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Bipartite Matching

- A matching *M* is perfect if it is of cardinality |M| = |V|/2.
- ► For a bipartite graph $G = (L \uplus R, E)$ this means |M| = |L| = |R| = n.





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