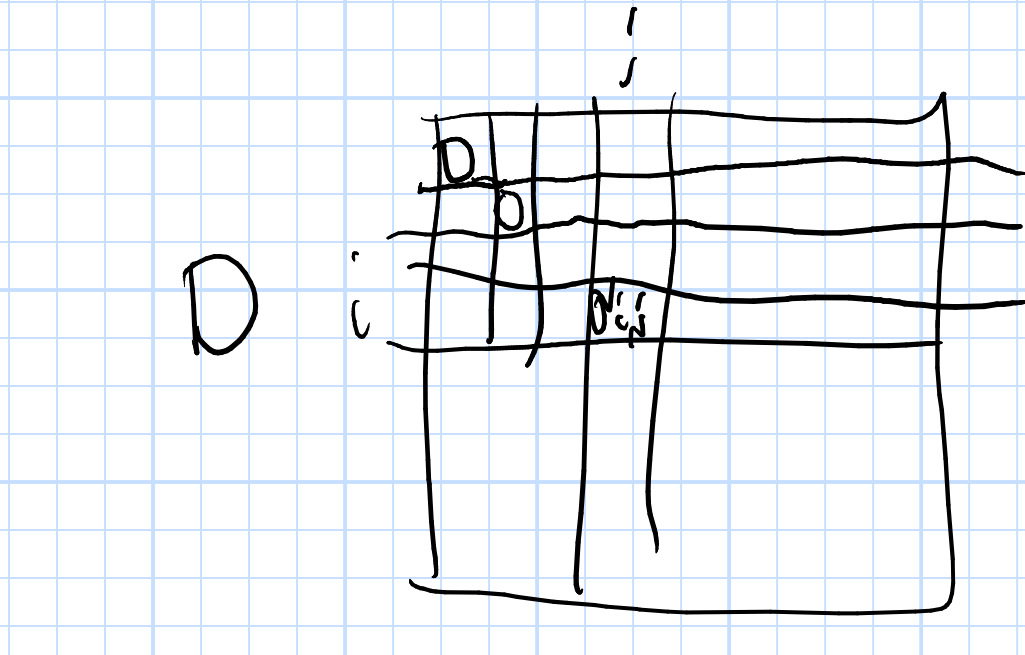


TSP_E TSP with triangle inequality

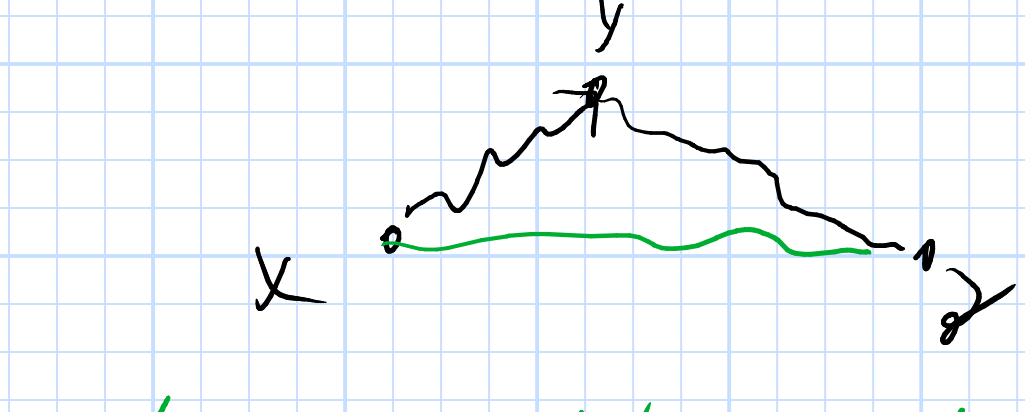
n cities, $V = [n]$

$\forall i, j \quad d_{i,j} = \text{distance between } i \text{ and } j$



$K_n = \text{clique of size } n$

triangle inequality



$$\forall x, y, z \in V \quad d(x, y) + d(y, z) \geq d(x, z)$$

- Compute MST $T = \text{MST}(K_n)$

- Duplicate all the edges in $T, \Rightarrow H$

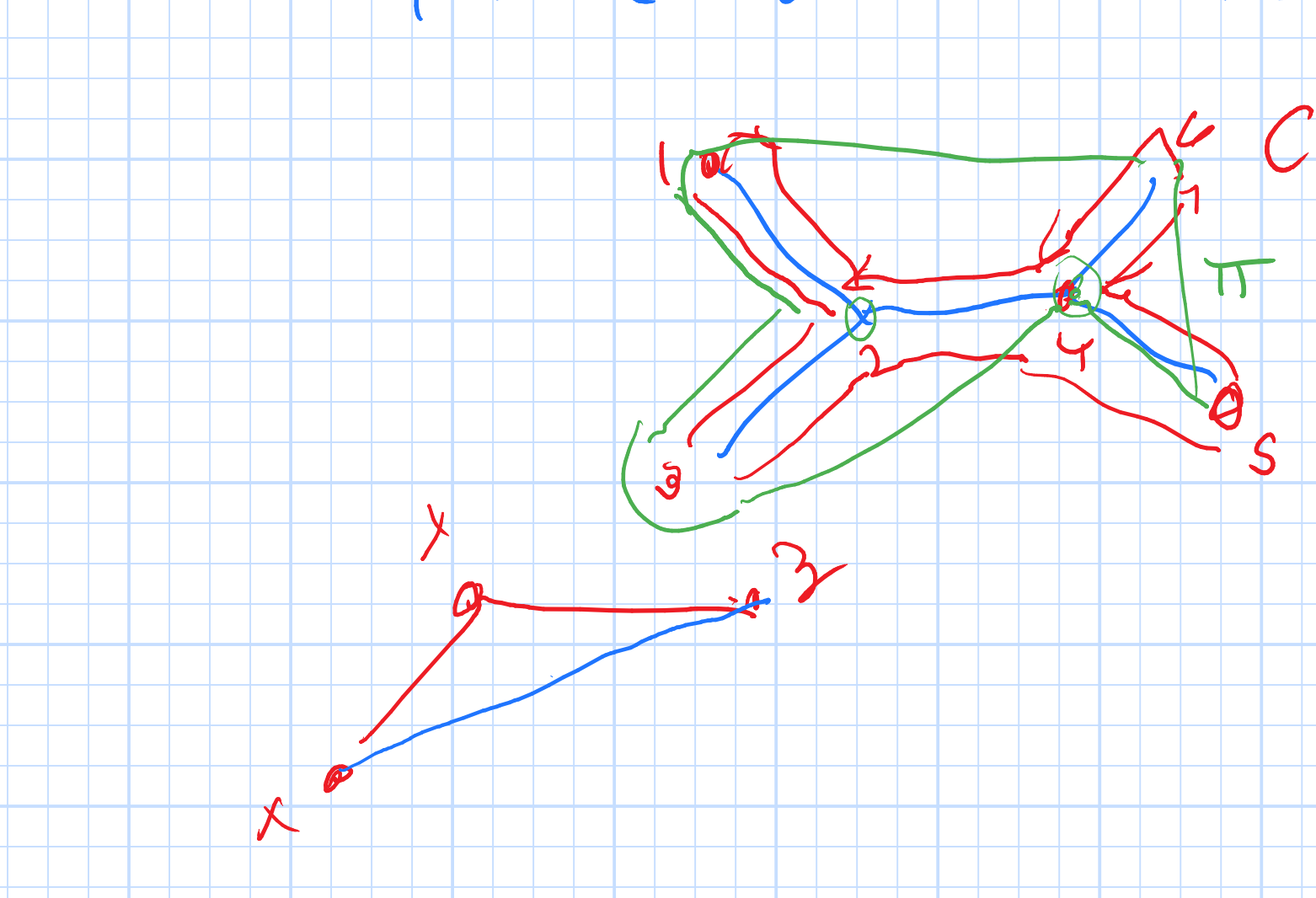


$d_T(v) \quad d_H(v) = 2d_T(v) \leftarrow \text{even}$
 H is connected, and all the vertices have even degree

$\Rightarrow$ Eulerian cycle $\exists$ in H

$\Rightarrow$ Compute an Eulerian cycle C for H .

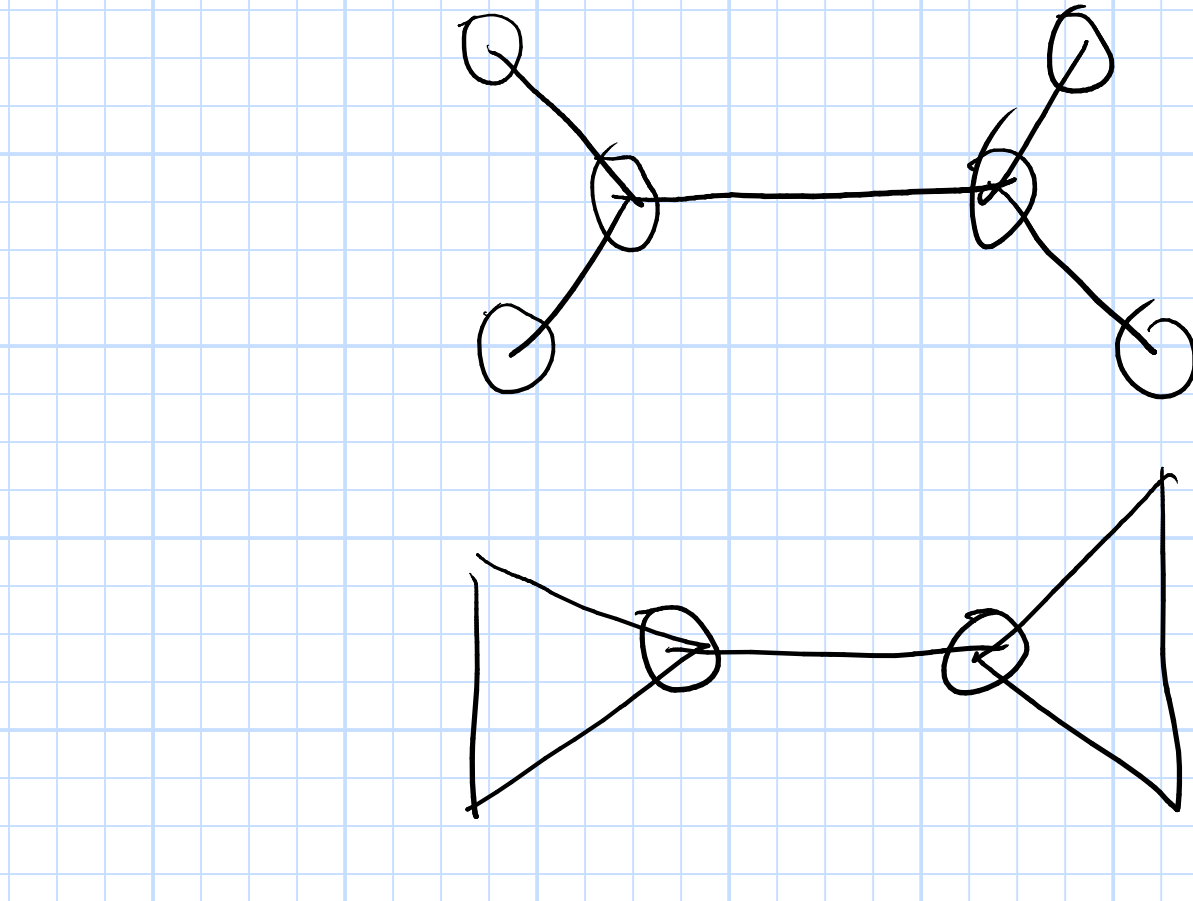
$\Rightarrow$ "output C as the TSP tour"



$$\text{cost}(T) \leq \text{cost}(H) = 2\text{cost}(\text{MST}) \leq 2\text{cost}(\text{OptTSP})$$

Theorem
 $G: n$ vertices m edges
 in $O(n \log n + m)$ time
 the alg computes a TSP tour π
 s.t. $\text{cost}(\pi) \leq 2\text{cost}(\text{OptTSP})$.

3/2-approx to TSP_E (Yaroslavskiy)

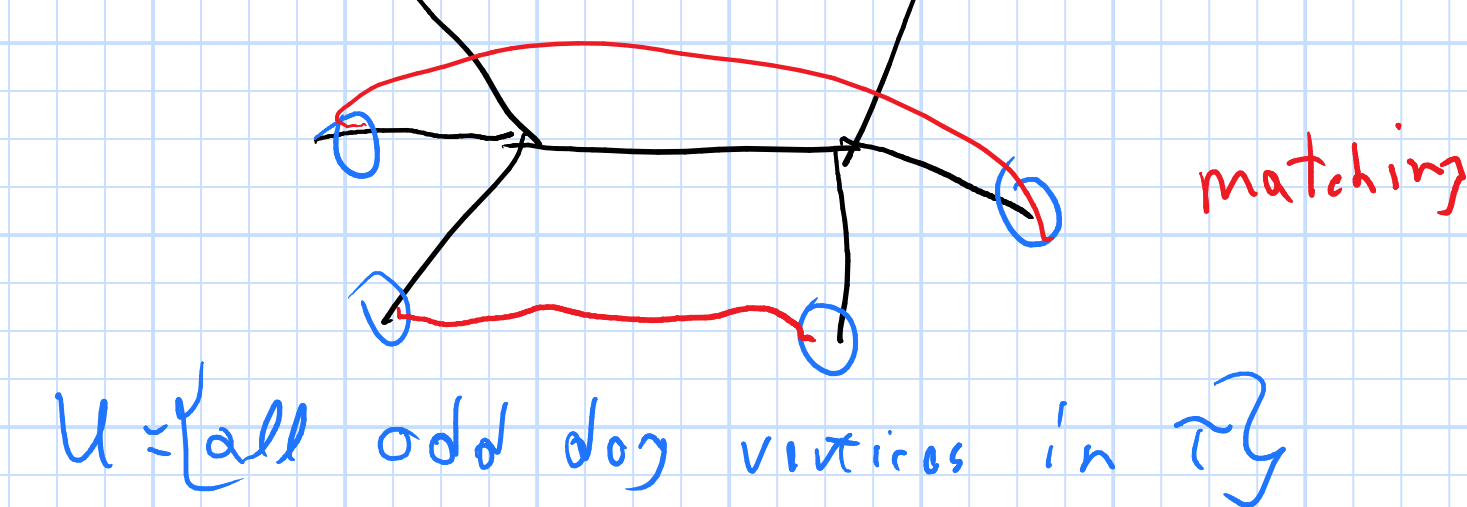


Observation

of odd degree vertices in the graph is even

proof $\sum_{v \in V} d(v) = 2m$
 $\# \text{ odd} \quad \text{turn} \quad \text{must be even}$

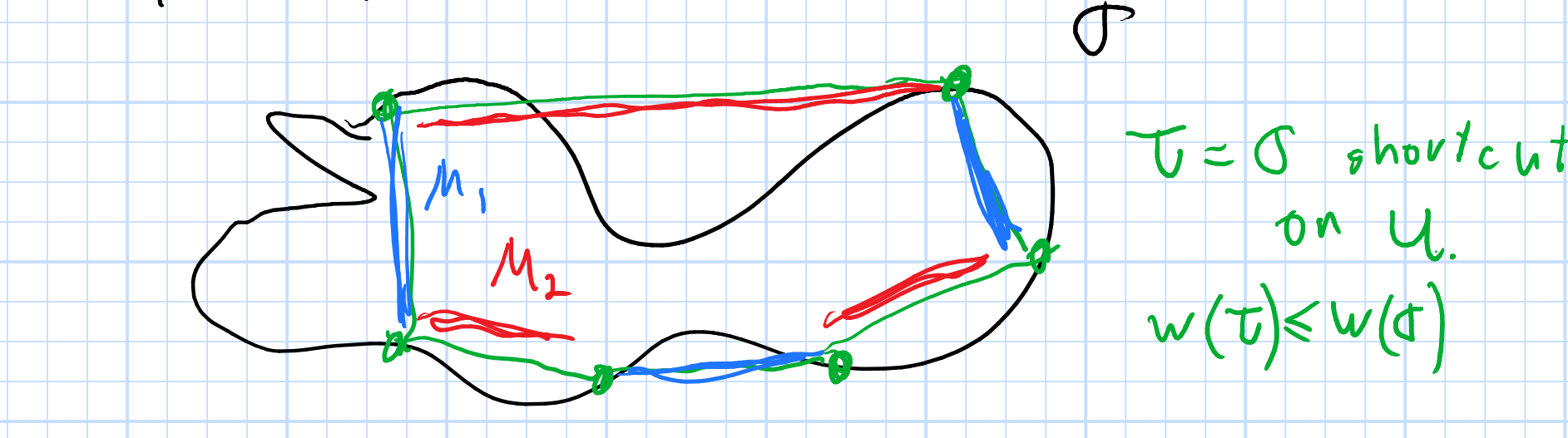
T : compute the MST



$U = \{\text{all odd deg vertices in } T\}$
 $K_U \equiv \text{clique over } U$
 $M = \text{compute minimum weight perfect matching.}$
 $K = T \cup M$
 $C \in \text{Eulerian cycle of } K$
 $\pi \leftarrow \text{shortcut } C \text{ into a TSP tour.}$

Claim $w(\pi) \leq w(\text{OptTSP})/2$

Proof
 σ : opt TSP tour



$$w(M_1) + w(M_2) = w(T) \leq w(\text{OptTSP})$$

$$\text{Assume } w(M_1) \leq w(M_2) \Rightarrow$$

$$2w(M_1) \leq w(M_1) + w(M_2) \leq w(\text{OptTSP})$$

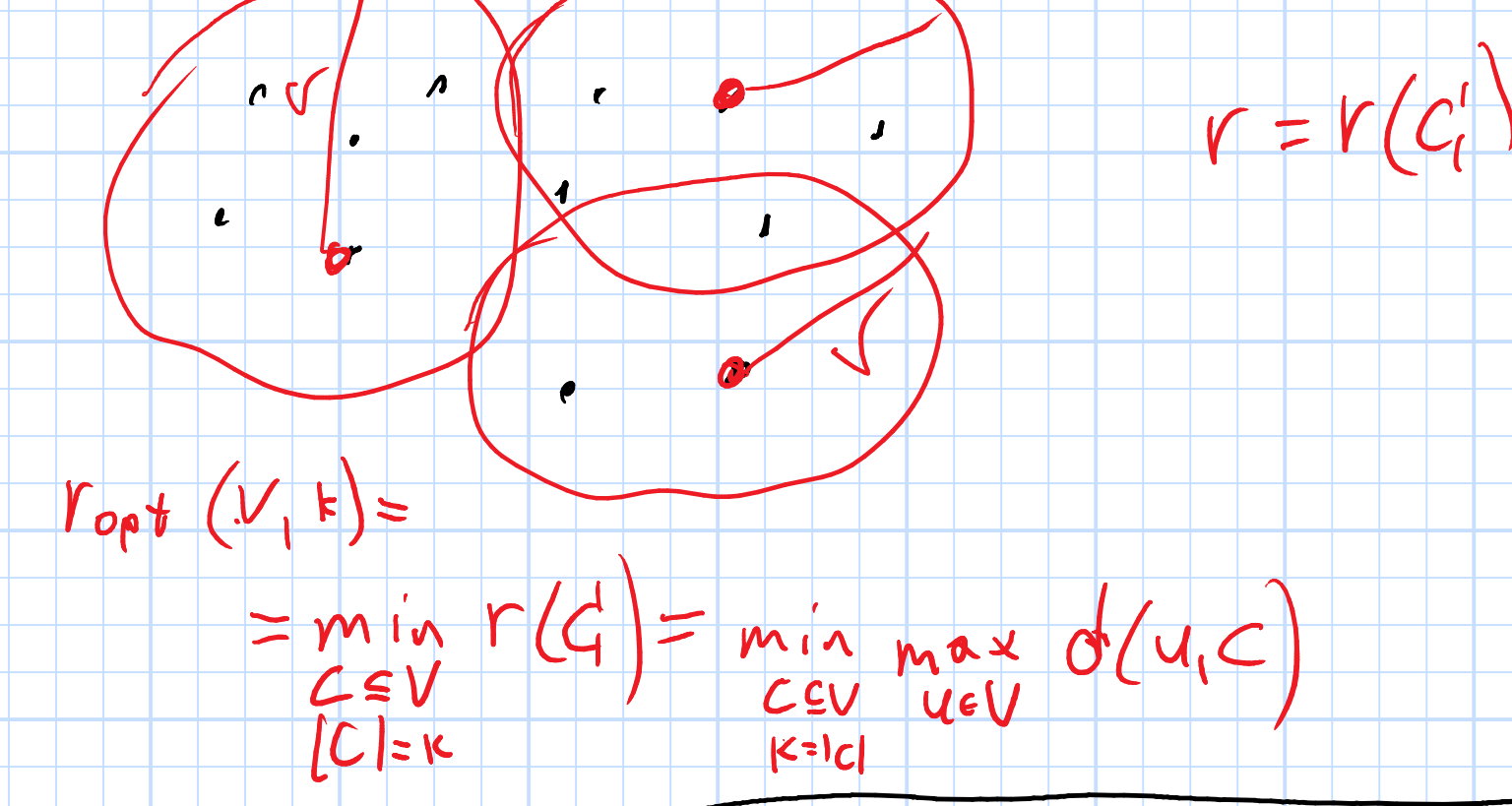
$$w(M_1) \leq \frac{w(\text{OptTSP})}{2}$$

Clustering

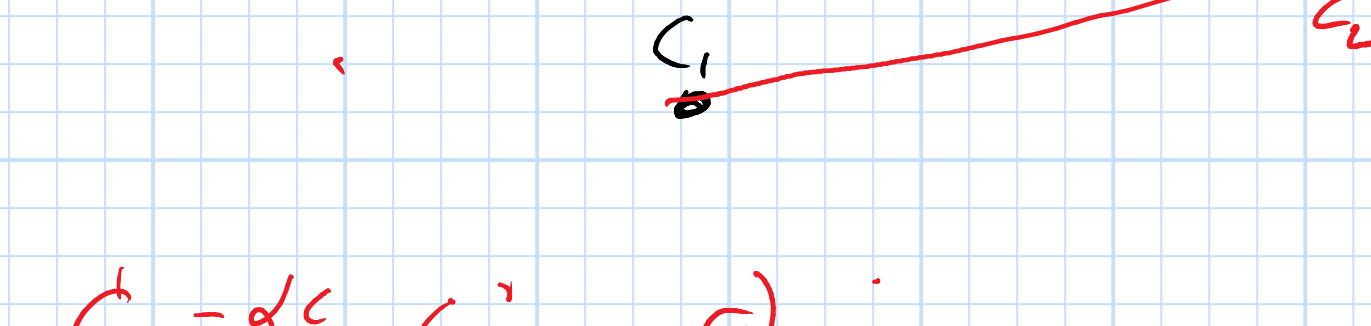
$V \equiv \text{set of } n \text{ elements}$
 d is a metric of V
 $\forall v \in V \quad d(v, v) = 0$
 $\forall u, v \quad d(u, v) = 0 \Rightarrow u = v$
 $\forall x, y, z \quad d(x, y) + d(y, z) \geq d(x, z)$

k-center clustering

$C \subseteq V$ a set of k centers
 $\forall u \in V \quad d(u, C) = \min_{c \in C} d(u, c)$
 radius of clustering of C is
 $r(C) = \max_{u \in V} d(u, C)$



$$r_{\text{opt}}(V, k) = \min_{\substack{C \subseteq V \\ |C| = k}} r(C) = \min_{\substack{C \subseteq V \\ |C| = k}} \max_{u \in V} d(u, C)$$



$C_i = \{c_1, c_2, \dots, c_k\}$
 $r_i = r(C_i) \equiv \text{radius for this set of centers}$
 c_{opt} is the point $\arg \min_{c \in V} r(C)$

$O(nk)$ time.

$$r(C_k) = r_k \leq 2r_{\text{opt}}(V, k)$$

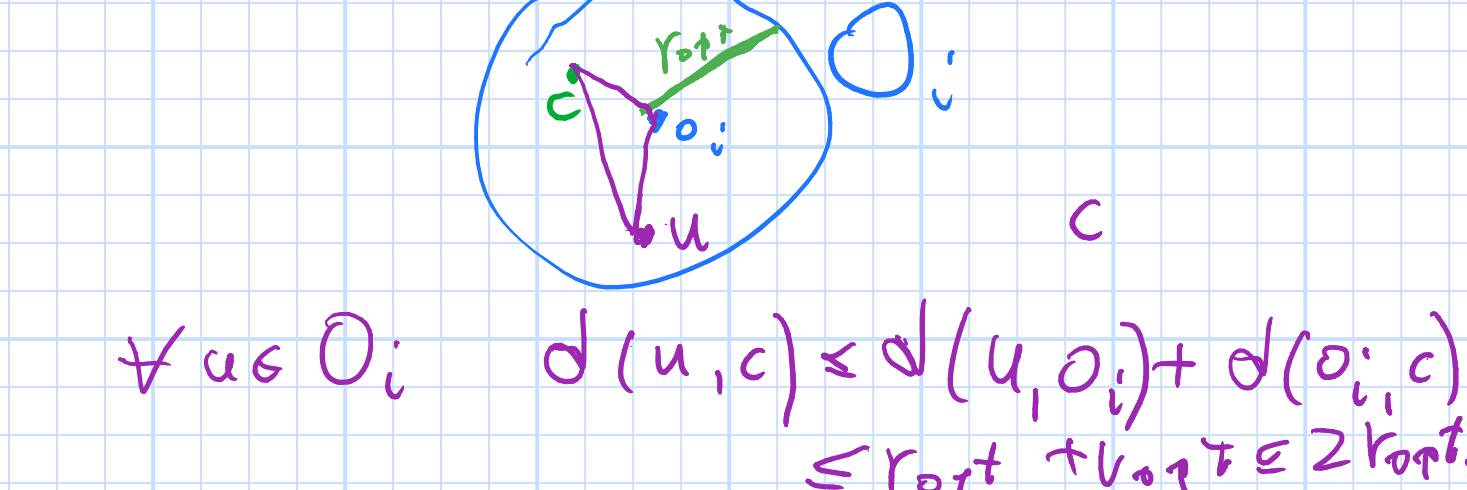
$$r_1 \geq r_2 \geq r_3 \geq \dots \geq r_k$$

$\sim o_1, o_2, \dots, o_k$ optimal centers.

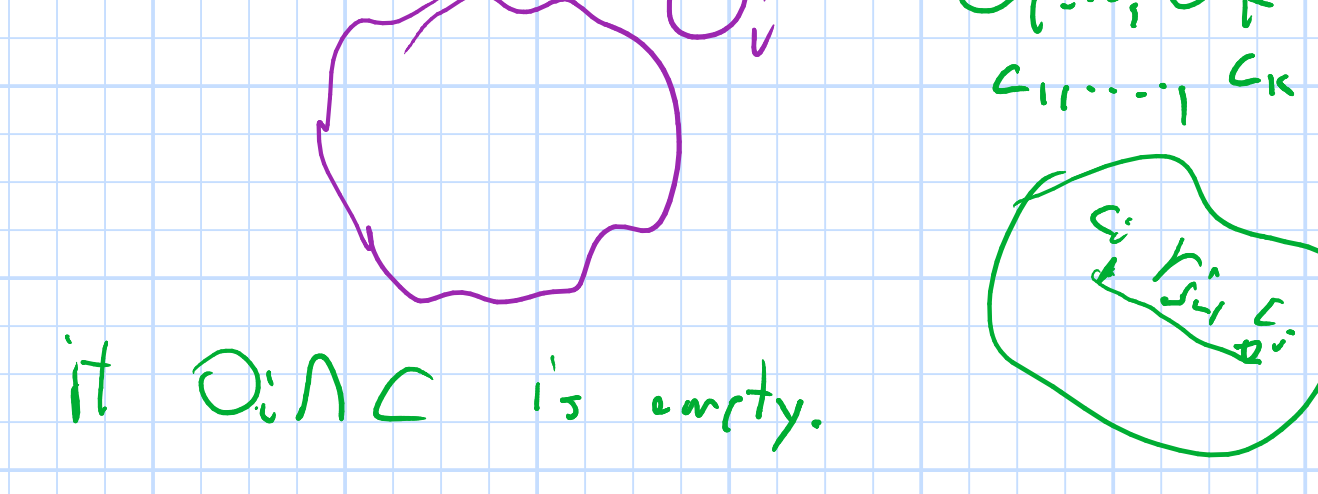
$$O_k = \{v \in V \mid d(o_k, v) \leq r_{\text{opt}}\}$$

$$\bigcup_{k=1}^k O_k = V$$

$\forall o_i$ exists $c \in C$ s.t. $c \in O_i$



$$\forall u \in O_i \quad d(u, c) \leq d(u, o_i) + d(o_i, c) \leq r_{\text{opt}} + r_{\text{opt}} \leq 2r_{\text{opt}}$$

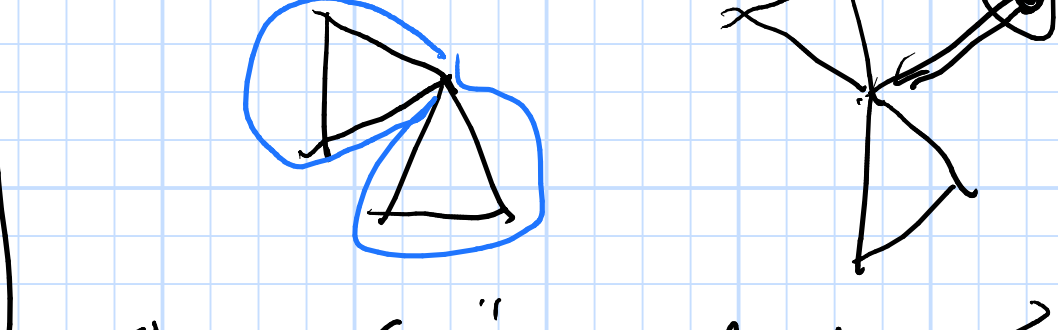


if $O_i \cap C$ is empty.

2 - approx!

Eulerian cycle

C is an Eulerian cycle of G if it visits every edge of G exactly once.



Thm G is Eulerian $\Leftrightarrow$ G is connected and all vertices have even degree.

Proof

