

# Lecture #10 (Week 4) 4/22 Mon

## Menger's Theorem (Vertex-form)

$\kappa(u,v)$  is the max. number of internally-disj.  $uv$ -paths if  $u,v$  are not adjacent.

## Menger's Theorem (Edge-form)

$\lambda(u,v)$  is the min. size of edges separating  $u$  and  $v$ .

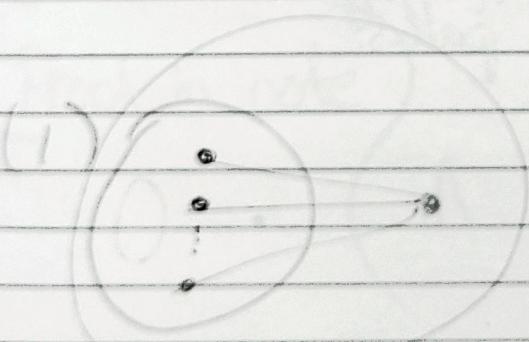
$\kappa(u,v)$  is the max. number of edge-disj.  $uv$ -paths.

## Fan Lemma

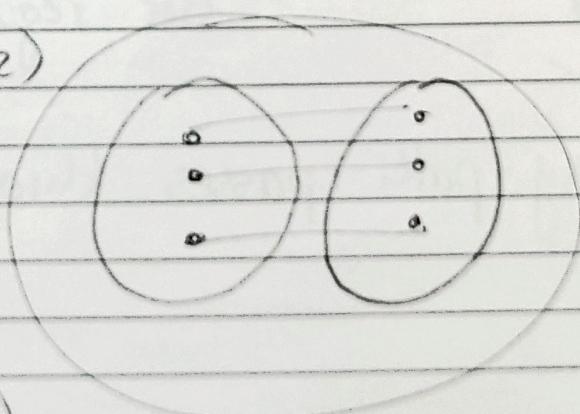
If  $G$  is a  $k$ -connected graph, then

(1) If  $A$  is any set of  $k$  vertices and  $x \notin A$ , then there exists paths  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_k$  from  $x$  to  $A$  s.t.  $V(P_i) \cap V(P_j) = \{x\} \quad \forall i \neq j$

(2) If  $A$  and  $B$  are two sets of  $k$  vertices in  $G$ , there exists vertex-disj. path  $P_1, \dots, P_k$  with one end in  $A$  and one end in  $B$ .



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Use vertex form  
to prove something  
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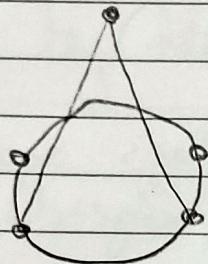
$A_1, B_1$   
 $A_2, B_2$

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## Prove (Left as exercise)

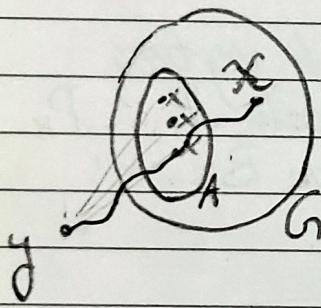
Fact: If we add a vertex of deg.  $k$  to  $G$ , the new  $G$  is still  $k$ -connected.

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### Proof of (1):

Add a vertex  $y$  joined by all vertices in  $A$ . Then the new graph  $G'$  is still  $k$ -connected by the fact.

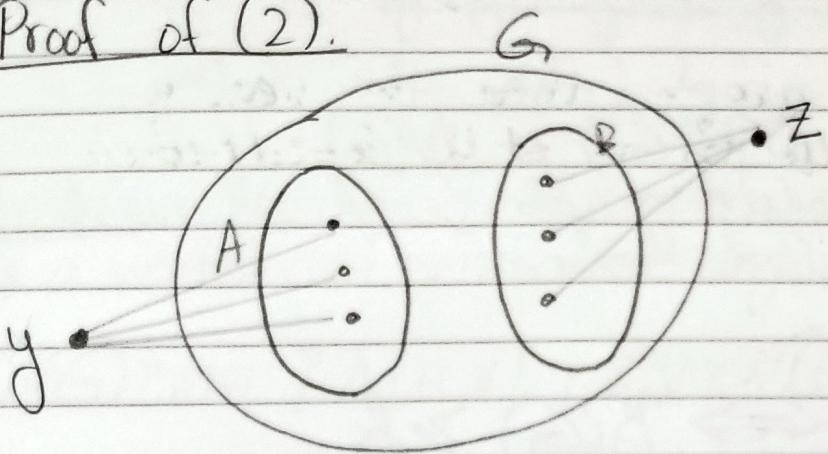


By Menger's Theorem, there are  $k$  internally disjoint  $xy$ -paths.

Then  $P_i = Q_i - \{y\}$  are the required paths.

( $Xy$ -path passes through  $A$ .)

Proof of (2).



$G^*$  plus a vertex  $z$ -connected to  $B$  is still  $k$ -connected, by fact.  
So by Menger there are  $k$  internally disj.  $y, z$ -paths. Remove  $y, z$  from them  $\square$

Dirac's Theorem

( $k \geq 2$ )

If  $G$  is a  $k$ -connected graph and  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in V(G)$ , then there is a cycle  $C \subseteq G$  s.t.  $V(C) \supseteq \{x_1, \dots, x_k\}$ .

(Proof in note)

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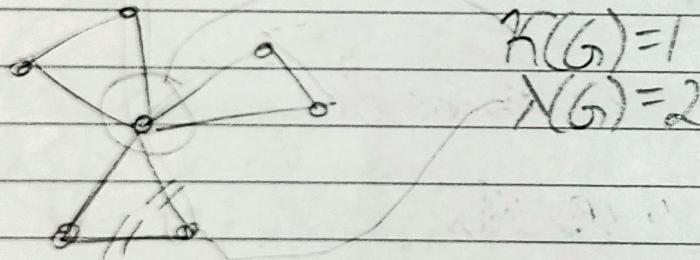
## Vertex and edge connectivity

If  $G$  is a graph, then the vertex connectivity  $\kappa(G)$  is  $N(G) - 1$  if  $G$  is a complete graph, and otherwise it is the smallest size of a vertex cut in  $G$ .

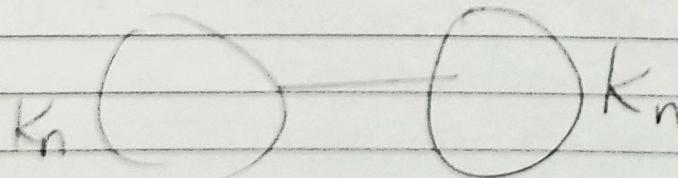
$$k\text{-connected} \iff \kappa(G) \geq k$$

The edge-connectivity  $\lambda(G)$  is the min. size of an edge cut of  $G$ .

$$k\text{-edge-connected} \iff \lambda(G) \geq k$$



$\lambda(G)=1$  when it is a bridge



$$\kappa(G) = \lambda(G) = 1$$

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Corollary For any graph  $G$ ,

$$\chi(G) \leq \lambda(G) \leq \delta(G)$$

Proof  $\lambda(G) \leq \delta(G)$  - remove all edges on a vertex of minimum degree.

$$\lambda(G) = \min \{ \lambda(u,v) \mid u, v \in V(G) \}$$

$$\chi(G) = \min \{ \chi(u,v) \mid \{u, v\} \notin E(G), u, v \in V(G) \}$$

Let  $l(u,v)$ ,  $k(u,v)$  be the max number of edge-disjoint, internally-disj uv-paths.  
Then  $\lambda(u,v) \geq k(u,v)$

$$\chi(G) = \min \{ \chi(u,v) \mid u, v \in V(G), \{u, v\} \notin E(G) \}$$

$$(\text{Menger}) = \min \{ k(u,v) \mid u, v \in V(G) \}$$

$$\leq \min \{ l(u,v) \mid u, v \in V(G) \}$$

$$(\text{Menger}) = \min \{ \lambda(u,v) \mid u, v \in V(G) \}$$

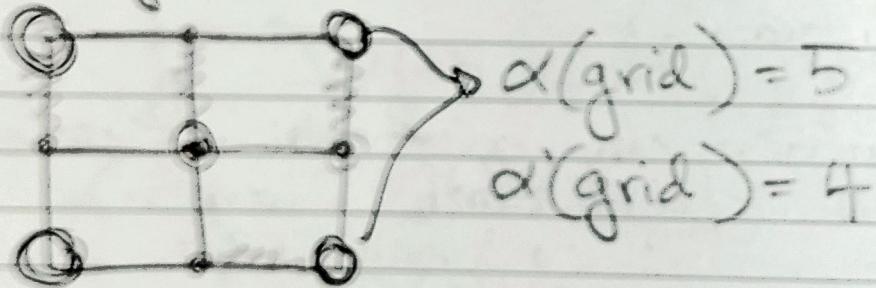
$$= \lambda(G)$$

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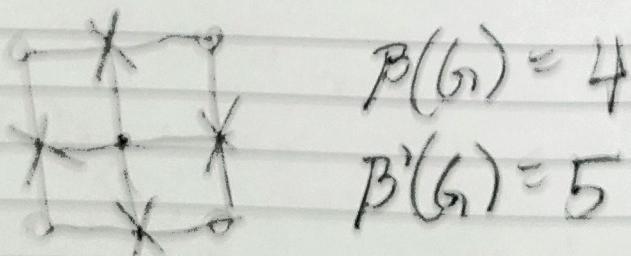
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## Matching and Factor

- A matching in a graph is a subgraph containing of vertex disj. edges.
- A maximum matching is a matching with as many edges as possible.
- A perfect matching or 1-factor is a matching covering all the vertices of the graph.
- An independent set in a graph is a set of vertices containing no edges. Let  $\alpha(G)$  denote the largest size of an independent set in a graph  $G$ . The size of a maximum matching is  $\alpha'(G)$ .



- A vertex cover in a graph is a set of vertices s.t. every edge contains at least one vertex from the set. The size of a smallest vertex cover is  $\beta(G)$ .



→ An edge cover is a set of edges covering all the vertices, the smallest size of an edge cover in a graph  $G$  is denoted as  $\beta'(G)$ .

→  $\beta(G)$  is equal to perfect matching if it exists.

Lemma (1)

For any graph  $\alpha(G) + \beta(G) = |V(G)|$

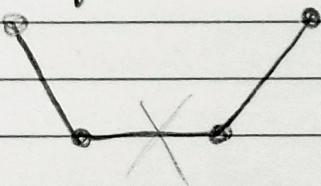
Lemma (2)

For any graph without isolated vertices,

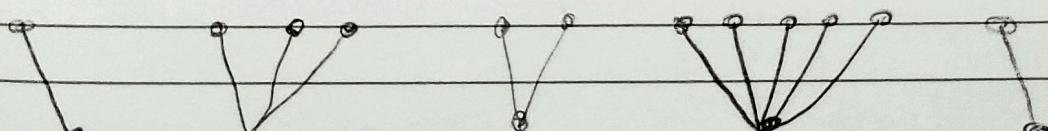
$$\alpha'(G) + \beta'(G) = |V(G)|$$

Proof of Lemma (2)

Let  $F$  be a minimum edge cover with  $\beta'(G)$  edges. For every edge of  $F$ , some ends of that edge is not contained in any other edges of  $F$ .



So  $F$  is a union of star components.



If we take one edge from each component of  $F$ , we get a matching  $M$ .

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$$|E(F)| = |V(G)| - |E(M)|$$

$$\beta'(G) = |V(G)| - |E(M)| \geq |V(G)| - \alpha'(G)$$

$$\beta'(G) \geq |V(G)| - \alpha'(G)$$

$$\beta'(G) + \alpha'(G) \geq |V(G)|$$

But also

$$\beta'(G) + \alpha'(G) \leq |V(G)|$$

→ Pick one edge on each vertex not covered by a maximum matching.

→ Two vertex cover has size

$$\alpha'(G) + |V(G)| - 2\alpha'(G) \geq \beta'(G)$$

$$|V(G)| \geq \beta'(G) + \alpha'(G)$$

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## König's Theorem

If  $G$  is a bipartite graph with no isolated vertices, then  $\alpha'(G) = \beta(G)$  and  $\beta'(G) = \alpha(G)$ .

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$\alpha'(G)$  = size of largest matching

$\alpha(G)$  = size of largest independent set

$\beta'(G)$  = size of smallest edge cover

$\beta(G)$  = size of smallest vertex cover

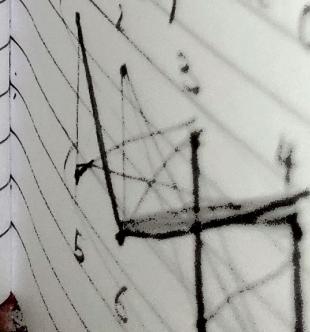
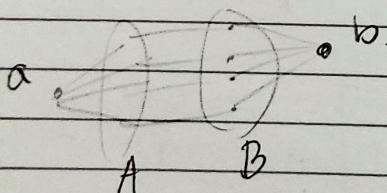
- If  $G$  is a graph with no isolated vertices, then  $\alpha(G) + \beta(G) = |V(G)|$  and  $\alpha'(G) + \beta'(G) = |V(G)|$

König's Theorem

If  $G$  is a bipartite graph  $\alpha'(G) = \beta(G)$

Proof We use Menger's Theorem (Vertex)

Let  $A$  and  $B$  be the parts of  $G$ . Add a vector vertex  $a$  adjacent to every vertex in  $A$  and a vertex  $b$  adjacent to every vertex in  $B$ .



The minimum size of an ab-separator is  $\beta(G)$ . By Menger's Theorem, there are  $\beta(G)$  internally disjoint ab-paths, take an edge of  $G$  in, the paths to get a matching, so  $\alpha'(G) \geq \beta(G)$ . But there are  $\alpha'(G)$  ab-paths (through each edge of a maximum matching. So  $\alpha'(G) \leq \beta(G)$ )

E.g. König Theorem does not work

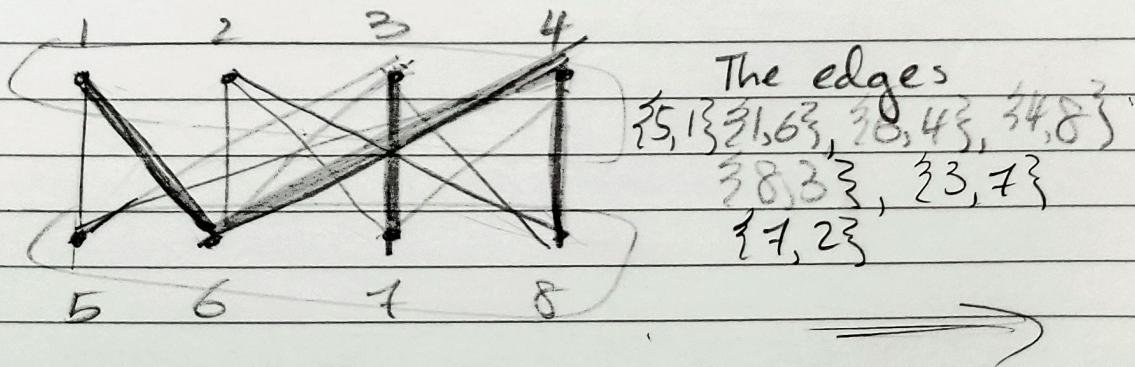
$$K_3 = T = \begin{array}{c} \bullet \\ | \\ \bullet - \bullet \end{array} \quad \beta(T) = 2 \quad \text{for nonbipartite graphs}$$

$$\alpha'(G) = 1$$

### Matching Algorithm (Hungarian Alg.)

Let  $G$  be a bipartite graph with parts  $A$  and  $B$ , and let  $M$  be a matching in  $G$ . A path  $P \subseteq G$  is alternating with respect to  $M$ .

If the edges of  $P$  are alternating in  $E(M)$  and  $E(G) \setminus E(M)$



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A augmenting path is an alternating path that begins and ends with an edge not in  $M$ .

New (better) matching

$$M' = \{ \{5, B_3\}, \{6, A_3\}, \{8, B_3\}, \{7, 2\} \}$$

• Perfect Matching  
•  $\frac{1}{2}$ -factor

Berge's Theorem

A matching  $M$  in a graph  $G$  is maximum matching iff there is no  $M$ -augmenting paths.

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Given Bipartite  $\rightarrow$  apply Berge to find augmenting paths.

→ Maximum Matching

# Kuhn-Munkres / Königs Alg.

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- ① Start with bipartite graph  $G$  with parts  $A$  and  $B$ , and a matching  $M$ .
- ② Let  $U$  be the set of vertices exposed by  $M$  (not covered by  $M$ ).
  - ②.1 Grow alternating paths out of all vertices in  $U$ .
  - ②.2 If an edge is in  $U$ , add it to  $M$  and go to step 1.
  - ②.3 Grow alternating paths until some path  $P$  is augmenting for  $M$ . Then switch  $E(P) \cap E(M)$  with  $E(P) \cap E(G) \setminus E(M)$  to get a bigger matching  $M$ , go to step 1.
- ④.4 If no augmenting path, done