

**Exercise-set 4.**  
**Solutions**

1. Not possible; possible.
2.  $|V(G)| = \binom{8}{2} = 28$ ,  $\deg(v) = \binom{6}{2} = 15 \forall v \in V(G) \implies$  no Euler-circuit.
3.  $|V(G)| = 2^4 = 16$ ,  $\deg(v) = \binom{4}{2} = 6 \forall v \in V(G)$ , but  $G$  is not connected  $\implies$  no Euler-circuit.
4.  $|V(G)| = 2^n$ ,  $\deg(v) = n \forall v \in V(G)$ , and  $G$  is connected  $\implies \exists$  Euler-circuit if and only if  $n$  is even.
5. Construct a graph  $G$ :  $V(G) =$  children, and  $u$  and  $v$  are adjacent  $\iff$  not next to each other in the circle. This graph contains an Euler-circuit ( $\deg(v) = 8 \forall v \in V(G)$ , connected). Most number of passes = length of an Euler-circuit =  $|E(G)| = 40$ .
6. Construct a graph  $G$ :  $V(G) =$  digits =  $\{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$ , and  $u$  and  $v$  are adjacent  $\iff u + v \neq 9$ . This graph contains an Euler-circuit ( $\deg(v) = 8 \forall v \in V(G)$ , connected)  $\iff \exists n$ .
7. There are 8 vertices of odd degree  $\implies 8/2 - 1 = 3$  climb-ups are needed .
8. a) Add  $k$  new edges ( $\implies \exists$  Euler-circuit), then delete them.  
b) No: each trail eliminates  $\leq 2$  odd degrees from  $G$ .
9. 4 vertices have odd degrees, and not all of them are adjacent  $\implies 1$  edge is enough.
10. Equivalently: at least how many edges have to be deleted, s.t. the remaining graph contains an Euler-trail? At least 2 ( $\exists$  6 vertices of odd degree in  $G$ )  $\implies$  length of a trail =  $|E(G)| - 2 = 2 \cdot 4 + 5 \cdot 5 - 2 = 31$ .
11. Yes: connected, and each degree is even.
12. There can be at most 2 components  $\implies$  adding one edge can make it connected, and the degrees will be OK.
13. It's true for an Euler circuit, and each component of  $G$  contains one.
14. A circuit passes from  $S$  to the complement of  $S$  and back an even number of times.
15. Yes.
16. a) False (if we delete a cycle component).  
b) True: connected and the degrees are even.  
c) False,  $G'$  is not necessarily connected.
17. a) There is no Hamilton cycle: if we delete 4 vertices we get 5 components.  
There is a Hamilton path: draw.  
b) There is no Hamilton cycle: if we delete 2 vertices we get 3 components.  
There is a Hamilton path: draw.  
c) There is no Hamilton cycle: if we delete 4 vertices we get 5 components.  
There is a Hamilton path: draw.
18. a) Yes (draw); yes.  
b) No (delete 11 vertices); yes (draw).
19. a) No (delete the 9 vertices divisible by 3 or 5).  
b) No as well.
20. Yes, we can construct it recursively from  $n = 2$ .
21. a) If we delete 2 vertices we get 3 components  $\implies$  need to add at least 1 edge. That is enough (draw).  
b) If we delete 2 vertices we get 4 components  $\implies$  need to add at least 2 edges. That is enough (draw).
22. If we delete 1 vertex (the center) we get 100 components  $\implies$  need to add at least 99 edges. That is enough (path).

23. a) Construct a graph  $G$ :  $V(G) =$  squares, and the edges are the possible moves of the horse. This graph contains no Hamilton path: if we delete the 4 middle vertices we get 6 components.
- b) Construct a graph  $G$ :  $V(G) =$  squares, and the edges are the possible moves of the horse. This graph contains no Hamilton cycle: if we delete the 12 vertices we get 13 components.
24. By contradiction: if  $C$  doesn't contain all the vertices of  $G$ , then we could get a longer cycle.