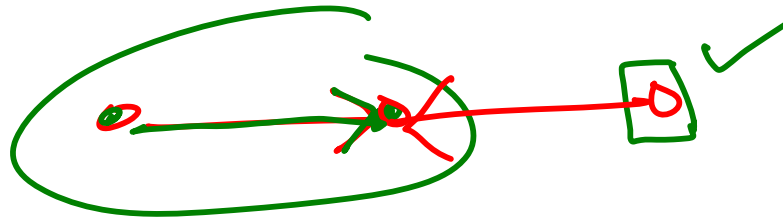


$$|\text{MDPC}(G)| \leftrightarrow \text{MPDC}(G)$$

$$\text{MPDC}(G) \leq \alpha(G)$$



$$MBPC(G) = 2 \quad \checkmark$$



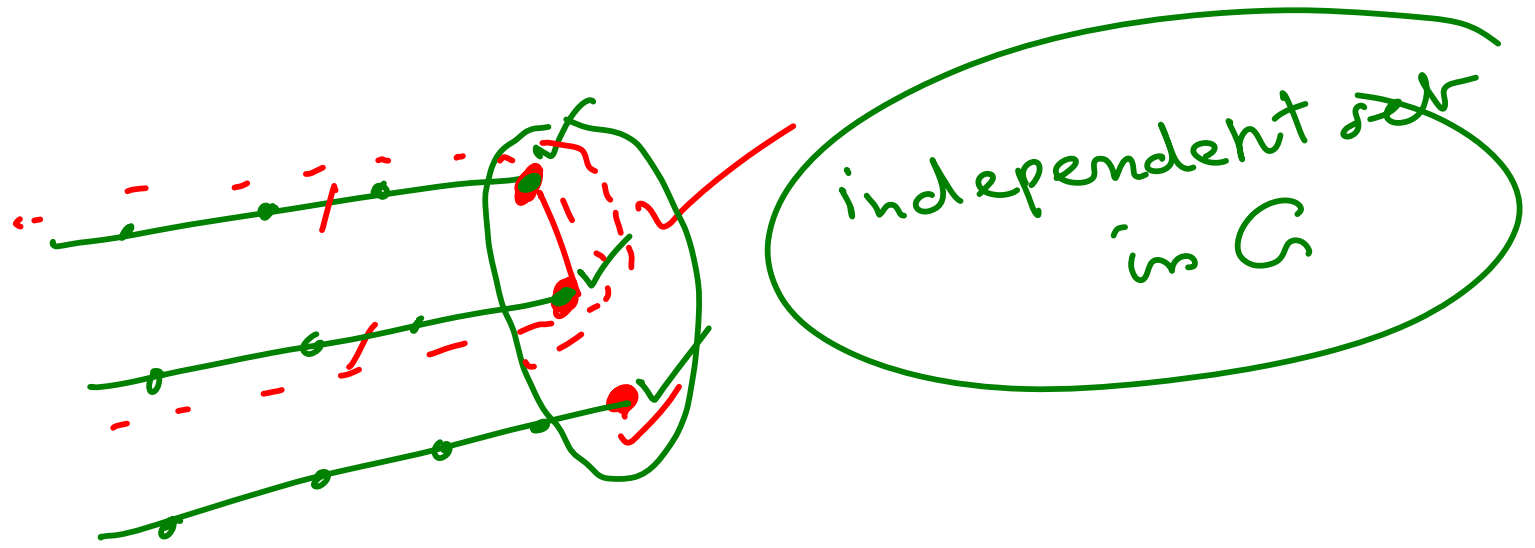
$$MPC(G) = 1$$



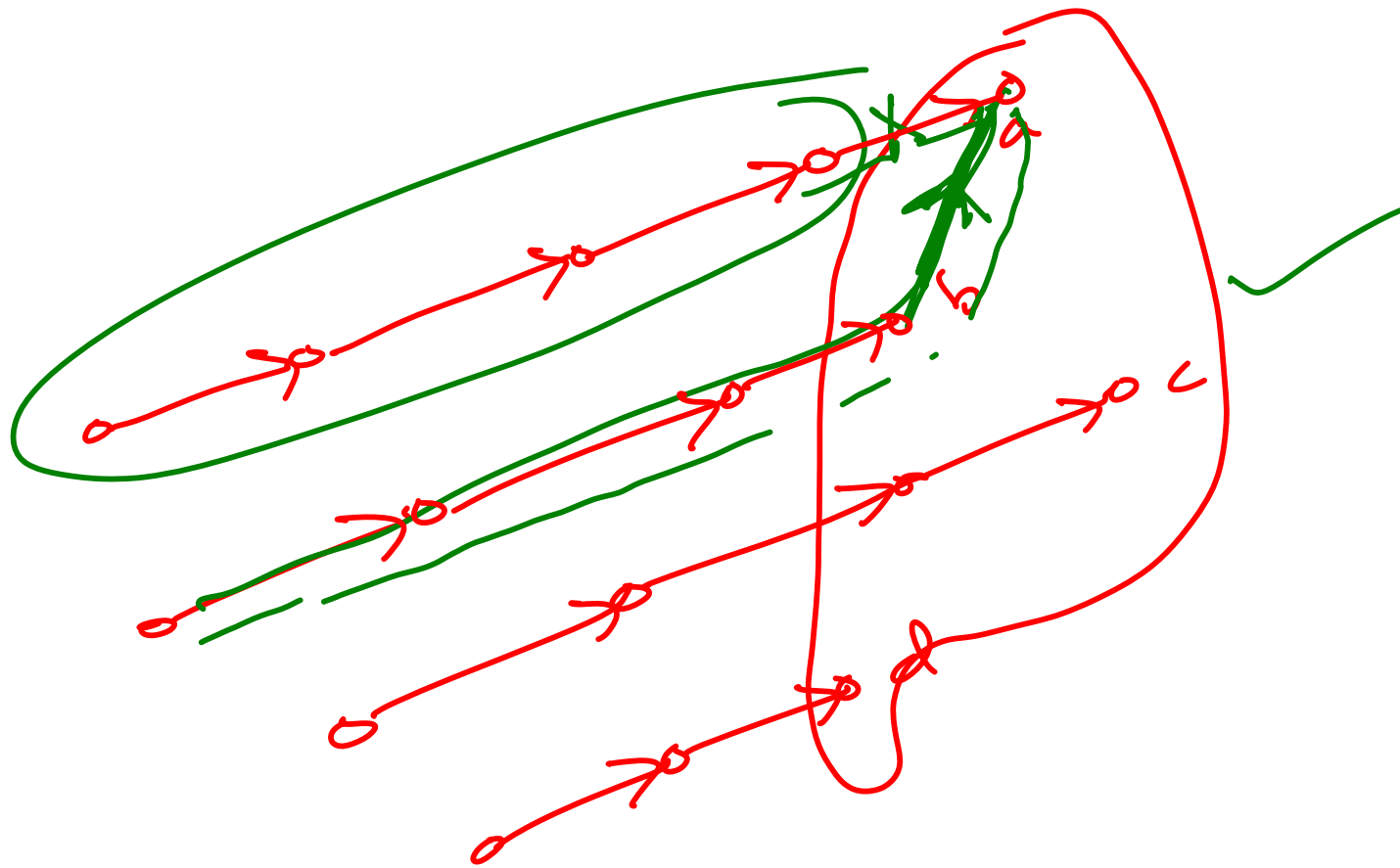
$G$

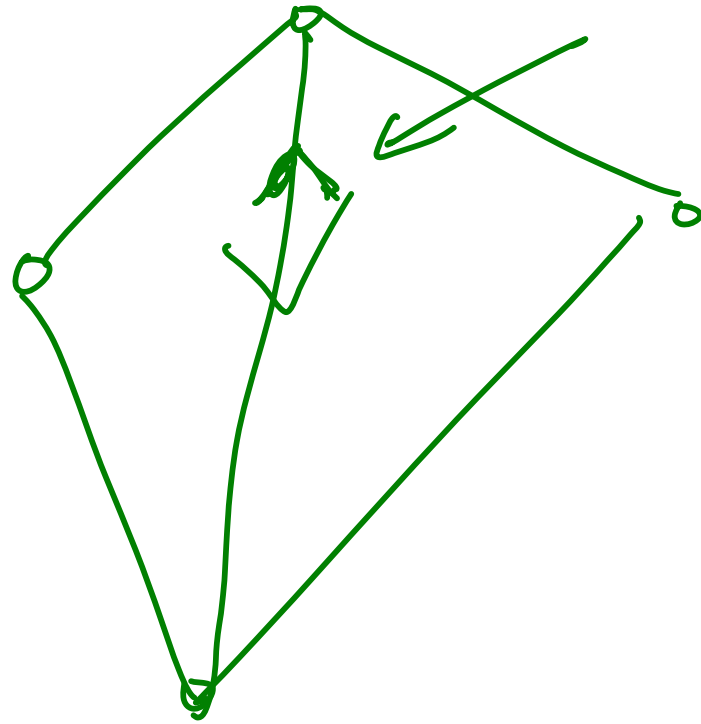
$$\text{MPC}(G) \leq \alpha(G)?$$

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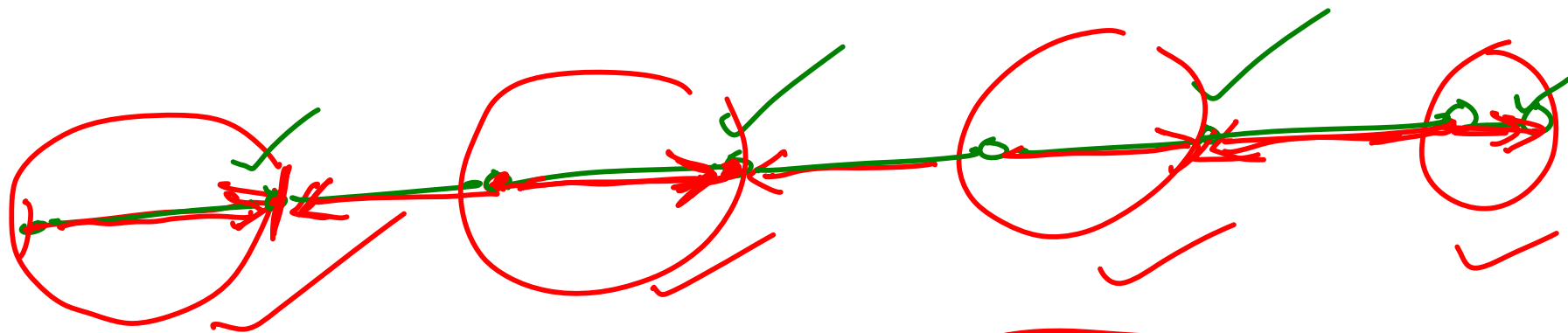


independent set  
in  $G$





2 ways  
of orienting  
each edge



$$\text{mpc}(G) = 1$$

$$\alpha(G) = \frac{5}{2}$$

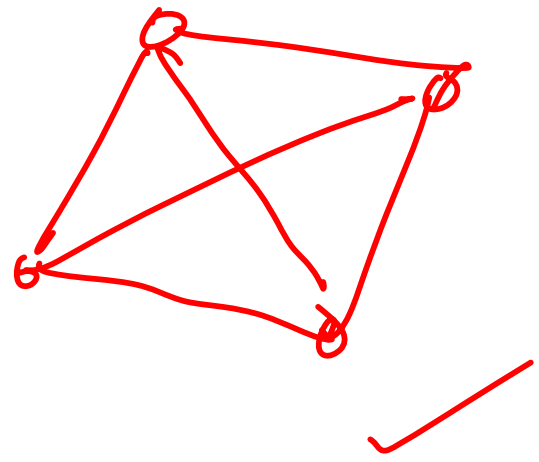
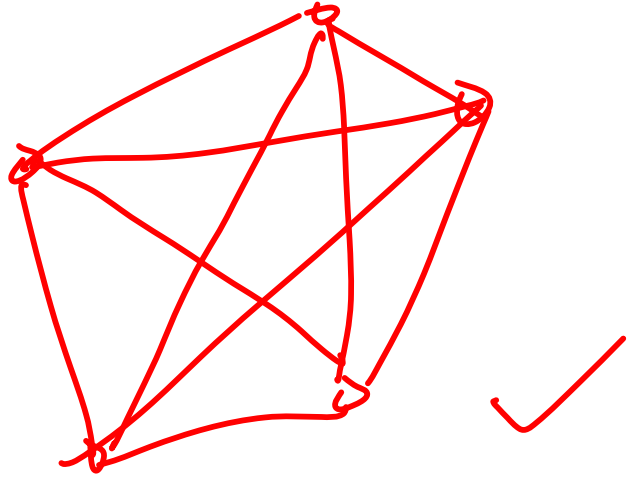
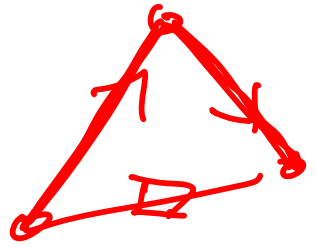
$$\text{MDPC}(G) = \frac{5}{2} \leq \alpha(G)$$



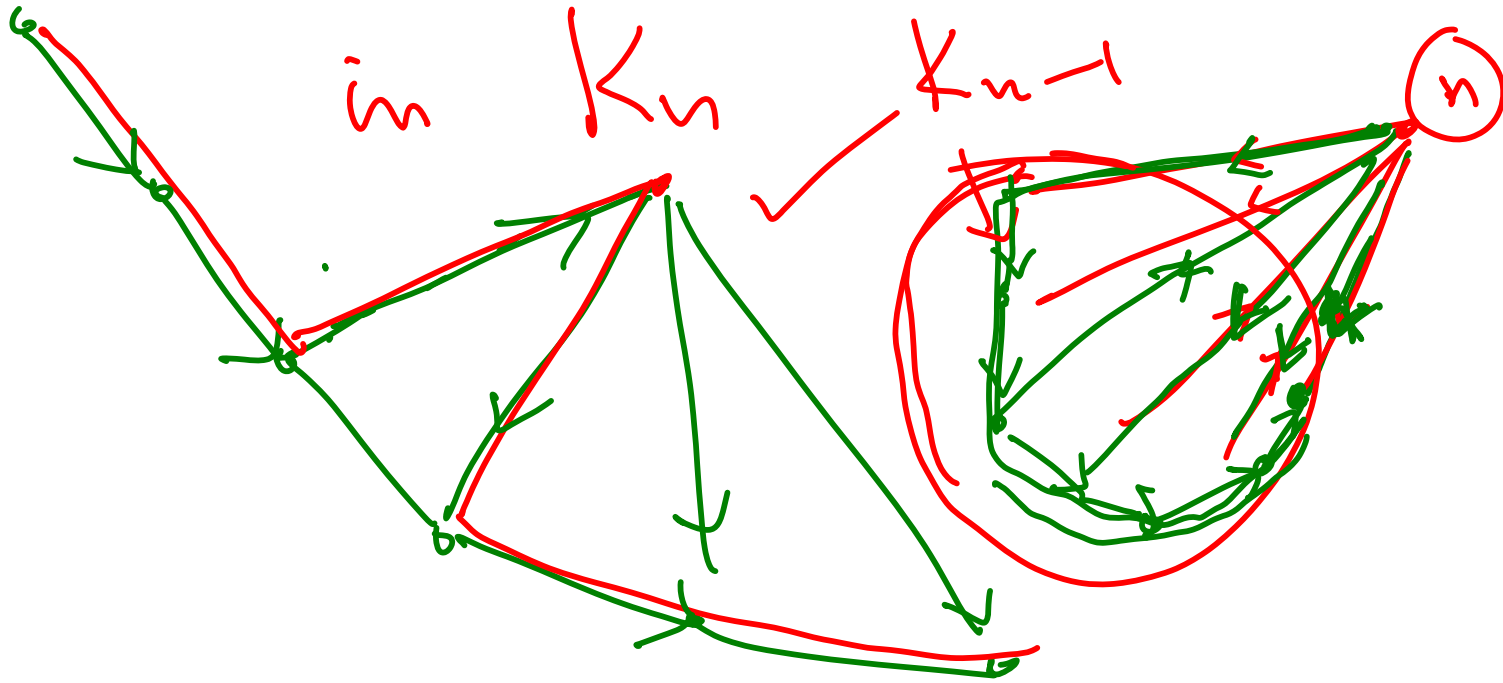
$K_n$

$$\alpha(K_n) = 1$$

Hamiltonian path — which  
visits each vertex  
once & only once



$K_{n-1}$



$$= \alpha'(G) + \underbrace{n - 2\alpha'(G)}_{\text{MDPC}(G_i)}$$

$$= n - \underbrace{\alpha'(G)}_{\text{MDPC}(G_i)} = \underbrace{n - \beta(G)}_{\text{MDPC}(G_i)}$$

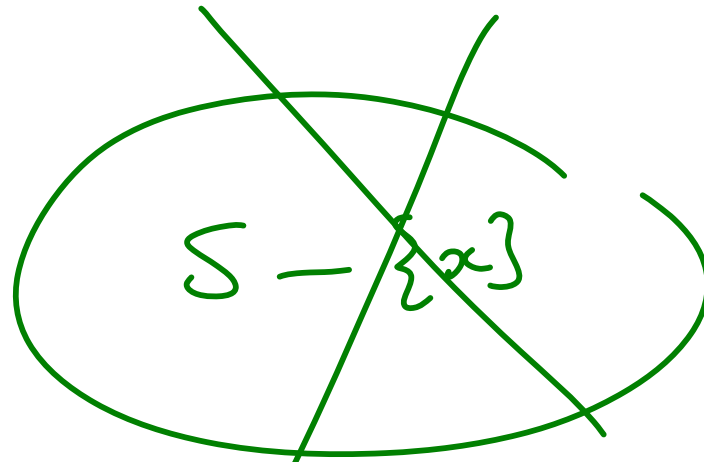
$\mathcal{P}$  is minimal path cover

then  $\exists$  an independent set  $S$

such that for  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ ,

$$S \cap P \neq \emptyset \quad \boxed{2|E| \geq |S| \geq |\mathcal{P}|}$$

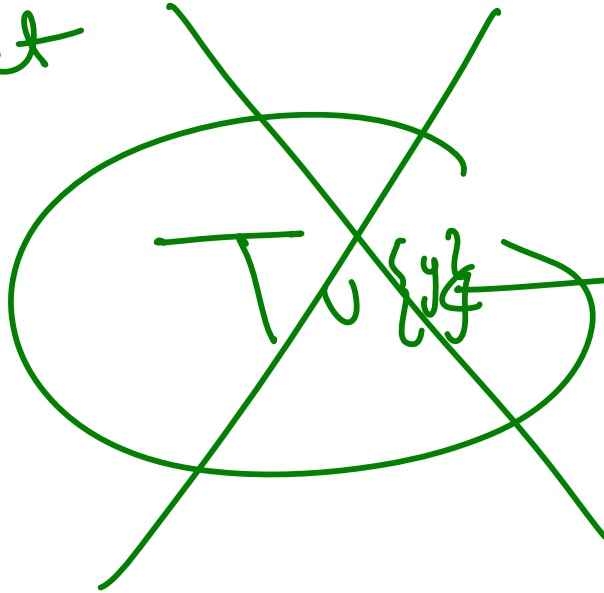
$x \in S$   
||  
 $S$



not a vertex  
arc

$T$  is a maximal independent

set



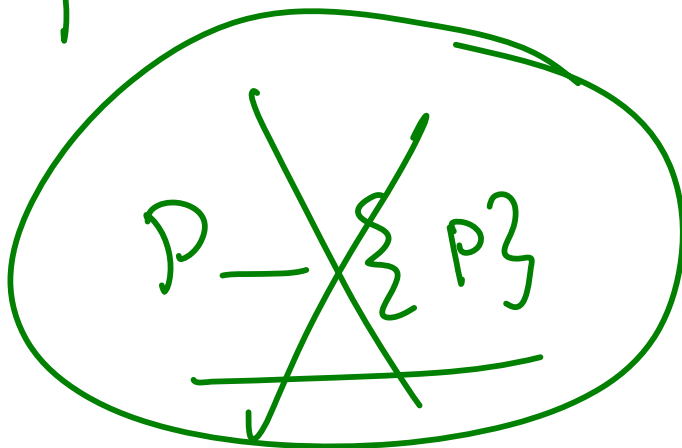
$y \in V(G) - T$

← not independent

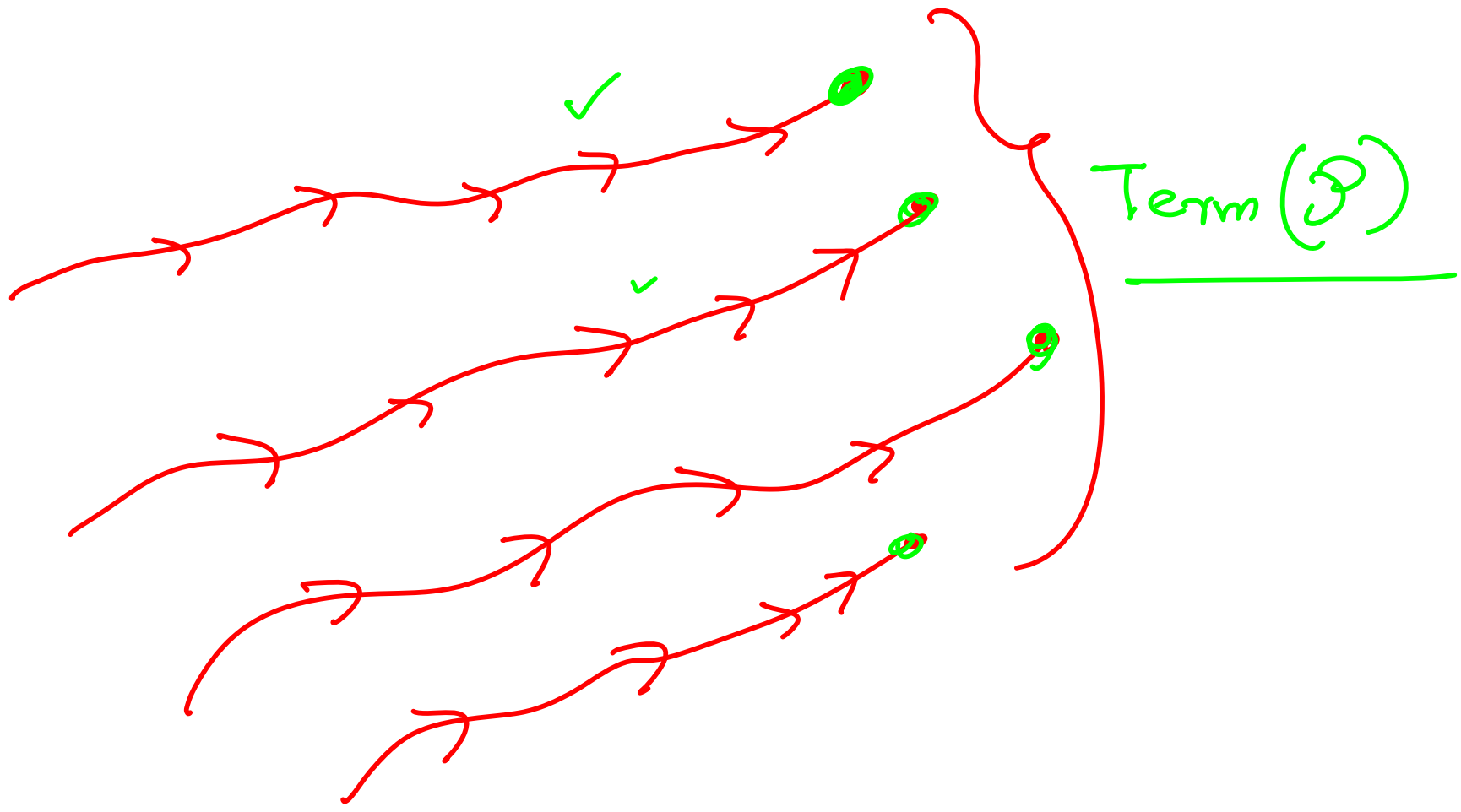
$\mathcal{D}$

is path cover

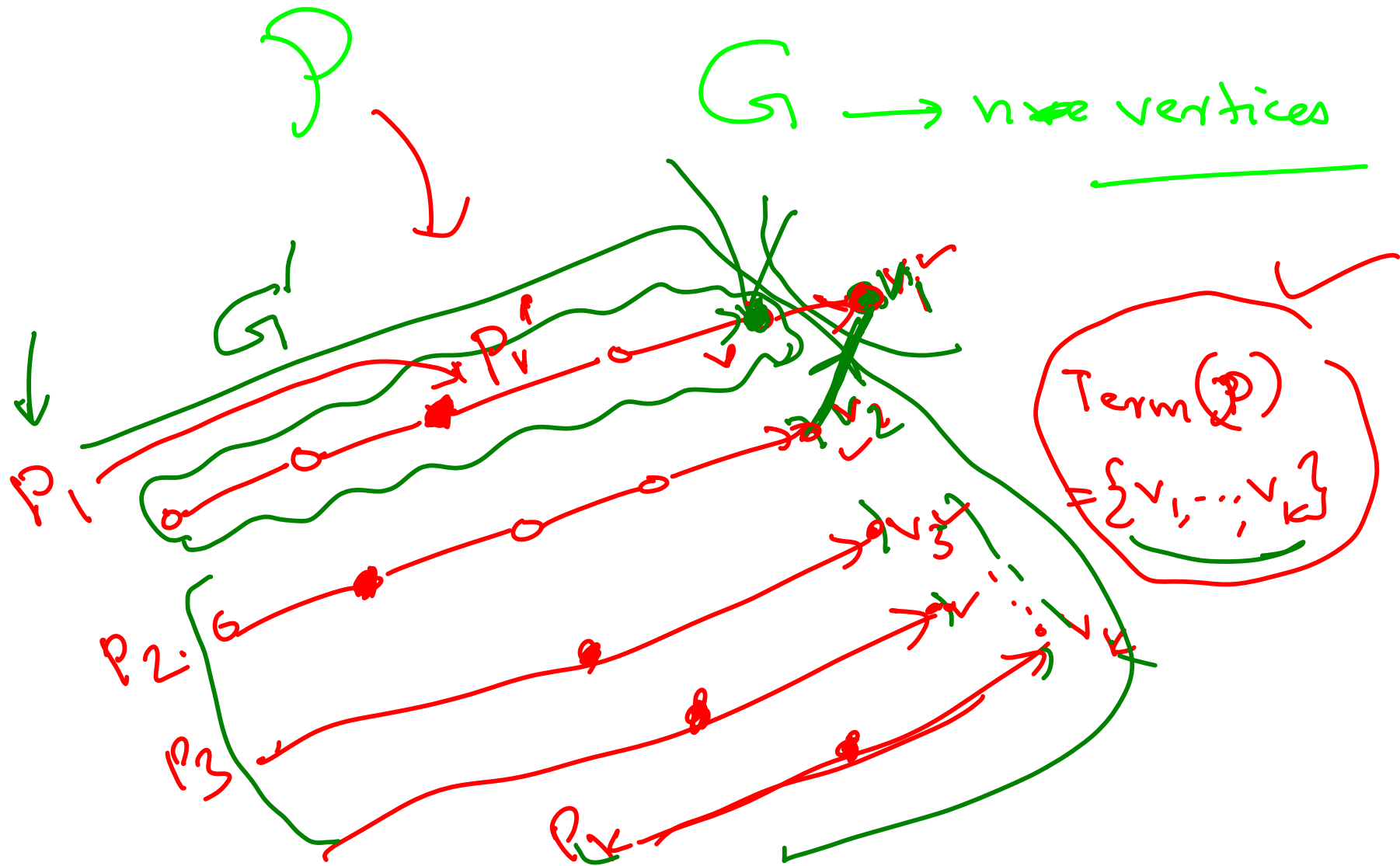
$P \in \mathcal{D}$ ,

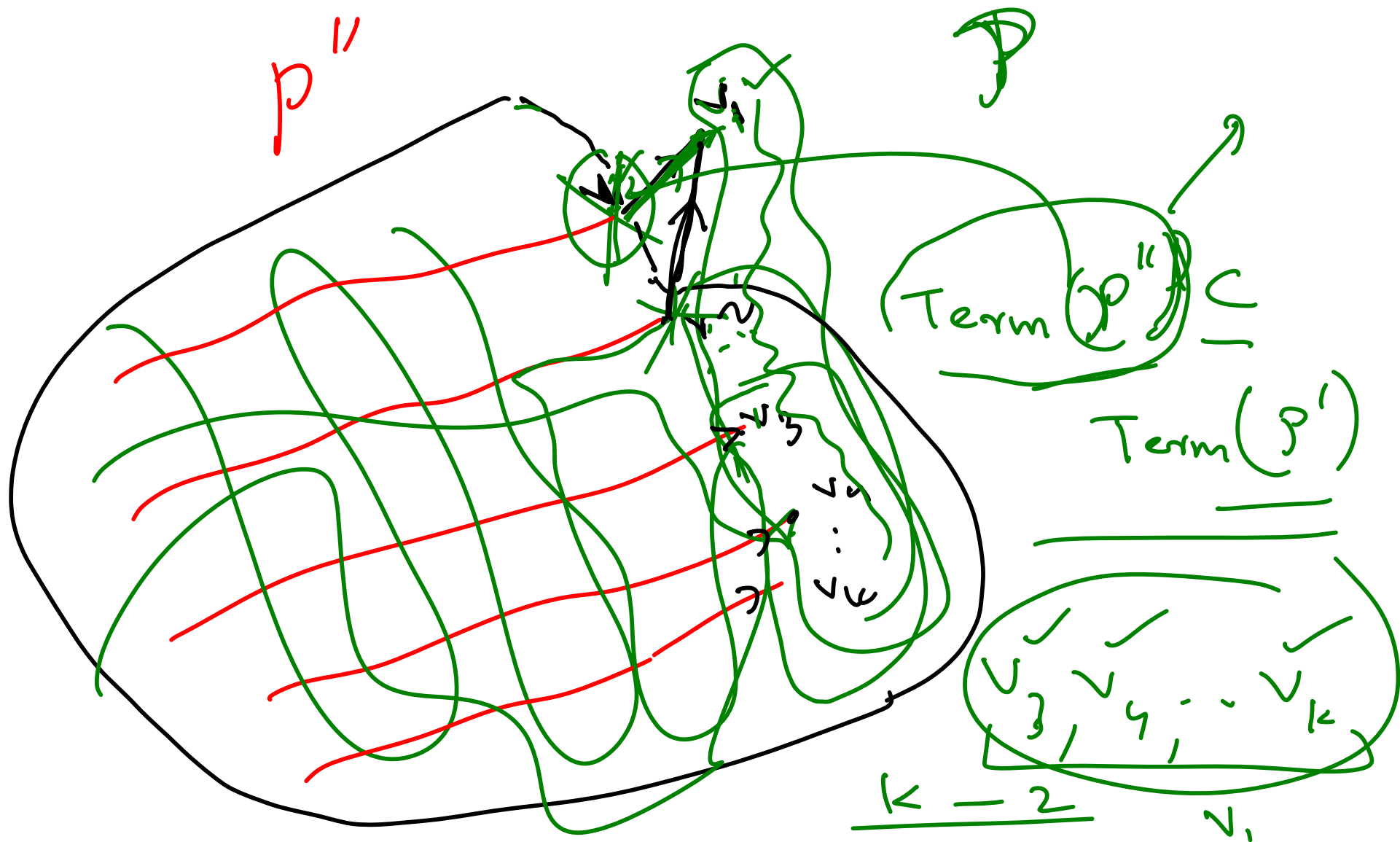






$\mathcal{P}$  is a minimal path cover  
if  $\nexists$  no other  $\mathcal{P}'$  such  
that  $\text{term}(\mathcal{P}') \subset \text{term}(\mathcal{P})$

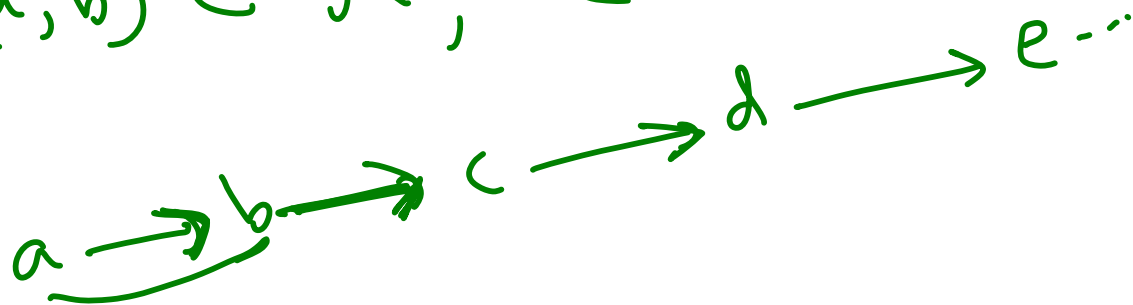




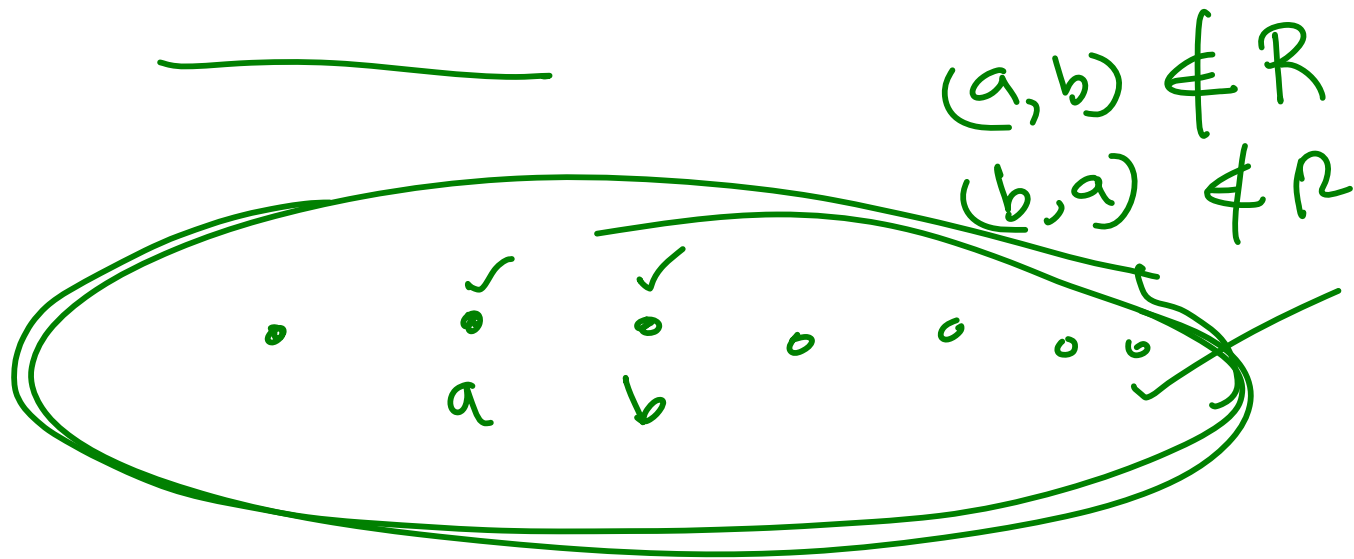
$a, b, c, d, e, f$

$a \leq b \leq c \leq d \leq e \leq f$  ✓

$(a, b) \in R, (b, c) \in R$

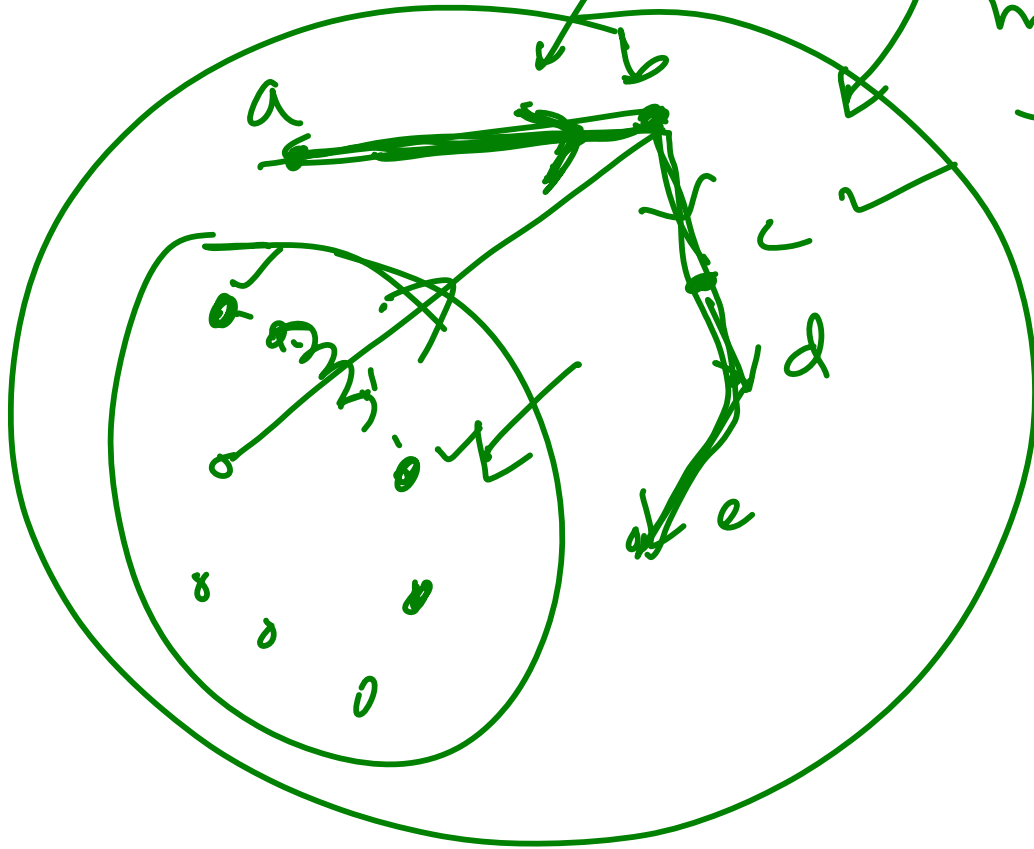


anti chain



$(P, \leq)$

Dilworth's  
theorem  
min # chains



= max cardinality  
of an  
antichain

$\alpha(G)$

$\text{MBPC}(G)$

# the card. of the  
max antichain

$=$   
 $\geq$   
 $\leq$

min # chains to  
cover the  
partial order



