

Exercise of Section 1.2

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1. (a) False. Consider $2k_2$.

(b) False. Consider P_4 .

(c) True. Use induction on the length ℓ of a closed trail W .

Basis step : $\ell = 3$. Clearly, a closed trail with length 3 is 3-cycle.

Induction step : $\ell > 3$. If W has no repeat vertex v , then we are done.

Otherwise, the edges E_i and vertices V_i between appearance of v (leaving one copy of v), and the remaining edges and vertices yields closed trails $\{W_i\}$ with length less than W . So by induction hypothesis, we are done.

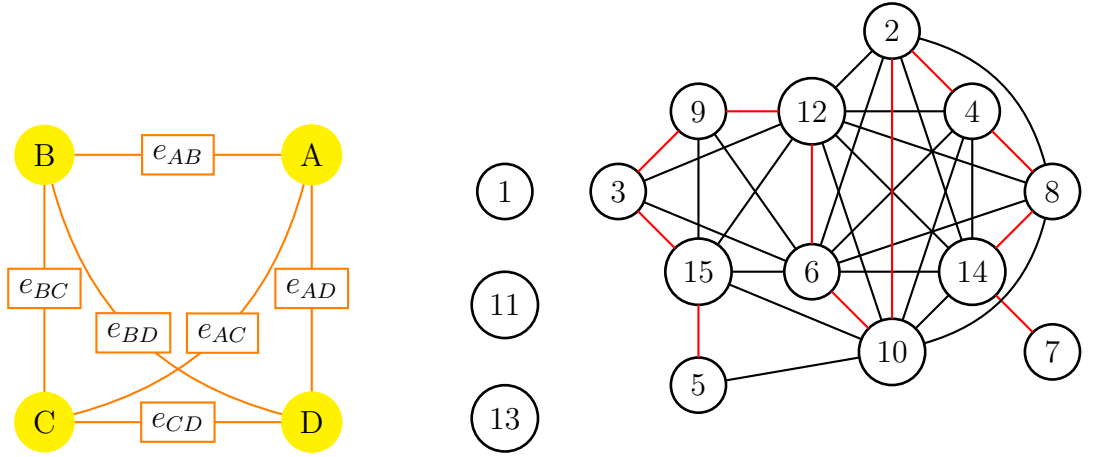
(d) False. Consider the graph 3-cycle, then the maximal trail is P_2 , but 3-cycle is 2-regular.

2. Label K_4 as below left.

(a) K_4 contains a walk that is not a trail. Consider the walk as $A, e_{AB}, B, e_{BC}, C, e_{CD}, D, e_{DA}, A, e_{AC}, C, e_{CB}, B, e_{BD}, D$

(b) K_4 contains a trail that is not a closed and is not a path. Consider the trail as $A, e_{AB}, B, e_{BC}, C, E_{CD}, D, E_{DA}, A, e_{AC}, C$

(c) Since each vertex has even degree in a closed trail, and K_4 is 3-regular, thus the closed trail is a connected 2-regular subgraph of K_4 . Hence the closed trail must be 3-cycle or 4-cycle.



3. By the graph above right, then we can find G has 4 components and the red line presents the maximum length of a path is 12.

Generally, consider the vertex set becomes $\{1, 2, \dots, n\}$, and obviously 1 is isolated vertex. Let G_i be the subgraph induced by $\{p_i, \dots, \lfloor n/p_i \rfloor p_i\}$ where p_i is prime number and less than n . Thus we have G_i and G_j are connected if and only if $V(G_i) > 1$ and $V(G_j) > 1$. Hence there are $k+2$ components where $k = |\{\lfloor n/p_i \rfloor p_i \mid \lfloor n/p_i \rfloor p_i = 1\}|$, and at least $k+1$ components are isolated vertex.

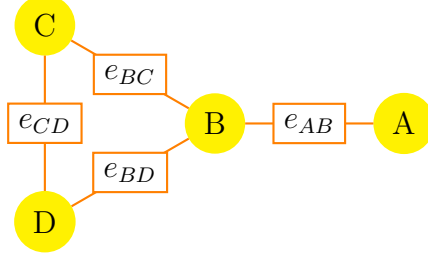
4. Let A and M be the adjacency and incidence matrix of G , v_t correspond to the t th row and t th column of A and correspond to the i th row of M , $e_k = v_t v_s$ correspond to the k th column of M . Assume $v_t A$ and $v_t M$ be the adjacency and incidence matrix of $G - v_t$ and $e_k A$ and $e_k M$ be the adjacency and incidence matrix of $G - e_k$. Thus

$$v_t A_{i,j} = \begin{cases} A_{i,j} & \text{if } i < t, j < t \\ A_{i+1,j} & \text{if } i \geq t, j < t \\ A_{i,j+1} & \text{if } i < t, j \geq t \\ A_{i+1,j+1} & \text{if } i \geq t, j \geq t \end{cases}$$

and $v_k M$ be M delete k th row and delete s th column for all v_s adjacent to v_k .

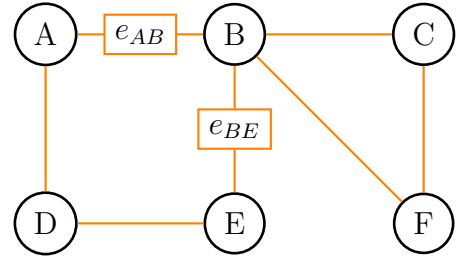
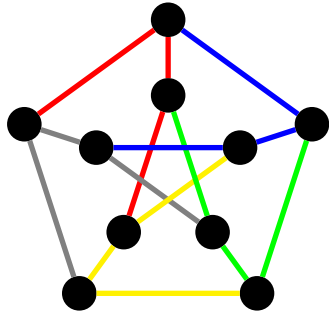
$$e_k A_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i = t, j = s \\ A_{i,j} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad e_k M_{i,j} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } (i, j) = (s, k), (t, k) \\ M_{i,j} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

5. Suppose there is a component, say H , has no neighbor of v , then there is no path u, v -path for all u in H . Hence G is not connected, contradiction.
6. The maximal path are $\{A, e_{AB}, B, e_{BC}, C, e_{CD}, D\}$, $\{A, e_{AB}, B, e_{BD}, D, e_{DC}, C\}$ and obviously they are both maximum path. The maximal clique is $\{A, B\}$ and $\{B, C, D\}$ and $\{B, C, D\}$ is also the maximum clique. The maximal independent set is $\{A, C\}$ and $\{A, D\}$ and both they are also the maximum clique.



7. *Necessity:* If G is not connected, then say G has components $\{G_i\}$ and all G_i are also bipartite. Assume G_i has bipartition A_i and B_i . Thus $\{A_i\}$ and $\{B_i\}$ is a bipartition, $\{B_1\} \cup \{A_i\} \setminus \{A_1\}$ and $\{A_1\} \cup \{B_i\} \setminus \{B_1\}$ is another bipartition. *Sufficiency:* If G is connected, fixed a vertex v and let a set $A = \{u_i\}$ where length of u_i, v -path is odd, and B collects the remaining vertex. If there exists $u, w \in A$ or B such that u, v are adjacent, then u, v -path, v, w -path and edge uv forms a closed odd walk. By *Lemma 1.2.15* and *Theorem 1.2.18* we have G is not bipartite, a contradiction. Hence this is a bipartition of G . If there exists another bipartition of G , assume the bipartite sets are C, D and $v \in C$. If there is $u \in A \cap C (u \in B \cap D)$, that means there exists odd(even) u, v path P . Let P induced by $v = v_0, v_1, \dots, u = v_{2k+1}(v_{2k})$, then easily we get v_{2i} must in D , that is $v \in D$, a contradiction. Since $V(G) = A \cup B = C \cup D$, so we have $A = C$ and $B = D$.
8. By *Theorem 1.2.16*, every vertex has even degree, then $K_{m,n}$ is Eulerian if and only if m and n are both even.
9. By definition, we have each open(closed) trail has are $2(0)$ vertices contribute

odd degree and the other vertices contribute even degree. Since Petersen graph has ten vertices and 3-regular, then It can be decompose into at least 5 trail and the graph below is an example which decompose into exactly 5 trail(path).



10. (a) True. By *Exercise 1.2.8*, we have $m = 2p, n = 2q$. Thus the number of edges is $mn/2 = 2pq$.
 (b) False. The graph above right is an counterexample.
11. False. The graph above right is an counterexample. Obviously, there is no Eulerian circuit C such that e_{BE} and e_{AB} appear consecutively.
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13. (a) Let w be the neighbor of u , then there exists w, v -walk of length $\ell - 1$, thus there by induction hypothesis there is w, v -path. Hence edge $uw + w, v$ -path forms u, v -path.
 (b) Consider shortest u, v -walk P in W , if P is not a path, there must exists repeats vertex t in P . But delete the edges and vertices between appearance of t (leaving one copy of t) will make a shorter path, hence P must be path.
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17. Let $v = (1, 2, \dots, n)$, for every vertex $u_0 = (i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{k-1}, i_k = 1, i_{k+1}, \dots, i_n)$, we interchange i_{k-1}, i_k to be $(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k = 1, i_{k-1}, i_{k+1}, \dots, i_{n-1}, i_n)$ thus repeat this process, we can make u become $u_1 = (1, i_1, i_2, \dots, i_{k-2}, i_{k-1}, i_{k+1}, \dots, i_{n-1}, i_n)$ That means there is u_0, u_1 -path. Now, by the same way as above, we can make u_2 become $u_2 = (1, 2, \dots,)$. So use the same method, we can make u_0 become v , thus there exists u_0, v -path, that means G_n is connected.
18. Let $v = (\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_k)$ and $u = (1, \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_{k-1})$, it is easy to see the vertex w with the same parity of "0" as $v(u)$, thus we have two vertices with the same parity of "0" are connected. But v, u are not connected, the G has exactly two components.
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20. Given p, q in $\overline{G} - v$, if p and q are in different components of $G - v$, then p adjacent to q . Otherwise, there exists a vertex r s.t. r and p in the different components, then p, r, q forms P_3 . So $\overline{G} - v$ is connected.
21. *Necessity:* Let v be the cut vertex of G , by *Exercise 1.2.20*, we have v is not cut vertex of \overline{G} . Suppose every vertex has degree at least 2, thus each component has at least 2 vertices. If we delete any vertex u other than v , for each two vertices $a, b \neq v$,
- if a, b in the different component of $G - v$, then a, b are adjacent in \overline{G} ;
 - if they are in the same component K , choose vertex c in the different from K , then a, c, b induced P_3 in \overline{G} ;
 - if a, v is not adjacent in G , then they are adjacent in \overline{G} ;
 - if a, v is adjacent in G , choose vertex c in the different component from a in, then a, c, v induced P_3 in \overline{G} ;

Hence \overline{G} has no cut vertex, so $\overline{G} \not\cong G$, contradiction.

Sufficiency: If G has a vertex u with degree 1, say v is u 's neighbor. Thus easily to see v is a cut vertex of G .

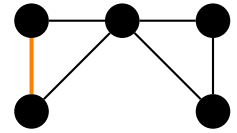
22. *Necessity:* If G has an partition A, B and for each two vertices $a_i \in A$ and $b_j \in B$ such that a_i and b_j are not adjacent, then G must be disconnected.

Sufficiency: If each partition A, B of G , there exist two vertices $a \in A$ and $b \in B$ such that a, b are adjacent, thus we only consider for two vertices $u \in A$ and $v \in B$ has u, v -path formed by u, a -path, edge ab and b, v -path, hence G is connected.

23. (a) True. Since simple connected graph G is not complete graph, then for each vertex v there exists v, u -path P with length 2, that P is P_3 .

- (b) False. The graph below is a counterexample, easy to see the orange edge

not belong to an induced subgraph isomorphic to P_3 .



24. *Remark:* I think we need G must be “connect”, otherwise $2K_2$ is a counterexample. So I will prove it under the condition that G is connected.

Let v be the vertex with the minimum degree and $\{u_i\}$ be neighborhood of v . If there exists another vertex w , then w must be adjacent some u_i , thus w, u_i, v induced P_3 . Otherwise u_i must be adjacent to u_j for $i \neq j$. Thus G is complete graph.

25. **induction on number of vertices:** Let n be the number of vertices.

Basis step : $n = 2$, trivial.

Induction step: Suppose $n = k - 1$ is hold, then we delete a vertex v of G , then of $G - v$ has $k - 1$ vertices and has no odd cycle. So by induction hypothesis, $G - v$ has partite sets A and B . Let u, w are neighbors of v , since u, v, w cannot induce 3-cycle, then we can put u, w into the same partite set, say A . Thus A and $v \cup B$ are both independent sets, hence G is bipartite graph.

induction on number of edges: Let m be the number of edges.

Basis step : $m = 0$, trivial.

Induction step: Suppose $m = k - 1$ is hold, then we delete a edge uv of G , then $G - uv$ has $k - 1$ edges and has no odd cycle. So by induction hypothesis, $G - uv$ has partite sets A and B . If u, v are in different partite set, then we are done. If u, v both in A (or B) and exist u, v -path, then u, v -path and edge uv induce odd cycle, contradiction. Otherwise u, v both in A (or B) and has no u, v -path, let

$$C = \{t \in V(G) \mid t, v\text{-path is odd or } t, u\text{-path is even.}\}$$

$$D = \{t \in V(G) \mid t, v\text{-path is even or } t, u\text{-path is odd.}\}$$

Thus C and D are both independent sets, hence G is bipartite graph.

26. *Necessity:* If G is bipartite and let A, B be its partite sets. For each supgraph H let $H_A(H_B) = H \cap A(B)$. Thus easy to see that both H_A, H_B independent and either $|V(H_A)|$ or $|V(H_B)|$ not less than $|V(H)|/2$.

Sufficiency: If G has a subgraph H isomorphic to odd cycle (say length $2k + 1$), then easily to see every independent set of H consist at most k vertices, a contradiction. Thus by *Theorem 1.2.18*, G is bipartite.

27. We use the hint to prove the following the statement.

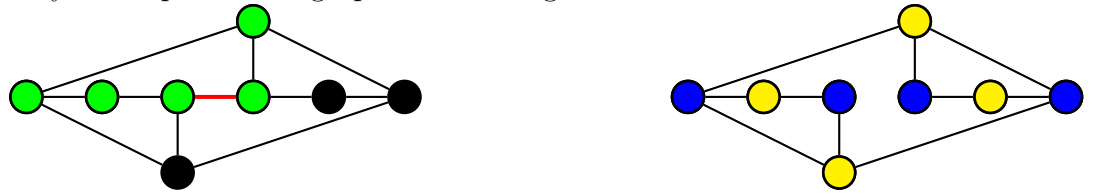
If two permutation are adjacent, then their inversion has different parity.

Let $\sigma_1 = (i_1, \dots, i_{k-1}, i_k = x, i_{k+1}, \dots, i_{m-1}, i_m = y, i_{m+1}, \dots, i_n)$ and $\sigma_2 = (i_1, \dots, i_{k-1}, i_m = y, i_{k+1}, \dots, i_{m-1}, i_k = x, i_{m+1}, \dots, i_n)$ For convenience, say $x < y$ and let ℓ be the number of $\{i_j \mid k < j < m, x < i_j < y\}$. Since switching x, y will increase(decrease) $2\ell + 1$ inversions, so we prove the statement above. If G_n contains odd cycle C_{2j+1} induced by $v_1, v_2, \dots, v_{2j+1}$, then by the statement

above we have v_1, v_{2j+1} have the same parity of inversions. But v_1, v_{2j+1} are adjacent, contradiction. Thus by *Theorem 1.2.18* we have G_n is bipartite.

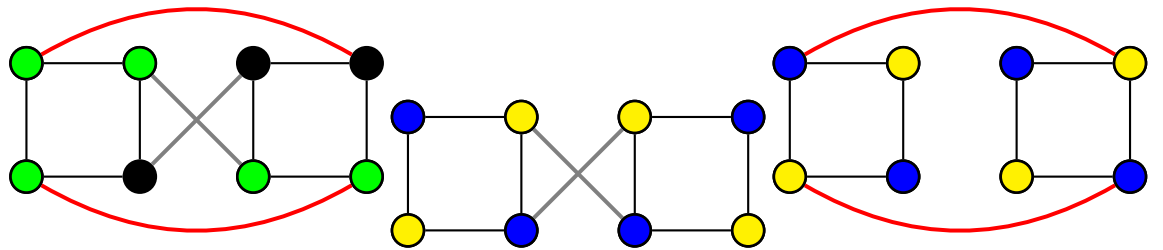
28. Since the green vertices of the graph G left below has induced 5-cycle, thus we must delete at least one edge to make it become bipartite. Thus delete the red edge of G such that it becomes graph G' right below. Since G' is 2-colorable, we have G' is bipartite.

If we delete other edge e , then $G - e$ must have induced 5-cycle, thus G' is the only one bipartite subgraph with 10 edges.



Since the green vertices of the graph H left below has induced 5-cycle, thus we must delete at least one edge to make it become bipartite. But it is easy to check for each edge e , $H - e$ still contains induced 5-cycle, hence we need to delete at least two edges. Thus delete the red edges of G such that it becomes graph H' middle below. Since H' is 2-colorable, we have H' is bipartite.

The graph right below is another one bipartite subgraph with the same edges as H' .



29. If G is not bipartite, then G has odd cycle C , thus C is either C_3 or contains P_4 as an induced subgraph, contradiction. Hence G is bipartite with partite sets A, B . Suppose $a \in A$ and $b \in B$ such that a, b are non-adjacent, since G is connected, there exists a, b -path $P = \{a, x, \dots, y, b\}$ where $x(y) \in B(A)$ that

$a, x(b, y)$ are adjacent. But P contains P_3 as induced subgraph, contradiction. Hence G must be biclique.

30. Use induction on k .

Basis step: $k = 1$, it's obviously.

Induction step: Suppose $k = r$ holds, for each entry i, j of A^{r+1}

$$A^{r+1}[i, j] = \sum_{k=1}^n A^r[i, k] \times A[k, j]$$

Since each v_i, v_j -walk can be decomposed into v_i, v_k -walk and edge v_k, v_j , by induction hypothesis $A^r[i, k]$ is the number of v_i, v_k -walk of length r , then $A^{r+1}[i, j]$ is indeed the number of v_i, v_j -walk of $r + 1$.

$$G \text{ is bipartite} \tag{1}$$

$$\iff G \text{ has no odd cycle} \tag{2}$$

$$\iff G \text{ has no odd closed walk} \tag{3}$$

$$\iff \text{the diagonal entries of } A^r \text{ is all 0, for each odd } r \tag{4}$$

(1) \iff (2) by *Theorem 1.2.18*. Since an odd cycle is also an odd walk, and by *Lemma 1.2.15* we have (2) \iff (3) Use the prove above, we have (3) \iff (4).

Hence we complete the proof.

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32. The true statement should be

Every “maximum” trail in a even graph “has at most one nontrivial component” is an Eulerian circuit.

Use *Theorem 1.2.26* we have the graph G is Eulerian, then G has an Eulerian circuit. But Eulerian circuit is a maximum trail (since it travels all edges), then every maximum trail T must contain all edges of G , thus by definition T is Eulerian circuit.

33. **induction on k:** Let the graph be G and v, u be the vertices with odd degree.

Basis step : $k = 1$ we add an edge $e = uv$, thus $G + e$ is even graph. By *Theorem 1.2.26*, G has an Eulerian circuit $C = \{v, \dots, \dots, u, e, v\}$, thus $\{v, \dots, \dots, u\}$ is a trail contains all edge of G .

Induction step : Suppose $k = r$ holds. If $k = r + 1$ then we add an edge $e = uv$, thus $G + e$ has $2r$ odd vertices. By induction hypothesis, $G + e$ can be decomposed into r trails, T_1, \dots, T_r and may assume trail T_1 contains e . But delete an edge of one trail can make it become two trails, thus say $T_1 - e$ become two trails T_{11}, T_{12} . Thus G is decomposed into the $r+1$ trails, $T_{11}, T_{12}, T_2, \dots, T_r$.

induction on the number of edges: Let m be the number of edges, the graph be G .

Basis step : $m = 1$, trivial, since $G = K_2$.

Induction step : Suppose $m = r$ holds, we consider $m = r + 1$.

(a) Suppose there exist some vertex v with degree 1 and say u as v 's neighbor, thus $G - v$ is connected and has r edges.

- If $\deg_G(u)$ is odd then $G - v$ contains $2(k - 1)$ odd vertices, thus by induction hypothesis, $G - v$ can be decomposed into $k - 1$ trails T_1, \dots, T_{k-1} , thus G can be decomposed into k trails, T_1, \dots, T_{k-1} and edge uv .
- If $\deg_G(u)$ is even then $G - v$ contains $2k$ odd vertices, thus by induction hypothesis, $G - v$ can be decomposed into k trails T_1, \dots, T_k . Since $\deg_{G-v}(u)$ is odd, thus u must be an endpoint of some trails. May assume u is an endpoint of T_1 , Thus add edge uv to T_1 , then G can be decomposed into k trails, $T_1 \cup \{uv\}, T_2, \dots, T_k$.

(b) Suppose each vertex has degree at least 2, by *Lemma 1.2.25*, G has a cycle C . Since G is connected and has odd vertices, there exists a vertex v in C

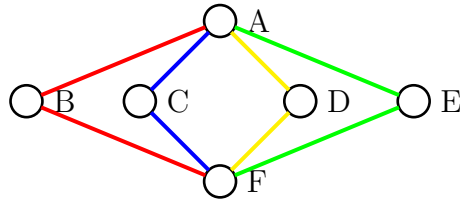
with degree at least 3. By *Theorem 1.2.14* edge $e = uv$ of this cycle is not cut-edge then $G - e$ is connected and has r edges.

- If both u, v are even vertex in G , then they are both odd in $G - e$, thus $G - e$ has $2(k + 1)$ odd vertices. By induction hypothesis, $G - e$ can be decomposed into $k + 1$ trails T_1, \dots, T_{k+1} . Since u, v are odd vertex in $G - e$, then u, v must be endpoint of some trails. If u, v are endpoints of distinct trails, say T_1, T_2 , thus $T_1 \cup T_2 \cup e$ is a trail. Hence G can be decomposed into k trails $T_1 \cup T_2 \cup e, T_3, \dots, T_{k+1}$. Otherwise u, v must be endpoints of the same trail, say T_1 . Since $\deg_{G-e}(v) \geq 2$, then v must be internal vertex of some T_i , say T_2 . Thus extend T_2 be T'_2 by replacing v, u -tail, T_1 , and u, e, v with v . then G can be decomposed into k trails, $T'_2, T_3, \dots, T_{k+1}$.
- If both u, v are odd vertex in G , then they are both even in $G - e$, thus $G - e$ has $2(k - 1)$ odd vertices. By induction hypothesis, $G - e$ can be decomposed into $k - 1$ trails T_1, \dots, T_{k-1} , thus G can be decomposed into k trails, T_1, \dots, T_{k-1} and edge uv .
- Otherwise, may assume u is even, then $G - e$ has $2k$ odd vertices, by induction hypothesis, $G - v$ can be decomposed into k trails T_1, \dots, T_k . Since $\deg_{G-e}(u)$ is odd, thus u must be an endpoint of some trails. May assume u is an endpoint of T_1 , Thus add edge uv to T_1 , then G can be decomposed into k trails, $T_1 \cup \{uv\}, T_2, \dots, T_k$.

Yes, it's true. Let G has components G_i and each G_i has $2k_i$ odd vertices, thus by prove above we have each G_i can be decomposed into k_i trails. Thus a graph G has $2 \sum k_i$ odd vertices can be decomposed into $\sum k_i$ trails.

34. Since B, C, D, E has degree 2, then the edges with the same color of any Eulerian circuit must appear consecutively. Then it is equivalent to count the ring

permutation of 4 colors, so we have $4!/4 = 6$ equivalent classes.



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37. Given u, v -path $P = \{u = p_0, p_1, \dots, p_n = v\}$ and v, w -path $Q = \{v = q_0, q_1, \dots, q_m = w\}$. Thus there exists u, v -walk $W = \{u = p_0, p_1, \dots, p_n = v = q_0, q_1, \dots, q_m = w\}$. Hence by *Lemma 1.2.5* there exists a u, w -path.

38. May assume G is connected and suppose there exists a smallest n such that n -vertex graph G with at least n edges but G has no cycle. That is for each $m < n$, m -vertex graph with at least m edges contains cycle. By *Theorem 1.2.14* each edge e is a cut-edge of G , thus $G - e$ has 2 components G_1, G_2 , n vertices and at least $n - 1$ edges. Clearly, G_i has no cycle. Let $|V(G_i)| = n_i$, if each G_i has at most $n_i - 1$ edges, then $G - e$ has at most $n_1 - 1 + n_2 - 1 = n - 2 < n - 1$ edges, contradiction. Thus may assume G_1 has at least n_1 edges, thus G_1 has cycle, contradiction. Hence G must have cycle.

39. Consider the maximal path $P = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$, thus all p_1 's neighbor must be in P , since P is not extendible. Thus assume p_k and p_m are neighbors of p_1 , where $k < m$. If p_1, \dots, p_k, p_1 is not even cycle, then either $p_1, \dots, p_m, p_{m-1}, \dots, p_k, p_{k-1}, \dots, p_1$ or $p_1, \dots, p_m, p_{m-1}, \dots, p_k, p_1$ induced a even cycle.

40. Let $P(Q)$ consist $\{p_1, \dots, p_n\}(\{q_1, \dots, q_n\})$. Since G is connected and suppose P, Q has no common vertex, then we have there exists p_k, q_m -path R such that there is no p_i, q_j -path where $k < i$ or $k = i, m < j$.

- if $k < n/2$ and $m < n/2$, thus p_n, \dots, p_k, R and q_m, \dots, q_n induced a path of length at least $n - k + 1 + n - m > n$, contradiction.
- if $k < n/2$ and $m \geq n/2$, thus p_n, \dots, p_k, R and q_m, \dots, q_1 induced a path of length at least $n - k + 1 + m > n$, contradiction.
- if $k \geq n/2$ and $m < n/2$, thus p_1, \dots, p_k, R and q_m, \dots, q_n induced a path of length at least $k + n + 1 - m > n$, contradiction.
- if $k \geq n/2$ and $m \geq n/2$, thus p_1, \dots, p_k, R and $q_m, \dots, q_n, p_n, \dots, p_k, R$ and q_m, \dots, q_1 induced a path of length at least $k + 1 + n - m, n - k + 1 + m$. However one of $k + 1 + n - m, n - k + 1 + m$ must be greater than n , contradiction.

Hence P, Q must have a common vertex.

41. Consider the longest path $P = \{p_1, \dots, p_n\}$, thus all p_1 's neighbor must be in P , since P is not extendible. If there exists vertex $u \neq p_1, p_3$ which is p_2 's neighbor, then u 's neighbor must be in P , since P is not extendible. Thus $G - p_1, u$ is still connected and p_1, u has common neighbor p_2 . If there is such u , then all p_2 's neighbor must be in P . Thus $G - p_1, p_2$ is still connected and p_1, p_2 are adjacent.
42. Choose a vertex of maximum degree k , say v , and let u_1, \dots, u_k be v 's neighbors. Suppose there is another vertex w , since G is connected, then may assume w is adjacent to v_1 . For each $j > 1$, if u_j is not adjacent to u_1 , then w, u_1, v, u_j induce P_4 or C_4 . Hence u_1 has $k + 1$ neighbors $\{v, u_2, \dots, u_k, w\}$, a contradiction. So v must be adjacent to all other vertices.
43. Use induction on the number k of edges of connected simple graph G .
Basis step : $k = 2$. Obviously, a connected graph having 2 edges is P_3 .
Induction step : $k > 2$. Assume the claim is true for graph with even edges

less than G . Since delete an edge will increase at most one component, thus we delete edge uv of G . If $G - uv$ is still connected, then we delete an edge vw . If $G - uv$ is disconnected, since $G - uv$ has odd edges, then there is a component with odd edges. May assume v in this component with odd edges, then we delete an edge vw . Thus whether $G - uv - vw$ is connected or not, each component of $G - uv - vw$ has even edges. So by induction hypothesis, each component of $G - uv - vw$ can be decomposed into P_3 and u, v, w induced P_3 . Hence we are done.

No, consider the graph $2K_2$.