

## 0.1 Example

**Definition 0.1.** Let  $\mathcal{I}$  be the collection of subsets of  $E$  that do not contain all of the edges of any simple closed path or *cycle* of  $G$ .

**Definition 0.2.** We get a matroid on the edge set of every graph  $G$  by defining  $\mathcal{I}$  as above. This matroid is called the *cycle matroid* of the graph  $G$  and is denoted  $M(G)$ .

**Definition 0.3.** If  $M$  is a matroid, then there exists a bijection from the ground set of  $M_i$  to the ground set of  $M_j$ , such that a set is independent in the first matroid if and only if it is independent in the second matroid, then  $M_i$  and  $M_j$  are said to be isomorphic.

*Note.* A matroid that is isomorphic to the cycle matroid of some graph is called graphic. And every graphic matroid is binary

The numbers of non-isomorphic matroids, simple matroids and binary matroids on an  $n$ -element set for  $0 \leq n \leq 8$

n	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
matroids	1	2	4	8	17	38	98	306	1724
binary matroids	1	2	4	8	16	32	68	148	342