Murong Xu* (xumurong@math.wvu.edu), 320 Armstrong Hall, P.O. Box 6310, West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV 26506, and Hong-Jian Lai and Xuezheng Lv. On r-hued coloring of graphs without short induced paths.

For integers k, r > 0, a (k, r)-coloring of a graphs G is a proper coloring on the vertices of G with k colors such that every vertex v of degree d(v) is adjacent to vertices with at least min $\{d(v), r\}$ different colors. The r-hued chromatic number, denoted by $\chi_r(G)$, is the smallest integer k for which a graph G has a (k, r)-coloring. Some of the recently achieved results on r-hued coloring of P_4 -free graphs and P_5 -free graphs will be presented. (Received September 24, 2017)