

# Number of 6-Matchings in Graphs

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## Abstract

In this paper, a formula for the number of 6-matchings in graphs with the girth at least 6 based on the number of vertices, edges and the number of 6-cycles is derived.

## 1. Introduction

The graph theory is one of the most important theories in mathematics and because of several characteristics in graphs it has a lot of applications in other fields of mathematics and even other sciences as well. Finding any new characteristics in graphs and categorizing the graphs based on it is very important. A lot of works have been done by researchers that have had important role in finding such characteristics. So any research in this area that could study another characteristic of graphs will be of great importance. One of them is the concept of matching's. Graphs in this paper are assumed to be finite, loopless and contain no multiple edges. Let  $G$  be a graph with  $n$  vertices and  $m$  edges  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$  are used as the sets of vertices and edges respectively. A matching in graph  $G$  is a spanning subgraph of  $G$ , whose components are only vertices and edges. A matching with  $k$  edges is called a  $k$ -matching. A matching in which all components are only edges is called a perfect matching. In graph  $G$  of order  $n$  the matching polynomial shown by  $\mu(G, x)$  is defined by:

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$$\mu(G, x) = \sum_{k=0}^{\lfloor n/2 \rfloor} (-1)^k p(G, k) x^{n-2k}$$

In which  $\lfloor \cdot \rfloor$  is the integer part of a real number and  $p(G, k)$  denotes the number of  $k$ -matchings. The graphs that have the same matching polynomials are called co-matching graphs.

## 2. Preliminaries and related works

It is obvious that  $p(G, 0) = 1, p(G, 1) = m$ .

In the following lemma the number of 2-matchings was obtained by Cvetkovic et.al [4].

**Lemma 2.1.** If  $d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n$  denote the degrees of vertices of, then:

$$p(G, 2) = \binom{m}{2} - \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{d_i}{2}$$

Using above lemma, Farrell and Guo [1] studied the graphs that are co-matching with regular graphs.

**Lemma 2.2.** Any graph that is co-matching with a regular graph is also regular of the same valency.

In the following theorem again by Farrell and Guo [1], a formula for the number of 3-matchings for graphs was obtained based on the vertex degrees, number of vertices and triangles in a graph.

**Theorem 2.3.**

$$p(G, 3) = \binom{m}{3} - (m-2) \sum_i \binom{d_i}{2} + 2 \sum_i \binom{d_i}{3} + 2 \sum_{ij} (d_i - 1)(d_j - 1) - N_T$$

In which  $N_T$  denotes the number of triangles in  $G$ .

For regular graphs the following results are deduced as the direct consequences of above theorem and lemma 2.1.

**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $G$  be a  $d$ -regular graph with  $n$  vertices, then:

$$p(G, 2) = \frac{(n-4)d+2}{2^2(2!)}(nd)$$

$$p(G, 3) = \frac{(n^2-12n+40)d^2+(6n-48)d+16}{2^3(3!)}(nd) - N_T$$

**Corollary 2.5.** Let  $G$  and  $H$  be two co-matching regular graphs, then The number of triangles in  $G$  and  $H$  is equal.

In 2008, Behmaram [2] obtained a formula for the number of 4-matching in triangle-free graphs:

**Theorem 2.6.** Let  $G$  be a triangle-free graph with  $V(G) = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and  $d_i$  is the degree of vertex  $i$ . Also let  $N(i)$  be the set of neighbors of  $i$  in  $G$ . Hence, the number of 4-matchings is:

$$\begin{aligned} p(G, 4) = & \binom{m}{4} + (m-2) \sum_{ij} (d_i - 1)(d_j - 1) - \sum_i \binom{d_i}{4} - \sum_{\{i,j\} \subset v} \binom{d_i}{2} \binom{d_j}{2} \\ & - \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} (d_k - 1)(d_t - 1) - \sum_i \binom{d_i}{2} p(G - i, 2) - \sum_i \binom{d_i}{3} (m - d_i) \\ & - \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t\} \subset N(i)} (d_k + d_s + d_t - 3) + N_q \end{aligned}$$

In which  $N_q$  is the number of 4-cycles in  $G$ .

Two following results are immediate consequences of above theorem.

**Corollary 2.7.** Let  $G$  be a triangle-free and  $d$ -regular graph with  $n$  vertices. Then:

$$p(G, 4) = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^3 p_k(n)d^k}{2^4(4!)}(nd) + N_q$$

In which

$$P_0(n) = 240, P_1(n) = 76n - 960, P_2(n) = 12n^2 - 240n + 1344$$

$$P_3(n) = n^3 - 24n^2 + 208n - 672$$

**Corollary 2.8.** Let  $G$  and  $H$  be two triangle-free regular graphs which are co-matching, then the number of 4-cycles in  $G$  and  $H$  is equal.

In 2013 Vesalian and Asgari [3] obtained a formula for the number of 5-matchings in graphs with the girth at least 5.

**Theorem 2.9.** Let  $G$  be a graph with girth at least 5 and  $V(G) = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$ . Denoted the degree of vertex  $i$  by  $d_i$  and the neighboring set of  $i$  by  $N(i)$ , then the number of 5-matchings is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(G, 5) &= \binom{m}{5} - \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{d_i}{5} - \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{d_i}{4} (m - d_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{d_i}{3} \binom{m - d_i}{2} \\
 &\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{d_i}{2} P(G - i, 3) - 3 \sum_{ij} \binom{d_i - 1}{2} \binom{d_j - 1}{2} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{ij} (d_i - 1)(d_j - 1) \binom{m - d_i - d_j + 2}{2} + \sum_{ij} \sum_{\substack{K \in N(i) - \{j\} \\ t \in N(j) - \{i\}}} (d_k - 1)(d_t - 1) \\
 &\quad + \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_t - 1}{2} (d_k - 1) + \binom{d_k - 1}{2} (d_t - 1) \right] \\
 &\quad - (m - 4) \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} (d_k - 1)(d_t - 1) \\
 &\quad + 2 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t\} \subset N(i)} \left[ (d_k - 1)(d_s - 1) + (d_k - 1)(d_t - 1) + (d_s - 1)(d_t - 1) \right] \\
 &\quad - \sum_{\{i,j\} \subset V} \binom{d_i}{2} \binom{d_j}{2} P(G - i - j, 1) + (m - 4) \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t\} \subset N(i)} (d_k + d_s + d_t - 3) \\
 &\quad - 3 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t,r\} \subset N(i)} (d_k + d_s + d_t + d_r - 4) - N_p
 \end{aligned}$$

In which  $N_p$  is the number of 5-cycles in graph  $G$ .

Immediate results of above theorem for regular graphs are:

**Corollary 2.10.** Let  $G$  be a  $d$ -regular graph with girth at least 5 with  $n$  vertices, then:

$$P(G, 5) = \frac{\sum_{k=0}^4 p_k(n) d^k}{2^5 (5!)} (nd) - N_p$$

In which:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_0(n) &= 5376, P_1(n) = 1520n - 26880, \\
 P_2(n) &= 220n^2 - 6400n + 51840, \\
 P_3(n) &= 20n^3 - 720n^2 + 9440n - 46080, \\
 P_4(n) &= n^4 - 40n^3 + 640n^2 - 4960n + 16128
 \end{aligned}$$

**Corollary 2.11.** Let  $G$  and  $H$  be two regular graphs with girth at least 5 that are co-matching, then the number of 5-cycle in them is equal.

### 3. Number of 6-matchings

In the following theorem a formula for the seventh coefficient of matching polynomial  $p(G, 6)$  for the graphs with girth at least 6 is derived.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $G$  be a graph with the girth at least 6 that  $V(G)$  and  $E(G)$  are the sets of vertices and edges in  $G$ , respectively and  $V(G) = \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$  and also  $d_i$  be the degree of vertex  $i$  and  $N(i)$  be the nighboring set of  $i$ . Then the number of 6-matchings in graph  $G$  is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(G, 6) = & \binom{m}{6} - \sum_{\{i,j,k\} \subset V} \binom{d_i}{2} \binom{d_j}{2} \binom{d_k}{2} - \sum_i \binom{d_i}{2} p(G-i, 4) - \sum_i \binom{d_i}{3} p(G-i, 3) \\
 & - \sum_i \binom{d_i}{4} \binom{m-d_i}{2} - \sum_i \binom{d_i}{5} (m-d_i) - \sum_i \binom{d_i}{6} - \sum_{\{i,j\} \subset V} \binom{d_i}{3} \binom{d_j}{3} \\
 & - \sum_{\{i,j\} \subset V} \left[ \binom{d_i}{3} \binom{d_j}{2} + \binom{d_i}{2} \binom{d_j}{3} \right] p(G-i-j, 1) - \sum_{\{i,j\} \subset V} \binom{d_i}{2} \binom{d_j}{2} p(G-i-j, 2) \\
 & + \sum_{ij} (d_i-1)(d_j-1) p(G-i-j, 3) + \sum_{ij} \left[ \binom{d_i-1}{2} (d_j-1) \right. \\
 & \left. + \binom{d_j-1}{2} (d_i-1) \right] \binom{m-d_i-d_j+2}{2} \\
 & + \sum_k \sum_{ij \in E(G-k)} \binom{d_k+1}{3} (d_i-1)(d_j-1) \\
 & + \sum_k \sum_{ij \in E(G-k)} \binom{d_k}{2} (d_i-1)(d_j-1) p(G-k-i-j, 1) \\
 & - \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \in N(i)} (d_k-1)(d_t-1) \binom{m-d_i-d_k-d_t+4}{2} \\
 & + (m-4) \sum_{ij} \binom{d_i-1}{2} \binom{d_j-1}{2} + (m-4) \sum_{ij} \sum_{\substack{k \in N(i)-\{j\} \\ t \in N(j)-\{i\}}} (d_k-1)(d_t-1) \\
 & - \sum_{ij} \sum_{\substack{k \in N(i)-\{j\} \\ t \in N(j)-\{i\}}} \left[ \binom{d_k-1}{2} (d_t-1) + \binom{d_t-1}{2} (d_k-1) \right] \\
 & - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \sum_{kt \in E(G-i-j)} (d_i-1)(d_j-1)(d_k-1)(d_t-1) \\
 & - \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \in N(i)} \sum_{\substack{r \in N(t)-\{i\} \\ s \in N(k)-\{i\}}} (d_s-1)(d_r-1)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \sum_i \sum_{j \in N(i)} \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(j) - \{i\}} \sum_{\substack{r \in N(t) - \{j\} \\ s \in N(k) - \{j\}}} (d_r + d_s - 2) \\
 & - (m-4) \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_k-1}{2} (d_t-1) + \binom{d_t-1}{2} (d_k-1) \right] \\
 & - (m-5) \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t\} \subset N(i)} [(d_k-1)(d_t-1) + (d_k-1)(d_s-1) \\
 & + (d_t-1)(d_s-1)] + (m-5) \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t,r\} \subset N(i)} (d_k + d_s + d_t + d_r - 4) \\
 & + 3 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} \binom{d_k-1}{2} \binom{d_t-1}{2} + 2 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_k-1}{3} (d_t-1) \right. \\
 & \left. + \binom{d_t-1}{3} (d_k-1) \right] + 3 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_k-1}{2} (d_s-1) \right. \\
 & \left. + \binom{d_s-1}{2} (d_k-1) + \binom{d_k-1}{2} (d_t-1) + \binom{d_t-1}{2} (d_k-1) \right. \\
 & \left. + \binom{d_s-1}{2} (d_t-1) + \binom{d_t-1}{2} (d_s-1) \right] \\
 & - 2 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t\} \subset N(i)} (d_k-1)(d_t-1)(d_s-1) \\
 & + 3 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t,r\} \subset N(i)} [(d_k-1)(d_s-1) + (d_k-1)(d_t-1) \\
 & + (d_k-1)(d_r-1) + (d_s-1)(d_t-1) + (d_s-1)(d_r-1) \\
 & + (d_t-1)(d_r-1)] - 4 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t,r\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_k-1}{2} + \binom{d_s-1}{2} + \binom{d_t-1}{2} \right. \\
 & \left. + \binom{d_r-1}{2} \right] - 4 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t,r,q\} \subset N(i)} (d_k + d_s + d_t + d_r + d_q - 5) + N_H
 \end{aligned}$$

In which  $N_H$  is the number of 6-cycles.

**Proof:** If we show the number of unlabeled trees with  $n$  edges by  $T(n)$  then [5]:

$$T(1) = 1, T(2) = 1, T(3) = 2, T(4) = 3, T(5) = 6, T(6) = 11$$

Now if  $N(6)$  be the number of non-isomorphic jungles with 6 edges, using the partition of 6 and counting axiom we have:

$$N(6) = T(6) + T(5)T(1) + T(4)T(2) + T(4)T^2(1) + (T^2(3) - 1) + T(3)T(2)T(1) + T(3)T^3(1) + T^3(2) + T^2(2)T^2(1) + T(2)T^4(1) + T^6(1) = 34$$

Hence the number of non-isomorphic graphs with 6 edges that do not form a 6-matching of by considering a 6-cycle is 34.

According to above these graphs are isomorphic with one of the graphs shown in Figure 1.

To obtain  $p(G, 6)$ , we subtract the number of subgraphs that do not form a 6-matching of the number of subsets of edges that have 6 edges i.e.,  $\binom{m}{6}$ . These subgraphs are isomorphic to one of the shown graphs in Figure 1.

Suppose  $N_H, N_A, N_B, N_C, N_D, N_E, N_F, N_G, N_I, N_J, N_K, N_L, N_M, N_N, N_O, N_p, N_q, N_R, N_S, N_T, N_U, N_V, N_W, N_X, N_Y, N_Z, N_\phi, N_\theta, N_\Gamma, N_\mu, N_\psi, N_\eta, N_\Lambda, N_\Delta$  in order be the number of subgraphs of  $G$  that are isomorphic to:

H, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z,  $\phi$ ,  $\theta$ ,  $\Gamma$ ,  $\mu$ ,  $\Psi$ ,  $\eta$ ,  $\Lambda$ ,  $\Delta$ .

Now we calculate them all.

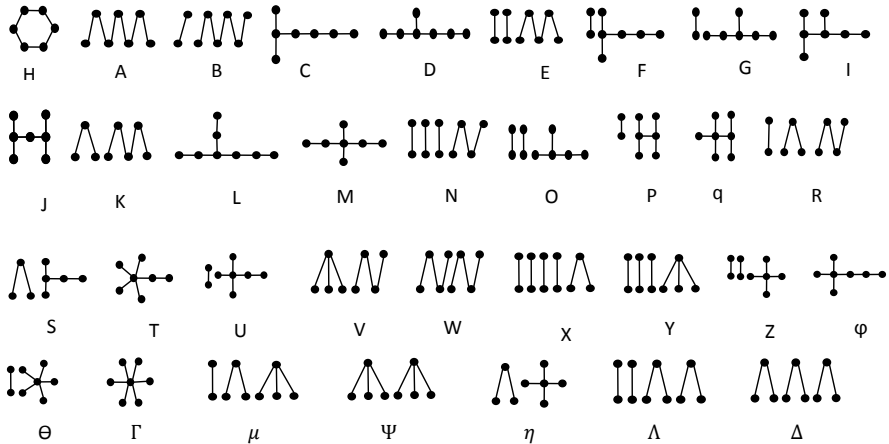


Figure 1

$N_\Gamma$  : For counting the number of graphs that are isomorphic to  $\Gamma$ , we choose the vertex  $i$  and six edges adjacent to it. So we have:

$$N_\Gamma = \sum_{i=1}^n \binom{d_i}{6}$$

$N_T$  : For counting the number of graphs that are isomorphic with  $T$ , first we choose a vertex like  $i$  of  $V(G)$  and subset of  $N(i)$  like  $\{k, s, t, r, q\}$ , then choose an edge adjacent to  $k, s, t, r,$  or  $q$  other than edges connecting  $k, s, t, r$  and  $q$  to  $i$ . Therefore:

$$N_T = \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t,r,q\} \subset N(i)} (d_q + d_r + d_s + d_t + d_k - 5)$$

$N_M$  : For counting  $N_M$ , choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  and a subset  $\{k, s, t, r\}$  from  $N(i)$ . Now select two vertices from  $k, s, t, r$  with an edge connecting to any of them except the adjacent edges to  $i$ . So we have:

$$N_M = \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t,r\} \subset N(i)} [(d_k - 1)(d_s - 1) + (d_k - 1)(d_t - 1) + (d_k - 1)(d_r - 1) + (d_t - 1)(d_s - 1) + (d_t - 1)(d_r - 1) + (d_s - 1)(d_r - 1)]$$

$N_J$  : For counting  $N_J$ , first we choose an vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset  $\{k, t\}$  from  $N(i)$ , then two edges that are adjacent to  $k$  and two edges that are adjacent to  $t$  except the edges that connect  $k$  and  $t$  to  $i$ . Therefore:

$$N_J = \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} \binom{d_k - 1}{2} \binom{d_t - 1}{2}$$

$N_q$  : For counting  $N_q$ , first we choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset  $\{k, s, t, r\}$  from  $N(i)$ , then select two edges that are adjacent to the vertices  $k, s, t,$  or  $r$  except the edges that connect  $k, s, t$  or  $r$  to  $i$ . So:

$$N_q = \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t,r\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_k - 1}{2} + \binom{d_s - 1}{2} + \binom{d_t - 1}{2} + \binom{d_r - 1}{2} \right]$$

$N_L$  : For counting  $N_L$ , first choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset  $\{k, s, t\}$  from  $N(i)$ , then select an edge adjacent to vertex  $k$ , an edge adjacent to vertex  $s$  and an edge adjacent to vertex  $t$  except the edges that connect  $k, s$  and  $t$  to  $i$ . Therefore:

$$N_L = \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t\} \subset N(i)} (d_k - 1)(d_t - 1)(d_s - 1)$$

$N_I$  : For counting  $N_I$ , first we select a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset  $\{k, s, t\}$  from  $N(i)$ , then two vertices from  $\{k, s, t\}$  with two edges connected to one and an edge adjacent to another except the edges that are adjacent to  $i$ . Therefore:



$$N_t = \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_k-1}{2} (d_s-1) + \binom{d_s-1}{2} (d_k-1) + \binom{d_k-1}{2} (d_t-1) \right. \\ \left. + \binom{d_t-1}{2} (d_k-1) + \binom{d_s-1}{2} (d_t-1) + \binom{d_t-1}{2} (d_s-1) \right]$$

$N_C$  : For counting  $N_C$  , first we select an edge like  $ij$  from  $E(G)$  with a vertex like  $t$  from  $N(j) - \{i\}$  and a vertex like  $k$  from  $N(i) - \{j\}$  and then select two edges adjacent to  $k$  and an edge adjacent to  $t$  or conversely, except  $ki$  and  $tj$ . Therefore:

$$N_C = \sum_{ij} \sum_{\substack{k \in N(i) - \{j\} \\ t \in N(j) - \{i\}}} \left[ \binom{d_k-1}{2} (d_t-1) + \binom{d_t-1}{2} (d_k-1) \right]$$

$N_\varphi$  : For counting  $N_\varphi$ , we choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset  $\{k, t\}$  from  $i$ . Now select three edges adjacent to vertex  $k$  and an edge adjacent to vertex  $t$  or conversely, except the edges that are adjacent to vertex  $i$ . Then:

$$N_\varphi = \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_k-1}{3} (d_t-1) + \binom{d_t-1}{3} (d_k-1) \right]$$

$N_D$  : For counting  $N_D$  , we do the following steps in order:

1. Choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$
2. Choose a vertex like  $j$  from  $N(i)$
3. Choose a subset like  $\{k, t\}$  from  $N(j) - \{i\}$
4. Choose a vertex like  $s$  from  $N(k) - \{j\}$  and a vertex like  $r$  from  $N(t) - \{j\}$
5. Choose an edge adjacent to  $r$  or  $s$  except the adjacent edges to  $k$  and  $t$ . Then we have:

$$N_D = \sum_i \sum_{j \in N(i)} \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(j) - \{i\}} \sum_{\substack{s \in N(k) - \{j\} \\ r \in N(t) - \{j\}}} (d_r + d_s - 2)$$

$N_A$  : For counting  $N_A$ , first we select a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset like  $\{k, t\}$  from  $N(i)$  then a vertex like  $r$  from  $N(t) - \{i\}$  and a vertex like  $s$  from  $N(k) - \{i\}$  with an edge adjacent to vertex  $r$  and an edge adjacent to vertex  $s$  except  $rt$  and  $sk$ . But it is possible



**Figure 2**

that the edge adjacent to  $r$  and the edge adjacent to  $s$  be adjacent together (Figure 2) that we will have a subgraph isomorphic to  $H$  and the number of such subgraphs must be subtracted.

According to Figure2,  $N_H$  is counted six times. Therefore:

$$N_A = \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} \sum_{\substack{r \in N(i) - \{i\} \\ s \in N(k) - \{i\}}} (d_s - 1)(d_r - 1) - 6N_H$$

$N_F$  : For counting  $N_F$ , first we choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset like  $\{k, t\}$  from  $N(i)$  then two edges adjacent to  $k$  and an edge adjacent to  $t$  or conversely , except the edges  $ki$  and  $ti$ . So far a graph with five edges is obtained (see Figure 3). If we show such graph with  $E_5$  then the number of subgraphs of  $G$  that are isomorphic to  $E_5$  is:

$$\sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_k - 1}{2} (d_t - 1) + \binom{d_t - 1}{2} (d_k - 1) \right]$$

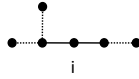


Figure 3

Finally choose an edge from graph  $G$  that does not belong to  $E_5$ . But this single edge must not be adjacent to any edge of  $E_5$ . Therefore subtract the number of graphs that this single edge is adjacent to  $E_5$ . This is shown in Figure 4:

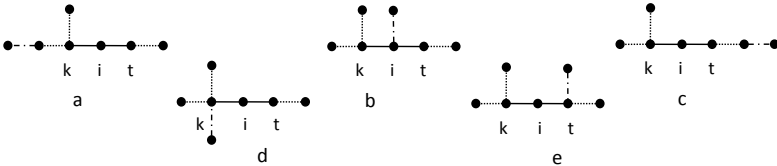


Figure 4

Now according to Figure 4(a,b,c),  $N_D, N_I$  and  $N_C$  are counted once and according to Figure 4(d),  $N_\phi$  is counted three times and according to Figure 4(e),  $N_J$  is counted four times. Therefore:

$$N_F = (m - 5) \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_k - 1}{2} (d_t - 1) + \binom{d_t - 1}{2} (d_k - 1) \right] - 4N_J - 3N_\phi - N_D - N_I - N_C$$

$N_B$  : For counting  $N_B$  , first we select an edge like  $ij$  from  $E(G)$  with a vertex like  $k$  from  $N(i) - \{j\}$  and a vertex like  $t$  from  $N(j) - \{i\}$  then choose an edge that is adjacent to vertex  $k$  and an edge that is adjacent to vertex  $t$  except the edges  $ki$  and  $tj$ . So we have a path of length six ( $P_6$ ). Therefore, the number of subgraphs of  $G$  that are isomorphic to  $P_6$  is:

$$\sum_{ij} \sum_{\substack{k \in N(i) - \{j\} \\ t \in N(j) - \{i\}}} (d_k - 1)(d_t - 1)$$

After choosing  $P_6$  , we select an edge of graph  $G$  that does not belong to  $P_6$ . But this single edge must not be connected to any of edges of  $P_6$ . So we subtract the number of graphs that this single edge is adjacent to  $P_6$  (see Figure 5).

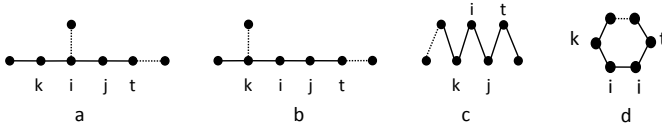


Figure 5

Now according to Figure 5(a),  $N_D$  once and according to Figure 5(b,c),  $N_C$  and  $N_A$  twice and according to Figure 5(d),  $N_H$  six times are counted. Therefore:

$$N_B = (m - 5) \sum_{ij} \sum_{\substack{k \in N(i) - \{j\} \\ t \in N(j) - \{i\}}} (d_k - 1)(d_t - 1) - N_D - 2N_A - 2N_C - 6N_H$$

$N_G$  : For counting  $N_G$  , first we choose a vertex  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset from  $N(i)$  like  $\{k, s, t\}$  and two vertices of  $k, s$  or  $t$  with an edge adjacent to any of them except the edges that are adjacent to  $i$  (see Figure 6). We denote such graph with  $E'_5$  then the number of subgraphs of  $G$  that are isomorphic to  $E'_5$  is:

$$\sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t\} \subseteq N(i)} [(d_k - 1)(d_t - 1) + (d_k - 1)(d_s - 1) + (d_t - 1)(d_s - 1)]$$



Figure 6

In continue we select an edge from  $G$  that does not belong to  $E'_5$  but this single edge must not be adjacent to any edges of  $E'_5$ . Therefore subtract number of graphs that this single edge is adjacent to  $E'_5$  (see Figure 7).

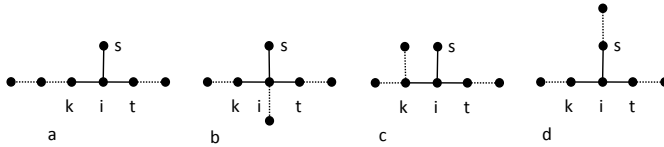


Figure 7

Now according to Figure 7(a),  $N_D$  once, according to Figure 7(b, c),  $N_M$  and  $N_I$  twice and according to Figure 7(d),  $N_L$  three times are counted. So  $N_G$  is:

$$N_G = (m - 5) \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t\} \subset N(i)} [(d_k - 1)(d_t - 1) + (d_k - 1)(d_s - 1) + (d_t - 1)(d_s - 1)] - N_D - 2N_M - 2N_I - 3N_L$$

$N_P$  : For counting  $N_P$ , first we select an edge like  $ij$  from  $E(G)$  and then two edges that are adjacent to vertex  $i$  and two edges that are adjacent to vertex  $j$  except the edge  $ij$ . So far a graph with five edges is obtained (see Figure 8).

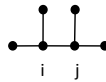


Figure 8

If we denote such graph with  $E''_5$  then the number of subgraphs of  $G$  that are isomorphic to  $E''_5$  is equal to:

$$\sum_{ij} \binom{d_i - 1}{2} \binom{d_j - 1}{2}$$

Finally we choose an edge from graph  $G$  that does not belong to  $E''_5$  that is not adjacent to any of edges of  $E''_5$ . So subtract the number of graphs that this single edge is adjacent to  $E''_5$  (see Figure 9).

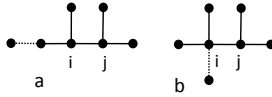


Figure 9

Now according to Figure 9(a),  $N_l$  once and according to Figure 9(b),  $N_q$  three times are counted. Therefore:

$$N_p = (m - 5) \sum_{ij} \binom{d_i - 1}{2} \binom{d_j - 1}{2} - N_l - 3N_q$$

$N_U$  : For counting  $N_U$ , first we select a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset  $\{k, s, t, r\}$  from  $N(i)$  and then an edge that is adjacent to  $k, s, t$  or  $r$  except the edges that connect  $k, s, t$  and  $r$  to  $i$ . So far a graph with five edges is obtained (see Figure 10).

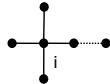


Figure 10

We denote such graph with  $E_5'''$ , the number of subgraphs of  $G$  that are isomorphic to  $E_5'''$  is:

$$\sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t,r\} \subset N(i)} (d_k + d_s + d_t + d_r - 4)$$

Finally we select an edge from graph  $G$  that does not belong to  $E_5'''$  that is adjacent to any edges of  $E_5'''$ . Therefore subtract the number of graphs that this single edge is adjacent to  $E_5'''$  (see Figure 11).

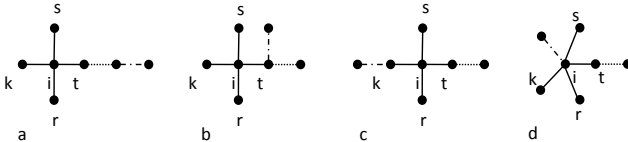


Figure 11

According to Figure 11(a),  $N_\phi$  once, according to Figure 11(b,c),  $N_q$  and  $N_M$  twice and according to Figure 11(d),  $N_T$  four times are counted. Therefore:

$$N_U = (m - 5) \sum_i \sum_{\{k,s,t,r\} \subset N(i)} (d_k + d_s + d_t + d_r - 4) - N_\varphi - 2N_q - 2N_M - 4N_T$$

$N_O$  : For counting  $N_O$ , first we choose an edge like  $ij$  from  $E(G)$  and two edges that are adjacent to vertex  $i$  and an edge that is adjacent to vertex  $j$  or conversely, except the edge  $ij$  and at the end, select a 2-matching from graph  $G - i - j$ . Now subtract the number of the cases in which the edges of 2-matching that are adjacent to these three edges that are adjacent to  $i$  and  $j$  (see Figure 12).

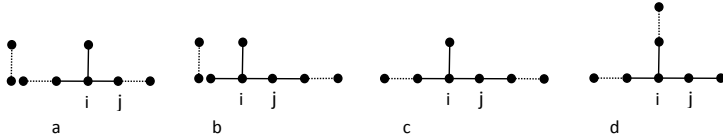


Figure 12

According to Figure 12(a),  $N_G$  twice, according to Figure 12(b, c),  $N_F$  and  $N_D$  once and according to Figure 12(d),  $N_L$  three times are counted. Therefore:

$$N_O = \sum_{ij} \left[ \binom{d_i - 1}{2} (d_j - 1) + \binom{d_j - 1}{2} (d_i - 1) \right] P(G - i - j, 2) - N_D - N_F - 2N_G - 3N_L$$

$N_\theta$  : For counting  $N_\theta$ , we choose an edge like  $i$  and five edges that are adjacent to it and then select another edge that is not adjacent to  $i$ . This single edge is not adjacent to any edge that is adjacent to  $i$ . Therefore subtract the number of graphs that single edge is only adjacent to the edges that are adjacent to  $i$  (see Figure 13).



Figure 13

So:

$$N_\theta = \sum_i \binom{d_i}{5} (m - d_i) - N_T$$

$N_E$  : For counting  $N_E$ , first choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset  $\{k, t\}$  from  $N(i)$  and then an edge that is adjacent to vertex  $k$  and an edge that is adjacent to vertex  $t$  except the edges  $ki$  and  $ti$  and finally select a 2-matching from graph  $G - i - k - t$ . Subtract

the cases that the edges of 2-matching that are adjacent to these two edges are adjacent to vertices  $k$  and  $t$  (see Figure 14).

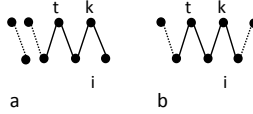


Figure 14

According to Figure 14(a),  $N_B$  twice and according to Figure 14(b),  $N_A$  once are counted. Therefore:

$$N_E = \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} (d_k - 1)(d_t - 1)p(G - i - k - t, 2) - N_A - 2N_B$$

$N_K$ : for counting  $N_K$ , choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with a subset  $\{k, t\}$  from  $N(i)$  and then an edge that is adjacent to vertex  $k$  and an edge that is adjacent to vertex  $t$  except the edges  $ki$  and  $ti$ . So a path with length four ( $p_5$ ) is obtained. At the end select two edges adjacent to each other except the edges that pass the vertices  $i, k$  and  $t$ . Now subtract the number of graphs in which these two adjacent edges are possibly connected to edges of  $p_5$ .

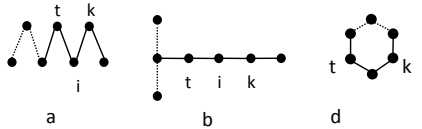


Figure 15

But according to Figure 15(a),  $N_A$  twice, according to Figure 15(b),  $N_C$  once and according to Figure 15(c),  $N_H$  six times are counted. So:

$$N_K = \sum_i \sum_{\{k,t\} \subset N(i)} (d_k - 1)(d_t - 1) \left[ \binom{m - d_i - d_k - d_t + 2}{2} - P(G - i - k - t, 2) \right] - 2N_A - N_C - 6N_H$$

$N_N$  : For counting  $N_N$ , we choose an edge like  $ij$  from  $E(G)$  with two edges adjacent to it , then a 3-matching from graph  $G - i - j$ . Now subtract the cases in which the edges of 3-matching may be connected to edges adjacent to  $ij$  (see Figure 16).

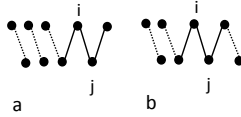


Figure 16

In mentioned process,  $N_E$  twice (Figure 16-a) and  $N_B$  once (Figure 16-b) are counted. Therefore:

$$N_N = \sum_{ij} (d_i - 1)(d_j - 1)P(G - i - j, 3) - 2N_E - N_B$$

$N_X$  : For counting  $N_X$ , first we choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with two edges adjacent to it and then select a 4-matching of graph  $G - i$ . Now subtract the number of cases in the edges of 4-matching are connected to two edges adjacent to  $i$  (see Figure 17).

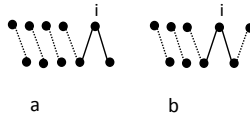


Figure 17

According to Figure 17(a),  $N_N$  twice and according to Figure 17(b),  $N_E$  are counted once. Therefore  $N_X$  is:

$$N_X = \sum_i \binom{d_i}{2} P(G - i, 4) - 2N_N - N_E$$

$N_S$  : For counting  $N_S$ , first we select an edge like  $ij$  from  $E(G)$  and the two edges adjacent to vertex  $i$  and edge adjacent to vertex  $j$  or conversely, except the edges passing vertices  $i$  and  $j$  at the end select two edges adjacent to each other except the edges that pass the vertices  $i$  and  $k$ . Now subtract the number of the graphs in which these adjacent edges may be adjacent to the edges that are adjacent to vertices  $i$  and  $j$  (see Figure 18).

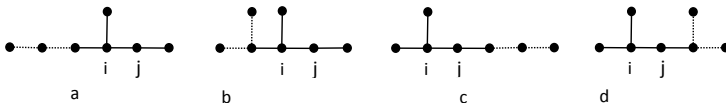


Figure 18



But in the above calculations,  $N_D, N_I$  and  $N_C$  (Figure 18-a-b-c) once and  $N_J$  (Figure 18-d) twice are counted. Therefore:

$$N_S = \sum_{ij} \left[ \binom{d_i - 1}{2} (d_j - 1) + \binom{d_j - 1}{2} (d_i - 1) \right] \left[ \binom{m - d_i - d_j + 1}{2} - P(G - i - j, 2) \right] - N_D - N_I - N_C - 2N_J$$

$N_Y$  : For counting  $N_Y$ , first we choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with three edges adjacent to it and then select a 3-matching from graph  $G - i$ . Now subtract the number of cases in which the edges of 3-matching are connected to three edges adjacent to vertex  $i$  (see Figure 19).

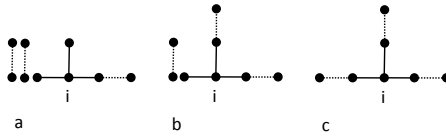


Figure 19

According to Figure 19(a, b, c),  $N_O, N_G$  and  $N_L$  are counted once each. So:

$$N_Y = \sum_i \binom{d_i}{3} P(G - i, 3) - N_O - N_G - N_L$$

$N_Z$  : For counting  $N_Z$ , first we choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with four edges adjacent to it then select a 2-matching of graph  $G - i$  and subtract the cases that may be in them the edges of 2-matching are connected to four edges adjacent to vertex  $i$  (see Figure 20).

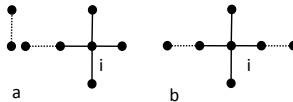


Figure 20

According to Figure 20(a-b),  $N_U$  and  $N_M$  are counted once. Therefore:

$$N_Z = \sum_i \binom{d_i}{4} P(G - i, 2) - N_U - N_M$$

$N_\eta$  : For counting  $N_\eta$ , first we choose a vertex like  $i$  from  $V(G)$  with four edges adjacent to it then select two adjacent edges that are not adjacent to vertex  $i$ . Now subtract the

number of graphs in which these two adjacent edges may be connected to four edges adjacent to vertex  $i$  (see Figure 21).

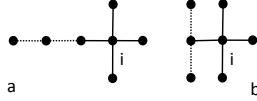


Figure 21

According to Figure 21(a-b),  $N_\phi$  and  $N_q$  are counted once each. So:

$$N_\eta = \sum_i \binom{d_i}{4} \left[ \binom{m-d_i}{2} - P(G-i, 2) \right] - N_\phi - N_q$$

$N_\psi$  : For counting  $N_\psi$ , first we choose a subset  $\{i, j\}$  from  $V(G)$  and then select three edges adjacent to vertices  $i$  and  $j$ . But subtract the number of graphs in which the passing edges from vertices  $i$  and  $j$  be connected together or  $i$  and  $j$  have common edge or there be an edge from  $i$  to  $j$  or conversely (see Figure 22).

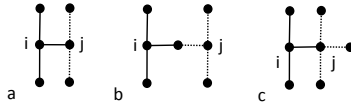


Figure 22

In above process, the number of graphs isomorphic with Figure 22(a) is counted once and on the other side number of such graphs is  $\sum_{i,j} \binom{d_i-1}{2} \binom{d_j-1}{2}$ . Also according to Figure 22 (b-c),  $N_j$  and  $N_q$  are counted once each. So:

$$N_\psi = \sum_{\{i,j\} \subset V} \binom{d_i}{3} \binom{d_j}{3} - \sum_{i,j} \binom{d_i-1}{2} \binom{d_j-1}{2} - N_j - N_q$$

$N_W$  : For counting  $N_W$ , first we choose an edge like  $ij$  from  $E(G)$  with two edges adjacent to it and then select an edge like  $kt$  from  $E(G-i-j)$  with two edges adjacent to it. Now subtract the number of graphs in which two edges adjacent to  $ij$  and  $kt$  may be connected or  $ij$  and  $kt$  have a common adjacent edge (see Figure 23).

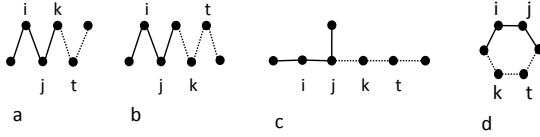


Figure 23

In above calculations, the number of graphs isomorphic with Figure 23(a) is counted once and on the other side the number of these graphs is:

$$\sum_{jk} \sum_{\substack{i \in N(j) - \{k\} \\ t \in N(k) - \{j\}}} (d_i - 1)(d_t - 1)$$

Also according to Figure 23(b-c),  $N_A$  and  $N_D$  once and according to Figure 23(d),  $N_H$  three times are counted. Therefore:

$$N_W = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{ij} \sum_{kt \in E(G-i-j)} (d_i - 1)(d_j - 1)(d_k - 1)(d_t - 1) - \sum_{jk} \sum_{\substack{i \in N(j) - \{k\} \\ t \in N(k) - \{j\}}} (d_i - 1)(d_t - 1) - N_A - N_D - 3N_H$$

$N_V$  : For counting  $N_V$ , first we choose a vertex like  $k$  from  $V(G)$  with three edges adjacent to it then select an edge like  $ij$  from  $E(G - k)$  with two edges adjacent to it. But subtract the number of graphs in which two edges adjacent to  $ij$  are adjacent to three adjacent edge to  $k$  or  $ij$  and  $k$  have a common adjacent edge (see Figure 24).

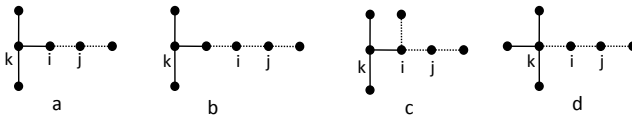


Figure 24

In above calculation the number of graphs isomorphic with Figure 24(a) that is counted once is:

$$\sum_i \sum_{\{j,k\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_j - 1}{2} (d_k - 1) + \binom{d_k - 1}{2} (d_j - 1) \right]$$

Also according to Figure 24(b-c-d),  $N_C$ ,  $N_I$  and  $N_\phi$  are counted once each. So:

$$N_V = \sum_k \sum_{ij \in E(G-k)} (d_i - 1)(d_j - 1) \binom{d_k}{3} - \sum_i \sum_{\{j,k\} \subset N(i)} \left[ \binom{d_j - 1}{2} (d_k - 1) + \binom{d_k - 1}{2} (d_j - 1) \right] - N_C - N_I - N_\phi$$

$N_R$  : For counting  $N_R$ , first we choose a vertex like  $k$  from  $V(G)$  with two edges adjacent to it and then select an edge like  $ij$  from  $E(G - k)$  with two edges adjacent to it, then at the end select a 1-matching from graph  $G - k - i - j$ . Subtract the number of cases in which two edges adjacent to vertex  $k$ , two edges adjacent to edge  $ij$  or this single edges either are adjacent together or  $ij$  and  $k$  have a same edge (see Figure 25).

According to Figure 25(a- b-c), the number of graphs isomorphic with (a), (b) or (c) considering the fact that are counted twice is:

$$2 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,j\} \subset N(i)} (d_k - 1)(d_j - 1)(m - d_i - d_j - d_k + 2)$$

Also  $N_B$  twice (Figure 25-d),  $N_A$  twice (Figure 25-e),  $N_A$  twice (Figure 25-f),  $N_D$  once (Figure 25-g),  $N_H$  twelve times (Figure 25-h),  $N_G$  twice (Figure 25-i),  $N_D$  once (Figure 25-j),  $N_D$  once (Figure 25-k),  $N_L$  six times (Figure 25-l),  $N_F$  once (Figure 25-m),  $N_C$  once (Figure 25-n),  $N_D$  once (Figure 25-o),  $N_W$  four times (Figure 25-p),  $N_A$  twice (Figure 25-q) and  $N_k$  twice (Figure 25-r) are counted. So:

$$N_R = \sum_k \sum_{ij \in E(G-k)} \binom{d_k}{2} (d_i - 1)(d_j - 1) P(G - k - i - j, 1) - 2 \sum_i \sum_{\{k,j\} \subset N(i)} (d_k - 1)(d_j - 1) (m - d_i - d_j - d_k + 2) - 2N_B - 6N_A - 4N_D - 6N_L - 2N_G - 4N_W - 2N_K - N_C - N_F - 12N_H$$

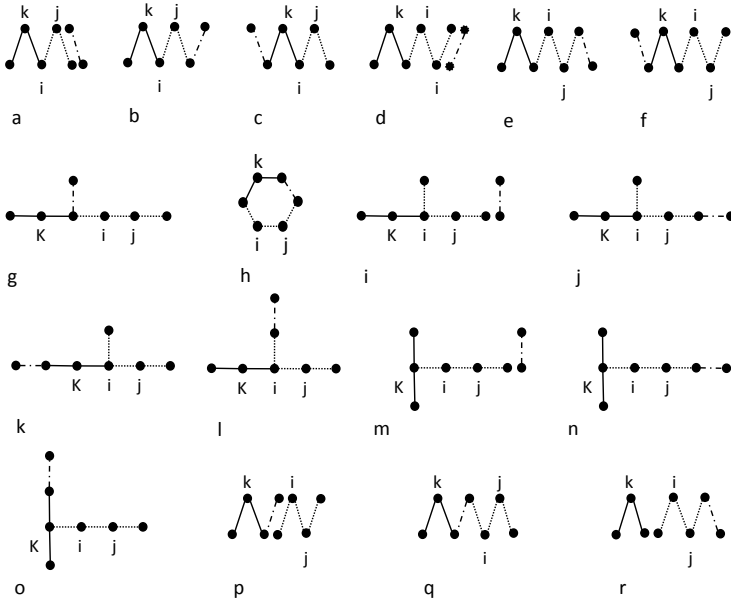


Figure 25

$N_\mu$  : For counting  $N_\mu$  , first we choose a subset  $\{i, j\}$  from  $V(G)$  with three edges adjacent to  $i$  and two edges adjacent to  $j$  or conversely, then select an edge from graph  $G$  that is not adjacent to vertices  $i$  and  $j$ . But the number of graphs in which the passing edges form  $i$  and  $j$  are connected or  $i$  and  $j$  have same edge or the mentioned single edge is not connected to edges of  $i$  and  $j$ , must be subtracted (see Figure 26).

According to Figure 26(a-b-c) the number of graphs isomorphic to (a) once, isomorphic to (b) once and isomorphic to (c) twice are counted. So the number of graphs isomorphic to (a) plus the number of graphs isomorphic to (b) plus two times the number of graph isomorphic to (c) is:

$$\sum_{ij} \left[ \binom{d_i}{2} (d_j - 1) + \binom{d_j}{2} (d_i - 1) \right] (m - d_i - d_j + 1)$$

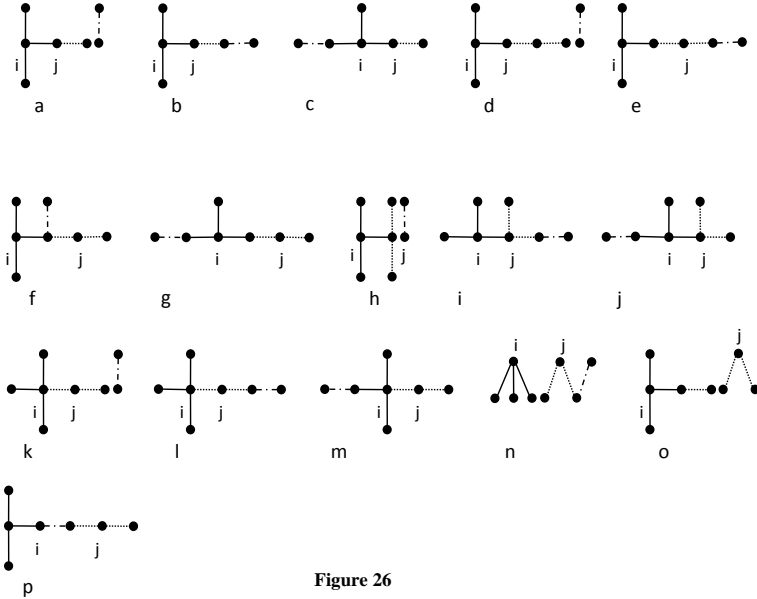


Figure 26

Also  $N_F$  once (Figure 26-d),  $N_C$  once (Figure 26-e),  $N_I$  once (Figure 26-f),  $N_D$  once (Figure 26-g),  $N_p$  twice (Figure 26-h),  $N_l$  once (Figure 26-i),  $N_l$  once (Figure 26-j),  $N_U$  once (Figure 26-k),  $N_\varphi$  once (Figure 26-l),  $N_M$  twice (Figure 26-m),  $N_V$  twice (Figure 26-n),  $N_S$  once (Figure 26-o) and  $N_C$  once (Figure 26-p) are counted. Therefore:

$$\begin{aligned}
 N_\mu &= \sum_{\{i,j\} \subset V} \left[ \binom{d_i}{3} \binom{d_j}{2} + \binom{d_i}{2} \binom{d_j}{3} \right] P(G - i - j, 1) \\
 &\quad - \sum_{ij} \left[ \binom{d_i - 1}{2} (d_j - 1) + \binom{d_j - 1}{2} (d_i - 1) \right] (m - d_i - d_j + 1) - N_D - N_F \\
 &\quad - N_U - N_\varphi - N_S - 2N_P - 2N_C - 2N_M - 2N_V - 3N_I
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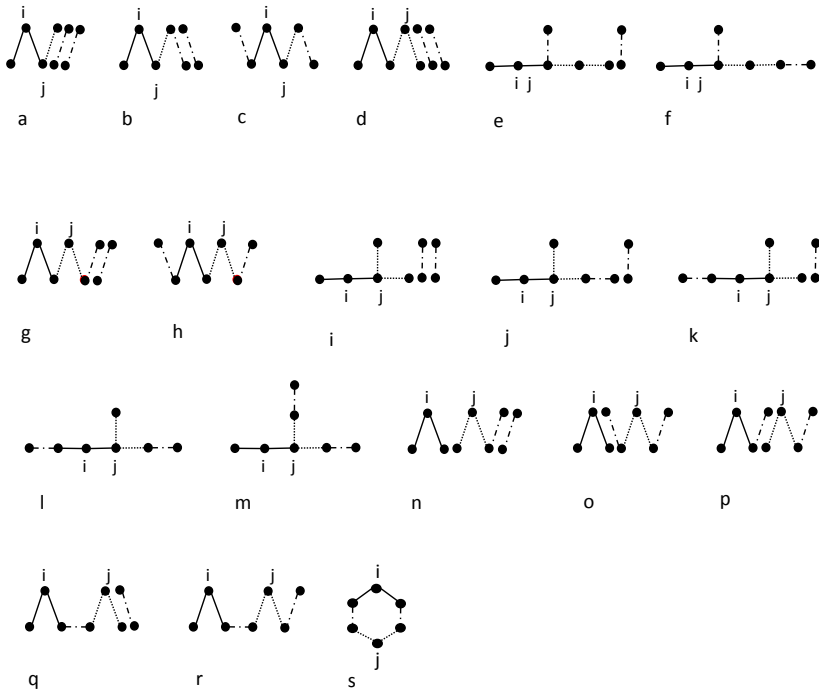


Figure 27

$N_\Lambda$  : For counting  $N_\Lambda$ , first we choose a subset  $\{i, j\}$  form  $V(G)$  with two edges adjacent to  $i$  and two adjacent to  $j$  and then select a 2-matching from graph  $G - i - j$ . Now the number of graphs in which the passing edges from  $i$  and  $j$  are adjacent or  $i$  and  $j$  have no common edge or the edges of 2-matching are connected to edges of  $i$  and  $j$ , must be subtracted (see Figure 27).

In above calculation, the number graphs isomorphic with Figure 27(a) once, the number of graphs isomorphic to Figure 27(b) twice, and the number of graphs isomorphic to Figure 27(c) once, are counted. So the graphs isomorphic to (a), plus the two times of the graphs isomorphic to (b) and plus the graphs isomorphic to (c) is:

$$\sum_{ij} (d_i - 1)(d_j - 1)P(G - i - j, 2)$$

Also  $N_E$  once (Figure 27-d),  $N_G$  once (Figure 27-e),  $N_D$  once (Figure 27-f),  $N_B$  twice (Figure 27-g),  $N_A$  once (Figure 27-h),  $N_O$  once (Figure 27-i),  $N_G$  twice (Figure 27-j),  $N_F$  once (Figure 27-k),  $N_D$  once (Figure 27-l),  $N_L$  three times (Figure 27-m),  $N_R$  twice (Figure 27-n),  $N_K$  once (Figure 27-o),  $N_W$  four times (Figure 27-p),  $N_B$  once (Figure 27-q),  $N_A$  twice (Figure 27-r) and  $N_H$  three times (Figure 27-s) are counted. So:

$$N_\Lambda = \sum_{\{i,j\} \subset V} \binom{d_i}{2} \binom{d_j}{2} P(G-i-j, 2) - \sum_{ij} (d_i - 1)(d_j - 1) P(G-i-j, 2) - N_E - N_F - N_O - N_K - 2N_R - 2N_D - 3N_A - 3N_B - 3N_L - 3N_G - 4N_W - 3N_H$$

$N_\Lambda$  : In this case we choose a subset  $\{i, j, k\}$  from  $V(G)$  with two edges adjacent to  $i$ , two edges adjacent to  $k$  and number of the cases in which the edges adjacent to  $i, j$  or  $k$  are connected or vertices  $i, j$  or  $k$  have common edge, must be subtracted (see Figure 28).

In above process, the number of graphs isomorphic to (a), (b) or (c) once and the number of graphs isomorphic to (d) or (e) twice are counted. It is easy to show that the number of graphs isomorphic to (a), (b) or (c) plus two times the number of graphs isomorphic to (d) or (e) is equal to:

$$\sum_i \sum_{jk \in E(G-i)} \binom{d_i}{2} (d_j - 1)(d_k - 1) - \sum_i \sum_{\{j,k\} \subset N(i)} (d_j - 1)(d_k - 1)$$

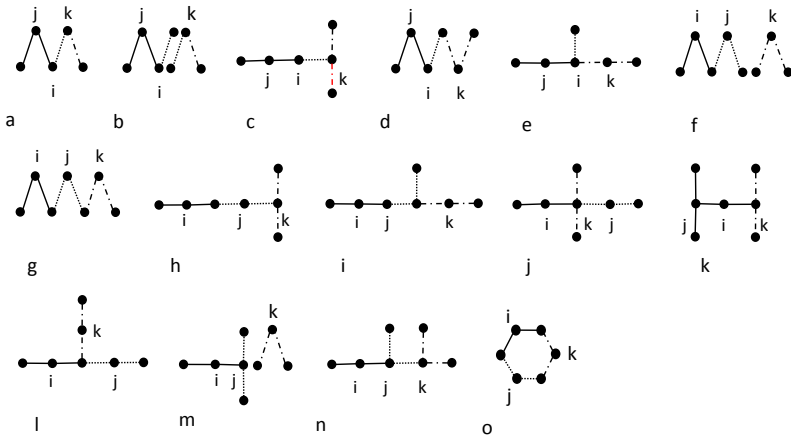


Figure 28



Also  $N_K$  once (Figure 28- f),  $N_A$  once (Figure 28- g),  $N_C$  once (Figure 28- h),  $N_D$  once (Figure 28- i),  $N_M$  once (Figure 28- j),  $N_J$  once (Figure 28- k),  $N_L$  once (Figure 28- l),  $N_S$  once (Figure 28- m),  $N_I$  once (Figure 28- n) and  $N_H$  twice (Figure 28- o) are counted. So:

$$N_{\Delta} = \sum_{\{i,j,k\} \in V} \binom{d_i}{2} \binom{d_j}{2} \binom{d_k}{2} + \sum_i \sum_{\{j,k\} \in N(i)} (d_j - 1)(d_k - 1) - \sum_i \sum_{jk \in E(G-i)} \binom{d_i}{2} (d_j - 1)(d_k - 1) - N_K - N_A - N_C - N_D - N_M - N_J - N_L - N_S - N_I - 2N_H$$

From all above and direct substitution in the formula:

$$P(G, 6) = \binom{m}{6} - N_A - N_B - N_C - N_D - N_E - N_F - N_G - N_H - N_I - N_J - N_K - N_L - N_M - N_N - N_O - N_P - N_Q - N_R - N_S - N_T - N_U - N_V - N_W - N_X - N_Y - N_Z - N_{\phi} - N_{\theta} - N_{\Gamma} - N_{\mu} - N_{\psi} - N_{\eta} - N_{\lambda} - N_{\Delta}.$$

This completes the proof.

**Corollary 3.2.** Let  $G$  be a  $d$ -regular graph with the girth at least 6 and suppose  $i$  is a vertex of  $V(G)$ , then:

$$P(G, 6) = \binom{m}{6} - \binom{n}{3} \binom{d}{2}^3 - n \binom{m-d}{2} \binom{d}{4} - n \binom{d}{5} (m-d) - n \binom{d}{6} - \binom{n}{2} \binom{d}{3}^2 + 2m(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} \binom{m-2d+2}{2} - m(d-1)^3 \binom{m-3d+4}{2} + m(m-4) \binom{d-1}{2}^2 + m(m-4)(d-1)^4 - 6m(d-1)^3 \binom{d-1}{2} - n(d-1)^4 \binom{d}{2} - 2n(d-1)^3 \binom{d}{3} + 4n(d-1) \binom{d-1}{3} \binom{d}{2} + 18n(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} \binom{d}{3} + 18n(d-1)^2 \binom{d}{4} - 16n \binom{d-1}{2} \binom{d}{4} - 20n(d-1) \binom{d}{5} - 2n(m-4)(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} \binom{d}{2} - 3n(m-5)(d-1)^2 \binom{d}{3} + 4n(m-5)(d-1) \binom{d}{4} + 3n \binom{d}{2} \binom{d-1}{2}^2 - n \binom{d}{3} \left\{ \binom{m-3}{3} \right\} - [m-d-2] \left[ d \binom{d-1}{2} + (n-d-1) \binom{d}{2} \right] + (m-2d)(d-1)^2 + 2 \left[ \binom{d-1}{3} + (n-d-1) \binom{d}{3} \right] - 2 \binom{d}{2} \binom{d}{3} \left[ (m-2d) \binom{n}{2} + m \right] - n \binom{d}{2}^3 \left[ \binom{m-2d}{2} \right] - 2(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} - \binom{d-2}{2} - (n-2d-1) \binom{d}{2} + n(d-1)^2 (m-d) \binom{d+1}{3} - \binom{d}{2}^2 \left[ \binom{n}{2} - n \binom{d}{2} - m \right] \left[ \binom{m-2d}{2} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -2d \binom{d-1}{2} - (m-2d-2) \binom{d}{2} + m(d-1)^2 \left[ \binom{m-2d+1}{2} - 2(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - (n-2d) \binom{d}{2} \right] - m \binom{d}{2}^2 \left[ \binom{m-2d+1}{2} - 2(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} - (n-2d) \binom{d}{2} \right] \\
 & \quad + (d-1)^2 \binom{d}{2} [n(m-d^2)(m-3d+1) + nd(d-1)(m-3d+2)] \\
 & \quad + m(d-1)^2 \left\{ \binom{m-2d+1}{3} - (m-2d-1)[2(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} + \binom{d}{2} (n-2d)] \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \frac{1}{2}(m-2d+1)(d-1)^2 + 4(d-1) \binom{d-1}{3} + 2(n-2d) \binom{d}{3} - 2(d-1)^3 \right\} \\
 & \quad - n \binom{d}{2} P(G-i, 4) + N_H
 \end{aligned}$$

**Proof:** We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_i \binom{d_i}{2} p(G-i, 4) &= n \binom{d}{2} p(G-i, 4) \quad , \quad (\text{For an arbitrary } i \text{ of } V(G)) \\
 \sum_{\{\{i,j\}\} \in V} \left[ \binom{d_i}{3} \binom{d_j}{2} + \binom{d_i}{2} \binom{d_j}{3} \right] p(G-i-j, 1) &= 2 \binom{d}{2} \binom{d}{3} \left[ \binom{n}{2} (m-2d) + m \right] \\
 \sum_{ij} (d_i-1)(d_j-1) p(G-i-j, 2) &= m(d-1)^2 \left[ \binom{m-2d+1}{2} - 2(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} - (n-2d) \binom{d}{2} \right] \\
 \sum_i \binom{d_i}{3} p(G-i, 3) &= n \binom{d}{3} \left\{ \binom{m-d}{3} - (m-d-2) \left[ d \binom{d-1}{2} + (n-d-1) \binom{d}{2} \right] + 2 \left[ d \binom{d-1}{3} \right. \right. \\
 & \quad \left. \left. + (n-d-1) \binom{d}{3} \right] + (m-2d)(d-1)^2 \right\} \\
 \sum_k \sum_{ij \in E(G-k)} \binom{d_k}{2} (d_i-1)(d_j-1) p(G-k-i-j, 1) \\
 &= (d-1)^2 \binom{d}{2} [n(m-d^2)(m-3d+1) + nd(d-1)(m-3d+2)] \\
 \sum_k \sum_{ij \in E(G-k)} \binom{d_k+1}{3} (d_i-1)(d_j-1) &= n(d-1)^2 (m-d) \binom{d+1}{3} \\
 \sum_{ij} \sum_{kl \in E(G-i-j)} (d_i-1)(d_j-1)(d_k-1)(d_l-1) &= m(m-2d+1)(d-1)^4 \\
 \sum_{\{\{i,j\}\} \in V} \binom{d_i}{2} \binom{d_j}{2} p(G-i-j, 2) &= \binom{d}{2}^2 \left\{ n \binom{d}{2} \left[ \binom{m-2d}{2} - 2(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} - \binom{d-2}{2} \right] \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - (n-2d-1) \binom{d}{2} \right] + m \left[ \binom{m-2d+1}{2} - 2(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} - (n-2d) \binom{d}{2} \right] \\
 & \quad + \left[ \binom{n}{2} - n \binom{d}{2} - m \right] \left[ \binom{m-2d}{2} - 2d \binom{d-1}{2} - (m-2d-2) \binom{d}{2} \right] \left. \right\} \\
 \sum_{ij} (d_i-1)(d_j-1) p(G-i-j, 3) &= m(d-1)^2 \left\{ \binom{m-2d+1}{3} - (m-2d-1)[2(d-1) \binom{d-1}{2} \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + \binom{d}{2} (n-2d)] \right. \\
 & \quad \left. + 4(d-1) \binom{d-1}{3} + 2(n-2d) \binom{d}{3} + (m-2d+1)(d-1)^2 - 2(d-1)^3 \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now using the theorem 3.1 and direct substitution in above formulas, the result is obtained.

**Corollary 3.3.** Let  $G$  and  $H$  be two regular graphs with the girth at least 6 that are co matching. Then the number of 6-cycles in  $G$  and  $H$  is equal.

**Proof:** Considering the fact that  $p(G, 6) = p(H, 6)$  ,  $p(G - i, 4) = p(H - i, 4)$  and using the corollary 3.2 the result is proved.

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