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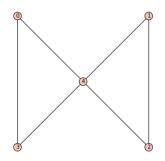
## LARSON—MATH 556—CLASSROOM WORKSHEET 08 König, Frobenius and Hall Theorems

## **Concepts & Notation**

- assignment problem, graph G, points V(G), lines E(G), adjacent, incident.
- line covering, line covering number  $\rho$ , matching, matching number  $\nu$ , point covering, point covering number  $\tau$ , independent set, independence number  $\alpha$ .

## Review

• König's Theorem: For any bipartite graph,  $\tau = \nu$ .



- 1. Let G be the "bow tie" graph in the picture. Is G bipartite?
- 2. Find  $\nu(G)$  and  $\tau(G)$ .

The **neighbors**  $\Gamma(X)$  of a set of points X is all points in V(G) which are adjacent to at least one point of X.

- 3. Let  $X = \{0, 2\}$  in the bow tie graph. Find  $\Gamma(X)$ .
- 4. Let  $X = \{0, 4\}$  in the bow tie graph. Find  $\Gamma(X)$ .

A perfect matching (or 1-factor) is a matching which covers all points of G.

- 5. Argue that the bow tie graph cannot have a perfect matching.
- 6. Find a bipartite graph G with a perfect matching.
- 7. What is *Hall's Theorem*?

8. What is Frobenius's (Marriage) Theorem?

9. What is a *Hamilton cycle* in a graph?

10. What's an algorithm for finding a Hamilton cycle in a graph?

11. What is the conceptual difference between the problems (1) of finding a perfect matching in a bipartite graph, and (2) finding a Hamilton cycle in a graph?

12. Why is "having a perfect matching" an *NP*-property of a graph?

13. Why is "having a set of points X where  $|X| > |\Gamma(X)|$  an NP-property of a graph?

14. Why is the *negation* of "having a perfect matching" an *NP-property* of a bipartite graph?

15. Why is the property of "having a perfect matching" in a bipartite graph well-characterized?

16. What does it mean for a class of graphs to be in NP?

17. What does it mean for a class of graphs to be in co-NP?

18. How do we extend the concept of "a *property* being well-characterized" to that of "an *invariant* being well-characterized"?