

# Cyclewidth and the Grid Theorem for Perfect Matching Width of Bipartite Graphs

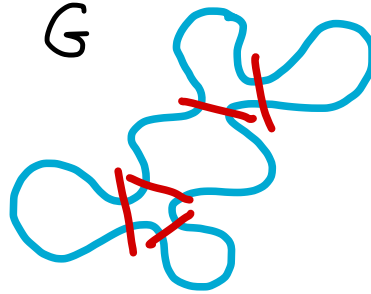
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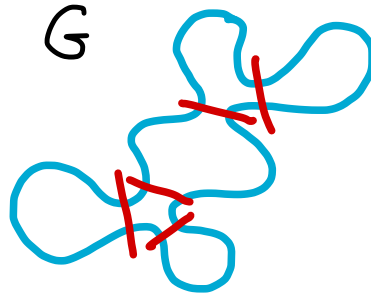
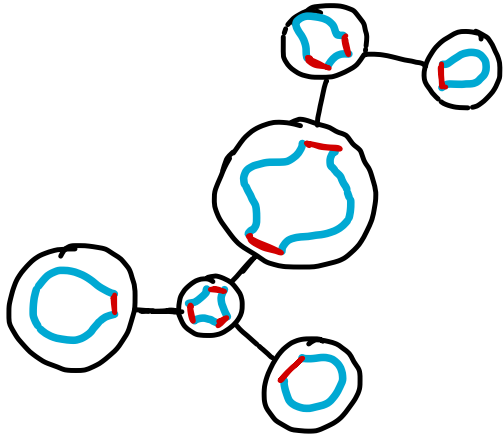
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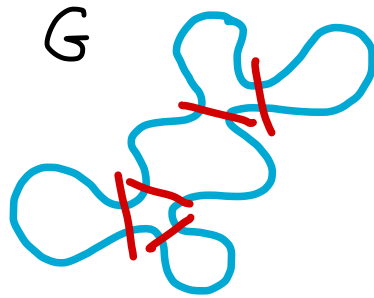
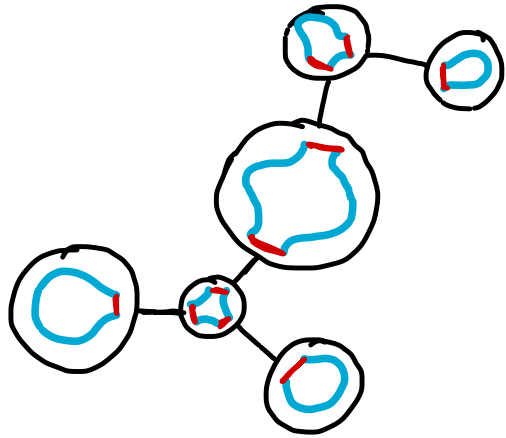
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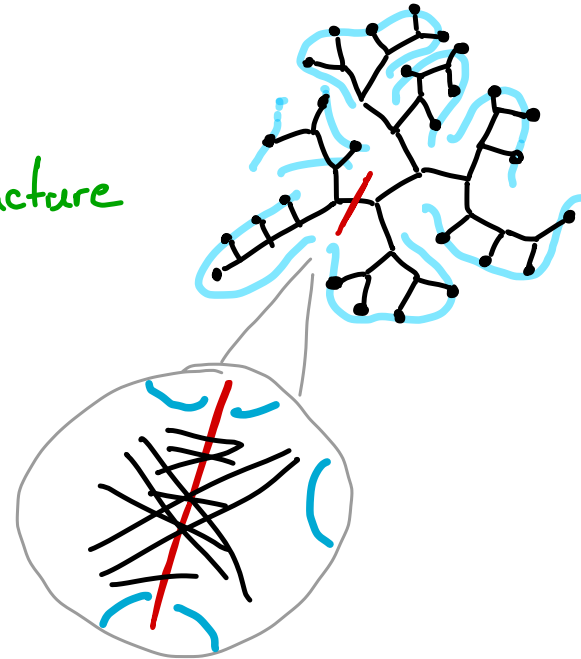
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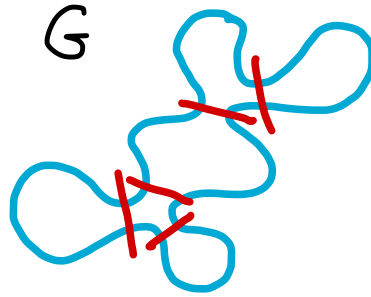
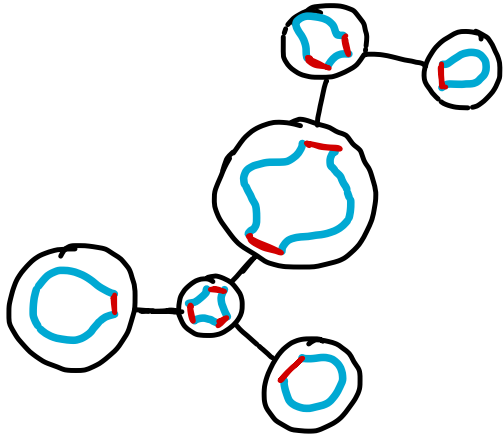
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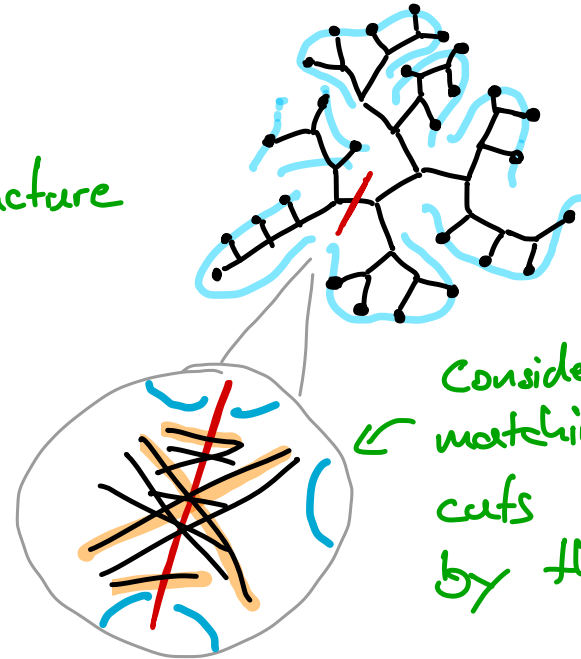
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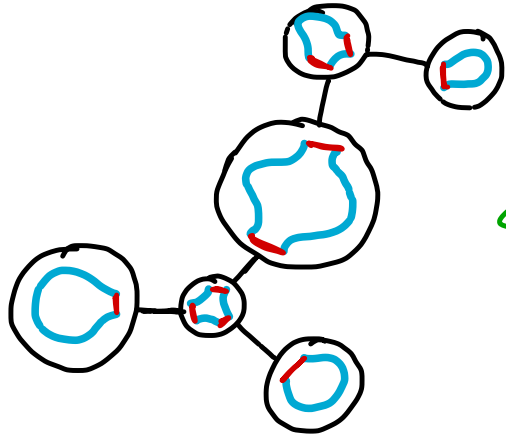
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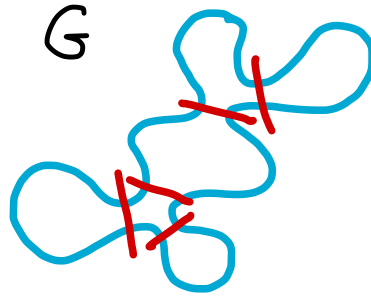
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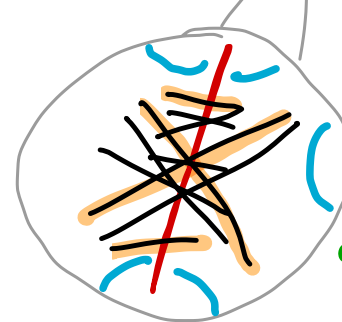
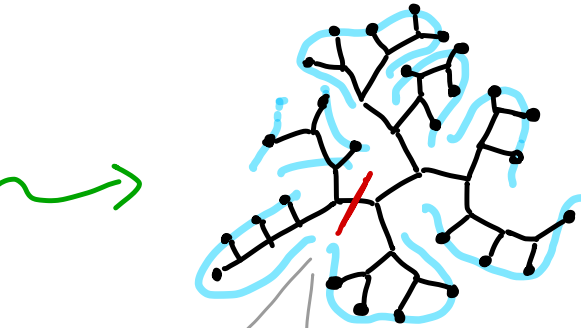


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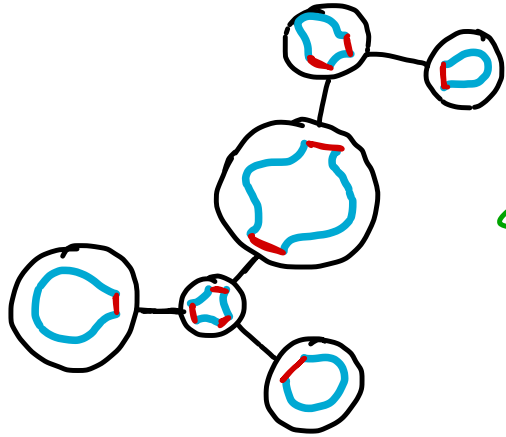
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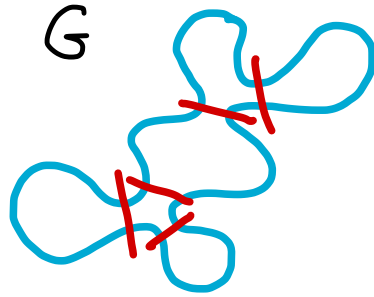
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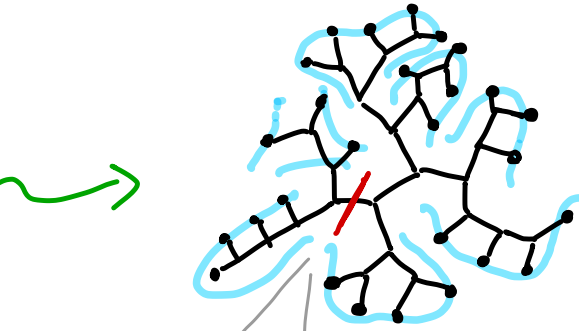
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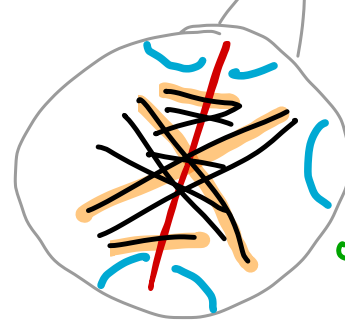
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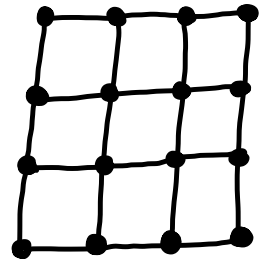
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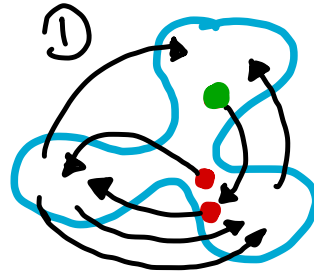
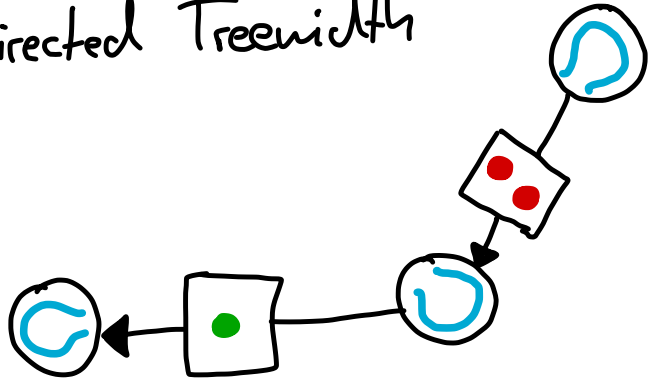
Theorem (Robertson & Seymour)

Either  $G$  has small treewidth or a large grid minor.



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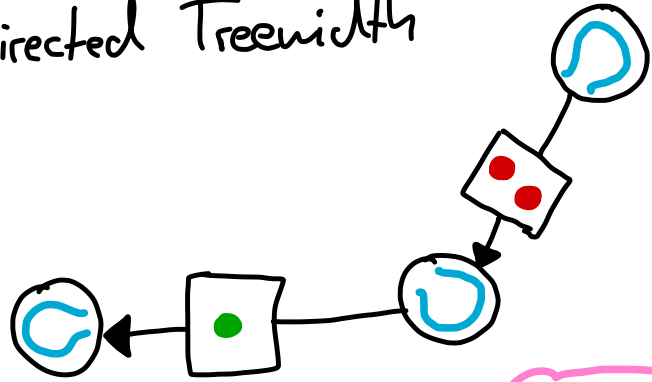
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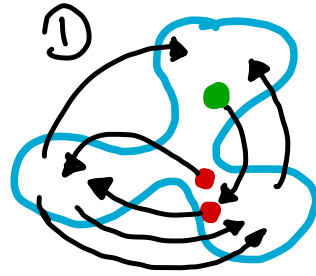
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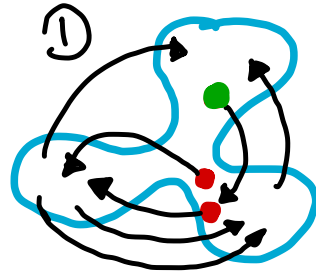
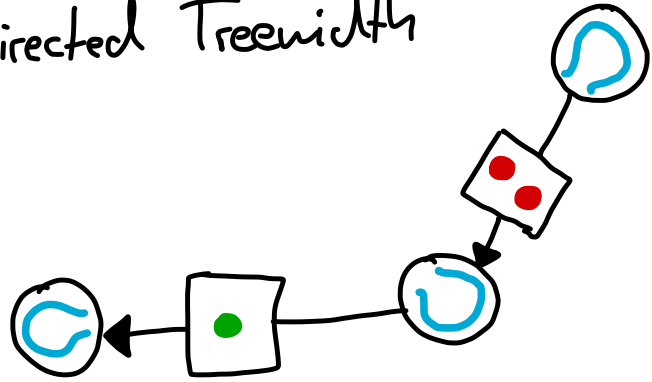
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a directed minor  
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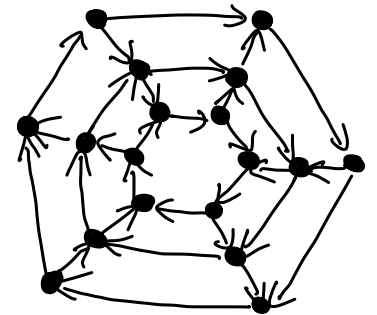
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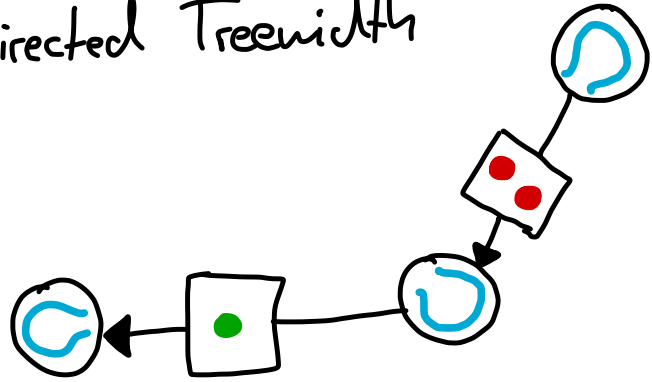
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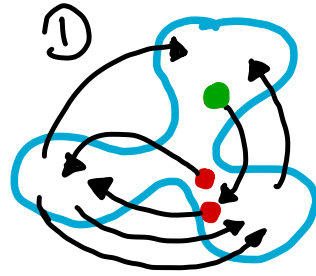


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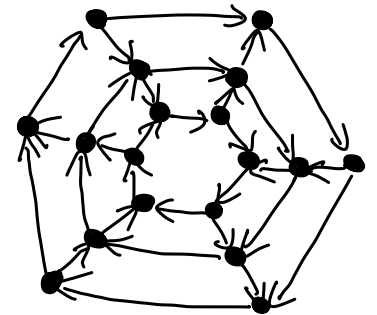


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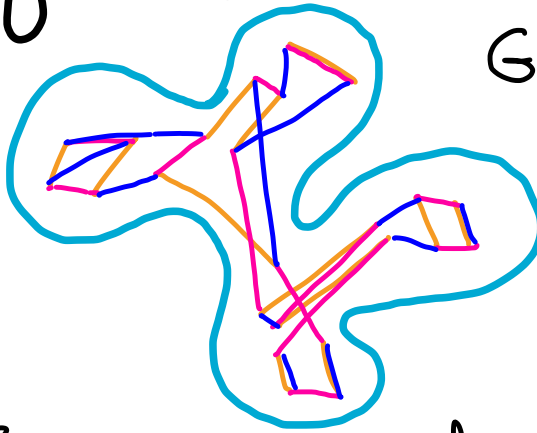
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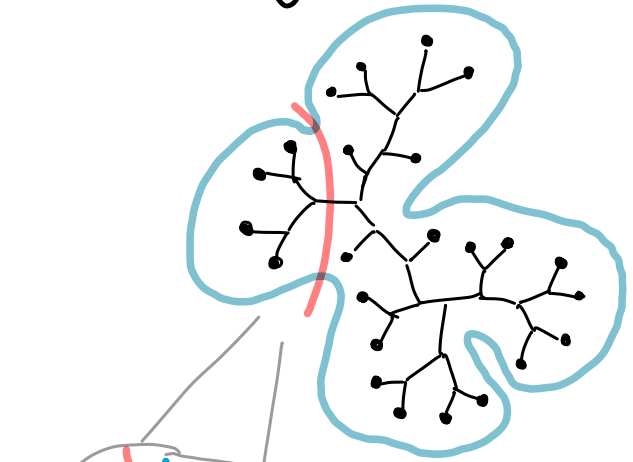
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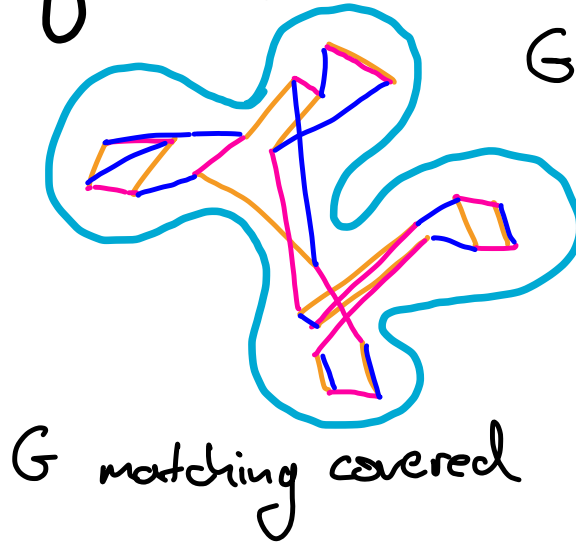
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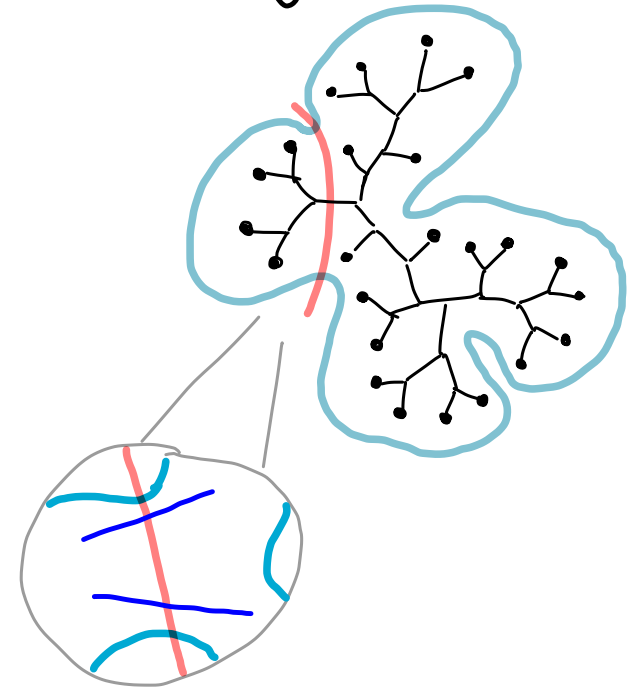


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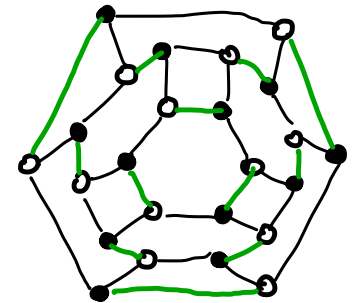
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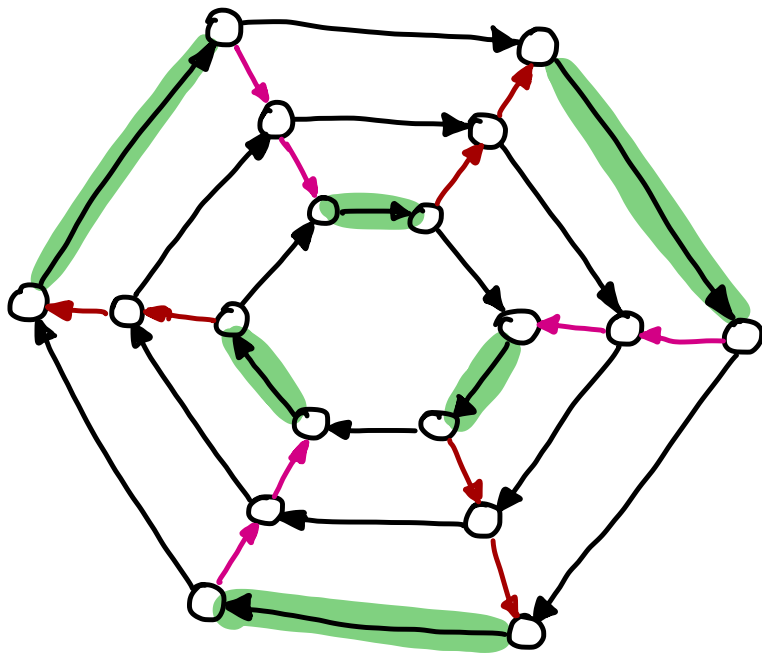
## Conjecture (Vornie)

A matching covered graph either has small perfect matching width or contains a matching grid as a matching minor.

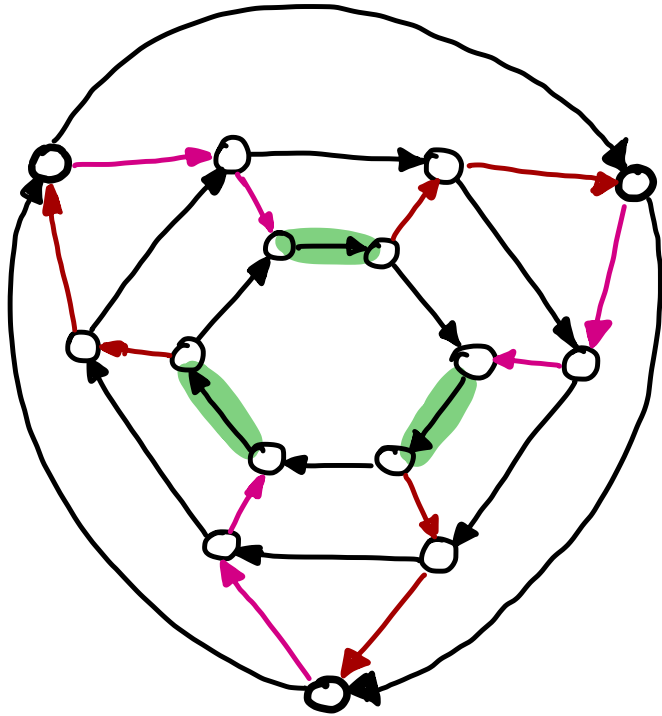
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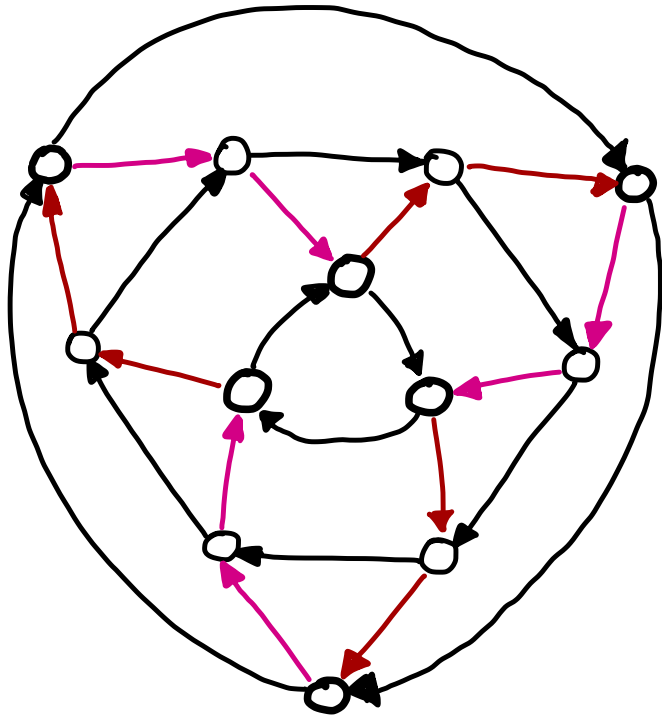


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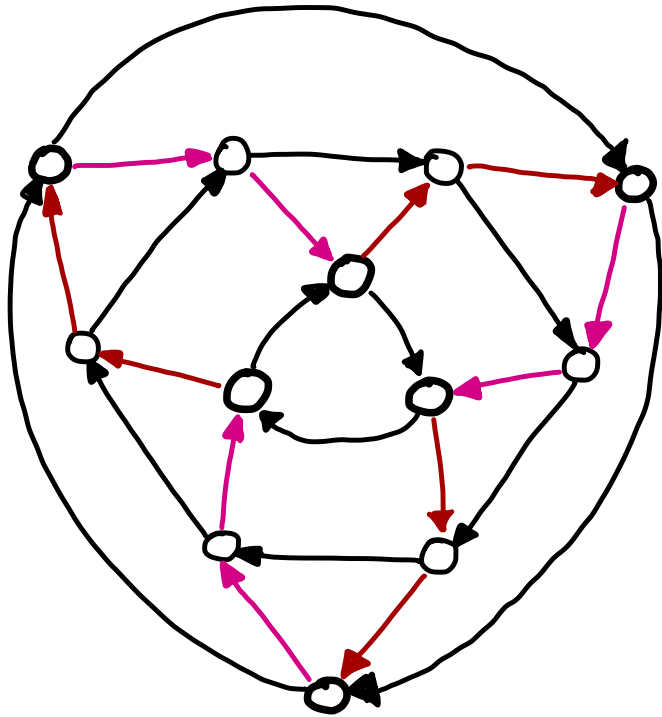
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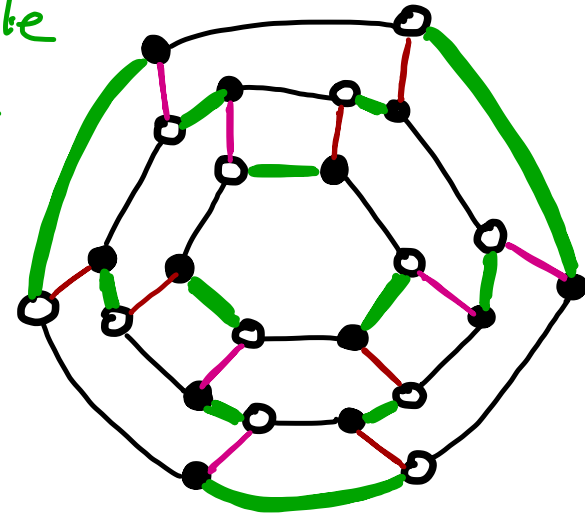
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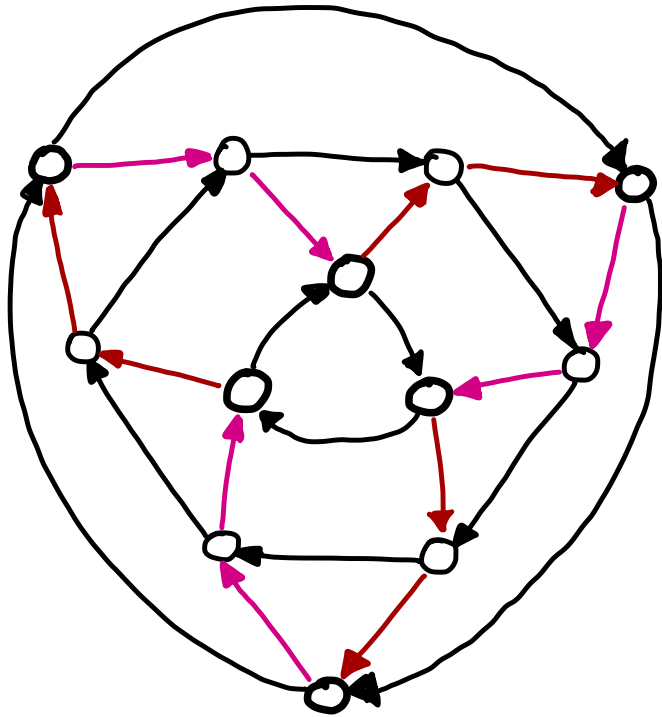
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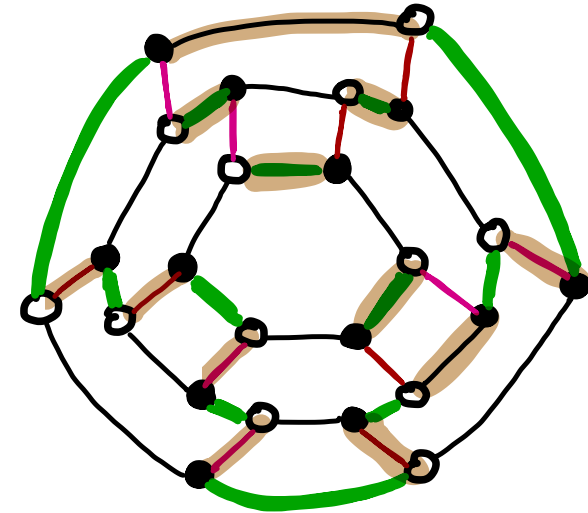
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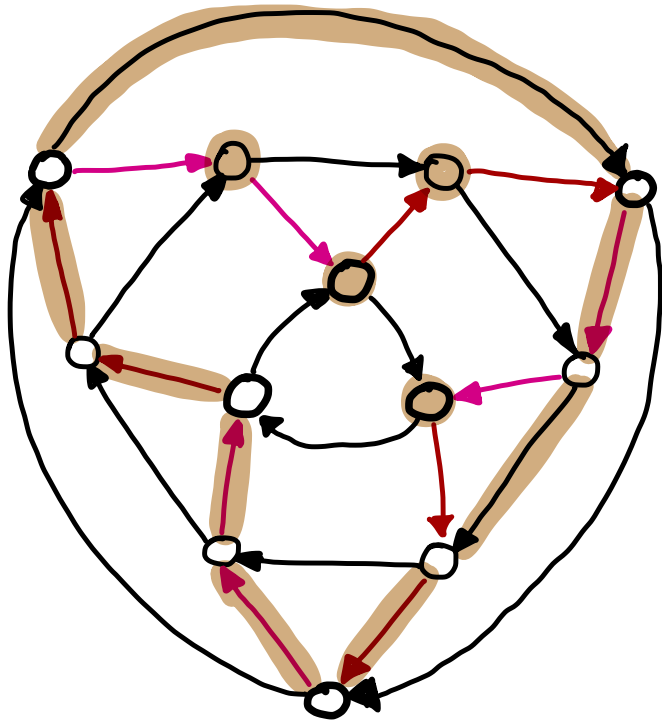
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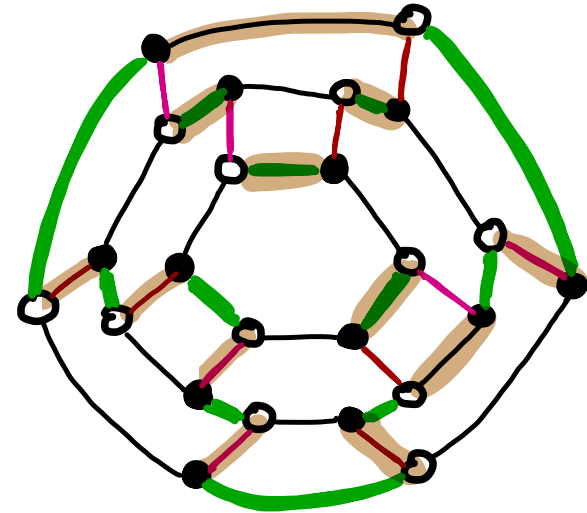
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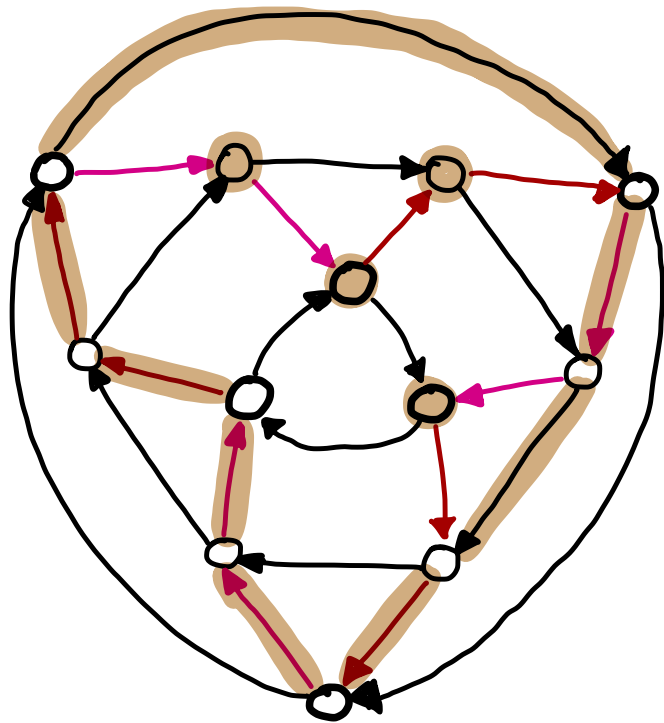
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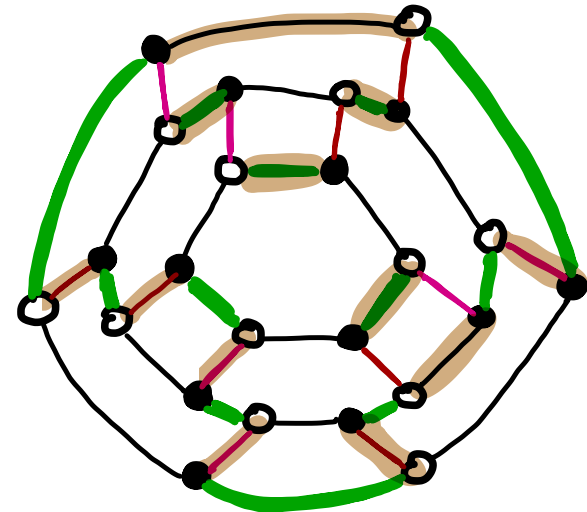
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Minors

Lemma (McCuaig)

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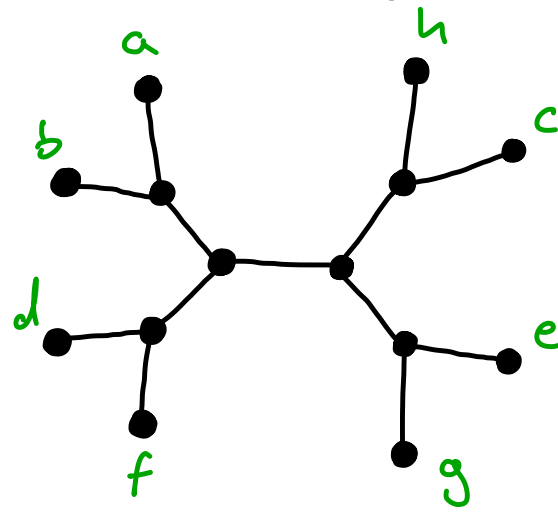
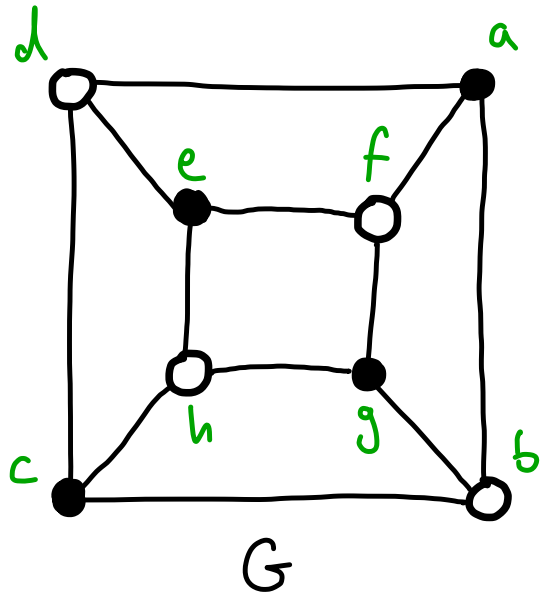
$\Leftrightarrow$

$G$  has  $G'$  as a matching matching minor "that respects  $M$ "

# Plan

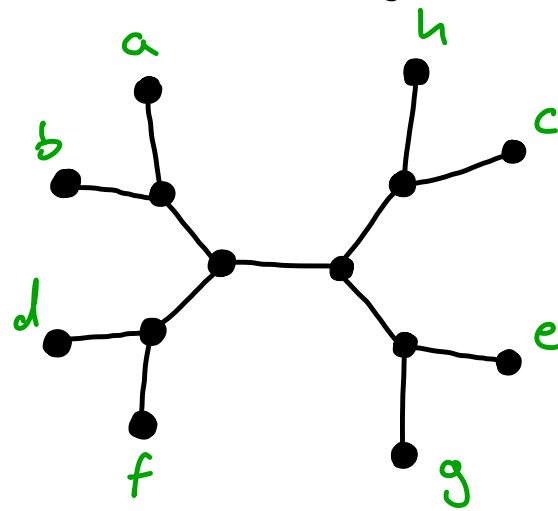
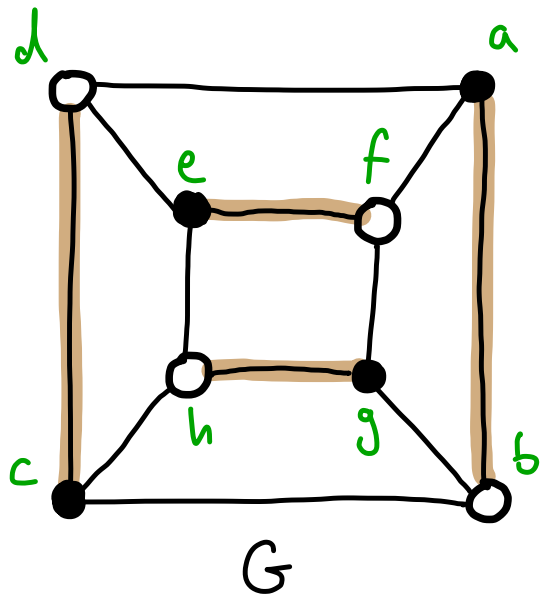
- 1) Link perfect matching width of bipartite matching covered graphs to directed treewidth.
- 2) Use the Directed Grid Theorem to settle Norines Conjecture for the bipartite case.

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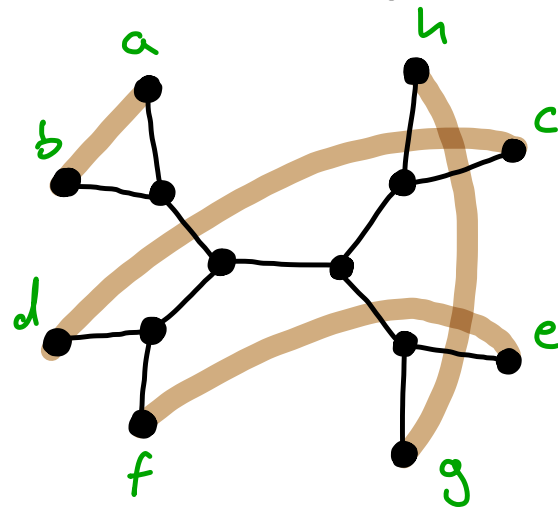
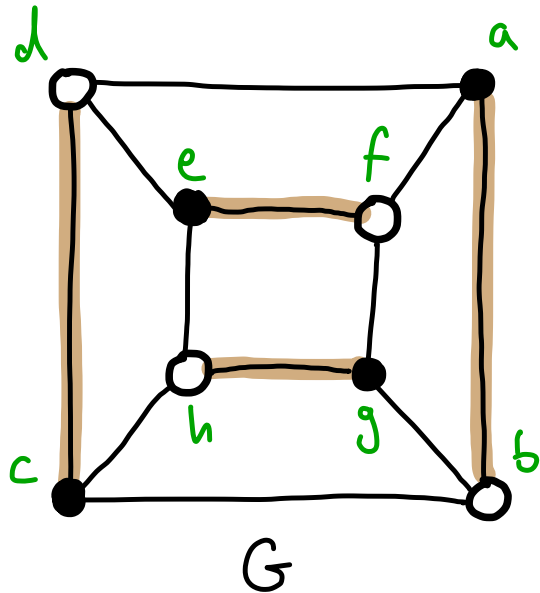
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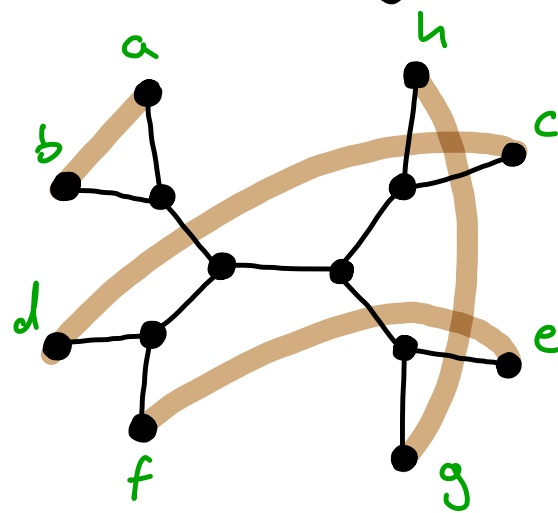
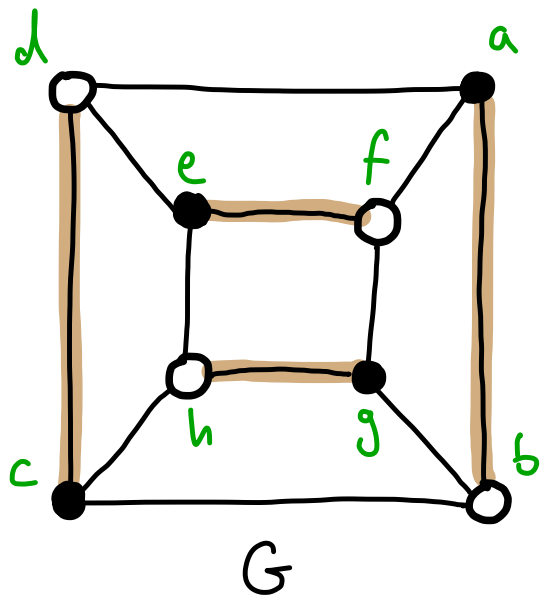
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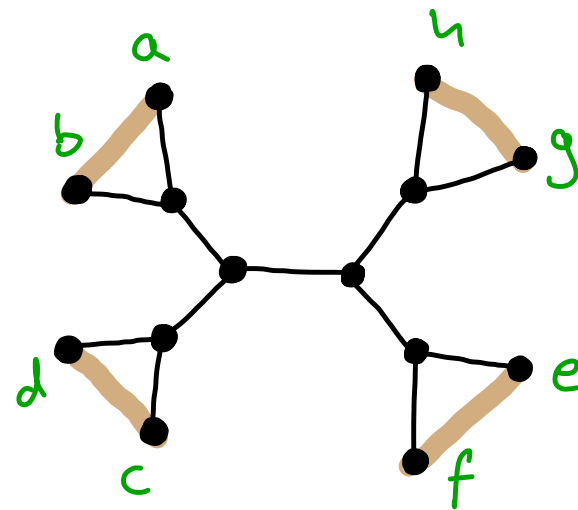
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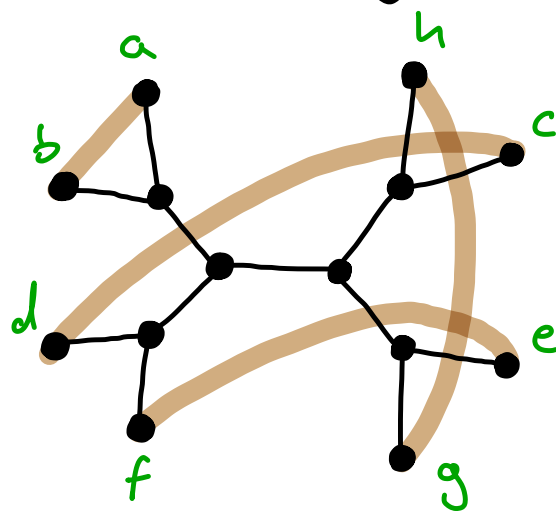
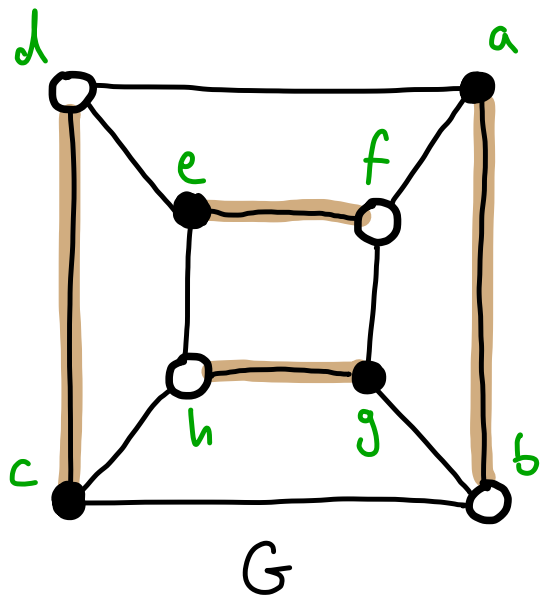
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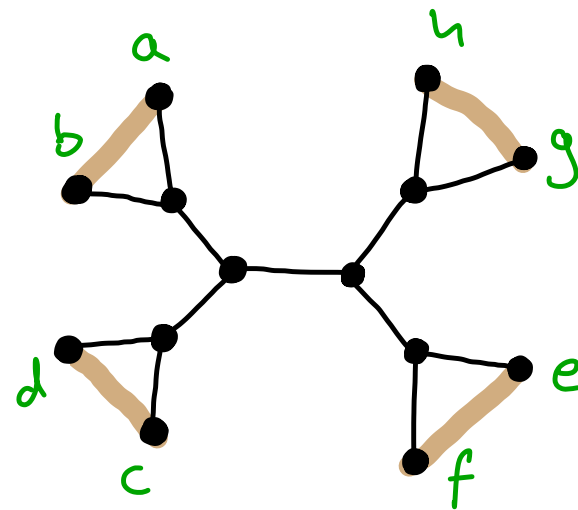
Solution: Only consider decompositions that respect M  $\Rightarrow$  M-pmw

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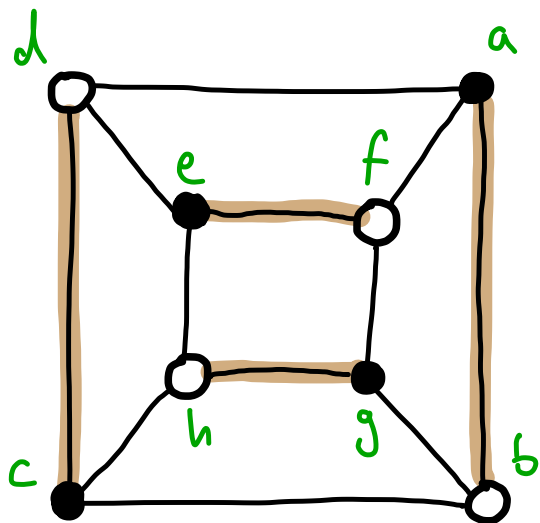


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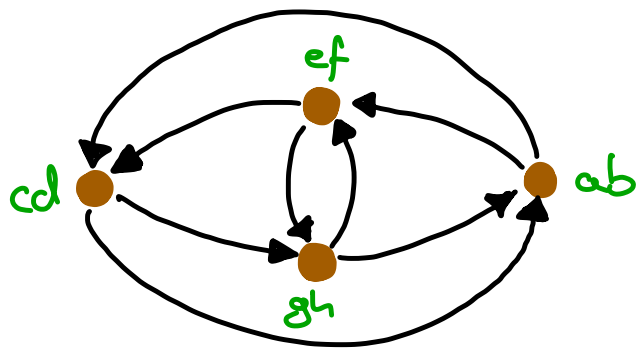
## Theorem

$$pmw(G) \leq M\text{-}pmw(G) \leq 2pmw(G)$$

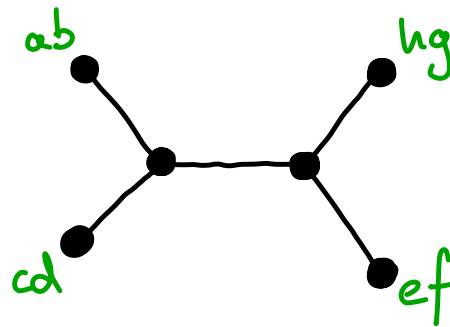
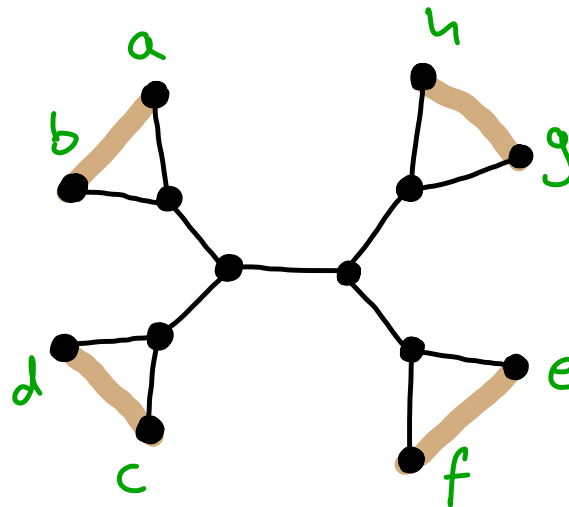
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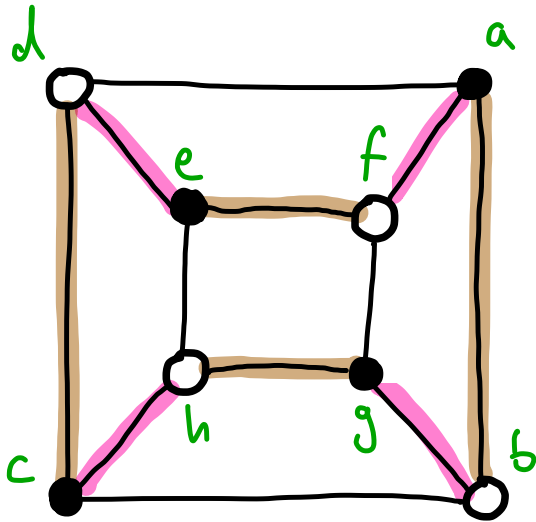
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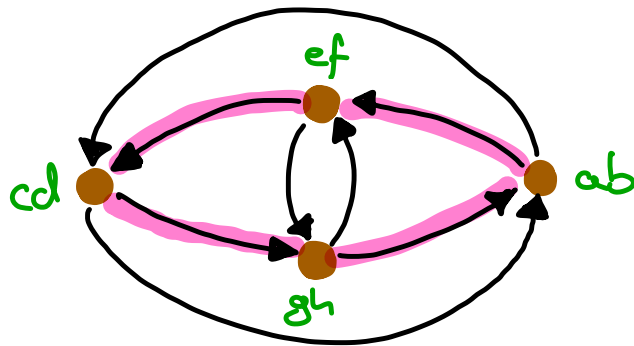
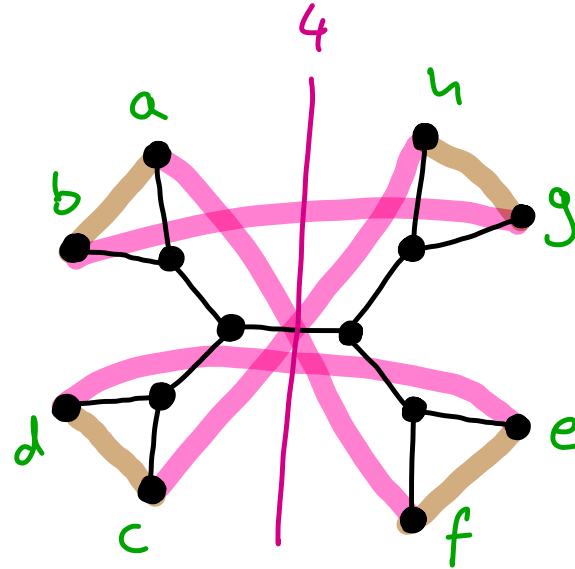
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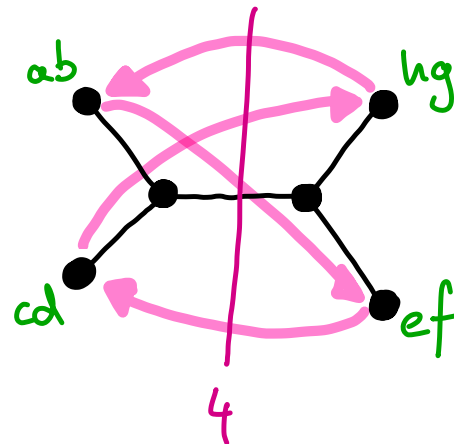
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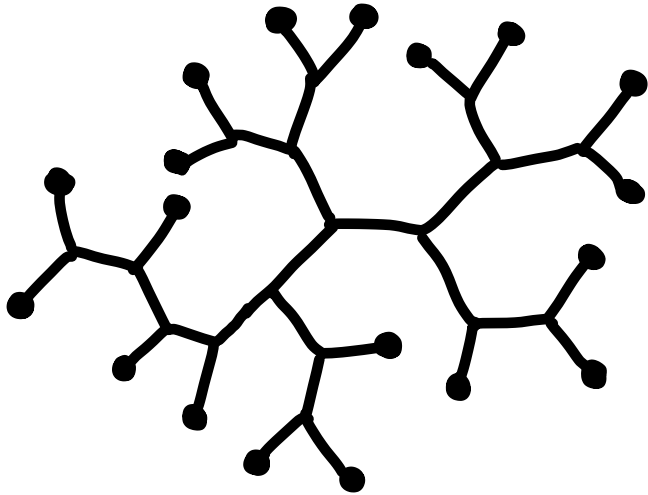


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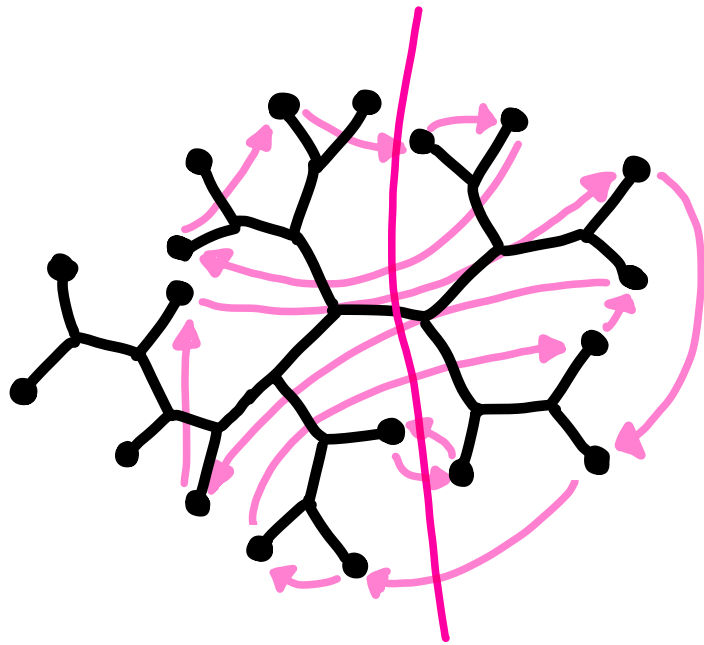
$\Rightarrow$  consider collections of vertex disjoint directed cycles

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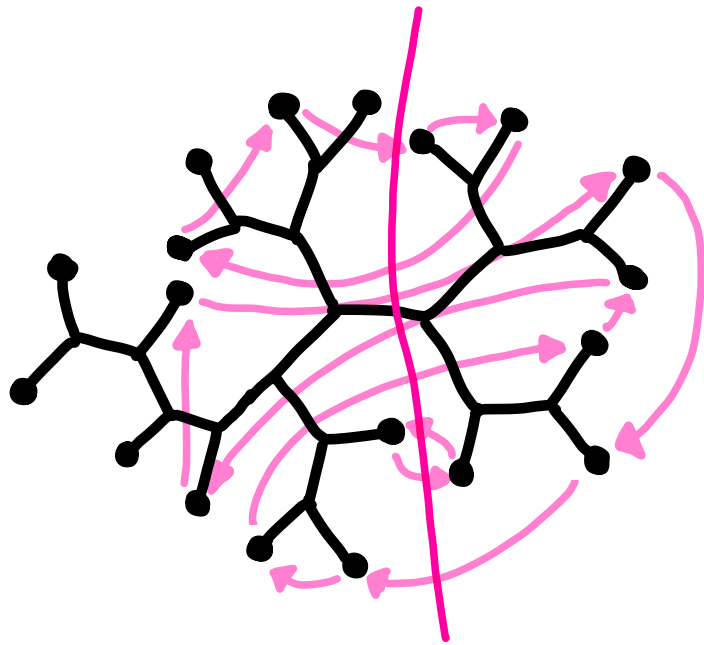
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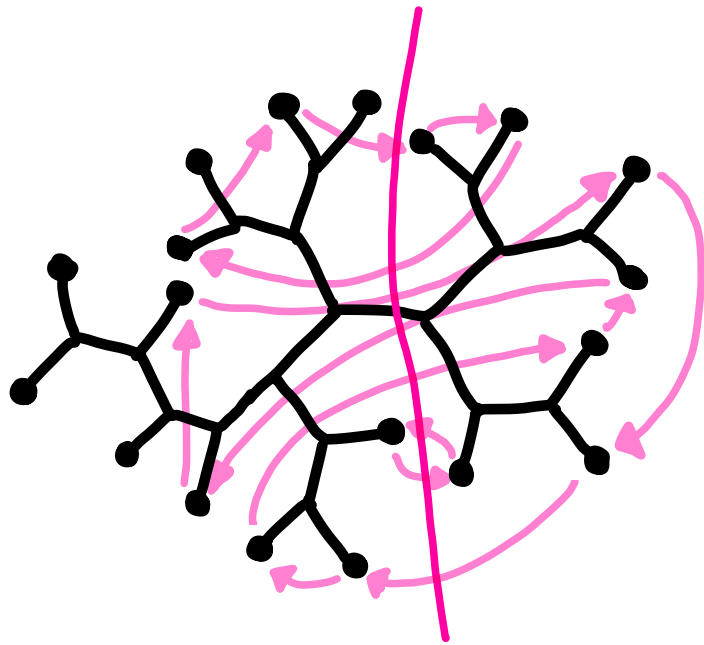
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## Theorem

A class of digraphs has bounded cyclewidth iff it has bounded directed treewidth.

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$$\text{cyc}(\mathcal{D}(G, M)) = M - \text{ptw}(G)$$

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$$\text{ptw}(G) \leq \text{cyc}(\mathcal{D}(G, M)) \leq 2 \text{ptw}(G)$$

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Grid Theorem for bipartite perfect matching width

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$$c_{yw}(D(G, M)) = M\text{-}pw(G)$$



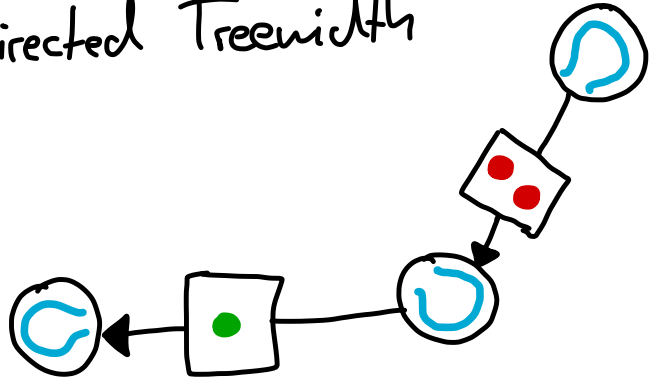
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+ Mc Craigs Lemma on butterfly and matching minors

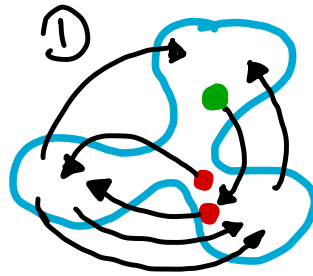


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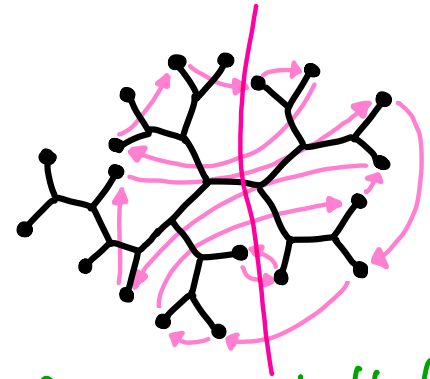
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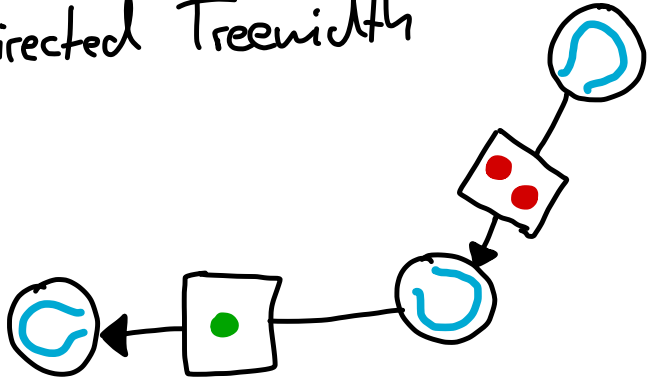
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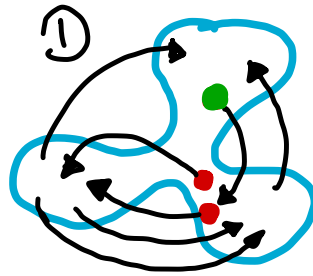
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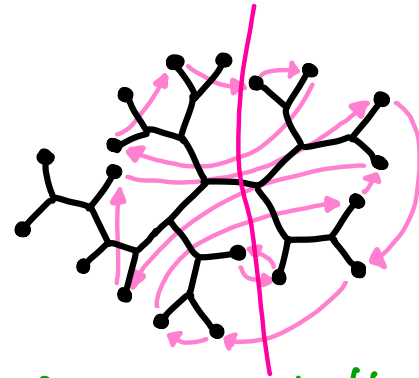
Directed Treewidth



"well behaved" under butterfly  
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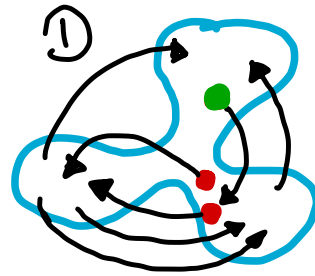
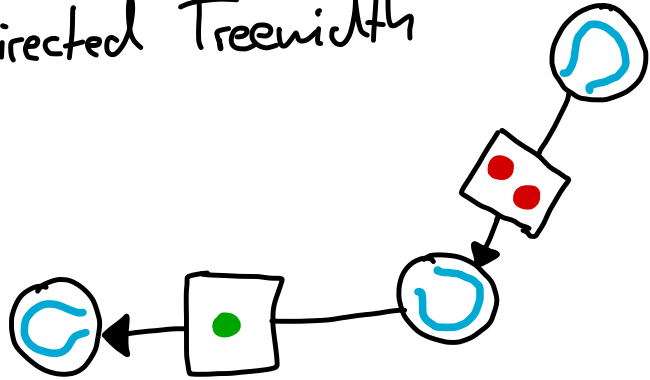
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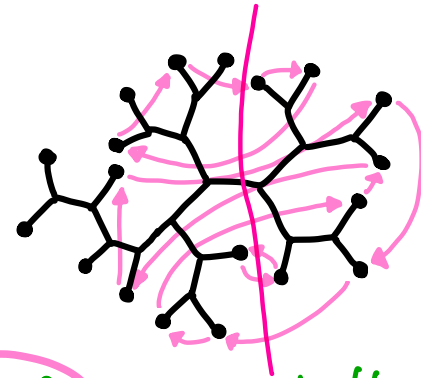
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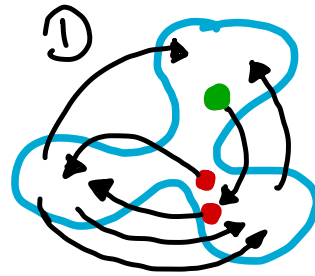
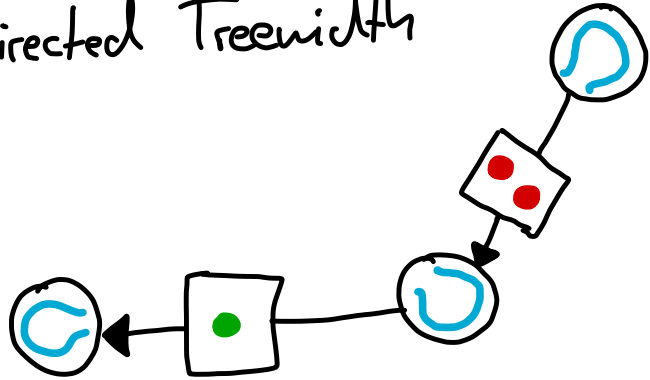
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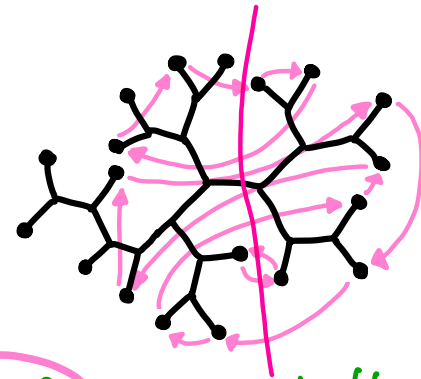
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Thank You