

1 Introduction

A *mixed hypergraph* is a triple $\mathcal{H} = (X, \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D})$, where X is the vertex set and each of \mathcal{C}, \mathcal{D} is a list of subsets of X , the \mathcal{C} -edges and \mathcal{D} -edges, respectively, and we assume that all \mathcal{C} -edges and \mathcal{D} -edges have at least two elements. A *proper k -coloring* of a mixed hypergraph is a function, c , from the vertex set to a set of k colors so that each \mathcal{C} -edge has two vertices with a common color and each \mathcal{D} -edge has two vertices with distinct colors. A mixed hypergraph is *k -colorable* if it has a proper coloring with at most k colors. A *strict k -coloring* is a proper k -coloring using all k colors, it means that the function, c , is onto. In a colorable mixed hypergraph \mathcal{H} , the maximum (minimum) number of colors over all strict k -colorings is called the *upper (lower) chromatic number* of \mathcal{H} and is denoted by $\bar{\chi}(\mathcal{H}) (\chi(\mathcal{H}))$.

We use n to denote $|X|$ for the mixed hypergraph. Every proper k -coloring induces a partition of vertex set into color classes. Such partition, $\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k\}$, is called a *feasible partition* with respect to the coloring. The number of feasible partitions into k colors is denoted by r_k . The vector $R(\mathcal{H}) = (r_1, \dots, r_n)$ is called the *chromatic spectrum* of \mathcal{H} . The set of values k such that \mathcal{H} has a strict k -coloring is the *feasible set* of \mathcal{H} , written by $S(\mathcal{H})$; this is the set of indices i such that $r_i > 0$. A mixed hypergraph is *uniquely colorable* if it allows exactly one feasible partition of the vertex set X into color classes. Therefore, $\chi(\mathcal{H}) = \bar{\chi}(\mathcal{H}) = \chi$, $r_\chi(\mathcal{H}) = 1$, and $R(\mathcal{H}) = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$. If \mathcal{H} has no multiple edges and all its edges are of size r , then \mathcal{H} is called an *r -uniform hypergraph*.

In chapter 2, we show that the size of vertex set of (l, m) -uniform mixed hypergraphs with unique coloring is more than $(l - 1)(m - 1) + 1$. In chapter 2, we come up a way to construct uniquely colorable (l, m) -uniform mixed hypergraphs. But we discover that this way needs a lot of \mathcal{C} -edges and \mathcal{D} -edges. Following chapter 2, we will introduce two ways to construct uniquely colorable mixed hypergraphs. In chapter 3, we first consider r -uniform \mathcal{C} -hypergraphs and \mathcal{D} -hypergraphs. And we construct uniquely colorable r -uniform \mathcal{C} -hypergraphs and \mathcal{D} -hypergraphs. In chapter 4, we construct uniquely colorable (l, m) -uniform mixed hypergraphs by reducing \mathcal{C} -edges or \mathcal{D} -edges.