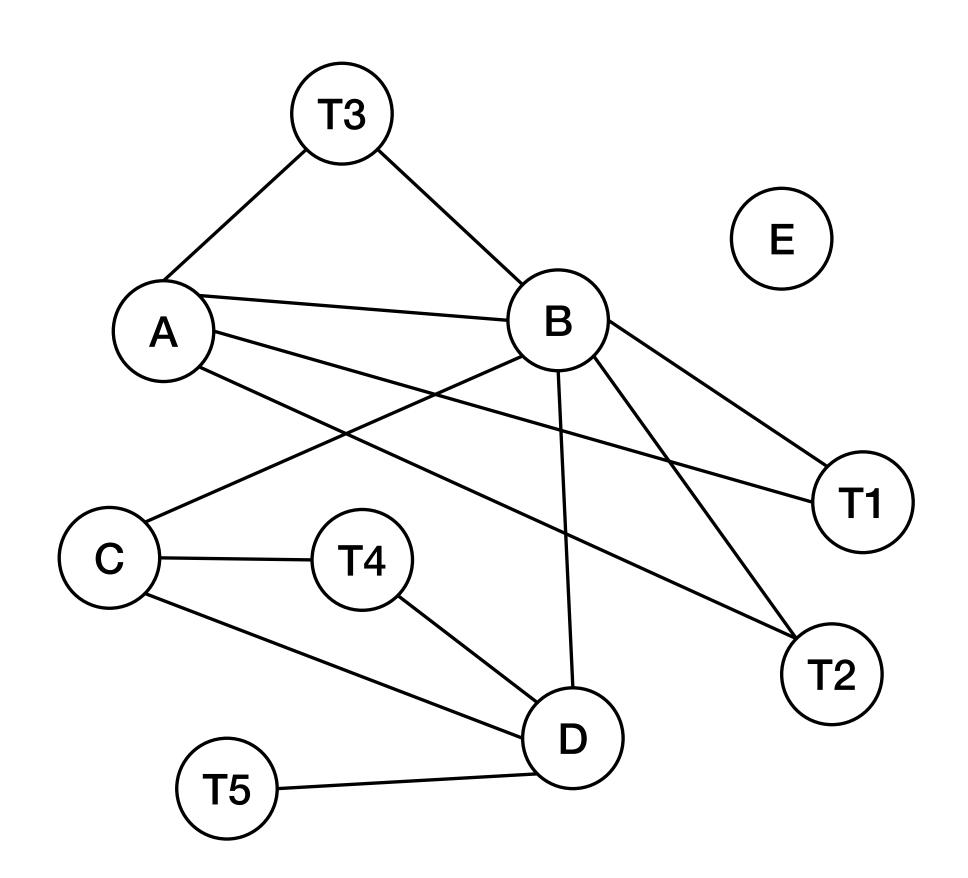
# Graph Coloring

### interference graph

- Two variables can be assigned to the same register if they are not live at the same time
  - They don't have values we need at the same time

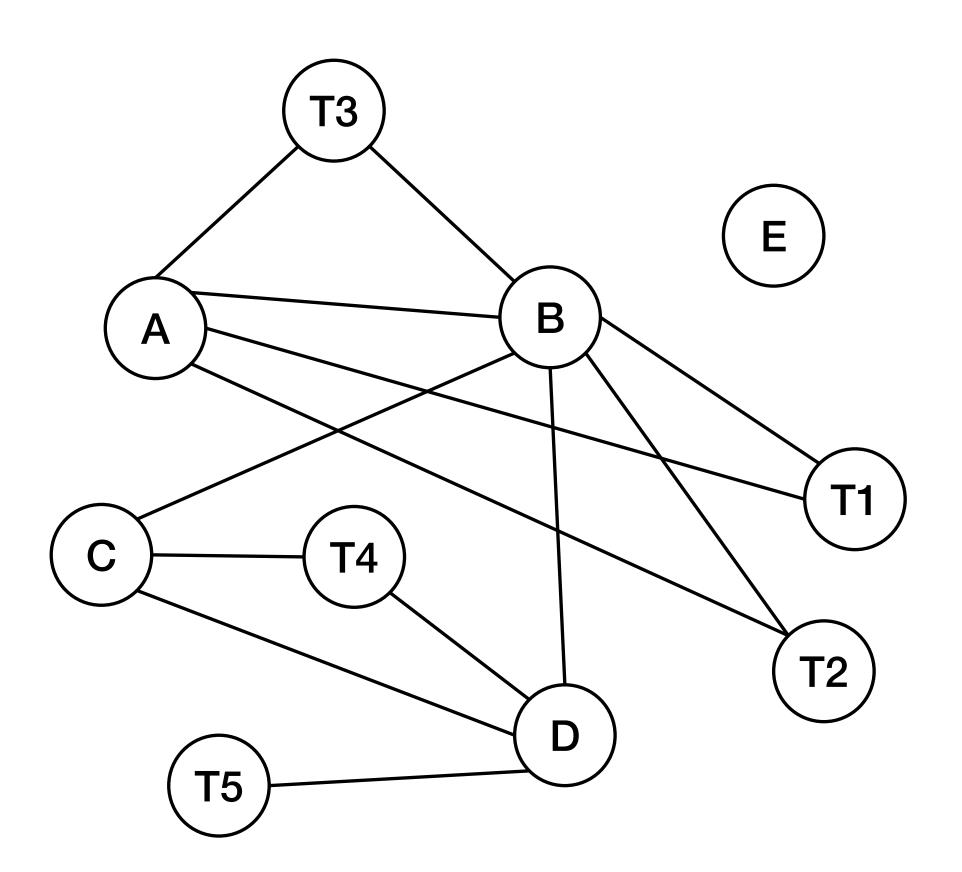
- Graph G = (V, E) where
  - V a set of vertices representing variables/temporaries
  - E a set of edges of form  $(v_1, v_2)$  if  $v_1$  and  $v_2$  are live at the same time

### interference graph



### graph coloring

 Assign variables to registers by coloring the graph, one color per register



```
L: T1 = A + B  [A, B]

[A, B, T1]

[A, B, T2]

[A, B, T2]

[A, B, T3]

[B, C, D]

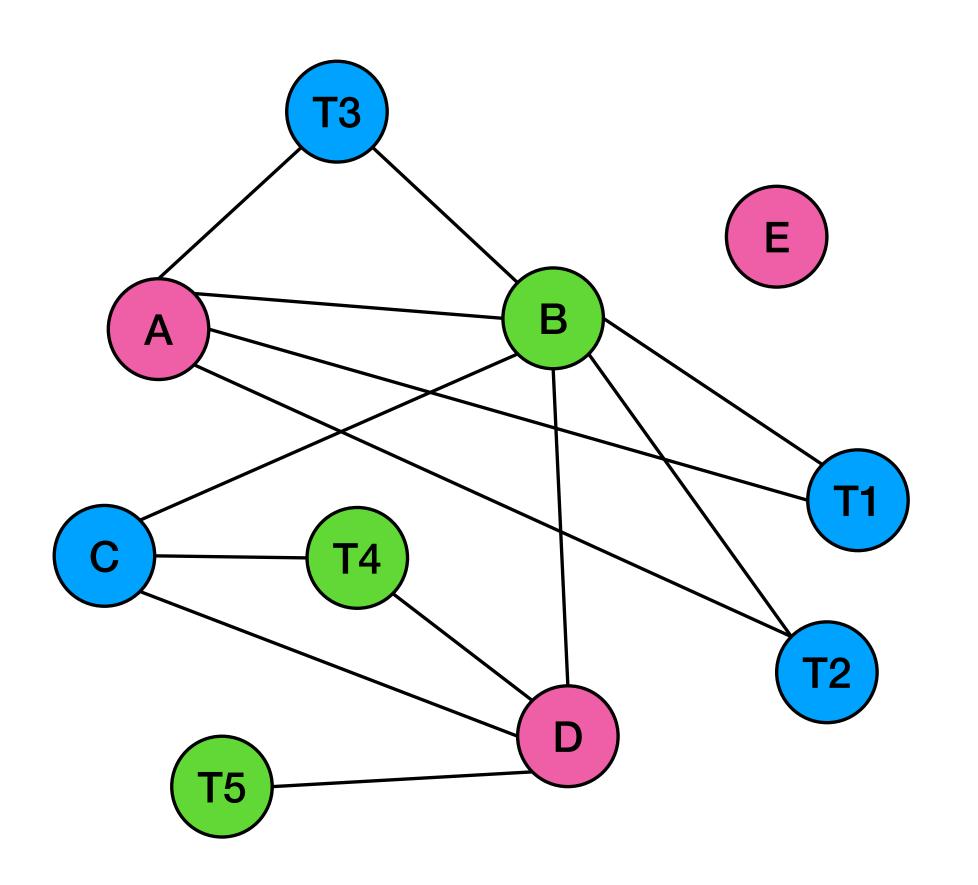
[B, C, D]

[B, C, D]

[C, D]
```

### graph coloring

No vertices that share an edge get the same color



```
L: T1 = A + B = [A, B]

T2 = A + T1 = [A, B, T2]

T3 = A + T2 = [A, B, T3]

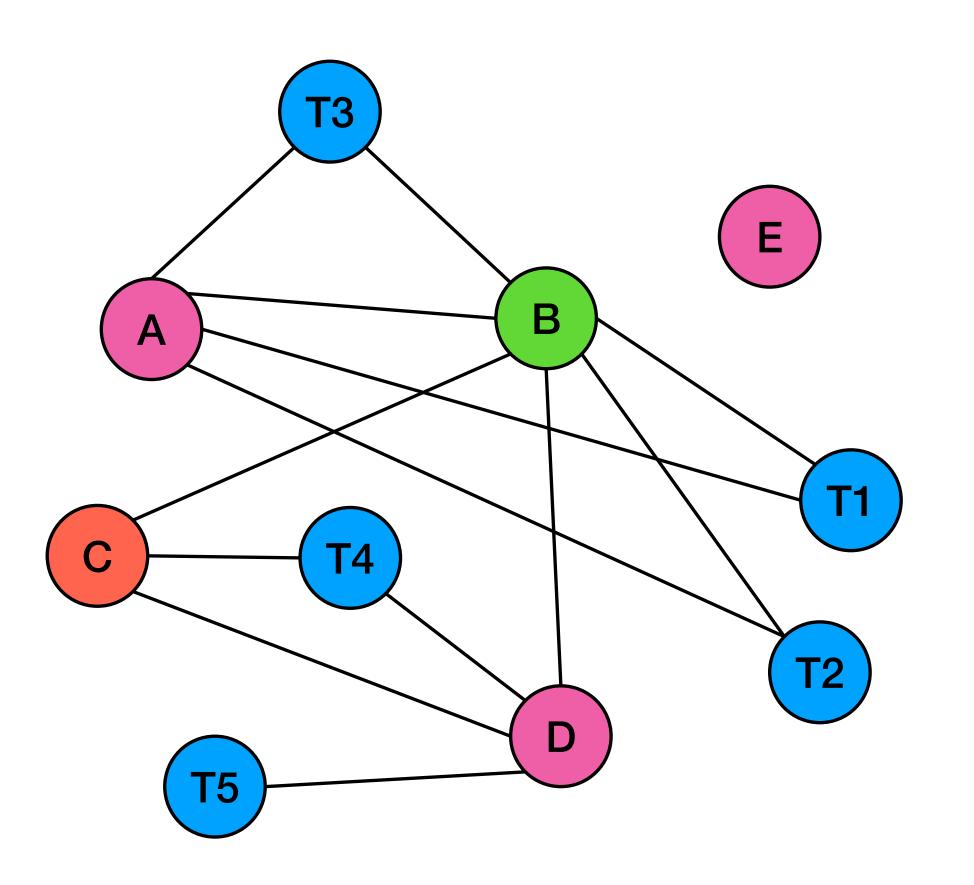
T4 = C + B = [T4, C, D]

T5 = T4 + C = [T5, D]

T5 = T5 + D = [E]
```

### graph coloring

Multiple valid coloring: looking for minimal coloring



```
L: T1 = A + B - [A, B]

T2 = A + T1 - [A, B, T2]

T3 = A + T2 - [A, B, T3]

T4 = C + B - [B, C, D]

T5 = T4 + C - [T4, C, D]

T5 = T5 + D - [E]
```

## next: finding a minimum coloring