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Constructing the spectrum of packings and coverings for the complete graph with stars with up to five edges. (English) [Zbl 1339.05305](#)

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Summary: The packing and covering problems have been considered for several classes of graphs. For instance, *D. Bryant* and *D. Horsley* [*J. Comb. Theory, Ser. B* 98, No. 5, 1014–1037 (2008; [Zbl 1162.05037](#))] have investigated the packing problem for paths and cycles, and the packing and covering problems for 3-cubes. The packing and covering problems were settled for stars with up to six edges by *Y. Roditty* [*J. Comb. Theory, Ser. A* 35, 213–243 (1983; [Zbl 0521.05053](#)); *Int. J. Math. Math. Sci.* 9, 277–282 (1986; [Zbl 0608.05028](#)); *Ars Comb.* 19, 81–93 (1985; [Zbl 0578.05013](#)); *Ars Comb.* 35, 33–64 (1993; [Zbl 0796.05074](#))]. In this paper, for every possible leave graph (excess graph), we find a corresponding maximum packing (minimum covering) of the complete graph with stars with up to five edges.

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05C70 Edge subsets with special properties (factorization, matching, partitioning, covering and packing, etc.)

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