

Matchings And Coverings?

Matching?

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph. A subgraph M of G is called a matching of G , if each vertex of G is incident with at most one edge in M .

ie. in a matching ' M ', $\deg(v) \leq 1, \forall v \in V$.

ex. $\rightarrow$



G

$\Rightarrow$



M_1

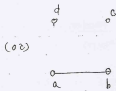


M_2

Null graph



M_3



M_4



M_5

Note $\rightarrow$

- 1) In a matching, if $\deg(v) = 1$, then the vertex ' v ' is said to "matched".
- 2) If $\deg(v) = 0$, then ' v ' is not matched.
- 3) In a matching, no two edges are adjacent.

* Maximal matching $\rightarrow$

① A matching of a graph G is said to be maximal if no other edges of G can be added to M .

From the previous matchings,

M_1, M_2 and M_3 are maximal matchings of G .

(and) M_4 and M_5 are not maximal.

② And also M_1, M_2 and M_3 are the only maximal matchings for this graph.

* Maximum (Largest) matching $\rightarrow$

A maximal matching with max no. of edges is called "maximum matching".

The no. of edges in the maximum matching of G is called "matching number" of G .

Ex. $\rightarrow$ From prev., M_1 and M_2 are "maximum matchings".

$\therefore$ Matching no. of the graph = 2.

* Perfect matching $\rightarrow$

A matching M of graph G is said to be perfect matching if every vertex of G is matched in M .

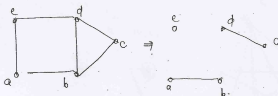
i.e. in a perfect matching, $\deg v = 1$; $\forall v \in G$.

For the prev. ex. M_1 and M_2 both are "Perfect matchings" of G .

Note $\rightarrow$

1) Every perfect matching of a graph is also a "maximum matching" of graph.

2) A maximum matching of a graph need not be perfect.



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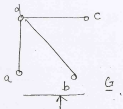
(maximum matching but not a perfect matching.)

3) If a graph G has a perfect matching, then no. of vertices in the graph is even.

C. A graph with odd no. of vertices cannot have perfect matching).

The converse of 8), need not be true.

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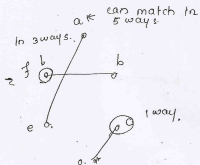
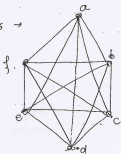


(This graph has even no of vertices, but no perfect matching possible).

4) Complete graph K_n has a perfect matching iff n is even. (no. of vertices are even).

Number of perfect matchings in a complete graph with $2n$ vertices i.e. K_{2n} is
($n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$)

let $K_6 \rightarrow$



$\therefore$ No. of perfect matchings in $K_6 = 5 \times 3 \times 1 = \underline{15}$

Now, for no. of perfect matchings in K_{2n} is

$$(2n-1) \cdot (2n-3) \cdot (2n-5) \dots 5 \cdot 3 \cdot 1$$

$$= \frac{2n!}{2^n \cdot (2n-2) \cdot (2n-4) \cdot 6 \cdot 4 \cdot 2}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{2n!}{2^n \cdot n!}}$$

Q.1. How many perfect matchings in $K_{8,8}$?

$$\rightarrow \frac{2n!}{2^n \cdot n!} = \underline{105}$$

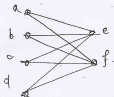
$$2n = 8$$

$$\boxed{n=4}$$

Note $\rightarrow$

The complete bipartite graph has a perfect matching

iff $m=n$.



Here, perfect matching is not possible for $K_{4,2}$.

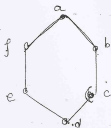
Q. How many perfect matching possible in $K_{m,n}$ cm

$$= \boxed{\frac{n!}{0}}$$



Q. 2. $n \geq 4$ and n is even. In a cycle graph C_n

→ In a cycle graph, only 2 perfect matchings are possible.



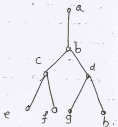
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* Note →

A tree can have at most one perfect matching.

i.e. no. of perfect matchings in a tree ≤ 1 . } (**)

Q3. No. of perfect matchings in the tree shown below is



* In a perfect matching, degree of every vertex of the graph is 1.

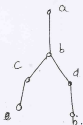
matching.

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Therefore, we have to delete two edges at vertex c . By deleting any two edges of vertex c perfect matching is not possible.

$\therefore$ No. of perfect matchings in the tree = $\boxed{0}$.

3.4. No. of perfect matchings in the tree below?



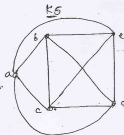
No. of perfect matchings = $\boxed{1}$.

5. Matching number of the complete graph K_n = ?

$\Rightarrow$ Matching number of $K_n = \frac{n}{2}$ — (if n is even).

If n is odd.

Here perfect matching is not possible. So, we can match only $n-1$ vertices.



Matching number

$$= \frac{(n-1)}{2} \quad (\text{if } n \text{ is odd}).$$

$$\frac{n-1}{2} + 1 = \frac{n-1+2}{2}$$

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



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$$\therefore \text{matching number of } K_n = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$$

Q.6 Matching number of C_n ($n \geq 3$) = ?

if n is even :

$$\text{matching number} = \frac{n}{2}$$



if n is odd :

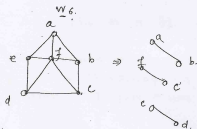
$$\text{matching number} = \frac{n-1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \text{Matching no of } C_n = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$$

Q.7 Matching number of W_n ($n \geq 4$) = ?

if n is even :

$$\text{matching no.} = \frac{n}{2}$$



if n is odd :

$$\text{matching no.} = \frac{n-1}{2}$$

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max. matching

$$\therefore \text{matching no. of } W_n = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor$$

Q.8. Matching no. of complete bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$ is?

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∴ Matching no. of

$$\underline{K_{m,n}} = \underline{\min(m,n)}$$

$K_{1,4}$



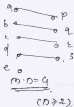
$K_{2,4}$



$K_{3,4}$

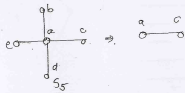


$K_{5,4}$



Q.9. Matching number of a star graph with 'n' vertices is?

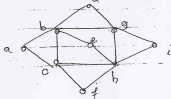
→ every star graph S_n is a bipartite graph of the form



$$K_{1, n-1}$$

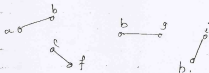
∴ matching no. of S_n = 1

Q.10. Matching no. of the graph shown below is?



→ no. of vertices in graph = 9.

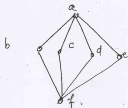
∴ Max no. of vertices we can match = 8.



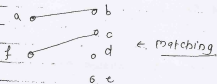
max. no. of edges = 4.

matching number of graph = 4.

Q. 11. What is matching number of the graph shown below?

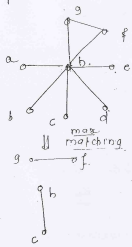


→ It is a complete bipartite graph $K_{2,4}$.



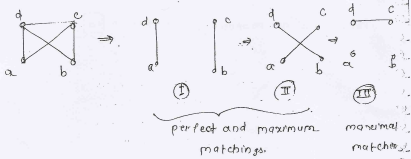
matching no. = 2

2. Matching no. of the graph shown below is ?

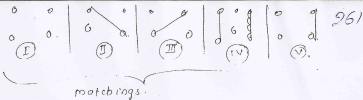


∴ matching no.
= 2

13. No. of maximal matchings in the graph shown below



∴ total no. of maximal matchings = 8



$$\therefore \text{total no. of matchings in graph} = 5 + 3 = \boxed{8}$$

Q.14. No. of maximal matchings in the graph given below is ?



$$\rightarrow \text{no. of maximal matchings} = (n-1)(n-2).$$

$$= 3 \times 1 = \boxed{3}$$

$$\text{Total no. of matchings} = 3 + 6 + 1 = \boxed{10}$$

Coverings $\rightarrow$ * Line covering / Edge covering $\rightarrow$

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph. A subset C of E is called a "line covering of G " if every vertex of G is incident with at ^{least} one edge in C .

i.e. in a line covering, degree of every vertex is ≥ 1 for every $v \in G$.

$$\text{i.e. } \deg(v) \geq 1 \quad ; \forall v \in G.$$

ex $\rightarrow$

$$C_1 = \{ \{a, b\}, \{c, d\} \} \quad (\text{minimal}) \checkmark$$

$$C_2 = \{ \{a, d\}, \{b, c\} \} \quad (\text{minimal}) \checkmark$$

$$C_3 = \{ \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{b, d\} \} \quad (\text{minimal}) \checkmark$$

$$C_4 = \{ \{a, b\}, \{b, c\}, \{c, d\} \} \quad \times (\text{not minimal})$$

Note $\rightarrow$

Line covering of a graph G does not exist iff G has an isolated vertex.

Line covering of a graph with n vertices has at least $\lfloor n/2 \rfloor$ edges.



line Minimal line covering →

A line covering 'C' of a graph G is said to be minimal if no edge can be deleted from 'C'.

For the graph given in above example, C_1, C_2, C_3 are minimal line coverings whereas, C_4 is not a minimal line covering.

Minimum line covering (Smallest minimal line covering

A minimal line covering ^{of G} with minimum no. of edges is called "minimum ~~of~~ line covering of G".

No. of edges in minimum line covering of G is called "line covering number of G".

① It is denoted by " α_1 ".

② For the graph given in above example, C_1 and C_2 are minimal line coverings of G and $\alpha_1 = 2$.

Properties →

① Every line covering contains a minimal line covering.

② but every line covering contains a minimum line covering is not true.

③ The line covering C_3 does not contain any minimum line covering.

② No minimal line covering contains a cycle.

③ If a line covering contains no paths of length 3 or more, then C is a minimal line covering, because all the components of C are star graphs and from a star graph, no edge can be deleted.

Independent Line Set →

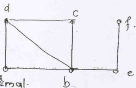
Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph. A subset L of E is called an independent line set of G if no two edges in L are adjacent.

$L_1 = \{ \{a, b\} \}$ not minimal

$L_2 = \{ \{b, d\}, \{e, f\} \}$ ✓ minimal.

$L_3 = \{ \{a, b\}, \{c, d\}, \{e, f\} \}$ ✓ ^{maximal} L_4 not possible.

$L_5 = \{ \{a, d\}, \{b, c\}, \{e, f\} \}$ ✗ Not minimal.



Maximal Independent Line Set ?

of a graph G .

A independent line set is maximal if no other edge of G can be added to it.

For the graph given in the above example, L_3 and L_2 are maximal indep. line sets.

maximum indep. line set $\rightarrow$

A maximal indep. line set with max. no. of edges is called "maximum independent line set" of

No. of edges in a maximum independent line set of G is called "line independence number" of G .

Denote it by β_1 = matching number of graph.

For the graph above, L_3 is a maximum independent line set of G and $\beta_1 = 3$.

Note $\rightarrow$

(line cov. no.) (line independence no.)

For any graph G , $\alpha_1 + \beta_1 =$ no. of vertices in G .

(with no isolated vertex)

Q-1. Line covering number of $K_n = ?$

$\rightarrow$ line independence no. = $\beta_1 = \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor$
(matching no.)

and $\alpha_1 + \beta_1 = n$ $\Rightarrow$

$$\therefore \boxed{\alpha_1 = \lceil \frac{n}{2} \rceil}$$

K_4



K_5



$$\text{cov. no.} = n/2, \quad \text{cov. no.} = \frac{n-1}{2} + 1 = \frac{n+1}{2}$$

(n is even)

(n is odd)

$$\therefore \alpha_L = \text{line covering no.} = \lceil n/2 \rceil$$

Note →

1) Line covering no. α of S_n ($n \geq 3$)

$$= \lceil n/2 \rceil$$

2) Line covering no. of wheel graph W_n ($n \geq 4$)

$$= \lceil n/2 \rceil$$

3) Line covering no. of complete bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$

$$= \max(m, n)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \alpha_L + \beta_1 = (m+n) \quad \text{total no. of nodes} \\ \uparrow \\ \text{minimum matching no.} \\ \uparrow \\ \max(m, n) \end{array} \right.$$

ex. for $K_{1,4}$



4 edges are reqd. in minimum line covering.

1) Line covering no. of a star graph with ' n ' vertices is ($n \geq 2$)

$$\boxed{(n-1)}$$

* Every star graph S_n can be represented as a complete bipartite graph $K_{1, n-1}$.

(β_1)

So, the matching no. of $K_{1, n-1}$ is $\beta_1 = 1$.

$$\frac{n-2}{2} = n-2$$

as $\alpha_1 \perp \beta_1 = n$

and $\alpha_1 \perp \beta_1 = n$

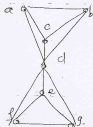
$$\therefore \alpha_1 + \beta_1 = n.$$

$$\boxed{\alpha_1 = n-1}$$

(for a star graph).

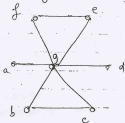


Q.2. Line covering of the graph shown below is ?



$$\rightarrow |V| = n = 7. \quad \alpha_1 \geq \lceil n/2 \rceil = \boxed{4}$$

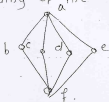
Q.3. Line covering of the graph shown below is ?



$$\therefore \boxed{\alpha_1 = 4}$$

4. Line covering of the " " ?

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K_{2,4}

$$\therefore K_1 = \underset{\uparrow}{6} - \underset{\uparrow}{2} = \boxed{4}$$

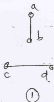
(no. of (matching
vertices) no.)

5. " " for the graph shown below



i) No. of min line coverings in graph

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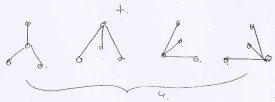


$$\therefore \text{no. of minimum line coverings} = \boxed{3}$$

ii) No. of minimal line coverings



→ 3 minimum line coverings



∴ total minimal line coverings = 3 + 4 = ⑦

iii) which of the foll. is a minimal line covering^{of G}?

a) $\{ \underbrace{(b,d)}, (a,b), (c,d) \}$
(can be deleted)

b) $\{ (a,c), \underbrace{(b,c)}, (b,d) \}$
can be deleted.

✓ c) $\{ (a,d), (d,c), (b,d) \}$ ✓ minimal.

d) $\{ (b,d), \underbrace{(b,c)}, (a,c) \}$ not minimal
can be deleted.

iv) Number of ^{total} line coverings in G

= 3 + 4 + 12 + C(6,4) + C(6,5) + 1.

↖ C 3 min. x 4 ways.
= 41

Vertex-Coverings →

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph. A subset K of V is called as "vertex-covering" of G if every edge of G is covered by / incident with a vertex in K .

ex. →



G

$$K_1 = \{b, d\} \quad \text{minimal} \checkmark$$

$$K_2 = \{a, b, c\} \quad \text{minimal} \checkmark$$

$$K_3 = \{b, c, d\} \quad \text{not minimal} \times$$

$$K_4 = \{a, d\} \quad \times \text{ not a vertex covering.}$$

* Minimal vertex covering →

A vertex covering ' K ' of a graph G is said to be minimal if no more vertex can be deleted from ' K '.

For the graph given above, K_1 and K_2 are minimal vertex coverings of G .

* Minimum vertex covering → (Smallest minimal vertex covering).

A minimal vertex covering of G with min. no. of vertices is called "minimum vertex covering".

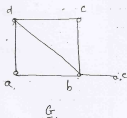
* No. of vertices in minimum vertex covering is called "vertex-covering number" of a graph, G .

It is denoted by ' α_2 ' (say).

For the graph given in above examples, K_1 is a minimum vertex covering of G and $\alpha_2 = 2$

③ Independent vertex set $\rightarrow$

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph. A subset ' S ' of ' V ' is called an "independent vertex set" of G if no two vertices in S are adjacent.



$$S_1 = \{b\} \quad \text{maximal } \checkmark$$

$$S_2 = \{d, e\} \quad \text{maximal } \checkmark$$

$$S_3 = \{a, c, e\} \quad \text{maximal } \checkmark$$

maximum

$$S_4 = \{c, e\} \quad \text{not maximal } \times$$

(a can be added).

④ Maximal Independent Vertex Set $\rightarrow$

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a graph. An independent vertex set of G is said to be ^{be} maximal if no other vertex of G can be added to it (s).

For the above ex, S_1, S_2 and S_3 are maximal indep. vertex sets of G .

$\alpha_2 + \beta_2 =$

Maximum Independent Vertex set (this set need not be a largest maximal indep. vertex set) $\rightarrow$ ^{vertex covering of G}

A maximal independent vertex set ^{of G} with max. no. of vertices is called as "maximum indep. vertex set" of G .

* No. of vertices in maximum indep. vertex set of a graph G is called "vertex independence no. of G ".

Let it denoted by ' β_2 ' (say).

For the graph given in above ex., S_3 is maximum independent vertex set of G and $\beta_2 = \underline{3}$.

Q.1. Vertex covering no. for the complete graph $K_n = ?$

* In a complete graph, each vertex is adjacent to rem. $(n-1)$ vertices.

$\therefore$ a maximum indep. set of K_n contains only 1 vertex.

Note $\rightarrow$ For any graph G , $G = (V, E)$.

i) $\alpha_2 + \beta_2 = |V|$.

ii) if S is an indep. set ^{vertex} of G , then $(V-S)$ is a vertex covering of G .

$\alpha_2 + \beta_2 = |V|$
 $\alpha_2 = 2$
 $\beta_2 = 2$
 $|V| = 4$
 $\therefore \beta_2 = 1$

$\therefore \alpha_2 = 4 - \beta_2$
 $= 4 - 1$
 $= 3$

For K_n , $\beta_2 = 1$.
 $\alpha_2 = n - 1$

Q.2 For the cycle graph C_n , ($n \geq 3$), what is α_2, β_2 .

$\therefore$ for C_n (n even)

$\alpha_2 = \frac{n}{2}$



$\alpha_2 = \beta_2 = \frac{6}{2}$

(n odd)

$\alpha_2 = \frac{(n-1)}{2} + 1$



$\frac{5-1}{2} + 1 = 3$
 $= \frac{5}{2} + 1$

$\therefore$ for a cyclic graph C_n ,

$\alpha_2 = \lceil n/2 \rceil$

$\therefore \beta_2 = n - \lceil n/2 \rceil = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$

$\beta_2 = \lfloor n/2 \rfloor$

For C_n
 $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$
 $\beta_1 = \beta_2$



1. For the wheel graph W_n , ($n \geq 4$). Find α_2 and β_2 ?

$$\rightarrow \alpha_2 = \begin{cases} \frac{n+2}{2}, & (n \text{ is even}) \\ \frac{n+1}{2}, & (n \text{ is odd}) \end{cases}$$



W_5

$$\left\{ \alpha_2 = \left\lfloor \frac{n}{2} \right\rfloor + 1 \right\} \otimes$$

(for W_n).

$\therefore \alpha_2 = 3$



$\alpha_2 = 4$ W_6

$$\alpha_2 = \left\lfloor \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rfloor$$

$$\beta_2 = \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rfloor$$

For a complete bipartite graph $K_{m,n}$. Find α_2 and β_2 ?

$$\rightarrow \alpha_2 = \min(m, n)$$

$$\alpha_2 + \beta_2 = m + n$$

$$\therefore \beta_2 = \max(m, n)$$

$K_{2,4}$



$$\frac{n+1}{2} \cdot \frac{n-1}{2} = \frac{n^2-1}{4} \quad \left[\frac{n}{2} \right] + 1 \quad n_2 = \left[\frac{n}{2} \right] - 1 \quad n_1 + 1 \quad \frac{n^2-1}{4} = 275$$

$$n_1 + n_2 = n \quad n = \left[\frac{n}{2} \right] - 1$$

Q.5. For a star graph with n vertices, ($n \geq 2$).

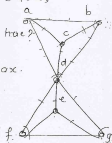
$$\alpha_2 = 1 \quad \beta_2 = 2$$

$$\rightarrow S_0 = K_1, 0-1.$$

$$\boxed{\alpha_2 = 1, \quad \beta_2 = 0-1}$$

Q.6. For the graph shown below, statements

which of the following are not true?



S1) The set $\{b, f\}$ is a max. independent set.

S2) $\beta_2 = 2$ S3) $\alpha_2 = 5$.

S4) $\{a, b, c, e, g\}$ is a minimum vertex cover.

$\rightarrow$ S1) $\rightarrow$ The indep. vertex set of $\frac{n}{2}$ vertices is not possible because there is cycles of length 3. So, this is maximum.

So, S1 is true.

S2) From S1, S2 is true. $\therefore \beta_2 = 2$. $\therefore$ S2 true

S3) $\alpha_2 + \beta_2 = 7$. $\therefore \alpha_2 = 5$. $\therefore$ S3 true.

S4) These vertices cannot cover all the edges.

So, not true.

Q.7. For the graph shown below, which of the following are true

✓ S₁) α_2 is 4.

✓ S₂) $\beta_2 = 2$

✗ S₃) $\{a, b\}$ is a minimum vertex cover.
e, f



✓ S₄) $\{a, c\}$ is maximum independent vertex set.

→ $\alpha_2 =$ (for a wheel graph)

$$= \left\lceil \frac{n+1}{2} \right\rceil \quad (n=6)$$

$$= \left\lceil \frac{7}{2} \right\rceil = \boxed{4}$$

∴ S₁) is true.

$$\therefore \alpha_2 + \beta_2 = n. \quad \therefore \boxed{\beta_2 = 2}$$

∴ S₂) is true.

S₃) → $\{a, b, c, f\}$ cannot cover the edge 'ed'. So,

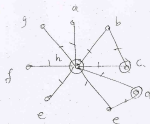
S₃) is not true.

S₄). true. (vertex independent set with 3 vertices is not possible).

i.10. For graph given below,

→

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_2 &= 3 \\ \beta_2 &= 9 - 3 = 6 \\ \beta_2 &= 6 \end{aligned}$$



$\{d, c, b\} \leftarrow$ minimum vertex covering.

$\{c, d, a, g, f, e\} \leftarrow$ maximum indep. vertex set.

Complete Matchings →

Let $G = (V, E)$ be a bipartite graph with vertex partition $V = \{V_1, V_2\}$

A matching from V_1 to V_2 is called a "complete matching" if every vertex in V_1 is matched

i.e. in a complete matching,

$$\deg(v) = 1 ; \forall v \in V_1$$

Ex. →



(complete matching from V_1 to V_2)



complete matching
from V_1 to V_2

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Note →

1) Every complete matching in a bipartite graph is a maximum matching.

2) But the converse of the above statement need not be true. i.e. a maximum matching of a bipartite graph from V_1 to V_2 need not be a complete matching

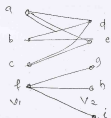
ex. →



is the max. matching from V_1 to V_2 only two vertices can be matched. So, it is not complete matching.

- 9) In a bipartite graph, a complete matching from V_1 to V_2 exists only when no. of vertices in V_1 should be less ^{or equal to} than no. of vertices in V_2 .
- 1) The converse of the above statement need not be true.

ex →



One vertex among a, b, c cannot be mapped. So, the complete matching from V_1 to V_2 does not exist even if

$$m \leq n.$$

a, b, c are collectively adjacent to 'd' and 'e'. So, only two of a, b, c can be mapped.

‡ Half Theorem →

Let G be a bipartite graph with vertex partition $V = \{V_1, V_2\}$.

A complete matching from V_1 to V_2 exists iff every subset of ' k ' vertices in V_1 are ^{collectively} adjacent to at least ' k ' vertices in V_2 .

($k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, |V_1|$).

Note 2

- 1) In a bipartite graph with vertex partition $\{V_1, V_2\}$, a complete matching from V_1 to V_2 exists if

$$\delta(V_1) \geq \Delta(V_2).$$

i.e. if min. degree of all vertices in V_1 is greater than or equal to max. degree of all vertices in V_2 .

- Q. 1. which of the following ^{bipartite} graphs has a complete matching from V_1 to V_2 ?

a) $K_{6,4}$

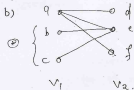


V_1

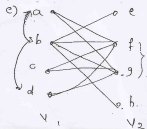
V_2

Here, no. of vertices in V_1 is greater than no. of vertices in V_2 .

$\therefore$ Complete matching is not possible.

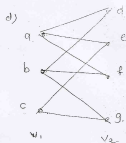


Complete matching is not possible because in set V_1 , the two vertices b and c are adjacent to same vertex e . So, only one among b and c can be mapped.



In set V_1 , we have 3 vertices a , c and d which are collectively adj. to only f and g in V_2 .

$\therefore$ Complete matching is not possible.



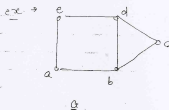
$$\underline{d(V_1)} \geq \underline{\Delta(V_2)} \quad \checkmark$$

$\therefore$ complete matching is possible.

Spanning Trees →

① Let G be a connected graph. A subgraph H of G is called a "spanning tree of G " if

- i) H is a tree and H
- ii) H contains all vertices of G .



② Circuit Rank of graph G ?

Let G be a connected graph with ' n ' vertices and ' m ' edges.

A spanning tree ' T ' of ' G ' contains $(n-1)$ edges.
 ∴ the no. of edges we have to delete from G in order to get a spanning tree is equal to $(m - n + 1)$, which is called "Circuit-Rank" of the graph G .

$$\therefore \text{Circuit Rank of } G = |E| - |V| + 1.$$

For the graph given in above ex,

$$\text{Circuit Rank of } G = 7 - 5 + 1 = \boxed{3}.$$



1. Let G be a connected graph with 6 vertices and degree of each vertex 3. Find circuit Rank of G .

→ By sum of degrees of vertices thm,

$$\sum_{i=1}^6 \deg(v_i) = 2 \times \text{no. of edges}$$

$$\therefore 6 \times 3 = 2 \times \text{no. of edges}$$

$$\therefore \text{no. of edges} = |E| = 9$$

$$\therefore \text{Circuit-Rank of } G = |E| - |V| + 1$$

$$= 9 - 6 + 1 = \boxed{4}$$

- 3.2. Let G be a connected graph with 7 vertices, no cycles of odd length and max. no. of edges. Find circuit graph of G .

→ If a graph has no cycle of odd length, then it is a bipartite graph.

$$K_{3,4} \text{ i.e. no. of edges will be maximum} = 4 \times 3 = \boxed{12}$$

or max no. of edges in bipartite graph with 'n' vertices

$$= \left\lfloor \frac{n^2}{4} \right\rfloor = \left\lfloor \frac{49}{4} \right\rfloor = \boxed{12}$$

$$\therefore \text{Circuit-Rank of } G = 12 - 7 + 1 = \boxed{6}$$



2nd.
 $n^2 + n - 1$

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Q.3. Circuit rank of a complete graph K_n ?

$$\rightarrow = |E| - |V| + 1$$

$$= \frac{n(n-1)}{2} - n + 1$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{(n-1)(n-2)}{2}}$$

Q.4. Circuit Rank of a wheel graph W_n ?

$$\rightarrow = |E| - |V| + 1$$

$$= 2(n-1) - (n-1)$$

$$= \boxed{(n-1)}$$

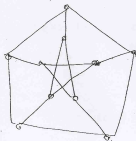
Q.5. Circuit rank of cycle graph C_n ?

$$= 1 \quad (\text{if we delete one edge, we get a tree}).$$

Q.6. Circuit Rank of Graph shown below.

$$\text{Circuit Rank} = |E| - |V| + 1$$

$$= \boxed{6}$$



7. Number of spanning trees in the graph shown below

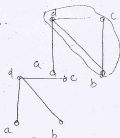
7. No. of spanning trees = 3.



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II



III

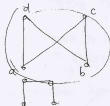
cycle of length 3.

I and III are isomorphic.

∴ for the graph, no. of nonisomorphic spanning trees = 2.

8. No. of spanning trees in the graph shown below,

→ No. of spanning trees = 4.



cycle graph of length 4.



But all are isomorphic.

∴ No. of nonisomorphic spanning trees = 1.



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Q-9. Number of spanning trees in the graph G is ?

→ * No. of spanning trees in complete graph $K_n = \boxed{(n)^{n-2}}$
(Cayley's formula)

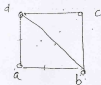
∴ No. of spanning trees in K_4

$$= 4^{(4-2)} = 4^2 = \boxed{16}$$



Q-10. No. of spanning trees in the graph shown below is

→ No. of spanning trees = $\boxed{8}$



For a complete graph K_n .

* To get the no. of spanning trees.

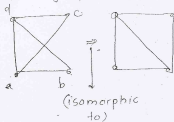
Kirchoff's theorem →

① Let 'A' be the adjacency matrix of the connected graph 'G'.

② Let 'M' be the matrix obtained from 'A' by replacing each '1' with '-1' and replacing each '0' in the principle diagonal of A with the degree of the corresponding vertex.

③ The cofactor of any element of $M =$ no. of spanning trees in G.

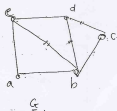
11. No. of spanning trees in the graph shown below?

$$A = \begin{array}{c|cccc} & a & b & c & d \\ \hline a & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ b & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ c & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ d & 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$


$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 0 & 2 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cofactor of } 3 &= 2 \begin{bmatrix} 6-1 \end{bmatrix} - 0 + (-1)(+2) \\ &= 10 - 2 = \boxed{8} \end{aligned}$$

12. No. of spanning trees in the graph shown below?

$$A = \begin{array}{c|ccccc} & a & b & c & d & e \\ \hline a & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ b & 1 & 0 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ c & 0 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ d & 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ e & 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \end{array}$$


$$6 + 6 = 12$$

$$3 + 4 = 7$$

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$$5 + 9 + 4 = 18$$

$$(16)$$

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 4 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & -1 & 3 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & 0 & -1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \left\{ 4 \{ 10 - 3 \} + 1 \{ \dots \} \right\} \times$$

cofactor of $M_{51} = \text{cofactor } (-1)$

$$= (-1)^{5+1} \begin{vmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 & -1 \\ 4 & -1 & -1 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 3 & -1 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= \boxed{21}$$

9.13. No. of spanning trees in the graph shown below, is?



$$\text{Ans} = \boxed{11}$$