

Discrete Mathematics

MATH1064, Lecture 34

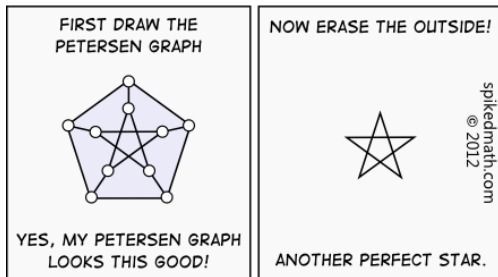
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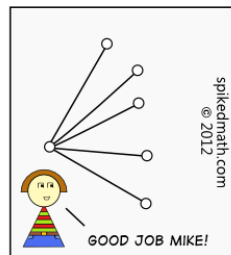
Extra exercises for Lecture 34

Section 10.2: Problems 21–30

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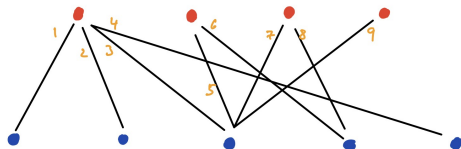
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Bipartite graphs

The simple graph G is **bipartite** if it has at least two vertices and satisfies one (and hence all) of the following **equivalent** conditions:

- 1 The set of vertices $V(G)$ has a partition $\{V_1, V_2\}$ such that every edge is of the form $\{v_1, v_2\}$ where $v_k \in V_k$.
- 2 The vertices can be coloured with two colours such that no two adjacent vertices have the same colour.
- 3 Every circuit in G has even length.



Is a graph with no edges bipartite?

1 implies 2

- Partition $V(G)$ into $\{V_1, V_2\}$ such that all edges are in $V_1 \times V_2$
- Colour vertices in V_1 red and vertices in V_2 blue
- \rightarrow 2-colouring of vertices such that no two adjacent vertices have the same colour

2 implies 3

- 2-colouring of vertices such that no two adjacent vertices have the same colour
- Along every circuit colours must alternate
- All circuits have even length

3 implies 1

Every circuit in G has **even length** $\rightarrow V(G)$ has a **partition** $\{V_1, V_2\}$ such that every edge is of the form $\{v_1, v_2\}$ where $v_k \in V_k$

- Isolated vertices and multiple connected components: **easy**
- Hence, assume G is connected (with at least one edge)
- Fix $v \in V(G)$

$$V_1 = \{w \in V(G) \mid \exists \text{ path of odd length between } v \text{ and } w\}$$

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- $V_2 \neq \emptyset$ because $v \in V_2$
- $V_1 \neq \emptyset$ because G connected and has at least two vertices
- $V_1 \cup V_2 = V(G)$ since G is connected
- $V_1 \cap V_2 = \emptyset$ because $w \in V_1 \cap V_2 \rightarrow G$ contains odd length circuit
- **Moreover:** Edge with both endpoints in V_1 (V_2) implies G contains an odd length circuit

Applications of bipartite graphs

Text analysis: V_1 = documents, V_2 = terms of words, edge $\{v_1, v_2\}$ if word v_2 is in document v_1 .

Movie Preferences: In 2009 Netflix gave a 1 Million dollar prize to the group that was best able to predict how much someone would enjoy a movie based on their preferences. V_1 = viewers, V_2 = movies. Edges are **weighted** by ratings given by viewers. The winning algorithm was **BellKor's Pragmatic Chaos**.

Timetabelling: V_1 = students, V_2 = units of study.

Matching problems: eg. V_1 = graduating medical students, V_2 = residences at hospitals, and we put an edge between a student and a hospital **if and only if** the student asks to be at the hospital and the hospital is interested in making the student an offer.

Hall's marriage theorem

Let G be a graph and $v \in V(G)$.

The **neighbourhood** $N(v)$ is the set of all vertices adjacent to v .

The neighbourhood of $A \subseteq V(G)$ is $N(A) = \bigcup_{v \in A} N(v)$.

A **matching** in the bipartite graph G is a subset $M \subseteq E(G)$ with the property that no two edges in M share a vertex. A matching is a **complete matching from V_1 to V_2** if every vertex in V_1 is incident with an edge in M . Equivalently, if $|M| = |V_1|$.

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- Let $A \subset V_1$
- Let $M(A) \subset V_2$ be the set of all vertices in V_2 matched by M to A
- By definition of a matching: $|M(A)| = |A|$
- But $M(A) \subset N(A)$ since all elements of $M(A)$ are neighbours of A
- So: $|N(A)| \geq |M(A)| = |A|$ (and A is not a Hall violator)

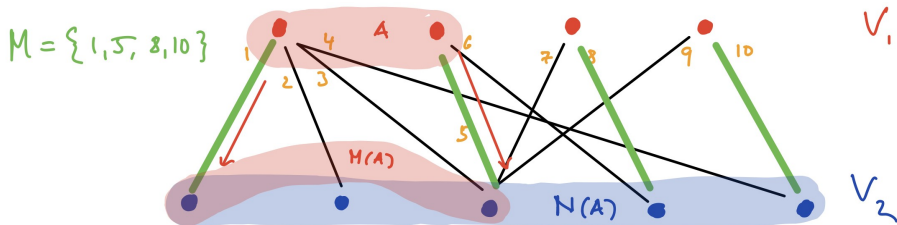
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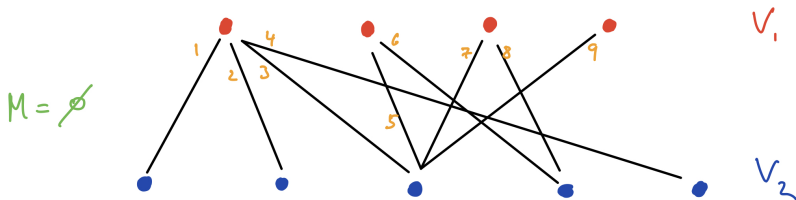
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1. Start with $M = \emptyset$



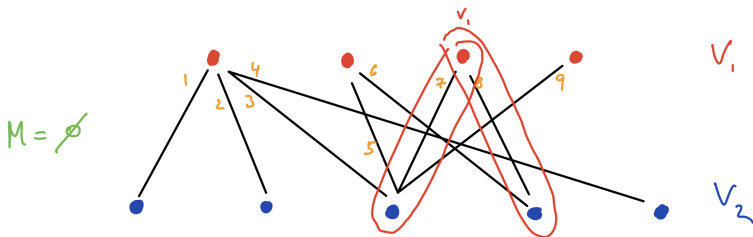
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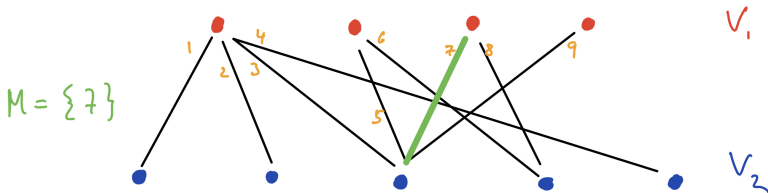
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3. If there exists a maximal alternating path

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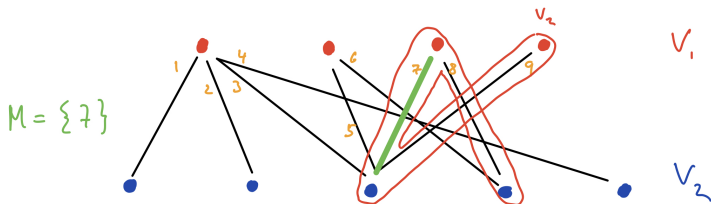
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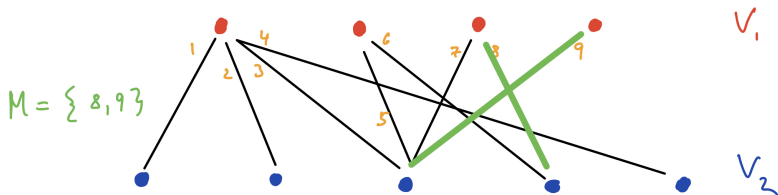
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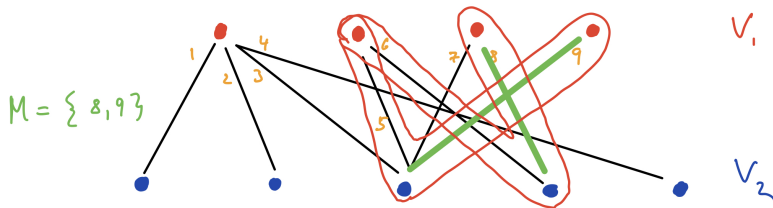
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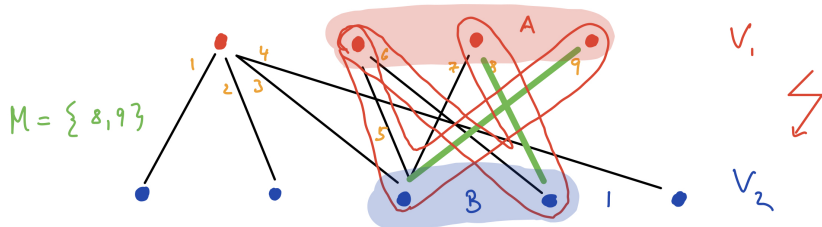
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4. If no maximal alternating path ends in V_2 , let $A \subset V_1$ and $B \subset V_2$ be the vertices on these paths



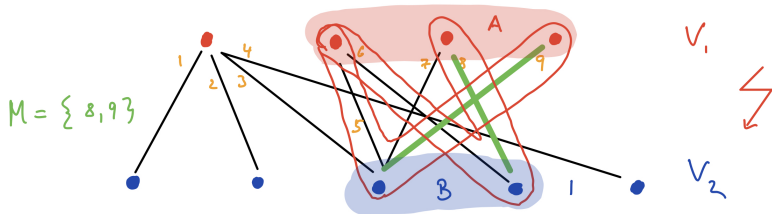
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5. Paths give bijection between $A \setminus \{v\}$ and B and hence $|B| < |A|$



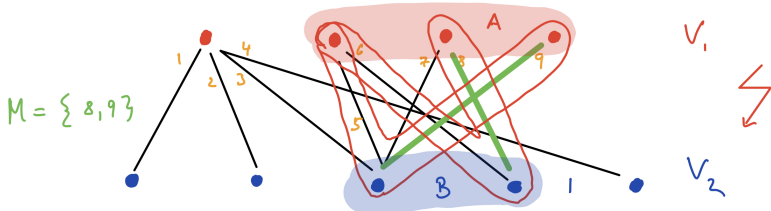
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6. Since all maximal alternating paths end in V_1 we have $N(A) = B$, hence $|N(A)| < |A|$, return Hall violator A



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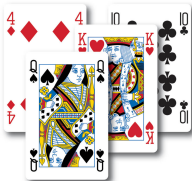
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- M grows by one edge each time until we find a Hall violator
- If no Hall violator exists, we must find a complete matching
- So, altogether: There always exists a Hall-violator $A \subset V_1$, or a complete matching from V_1 to V_2 , **but not both**

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Complete matching from V_1 to V_2 is an injection $V_1 \rightarrow V_2$



Take a standard deck of 52 cards, and deal them out into 13 piles of 4 cards each.

Question: Can one select exactly one card from each pile such that the 13 selected cards contain exactly one card of each rank?

Either:

V_1 = the 13 piles

$V_2 = \{2, 3, \dots, \text{Queen, King, Ace}\} = \text{the ranks}$

edges = “this pile contains this rank”

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V_2 = the 13 piles

edges = “this rank appears in this pile”

Application

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
7	8	5	6	3	4	1	2
4	3	2	1	8	7	6	5
6	5	8	7	2	1	4	3
8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
2	1	4	3	6	5	8	7
5	6	7	8	1	2	3	4
3	4	1	2	7	8	5	6

You are creating a Latin square of size $n \times n$. You have already written k rows of numbers and so far you have no obvious contradiction: each row contains each symbol exactly once, and each column contains each symbol at most once.

Can this always be extended to a Latin square?

It is enough to show that we can add **one more row** and then argue by induction!

V_1 = empty cells of the next row

$V_2 = \{1, \dots, n\}$

edges = “this symbol can still appear in this cell”