

Computer Science & IT

Discrete Mathematics



Graph Theory

Lecture No. 09



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Recap of Previous Lecture

k-chromatic

Topic

Vertex Coloring and Chromatic Number

Topic

Welsh Powell's Algorithm

Uses 'm' Colors

$$\chi(G) \neq m$$

$$\chi(G) \leq m$$



Topics to be Covered



Topic

Matching

Topic

Maximal matching & maximum matching

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Perfect matching

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Matching number



Topic : Matching



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must contain all vertices of graph G .

A subgraph M of graph G is called a matching of graph G , if all the vertices of graph G are incident with at most one edge in subgraph M ,

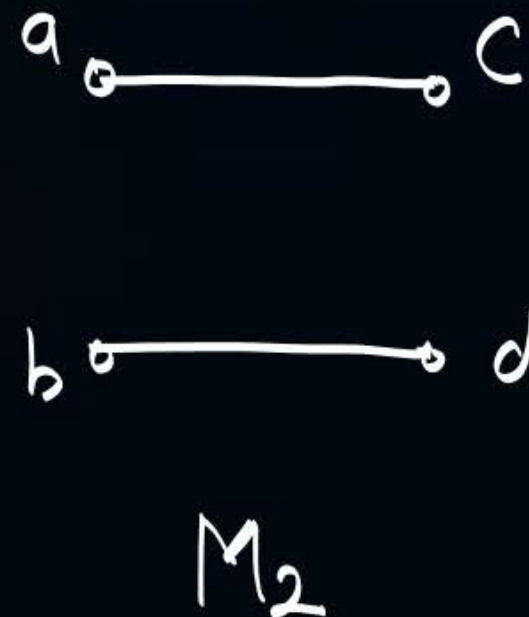
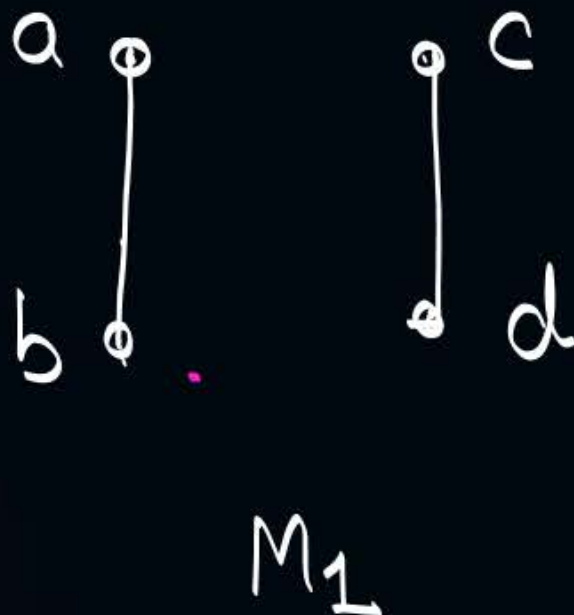
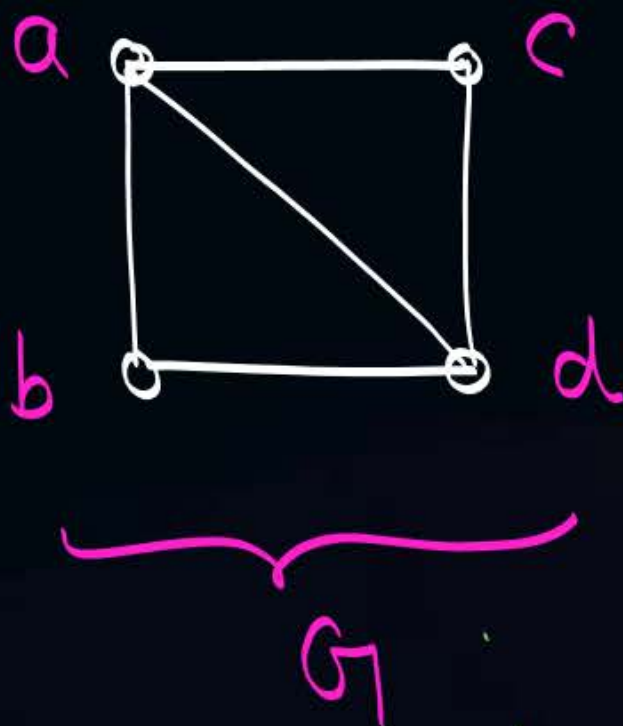
i.e. in a matching $\deg(v) \leq 1, \forall v \in G$



Topic : Matching



eg:



M_1, M_2, M_3, M_4 & M_5
all are matching
of graph G .
There may be
some more matchings.

Note:

- ① In a matching of graph G if degree of a vertex v is $=1$
Then vertex ' v ' is called a matching vertex.
- ② In a matching of graph G if degree of a vertex v is $=0$
Then vertex ' v ' is called a non-matching vertex.
- ③ In a matching no two edges should be adjacent.

→ Maximal & Minimal, are generally used w.r.t. Property

* Maximum & minimum are generally used w.r.t. number



Topic : Maximal Matching

A matching of graph G is said to be maximal if no other edge of graph G can be added to the matching without destroying its property of being a matching.

In the above example M_1, M_2 & M_3 are maximal matching.



→ Related to Number

Topic : Maximum Matching

Largest Maximal Matching



- * A matching of graph G with maximum number of edges is called maximum matching of graph G .
 - { There may be more than one maximum matching for a graph G }
- * In the above example M_1 & M_2 are maximum matching

Note: ① Every maximum matching is also a maximal matching
but every maximal matching need not be a maximum matching
{ eg. M_3 }



Topic : Matching Number



Matching No. of graph G = Number of edges in any one of the maximum matching of graph G .

eg. In above example,

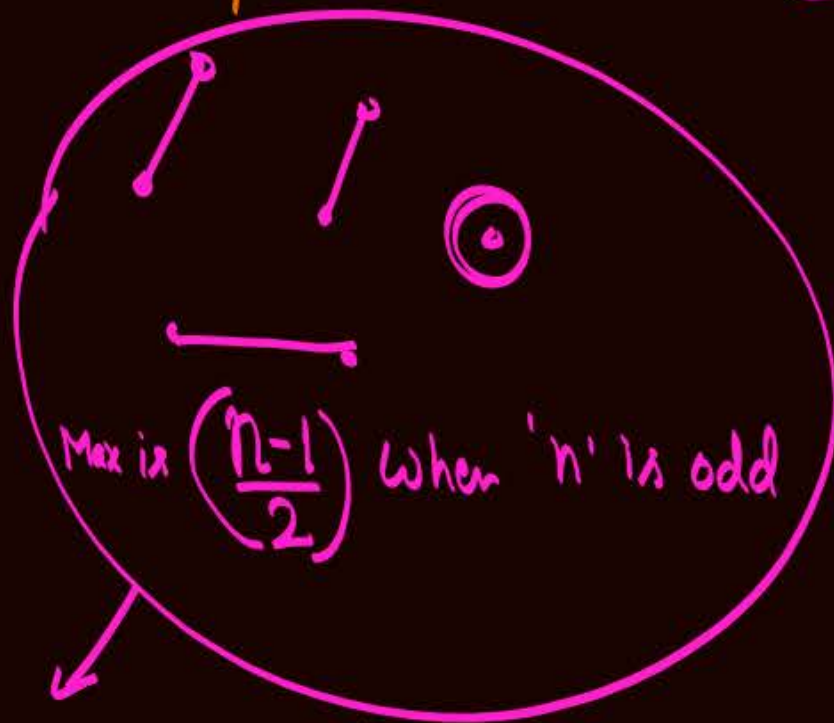
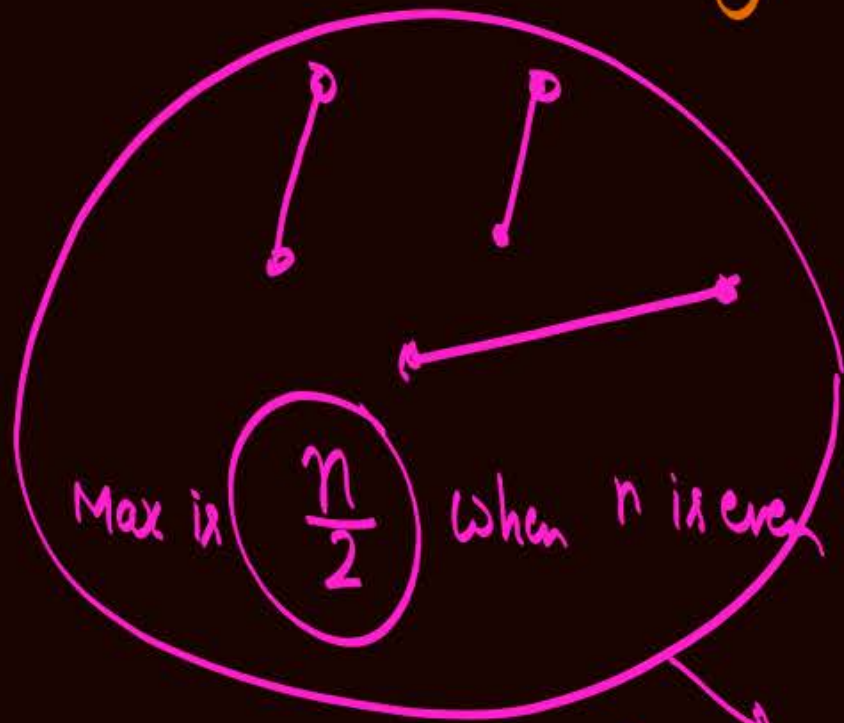
Matching no. of graph $G = 2$

Note: In a matching no two edges can be adjacent,

∴ In a graph G with ' n ' vertices

$$\text{Matching number of graph } G \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$$

it is the upperbound
on Matching No.,

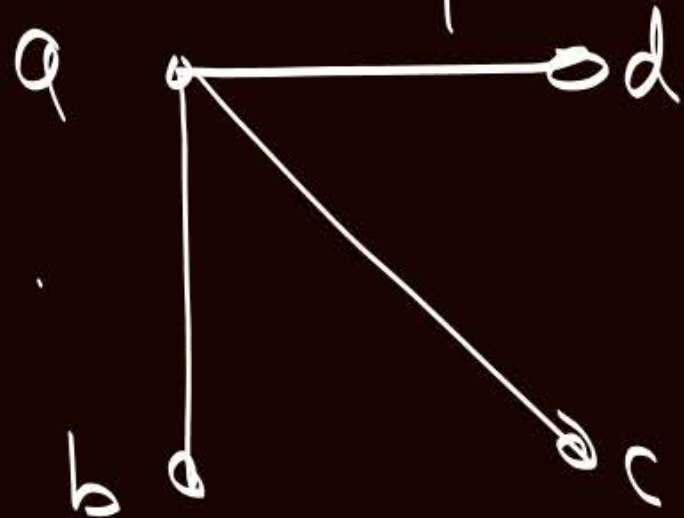


for any random ' n '

Max possible will be $\left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$

→ For a graph G with ' n ' vertices, matching number need not be $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ { i.e. it may be less than $\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$ }

eg. Consider the following graph



"G"

$$\begin{aligned} n &= 4 \\ \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Matching no. of the graph = 1 < $\lfloor \frac{4}{2} \rfloor$

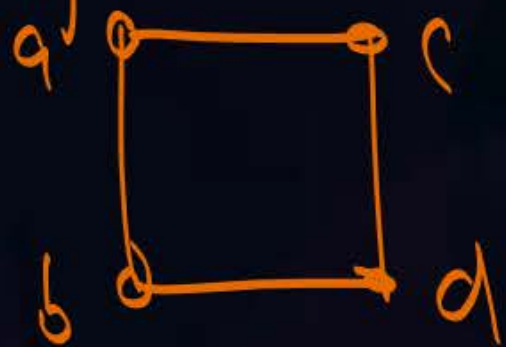
{ We can never choose two or more edges in the given graph such that they are not adjacent to each other }



Topic : Perfect Matching

→ A matching of graph G is said to be perfect matching if degree of every vertex in that matching is '1'
i.e. $\deg(v) = 1, \forall v \in G$
{ i.e. in a perfect matching of graph G $\deg(v) = 1, \forall v \in G$ }

For the graph

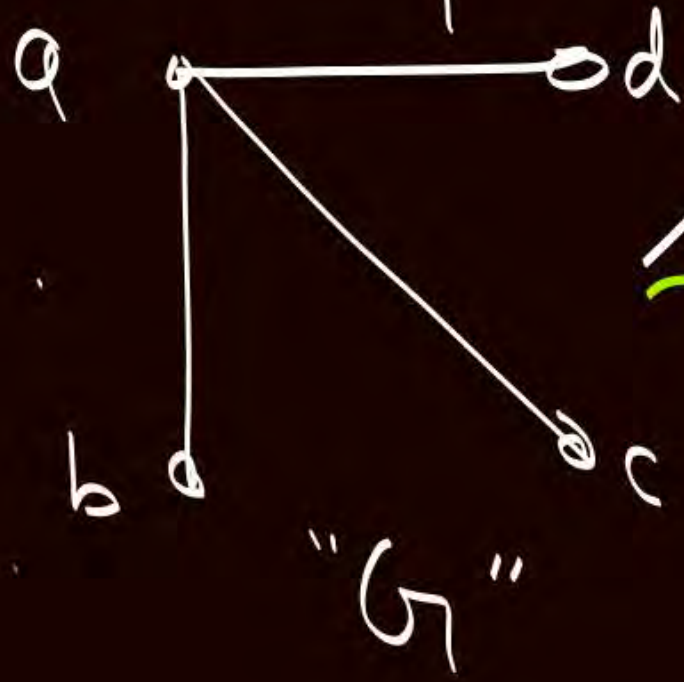


of above eg.

M_1 & M_2 are perfect matching

- Note ::
- ① Every perfect matching is a maximum matching, but every maximum matching need not be Perfect matching
 - ② Perfect matching need not exist for every graph

Consider the following graph



all are maximum matching of graph G

No perfect matching exist for this graph



Topic : Perfect Matching

- ① In a graph G , if the number of vertices are odd then perfect matching can never exist for graph G .
- ② If perfect matching exists for graph G , then number of vertices in graph G are even, but converse of the statement need not be true
- ③ If no. of vertices in graph G are even, then perfect matching may or may not exist for graph G .

Note:

If perfect matching exists for a graph G
with 'n' vertices,

then Matching No. of graph $G = \frac{n}{2}$

Note: ① For a complete graph K_n perfect matchings exist if and only if 'n' is even.

{ i.e. for K_{2m} perfect matching always exist }

Note ②: In a complete bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$ perfect matching exists if and only if $m=n$.

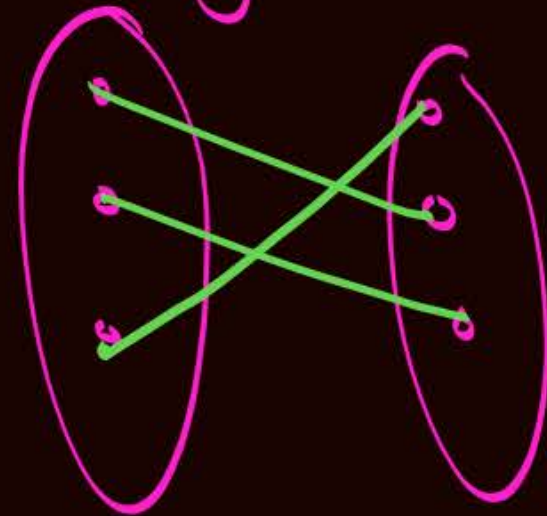
Matching w.r.t. $K_{2,4}$ ($m \neq n$)



Non-Matching Vertices.

It is a Maximum Matching w.r.t. $K_{2,4}$ but not a Perfect Matching.

Matching w.r.t. $K_{3,3}$ ($m=n$)



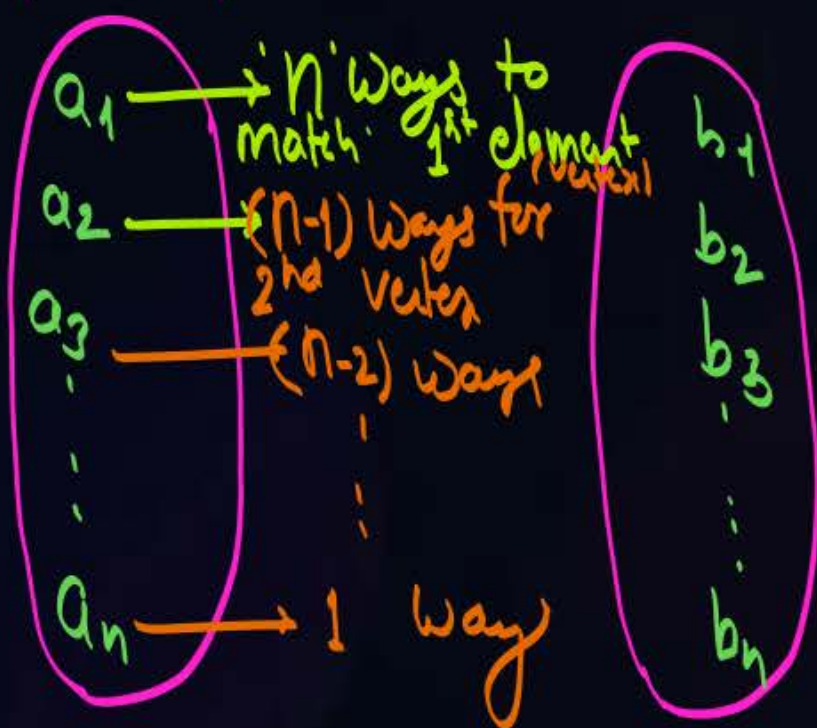
{ Every vertex is a matching vertex.
∴ Perfect Matching }



Topic : Perfect Matching

Find the number of perfect matching in a complete bipartite graph $K_{n,n}$ ($n=n$): perfect matching exist

Total No. of vertices = $2n$



$$\therefore \text{No. of perfect matching} = n \cdot (n-1) \cdot \dots \cdot 3 \cdot 2 \cdot 1 = n!$$

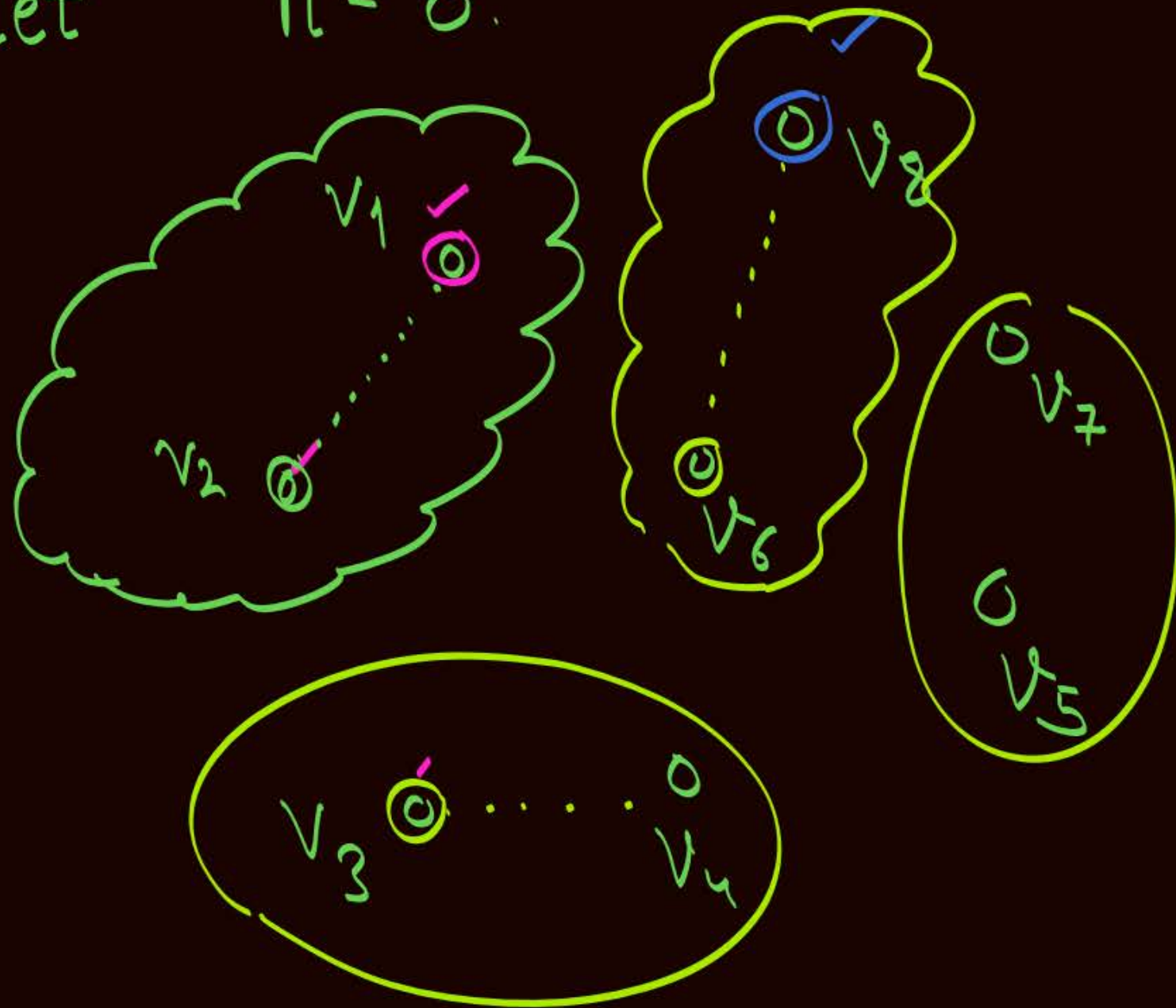
$$\text{Matching No. w.r.t. } K_{n,n} = n$$



Topic : Perfect Matching

Find the number of perfect matching in a complete graph K_n (n is even)

Let $n = 8$.



No. of perfect matching for
Complete graph K_8

$$= 7 \times 5 \times 3 \times 1$$

$$= 105$$

7 choices
to match
1st vertex

No. of
w.r.t.
vertex
matching
3rd
after
2 vertices

$$(8-1) \times (8-3) \times (8-5) \times (8-7)$$

→ No. of perfect matching of Complete graph K_n {where n -even}

$$= (n-1) * (n-3) * (n-5) * \dots * 5 * 3 * 1$$

$$= (n-1) * (n-3) * (n-5) * \dots * 5 * 3 * 1 * \frac{n * (n-2) * (n-4) * \dots * 6 * 4 * 2}{n * (n-2) * (n-4) * \dots * 6 * 4 * 2}$$

$$= \frac{n * (n-1) * (n-2) * \dots * 6 * 5 * 4 * 3 * 2 * 1}{(n-0) * (n-2) * (n-4) * \dots * 6 * 4 * 2}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{\left\{ 2 * \left(\frac{n}{2} - 0 \right) \right\} * \left\{ 2 * \left(\frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) \right\} * \left\{ 2 * \left(\frac{n}{2} - 3 \right) \right\} * \dots * \left(2 * \frac{6}{2} \right) * \left(2 * \frac{4}{2} \right) * \left(2 * \frac{2}{2} \right)}$$

$$= \frac{n!}{(2)^{n/2} * \left\{ \left(\frac{n}{2} \right) * \left(\frac{n}{2} - 1 \right) * \left(\frac{n}{2} - 2 \right) * \dots * 3 * 2 * 1 \right\}} = \frac{n!}{(2)^{n/2} * \left(\frac{n}{2} \right)!}$$



Topic : Perfect Matching

Find the number of perfect matching in a complete graph K_n (n is even)

$$= \frac{n!}{(2)^{n/2} \cdot \left(\frac{n}{2}\right)!}$$

→ No. of Perfect matching for Complete graph $K_{2n} = \frac{(2n)!}{(2)^n \cdot n!}$

H.W. Q. Find the matching numbers of the following graphs

(i) Complete graph K_n

(ii) Cycle graph C_n

(iii) Wheel graph W_n

(iv) Complete bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$

(v) Star graph with n -vertices



2 mins Summary



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