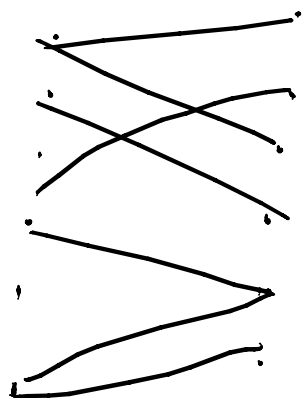


G

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A



B

Hall's Theorem

G contains a  
matching of size  
 $|A|$  iff

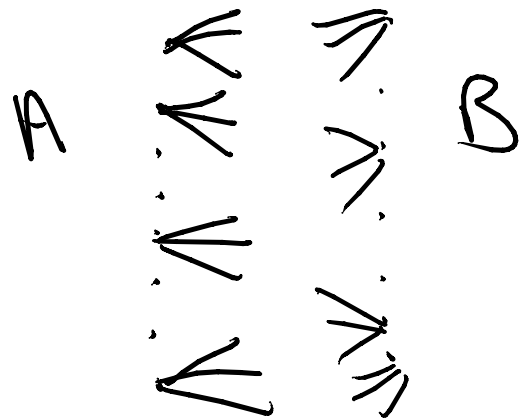
$$|N(S)| \geq |S|, \forall S \subseteq A.$$

## Marriage Theorem

Suppose that  $G$  is a  $k$ -regular bipartite graph ( $k \geq 1$ ).

[All vertices have degree  $k$ ]

Then  $G$  contains a perfect matching.



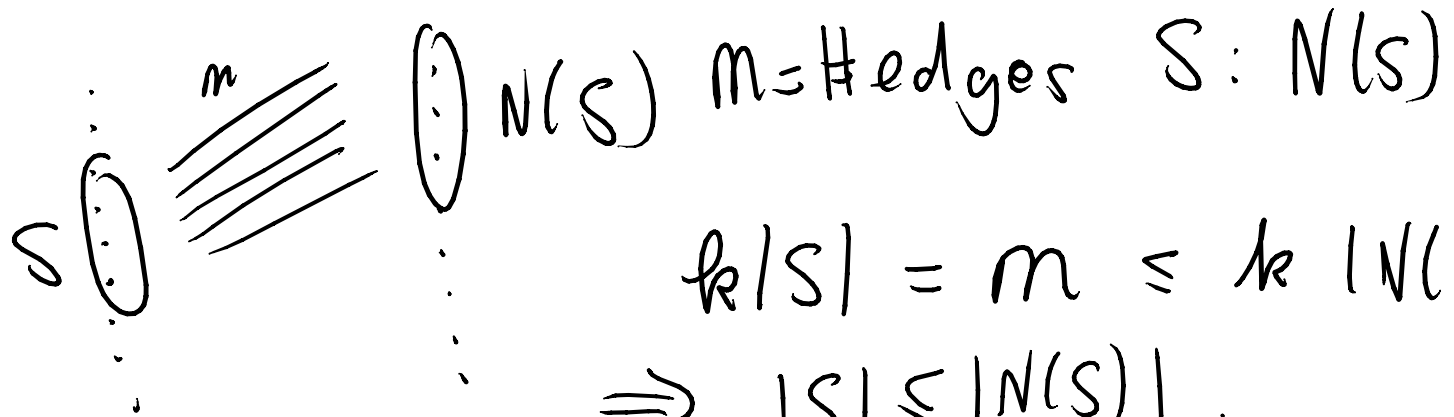
# edges in  $G$  is

$$k|A| = k|B|$$

$$\Rightarrow |A| = |B|$$

So a matching of size  $|A|$  is perfect.

Check Hall's condition



In fact if  $G$  is  $k$ -regular then  
edges  $E = M_1 \cup M_2 \cup \dots \cup M_k$

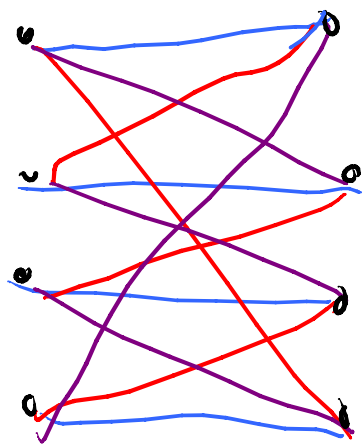
where each  $M_i$  is a perfect matching

and  $M_i \cap M_j = \emptyset$ .

$G$  contains one perfect matching  $M$ , say.

$G - M$  is  $(k-1)$ -regular — apply induction.

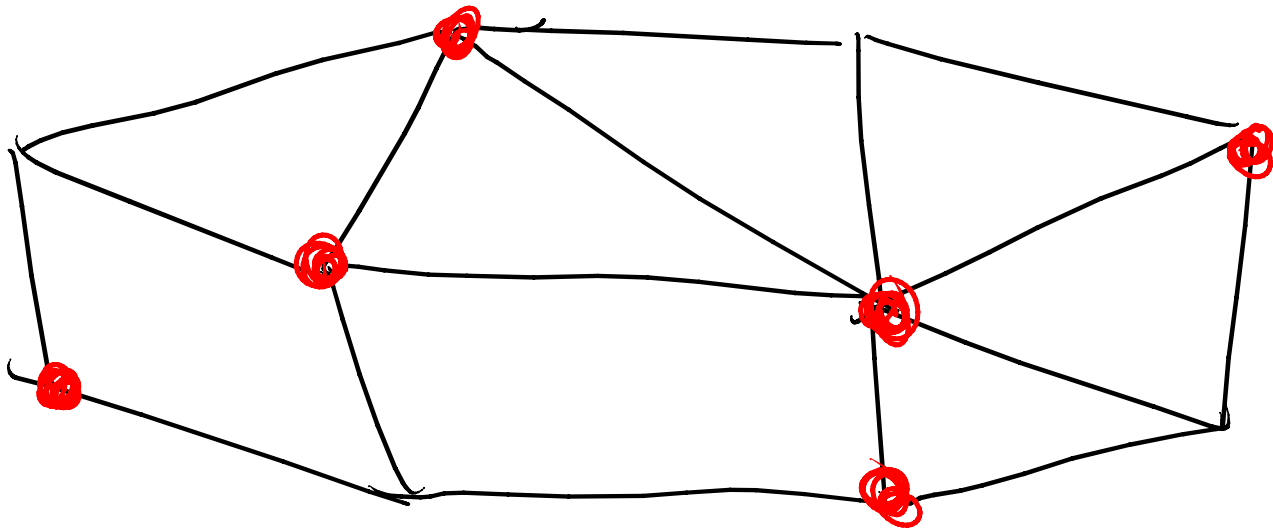
This implies that the edges of  $k$ -regular bipartite  $G$  can be colored with  $k$  colors so that each vertex is incident with edges of each color



Give each  $M_i$  a different color

## Edge Covers - Konig's Theorem

A set of vertices  $X \subseteq V$  is a cover if every edge contains a vertex from  $X$ .

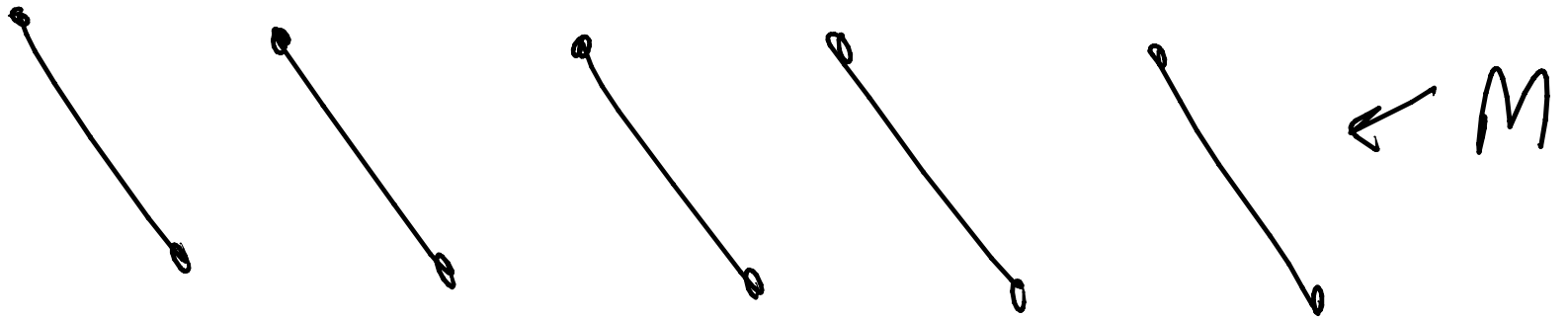


• is  
a cover.

## Lemma

If  $X$  is a cover and  $M$  is a matching then  $|X| \geq |M|$ .

## Proof



Need a different vertex for each  $e \in M$

$$\overbrace{\max_M |M|}^{\mu} \leq \overbrace{\min_X |X|}^{\beta}$$

$\uparrow$  matching                       $\uparrow$  cover

Theorem (König)

If  $G$  is bipartite then  $\mu = \beta$ .

Note, not true for non-bipartite



$$\begin{aligned} \mu &= 1 \\ \beta &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

# Proof of König's Theorem

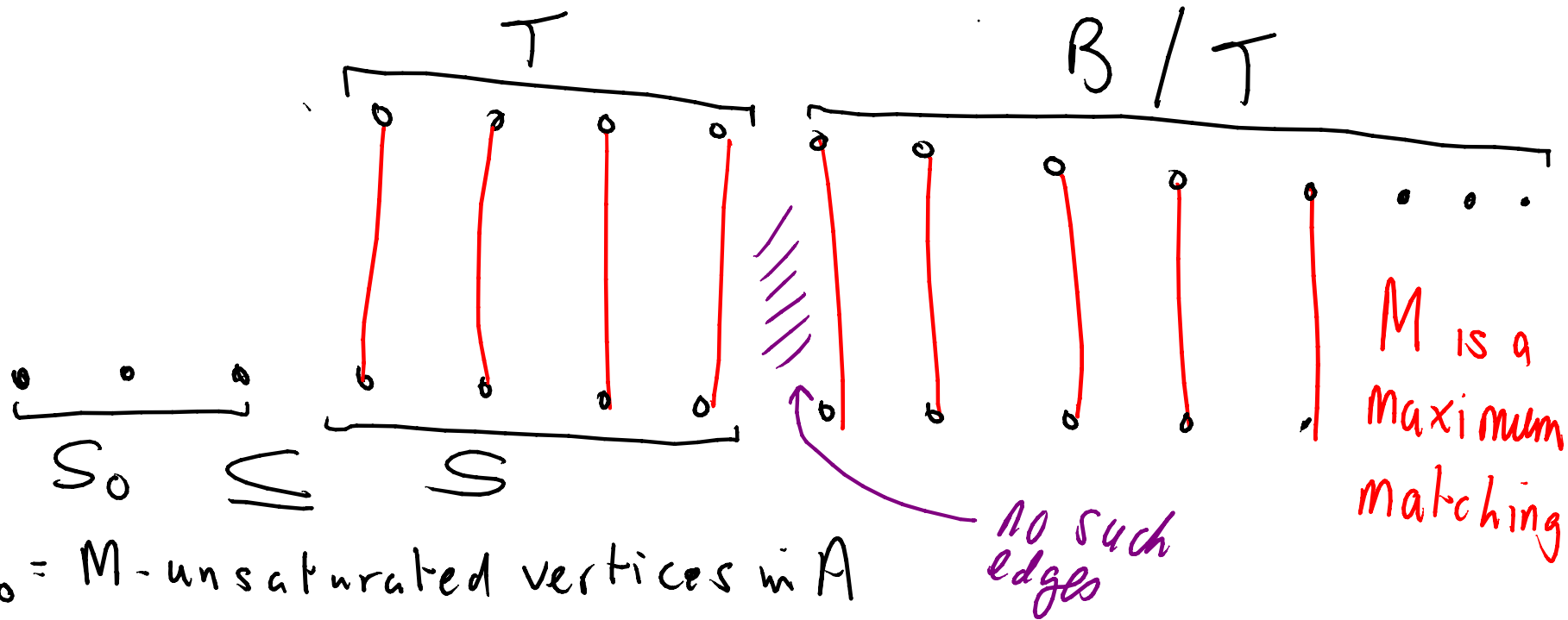
Let  $M$  be a maximum matching.

We find a cover of size  $|M|$ .

$$X = T \cup (A \setminus S)$$

is a cover.

$$|X| = |M|$$



$S_0$  =  $M$ -unsaturated vertices in  $A$

$S$  = vertices in  $A$  reachable by alternating path from  $S_0$