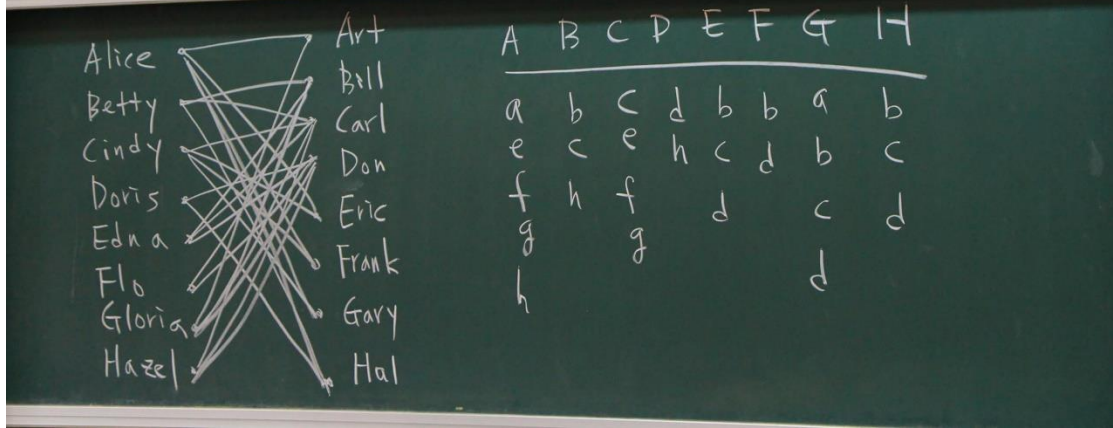




Matching Problem		Boys she likes
<u>Example</u>	Girl	Art, Eric, Frank, Gary, Hal
	Alice	Bill, Carl, Hal
	Betty	Carl, Eric, Frank, Gary
	Cindy	Don, Hal
	Doris	Bill, Carl, Don
	Edna	Bill, Don
	Flo	Art, Bill, Carl, Don
	Gloria	Bill, Carl, Don
	Hazel	

Question:  
Is it possible for each girl to dance with a boy she likes?



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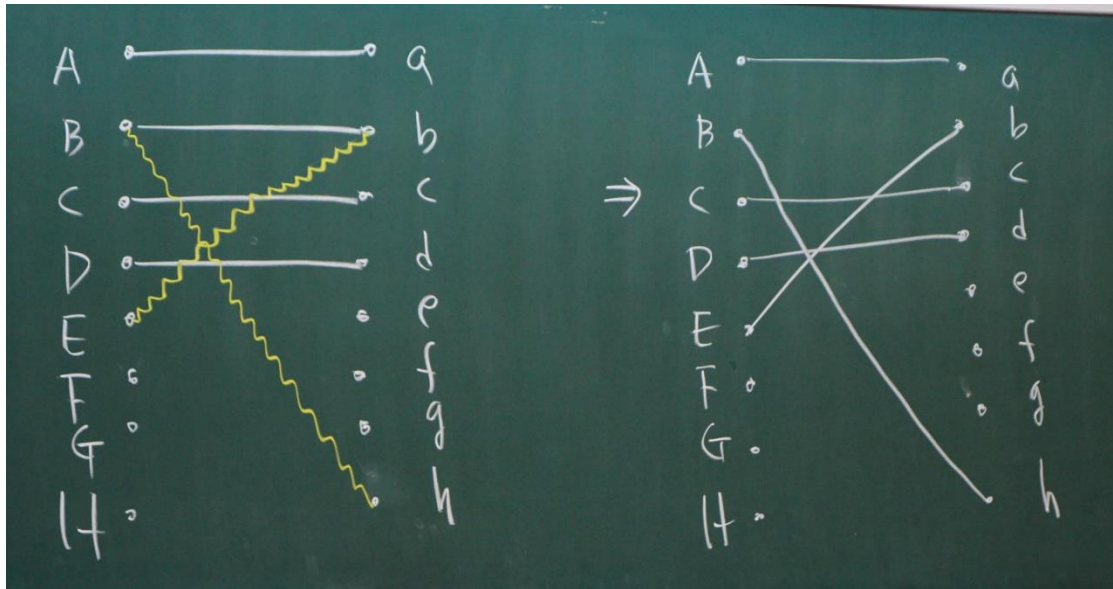
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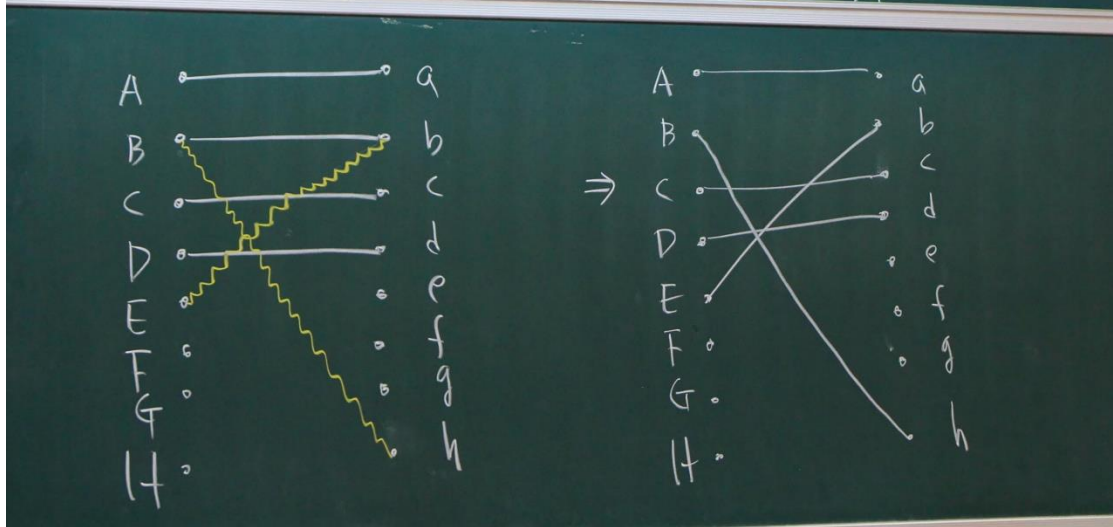
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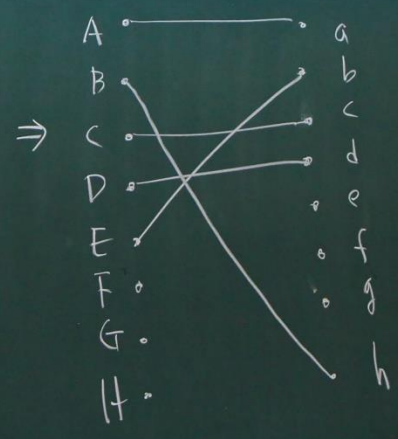
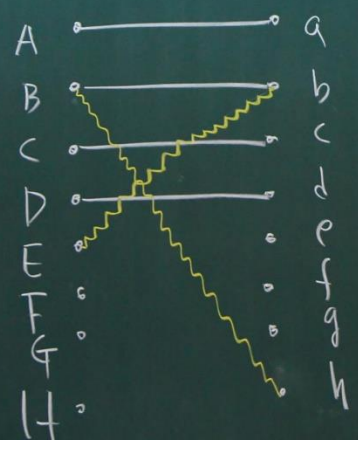
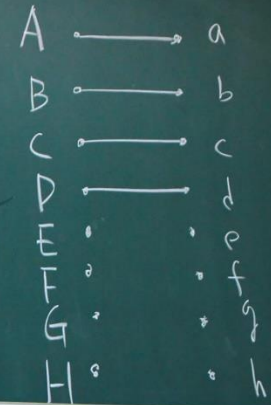
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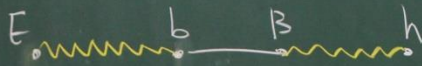
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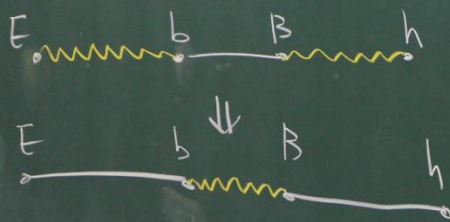
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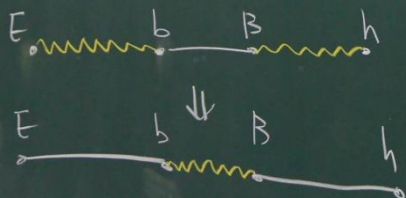


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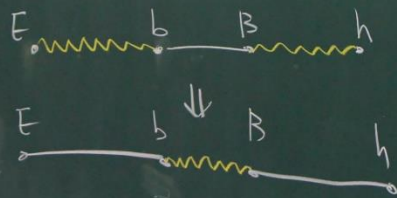


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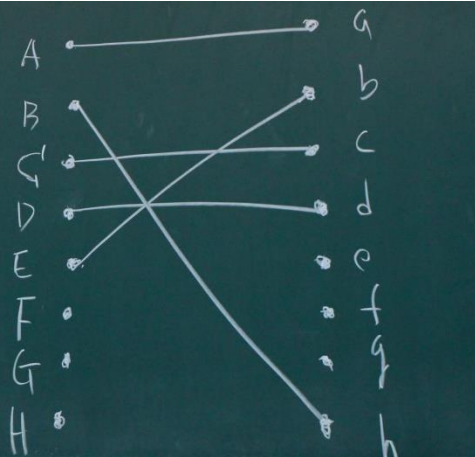
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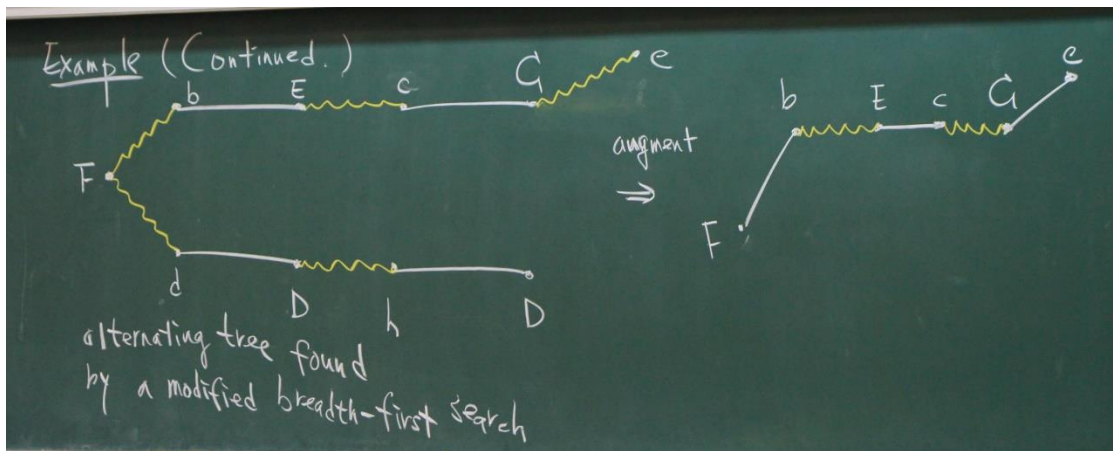
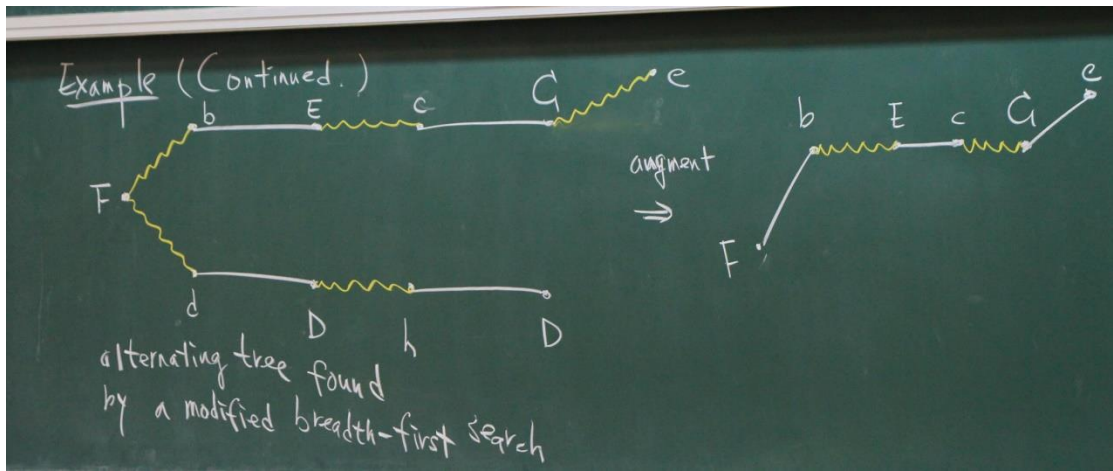
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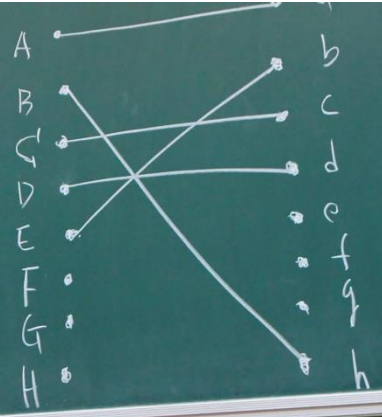


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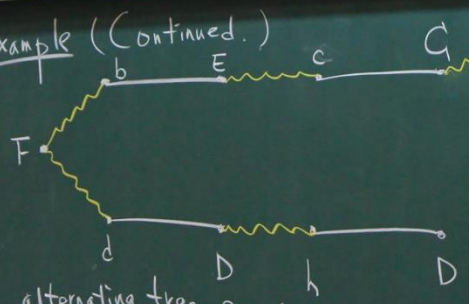




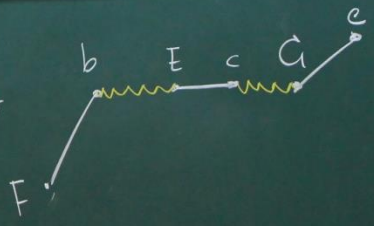
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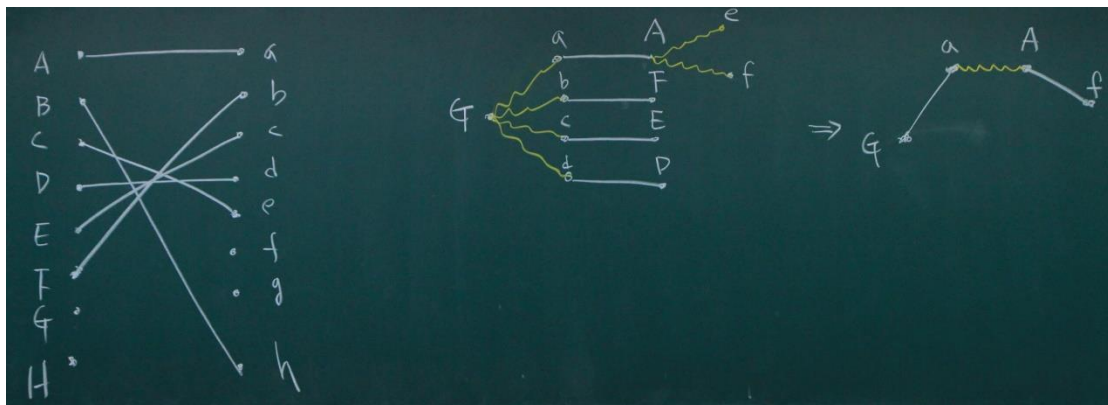
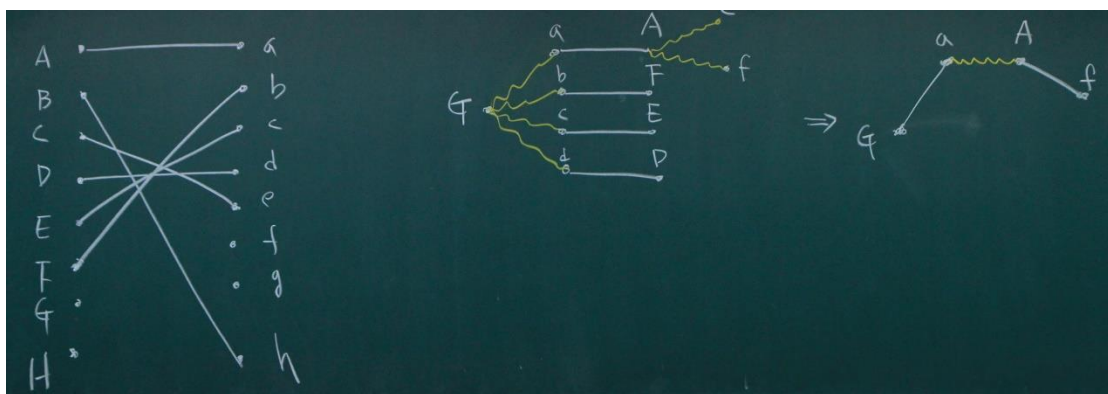
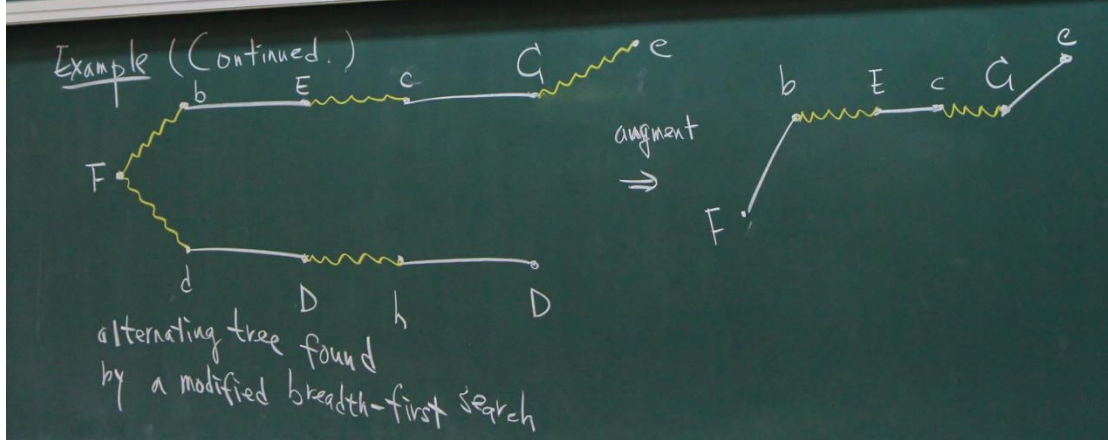
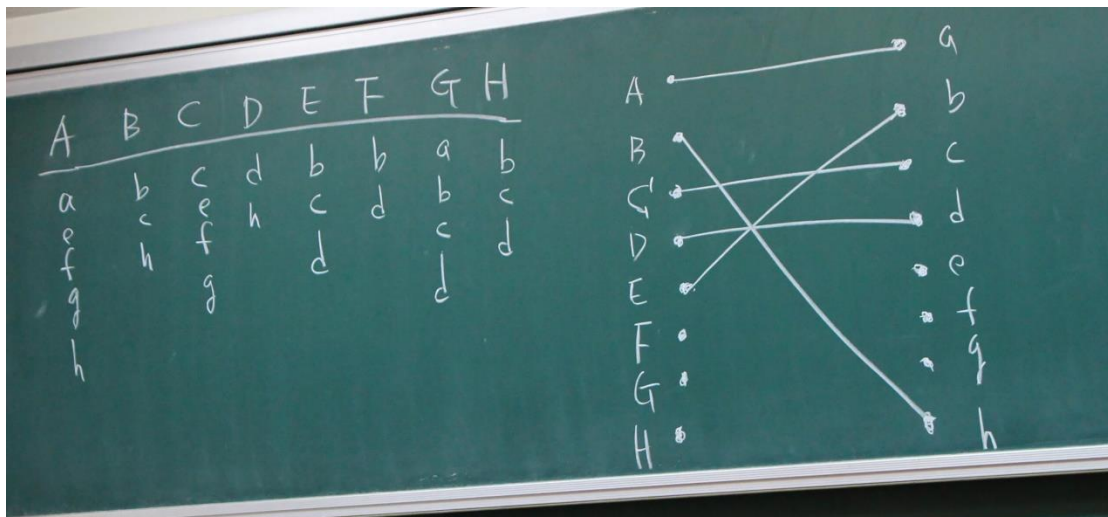
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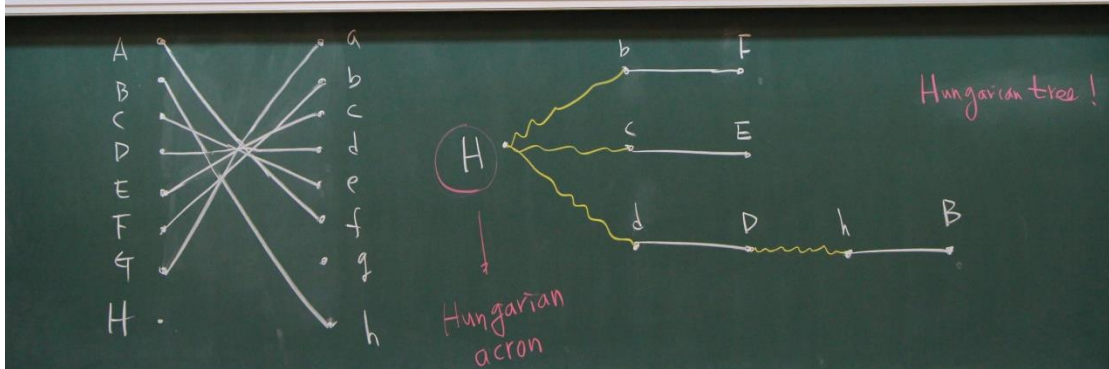
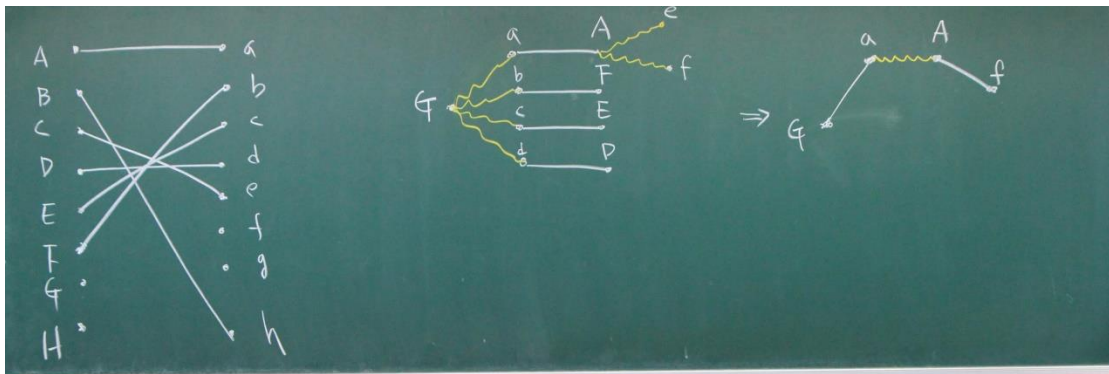
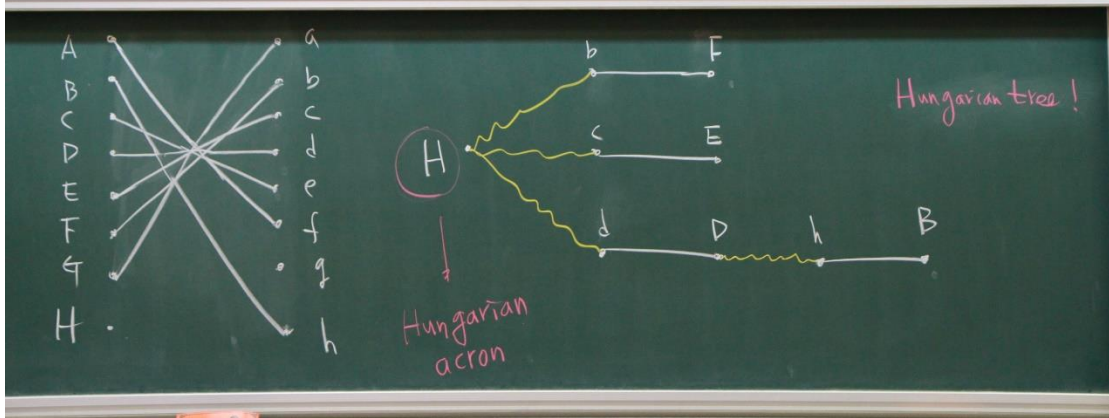
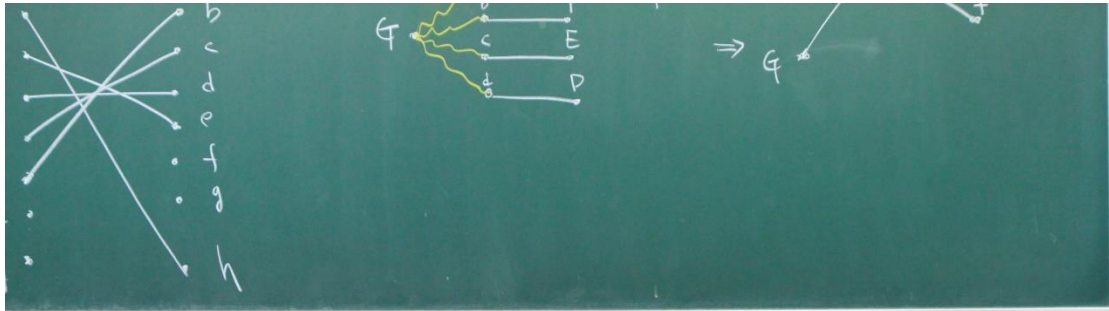


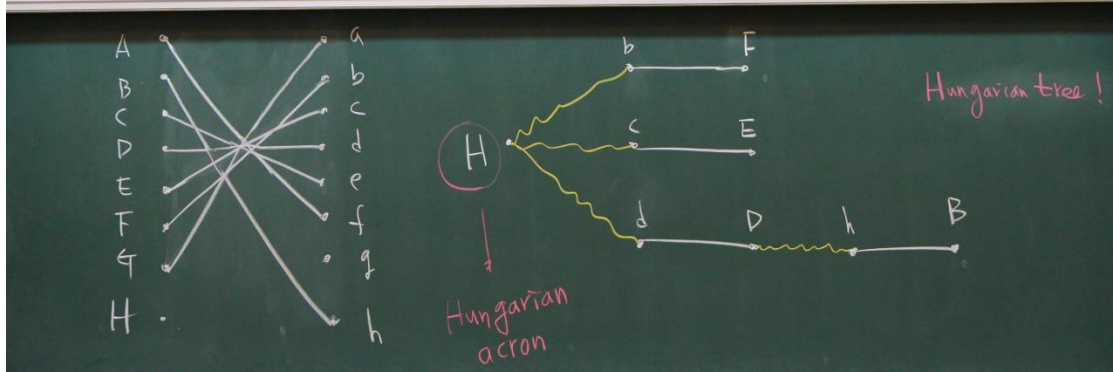
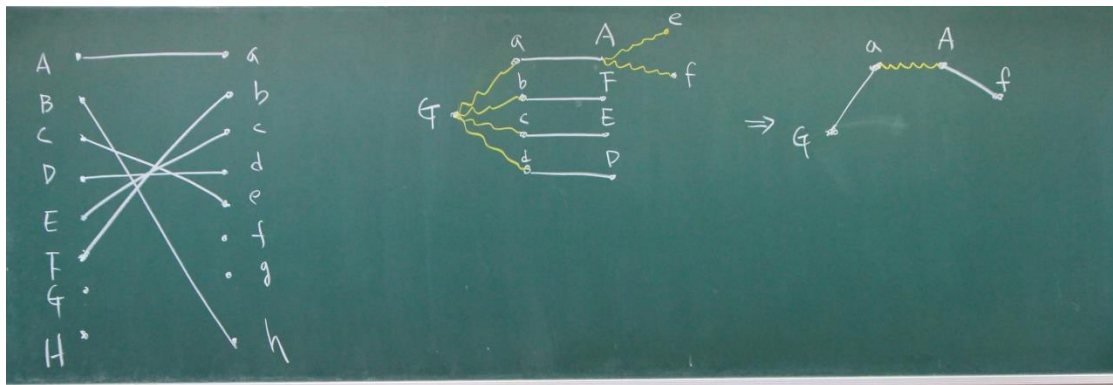
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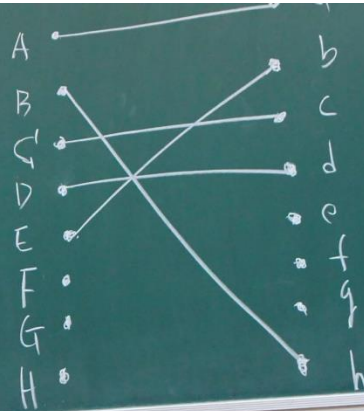
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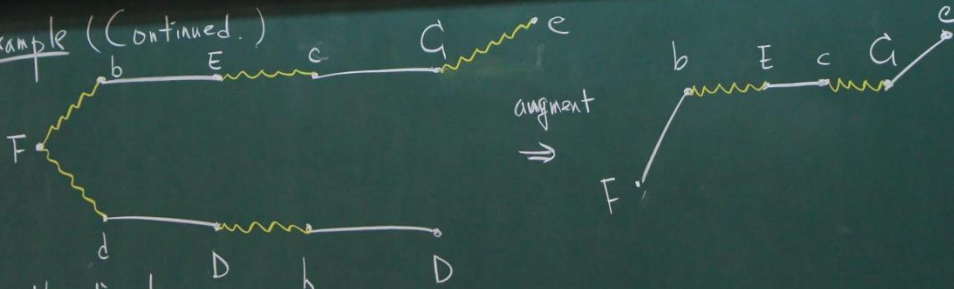
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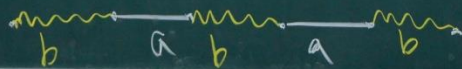
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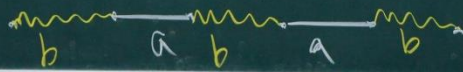
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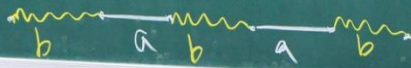
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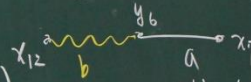
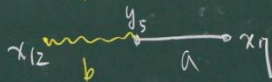
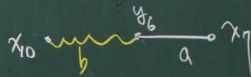
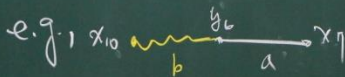
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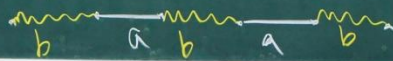


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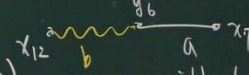
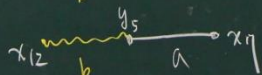
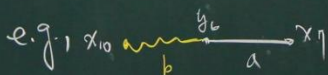
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