

Three more graph theory problems

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Three problems

- 1 Given:** A collection of workers, a collection of jobs, knowledge of which workers can perform which jobs

Task: Match up workers to jobs they can perform, *covering as many jobs as possible*

Graph: vertices are workers and jobs, edges join workers to jobs that the worker can perform
- 2 Given:** A chessboard and some dominoes

Task: Cover the board with dominoes, each one covering two adjacent squares, *covering as many squares as possible*

Graph: vertices are squares, edges join adjacent squares
- 3 Given:** The twelve disciples, and knowledge of which pairs of disciples work well together

Task: Send the disciples out in pairs, always utilizing pairs who work well together, *sending out as many pairs as possible*

Graph: vertices are disciples, edges join pairs who work well together