

Book: Quantum Computation & Quantum Information.

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problem 5.1: give a direct proof that the linear transformation defined by Equation (5.2) is unitary.

Proof: The equation (5.2) is:

$$|ij\rangle \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} e^{2\pi i j k / N} |ik\rangle$$

let  $e^{2\pi i / N} = w$ .

Then the corresponding linear transformation  $V$  is given by:

$$V = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left( \begin{array}{ccc} & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & w^{kj} & \\ & & \\ & & \end{array} \right)$$

k-th row

↓

j-th column.

To show that  $U$  is unitary we need to show that

$$UU^T = I \quad (\text{+ denotes adjoint})$$

Note that  $U$  is a symmetric matrix.

$$\Rightarrow U^T = U$$

$$\Rightarrow (U^T)^* = U^*$$

( $U^T$  = transpose of  $T$  and  $*$  denotes complex conjugation).

$$\Rightarrow U^T = U^*$$

$$\Rightarrow U^T = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \begin{pmatrix} & & & \\ & & w^{-jk} & \\ & & & \\ & & & \end{pmatrix}_{j\text{-th column}}^{k\text{-th row}}$$

$\Rightarrow$  the  $k$ -th row &  $j$ -th column element of  $UU^T$  is given by the product of inner product of the  $k$ -th row of  $U$  & the  $j$ -th column of  $U^T$ .

$$\Rightarrow \cancel{(v-v)}(k-j) = 0 \pmod{N}.$$

that is:

$$(UV^+)^{kj} = \frac{1}{N} \left( 1 w^k + \dots + w^{(N-1)k} \right) \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ w^j \\ \vdots \\ w^{(N-1)j} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \left[ 1 + w^{(k-j)} + \dots + w^{(N-1)(k-j)} \right]$$

case i:  $k=j$ . Then:

$$(UV^+)^{kk} = (UV^+)^{jj} = \frac{1}{N} (1 + w^0 + \dots + w^0)$$

$$= \frac{1}{N} \times N = 1$$

case ii:  $k \neq j$ . Then  $w^{k-j} \neq 1$

$$(0 \leq k-j \leq N-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow (UV^+)^{kj} = \frac{1 - w^{(k-j)N}}{1 - w^{k-j}}$$

$$= \frac{1 - (w^N)^{k-j}}{1 - w^{k-j}} = \frac{1 - 1^{k-j}}{1 - w^{k-j}} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow UU^\dagger = I$$

$\Rightarrow U$  is unitary matrix.  
This completes the proof.

Problem 2: Verification of Equation (5.12)

Proof: we will derive equation (5.13)

using the equations (5.11) & (5.12).

$$R_k = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{2\pi i / 2^k} \end{bmatrix} \quad (5.11)$$

The initial state is

$$|j_1 j_2 \dots j_n\rangle$$

Applying the Hadamard gate to the first bit produces the state :

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} (|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1} |1\rangle) |j_2 \dots j_n\rangle \quad (5.12)$$

where,  $0 \cdot j_1 j_2 \dots j_m$  represents the

binary fraction  $\frac{j_0}{2} + \frac{j_1}{2^2} + \dots + \frac{j_m}{2^{m-l+1}}$

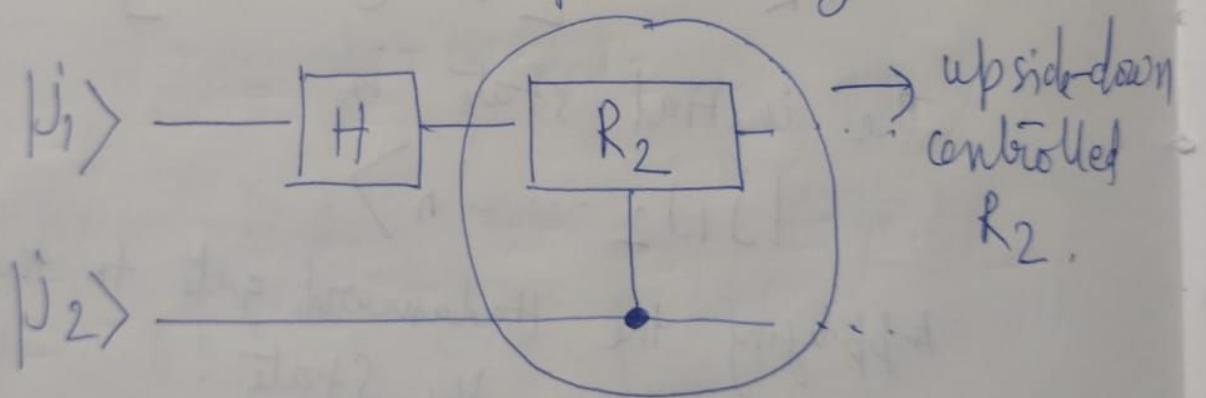
(5.12) is true because

$$e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1} = \begin{cases} -1 & \text{when } j_1 = 1 \\ +1 & \text{when } j_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

we need to show that applying the controlled- $R_2$  gate produces the state:

$$\frac{1}{2} |j_2\rangle (|0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 j_2} |1\rangle) |j_2 \dots j_n\rangle \quad (5.13)$$

The relevant part of the circuit for the Quantum Fourier Transformer is given below:



$$R_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & e^{2\pi i / 4} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{from eqn (5.11).}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{controlled-}R_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{2\pi i / 4} \end{bmatrix}$$

But as shown in the diagram we are dealing with an

upside-down-controlled  $R_2$  ( $= G$  let's say).

$$\text{Then } G = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & e^{2\pi i/4} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow G|0\rangle|j_2\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{|j_2|}} \begin{cases} |0\rangle|j_2\rangle & j_2=0 \\ |0\rangle(R_2|j_2\rangle) & j_2 \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

and,

$$G|1\rangle|j_2\rangle = \frac{1}{2^{|j_2|}} \begin{cases} |1\rangle|j_2\rangle & j_2=0 \\ |1\rangle(R_2|j_2\rangle) & j_2 \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

so when  $G$  acts on the expression in (5.12) the result is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2^{1/2}} \left[ |0\rangle |j_2\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1} |1\rangle |j_2\rangle \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^{1/2}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |0\rangle |j_2\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1} |1\rangle |j_2\rangle \\ \quad \text{if } j_2 = 0 \\ |0\rangle (|j_2\rangle) + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1} \times e^{2\pi i / 4} |1\rangle |j_2\rangle \\ \quad \text{if } j_2 = 1 \end{array} \right. \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad \hline \quad ①
 \end{aligned}$$

Now the expression in (5.13) is :

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{1}{2^{1/2}} \left( |0\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1 j_2} |1\rangle \right) |j_2\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^{1/2}} |0\rangle |j_2\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1} \times e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot 0 j_2} |1\rangle |j_2\rangle \\
 &= \frac{1}{2^{1/2}} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} |0\rangle |j_2\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1} |1\rangle |j_2\rangle \\ \quad \text{if } j_2 = 0 \\ |0\rangle |j_2\rangle + e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot j_1} \times e^{2\pi i / 4} |1\rangle |j_2\rangle \\ \quad \text{if } j_2 = 1 \end{array} \right. \\
 &\qquad\qquad\qquad \hline \quad ②
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(\text{because } e^{2\pi i 0 \cdot 0} = e^{2\pi i \times \frac{1}{4}}$$

$= e^{2\pi i / 4}$  ) using the definition  
of a decimal notation as given  
earlier )

The right hand sides of both the  
equations ① & ② are the same.  
This completes the proof.

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Book: Explorations in Quantum Computing.

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problem 6.7: Prove the convolution property

of the  $n$ -qubit Quantum Fourier  
transform. Suppose we have two  $n$ -qubit  
quantum states :

$$|\psi\rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k |k\rangle$$

$$|\varphi\rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} d_k |k\rangle$$

(where  $N = 2^n$ )

Define the convolution of  $|\psi\rangle$  &  $|\varphi\rangle$  as

convolution ( $|\psi\rangle$ ,  $|\varphi\rangle$ )

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} c_l d_{j-l} |j\rangle$$

where  $d_{j-l} = d_{N+j-l}$  if  $j-l < 0$ .

Your task is to show that the QFT of the convolution is related to the QFT of the states themselves. To see this write the QFTs of  $|\psi\rangle$  and  $|\varphi\rangle$  as:

$$\text{QFT } |\psi\rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \alpha_k |k\rangle \quad \left. \right\} - (6.28)$$

$$\text{QFT } |\varphi\rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \beta_k |k\rangle \quad \left. \right\}$$

and based on these definitions prove that:

$\text{QFT}(\text{convolution}(|\psi\rangle, |\varphi\rangle))$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \alpha_j \beta_j |j\rangle \quad - (6.29)$$

Proof: First we obtain the  $\alpha_k^i$ 's and  $\beta_k^i$ 's for the representation given in (6.28).

We start with  $|\psi\rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k |k\rangle$

Then,

$$\text{QFT}(|\psi\rangle) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k \text{QFT}(|k\rangle)$$

(by the linearity of the QFT)

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e^{2\pi i j k} |j\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} c_k e^{2\pi i j k} \right) |j\rangle$$

(by interchanging the sums over  $j \neq k$ )

$$\Rightarrow \alpha_k = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} c_j e^{2\pi i j k}$$

Similarly,

$$\beta_k = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} d_j e^{2\pi i j k}$$

$\Rightarrow \alpha_k^i$ 's &  $\beta_k^i$ 's for (6.28) are found.

NOW,  
 $\text{QFT}[\text{convolution } (|\psi\rangle, |\varphi\rangle)]$ :

$$= \text{QFT} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} c_l \cdot d_{j-l} |lj\rangle$$

$$= \text{QFT} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left( \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} c_l \cdot d_{j-l} \right) |lj\rangle \right]$$

$$= \text{QFT} \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \cdot \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} e_j' |lj\rangle$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} d_k' |ik\rangle$$

where,  $d_k' = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} c_j \cdot e^{2\pi i j k}$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \left( \sum_{l=0}^{N-1} c_l \cdot d_{j-l} \right) e^{2\pi i j k}$$

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On the other hand, the RHS of (6.29) is:

$$= \left( \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} c_p \cdot e^{2\pi i kp} \right) \left( \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} d_q \cdot e^{2\pi i kq} \right)$$

So first term is :

$$= \sum_{p=0}^{N-1} \sum_{q=0}^{N-1} c_p d_q e^{2\pi i j k (p+q)}$$

$$= \sum_{p+q \leq N-1} c_p d_q e^{2\pi i j k (p+q)}$$

$$+ \sum_{p+q \geq N} c_p d_q e^{2\pi i j k (p+q)}$$

For the first summation, make the change of variable  $p+q = km \Rightarrow q = m - p$ .

$$q \geq 0 \Rightarrow p \leq km$$

so first term becomes

$$= \sum_{p=0}^{km} \sum_{m-k=0}^{N-1} c_p d_{m-k-p} e^{2\pi i m j k}$$

$$= \sum_{m-k=0}^{N-1} \sum_{p=0}^{km} c_p d_{m-k-p} e^{2\pi i m j k}$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{l=0}^j c_l d_{j-l} e^{2\pi i j k}$$

For the second summation, make the change  
of variable:

$$m = p + q - N$$

$$\Rightarrow q = m - p + N$$

$$\text{when } q = 0 \Rightarrow m = N - p$$

$$\text{& } q = N - 1 \Rightarrow m = p + 1.$$

so second term becomes

$$= \sum_{p=m+1}^{N-m} \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} c_p d_q e^{2\pi i j k (p+q-N)}$$

$$= \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} \sum_{p=m+1}^{N-m} c_p d_q e^{2\pi i j k (0 + 2\pi i N - 1)}$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{k=m+1}^{N-m} c_{\ell} d_{j-\ell} e^{2\pi i j k}$$

so the sum of the two terms is

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{\ell=0}^j c_{\ell} d_{j-\ell} e^{2\pi i j k} + \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{\ell=j+1}^{N-j} c_{\ell} d_{j-\ell} e^{2\pi i j k}$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \sum_{\ell=0}^{N-1} c_{\ell} d_{j-\ell} e^{2\pi i j k}. \quad \text{--- } ②$$

RHS of ① & ② are same which completes the proof!

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problem 1: Let  $G$  be a bipartite graph with bipartition  $(X, Y)$ . Let  $A, B$  be subsets of  $X$ . Show that

$$(a) N(A \cup B) = N(A) \cup N(B)$$

$$(b) N(A \cap B) \subseteq N(A) \cap N(B)$$

$$(c) |N(A \cup B)| + |N(A \cap B)| \leq |N(A)| + |N(B)|$$

Solution: (a) Let  $y \in N(A \cup B)$

$$\Rightarrow \exists x \in A \cup B \text{ s.t } xy \in E(G)$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} y \in A & \text{then } xy \in N(A) \\ y \in B & \text{then } xy \in N(B) \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore x \in A \cup B \Rightarrow xy \in N(A) \cup N(B)$$

$$\Rightarrow N(A \cup B) \subseteq N(A) \cup N(B)$$

Next let  $y \in N(A) \cup N(B)$ .  
 then  $y \in N(A)$  or  $y \in N(B)$  or both.  
 $\Rightarrow y \in N(A), \exists x \in A$  s.t  $xy \in E$   
 $\& y \in N(B), \exists x \in B$  s.t  $xy \in E$   
 $\Rightarrow y \in N(A) \cup N(B), \exists x \in A \cup B$   
 $\Rightarrow y \in N(A) \cup N(B)$ , such that  $xy \in E$   $\Rightarrow y \in N(A \cup B)$   
 $\Rightarrow N(A \cup B) \supseteq N(A) \cup N(B)$ .  
 $\Rightarrow N(A \cup B) = N(A) \cup N(B)$ .  
 $\Rightarrow$  (both inclusions proved).

(b)  $A \cap B \subseteq A \Rightarrow N(A \cap B) \subseteq N(A)$   
 $A \cap B \subseteq B \Rightarrow N(A \cap B) \subseteq N(B)$

 $\Rightarrow N(A \cap B) \subseteq N(A) \cap N(B)$   
 $\text{(D.O. of inclusion in both } N(A) \text{ & } N(B))$ 

(c)  $|N(A \cup B)| \leq |N(A) \cup N(B)|$   
 $= |N(A)| + |N(B)| - |N(A) \cap N(B)|$   
 $\leq |N(A)| + |N(B)| - |N(A \cap B)|$   
 $\quad$  (by the result in (b))  
 $\Rightarrow |N(A \cup B)| + |N(A \cap B)| \leq |N(A)| + |N(B)|$

problem 2: Let  $G$  be a bipartite graph with bipartition  $(X, Y)$ . Prove that  $G$  contains a complete matching from  $X$  to  $Y$  if and only if  $|X \setminus N(T)| \leq |Y \setminus T| \forall T \subseteq Y$ .

solution: Suppose the condition holds i.e.,

$$|X \setminus N(T)| \leq |Y \setminus T| \forall T \subseteq Y.$$

Now let  $S \subseteq X$  be any subset of  $X$ .

Taking  $T = N(S)^c$ , we get

$$|X \setminus N(N(S)^c)| \leq |Y| - |N(S)^c|$$

$$\text{or } |X| - |N(N(S)^c)| \leq |N(S)|$$

it suffices to prove that

$$|S| \leq |X| - |N(N(S)^c)|$$

$$\Leftrightarrow |S| + |N(N(S)^c)| \leq |X|. \quad \text{X}$$

claim:  $N(N(S)) \cap N(N(S)^c) = \emptyset$

if not, then  $\exists y_1 \in N(S)$  and

$\exists y_2 \in N(S)^c$  such that

$$xy_1 \in E(G) \text{ and } xy_2 \in E(G)$$

But then since  
 Now let  $M$  be the complete matching  
 of  $Y$ . Then since  $xy_1$  &  $xy_2$  have  
 a common vertex, so,  
 $xy_1$  &  $xy_2$  cannot be in the  
 matching  $M$ . (by definition of a matching)

- $\Rightarrow |M| < |X|$
- $\Rightarrow M \text{ is not a complete matching.}$
- $\Rightarrow$  a contradiction.
- $\Rightarrow$  there cannot exist an  $x$  such that  
 $x \in N(N(S)) \cap N(N(S)^c)$
- $\Rightarrow N(N(S)) \cap N(N(S)^c) = \emptyset$   
 as claimed.

But then this implies that

$$|N(N(S) \cup N(S)^c)| \\ = |N(N(S))| + |N(N(S)^c)|$$

Now  $N(S) \cup N(S)^c \subseteq Y$

$$\Rightarrow N(N(S) \cup N(S)^c) \subseteq X.$$

$$\Rightarrow |N(N(S) \cup N(S)^c)| \leq |X|.$$

$$\Rightarrow |N(N(S))| + |N(N(S)^c)| \leq |X|.$$

$\Rightarrow$  Now it's trivial to see that

$$|S| \leq |N(N(S))| \text{ if } S \subseteq X.$$

$$\Rightarrow |S| + |N(N(S)^c)| \leq |X|.$$

thus we proved the sufficient condition  $\textcircled{*}$ .

$$\Rightarrow |S| \leq |X| - |N(N(S)^c)| \leq |N(S)|.$$

$$\Rightarrow |S| \leq |N(S)| \text{ if } S \subseteq X$$

$\Rightarrow$  so the condition of Hall's theorem is met  
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$\Rightarrow G$  has a complete matching from  $X$  to  $Y$ .

Next, let's prove the "only if" part.

Assume  $G$  has a complete matching  $M$ .

Then by Hall's theorem,

$$|S| \leq |N(S)| \text{ if } S \subseteq X.$$

So now let  $T \subseteq Y$ .

Let  $S = N(T)^C$ . Then we get

$$|N(T)^C| \leq |N(N(T)^C)|$$

$$\Rightarrow |X| - |N(T)| \leq |N(N(T)^C)| - \textcircled{1}$$

But  $N(N(T)) \cup N(N(T)^C) \subseteq Y$

and  $N(N(T)) \cap N(N(T)^C) = \emptyset$ .

(as proved in the "Y" part)

$$\Rightarrow |N(N(T)) \cup N(T)^C|$$

$$= |N(N(T))| + |N(N(T)^C)|$$

$$\Rightarrow |N(N(T))| + |N(N(T)^C)| \leq |Y|. \quad \textcircled{2}$$

Adding inequalities  $\textcircled{1}$  &  $\textcircled{2}$  we get  
after cancellations of some terms:

$$|X| - |N(T)| \leq |Y| - |N(N(T))| \quad \textcircled{3}$$

But  $|T| \leq |N(N(T))| - \textcircled{4}$

Adding  $\textcircled{3}$  &  $\textcircled{4}$  we get,

$$|X| - |N(T)| \leq |Y| - |T|$$

in other words:

$$|X \setminus N(T)| \leq |Y \setminus T| + T \leq Y.$$

This proves the "only if" part.

And this is the solution to the problem is completed.

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problem: Let  $G = G_2(m, n)$  be a

bipartite graph with vertex classes  $V_1 \cup V_2$  containing a complete matching from  $V_1$  to  $V_2$ .

Prove that there is a vertex  $x \in V_1$  such that for every edge  $xy$  there is a matching from  $V_1$  to  $V_2$  that

contains the edge  $xy$ .

Show that matchings of size at least 2 exist.

Solution: Let  $M$  be the complete matching from  $V_1$  to  $V_2$ .

Assume that what we want to prove is not true. So the converse is true. That is, for each  $x \in V_1$ ,  $\exists y \in V_2$  such that there is no matching from  $V_1$  to  $V_2$  that contains the edge  $xy$ .

$$\text{let } V_1 = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_m\}$$

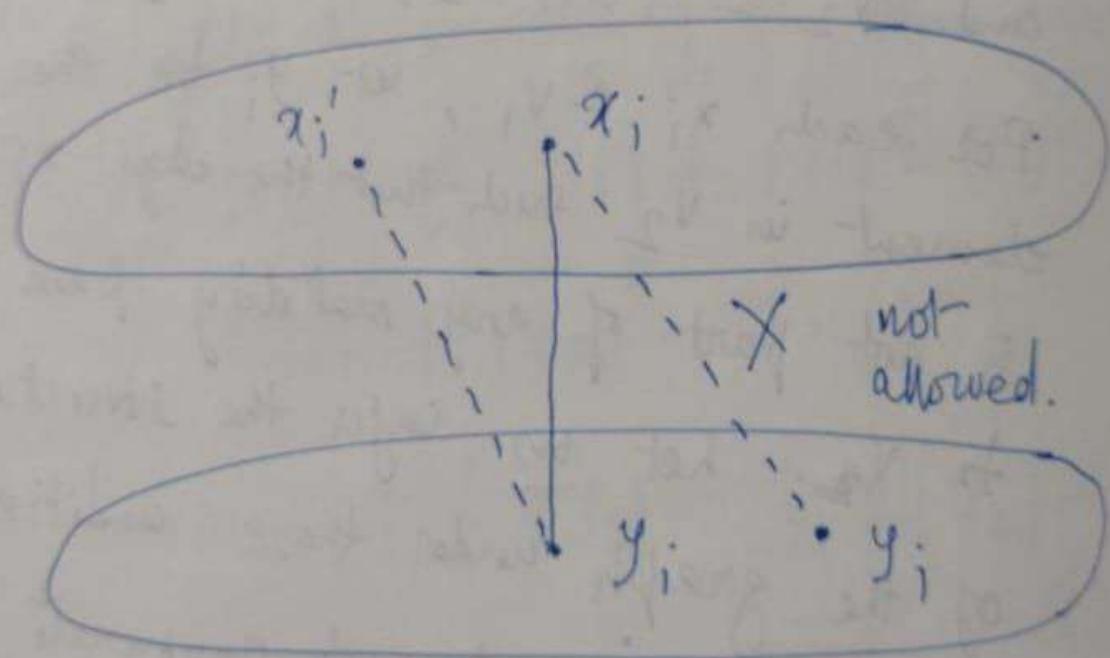
$$\text{and } V_2 = \{y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n\}$$

For each  $x_i \in V_1$ , let  $y_i$  be the element in  $V_2$  such that the edge  $x_i y_i$  is not part of any matching from  $V_1$  to  $V_2$ . Let us infer the structure of the graph under these conditions.

That is let us try to enumerate all possible structures the graph can have under these circumstances.

Since there is no matching from  $v_1$  to  $v_2$ , which contains the edge  $x_i, y_i$ , it follows that each edge  $x_i, y_j$  must fall into one of the following categories:

Scenario 1:  $\exists x'_i \in V_1$  such that  $x'_i, y_j \in E(G)$  and  $\nexists y'_j \in V_2$  such that  $x'_i, y'_j \in E(G)$ . The situation is shown below:



In this case, let  $S = \{x_i, x'_i\}$   
then we have,

$$|N(S)| = |\{y_i, y'_i\}| = 2 \leq |S|$$

So Hall's condition is violated.

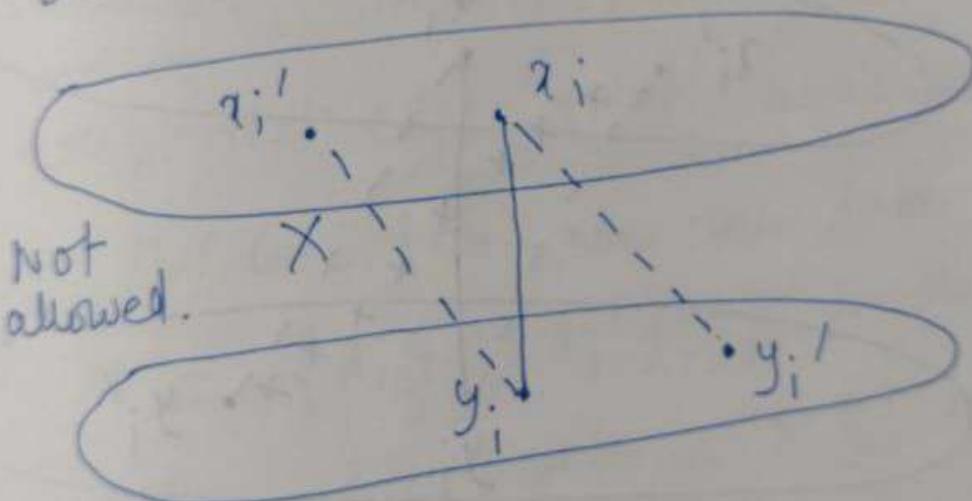
⇒  $G$  does not have a complete matching from  $V_1$  to  $V_2$ .  
This is a contradiction.

⇒ scenario 1 does not arise.

scenario 2:  $\exists y_i' \in V_2$  such that

$x_i y_i' \in E(G)$  and  $\nexists x_i' \in V_1$  such

that  $x_i' y_i \in E(G)$ . The situation is shown below:



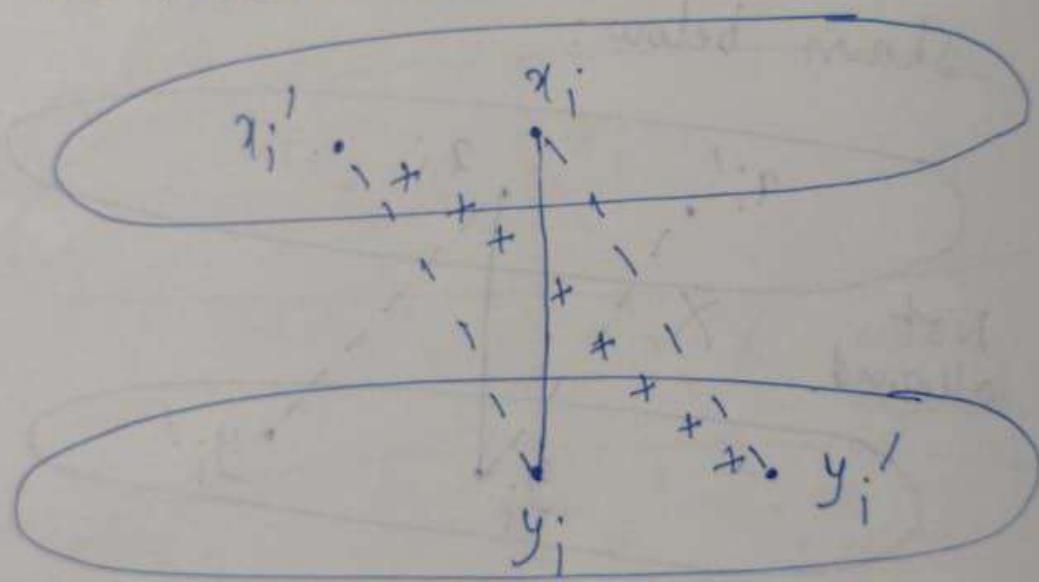
This is a valid scenario.  
If  $\exists$  at least 2 such  $x_i$ 's with this property, then  $M' = \{x_i y_i, x_i' y_i'\}$  is a matching of size at least 2 which contains the edge  $xy_i$ .

This contradicts the assumption that there is no such matching that we made at the beginning. So this scenario doesn't really arise and is ruled out.

Scenario 3:  $\exists x_i' \in V_1$  such that

$x_i' y_i \in E(G)$  &  $\exists y_i' \in V_2$  such that  $x_i' y_i' \in E(G)$  but  $x_i' y_i' \notin E(G)$ .

The scenario is shown below:



Edge  ~~$x_i' y_i'$~~  is not allowed..

~~On this case two defining  $S = \{x_i, y_i'\}$~~   
 $\Rightarrow N(S) = \{y_i\}$ . So Hall's condition is violated.

$\Rightarrow$  this scenario is impossible.

~~here~~  
~~can't~~  
~~E(G)~~

~~scenario 4~~: this is same as scenario 3  
except that edge  $x_i y_j$  is allowed.

On this scenario 3, we can take  
the matching as  $M' = \{x_i y_i, x'_j y'_j\}$   
contradicting the assumption that there  
is no matching of size at least 2  
which contains  $x_i y_i$ .

Scenario 4: this is same as scenario 3  
except that edge  $x'_j y'_j$  is allowed.

On this case too, we can take  
 $M' = \{x_i y_i, x'_j y'_j\}$  as the  
matching which contains  $x_i y_i$  thus  
obtaining a contradiction.

Thus all possible scenarios coming out  
of the assumption that converse is true  
lead to impossible situation. So  
the converse is false. This completes  
the proof.

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problem: let  $G$  be a bipartite graph with bipartition  $(X, Y)$ . Assume that there exists a positive integer  $k$  such that

$$d(y) \leq k \leq d(x) \quad \text{--- } \textcircled{O}$$

for each vertex  $y$  in  $Y$  and each vertex  $x$  in  $X$ . Let  $S \subseteq X$  and denote by  $E_1$  the set of edges in  $G$  incident with some vertex in  $S$ , and by  $E_2$  the set of edges in  $G$  incident with some vertex in  $N(S)$ .

- Show that  $k|S| \leq |E_1| \leq |E_2| \leq k|N(S)|$
- Show that  $G$  has a complete matching from  $X$  to  $Y$ .
- Deduce from (b) that every  $k$ -regular bipartite graph with  $k \geq 1$  has a perfect matching.

Proof: (a)  $d(x) \geq k \forall x \in X$ .  
and  $S \subseteq X$  together imply

$$d(x) \geq k \forall x \in S.$$

Summing over all  $x \in S$  we get

$$\sum_{x \in S} d(x) \geq k|S|.$$

But  $\sum_{x \in S} d(x) = \# \text{ edges incident with}$   
 $\text{some vertex in } S$   
 $= |E_1|.$

$$\text{Thus } |E_1| \geq k|S| \quad \text{--- } ①$$

Similarly  $d(y) \leq k \forall y \in Y$   
and  $N(S) \subseteq Y$  together imply.

$$d(y) \leq k \forall y \in N(S).$$

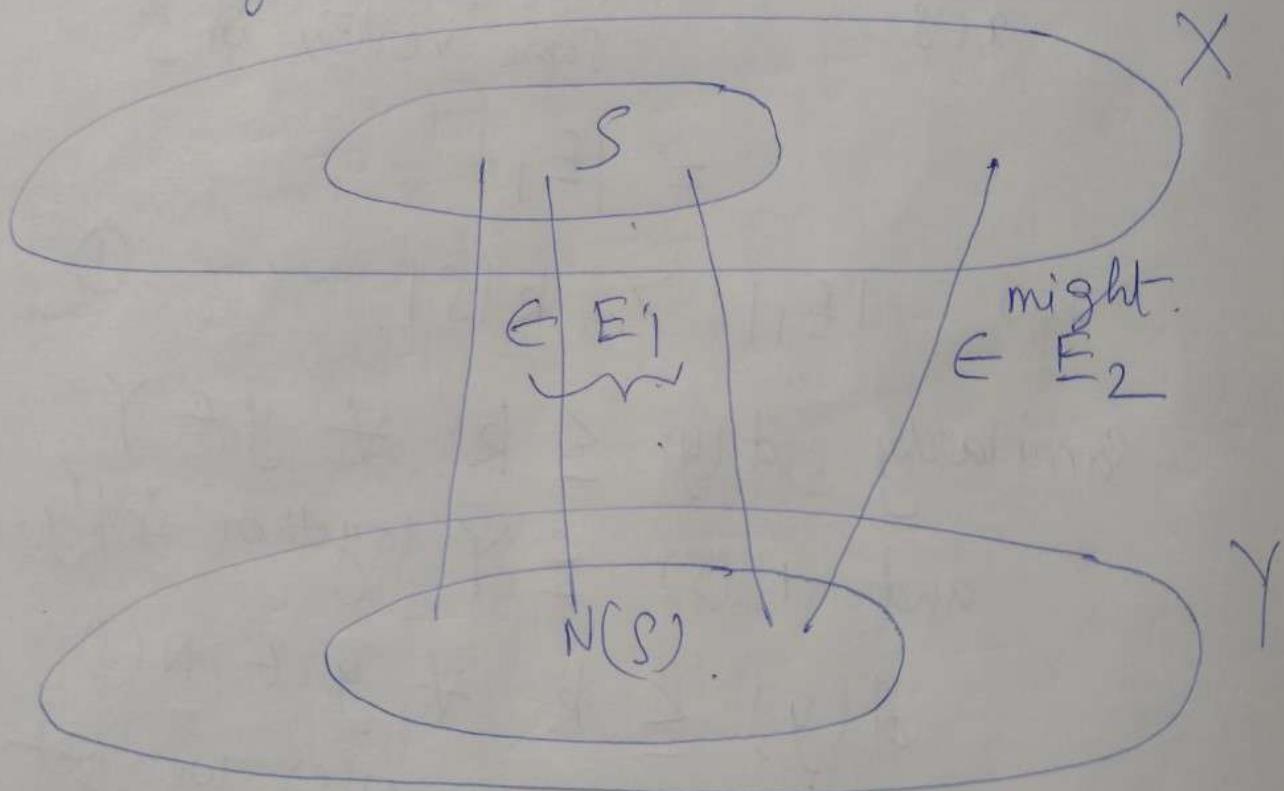
Summing over all  $y \in N(S)$  we get

$$\sum_{y \in N(S)} d(y) \leq k|N(S)|.$$

But  $\sum_{y \in N(S)} d(y) = \# \text{ edges incident with}$   
 $\text{some vertex in } N(S)$   
 $= |E_2|.$

Thus  $|E_2| \leq k|N(S)|$  — ②  
 So to prove (a) it suffices to show  
 that  $|E_1| \leq |E_2|$ .

By definition every edge in  $E_1$  belongs  
 to  $E_2$ . But every edge in  $E_2$  may not  
 belong to  $E_1$ . See diagram below:



Therefore  $E_1 \subseteq E_2$  always.

$$\Rightarrow |E_1| \leq |E_2|.$$

Therefore,

$$k|S| \leq |E_1| \leq |E_2| \leq k|N(S)|$$

(b) Since

$$k|S| \leq |E_1| \leq |E_2| \leq k|N(S)|$$

holds for all subsets  $S \subseteq X$

$$\Rightarrow k|S| \leq |N(S)| \forall S \subseteq X$$

$$\Rightarrow |N(S)| > |S| \forall S \subseteq X$$

So Hall's condition is true.

Therefore Hall's theorem implies that  $G$  has a complete matching.

(c) Now let  $G$  be  $k$ -regular bipartite.

Then,

$$k = d(y) \leq k \leq d(x) = k$$
$$\forall x \in X \text{ & } y \in Y$$

$\Rightarrow$  condition of  $\textcircled{O}$  of the problem is satisfied. So from (b), it follows that  $G$  has a complete matching  $M$ .

i.e., a matching  $M$  such that  $|X| = |M|$   
But for a  $k$ -regular bipartite,  $|X| = |Y|$

$$\Rightarrow |X| = |M| = |Y|$$

$\Rightarrow M$  is a perfect matching.