

# Perfect 3-colorings of Cubic Graphs of Order 8

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**Abstract.** Perfect coloring is a generalization of the notion of completely regular codes, given by Delsarte. A perfect  $m$ -coloring of a graph  $G$  with  $m$  colors is a partition of the vertex set of  $G$  into  $m$  parts  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  such that, for all  $i, j \in \{1, \dots, m\}$ , every vertex of  $A_i$  is adjacent to the same number of vertices, namely,  $a_{ij}$  vertices, of  $A_j$ . The matrix  $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j \in \{1, \dots, m\}}$  is called the parameter matrix. We study the perfect 3-colorings (also known as the equitable partitions into three parts) of the cubic graphs of order 8. In particular, we classify all the realizable parameter matrices of perfect 3-colorings for the cubic graphs of order 8.

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## Introduction

The concept of a perfect  $m$ -coloring plays an important role in graph theory, algebraic combinatorics, and coding theory (completely regular codes). There is another term for this concept in the literature as “equitable partition” (see [11]).

The existence of completely regular codes in graphs is a historical problem in mathematics. Completely regular codes are a generalization of perfect codes. In 1973, Delsarte conjectured the non-existence of nontrivial perfect codes in Johnson graphs. We are looking for a positive answer to find the conjecture Delsarte for each cubic graphs of order 8. Therefore, some effort has been done on enumerating the parameter matrices of some Johnson graphs, including  $J(6, 3)$ ,  $J(7, 3)$ ,  $J(8, 3)$ ,  $J(8, 4)$ , and  $J(v, 3)$  ( $v$  odd) (see [4, 5, 9]).

Fon-Der-Flass enumerated the parameter matrices (perfect 2-colorings) of

$n$ -dimensional hypercube  $Q_n$  for  $n < 24$ . He also obtained some constructions and a necessary condition for the existence of perfect 2-colorings of the  $n$ -dimensional cube with a given parameter matrix (see [6, 7, 8]).

In this paper all graphs are finite, undirected, simple and connected. Let  $G = (V, E)$  be an undirected graph. Two vertices  $u, v \in V(G)$  are adjacent if there exists an edge  $e = \{u, v\} \in E(G)$  to which they are both incident. The adjacent will be shown  $u \leftrightarrow v$ .

A cubic graph is a 3-regular graph. In [12], it is shown that the number of connected cubic graphs with 8 vertices is 5. Each graph is described by a drawing as shown in Figure 1.

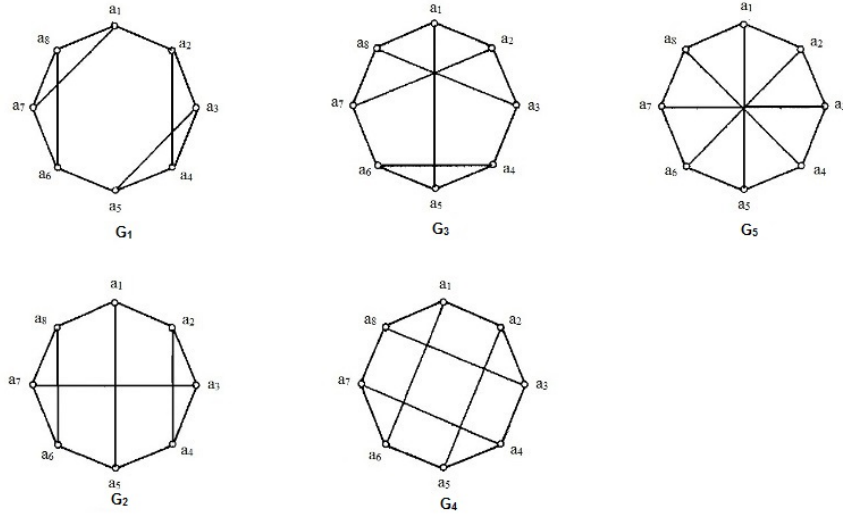


Figure 1: Connected cubic graphs of order 8

**Definition 1** For a graph  $G$  and an integer  $m$ , a mapping  $T : V(G) \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m\}$  is called a perfect  $m$ -coloring with matrix  $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j \in \{1, \dots, m\}}$  if it is surjective, and for all  $i, j$ , for every vertex of color  $i$ , the number of its neighbors of color  $j$  is equal to  $a_{ij}$ . The matrix  $A$  is called the parameter matrix of a perfect coloring. In the case  $m = 3$ , we use three colors: white, black and red. The sets of white, black and red vertices are denoted by  $W, B$  and  $R$ , respectively. In this paper, we generally show a parameter matrix by

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Remark 1** In this paper, we consider all perfect 3-colorings, up to renaming

the colors; i.e. we identify the perfect 3-coloring with the matrices:

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & c & b \\ g & i & h \\ d & f & e \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e & d & f \\ b & a & c \\ h & g & i \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} e & f & d \\ h & i & g \\ b & c & a \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} i & h & g \\ f & e & d \\ c & b & a \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} i & g & h \\ c & a & b \\ f & d & e \end{bmatrix},$$

obtained by switching the colors with the original coloring.

## 1 Preliminaries and Analysis

In this section, we present some results concerning necessary conditions for the existence of perfect 3-colorings of connected graph of order 8 with a given parameter matrix  $A$ .

The simplest necessary condition for the existence of perfect 3-colorings of a cubic connected graph with the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$  is:

$$a + b + c = d + e + f = g + h + i = 3.$$

Also, it is clear that we cannot have  $b = c = 0$ ,  $d = f = 0$ , or  $g = h = 0$ , since the graph is connected. In addition,  $b = 0$ ,  $c = 0$ ,  $f = 0$  if  $d = 0$ ,  $g = 0$ ,  $h = 0$ , respectively.

The number  $\theta$  is called an eigenvalue of a graph  $G$ , if  $\theta$  is an eigenvalue of the adjacency matrix of this graph. The number  $\lambda$  is called an eigenvalue of a perfect coloring  $T$  into three colors with the matrix  $A$ , if  $\lambda$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$ . The following theorem demonstrates the connection between the introduced notions.

**Theorem 1 ([1])** *If  $T$  is a perfect coloring of a graph  $G$  in  $m$  colors, then any eigenvalue of  $T$  is an eigenvalue of  $G$ .*

The next theorem can be useful to find the eigenvalues of a parameter matrix.

**Theorem 2** *Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$  be a parameter matrix of a  $k$ -regular graph.*

*Then the eigenvalues of  $A$  are*

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{\text{tr}(A) - k}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\text{tr}(A) - k}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{\det(A)}{k}}, \quad \lambda_3 = k.$$

**Proof.** By using the condition  $a + b + c = d + e + f = g + h + i = k$ , it is clear that one of the eigenvalues is  $k$ . Therefore  $\det(A) = k\lambda_1\lambda_2$ . From  $\lambda_2 = \text{tr}(A) - \lambda_1 - k$ , we get

$$\det(A) = k\lambda_1(\text{tr}(A) - \lambda_1 - k) = -k\lambda_1^2 + k(\text{tr}(A) - k)\lambda_1.$$

By solving the equation  $\lambda^2 + (k - \text{tr}(A))\lambda + \frac{\det(A)}{k} = 0$ , we obtain

$$\lambda_{1,2} = \frac{\text{tr}(A) - k}{2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\text{tr}(A) - k}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{\det(A)}{k}}.$$

□

The eigenvalues of the all cubic graphs of order 8 are stated in the next theorem.

**Theorem 3 ([12])** *The distinct eigenvalues of the graph  $G_1$  are the numbers  $3, \sqrt{5}, -1, -\sqrt{5}$ . The distinct eigenvalues of the graph  $G_2$  are the numbers  $\sqrt{3}, 1, 1 - \sqrt{2}, -1, -\sqrt{3}, -3 + \sqrt{2}$ . The distinct eigenvalues of the graph  $G_3$  are the numbers  $3, 1.5616, 0.618, 0, -1.618, -2.5616$ . The distinct eigenvalues of the graph  $G_4$  are the numbers  $3, 1, -1, 3$ . The distinct eigenvalues of the graph  $G_5$  are the numbers  $3, 1, 1 - \sqrt{2}, -1, -2, -3 + \sqrt{2}$ .*

The next proposition gives a formula for calculating the number of white, black and red vertices, in a perfect 3-coloring.

**Proposition 1 ([3])** *Let  $T$  be a perfect 3-coloring of a graph  $G$  with the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$ .*

1. *If  $b, c, f \neq 0$ , then*

$$|W| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{b}{d} + 1 + \frac{c}{g}}, |B| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{d}{b} + 1 + \frac{f}{h}}, |R| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{h}{f} + 1 + \frac{g}{c}}.$$

2. *If  $b = 0$ , then*

$$|W| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{c}{g} + 1 + \frac{ch}{fg}}, |B| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{f}{h} + 1 + \frac{fg}{ch}}, |R| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{h}{f} + 1 + \frac{g}{c}}.$$

3. *If  $c = 0$ , then*

$$|W| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{b}{d} + 1 + \frac{bf}{dh}}, |B| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{d}{b} + 1 + \frac{f}{h}}, |R| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{h}{f} + 1 + \frac{dh}{bf}}.$$

4. *If  $f = 0$ , then*

$$|W| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{b}{d} + 1 + \frac{c}{g}}, |B| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{d}{b} + 1 + \frac{cd}{bg}}, |R| = \frac{|V(G)|}{\frac{g}{c} + 1 + \frac{bg}{cd}}.$$

In this section, without loss of generality, we may assume  $|W| \leq |B| \leq |R|$ .

**Lemma 1** *Let  $G$  be a cubic connected graph of order 8. Then  $G$  has no perfect 3-coloring  $T$  with the matrix that  $|W| = 1$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} a & b & c \\ d & e & f \\ g & h & i \end{bmatrix}$  be a parameter matrix with  $|W| = 1$ . Consider the white vertex. It is clear that none of its adjacent vertices are white; i.e.  $a = 0$ . Therefore, we have two cases below.

- (1) The adjacent vertices of the white vertex are the same color.

If they are black, then  $b = 3$  and  $c = 0$ . From  $c = 0$ , we get  $g = 0$ . Also, since the graph is connected,  $f, h \neq 0$ . Hence, we obtain the following matrices:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

If the adjacent vertices of the white vertex are red, then  $c = 3$ ,  $b = 0$ . From  $b = 0$ , we get  $d = 0$ . Also, since the graph is connected,  $f, h \neq 0$ . Hence, we obtain the following matrices:

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Finally, by using Remark 1 and the fact that  $|W| \leq |B| \leq |R|$ , it is obvious that there are only six matrices in (1), as shown  $A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, A_5, A_6$ .

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$A_5 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_6 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (2) The adjacent vertices of the white vertex are different colors. It immediately gives that  $b, c \neq 0$ . Also, it can be seen that  $d = g = 1$ . An easy computation, as in (1), shows that there are only five matrices

that can be a parameter matrix in this case, as shown  $A_7, A_8, A_9, A_{10}, A_{11}$ .

$$A_7 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_8 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_9 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, A_{10} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$A_{11} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}.$$

By using the Proposition 1, it can be seen that no matrix can be a parameter.

□

We now present two lemmas which can be useful to reach our goal.

**Lemma 2** *Let  $G$  be a cubic connected graph of order 8. If  $T$  is a perfect 3-coloring with the matrix  $A$ , and  $|W| = |B| = 2$ ,  $|R| = 4$ , then  $A$  should be one of the following matrices:*

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Proof.** First, suppose that  $b, c \neq 0$ . As  $|W| = 2$ , by Proposition 1, it follows that  $\frac{b}{d} + \frac{c}{g} = 3$ . From  $b + c \leq 3$ , we have  $b = 2, c = g = d = 1$ , or  $c = 2, b = g = d = 1$ . If  $b = 2, c = g = d = 1$ , we get a contradiction of  $|B| = 2$ . If  $c = 2, b = d = g = 1$ , then we conclude from  $|B| = 2$  and  $|R| = 4$  that

$$h = 1, f = 2. \text{ Therefore } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \text{ or } A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Second, suppose that  $b = 0$  and, in consequence,  $d = 0$ . As  $|R| = 4$ , by Proposition 1, it follows that  $\frac{g}{c} + \frac{h}{f} = 1$ . Therefore,  $c = f = 2, g = h = 1$ , or  $c = f = 3, h = 2, g = 1$ , or  $c = f = 3, g = 2, h = 1$ . If  $c = f = 2, g = h = 1$ , then  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$ . In the other two cases, we get a contradiction of  $|B| = 2$ .

Third, suppose that  $c = 0$  and, in consequence,  $g = 0$ . As  $|B| = 2$ , by Proposition 1, it follows that  $\frac{d}{b} + \frac{f}{h} = 3$ . Therefore  $d = 2, b = f = h = 1$ , or  $f = 2, b = h = d = 1$ . If  $d = 2, b = f = h = 1$ , then we get a contradiction

of  $|R| = 4$ . If  $f = 2$ ,  $b = h = d = 1$ , then  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Finally, note that the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  is the same as the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  up to renaming the colors, by Remark 1.  $\square$

**Lemma 3** *Let  $G$  be a cubic connected graph of order 8. If  $T$  is a perfect 3-coloring with the matrix  $A$ , and  $|W| = 2$ ,  $|B| = |R| = 3$ , then  $A$  should be the following matrix:*

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

**Proof.** First, suppose that  $b, c \neq 0$ . As  $|W| = 2$ , by Proposition 1, it follows that  $\frac{b}{d} + \frac{c}{g} = 3$ . From  $b + c \leq 3$ , we get  $b = 2$ ,  $c = g = d = 1$ , or  $c = 2$ ,  $b = g = d = 1$ . If  $b = 2$ ,  $c = g = d = 1$ , we get a contradiction of  $|B| = 3$ . If  $c = 2$ ,  $b = d = g = 1$ , then from Proposition 1, we have  $f = 2$ ,  $h = 3$ , which is a contradiction of  $g + h \leq 3$ .

Second, suppose that  $b = 0$  and, in consequence,  $d = 0$ . As  $|R| = 3$ , by Proposition 1, it follows that  $\frac{g}{c} + \frac{h}{f} = \frac{5}{3}$ . Therefore,  $c = 3$ ,  $g = 2$ ,  $h = f = 1$ , or  $f = 3$ ,  $h = 2$ ,  $c = g = 1$ . If  $c = 3$ ,  $g = 2$ ,  $h = f = 1$ , then  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$ . In the other case, we get a contradiction of  $|W| = 2$ .

Third, suppose that  $c = 0$  and, in consequence,  $g = 0$ . As  $|B| = 3$ , by Proposition 1, it follows that  $\frac{d}{b} + \frac{f}{h} = \frac{5}{3}$ . Therefore  $h = 3$ ,  $f = 2$ ,  $b = d = 1$ , or  $b = 3$ ,  $d = 2$ ,  $f = h = 1$ . If  $h = 3$ ,  $f = 2$ ,  $b = d = 1$ , then we get a contradiction of  $|W| = 2$ . If  $b = 3$ ,  $d = 2$ ,  $f = h = 1$ , then  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$ .

Finally, note that the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  is the same as the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  up to renaming the colors, by Remark 1.  $\square$

By using the Lemmas 1, 2 and 3, it can be seen that only the following matrices:

$$A_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, A_3 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}, A_4 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix},$$

can be parameter ones.

## 2 Perfect 3-colorings of cubic graphs with 8 vertices

In this section we enumerate the parameter matrices of all perfect 3-colorings of cubic graphs with 8 vertices. As it has been shown in section 3, only matrices  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$ ,  $A_3$  and  $A_4$  can be parameter matrices. With consideration of cubic graphs eigenvalues and using Theorems 1, 2 and 3, it can be seen that the connected cubic graphs with 8 vertices can have a perfect 3-coloring with the matrices  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$  and  $A_3$  which is represented by table 1.

graphs	matrix $A_1$	matrix $A_2$	matrix $A_3$
$G_1$	✓	✓	×
$G_2$	✓	✓	×
$G_3$	×	×	✓
$G_4$	✓	✓	×
$G_5$	✓	✓	×

Table 1

**Theorem 4** *There are no perfect 3-colorings with the matrix  $A_1$  for the graph  $G_5$ .*

**Proof.** Contrary to our claim, suppose that  $T$  is a perfect 3-coloring with

the matrix  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$  for the graph  $G_5$ . Without restriction of generality,

suppose that  $T(a_1) = 1$ . Therefore, again without restriction of generality, suppose that  $T(a_2) = T(a_8) = 3$  and  $T(a_5) = 2$ . From  $T(a_5) = 2$ , we can easily see that  $T(a_4) = T(a_6) = 3$ . Therefore  $T(a_4) = 2$ , which is a contradiction with third row of the matrix  $A_1$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 5** *The parameter matrices of cubic graphs of order 8 are listed in the following table.*

graphs	matrix $A_1$	matrix $A_2$	matrix $A_3$
$G_1$	✓	✓	×
$G_2$	✓	✓	×
$G_3$	×	×	✓
$G_4$	✓	✓	×
$G_5$	×	✓	×



Table 2

**Proof.** As it has been shown in the table 1, only the matrices  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$  and  $A_3$  can be parameter matrices. Hence, from Theorem 4, it suffices to show that there are perfect 3-colorings with the matrices in the table 2. The graph  $G_1$  has perfect 3-colorings with the matrices  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ . Consider two mappings  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T_1(a_2) &= T_1(a_6) = 1, T_1(a_4) = T_1(a_8) = 2, \\ T_1(a_1) &= T_1(a_3) = T_1(a_5) = T_1(a_7) = 3. \\ T_2(a_1) &= T_2(a_2) = 1, T_2(a_5) = T_2(a_6) = 2, \\ T_2(a_3) &= T_2(a_4) = T_2(a_7) = T_2(a_8) = 3. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are perfect 3-colorings with the matrices  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ , respectively.

The graph  $G_2$  has perfect 3-colorings with the matrices  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ . Consider two mappings  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T_1(a_1) &= T_1(a_3) = 1, T_1(a_5) = T_1(a_7) = 2, \\ T_1(a_2) &= T_1(a_4) = T_1(a_6) = T_1(a_8) = 3, \\ T_2(a_1) &= T_2(a_5) = 1, T_2(a_3) = T_2(a_7) = 2, \\ T_2(a_2) &= T_2(a_4) = T_2(a_6) = T_2(a_8) = 3. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are perfect 3-coloring with the matrices  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ , respectively.

The graph  $G_3$  has perfect 3-colorings with the matrix  $A_3$ . Consider a mapping  $T_1$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T_1(a_2) &= T_1(a_8) = 1, T_1(a_1) = T_1(a_3) = T_1(a_7) = 2, \\ T_1(a_4) &= T_1(a_5) = T_1(a_6) = 3. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $T_1$  is a perfect 3-colorings with the matrices  $A_3$ .

The graph  $G_4$  has perfect 3-colorings with the matrices  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ . Consider two mappings  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T_1(a_2) &= T_1(a_7) = 1, T_1(a_5) = T_1(a_8) = 2, \\ T_1(a_1) &= T_1(a_3) = T_1(a_4) = T_1(a_6) = 3. \\ T_2(a_2) &= T_2(a_5) = 1, T_2(a_7) = T_2(a_8) = 2, \\ T_2(a_1) &= T_2(a_3) = T_2(a_4) = T_2(a_6) = 3. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are perfect 3-colorings with the matrices  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ , respectively.

The graph  $G_5$  has perfect 3-colorings with the matrix  $A_3$ . Consider a mapping  $T_1$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} T_1(a_4) = T_1(a_8) = 1, T_1(a_2) = T_1(a_6) = 2, \\ T_1(a_1) = T_1(a_3) = T_1(a_5) = T_1(a_7) = 3. \end{aligned}$$

It is clear that  $T_1$  is a perfect 3-colorings with the matrices  $A_3$ .

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