Combinatorics and Graph Theory 1.

## Exercise-set 4. Solutions

- 1. There are 36 minimum weight spanning trees of weight 19.
- 2. There are 99! minimum weight spanning trees of weight  $2 + 3 + \cdots + 100 = 5049$ .
- 3. The weight of a minimum weight spanning tree is 150.
- 4.
- 5. By Kruskal's algorithm: the other edges of C can be selected before e.
- 6. Not possible; possible.
- 7. a)  $|V(G)| = \binom{8}{2} = 28$ ,  $\deg(v) = \binom{6}{2} = 15 \ \forall v \in V(G) \implies$  no Euler-circuit. b)  $|V(G)| = \binom{6}{3} = 20$ ,  $\deg(v) = 1 + \binom{3}{2} \cdot \binom{3}{1} = 10 \ \forall v \in V(G)$ , and G is connected  $\implies \exists$  Euler-circuit.
- 8.  $|V(G)| = 2^4 = 16$ ,  $\deg(v) = \binom{4}{2} = 6 \ \forall v \in V(G)$ , but G is not connected  $\Longrightarrow$  no Euler-circuit.
- 9. 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)| = 44.
- 10. 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  $\forall v \in V(G)$ , connected)  $\iff \exists n$ .
- 11. Construct a graph G: V(G) = letters, and u and v are adjacent  $\iff$  can stand next to each other. This graph contains an Euler-circuit (deg(v) = 30 for vowels and deg(v) = 10 for consonants, connected). Length of the longest sequence of letters = length of an Euler-circuit + 1 =  $|E(G)|+1 = {\binom{10}{2}} + 10 \cdot 21 + 1 = 256$ .
- 12. a) Add k new edges ( $\implies \exists$  Euler-circuit), then delete them. b) No: each trail eliminates  $\leq 2$  odd degrees from G.
- 13. 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 =  $|E(G)| 2 = 2 \cdot 4 + 5 \cdot 5 2 = 31$ .
- 14. All the vertices have odd degrees, but at most 2 is possible for a trail  $\implies$  need to delete at least 4 edges. This is enough, if we delete 4 independent edges.
- 15. a), b) There can be at most 2 components  $\implies$  adding one edge can make it connected, and the degrees will be OK.
- 16. r = 1,2,3,4,5,7,9 NO; r = 6,8 YES (each degree is even + connected).
- 17. YES: both components contain 2 vertices of odd degree.
- 18. 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.
  d) There is no Hamilton cycle: if we delete 12 vertices we get 13 components. There is a Hamilton path: draw.
- 19. a) Yes (draw); yes.b) No (delete 11 vertices); yes (draw).
- 20. a) No (delete the 9 vertices divisible by 3 or 5).b) No as well.
- 21. a) If we delete 2 vertices we get 3 components ⇒ need to add at least 1 edge. That is enough (draw).
  b) If we delete 2 vertices we get 4 components ⇒ need to add at least 2 edges. That is enough

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- 22. If we delete 1 vertex (the center) we get 100 components  $\implies$  need to add at least 99 edges. That is enough (if we add a 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) The graph contains no Hamilton cycle: if we delete 12 vertices we get 13 components.
  c) No: if we delete 5 vertices we get 7 components.
- 24. There is no Hamilton cycle: if we delete 7 vertices we get 8 components.
- 25. No: if we delete 3 vertices we get 4 components.