

# CS6130 : Advanced Graph Algorithms

- Matchings in General Graphs
  - Tutte's theorem
  - Gallai Edmonds Decomposition Theorem .

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with perfect matching

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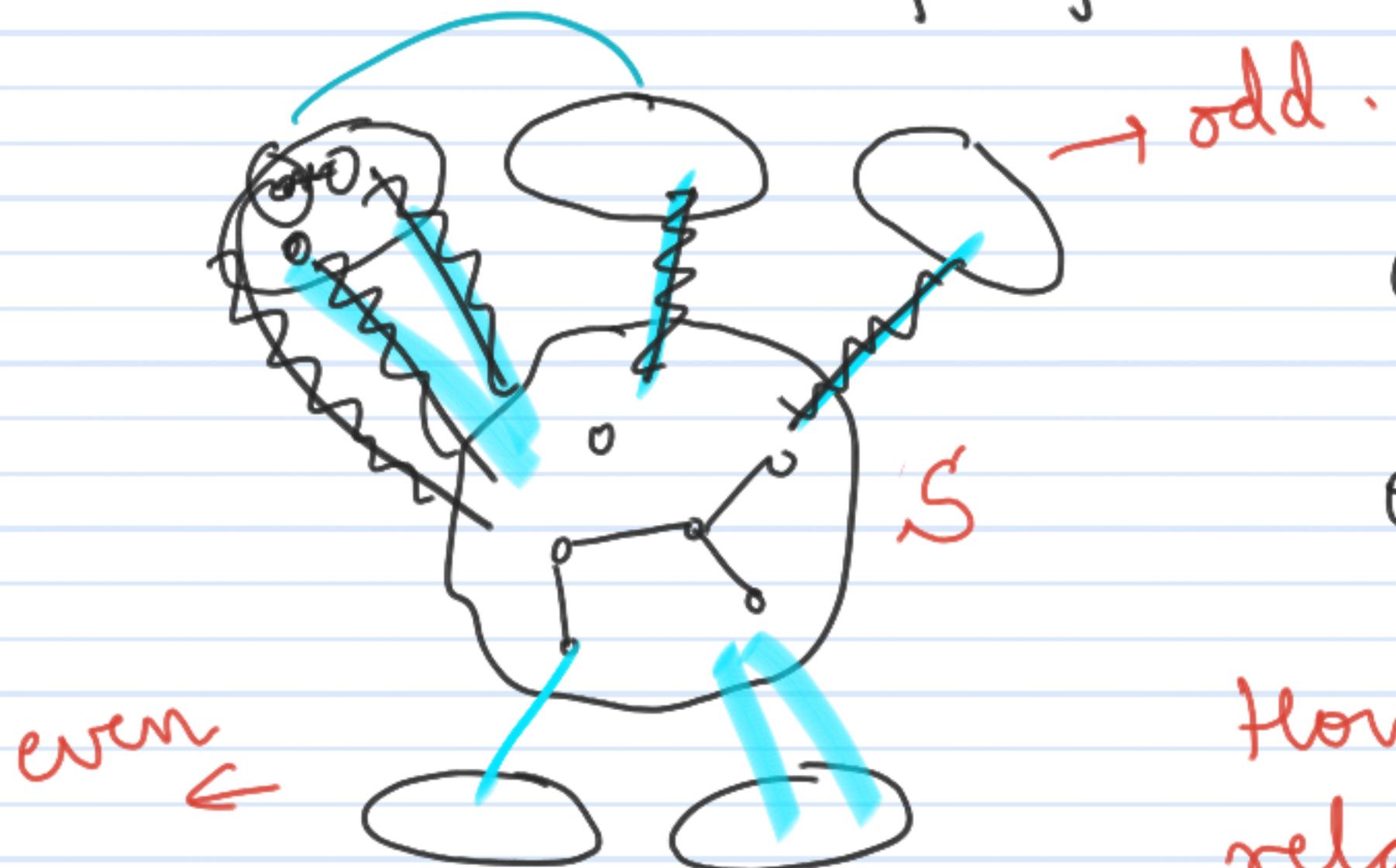
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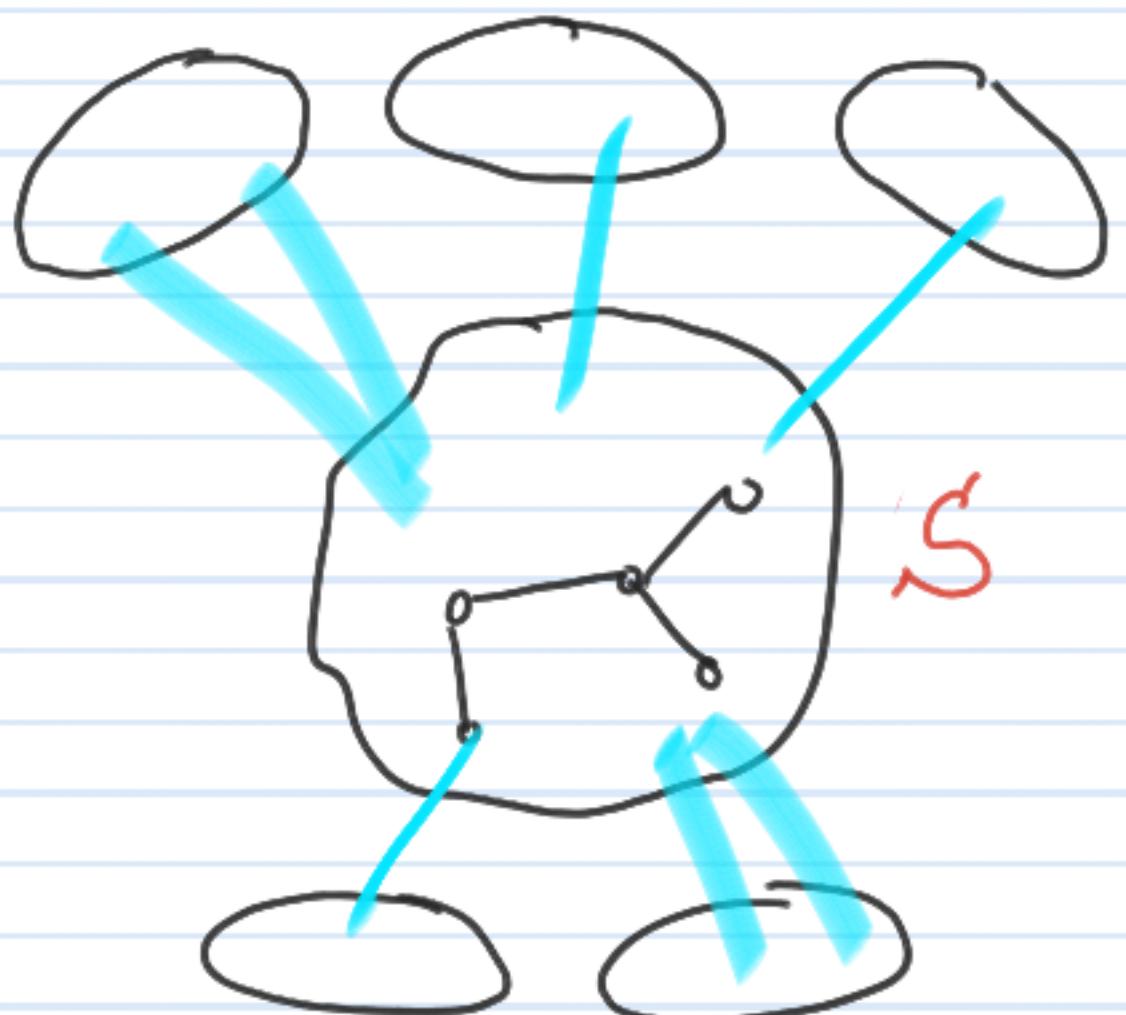
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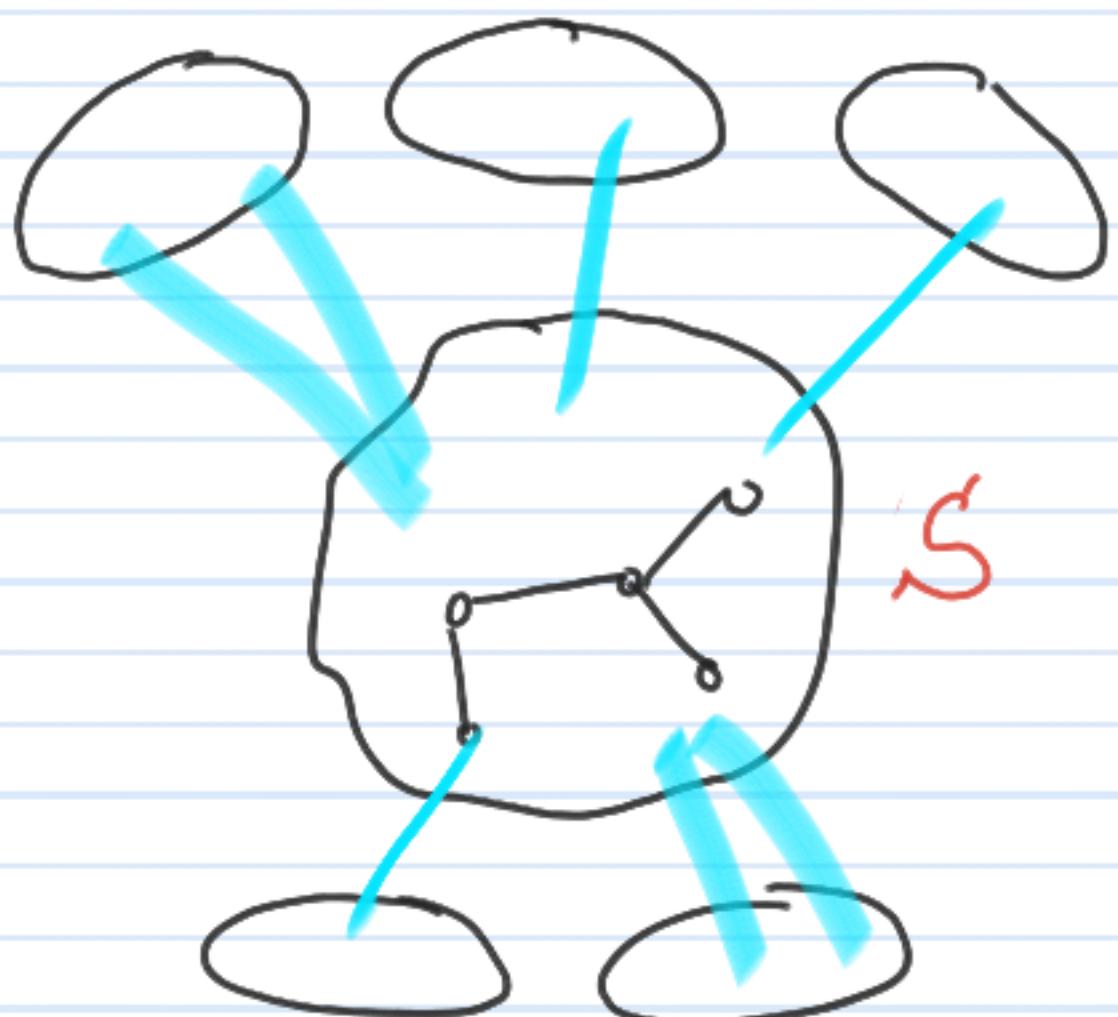
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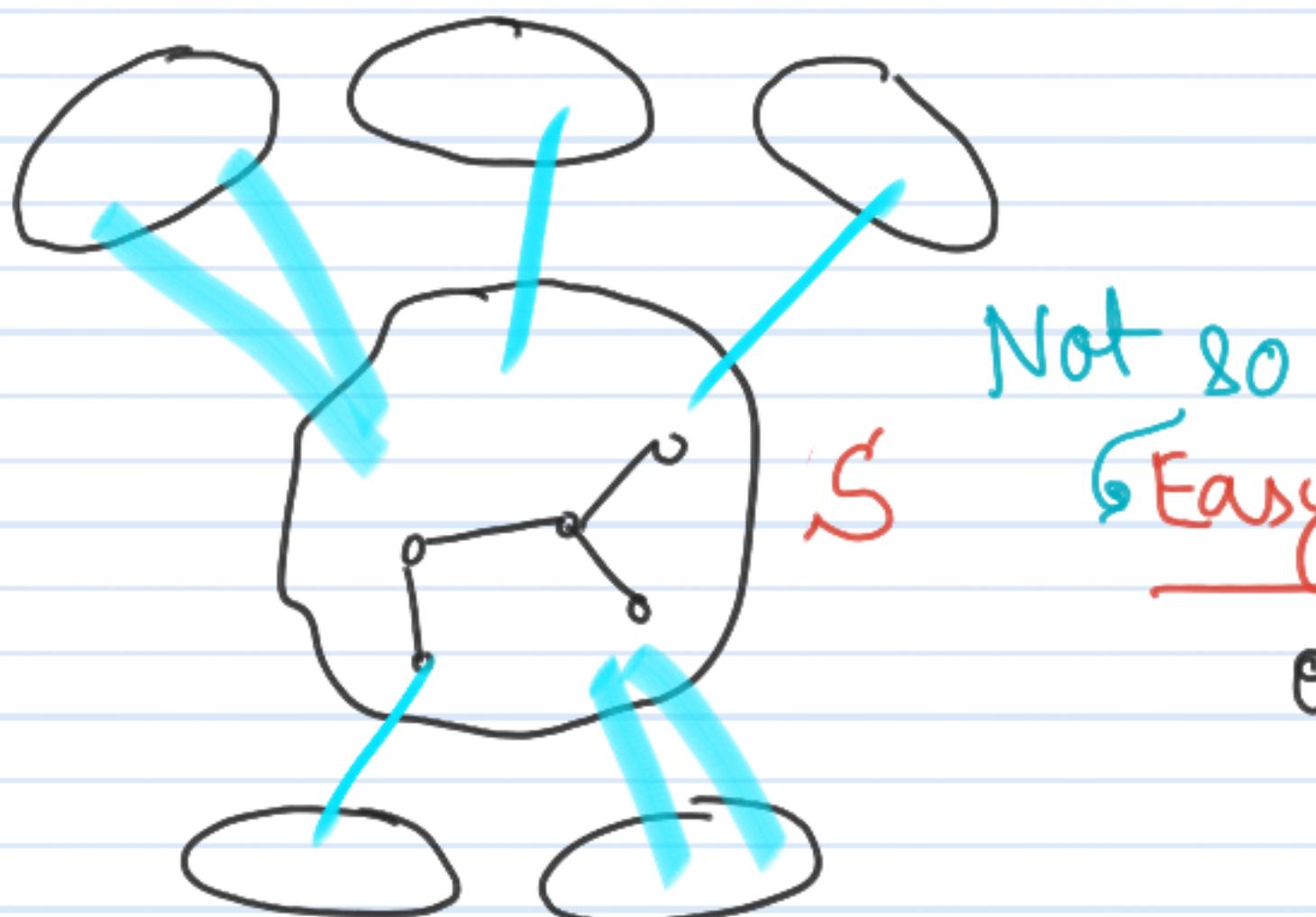
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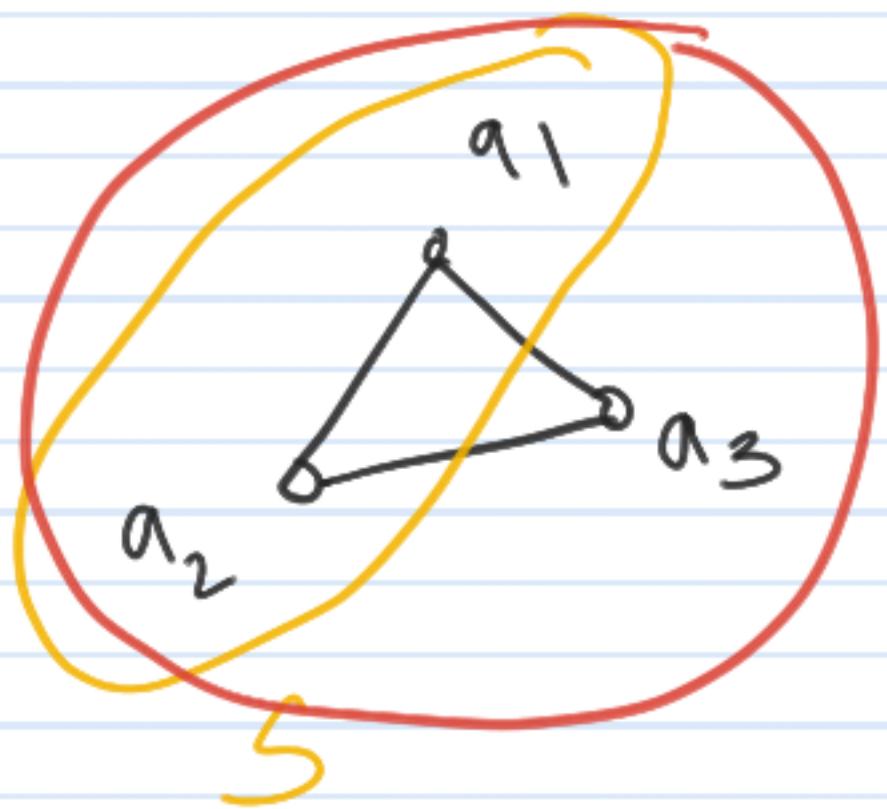


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# Example



witness set  $S$  s.t

$$\boxed{\varnothing(G \setminus S) \geq |S|}$$

$$\varnothing(G \setminus S) = 1$$

$$|S| = 2$$

$\textcircled{S} \quad a_3$

$$S' \quad |S'| = 3; \quad \varnothing(G \setminus S') = 0$$

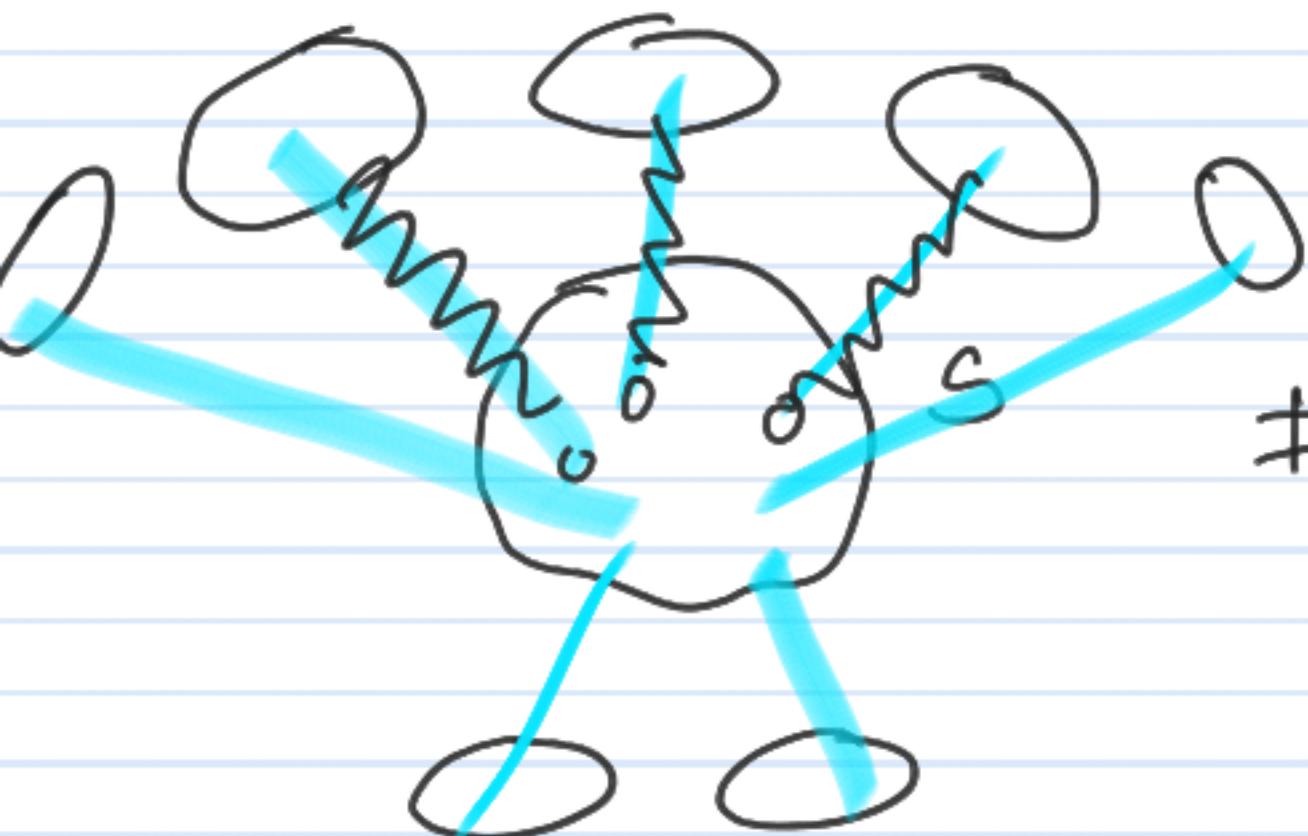
$$S'' = \{\} \quad |S''| = 0; \quad \varnothing(G \setminus S'') = 1.$$

## Tutte's theorem: statement

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

Implication for graphs without a perfect matching?



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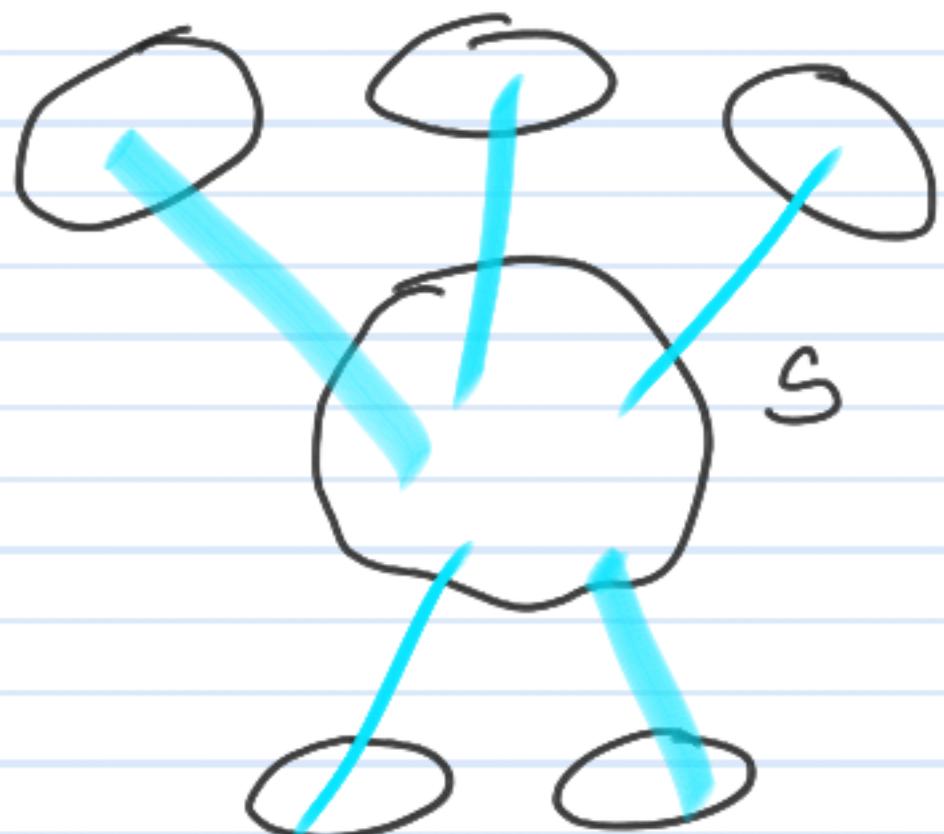
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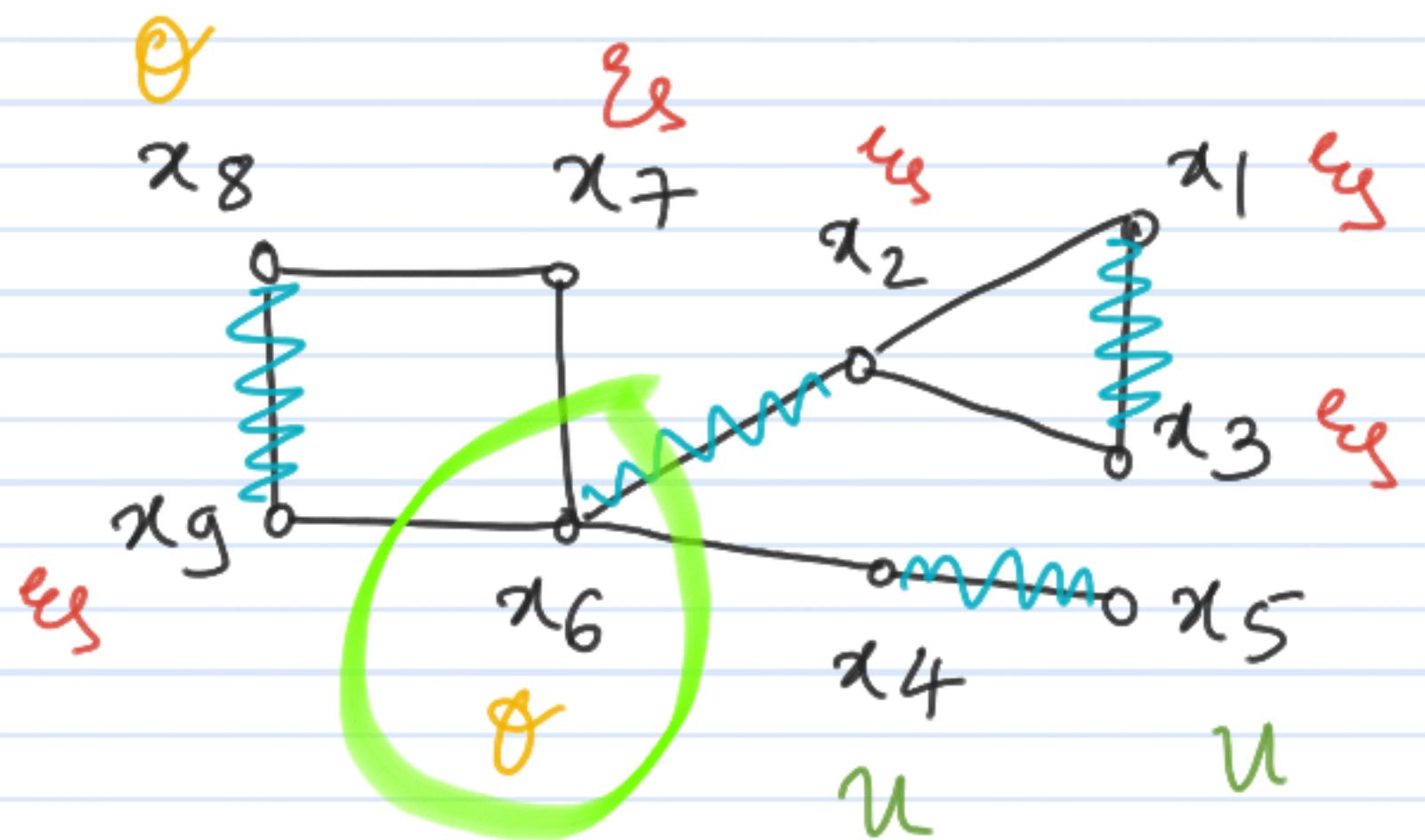
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To convince that  $M$  is maximum  
construct  $S$  such that :

$$|M| = \lfloor \frac{1}{2} [n - \text{def}(S)] \rfloor$$

# Back to Edmonds' Algo : Optimality certificate



1. Compute max M

2. Label vertices as  $\theta, s_8, u$ .

$e_8 :$

$\theta :$

$u :$

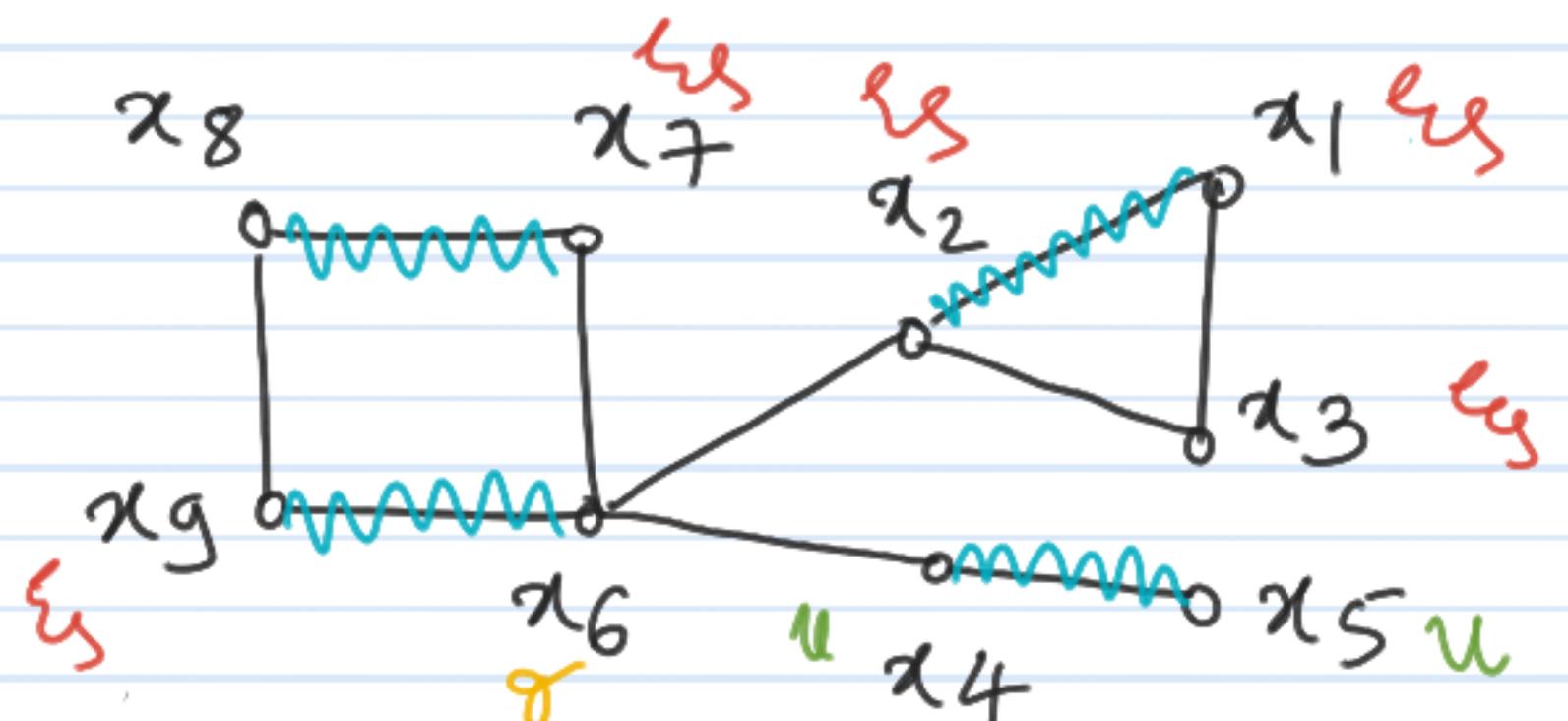
$$\theta(G \setminus s) = 2$$

$$|s| = 1.$$

$$\theta(G \setminus s') = 2$$

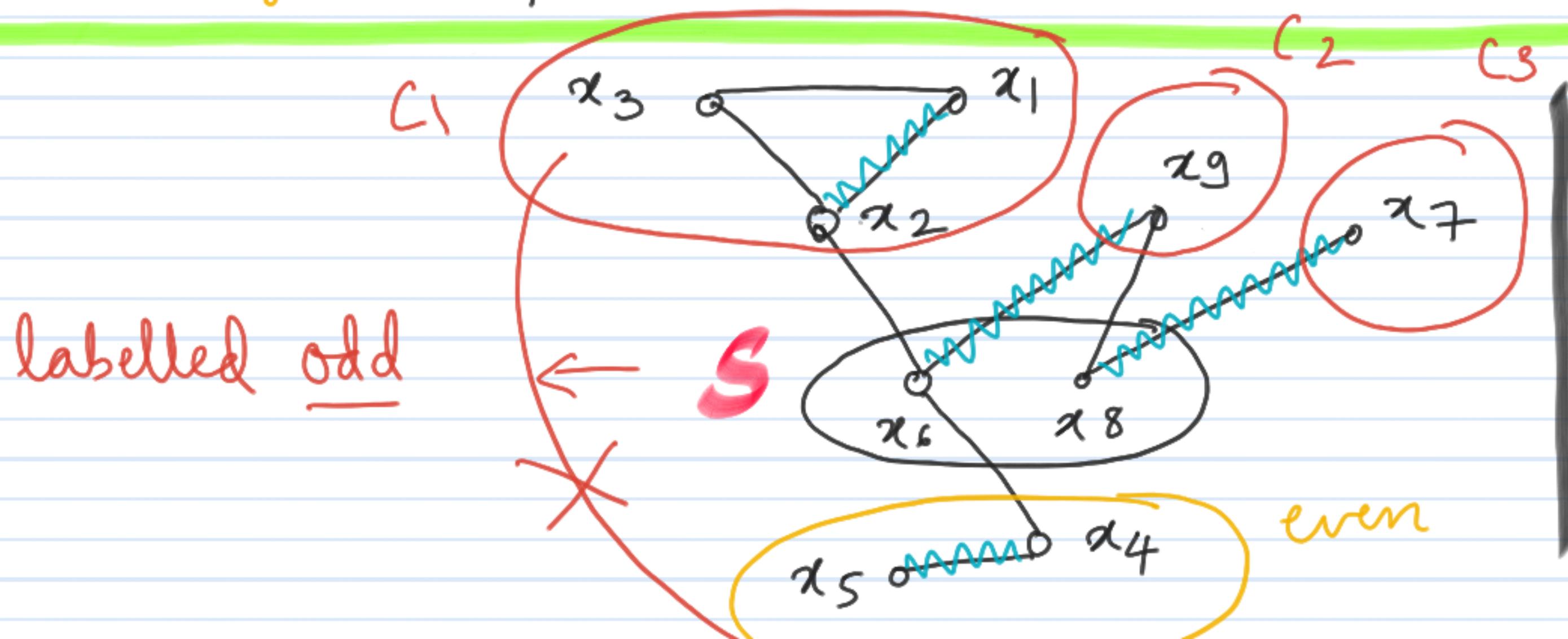
$$|s'| = 3$$

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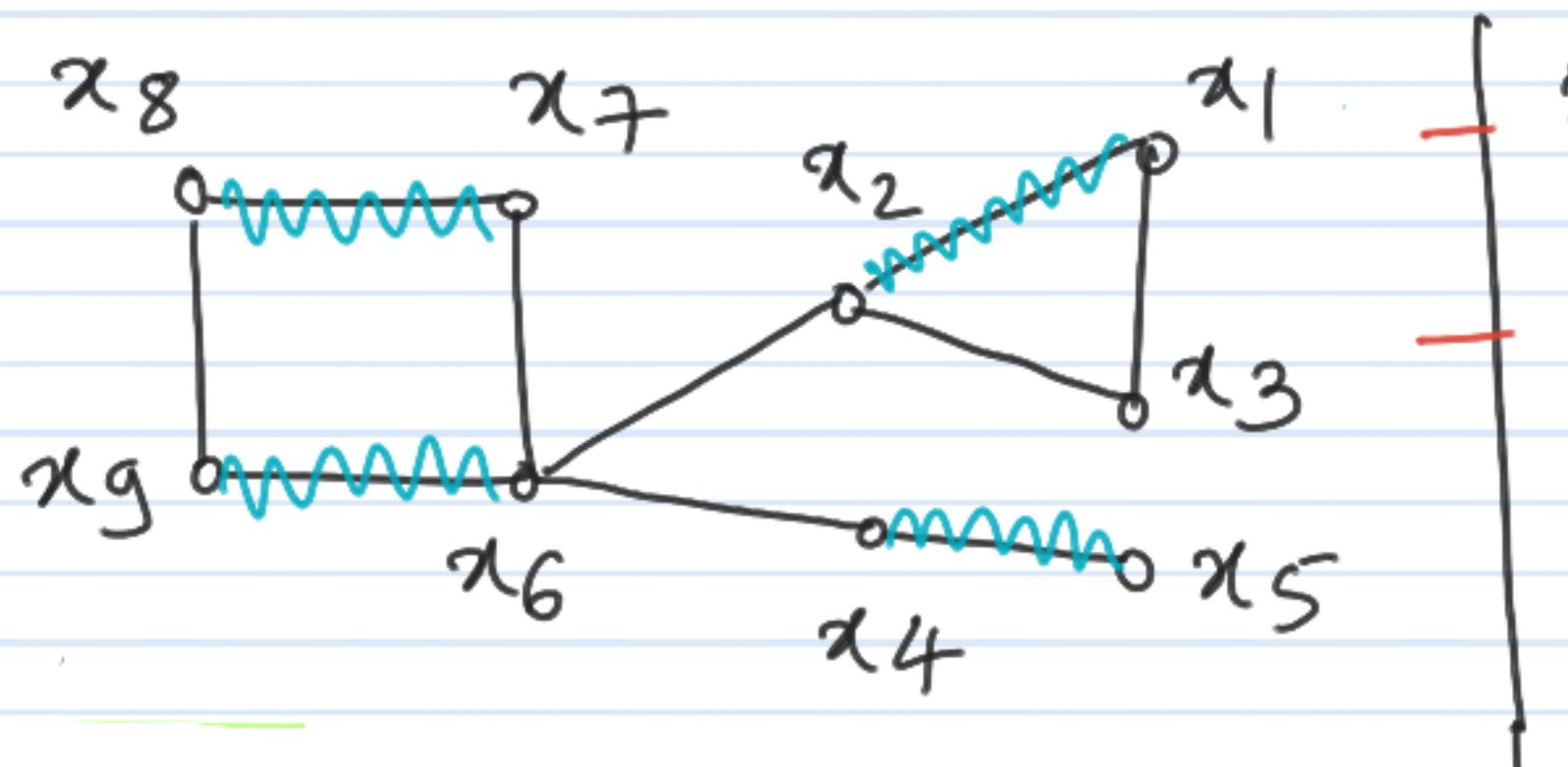
1. Compute  $\max M$

2. Label vertices as  $\theta_M, \delta_M, u_M$



what is  
 $\theta(G \setminus S)$ ?

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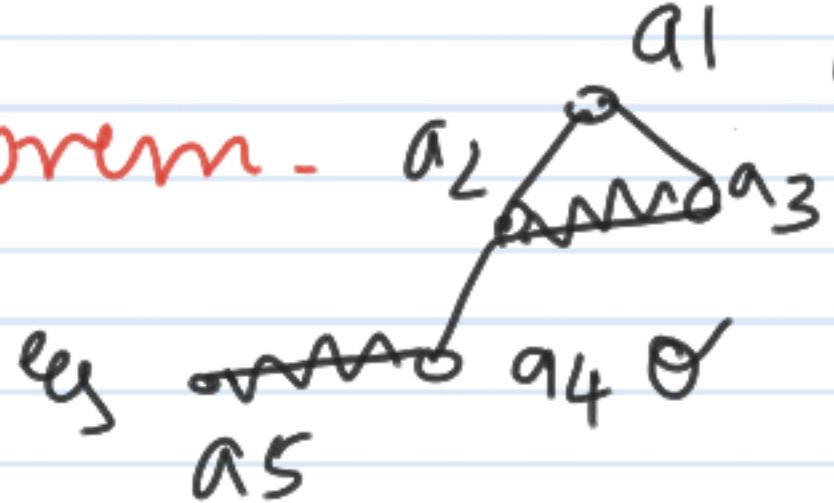
Run Edmonds' algo  
Let  $\Theta, U$  be the labels of  
vertices in the last iteration  
of algo

Claim : The set  $\Theta$  is witness for Tutte Berge  
Formula.

that is  $|M| = \frac{1}{2} [n - \text{def}(\Theta)]$

# Gallai Edmonds Decomposition Theorem.

$M$ : maximum matching in  $G$ .



$e_{SM}$   $\asymp D(G)$ : deficient vertices: some max matching leaves these vertices unmatched

$\Theta_M$   $\overset{\text{to do}}{=} \tau(G)$ : adjacent vertices: neighbours of deficient vertices and not deficient

$U_M$   $\asymp C(G)$ : critical vertices: remaining vertices.

Note: definitions  $D(G)$ ,  $\tau(G)$ ,  $C(G)$  are inv. of max matching,  $e_{SM}$ ,  $\Theta_M$ ,  $U_M$  are not.

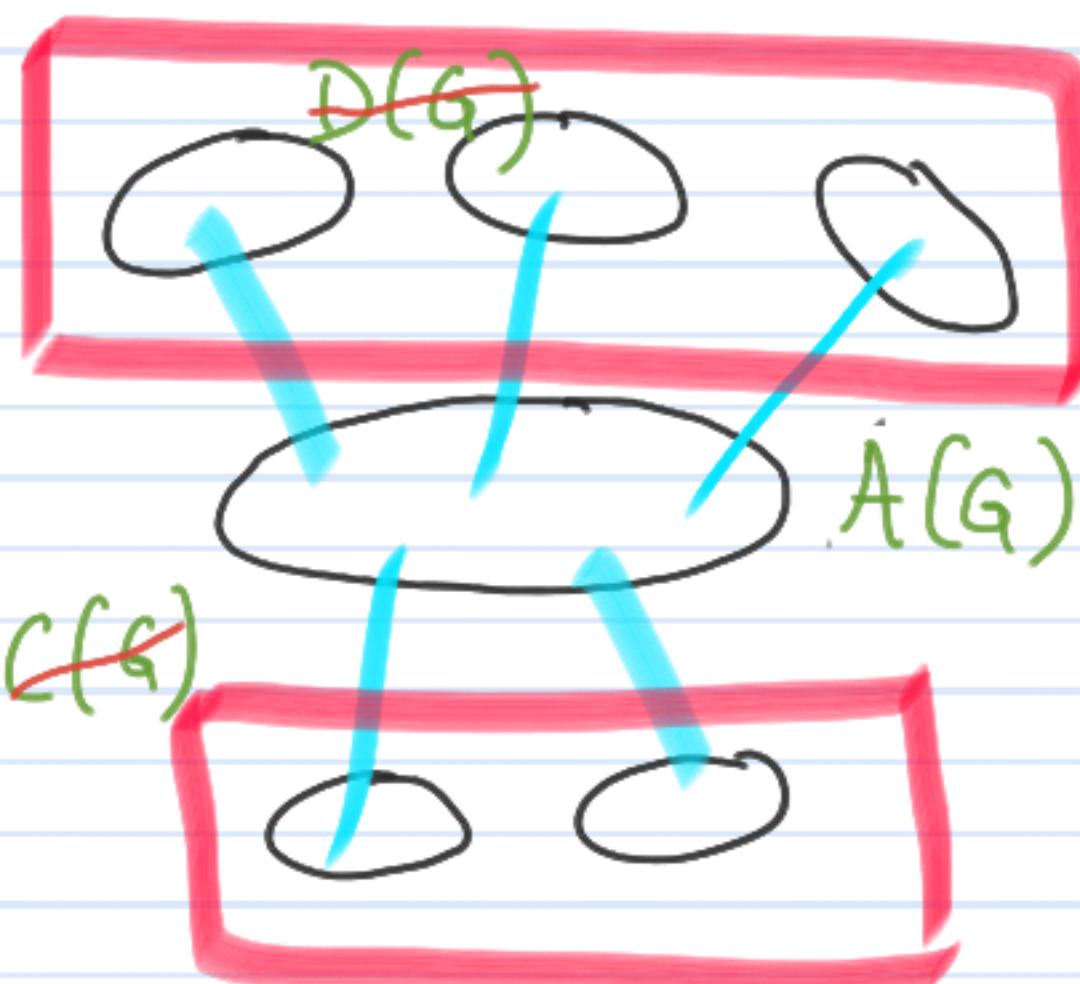
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$\delta^+ : D(G)$

$\emptyset : A(G)$

$u : \zeta(G)$



(1)  $A(G)$  is witness for Tutte Berge formula

(2)  $\zeta(G)$  is made up of even sized components of  $G \setminus A(G) = G \setminus \emptyset$

(3)  $D(G)$  is made up of odd sized components of  $G \setminus A(G)$  and each component is factor critical.

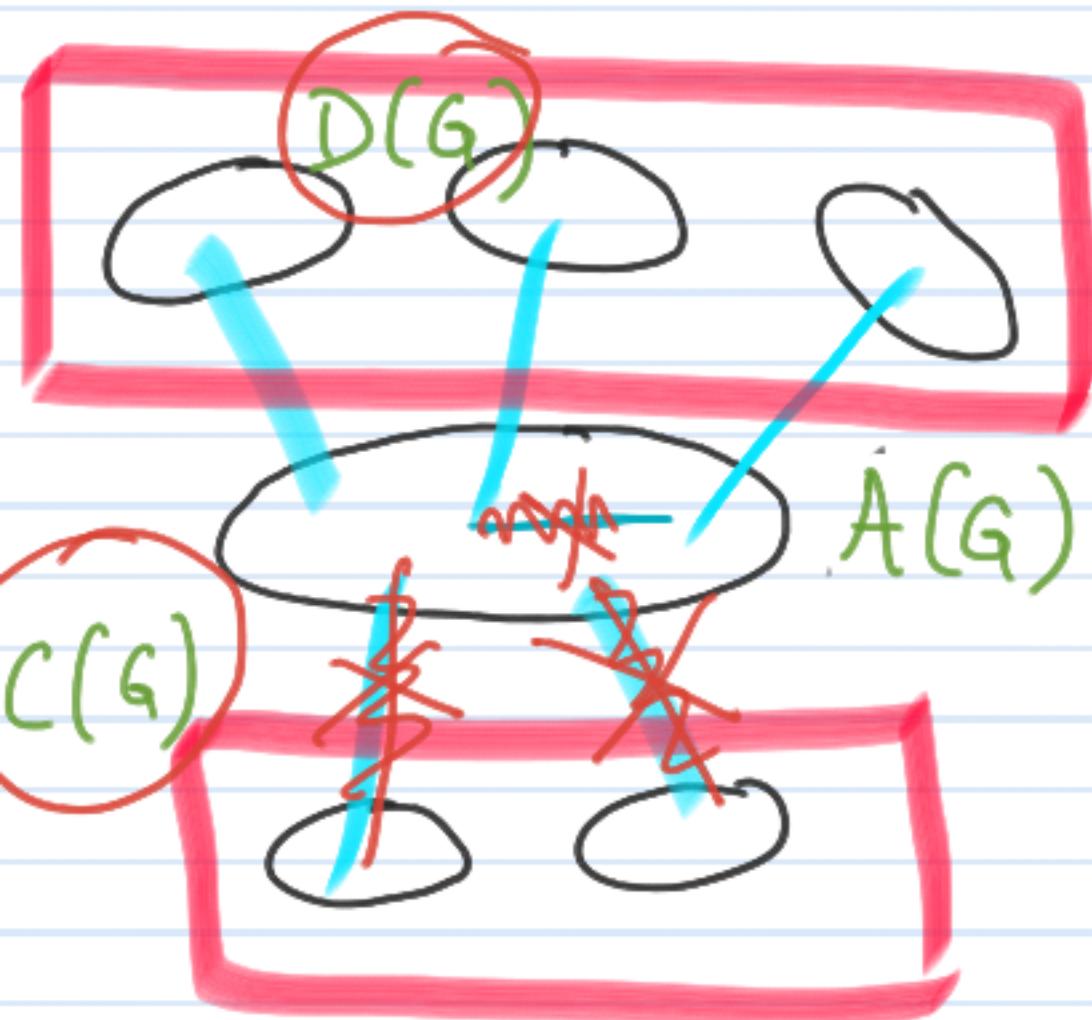
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$a \xrightarrow{\emptyset} U$  } status in any  
max matching ?  
matched

$$M(a) = b$$

what is label of  $b$ ?

1)  $a$  is odd  $\Rightarrow b \in e_S$

2)  $a$  is unreachable  $\Rightarrow b \in U$

matched  
edges are

$e_S - \emptyset$   
OR

$U - U$   
OR  
 $e_S$

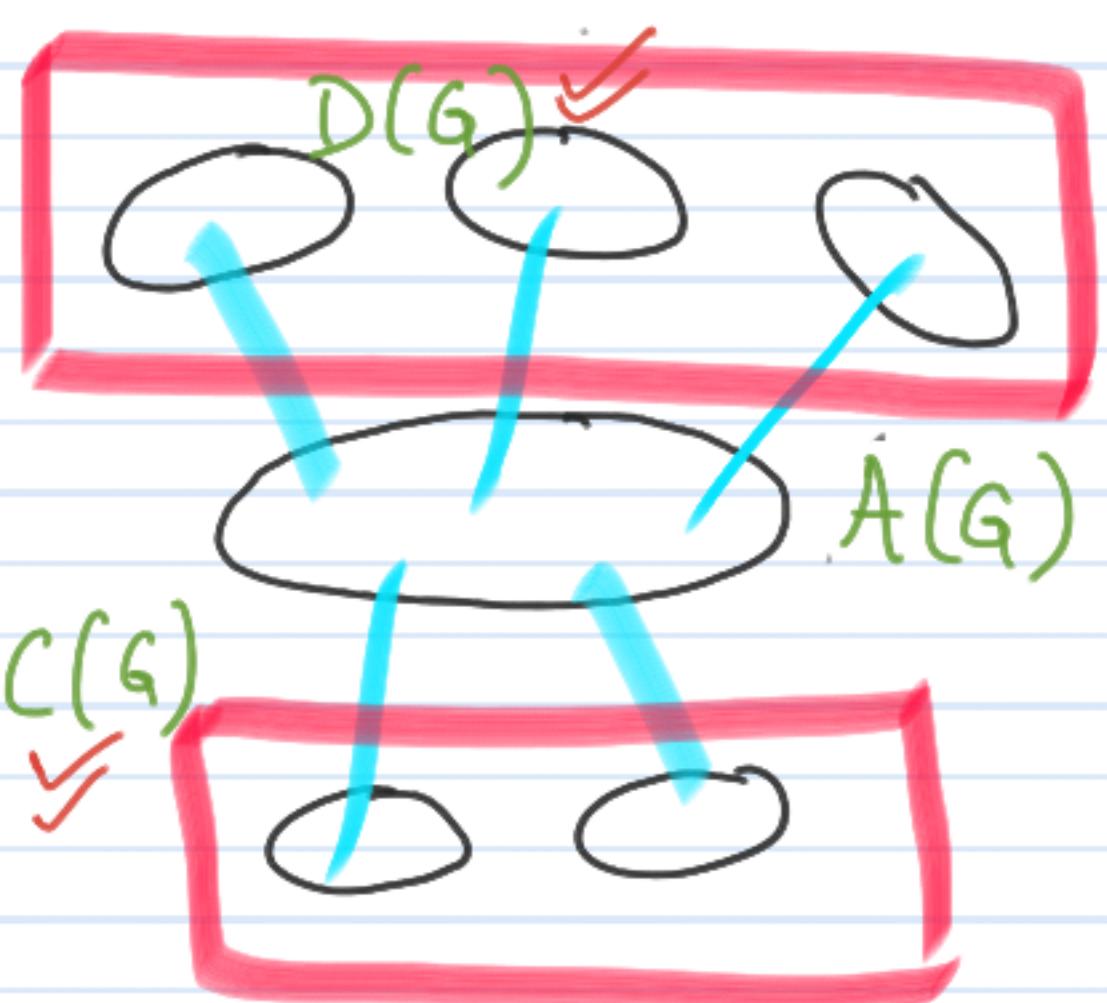
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matching in  $G$ .

$Y$

$A(G)$



one of the two hold

(i)  $Y$  contains exactly one unmatched vertex and blue edges are all unmatched

vertex and blue edges are all unmatched

OR

(ii)  $Y$  contains all matched vertices

and blue edges contain **exactly 1** matched edge.

factor critical: A graph  $H$  is factor critical if for every  $v \in V$   $H \setminus v$  admits a perfect matching.

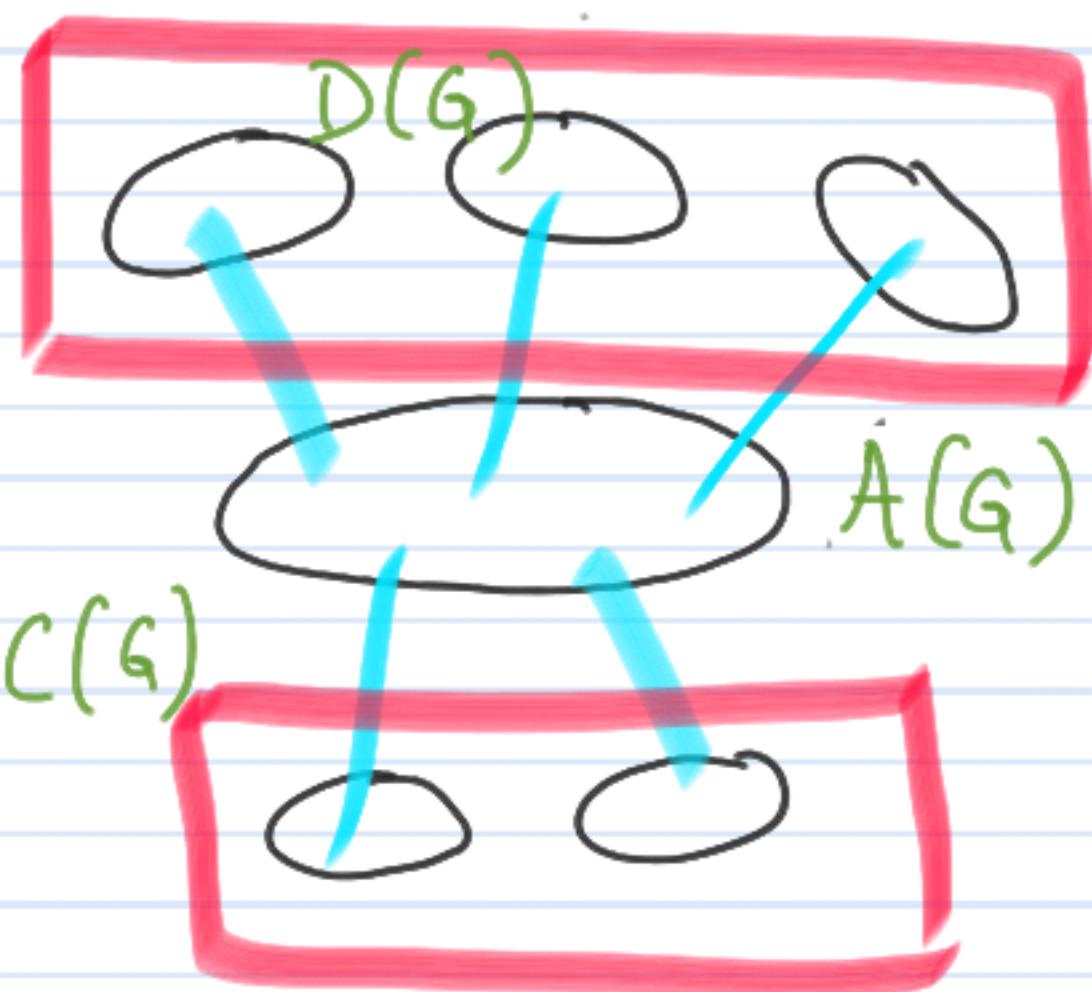
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$\theta : A(G)$

$\mu : C(G)$



size of  $M$

$$|M| \leq \frac{1}{2} [n - \text{def}(A(G))]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} [n - (\theta(G \setminus A(G)) - |A(G)|)]$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} [n + |\mu(G)| - \theta(G \setminus \mu(G))]$$

we need to show

$$|M| \geq$$

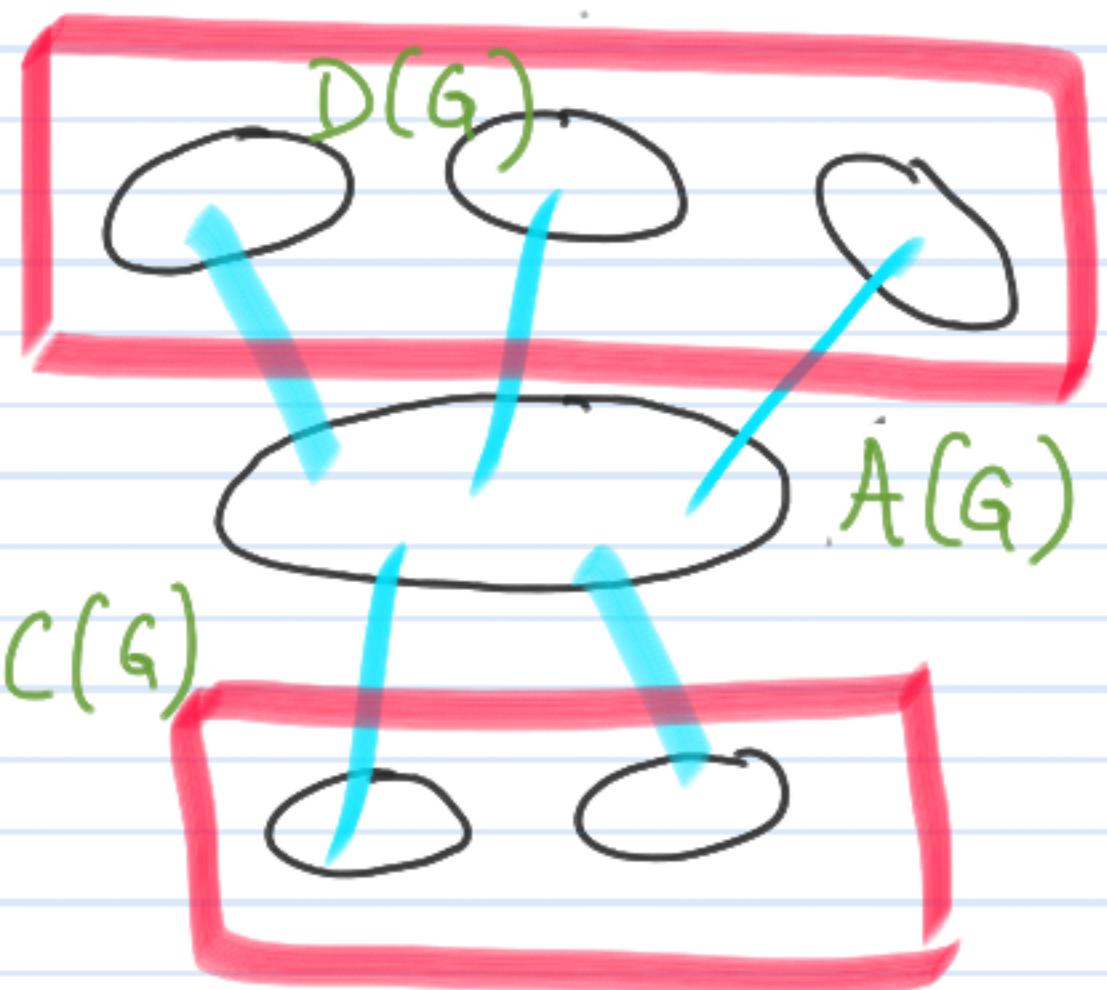
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$$\boxed{\frac{|D(G)|}{2} + \frac{2|A(G)|}{2} + \frac{|D(G)| - \theta(G \setminus A(G))}{2}}$$

$$M = M_u + M_{e_S} + M_\theta$$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} (u-u) & (e_S-e_S) & (\theta-\theta) \\ C(G)-\zeta(G) & D(G)-D(G) & A(G)-D(G) \end{array}$$

$$|M_u| = \frac{|C(G)|}{2}$$

$$|M_\theta| = |A(G)|$$

$$\boxed{\frac{|D(G)| - \theta(G \setminus A(G))}{2}}$$

