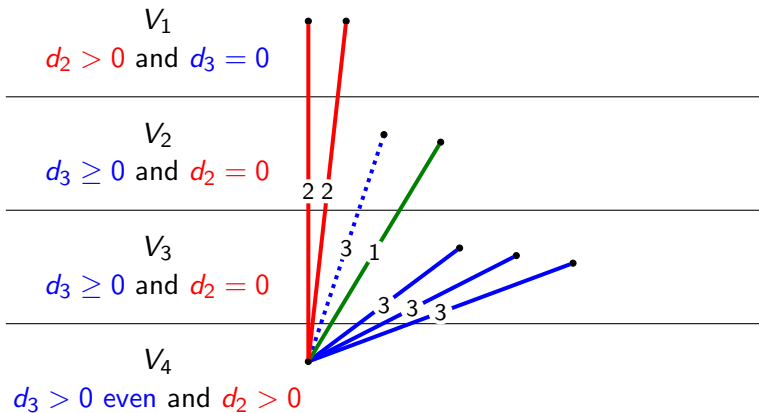
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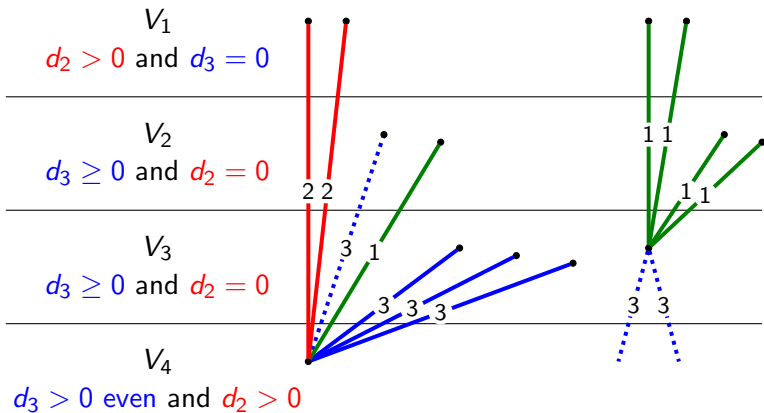
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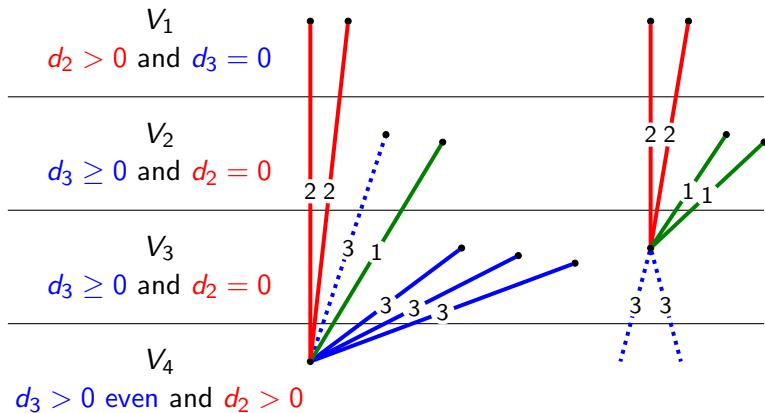
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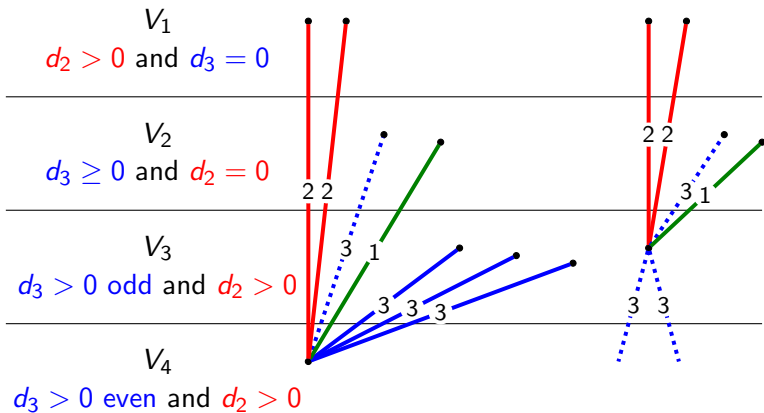
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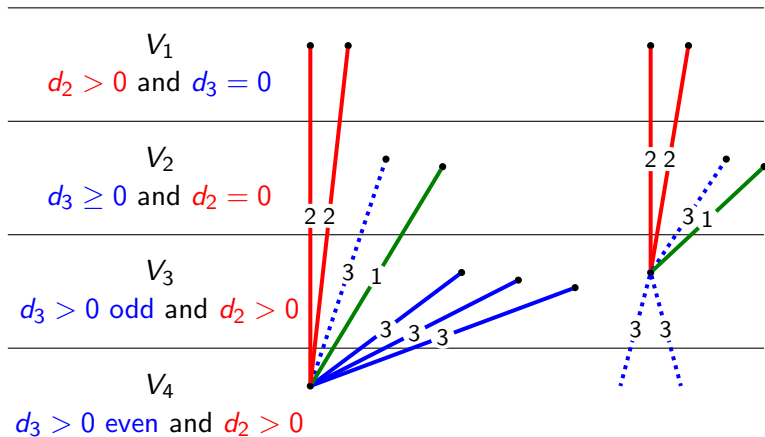


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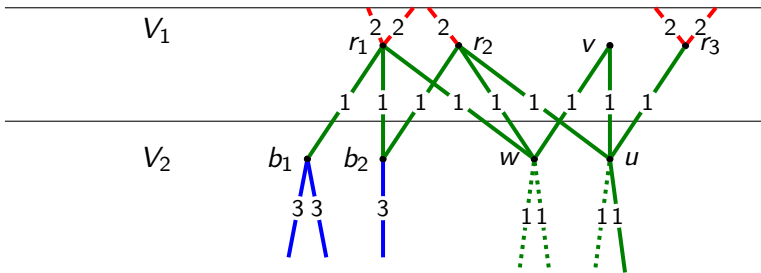
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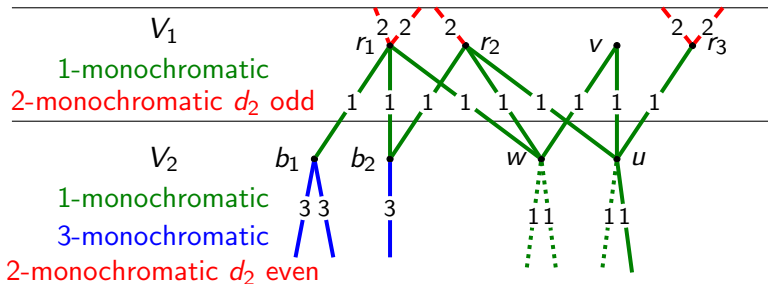
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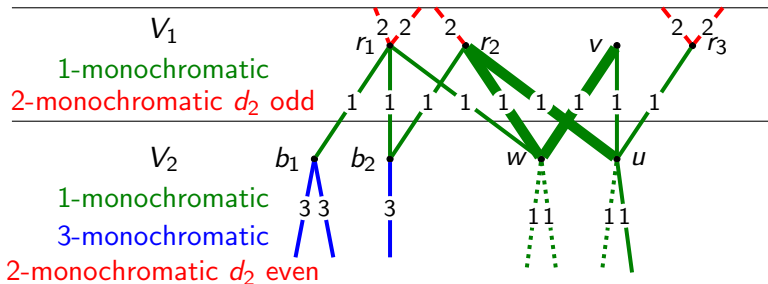
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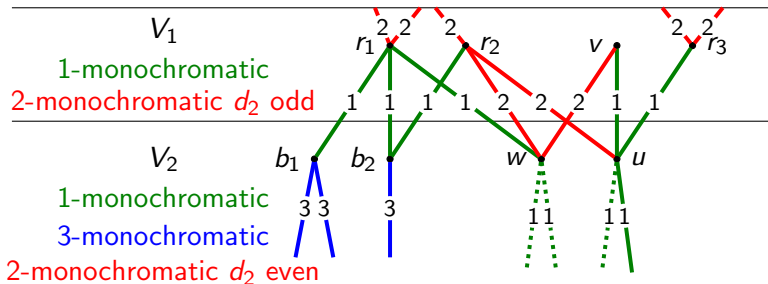
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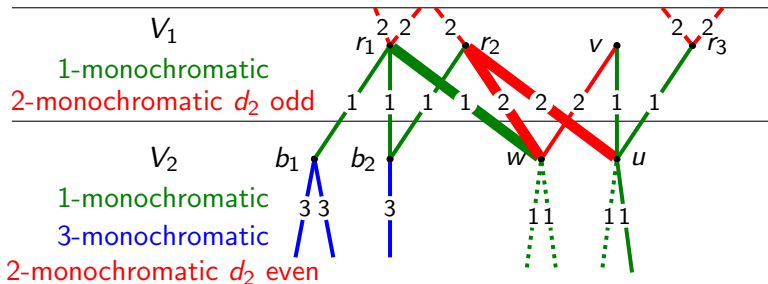
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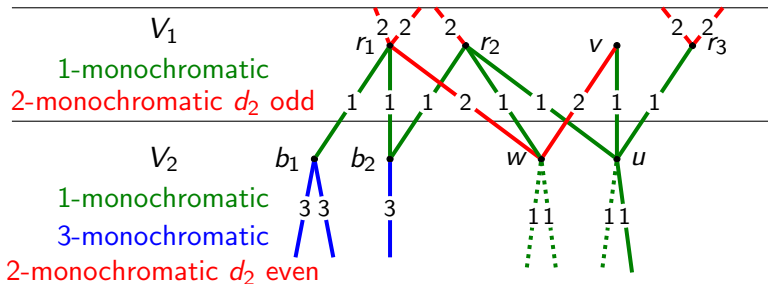
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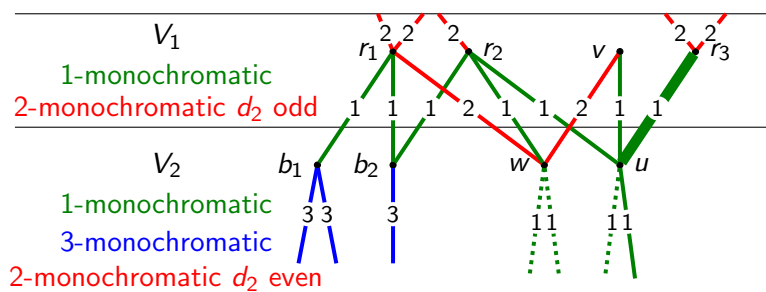
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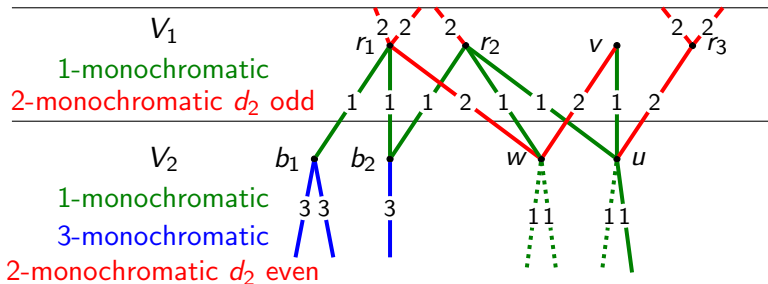
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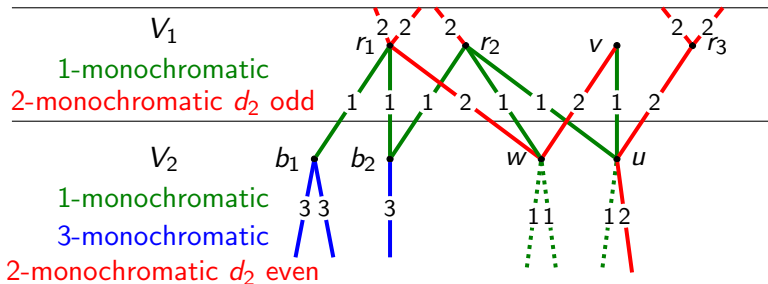
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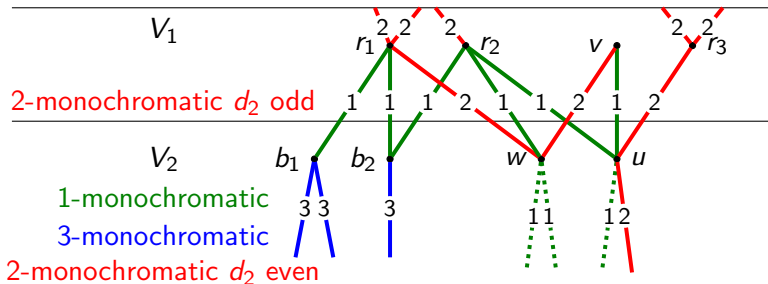
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- G is a **complete graph**, or
- G is **bipartite**, or
- G is **subcubic**.

Thank you for your attention.