Combinatorics and Graph Theory 1.

## Exercise-set 5. Solutions

- 1. 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.
- 2. The condition in Ore's theorem holds for  $G \Longrightarrow \exists$  a Hamilton cycle.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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  $G_1 \iff$  the 2 people know each other or they have a common friend. Then  $\deg_{G_1}(v) \ge 5 + 5 \cdot 4 = 25$  (using the property of G)  $\implies$  by Dirac's theorem  $\exists$  a Hamilton cycle in  $G_1$ .
- 5. a) A cycle on n vertices is like that (check).
  b) E.g. K<sub>7</sub> with the edge {u, v} missing and the 8th vertex is connected to u.
- 6. 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.
- 7. Add two new non-adjacent vertices to G, and connect them to all the old vertices. Then the new graph contains a Hamilton cycle from which we can get a Hamilton path of G by adding one edge.
- 8. Delete v from G. Then the new graph contains a Hamilton cycle from which we can get a Hamilton path of G.
- 9. 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  $\deg(v) \ge n/2 \ \forall v$ ).
- 10. We can add the edges of a Hamilton cycle of  $\overline{G}$ .
- 11. Need to add k pairwise non-adjacent edges (from  $\overline{G}$ ).  $\overline{G}$  contains a Hamilton cycle (deg<sub> $\overline{G}$ </sub>(v) = k,  $\forall v \in V(G)$ ). Every second edge of it will do.
- 12. Yes, it can be constructed recursively.
- 13. By contradiction: otherwise we could get a longer path.
- 14. The first graph is not bipartite (contains 5-cycles), but the second graph is.
- 15. Deleting 2 edges are enough, but less is not, since  $\exists$  2 edge-disjoint odd cycles in G.
- 16. The graph determined by the knights and attacks is bipartite (the two classes are to the white and black squares), and each of its degrees is at least  $2 \implies \exists$  a degree  $\geq 3$ .
- 17. Yes (the two classes of vertices are sequences with an even or odd number of 1's, resp.).
- 18. No (the complement contains a triangle).
- 19. The vertices cannot be divided into two classes (degrees).
- 20. Complete bipartite graphs are like that.
- 21. The graphs are exactly the odd cycles (so in particular n must be odd). G must contain an odd cycle (otherwise  $\chi(G') = 2$ ), and cannot contain more vertices or edges.
- 22.  $\omega(G) \ge 3 \implies \chi(G) \ge 3$ , and G can be colored with 3 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 3$ .
- 23.  $\omega(G) \ge 8$  (each row and column is a clique)  $\implies \chi(G) \ge 8$ , and G can be colored with 8 colors (colors are diagonal)  $\implies \chi(G) \le 8$ .
- 24. G is bipartite (the two classes of vertices are the even and odd numbers, resp.)  $\implies \chi(G) = 2$
- 25. a), b)  $\omega(G) \ge 3 \implies \chi(G) \ge 3$ , but G cannot be colored with 3 colors (proof!)  $\implies \chi(G) \ge 4$ . G can be colored with 4 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 4$ .

- 26.  $\omega(G) \ge 3 \implies \chi(G) \ge 3$ , but G cannot be colored with 3 colors (proof!)  $\implies \chi(G) \ge 4$ . G can be colored with 4 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 4$ .
- 27.  $\chi(G) \ge \lceil n/2 \rceil$  (at most 2 vertices can get the same color), and G can be colored with this many colors  $\implies \chi(G) \ge \lceil n/2 \rceil$ .
- 28.  $\omega(G) \ge 10$  (any 10 consecutive numbers form a clique)  $\implies \chi(G) \ge 10$ , and G can be colored with 10 colors (periodically)  $\implies \chi(G) \le 10$ .
- 29.  $\omega(G) \ge 5$  ({1, 8, 15, 22, 29} is a clique)  $\implies \chi(G) \ge 5$ , and G can be colored with 5 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 5$ .
- 30.  $\omega(G) \ge 11$  ({10, 11, ..., 20} is a clique)  $\implies \chi(G) \ge 11$ , and G can be colored with 11 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 11$ .
- 31.  $\omega(G) \ge 4$  (the powers of 2 form a clique)  $\implies \chi(G) \ge 4$ , and G can be colored with 4 colors (using the same color between consecutive powers of 2)  $\implies \chi(G) \le 4$ .
- 32.  $\omega(G) \ge 11$  (prime numbers and 1 form a clique)  $\implies \chi(G) \ge 11$ , and G can be colored with 11 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 11$ .
- 33. G is  $K_{10}$  with a perfect matching deleted.  $\omega(G) \ge 5 \implies \chi(G) \ge 5$ , and G can be colored with 5 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 5$ .
- 34.  $\omega(G) \ge 8 \implies \chi(G) \ge 8$ , and G can be colored with 8 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 8$ .
- 35.  $\omega(G) \ge 6 \implies \chi(G) \ge 6$ , and G can be colored with 6 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 6$ .
- 36.  $\omega(G) \ge 9 \implies \chi(G) \ge 9$ , and G can be colored with 9 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 9$ .
- 37.  $\omega(G) \ge 4 \implies \chi(G) \ge 4$ , and G can be colored with 4 colors  $\implies \chi(G) \le 4$ .
- 38.  $\chi(G) = 4$ . See exercise 27.
- 39. a) There must be at least one edge between any 2 color classes.b) Otherwise we could put all the vertices of a color class into other color classes.
- 40. A proper coloring of G can be given by pairs of colors from  $G_1$  and  $G_2$ .
- 41. Use the greedy coloring in the original (increasing) order of the vertices.
- 42. Order the vertices: first the exceptional ones, then the rest, and use the greedy coloring.
- 43. Use the greedy coloring in the decreasing order of the degrees.