



For a given Graph, $G = (V, E)$ and a subset $S \subseteq V(G)$, we define -

$q(G) = \text{no. of odd components in } G$.

Lemma If G is a perfect matching, then

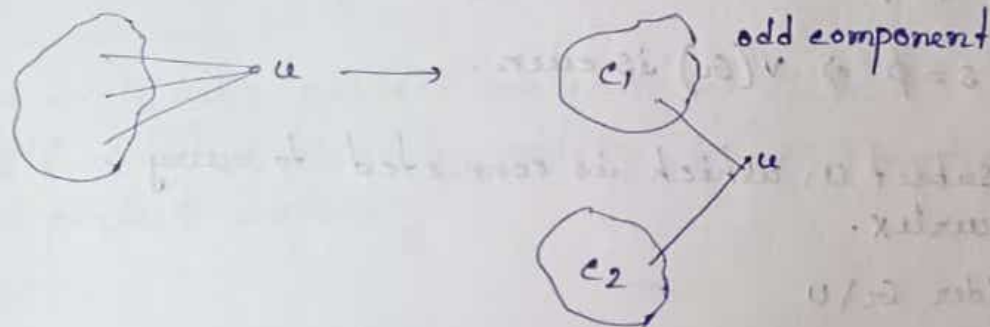
$$q(G \setminus S) \leq |S| \quad \forall S \subseteq V(G)$$

Proof G has a perfect matching

Let, $G - u$ has more than two odd components.

Removing one vertex u , make two odd component.

Then total vertices odd + odd + u •
it always odd • hence not a perfect matching.



Now, $G \setminus S$ has more than $|S|$ odd component.

No. of components $> |S| + 1$

according to pigeon hole principle, There must be two component adjacent to one particular vertex, say v .

Then, we can consider only one. Hence, it won't be perfect matching.

So, $q(G \setminus S) \leq |S| \quad \forall S \subseteq V(G)$.

Theorem (Tutte's Theorem) $\rightarrow G$ has a perfect matching
iff $q(G \setminus S) \leq |S| \quad \forall S \subseteq V(G)$.

Proof

(i) First part is done.

(ii) $q(G \setminus S) \leq |S| \quad \forall S \subseteq V(G) \rightarrow G$ is a perfect matching.

(By contradiction) G doesn't have perfect matching.
and G is edge maximal in perfect matching.
i.e. $G' = G \cup \{e\}$ has a perfect matching.

$$q(G' \setminus S) \leq q(G \setminus S) \quad \forall S$$

$$\rightarrow G' = G \cup \{e\} \quad V(G) = V(G')$$

G' has a perfect matching

$$q(G' \setminus S) \leq |S| \quad \forall S$$

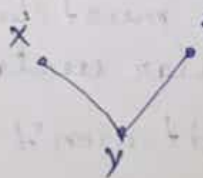
Take $S = \emptyset \Rightarrow v(G)$ is even.

consider a subset U , which is connected to every other vertex.

Now, consider $G \setminus U$

case (i) - $G \setminus U$ is a disjoint union of cliques.

case (ii) - $G \setminus U$ is not a disjoint union of cliques.



$G \cup \{e\}$ is a perfect matching

$$M_1 = G \cup (x, z)$$

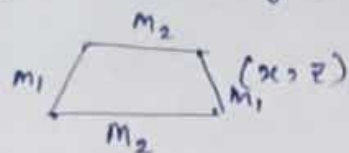
$$M_2 = G \cup (y, w)$$

$$F = (V, E') \quad E' = M_1 \Delta M_2$$

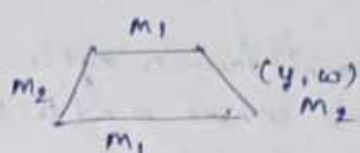
F has degree either 0 or 2.

so, F is a union of disjoint ~~cycles~~ cycles or isolated vertices.

cycles containing (x, z) or (y, w)

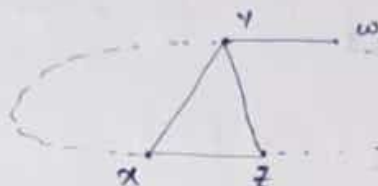


remove M_2 ,



remove M_1 .

both (x, z) and (y, w) are in a cycle.



Theorem (Baird's Theorem) \rightarrow the largest matching in a n -vertex graph has size

$$\frac{1}{2} \left[n + \min_{S \subseteq V} (|S| - q(G \setminus S)) \right]$$

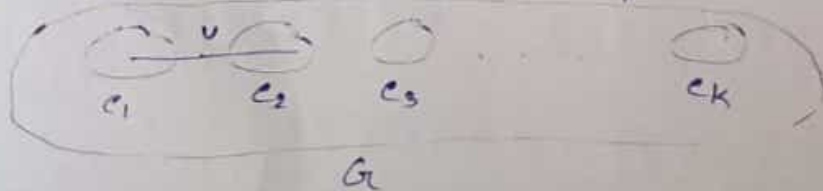
Hint \rightarrow G has a perfect matching of size K

iff $G^{(K)}$ obtained by adding $(n-2K)$ vertices have perfect matching.

Hamiltonian cycle \rightarrow A cycle containing all the vertices of the graph.

Theorem G is a hamiltonian then for any set $S \subseteq V$ the graph $G \setminus S$ has at most $|S|$ connected components.

Pf let, $G \setminus S$ has K connected components.



Going from one component to another, should pass through a vertex.

Thm If G has $n \geq 3$ if $\deg(v) \geq n/2$ then G is hamiltonian.

Pf G doesn't have a hamiltonian cycle but $G' = G \cup \{e\}$ does where $e = (u, v)$.



u connected to at least $n/2$ vertices
 v " " " " $n/2$ "

There must be a vertex in common.
 So, hamiltonian cycle.

Thm If $\deg(u) + \deg(v) \geq n$ then graph is hamiltonian

$$\left(\left(\frac{2}{n} \right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{n} \right) \left[\frac{1}{2} \right]$$