

New Polynomial Case for Efficient Domination in P_6 -free Graphs



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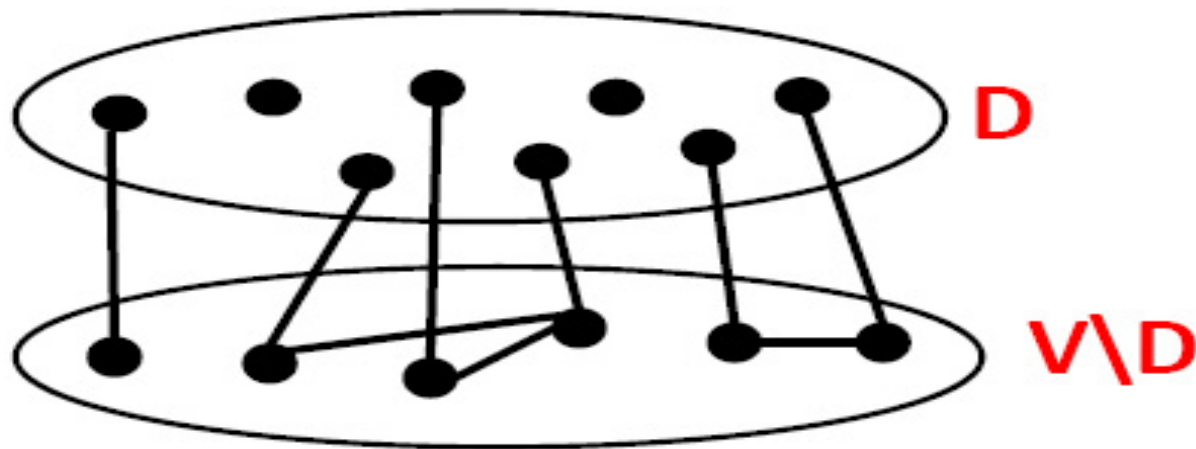
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Examples

- Path P_n , for all n .
- Cycle C_n if and only if $n \equiv 0 \pmod{3}$.
- Complete graph K_n , for all n .

WEIGHTED EFFICIENT DOMINATING SET (WED) Problem

If $S \subseteq V(G)$, then $w(S) :=$ Total weight of vertices in S .

INSTANCE: Weighted graph (G, w) , a positive integer k .

QUESTION: Does there exists an efficient dominating set D of G such that $w(D) \leq k$?

WED vs Graph Classes

- WED remains NP -complete on restricted classes of graphs such as
 - bipartite graphs [31]
 - planar bipartite graphs [25]
 - chordal bipartite graphs [25]
 - chordal graphs [31]
 - etc.,

WED vs Graph Classes

- WED is solvable in polynomial time for the graph classes such as
 - trees [2, 14]
 - co-comparability graphs [8, 11]
 - split graphs [9]
 - interval graphs [10, 11]
 - circular-arc graphs [9, 19]
 - permutation graphs [20]
 - trapezoid graphs [20], etc.,

Graphs defined by forbidden induced subgraphs

Let $\mathcal{F} = \{H_1, H_2, H_3, \dots\}$ be a family of graphs.

A graph G is said to be **\mathcal{F} -free** if no induced subgraph of G is isomorphic to H_i , for every i .

Examples

Bipartite graphs : C_{2k+1} -free, $k \geq 1$ (König's Theorem).

Chordal graphs : C_k -free, $k \geq 4$.

Line graphs : A family of 9 forbidden subgraphs (Beineke).

Perfect graphs ¹ : $\{C_{2k+1}, C_{2k+1}^c\}$ -free, $k \geq 2$ (SPGT [12]).

¹Graph G with $\chi(H) = \omega(H)$, $\forall H \sqsubseteq G$.

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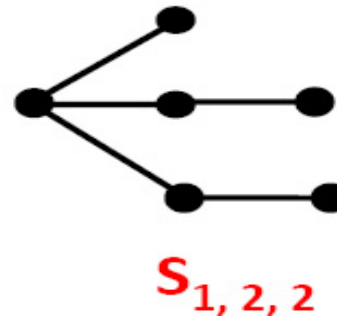
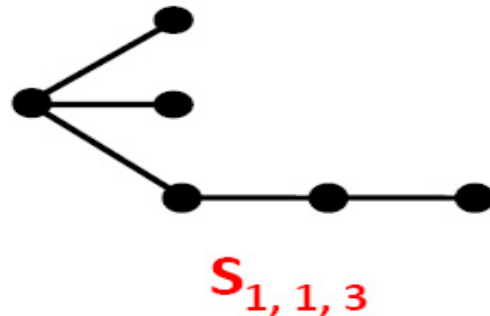
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WED vs P_6 -free Graphs

- The complexity of WED is **unknown** for P_6 -free graphs.
- WED is shown to be solvable in polynomial time for the following subclasses of P_6 -free graphs:
 - $(P_6, S_{1,1,3})$ -free graphs [16]
 - $(P_6, S_{1,2,2})$ -free graphs [4]
 - (P_6, bull) -free graphs [16]

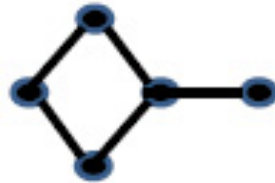


WED for P_6 -free Graphs

In this talk, we prove the following:

WED can be solved in polynomial time for

$(P_6, \text{diamond} \text{ with tail})$ -free graphs



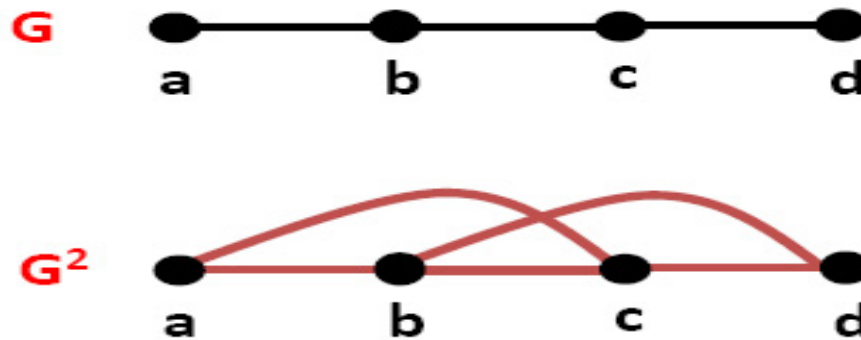
Square Graph G^2 from G

Given graph $G = (V, E)$.

Square graph $G^2 = (V, E')$,

where $E' = \{uv \mid u, v \in V \text{ and } \text{dist}_G(u, v) \in \{1, 2\}\}$.

Example



Brandstädt, Fičur, Leitert, and Milanič

Information Processing Letters, 115 (2015) 256-262

Theorem 1:

Let \mathcal{G} be a graph class for which the Maximum Weight Independent Set problem is solvable in time $T(|G|)$ on squares of graphs from \mathcal{G} . Then, WED problem is solvable on graphs in \mathcal{G} in time $O(\min\{nm + n, n^\omega\} + T(|G^2|))$, where $\omega < 2.3727$ is the matrix multiplication exponent [33].

P_5 -free Graphs

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- Milanič [26]: Let G be a P_5 -free graph. If G has an EDS, then G^2 is P_4 -free.
- Corneil et al. [13]: MWIS can be solved in linear-time for P_4 -free graphs.
- So, the results follows by Theorem 1.

$(P_6, S_{1,1,3})$ -free Graphs

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- Karthick [16]: Let G be a $(P_6, S_{1,1,3})$ -free graph. If G has an EDS, then G^2 is P_5 -free.
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(P_6, banner) -free Graphs

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Claim : G^2 is P_6 -free

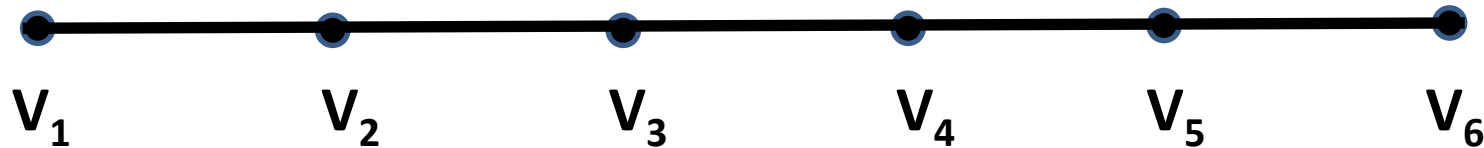
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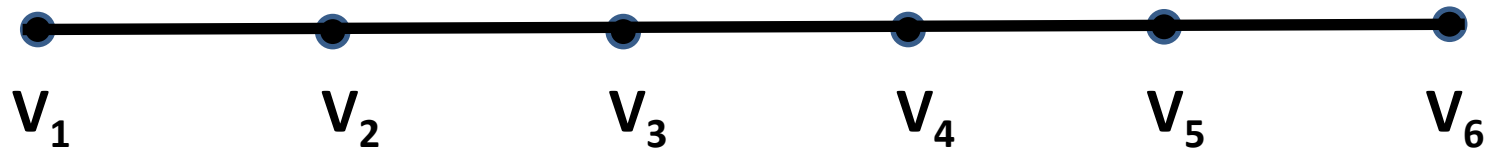
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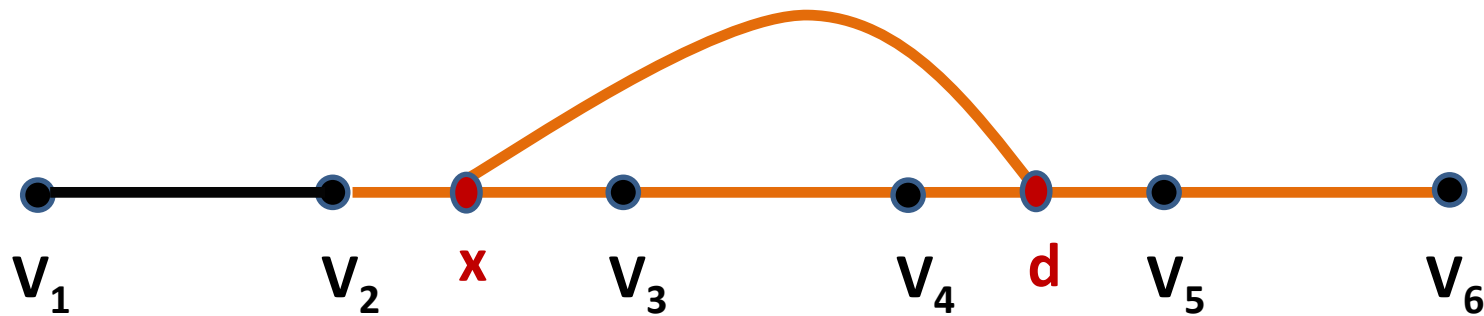


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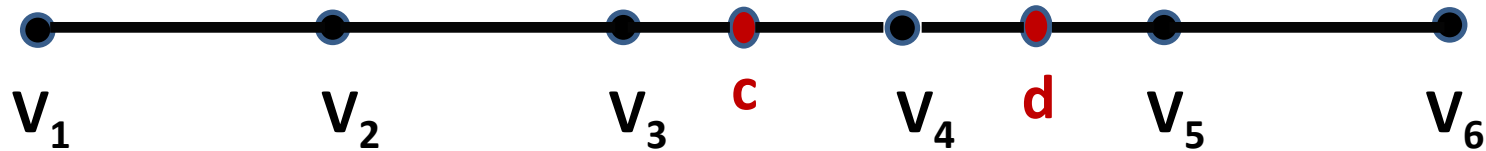


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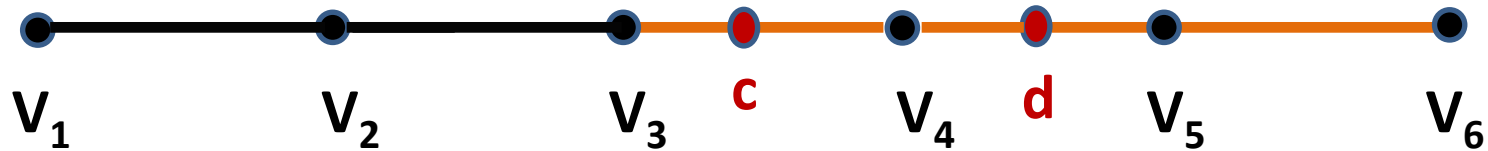


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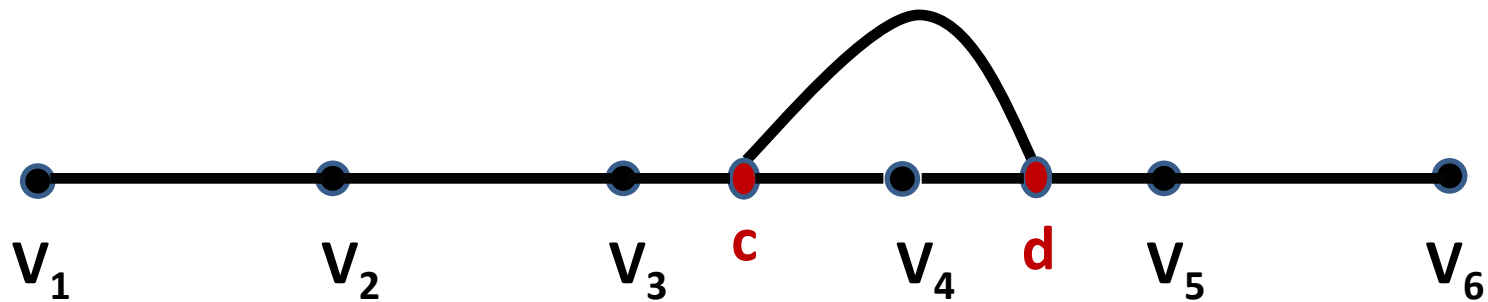


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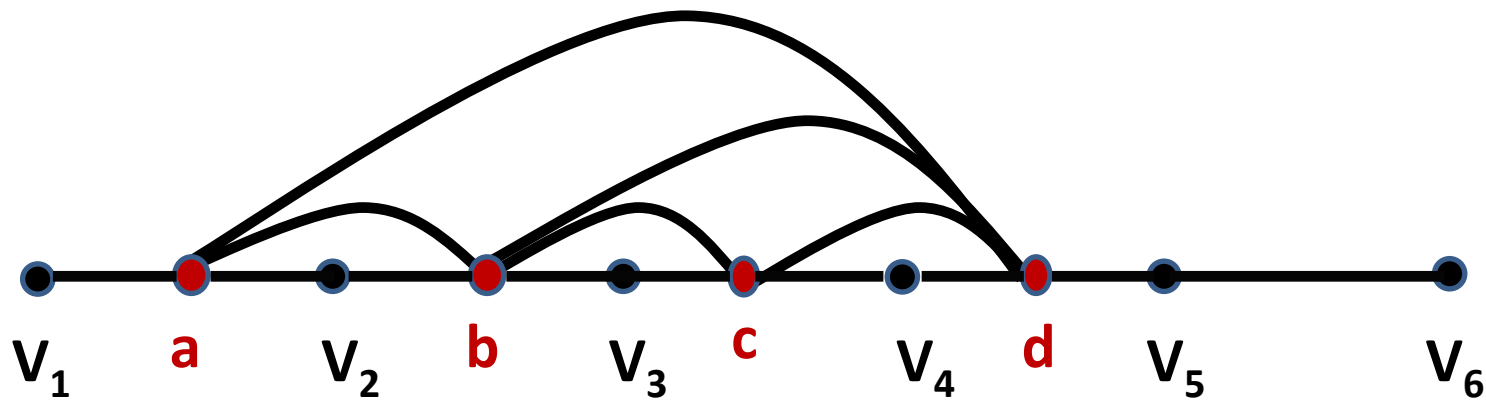


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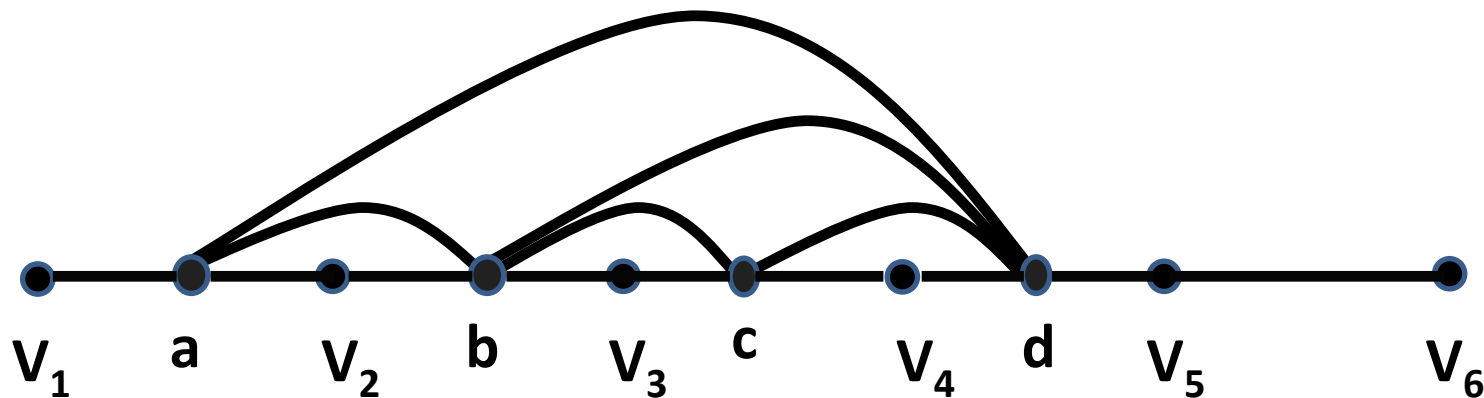
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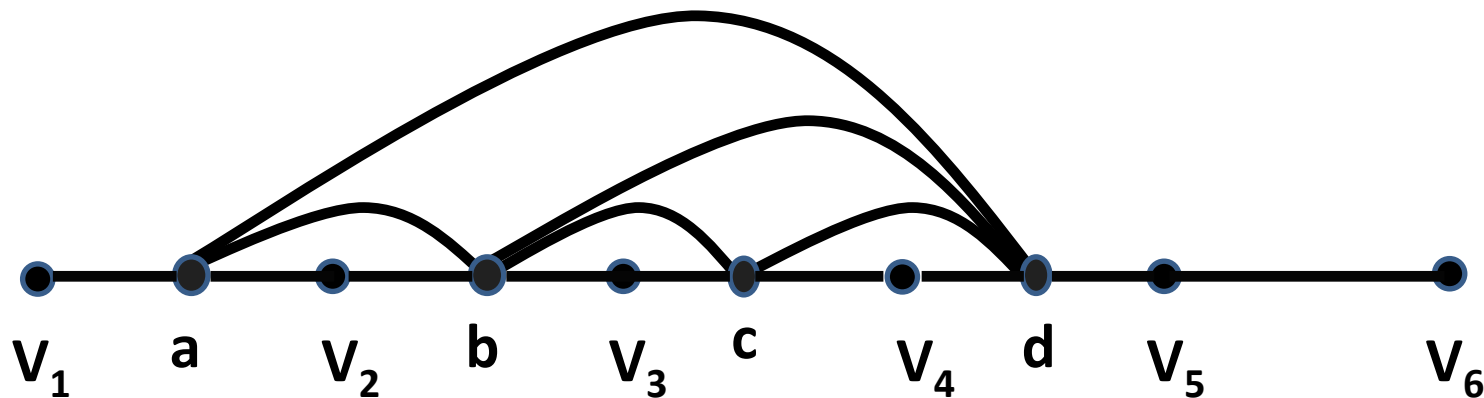


Partial Structure of G

$G := (P_6, \text{diamond})$ -free

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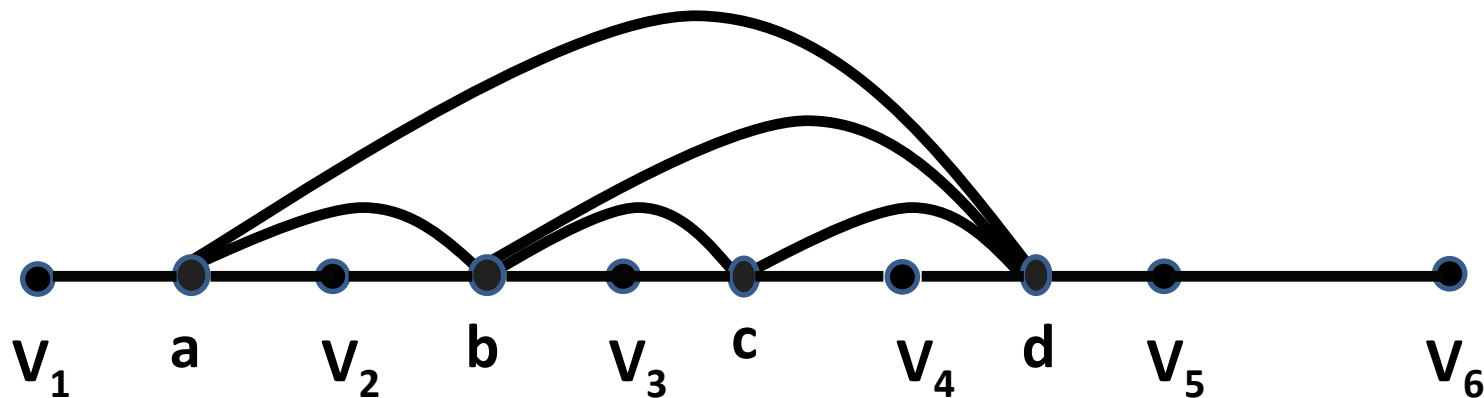


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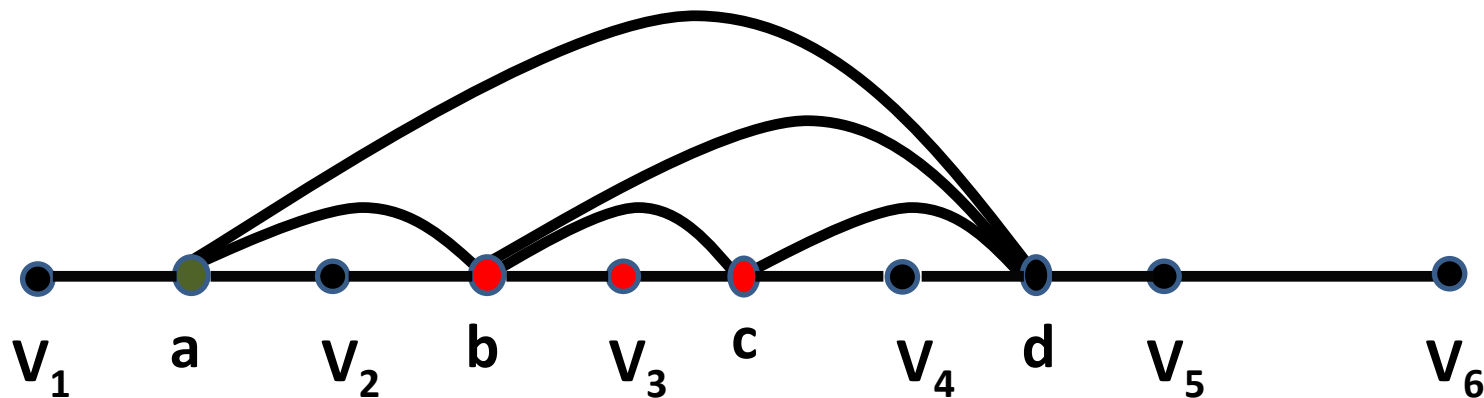
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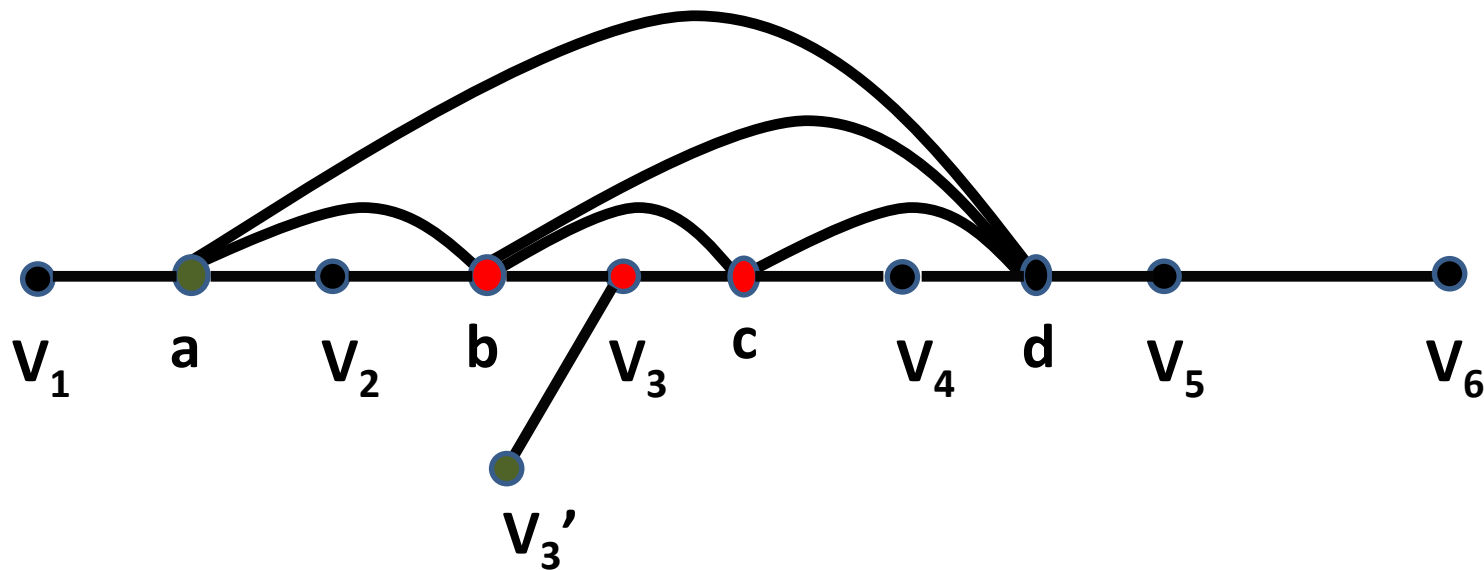
Suppose $a \in D$

Then $b, v_3, c \notin D$

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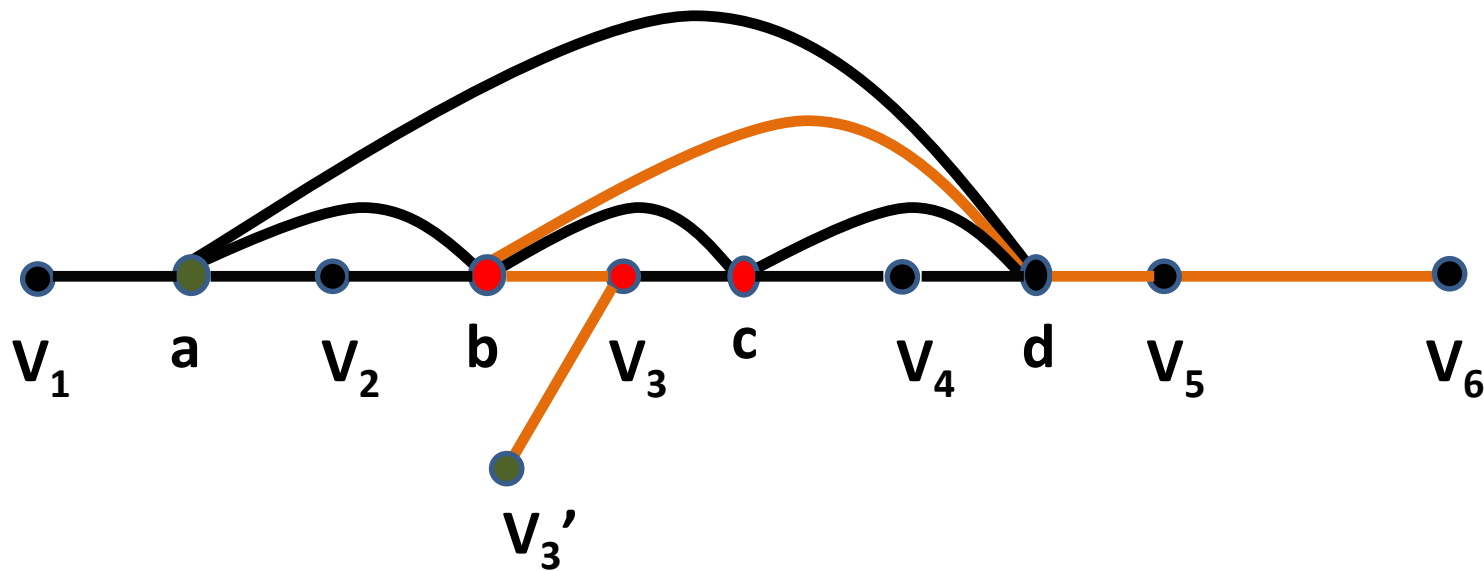
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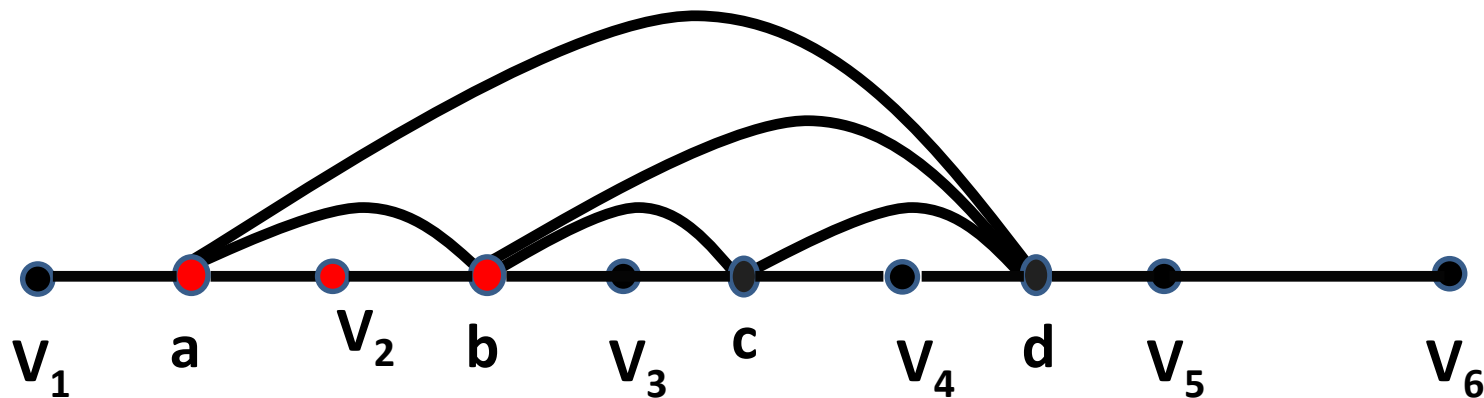
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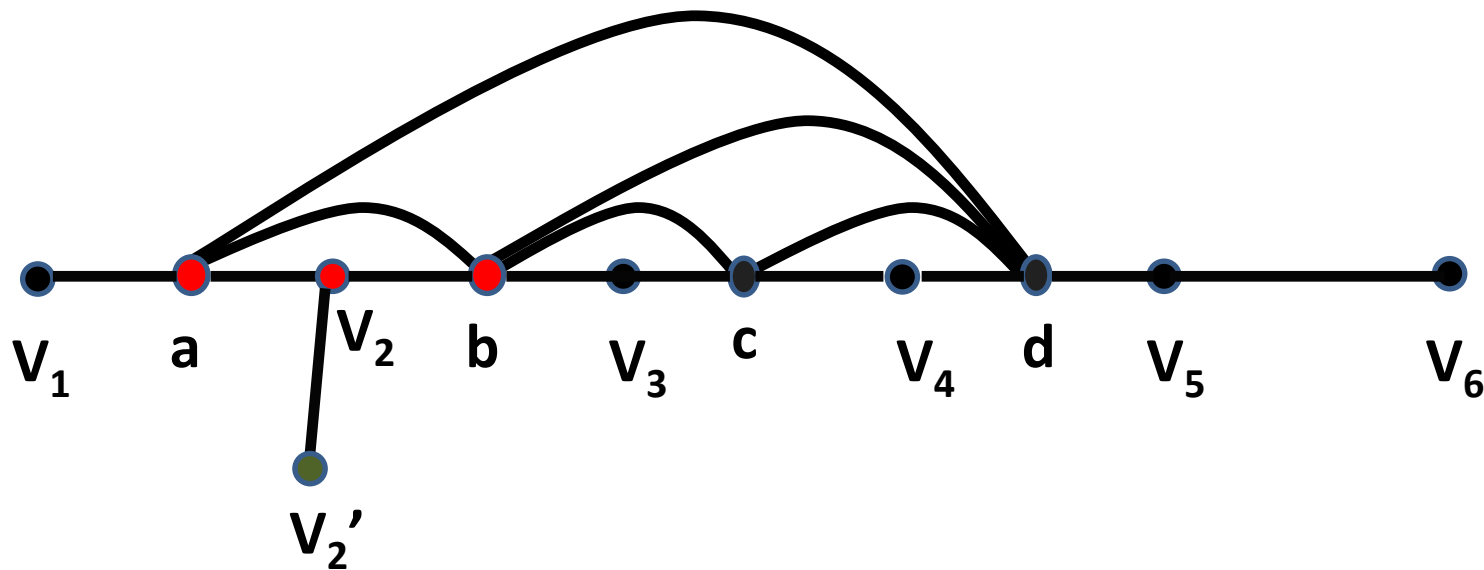


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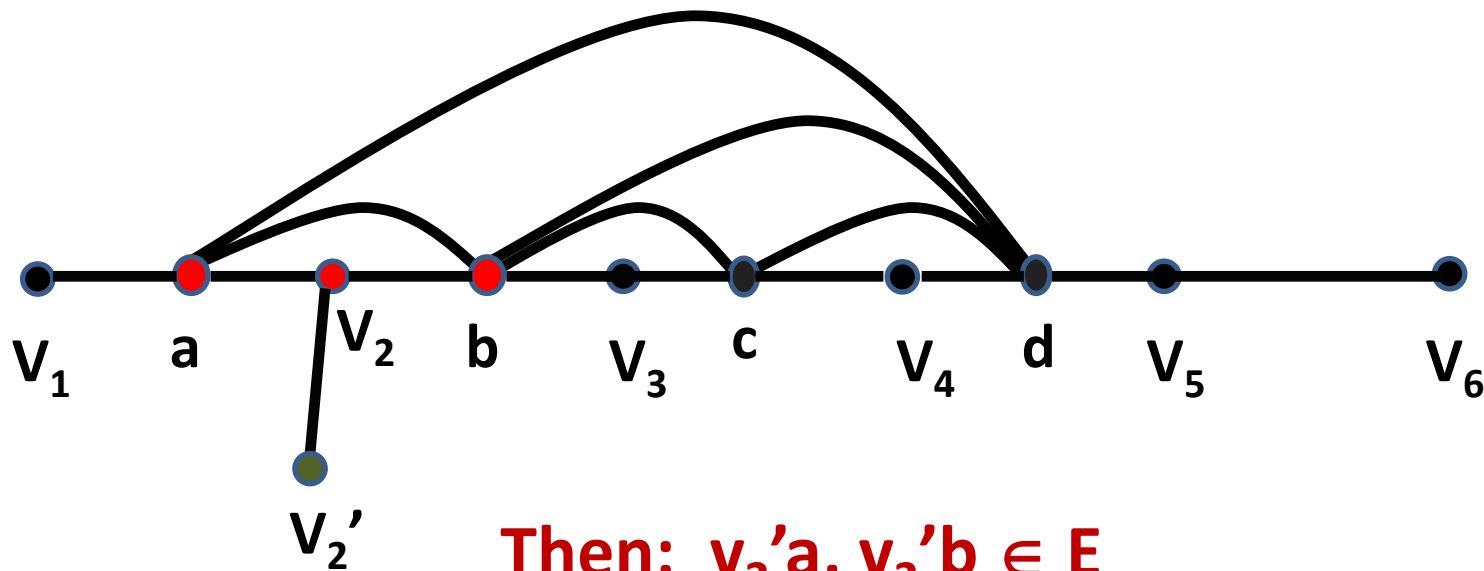
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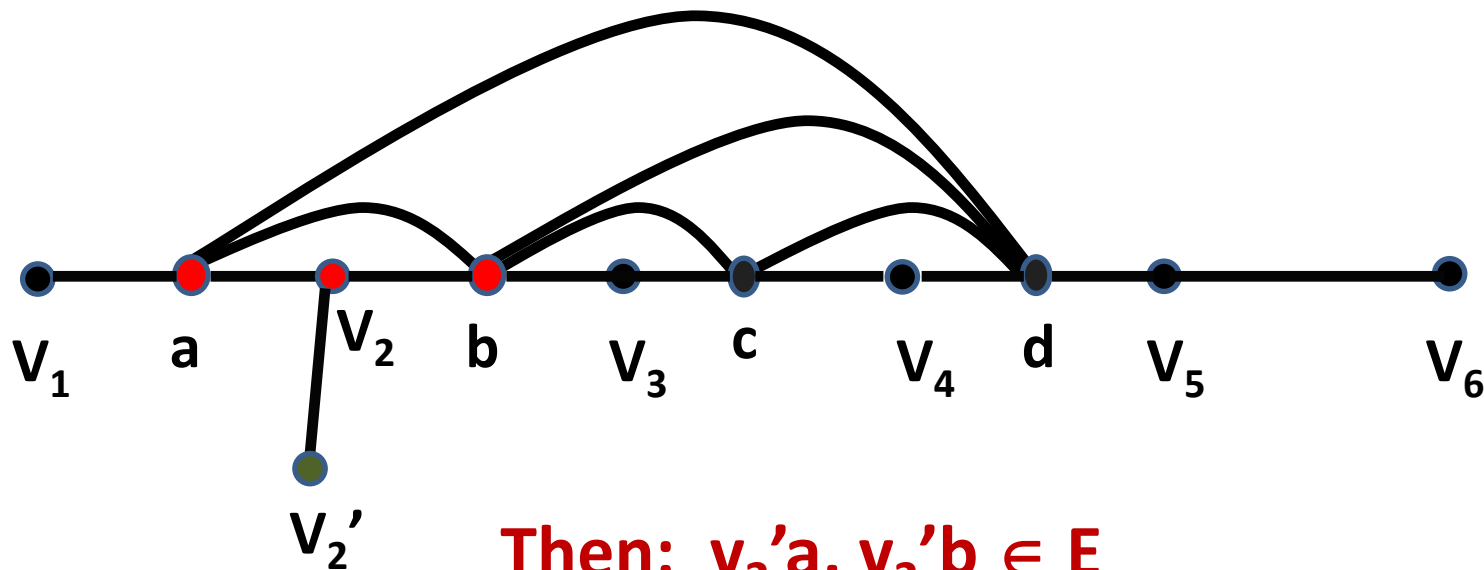
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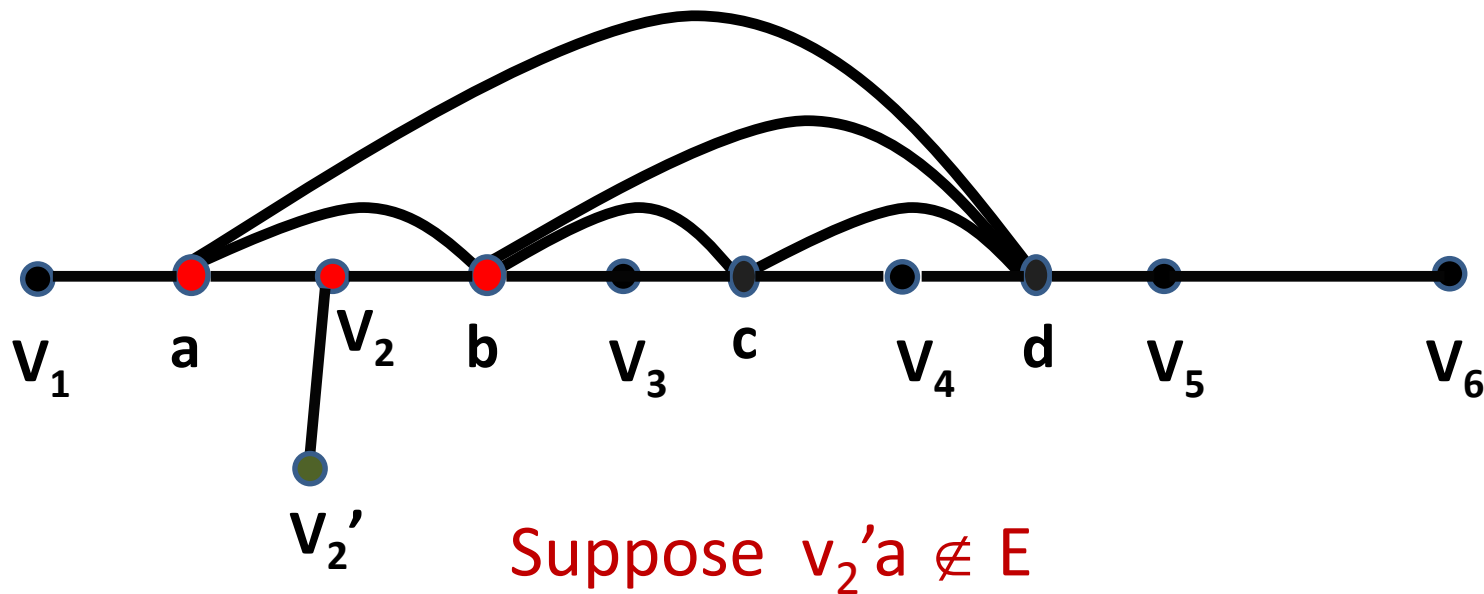
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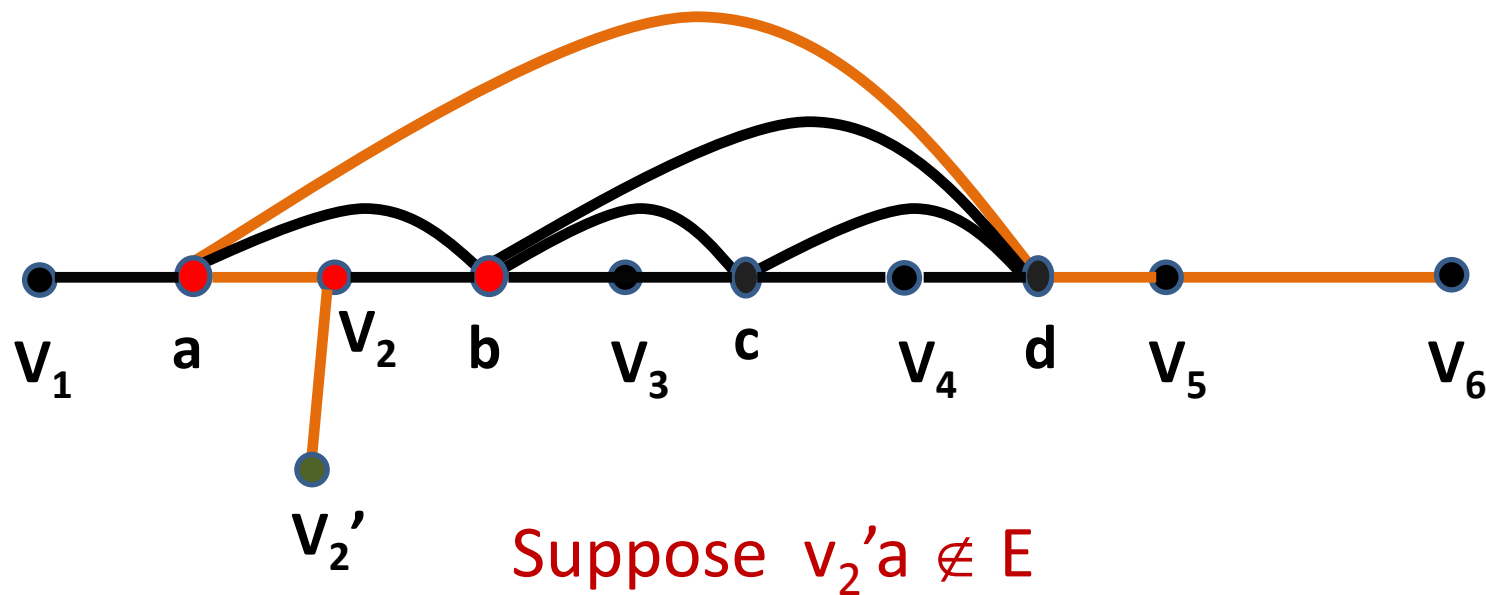
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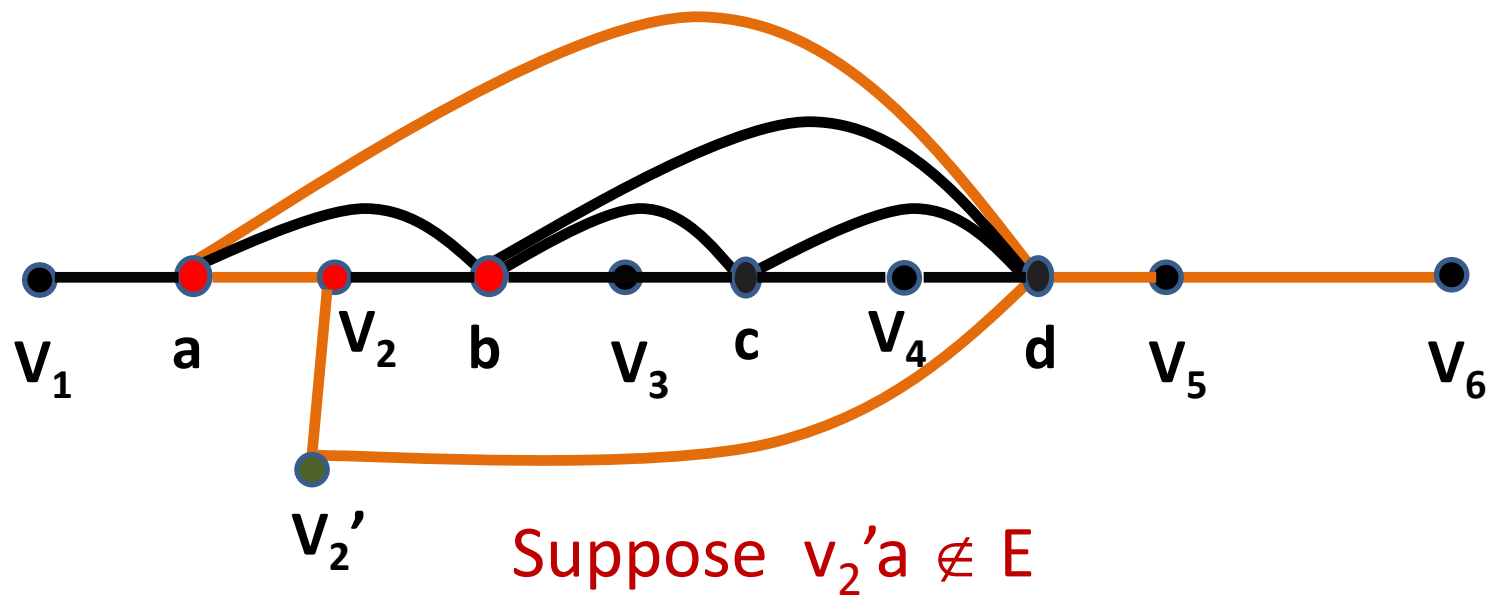
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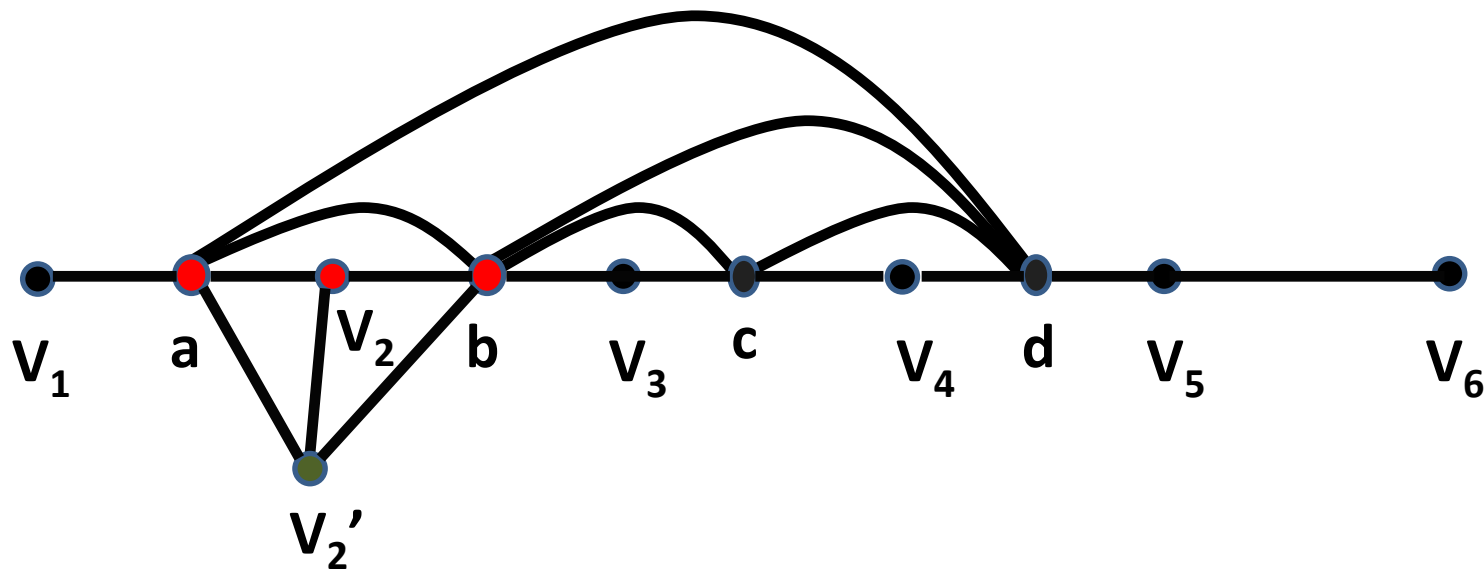
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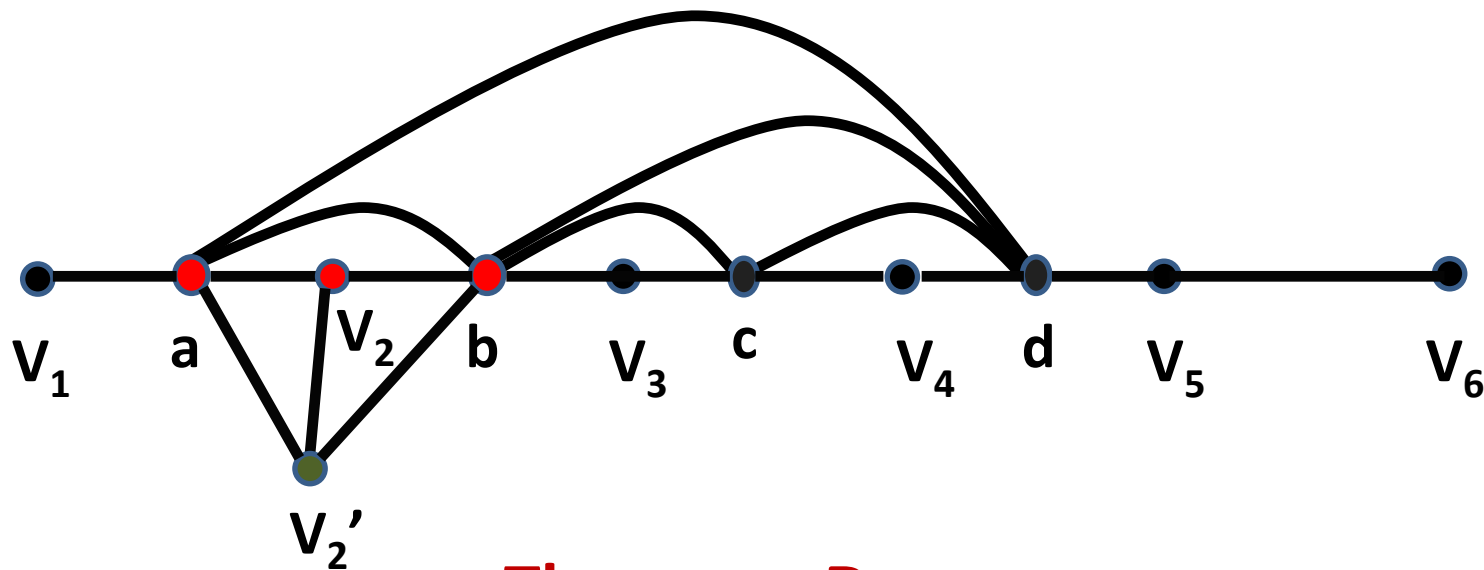


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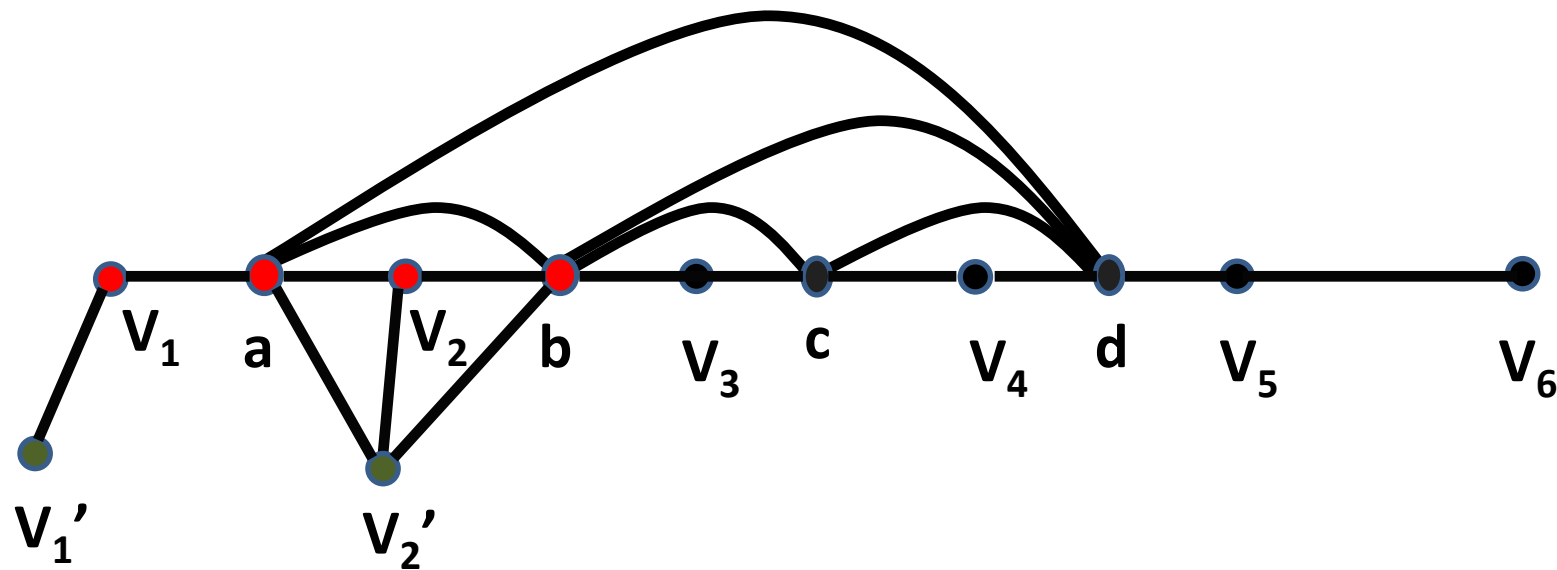


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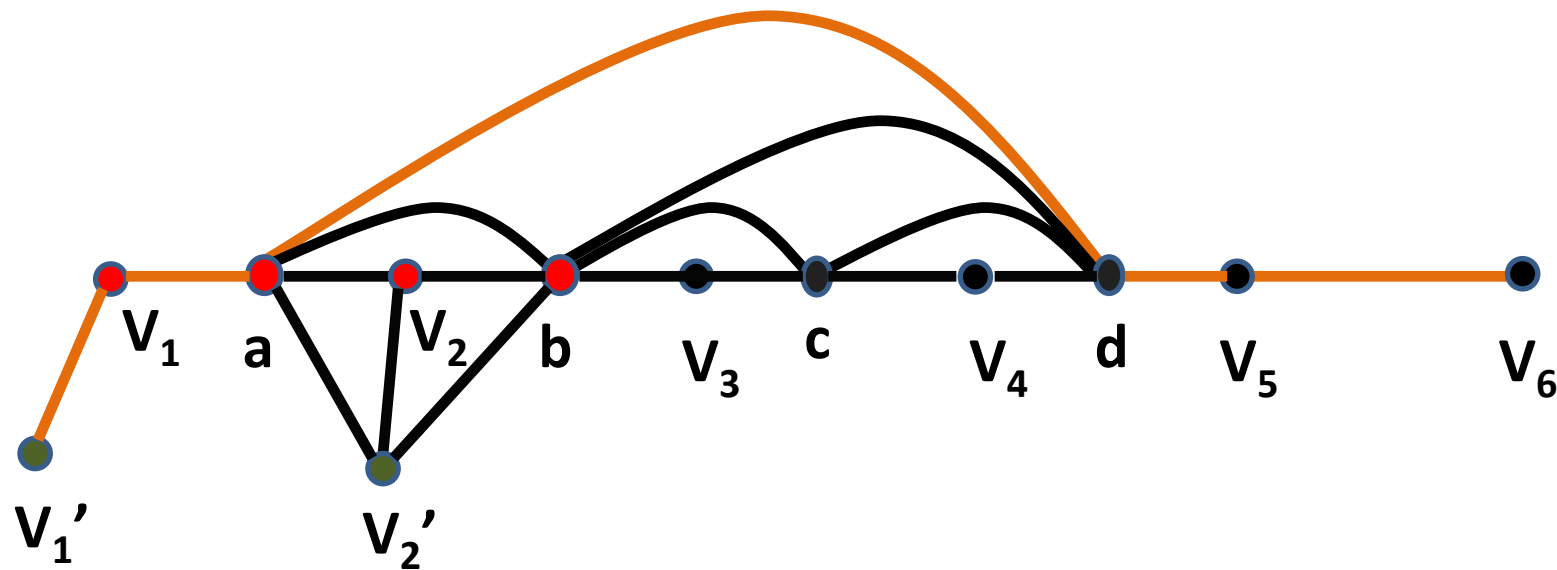


Claim 2: $v_1' \neq v_2'$

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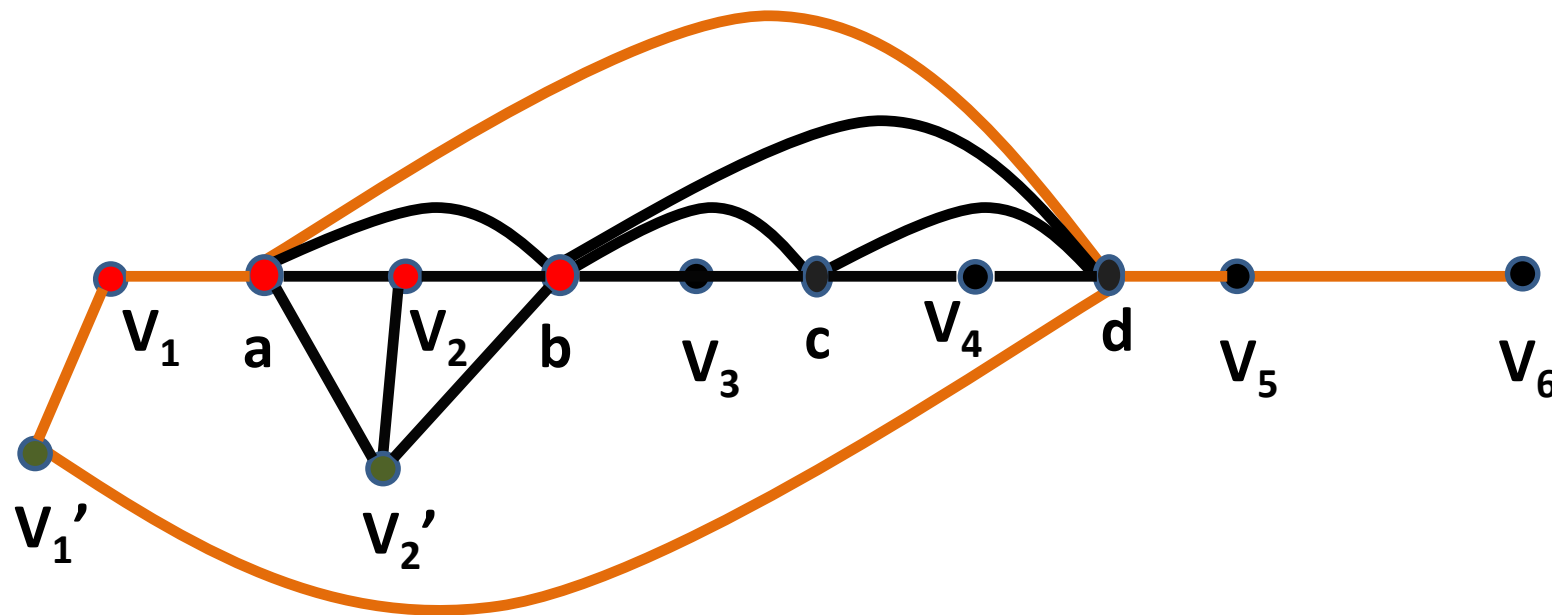


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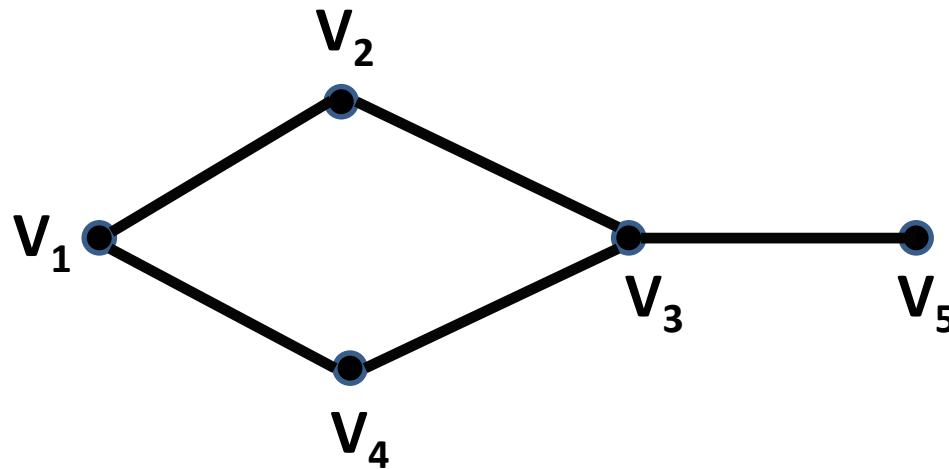
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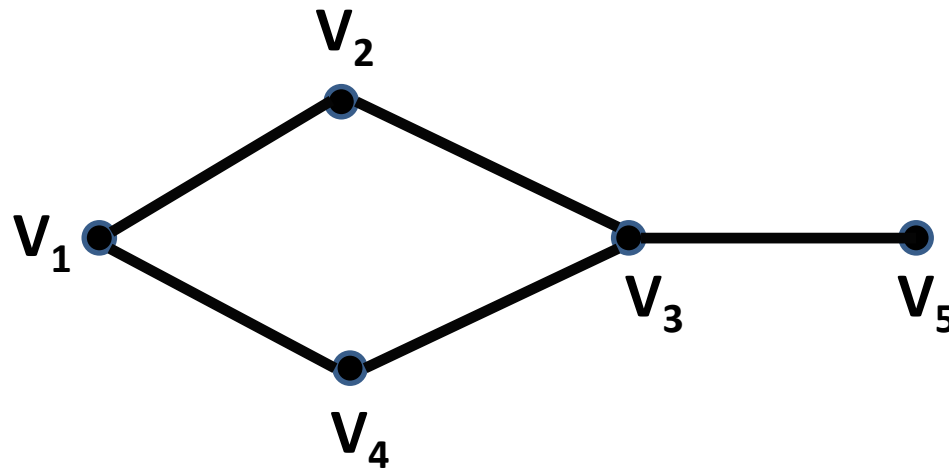
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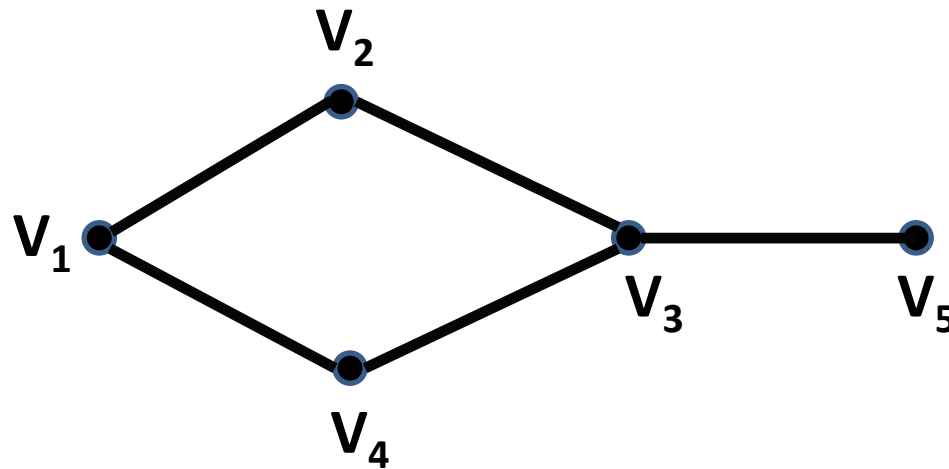


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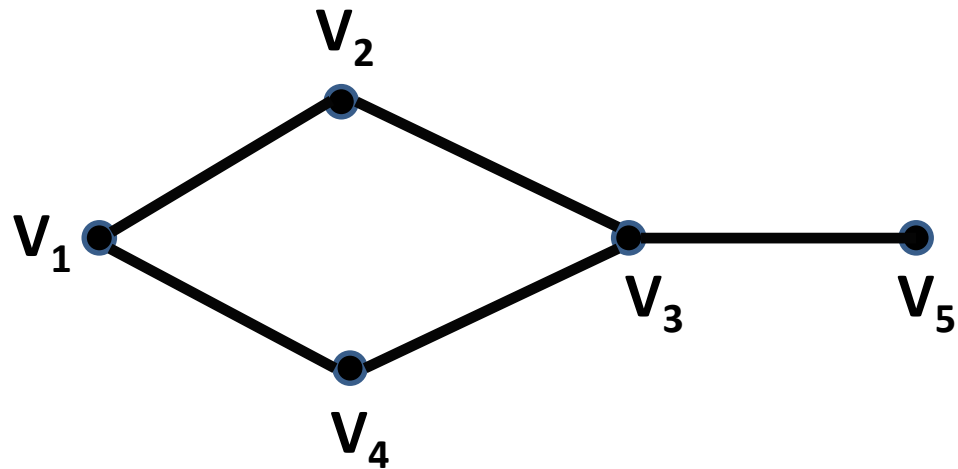


$$\text{dist}_G(v_1, v_3) \geq 3, \quad \text{dist}_G(v_1, v_5) \geq 3, \quad \text{dist}_G(v_2, v_4) \geq 3$$

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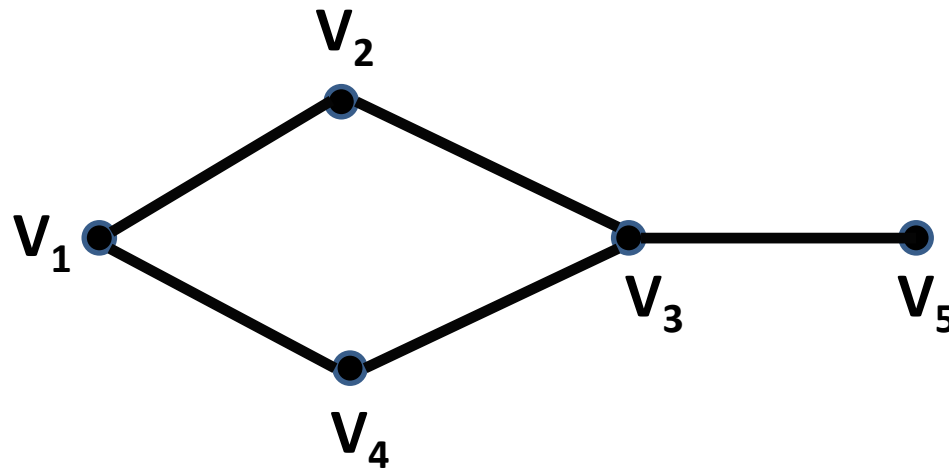
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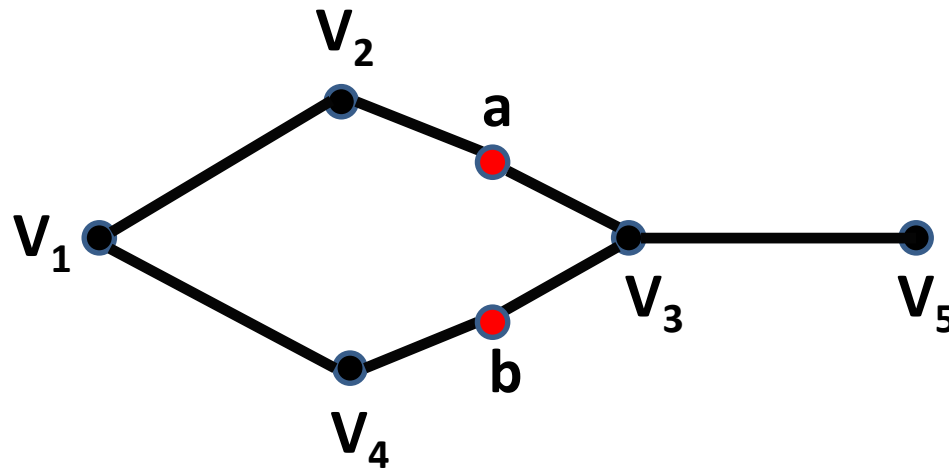
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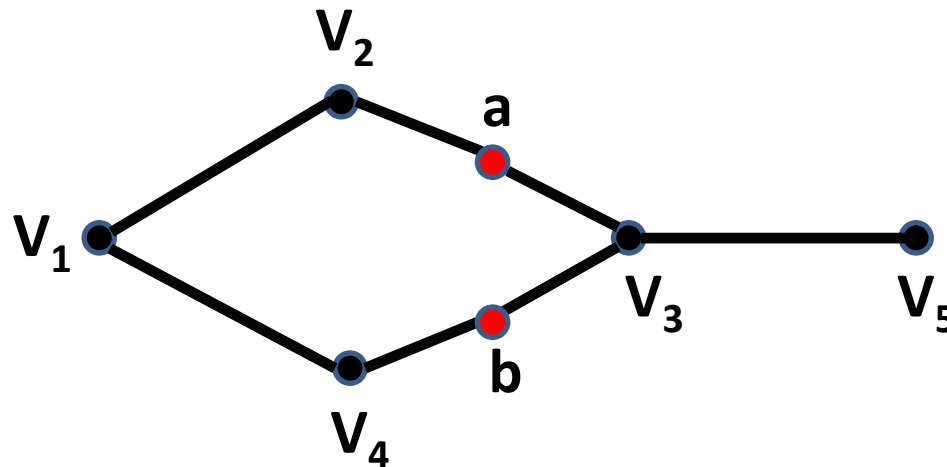
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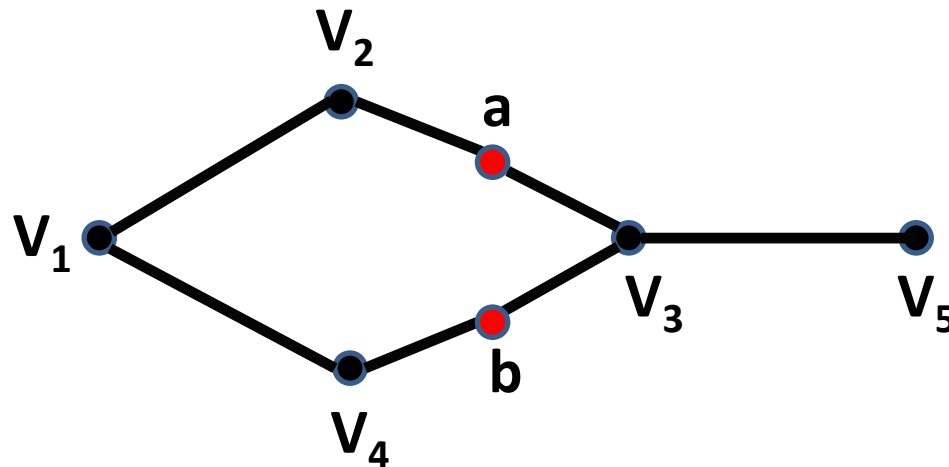
$$\text{dist}_G(v_2, v_4) \geq 3$$



$\text{dist}_G(v_1, v_4) = 2$ or $\text{dist}_G(v_1, v_2) = 2$ or both

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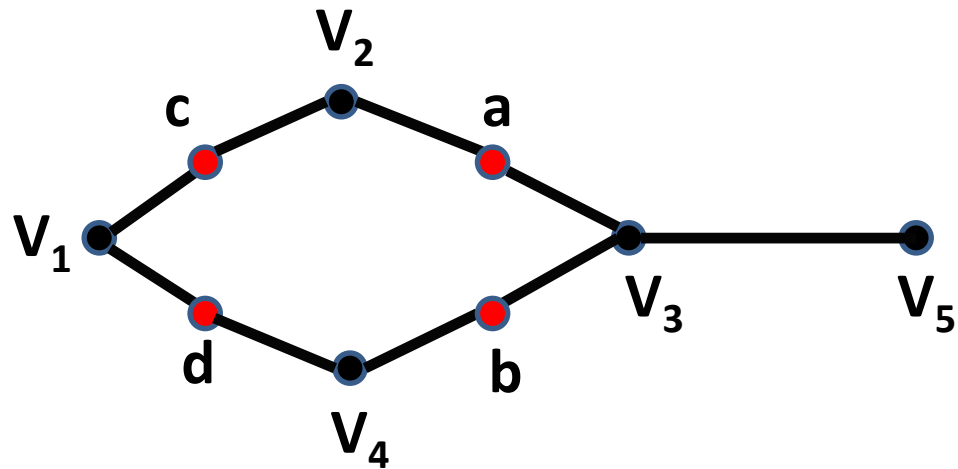
$$\text{dist}_G(v_2, v_4) \geq 3$$



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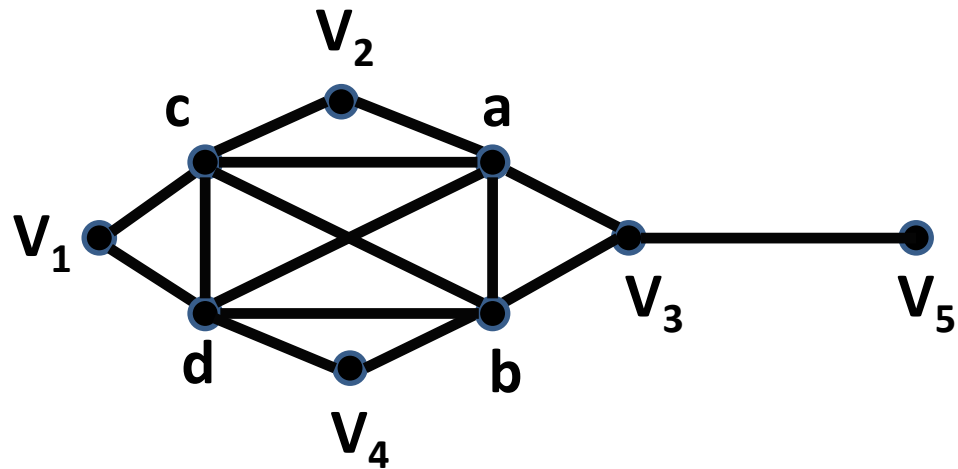
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Case 1: $\text{dist}_G(v_3, v_5) = 1$



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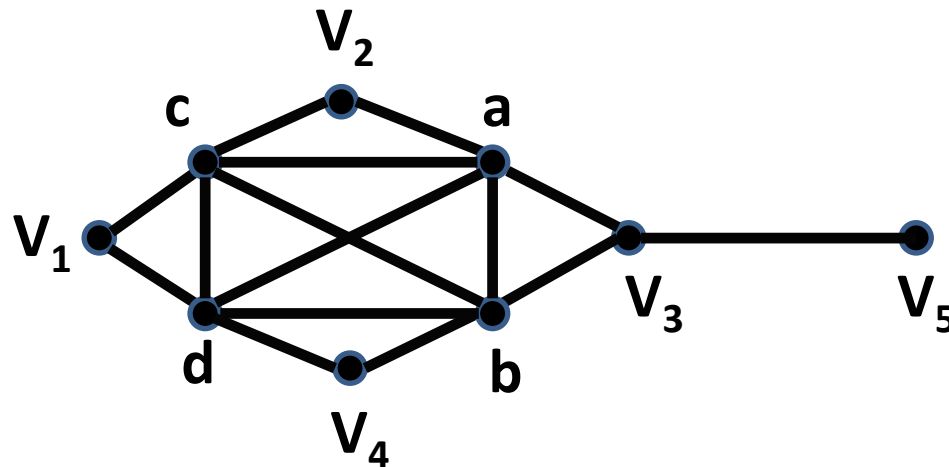
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Partial structure of G

$G := (P_6, \text{diamond} \cup \text{edge})\text{-free}$

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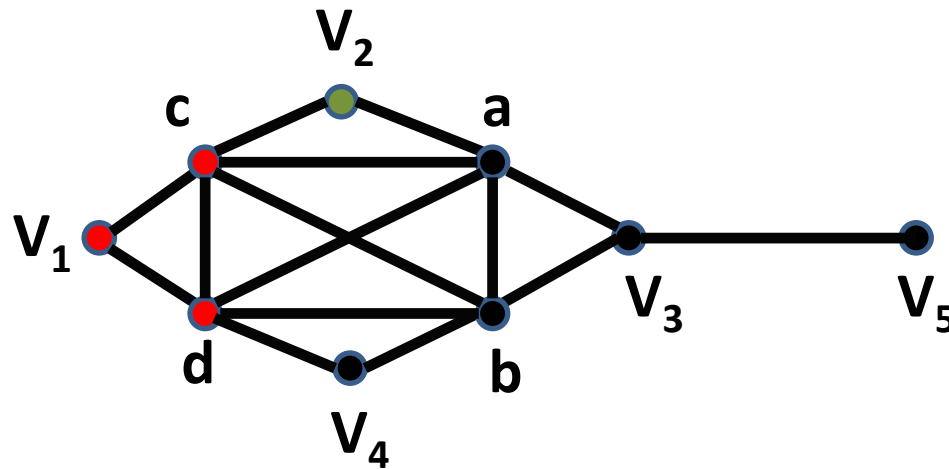


Claim 1: $v_2, v_4, a, b, c, d \notin D$

Assume the contrary

$G := (P_6, \text{diamond} \cup \text{path}_2)\text{-free}$

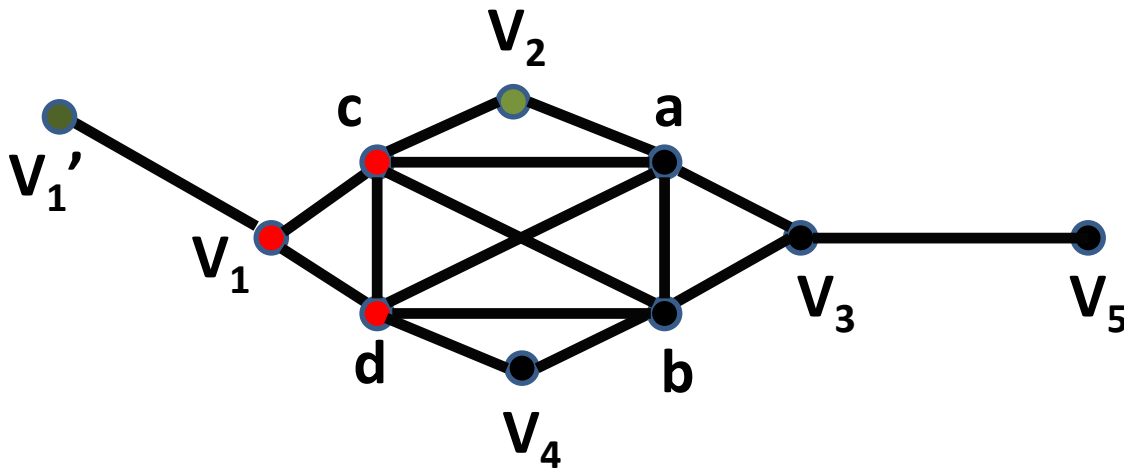
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Suppose $v_2 \in D$

$G := (P_6, \text{diamond})\text{-free}$

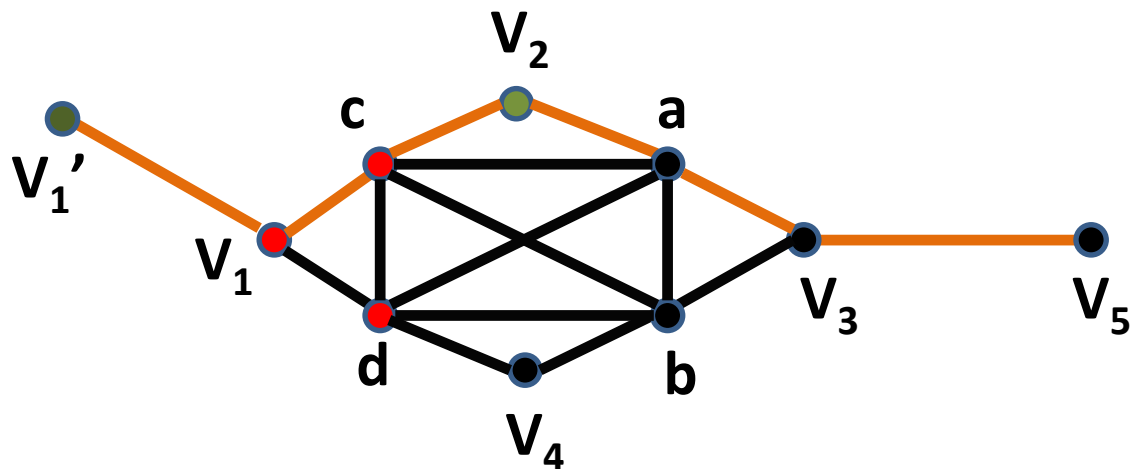
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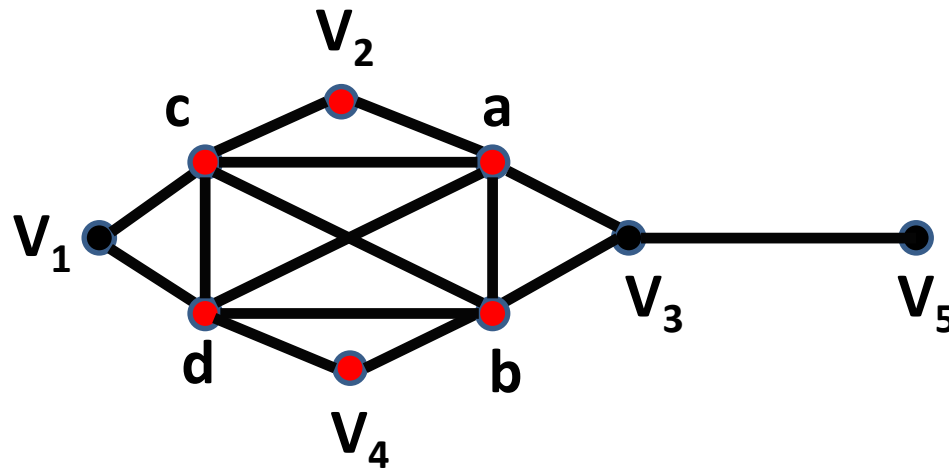
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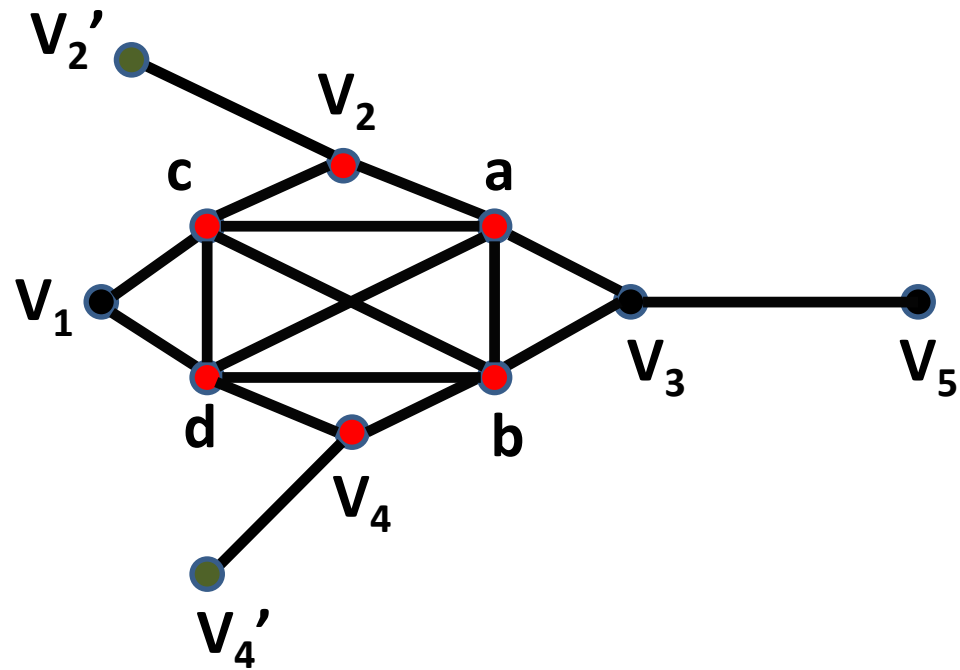
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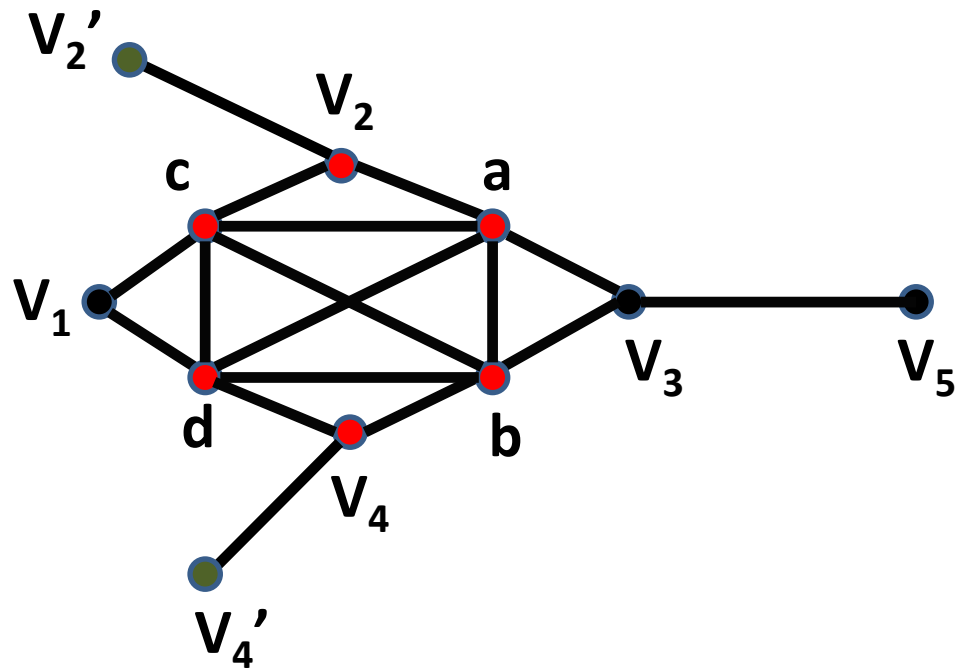
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$v_2' \neq v_4'$

$G := (P_6, \text{diamond} \text{ with tail})\text{-free}$

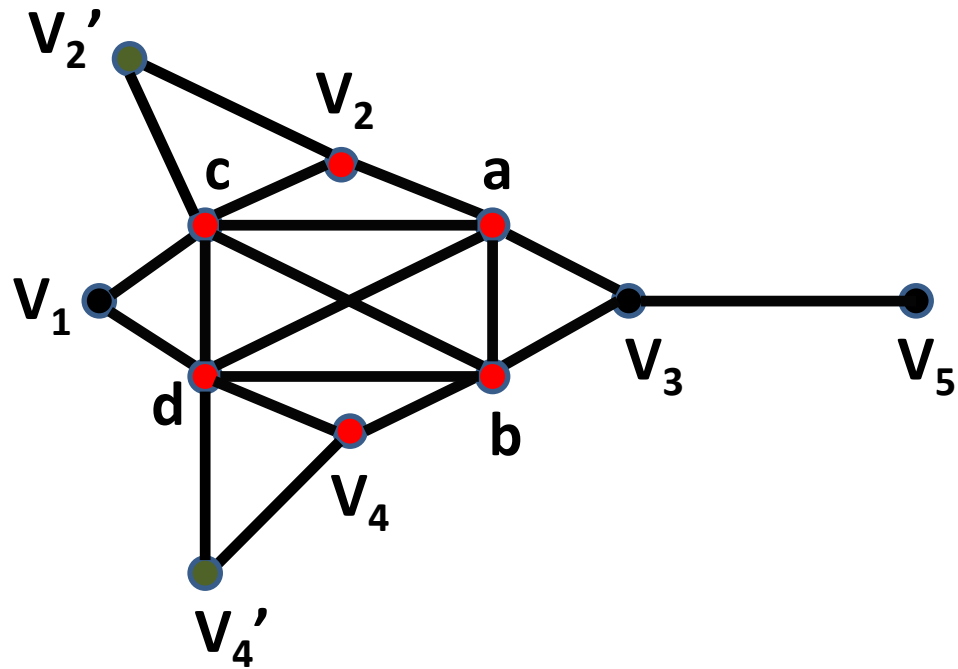
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Then $v_2'c, v_4'd \in E$

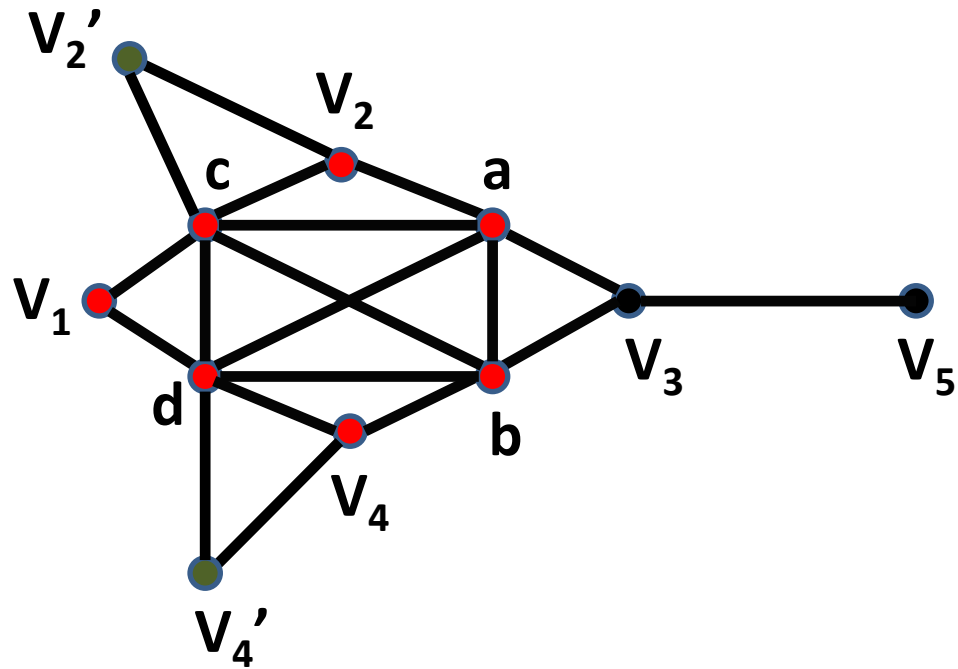
$G := (P_6, \text{diamond} \cup \text{path}_2)\text{-free}$

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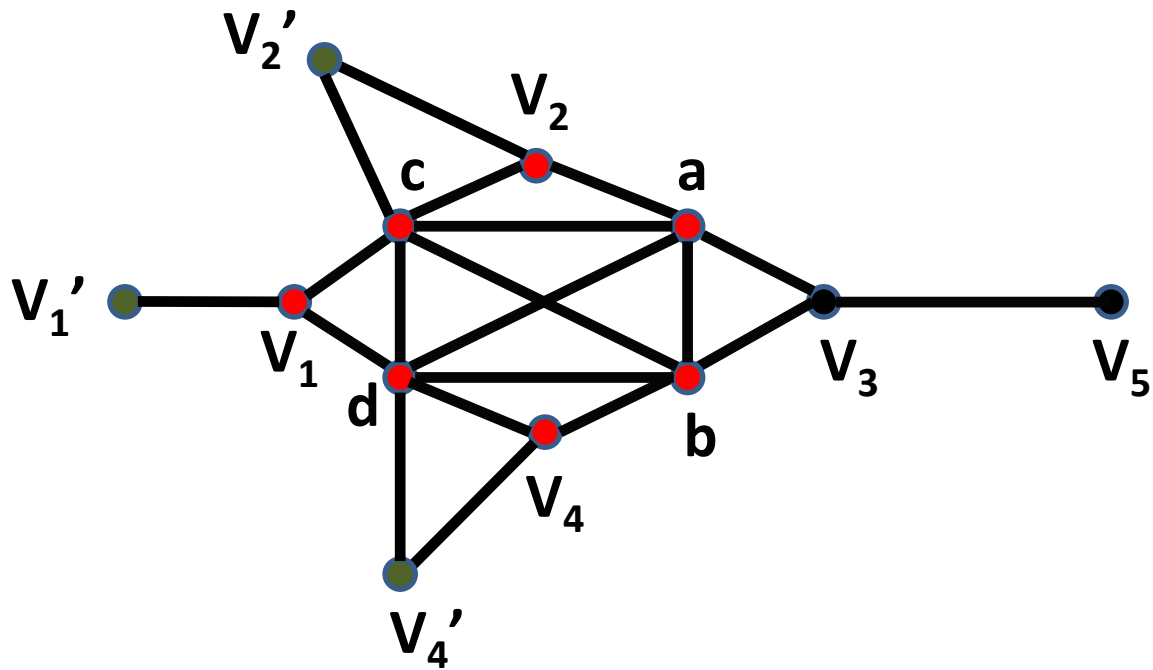
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$G := (P_6, \text{diamond} \cup \text{edge})$ -free

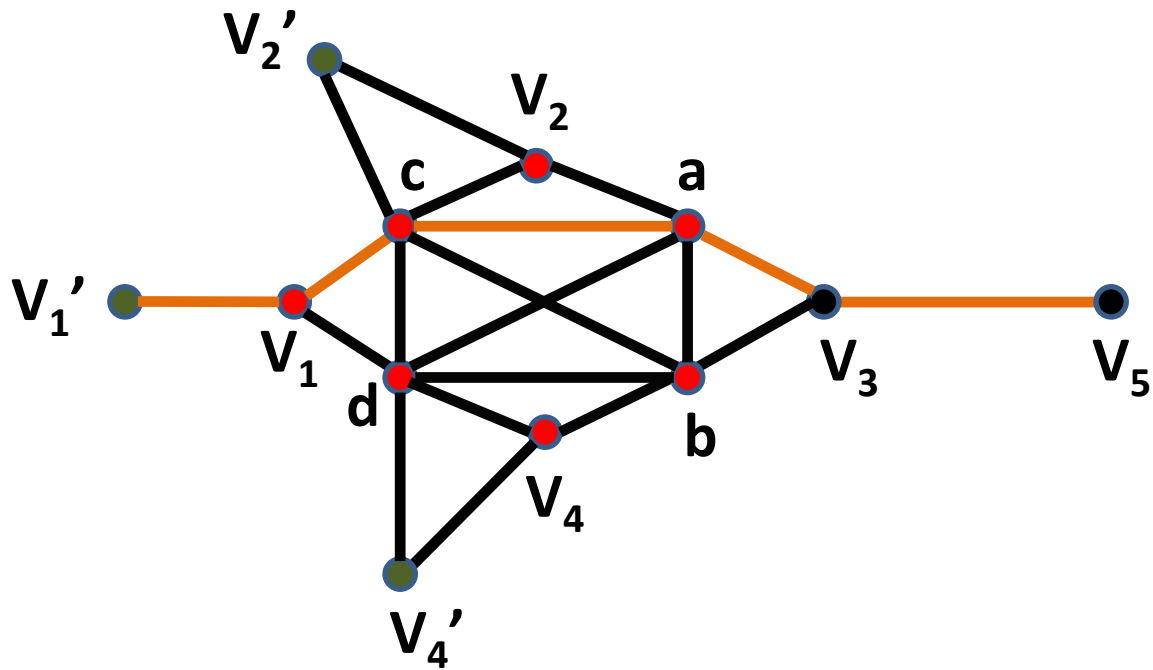
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$v_1' \neq v_2', v_4'$

$G := (P_6, \text{diamond})\text{-free}$

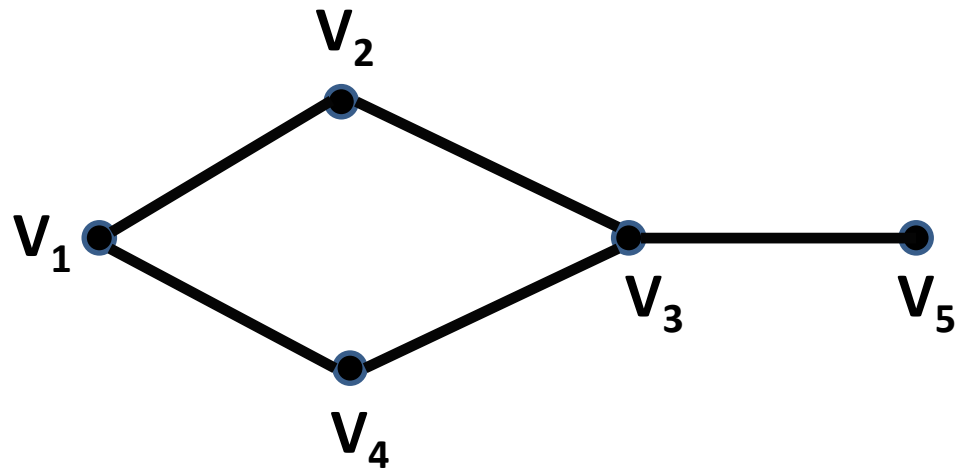
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$G := (P_6, \text{diamond})\text{-free}$

Case 2: $\text{dist}_G(v_3, v_5) = 2$



(P_6, banner) -free Graphs

WED can be solved in polynomial time

- Let G be a (P_6, banner) -free graph. If G has an EDS, then G^2 is (P_6, banner) -free.
- Karthick [15]: MWIS can be solved in polynomial time for (P_6, banner) -free graphs.
- So, the result follows by Theorem 1.

Conclusion

- The complexity of WED for P_6 -free graphs is unknown.
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- WED and MWIS remains NP-complete for banner-free graphs [24, 27].
- Showed that WED can be solved in polynomial time for (P_6, banner) -free graphs.
- Banner-free graphs include some well studied classes of graphs such as $K_{1,3}$ -free graphs, C_4 -free graphs, and P_4 -free graphs.

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