## Exercise-set 5. Solutions

- 1. Not possible; possible.
- 2.  $|V(G)| = {8 \choose 2} = 28$ ,  $\deg(v) = {6 \choose 2} = 15 \ \forall v \in V(G) \implies$  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  $\Longrightarrow$  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
- 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  $(\deg(v) = 8 \ \forall v \in V(G), \text{ connected})$ . Most number of passes = length of an Euler-circuit = |E(G)| = 40.
- 6. Construct a graph  $G: V(G) = \text{digits} = \{0, 1, \dots, 9\}$ , and u and v are adjacent  $\iff u + v \neq 9$ . This graph contains an Euler-circuit  $(\deg(v) = 8 \ \forall v \in V(G), \text{ connected}) \iff \exists n$ .
- 7. a) Add k new edges ( $\Longrightarrow \exists$  Euler-circuit), then delete them.
  - b) No: each trail eliminates  $\leq 2$  odd degrees from G.
- 8. 4 vertices have odd degrees, and not all of them are adjacent  $\implies$  1 edge is enough.
- 9. Yes: connected, and each degree is even.
- 10. There can be at most 2 components ⇒ adding one edge can make it connected, and the degrees will be OK.
- 11. A circuit passes from S to the complement of S and back an even number of times.
- 12. Yes (delete e and f).
- 13. a) False (if we delete a cycle component).
  - b) True: connected and the degrees are even.
  - c) False, G' is not necessarily connected.
- 14. 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.

- 15. a) Yes (draw); yes.
  - b) No (delete 11 vertices); yes (draw).
- 16. a) No (delete the 9 vertices divisible by 3 or 5).
  - b) No as well.
- 17. Yes, we can construct it recursively from n=2.
- 18. 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).
- 19. If we delete 1 vertex (the center) we get 100 components  $\Longrightarrow$  need to add at least 99 edges. That is enough (path).
- 20. 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.
- 21. By contradiction: if C doesn't contain all the vertices of G, then we could get a longer cycle.

- 22. Construct a graph G: V(G) = people, and the edges are the acquaintances. Then  $\deg(v) \ge 6 = 12/2$   $\implies$  by Dirac's theorem  $\exists$  a Hamilton cycle.
- 23. The condition in Ore's theorem holds for  $G \Longrightarrow \exists$  a Hamilton cycle.
- 24. Construct a graph G: V(G) = people, and the edges are the acquaintances. G is k-regular for some k. If  $k \ge 10 \Longrightarrow G$  contains a Hamilton cycle, if  $k \le 9 \Longrightarrow \overline{G}$  contains a Hamilton cycle.
- 25. Construct a graph G: V(G) = people, and the edges are the acquaintances. Then G contains no cycles of length 3 or 4. We need to show that  $\exists$  a Hamilton cycle in  $G_1$ , where  $G_1$  is obtained from G by adding edges between the second neighbors, i.e. and u and v are adjacent in  $G_1 \iff \text{the 2}$  people know each other or they have a common friend. Then  $\deg_{G_1}(v) \geq 5 + 5 \cdot 4 = 25$  (using the property of G)  $\implies$  by Dirac's theorem  $\exists$  a Hamilton cycle in  $G_1$ .
- 26. a) A cycle on n vertices is like that (check). b) E.g.  $K_7$  with the edge  $\{u, v\}$  missing and the 8th vertex is connected to u.
- 27. Add a new vertex to G, and connect it to all the old vertices. Then the new graph contains a Hamilton cycle from which we can get a Hamilton path of G.
- 28. Delete v from G. Then the new graph contains a Hamilton cycle from which we can get a Hamilton path of G.
- 29. The 8 edges must have pairwise no common endpoints (i.e. be independent). Every second edge of a Hamilton cycle will do (which exists because  $deg(v) \ge n/2 \ \forall v$ ).
- 30. We can add the edges of a Hamilton cycle of  $\overline{G}$ .
- 31. Need to add k pairwise non-adjacent edges (from  $\overline{G}$ ).  $\overline{G}$  contains a Hamilton cycle ( $\deg_{\overline{G}}(v) = k, \forall v \in V(G)$ ). Every second edge of it will do.