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For a finite graph G and positive integer k, let r(G;k) denote the least integer r such that if the edges of K_r , the complete graph on r vertices are arbitrarily partitioned into k classes then some class contains a subgraph isomorphic to G. The existence of r(G;k) follows from the well known theorem of Ramsey. In this paper, the authors have investigated the behavior of r(G;k) for various classes of graphs including trees, forests and cycles C_n , where n is odd or even. A typical result is given by $2^k n < r(C_{2n+1};k) < 2(k+2)!n$.

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