

Assignment 6

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Problem 1. *Cycles and Circuits.*

Solution. (a) I will use the theorem proven in class that a connected simple graph is Eulerian iff it has no vertices of odd degree.

Take a complete graph G' with $|V'| = 11$. It has $|E'| = \frac{|V'|(|V'|-1)}{2}$. So, $|E'| = 55$. This complete graph is Eulerian because every vertex is connected to 10 other vertices so every vertex has an even degree. Since G' is a complete graph, I can transform G' to G by removing 2 edges.

So I remove the 1st edge, say the edge was (u, v) . Now both u and v have an odd degree of 9. I must remove a 2nd edge. I either remove an edge that is adjacent to u or v , or I remove an edge not adjacent to u or v to achieve G .

In the case where I must remove an edge (v, w) that is adjacent to v , I now have vertices u and w that have an odd degree of 9. $|E'| = 53$ but the graph is not Eulerian. The case for an edge adjacent to u is symmetrical.

In the case where I must remove an edge w_i, w_j that is not adjacent to either u or v , I now have 4 vertices, u , v , w_i , and w_j that have an odd degree of 9. Again, $|E'| = 53$ but the graph is not Eulerian.

Thus G cannot be Eulerian.

(b) The idea here is similar to that in (a). A complete graph G' with $|V'| = 11$ has a Hamiltonian Cycle because starting from any vertex, there is always an edge to any other unvisited vertex.

To get from G' to G , I must remove 2 edges. Either I remove 2 non-cycle edges or I remove at most 2 cycle edges.

In the case where I must remove 2 non-cycle edges, the original Hamiltonian Cycle from G' is still a Hamiltonian Cycle in G so G is a Hamiltonian Graph.

In the case where I must remove 2 cycle edges, there are two options. Either I removed two edges that share an endpoint vertex or I removed two edges that do not.

If I removed two edges (u_i, v) and (v, u_j) then I can rebuild the Hamiltonian cycle by removing some non-adjacent edge (u_k, u_l) and adding (u_i, u_j) , (v, u_k) and (v, u_l) , all of which exist because they were not the edges removed from the complete graph G' . This graph contains a Hamiltonian cycle.

If I removed two edges (u_i, v_i) and (u_j, v_i) such that a path still exists on the cycle from v_i to u_j then I can rebuild the Hamiltonian cycle by adding (u_i, u_j) and (v_i, v_j) . This graph contains a Hamiltonian cycle.

Thus G must be Hamiltonian.

Problem 2. *Trees.*

Solution. For this problem I assume that a path consists of edges and the vertices they connect so two paths intersect if they share at least one vertex, but not necessarily any edges.

Proof by induction.

In a tree of consisting of 1 node, the longest "path" is the single node. So the two longest paths must intersect the single node.

I assume that the two longest paths must intersect on a tree T' of n nodes.

I can take a tree T with $n + 1$ nodes and remove a leaf node to create T' .

I assumed that in T' the two longest paths must intersect.

In order to get back to T , I must add back the node I removed. So I either add a child node to a leaf node or I add a leaf node to a parent node.

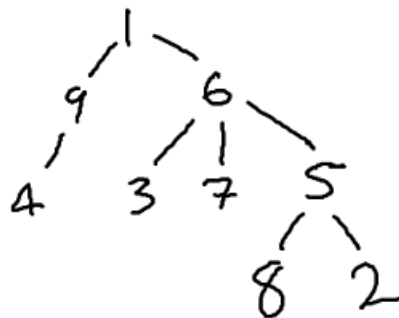
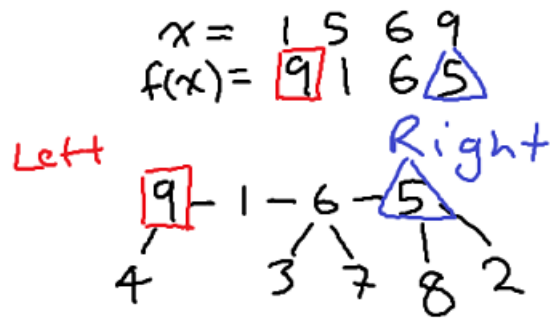
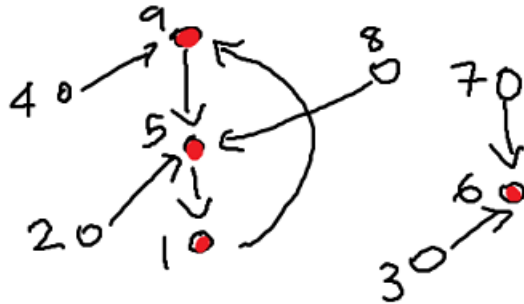
If I add another leaf node v to an existing parent node u , the new set of maximum length paths might include a path that begins at v if the children of u were leaf nodes that were in the set of maximum length paths. All the previous maximum length paths passed through u and the new maximum length path that begins at v also passes through u . So all the maximum length paths intersect at u . If the new set of maximum length paths do not include a path through v then the maximum length paths in T are identical as in T' .

If I add a child node v to an existing leaf node u , the diameter of T may or may not increase from that of T' . If it does increase, then all the new maximum length paths must include v so all new maximum length paths must intersect at least at v and u . If the diameter does not increase then the maximum length paths in T are identical as in T' .

Problem 3. *Joyal Codes.*

Solution. (a)

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc} f(x) = & \boxed{9} & 5 & 6 & 9 & \boxed{1} & \boxed{6} & 6 & 5 & \boxed{5} \\ x = & \boxed{1} & 2 & 3 & 4 & \boxed{5} & \boxed{6} & 7 & 8 & \boxed{9} \end{array}$$



(b) The path from left to right is 4852 which I add to the table in order,

f(x)	4	8	5	2
x	2	4	5	8

And then I add the remaining nodes,

f(x)	8	4	5	8	5	4	2	2	4
x	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

So the code is 845854224.