

# Graph coloring

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input: graph  $(V, E)$

output: each vertex has a color

no edge with endpoints of the same color

• applications:

- 1) telecom.
- 2) .....

• node ID's?

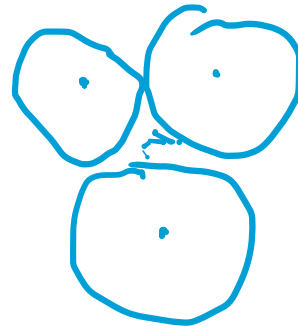
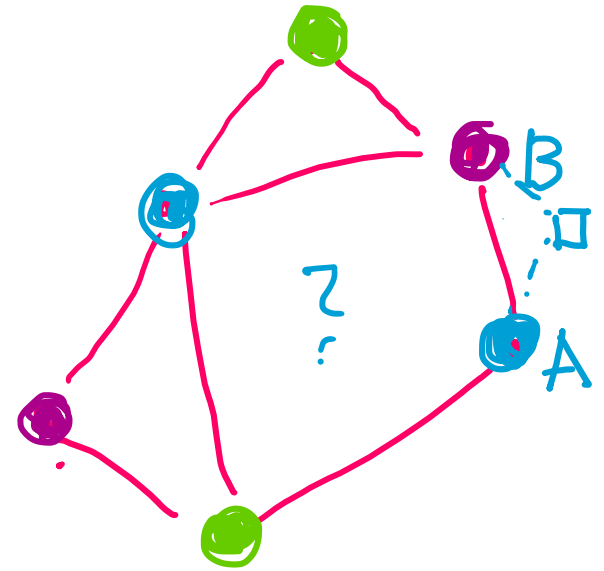
→ helpful

→ choose at random

• number of colors?

- degree

- star graph



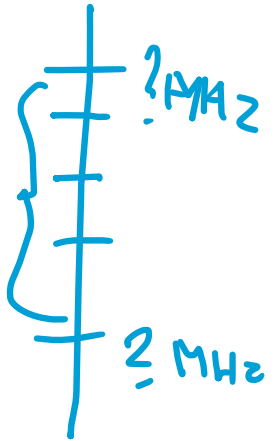
Base Station

Small # of colors:

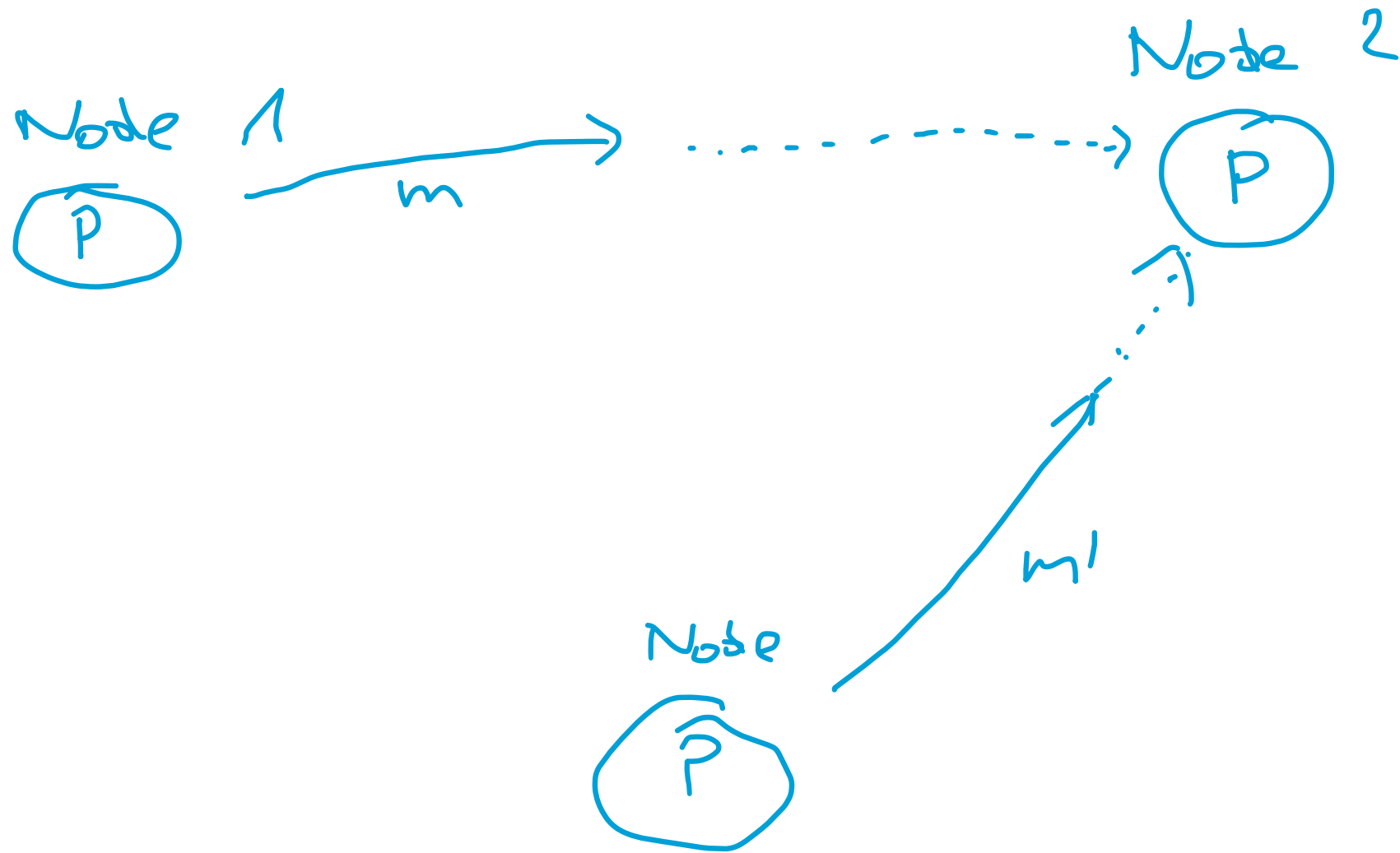
1) pay for freq. band

2) subbands possible

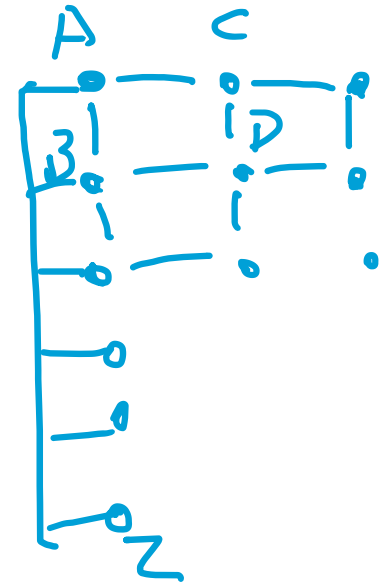
narrow → speed low



# Distributed computing

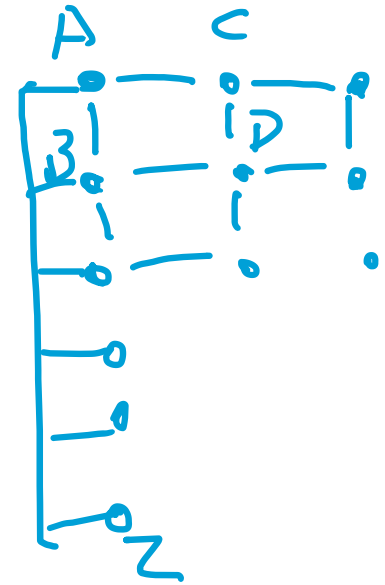


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Data:

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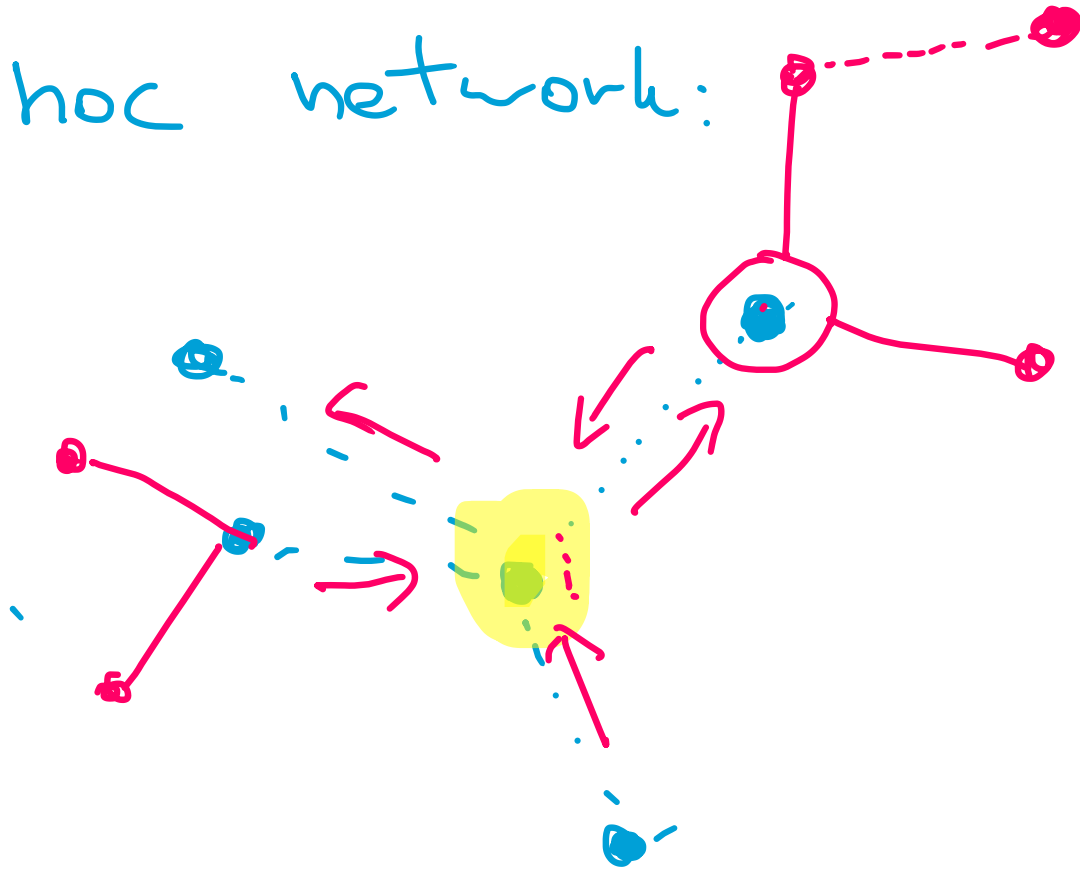
Ad hoc network:



Data:

input is distributed

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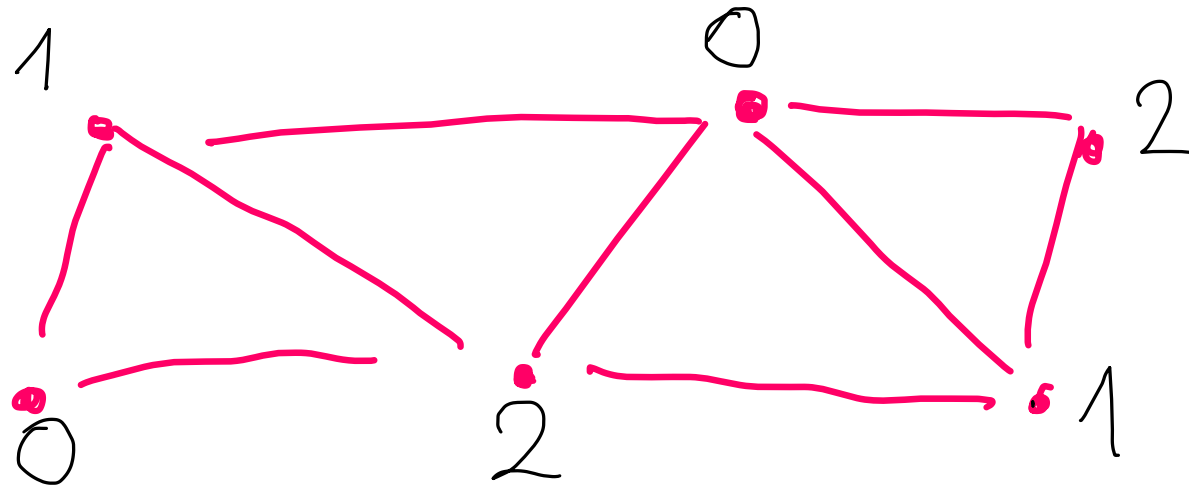
# Greedy algorithm

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## Algorithm 1.5 Greedy Sequential

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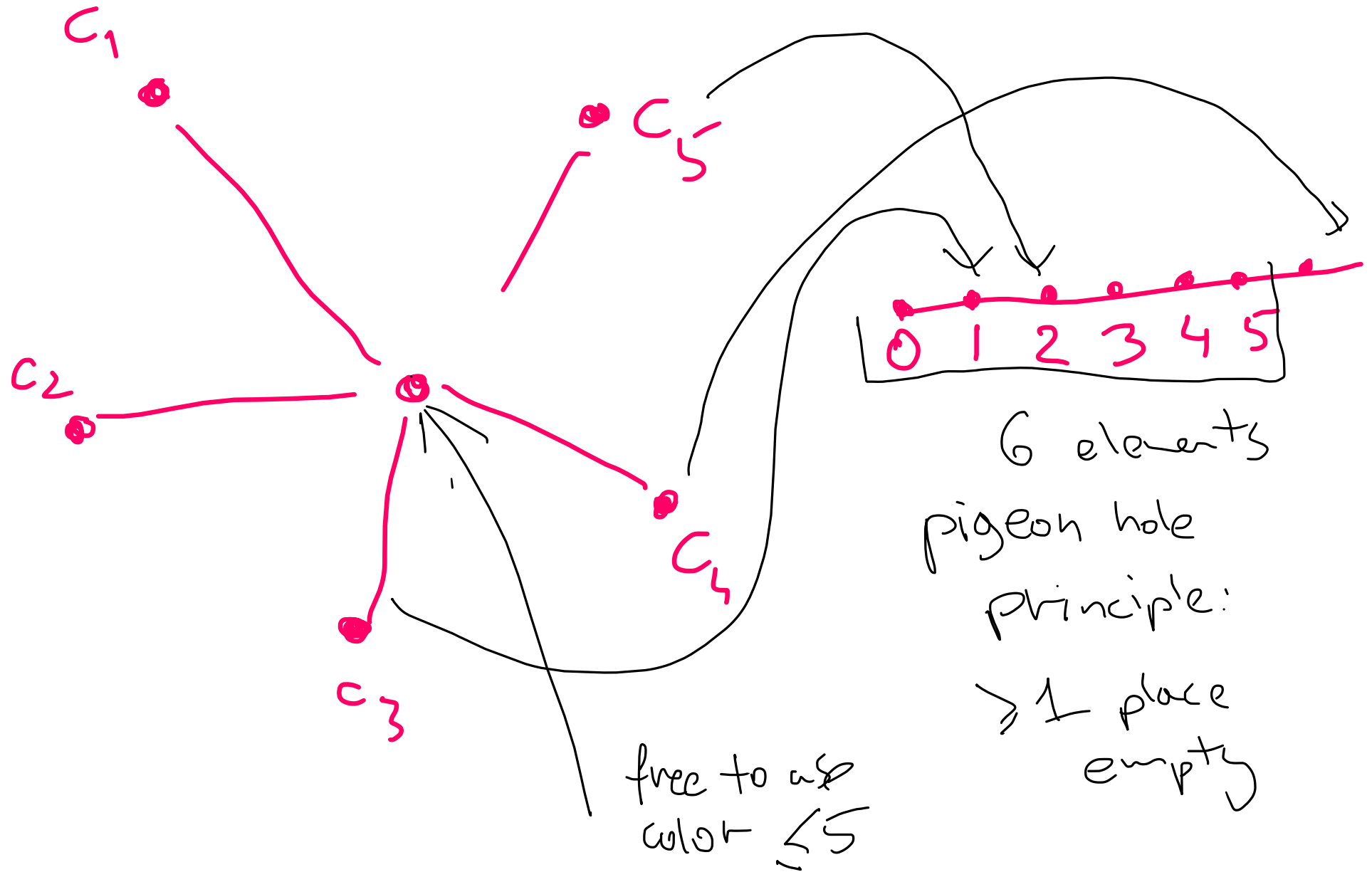
- 1: **while** there is an uncolored vertex  $v$  **do**
  - 2:   color  $v$  with the minimal color (number) that does not conflict with the already colored neighbors
  - 3: **end while**
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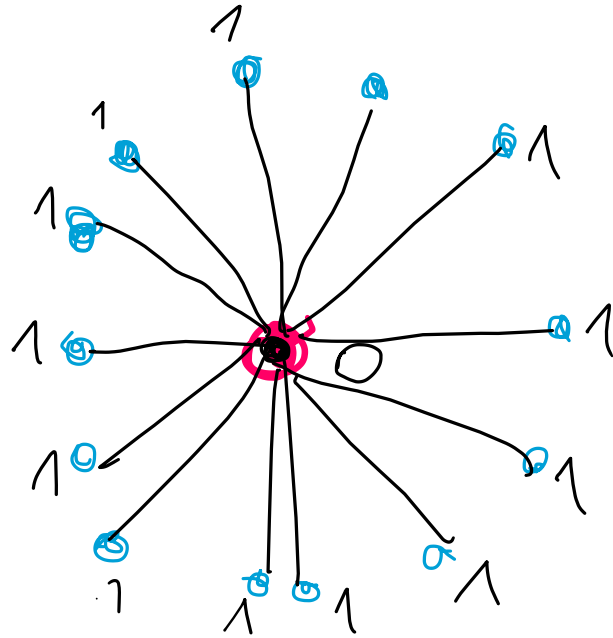
$\Delta = \text{degree max}$

Number of colours:  $\leq \Delta + 1$





example: star graph



$\Delta$  of center: huge

$\Delta + 1$  huge

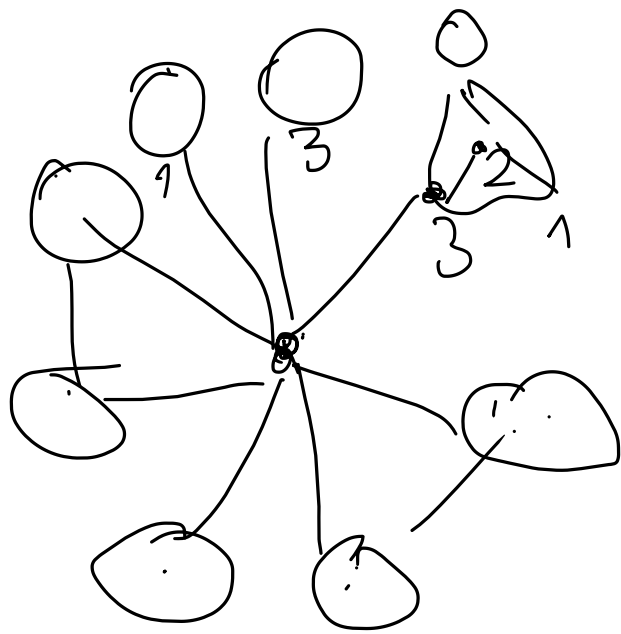
coloring: 2 colors

red in the middle

blue: elsewhere

Problem:

we do not know what  
to color first



# Distributed version

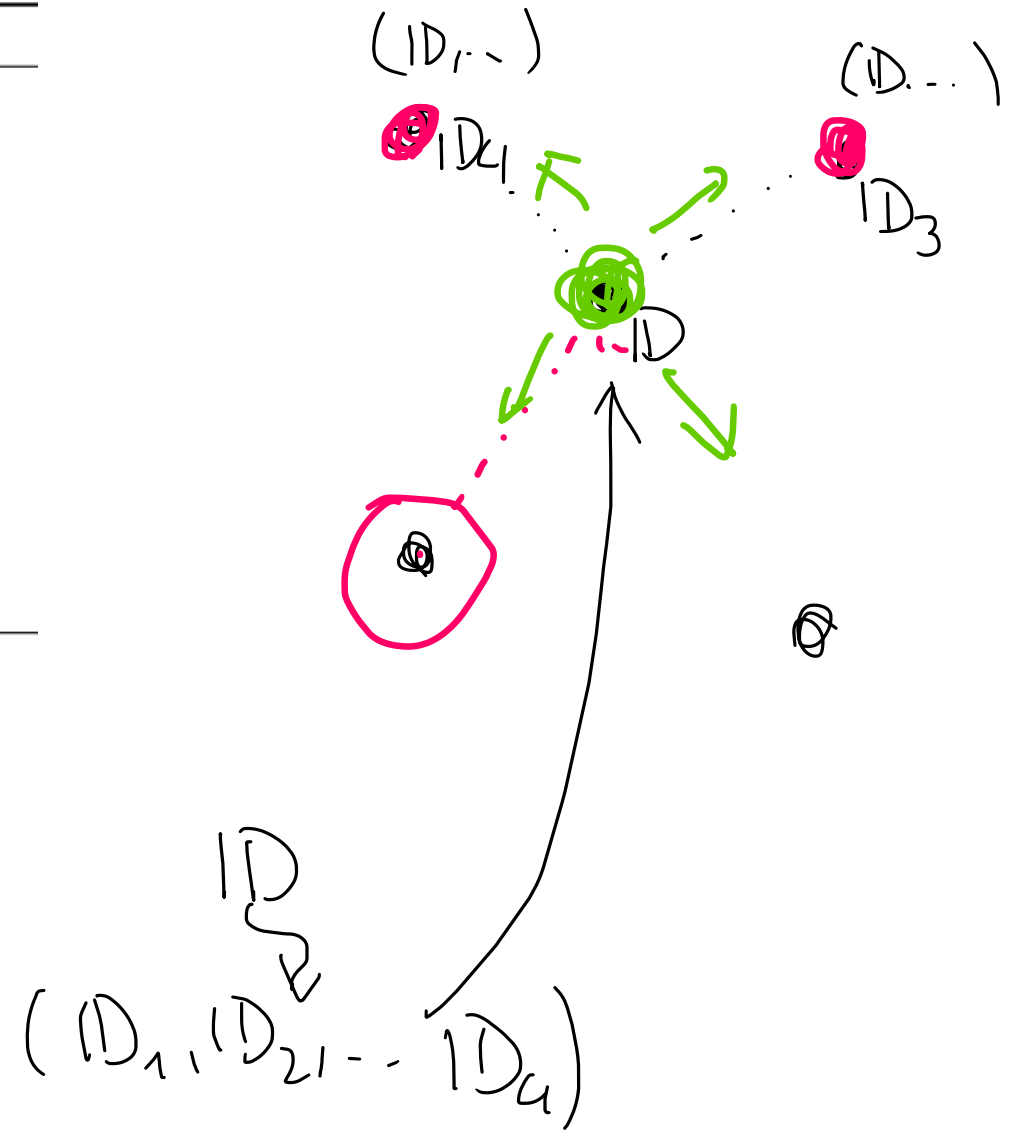
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## Algorithm 1.9 Reduce

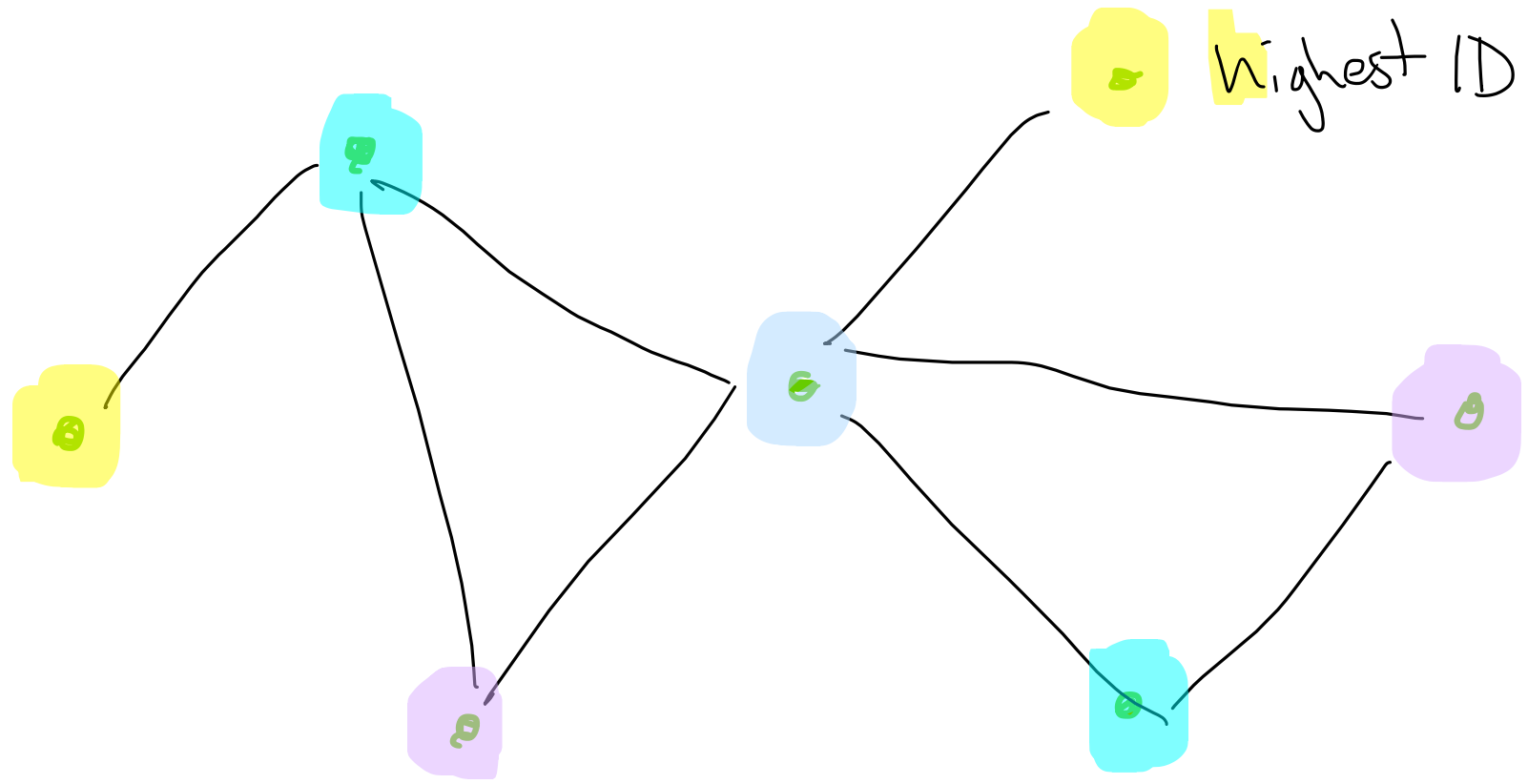
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- 1: Assume that initially all nodes have IDs
  - 2: **Each node**  $v$  executes the following code:
  - 3: node  $v$  sends its ID to all neighbors
  - 4: node  $v$  receives IDs of neighbors
  - 5: **while** node  $v$  has an uncolored neighbor with higher ID **do**
  - 6:   node  $v$  sends "undecided" to all neighbors
  - 7:   node  $v$  receives new decisions from neighbors
  - 8: **end while**
  - 9: node  $v$  chooses the smallest admissible free color
  - 10: node  $v$  informs all its neighbors about its choice
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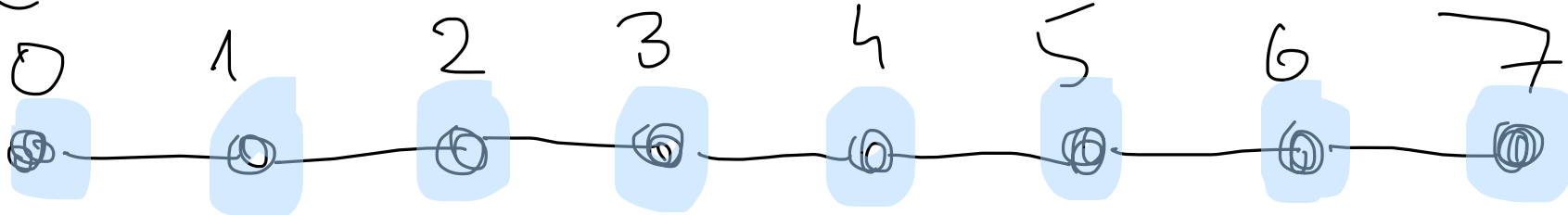
Stop



highest ID not coloured yet



time



# rounds  
time:  
 $\leq n$   
 $n = \# \text{ vertices}$

Time complexity:  
number of steps

- (1) Total
- (2) max per node

Message complexity:  
keep small!

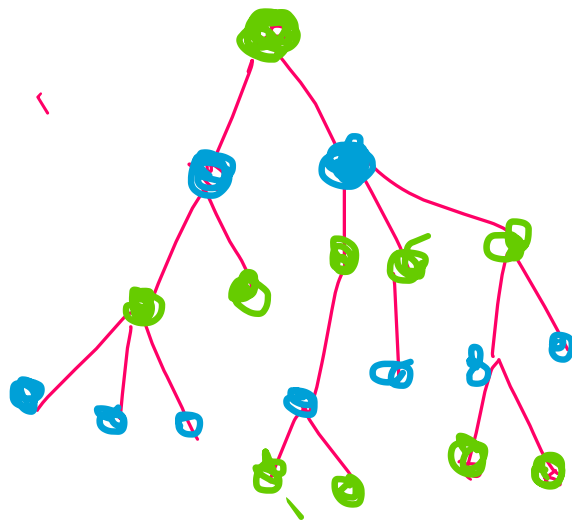
# Coloring trees

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- 1: Color the root 0, root sends 0 to its children
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  - 4:   node  $v$  chooses color  $c_v = 1 - c_p$
  - 5:   node  $v$  sends  $c_v$  to its children (all neighbors except parent)
  - 6: **end if**
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unknown topology  
- distance to root  
mod 2 = color

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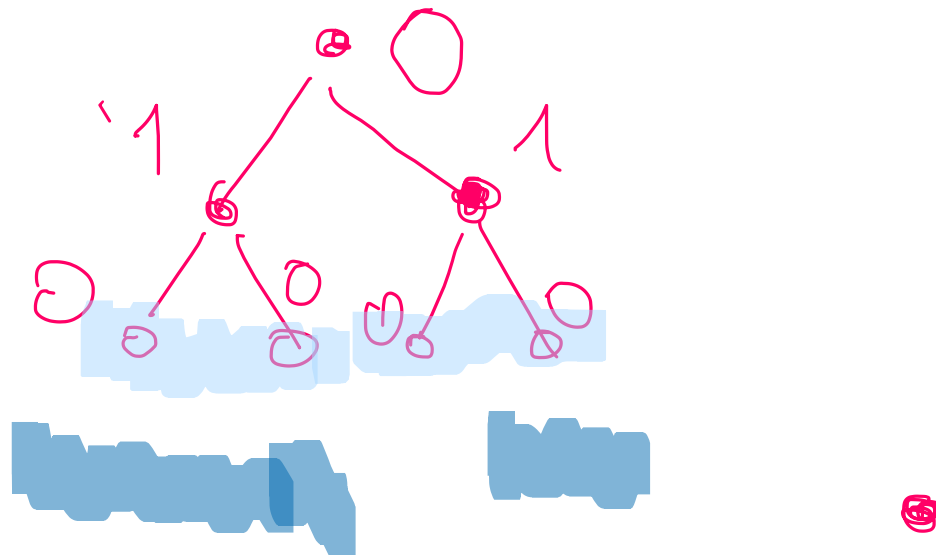
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time  $\approx$   
depth of  
tree







# Clever $\log^* n$ algorithm

$$\log(\log(\log(n)))$$

$$\text{with } \log^i(n) < 3 = \log^* n$$

extremely slowly  
growing f-n

in practice  $\leq \text{const}$

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## Algorithm 1.17 "6-Color"

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  - 2: The root assigns itself the label 0
  - 3: **Each** other **node**  $v$  executes the following code
  - 4: send own color  $c_v$  to all children
  - 5: **repeat**
  - 6:   receive color  $c_p$  from parent
  - 7:   interpret  $c_v$  and  $c_p$  as bit-strings
  - 8:   let  $i$  be the index of the smallest bit where  $c_v$  and  $c_p$  differ
  - 9:   the new label is  $i$  (as bitstring) followed by the  $i^{\text{th}}$  bit of  $c_v$
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  - 11: **until**  $c_w \in \{0, \dots, 5\}$  for all nodes  $w$
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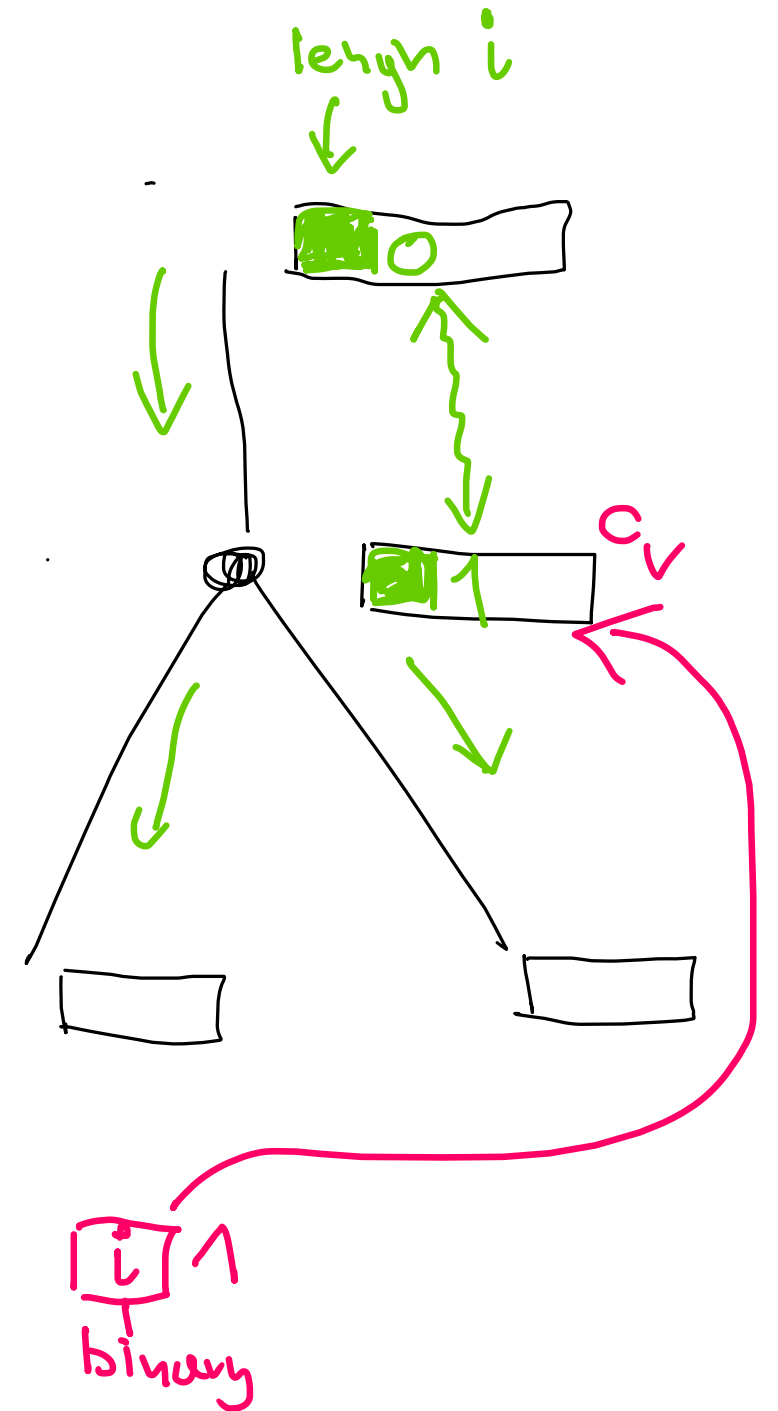
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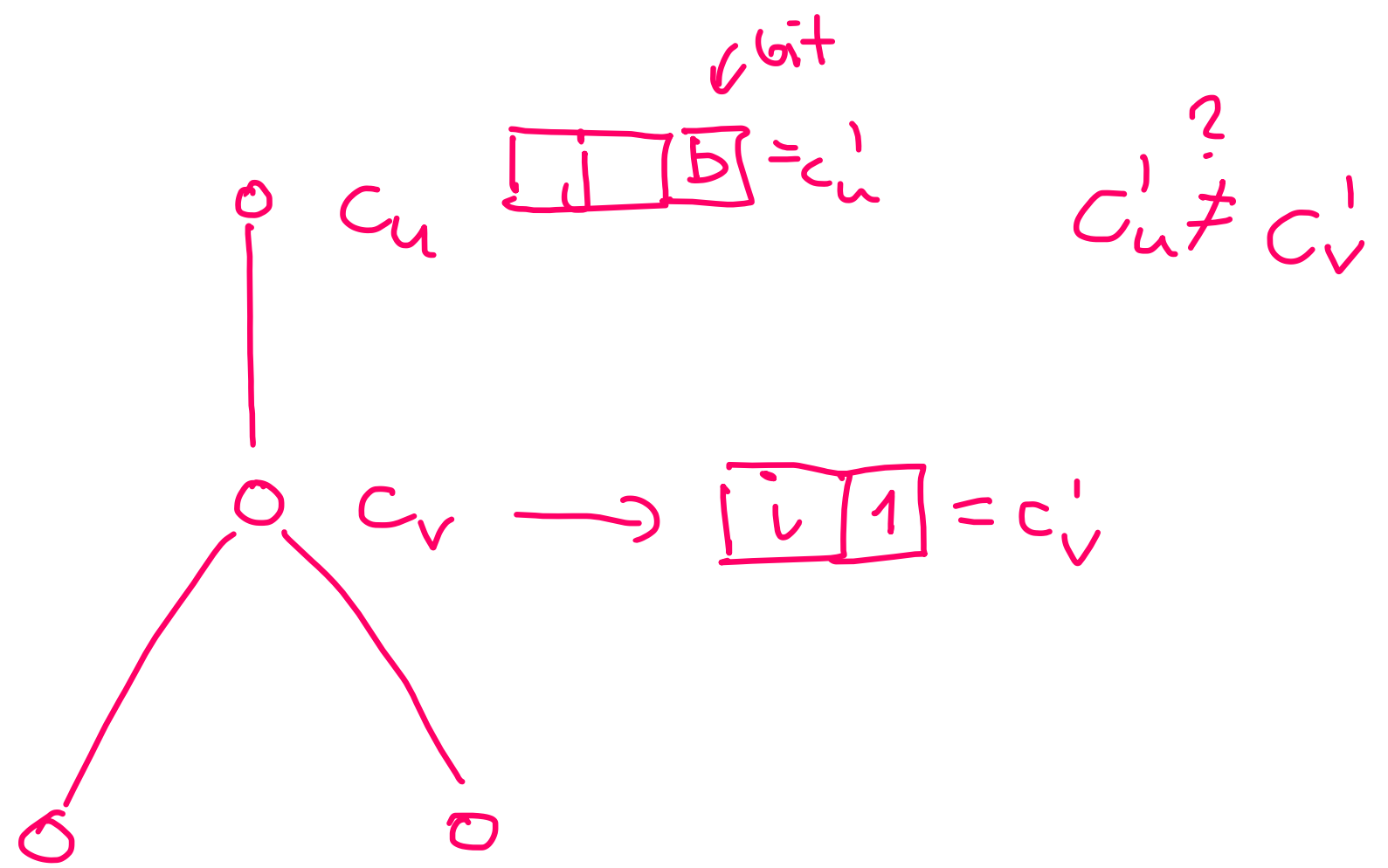
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- 1)  $i \neq j$ , then  $(\text{length } c_u \neq \text{length } c_v) \vee (\text{equal and diff})$   
 ok ok
- 2)  $i = j$   $\boxed{i \mid 0}$   $\boxed{i \mid 1}$   $b=0$ , colors diff.

1D reduction

from length  $k$

$$\rightsquigarrow \lceil \log_2 k \rceil + 1$$

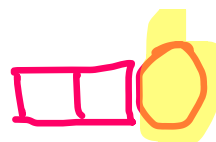
$$\approx \log^* n$$

0-5 colours:

length 3 - 8 colours



0, 1, 2



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time:

$$\approx \log^*(n)$$

colours 0, ..., 5

before:  
time  $n$  (worst)

$\log n$  (best)

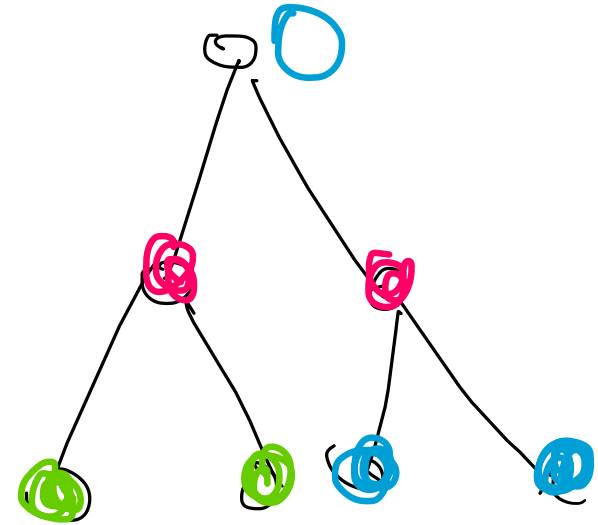
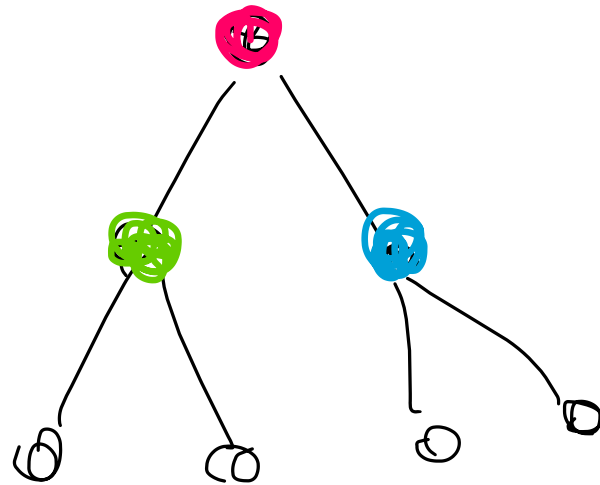
# Reduction to 3 colors

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## Algorithm 1.19 Shift Down

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- 1: **Each** other **node**  $v$  concurrently executes the following code:
  - 2: Recolor  $v$  with the color of parent
  - 3: Root chooses a new (different) color from  $\{0, 1, 2\}$
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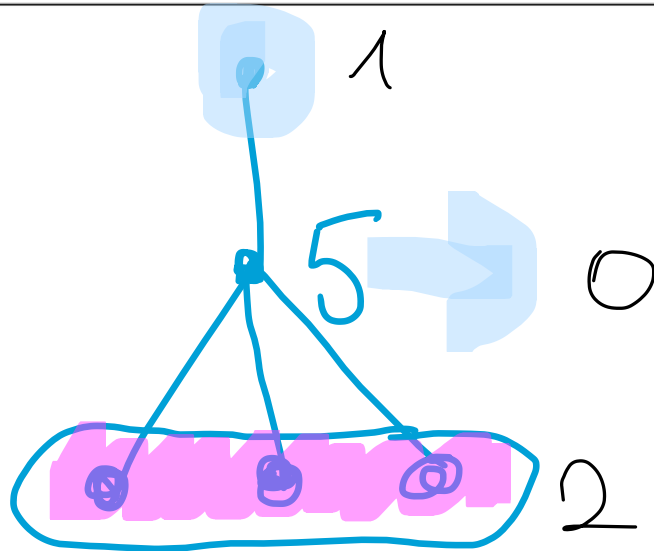
# Eliminating colors 5, 4, 3

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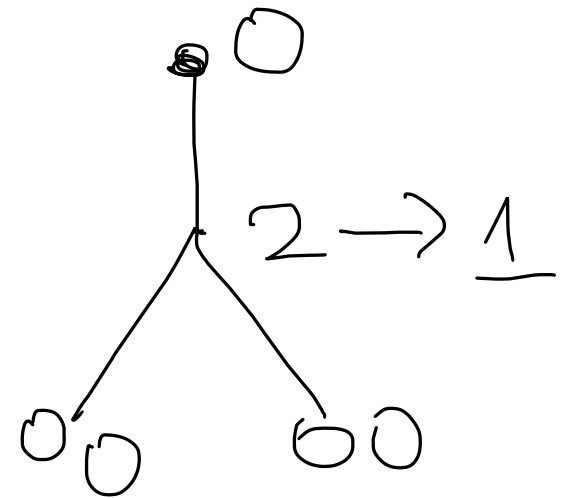
## Algorithm 1.21 Six-2-Three

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- 1: **Each node**  $v$  concurrently executes the following code:
  - 2: **for**  $x = 5, 4, 3$  **do**
  - 3:     Perform subroutine Shift down (Algorithm 1.19)
  - 4:     **if**  $c_v = x$  **then**
  - 5:         choose the smallest admissible new color  $c_v \in \{0, 1, 2\}$
  - 6:     **end if**
  - 7: **end for**
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few steps  
local!





END

